

Parametrization by fixed-points multipliers of the polynomials with degree n

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1 Introduction

Let $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ be the the polynomials from the Riemann sphere, $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$, to itself, with degree n , and \mathbb{M}_n , called moduli space, the quotient space of $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ under the action of the affine transformation group, $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C})$.

We parametrize \mathbb{M}_n by using multipliers of fixed points, and define a natural map Ψ from \mathbb{M}_n to \mathbb{C}^{n-1} . A new coordinate system is called multiplier coordinates. Exhibiting the moduli space of a higher degree under this system deserves particular attention. For example, in study of geometry and topology of $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ from a viewpoint of complex dynamical systems, we make use of this system in order to express singular part, and dynamical loci as algebraic curves or surfaces([NF99], [NF00]).

The subject of this paper is surjectivity-problem of the map Ψ from \mathbb{M}_n to \mathbb{C}^{n-1} : a problem of characterization of exceptional part, $\mathcal{E}_n (= \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \setminus \mathbb{M}_n)$.

The initiator of the use of multiplier coordinates is J. Milnor ([Mil93]), to the case of the quadratic rational maps.

2 Polynomials of degree n

2.1 Polynomial maps and conjugacy

Let $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ be the Riemann sphere, and $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ be the space of all polynomial maps of degree n from $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ to itself:

$$p(z) = a_n z^n + a_{n-1} z^{n-1} + \cdots + a_1 z + a_0 \quad (a_n \neq 0).$$

The group $\mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C})$ of all affine transformations acts on $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ by conjugation:

$$g \circ p \circ g^{-1} \in \text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C}) \quad \text{for } g \in \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{C}), p \in \text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C}).$$

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Two maps $p_1, p_2 \in \text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ are **holomorphically conjugate** if and only if there exists $g \in \mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$ with $g \circ p_1 \circ g^{-1} = p_2$.

Under this conjugacy of the action of $\mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$, any map in $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ is conjugate to a “monic” and “centered” map, i.e.,

$$p(z) = z^n + c_{n-2}z^{n-2} + c_{n-3}z^{n-3} \cdots + c_0.$$

We remark that this p is determined up to the action of the group $G(n-1)$ of $(n-1)$ -st roots of unity, where each $\eta \in G(n-1)$ acts on $p \in \text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ by the transformation $p(z) \mapsto p(\eta z)/\eta$.

Every polynomial map from $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$ to itself is conjugate under an affine change of variable to a monic centered one, and this is uniquely determined up to conjugacy under the action of the group $G(n-1)$ of $(n-1)$ -st roots of unity.

For example, in the case of $n=3$, the following two monic and centered polynomials belong to the same conjugacy class:

$$z^3 + az + c, \quad z^3 + az - c.$$

In the case of $n=4$ the following three monic and centered polynomials belong to the same conjugacy class:

$$\begin{aligned} z^4 + az^2 + bz + c \\ z^4 + a\omega z^2 + bz + c\omega^2 \\ z^4 + a\omega^2 z^2 + bz + c\omega \end{aligned}$$

where ω is a third root of unity.

2.2 Moduli space of polynomial maps

The quotient space of $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$ under the action $\mathfrak{A}(\mathbb{C})$ will be denoted by \mathbb{M}_n , and called the **moduli space** of holomorphic conjugacy classes $\langle p \rangle$ of polynomial maps p of degree n .

Let $\mathcal{P}_1(n)$ be the affine space of all monic centered polynomials of degree n

$$p(z) = z^n + c_{n-2}z^{n-2} + c_{n-3}z^{n-3} \cdots + c_0,$$

with coefficients-coordinate $(c_0, c_1, \dots, c_{n-2})$.

Then we have an $(n-1)$ -to-one canonical projection Φ from $\mathcal{P}_1(n)$ onto \mathbb{M}_n .

Hence the affine space $\mathcal{P}_1(n)$ is regarded as an $(n-1)$ -sheeted covering space of \mathbb{M}_n . Thus we can use $\mathcal{P}_1(n)$ as a coordinate space for the moduli space \mathbb{M}_n , though it remains the ambiguity up to the group $G(n-1)$. This coordinate space has the advantages of being easy to be treated.

However, it would be also worthwhile to introduce another coordinate system having any merit different from $\mathcal{P}_1(n)$'s.

In fact, Milnor successfully introduced coordinates in the moduli space of the space of all quadratic rational maps using the elementary symmetric functions of the multipliers at the fixed points of a map ([Mil93]). To the case of $\text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$, we try to explore an analogy.

2.3 Multiplier coordinates

Now we intend to explore another coordinate space for \mathbb{M}_n . For each $p(z) \in \text{Poly}_n(\mathbb{C})$, let $z_1, \dots, z_n, z_{n+1}(=\infty)$ be the fixed points of p and μ_i the multipliers of z_i ; $\mu_i = p'(z_i)$ ($1 \leq$

$i \leq n$), and $\mu_{n+1} = 0$. Consider the elementary symmetric functions of the n multipliers,

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{n,1} &= \mu_1 + \cdots + \mu_n, \\ \sigma_{n,2} &= \mu_1\mu_2 + \cdots + \mu_{n-1}\mu_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \mu_i \sum_{j>i}^n \mu_j, \\ &\dots \\ \sigma_{n,n} &= \mu_1\mu_2 \cdots \mu_n, \\ \sigma_{n,n+1} &= 0.\end{aligned}$$

Note that these are well defined on the moduli space \mathbb{M}_n , since μ_i 's are invariant by affine conjugacy.

2.3.1 The holomorphic index fixed point formula

For an isolated fixed point $f(x_0) = x_0$, $x_0 \neq \infty$ we define the holomorphic index of f at x_0 to be the residue

$$\iota(f, x_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint \frac{1}{z - f(z)} dz$$

For the point at infinity, we define the residue of f at ∞ to be equal to the residue of $\phi \circ f \circ \phi$ at origin, where $\phi(z) = \frac{1}{z}$. The Fatou index theorem (see [Mil90]) is as follows:

For any rational map $f : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ with $f(z)$ not identically equal to z , we have the relation $\sum_{f(z)=z} \iota(f, z) = 1$. This theorem can be applied to these μ_i 's ; $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1-\mu_i} + \frac{1}{1-0} = 1$, provided $\mu_i \neq 1$ ($1 < i < n$). Arranging this equation for the form of elementary symmetric functions, we have

$$\gamma_0 + \gamma_1\sigma_{n,1} + \gamma_2\sigma_{n,2} + \cdots + \gamma_{n-1}\sigma_{n,n-1} = 0$$

where

$$\gamma_k = (-1)^k n \binom{n-1}{k} / \binom{n}{k} = (-1)^k (n-k).$$

Note that $\mu_i = 1$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$) is allowable here. Then we have the following Linear Relation : •

For the cubic case ($n = 3$), we have $3 - 2\sigma_{3,1} + \sigma_{3,2} = 0$

• For the quartic case ($n = 4$), we have $4 - 3\sigma_{4,1} + 2\sigma_{4,2} - \sigma_{4,3} = 0$

And in general the following linear relation holds:

Theorem 1 Among $\sigma_{n,i}$'s, there is a linear relation

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k (n-k) \sigma_{n,k} = 0, \quad (1)$$

where we put $\sigma_{n,0} = 1$.

In view of Theorem 1, we have the natural map Ψ from \mathbb{M}_n to \mathbf{C}^{n-1} corresponding to

$$\Psi(\langle p \rangle) = (\sigma_{n,1}, \sigma_{n,2}, \dots, \sigma_{n,n-2}, \sigma_{n,n}).$$

We remark that $\Psi(\mathbb{M}_n) \subset \mathbf{C}^{n-1}$.

2.3.2 Characterization of exceptional set

To investigate whether this map Ψ is surjective or not is our main subject: a problem of characterization of the part of $\mathbb{C}^{n-1} \setminus \Psi(\mathbb{M}_n)$.

We call this set **exceptional set** and denote it by

$$\mathcal{E}_n = \mathbb{C}^{n-1} \setminus \Psi(\mathbb{M}_n).$$

Our main subject is as follows:

For a given $(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n-2}, s_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$, we set s_{n-1} a solution of

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (-1)^k (n-k) s_k = 0, \quad s_0 = 1.$$

Then for the point $(s_1, \dots, s_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n-1}$, we set a polynomial

$$m(z) = z^n + s_1 z^{n-1} + s_2 z^{n-2} + \dots + s_{n-1} z + s_n$$

Then we denote the roots of this polynomial by

$$\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_{n-1}, \mu_n.$$

Can we obtain a polynomial $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}_1(n)$ whose multiplier-coordinate $(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_n)$ is corresponding to (s_1, \dots, s_n) ?

Namely can we find a polynomial satisfying that for fixed points z_i

$$p(z_i) = z_i, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n) \quad \text{with} \quad \mu_i = p'(z_i).$$

The case $n = 3$ is nicely solved: Ψ is surjective. ([NF96], [FN97]. This fact is mentioned in [Mil93] without any details.)

We also solved this problem for the case $n = 4$ ([NF96], [FN97]):

Theorem 2 $\Psi : \mathbb{M}_4 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^3$ is not surjective:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_4 &= \mathbb{C}^3 \setminus \Psi(\mathbb{M}_4) \\ &= \left(4, s, \frac{s^2}{4} - 2s + 4\right) \quad s \neq 4 \end{aligned}$$

As for the cases of general n , we expect analogous results.

Recently, we have a following result:

Theorem 3 (M.FUJIMURA)

Let $\Omega = \{\mu_i\}_{i=1, \dots, n}$ be the set of all roots of a polynomial $m(z)$. If Ω satisfies one of the following cases (A), (B) and (C), then there exists a polynomial $p(z) \in \mathcal{P}_1(n)$ such that

$$p(z_i) = z_i, \quad (i = 1, \dots, n) \quad \text{with} \quad \mu_i = p'(z_i).$$

(A):

1. Any element of Ω is not equal 1 : $\mu_i \neq 1$,
2. $\sum_i \frac{1}{b_i} = 0$, $b_i = 1 - \mu_i$,

3. for any proper subset ω of roots, $\sum_{s \in \omega} \frac{1}{b_s} \neq 0$,

(B):

1. Let $\Omega' = \{\mu_i\}_{i=1, \dots, m}$, $1 \leq m \leq n - 2$ be a subset of Ω whose elements are not equal 1 : $\mu_i \neq 1$,

2. for any subset ω of Ω' , $\sum_{s \in \omega} \frac{1}{b_s} \neq 0$,

(C):

1. Any element of Ω is equal 1 : $\mu_i = 1$.

2.3.3 Examples

We shall show some examples for our inverse problem. By these examples show that the Fujimura's theorem only gives a sufficient condition for surjectivity.

- For a set $\{\mu, 2 - \mu, \lambda, 2 - \lambda\}$, $\mu \neq \lambda$, $\mu \neq 1$ a corresponding polynomial exists in $\mathcal{P}_1(4)$.
- For a set $\{\mu, 2 - \mu, \mu, 2 - \mu\}$ $\mu \neq 1$, no corresponding polynomial exists $\mathcal{P}_1(4)$.
- For a set $\{\mu, \mu, \mu, \lambda, \lambda\}$, $\mu \neq 1$, $5 - 2\mu - 3\lambda = 0$ a corresponding polynomial exists $\mathcal{P}_1(5)$.
- For a set $\{\mu, \mu, \mu, 2 - \mu, \frac{3-\mu}{2}\}$, $\mu \neq 1$, no corresponding polynomial exists $\mathcal{P}_1(5)$.

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