

**Exercise.** Let  $T: (X, \mathcal{B}, m) \rightarrow (X, \mathcal{B}, m)$  be a measure-preserving map, where  $m(X) = 1$ . We say that  $T$  is *ergodic* if  $T^{-1}B = B$  implies  $m(B) = 0$  or  $m(B) = 1$  ( $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ). Show that the following are equivalent:

(i)  $T$  is ergodic

(ii) The only members  $B$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  with  $m(T^{-1}B \Delta B) = 0$  are those with  $m(B) = 0$  or  $m(B) = 1$ . (Here  $\Delta$  denotes symmetric difference.)

(iii) For every  $A \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $m(A) > 0$  we have

$$m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} T^{-n}A\right) = 1.$$

(iv) For every  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $m(A) > 0$ ,  $m(B) > 0$  there exists  $n > 0$  with  $m(T^{-n}A \cap B) > 0$ .

(Hint: Prove  $(i) \Rightarrow (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) \Rightarrow (iv) \Rightarrow (i)$ . The most difficult part is to show  $(i) \Rightarrow (ii)$ .)