

# Ramanujan's Issues N°1: the radical $r = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}-1}{\sqrt[4]{5}+1}$

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## Abstract

In this note we presents some formulas related with the radical:

$$r = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1}$$

## 1. Introducción

En esta nota mostramos algunas fórmulas relacionadas con el radical de Ramanujan:

$$r = \sqrt[4]{\frac{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1}$$

## 2. Ecuación polinomial asociada

El radical  $r$  satisface la ecuación:

$$r^4 - 6r^3 + 6r^2 - 6r + 1 = 0$$

## 3. Soluciones de la ecuación: $p(z) = z^4 - 6z^3 + 6z^2 - 6z + 1 = 0$

Las soluciones de la ecuación  $p(z) = 0$  son:

$$z_1 = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5} - \sqrt{10 + 6\sqrt{5}}}{2} = r$$

$$z_2 = \frac{3 + \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{10 + 6\sqrt{5}}}{2} = \frac{1}{r}$$

$$z_3 = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5} + i\sqrt{6\sqrt{5} - 10}}{2}$$

$$z_4 = \frac{3 - \sqrt{5} - i\sqrt{6\sqrt{5} - 10}}{2} = \frac{1}{z_3}$$

## 4. Factorización del polinomio $p(z)$

$$p(z) = z^4 - 6z^3 + 6z^2 - 6z + 1 = (z^2 - (3 + \sqrt{5})z + 1)(z^2 - (3 - \sqrt{5})z + 1)$$

### 5. Fórmulas para $r$

$$r = \frac{3 - \sqrt[4]{5} - \sqrt[4]{125} + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$r = \frac{2}{3 + \sqrt[4]{5} + \sqrt[4]{125} + \sqrt{5}}$$

$$r = (\sqrt[4]{5} - 1)^2 \left(\frac{\varphi}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt[4]{5} + 1)^2} \left(\frac{2}{\varphi}\right), \varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$r = \frac{3 - g + g^2 - g^3}{2} = \frac{2}{3 + g + g^2 + g^3}, g = \sqrt[4]{5}$$

$$r = \sqrt{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}} \sqrt[4]{9 + 4\sqrt{5}}$$

$$r = \sqrt[4]{161 - 108\sqrt[4]{5} + 72\sqrt{5} - 48\sqrt[4]{125}}$$

### 6. Sucesión asociada a $r$

Sea  $u_n, n \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots\}$ , la sucesión definida por:

$$u_{n+4} = 6u_{n+3} - 6u_{n+2} + 6u_{n+1} - u_n$$

donde

$$u_0 = 1, u_1 = 6, u_2 = 30, u_3 = 150$$

Se tiene:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n}{u_{n+1}} = r$$

### 7. La sucesión $v_n = \alpha_n + \beta_n \sqrt{5}$

Sea la sucesión  $v_n$ , definida por:

$$v_{n+2} = (3 + \sqrt{5})v_{n+1} - v_n, v_0 = 1, v_1 = 3 + \sqrt{5}$$

Se tiene:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{v_n}{v_{n+1}} = r$$

Poniendo  $v_n = \alpha_n + \beta_n \sqrt{5}$ , con  $\alpha_n, \beta_n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  se tiene:

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_{n+2} &= 3\alpha_{n+1} + 5\beta_{n+1} - \alpha_n \\ \beta_{n+2} &= \alpha_{n+1} + 3\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n\end{aligned}$$

donde

$$\alpha_0 = 1, \beta_0 = 0, \alpha_1 = 3, \beta_1 = 1$$

Una fórmula general para la sucesión  $v_n$  es:

$$v_n = \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}}{4} - \frac{\sqrt[4]{125}}{20} \right) r^n + \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}}{4} + \frac{\sqrt[4]{125}}{20} \right) r^{-n}, n \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

8. La sucesión  $t_n = \delta_n + \gamma_n \varphi$

Sea  $t_n$  la sucesión definida por:

$$t_{n+2} = (2 + 2\varphi)t_{n+1} - t_n, t_0 = 1, t_1 = 2 + 2\varphi, \varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

Se tiene:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{t_n}{t_{n+1}} = r$$

Poniendo  $t_n = \delta_n + \gamma_n \varphi$ , con  $\delta_n, \gamma_n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  se tiene:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{n+2} &= 2\delta_{n+1} + 2\gamma_{n+1} - \delta_n \\ \gamma_{n+2} &= 2\delta_{n+1} + 4\gamma_{n+1} - \gamma_n \\ \delta_0 &= 1, \gamma_0 = 0, \delta_1 = 2, \gamma_1 = 2\end{aligned}$$

9. Los números  $r^n$  y  $r^{-n}$

Para  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  se tiene:

$$\begin{aligned}r^n &= a_n + b_n r + c_n r^2 + d_n r^3 \\ r^{-n} &= a_n + b_n r^{-1} + c_n r^{-2} + d_n r^{-3}\end{aligned}$$

donde

$$a_{n+1} = -d_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_{n+1} &= a_n + 6d_n \\
c_{n+1} &= b_n - 6d_n \\
d_{n+1} &= c_n + 6d_n \\
a_0 = 1, b_0 = c_0 = d_0 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

10. Los números  $r^n$  y  $r^{-n}$  en función de  $g = \sqrt[4]{5}$

Para  $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$  se tiene:

$$\begin{aligned}
r^n &= \frac{1}{2^n} (a_n - b_n g + c_n g^2 - d_n g^3) \\
r^{-n} &= \frac{1}{2^n} (a_n + b_n g + c_n g^2 + d_n g^3)
\end{aligned}$$

donde

$$\begin{aligned}
a_{n+1} &= 3a_n + 5b_n + 5c_n + 5d_n \\
b_{n+1} &= a_n + 3b_n + 5c_n + 5d_n \\
c_{n+1} &= a_n + b_n + 3c_n + 5d_n \\
d_{n+1} &= a_n + b_n + c_n + 3d_n \\
a_0 = 1, b_0 = c_0 = d_0 &= 0
\end{aligned}$$

11. Identidades con el número  $r$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1-r}{1+r} &= \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{5}} \\
5(1-r)^4 &= (1+r)^4 \\
\frac{1-r}{1+r} &= \frac{9-13r+7r^2-r^3}{10} \\
\frac{1+r}{1-r} &= \frac{3-r+5r^2-r^3}{2} \\
\left(\frac{1-r^4}{1+r^4}\right)^4 &= 5\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 \\
r^2 - (2+2\varphi)r + 1 &= 0, \varphi = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \\
r + r^{-1} &= 3 + \sqrt{5}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} = 6 - 6r + 6r^2 - r^3$$

$$r = 6 - \frac{6}{r} + \frac{6}{r^2} - \frac{1}{r^3}$$

$$\frac{1-2r}{1+2r} = \frac{69-148r+104r^2-16r^3}{101}$$

$$\frac{1-3r}{1+3r} = \frac{77-219r+171r^2-27r^3}{158}$$

$$\frac{r}{1-r} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}-1}{2}$$

$$\frac{1}{1-r} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}+1}{2}$$

## 12. Fracciones continuas para $r$

Para  $\varphi = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2}$ ,  $g = \sqrt[4]{5}$ ,  $g + g^3 = \sqrt[4]{5} + \sqrt[4]{125}$ , se tiene:

$$r = \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{5} - \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{5} - \frac{1}{3 + \sqrt{5} - \dots}}} = \frac{1}{2\varphi^2 - \frac{1}{2\varphi^2 - \frac{1}{2\varphi^2 - \dots}}}$$

$$r = \frac{1}{g + g^3 + \frac{1}{g + g^3 + \frac{1}{g + g^3 + \dots}}} = \frac{1}{2g\varphi + \frac{1}{2g\varphi + \frac{1}{2g\varphi + \dots}}}$$

## 13. Series para $r$

$$r = \frac{5}{24} + \frac{1}{24} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1/4)_n}{n!} \left( 27 \left( \frac{161}{3^8} \right)^n - 40 \left( -\frac{1}{80} \right)^n - 18 \left( \frac{1}{81} \right)^n \right)$$

$$r = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_n}{(3 + \sqrt{5})^{2n-1}} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} c_n 2^{-2n+1} \varphi^{-4n+2}$$

donde

$$c_1 = 1, c_{n+2} = \frac{2}{n+2} \sum_{k=0}^n (k+1) c_{k+1} c_{n-k+1}$$

$$c_n = \{1, 1, 2, 5, 14, 42, 132, 429, 1430, 4862, \dots\}$$

#### 14. Aproximaciones racionales

Sean  $n, p_n, q_n \in \mathbb{N}$ , tales que  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_n}{q_n} = \sqrt[4]{5}$ , entonces se tiene:

$$r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{p_n - q_n}{p_n + q_n}$$

$$r = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3q_n^3 - p_n q_n^2 + p_n^2 q_n - p_n^3}{2q_n^3}$$

#### 15. Una relación con los números de Fibonacci

Sea  $F_n$  la sucesión de Fibonacci:

$$F_{n+2} = F_{n+1} + F_n, F_0 = F_1 = 1$$

$$F_n = \{1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, \dots\}$$

Sea  $w_n$  la sucesión definida por:

$$w_{n+2} = 2 \frac{F_{n+2}}{F_n} w_{n+1} - w_n, w_0 = 1, w_1 = 4$$

Se tiene:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{w_n}{w_{n+1}} = r$$

#### 16. Algunas sucesiones convergentes a $r$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 + z_n^2}{3 + \sqrt{5}}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 + 6z_n^2 - 6z_n^3 + z_n^4}{6}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1}{6 - 6z_n + 6z_n^2 - z_n^3}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 + 6z_n^2 + z_n^4}{6 + 6z_n^2}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 + z_n^4}{6 - 6z_n + 6z_n^2}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 - 2z_n + 6z_n^2 - 6z_n^3 + z_n^4}{4}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 - z_n + 6z_n^2 - 6z_n^3 + z_n^4}{5}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 - z_n + 6z_n^2 - z_n^3 + z_n^4}{5 + 5z_n^2}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 - 6z_n^2 + 12z_n^3 - 3z_n^4}{6 - 12z_n + 18z_n^2 - 4z_n^3}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1 - (\sqrt{5} - 2)z_n + z_n^2}{5}, z_1 = 0 \Rightarrow z_n \rightarrow r$$

#### 17. Integrales para r

$$r = 3 + \sqrt{5} - \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{3 + \sqrt{5} - (6 + 3\sqrt{5})e^{xi}}{4 - (6 + 2\sqrt{5})e^{xi} + e^{2xi}} dx$$

$$r = 6 - \frac{4}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{12 - 35e^{xi} + 9e^{2xi} - 6e^{3xi}}{16 - 48e^{xi} + 24e^{2xi} - 12e^{3xi} + e^{4xi}} dx$$

#### 18. Fórmulas para pi

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}(r) + 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{5}}\right)$$

$$\pi = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} r^{2n+1} + \frac{4}{\sqrt[4]{5}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^n$$

$$\pi = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} (\sqrt[4]{5} - 1)^{4n+2} \left(\frac{\varphi}{2}\right)^{2n+1} + \frac{4}{\sqrt[4]{5}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5^{-n}}{4n+1} - \frac{4}{\sqrt[4]{125}} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{5^{-n}}{4n+3}$$

$$\pi = 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right) + 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{\sqrt{6\sqrt{5} - 10}}{2}\right)$$

$$\pi = 4 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2} \right) + 4 \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{(\sqrt{10} - \sqrt{3\sqrt{5} - 5})^2 (5 + \sqrt{5})}{60} \right)$$

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}(r) + 4 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{5}}} \right)$$

### 19. Identidades

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} + \sqrt[4]{\frac{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} = 3 + \sqrt{5}$$

$$\sqrt[4]{\frac{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} - \sqrt[4]{\frac{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} = \sqrt[4]{5} + \sqrt[4]{125}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1}} = (\sqrt[4]{5} - 1) \sqrt{\frac{\varphi}{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\varphi}}, \quad \varphi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2}$$

$$6 \sqrt[4]{\frac{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} - \sqrt{\frac{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} - \sqrt{\frac{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} + 6 \sqrt[4]{\frac{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}} = 6$$

$$6 \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1} \right) - \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1} \right)^2 - \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1} \right)^2 + 6 \left( \frac{\sqrt[4]{5} + 1}{\sqrt[4]{5} - 1} \right) = 6$$

### 20. Algunos polinomios

$$z = \sqrt[4]{5} - 1 \Rightarrow z^4 + 4z^3 + 6z^2 + 4z - 4 = 0$$

$$z = \sqrt[4]{5} + 1 \Rightarrow z^4 - 4z^3 + 6z^2 - 4z - 4 = 0$$

$$z = 3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5} \Rightarrow z^4 - 12z^3 + 54z^2 - 108z + 1 = 0$$

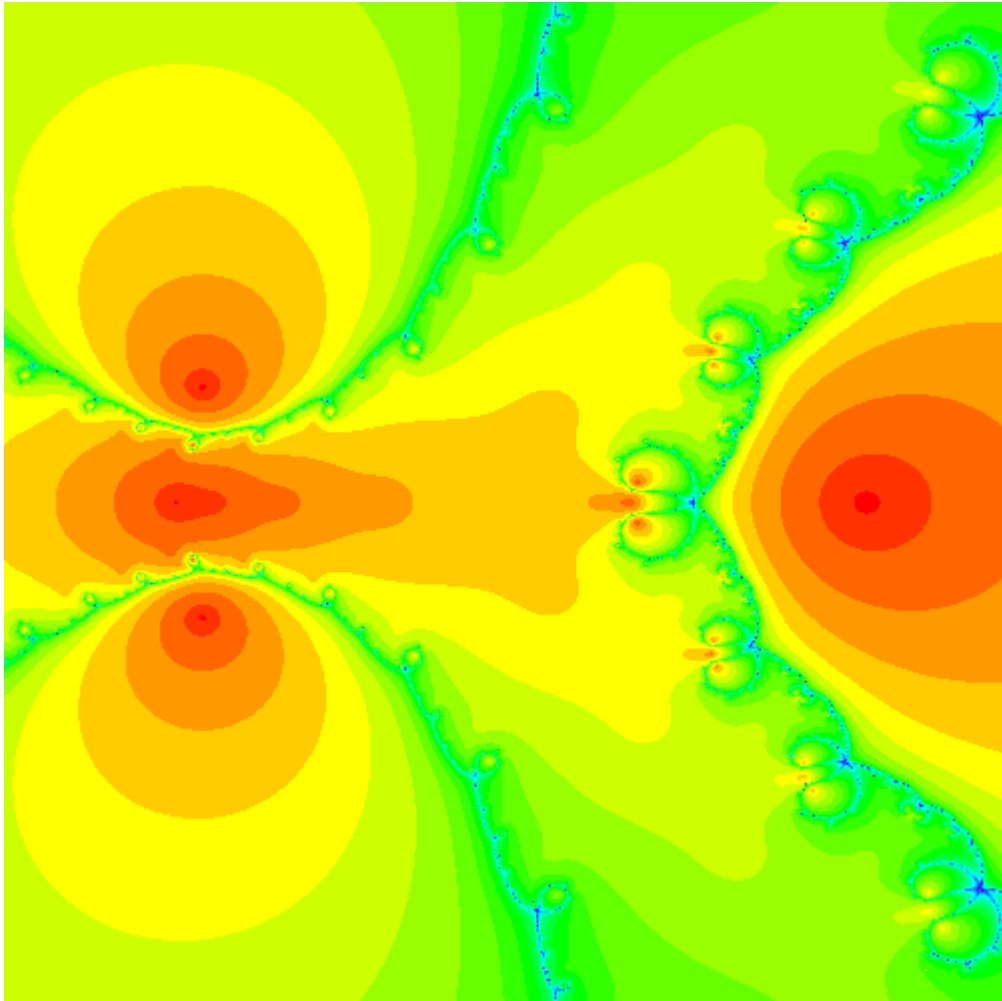
$$z = 3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5} \Rightarrow z^4 - 12z^3 + 54z^2 - 108z + 1 = 0$$

$$z = \frac{3 - 2\sqrt[4]{5}}{3 + 2\sqrt[4]{5}} \Rightarrow z^4 - 644z^3 + 6z^2 - 644z + 1 = 0$$

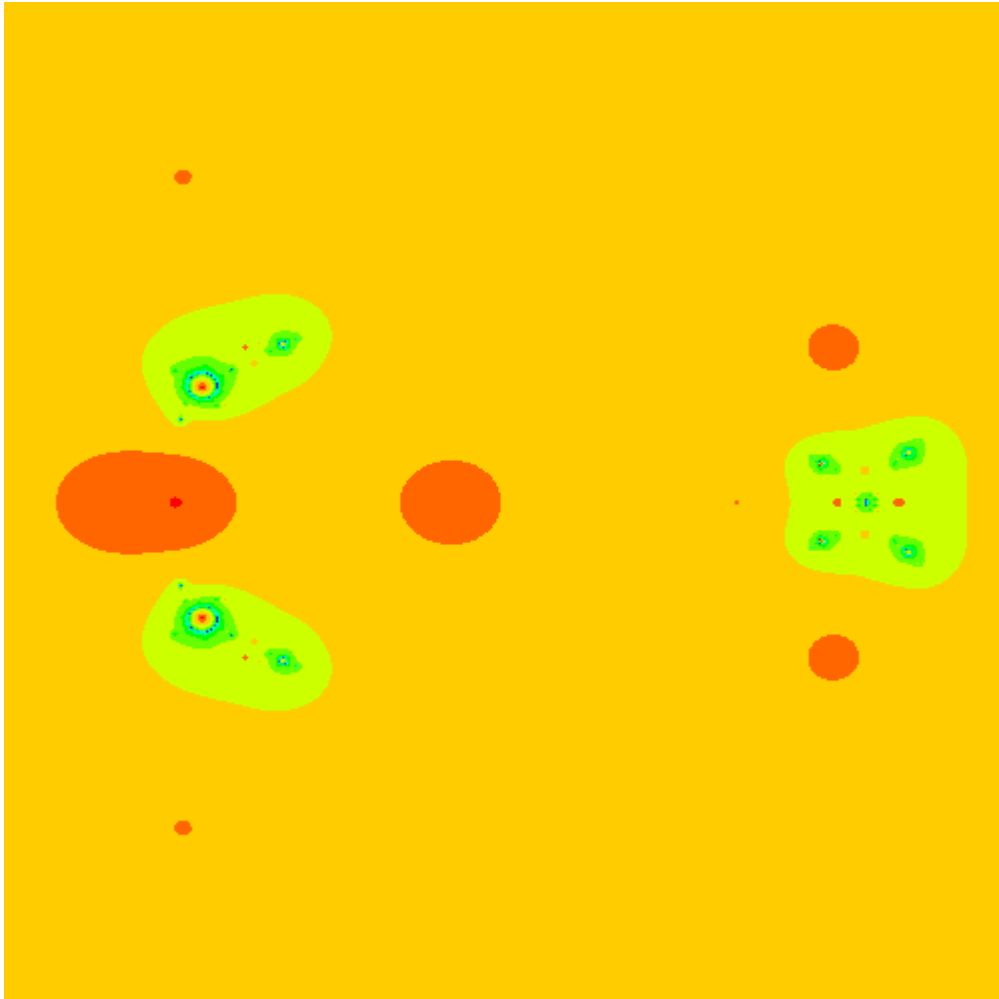
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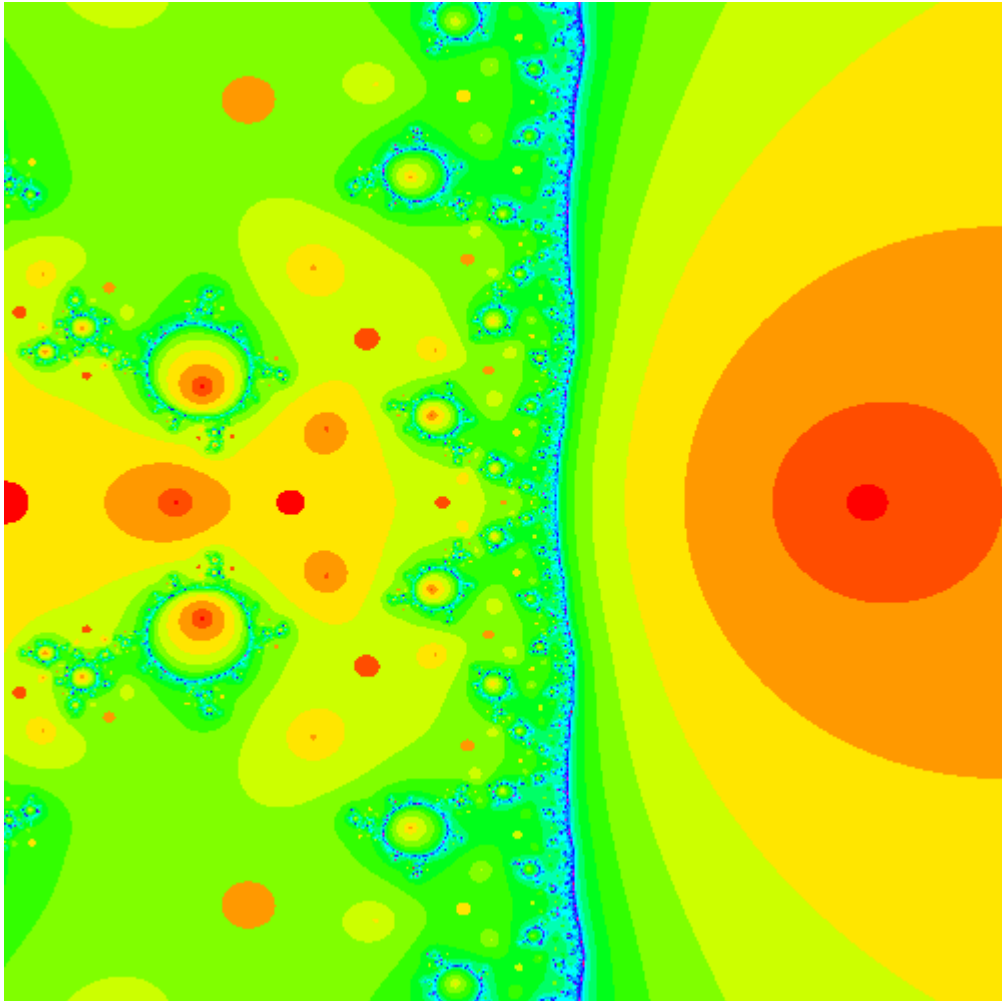
$$f(z) = z - \frac{1 + 6z^2 - 6z^3 + z^4}{6}$$



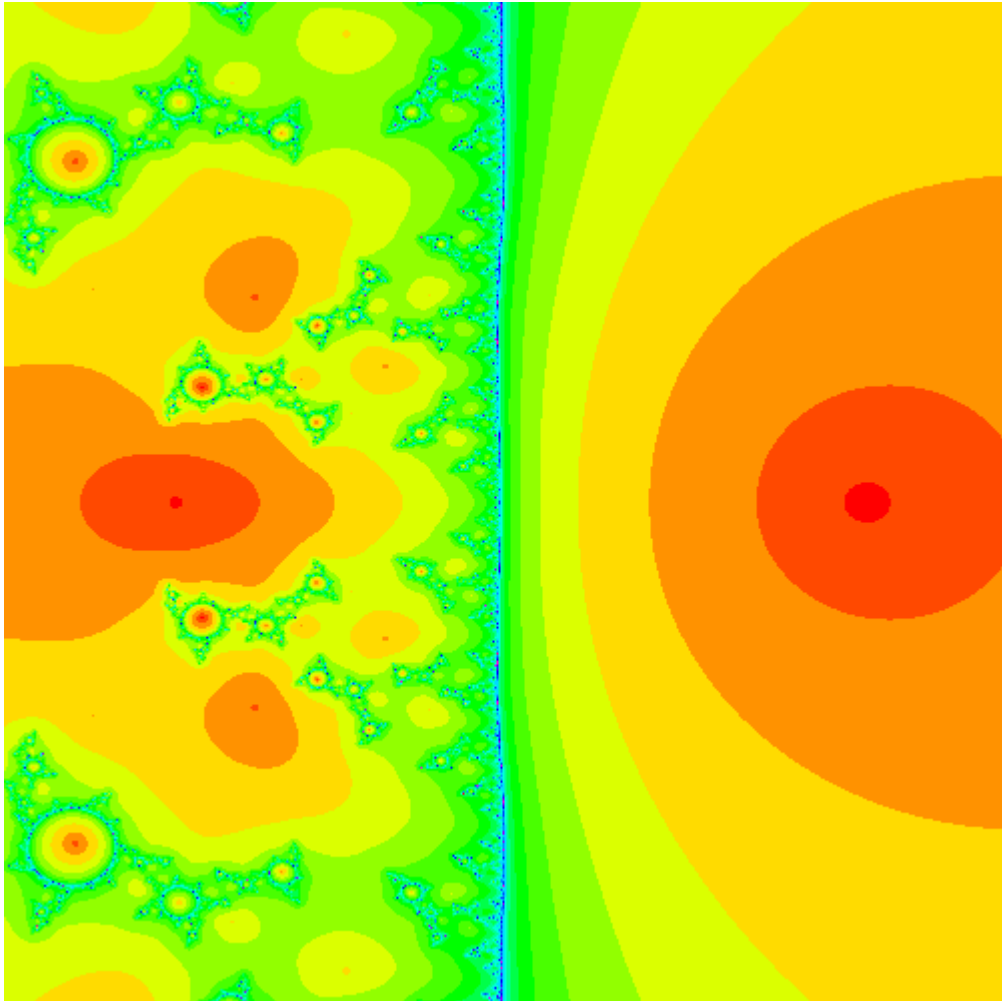
$$f(z) = z - \frac{1}{6 - 6z + 6z^2 - z^3}$$



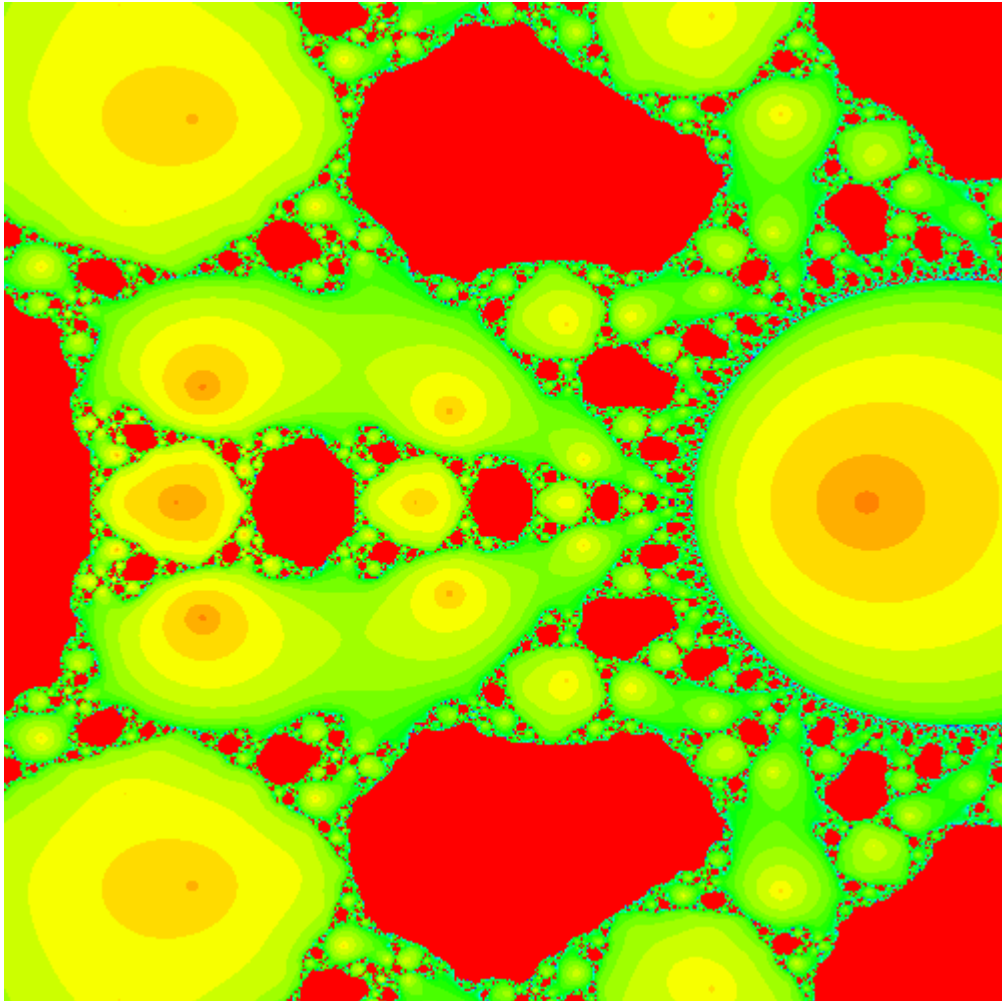
$$f(z) = z - \frac{1 + 6z^2 + z^4}{6 + 6z^2}$$



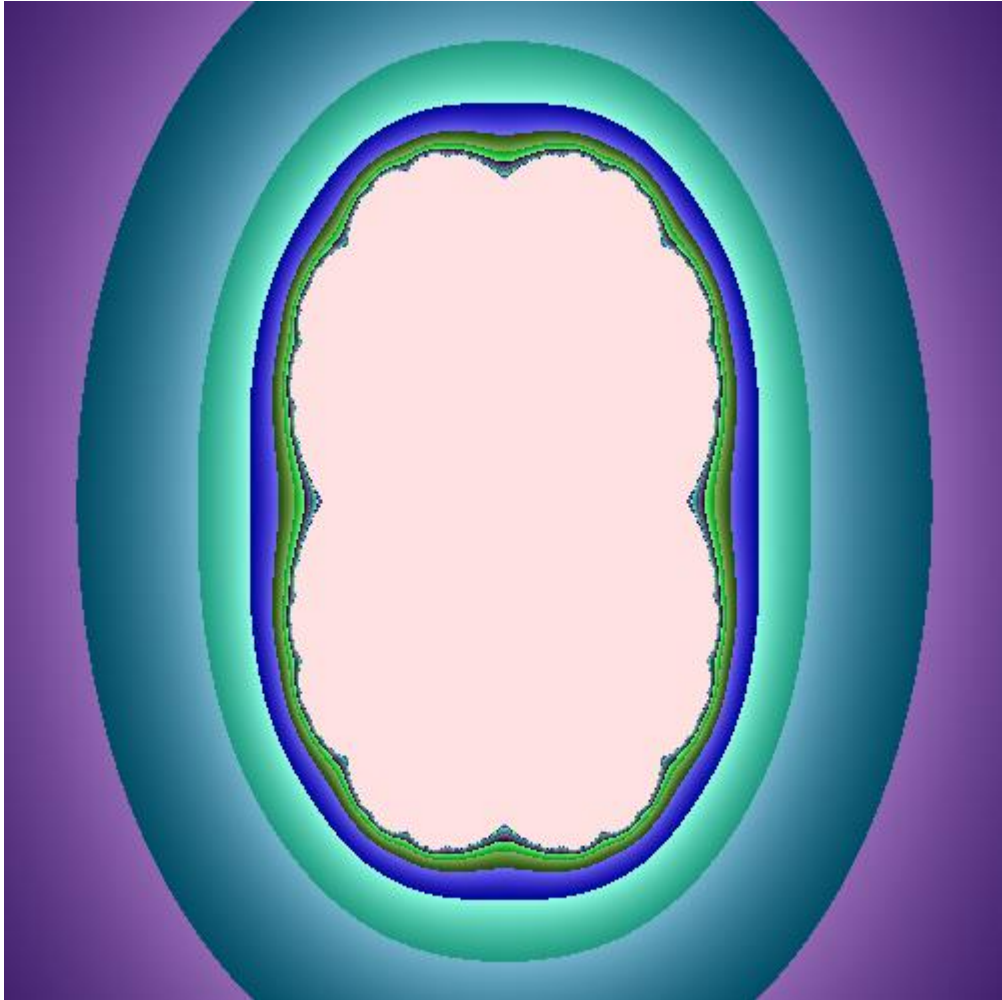
$$f(z) = z - \frac{1 + z^4}{6 - 6z + 6z^2}$$



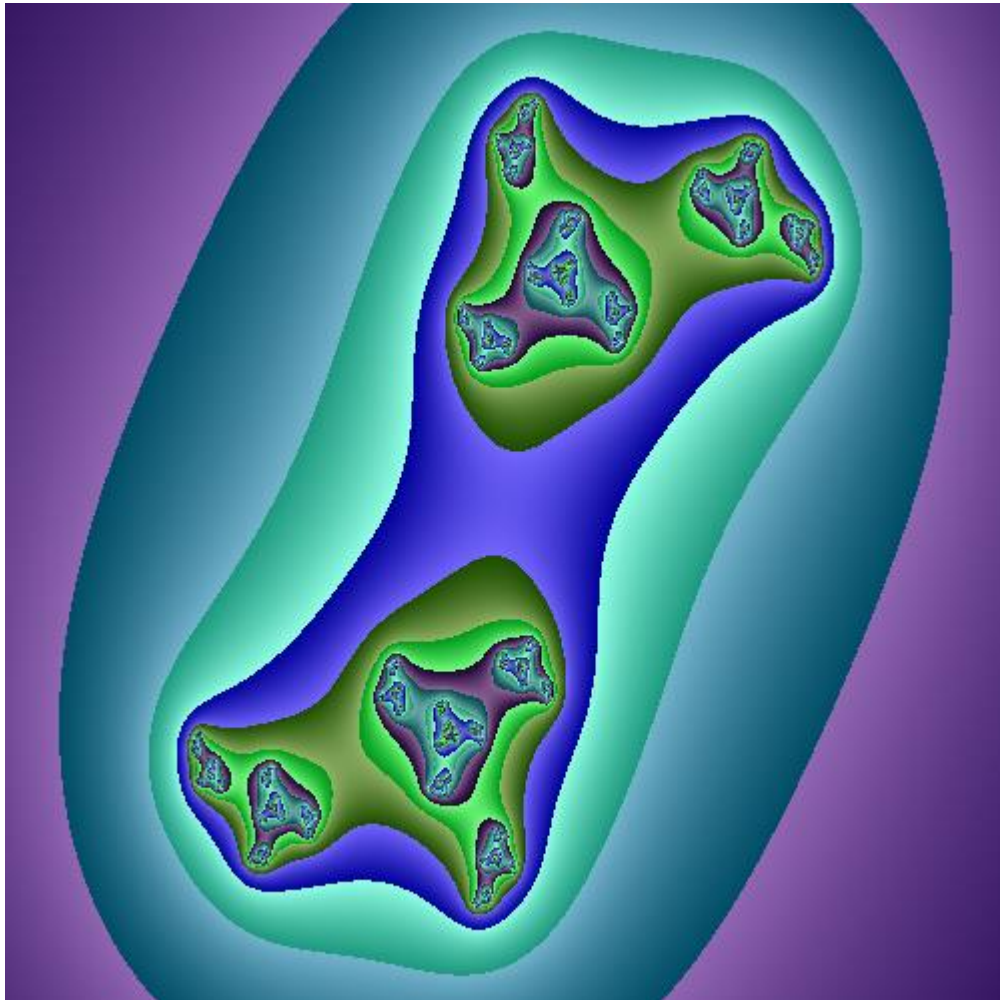
$$f(z) = z - \frac{1 - 6z^2 + 12z^3 - 3z^4}{6 - 12z + 18z^2 - 4z^3}$$



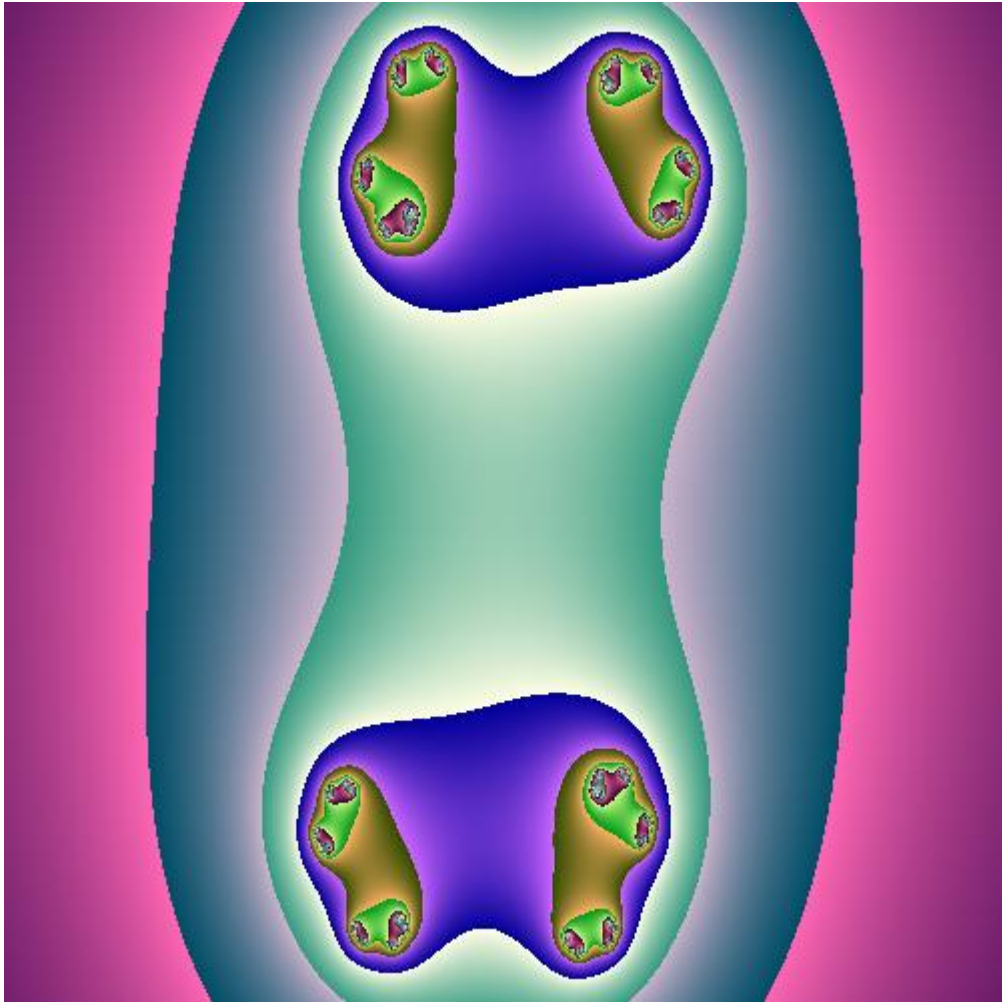
Julia set for  $z = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}-1}{\sqrt[4]{5}+1}$



Julia set for  $z = \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}-1}{\sqrt[4]{5}+1} + i$



Julia set for  $z = 1 + i \frac{\sqrt[4]{5}-1}{\sqrt[4]{5}+1}$





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