The Shape of Polynomial Map $x \to kx^n \mod P$

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In this project we aim to study the structures of graph, generated by the transformations $x \rightarrow kx^n$ in Zp, with the goal to obtain results, in a sense equivalent to the result in Lee Deville's paper "On the shape of $x \rightarrow x^2$ mod m" but for wider array of functions. Using classical number theory, we provide results on the structure of the connected components of such graphs and their isomorphisms, which can then be lifted for an arbitrary (non-prime) number through Kronecker products.

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