On the stochastic bifurcations regarding random iterations of rational maps

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# Introduction

I am interested in RANDOM dynamical systems. One of my motivations is the following theorem regarding Random Relaxed Newton's Methods:

# Theorem 1 (Sumi '21)

If we insert randomness into **Newton's method** in a suitable way, then we can find a root of a given function with probability one, for every but a finite number of initial points.

Original Newton's method may fail if we choose a bad initial point. However, the theorem states that randomness benefits the algorithm.

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I would like to talk about two topics:

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Theoretical work on stochastic bifurcation of  $\{z \mapsto z^2 + c\}_{c \in \mathbb{C}}$ 

#### Numerical observations of Random Relaxed Newton's Methods

Theoretical work on stochastic bifurcation of  $\{z\mapsto z^2+c\}_{c\in\mathbb{C}}$ 

# Original Newton's method

For a given polynomial P, Newton's map is defined by

$$N_P(x) = x - \frac{P(x)}{P'(x)}.$$

Lemma 2 (Dynamics of  $N_P$  on  $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ )

If P(z\*) = 0, then z\* is an attracting fixed point of N<sub>P</sub>.
 If z\* is a simple root, then z\* is superattracting.

This explains why Newton's method works well locally. But ...

### Newton's method sometimes fails

If the target is  $P(z) = z^3 - 2z + 2$ , then  $N_P$  has a (super)attracting periodic cycle:  $0 \mapsto 1 \mapsto 0$ 



P has three simple roots in  $\mathbb{C}$ . A non-black point belongs to a basin of attraction, and the black part is the set of initial points which do not converge to any root.

# Every Newton-like method sometimes fails

This target  $P(z) = z^3 - 2z + 2$  is not the only bad example, but there are many. More generally,

# Theorem 3 (McMullen)

There is NO algebraic root-finding algorithms which almost always success.

We can overcome this by randomness.

# Relaxed Newton's Methods

Definition 4 (Relaxed Newton's map) For  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ , define  $N_{P,\lambda}(z) = z - \lambda \frac{P(z)}{P'(z)}$ . The original map is  $N_P = N_{P,1}$ . Lemma 5 Every root  $z^*$  is a common attr fxd pt whenever  $|1 - \lambda| < 1$ .

We now randomly choose parameters  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \ldots$  and define

$$z_{n+1} = N_{P,\lambda_{n+1}}(z_n) = z_n - \lambda_{n+1} \frac{P(z_n)}{P'(z_n)}.$$

Sample dynamics for  $N_{P,\lambda}$  with  $P(z) = z^3 - 2z + 2$ 



Figure: Original Newton's map has an attracting periodic point 0.



Figure: Three sample paths for Random Relaxed Newton's Methods (with more larger noise from left to right).

# Random Relaxed Newton's Methods

# Setting 6

Choose iid sequences  $\lambda_n$  following a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $\mathbb C$  which is absolutely continuous wrt 2-dim Lebesgue measure.

Typical examples of  $\mu$  are the uniform distributions on disks  $\overline{B}(1,\rho) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \colon |1-\lambda| \leq \rho\}$ :  $\mu = \text{Unif}(\overline{B}(1,\rho))$ .

### Theorem 7 (Sumi '21)

Suppose that  $\overline{B}(1, 1/2) \Subset \operatorname{supp} \mu \Subset \overline{B}(1, 1)$ . Then for every target polynomial P and for all initial points  $z_0$  with finitely many exceptions, the random orbit  $N_{P,\lambda_n} \circ \cdots \circ N_{P,\lambda_2} \circ N_{P,\lambda_1}(z_0)$  converges to some root of P with probability 1.

In the following, we assume  $\mu = \text{Unif}(\bar{B}(1, \rho))$  for a while.

# Averaged dynamics induced by $\text{Unif}(\bar{B}(1, \rho))$





Figure: Random case ( $\rho = 0.6$ ). For each initial point, 100 random orbits were computed and counted to see where they converge (or not).

The set of "bad initial points" collapses due to noise.

# Notes from the dynamical viewpoint

Recall that 
$$N_{P,\lambda}(z) = z - \lambda \frac{P(z)}{P'(z)}$$
.

Remark 8 (How does it work?)

Bounded and multiplicative noise keeps the roots of P as attracting fixed points. Conversely, sufficiently large noise affects undesirable attractors.

Question: What is the optimal value for the size of noise?

• If the size of noise is too large, then the speed of local convergence is slow.

• If the size of noise is too small, then the orbit cannot escape from bad attractors.

I would like to know the smallest noise size  $\rho$  such that the undesirable attractors disappear.

# Numerical experiments with different noise size $\rho$



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Figure:  $\rho = 0.1$ 







# Speed of convergence

Define random variables by

$$Z_n = N_{P,\bullet_n} \circ \cdots \circ N_{P,\bullet_2} \circ N_{P,\bullet_1}(z_0),$$
  

$$T = T(z_0, z^*, \epsilon) = \min\{n \in \mathbb{N} \colon |Z_n - z^*| < \epsilon\}$$

and calculate conditioned expectation  $\mathbb{E}(T|T<\infty)$  for every root  $z^*.$ 



Figure: x-axis represents  $\rho$ , y-axis represents  $\log_{10} \mathbb{E}(T|T < \infty)$  with initial point  $z_0 = 0$  and  $\epsilon = 0.01$ 

# Other type of noise (w/o mathematical reasoning)



# Speed of convergence for other types of noise



Figure: Left: Uniform distribution on  $[1 - \rho, 1 + \rho]$ , Right: Simulated Annealing where  $\lambda_n \sim \text{Unif}(\bar{B}(1, 0.5^n))$ . y-axis represents  $\log_{10} \mathbb{E}(T|T < \infty)$  with initial point  $z_0 = 0$  and  $\epsilon = 0.01$ 

Remark that there is no mathematical guarantee for global convergence so far.

Another target (1): 
$$Q(z) = z^4 - 6z^2 + \frac{7 - 8\sqrt{13}}{3}$$

The deterministic map  $N_{Q,1}$  has two 2-periodic orbits.



Another target (2): 
$$Q(z) = z^4 - 6z^2 + \frac{7 - 8\sqrt{13}}{3}$$

I omitted the symmetrical figures.



# A quick summary

- 1. Deterministic Newton's method can have attractors which do not correspond to the root.
- 2. Random relaxed Newton's methods succeeds with prob 1 because undesirable attractors are broken when sufficiently large noise is inserted ( $\rho > 1/2$  is enough).
- 3. It may work even with very small noise (e.g. ho=0.01)
- I want to find the universal and smallest constant  $\rho$ . The key word might be (deterministic or stochastic) bifurcation.



#### Numerical observations of Random Relaxed Newton's Methods

#### Theoretical work on stochastic bifurcation of $\{z \mapsto z^2 + c\}_{c \in \mathbb{C}}$

# The family of quadratic polynomials

Newton's maps are rational functions of high degree, but to simplify the discussion we will examine the family of the quadratic polynomials in detail.

 $f_c(z) = z^2 + c \ (c \in \mathbb{C})$ 

Why  $\{f_c\}_{c\in\mathbb{C}}$ ?

### Theorem 9 (McMullen '00)

"The Mandelbrot set is universal."

Here, the celebrated Mandelbrot set is the bifurcation structure of this  $\{f_c\}_{c\in\mathbb{C}}$ .

# Similarity/difference between $N_{P,\lambda}$ and $f_c$

The quadratic family  $\{f_c\}_c$  is a simplified model of other families. In particular,

	$\{N_{P,\lambda}\}_{\lambda}$	$\{f_c\}_c$
degree	$\deg P$	2
type of maps	rational	polynomial
common fixed point(s)	roots of $P$	$\infty$

Let  $P(z) = z^3 - 2z + 2$  and consider c = -1.

	$N_{P,1}$	$f_{-1}$
superattracting cycles	$0\mapsto 1\mapsto 0$	$0\mapsto -1\mapsto 0$

# The filled Julia set

# Definition 10 For $c \in \mathbb{C}$ , define $f_c^{\circ n} = f_c \circ \cdots \circ f_c \circ f_c$ and $K_c = \{z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \cup \infty : f_c^{\circ n}(z_0) \not\to \infty \ (n \to \infty)\}.$



Figure: The black set is  $K_c$  (c = 0, -1).

We call  $K_{-1}$  the basilica.

# The Mandelbrot set $\mathcal{M}$

The dynamics is determined by the orbit of z = 0.

Theorem 11 The set  $K_c$  is connected if and only if the critical orbit is bounded  $f_c^{on}(0) \not\rightarrow \infty$ . Otherwise,  $K_c$  is totally disconnected. Definition 12

 $\mathcal{M} = \{ c \in \mathbb{C} \colon K_c \text{ is connected} \} = \{ c \in \mathbb{C} \colon f_c^{\circ n}(0) \not\to \infty \}$ 



### Random Julia sets

# Setting 13

Choose iid sequences  $c_1, c_2, \ldots$  following the distribution on the disk  $\bar{B}(c, \rho) = \{c' \in \mathbb{C} : |c' - c| \le \rho\}.$ 

#### Definition 14

For a sequence  $\omega = (c_n)_{n=1}^{\infty} \in \overline{B}(c, \rho)^{\mathbb{N}}$ , define

$$f_{\omega}^{(n)} := f_{c_n} \circ \cdots \circ f_{c_2} \circ f_{c_1}.$$

Also, we define its random filled Julia set as follows.

$$K_{\omega} = \{ z_0 \in \mathbb{C} \cup \infty \colon f_{\omega}^{(n)}(z_0) \not\to \infty \ (n \to \infty) \}$$



#### Definition 15 (Fornæss-Sibony '91, Sumi '13)

Suppose that  $f_c$  has an attracting cycle in  $\mathbb{C}$  (say c = -1). Then there exists  $r_{\text{bif}}(c) > 0$  such that

► if  $0 < \rho < r_{\text{bif}}(c)$ , then  $\exists T_{\infty}$  a continuous function s.t. the random orbit  $f_{c_n} \circ \cdots \circ f_{c_2} \circ f_{c_1}(z)$ diverges to  $\infty$  with probability  $T_{\infty}(z)$ , and

converges to  $\exists$  a planar attractor with prob  $1 - T_{\infty}(z)$ .

• if  $\rho > r_{\text{bif}}(c)$ , then for every z, with probability 1,  $f_{c_n} \circ \cdots \circ f_{c_2} \circ f_{c_1}(z) \to \infty \ (n \to \infty)$ .



Figure: The function  $T_{\infty}(z)$ , the probability of random orbits which converge to  $\infty$  ( $\rho < r_{\rm bif}(c)$  and  $\rho > r_{\rm bif}(c)$ )

# Main result A: connectedness and bifurcation

Assume a technical condition "  ${\rm int}\bar{B}(c,\rho)$  contains a superattracting parameter."

Main Result A (W. '22+)

The equivalent statements of the former or the later hold.

- 1.  $\rho \leq r_{\rm bif}(c)$ .
- 2.  $\forall \omega \in \bar{B}(c, \rho)^{\mathbb{N}}$ , the random Julia set  $K_{\omega}$  is connected.
- 3.  $\forall \omega \in \overline{B}(c, \rho)^{\mathbb{N}}$ , the critical orbit  $f_{\omega}^{(n)}(0) \not\to \infty$ .
- 1'.  $\rho > r_{\rm bif}(c)$ .
- 2'. For a.e.  $\omega\in \bar{B}(c,\rho)^{\mathbb{N}}\text{, }K_{\omega}$  is totally disconnected.
- 3'. For a.e.  $\omega \in \overline{B}(c,\rho)^{\mathbb{N}}$ , the critical orbit  $f_{\omega}^{(n)}(0) \to \infty$ .

This gives a natural generalization of deterministic theory. Recall:

 $\mathcal{M} = \{ c \in \mathbb{C} \colon K_c \text{ is connected} \} = \{ c \in \mathbb{C} \colon f_c^{\circ n}(0) \not\to \infty \}$ 

# Main result B: quantitative estimates for $r_{\rm bif}$ Main Result B (W. '22+)

1. For every  $c \in \mathbb{C}$  we have  $r_{\mathrm{bif}}(c) \leq \mathrm{dist}(c, \partial \mathcal{M})$ .

- 2. If  $0 \le c \le 1/4$ , then  $r_{\text{bif}}(c) = 1/4 c$ .
- 3. If  $-1/2 \le c < 0$ , then  $r_{\text{bif}}(c) \le 1/4 c c^2$ .
- 4. If c = -1, then  $0.0386 \dots \le r_{\text{bif}}(-1) \le 0.0399 \dots$ .

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{2 shows } r_{\text{bif}}(c) = \operatorname{dist}(c, \partial \, \mathcal{M}), \\ \text{3 shows } r_{\text{bif}}(c) < \operatorname{dist}(c, \partial \, \mathcal{M}). \\ \text{In particular,} \\ \text{4 shows } r_{\text{bif}}(c) \ll \operatorname{dist}(c, \partial \, \mathcal{M}) \ ! \end{array}$$

Also, for  $c_3 \approx -1.7$ we have  $r_{\rm bif}(c_3) \ll {\rm dist}(c_3, \partial \mathcal{M})$ .



# **Conclusions & Discussions**

- 1. The Newton's map  $N_{P,1}$  for  $P(z) = z^3 2z + 2$  has a 2-cycle which does not correspond to any root of P.
- 2. The randomized root-finding algorithm succeeds if the size of noise  $\rho$  satisfies  $\rho > 0.01$ , and fail if  $\rho < 0.005$ .
- 3. This value seems to be related to the "small Mandelbrot set".
- 4. We can rigorously estimate when the stochastic bifurcation occurs for the quadratic family  $f_c(z) = z^2 + c$ .
- 5. Both families (seem to) follow the same mechanism.

