

Exercise sheet 4

Exercise 1 Let M be a $N \times N$ matrix with integer coefficients such that $\det M \neq 0$. We suppose that $|\lambda_i| \neq 1$ for all i , where $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N$ are eigenvalues of M . Denote $\mathcal{N}(n, M)$ the number of fixed points of M^n on $\mathbb{T}^N$, that is $M^n x = x$.

- Show that

$$\mathcal{N}(n, M) = \prod_{j=1}^N |\lambda_j^n - 1|.$$

- Compute the value of $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \mathcal{N}(n, M)$.

Exercise 2 Let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be the baker's map defined by $f(x) = 2x$ if $x \leq 1/2$ and $f(x) = 2(1 - x)$ if $x \geq 1/2$. Show that f preserves the Lebesgue measure λ and λ is mixing for f .

Exercise 3 Let X be a compact metric space, f a continuous map and μ a f -invariant Borel probability measure on X with support equal to X . If μ is mixing for f . Show that f is topological mixing, that is for any two open sets U, V in X , there exists n_0 such that for all $n \geq n_0$, we have $f^n(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$.

Exercise 4 Let $(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ be probability space and f a measurable map preserving μ . Suppose f is mixing for μ .

- Show that the map $f \times f : X \times X \rightarrow X \times X$ is mixing for the product measure $\mu \times \mu$.
- Show that f is weakly mixing.

Exercise 5 Show that a circle rotation R_α on $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ is not mixing. Show that $R_\alpha \times R_\alpha$ is not ergodic.

Exercise 6 Let $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a probability space and $f : X \rightarrow X$ a measurable measure-preserving map. For $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$, we say that f is mixing of order k if for all measurable subsets $A_1, \dots, A_k$ of X , and all sequences $\tau_1, \dots, \tau_k$ from $\mathbb{N}$ to $\mathbb{N}$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_{i+1}(n) - \tau_i(n) = +\infty$ for $i = 1, \dots, k-1$, we have

$$\mu \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^k f^{-\tau_i(n)}(A_i) \right) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^k \mu(A_i).$$

1. Show that a symbolic dynamical system is mixing of order k for all $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$.
2. Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$. Show that the map $f_N : \theta \mapsto N\theta$ on the circle $\mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ is mixing of order k , for all $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$, with respect to the Haar measure.

3. Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ and let M be an invertible $N \times N$ matrix with integer entries, having no eigenvalue which is a root of unity. Show that the map $f_M : \mathbf{x} \bmod \mathbb{Z}^N \mapsto M\mathbf{x} \bmod \mathbb{Z}^N$ on the torus $\mathbb{R}^N/\mathbb{Z}^N$ is mixing of order k , for all $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$, with respect to the Haar measure.