

**Functions of Real Variables II (62052/72052)**

**Home Work 8, due on Thursday, April 16.**

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**Problem 1.** Show that the mean ergodic theorem still holds if we replace the assumption that  $T$  is an isometry by the assumption that  $T$  is contraction, that is  $\|Tf\| \leq \|f\|$  for all  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . **Hint:** Prove that  $T$  is contraction iff  $T^*$  is a contraction (you may use some discussions in the lecture notes as well as identity that  $(f, T^*f) = (Tf, f)$ ).

**Problem 2.** Let  $\tau$  be a measure-preserving transformation on  $(X, \mu)$  with  $\mu(X) = 1$ . Prove that then  $\tau$  is ergodic if and only if whenever  $\nu$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  is  $\tau$ -invariant (i.e.  $\nu(\tau^{-1}(E)) = \nu(E)$  for all measurable sets  $E$ ), then  $\nu = c\mu$  with  $c$  a constant.

**Problem 3.** Suppose  $\tau$  is a measure-preserving transformation on  $(X, \mu)$ . If

$$\mu(\tau^{-n}(E) \cap F) \rightarrow \mu(E)\mu(F)$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for all measurable sets  $E$  and  $F$ , then  $(T^n f, g) \rightarrow (f, 1)(g, 1)$ , whenever  $f, g \in L^2(X, \mu)$  with  $(Tf(x)) = f(\tau(x))$ . Thus  $\tau$  is mixing. (**Hint:** you may start with simple functions).