

Induced Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials for countable state Markov shifts

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Abstract

In this paper, we study the induced Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials for countable state Markov shifts and obtain its variational principle.

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1 Introduction and main result

Let (Σ, σ) be a one-sided *topological Markov shift (TMS)* over a countable set of *states* S . This means that there exists a matrix $A = (t_{ij})_{S \times S}$ of zeros or ones (with no row and no column made entirely of zeros) such that

$$\Sigma := \{\omega := (\omega_0, \omega_1, \dots) \in S^{\mathbb{N}_0} : t_{\omega_i \omega_{i+1}} = 1 \text{ for every } i \in \mathbb{N}_0\}.$$

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The *shift map* $\sigma : \Sigma \rightarrow \Sigma$ is defined by $(\omega_0, \omega_1, \omega_2, \dots) \mapsto (\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots)$. We denote the set of A -admissible words of length $n \in \mathbb{N}$ by

$$\Sigma^n := \{\omega := (\omega_0, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{n-1}) \in S^n : t_{\omega_i \omega_{i+1}} = 1 \text{ for every } i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-2\}\}.$$

and the set of A -admissible words of arbitrary length by $\Sigma^* := \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Sigma^n$. For $\omega \in \Sigma^*$, we let $|\omega|$ denote the length of ω , which is the unique $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\omega \in \Sigma^n$. For $\omega \in \Sigma^n$ we call $[\omega] := \{\gamma \in \Sigma : \gamma|_n = \omega\}$ the *cylindrical set* of ω . We equip Σ with the topology generated by the cylindrical sets. The topology of the TMS is metrizable. It may be given by the metric $d_\alpha(\omega, \omega') := e^{-\alpha|\omega \wedge \omega'|}$, $\alpha > 0$, where $\omega \wedge \omega'$ denote the longest common initial block of $\omega, \omega' \in \Sigma$. The shift map σ is continuous with respect to this metric. If S is a finite set of states, (Σ, σ) is called a *subshift of finite type*. We call a function $f : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is α -Hölder continuous, if there exist an $\alpha > 0$ and a constant $V_\alpha(f)$ such that for all $\omega, \omega' \in \Sigma$, $|f(\omega) - f(\omega')| \leq V_\alpha(f) d_\alpha(\omega, \omega')$. We say f is Hölder continuous, if there exists an $\alpha > 0$ such that f is α -Hölder continuous. Let $H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ be the space of all real-valued Hölder continuous functions of Σ . For $f \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ and $n \geq 1$, let $S_n f(\omega) := \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f(\sigma^i \omega)$. We denote by \mathcal{M} the set of all σ -invariant Borel probability measures on Σ . We will always assume (Σ, σ) to be *topologically mixing*, that is, for every $a, b \in S$ there exists an $N_{ab} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that for every $n > N_{ab}$ we have $[a] \cap \sigma^{-n}[b] \neq \emptyset$.

Definition 1.1. *Let (Σ, σ) be a one-sided countable states Markov shift. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f_n : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a continuous function. A sequence $\mathcal{F} := \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ on Σ is called almost-additive if there exists a constant $C \geq 0$ such that for every $n, m \in \mathbb{N}, \omega \in \Sigma$, we have*

$$f_n(\omega) f_m(\sigma^n \omega) e^{-C} \leq f_{n+m}(\omega). \quad (1)$$

and

$$f_{n+m}(\omega) \leq f_n(\omega) f_m(\sigma^n \omega) e^C. \quad (2)$$

Definition 1.2. *Let (Σ, σ) be a one-sided countable states Markov shift. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f_n : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a continuous function. A sequence $\mathcal{F} := \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ on Σ is called a Bowen sequence if there exists a constant $M \in \mathbb{R}^+$ such that*

$$\sup\{A_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \leq M \quad (3)$$

where

$$A_n := \sup\left\{\frac{f_n(\omega)}{f_n(\omega')} : \omega, \omega' \in \Sigma, \omega_i = \omega'_i \text{ for every } i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}\right\}.$$

For $\omega = (\omega_0, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{n-1}) \in \Sigma^*$, let

$$\bar{\omega} := (\omega_0, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{n-1}, \omega_0, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{n-1}, \dots)$$

denote the *periodic word* with period $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and initial block ω . Let

$$\Sigma^{per} := \{\omega \in \Sigma^* : \bar{\omega} \in \Sigma\}, \Sigma_a^{per} := \{\omega \in \Sigma^{per} : \omega_0 = a\}.$$

Definition 1.3. Let (Σ, σ) be a one-sided countable states Markov shift, and let $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ with $\psi \geq 0$, $\mathcal{F} := \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ on Σ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence. We define for $\eta > 0$ the ψ -induced Gurevich pressure of \mathcal{F} with respect to Σ_a^{per} by

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) := \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T-\eta < S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega}) \leq T}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}),$$

which takes values in $\bar{\mathbb{R}} := \mathbb{R} \cup \{\mp\infty\}$.

In particular, if $\psi = 1$ our definition coincides with the Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials[2].

The thermodynamic formalism for countable states Markov shifts has been developed by Mauldin and Urbanski [5,6] and by Sarig [8,9,10,11]. Recently, Gurevich pressure for countable state Markov shifts [8] and the pressure for almost-additive sequences on compact spaces [1,4] were extended to the pressure of almost-additive potentials for countable state Markov shifts and a variational principle was set up [2]. In [3], the authors defined the induced pressure for countable state Markov shifts. Inspired by the articles [2] and [3], we define the induced Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials for countable state Markov shifts and obtain its variational principle as follows.

Theorem 1.4. Let (Σ, σ) be a topologically mixing countable state Markov shift, and let $\mathcal{F} := \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ on Σ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ with $\sup f_1 < \infty$, $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$, $\psi \geq c > 0$ with $\sup \psi < \infty$. Then

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) = \sup\left\{\frac{h_\nu(\sigma)}{\int \psi d\nu} + \frac{\int f_*(\omega) d\nu}{\int \psi d\nu} : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\right\}, \quad (4)$$

where $f_*(\omega) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log f_n(\omega)$.

2 Preliminaries

In this section, we study the relation between the ψ -induced Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials and the Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials. Making a similar proof as in [3, Theorem 2.1], we can obtain the following statement.

Theorem 2.1. *Let $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ with $\psi \geq 0$ and $\mathcal{F} = \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ on Σ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence. Then*

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) = \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})} < \infty\}.$$

In particular, the definition of $\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$ is independent of the choice of $\eta > 0$.

Lemma 2.2. *Let (Σ, σ) be a topologically mixing countable state Markov shift, and let $\mathcal{F} = \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ with $\sup f_1 < \infty$, $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$, $\psi > 0$ with $\sup \psi < \infty$. Then for every $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathcal{F}^\beta := \{\log f_n(\omega) e^{-\beta S_n \psi(\omega)}\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ and*

$$\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ |\omega|=n}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})}$$

exists; it is not minus infinity and

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \\ &= \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int \mathcal{F}_*^\beta(\omega) d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int \mathcal{F}_*^\beta(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\} \\ &= \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega) d\nu - \beta \int \psi d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{F}_*^\beta(\omega) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log f_n(\omega) e^{-\beta S_n \psi(\omega)}$, $f_*(\omega) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log f_n(\omega)$.

Proof. Since \mathcal{F} is a Bowen sequence on Σ , the *bounded distortion property* (see [3]) shows for every $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ there exists a constant $C_\psi > 0$ such that $|S_{|\omega|}\psi(\gamma) - S_{|\omega|}\psi(\gamma')| \leq C_\psi$ for all $\omega \in \Sigma^*$ and $\gamma, \gamma' \in [\omega]$. Let $g_n(\omega) := f_n(\omega) e^{-\beta S_n \psi(\omega)}$. For each $n \in \mathbb{N}, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, we have

$$B_n := \sup\left\{\frac{g_n(\omega)}{g_n(\omega')} : \omega, \omega' \in \Sigma, \omega_i = \omega'_i \text{ for } i \in \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}\right\} \leq e^{|\beta|C_\psi} A_n$$

and

$$\sup\{B_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\} \leq Me^{|\beta|C_\psi}.$$

So \mathcal{F}^β is a Bowen sequence on Σ .

Since \mathcal{F} is an almost-additive sequence on Σ we have

$$f_n(\omega)f_m(\sigma^n\omega)e^{-C}e^{-\beta S_n\psi(\omega)}e^{-\beta S_m\psi(\sigma^n\omega)} \leq f_{n+m}(\omega)e^{-\beta S_{n+m}\psi(\omega)}$$

and

$$f_{n+m}(\omega)e^{-\beta S_{n+m}\psi(\omega)} \leq f_n(\omega)f_m(\sigma^n\omega)e^Ce^{-\beta S_n\psi(\omega)}e^{-\beta S_m\psi(\sigma^n\omega)}.$$

Then \mathcal{F}^β is an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ with $\sup f_1(\omega)e^{-\beta\psi(\omega)} < \infty$.

By [2, Theorem 3.1] and Birkhoff Ergodic Theorem [7], we have $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per})$ exists; it is not minus infinity and

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \\ &= \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int \mathcal{F}_*^\beta(\omega)d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int \mathcal{F}_*^\beta(\omega)d\nu \neq -\infty\} \\ &= \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega)d\nu - \beta \int \psi(\omega)d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega)d\nu \neq -\infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

Corollary 2.3. *Let $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$ with $\psi \geq c > 0$ and $\mathcal{F} := \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ on Σ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence. We have*

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) \geq \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \leq 0\}. \quad (5)$$

Proof. Let

$$B := \{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega})e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})} < \infty\}.$$

For each $\beta \in B$, it is easy to see that

$$\limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega})e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})} \leq 0$$

and we conclude that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ |\omega|=n}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega})e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})} \leq 0.$$

Otherwise, we assume that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ |\omega|=n}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} = 2a > 0.$$

Then there exists a sequence $\{n_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ such that for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ |\omega|=n_j}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} > e^{an_j}.$$

For sufficiently large $T > 0$, let $\{n_{k_i}\} \subset \{n_j\}$ with $S_{n_{k_i}} \psi(\bar{\omega}) > T$. We have

$$\sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} \geq \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ |\omega|=n_{k_i}}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} > e^{an_{k_i}}.$$

Since $i \rightarrow \infty$ when $T \rightarrow \infty$, we conclude that

$$\limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} = \infty.$$

This shows (5) holds.

Corollary 2.4. *Let (Σ, σ) be a topologically mixing countable state Markov shift, and let $\mathcal{F} := \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ with $\sup f_1 < \infty$, $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$, $\psi \geq c > 0$ with $\sup \psi < \infty$. We have the map $\beta \mapsto \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per})$ is strictly decreasing on $\text{int}\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) < \infty\}$ and*

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) = \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \leq 0\} = \sup\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \geq 0\}. \quad (6)$$

In particular, if (Σ, σ) is a subshift of finite type, then the map $\beta \mapsto \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per})$ is a strictly decreasing continuous map on \mathbb{R} . Hence we conclude that $\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$ is unique zero, i.e.

$$\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^{\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})}, \Sigma_a^{per}) = 0.$$

Proof. By the Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) = \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega) d\nu - \beta \int \psi(\omega) d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\}.$$

Then for any $\beta_1, \beta_2 \in \text{int}\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) < \infty\}$, $\beta_1 < \beta_2$ and $0 < \epsilon < \frac{c(\beta_2 - \beta_1)}{2}$, there exists $\mu \in \mathcal{M}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega)d\nu - \beta_2 \int \psi(\omega)d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega)d\nu \neq -\infty\} \\
& < h_\mu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega)d\mu - \beta_2 \int \psi(\omega)d\mu + \epsilon \\
& = h_\mu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega)d\mu - \beta_1 \int \psi(\omega)d\mu + \epsilon - (\beta_2 - \beta_1) \int \psi(\omega)d\mu \\
& \leq h_\mu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega)d\mu - \beta_1 \int \psi(\omega)d\mu - (\beta_2 - \beta_1) \left(\int \psi(\omega)d\mu - \frac{c}{2} \right) \\
& \leq \sup\{h_\nu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega)d\nu - \beta_1 \int \psi(\omega)d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega)d\nu \neq -\infty\} \\
& \quad - (\beta_2 - \beta_1) \left(\int \psi(\omega)d\mu - \frac{c}{2} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the map $\beta \mapsto \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per})$ is strictly decreasing. Since

$$\begin{aligned}
& \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) < 0\} \\
& \geq \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|}\psi(\bar{\omega})} < \infty\}, \tag{7}
\end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \leq 0\} &= \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) < 0\} \\
&= \sup\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \geq 0\}. \tag{8}
\end{aligned}$$

Combining (7) and (8), we obtain (6).

If (Σ, σ) is a subshift of finite type, obviously, for each $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) < \infty$, we easily obtain the conclusion.

We denote by $C_{\Sigma, \sigma} := \{K \subset \Sigma : K \text{ is compact and } \sigma^{-1}(K) = K\}$ the set of compact σ -invariant subsets on Σ . we say that the *exhaustion principle* holds for $\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$, if there exists a sequence $\{K_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset C_{\Sigma, \sigma}$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}_{\psi, K_n}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n}, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*) = \mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$$

where

$$\mathcal{P}_{\psi, K}(\mathcal{F}|_K, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K^*) := \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K^*, \\ T - \eta < S_{|\omega|}\psi|_K(\bar{\omega}) \leq T}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) 1_K(\bar{\omega})$$

and $K^* := \{\omega \in \Sigma^* : [\omega] \cap K \neq \emptyset\}$. Obviously, the conclusions of Theorem 2.1 and Corollary 2.1 are valid for $\mathcal{P}_{\psi, K_n}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n}, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*)$.

Corollary 2.5. *Let (Σ, σ) be a topologically mixing countable state Markov shift and let $\mathcal{F} = \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ with $\sup f_1 < \infty$, $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$, $\psi \geq c > 0$ with $\sup \psi < \infty$. We have the exhaustion principle holds for $\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$.*

Proof. Let $\delta > 0$, it follows from Corollary 2.2 that $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^{\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})-\delta}, \Sigma_a^{per}) > 0$. By [2, Proposition 3.1], we have the exhaustion principle holds for $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per})$ with $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$. There exists a subset $K \in \mathcal{C}_{\Sigma, \sigma}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{P}_{1,K}(\mathcal{F}^{(\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})-\delta)}|_K, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K^*) \\ & := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K^* \\ |\omega|=n}} f_n(\bar{\omega}) e^{-(\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})-\delta)S_n \psi(\bar{\omega})} \mathbf{1}_K(\bar{\omega}) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

By Corollary 2.1 we have

$$\mathcal{P}_{\psi,K}(\mathcal{F}|_K, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K^*) \geq \inf\{\beta \in \mathbb{R} : \mathcal{P}_{1,K}(\mathcal{F}^\beta|_K, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K^*) \leq 0\} > \mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) - \delta.$$

Hence, for $\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$ the exhaustion principle holds.

Proposition 2.6. *Let (Σ, σ) be a topologically mixing countable state Markov shift, and let $\mathcal{F} = \{\log f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be an almost-additive Bowen sequence on Σ , $\psi \in H(\Sigma, \mathbb{R})$, $\psi \geq c > 0$. Then $\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$ is independent of the choice of $a \in S$.*

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) \leq \mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_b^{per}). \quad (9)$$

Let $T > 0$ be large. For each $a, b \in S$, and $\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per}$ with $T < S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})$, since (Σ, σ) is topologically mixing, there exists

$$\omega^1 := (b, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{k-1}), \omega^2 := (a, \omega'_1, \dots, \omega'_{k-1}) \in \Sigma^k$$

such that $\omega^1 \omega \omega^2 \in \Sigma_b^{per}$. Let $x := \overline{\omega^1 \omega \omega^2}$. Making a similar calculation of [2], we can find a constant $C_f > 0$, such that $f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) \leq C_f f_{|\omega|+2k}(x)$. Since ψ is Hölder continuous, the *bounded distortion property* (see [3]) shows there exists a constant $C_\psi > 0$ such that

$$|S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega}) - S_{|\omega|} \psi(\sigma^k x)| \leq C_\psi, |\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega}) - \beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\sigma^k x)| \leq |\beta| C_\psi$$

for $\bar{\omega}, \sigma^k x \in [\omega], \beta \in \mathbb{R}$.

Let $C_1 = \inf_{\gamma \in [\omega^1]} S_k \psi(\gamma), C_1 = \inf_{\gamma \in [\omega^2]} S_k \psi(\gamma)$, we have

$$T + C_1 + C_2 - C_\psi < S_{2k+|\omega|} \psi(x)$$

and

$$e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} < e^{|\beta|(C_1+C_2+C_\psi)} e^{-\beta S_{2k+|\omega|} \psi(x)}.$$

Thus, there exists a constant $C' > 0$ such that

$$\sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_a^{per} \\ T < S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})} \leq C' \sum_{\substack{\omega \in \Sigma_b^{per} \\ T+C_1+C_2-C_\psi < S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})}} f_{|\omega|}(\bar{\omega}) e^{-\beta S_{|\omega|} \psi(\bar{\omega})}.$$

Therefore, we obtain (9).

3 Proof of Theorem 1.1

In this section, we will prove the variational principle of the induced Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials for a countable states Markov shift. Our result is a generalization of the Gurevich pressure of almost-additive potentials.

Firstly, we show

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) \geq \sup \left\{ \frac{h_\nu(\sigma)}{\int \psi d\nu} + \frac{\int f_*(\omega) d\nu}{\int \psi d\nu} : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty \right\}. \quad (10)$$

By Corollary 2.1, for $\beta > \mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per})$, we have $\mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \leq 0$. By Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\geq \mathcal{P}_1(\mathcal{F}^\beta, \Sigma_a^{per}) \\ &\geq \sup \left\{ h_\nu(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega) d\nu - \beta \int \psi d\nu : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty \right\} \\ &= \sup \left\{ \int \psi(\omega) d\nu \left(\frac{h_\nu(\sigma)}{\int \psi d\nu} + \frac{\int f_*(\omega) d\nu}{\int \psi d\nu} - \beta \right) : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and we obtain (10).

Nextly, we prove

$$\mathcal{P}_\psi(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) \leq \sup \left\{ \frac{h_\nu(\sigma)}{\int \psi d\nu} + \frac{\int f_*(\omega) d\nu}{\int \psi d\nu} : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty \right\}. \quad (11)$$

By Corollary 2.3, there exists a sequence $\{K_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset C_{\Sigma, \sigma}$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}_{\psi, K_n}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*}) = \mathcal{P}_{\psi}(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}).$$

For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, K_n is the finite alphabet case. Combining Corollary 2.2 and [2, Theorem 3.1], we have

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \mathcal{P}_{1, K_n}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*}, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*) \\ &= \sup\{h_{\nu}(\sigma) + \int f_*(\omega) d\nu - \mathcal{P}_{\psi|_{K_n}}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*}) \int \psi d\nu : \\ &\quad \nu \in \mathcal{M}_{K_n} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\} \\ &\leq \sup\{\int \psi(\omega) d\nu (\frac{h_{\nu}(\sigma)}{\int \psi d\nu} + \frac{\int f_*(\omega) d\nu}{\int \psi d\nu}) : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\} \\ &\quad - \mathcal{P}_{\psi|_{K_n}}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*}). \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{P}_{\psi}(\mathcal{F}, \Sigma_a^{per}) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{P}_{\psi, K_n}(\mathcal{F}|_{K_n, \Sigma_a^{per} \cap K_n^*}) \\ &\leq \sup\{\frac{h_{\nu}(\sigma)}{\int \psi d\nu} + \frac{\int f_*(\omega) d\nu}{\int \psi d\nu} : \nu \in \mathcal{M} \text{ and } \int f_*(\omega) d\nu \neq -\infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining (10) and (11), we obtain (4).

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