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Marshall M. Cohen* (marshall.cohen@morgan.edu). *Elements of finite order in the Riordan group.*

We consider elements $(g(x), F(x))$ in the Riordan group \mathcal{R} over a field \mathbb{F} of characteristic 0, where $g(x) = g_0 + g_1x + g_2x^2 + \cdots$, $g_0 \neq 0$, and $F(x) = \omega x + f_2x^2 + \cdots$, $\omega \neq 0$. We answer some foundational questions about elements of finite order in \mathcal{R} .

Theorem 1 states that $(g(x), F(x))$ has finite order n in \mathcal{R} if and only if (a) $n = \ell.c.m(\text{ord}(g_0), \text{ord}(\omega))$ in $\mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and (b) $F(x)$ has finite compositional order and (c) There exists $h(x) = h_0 + h_1x + \cdots$, $h_0 \neq 0$ such that $g(x) = g_0 \cdot \left(h(x)/h(F(x)) \right)$.

Theorem 2 classifies elements of finite order in \mathcal{R} up to conjugation.

Theorem 3 determines the set of eigenvectors of a given element $(g(x), F(x))$ of finite order in \mathcal{R} . Finally we note that knowledge of the eigenvectors leads to interesting combinatorial formulas. (Received September 19, 2018)