Talks 2Math 456Fall 2024

1) Maps that contract. Suppose $f : [a, b] \to [a, b]$,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < |x - y|$$
 for all $x, y \in [a, b]$ where $x \neq y$,

and that f is continuous on [a, b]. Prove the following.

- a) There's a unique fixed point p in [a,b].
- b) p is attracting.
- c) The basin of attraction of p contains (a, b).
- d) Discuss what can happen at a and b.
- 2) Let $f(x) = x^2$. Find all mobius transformations T such that

$$T \circ f \circ T^{-1} = f.$$

3) Show that the family of logistic maps

$$x \longrightarrow a x(1-x)$$

is conjugate to the quadratic family

$$x \longrightarrow x^2 + c.$$

- 4) *Chaos*: 1.6 (p. 36)
- 5) **Chaos:** 1.13 (p. 37)
- 6) *Chaos*: 1.17 (p. 38)