

Core entropy along the Mandelbrot set
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Remark. If we consider $f_{c}: \widehat{\mathbb{C}} \rightarrow \hat{\mathbb{C}}$ entropy is constant $h_{\text {top }}\left(f_{c}, \widehat{\mathbb{C}}\right)=\log 2$. (Lyubich 1980)

## Mandelbrot set

The Mandelbrot set $\mathcal{M}$ is the connectedness locus of the quadratic family

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\mathcal{M}=\left\{c \in \mathbb{C}: f_{c}^{n}(0) \nrightarrow \infty\right\}
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Question Can you see the Mandelbrot set in this picture?

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Theorem (Li Tao; Penrose; Tan Lei; Zeng Jinsong)
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The core entropy as a function of external angle
Question (Thurston, Hubbard):
Is $h(\theta)$ a continuous function of $\theta$ ?


## Continuity of core entropy

Theorem (T.; Dudko-Schleicher)
The core entropy function $h(\theta)$ extends to a continuous function from $\mathbb{R} / \mathbb{Z}$ to $\mathbb{R}$.


## Regularity properties of the core entropy

In fact:

## Theorem (T. '15)

The core entropy is locally Hölder continuous at $\theta$ if $h(\theta)>0$, and not locally Hölder at $\theta$ where $h(\theta)=0$.

Theorem (T. '17)
Let $h(\theta)$ be the entropy of the real quadratic polynomial with external ray $\theta$. Then the local Hölder exponent $\alpha(h, \theta)$ of $h$ at $\theta$ satisfies

$$
\alpha(h, \theta):=\frac{h(\theta)}{\log 2}
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(Conjectured Isola-Politi, 1990)

## Further questions

Question. What about the other eigenvalues?

The entropy spectrum (W. Thurston '12)


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## Zeros of polynomials with coefficients $\pm 1$ (Bousch)



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## A three-dimensional object



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Video (by D. Davis): https://vimeo.com/259921275
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