

### MATH642 Homework problems.

1. Let  $Z$  be the space of continuous maps  $\alpha : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha(x) - x$  is 1-periodic, that is

$$\alpha(x + 1) = \alpha(x) + 1.$$

Introduce the distance on  $Z$  by

$$d(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\alpha_1(x) - \alpha_2(x)| = \sup_{x \in [0,1]} |\alpha_1(x) - \alpha_2(x)|.$$

Show that  $(Z, d)$  is a complete metric space.

2. Consider the map of  $\mathbb{T}^d$  given by  $f(x) = A(x) \bmod \mathbb{Z}^d$  where  $A$  is a matrix with integer entries such that  $\det A \neq 0$ . Show that  $f$  preserves the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{T}^d$ .

3. Consider the map of  $\mathbb{T}^2$  given by

$$f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} x \bmod \mathbb{Z}^2.$$

(a) Let  $e_s$  be the eigenvector with eigenvalue less than 1. Show that if  $p$  is a periodic point then for each  $c$  the set of limit points of the forward orbit of  $p + ce_s$  consists of the orbit of  $p$ .

(b) Show that there exists a point whose forward orbit is not dense and the set of its limit points is **not** a periodic orbit.

4. Let  $G(x) = \{1/x\}$  be the Gauss map. Suppose that  $x$  satisfies  $Ax^2 + Bx + C = 0$ . Then  $x_n = G^n(x)$  satisfies

$$A_n x_n^2 + B_n x_n + C_n = 0$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &= Ap_{n-1}^2 + Bp_{n-1}q_{n-1} + Cq_{n-1}^2, \\ B_n &= 2Ap_n p_{n-1} + B(p_n q_{n-1} + q_n p_{n-1}) + 2Cq_n q_{n-1}, \\ C_n &= Ap_n^2 + Bp_n q_n + Cq_n^2. \end{aligned}$$

Show that

$$B_n^2 - 4A_n C_n = B^2 - 4AC.$$

5. Let  $X = \mathbb{R} \cup \infty$  with natural topology (that is opens set containing  $\infty$  contain  $\{|x| > M\}$  for some  $M$ ). Let  $f(x) = \frac{ax+b}{cx+d}$ . Describe the limit points of the orbits of  $f$ .

**Hint.** The answer depends on how many fixed points  $f$  has.

6. Let  $\frac{p_n}{q_n}$  be the  $n$ -th partial convergent to  $x$ . That is if  $G^n(x) = x_n$  then

$$x = \frac{p_{n-1}x_n + p_n}{q_{n-1}x_n + q_n}.$$

Suppose that  $q_n = f_n$ -the  $n$ -th Fibonacci number. Find  $x$ .

7. Let  $f$  be the circle rotation on angle  $\alpha$  and let  $S = [0, \alpha)$ . Show that the induced map on  $S$  is conjugated to rotation on angle  $\{1/\alpha\}$ .

8. Show that no isometry of infinite compact metric space is expansive.

9. Show that expanding maps of the circle and linear hyperbolic automorphisms of  $\mathbb{T}^2$  are expansive.

10. Consider a linear automorphism of  $\mathbb{T}^2$  given by  $f(x) = A(x) \bmod 1$ . Show that if the spectrum of  $A$  lies on the unit circle, then  $h_{\text{top}}(f) = 0$ .

11. Let  $v$  be the eigenvector of matrix  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$ . Show that the following are equivalent

(i)  $v$  is the only generalized eigenvector of  $A$  with eigenvalue  $\lambda$  and the rest of the  $\text{Sp}(A)$  is contained inside a disc of radius strictly smaller than  $|\lambda|$ ;

and

(ii) There is a neighbourhood  $U(v)$  such that for each  $u \in U$

$$\angle(A^n u, v) \rightarrow 0.$$

12. Let  $A$  be the linear map of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  defined by the condition

$$A(e_i) = e_{(i+1) \bmod d}$$

where  $\{e_i\}$  is the standard basis in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Show that

$$\text{Sp}(A) = \{e^{2\pi ki/d}\}_{k=0}^{d-1}.$$

13. Show that Hilbert distance satisfies the triangle inequality.

14. Let  $\omega$  be a fixed point of a primitive substitution. Prove that for each word  $W$  there is a limiting frequency  $p_W$  such that if  $N(\omega, W, n_1, n_2)$  be the number of appearances of  $W$  in  $\omega$  between places  $n_1$  and  $n_2$  then

$$\lim_{n_2 - n_1 \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{N(\omega, W, n_1, n_2)}{n_2 - n_1} = p_W.$$

15. Prove that there are only countably many isomorphism classes of sofic shifts.

16. (a) Show that finite unions of Lebesgue spaces is a Lebesgue space.

(b) Show that finite products of Lebesgue spaces is a Lebesgue space.

17. Show that a compact manifold equipped with a smooth measure is a Lebesgue space.

18. Consider an equation  $\dot{x} = X(x)$  where  $X$  is a smooth complete divergence free vector field. Define

$$B^+ = \{x : \text{Orb}^+(x) \text{ is bounded}\}, \quad B^- = \{x : \text{Orb}^-(x) \text{ is bounded}\}$$

$$E^+ = \{x : \text{Orb}^+(x) \text{ tends to infinity}\}, \quad E^- = \{x : \text{Orb}^-(x) \text{ tends to infinity}\}$$

$$O^\pm = \mathbb{R}^d - (B^\pm \cup E^\pm).$$

Show that  $B^- \cap O^+$ ,  $B^+ \cap O^-$ ,  $E^- \cap O^+$ , and  $E^+ \cap O^-$  have zero measure.

**19.** Let  $T$  be a measurable map preserving a probability measure  $\mu$ . Let  $f$  be a measurable function such that  $\mu(x : f(x) \neq 0) > 0$ . Suppose that for almost every  $x$  we have  $f(Tx) = \lambda f(x)$  for some constant  $\lambda$ . Show that  $|\lambda| = 1$ .