Dynamical Systems II: Homework 7

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1 Questions from Silva

1.1 Section 3.7

Problem 2.

Observe that the only T-invariant subset of X is X itself. Suppose we have a subset A of X such that $A \neq X$. Then there exists $a_j \in X$ such that $a_{(j+1) \bmod n} \notin A$ and hence, $T(a_j) \notin A$. Thus A is not T-invariant. Hence, we must have A = X. But $A^C = X^C = \emptyset$. So $\mu(A^C) = 0$ whenever A is T-invariant, and so T is ergodic.

Problem 3.

Suppose T is a totally ergodic measure-preserving transformation and suppose that T is invertible. Since T is ergodic, observe that $\mu(A) = 0$ or $\mu(A^C) = 0$ for any T-invariant set A. Now fix a T-invariant set A and suppose $\mu(A) = 0$. Since T is measure-preserving, we have that if $\mu(A) = 0$, then $\mu(T^{-1}(A)) = 0$.

For $T^{-2}(A)$, observe that we have

$$T^{-2}(A) = T^{-1}(T^{-1}(A)) = T^{-1}(B)$$

where $B = T^{-1}(A)$, a measure 0 set. Again, since T is measure-preserving and $\mu(B) = 0$, we have that $\mu(T^{-1}(B)) = \mu(T^{-2}(A)) = 0$. Proceeding inductively, we get that if $\mu(A) = 0$, then $\mu(T^n(A)) = 0$ for all n < 0. Moreover, if A is T-invariant, then A is also T^{-1} -invariant, since T is invertible. This again applies for T^n with any n < 0, so we have that

Problem 6.

Recall the two dimensional Baker's transformation is defined as

$$T(x,y) = \begin{cases} (2x, \frac{y}{2}), & \text{if } 0 \le x < 1/2\\ (2x - 1, \frac{y+1}{2}), & \text{if } 1/2 \le x \le 1 \end{cases}$$

For any subset A of $[0,1] \times [0,1]$, we have that $\mu(A) =$

1.2 Section 3.10

Problem 1.

Problem 3.

Problem 4.

Problem 6.