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1.  $48 = 3 \cdot 2^4$

$$56 = 7 \cdot 2^3$$

56 is to the left of 48 in the Sarkovskii ordering  
so there is a continuous map of  $\mathbb{R}$  with <sup>point of</sup> period 48  
but not one of prime period 56

2.  $176 = 11 \cdot 2^4$

$$96 = 3 \cdot 2^5$$

176 is to the left of 96 in the Sarkovskii ordering  
so if a continuous map of  $\mathbb{R}$  has a point of prime  
period 176 it must also have one of period 96.

3. It cannot happen if  $F$  is continuous. But  
an example where  $F$  is not continuous is

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{if } x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}) \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in [\frac{1}{2}, \frac{2}{3}] \\ 0 & \text{if } x \in (\frac{2}{3}, 1] \end{cases}$$

$$F(0) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad F(\frac{1}{2}) = 1, \quad F(1) = 0$$

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4. In the first graph,  $F([0,2]) = [1,3] \supset [2,3]$

and  $F([2,3]) = [0,3]$  the entire interval.

This is very much like the conditions in period 3 implies chaos.

Let  $A_1$  be a closed interval in  $[2,3]$  with

$F(A_1) = [2,3]$ . Let  $A_2 \subset [0,2]$  be a closed interval

with  $F(A_2) = A_1$ , there is such since  $F([0,2]) \supset A_1$ .

Since  $F([2,3]) \supset A_2 \ni A_3$  a closed interval in  $[2,3]$

with  $F(A_3) = A_2$ .

Now  $F^2(A_3) = F^2(A_2) = F(A_1) = [2,3] \supset A_3$ .

So there is a fixed point  $x^*$  for  $F^3$  in  $A_3$ . Now

$F(x^*) \in A_2 \subset [0,2]$ .  $x^* \neq 2$  since 2 has prime

period 4. Thus  $x^*$  is not fixed, its orbit is in

$[2,3]$  for two iterations and then in  $[0,2]$ . Thus

it has prime period 3.

By Sarkovskii's ordering it has points of every prime period.

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$$F([1, 2]) = [4, 7], \quad F([4, 7]) = [1, 5], \quad F([1, 5]) = [3, 7]$$

$$F([3, 7]) = [1, 6], \quad F([1, 6]) = [3, 7].$$

$[1, 2] \cap F^5([1, 2]) = 2$  a point of period 7 not 5.

Similarly,

$$[2, 3] \cap F^5([2, 3]) = [2, 3] \cap [3, 7] = 3$$

$$[3, 4] \cap F^5([3, 4]) = [3, 4] \cap [4, 7] = 4$$

$$[5, 6] \cap F^5([5, 6]) = [5, 6] \cap [3, 5] = 5$$

$$[6, 7] \cap F^5([6, 7]) = [6, 7] \cap [1, 6] = 6.$$

These intersections are all period 7 not period 5.

So the only interval left is  $[4, 5]$ .

$$F([4, 5]) = [3, 5] \text{ decreasing}$$

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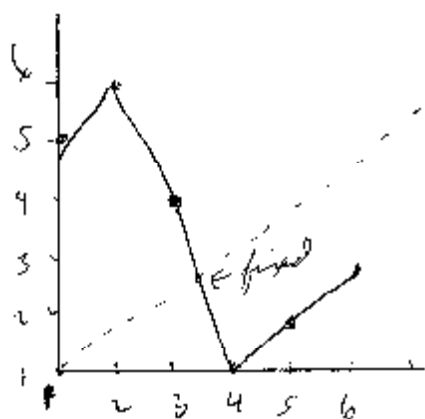
$$F([2, 6]) = [2, 7] \text{ decreasing}$$

$$F([2, 7]) = [1, 7] \text{ decreasing}$$

$F^5$  is decreasing on  $[4, 5]$  as it has only one fixed point which is the original fixed point. No points period 5.

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7. The integer values give a point of period 6.



$$F([1, 3]) = [4, 6]$$

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Points in these two intervals go back and forth. No point in them can have odd period.

$F([3, 4]) = [3, 4]$  and it is decreasing. The points that get out must stay out, see the first argument.

For odd iterations of  $[3, 4]$  the map is decreasing on what remains in  $[3, 4]$ . So it has only one fixed point. But this is the original fixed point of period 1. Thus no point has prime period an odd number larger than 1.