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# POSITION DEPENDENT RANDOM MAPS IN ONE AND HIGHER DIMENSIONS

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ABSTRACT. A random map is a discrete-time dynamical system in which one of a number of transformations is randomly selected and applied on each iteration of the process. In this paper, we study random maps with position dependent probabilities on the interval and on a bounded domain of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Sufficient conditions for the existence of an absolutely continuous invariant measure for random map with position dependent probabilities on the interval and on a bounded domain of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are the main results of this note.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_K$  be a collection of transformations from  $X$  to  $X$ . Usually, the random map  $T$  is defined by choosing  $\tau_k$  with constant probability  $p_k$ ,  $p_k > 0$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^K p_k = 1$ . The ergodic theory of such dynamical systems was studied in [9] and in [8] (See also [7]).

There is a rich literature on random maps with position dependent probabilities with  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_K$  being continuous contracting transformations (see [10]).

In this paper, we deal with piecewise monotone transformations  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_K$  and position dependent probabilities  $p_k(x)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ ,  $p_k(x) > 0$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^K p_k(x) = 1$ , i.e., the  $p_k$ 's are functions of position. We point out that studying such dynamical systems was first introduced in [4] where sufficient conditions for the existence of an absolutely continuous invariant measure were given. The conditions in [4] are applicable only when  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_K$  are  $C^2$  expanding transformations (see [4] for details). In this paper, we prove the existence of an absolutely continuous invariant measure for a random map  $T$  on  $[a, b]$  under milder conditions (see section 4, Conditions (A) and (B)). Moreover, we prove the existence of an absolutely continuous invariant measure for a random map  $T$  on  $S$ , where  $S$  is a bounded domain of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  (see section 6, Condition (C)).

The paper is organized in the following way: In section 2, following the ideas of [4], we formulate the definition of a random map  $T$  with position dependent probabilities and introduce its Perron-Frobenius operator. In section 3, we prove properties of the Perron-Frobenius operator of  $T$ . In section 4, we prove the existence of an absolutely continuous invariant measure for  $T$  on  $[a, b]$ . In section 5, we give an example of a random map  $T$  which does not satisfy the conditions of [4]; yet, it preserves an absolutely continuous invariant measure under conditions (A)

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and (B). In section 6, we prove the existence of an absolutely continuous invariant measure for  $T$  on a bounded domain of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . In section 7, we give an example of a random map in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that preserves an absolutely continuous invariant measure.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $(X, \mathfrak{B}, \lambda)$  be a measure space, where  $\lambda$  is an underlying measure. Let  $\tau_k : X \rightarrow X$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$  be piecewise one-to-one, non-singular transformations on a common partition  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $X$  :  $\mathcal{P} = \{I_1, \dots, I_q\}$  and  $\tau_{k,i} = \tau_k|_{I_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$  ( $\mathcal{P}$  can be found by considering finer partitions). We define the transition function for the random map  $T = \{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_K; p_1(x), \dots, p_K(x)\}$  as follows:

$$(2.1) \quad \mathbb{P}(x, A) = \sum_{k=1}^K p_k(x) \chi_A(\tau_k(x)),$$

where  $A$  is any measurable set and  $\{p_k(x)\}_{k=1}^K$  is a set of position dependent measurable probabilities, i.e.,  $\sum_{k=1}^K p_k(x) = 1$ ,  $p_k(x) \geq 0$ , for any  $x \in X$  and  $\chi_A$  denotes the characteristic function of the set  $A$ . We define  $T(x) = \tau_k(x)$  with probability  $p_k(x)$  and  $T^N(x) = \tau_{k_N} \circ \tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)$  with probability  $p_{k_N}(\tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdot p_{k_{N-1}}(\tau_{k_{N-2}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdots p_{k_1}(x)$ . The transition function  $\mathbb{P}$  induces an operator  $\mathbb{P}_*$  on measures on  $(X, \mathfrak{B})$  defined by

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}_*\mu(A) &= \int \mathbb{P}(x, A) d\mu(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K \int p_k(x) \chi_A(\tau_k(x)) d\mu(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \int_{\tau_k^{-1}(A)} p_k(x) d\mu(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{\tau_{k,i}^{-1}(A)} p_k(x) d\mu(x) \end{aligned}$$

We say that measure  $\mu$  is  $T$ -invariant iff  $\mathbb{P}_*\mu = \mu$ , i.e.,

$$(2.3) \quad \mu(A) = \sum_{k=1}^K \int_{\tau_k^{-1}(A)} p_k(x) d\mu(x), \quad , A \in \mathfrak{B}.$$

If  $\mu$  has density  $f$  with respect to  $\lambda$ , the  $\mathbb{P}_*\mu$  has also a density which we denote by  $P_T f$ . By change of variables, we obtain

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_A P_T f(x) d\lambda(x) &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{\tau_{k,i}^{-1}(A)} p_k(x) f(x) d\lambda(x) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q \int_A p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1}x) f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1}x) \frac{1}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})} d\lambda(x) \end{aligned}$$

where  $J_{k,i}$  is the Jacobian of  $\tau_{k,i}$  with respect to  $\lambda$ . Since this holds for any measurable set  $A$  we obtain an a.e. equality:

$$(2.5) \quad (P_T f)(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1}x) f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1}x) \frac{1}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})} \chi_{\tau_k(I_i)}(x)$$

or

$$(2.6) \quad (P_T f)(x) = \sum_{k=1}^K P_{\tau_k}(p_k f)(x)$$

where  $P_{\tau_k}$  is the Perron-Frobenius operator corresponding to the transformation  $\tau_k$  (see [1] for details). We call  $P_T$  the Perron-Frobenius of the random map  $T$ . The main tool in this paper is the Perron-Frobenius of  $T$  which has very useful properties.

### 3. PROPERTIES OF THE PERRON-FROBENIUS OPERATOR OF $T$

The properties of  $P_T$  resemble the properties of the classical Perron-Frobenius operator of a single transformation.

**Lemma 3.1.**  *$P_T$  satisfies the following properties:*

- (i)  $P_T$  is linear;
- (ii)  $P_T$  is non-negative; i.e.,  $f \geq 0 \implies P_T f \geq 0$ ;
- (iii)  $P_T f = f \iff \mu = f \cdot \lambda$  is  $T$ -invariant;
- (iv)  $\|P_T f\|_1 \leq \|f\|_1$ , where  $\|\cdot\|_1$  denotes the  $L^1$  norm;
- (v)  $P_{T \circ R} = P_T \circ P_R$ . In particular,  $P_T^N f = P_{T^N} f$ .

*Proof.* The proofs of (i)-(iv) are analogous to that for single transformation. For the proof of (v), let  $T$  and  $R$  be two random maps corresponding to  $\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_K; p_1, p_2, \dots, p_K\}$  and  $\{\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots, \zeta_L; r_1, r_2, \dots, r_L\}$  respectively. We define  $\{\tau_k\}_{k=1}^K$  and  $\{\zeta_l\}_{l=1}^L$  on a common partition  $\mathcal{P}$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_R(P_T f) &= P_R \left( \sum_{k=1}^K P_{\tau_k}(p_k f) \right) = \sum_{l=1}^L \sum_{k=1}^K P_{\zeta_l}(r_l P_{\tau_k}(p_k f)) \\
 &= \sum_{l=1}^L \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q r_l(\zeta_{l,i}^{-1}) [P_{\tau_k}(p_k f)](\zeta_{l,i}^{-1}) \frac{1}{J_{\zeta_{l,i}}(\zeta_{l,i}^{-1})} \chi_{\zeta_{l,i}(I_i)} \\
 (3.1) \quad &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{l=1}^L \sum_{j=1}^q \sum_{i=1}^q r_l(\zeta_{l,i}^{-1}) p_k(\tau_{k,j}^{-1} \circ \zeta_{l,i}^{-1}) f(\tau_{k,j}^{-1} \circ \zeta_{l,i}^{-1}) \\
 &\quad \times \frac{1}{J_{\tau_{k,j}}(\tau_{k,j}^{-1} \circ \zeta_{l,i}^{-1})} \frac{1}{J_{\zeta_{l,i}}(\zeta_{l,i}^{-1})} \chi_{\tau_{k,j}(I_j)}(\zeta_{l,i}^{-1}) \chi_{\zeta_{l,i}(I_i)} \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{l=1}^L P_{\tau_k \circ \zeta_l}(p_k(\zeta_l) r_l f) = P_{T \circ R} f.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

### 4. THE EXISTENCE OF ABSOLUTELY CONTINUOUS INVARIANT MEASURE ON $[a, b]$

Let  $(I, \mathfrak{B}, \lambda)$  be a measure space, where  $\lambda$  is normalized Lebesgue measure on  $I = [a, b]$ . Let  $\tau_k : I \rightarrow I$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$  be piecewise one-to-one and differentiable, non-singular transformations on a partition  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $I$  :  $\mathcal{P} = \{I_1, \dots, I_q\}$  and  $\tau_{k,i} = \tau_k|_{I_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Denote by  $V(\cdot)$  the standard one dimensional variation of a function, and by  $BV(I)$  the space of functions of bounded variations on  $I$  equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{BV} = V(\cdot) + \|\cdot\|_1$ .

Let  $g_k(x) = \frac{p_k(x)}{|\tau_k'(x)|}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . We assume that

**Condition (A):**  $\sum_{k=1}^K g_k(x) < \alpha < 1$ ,  $x \in I$ , and

**Condition (B):**  $g_k \in BV(I)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ .

Under the above conditions our goal is to prove:

$$(4.1) \quad V_I P_T^n f \leq A V_I f + B \|f\|_1$$

for some  $n \geq 1$ , where  $0 < A < 1$  and  $B > 0$ . The inequality (4.1) guarantees the existence of a  $T$ -invariant measure absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure and the quasi-compactness of operator  $P_T$  with all the consequences of this fact, see [1]. We will need a number of lemmas:

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $f \in BV(I)$ . Suppose  $\tau : I \rightarrow J$  is differentiable and  $\tau'(x) \neq 0$ ,  $x \in I$ . Set  $\phi = \tau^{-1}$  and let  $g(x) = \frac{p(x)}{|\tau'(x)|} \in BV(I)$ . Then*

$$V_J(f(\phi)g(\phi)) \leq (V_I f + \sup_I f)(V_I g + \sup_I g).$$

*Proof.* First, note that we have dropped all the  $k, i$  indices to simplify the notation. Then, the proof follows in the same way as in Lemma 3 of [9].  $\square$

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $T$  satisfy conditions (A) and (B). Then for any  $f \in BV(I)$ ,*

$$(4.2) \quad V_I P_T f \leq A V_I f + B \|f\|_1,$$

where

$$A = 3\alpha + \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k;$$

and

$$B = 2\beta\alpha + \beta \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k,$$

where  $\beta = \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} (\lambda(I_i))^{-1}$ .

*Proof.* First, we will refine partition  $\mathcal{P}$  to satisfy additional condition. Let  $\eta > 0$  be such that  $\sum_{k=1}^K (g_k(x) + \varepsilon_k) < \alpha$  whenever  $|\varepsilon_k| < \eta$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Since  $g_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$  are of bounded variation we can find a finite partition  $\mathcal{K}$  such that for any  $k = 1, \dots, K$

$$|g_k(x) - g_k(y)| < \eta,$$

for  $x, y$  in the same element of  $\mathcal{K}$ . Instead of the partition  $\mathcal{P}$  we consider a join  $\mathcal{P} \vee \mathcal{K}$ . Without restricting generality of our considerations, we can assume that this is our original partition  $\mathcal{P}$ . Then, we have

$$(4.3) \quad \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K \sup_{x \in I_i} g_k(x) < \alpha.$$

We have  $V_I(P_T f) = V_I(\sum_{k=1}^K P_{\tau_k}(p_k f))$ . We will estimate this variation. Let  $\phi_{k,i} = \tau_{k,i}^{-1}$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q$ . We have

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} V_I \left( \sum_{k=1}^K P_{\tau_k}(p_k f) \right) &= V_I \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q f(\phi_{k,i}) g_k(\phi_{k,i}) \chi_{\tau_k(I_i)} \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q [|f(a_{i-1})| |g_k(a_{i-1})| + |f(a_i)| |g_k(a_i)|] \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q V_{\tau_k(I_i)} [f(\phi_{k,i}) g_k(\phi_{k,i})]. \end{aligned}$$

First, we estimate the first sum on the right hand side of (4.4):

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.5) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q [|f(a_{i-1})| |g_k(a_{i-1})| + |f(a_i)| |g_k(a_i)|] \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^q \left[ |f(a_{i-1})| \left( \sum_{k=1}^K |g_k(a_{i-1})| \right) + |f(a_i)| \left( \sum_{k=1}^K |g_k(a_i)| \right) \right] \\
&\leq \alpha \left( \sum_{i=1}^q (|f(a_{i-1})| + |f(a_i)|) \right) \\
&\leq \alpha \left( \sum_{i=1}^q \left( V_{I_i} f + (\lambda(I_i))^{-1} \int_{I_i} f d\lambda \right) \right) = \alpha (V_I f + \beta \|f\|_1).
\end{aligned}$$

We now estimate the second sum on the right hand side of (4.4). Using Lemma 4.1 we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.6) \quad & \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q V_{\tau_k(I_i)} [f(\phi_{k,i}) g_k(\phi_{k,i})] \leq \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^q \left( V_{I_i} f + \sup_{I_i} f \right) \left( V_{I_i} g_k + \sup_{I_i} g_k \right) \\
&\leq \sum_{i=1}^q \left( 2V_{I_i} f + \beta \int_{I_i} f d\lambda \right) \left( \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K \left( V_{I_i} g_k + \sup_{I_i} g_k \right) \right) \\
&\leq (2V_I f + \beta \|f\|_1) \left( \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k + \alpha \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, using (4.5) and (4.6), we obtain

$$(4.7) \quad V_I P_T f \leq \left( 3\alpha + \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k \right) V_I f + \left( 2\beta\alpha + \beta \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k \right) \|f\|_1.$$

□

In the following two lemmas we show that constants  $\alpha$  and  $\max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k$  decrease when we consider higher iterations  $T^n$  instead of  $T$ . The constant  $\beta$  obviously increases, but this is not important.

**Lemma 4.3.** *Let  $T$  be a random map which satisfies condition (A). Then, for  $x \in I$ ,*

$$(4.8) \quad \sum_{w \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}^N} \frac{p_w(x)}{|T'_w(x)|} < \alpha^N,$$

where  $T_w(x) = \tau_{k_N} \circ \tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)$  and  $p_w(x) = p_{k_N}(\tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdot p_{k_{N-1}}(\tau_{k_{N-2}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdots p_{k_1}(x)$ , define random map  $T^N$ .

*Proof.* We have

$$T^N(x) = \tau_{k_N} \circ \tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)$$

with probability

$$p_{k_N}(\tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdot p_{k_{N-1}}(\tau_{k_{N-2}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdots p_{k_1}(x).$$

The maps defining  $T^N$  may be indexed by  $w \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}^N$ . Set

$$T_w(x) = \tau_{k_N} \circ \tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)$$

where  $w = (k_1, \dots, k_N)$ , and

$$p_w(x) = p_{k_N}(\tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdot p_{k_{N-1}}(\tau_{k_{N-2}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdots p_{k_1}(x).$$

Then,

$$T'_w(x) = \tau'_{k_N}(\tau_{k_{N-1}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \tau'_{k_{N-1}}(\tau_{k_{N-2}} \circ \dots \circ \tau_{k_1}(x)) \cdots \tau'_{k_1}(x).$$

Suppose that  $T$  satisfies condition (A). We will prove (4.8) using induction on  $N$ . For  $N = 1$ , we have

$$(4.9) \quad \sum_{w \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}} \frac{p_w(x)}{|T'_w(x)|} < \alpha$$

by condition (A). Assume (4.8) is true for  $N - 1$ . Then,

$$(4.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{w \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}^N} \frac{p_w(x)}{|T'_w(x)|} &= \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}^{N-1}} \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{p_k(x) p_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x))}{|\tau'_k(x) T'_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x))|} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{p_k(x)}{|\tau'_k(x)|} \right) \left( \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, 2, \dots, K\}^{N-1}} \frac{p_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x))}{|T'_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x))|} \right) < \alpha \cdot \alpha^{N-1} = \alpha^N. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 4.4.** Let  $g_w = \frac{p_w}{|T'_w|}$ , where  $T_w$  and  $p_w$  are defined in Lemma 4.3,  $w \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n$ . Define

$$W_1 \equiv \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K V_{I_i} g_k,$$

and

$$W_n \equiv \max_{J \in \mathcal{P}^{(n)}} \sum_{w \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} V_J g_w,$$

where  $\mathcal{P}^{(n)}$  is the common monotonicity partition for all  $T_w$ . Then, for all  $n \geq 1$

$$(4.11) \quad W_n \leq n \alpha^{n-1} W_1,$$

where  $\alpha$  is defined in condition (A).

*Proof.* We prove the lemma by induction on  $n$ . For  $n = 1$  the lemma is true by definition of  $W_n$ . Assume that the lemma is true for  $n$ , i.e.,

$$(4.12) \quad W_n \leq n \alpha^{n-1} W_1.$$

Let  $J \in \mathcal{P}^{(n+1)}$  and  $x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_l$  be a sequence of points in  $J$ . Then  
(4.13)

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_w \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} |g_w(x_{j+1}) - g_w(x_j)| &= \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{w \in \{1, \dots, K\}^{n+1}} |g_w(x_{j+1}) - g_w(x_j)| \\
&\leq \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} \sum_{k=1}^K |g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1}))g_k(x_{j+1}) - g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_j))g_k(x_j)| \\
&\leq \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} \sum_{k=1}^K |g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1}))g_k(x_{j+1}) - g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1}))g_k(x_j)| \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} \sum_{k=1}^K |g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1}))g_k(x_j) - g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_j))g_k(x_j)| \\
&\leq \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{k=1}^K |g_k(x_{j+1}) - g_k(x_j)| \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1})) \\
&\quad + \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{k=1}^K g_k(x_j) \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} |g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1})) - g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_j))| \\
&\leq \alpha^n \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{k=1}^K |g_k(x_{j+1}) - g_k(x_j)| \\
&\quad + \alpha \sum_{j=0}^{l-1} \sum_{\bar{w} \in \{1, \dots, K\}^n} |g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_{j+1})) - g_{\bar{w}}(\tau_k(x_j))| \\
&\leq \alpha^n W_1 + \alpha W_n \leq \alpha^n W_1 + n\alpha^n W_1 = (n+1)\alpha^n W_1.
\end{aligned}$$

We used condition (A) and lemma 4.3.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.5.** *Let  $T$  be a random map which satisfies conditions (A) and (B). Then  $T$  preserves a measure which is absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure. The operator  $P_T$  is quasi-compact on  $BV(I)$ , see [1].*

*Proof.* Let  $N$  be such that  $A_N = 3\alpha^N + W_N < 1$ . Then, by Lemma 4.3,

$$\sum_{w \in \{1, \dots, K\}^N} g_w(x) < \alpha^N, \quad x \in I.$$

We refine the partition  $\mathcal{P}^{(N)}$  like in the proof of Lemma 4.2, to have

$$\max_{J \in \mathcal{P}^N} \sum_{w \in \{1, \dots, K\}^N} \sup_J g_w < \alpha^N.$$

Then, by lemma 4.2, we get

$$(4.14) \quad \|P_T^N f\|_{BV} \leq A_N \|f\|_{BV} + B_N \|f\|_1,$$

where  $B_N = \beta_N(2\alpha^N + W_N)$ ,  $\beta_N = \max_{J \in \mathcal{P}^N} (\lambda(J))^{-1}$ . The theorem follows by the standard technique (see [1]).  $\square$

*Remark 4.6.* It is enough to assume that condition (A) is satisfied for some iterate  $T^m$ ,  $m \geq 1$ .



*Remark 4.7.* The number of absolutely continuous invariant measures for random maps has been studied in [6]. The proof of [6], which uses graph theoretic methods, goes through analogously in our case; i.e., when  $T$  is a random map with position dependent probabilities.

## 5. EXAMPLE

We present an example of a random map  $T$  which does not satisfy the conditions of [4]; yet, it preserves an absolutely continuous invariant measure under conditions (A) and (B).

**Example 5.1.** Let  $T$  be a random map which is given by  $\{\tau_1, \tau_2; p_1(x), p_2(x)\}$  where

$$(5.1) \quad \tau_1(x) = \begin{cases} 2x & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ x & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases},$$

$$(5.2) \quad \tau_2(x) = \begin{cases} x + \frac{1}{2} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2x - 1 & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases};$$

and

$$(5.3) \quad p_1(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{3} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases},$$

$$(5.4) \quad p_2(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} & \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{2}{3} & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < x \leq 1 \end{cases}.$$

Then,  $\sum_{k=1}^2 g_k(x) = \frac{2}{3} < 1$ . Therefore,  $T$  satisfies conditions (A) and (B). Consequently, by theorem 4.5,  $T$  preserves an invariant measure absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure. Notice that  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  are piecewise linear Markov maps defined on the same Markov partition  $\mathcal{P} : \{[0, \frac{1}{2}], [\frac{1}{2}, 1]\}$ . For such maps the Perron-Frobenius operator reduces to a matrix (see [1]). The corresponding matrices are:

$$(5.5) \quad P_{\tau_1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad P_{\tau_2} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Their invariant densities are  $f_{\tau_1} = [0, 2]$  and  $f_{\tau_2} = [2, 0]$ . The Perron-Frobenius operator of the random map  $T$  is given by:

$$(5.6) \quad P_T = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \\ \frac{1}{3} & \frac{2}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

If the invariant density of  $T$  is  $f = [f_1, f_2]$ , normalized by  $f_1 + f_2 = 2$  and satisfying equation  $fP_T = f$ , then  $f_1 = \frac{2}{3}$  and  $f_2 = \frac{4}{3}$ .

## 6. THE EXISTENCE OF ABSOLUTELY CONTINUOUS INVARIANT MEASURE IN $\mathbb{R}^n$

Let  $S$  be a bounded region in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\lambda_n$  be Lebesgue measure on  $S$ . Let  $\tau_k : S \rightarrow S$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$  be piecewise one-to-one and  $C^2$ , non-singular transformations on a partition  $\mathcal{P}$  of  $S$  :  $\mathcal{P} = \{S_1, \dots, S_q\}$  and  $\tau_{k,i} = \tau_k|_{S_i}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Let each  $S_i$  be a bounded closed domain having a piecewise  $C^2$  boundary of finite  $(n-1)$ -dimensional measure. We assume that the faces of  $\partial S_i$  meet at angles bounded uniformly away from 0. We will also assume that the probabilities  $p_k(x)$

are piecewise  $C^1$  functions on the partition  $\mathcal{P}$ . Let  $D\tau_{k,i}^{-1}(x)$  be the derivative matrix of  $\tau_{k,i}^{-1}$  at  $x$ . We assume:

**Condition (C):**

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K p_k(x) \|D\tau_{k,i}^{-1}(\tau_{k,i}(x))\| < \sigma < 1.$$

Let  $\sup_{x \in \tau_{k,i}(S_i)} \|D\tau_{k,i}^{-1}(x)\| := \sigma_{k,i}$  and  $\sup_{x \in S_i} p_k(x) := \pi_{k,i}$ . Using smoothness of  $D\tau_{k,i}^{-1}$ 's and  $p_k$ 's we can refine partition  $\mathcal{P}$  to satisfy

**Condition (C'):**

$$\sum_{k=1}^K \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i} < \sigma < 1$$

Under this condition, our goal is to prove the existence of an a.c.i.m. for the random map  $T = \{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_K; p_1, \dots, p_K\}$ . The main tool of this section is the multi-dimensional notion of variation defined using derivatives in the distributional sense (see [3]):

$$V(f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|Df\| = \sup \left\{ \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f \operatorname{div}(g) d\lambda_n : g = (g_1, \dots, g_n) \in C_0^1(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n) \right\},$$

where  $f \in L_1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  has bounded support,  $Df$  denotes the gradient of  $f$  in the distributional sense, and  $C_0^1(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n)$  is the space of continuously differentiable functions from  $\mathbb{R}^n$  into  $\mathbb{R}^n$  having a compact support. We will use the following property of variation which is derived from [3], Remark 2.14: If  $f = 0$  outside a closed domain  $A$  whose boundary is Lipschitz continuous,  $f|_A$  is continuous,  $f|_{\operatorname{int}(A)}$  is  $C^1$ , then

$$V(f) = \int_{\operatorname{int}(A)} \|Df\| d\lambda_n + \int_{\partial A} |f| d\lambda_{n-1},$$

where  $\lambda_{n-1}$  is the  $n-1$ -dimensional measure on the boundary of  $A$ . In this section we shall consider the Banach space (see [3], Remark 1.12),

$$BV(S) = \{f \in L_1(S) : V(f) < +\infty\},$$

with the norm  $\|f\|_{BV} = V(f) + \|f\|_1$ . We adapt the following two lemmas from [5]. The proofs of Lemma 6.1 and Lemma 6.2 are exactly the same as in [5].

**Lemma 6.1.** *Consider  $S_i \in \mathcal{P}$ . Let  $x$  be a point in  $\partial S_i$  and  $y = \tau_k(x)$  a point in  $\partial(\tau_k(S_i))$ . Let  $J_{k,i}$  be the Jacobian of  $\tau_k|_{S_i}$  at  $x$  and  $J_{k,i}^0$  be the Jacobian of  $\tau_k|_{\partial S_i}$  at  $x$ . Then*

$$\frac{J_{k,i}^0}{J_{k,i}} \leq \sigma_{k,i}.$$

□

Let us fix  $1 \leq i \leq q$ . Let  $Z$  denote the set of singular points of  $\partial S_i$ . Let us construct at any  $x \in Z$  the largest cone having a vertex at  $x$  and which lies completely in  $S_i$ . Let  $\theta(x)$  denote the angle subtended at the vertex of this cone. Then define

$$\beta(S_i) = \min_{x \in Z} \theta(x).$$

Since the faces of  $\partial S_i$  meet at angles bounded away from 0,  $\beta(S_i) > 0$ . Let  $\alpha(S_i) = \pi/2 + \beta(S_i)$  and

$$a(S_i) = |\cos(\alpha(S_i))|.$$

Now we will construct a  $C^1$  field of segments  $L_y$ ,  $y \in \partial S_i$ , every  $L_y$  being a central ray of a regular cone contained in  $S_i$ , with angle subtended at the vertex  $y$  greater than or equal to  $\beta(S_i)$ .

We start at points  $y \in Z$ , where the minimal angle  $\beta(S_i)$  is attained, defining  $L_y$  to be central rays of the largest regular cones contained in  $S_i$ . Then we extend this field of segments to  $C^1$  field we want, making  $L_y$  short enough to avoid overlapping. Let  $\delta(y)$  be the length of  $L_y$ ,  $y \in \partial S_i$ . By the compactness of  $\partial S_i$  we have

$$\delta(S_i) = \inf_{y \in \partial S_i} \delta(y) > 0.$$

Now, we shorten  $L_y$  of our field, making them all of the length  $\delta(S_i)$ .

**Lemma 6.2.** *For any  $S_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q$ , if  $f$  is a  $C^1$  function on  $S_i$ , then*

$$\int_{\partial S_i} f(y) d\lambda_{n-1}(y) \leq \frac{1}{a(S_i)} \left( \frac{1}{\delta(S_i)} \int_{S_i} f d\lambda_n + V_{\text{Int}(S_i)}(f) \right).$$

□

Our main technical result is the following :

**Theorem 6.3.** *If  $T$  is a random map which satisfies Condition (C), then*

$$V(P_T f) \leq \sigma(1 + 1/a)V(f) + (M + \frac{\sigma}{a\delta})\|f\|_1,$$

where  $a = \min\{a(S_i) : i = 1, \dots, q\} > 0$ ,  $\delta = \min\{\delta S_i : i = 1, \dots, q\} > 0$ ,  $M_{k,i} = \sup_{x \in S_i} (Dp_k(x) - \frac{DJ_{k,i}}{J_{k,i}} p_k(x))$  and  $M = \sum_{k=1}^K \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} M_{k,i}$ .

*Proof.* We have  $V(P_T f) \leq \sum_{k=1}^K V(P_{\tau_k}(p_k f))$ . We first estimate  $V(P_{\tau_k}(p_k f))$ . Let  $F_{k,i} = \frac{f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}$ , and  $R_{k,i} = \tau_{k,i}(S_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Then,

$$(6.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|DP_{\tau_k}(p_k f)\| d\lambda_n &\leq \sum_{i=1}^q \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|D(F_{k,i}\chi_{R_i})\| d\lambda_n \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^q \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|D(F_{k,i})\chi_{R_i}\| d\lambda_n + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|F_{k,i}(D\chi_{R_i})\| d\lambda_n \right). \end{aligned}$$

Now, for the first integral we have,

$$(6.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|D(F_{k,i})\chi_{R_i}\| d\lambda_n &= \int_{R_i} \|D(F_{k,i}p_k)\| d\lambda_n \\ &\leq \int_{R_i} \|D(f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})) \frac{p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}\| d\lambda_n + \int_{R_i} \|f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1}) D\left(\frac{p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}\right)\| d\lambda_n \\ &\leq \int_{R_i} \|Df(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})\| \|D\tau_{k,i}^{-1}\| \frac{p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})} d\lambda_n + \int_{R_i} \|f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})\| \frac{M_k}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})} d\lambda_n \\ &\leq \sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i} \int_{S_i} \|Df\| d\lambda_n + M_k \int_{S_i} \|f\| d\lambda_n. \end{aligned}$$

For the second integral we have,

$$(6.3) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|F_{k,i}(D\chi_{R_i})\| d\lambda_n = \int_{\partial R_i} |f(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})| \frac{p_k(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})}{J_{k,i}(\tau_{k,i}^{-1})} d\lambda_{n-1} = \int_{\partial S_i} |f| p_k \frac{J_{k,i}^0}{J_{k,i}} d\lambda_{n-1}.$$

By Lemma 4.3,  $\frac{J_{k,i}^0}{J_{k,i}} \leq \sigma_{k,i}$ . Using Lemma 4.2, we get:

$$(6.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \|F_{k,i}(D\chi_{R_i})\| d\lambda_n &\leq \sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i} \int_{\partial S_i} |f| d\lambda_{n-1} \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i}}{a} V_{S_i}(f) + \frac{\sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i}}{a\delta} \int_{S_i} |f| d\lambda_n. \end{aligned}$$

Using Condition (C'), summing first over  $i$ , we obtain

$$V(P_{\tau_k}(p_k f)) \leq \left( \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i} \right) (1 + 1/a) V(f) + \left( \max_{1 \leq i \leq q} M_{k,i} + \frac{\max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sigma_{k,i} \pi_{k,i}}{a\delta} \right) \|f\|_1,$$

and then, summing over  $k$  we obtain

$$V(P_T f) \leq \sigma(1 + 1/a) V(f) + (M + \frac{\sigma}{a\delta}) \|f\|_1.$$

□

**Theorem 6.4.** *Let  $T$  be a random map which satisfies condition (C). If  $\sigma(1 + 1/a) < 1$ , then  $T$  preserves a measure which is absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure. The operator  $P_T$  is quasi-compact on  $BV(S)$ , see [1].*

*Proof.* The proof of the theorem follows by the standard technique (see [1]). □

## 7. EXAMPLE IN $\mathbb{R}^2$

In this section, We present an example of a random map which satisfies condition (C) of theorem 6.3 and thus it preserves an absolutely continuous invariant measure.

**Example 7.1.** Let  $T$  be a random map which is given by  $\{\tau_1, \tau_2; p_1(x), p_2(x)\}$  where  $\tau_1, \tau_2 : I^2 \rightarrow I^2$  defined by:

$$(7.1) \quad \tau_1(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} (3x_1, 2x_2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_1 = \{0 \leq x_1, x_2 \leq \frac{1}{3}\} \\ (3x_1 - 1, 2x_2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_2 = \{\frac{1}{3} < x_1 \leq \frac{2}{3}; 0 \leq x_2 \leq \frac{1}{3}\} \\ (3x_1 - 2, 2x_2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_3 = \{\frac{2}{3} < x_1 \leq 1; 0 \leq x_2 \leq \frac{1}{3}\} \\ (3x_1, 3x_2 - 1) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_4 = \{0 < x_1 \leq \frac{1}{3}; \frac{1}{3} < x_2 \leq \frac{2}{3}\} \\ (3x_1 - 1, 3x_2 - 1) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_5 = \{\frac{1}{3} < x_1, x_2 \leq \frac{2}{3}\} \\ (3x_1 - 2, 3x_2 - 1) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_6 = \{\frac{2}{3} < x_1 \leq 1; \frac{1}{3} < x_2 \leq \frac{2}{3}\} \\ (3x_1, 3x_2 - 2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_7 = \{0 \leq x_1 \leq \frac{1}{3}; \frac{2}{3} < x_2 \leq 1\} \\ (3x_1 - 1, 3x_2 - 2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_8 = \{\frac{1}{3} < x_1 \leq \frac{2}{3}; \frac{2}{3} < x_2 \leq 1\} \\ (3x_1 - 2, 3x_2 - 2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_9 = \{\frac{2}{3} < x_1 \leq 1; \frac{2}{3} < x_2 \leq 1\} \end{cases},$$

$$(7.2) \quad \tau_2(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} (3x_1, 3x_2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_1 \\ (2 - 3x_1, 3x_2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_2 \\ (3x_1 - 2, 3x_2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_3 \\ (3x_1, 3x_2 - 1) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_4 \\ (2 - 3x_1, 3x_2 - 1) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_5 \\ (3x_1 - 2, 3x_2 - 1) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_6 \\ (3x_1, 3x_2 - 2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_7 \\ (2 - 3x_1, 3x_2 - 2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_8 \\ (3x_1 - 2, 3x_2 - 2) & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_9 \end{cases},$$

and

$$(7.3) \quad p_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0.215 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_1 \\ 0.216 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_2 \\ 0.216 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_3 \\ 0.216 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_4 \\ 0.215 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_5 \\ 0.216 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_6 \\ 0.216 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_7 \\ 0.216 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_8 \\ 0.215 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_9 \end{cases}, \quad p_2(x) = \begin{cases} 0.785 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_1 \\ 0.784 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_2 \\ 0.784 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_3 \\ 0.784 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_4 \\ 0.785 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_5 \\ 0.784 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_6 \\ 0.784 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_7 \\ 0.784 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_8 \\ 0.785 & \text{for } (x_1, x_2) \in S_9 \end{cases}$$

The derivative matrix of  $(\tau_{1,i})^{-1}$ , is

$$(7.4) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix},$$

and the derivative matrix of  $(\tau_{2,i})^{-1}$ , is

$$(7.5) \quad \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{3} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{3} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore, the Euclidean matrix norm,  $\|D(\tau_{1,i})^{-1}\|$  is  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$ , or  $\frac{\sqrt{13}}{6}$  and the Euclidean matrix norm,  $\|D(\tau_{2,i})^{-1}\|$  is  $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}$ . Then

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq q} \sum_{k=1}^K p_k(x) \|D\tau_{k,i}^{-1}(\tau_{k,i}(x))\| \leq 0.216 \frac{\sqrt{13}}{6} + 0.785 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}.$$

For this partition  $\mathcal{P}$ , we have  $a = 1$ , which implies

$$\sigma(1 + 1/a) = 2(0.216 \frac{\sqrt{13}}{6} + 0.785 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}) \approx 0.9998 < 1.$$

Therefore, by theorem 6.4, the random map  $T$  admits an absolutely continuous invariant measure. Notice that  $\tau_1, \tau_2$  are piecewise linear Markov maps defined on the same Markov partition  $\mathcal{P} = \{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_9\}$ . For such maps the Perron-Frobenius operator reduces to a matrix and the invariant density is constant on the elements of the partition (see [1]). The Perron-Frobenius operator of the random map  $T$  is represented by the following matrix

$$(7.6) \quad M = \Pi_1 M_1 + \Pi_2 M_2,$$

where  $M_1, M_2$  are the matrices of  $P_{\tau_1}$  and  $P_{\tau_2}$  respectively, and  $\Pi_1, \Pi_2$  are the diagonal matrices of  $p_1(x)$  and  $p_2(x)$  respectively. Then,  $M$  is given by

$$(7.7) \quad M = p_1 \mathbf{Id}_9 \times \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \end{pmatrix} + p_2 \mathbf{Id}_9 \times \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \\ \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} & \frac{1}{9} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a & a & a & a & a & a & b & b & b \\ c & c & c & c & c & c & d & d & d \\ c & c & c & c & c & c & d & d & d \\ e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e \\ e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e \\ e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e \\ e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e \\ e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e & e \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $p_1 = (0.215, 0.216, 0.216, 0.216, 0.215, 0.216, 0.216, 0.216, 0.215)$ ,  $p_2 = (0.785, 0.784, 0.784, 0.784, 0.785, 0.784, 0.784, 0.784, 0.785)$ ,  $\mathbf{Id}_9$  is  $9 \times 9$  identity matrix and

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 0.12306 \\ b &= 0.087222 \\ c &= 0.12311 \\ d &= 0.087111 \\ e &= 0.11111. \end{aligned}$$

The invariant density of  $T$  is

$$(7.8) \quad f = (f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4, f_5, f_6, f_7, f_8, f_9), \quad f_i = f|_{S_i}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, 9,$$

normalized by

$$(7.9) \quad f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + f_4 + f_5 + f_6 + f_7 + f_8 + f_9 = 9,$$

and satisfying equation  $fM = f$ . Then,  $f_1 = f_2 = f_3 = f_4 = f_5 = f_6 = \frac{9}{6.29739}$  and  $f_7 = f_8 = f_9 = \frac{0.29739}{3} f_1$ .

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