

# ALGEBRAIC PERIODS OF SELF-MAPS OF A RATIONAL EXTERIOR SPACE OF RANK 2

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The paper presents a complete description of the set of algebraic periods for self-maps of a rational exterior space which has rank 2.

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## 1. Introduction

A natural number  $m$  is called a *minimal period* of a map  $f$  if  $f^m$  has a fixed point which is not fixed by any earlier iterates. One important device for studying minimal periods are the integers  $i_m(f) = \sum_{k/m} \mu(m/k)L(f^k)$ , where  $L(f^k)$  denotes the Lefschetz number of  $f^k$  and  $\mu$  is the classical Möbius function. If  $i_m(f) \neq 0$ , then we say that  $m$  is an *algebraic period* of  $f$ . In many cases the fact that  $m$  is an algebraic period provides information about the existence of minimal periods that are less than or equal to  $m$ . For example, let us consider  $f$ , a self-map of a compact manifold. If  $f$  is a transversal map and odd  $m$  is an algebraic period, then  $m$  is a minimal period (cf. [10, 12]). If  $f$  is a nonconstant holomorphic map, then there exists  $M > 0$  such that for each prime number  $m > M$ ,  $m$  is a minimal period of  $f$  if and only if  $m$  is an algebraic period of  $f$  (cf. [3]). Further relations between algebraic and minimal periods may be found in [8].

Sometimes the structure of the set of algebraic periods is a property of the space and may be deduced from the form of its homology groups. In [11] there is a description of algebraic periods for self-maps of a space  $M$  with three nonzero (reduced) homology groups, each of which is equal to  $\mathbb{Q}$ , in [6] the authors consider a space  $M$  with nonzero homology groups  $H_0(M; \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q}$ ,  $H_1(M; \mathbb{Q}) = \mathbb{Q} \oplus \mathbb{Q}$ . The main difficulty in giving the overall description in the latter case is that for a map  $f_*$  induced by  $f$  on homology, for each  $m$  there are complex eigenvalues for which  $m$  is not an algebraic period. Rational exterior spaces are a wide class of spaces (e.g., Lie groups) which do not have this disadvantage, namely under the natural assumption of essentiality of  $f$  there is a constant  $m_X$  and computable set  $T_M$ , such that if  $m > m_X$ ,  $m \notin T_M$ , then  $m$  is an algebraic period of  $f$  (cf. [5]). The aim of this paper is to provide a full characterization of algebraic periods

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in the case when homology spaces of  $X$  are small dimensional, namely when  $X$  is of the rank 2. Our work is based on [1, 9], where the description of the so-called “homotopical minimal periods” of self-maps of, respectively the two-, and three-dimensional torus are given using Nielsen numbers. We follow the algebraical framework of [9], the final description is similar to the one obtained in [1]. The differences result from the fact that the coefficients  $i_m(f)$  are a sum of Lefschetz numbers, which unlike Nielsen numbers, do not have to be positive.

### 2. Rational exterior spaces

For a given space  $X$  and an integer  $r \geq 0$  let  $H^r(X; \mathbb{Q})$  be the  $r$ th singular cohomology space with rational coefficients. Let  $H^*(X; \mathbb{Q}) = \bigoplus_{r=0}^s H^r(X; \mathbb{Q})$  be the cohomology algebra with multiplication given by the cup product. An element  $x \in H^r(X; \mathbb{Q})$  is *decomposable* if there are pairs  $(x_i, y_i) \in H^{p_i}(X; \mathbb{Q}) \times H^{q_i}(X; \mathbb{Q})$  with  $p_i, q_i > 0$ ,  $p_i + q_i = r > 0$  so that  $x = \sum x_i \cup y_i$ . Let  $A^r(X) = H^r(X)/D^r(X)$ , where  $D^r$  is the linear subspace of all decomposable elements.

*Definition 2.1.* By  $A(f)$  we denote the induced homomorphism on  $A(X) = \bigoplus_{r=0}^s A^r(X)$ . Zeros of the characteristic polynomial of  $A(f)$  on  $A(X)$  will be called quotient eigenvalues of  $f$ . By  $\text{rank} X$  we will denote the dimension of  $A(X)$  over  $\mathbb{Q}$ .

*Definition 2.2.* A connected topological space  $X$  is called a rational exterior space if there are some homogeneous elements  $x_i \in H^{\text{odd}}(X; \mathbb{Q})$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$ , such that the inclusions  $x_i \hookrightarrow H^*(X; \mathbb{Q})$  give rise to a ring isomorphism  $\Lambda_{\mathbb{Q}}(x_1, \dots, x_k) = H^*(X; \mathbb{Q})$ .

Finite  $H$ -spaces including all finite dimensional Lie groups and some real Stiefel manifolds are the most common examples of rational exterior spaces. The two dimensional torus  $T^2$ , a product of two  $n$ -dimensional sphere  $S^n \times S^n$ , and the unitary group  $U(2)$  are examples of rational exterior spaces of rank 2.

The Lefschetz number of self-maps of a rational exterior space can be expressed in terms of quotient eigenvalues.

**THEOREM 2.3** (cf. [7]). *Let  $f$  be a self-map of a rational exterior space, and let  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k$  be the quotient eigenvalues of  $f$ . Let  $A$  denote the matrix of  $A(f)$ . Then  $L(f^m) = \det(I - A^m) = \prod_{i=1}^k (1 - \lambda_i^m)$ .*

*Remark 2.4.* A basis of the space  $A(X)$  may be chosen in such a way that the matrix  $A$  is integral (cf. [7]).

### 3. The set of algebraic periods of self-maps of rational exterior space of rank 2

Let  $\mu$  denote the Möbius function, that is, the arithmetical function defined by the three following properties:  $\mu(1) = 1$ ,  $\mu(k) = (-1)^r$  if  $k$  is a product of  $r$  different primes, and  $\mu(k) = 0$  otherwise. Let  $\text{APer}(f) = \{m \in \mathbb{N} : i_m(f) \neq 0\}$ , where  $i_m(f) = \sum_{k/m} \mu(m/k) L(f^k)$ . We will study the form of  $\text{APer}(f)$  for  $f : X \rightarrow X$  and  $X$  a rational exterior space of rank 2. We assume that  $X$  is not simple which means that there exists  $r \geq 1$  such that  $\dim A^r = 2$ , otherwise, that is, if there are  $i, j \geq 1$  such that  $\dim A^i = \dim A^j = 1$ , we get the case with

Table 3.1. The set of algebraic periods  $\text{APer}(f)$  for the set  $R$ .

No.	$(t, d)$	$\text{APer}(f)$
$1^0$	$(-2, 1)$	$\{1, 2\}$
$2^0$	$(-1, 0)$	$\{1, 2\}$
$3^0$	$(0, 0)$	$\{1\}$
$4^0$	$(0, 1)$	$\{1, 2, 4\}$
$5^0$	$(1, 1)$	$\{1, 2, 3, 6\}$
$6^0$	$(-1, 1)$	$\{1, 3\}$

integer quotient eigenvalues (cf. [7]) for which the description of  $\text{APer}(f)$  easily follows from the case under consideration.

By Theorem 2.3 we see that  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix and that the Lefschetz numbers  $L(f^m)$  are expressed by its two quotient eigenvalues (in short we will call them eigenvalues):  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 : L(f^m) = (1 - \lambda_1^m)(1 - \lambda_2^m)$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A$  has integer coefficients by Remark 2.4 and is given by the formula:  $W_A(x) = x^2 - tx + d$ , where  $t = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2$  is the trace of  $A$  and  $d = \lambda_1\lambda_2$  is its determinant. The characterization of the set  $\text{APer}(f)$  will be given in terms of these two parameters:  $t$  and  $d$ . Let us define the set  $R = \{(-2, 1), (-1, 0), (0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 1), (-1, 1)\}$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $f$  be a self-map of a rational exterior space  $X$  of rank 2, which is not simple. Then  $\text{APer}(f)$  is one of the three mutually exclusive types:*

(E)  $\text{APer}(f)$  is empty if and only if 1 is an eigenvalue of  $A$ , which is equivalent to  $t - d = 1$ .

(F)  $\text{APer}(f)$  is nonempty but finite if and only if all the eigenvalues of  $A$  are either zero or roots of unity not equal to 1, which is equivalent to  $(t, d) \in R$ . The algebraic periods for the set  $R$  are given in Table 3.1.

(G)  $\text{APer}(f)$  is infinite. Assume that  $(t, d)$  is not covered by the types (E) and (F), then,

- (1) for  $(t, d) = (-2, 2)$ ,  $\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{2, 3\}$ ;
- (2) for  $(t, d) = (-1, 2)$ ,  $\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{3\}$ ;
- (3) for  $(t, d) = (0, 2)$ ,  $\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{4\}$ ;
- (4) for  $t = -d$  and  $(t, d) \neq (-2, 2)$ ,  $\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{2\}$ ;
- (5) for  $t + d = -1$ ,  $\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}\}$ ;
- (6) if  $(t, d)$  is not covered by any of the cases 1–5, then  $\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N}$ .

*Remark 3.2.* The letters E, F, G are chosen to represent empty, finite and generic case, respectively, which corresponds to the notation used in [9].

The rest of the paper consists of the proof of Theorem 3.1 and is organized in the following way: in the first part we describe the conditions equivalent to the fact that  $m \in \{1, 2, 3\}$  is not an algebraic period. In the second part we analyze the situation when  $m > 3$  and none of eigenvalues is a root of unity. This is done by considering two cases: we will study the behaviour of  $i_m(f)$  separately for real and complex eigenvalues. In the third stage we consider the case when  $m > 3$  and one of eigenvalues is a root of unity.

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##### 3.1. Algebraic periods in $\{1, 2, 3\}$

(A) *Conditions for  $1 \notin \text{APer}(f)$ .* We have:  $i_1(f) = L(f) = (1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_2) = 0$ . This may happen if and only if one of the eigenvalues is equal to 1, that is,  $t - d = 1$ .

(B) *Conditions for  $2 \notin \text{APer}(f)$ .* We have:  $i_2(f) = L(f^2) - L(f) = 0$ , which is equivalent to:  $(1 - \lambda_1^2)(1 - \lambda_2^2) - (1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_2) = 0$ . This gives:  $(1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_2)[(1 + \lambda_1)(1 + \lambda_2) - 1] = 0$ , so again  $t - d = 1$  or:

$$\lambda_1\lambda_2 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 0, \quad (3.1)$$

which gives  $d + t = 0$ . The conditions for  $2 \notin \text{APer}(f)$  are:  $t - d = 1$  or  $t = -d$ .

(C) *Conditions for  $3 \notin \text{APer}(f)$ .* We have:  $i_3(f) = L(f^3) - L(f) = 0$ , which is equivalent to:  $(1 - \lambda_1^3)(1 - \lambda_2^3) - (1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_2) = 0$ . We obtain the following equation:  $(1 - \lambda_1)(1 - \lambda_2)[(1 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_1^2)(1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_2^2) - 1] = 0$ . Again  $t - d = 1$  if one of the eigenvalues is equal to 1, otherwise:

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_1\lambda_2 + \lambda_1^2 + \lambda_2^2 + \lambda_1\lambda_2(\lambda_1 + \lambda_2) + (\lambda_1\lambda_2)^2 = 0. \quad (3.2)$$

In parameters  $t$  and  $d$  this gives:

$$t^2 + t - d + dt + d^2 = 0. \quad (3.3)$$

The last equality may be written as:

$$\left(d - \frac{1-t}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}(1+t)^2 = 1, \quad (3.4)$$

which leads to the following alternatives.

If  $t = 0$ , then  $d \in \{0, 1\}$ , which corresponds to characteristic polynomials  $x^2 = 0$  ( $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0$ ) and  $x^2 + 1 = 0$  ( $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$ ).

If  $t = -1$ , then  $d \in \{0, 2\}$ , which corresponds to characteristic polynomials  $x^2 + x = 0$  ( $\lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = -1$ ) and  $x^2 + x + 2 = 0$  ( $\lambda_{1,2} = -(1/2) \pm i(\sqrt{7}/2)$ ).

If  $t = -2$ , then  $d \in \{1, 2\}$ , which corresponds to characteristic polynomials  $x^2 + 2x + 1 = 0$  ( $\lambda_{1,2} = -1$ ) and  $x^2 + 2x + 2 = 0$  ( $\lambda_{1,2} = -1 \pm i$ ).

The conditions for  $3 \notin \text{APer}(f)$  are:  $t - d = 1$  or  $(t, d) \in \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (-1, 0), (-1, 2), (-2, 1), (-2, 2)\}$ .

**3.2. Algebraic periods in the set  $m > 3$  in the case when none of the two eigenvalues is a root of unity.** Let for the rest of the paper  $|\lambda_1| = \max\{|\lambda_1|, |\lambda_2|\}$ . We will need the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.3.** *If for some  $m$  and each  $n|m$ ,  $n \neq m$  we have  $|L(f^m)|/|L(f^n)| > 2\sqrt{m} - 1$ , then  $m$  is an algebraic period.*

*Proof.* Let  $|L(f^s)| = \max\{|L(f^l)| : l|m, l \neq m\}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} |i_m(f)| &= \left| \sum_{l|m} \mu\left(\frac{m}{l}\right) L(f^l) \right| \geq |L(f^m)| - \left| \sum_{l|m, l \neq m} \mu\left(\frac{m}{l}\right) L(f^l) \right| \\ &\geq |L(f^m)| - (2\sqrt{m} - 1) |L(f^s)|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

The last inequality is a consequence of the fact that the number of different divisors of  $m$  is not greater than  $2\sqrt{m}$  (cf. [2]), by the assumption we get  $|i_m(f)| > 0$ , which is the desired assertion.  $\square$

Now, using the algebraic arguments of [9] in a case of two eigenvalues, we find the bound for the ratio  $|L(f^m)|/|L(f^n)|$ . We have

$$\frac{|L(f^m)|}{|L(f^n)|} = \frac{|1 - \lambda_1^m| |1 - \lambda_2^m|}{|1 - \lambda_1^n| |1 - \lambda_2^n|} \geq \frac{|\lambda_1|^m - 1}{|\lambda_1|^n + 1} \frac{|\lambda_2|^m - 1}{|\lambda_2|^n + 1}. \quad (3.6)$$

Let us consider two cases.

*Case 1.*  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are complex conjugates, then  $|\lambda_1| = |\lambda_2|$ . Notice that  $|\lambda_1| = \sqrt{d}$ , so if we exclude three pairs  $(t, d) \in \{(0, 1), (-1, 1), (1, 1)\}$ , which correspond to some roots of unity, we obtain:  $|\lambda_1| > 1.4$ .

Let  $n|m$ , for Lefschetz numbers in this case we have

$$\frac{|L(f^m)|}{|L(f^n)|} \geq (|\lambda_1|^{m/2} - 1)(|\lambda_2|^{m/2} - 1) = (|\lambda_1|^{m/2} - 1)^2. \quad (3.7)$$

*Case 2.*  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2$  are real. Then  $|\lambda_1| = (|t| + \sqrt{t^2 - 4d})/2$ . If  $(t, d) = (0, 0)$  then we immediately have  $\text{APer}(f) = \{1\}$ . Cases  $t = 0, d = -1$  and  $t = \pm 1, d = 0$  and  $t = \pm 2, d = 1$  give some roots of unity. In the rest of the cases:  $|\lambda_1| \geq 1.4$ .

In order to obtain the estimation for Lefschetz numbers we use the following inequality for the moduli of eigenvalues (cf. [9, Lemma 5.2]).

LEMMA 3.4. *Let  $\lambda_i \neq \pm 1, i = 1, 2$ , then*

$$|1 - |\lambda_2|| \geq \frac{1}{1 + |\lambda_1|}. \quad (3.8)$$

*Proof.*  $|(\pm 1 - \lambda_1)(\pm 1 - \lambda_2)| = |W_A(\pm 1)| \geq 1$ , because both eigenvalues are different from  $\pm 1$ . We obtain  $|1 \pm \lambda_2| \geq 1/|1 \pm \lambda_1| \geq 1/(1 + |\lambda_1|)$ , which gives the needed inequality.  $\square$

We have by Lemma 3.4:  $|\lambda_2| - 1 \geq (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1}$  for  $|\lambda_2| > 1$  and  $1 - |\lambda_2| \geq (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1}$  for  $|\lambda_2| < 1$ .

Let  $h(x) = (x^m - 1)/(x^n + 1)$ , notice that  $h(x)$  is an increasing and  $-h(x)$  is a decreasing function for  $m > n > 0$  and  $x > 0$ .

Taking into account the two facts mentioned above we obtain:

$$\frac{|1 - \lambda_2^m|}{|1 - \lambda_2^n|} \geq \min \left\{ \frac{\left[1 + (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1}\right]^m - 1}{\left[1 + (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1}\right]^n + 1}, \frac{1 - \left[1 - (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1}\right]^m}{1 + \left[1 - (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1}\right]^n} \right\}. \quad (3.9)$$

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As  $n|m$  we get

$$\frac{|L(f^m)|}{|L(f^n)|} \geq (|\lambda_1|^{m/2} - 1) \min \left\{ \left[ 1 + (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1} \right]^{m/2} - 1, 1 - \left[ 1 - (|\lambda_1| + 1)^{-1} \right]^{m/2} \right\}. \quad (3.10)$$

Let  $\bar{f}_C(|\lambda_1|, m)$ ,  $\bar{f}_R(|\lambda_1|, m)$  be the functions equal to the right-hand side of the formulas (3.7) and (3.10), respectively. We define functions  $f_C(|\lambda_1|, m) = \bar{f}_C(|\lambda_1|, m) - (2\sqrt{m} - 1)$  and  $f_R(|\lambda_1|, m) = \bar{f}_R(|\lambda_1|, m) - (2\sqrt{m} - 1)$ . Notice that the inequalities:

$$f_C(|\lambda_1|, m) > 0, \quad (3.11)$$

$$f_R(|\lambda_1|, m) > 0, \quad (3.12)$$

imply that  $|L(f^m)|/|L(f^n)| > 2\sqrt{m} - 1$  for  $n|m$ .

It is not difficult to verify the following statement by calculation and estimation of appropriate partial derivatives.

*Remark 3.5.*  $f_C(\cdot, m)$  and  $f_C(|\lambda_1|, \cdot)$  are increasing functions for  $|\lambda_1| > 1.4$ ,  $m \geq 4$ .

$f_R(\cdot, m)$  and  $f_R(|\lambda_1|, \cdot)$  are increasing functions for  $|\lambda_1| > 1.4$ ,  $m \geq 6$  and for  $|\lambda_1| \geq 3$ ,  $m \geq 4$ .

If one of the inequalities (3.11), (3.12) is satisfied for given values  $|\lambda_1^0|$  and  $m_0$ , then, by Remark 3.5, it is valid for each  $|\lambda_1| > |\lambda_1^0|$  and  $m > m_0$  and by Lemma 3.3 all such  $m > m_0$  are algebraic periods.

LEMMA 3.6. *Let us assume that both eigenvalues are complex*

- (a) *if  $m \geq 7$ , then  $m$  is an algebraic period,*
- (b) *if  $|\lambda_1| \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 4$ , then  $m$  is an algebraic period.*

*Proof.* We take the minimal modulus of the eigenvalue which may appear and put it in the formula (3.11): (a)  $f_C(1.4, 7) > 0.75$ , (b)  $f_C(2, 4) = 6$ , which gives the result by Remark 3.5.  $\square$

LEMMA 3.7. *Let us assume that both eigenvalues are real*

- (a) *if  $m \geq 12$ , then  $m$  is an algebraic period,*
- (b) *if  $|\lambda_1| \geq 3$  and  $m \geq 6$ , then  $m$  is an algebraic period.*

*Proof.* We put in the formula (3.12) the minimal modulus of the greater eigenvalue: (a)  $f_R(1.4, 12) > 0.59$ , (b)  $f_R(3, 6) > 17.47$ , which implies the result by Remark 3.5.  $\square$

*Remark 3.8.* We must only check the cases when  $|\lambda_1| < 3$  and  $4 \leq m \leq 11$ . Notice that for the coefficients  $t$ ,  $d$  of the characteristic polynomial  $W_A(x)$  we have the following estimates:  $|t| \leq 2|\lambda_1|$ ,  $|d| \leq |\lambda_1|^2$ . This gives the bound:  $|t| < 6$ ,  $|d| < 9$ , thus there are at most  $11 \times 17 \times 8 = 1496$  cases which should be checked. This is done by numerical computation. If we exclude  $(t, d) = (0, 0)$  and the pairs which give the eigenvalues being roots of unity, we find in the range under consideration that only for  $(t, d) = (0, 2)$ ,  $m = 4$  is not an algebraic period.

**3.3. Algebraic periods in the set  $m > 3$  in the case when one of the two eigenvalues is a root of unity.** If both eigenvalues are real, then one of them is equal  $\pm 1$ . If they are complex conjugates, then  $\lambda_1 \lambda_2 = \lambda_1 \bar{\lambda}_1 = 1$ , thus  $d = 1$ . On the other hand  $0 \leq |\lambda_1 + \lambda_2| \leq |\lambda_1| + |\lambda_2| = 2$ , thus  $|t| \leq 2$ . This gives three pairs of complex eigenvalues:  $\pm i$  ( $t = 0, d = 1$ ) and  $(1/2) \pm i(\sqrt{3}/2)$  ( $t = 1, d = 1$ ) and  $-(1/2) \pm i(\sqrt{3}/2)$  ( $t = -1, d = 1$ ). Each of these five cases we consider separately.

(1) *1 is one of eigenvalues* ( $t - d = 1$ ). Then  $L(f^m) = 0$  for all  $m$  and consequently  $i_m(f) = 0$  for all  $m$ . Thus  $\text{APer}(f) = \emptyset$ .

(2) *-1 is one of eigenvalues* ( $t + d = -1$ ). We have to consider the subcases.

(2a) If  $d = -1$ , then  $t = 0$ , so we are in case 1.

(2b) If  $d = 0$ , then  $t = -1$ , so  $W_A(x) = x^2 + x$  and the second eigenvalue is equal to 0.  $L(f^m) = 1 - (-1)^m$ , thus  $L(f^m) = 0$  for  $m$  even and  $L(f^m) = 2$  for  $m$  odd. We get:  $i_m(f) = \sum_{k:2|k|m} \mu(m/k)L(f^k) + \sum_{k:2\nmid k|m} \mu(m/k)L(f^k) = 2 \sum_{k:2\nmid k|m} \mu(m/k)$ . It is easy to find (see the calculation of  $i_m(f)$  in (2d)) that  $i_1(f) = 2$ ,  $i_2(f) = -2$ ,  $i_m(f) = 0$  for  $m \geq 3$ . As a consequence:  $\text{APer}(f) = \{1, 2\}$ .

(2c) If  $d = 1$ , then  $t = -2$ , so  $W_A(x) = x^2 + 2x + 1$  and the second eigenvalue is equal to  $-1$ .  $L(f^m) = (1 - (-1)^m)^2$ , thus  $L(f^m) = 0$  for  $m$  even and  $L(f^m) = 4$  for  $m$  odd. We check in the same way as above that  $i_1(f) = 4$ ,  $i_2(f) = -4$ ,  $i_m(f) = 0$  for  $m \geq 3$ , so  $\text{APer}(f) = \{1, 2\}$ .

(2d) If  $d \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{-1, 0, 1\}$ , then for each  $m$ :  $|L(f^m)| = |(1 - (-1)^m)| |1 - \lambda_1^m|$ . Notice that in the case under consideration  $\{1, 2, 3\} \subset \text{APer}(f)$ , which follows from Section 3.1.

As  $|d| = |\lambda_1| |\lambda_2|$  and  $-1$  is one of eigenvalues we obtain for  $k$  odd:  $|L(f^k)| \geq 2(|\lambda_1^k| - 1) = 2(|d|^k - 1)$ ,  $|L(f^k)| \leq 2(|\lambda_1^k| + 1) = 2(|d|^k + 1)$ . Thus, for  $m$  odd, estimating in the same way as in Lemma 3.3, we get:

$$|i_m(f)| \geq 2(|d|^m - 1) - (2\sqrt{m} - 1)2(|d|^{m/3} + 1). \quad (3.13)$$

The right-hand side of the above formula is greater than zero for  $|d| \geq 2$ ,  $m > 3$ , so all odd  $m > 3$  are algebraic periods.

If  $m > 3$  is even, then  $m = 2^n q$ , where  $q$  is odd. By the fact that  $L(f^r) = 0$  if  $2|r$ , we get  $L(f^{2^i q}) = 0$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , thus

$$i_m(f) = \sum_{l|2^n q} \mu\left(\frac{2^n q}{l}\right) L(f^l) = \sum_{l|q} \mu\left(\frac{2^n q}{l}\right) L(f^l). \quad (3.14)$$

As  $\mu$  is multiplicative and  $\mu(2^n) = -1$  for  $n = 1$  and  $\mu(2^n) = 0$  for  $n > 1$ , we get

$$i_m(f) = \begin{cases} -i_q(f) & \text{if } n = 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases} \quad (3.15)$$

This leads to the conclusion that even  $m$  is an algebraic period if and only if  $m = 2q$  where  $q$  is odd. Finally in the case (2d) we obtain

$$\text{APer}(f) = \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}\}. \quad (3.16)$$

Before we consider complex cases let us state the following fact (cf. [4]). Let  $g_*$ , generated by  $g$  on homology, have as its only eigenvalues  $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_{\phi(d)}$  which are all the  $d$ th primitive roots of unity ( $\phi(d)$  denotes the Euler function). Then the Lefschetz numbers of iterations of  $g$  are the sum of powers of these roots:  $L(g^m) = \sum_{i=1}^{\phi(d)} \varepsilon_i^m$ . We have the formula for  $i_m(g)$  in such a case:

$$i_m(g) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m \nmid d, \\ \sum_{k|m} \mu\left(\frac{d}{k}\right) \mu\left(\frac{m}{k}\right) \frac{\phi(d)}{\phi(d/k)} & \text{if } m \mid d. \end{cases} \quad (3.17)$$

Let now  $\lambda_{1,2}$  be complex conjugates eigenvalues, then

$$L(f^m) = 1 - \lambda_1^m - \lambda_2^m + (\lambda_1 \lambda_2)^m = 2 - (\lambda_1^m + \lambda_2^m). \quad (3.18)$$

We may rewrite formula for  $L(f^m)$  in the following way:  $L(f^m) = 2 - L(g^m)$ , where  $g$  is described above. As  $\sum_{k|m} \mu(m/k)2 = 2$  for  $m = 1$  and 0 for  $m > 1$ ; we get

$$i_m(f) = \begin{cases} 2 - i_m(g) & \text{if } m = 1, \\ -i_m(g) & \text{if } m > 1. \end{cases} \quad (3.19)$$

(3)  $\lambda_{1,2} = \pm i$  ( $t = 0, d = 1$ ) are all primitive roots of unity of degree 4. Thus, applying formula (3.17) and (3.19), we get  $i_1(f) = 2, i_2(f) = 2, i_3(f) = 0, i_4(f) = -4$ , and  $i_m(f) = 0$  for  $m > 4$ . Summing it up:  $\text{APer}(f) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ .

(4)  $\lambda_{1,2} = -1/2 \pm i(\sqrt{3}/2)$  ( $t = 1, d = 1$ ) are all the primitive roots of unity of degree 6. Again by formulas (3.17) and (3.19) we calculate the values of  $i_m(f)$  and get:  $i_1(f) = 1, i_2(f) = 2, i_3(f) = 3, i_4(f) = 0, i_5(f) = 0, i_6(f) = -6$  and  $i_m(f) = 0$  for  $m > 6$ , so  $\text{APer}(f) = \{1, 2, 3, 6\}$ .

(5)  $\lambda_{1,2} = (1/2) \pm i(\sqrt{3}/2)$  ( $t = -1, d = 1$ ) are all the primitive roots of unity of degree 3. By (3.17) and (3.19) we have:  $i_1(f) = 3, i_2(f) = 0, i_3(f) = -3, i_m(f) = 0$  for  $m > 3$ , so  $\text{APer}(f) = \{1, 3\}$ .

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