

CLOSED BALLS INCLUDED IN THE INVERTED MULTIBROT AND MULTICORN SETS

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ABSTRACT. The aim of this article is to compute a radius of a closed ball included in the Inverted Multibrot and Multicorn sets. More exactly, for $w \in \mathbb{C}^*$ a complex solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ we compute $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(w, r)$ is included in the Inverted Multibrot set \mathcal{N}_k of the the function $z^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ for every $k \geq 2$ and for $w \in \mathbb{C}^*$ a complex solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ we compute $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(w, r)$ is included in the Inverted Multicorn set \mathcal{N}_k^* of the function $\overline{z}^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ for every $k \geq 2$.

1. INTRODUCTION

Dynamical systems generated by the iterations of the quadratic polynomial $z^2 + c$ were studied in [2] where it is proved that the well-known Mandelbrot set is connected. Mandelbrot set was naturally generalized, on one hand, to the Multibrot sets given by the iteration of the polynomial $z^d + c$, $d \geq 2$ and, on the other hand, to the Multicorn sets given by the iteration of the polynomials $\overline{z}^d + c$, $d \geq 2$. The intersections of the Multibrot set of $z^d + c$ with the rays \mathbb{R}_+w where $w^{d-1} = \pm 1$, $d \geq 2$, were given in [1], the exact intervals of the cross section of the Multibrot set of $z^d + c$, $d \geq 3$, d odd, were given in ([6], [7]) and the exact intervals of the cross section of the Multibrot set of $z^d + c$, $d \geq 2$, d even, were given in ([8]). About the Multicorn sets, we can say that the intersections of the Multicorn set of $\overline{z}^d + c$ with the rays \mathbb{R}_+w where $w^{d+1} = \pm 1$, $d \geq 2$ were given in [11]. The connectedness of the Tricorn (particular case of Multicorn) given by the functions $\overline{z}^2 + c$ was proven in [5].

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For $\omega \in \mathbb{C}^*$ a complex solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ we calculate in [3] a radius $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(\omega, r)$ is included in the Multibrot of $z^k + c$ for every $k \geq 2$. Moreover, for $\omega \in \mathbb{C}^*$ a complex solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ we also calculate in [3] a radius $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(\omega, r)$ is included in the Multicorn of $\overline{z}^k + c$ for every $k \geq 2$.

In this paper we continue the work from [3] for the Inverted Multibrot and Multicorn sets. More exactly, for $\omega \in \mathbb{C}^*$ a complex solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ we calculate a radius $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(\omega, r)$ is included in the Inverted Multibrot of $z^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}$ for every $k \geq 2$ and for $\omega \in \mathbb{C}^*$ a complex solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ we calculate a radius $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(\omega, r)$ is included in the Inverted Multicorn of $\overline{z}^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}$ for every $k \geq 2$.

We recall now that the Inverted Mandelbrot sets were also studied in [9] and we have the following well-known definitions.

Definition 1.1. Let $f_c(z) = z^k + \frac{1}{c}$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $k \geq 2$. The *Inverted Multibrot set* is defined by

$$\mathcal{N}_k = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{f_c^k(0)\}_{k \geq 1} \text{ is bounded}\} = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{f_c^k(0)\}_k \not\stackrel{k \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} \infty\}$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathcal{N}_k = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{R_n\}_{n \geq 1} \text{ is bounded}\} = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{R_n\}_{n \geq 1} \not\stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} \infty\}$$

where the sequence of complex numbers $(R_n)_{n \geq 1}$ from above is satisfying the recurrence $R_{n+1} = R_n^k + \frac{1}{c}$ for every $n \geq 1$ with $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$ (for $k = 2$ we obtain the Inverted Mandelbrot set \mathcal{N}_2).

Definition 1.2. Let $f_c(z) = \overline{z}^k + \frac{1}{c}$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $k \geq 2$. The *Inverted Multicorn set* is defined by

$$\mathcal{N}_k^* = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{f_c^k(0)\}_{k \geq 1} \text{ is bounded}\} = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{f_c^k(0)\}_k \not\stackrel{k \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} \infty\}$$

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$$\mathcal{N}_k^* = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{R_n\}_{n \geq 1} \text{ is bounded}\} = \{c \in \mathbb{C}^* \mid \{R_n\}_{n \geq 1} \not\stackrel{n \rightarrow \infty}{\rightarrow} \infty\}$$

where the sequence of complex numbers $(R_n)_{n \geq 1}$ from above is satisfying the recurrence $R_{n+1} = \overline{R_n}^k + \frac{1}{c}$ for every $n \geq 1$ with $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$.

b). If $|R_4| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} < \frac{1}{R}$ then $|R_{2n}| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} < \frac{1}{R}$ for every $n \geq 2$.

Proof. a). From the hypothesis we obtain that $|c| \leq \alpha + 1$ and $\frac{1}{|c|} \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha}$. We denote by $C_n^k = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ for every $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$ and we have

$$\begin{aligned} |R_4| &= \left| R_3^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \left(R_2^k + \frac{1}{c} \right)^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \\ &= \left| \left(R_2^k \right)^k + C_k^1 \left(R_2^k \right)^{k-1} \left(\frac{1}{c} \right) + C_k^2 \left(R_2^k \right)^{k-2} \left(\frac{1}{c} \right)^2 + \dots + C_k^{k-1} R_2^k \left(\frac{1}{c} \right)^{k-1} + \frac{1}{c^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| \leq \\ &= \left| R_2^k \right|^k + C_k^1 \left| R_2^k \right|^{k-1} \frac{1}{|c|} + C_k^2 \left| R_2^k \right|^{k-2} \frac{1}{|c|^2} + \dots + C_k^{k-1} \left| R_2^k \right| \frac{1}{|c|^{k-1}} + \left| \frac{1}{c^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \\ &= \left(\left| R_2^k \right| + \frac{1}{|c|} \right)^k - \frac{1}{|c|^k} + \left| \frac{1}{c^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \\ &= \left(\left| R_2^k \right| \right) \left[\left(\left| R_2^k \right| + \frac{1}{|c|} \right)^{k-1} + \dots + \left(\left| R_2^k \right| + \frac{1}{|c|} \right) \frac{1}{|c|^{k-2}} + \frac{1}{|c|^{k-1}} \right] + \left| \frac{1}{c^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| < \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{R^k} \right) \left[\left(\frac{1}{R^k} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right)^{k-1} + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{R^k} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right) \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^{k-2}} + \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^{k-1}} \right] + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 1}{(1-\alpha)^k} = \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{R^k} \right) \left[\frac{\left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k - \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^k}}{\left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right) - \frac{1}{1-\alpha}} \right] + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 1}{(1-\alpha)^k} = \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} \end{aligned}$$

b). We have that $|R_4| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} < \frac{1}{R}$ is true by the assumption in the hypothesis. We suppose that $|R_{2n}| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} < \frac{1}{R}$ and we will prove by mathematical induction that $|R_{2n+2}| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} < \frac{1}{R}$. We have that

$$|R_{2n+2}| = \left| R_{2n+1}^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \left(R_{2n}^k + \frac{1}{c} \right)^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| < \frac{1}{R}$$

taking into consideration that $|R_{2n}^k| < \frac{1}{R^k}$ and making the same computations as in point a) from above. Hence, by mathematical induction, we have that

$$|R_{2n}| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1} - 2}{(1-\alpha)^k} < \frac{1}{R}$$

for every $n \geq 2$. □

Lemma 2.3. For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $n \geq 2$ and $x, a \in \mathbb{C}$ we have $x^n = (x-a)^n + C_n^1 a(x-a)^{n-1} + C_n^2 a^2(x-a)^{n-2} + \dots + C_n^{n-1} a^{n-1}(x-a) + a^n$ where $C_n^k = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ for every $k = 0, 1, \dots, n$.

Proof. For $n = 2$ we have $x^2 = (x-a)^2 + 2a(x-a) + a^2 = x^2 - 2ax + a^2 + 2ax - 2a^2 + a^2 = x^2$. We suppose now that

$$x^n = (x-a)^n + C_n^1 a(x-a)^{n-1} + C_n^2 a^2(x-a)^{n-2} + \dots + C_n^{n-1} a^{n-1}(x-a) + a^n$$

and we prove, by mathematical induction, that

$$x^{n+1} = (x - a)^{n+1} + C_{n+1}^1 a(x - a)^n + C_{n+1}^2 a^2(x - a)^{n-1} + \dots + C_{n+1}^n a^n(x - a) + a^{n+1}$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} x^{n+1} &= x \cdot x^n = x [(x - a)^n + C_n^1 a(x - a)^{n-1} + \dots + C_n^{n-1} a^{n-1}(x - a) + a^n] = \\ &(x - a + a) [(x - a)^n + C_n^1 a(x - a)^{n-1} + \dots + C_n^{n-1} a^{n-1}(x - a) + a^n] = \\ &(x - a)^{n+1} + C_n^1 a(x - a)^n + \dots + C_n^{n-1} a^{n-1}(x - a)^2 + a^n(x - a) + \\ &a(x - a)^n + C_n^1 a^2(x - a)^{n-1} + \dots + C_n^{n-1} a^n(x - a) + a^{n+1} = \\ &(x - a)^{n+1} + (C_n^1 + C_n^0) a(x - a)^n + (C_n^2 + C_n^1) a^2(x - a)^{n-1} + \dots + \\ &(C_n^{n-1} + C_n^{n-2}) a^{n-1}(x - a)^2 + (C_n^n + C_n^{n-1}) a^n(x - a) + a^{n+1} = \\ &(x - a)^{n+1} + C_{n+1}^1 a(x - a)^n + \dots + C_{n+1}^n a^n(x - a) + a^{n+1} \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 2.4. *Let $k \geq 4$ and the recurrence $R_{n+1} = \overline{R_n}^k + \frac{1}{c}$ be satisfied for every $n \geq 1$ where $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$. We suppose that $|c - w| \leq \alpha$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$. Then $|R_2| \leq \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}}$.*

Proof. i). Let $k = 2p \geq 4$, w be a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = z^{2p+1} = -1$ and $|c - w| \leq \alpha$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Then $|c| \leq \alpha + 1$, $\frac{1}{|c|} \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha}$, $|w| = 1$, $w^{k^2} = (w^{2p})^{2p} = (-\frac{1}{w})^{2p} = \frac{1}{w^{2p}} = -w$, $\overline{c - w} = \overline{c} - \overline{w} = \overline{c} - (-w^{2p}) = \overline{c} + w^{2p}$ and thus $|c - w| = |\overline{c} - \overline{w}| = |\overline{c} + w^{2p}| \leq \alpha$. Hence we obtain the following

$$\begin{aligned} |R_2| &= \left| \overline{R_1}^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^{2p}} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \frac{|\overline{c}^{2p} + c|}{|c|^{2p+1}} = \\ &\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+1}} \right) \left| (\overline{c} + w^{2p})^{2p} + \dots + C_{2p}^{2p-1} (-1)^{2p-1} (w^{2p})^{2p-1} (\overline{c} + w^{2p}) - w + c \right| \leq \\ &\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+1}} \right) \left[|\overline{c} + w^{2p}|^{2p} + C_{2p}^1 |\overline{c} + w^{2p}|^{2p-1} + \dots + C_{2p}^{2p-1} |\overline{c} + w^{2p}| + |c - w| \right] = \\ &\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+1}} \right) \left[(|\overline{c} + w^{2p}| + 1)^{2p} - 1 + |c - w| \right] = \\ &\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+1}} \right) \left\{ (|\overline{c} + w^{2p}|) \left[(|\overline{c} + w^{2p}| + 1)^{2p-1} + \dots + (|\overline{c} + w^{2p}| + 1) + 1 \right] + |c - w| \right\} \leq \\ &\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^{2p+1}} \left\{ \alpha \left[(\alpha + 1)^{2p-1} + \dots + (\alpha + 1) + 1 \right] + \alpha \right\} = \\ &\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^{2p+1}} \left[\alpha \frac{(\alpha+1)^{2p} - 1}{(\alpha+1) - 1} + \alpha \right] = \frac{(\alpha+1)^{2p} - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{2p+1}} = \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} \end{aligned}$$

ii). Let $k = 2p + 1 \geq 5$, w be a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = z^{2p+2} = -1$ and $|c - w| \leq \alpha$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Then $|c| \leq \alpha + 1$, $\frac{1}{|c|} \leq \frac{1}{1-\alpha}$, $|w| = 1$, $w^{k^2} = (w^{2p+1})^{2p+1} = (-\frac{1}{w})^{2p+1} = -\frac{1}{w^{2p}} = -(-w) = w$, $\overline{c - w} = \overline{c} - \overline{w} = \overline{c} - (-w^{2p+1}) = \overline{c} + w^{2p+1}$ and thus $|c - w| = |\overline{c} - \overline{w}| = |\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}| \leq \alpha$. Hence we obtain the following

$$\begin{aligned}
|R_2| &= \left| \overline{R_1}^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^{2p+1}} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \frac{|\overline{c}^{2p+1} + c|}{|c|^{2p+2}} = \\
&\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+2}} \right) \left| (\overline{c} + w^{2p+1})^{2p+1} + \dots + C_{2p+1}^{2p} (-1)^{2p} (w^{2p+1})^{2p} (\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}) - w + c \right| \leq \\
&\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+2}} \right) \left[|\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}|^{2p+1} + C_{2p+1}^1 |\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}|^{2p} + \dots + C_{2p+1}^{2p} |\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}| + |c - w| \right] = \\
&\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+2}} \right) \left[(|\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}| + 1)^{2p+1} - 1 + |c - w| \right] = \\
&\left(\frac{1}{|c|^{2p+2}} \right) \left\{ (|\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}|) \left[(|\overline{c} + w^{2p+1}| + 1)^{2p} + \dots + 1 \right] + |c - w| \right\} \leq \\
&\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^{2p+2}} \left\{ \alpha \left[(\alpha + 1)^{2p} + \dots + (\alpha + 1) + 1 \right] + \alpha \right\} = \\
&\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^{2p+2}} \left[\alpha \frac{(\alpha+1)^{2p+1} - 1}{(\alpha+1) - 1} + \alpha \right] = \frac{(\alpha+1)^{2p+1} - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{2p+2}} = \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence we conclude that if w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ and $|c - w| \leq \alpha \in (0, 1)$ then $|R_2| \leq \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}}$ for every $k \geq 4$. \square

Lemma 2.5. *Let $k \geq 4$ and the recurrence $R_{n+1} = \overline{R_n}^k + \frac{1}{c}$ be satisfied for every $n \geq 1$ where $R_1 = c$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$. We suppose that $|c - w| \leq \alpha$ with $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$. In the hypothesis of Lemma 2.4 we suppose that there exists $R > 1$ such that $|R_2| \leq \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} < \frac{1}{R}$. Then:*

- a). $|R_4| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 2 + 2\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}}$.
- b). If $|R_4| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 2 + 2\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} < \frac{1}{R}$ then $|R_{2n}| \leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 2 + 2\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} < \frac{1}{R}$ for every $n \geq 2$.

Proof. a). We have that

$$\begin{aligned}
|R_4| &= \left| \overline{R_3}^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| (R_2^k + \frac{1}{\overline{c}})^k + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \\
&\left| (R_2^k)^k + C_k^1 (R_2^k)^{k-1} \left(\frac{1}{\overline{c}} \right) + \dots + C_k^{k-1} (R_2^k) \left(\frac{1}{\overline{c}} \right)^{k-1} + \frac{1}{\overline{c}^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| \leq \\
&|R_2^k|^k + C_k^1 |R_2^k|^{k-1} \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|} + C_k^2 |R_2^k|^{k-2} \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|^2} + \dots + C_k^{k-1} |R_2^k| \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|^{k-1}} + \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \\
&\left(|R_2^k| + \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|} \right)^k - \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|^k} + \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \\
&|R_2^k| \left[\left(|R_2^k| + \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|} \right)^{k-1} + \dots + \left(|R_2^k| + \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|} \right) \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|^{k-2}} + \frac{1}{|\overline{c}|^{k-1}} \right] + \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^k} + \frac{1}{c} \right| \leq \\
&\left(\frac{1}{R^k} \right) \left[\left(\frac{1}{R^k} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right)^{k-1} + \dots + \left(\frac{1}{R^k} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right) \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right)^{k-2} + \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right)^{k-1} \right] + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} = \\
&\left(\frac{1}{R^k} \right) \left[\frac{\left(\frac{1}{R^k} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right)^k - \frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^k}}{\left(\frac{1}{R^k} + \frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right) - \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} \right)} \right] + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} = \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 2 + 2\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}}
\end{aligned}$$

b). The proof is similar to point b) from Lemma 2.2. \square

3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section we will denote by $\overline{B}(a, r) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} \mid |z - a| \leq r\}$ where $a \in \mathbb{C}$ and $r > 0$ a closed ball (disk) in the complex plane. In Theorem 3.1 we consider $w \in \mathbb{C}$ a solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$, $k \geq 2$ and we compute $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(w, r)$ is included in the Inverted Multibrot set \mathcal{N}_k for every $k \geq 2$ and in Theorem 3.2 we consider $w \in \mathbb{C}$ a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$, $k \geq 2$ and we compute $r > 0$ such that $\overline{B}(w, r)$ is included in the Inverted Multicorn set \mathcal{N}_k^* for every $k \geq 2$.

Theorem 3.1. *Let \mathcal{N}_k be the Inverted Multibrot set of $f_c(z) = z^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ for every $k \geq 2$. Then*

- a). $\overline{B}(-1, \frac{1}{11}) \subset \mathcal{N}_2$
- b). $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{14}) \subset \mathcal{N}_3$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^2 = -1$
- c). $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{5k}) \subset \mathcal{N}_k$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ for every $k \geq 4$.

Proof. For this proof we will use the recurrence $R_{n+1} = R_n^k + \frac{1}{c}$ for every $n \geq 1$ where $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and $k \geq 2$.

a). For $k = 2$ we have $R_{n+1} = R_n^2 + \frac{1}{c}$ where $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$ and let $w = -1$. For $|c - w| = |c + 1| \leq \frac{1}{11}$ we have $|R_1| = \frac{1}{|c|} \leq \frac{11}{10}$. Thus

$$|R_2| = |R_1^2 + \frac{1}{c}| = |\frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{1}{c}| = \frac{|c+1|}{|c|^2} \leq \frac{1}{11} \left(\frac{11}{10}\right)^2 = \frac{11}{100} < 0.2 = \frac{1}{5}$$

Moreover

$$|R_4| = \left| \left(R_2^2 + \frac{1}{c}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| R_2^4 + 2 \left(\frac{1}{c}\right) R_2^2 + \frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{1}{c} \right| \leq |R_2|^4 + 2 \left(\frac{1}{|c|}\right) |R_2|^2 + \left|\frac{1}{c^2} + \frac{1}{c}\right| < \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4 + 2 \left(\frac{11}{10}\right) \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 + \frac{11}{100} \cong 0.1996 < 0.2 = \frac{1}{5}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.2, point b), we have $|R_{2n}| < \frac{1}{5}$ for every $n \geq 1$ and thus $R_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $\overline{B}(-1, \frac{1}{11}) \subset \mathcal{N}_2$.

b). For $k = 3$ we have $R_{n+1} = R_n^3 + \frac{1}{c}$ where $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$ and $w^2 = -1$ implies $w \in \{i, -i\}$. Let $w = -i$ and suppose $|c - w| = |c + i| \leq \frac{1}{14}$. Then $|R_1| = \frac{1}{|c|} \leq \frac{14}{13}$ and

$$|R_2| = \left| R_1^3 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \frac{c^2+1}{c^3} \right| = \left| \frac{(c+i)^2 - 2i(c+i)}{c^3} \right| \leq \frac{|c+i|^2 + 2|c+i|}{|c|^3} \leq \left(\frac{14}{13}\right)^3 \left[\left(\frac{1}{14}\right) + 2\left(\frac{1}{14}\right)\right] = \frac{406}{2197} \cong 0.18479745 < 0.25 = \frac{1}{4}$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned}
|R_4| &= \left| \left(R_2^3 + \frac{1}{c} \right)^3 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| R_2^9 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{c} \right) R_2^6 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{c} \right)^2 R_2^3 + \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{1}{c} \right| \leq \\
&|R_2|^9 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{|c|} \right) |R_2|^6 + 3 \left(\frac{1}{|c|} \right)^2 |R_2|^3 + \left| \frac{1}{c^3} + \frac{1}{c} \right| < \\
\left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^9 + 3 \left(\frac{14}{13} \right) \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^6 + 3 \left(\frac{14}{13} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{4} \right)^3 + \frac{406}{2197} &\cong 0.2399539266 < 0.25 = \frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.2, point b), we have $|R_{2n}| < \frac{1}{4}$ for every $n \geq 1$ and thus $R_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $\overline{B}(-i, \frac{1}{14}) \subset \mathcal{N}_3$. Similar proof for $w = i$. Hence $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{14}) \subset \mathcal{N}_3$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^2 = -1$.

c). Let $k \geq 4$ and let us we first make the following five remarks:

i). For $R > 1.25$ the sequence $\varepsilon_k = \frac{k}{R^k}$ for every $k \geq 4$ is decreasing. Indeed, we have that $\frac{\varepsilon_{k+1}}{\varepsilon_k} = \left(\frac{k+1}{R^{k+1}} \right) \left(\frac{R^k}{k} \right) = \frac{k+1}{Rk} < 1 \iff k+1 < Rk \iff 1 < (R-1)k$ which is true since $R > 1.25$ and $k \geq 4$. Hence we obtain that $0 < \varepsilon_k \leq \varepsilon_4 = \frac{4}{R^4}$ for every $k \geq 4$.

ii). The sequence $a_k = \frac{k-1}{5k}$ for every $k \geq 4$ is increasing. Indeed, we have that $\frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} = \frac{k^2}{k^2-1} > 1$ for every $k \geq 4$. Thus $a_k < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n-1}{5n} = \frac{1}{5}$ for every $k \geq 4$.

iii). The sequence $c_k = \frac{k}{5k-1}$ for every $k \geq 4$ is decreasing. Indeed, we have that $\frac{c_{k+1}}{c_k} = \frac{5k^2+4k-1}{5k^2+4k} < 1$ for every $k \geq 4$. Thus $c_k \leq c_4 = \frac{4}{19}$ for every $k \geq 4$.

iv). According to ([8]) for every $r > 0$ and $x > -1$ we have a generalized version of Bernoulli's inequality which is $1 + rx \leq (1+x)^r \leq e^{rx}$.

v). For $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ we have that $-\alpha \in (-1, 0)$ and we can apply Bernoulli's inequality from above and we obtain $(1-\alpha)^k = (1+(-\alpha))^k \geq 1+k(-\alpha) = 1-k\alpha$. Moreover for $\alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{k})$ we have $1-k\alpha > 0$ and we obtain also $\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^k} \leq \frac{1}{1-k\alpha}$.

We return now to the proof of point c). We suppose that w is a solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ and $|c-w| \leq \frac{1}{5k} = \alpha$. Then from Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|R_2| &\leq \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1}-1}{(1-\alpha)^k} \leq \frac{e^{(k-1)\alpha}-1}{1-k\alpha} = \frac{e^{\frac{k-1}{5k}}-1}{1-k\left(\frac{1}{5k}\right)} = \frac{e^{\alpha k}-1}{1-\frac{1}{5}} = \\
&\left(\frac{5}{4} \right) [e^{\alpha k} - 1] < \left(\frac{5}{4} \right) [e^{1/5} - 1] \cong 0.2767 < \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{R}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain $R = 3$ and the sequence $\varepsilon_k = \frac{k}{3^k}$ for every $k \geq 4$ verifies $0 < \varepsilon_k \leq \varepsilon_4 = \frac{4}{3^4} = \frac{4}{81}$. Then from Lemma 2.2 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|R_4| &\leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1}-2}{(1-\alpha)^k} = \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k} \right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^{k-1}-2}{(1-\alpha)^k} \leq \\
&e^{k\left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)} + \frac{e^{(k-1)\alpha}-2}{1-k\alpha} = e^{c_k + \frac{k}{R^k}} + \left(\frac{5}{4} \right) [e^{\alpha k} - 2] \leq e^{c_4 + \frac{4}{3^4}} + \left(\frac{5}{4} \right) [e^{1/5} - 2] = \\
&e^{\frac{4}{19} + \frac{4}{81}} + \left(\frac{5}{4} \right) [e^{1/5} - 2] \cong (1.2968121) + (-0.9732465) = 0.3235655 < \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{R}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.2, point b), we have $|R_{2n}| < \frac{1}{3}$ for every $n \geq 1$ and thus $R_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{5k}) \in \mathcal{N}_k$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ for every $k \geq 4$. \square

Theorem 3.2. *Let \mathcal{N}_k^* be the Inverted Multicorn set of $f_c(z) = \overline{z}^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ for every $k \geq 2$. Then*

- a). $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{29}) \subset \mathcal{N}_3^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^3 = -1$
- b). $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{31}) \subset \mathcal{N}_3^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^4 = -1$
- c). $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{7(k+1)}) \subset \mathcal{N}_k^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ for every $k \geq 4$.

Proof. For this proof we will use the recurrence $R_{n+1} = \overline{R_n}^k + \frac{1}{c}$ for every $n \geq 1$ where $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$ with $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$ and $k \geq 2$.

a). If $k = 2$ then the recurrence is $R_{n+1} = \overline{R_n}^2 + \frac{1}{c}$ with $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$. Suppose w is a solution of the equation $z^3 = -1$ and $|c - w| \leq \frac{1}{29}$. Then $|\overline{c} + w^2| \leq \frac{1}{29}$ and $|R_1| = \frac{1}{|c|} \leq \frac{29}{28}$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |R_2| &= \left| \overline{R_1}^2 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^2} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \frac{|\overline{c}^2 + c|}{|c|^3} = \left(\frac{1}{|c|^3} \right) |(\overline{c} + w^2)^2 - 2w^2(\overline{c} + w^2) + w^2 + c| = \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{|c|^3} \right) |(\overline{c} + w^2)^2 - 2w^2(\overline{c} + w^2) + c - w| \leq \left(\frac{1}{|c|^3} \right) [|\overline{c} + w^2|^2 + 2|\overline{c} + w^2| + |c - w|] \leq \\ &= \left(\frac{29}{28} \right)^3 \left[\left(\frac{1}{29} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{3}{29} \right) \right] \cong 0.114932 < 0.2 = \frac{1}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} |R_4| &= \left| \overline{R_3}^2 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| (R_2^2 + \frac{1}{\overline{c}})^2 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| R_2^4 + 2\left(\frac{1}{\overline{c}}\right)R_2^2 + \frac{1}{\overline{c}^2} + \frac{1}{c} \right| \leq \\ |R_2|^4 + 2\left(\frac{1}{|c|}\right)|R_2|^2 + \left|\frac{1}{\overline{c}^2} + \frac{1}{c}\right| &\leq \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^4 + 2\left(\frac{29}{28}\right)\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2 + 0.114932 \cong 0.1993897 < 0.2 = \frac{1}{5} \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.5, point b), we obtain that $|R_{2n}| < \frac{1}{5}$ for every $n \geq 1$ and thus $R_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{29}) \subset \mathcal{N}_2^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^3 = -1$.

b). If $k = 3$ then the recurrence is $R_{n+1} = \overline{R_n}^3 + \frac{1}{c}$ with $R_1 = \frac{1}{c}$. Suppose that w is a solution of the equation $z^4 = -1$ and $|c - w| \leq \frac{1}{31} = \alpha$. Then $|R_1| = |c| \leq \frac{31}{30}$ and $|\overline{c} + w^3| \leq \frac{1}{31}$. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} |R_2| &= \left| \overline{R_1}^3 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| \frac{1}{\overline{c}^3} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \frac{|\overline{c}^3 + c|}{|c|^4} = \\ \left(\frac{1}{|c|^4} \right) |(\overline{c} + w^3)^3 - 3w^3(\overline{c} + w^3)^2 + 3w^6(\overline{c} + w^3) - w + c| &\leq \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{1}{|c|^4}\right) [|\bar{c} + w^3|^3 + 3|\bar{c} + w^3|^2 + 3|c + w^3| + |c - w|] \leq \\ & \left(\frac{1}{|c|^4}\right) (\alpha^3 + 3\alpha^2 + 4\alpha) \leq \left(\frac{31}{30}\right)^4 \left[\left(\frac{1}{31}\right)^3 + 3\left(\frac{1}{31}\right)^2 + 4\left(\frac{1}{31}\right)\right] \cong 0.1507135 < \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} |R_4| &= \left| \overline{R_3^3} + \frac{1}{c} \right| = \left| (R_2^3 + \frac{1}{\bar{c}})^3 + \frac{1}{c} \right| = |R_2^9 + 3\left(\frac{1}{\bar{c}}\right) R_2^6 + 3\left(\frac{1}{\bar{c}}\right)^2 R_2^3 + \frac{1}{\bar{c}^3} + \frac{1}{c}| \leq \\ & |R_2|^9 + 3\left(\frac{1}{|\bar{c}|}\right) |R_2|^6 + 3\left(\frac{1}{|\bar{c}|}\right)^2 |R_2|^3 + \left|\frac{1}{\bar{c}^3} + \frac{1}{c}\right| \leq \\ & \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^9 + 3\left(\frac{31}{30}\right) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^6 + 3\left(\frac{31}{30}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3 + 0.1507135 \cong 0.2015262 < 0.25 = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.5, point b), we have $|R_{2n}| < \frac{1}{4}$ for every $n \geq 1$ and thus $R_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence $\overline{B}(w, \frac{1}{31}) \subset \mathcal{N}_3^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^4 = -1$.

c). Let $k \geq 4$ and let us first make the following five remarks:

i). For $R > 1.25$, the sequence $\varepsilon_k = \frac{k}{R^k}$ for every $k \geq 4$ is decreasing. Indeed, we have that $\frac{\varepsilon_{k+1}}{\varepsilon_k} = \left(\frac{k+1}{R^{k+1}}\right) \left(\frac{R^k}{k}\right) = \frac{k+1}{Rk} < 1 \iff k+1 < Rk \iff 1 < (R-1)k$ which is true since $R > 1.25$ and $k \geq 4$. Hence we obtain that $0 < \varepsilon_k \leq \varepsilon_4 = \frac{4}{R^4}$ for every $k \geq 4$.

ii). The sequence $a_k = \frac{k}{7(k+1)}$ for every $k \geq 4$ is increasing. Indeed, we have that $\frac{a_{k+1}}{a_k} = \frac{k^2+2k+1}{k^2+2k} > 1$ for every $k \geq 4$. Thus $a_k < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{7(n+1)} = \frac{1}{7}$ for every $k \geq 4$.

iii). The sequence $c_k = \frac{k}{7k+6}$ for every $k \geq 4$ is increasing. Indeed, we have that $\frac{c_{k+1}}{c_k} = \frac{7k^2+13k+6}{7k^2+13k} > 1$ for every $k \geq 4$. Thus $c_k < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{7n+6} = \frac{1}{7}$ for every $k \geq 4$.

iv). According to ([8]) for every $r > 0$ and $x > -1$ we have a generalized version of Bernoulli's inequality which is $1 + rx \leq (1+x)^r \leq e^{rx}$.

v). For $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ we have that $-\alpha \in (-1, 0)$ and we can apply Bernoulli's inequality from above and we obtain $(1-\alpha)^k = (1+(-\alpha))^k \geq 1+k(-\alpha) = 1-k\alpha$. Moreover for $\alpha \in (0, \frac{1}{k})$ we have $1-k\alpha > 0$ and we obtain also $\frac{1}{(1-\alpha)^k} \leq \frac{1}{1-k\alpha}$.

We return now to the proof of point c). We suppose that w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ and $|c-w| \leq \frac{1}{7(k+1)} = \alpha$. Then from Lemma 2.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} |R_2| &\leq \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 1 + \alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} \leq \frac{e^{k\alpha} - 1 + \alpha}{1-(k+1)\alpha} = \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) \left[e^{a_k} - 1 + \frac{1}{7(k+1)} \right] < \\ & \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) \left[e^{1/7} - 1 + \frac{1}{35} \right] \cong 0.21249249 < \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{R} \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain $R = 3$ and the sequence $\varepsilon_k = \frac{k}{3^k}$ for every $k \geq 4$ verifies $0 < \varepsilon_k \leq \varepsilon_4 = \frac{4}{3^4} = \frac{4}{81}$. Then from Lemma 2.5 we have

$$\begin{aligned} |R_4| &\leq \left(\frac{1}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 2 + 2\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} = \left(1 + \frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)^k + \frac{(\alpha+1)^k - 2 + 2\alpha}{(1-\alpha)^{k+1}} \leq \\ &e^{k\left(\frac{\alpha}{1-\alpha} + \frac{1}{R^k}\right)} + \frac{e^{k\alpha} - 2 + 2\alpha}{1 - (k+1)\alpha} \leq e^{c_k + \frac{k}{R^k}} + \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) \left[e^{a_k} - 2 + \frac{2}{7(k+1)}\right] \leq \\ &e^{\frac{1}{7} + \frac{4}{81}} + \left(\frac{7}{6}\right) \left[e^{1/7} - 2 + \frac{2}{35}\right] \cong (1.2119611) + (-0.9208408) = 0.2911203 < \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2.5, point b), we have $|R_{2n}| < \frac{1}{3}$ for every $n \geq 1$ and thus $R_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Thus $\overline{B}\left(w, \frac{1}{7(k+1)}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_k^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ for every $k \geq 4$. □

4. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper we have proved that $\overline{B}\left(-1, \frac{1}{11}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_2$, $\overline{B}\left(w, \frac{1}{14}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_3$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^2 = -1$ and $\overline{B}\left(w, \frac{1}{5k}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_k$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k-1} = -1$ for every $k \geq 4$ and $\overline{B}\left(w, \frac{1}{29}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_2^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^4 = -1$ and $\overline{B}\left(w, \frac{1}{31}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_3^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^4 = -1$ and $\overline{B}\left(w, \frac{1}{7(k+1)}\right) \subset \mathcal{N}_k^*$ where w is a solution of the equation $z^{k+1} = -1$ for every $k \geq 4$ where \mathcal{N}_k and \mathcal{N}_k^* are the Inverted Multibrot and Multicorn sets of the functions $z^k + \frac{1}{c}$ and $\overline{z}^k + \frac{1}{c}$, $c \in \mathbb{C}^*$, $k \geq 2$.

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