

Problem Set 4

HAND IN on MONDAY, October 30.

[Or leave in the course pigeon hole in the Main Maths building before 12pm.]

SET Exercises for Level 3: 4.1 and 4.7

SET Exercises for Level M: 4.1, 4.7 and 4.8.

Exercise 4.1. (SET) Let $T : \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$ be the linear twist given by

$$T(x, y) = (x + y \pmod{1}, y).$$

Consider $T : X \rightarrow X$ as a topological dynamical system where $X = \mathbb{T}^2$ is a metric space with the natural distance d induced by the Euclidean distance.

- (a) Is T expansive? Justify your answer.
- (b) Does T have sensitive dependence on initial conditions? Justify your answer.

Exercise 4.2. Let $X = \mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ with the Euclidean distance d and let $F : X \rightarrow X$ be the baker map.

- (a) Is F expansive? Justify your answer.
- (b) Does F have sensitive dependence on initial conditions? Justify your answer.

* **Exercise 4.3.** Let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a topological dynamical system on a metric space (X, d) . Assume that f is topologically transitive and the set $Per(f)$ of periodic points for f is dense in X . Conclude that f has sensitive dependence on initial conditions.

Exercise 4.4. Are the following maps *chaotic*? Justify your answers.

- (a) the *linear twist* $T : \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$, that is the map given by

$$T(x, y) = (x, y) \rightarrow (x + y \pmod{1}, y \pmod{1}).$$

- (*b) the logistic map $g(x) = 4x(1 - x)$ on $X = [0, 1]$.

[Hint: for some parts, you can use the topological conjugacy with the tent map.]

Exercise 4.5. Let $m > 1$ be an integer and let $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$ be $f(x) = mx \pmod{1}$. Let $\epsilon = 1/m^k$.

- (a) Construct an (n, ϵ) -separated set for f , prove that it is (n, ϵ) -separated and compute its cardinality;
- (b) Repeat point (a) for an (n, ϵ) -spanning set;
- (c) What is the topological entropy of f ? Use part (a) and (b) to justify your answer.

Exercise 4.6. Let $X = \mathbb{T}^2$ and let $\underline{\alpha} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Let $R_{\underline{\alpha}} : \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{T}^2$ be the *translation on the torus* given by

$$R_{\underline{\alpha}}(x, y) = (x + \alpha_1 \pmod{1}, y + \alpha_2 \pmod{1})$$

One can show (and you can use) that $R_{\underline{\alpha}}$ is an isometry with respect to the distance d on \mathbb{T}^2 induced by the Euclidean distance. Consider \mathbb{T}^2 as a metric space with this distance.

- (a) Let $\epsilon = 1/N$. Construct a $(1, \epsilon)$ -spanning set S for $R_{\underline{\alpha}}$.
- (b) Prove that S is (n, ϵ) -spanning for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
- (c) What is the topological entropy of $R_{\underline{\alpha}}$? Justify your answer.

Exercise 4.7. (SET) Let $X = \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$. Fix an integer $k \geq 2$ and let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be the linear expanding map

$$f(x) = kx \pmod{1}.$$

Feel free to use that for each $x, y \in X$ we have

$$d(x, y) \leq \frac{1}{2k} \Rightarrow d(f(x), f(y)) \geq kd(x, y).$$

Let $F : \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z} \times \mathbb{R}/\mathbb{Z}$ be an extension of f , where the semiconjugacy is given the projection $\pi(x, y) = x$.

(a) Show that for each $\epsilon = 1/k^l$ where $l \geq 2$ is an integer such that $\epsilon < \frac{1}{2k}$ the set

$$S_f = \left\{ \frac{i}{k^{n+l}}, \quad 0 \leq i < k^{n+l} \right\} \subset [0, 1)$$

is an (n, ϵ) -spanning set for the linear expanding map f .

(b) Let $\epsilon = 1/k^l$ where $l \geq 2$ is an integer such that $\epsilon < \frac{1}{2k}$. Show that the set

$$S = \left\{ \left(\frac{i}{k^{n-1+l}}, 0 \right), \quad 0 \leq i < k^{n-1+l} \right\} \subset [0, 1) \times [0, 1)$$

is an (n, ϵ) -separated set for the extension F .

Conclude that the topological entropy of F satisfies $h_{top}(F) \geq \log k$.

*** (c)** Let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and let $F : [0, 1) \times [0, 1) \rightarrow [0, 1) \times [0, 1)$ be the extension of f given by

$$F(x, y) = (f(x), y + \alpha \pmod{1}).$$

Show that $h_{top}(F) \leq \log k$. Justify your arguments carefully.

*** (d)** Give an example of an extension $F : [0, 1) \times [0, 1) \rightarrow [0, 1) \times [0, 1)$ of f such that

$$h_{top}(F) > \log k.$$

Justify your answer.

*** Exercise 4.8. (SET for Level M)** Let (X, d) be a compact metric space and let $f : X \rightarrow X$ be an isometry.

(a) Show that for any $\epsilon > 0$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there there exists an (n, ϵ) -separated set.

(b) Show that for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a finite $(1, \epsilon)$ -spanning set for f .

(c) What is the topological entropy of f ? Justify your answer.

Exercise 4.9. Let (X, d) be a metric space and $f : X \rightarrow X$ a topological dynamical system. Let $d_n = d_n^f$ be the distance used in the definition of topological entropy. Let $m > 0$ and f^m be the m^{th} -iterate of f .

(a) Show that $d_n^{f^m}(x, y) \leq d_{mn}^f(x, y)$. Deduce that any (n, ϵ) -separated set for f^m is also (nm, ϵ) -separated set for f . Conclude that, if $Sep(n, \epsilon, g)$ denotes the maximal cardinality of an (n, ϵ) -separating set for g , we have $Sep(nm, \epsilon, f) \geq Sep(n, \epsilon, f^m)$.

(b) Let us denote by $B_g(x, \epsilon, n) = \bigcap_{k=0}^{n-1} g^{-k}(B(g^k(x), \epsilon))$. Show that if δ is chosen so that $B(x, \delta) \subset B_f(x, \epsilon, m)$ for all $x \in X$, then

$$B_{f^m}(x, \delta, n) \subset B_f(x, \epsilon, nm).$$

Conclude that if $Span(n, \epsilon, g)$ denotes the minimal cardinality of an (n, ϵ) -spanning set for g we have $Span(nm, \epsilon, f) \leq Span(n, \delta, f^m)$.

(c) Show that $h_{top}(f^m) = mh_{top}(f)$.