

CONTINUOUS MAPS OF THE CIRCLE WITH FINITELY MANY PERIODIC POINTS

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Abstract. Let  $f$  be a continuous map of the circle into itself. The main purpose of this paper is to study the properties of the unstable manifold associated to a periodic point of  $f$ . Let  $\Omega(f)$  denote the nonwandering set of  $f$ . Suppose  $f$  has finitely many periodic points. Then, using the unstable manifolds associated to periodic points of  $f$ , three theorems are proved providing complete answers to the following three questions:

- (1) Which are the possible periods of the periodic points of  $f$ ?
- (2) Which is the value of the topological entropy of  $f$ ?
- (3) If  $\Omega(f)$  is finite, which are the points of  $\Omega(f)$ ?

## §1. Introduction

Let  $S^1$  denote the circle and  $C^0(S^1, S^1)$  denote the space of continuous maps of  $S^1$  into itself. For  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  let  $\Omega(f)$  denote the nonwandering set of  $f$ , and let  $P(f)$  denote the set of positive integers which occur as the period of some periodic point of  $f$ . Our main results are the following (see §2 for definitions):

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose that  $f$  has finitely many periodic points. Then there are integers  $m \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ , such that  $P(f) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^n m\}$ .*

**THEOREM B.** *Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite. Then  $\Omega(f)$  is the set of periodic points of  $f$ .*

**THEOREM C.** *Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose that  $f$  has finitely many periodic points. Then the topological entropy of  $f$  is zero.*

**THEOREM D.** *Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $f$  has finitely many periodic points, and all periodic points of  $f$  are fixed points of  $f$ . Then  $\Omega(f)$  is the set of fixed points of  $f$ .*

A map  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  is a Morse-Smale endomorphism of the circle if it satisfies the following properties (see [3] for more details):

- (1)  $f$  is a continuously differentiable map.
- (2)  $\Omega(f)$  is finite.
- (3) All periodic points of  $f$  are hyperbolic.
- (4) No singularity of  $f$  is eventually periodic.

For a Morse-Smale endomorphism of the circle it was proved, by Block in [3] and [4], that Theorems A and B hold.

Theorems B, C and D were proved for a continuous map of a closed interval into itself. The proofs of Theorems B and D can easily be extended to an arbitrary interval.

Suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite, then the orbit of any  $x \in \Omega(f)$  is finite. This implies that  $x$  is eventually periodic (i.e. some point in the orbit of  $x$  is periodic) but does not imply that  $x$  is periodic. It is possible for some  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  to have points  $x \in \Omega(f)$  which are eventually periodic but not periodic. In the proof of Theorem B, we show that this cannot happen when  $\Omega(f)$  is finite.

We also note that for  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ ,  $\Omega(f)$  may not be the closure of the set of periodic points of  $f$ . See [2] for an example.

An example was given, by Block in [6], of a continuous map  $f$ , of a compact, connected, metrizable, one-dimensional space, for which  $\Omega(f)$  consists of exactly two points, one of which is not periodic.

We conclude this section with the following theorem.

**THEOREM E** (proved by Block in [4]). Let  $m$  and  $n$  be integers  $m \geq 1$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . There is a map  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  such that  $P(f) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^n m\}$ .

In fact, Block proved that there is a Morse-Smale endomorphism  $f$  of the circle with  $P(f) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^n m\}$  for any integers  $m \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ .

## §2. Preliminary definitions and results

Let  $X$  be a topological space, and  $C^0(X, X)$  denote the set of continuous maps of  $X$  into itself. For any positive integer  $n$ , we define  $f^n$  inductively by  $f^1 = f$  and  $f^n = f \circ f^{n-1}$ . Let  $f^0$  denote the identity map.

Let  $p \in X$ . A point  $p$  is called a *fixed point* of  $f$  if  $f(p) = p$ . Let  $\text{Fix}(f)$  denote the set of fixed points of  $f$ . We say  $p$  is a *periodic point* of  $f$ , if  $p$  is a fixed point of  $f^n$  for some positive integer  $n$ . Let  $\text{Per}(f)$  denote the set of periodic points of  $f$ . If  $p$  is a periodic point of  $f$ , the smallest positive  $n$  with  $f^n(p) = p$  is called the *period* of  $p$ . Let  $P(f)$  denote the set of positive integers which occur as the period of some periodic point of  $f$ .

For any  $p \in X$  we define the *orbit* of  $p$  by  $\text{orb}(p) = \{f^n(p) : n = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ . The orbit of any periodic point will be called a *periodic orbit*. We say a point  $p \in X$  is *eventually periodic* if  $\text{orb}(p)$  is finite (or equivalently if some element of  $\text{orb}(p)$  is periodic).

A point  $p \in X$  is said to be *wandering* if for some neighborhood  $V$  of  $p$ ,  $f^n(V) \cap V = \emptyset$  for all  $n > 0$ . The set of points which are not wandering is called the *nonwandering set* and is denoted  $\Omega(f)$ .

Let  $X$  be a compact topological space. For  $f \in C^0(X, X)$  let  $\text{ent}(f)$  denote the topological entropy of  $f$  (see [1] for a definition).

Let  $a$  and  $b$  be two distinct points of  $S^1$ . We will use the notation  $(a, b)$  (respectively  $[a, b]$ ) to denote the *open* (respectively *closed*) arc from  $a$  counterclockwise to  $b$ . Similarly, we will define the arcs  $[a, b]$  and  $(a, b)$ . The point  $a$  (respectively  $b$ ) is called the *left* (respectively *right*) *endpoint* of the arc.

Let  $X$  denote an arbitrary interval of the real line. Let  $f \in C^0(X, X)$  (respectively  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ ) and let  $p$  be a periodic point of  $f$ . We define the *unstable manifold*  $W^u(p, f)$  and *one-sided unstable manifolds*  $W^u(p, f, +)$  and  $W^u(p, f, -)$  as follows. Let  $x \in W^u(p, f)$  if for every neighborhood  $V$  of  $p$ ,  $x \in f^n(V)$  for some positive integer  $n$ . Let  $x \in W^u(p, f, +)$  if for every closed interval (respectively arc)  $K$  with left endpoint  $p$ ,  $x \in f^n(K)$  for some positive integer  $n$ . Let  $x \in W^u(p, f, -)$  if for every closed interval (respectively arc)  $K$  with right endpoint  $p$ ,  $x \in f^n(K)$  for some positive integer  $n$ .

In Lemma 1, we compile some properties of the unstable manifold. See [6] for proofs. Although proofs are given for a mapping of a closed interval, they can easily be modified to a mapping of the circle or to a mapping of an arbitrary interval.

LEMMA 1. Let  $X$  be either an arbitrary interval of the real line or the circle, and let  $f \in C^0(X, X)$ .

i) Let  $p \in \text{Fix}(f)$ . Then  $W^u(p, f)$ ,  $W^u(p, f, +)$  and  $W^u(p, f, -)$  are connected.

Let  $p \in \text{Per}(f)$ .

ii)  $W^u(p, f) = W^u(p, f, +) \cup W^u(p, f, -)$ .

iii) If  $p_1 = p$  and  $\text{orb}(p) = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ , then

$$W^u(p_1, f) = W^u(p_1, f^n) \cup \dots \cup W^u(p_n, f^n).$$

iv)  $f(W^u(p, f)) = W^u(p, f)$ .

v) Let  $J = W^u(p, f)$  and let  $\bar{J}$  denote the closure of  $J$ . If the set  $\bar{J} - J$  is nonempty, then any element of  $\bar{J} - J$  is periodic.

vi) Suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite. Let  $x \in \Omega(f)$  and suppose  $x \notin \text{Per}(f)$ .

Then for some  $p \in \text{Per}(f)$ , there exists  $z \in W^u(p, f)$  such that  $f(z) = p$  and  $z \notin \text{Per}(f)$ .

LEMMA 2. Let  $X$  be either an arbitrary interval of the real line or the circle. Suppose  $f \in C^0(X, X)$  and  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  is a periodic orbit of  $f$ . If  $f(p_i) = p_j$ , then  $f(W^u(p_i, f^n)) = W^u(p_j, f^n)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$ . We shall show that  $f(x) \in W^u(p_j, f^n)$ . To prove this, let  $V$  be any neighborhood of  $p_j$ . There is a neighborhood  $W$  of  $p_i$ , with  $f(W) \subset V$ . Now for some  $m > 0$ ,  $x \in f^{nm}(W)$ . Hence  $f(x) \in f(f^{nm}(W)) = f^{nm}(f(W)) \subset f^{nm}(V)$ . Since  $V$  was arbitrary,  $f(x) \in W^u(p_j, f^n)$ . This proves that  $f(W^u(p_i, f^n)) \subset W^u(p_j, f^n)$ .

By renumbering we may assume that  $f(p_i) = p_{i+1}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$  and  $f(p_n) = p_1$ . Therefore  $f^n(W^u(p_1, f^n)) \subset f^{n-1}(W^u(p_2, f^n)) \subset \dots \subset f(W^u(p_n, f^n)) \subset W^u(p_1, f^n)$ . By iv) of Lemma 1, we have that  $f^n(W^u(p_1, f^n)) = W^u(p_1, f^n)$ . Hence  $f(W^u(p_n, f^n)) = W^u(p_1, f^n)$ . Q.E.D.

The following lemma is a simple consequence of Bolzano's Theorem.

LEMMA 3. Let  $f \in C^0(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ . If  $K$  is a closed interval such that  $K \subset f(K)$ , then  $f$  has a fixed point in  $K$ .

Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and let  $X$  be a subset of  $S^1$ . Let  $S^1 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$  and let  $p: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow S^1$  be the natural projection. Since  $p$  is a covering map, if  $g$  is the restriction of  $f$  to  $X$  there exists a continuous map  $\bar{g}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $g = p \circ \bar{g}$ . From now on for a given continuous map  $g: X \rightarrow S^1$ ,  $\bar{g}: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  will denote the continuous map such that  $g = p \circ \bar{g}$ .

The following lemma follows immediately from Lemma 3.

LEMMA 4. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $K \subset S^1$  is a closed arc such that either  $K \subset f(K)$  and  $f(K) \neq S^1$  or  $K \subset \bar{f}(K)$ . Since

$S^1 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ , we may assume  $K \subset (0,1)$ . Then  $f$  has a fixed point in  $K$ .

### §3. Some results for $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ with finite periodic set

We shall use the two following Lemmas, which are proved in [6] (see Lemma 6 and Theorem 7 of [6]).

LEMMA 5. Let  $X$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line, and let  $f \in C^0(X, X)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite, and  $p \in \text{Fix}(f)$ . Let  $x \in W^u(p, f)$ . If  $x > p$ , then  $x \in W^u(p, f, +)$ . If  $x < p$ , then  $x \in W^u(p, f, -)$ .

LEMMA 6. Let  $X$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line, and let  $f \in C^0(X, X)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite, and  $p \in \text{Fix}(f)$ . If  $x \in W^u(p, f)$  and  $f(x) = p$ , then  $x = p$ .

By a partition of  $S^1$ , we mean a finite set of points of  $S^1$ ,  $\{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  such that for  $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ ,  $(x_i, x_{i+1}) \cap \{x_1, \dots, x_n\} = \emptyset$ .

THEOREM 7. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite and  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  is a periodic orbit of  $f$  with period  $n \geq 2$ . If  $W^u(p_i, f) \neq S^1$  and  $j \neq i$ , then  $p_j \notin W^u(p_i, f^n)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $p_i$  and  $p_j$  are distinct elements of  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  with  $p_j \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$ . By Lemma 2, we have that for each  $k = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $W^u(p_k, f^n)$  contains an element of  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\} \setminus \{p_k\}$ .

By renumbering, we may assume that  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  is a partition of  $S^1$ . By i) of Lemma 1, either  $p_2 \in W^u(p_1, f^n)$  or  $p_n \in W^u(p_1, f^n)$ . Without loss of generality we can suppose that  $p_2 \in W^u(p_1, f^n)$ . Let  $J = W^u(p_1, f^n) \cup W^u(p_2, f^n)$ . We separate the proof into two cases.  
Case 1.  $\bar{J} \neq S^1$ .

Therefore  $\bar{J}$  is a closed arc. By iv) of Lemma 1,  $f^n(\bar{J}) = \bar{J}$ . Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $\bar{J}$ . Then  $W^u(p_i, f^n) = W^u(p_i, g)$ , for  $i=1,2$ . Of course, either  $p_1 \in W^u(p_2, g)$  or  $p_3 \in W^u(p_2, g)$ . Suppose  $p_1 \in W^u(p_2, g)$ . By Lemma 5,  $p_2 \in W^u(p_1, g, +)$  and  $p_1 \in W^u(p_2, g, -)$ . Since  $[p_1, p_2] \subset W^u(p_1, g)$ , it follows from Lemma 6, that for all  $x \in (p_1, p_2)$ ,  $g(x)$  belongs to some arc of the form  $(p_1, y)$ . Because  $p_2 \in W^u(p_1, g, +)$ , for some  $x \in (p_1, p_2)$ ,  $g(x) = p_2$ . Let  $z = \inf\{x \in (p_1, p_2) : g(x) = p_2\}$ . Then  $z \in (p_1, p_2)$  and  $g(z) = p_2$ . Let  $a \in (p_1, z)$ . Then  $g([a, z])$  contains an arc of the form  $[b, p_2]$ . Since  $p_1 \in W^u(p_2, g, -)$   $p_1 \in g^m([b, p_2])$  for some  $m > 0$ . This implies that  $p_1 \in g^{m+1}([a, z])$ . Since  $g^{m+1}([a, z])$  is an arc containing  $p_1$  and  $p_2$ ,  $g^{m+1}([a, z]) \supset [a, z]$ . By Lemma 4,  $g$  has a periodic point in  $[a, z]$ . Since  $a$  was an arbitrary point with  $a \in (p_1, z)$ ,  $g$  has infinitely many periodic points. This is a contradiction, and so  $p_1 \notin W^u(p_2, g)$ . Hence  $p_3 \in W^u(p_2, g)$ . That is,  $p_3 \in W^u(p_2, f^n)$ .

By the same argument, it follows that  $p_{i+1} \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$ , for  $i=1, \dots, n-1$ , and  $p_1 \in W^u(p_n, f^n)$ . Then  $[p_i, p_{i+1}] \subset W^u(p_i, f^n)$ , for  $i=1, \dots, n-1$ , and  $[p_n, p_1] \subset W^u(p_n, f^n)$ . By iii) of Lemma 1, we have that  $W^u(p_i, f) = S^1$ , for  $i=1, \dots, n$ , a contradiction.

Case 2.  $\bar{J} = S^1$ .

Since  $W^u(p_i, f) \neq S^1$ , by iii) of Lemma 1,  $J$  is homeomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}$ . By iv) of Lemma 1,  $f^n(J) = J$ . Let  $h$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $J$ . Then  $W^u(p_i, f^n) = W^u(p_i, h)$ , for  $i=1,2$ , and the proof is identic to the above case. Q.E.D.

LEMMA 8. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and let  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  be a periodic orbit of  $f$  with period  $n \geq 2$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite and  $W^s(p_1, f) = S^1$ . If  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \{p_1, \dots, p_n\} = \emptyset$ ,  $x \in (p_i, p_j)$  and



$x \notin \text{Per}(f)$ , then either  $x \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$  or  $x \in W^u(p_j, f^n)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $x \notin W^u(p_i, f^n)$  and  $x \notin W^u(p_j, f^n)$ . By v) of Lemma 1,  $x \notin W^u(p_i, f^n)$  because  $x \notin \text{Per}(f)$ . Therefore  $W^u(p_i, f^n) \neq S^1$ . By Lemma 2,  $W^u(p_k, f^n) \neq S^1$  for  $k=1, \dots, n$ . Since  $W^u(p_1, f) = S^1$ , by iii) of Lemma 1,  $x \in W^u(p_k, f^n)$  for some  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\} - \{i, j\}$ . Let  $J = W^u(p_k, f^n)$ . By iv) of Lemma 1,  $f^n(J) = J$ . Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $J$ . Then  $W^u(p_k, f^n) = W^u(p_k, g)$ . By Lemma 5, either  $x \in W^u(p_k, g, +)$  or  $x \in W^u(p_k, g, -)$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $x \in W^u(p_k, g, +) = W^u(p_k, f^n, +)$ . Then  $p_i \in W^u(p_k, f^n, +)$ .

Let  $m$  be the number of elements of the periodic orbit  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  contained in  $W^u(p_k, f^n)$ . By Lemma 2,  $W^u(p_i, f^n)$  contains the same number of elements of  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ . Then, by i) of Lemma 1,  $p_k \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$  because  $x \notin W^u(p_i, f^n)$ . Therefore  $W^u(p_k, f^n, +) \subset W^u(p_i, f^n)$ . Hence  $x \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$ , and we get a contradiction. Q.E.D.

LEMMA 9. (proved by Li and Yorke [8]). Let  $I$  be a closed interval and let  $f \in C^0(I, I)$ . Suppose there exist two closed intervals  $L$  and  $R$  such that  $L \cup R \subset f(R)$ ,  $R \subset f(L)$  and  $f^2(L \cap R) \cap R = \emptyset$ . Then for every  $m=1, 2, \dots$  there exists a periodic point in  $R$  with period  $m$ .

THEOREM 10. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite. Let  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  be a periodic orbit of  $f$  with period  $n \geq 2$ . If  $W^u(p_1, f) = S^1$ , the following holds for some  $m \in \{n, n/2\}$ .

- i) If  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \{p_1, \dots, p_n\} = \emptyset$ , then  $f^m([p_i, p_j]) = [p_i, p_j]$ , and  $f^k([p_i, p_j]) \cap \{p_i, p_j\} = \emptyset$ , for any  $k \in \{1, \dots, m-1\}$ .
- ii)  $\text{Per}(f) = \text{Per}(f^m)$ .

iii)  $\Omega(f) = \Omega(f^m)$ .

iv) By i), if  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \{p_1, \dots, p_n\} = \emptyset$ , we can define  $f_{ij}^m$  as the restriction of  $f^m$  to  $[p_i, p_j]$ . Then  $\text{Per}(f^m) = \bigcup_{i,j} \text{Per}(f_{ij}^m)$  and  $\Omega(f^m) = \bigcup_{i,j} \Omega(f_{ij}^m)$ .

*Proof.* For any  $X \in S^1$ , let  $\text{Int}(X)$  denote the interior of  $X$ . We shall show  $p_k \notin \text{Int}(f([p_i, p_j]))$ , for  $k=1, \dots, n$ . If this is not the case then one of the following holds.

- (1) There is a point  $x \in (p_i, p_j)$  with  $f(x) = p_k$  (for some  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ) such that for every arc  $[a, b] \subset (p_i, p_j)$  with  $x \in (a, b)$ ,  $p_k \in \text{Int}(f([a, b]))$ .
- (2) There is an arc  $[x, y] \subset (p_i, p_j)$  with  $f([x, y]) = \{p_k\}$  (for some  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ), such that for every arc  $[a, b] \subset (p_i, p_j)$  with  $[x, y] \subset (a, b)$ ,  $p_k \in \text{Int}(f([a, b]))$ .

Suppose (1) is true. We separate the proof into three cases.

*Case 1.*  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_r, f^n))$  and  $\overline{W^u(p_r, f^n)} \neq S^1$ , for some  $r \in \{i, j\}$ .

Suppose  $r = i$  and let  $J = W^u(p_i, f^n)$ . Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $J$ . Then  $W^u(p_i, f^n) = W^u(p_i, g)$ . By Lemma 5,  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, g, +)) = \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +))$ .

Let  $[c, d]$  be any closed arc contained in  $\text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +)) \cap (p_i, p_j)$  with  $x \in (c, d)$ . We shall prove that  $f^m([c, d]) \supset [c, d]$ , for some  $m > 0$ . Since  $p_k \in \text{Int}(f([c, d]))$  and  $W^u(p_k, f) = S^1$ ,  $c \in f^r([c, d])$  for some  $r > 0$ . If  $f^r([c, d]) \supset [c, d]$ , we take  $m = r$ . Otherwise,  $f^r([c, d]) \supset [p_i, c]$  because  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\} \cap f^r([c, d]) \neq \emptyset$  and  $f^r([c, d])$  is connected. Since  $d \in W^u(p_i, f^n, +)$ ,  $d \in f^{ns}([p_i, c])$  for some  $s > 0$ . One has  $f^{ns}([p_i, c]) \supset [p_i, d]$ . We conclude that  $f^m([c, d]) \supset [c, d]$ , for  $m = r + ns$ .

In short, for any arc  $[c,d]$  with  $x \in (c,d)$  and  $[c,d] \subset \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +)) \cap (p_i, p_j)$ , there exists an integer  $m > 0$  such that  $f^m([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$ . Since  $S^1 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ , we may assume  $[p_i, p_j] \subset (0,1)$ . If the points  $c,d$  are sufficiently close to  $x$  we claim that either  $f^m([c,d]) \neq S^1$  or  $f^m([c,d]) = S^1$  and  $\overline{f^m}([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$ , for some integer  $m > 0$ . To prove this, suppose  $\overline{f^m}([c,d]) \not\supset [c,d]$  for any integer  $m$  such that  $f^m([c,d]) = S^1$ . Then  $\overline{f}([x, x+1]) = [x, x+1]$ , and this is a contradiction with  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n))$  and  $W^u(p_i, f^n) \neq S^1$ . Hence the claim is true. By Lemma 4,  $f$  has a periodic point in  $[c,d]$  if  $c,d$  are sufficiently close to  $x$ . Since the arc  $[c,d]$  is arbitrary with  $x \in (c,d)$ ,  $[c,d] \subset \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +)) \cap (p_i, p_j)$  and  $c,d$  sufficiently close to  $x$ ,  $f$  has infinitely many periodic points, a contradiction.

Case 2.  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_r, f^n))$  and  $\overline{W^u(p_r, f^n)} = S^1$ , for some  $r \in \{i, j\}$ .

Suppose  $r = i$  and  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +))$ . Let  $[y,z]$  be any closed arc contained in  $\text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +)) \cap (p_i, p_j)$  with  $x \in (y,z)$ . We claim that  $x \in \text{Int}(f^{ns}([p_i, y]))$  for some  $s > 0$ . To prove this, suppose  $x \notin \text{Int}(f^{ns}([p_i, y]))$  for all  $s > 0$ . Since  $z \in W^u(p_i, f^n, +)$ ,  $z \in f^{nt}([p_i, y])$  for some  $t > 0$ . Then, because  $x \notin \text{Int}(f^{nt}([p_i, y]))$ ,  $f^{nt}([p_i, y]) \supset [z, p_i]$ . Therefore  $W^u(p_i, f^n, +) \cup W^u(p_i, f^n, -)$ . That is  $W^u(p_i, f^n, +) = S^1$ . Let  $(a_k, b_k) = S^1 - \bigcup_{0 \leq r \leq k} f^{nr}([p_i, y])$ . Then, it is clear that  $[a_k, b_k] \supset [a_{k+1}, b_{k+1}]$ ,  $f^n([a_k, b_k]) \supset [a_{k+1}, b_{k+1}]$  and  $\bigcup_{0 \leq k < +\infty} [a_k, b_k] = \{x\}$ . By continuity,  $\bigcup_{0 \leq k < +\infty} f^n([a_k, b_k]) = \{f^n(x)\}$ . Since  $\bigcup_{0 \leq k < +\infty} f^n([a_k, b_k]) \supset \bigcup_{0 \leq k < +\infty} [a_k, b_k]$ ,  $f^n(x) = x$ , a contradiction. This establishes the claim that  $x \in \text{Int}(f^{ns}([p_i, y]))$  for some  $s > 0$ .

Let  $[c,d]$  be any closed arc contained in  $\text{Int}(f^{ns}([p_i, y]))$  with  $c \in (y, x)$  and  $x \in (c,d)$ . We shall prove that  $f^m([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$

for some  $m > 0$ . Since  $p_k \in \text{Int}(f([c,d]))$  and  $W^u(p_k, f) = S^1$ ,  $c \in f^r([c,d])$  for some  $r > 0$ . If  $f^r([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$ , we take  $m = r$ . Otherwise  $f^r([c,d]) \supset [p_i, c]$  because  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\} \cap f^r([c,d]) \neq \emptyset$  and  $f^r([c,d])$  is connected. Since  $[p_i, c] \supset [p_i, y]$ , we have that  $f^m([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$  for  $m = r + ns$ .

In short, for any arc  $[c,d]$  with  $c \in (y,x)$ ,  $x \in (c,d)$  and  $[c,d] \subset \text{Int}(f^{ns}([p_i, y]))$  there exists an integer  $m > 0$  such that  $f^m([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$ . Since  $S^1 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ , we may assume  $[p_i, p_j] \subset (0,1)$ . If the points  $c, d$  are sufficiently close to  $x$  we have either  $f^m([c,d]) \neq S^1$  or  $f^m([c,d]) = S^1$  and  $\bar{f}^m([c,d]) \supset [c,d]$ , for some integer  $m > 0$ . To prove this suppose  $\bar{f}^m([c,d]) \not\supset [c,d]$  for any integer  $m$  such that  $f^m([c,d]) = S^1$ . Then  $\bar{f}([x, x+1]) = [x, x+1]$ . Since  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +))$ , we have  $W^u(p_i, f^n, +) = S^1$ . Let  $z$  be the closest point to  $p_i$  such that  $z \in (p_i, x)$ ,  $f^n(z) = x$  and  $f^n(V) \subset (p_i, x]$  for any neighborhood  $V$  of  $z$  sufficiently small. Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $[p_i, x]$ , and let  $L = [p_i, z]$  and  $R = [z, x]$ . Then, by Lemma 9,  $g$  has infinitely many periodic points, a contradiction. Hence the claim is true. By Lemma 4,  $f$  has a periodic point in  $[c,d]$  if  $c, d$  are sufficiently close to  $x$ .

Since the arc  $[c,d]$  is arbitrary with  $c \in (y,x)$ ,  $x \in (c,d)$ ,  $[c,d] \subset \text{Int}(f^{ns}([p_i, y]))$  and  $c, d$  sufficiently close to  $x$ ,  $f$  has infinitely many periodic points, a contradiction. Hence  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +))$ .

The proof is similar if  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, -))$ . Otherwise  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, +))$  and  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n, -))$ . From the definition of the one-sided unstable manifold we have that

$f^n(W^u(p_i, f^n, +)) \subset W^u(p_i, f^n, +)$  and  $f^n(W^u(p_i, f^n, -)) \subset W^u(p_i, f^n, -)$ .

Then, by ii) and iv) of Lemma 1 and since  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n))$ ,

we have that  $\overline{W^u(p_i, f^n, +)} = [p_i, x]$ ,  $\overline{W^u(p_i, f^n, -)} = [x, p_i]$ ,  $f^n([p_i, x]) = [p_i, x]$  and  $f^n([x, p_i]) = [x, p_i]$ . Therefore,  $f^n(x) \in \{x, p_i\}$ . Since  $f(x) = p_k$ ,  $f^n(x) = p_i$ . Because  $f^n([p_i, x]) = [p_i, x]$ , there is a point  $y \in (p_i, x)$  with  $f^n(y) = x$ .

Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $[p_i, x]$ , and let  $L = [p_i, y]$  and  $R = [y, x]$ . Then, by Lemma 9,  $g$  has infinitely many periodic points, a contradiction.

Case 3.  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n))$  and  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p_j, f^n))$ .

Since  $W^u(p_k, f) = S^1$ , by Lemma 8, either  $x \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$  or  $x \in W^u(p_j, f^n)$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $x \in W^u(p_i, f^n)$ . Because  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p_i, f^n))$ ,  $x$  is a boundary point of  $W^u(p_i, f^n)$  and  $\overline{W^u(p_i, f^n)}$  is a closed-arc. Let  $I = \overline{W^u(p_i, f^n)}$  and let  $h$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $I$ . By Lemma 5,  $W^u(p_i, h, +) = [p_i, x]$ . Since  $h(W^u(p_i, h, +)) \subset W^u(p_i, h, +)$ ,  $h(x) \in [p_i, x]$ . By Lemma 6,  $h(x) \in (p_i, x]$ . That is,  $f^n(x) \in (p_i, x]$ . This is a contradiction because  $f(x) = p_k$  and  $f^n(x) \in \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ .

Thus (2) must be true. Let  $X$  denote the quotient space of  $S^1$  obtained by identifying all points of  $[x, y]$  to a single point, and let  $g: X \rightarrow X$  be the quotient map of  $f$  obtained by this identification. Then,  $g$  verifies (1) and the hypotheses of this theorem. Hence, we have a contradiction.

In short, the interior of  $f([p_i, p_j])$  and  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  do not intersect. Since  $f(S^1) = S^1$  (because  $W^u(p_1, f) = S^1$ ), it is easy to verify.

ii) follows immediately from i).

iii) Let  $y \in \Omega(f) - \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  and let  $V$  be a neighborhood of  $y$  contained in  $S^1 - \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ . Then, if  $f^r(V) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ ,  $m$  is a divisor of  $r$ . Therefore  $\Omega(f) \subset \Omega(f^m)$ . Because  $\Omega(f^m)$  is always contained in  $\Omega(f)$ , we have  $\Omega(f) = \Omega(f^m)$ .

iv) follows readily from definitions. Q.E.D.

#### §4. Proof of Theorem A

LEMMA 11. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite. If  $p \in \text{Fix}(f)$  and  $W^u(p, f) = S^1$ , then  $p \notin \text{Int}(f([a, b]))$  for any arc  $[a, b] \subset S^1 - \{p\}$  with  $f^{-1}(p) \cap [a, b]$  connected.

*Proof.* We shall show that there is not an arc  $[a, b] \subset S^1 - \{p\}$  with  $f^{-1}(p) \cap [a, b]$  connected such that  $p \in \text{Int}(f([a, b]))$ . Otherwise, one of the following holds.

- (1) There is a point  $x \in S^1 - \{p\}$  with  $f(x) = p$  such that for every arc  $[a, b] \subset S^1 - \{p\}$  with  $x \in (a, b)$ ,  $p \in \text{Int}(f([a, b]))$ .
- (2) There is an arc  $[x, y] \subset S^1 - \{p\}$  with  $f([x, y]) = \{p\}$  such that for every arc  $[a, b] \subset S^1 - \{p\}$  with  $[x, y] \subset (a, b)$ ,  $p \in \text{Int}(f([a, b]))$ .

Suppose (1) is true. If  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p, f, +))$ , let  $[c, d]$  be any arc contained in  $\text{Int}(W^u(p, f, +)) \cap (S^1 - \{p\})$  with  $x \in (c, d)$ . By the same argument used in the proof of case 2 of statement i) of Theorem 10, we should show that  $f^m([c, d]) \supset [c, d]$  for some  $m > 0$ , and that  $f$  has infinitely many periodic points, a contradiction. Similarly, if  $x \in \text{Int}(W^u(p, f, -))$ .

Assume  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p, f, +))$  and  $x \notin \text{Int}(W^u(p, f, -))$ . Again, by the argument used in the proof of case 2 of statement i) of

Theorem 10, we have a contradiction.

Thus (2) must be true. Let  $X$  denote the quotient space of  $S^1$  obtained by identifying all points of  $[x, y]$  to a single point, and let  $g: X \rightarrow X$  be the quotient map of  $f$  obtained by this identification. Therefore  $g$  verifies (1) and the hypotheses of this lemma. Hence, we have a contradiction. Q.E.D.

LEMMA 12. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite,  $\text{Fix}(f) = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  with  $n > 1$ , and  $W^u(p_k, f) \neq S^1$  for any  $p_k \in \text{Fix}(f)$ . If  $f([p_i, p_j]) \supset [p_i, p_j]$  and  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \text{Fix}(f) = \emptyset$ , then either  $W^u(p_i, f, +) \supset [p_i, p_j]$  or  $W^u(p_j, f, -) \supset [p_i, p_j]$ .

*Proof.* We claim that either  $f([p_i, x]) \subset [p_i, p_j]$  for some  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p_i$ , or  $f([y, p_j]) \subset [p_i, p_j]$  for some  $y$  sufficiently close to  $p_j$ . Otherwise, there is an arc  $[x, y] \subset (p_i, p_j)$  such that  $f([x, y]) \supset [x, y]$ . By Lemma 4,  $f$  has a fixed point in  $[x, y]$ , a contradiction.

Without loss of generality we can assume that  $f([p_i, x]) \subset [p_i, p_j]$  for  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p_i$ . Then, either  $x \in (p_i, f(x))$  or  $f(x) \in (p_i, x)$ , for some  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p_i$  if it is necessary. By continuity and Lemma 5,  $W^u(p_i, f, +) \supset [p_i, p_j]$  if  $x \in (p_i, f(x))$ .

Now, suppose  $f(x) \in (p_i, x)$  for some  $x \in (p_i, p_j)$ . Then,  $f([y, p_j]) \subset [p_i, p_j]$  for  $y$  sufficiently close to  $p_j$ . Otherwise, there exists an arc  $[x, y] \subset (p_i, p_j)$  such that  $f([x, y]) \supset [x, y]$ , a contradiction. Therefore, either  $y \in (f(y), p_j)$  or  $f(y) \in (y, p_j)$ , for some  $y$  sufficiently close to  $p_j$  if it is necessary. By continuity and Lemma 5,  $W^u(p_j, f, -) \supset [p_i, p_j]$  if  $y \in (f(y), p_j)$ . But if  $f(y) \in (y, p_j)$  the arc  $[x, y] \subset (p_i, p_j)$  is such that

$f([x,y]) \supset [x,y]$ , a contradiction. Q.E.D.

**THEOREM 13.** Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f) = \text{Fix}(f) = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  and  $f(S^1) = S^1$ . Then  $\bigcup_{1 \leq k \leq n} W^u(p_k, f) = S^1$ .

*Proof.* We define  $W = \bigcup_{1 \leq k \leq n} W^u(p_k, f)$ . Suppose  $r > 1$  and  $W \neq S^1$ .

We claim that  $S^1 - W$  has more than one connected component. To prove this, suppose  $S^1 - W$  has only one connected component. By v) of Lemma 1,  $S^1 - W = (p_i, p_j)$  with  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \text{Fix}(f) = \emptyset$ . From iv) of Lemma 1 it follows that  $f(W) = W$ . Then, since  $f(S^1) = S^1$ ,  $f([p_i, p_j]) \supset [p_i, p_j]$ . By Lemma 12,  $(p_i, p_j) \subset W^u(p_i, f, +) \cup W^u(p_j, f, -) \subset W$ , a contradiction. This establishes the claim.

Let  $(p_i, p_j)$  and  $(p_1, p_k)$  be two distinct connected components of  $S^1 - W$ . It is clear that  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \text{Fix}(f) = \emptyset$  and  $(p_1, p_k) \cap \text{Fix}(f) = \emptyset$ . From Lemma 12 it follows that  $f([p_i, p_j]) \not\supset [p_i, p_j]$  and  $f([p_1, p_k]) \not\supset [p_1, p_k]$ . Then  $f([p_i, p_j]) \supset [p_j, p_i] \supset [p_1, p_k]$  and similarly  $f([p_1, p_k]) \supset [p_1, p_j]$ . Hence  $f^2([p_i, p_j]) \supset [p_i, p_j]$ . By Lemma 12,  $(p_i, p_j) \subset W^u(p_i, f^2, +) \cup W^u(p_j, f^2, -) \subset W$ , a contradiction.

Now, suppose  $r = 1$  and  $W \neq S^1$ . We may assume that there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $p = p_1$  such that  $f^{-1}(p) \cap V = \{p\}$ . Otherwise, there is an arc  $[x, y]$  such that  $p \in [x, y]$ ,  $f([x, y]) = \{p\}$  and  $f([a, b]) \neq \{p\}$  for every arc  $[a, b]$  with  $[x, y] \subset (a, b)$ . Let  $X$  denote the quotient space of  $S^1$  obtained by identifying all points of  $[x, y]$  to the single point  $p$ , and let  $g: X \rightarrow X$  be the quotient map of  $f$  obtained by this identification. Then  $g$  verifies the hypotheses of the theorem and there exists a neighborhood  $V$  of  $p$  such that  $g^{-1}(p) \cap V = \{p\}$ . We separate the proof into five cases.



Case 1. Suppose  $f([p,x]) \supset [p,x]$ , for some  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p$ .

This implies that there exists  $y$  sufficiently close to  $p$  such that  $y \in (p, f(y))$ . Therefore  $W^u(p, f, +) = S^1$ , a contradiction.

Case 2. Suppose  $f([x,p]) \supset [x,p]$ , for some  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p$ .

Similarly,  $W^u(p, f, -) = S^1$ , a contradiction.

Case 3. Suppose  $f([p,x]) \subset [p,x]$ , for some  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p$ .

Then  $f([x,p]) \supset [x,p]$ . By case 2, we have a contradiction.

Case 4. Suppose  $f([x,p]) \subset [x,p]$ , for some  $x$  sufficiently close to  $p$ .

Then  $f([p,x]) \supset [p,x]$ . By case 1, we have a contradiction.

Case 5. Suppose  $f([p,x]) \subset [a,p]$  and  $f([y,p]) \subset [p,b]$  for  $x$  and  $y$  sufficiently close to  $p$ , and for some  $a, b \in S^1 - \{p\}$ .

Hence, by the above cases we have a contradiction for the map  $f^2$ . Q.E.D.

COROLLARY 14. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f) = \{p_1, \dots, p_r\}$  and  $f(S^1) = S^1$ . Then  $\bigcup_{1 \leq k \leq r} W^u(p_k, f) = S^1$ .

Proof. Let  $n$  be the product of the periods of all the periodic points of  $f$ . Then all the periodic points of  $f$  are fixed points of  $f^n$ . By Theorem 13,  $\bigcup_{1 \leq k \leq r} W^u(p_k, f^n) = S^1$ . Since  $W^u(p_k, f^n) \subset W^u(p_k, f)$ ,  $\bigcup_{1 \leq k \leq r} W^u(p_k, f) = S^1$ . Q.E.D.

THEOREM 15. Let  $X$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line, and let  $f \in C^0(X, X)$ . If  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite then for some integer  $n \geq 0$ ,  $P(f) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^n\}$ .

This theorem is contained in a theorem of Sharkovskii (see [6], [9] and [10]) which says the following. Order the positive integers as follows:  $3, 5, 7, \dots, 2 \cdot 3, 2 \cdot 5, 2 \cdot 7, \dots, 4 \cdot 3, 4 \cdot 5, 4 \cdot 7, \dots, 8 \cdot 3, 8 \cdot 5, 8 \cdot 7, \dots, 8, 4, 2, 1$ . Then if  $m$  is to the right of  $n$  and  $f$  has a periodic point of period  $n$ , then  $f$  has a periodic point of period  $m$ .

**THEOREM A.** *Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite. Then there are integers  $m \geq 1$  and  $n \geq 0$ , such that  $P(f) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^n m\}$ .*

*Proof.* We separate the proof into three cases.

*Case 1.* There is a periodic point  $p$  of  $f$  with period  $r \geq 2$  and  $W^u(p, f) = S^1$ .

By Theorem 10,  $\text{Per}(f) = \text{Per}(f^m) = \bigcup_{i,j} \text{Per}(f^m_{ij})$ , where  $m \in \{r, r/2\}$  and  $f^m_{ij}$  is the restriction of  $f^m$  to  $[p_i, p_j]$  with  $p_i, p_j \in \text{orb}(p)$  and  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \text{orb}(p) = \emptyset$ . By Theorem 15, for every  $f^m_{ij}$  there is an integer  $n(ij) \geq 0$  such that  $P(f^m_{ij}) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^{n(ij)}\}$ . Let  $n$  be the greatest element of  $\{n(ij)\}$ . Then  $P(f) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^n m\}$ .

*Case 2.* There is a fixed point  $p$  of  $f$  with  $W^u(p, f) = S^1$ .

We represent  $S^1$  as the interval  $[0, 1]$  identifying the points 0 and 1 to the point  $p$ . Let  $g: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$  be the natural map defined by this identification. By Lemma 11, there exists a map  $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f \circ g = g \circ h$ . Therefore  $P(f) = P(h) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^n\}$  for some integer  $n \geq 0$ .

*Case 3.* For every periodic point  $p$  of  $f$  we have that  $W^u(p, f) \neq S^1$ .

Let  $g \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and let  $X$  be a subset of  $S^1$  such that  $g(X) \subset X$ . From now on  $g|X$  will denote the restriction of  $g$  to  $X$ .

If  $f(S^1) \neq S^1$ , let  $J = f(S^1)$ . Then  $P(f) = P(f|J)$ . By Theorem 15, there is an integer  $n \geq 0$  such that  $P(f|J) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^n\}$ . Hence, the theorem is proved. Therefore, we shall assume that  $f(S^1) = S^1$ .

Let  $p$  be a periodic point of  $f$  with period  $r$  and let  $J$  be a connected component of  $W^u(p, f)$ . Since  $W^u(p, f) \neq S^1$ ,  $J \neq S^1$ . By iii) and iv) of Lemma 1,  $f^r(J) = J$ . From Theorem 15 it follows that  $P(f^r|J) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^s\}$  for some integer  $s \geq 0$ . Because  $f^r(\bar{J}) = \bar{J}$ ,  $P(f^r|\bar{J}) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^t\}$  where  $t = s$  if  $s \geq 1$ , and  $t \in \{0, 1\}$  if  $s = 0$ . For each connected component of  $W^u(p, f)$  we have an integer  $t \geq 0$ . Let  $t(p)$  be the greatest integer associated to some connected component of  $W^u(p, f)$ . Then  $P(f^r|\overline{W^u(p, f)}) = \{1, 2, 4, \dots, 2^{t(p)}\}$ . Hence  $P(f|\overline{W^u(p, f)}) = \{r, 2r, 4r, \dots, 2^{t(p)}r\}$ .

Let  $m$  be the smallest element of  $P(f)$  and let  $p$  be a periodic point of  $f$  with period  $m$ . We claim that  $P(f|\overline{W^u(p, f)} \cup \overline{W^u(q, f)}) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^{t_m}m\}$  for any periodic point  $q$  of  $f$  such that  $W^u(p, f) \cap W^u(q, f) \neq \emptyset$ , and for some integer  $t = t(p, q)$ . We shall prove this claim. By Corollary 14, there are periodic points  $q$  such that  $W^u(p, f) \cap W^u(q, f) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $q$  be such a periodic point with period  $k$ . By v) of Lemma 1, the sets  $P(f|\overline{W^u(p, f)}) = \{m, 2m, 4m, \dots, 2^{t(p)}m\}$  and  $P(f|\overline{W^u(q, f)}) = \{k, 2k, 4k, \dots, 2^{t(q)}k\}$  intersect. Then, since  $k \geq m$ , we obtain that  $k = 2^a m$ , for some integer  $a \geq 0$ . Therefore, if  $t(p, q)$  is the greatest element of  $\{t(p), a + t(q)\}$ , the claim is proved. By the same argument and by Corollary 14, the theorem follows. Q.E.D.

## §5. Proof of Theorem B

LEMMA 16. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite and  $W^u(p, f) \neq S^1$  for all  $p \in \text{Per}(f)$ . Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $x \in \Omega(f)$  and  $x \notin \text{Per}(f)$ . By vi) of Lemma 1, for some periodic point  $p_1$ , there exists  $z \in W^u(p_1, f)$  such that  $f(z) = p_1$  and  $z$  is not periodic. Let  $n$  be the period of  $p_1$  and let  $\text{orb}(p_1) = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$ . By iii) of Lemma 1,  $z \in W^u(p_k, f^n)$  for some  $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Note that  $f^n(z) \in \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  and (by iv) of Lemma 1)  $f^n(z) \in W^u(p_k, f^n)$ . We separate the proof into two cases.

*Case 1.*  $p_1$  is a periodic point with period  $n \geq 2$ .

Then, by Theorem 7,  $f^n(z) = p_k$ . Let  $J = W^u(p_k, f^n)$ . By iv) of Lemma 1,  $f^n(J) = J$ . Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f^n$  to  $J$ . Then  $z \in W^u(p_k, f^n) = W^u(p_k, g)$ , and  $g(z) = p_k$ . By Lemma 6,  $z = p_k$ . This is a contradiction, because  $z$  is not periodic.

*Case 2.*  $p_1$  is a fixed point.

Then  $n = 1$ , and  $f(z) = p_1$ . The proof is identic to the above case. Q.E.D.

**THEOREM 17** (proved by Block in [6]). Let  $I$  be an arbitrary interval of the real line. Let  $f \in C^0(I, I)$  and suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite. Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ .

**LEMMA 18.** Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite and  $W^u(p_1, f) = S^1$  for some periodic orbit  $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$  with  $n \geq 2$ . Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 10,  $\text{Per}(f) = \text{Per}(f^m) = \bigcup_{ij} \text{Per}(f^m_{ij})$  and  $\Omega(f) = \Omega(f^m) = \bigcup_{ij} \Omega(f^m_{ij})$ , where  $m \in \{n, n/2\}$  and  $f^m_{ij}$  is the restriction of  $f^m$  to  $[p_i, p_j]$ , if  $(p_i, p_j) \cap \{p_1, \dots, p_n\} = \emptyset$ . By Theorem 17,  $\Omega(f^m_{ij}) = \text{Per}(f^m_{ij})$ . Hence  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ . Q.E.D.

LEMMA 19. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite and  $W^u(q, f) \neq S^1$  for any  $q \in \text{Per}(f)$  with period greater than 1. If  $W^u(q, f) = S^1$  for some  $q \in \text{Fix}(f)$ , then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $y \in \Omega(f)$  and  $y \notin \text{Per}(f)$ . By vi) of Lemma 1, for some periodic point  $p$ , there exists  $z \in W^u(p, f)$  such that  $f(z) = p$  and  $z$  is not periodic. Let  $n$  be the period of  $p$ . We separate the proof into three cases.

Case 1.  $p$  is a periodic point with period  $n \geq 2$ .

Since  $W^u(p, f) \neq S^1$ , by the same argument used in the proof of case 1 of Lemma 16, we would have a contradiction.

Case 2.  $p$  is a fixed point with  $W^u(p, f) \neq S^1$ .

Now, we should have a contradiction by the same argument used in the proof of case 2 of Lemma 16.

Case 3.  $p$  is a fixed point with  $W^u(p, f) = S^1$ .

By the proof of case 2 of Theorem A, there are two continuous maps  $g: [0, 1] \rightarrow S^1$  and  $h: [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  such that  $f \circ g = g \circ h$ . By Theorem 17,  $\Omega(h) = \text{Per}(h)$ . Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ . Q.E.D.

THEOREM B. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite. Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Per}(f)$ .

Theorem B follows immediately from Lemmas 16, 18 and 19.

## §6. Proofs of Theorems C and D

THEOREM 20 (proved by Block in [5]). Let  $X$  denote an arbitrary interval of the real line, and let  $f \in C^0(X, X)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f) = \text{Fix}(f)$  is finite. Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Fix}(f)$ .

THEOREM D. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$ . Suppose  $\text{Per}(f) = \text{Fix}(f) = \{p_1, \dots, p_r\}$ . Then  $\Omega(f) = \text{Fix}(f)$ .

*Proof.* We separate the proof into two cases.

Case 1. There is a fixed point  $p$  of  $f$  with  $W^u(p, f) = S^1$ .

By the same argument used in the proof of case 3 of Lemma 19 and by Theorem 20, we have that  $\Omega(f) = \text{Fix}(f)$ .

Case 2. For every fixed point  $p$ ,  $W^u(p, f) \neq S^1$ .

If  $f(S^1) \neq S^1$ , let  $J = f(S^1)$ . Then, by Theorem 20,  $\Omega(f) = \Omega(f|J) = \text{Fix}(f|J) = \text{Fix}(f)$ . Hence, the theorem is proved. Therefore, we shall assume that  $f(S^1) = S^1$ .

From Theorem 13 it follows that  $r > 1$ . Let  $p$  be a fixed point of  $f$ . By i) of Lemma 1,  $W^u(p, f)$  is connected. By iv) of Lemma 1,  $f(W^u(p, f)) = W^u(p, f)$ . From Theorem 20 we have that  $\Omega(f|W^u(p, f)) = \text{Fix}(f|W^u(p, f))$ . Then, by Theorem 13,  $\Omega(f) = \text{Fix}(f)$ . Q.E.D.

LEMMA 21 (proved by Adler, Konheim and McAndrew in [1]).

Let  $f$  be a continuous map of a compact topological space and let  $n$  be a positive integer. Then  $\text{ent}(f^n) = n \cdot \text{ent}(f)$ .

LEMMA 22 (proved by Bowen [7]). Let  $f$  be a continuous map of a compact metric space and suppose  $\Omega(f)$  is finite. Then  $\text{ent}(f) = 0$ .

Now, the proof of Theorem C is identical to the proof of Theorem A of [5]. We include it here by its brevity.

THEOREM C. Let  $f \in C^0(S^1, S^1)$  and suppose  $\text{Per}(f)$  is finite. Then  $\text{ent}(f) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $n$  be the product of the periods of all the periodic points of  $f$ . Then  $\text{Per}(f^n) = \text{Fix}(f^n)$ . By Theorem D,  $\Omega(f^n) = \text{Per}(f^n)$ .

In particular,  $\Omega(f^n)$  is finite. Hence  $\text{ent}(f^n) = 0$ , by Lemma 22.  
Thus, by Lemma 1,  $\text{ent}(f) = 0$ . Q.E.D.

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