

A generating function

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abstract

In this note we study the function $f(z) = \frac{1}{1-2z-z^2-z^4}$, $z \in \mathbb{C}$

Introduction

Recall that

$$\pi = 4 \left(1 - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{11} - \frac{1}{13} + \frac{1}{15} - \dots \right) \quad (1)$$

In this note we study the function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{1-2z-z^2-z^4}, \quad z \in \mathbb{C} \quad (2)$$

Results

Entry 1.

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{1-2z-z^2-z^4} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_n z^n \quad (3)$$

where

$$c_n = 2c_{n-1} + c_{n-2} + c_{n-4} \quad (4)$$

$$\{c_n : n \geq 0\} = \{1, 2, 5, 12, 30, 74, 183, 452, 1117, \dots\} \quad (5)$$

Entry 2.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{c_n}{c_{n+1}} = u \quad (6)$$

$$u^4 + u^2 + 2u - 1 = 0 \quad (7)$$

$$u = -\frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{-2 - 11(91 + 6\sqrt{267})^{-1/3} + (91 + 6\sqrt{267})^{1/3}}{3}} + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{\frac{-4 + 11(91 + 6\sqrt{267})^{-1/3} - (91 + 6\sqrt{267})^{1/3}}{3}} + 4 \sqrt{\frac{3}{-2 - 11(91 + 6\sqrt{267})^{-1/3} + (91 + 6\sqrt{267})^{1/3}}} \quad (8)$$

Entry 3.

$$\pi = 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n u^{2n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{1}{2n-4k+1} \binom{2n-2k}{2k} \quad (9)$$

Entry 4.

$$\pi = 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} \left(\frac{u}{1-u^4} \right)^{2n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2k} u^{4k} = 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{2n+1} \left(\frac{1}{2+u} \right)^{2n+1} \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{2n+1}{2k} u^{4k} \quad (10)$$

Entry 5.

$$\pi = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{u^{2n+1}}{2n+1} (a_n + b_n) \quad (11)$$

where

$$a_n = \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{3+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n + \left(\frac{1-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right) \left(-\frac{3-\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^n, n \geq 0 \quad (12)$$

$$b_n = \left(\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^n + \left(\frac{1-i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1+i\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)^n, n \geq 0 \quad (13)$$

Remark: $i = \sqrt{-1}$.

Entry 6.

$$\frac{f(z) + f(-z)}{2} = \frac{1-z^2-z^4}{(1-z^2-z^4)^2-4z^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{2n} z^{2n} \quad (14)$$

$$\frac{f(z) - f(-z)}{2} = \frac{2z}{(1-z^2-z^4)^2-4z^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{2n+1} z^{2n+1} \quad (15)$$

Entry 7.

$$c_{2n} = \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \sum_{k=m}^{n-m} 2^{2n-2m-2k} \binom{2n-2m-k}{k} \binom{k}{m}, n \geq 0 \quad (16)$$

$$c_{2n+1} = \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \sum_{k=m}^{n-m} 2^{2n-2m-2k+1} \binom{2n-2m-k+1}{k} \binom{k}{m}, n \geq 0 \quad (17)$$

Entry 8.

$$u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{c_{2n}}{c_{2n+2}}} \quad (18)$$

$$u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{\frac{c_{2n+1}}{c_{2n+3}}} \quad (19)$$

Entry 9. If $u = \tan \theta$, then

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tan(2\theta)}{2} \right) + 4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sin(2\theta)}{2} \right) \quad (20)$$

Entry 10. If $u = \tanh \theta$, then

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\tanh(2\theta)}{2} \right) + 4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sinh(2\theta)}{2} \right) \quad (21)$$

Entry 11.

$$\pi = 4\sqrt{u} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u^n 2^{-2n} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/4 \rfloor} 2^{4k} \sum_{m=k}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{2n-4k-2m}{n-2k-m} \binom{n-2k-m}{m} \binom{m}{k} \frac{2^{2m}}{2n-4k-4m+1} \quad (22)$$

Entry 12.

$$\pi = 4\sqrt{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u^{n+1} 2^{-2n} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/4 \rfloor} 2^{4k} \sum_{m=k}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2k}{2} \rfloor} \binom{2n-4k-4m}{n-2k-2m} \binom{n-2k-m}{m} \binom{m}{k} \frac{2^{4m}}{2n-4k-4m+1} \quad (23)$$

Entry 13.

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(x) dx = 2\pi v \quad (24)$$

where

$$1424v^4 - 92v^2 + 16v - 1 = 0 \quad (25)$$

$$v = 0.1426... \quad (26)$$

Entry 14.

$$\pi = 6 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u^{2n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} 2^{4k} \sum_{m=0}^{n-k} \binom{2m}{m} \binom{n-k+m}{n-k-m} \binom{n-k-m}{k} \frac{2^{-2m}}{2m+1} \quad (27)$$

Entry 15. For $a > 1/u = 2.4709...$, we have

$$2\pi v = \int_{-a}^a \frac{1}{1-2xi+x^2-x^4} dx - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n a^{-2n-3}}{2n+3} s_{2n} \quad (28)$$

where

$$s_n = -s_{n-2} - 2s_{n-3} + s_{n-4} \quad (29)$$

$$\{s_n : n \geq 0\} = \{1, 0, 1, -2, 2, 4, 1, -10, 9, \dots\} \quad (30)$$

and v is defined by (24),(25),(26).

Entry 16.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\sqrt{3}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x^4 + x^2 + 2x - 1} dx = \\ & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{\pi}{6} - 2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (-1)^n 3^{-n-3} \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \right)^k \binom{n+1}{n-k} \sum_{m=0}^{k+1} \binom{k+1}{k-m+1} \frac{(-2\sqrt{3})^{-m}}{2n+k+m+6} \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

Entry 17. If $u = e^{-\theta}$, then

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2 \cosh \theta} \right) + 4 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2 \sinh \theta} \right) \quad (32)$$

Entry 18.

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 4 \tan^{-1}(u) + 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{u^2}{2+u^3}\right) \quad (33)$$

Entry 19.

$$c_n = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/4 \rfloor} \sum_{m=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-2k}{2} \rfloor} 2^{n-2k-2m} \binom{n-m-2k}{m} \binom{m}{k}, n \geq 0 \quad (34)$$

Entry 20.

$$4\sqrt{2} \int_0^{1/\sqrt{2}} f(-x^2) dx = \pi + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{-2n}}{4n+5} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor} \binom{n-k+1}{k} F\left(n-k+2, 2n+\frac{5}{2}, 2n+\frac{7}{2}, -1\right) \quad (35)$$

Remark: $F(a, b, c, x)$ is the Gauss hypergeometric function.

Entry 21.

$$\int_{\sqrt{3}}^{\infty} \frac{(1+x^2)^3}{x^8+2x^6-x^4-4x^2-3} dx = \frac{\pi}{6} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3^{-n} c_n}{2n+1} F\left(n+1, n+\frac{1}{2}, n+\frac{3}{2}, -\frac{1}{3}\right) \quad (36)$$

Remark: c_n is defined by (3),(4),(5). $F(a, b, c, x)$ is the Gauss hypergeometric function.

Entry 22.

$$\pi = 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u^{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \binom{n}{n-2k} + 4u^2 + 4 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u^{2n+2} \sum_{k=\lfloor \frac{n-1}{4} \rfloor}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} \frac{(-1)^k}{2k+1} \binom{2k+1}{n-2k} \quad (37)$$

Entry 23. For $s^4 + s^2 - 2s - 1 = 0$, $s = 1.1841\dots$, we have

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s}\right) + 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^3}\right) - 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{s^2+1}\right) \quad (38)$$

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^3}\right) + 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^3+2s}\right) \quad (39)$$

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{s}{s+1}\right) + 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^4+s^2}\right) \quad (40)$$

$$\pi = 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^3+s-1}\right) + 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{s^4+s^2}\right) \quad (41)$$

Entry 24. For $z^4 + z^2 + 2z - 1 = 0$, $z = 0.389\dots + i \cdot 1.390\dots$, we have

$$\pi = -4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{z^3}\right) - 4 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{z^3+2z}\right) \quad (42)$$

Complex Plots

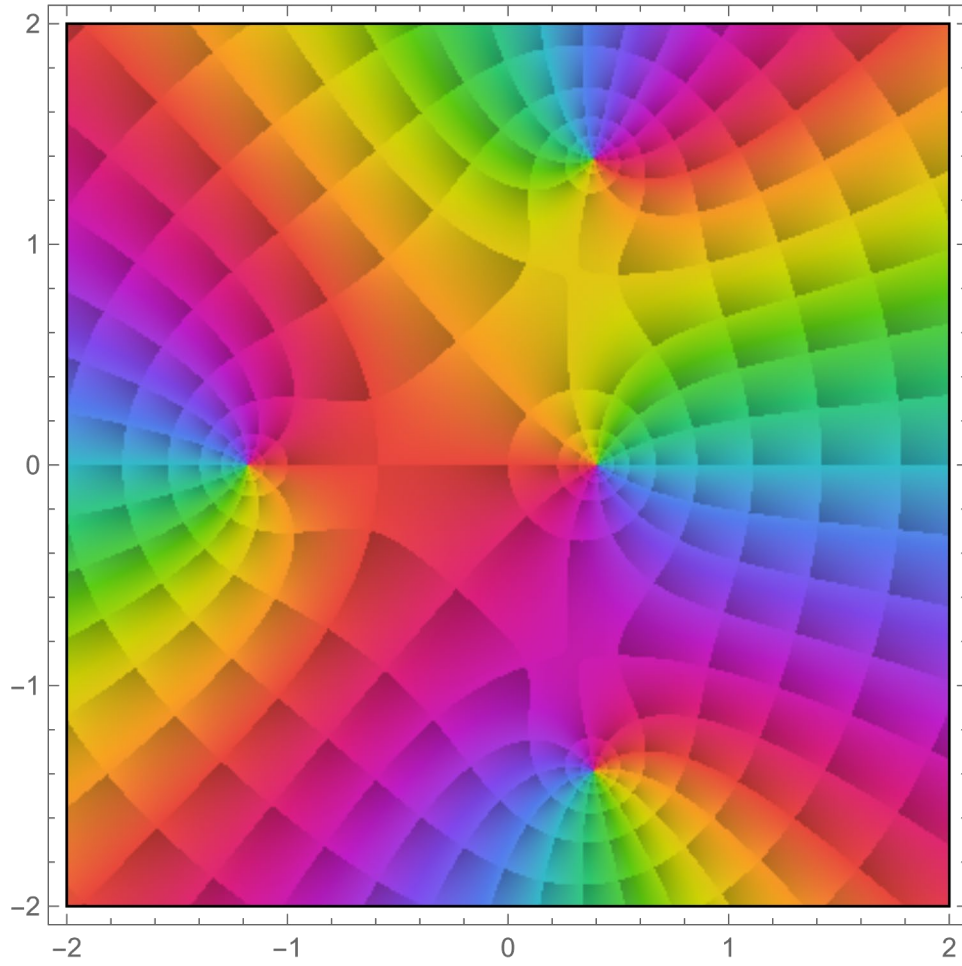


Fig. 1 : $f(z), z \in (-2 - 2i, 2 + 2i)$

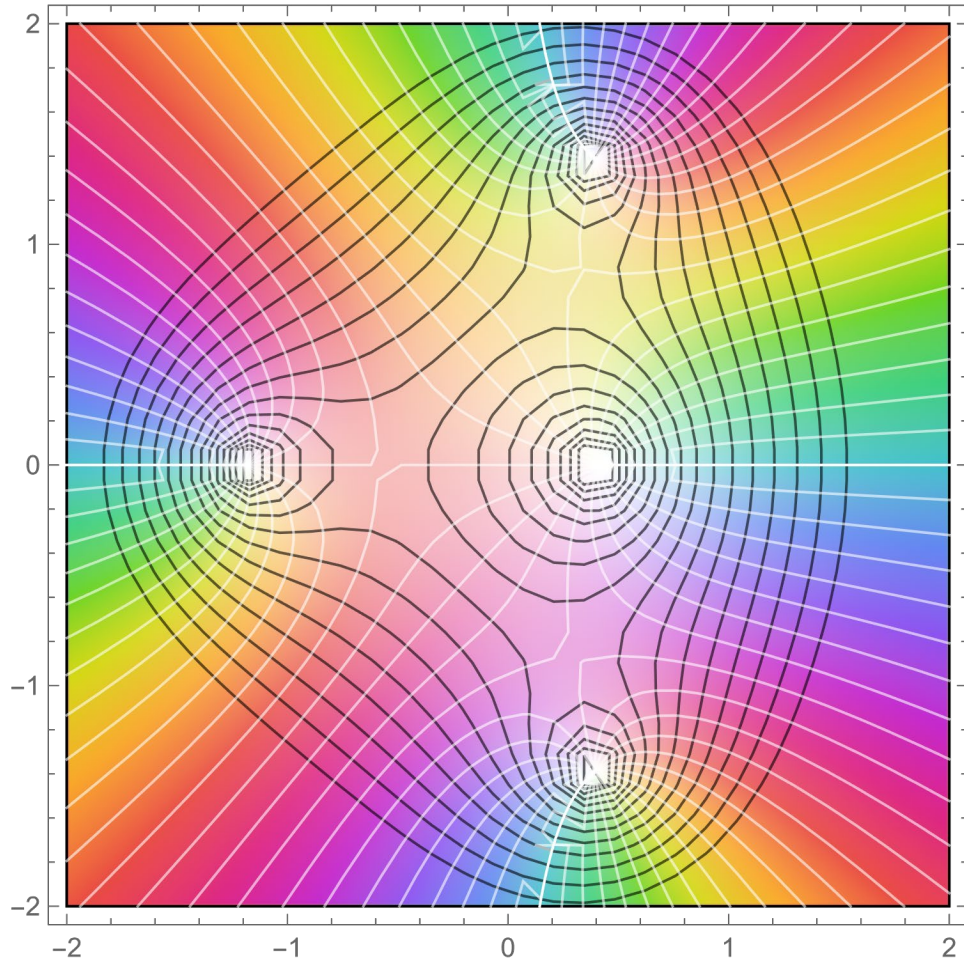


Fig. 2 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

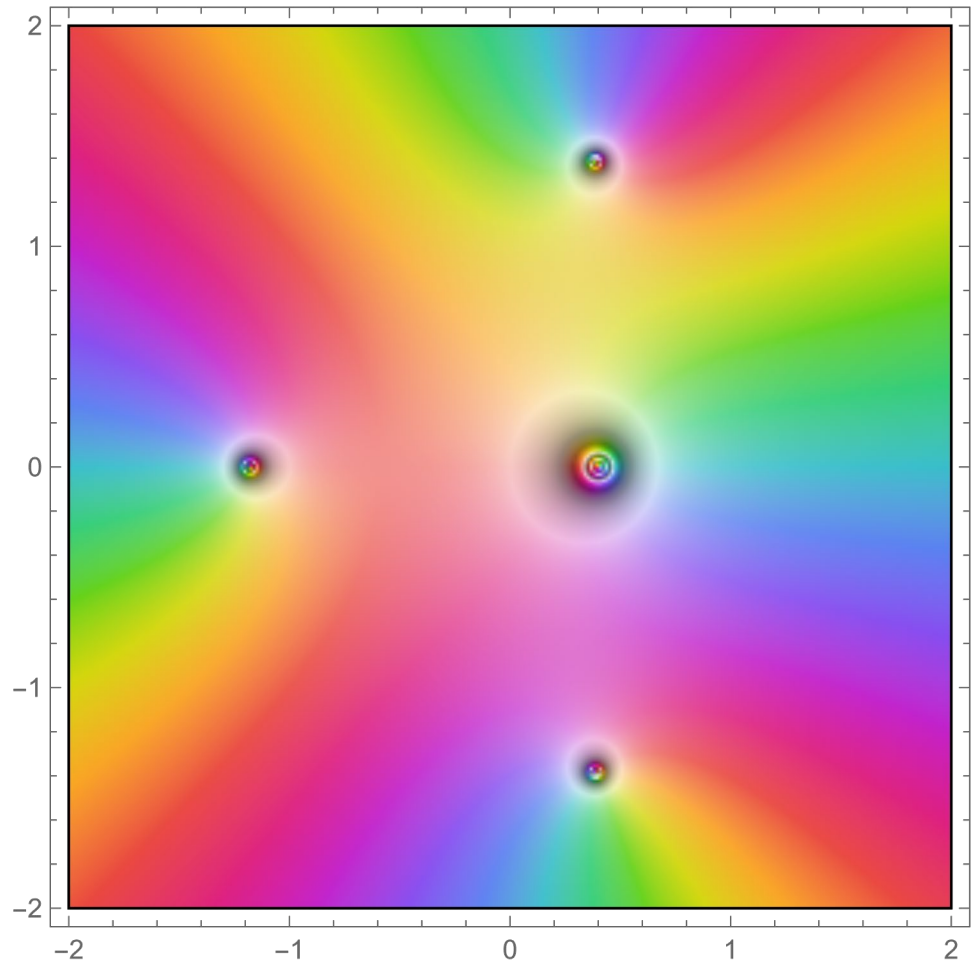


Fig. 3 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

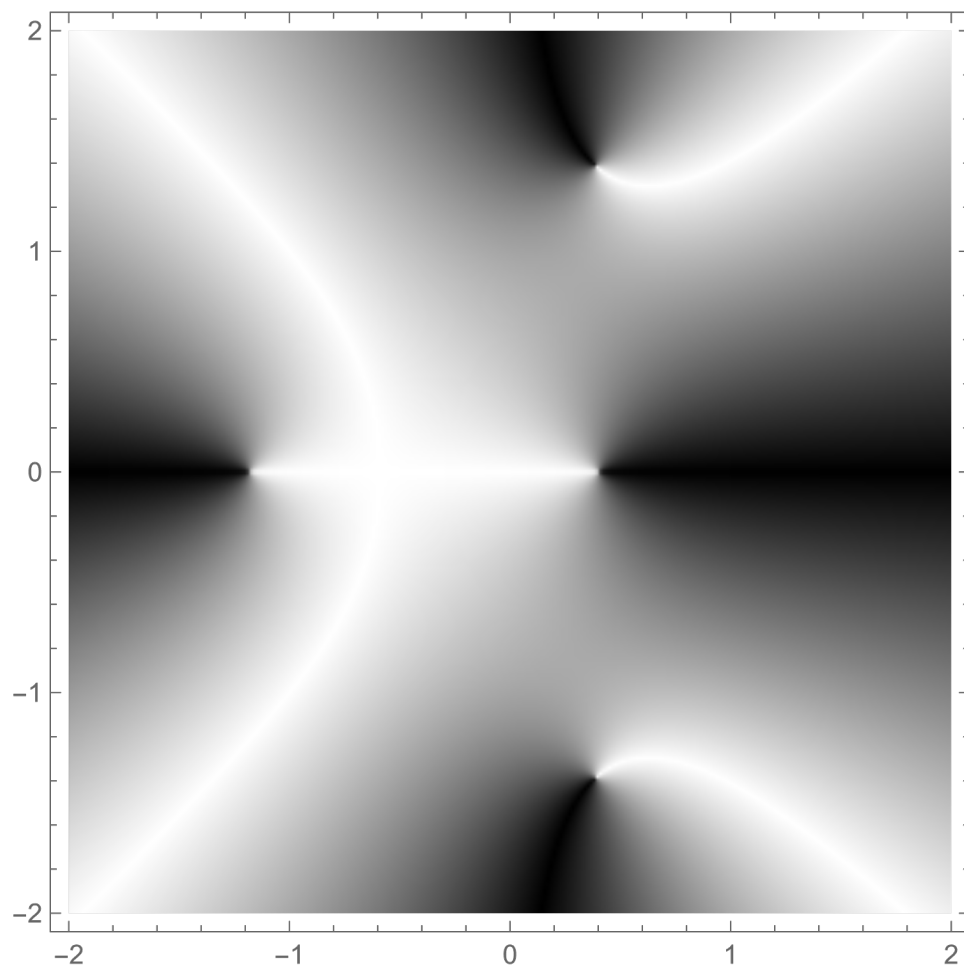


Fig. 4 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

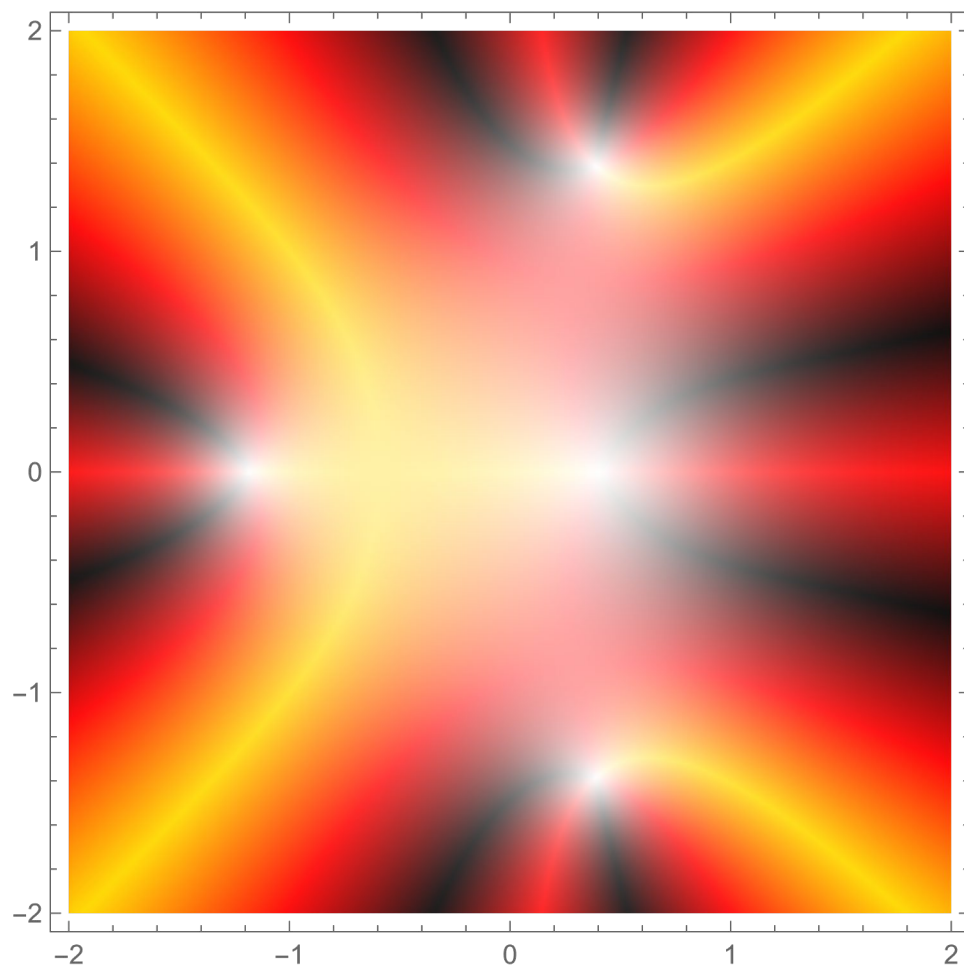


Fig. 5 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

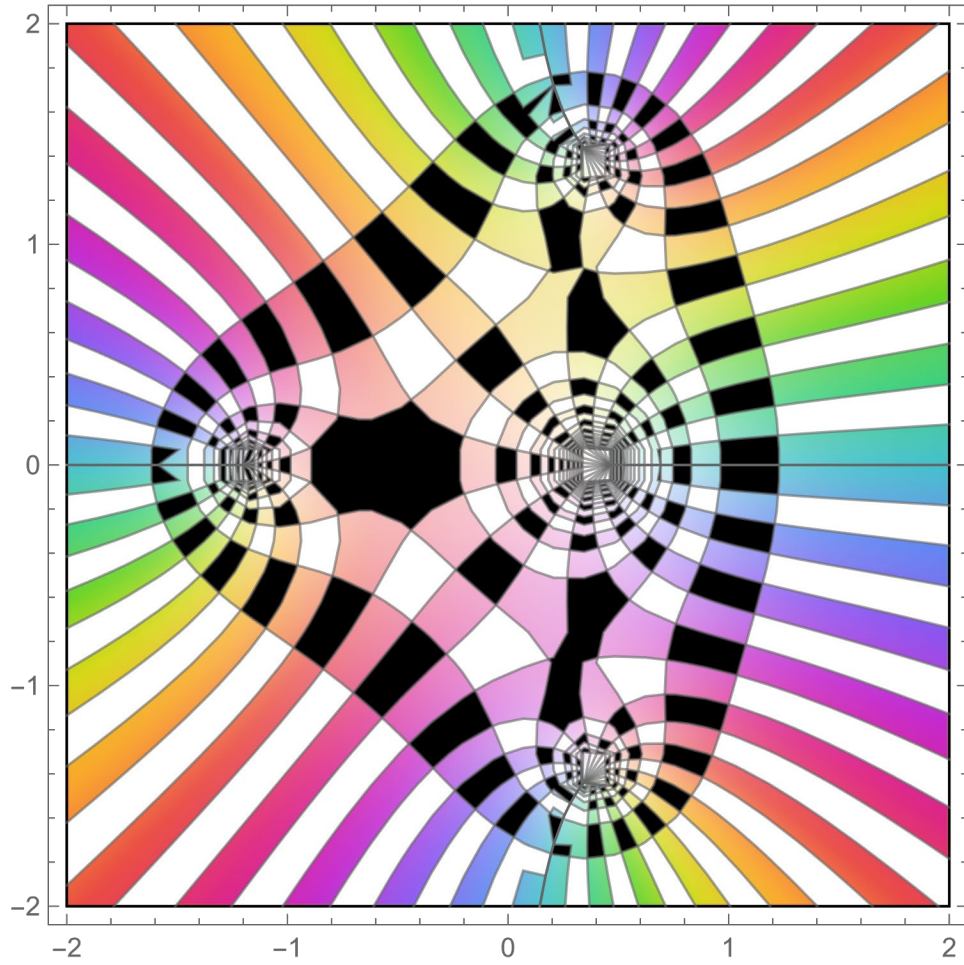


Fig. 6 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

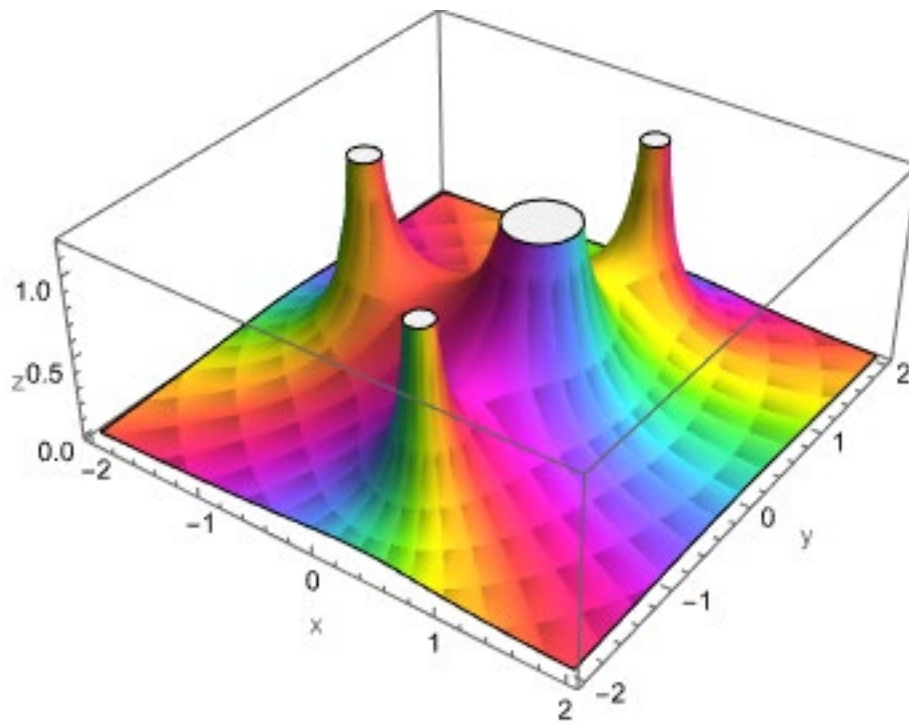


Fig. 7 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

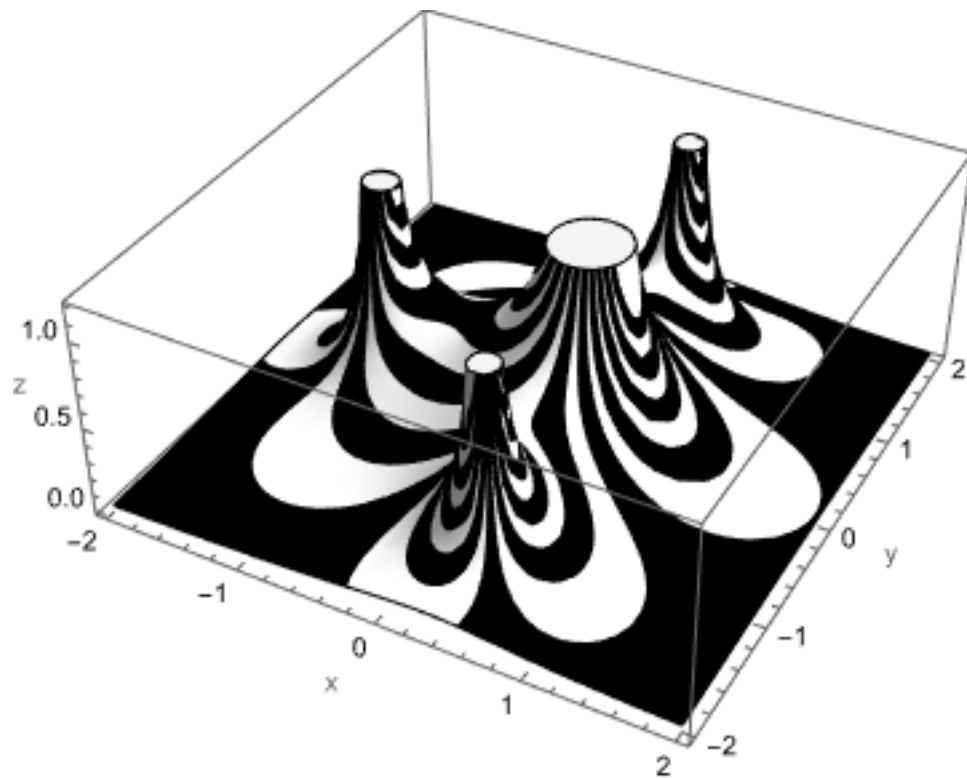


Fig. 8 : $f(z), z \in (-2-2i, 2+2i)$

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