

Correctness, proof completeness, and novelty audit

On the generating series of the degree sequence

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SUMMARY

01	Statements	Correct
02	Proofs	Contains incorrect or incomplete proofs
03	Novelty	No non-novelty findings

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01 / STATEMENTS

Statements

Correct

The natural-boundary criterion for monomial maps, its two stated corollaries, the sharp surface dichotomy including transcendence after reduction modulo sufficiently large primes, and the rigidity theorem for equal degree sequences are correct. The printed proofs contain several precisely local defects, but each has a verified repair and none changes a central conclusion.

Theorem A: Natural boundary under a unique dominant conjugate pair

Pages 2 and 9–12 · Theorem A and Section 4.1 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Correct

The mixed-volume formula expresses the degree sequence as $h(\Lambda^k A^n)$ for a piecewise-linear function h . The spectral gaps isolate the two-dimensional real space on which $\Lambda^k A$ acts as multiplication by $\lambda_k e^{i\theta}$, with $\theta/(2\pi)$ irrational, while the complementary contribution has larger convergence radius. Proposition 3.2 and Skolem–Mahler–Lech give an absolutely summable partial-fraction expansion with nonzero residues on an arithmetic progression; its pole set is dense on $|z| = \lambda_k^{-1}$. Replacing the overly sharp complementary estimate and adding distinctness to Lemma 4.5, as verified below, completes the proof and establishes the claimed natural boundary, transcendence, and non-holonomicity.

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Corollaries B and C: Bell–Diller–Jonsson application and infinite algebraic independence

Pages 3–4 and 12–13 · Corollaries B–C and Section 4.2 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Correct

The identity cited for the Bell–Diller–Jonsson construction separates the pole at $\lambda_1(f_\mu)^{-1}$ from the monomial series whose boundary is $|z| = \lambda_2(f_\mu)^{-1/2}$, giving Corollary B. For Corollary C, iterates of one admissible monomial map have pairwise distinct k -dynamical degrees and hence pairwise distinct natural-boundary radii. Lemma 4.7 is valid after choosing a minimal squarefree algebraic relation: in characteristic zero its discriminant is nonzero, so the holomorphic implicit-function theorem would continue the series having the smallest radius across a boundary point, a contradiction.

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Theorem D: Surface dichotomy and transcendence modulo large primes

Pages 4 and 13–17 · Theorem D and Sections 5.1–5.2 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Correct

In the irrational-angle conjugate case, the repaired endpoint form of Theorem A gives the natural boundary. In every remaining eigenvalue case, Favre’s stabilization theorem and Cayley–Hamilton give a linear recurrence and hence a rational generating series. For the reduction claim, Christol’s theorem reduces algebraicity to weak periodicity. Lemma 5.5 supplies a non-linear convex integral piecewise-linear function, and an irrational rotation necessarily moves some point of any proper coefficient arc outside that arc; after excluding finitely many primes, the corresponding coefficient values remain distinct in the residue field. This contradicts weak periodicity. The citation-scope and arc-selection defects in the printed proof have the verified repairs recorded below.

Verifiable source: [Favre, Les applications monomiales en deux dimensions](#)

Theorem E: Rigidity from equality of degree sequences

Pages 4–5 and 17–19 · Theorem E and Section 5.3 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Correct

In the real-eigenvalue case, equality of dynamical degrees and quadratic Galois conjugacy give equal eigenvalue multisets for A^2 and A'^2 , hence rational conjugacy and an integral semiconjugacy. In the irrational-angle case, the corrected radial-residue formulas identify a rank-one lattice of coincident poles. Equality of the residue recurrence sequences forces the two generator coordinates to have equal absolute value; otherwise Equation (5) equates a nonzero power sum of degree at least two with one of degree at most one. The resulting root-of-unity relation and the quadratic-field argument exclude orders 5, 8, 10, 12, leaving exactly $u \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$.

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02 / PROOFS

Proofs

Contains incorrect or incomplete proofs

The central conclusions admit verified repairs, but the printed proof is not fully correct as written. The complementary spectral estimate ignores possible Jordan growth; Lemma 4.5 is false without distinct pole parameters; the rational branch of Theorem D invokes a result whose stated scope is only birational maps of $\mathbb{P}^2$; and the modulo- p proof's two-case arc selection is not valid for all rotations. Boundary notation and the radial-limit arguments also require local corrections.

Lemma 4.2 and Step 2 of Theorem A: The complementary term need not be $O(\lambda^n)$

Pages 10–11 · Lemma 4.2 and the display immediately following it · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Incorrect as written · verified repair

The proof defines $\lambda = \lambda_{k-1}|\mu_{k+2}|$ as the largest possible modulus on the complementary invariant space and then asserts an $O(\lambda^n)$ bound. A Jordan block at an eigenvalue of modulus λ invalidates this estimate. For an explicit admissible example, take $d = 5$, $k = 2$, and

$$A = \text{diag} \left(10, \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

Its ordered eigenvalue moduli are $10, \sqrt{2}, \sqrt{2}, 1, 1$; the conjugate-pair ratio is not a root of unity, while $\Lambda^2 A$ has a Jordan block at eigenvalue $10 = \lambda$, so its powers grow like $n10^n$. Repair classification: Verified repair. Choose any $\tilde{\lambda}$ with $\lambda < \tilde{\lambda} < \lambda_k$. Jordan normal form gives $O(\tilde{\lambda}^n)$ on the complement, which still makes the remainder analytic in a disk strictly larger than $|z| < \lambda_k^{-1}$ and leaves every later step unchanged.

Lemma 4.5: The residue formula requires pairwise distinct pole parameters

Pages 11–12 · Lemma 4.5 and its proof · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Incorrect as written · verified repair

The lemma allows repetitions among the points p_m but claims $\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 1^-} (1 - \rho)\Delta(p_m^{-1}\rho) = b_m$. If $p_0 = p_1 = 1$, $b_0 = 1$, $b_1 = -1$, and every other $b_m = 0$, then $\Delta = 0$ and the claimed limit for $m = 0$ is $0 \neq b_0$. In general the limit is the sum of all coefficients attached to that same point. Repair classification: Verified repair. Add the hypothesis that the p_m are pairwise distinct. In the only application, $p_m = e^{im\theta}\lambda_k$ and $\theta/(2\pi)$ is irrational, so distinctness holds and the dominated-convergence proof is valid without any downstream change.

Theorem D · rational branch: Diller–Favre Corollary 2.2 is invoked outside its stated scope

Page 14 · second case in Section 5.1 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Incorrect as written · verified repair

The paper applies Diller–Favre, Corollary 2.2, to an arbitrary dominant monomial self-map of a projective toric surface. That corollary is stated for birational self-maps of $\mathbb{P}^2$, whereas here $|\det A|$ may exceed 1 and the toric surface need not be $\mathbb{P}^2$. Repair classification: Verified repair. Favre's preceding result supplies a toric birational model on which the lift is 1-stable. On that model, the degree is a fixed linear functional of $((\tilde{\varphi})^*)^n$ applied to the pulled-back divisor. Cayley–Hamilton therefore gives a constant-coefficient recurrence, and projection formula identifies it with the original degree sequence. Hence the generating series is rational in the claimed remaining cases.

Verifiable source: [Diller–Favre, Corollary 2.2](#)

Theorem D · reduction modulo p : The printed arc selection does not follow from the phase shift

Pages 16–17 · the two bullets following Equation (4) · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Incorrect as written · verified repair

Writing $s = \{(q-1)(r-r')\theta/(2\pi)\}$, the phases satisfy $\{r_n\theta/(2\pi)\} = \{r'_n\theta/(2\pi) + s\}$. The two printed choices near the left endpoint of $I_1 = [\alpha, \beta]$ need not put one phase in I_1 and the other outside; for example $I_1 = [0.3, 0.7]$ and $s = 0.1$ contradict the second bullet's proposed configuration. Repair classification: Verified repair. Since $0 < s < 1$, rotation by s cannot preserve the proper closed arc I_1 . Choose $x \in I_1$ with $x + s \notin I_1$, then use density of the r'_n phases to place one sufficiently close to x . The same distinct-residue calculation gives the desired contradiction. In defining the finite bad set, any zero coefficient c_i should simply be omitted, and one may also include μ_2 (or $\det A$) among the finitely many elements required to remain units. These local changes establish the printed conclusion.

Theorem A · endpoint hypotheses: The extreme values of k use nonexistent neighboring eigenvalues

Page 2 · first hypothesis of Theorem A, propagated to Step 2 on page 10 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Minor formal correction

The theorem permits $1 \leq k \leq d-1$ but writes $|\mu_{k-1}| > |\mu_k| = |\mu_{k+1}| > |\mu_{k+2}|$. Thus μ_0 occurs when $k = 1$ and μ_{d+1} occurs when $k = d-1$; for $d = 2, k = 1$, both boundary defects occur, even though Theorem D later uses this case. Read each unavailable outer inequality as vacuous. In Step 2, define λ as the spectral radius of the remaining exterior-power eigenvalues; when the complementary space is zero, take the remainder $H = 0$. The same strict spectral gap gives $\lambda < \lambda_k$. This is a consistent local endpoint repair and changes no result.

Theorem E · radial residue formulas: The radius factor is omitted or inverted in three arguments

Page 18 · first three radial-limit displays in the complex-eigenvalue case · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Typo

The partial fractions have denominators $1 - e^{im\theta}\lambda_1 z$, so Lemma 4.5 must be evaluated at

$$z = \rho e^{-im\theta} \lambda_1^{-1}.$$

The two matched-pole limits omit λ_1^{-1} , while the following unmatched-pole limit prints λ_1 instead of λ_1^{-1} . Insert λ_1^{-1} in all three places. The intended correction is uniquely determined by the displayed partial fractions and restores the residue comparison without changing the argument.

Remaining central proof chain: Mixed-volume, Fourier, algebraic-independence, and rigidity steps

Pages 7–19 · Propositions 3.2 and 4.1, Lemmas 4.3–4.4 and 4.7, Lemmas 5.5–5.8, and Section 5.3 · arXiv:2510.06142v2

Correct and complete

The mixed-volume decomposition produces a finite piecewise-linear degree functional; its restriction to the conformal plane has absolutely summable Fourier coefficients. Skolem–Mahler–Lech supplies the nonzero arithmetic progression needed for density. Lemma 4.7 follows after the standard minimal squarefree normalization of the assumed relation. The convexity and integral-coefficient properties in Lemma 5.5, the finite-intersection argument in Lemma 5.8, and the power-sum degree comparison in Equation (5) are valid. With the explicit local repairs above, no further nontrivial case or dependency remains missing.

03 / NOVELTY

Novelty

No non-novelty findings

No non-novelty findings.

METHOD

Scope and decision rules

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Sources checked

1. Full paper, version 2
2. Favre, Les applications monomiales en deux dimensions
3. Diller–Favre, Corollary 2.2

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