

Math 2270

Tuesday 13 Sept

§2.4 & fractal ideas



Matrix algebra:

matrix addition (for matrices of equal dimensions)  $A = [a_{ij}]$ ,  $B = [b_{ij}]$

entry<sub>ij</sub>  $(A+B) := a_{ij} + b_{ij}$  (this is just vector addition for strangely-shaped vectors)

scalar multiplication

entry<sub>ij</sub>  $(kA) := ka_{ij}$  (vector scalar mult.)

matrix multiplication

$B_{k \times m}$ ,  $A_{m \times n} \Rightarrow BA_{k \times n}$

entry<sub>ij</sub>  $(BA) := \text{row}_i(B) \cdot \text{col}_j(A)$ .

identity matrix  $I_{n \times n}$ :  $\text{col}_j(I) = \vec{e}_j$ ; i.e.  $\text{entry}_{ij}(I) = \begin{cases} 1 & i=j \\ 0 & i \neq j \end{cases}$ .

Recall, we showed that if

$f(\vec{x}) = A\vec{x}$  then  $g(f(\vec{x})) = B(A\vec{x})$  \*  
 $g(\vec{y}) = B\vec{y}$  actually equals  $(BA)\vec{x}$ .

properties (room on page 2 for work)

$AB \neq BA$  in general

[don't expect  $g(f(x)) = f(g(x))$  for arbitrary fns!]

$A(BC) = (AB)C$

this follows from our work on compositions of matrix transformations!

$A(B+C) = AB+AC$

$(A+B)C = AC+BC$

$\text{col}_j[A(BC)] = A \text{col}_j(BC)$

$= A [B \text{col}_j C]$

$= (AB) \text{col}_j C$

$= \text{col}_j [(AB)C]$

by \*

If  $A, B$  have inverses (and have same dimension)

then  $(AB)^{-1} = B^{-1}A^{-1}$

check:

(algebraic, transformation)

if  $A^{-1}$  exists then the solution to

$$A \vec{x} = \vec{b} \text{ is}$$

$$\vec{x} = A^{-1} \vec{b}$$

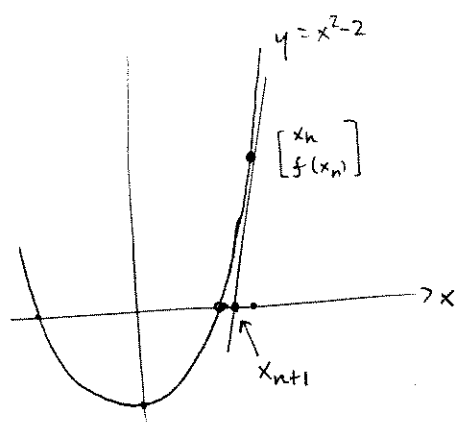
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Ideas behind the fractal generation algorithm:

Analogy you might have seen in Calculus:

using iteration techniques and "contractions" to find  $\sqrt{2}$  (Newton's method!)  
- this is a root of  $f(x) = x^2 - 2$



$$\frac{f(x_n) - 0}{x_n - x_{n+1}} = f'(x_n)$$

$$-f(x_n) = f'(x_n)(x_{n+1} - x_n)$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

Newton iteration.

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2$$
$$f'(x) = 2x$$

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^2 - 2}{2x_n}$$
$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2} \left( x_n + \frac{2}{x_n} \right)$$

$$x_{n+1} - x_n = \frac{1}{2} \left[ x_n + \frac{2}{x_n} - \left( x_{n-1} + \frac{2}{x_{n-1}} \right) \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (x_n - x_{n-1}) + 2 \frac{(x_{n-1} - x_n)}{x_n x_{n-1}} \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} (x_n - x_{n-1}) \left( 1 - \frac{2}{x_n x_{n-1}} \right)$$

If  $x_0 > 1$  then all  $x_n > 1$ , and  
 $|x_{n+1} - x_n| \leq \frac{1}{2} |x_n - x_{n-1}|$   
 $\leq \frac{1}{4} |x_{n-1} - x_{n-2}|$   
 $\leq \frac{1}{2^n} |x_1 - x_0|$

So the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges!  
and the limit  $x$  satisfies

$$x = \frac{1}{2} \left( x + \frac{2}{x} \right)$$
$$\frac{1}{2} x = \frac{1}{x}$$
$$x^2 = 2!$$

Abstract formulation:

Space: points in the interval  $[1, 10]$

Contraction map:

$$T(x) := \frac{1}{2} \left( x + \frac{2}{x} \right)$$

$$T: [1, 10] \rightarrow [1, 10]$$

$$T(x) - T(z) = \frac{1}{2} \left( x + \frac{2}{x} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \left( z + \frac{2}{z} \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ (x - z) + \frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{z} \right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} (x - z) \left[ 1 - \frac{2}{xz} \right]$$

so

$$|T(x) - T(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |x - z|$$

T is a "contraction": image points are closer than domain points, by a strict factor  $\mu < 1$ .  
( $\mu = 1/2$  in this example.)

For fractals:

Space: closed, bounded subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , using Hausdorff distance ("Bobs")

Contraction map:

$$F(\text{Bob}) = f_1(\text{Bob}) \cup \dots \cup f_k(\text{Bob})$$

where each  $f_k$  contracts  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

$$\sqrt{2} !$$

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> Digits:=30;  
x:=10;  
for i from 1 to 10 do  
x:=.5*(x+2/x);  
od;
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*Digits := 30*

*x := 10*

- x := 5.10000000000000000000000000000000*
- x := 2.74607843137254901960784313726*
- x := 1.73719487437959832272787729873*
- x := 1.44423809486623193896379583829*
- x := 1.41452565514873774122499431255*
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> sqrt(2.0);
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