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## Examples – attracting or parabolic domains

- $U$  basin of an attracting  $p$ -periodic point  $\zeta \in U$  for a map  $f$ ,  $F = f^p$ ,  $W$  the image of a small disc around 0 under Königs or Böttcher coordinates ( $W$  simply connected)
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## Theorem (Cowen 1981)

*There exists a simply connected absorbing domain  $V \subset \mathbb{H}$ , converging to  $\infty$ . Moreover, there is a domain  $\Omega$  equal to  $\mathbb{H}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ , a holomorphic map  $\varphi : \mathbb{H} \rightarrow \Omega$  and a Möbius map  $T$ , such that:*

- $\varphi \circ G = T \circ \varphi$  on  $\mathbb{H}$ ,
- $\varphi$  is univalent on  $V$ .

*Moreover, (up to conjugation by a Möbius map), one of the following cases holds:*

- $\Omega = \mathbb{C}$ ,  $T(\omega) = \omega + 1$ ,
- $\Omega = \mathbb{H}$ ,  $T(\omega) = a\omega$  for some  $a > 1$ ,
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## Remark

There are multiply connected regions  $U$  and maps  $F : U \rightarrow U$  without simply connected absorbing domains.

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## Theorem (Marden–Pommerenke 1980)

Suppose  $U \simeq \mathbb{H}/\Gamma$ , where  $\Gamma \simeq \pi_1(U)$  infinitely generated Fuchsian group of deck transformations. For  $n \geq 0$  let  $\theta_n : \Gamma \rightarrow \Gamma$  be an endomorphism induced by  $G^n$  (i.e.  $G^n \circ \gamma = \theta_n(\gamma) \circ G^n$  for  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ ) and let  $N = \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \ker \theta_n$ . We have  $N \simeq \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \ker(F^n)^*$ , where  $(F^n)^*$  induced endomorphism of the fundamental group  $\pi_1(U)$ . Then there exists a discontinuous group of Möbius maps  $\Gamma_\infty \simeq \Gamma/N$  and a Riemann surface  $R$ , such that the mapping

$$\Delta : U \rightarrow R, \quad \Delta = \varphi \circ \pi^{-1} \pmod{\Gamma_\infty}$$

is well-defined for the mapping  $\varphi$  from Cowen's Theorem. Moreover,

$$\Delta \circ F = T \circ \Delta$$

for a Möbius map  $T$ .



Theorem (KB, N. Fagella, X. Jarque, B. Karpińska 2012)

Let  $U \subset \mathbb{C}$  be any hyperbolic domain,  $F : U \rightarrow U$  holomorphic map, such that  $F^n \rightarrow \infty$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then there exists an absorbing domain  $W \subset U$  converging to  $\infty$ , such that

- $\overline{W} \subset U$ ,
- $F(\overline{W}) = \overline{F(W)} \subset W$ .

Moreover, for every  $z \in U$  and every sequence  $r_n > 0$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = \infty$ , the domain  $W$  can be chosen such that

$$W \subset \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathcal{D}_U(F^n(z), r_n)$$

where  $\mathcal{D}_U$  denote hyperbolic discs in  $U$ .

Furthermore,  $F|_W$  lifts under a universal covering of  $W$  to a univalent map and the induced endomorphism  $(F|_W)^*$  of the fundamental group of  $W$  is an isomorphism.

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