

FIGURE 10.5.1 The black at center is the Mandelbrot set M, the object that lives in the parameter space for quadratic polynomials. Every point $c \in \mathbb{C}$ corresponds to a filled Julia set K_c : the set of $z \in \mathbb{C}$ such that the sequence z, $p_c(z)$, $p_c^{\circ 2}(z)$,... is bounded, where $p_c(z) = z^2 + c$. We show the Julia sets corresponding to six such points c. For 2 and 6, c is not in M, and K_c is a Cantor set; for the others, c is in M, and K_c is connected. For 3, c = -2. In the pictures 1–6, the colors indicate the rate of escape; gold points escape faster than red.