

Isomorphism of a Piecewise Linear Transformation to a Markov Automorphism

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D. Ornstein and others proved important isomorphism theorems for a large class of automorphisms, i.e. measure preserving transformations. However, it is also interesting to explicitly determine an isomorphic mapping in each concrete case. R. Adler and B. Weiss [1] explicitly constructed an isomorphism between an ergodic group automorphism of a 2-dimensional torus and a Markov automorphism. Y. Takahashi [8] gave an isomorphism between a β -automorphism and a Markov automorphism. The crucial point of their argument lies in the fact that the metrical entropy coincides with the topological entropy for these automorphisms. Using this fact and Parry's result [3], they showed that the representation mapping of the automorphism in consideration to a Markov subshift (of a symbolic dynamics) is actually an isomorphism in each case.

In this paper, we will explicitly construct an isomorphism of a piecewise linear transformation (a generalization of β -automorphism) to a Markov automorphism. Since the metrical entropy of such a transformation does not always attain its topological entropy, we cannot use the method mentioned above, so instead of topological entropy we use free energy as our main tool.

In § 1 we define the free energy of a Markov subshift and show under certain conditions that a shift invariant measure with the minimal free energy is unique. This is a generalization of Parry's result about topological entropy [3]. In § 2 we define a piecewise linear transformation and investigate its properties. In § 3 we construct an isomorphic mapping from a piecewise linear transformation to a Markov automor-

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§ 1. Markov Potential Function and Its Free Energy

Let $I^{\mathbb{Z}}$ be an infinite product of state space I , where $I = \{0, 1, \dots, s\}$ or $\{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and $\mathbf{z} = \{\dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$. Let $\omega(n)$ be the n -th coordinate of ω in $I^{\mathbb{Z}}$ and let σ be a shift operator on $I^{\mathbb{Z}}$ such that

$$(\sigma\omega)(n) = \omega(n+1).$$

Definition 1-1. A function $U: I^{\mathbb{Z}} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is called a (simple) Markov potential function, if $U(\omega) = U(\omega(0), \omega(1))$ for all $\omega \in I^{\mathbb{Z}}$.

Definition 1-2. A Markov potential function U is called irreducible, if, for any $i, j \in I$, there exists a finite sequence (i_0, i_1, \dots, i_n) such that $i_0 = i$, $i_n = j$, and $U(i_k, i_{k+1}) < \infty$ for all $0 \leq k \leq n-1$.

Definition 1-3. A Markov potential function U is called of Perron-Frobenius type if

- (1) U is irreducible
- (2) $Q(i, j)$ defined by $Q(i, j) = e^{-U(i, j)}$

has positive right and left eigenvectors, $r = (r_i)$ and $l = (l_i)$ respectively, with a common positive eigenvalue λ , such that

$$\sum_{j \in I} Q(i, j) r_j = \lambda r_i \quad \text{for all } i \in I,$$

$$\sum_{i \in I} Q(i, j) l_i = \lambda l_j \quad \text{for all } j \in I,$$

$$\sum_{i \in I} l_i r_i < \infty.$$

Definition 1-4. Let λ , $r = (r_i)$ and $l = (l_i)$ be the ones defined by Perron-Frobenius type potential U as above. The Gibbs measure $\nu = \nu(U)$ is an ergodic σ -invariant Markov measure with initial distribution

$$\pi_i = l_i r_i / \left(\sum_{j \in I} l_j r_j \right) \quad \text{for } i \in I,$$

and transition probabilities

$$P_{ij} = \frac{r_j Q(i, j)}{\lambda r_i} \quad \text{for } i, j \in I.$$

When $I = \{0, 1, \dots, s\}$ ($s < \infty$), free energy $f_U(\mu)$ is defined by (cf. Spitzer [7]), $f_U(\mu) = \int U d\mu - h_\mu(\sigma)$, where μ is a σ -invariant probability measure on $(I^\mathbb{Z}, \sigma)$. Now we extend this definition.

Definition 1-5. Let $I = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ and let μ be a σ -invariant probability measure on $(I^\mathbb{Z}, \sigma)$ with finite metrical entropy $h_\mu(\sigma)$. Then free energy $f_U(\mu)$ is defined by,

$$f_U(\mu) = \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) U_n^m(x) - h_\mu(\sigma),$$

where $I_m = \{0, 1, \dots, m, m^*\}$, $m^* = \{m+1, m+2, \dots\}$, $[x]$ is the cylinder set generated by $x \in I_m^n$ and U_n^m , a function on I_m^n , is defined in the following way. For $x, y \in I_m' = \{0, 1, \dots, m\}$, $k \geq 1$, we put

$$\begin{aligned} U_2^m(x, y) &= U(x, y), \\ U_{k+1}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_k) &= -\frac{1}{k} \log \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_k \geq m+1}} r_{i_k} \exp[-U(x, i_1) - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} U(i_j, i_{j+1})] \\ U_{k+2}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_k, y) &= -\frac{1}{k+1} \log \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_k \geq m+1}} \exp[-U(x, i_1) - \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} U(i_j, i_{j+1}) - U(i_k, y)] \\ U_{k+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_{k+1}) &= -\frac{1}{k} \log \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_{k+1} \geq m+1}} \frac{l_{i_1} r_{i_{k+1}}}{\sum_j l_j r_j} \exp[-\sum_{j=1}^k U(i_j, i_{j+1})], \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} U_{k+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_k, y) &= -\frac{1}{k} \log \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_k \geq m+1}} \frac{l_{i_1}}{\sum_j l_j r_j} \exp[-\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} U(i_j, i_{j+1}) - U(i_k, y)] \end{aligned}$$

(we define $\log 0 = -\infty$). Moreover we define U_n^m inductively by

$$\begin{aligned} & (n-1)U_n^m(x_1, \dots, x_n) \\ &= (i-1)U_i^m(x_1, \dots, x_i) + (n-i)U_{n-i+1}^m(x_i, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

if $x_j \in I_m$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$) and $x_i \in I_m'$.

Remark 1. For $x_i \in I_m'$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$),

$$(n-1)U_n^m(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} U(x_i, x_{i+1}).$$

We get, for $x \in I_m^n$,

$$U_n^m(x) = -\log \lambda - \frac{1}{n-1} \log P_n^m(x) - \frac{1}{n-1} \log r_{x_1}^m + \frac{1}{n-1} \log r_{x_n}^m$$

(including $\infty = \infty$)

where $r_i^m = r_i$, $i \in I_m'$, $r_{m^*}^m = 1$, and $P_n^m(x)$, a function on I_m^n , is defined by the following; for $x, y \in I_m'$, $k \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} P_2^m(x, y) &= P_{x,y} \\ P_{k+1}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_k) &= \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_k \geq m+1}} P_{x, i_1} P_{i_1, i_2} \cdots P_{i_{k-1}, i_k} \\ P_{k+2}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_k, y) &= \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_k \geq m+1}} P_{x, i_1} P_{i_1, i_2} \cdots P_{i_{k-1}, i_k} P_{i_k, y} \\ P_{k+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_{k+1}) &= \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_{k+1} \geq m+1}} \pi_{i_1} P_{i_1, i_2} \cdots P_{i_k, i_{k+1}} \\ P_{k+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_k, y) &= \sum_{\substack{i_1 \geq m+1 \\ \dots \\ i_k \geq m+1}} \pi_{i_1} P_{i_1, i_2} \cdots P_{i_{k-1}, i_k} P_{i_k, y} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$P_n^m(x_1, \dots, x_n) = P_i^m(x_1, \dots, x_i) P_{n-i+1}^m(x_i, \dots, x_n)$$

where $x_j \in I_m$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$), $x_i \in I_m'$.

Remark. If $x_i \in I_m'$ ($1 \leq j \leq n$),

$$P_n^m(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} P_{x_i, x_{i+1}}.$$

Theorem 1. *Let U be a Markov potential of Perron-Frobenius type on $(I^{\mathbb{Z}}, \sigma)$, and let λ be an eigenvalue of $Q = \exp(-U)$ as in Definition 1-3. Then, for any σ -invariant probability measure μ with finite entropy, we have*

$$f_U(\mu) \geq -\log \lambda \quad (1.1)$$

In particular, (1.1) holds with equality if and only if $\mu = \nu$ and $h_\nu(\sigma) < \infty$, where $\nu = \nu(U)$ is the Gibbs measure defined by U .

Proof. 1st stage: We will show (1.1) holds with equality if $\mu = \nu$ and $h_\nu(\sigma) < \infty$. We denote by \mathcal{F}_m the σ -algebra generated by the cylinder sets of $I_m^{\mathbb{Z}}$, and by $h_\mu(\sigma|\mathcal{F}_m)$ we mean the entropy of the factor of σ on \mathcal{F}_m . Evidently,

$$\begin{aligned} h_\mu(\sigma) &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} h_\mu(\sigma|\mathcal{F}_m) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log \mu([x]). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} f_U(\nu) &= \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[-\log \lambda - \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \nu([x]) \log \nu([x]) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i \in I_m'} \pi_i \log \pi_i \right] + \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \nu([x]) \log \nu([x]) \\ &= -\log \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

2nd stage: Let μ be a σ -invariant probability measure with finite entropy which does not equal to ν . Let $\{\tilde{\pi}_i\}$ be a distribution such that

- (1) $\sum_{i \in I} \tilde{\pi}_i = 1$
- (2) $-\sum_{i \in I} \mu([i]) \log \tilde{\pi}_i < \infty$
- (3) $\tilde{\pi}_i > 0$ if and only if $\pi_i > 0$.

We define $\tilde{\nu}$ the Markov measure with initial distribution $\tilde{\pi}_i$ and transition probability P_{ij} . (Notice that $\tilde{\nu}$ is not always σ -invariant.) Then it is easy to see that $\tilde{\nu} \sim \nu$. From the σ -invariance of μ , we get

$$\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log P_n^m(x) \leq \sum_{x, y \in I_m'} \mu([x, y]) \log P_{x, y}.$$

Therefore,

$$\overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log P_n^m(x) \leq \sum_{x, y \in I'_m} \mu([x, y]) \log P_{x, y}.$$

If $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x, y \in I'_m} \mu([x, y]) \log P_{x, y} = -\infty$, then

$$f_{\mathcal{U}}(\mu) = \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) U_n^m(x) - h_{\mu}(\sigma) = \infty > -\log \lambda.$$

If $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x, y \in I'_m} \mu([x, y]) \log P_{x, y} > -\infty$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log P_n^m(x) \\ & \leq \sum_{x, y \in I} \mu([x, y]) \log P_{x, y} \\ & = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x=(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in I^n} \mu([x]) \log P_{x_1, x_2} P_{x_2, x_3} \cdots P_{x_{n-1}, x_n} \\ & = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I^n} \mu([x]) \log \tilde{\nu}([x]) - \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i \in I} \mu([i]) \log \tilde{\pi}_i \\ & \leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log \tilde{\nu}([x]) - \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i \in I} \mu([i]) \log \tilde{\pi}_i. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\mathcal{U}}(\mu) &= \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) U_n^m(x) - \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} h_{\mu}(\sigma|_{\mathcal{F}_m}) \\ &\geq -\log \lambda - \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log \tilde{\nu}([x]) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i \in I} \mu([i]) \log \tilde{\pi}_i + \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log \mu([x]) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log \left(\frac{\mu([x])}{\tilde{\nu}([x])} \right) + \sum_{i \in I} \mu([i]) \log \tilde{\pi}_i \right] \\ &\quad - \log \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, since ν is ergodic and μ is σ -invariant, it follows $\mu \not\sim \nu$. We cite the followings.

Lemma 1 ([5]).

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu([x]) \log \frac{\mu([x])}{\tilde{\nu}([x])} \geq \sum_{x \in I^n} \mu([x]) \log \frac{\mu([x])}{\tilde{\nu}([x])}.$$

Lemma 2. (Dobrushin, Gelfand, Yaglom and Perez [5] (p. 20)).
 If μ_1 and μ_2 are probability measures on $I^{\mathbb{Z}}$ and $\mu_1 \prec \mu_2$, then

$$\sum_{x \in I^n} \mu_1([x]) \log \left(\frac{\mu_1([x])}{\mu_2([x])} \right) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

By the above lemmas, we can take $n \geq 1$ such that

$$\sum_{i \in I} \mu([i]) \log \tilde{\pi}_i + \sum_{x \in I^n} \mu([x]) \log \left(\frac{\mu([x])}{\tilde{\nu}([x])} \right) > 0,$$

and thus we can conclude that

$$f_U(\mu) > -\log \lambda.$$

Remark 1-6. If a Markov potential U satisfies the condition in Theorem 1 and takes values only 0 and ∞ , then $Q = e^{-U}$ becomes a structure matrix of a Markov subshift [2]. Hence $\inf -f_U(\mu) = -f_U(\nu)$ and we see that ν is the maximal Markov measure [3].

Let U be a Markov potential on $(I^{\mathbb{Z}}, \sigma)$ which satisfies the conditions in Theorem 1 and let ν be the Gibbs measure defined by U .

Main Lemma. *Let (X, T, μ) be an automorphism with finite entropy. Then (X, T, μ) is isomorphic to $(I^{\mathbb{Z}}, \sigma, \nu)$, if there exist a 1-1 (μ -a.e.) bi-Borel mapping $\varphi: X \rightarrow I^{\mathbb{Z}}$, μ -integrable functions $V(\omega')$ and $h(\omega')$ ($\omega' \in X$) such that*

$$(1) \quad \sigma \cdot \varphi = \varphi \cdot T, \quad \mu\text{-a.e.}$$

$$(2) \quad U(\varphi(\omega')) = V(\omega') + h(\omega'), \quad \mu\text{-a.e.}$$

$$\int h(\omega') d\mu(\omega') = 0,$$

$$(3) \quad f_U(\nu) = \int d\mu(\omega') V(\omega') - h_{\mu}(T),$$

$$(4) \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{x \in I_m^n} \mu \cdot \varphi^{-1}([x]) U_n^m(x) = \int d\mu \cdot \varphi^{-1} U.$$

Proof. Let $\mu \cdot \varphi^{-1} = \mu'$, then from the condition (1) μ' is a σ -invariant measure with finite entropy $h_{\mu}(T)$. Therefore to show that they are isomorphic it is sufficient to prove that $f_U(\mu') = f_U(\nu)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
f_U(\mu') &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum \mu'([x]) U_n^m(x) - h_{\mu'}(\sigma) \\
&= \int d\mu(\omega') U(\varphi(\omega')) - h_{\mu}(T) \\
&= \int d\mu(\omega') V(\omega') - h_{\mu}(T) \\
&= f_U(\nu).
\end{aligned}$$

§ 2. A Definition and Properties of a Piecewise Linear Transformation

We define a piecewise linear transformation according to [6].

Let $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N)$ is an $N+1$ -tuple vector such that $\beta_k > 1$ for $0 \leq k \leq N$ and $\sum_{k=0}^N \beta_k^{-1} \geq 1 > \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \beta_k^{-1}$. A partition $\{A_i\}_{i=0, \dots, N}$ of interval $[0, 1)$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned}
A_0 &= [0, \beta_0^{-1}) \\
A_i &= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_k^{-1}, \sum_{k=0}^i \beta_k^{-1} \right) \quad i=1, \dots, N-1. \\
A_N &= \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \beta_k^{-1}, 1 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

We define mappings $T: [0, 1) \rightarrow [0, 1)$ and $\pi: [0, 1) \rightarrow S^N$ by

$$Tx = \beta_i \left(x - \sum_{k=0}^{i-1} \beta_k^{-1} \right) \quad \text{if } x \in A_i, i=0, 1, \dots, N,$$

and

$$\pi(x) = (a_0(x), a_1(x), \dots, a_n(x), \dots),$$

$a_n(x) = i$ if $T^n x \in A_i$, respectively, where $S = \{0, 1, \dots, N\}$ and S^N is its one-sided product. Then the mapping T can be realized as the shift σ on S^N by the mapping π , namely

$$\pi \cdot T = \sigma \cdot \pi.$$

For convenience we define a sequence corresponding to 1 by

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(1) &= (a_0(1), a_1(1), \dots, a_n(1), \dots) \\
&= \sup_{x \in [0, 1)} (a_0(x), a_1(x), \dots, a_n(x), \dots)
\end{aligned}$$

where supremum is taken over with respect to the lexicographical order. Then it is easy to see that for $x \in [0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sum_{k=0}^{a_0(x)-1} \beta_k^{-1} + \beta_{a_0(x)}^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{a_1(x)-1} \beta_k^{-1} + \cdots \\ &+ \beta_{a_0(x)}^{-1} \cdots \beta_{a_n(x)}^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{a_{n+1}(x)-1} \beta_k^{-1} \right) + \cdots. \end{aligned}$$

We put

$$T^j \mathbf{1} = \sum_{k=0}^{a_j(1)-1} \beta_k^{-1} + \beta_{a_j(1)}^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{a_{j+1}(1)-1} \beta_k^{-1} \right) + \cdots.$$

We already know the results that the endomorphism T has an invariant probability measure ν_β^+ equivalent to Lebesgue measure, and its unnormalized density $f(x)$ is given by

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{X_{[0, T^n 1)}}{\beta_{a_0(1)} \beta_{a_1(1)} \cdots \beta_{a_n(1)}}(x),$$

where X_A is the characteristic function of A [6].

Let $\pi[0, 1) = X_\beta^+ \subset S^{\mathbb{N}}$ and let μ_β^+ be an induced measure of ν_β^+ by π . Then $[X_\beta^+, \sigma, \mu_\beta^+]$ becomes an endomorphism which is homeomorphic to $([0, 1), T, \nu_\beta^+)$. We call this endomorphism a piecewise linear endomorphism.

Proposition 2.1.

(1) For any $\omega \in X_\beta^-$

$$\sigma^n \omega < (a_0(1), a_1(1), \dots, a_n(1), \dots), \text{ for } n \geq 0.$$

(2) Let $X_\beta^n = \{[a_0(x), \dots, a_n(x)] : x \in [0, 1)\}$, then

$$\max\{[b_0, \dots, b_n] \in X_\beta^n\} = [a_0(1), \dots, a_n(1)].$$

The proofs of this proposition are very easy and we omit it (c.f. [6]).

The piecewise linear transformation $(X_\beta, \sigma, \mu_\beta)$ which is the natural extension of $(X_\beta^+, \sigma, \mu_\beta^+)$ is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} X_\beta &= \{\omega \in S^{\mathbb{Z}}; (\omega(n), \omega(n+1), \dots) \in X_\beta^+, \text{ for all } n\}, \\ \mu_\beta([b_0, \dots, b_n]) &= \mu_\beta^+([b_0, \dots, b_n]), \end{aligned}$$

where $[b_0, \dots, b_n] \in X_\beta^n$. Note that μ_β is well-defined because of σ -invariance of μ_β^+ .

§ 3. Isomorphism of a Piecewise Linear Transformation to a Markov Automorphism

In this section we will prove the following Theorem 2 by appealing to Main Lemma in Section 1 and a mapping φ which is similar to the mapping introduced by Y. Takahashi for β -transformation ([8]).

Theorem 2. *A piecewise linear transformation $(X_\beta, \sigma, \mu_\beta)$ is isomorphic to a Markov automorphism.*

To prove this Theorem we begin with the construction of a mapping $\varphi: X_\beta \rightarrow I^\mathbb{Z}$ where $I = \{-N+1, \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$.

For $\omega \in X_\beta$, $\tau(\omega)$ is defined by

$$\tau(\omega) = \begin{cases} \sup\{i : i \geq 1, \omega \in B_i\}, \\ 0, \text{ if } \omega \in X_\beta \setminus \bigcup_{i \geq 1} B_i, \end{cases}$$

where $B_i = \{\omega \in X_\beta : (\omega(-i), \dots, \omega(-1)) = (a_0(1), \dots, a_{i-1}(1))\}$.

Let $C_i = \{\omega \in X_\beta : \tau(\omega) = i\}$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$= \{\omega \in X_\beta : \tau(\omega) = 0, \omega(-1) = -i\}, \text{ for } -N+1 \leq i \leq 0,$$

$$C_\infty = \{\omega \in X_\beta : \tau(\omega) = \infty\}.$$

It is easy to see that $\mu_\beta(C_\infty) = 0$ and $\sigma C_\infty = C_\infty$. Define a mapping $\varphi: X_\beta \setminus C_\infty \rightarrow I^\mathbb{Z}$ by

$$(\varphi(\omega))(n) = i \text{ if } \omega \in \sigma^n C_i, n \in \mathbb{Z}, i \in I.$$

Then, it is easy to see that the mapping φ is a Borel injection and satisfies

$$\varphi \cdot \sigma = \sigma^{-1} \cdot \varphi.$$

Lemma 3-1. (1) *If $\omega \in C_i$, $1 \leq i \leq \infty$, then*

$$\sigma^{-1}\omega \in C_{i-1}.$$

(2) If $\omega \in C_i$, $i \leq 0$, and $\sigma^{-1}\omega \in C_j$, $j \geq 1$, then

$$a_j(1) > -i = |i|.$$

Proof. (1) Suppose $\sigma^{-1}\omega \in C_j$, $j \geq i$, then

$$(\omega(-j-1), \dots, \omega(-1)) < (a_0(1), \dots, a_j(1))$$

and

$$(\omega(-j-1), \dots, \omega(-2)) = (a_0(1), \dots, a_{j-1}(1)).$$

Hence

$$\omega(-1) < a_j(1)$$

and so

$$(\omega(-i), \dots, \omega(-1)) < (\omega(-i), \dots, \omega(-2), a_j(1)).$$

This contradicts to the maximality of $(\omega(-i), \dots, \omega(-1))$.

(2) By the assumption, the j -tuple

$$(\omega(-j-1), \dots, \omega(-2)) = (a_0(1), \dots, a_{j-1}(1))$$

is maximum. From $\omega \in C_i$, ($i \leq 0$), it follows that $\omega(-1) = -i = |i|$ and

$$(\omega(-j-1), \dots, \omega(-1)) < (a_0(1), \dots, a_j(1)).$$

Therefore

$$a_j(1) > -i = |i|.$$

We define a Markov potential U on $I^{\mathbb{Z}}$ by

$$U(i, j) = \begin{cases} \log \beta_{-i}, & -N+1 \leq i \leq 0, \quad -N+1 \leq j \leq 0, \\ \log \beta_N, & i=1, \quad -N+1 \leq j \leq 0, \\ \log \beta_{a_{i-1}(1)}, & i \geq 2, \quad j=i-1, \\ \log \beta_{-i}, & -N+1 \leq i \leq 0, \quad j > 0 \text{ and } a_j(1) > -i, \\ \infty, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that this potential U is irreducible. We show that U is of the Perron-Frobenius type by finding an eigenvalue λ of $Q = e^{-U}$ and corresponding eigenvectors to λ .

Put λ , $l = (l_i)_{i \geq -N+1}$ and $r = (r_i)_{i \geq -N+1}$ as follows,

$$\lambda = 1,$$

$$l_i = 1, \quad -N+1 \leq i \leq 0,$$

$$= T^i \mathbf{1}, \quad i \geq 1,$$

$$r_i = \beta_{a_0(i)}^{-1} \beta_{a_1(i)}^{-1} \cdots \beta_{a_{i-1}(i)}^{-1}, \quad i \geq 1,$$

$$= \beta_{-i}^{-1} \left(1 + \sum_{j \geq 1} M_{ij} \beta_{a_0(i)}^{-1} \cdots \beta_{a_{j-1}(i)}^{-1} \right), \quad -N+1 \leq i \leq 0,$$

where

$$M_{ij} = 1, \quad \text{if } Q(i, j) > 0,$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{if } Q(i, j) = 0.$$

Then it is easy to see that

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} l_i Q(i, j) = l_j = \lambda l_j, \quad \text{for all } j,$$

$$\sum_{j \in \mathcal{I}} Q(i, j) r_j = r_i, \quad \text{for all } i,$$

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} r_i l_i < \infty.$$

Therefore U is of the Perron-Frobenius type. Let ν be the Gibbs measure corresponding to U . From the fact $-\sum \pi_i \log \pi_i < \infty$,

$$h_\nu(\sigma) < \infty.$$

Hence Theorem 1 in Section 1 implies

$$f_\nu(\nu) = -\log 1 = 0.$$

Now we will define $V(\omega')$ on $(X_\beta, \sigma, \mu_\beta)$ to apply the Main Lemma. Let

$$V(\omega') = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} X_i(\omega') \log \beta_i,$$

where $X_i(\omega')$ is the characteristic function of $\{\omega' : \omega'(-1) = i\}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int d\mu_\beta(\omega') V(\omega') &= \int d\mu_\beta(\omega') V(\sigma^{-1}\omega') \\ &= \int \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}} X_{[\omega' : \omega'(0) = i]}(\omega') \log \beta_i d\mu_\beta(\omega'). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand by [4],

$$h_{\mu_\beta}(\sigma) = \int d\mu_\beta \log \phi'(\omega'),$$

where $\phi'(\omega')$ is the derivative of the graph of ϕ -expansion. Hence

$$\int d\mu_\beta(\omega') V(\omega') - h_{\mu_\beta}(\sigma) = 0 = f_U(\nu).$$

We have already proved φ satisfies the conditions (1) and (3) in Main Lemma, and hence it suffices to show only the conditions (2) and (4).

1) In case $\omega' \in C_i$, $2 \leq i < \infty$, it holds $\omega'(-1) = a_{i-1}(1)$ and hence

$$V(\omega') = \log \beta_{a_{i-1}(1)}.$$

On the other hand by Lemma 3-1, it follows

$$(\varphi(\omega'))(0) = i, \quad (\varphi(\omega'))(1) = i-1.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} U(\varphi(\omega')) &= U((\varphi(\omega'))(0), (\varphi(\omega'))(1)). \\ &= \log \beta_{a_{i-1}(1)}. \end{aligned}$$

2) In case $\omega' \in C_i$, $-N+1 \leq i \leq 0$, it holds $\omega'(-1) = -i$, and hence

$$V(\omega') = \log \beta_{-i}.$$

From Lemma 3-1,

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi(\omega'))(0) &= i, \quad (\varphi(\omega'))(1) = j, \quad \text{for some } j, \\ U(\varphi(\omega')) &= \log \beta_{-i}. \end{aligned}$$

3) In case $\omega' \in C_1$, it holds $\omega'(-1) = N$, and hence

$$V(\omega') = \log \beta_N.$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} (\varphi(\omega'))(0) &= i, \quad (\varphi(\omega'))(1) = j, \quad -N+1 \leq j \leq 0, \\ U(\varphi(\omega')) &= \log \beta_\nu. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$U(\varphi(\omega')) = V(\omega'), \quad \mu_\beta\text{-a.e.}$$

Therefore (2) of the Main Lemma is satisfied for $h(\omega') = 0$, $\omega' \in X_\beta$.

To prove (4) of the Main Lemma, put $\mu_\beta' = \mu_\beta \cdot \varphi^{-1}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
(*) \quad & \sum_{x \in \mathcal{I}_{m^n}} \mu_{\beta'}'([x]) U_n^m(x) \\
&= \sum_{x, y \in \mathcal{I}_{m'}} \mu_{\beta'}'([x, y]) U(x, y) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \frac{(i+1)(n-1-i)}{n-1} \sum_{x, y \in \mathcal{I}_{m'}} \mu_{\beta'}'([x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i, y]) \\
&\hspace{15em} \times U_{i+2}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i, y) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{i}{n-1} \sum_{x \in \mathcal{I}_{m'}} [\mu_{\beta'}'(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i)] U_{i+1}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i) \\
&\quad + \mu_{\beta'}'([\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i, x]) U_{i+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i, x) \\
&\quad + \mu_{\beta'}'([\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_n]) U_n^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_n).
\end{aligned}$$

On the support of $\mu_{\beta'}$

$$U(x, y) \leq \log \beta_{max}$$

where $\beta_{max} = \max\{\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N\}$. For $i \geq 1$ we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|U_{i+2}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i, m)| &= \frac{1}{i+1} [U(x, m+i) + \sum_{j=0}^{i-1} U(m+j+1, m+j)] \\
&\leq \log \beta_{max},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|U_{i+1}^m(x, \underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i)| \\
&= \left| -\frac{1}{i} \log \sum_{j \geq 1} r_{m+j} \exp[-U(x, m+i+j) \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} U(m+k+j+1, m+k+j)] \right| \leq \log \beta_{max} - \frac{1}{i} \log \frac{\beta_{max}^{-m}}{1 - \beta_{max}},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|U_{i+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_i, m)| \\
&= \left| -\frac{1}{i} \log \frac{l_{m+i}}{\sum_j l_j r_j} \exp[-\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} U(m+k+1, m+k)] \right| \\
&\leq \log \beta_{max} + \left| \frac{1}{i} \log \frac{l_{m+i}}{\sum_j l_j r_j} \right|,
\end{aligned}$$

$$|U_{i+1}^m(\underbrace{m^*, \dots, m^*}_{i+1})|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left| -\frac{1}{i} \log \sum_{j \geq 1} \frac{l_{m+j+i+1} r_{m+j}}{\sum_k l_k r_k} \exp \left[-\sum_{k=1}^i U(m+k+j+1, m+k+j) \right] \right| \\
&\leq \log \beta_{max} + \left| \frac{1}{i} \log \frac{\sum_{j \geq 1} l_{m+j+i+1} r_{m+j}}{\sum_k l_k r_k} \right|.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover for $j \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
l_j &= T^j 1 \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^{a_j(1)-1} \beta_k^{-1} + \beta_{a_j(1)}^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{a_{j+1}(1)-1} \beta_k^{-1} \right) + \dots \\
&= \{ \beta_{a_0(1)}^{-1} \dots \beta_{a_{j-1}(1)}^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{a_j(1)-1} \beta_k^{-1} + \beta_{a_0(1)}^{-1} \dots \beta_{a_j(1)}^{-1} \sum_{k=0}^{a_{j+1}(1)-1} \beta_k^{-1} + \dots \} \\
&\quad \times \beta_{a_0(1)} \dots \beta_{a_{j-1}(1)} \\
&\geq C \cdot \mu_{\beta'}([j]) \beta_{a_0(1)} \dots \beta_{a_{j-1}(1)},
\end{aligned}$$

for some constant C , and

$$\mu_{\beta'}([k]) \leq K \beta_{min}^{-k}$$

for some constants K , $k \geq 1$ and $\beta_{min} = \min\{\beta_0, \dots, \beta_N\}$. Therefore the right-hand terms of (*) become

$$\overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\text{the first term}) = \sum_{x, y \in I} \mu_{\beta'}([x, y]) U(x, y) = \int d\mu_{\beta'} \cdot U,$$

$$\overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\text{the second term}|$$

$$\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (i+1) \mu_{\beta'}(\underbrace{[m^*, \dots, m^*, m]}_i) \log \beta_{max}$$

$$\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (i+1) K \beta_{min}^{-m-i} \log \beta_{max} = 0,$$

$$\overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\text{the third term}|$$

$$\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_i \mu_{\beta'}(\underbrace{[m^*, \dots, m^*]}_i) \left(i \log \beta_{max} - \log \frac{\beta_{max}^{-m}}{1 - \beta_{max}} \right)$$

$$\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_i \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} K \beta_{min}^{-k} \left(i \log \beta_{max} - \log \frac{\beta_{max}^{-m}}{1 - \beta_{max}} \right) = 0,$$

$$\overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\text{the fourth term}|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_i \mu_{\beta'}(\underbrace{[m^*, \dots, m^*]}_i, m) \left(i \log \beta_{max} + \left| \log \frac{\mu_{\beta'}([m+i])}{\sum_j l_j r_j} \right| \right) \\ &= \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \max_i \mu_{\beta'}([m+i]) \log \mu_{\beta'}([m+i]) = 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\text{the fifth term}|$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{k \geq m+n+1} \mu_{\beta'}([k]) \left(\log \beta_{max} + \left| \frac{1}{n-1} \log \frac{\sum_{s \geq 1} l_{m+s+n} r_{m+s}}{\sum_j l_j r_j} \right| \right) \right) \\ &\leq \overline{\lim}_{m \rightarrow \infty} \overline{\lim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n-1} \left(\sum_{k \geq m+n+1} \mu_{\beta'}([k]) \right) \left| \log \left(\sum_{s \geq 1} \mu_{\beta'}([m+s+n]) \right) \right| = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus (4) of the Main Lemma is proved. Therefore, applying the Main Lemma, we complete the proof of Theorem 2.

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