

# Fractal Trigeometry and the Juliusbulb Iteration

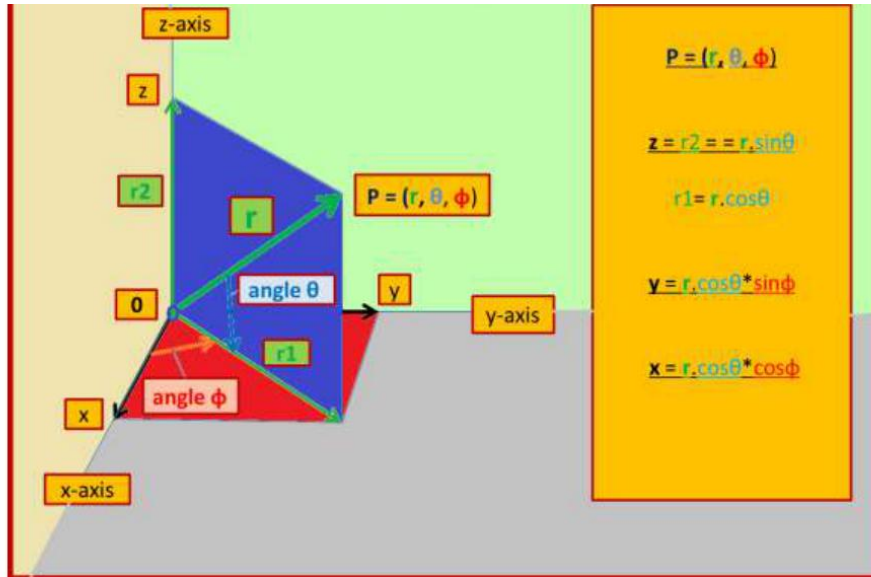
A Coordinate-Based Geometric Dynamical System in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

## Abstract

Fractal Trigeometry (FTG) is formulated as a coordinate-based geometric extension of polar complex dynamics to three-dimensional Euclidean space. Rather than defining a hypercomplex algebra on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , FTG introduces exponentiation through radial scaling and angular multiplication in spherical coordinates. The resulting mapping induces a well-defined discrete dynamical system whose bounded orbits define three-dimensional analogues of Julia and Mandelbrot sets, referred to as the Juliabulb and Juliusbulb.

## 1. Coordinate Framework

Let  $z = (x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R}^3$ . Define  $r_1 = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$ ,  $r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}$ ,  $\varphi = \text{atan2}(y, x)$ ,  $\theta = \text{atan2}(z, r_1)$ . The inverse relations are  $x = r \cos\theta \cos\varphi$ ,  $y = r \cos\theta \sin\varphi$ ,  $z = r \sin\theta$ .



## 3. Juliusbulb-(p, n) notation

With p is the power of z and n is the number of iterations.

## 2. Geometric Power Mapping

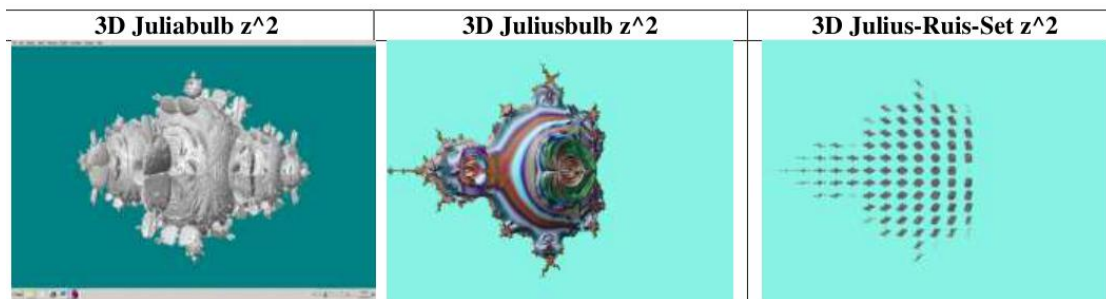
In  $\mathbb{C}$ , exponentiation is given by  $(re^{i\phi})^p = r^p e^{ip\phi}$ . Since no associative multiplication on  $\mathbb{R}^3$  extends this structure, FTG defines exponentiation geometrically.

Definition (FTG Power Map). For  $p \in \mathbb{R}$  define  $F_p : \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  by  

$$F_p(x,y,z) = r^p (\cos(p\phi)\cos(p\theta), \sin(p\phi)\cos(p\theta), \sin(p\theta)).$$

## 3. Dynamical System

For  $c \in \mathbb{R}^3$  define the iteration  $z_{k+1} = F_p(z_k) + c$ ,  $k \geq 0$ . This defines a discrete nonlinear dynamical system on  $\mathbb{R}^3$ .



## 4. Summary Formula (FTG Canon)

Given:  $z_0 = (x, y, z)$

### 4. Boundedness and Escape

Let  $R > 0$ . An orbit is bounded if  $\|z_k\| \leq R$  for all  $k$ . The escape time is  $n(z_0) = \min\{k : \|z_k\| > R\}$ .



## Historical Origin of the Juliusbulb Formula

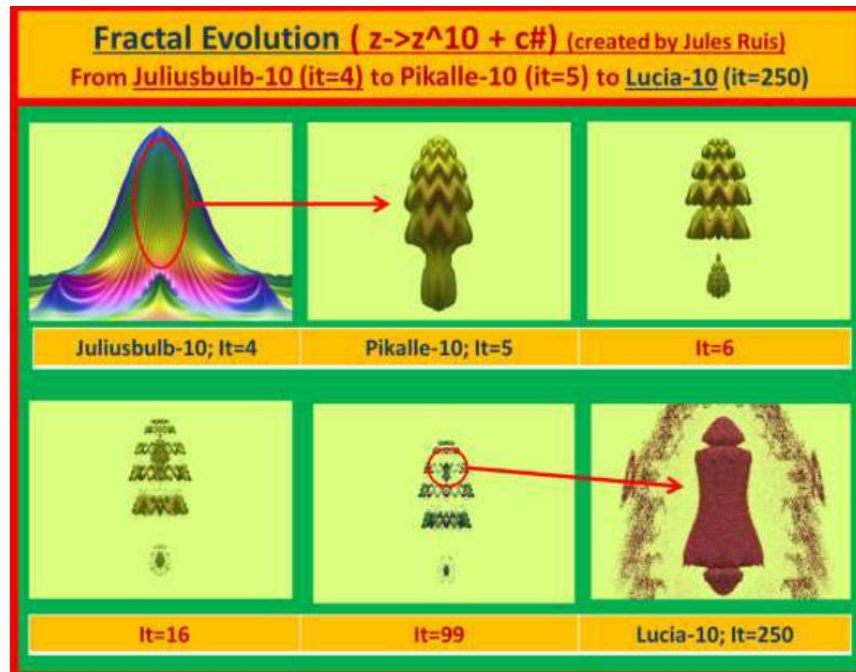
### 5. Fractal Sets

Juliabulb:  $J_p(c) = \{z_0 \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \text{orbit bounded}\}$ .

Juliusbulb:  $M_p = \{c \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \text{orbit bounded for } z_0 = 0\}$ .

### 6. Numerical Parameterisation

Notation Juliusbulb-(p,n) denotes truncation after n iterations, where p controls nonlinearity and symmetry and n controls numerical resolution only.



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### 7. Relation to Existing Work

FTG belongs to the class of geometric generalisations of complex dynamical systems. Unlike algebraic constructions, FTG defines exponentiation explicitly as a coordinate-based geometric mapping in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ . It is conceptually related to Mandelbulb-type constructions, while remaining mathematically independent of any hypercomplex algebra.