

Nonhomogeneity of Picard dimensions of rotation free hyperbolic densities

Dedicated to Professor Mitsuru Nakai on his 60th birthday

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Abstract. A real valued C^∞ function $P(z)$ on the punctured disk $0 < |z| \leq 1$ is constructed in such a way that there exists only one Martin minimal boundary point for the time independent Schrödinger equation $(-\Delta + P(z))u(z) = 0$ over $z = 0$ and, nevertheless, there exist more than one Martin minimal boundary points for $(-\Delta + P(z)/4)u(z) = 0$ over $z = 0$.

We denote by Ω the punctured disc $0 < |z| < 1$ and consider a time independent Schrödinger equation

$$(1) \quad (-\Delta + P(z))u(z) = 0 \quad \left(\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}, z = x + yi \right)$$

on Ω . The potential P is assumed to be a locally Hölder continuous function on $0 < |z| \leq 1$ and referred to as a *density* on Ω . Then a density P may take both positive and negative values. With a density P we associate the class $PP(\Omega; \Gamma)$ of nonnegative C^2 functions u on $\Omega \cup \Gamma$ satisfying the equation (1) in Ω and vanishing on the unit circle $\Gamma: |z| = 1$. We also denote by $PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)$ the subclass of $PP(\Omega; \Gamma)$ consisting of functions u with the normalization

$$-\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left[\frac{\partial}{\partial t} u(te^{i\theta}) \right]_{t=1} d\theta = 1.$$

The Choquet theorem (cf. e.g. [12]) yields that there exists a bijective correspondence $u \leftrightarrow \mu$ between the convex cone $PP(\Omega; \Gamma)$ and the set of Borel measures μ on the set $\text{ex}.PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)$ of extremal points of the convex set $PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)$ such that

$$u = \int_{\text{ex}.PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)} v d\mu(v).$$

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Thus the set $\text{ex.}PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)$ is essential for the class $PP(\Omega; \Gamma)$, and the cardinal number $\#\text{(ex.}PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma))$ of $\text{ex.}PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)$ is referred to as the *Picard dimension* of a density P at $z = 0$, $\dim P$ in notation, i.e.

$$\dim P = \#\text{(ex.}PP_1(\Omega; \Gamma)).$$

We say that a density P is *hyperbolic* on Ω if $\dim P \geq 1$ and there exists the Green's function on Ω with respect to the equation (1). Then nonnegative densities are hyperbolic on Ω ([6]).

A density P is said to be *rotation free* if P satisfies $P(z) = P(|z|)$ ($z \in \Omega$). Let P be a nonnegative rotation free density. Then $\dim P$ is equal to 1 or the cardinal number c of the continuum ([7]) and satisfies

$$\dim P = \dim(cP) \quad (c > 0)$$

([3]). We call this property the *homogeneity* of Picard dimensions of nonnegative rotation free densities.

Let P be a signed rotation free density. Then $\dim P$ is also 1 or c if P is hyperbolic on Ω ([7], [11], [4]). Moreover if P is hyperbolic on Ω , the density cP ($0 < c \leq 1$) is hyperbolic on Ω and satisfies

$$\dim P \leq \dim(cP) \quad (0 < c \leq 1)$$

([11]). The purpose of this paper is to prove the following theorem which shows the nonhomogeneity of Picard dimensions of rotation free hyperbolic densities:

THEOREM. *There exists a rotation free hyperbolic density P on Ω such that*

$$\dim P = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \dim\left(\frac{1}{4}P\right) = c.$$

It was shown in [11] that the above inequality $\dim P \leq \dim(cP)$ ($0 < c \leq 1$) is also valid for every rotation free density P which is not hyperbolic on Ω . At the same time it was shown that the inequality sign in $\dim P \leq \dim(cP)$ can not be replaced by the equality sign ([2], [11]): There exists a rotation free density P on Ω such that $\dim P = 0$ and $\dim(cP) = 1$ ($0 < c < 1$). Precisely speaking, the Picard dimension of P (cP , resp.) considered on $0 < |z| < a$ is 0 (1, resp.) for every $a \in (0, 1]$ and $c \in (0, 1)$. Then it was asked a question in [11] whether there exists a rotation free density P such that $1 \leq \dim P < \dim(cP)$ ($0 < c < 1$). The above theorem gives an answer to this question. We remark that the Picard dimension of a rotation free density P considered on Ω coincides with the one considered on $0 < |z| < a$ ($0 < a < 1$) if P is hyperbolic on Ω ([8], [5], [11]).

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1. Subunit criterions

Hearafter every density P on Ω in consideration is assumed to be rotation free and is mainly viewed as a function $P(r)$ of r in the interval $(0, 1]$. For a density P we consider the differential equation

$$L_P u(r) \equiv -\frac{d^2}{dr^2} u(r) - \frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} u(r) + P(r)u(r) = 0$$

for C^2 functions $u(r)$ in $(0, 1)$. The unique solution f_P of this equation with initial conditions

$$f_P(1) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f'_P(1) = -1$$

is referred to as the P -subunit. Then we have the following characterization of hyperbolicity for P in terms of f_P :

THEOREM A ([11], [4]). *A density P is hyperbolic on Ω if and only if*

$$f_P(r) > 0 \quad (0 < r < 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \int_0^{1/2} \frac{dr}{rf_P(r)^2} < \infty.$$

Moreover we have the following test of $\dim P = 1$ for hyperbolic densities P :

THEOREM B ([11], [4]). *A hyperbolic density P on Ω satisfies $\dim P = 1$ if and only if*

$$\int_0^a \frac{f_P(r)^2}{r} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{sf_P(s)^2} dr = \infty$$

for some a , and hence for any a , in $(0, 1]$.

2. P -subunits for discontinuous densities P

2.1. We take a positive numbers θ with $\theta \leq \pi/2$ and sequences $\{\alpha_n\}_1^\infty$, $\{\beta_n\}_1^\infty$ of positive number α_n, β_n . With θ and $\{\beta_n\}$ we associate sequences $\{a_n\}_1^\infty$, $\{b_n\}_1^\infty$ of positive numbers $a_n = a_n(\theta, \{\beta_n\})$, $b_n = b_n(\theta, \{\beta_n\})$ defined by

$$(2) \quad \rho = 100, \quad a_1 = 1, \quad b_n = \rho^{-1} a_n, \quad a_{n+1} = e^{-\theta/\beta_n} b_n \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

The sequences $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ satisfy

$$1 \geq a_n > b_n > a_{n+1} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots), \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0.$$

Now we consider a discontinuous function $P = P(\cdot; \theta, \{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\})$ given by

$$(3) \quad P(r) = \begin{cases} \frac{\alpha_n^2}{r^2} & (b_n \leq r \leq a_n; n = 1, 2, \dots) \\ -\frac{\beta_n^2}{r^2} & (a_{n+1} < r < b_n; n = 1, 2, \dots) \end{cases}$$

and a C^1 function F_P on $(0, 1]$ satisfying

$$(4) \quad F_P(1) = 0, F'_P(1) = -1, L_P F_P = 0 \text{ on } \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{(a_{n+1}, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n)\}.$$

The definition of a density on Ω can be generalized ([1], [4], [9], [10]). In this sense, the above function P is a discontinuous density on Ω . Moreover F_P is equal to the P -subunit f_P and both Theorems A and B are valid for P and $f_P = F_P$. However we do not use these facts in this paper.

2.2. By the condition (4), the function F_P has the following form on each interval:

$$(5) \quad F_P(r) = \begin{cases} x_n \left\{ \left(\frac{a_n}{r} \right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{r}{a_n} \right)^{\alpha_n} \right\} + y_n \left\{ \left(\frac{r}{b_n} \right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{b_n}{r} \right)^{\alpha_n} \right\} & (b_n \leq r \leq a_n) \\ -z_n \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{b_n} \right) + w_n \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right) & (a_{n+1} < r < b_n) \end{cases}$$

($n = 1, 2, \dots$).

The coefficients $x_n = x_n(P)$, $y_n = y_n(P)$, $z_n = z_n(P)$, $w_n = w_n(P)$ depend on P and hence θ , $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_n\}$. In particular

$$(6) \quad x_1 = \frac{1}{2\alpha_1}, \quad y_1 = 0$$

by (4). Since F_P is of class C^1 , these coefficients satisfy conditions

$$\begin{aligned} w_n \sin \theta &= (\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n})x_n, \\ -\beta_n z_n + \beta_n w_n \cos \theta &= -\alpha_n(\rho^{\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_n})x_n + 2\alpha_n y_n, \\ (\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})y_{n+1} &= z_n \sin \theta, \\ -2\alpha_{n+1}x_{n+1} + \alpha_{n+1}(\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})y_{n+1} &= -\beta_n z_n \cos \theta + \beta_n w_n \end{aligned}$$

for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$ which are equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \sin \theta \\ -\beta_n & \beta_n \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_n \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n} & 0 \\ -\alpha_n(\rho^{\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) & 2\alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & \rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}} \\ -2\alpha_{n+1} & \alpha_{n+1}(\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\beta_n \cos \theta & \beta_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_n \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

These conditions are also equivalent to

$$\begin{pmatrix} z_n \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \cot \theta & -\frac{1}{\beta_n} \\ \operatorname{cosec} \theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n} & 0 \\ -\alpha_n(\rho^{\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) & 2\alpha_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}}{2(\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})} & -\frac{1}{2\alpha_{n+1}} \\ \frac{1}{\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sin \theta & 0 \\ -\beta_n \cos \theta & \beta_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} z_n \\ w_n \end{pmatrix}$$

so that we have

$$(7) \quad \begin{pmatrix} z_n \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} = \rho^{\alpha_n} \begin{pmatrix} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \cot \theta + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) & -\frac{2\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n} \\ (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \operatorname{cosec} \theta & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(8) \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}}{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

($n = 1, 2, \dots$),

where

$$A_{11} = \left\{ (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \cos \theta$$

$$+ \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \sin \theta,$$

$$A_{12} = -2\rho^{-\alpha_n} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \cos \theta + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \sin \theta \right\},$$

$$A_{21} = 2\rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}} \left\{ (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \cos \theta + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \sin \theta \right\},$$

$$A_{22} = -4 \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n} \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}} \sin \theta.$$

2.3. Assume that $x_n > y_n \geq 0$ for some n . Then from (7) and (8) it follows that

$$\frac{z_n}{x_n} > \rho^{\alpha_n} \left\{ (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \cot \theta + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})^2 \right\} > 0,$$

$$\frac{w_n}{x_n} = \rho^{\alpha_n} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \operatorname{cosec} \theta > 0,$$

$$y_{n+1} = \frac{z_n \sin \theta}{\rho^{\alpha_{n+1}} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}} > 0.$$

Therefore we obtain the following lemma:

LEMMA 1. *If $x_n > y_n \geq 0$ for some n , then $z_n > 0$, $w_n > 0$, $y_{n+1} > 0$.*

3. Calculations of integrals

3.1. In this section we assume that $x_n > 0$, $z_n > 0$, $w_n > 0$, $y_{n+1} > 0$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$). This assumption is equivalent to $F_P(r) > 0$ ($0 < r < 1$). In this no. we calculate integrals below.

LEMMA 2. *If $n = 2, 3, \dots$, then*

$$(i) \quad \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{dr}{r F_P(r)^2} = \frac{1}{2\alpha_n x_n y_n (\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n})},$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} \int_{b_n}^r \frac{ds}{s F_P(s)^2} dr = \frac{1}{4\alpha_n^2 (\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n})} \\ \times \left\{ \frac{y_n}{x_n} (\rho^{2\alpha_n} - \rho^{-2\alpha_n} - 2 \log \rho^{2\alpha_n}) \right. \\ \left. + \rho^{-\alpha_n} ((\rho^{2\alpha_n} + 1) \log \rho^{2\alpha_n} - 2(\rho^{2\alpha_n} - 1)) \right\}.$$

PROOF. Consider the function

$$E(r) = F_P(r) \int_{b_n}^r \frac{ds}{s F_P(s)^2}$$

of r in $[b_n, a_n]$ which is a solution of $L_P u = 0$ on (b_n, a_n) along with F_P . Since $E(b_n) = 0$, $E(r)$ has the form

$$(9) \quad E(r) = c \left\{ \left(\frac{r}{b_n} \right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{b_n}{r} \right)^{\alpha_n} \right\}$$

with a positive constant c . By setting $r = b_n$ in an equality

$$F'_P(r) \int_{b_n}^r \frac{ds}{sF_P(s)^2} + \frac{1}{rF_P(r)} = \frac{c\alpha_n}{r} \left\{ \left(\frac{r}{b_n}\right)^{\alpha_n} + \left(\frac{b_n}{r}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right\}$$

and (5) we have

$$c = \frac{1}{2\alpha_n x_n (\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n})}.$$

Hence the equality (9) for $r = a_n$ is (i). The equality (ii) follows from calculations

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\alpha_n x_n (\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n}) \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} \int_{b_n}^r \frac{ds}{sF_P(s)^2} dr \\ &= \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{1}{r} \left\{ x_n \left(\left(\frac{a_n}{r}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{r}{a_n}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right) + y_n \left(\left(\frac{r}{b_n}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{b_n}{r}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right) \right\} \\ & \quad \times \left\{ \left(\frac{r}{b_n}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{b_n}{r}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right\} dr \\ &= \int_1^\rho \frac{1}{t} \left\{ x_n \left(\left(\frac{\rho}{t}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{t}{\rho}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right) + y_n \left(t^{\alpha_n} - \frac{1}{t^{\alpha_n}} \right) \right\} \left\{ t^{\alpha_n} - \frac{1}{t^{\alpha_n}} \right\} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2\alpha_n} \{ (y_n - x_n \rho^{-\alpha_n})(\rho^{2\alpha_n} - 1) + (y_n - x_n \rho^{\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \} \\ & \quad + \{ x_n(\rho^{\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) - 2y_n \} \log \rho. \end{aligned}$$

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LEMMA 3. *If $n = 2, 3, \dots$, then*

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} dr &= \frac{1}{2\alpha_n} \{ (x_n^2 + y_n^2)(\rho^{2\alpha_n} - \rho^{-2\alpha_n} - 2 \log \rho^{2\alpha_n}) \\ & \quad + 2x_n y_n \rho^{-\alpha_n} ((\rho^{2\alpha_n} + 1) \log \rho^{2\alpha_n} - 2(\rho^{2\alpha_n} - 1)) \}. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Lemma follows from calculations

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} dr &= \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{1}{r} \left\{ x_n \left(\left(\frac{a_n}{r}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{r}{a_n}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + y_n \left(\left(\frac{r}{b_n}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{b_n}{r}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right) \right\}^2 dr \\ &= \int_1^\rho \frac{1}{t} \left\{ x_n \left(\left(\frac{\rho}{t}\right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{t}{\rho}\right)^{\alpha_n} \right) + y_n \left(t^{\alpha_n} - \frac{1}{t^{\alpha_n}} \right) \right\}^2 dt \\ &= \int_1^\rho \frac{1}{t} \left\{ (x_n^2 + y_n^2) \left(t^{\alpha_n} - \frac{1}{t^{\alpha_n}} \right)^2 \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 2x_n y_n \left(\rho^{\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_n} - \frac{t^{2\alpha_n}}{\rho^{\alpha_n}} - \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}}{t^{2\alpha_n}} \right) dt \\
& = (x_n^2 + y_n^2) \left(\frac{\rho^{2\alpha_n} - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}}{2\alpha_n} - 2 \log \rho \right) \\
& + 2x_n y_n \left((\rho^{\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) \log \rho - \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n}}{\alpha_n} \right),
\end{aligned}$$

where we use

$$\int_1^\rho \frac{1}{t} \left\{ \left(\frac{\rho}{t} \right)^{\alpha_n} - \left(\frac{t}{\rho} \right)^{\alpha_n} \right\}^2 dt = \int_1^\rho \frac{1}{t} \left\{ \frac{1}{t^{\alpha_n}} - t^{\alpha_n} \right\}^2 dt. \quad \square$$

LEMMA 4. If $n = 1, 2, \dots$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{(i)} \quad & \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{dr}{r F_P(r)^2} = \frac{1}{\beta_n z_n w_n \sin \theta}, \\
\text{(ii)} \quad & \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} \int_{a_{n+1}}^r \frac{ds}{s F_P(s)^2} dr = \frac{1}{2\beta_n^2 \sin \theta} \left\{ \frac{w_n}{z_n} (\theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta) \right. \\
& \left. + \sin \theta - \theta \cos \theta \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Consider the function

$$E(r) = F_P(r) \int_{a_{n+1}}^r \frac{ds}{s F_P(s)^2}$$

of r in (a_{n+1}, b_n) which is a solution of $L_P u = 0$ on (a_{n+1}, b_n) along with F_P . Since $E(a_{n+1}) = 0$, $E(r)$ has the form

$$(10) \quad E(r) = c \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right)$$

with a positive constant c . By making $r \downarrow a_{n+1}$ in the equality

$$F_P'(r) \int_{a_{n+1}}^r \frac{ds}{s F_P(s)^2} + \frac{1}{r F_P(r)} = \frac{c \beta_n}{r} \cos \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right)$$

and (5) we have

$$c = \frac{1}{\beta_n z_n \sin \theta}.$$

Hence the equality (10) for $r = b_n$ is (i). The equality (ii) follows from calculations

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \beta_n z_n \sin \theta \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} \int_{a_{n+1}}^r \frac{ds}{sF_P(s)^2} dr \\
 &= \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{1}{r} \left\{ -z_n \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{b_n} \right) + w_n \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right) \right\} \\
 & \quad \times \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right) dr \\
 &= \int_0^\theta \frac{1}{\beta_n} \{ -z_n \sin(t - \theta) + w_n \sin t \} \sin t dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\beta_n} \int_0^\theta \{ z_n(\cos(2t - \theta) - \cos \theta) + w_n(1 - \cos 2t) \} dt. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 5. If $n = 1, 2, \dots$, then

$$\int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} dr = \frac{1}{2\beta_n} \{ (z_n^2 + w_n^2)(\theta - \sin \theta \cos \theta) + 2z_n w_n(\sin \theta - \theta \cos \theta) \}.$$

PROOF. Lemma follows from calculations

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{F_P(r)^2}{r} dr &= \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{1}{r} \left\{ -z_n \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{b_n} \right) + w_n \sin \left(\beta_n \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right) \right\}^2 dr \\
 &= \int_0^\theta \frac{1}{\beta_n} \{ -z_n \sin(t - \theta) + w_n \sin t \}^2 dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{\beta_n} \int_0^\theta \left\{ \frac{z_n^2 + w_n^2}{2} (1 - \cos 2t) + z_n w_n (\cos(2t - \theta) - \cos \theta) \right\} dt. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

3.2. In the final section, a discontinuous function P will be approximated by a density Q on Ω such that behaviour of the Q -subunit f_Q is similar to that of F_P . An estimation of f_Q will be given by using the following integral form of f_Q/F_P :

LEMMA 6. If a density Q on Ω satisfy $Q(r) = P(r)$ ($b_1 \leq r \leq 1$), then the Q -subunit f_Q satisfy

$$\frac{f_Q(r)}{F_P(r)} = 1 + \int_r^{b_1} s \{ Q(s) - P(s) \} f_Q(s) F_P(s) \int_r^s \frac{dt}{tF_P(t)^2} ds \quad (0 < r < 1).$$

PROOF. Since f_Q and F_P are solutions of $L_Q u = 0$ and $L_P u = 0$ respectively, we have

$$\frac{d}{dr} \left\{ r F_P(r)^2 \frac{d}{dr} \frac{f_Q(r)}{F_P(r)} \right\} = r(Q(r) - P(r)) f_Q(r) F_P(r)$$

$$(r \in \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} ((a_{n+1}, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n))).$$

Let b be a number in $(b_1, 1)$. The fact that F_P' is right and left differentiable yields

$$\begin{aligned} & b \{ f_Q'(b) F_P(b) - f_Q(b) F_P'(b) \} - r F_P(r)^2 \left\{ \frac{f_Q(r)}{F_P(r)} \right\}' \\ &= \int_r^{b_1} s \{ Q(s) - P(s) \} f_Q(s) F_P(s) ds \quad (0 < r < 1). \end{aligned}$$

If $b \uparrow 1$, then the first term of the above equality goes to 0. This implies

$$\frac{f_Q(r)}{F_P(r)} - \frac{f_Q(b)}{F_P(b)} = \int_r^{b_1} \frac{1}{t F_P(t)^2} \int_t^{b_1} s \{ Q(s) - P(s) \} f_Q(s) F_P(s) ds dt.$$

By $b \uparrow 1$ again, we obtain the lemma. \square

4. F_R for a special R

4.1. We fix values of θ , α_n , and β_n :

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} \theta &= \frac{\pi}{2}, \quad \alpha_n = n^2, \\ \beta_n &= \frac{(n+1)^2}{2} \left\{ \sqrt{\rho^{-2n^2+2n} + \frac{4n^2}{(n+1)^2}} - \rho^{-n^2+n} \right\} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

Hereafter R denotes a special discontinuous function $P = P(\cdot; \theta, \{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\})$ given by (3) with these θ , α_n , and β_n , where a_n and b_n are special numbers defined by (2) with these θ and β_n . Then F_R means a special C^1 function satisfying (4) with these a_n , b_n , and $P = R$ so that the coefficients x_n , y_n , z_n , and w_n in (5) are also special numbers. They are fixed by the initial values

$$(12) \quad x_1 = \frac{1}{2\alpha_1} = \frac{1}{2}, \quad y_1 = 0$$

and the recursion formulas (7), (8) with (11):

$$(13) \quad \begin{pmatrix} z_n \\ w_n \end{pmatrix} = \rho^{\alpha_n} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) & -\frac{2\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n} \\ 1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(14) \quad \begin{pmatrix} x_{n+1} \\ y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}}{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \begin{pmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_n \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

where

$$A_{11} = \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}),$$

$$A_{12} = -\frac{2\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}),$$

$$A_{21} = \frac{2\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n}), \quad A_{22} = -\frac{4\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n} \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}.$$

In the proof of the lemma below we use properties of β_n

$$(15) \quad \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} = \rho^{-n^2+n}, \quad \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \leq 2 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

which are derived from

$$\left(\frac{2\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} + \rho^{-n^2+n} \right)^2 = \rho^{-2n^2+2n} + \frac{4\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}},$$

$$\frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{\rho^{-2n^2+2n} + 4\alpha_n/\alpha_{n+1}} + \rho^{-n^2+n}}.$$

The following lemma shows that F_R is positive on $(0, 1)$:

LEMMA 7. *The numbers $x_n, y_n, z_n,$ and w_n satisfy*

$$y_1 = 0, \quad x_n > y_n, \quad z_n > 0, \quad w_n > 0, \quad y_{n+1} > 0 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

PROOF. In view of Lemma 1 and (12) we only need to prove that $x_n > y_n \geq 0$ implies $x_{n+1} > y_{n+1}$. Suppose $x_n > y_n \geq 0$. Then by (14) we have

$$\frac{x_{n+1} - y_{n+1}}{x_n} \frac{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})}{\rho^{\alpha_n}} = \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})^2$$

$$- \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) - \frac{2\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \frac{y_n}{x_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})^2$$

$$\geq \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})^2 (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})^2 - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}).$$

Hence by (15) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x_{n+1} - y_{n+1}}{x_n} & \frac{2(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})}{\rho^{\alpha_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})} \geq \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1}}) \\ & \quad - \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} + \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) (\rho^{-\alpha_n} + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \\ & > \rho^{-n^2+n} - 8\rho^{-n^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies $x_{n+1} - y_{n+1} > 0$ since $\rho = 100$. □

4.2. Behaviour of the function F_R is determined by the coefficients x_n, y_n, z_n , and w_n . We estimate growth of these numbers as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

LEMMA 8. *There exists a positive constant C_1 with $C_1 > 1$ such that*

- (i) $x_n \geq C_1^{-n} \rho^{n^2/2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$
- (ii) $\frac{y_n}{x_n} \geq C_1^{-1} \rho^{-3n} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$
- (iii) $\frac{z_n}{x_n} \geq C_1^{-1} \rho^{n^2}, \frac{w_n}{x_n} \geq C_1^{-1} \rho^{n^2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$

PROOF. The proof is based upon Lemma 7 and formulas (12)–(15). The letters m_i ($i = 1, \dots, 7$) used below denote positive constants satisfying $m_i > 1$. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} & \geq \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}}{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})^2 (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ & = \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})}{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n - 2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} + \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) (\rho^{-\alpha_n} - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ & \geq \frac{\rho^{n^2}(1 - \rho^{-1})}{2} \{ \rho^{-n^2+n}(1 - \rho^{-9}) - 4\rho^{-n^2} \} \\ & \geq \frac{\rho^n}{2} (1 - 100^{-1})(1 - 100^{-1} - 4 \cdot 100^{-1}) \geq m_1^{-1} \rho^n, \end{aligned}$$

the inequality (i) holds:

$$x_n \geq m_1^{-n+1} \rho^{(n^2-n)/2} x_1 \geq m_2^{-n} \rho^{n^2/2}.$$

For the proof of (ii) we need an upper estimate of x_{n+1}/x_n :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} &\leq \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}}{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ &= \frac{\rho^{\alpha_n}}{2(1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) (1 + \rho^{-2\alpha_n - 2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} + \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) (\rho^{-2\alpha_n} + \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\rho^{n^2}}{2(1 - \rho^{-8})} \{ \rho^{-n^2+n}(1 + \rho^{-10}) + 4\rho^{-n^2+n}(\rho^{-2} + \rho^{-8}) \} \leq m_3 \rho^n. \end{aligned}$$

Now we have

$$\frac{x_{n+1}}{x_n} \geq \frac{\alpha_n \rho^{\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})^2}{\beta_n (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_{n+1}})} \geq \frac{1}{2} \rho^{-2n-1} (1 - \rho^{-1})^2 \geq m_4^{-1} \rho^{-2n}$$

and hence

$$\frac{y_{n+1}}{x_{n+1}} = \frac{y_{n+1}}{x_n} \frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}} \geq m_4^{-1} \rho^{-2n} m_3^{-1} \rho^{-n} \geq m_5^{-1} \rho^{-3(n+1)}.$$

The estimate (iii) follows from

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{z_n}{x_n} &\geq \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{\alpha_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})^2 \geq \frac{(1 - \rho^{-1})^2}{2} \rho^{n^2} \geq m_6^{-1} \rho^{n^2}, \\ \frac{w_n}{x_n} &= \rho^{\alpha_n} (1 - \rho^{-2\alpha_n}) \geq m_7^{-1} \rho^{n^2}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

4.3. We are ready to show that the function F_R succeeds in the integral test in Theorems A and B.

LEMMA 9. *The function F_R satisfies*

$$\int_0^{b_1} \frac{dr}{r F_R(r)^2} < \infty.$$

PROOF. In view of Lemmas 2 and 8 we have

$$\int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{dr}{r F_R(r)^2} \leq \frac{C_1 \rho^{3n}}{2\alpha_n x_n^2 (\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n})} \leq \frac{C_1^{2n+1} \rho^{3n}}{2n^2 \rho^{2n^2} (1 - \rho^{-2})} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

We also have

$$\int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{dr}{rF_R(r)^2} \leq \frac{2C_1^2}{\alpha_n x_n^2 \rho^{2n^2}} \leq \frac{2C_1^{2n+2}}{n^2 \rho^{3n^2}} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

by Lemma 4, 8 and (15). These inequalities prove the lemma. □

LEMMA 10. *The function F_R satisfies*

$$\int_0^{b_1} \frac{F_R(r)^2}{r} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{sF_R(s)^2} dr = \infty.$$

PROOF. Apply inequalities

$$\rho^{2\alpha_n} - \rho^{-2\alpha_n} - 2 \log \rho^{2\alpha_n} \geq \rho^{2\alpha_n}(1 - \rho^{-4} - 2\rho^{-2} \log \rho^2) > 0 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$$

$$(\rho^{2\alpha_n} + 1) \log \rho^{\alpha_n} - (\rho^{2\alpha_n} - 1) > 0 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and Lemma 8 to (ii) in Lemma 2. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_R(r)^2}{r} \int_{b_n}^r \frac{ds}{sF_R(s)^2} dr &\geq \frac{1}{4\alpha_n^2(\rho^{\alpha_n} - \rho^{-\alpha_n})} \frac{y_n}{x_n} \rho^{2\alpha_n}(1 - \rho^{-4} - 2\rho^{-2} \log \rho^2) \\ &\geq \frac{1 - \rho^{-4} - 4\rho^{-2} \log \rho}{4C_1(1 - \rho^{-2})} \frac{\rho^{n^2-3n}}{n^2} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots). \end{aligned}$$

This proves the lemma. □

5. F_S for $S = R/4$

5.1. We consider a discontinuous function $S = P(\cdot; \theta/2, \{\alpha_n/2\}, \{\beta_n/2\})$ on $(0, 1]$, where θ, α_n , and β_n are the numbers given by (11). Recall the definition of symbol $P = P(\cdot; , ,)$ in No. 2.1. Then S has an expression $S = R/4$ with the discontinuous function R considered in No. 4.1 since the sequences $\{a_n(\theta/2, \{\beta_n/2\})\}$ and $\{b_n(\theta/2, \{\beta_n/2\})\}$ are equal to the sequences $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ defined in No. 4.1, respectively. We also associate F_S with S that is the C^1 function on $(0, 1]$ satisfying

$$F_S(1) = 0, \quad F'_S = -1, \quad L_S F_S = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{(a_{n+1}, b_n) \cup (b_n, a_n)\}.$$

Then by (5) F_S has the following form:

$$F_S(r) = \begin{cases} X_n \left\{ \left(\frac{a_n}{r} \right)^{\alpha_n/2} - \left(\frac{r}{a_n} \right)^{\alpha_n/2} \right\} + Y_n \left\{ \left(\frac{r}{b_n} \right)^{\alpha_n/2} - \left(\frac{b_n}{r} \right)^{\alpha_n/2} \right\} & (b_n \leq r \leq a_n) \\ -Z_n \sin \left(\frac{\beta_n}{2} \log \frac{r}{b_n} \right) + W_n \sin \left(\frac{\beta_n}{2} \log \frac{r}{a_{n+1}} \right) & (a_{n+1} < r < b_n) \end{cases}$$

(n = 1, 2, \dots).

In view of (6)–(8) the coefficients X_n , Y_n , Z_n , and W_n are given by initial values

$$(16) \quad X_1 = \frac{1}{2(\alpha_1/2)} = 1, \quad Y_1 = 0$$

and recursion formulas

$$(17) \quad \begin{pmatrix} Z_n \\ W_n \end{pmatrix} = \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) & -\frac{2\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} \\ \sqrt{2} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n}) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix},$$

$$(18) \quad \begin{pmatrix} X_{n+1} \\ Y_{n+1} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{\sqrt{2} \rho^{\alpha_n/2}}{4(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})} \begin{pmatrix} B_{11} & B_{12} \\ B_{21} & B_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_n \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

(n = 1, 2, \dots),

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_{11} &= (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}), \\ B_{12} &= -2\rho^{-\alpha_n/2} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\}, \\ B_{21} &= 2\rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2} \left\{ 1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) \right\}, \\ B_{22} &= -4 \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The following lemma shows that F_S is positive on (0, 1):

LEMMA 11. *The numbers X_n , Y_n , Z_n , and W_n satisfy*

$$Y_1 = 0, X_n > Y_n, Z_n > 0, W_n > 0, Y_{n+1} > 0 \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

PROOF. In view of Lemma 1 and (16) we only need to prove that $X_n > Y_n \geq 0$ implies $X_{n+1} > Y_{n+1}$. Suppose $X_n > Y_n \geq 0$. Then by (18) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{X_{n+1} - Y_{n+1}}{X_n} \frac{4(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})}{\sqrt{2} \rho^{\alpha_n/2}} \\ &= (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2})^2 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \\ & \quad + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2})^2 - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \\ & \quad - 2 \frac{Y_n}{X_n} \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2})^2 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ &> (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2})^2 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})^2(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \\ & \quad + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})^2(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2})^2 - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence by (15) we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{X_{n+1} - Y_{n+1}}{X_n} \frac{4(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2})}{\sqrt{2} \rho^{\alpha_n/2}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})} \\ &> 1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2}) + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2}) \\ & \quad - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2} + \rho^{-(\alpha_n + \alpha_{n+1})/2}) \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}\right) - \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} + \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}\right) \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} \\ & \quad - \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} + \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}\right) \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}/2} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \rho^{-(\alpha_n + \alpha_{n+1})/2} \\ &\geq \frac{5}{4} - 5\rho^{-1/2} - 5\rho^{-2} - 2\rho^{-5/2}. \end{aligned}$$

This implies $X_{n+1} - Y_{n+1} > 0$ since $\rho = 100$. □

5.2. Behaviour of the function F_S is determined by the coefficients $X_n, Y_n, Z_n,$ and W_n . We estimate growth of these numbers as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

LEMMA 12. *There exists a positive constant C_2 with $C_2 > 1$ such that*

- (i) $C_2^{-1} \rho^{n^2/2} \leq \frac{X_{n+1}}{X_n} \leq C_2 \rho^{n^2/2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$
- (ii) $C_2^{-1} \rho^{-n^2/2} \leq \frac{Y_n}{X_n} \leq C_2 \rho^{-n^2/2} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$
- (iii) $C_2^{-1} \rho^{n^2/2} \leq \frac{Z_n}{X_n} \leq C_2 \rho^{n^2/2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$
- (iv) $C_2^{-1} \rho^{n^2/2} \leq \frac{W_n}{X_n} \leq C_2 \rho^{n^2/2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$

PROOF. The proof is based upon Lemma 11 and formulas (15)–(18). The letters $m_i (i = 1, \dots, 8)$ used below denote positive constants satisfying $m_i > 1$. The inequality (i) follows from

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{X_{n+1}}{X_n} &\geq \frac{\sqrt{2} \rho^{\alpha_n/2} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})}{4(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \right. \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{\sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-1/2})}{4} \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} (1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2}) - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} (1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n/2}) \right\} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-1/2})}{4} \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} - \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n} + \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \right) \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} - \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}} \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}} \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{\sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-1/2})}{4} \left(\frac{5}{4} - 5\rho^{-1/2} - \rho^{-4} \right) \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} (1 - 10^{-1}) \left(\frac{5}{4} - \frac{1}{2} - 100^{-4} \right) \rho^{n^2/2} \geq m_1^{-1} \rho^{n^2/2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{X_{n+1}}{X_n} &\leq \frac{\sqrt{2}\rho^{\alpha_n/2}}{4(1-\rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ 1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n})(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}}) \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4(1-\rho^{-4})} \{1 + \rho^{-4} + 1 + \rho^{-1} + 2(1 + \rho^{-1})(1 + \rho^{-4})\} \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \leq m_2 \rho^{n^2/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since we have inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y_{n+1}}{X_n} &\geq \frac{\rho^{(\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1})/2}}{\sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ 1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})^2 \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2}}{\sqrt{2}} \rho^{(\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1})/2} \left\{ 1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n/2} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2}) \right\} \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(1 - \rho^{-1/2}) \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{2}(1 - \rho^{-1/2}) \right\} \rho^{-n-1/2} \geq m_3^{-1} \rho^{-n} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y_{n+1}}{X_n} &\leq \frac{\rho^{(\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1})/2}}{\sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_{n+1}})} \left\{ 1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) \right\} \\ &\leq \frac{\rho^{-n-1/2}}{\sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-4})} \{1 + 2(1 + \rho^{-1})\} \leq m_4 \rho^{-n}, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain (ii):

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Y_{n+1}}{X_{n+1}} &= \frac{Y_{n+1}}{X_n} \frac{X_n}{X_{n+1}} \geq m_3^{-1} \rho^{-n} m_2^{-1} \rho^{-n^2/2} \geq m_5^{-1} \rho^{-(n+1)^2/2}, \\ \frac{Y_{n+1}}{X_{n+1}} &\leq m_4 \rho^{-n} m_1 \rho^{-n^2/2} \leq m_6 \rho^{-(n+1)^2/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The estimates (iii) and (iv) follow from

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{Z_n}{X_n} &\geq \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \left\{ 1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n} + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 - \rho^{-\alpha_n/2})^2 \right\} \geq \rho^{\alpha_n/2}(1 - \rho^{-1}) \geq m_7^{-1} \rho^{n^2/2}, \\ \frac{Z_n}{X_n} &\leq \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \left\{ 1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{\beta_n}(1 + \rho^{-\alpha_n}) \right\} \leq \rho^{\alpha_n/2} \{1 + 2(1 + \rho^{-1})\} \leq m_8 \rho^{n^2/2} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{W_n}{X_n} \geq \sqrt{2}(1 - \rho^{-1})\rho^{n^2/2}, \quad \frac{W_n}{X_n} \leq \sqrt{2}\rho^{n^2/2},$$

respectively. □

5.3. We are ready to show that the function F_S fails in the integral test in Theorem B although it succeeds in the integral test in Theorem A. For the purpose we consider integrals

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_{1,n} &= \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{dr}{rF_S(r)^2}, & I_{2,n} &= \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{dr}{rF_S(r)^2}, \\
 J_{1,n} &= \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_S(r)^2}{r} dr, & J_{2,n} &= \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{F_S(r)^2}{r} dr, \\
 K_{1,n} &= \int_{b_n}^{a_n} \frac{F_S(r)^2}{r} \int_{b_n}^r \frac{ds}{sF_S(s)^2} dr, & K_{2,n} &= \int_{a_{n+1}}^{b_n} \frac{F_S(r)^2}{r} \int_{a_{n+1}}^r \frac{ds}{F_S(s)^2} dr.
 \end{aligned}$$

These integrals satisfy the following inequalities:

LEMMA 13. *There exists a positive constant C_3 such that*

- (i) $\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} I_{1,k} \leq \frac{C_3}{n^2 X_n^2} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$
- (ii) $\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} I_{2,k} \leq \frac{C_3}{n^2 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots),$
- (iii) $J_{1,n} \leq \frac{C_3 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{n^2}, \quad K_{1,n} \leq \frac{C_3}{n^2} \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots),$
- (iv) $J_{2,n} \leq \frac{C_3 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{n^2}, \quad K_{2,n} \leq \frac{C_3}{n^4} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$

PROOF. The proof is based upon Lemmas 2–5, 11–12, and the formula (15). The letters m_i ($i = 1, \dots, 7$) used below denote positive constants. Since for every $n = 2, 3, \dots$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{I_{1,n+k}}{I_{1,n}} &= \frac{n^2 X_n Y_n (\rho^{n^2/2} - \rho^{-n^2/2})}{(n+k)^2 X_{n+k} Y_{n+k} (\rho^{(n+k)^2/2} - \rho^{-(n+k)^2/2})} \\
 &\leq \frac{C_2^2 X_n^2}{X_{n+k}^2} \frac{1 - \rho^{-n^2}}{1 - \rho^{-(n+k)^2}} \\
 &\leq C_2^{2k+2} \rho^{-(n^2 + \dots + (n+k-1)^2)} \\
 &\leq C_2^{2k+2} \rho^{-(2^2 + \dots + (k+1)^2)}
 \end{aligned}$$

and $I_{1,n} \leq m_1 n^{-2} X_n^{-2}$, we obtain (i):

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} I_{1,k} = I_{1,n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{I_{1,n+k}}{I_{1,n}} \leq \frac{m_2}{n^2 X_n^2}.$$

We have also for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\frac{I_{2,n+k}}{I_{2,n}} = \frac{\beta_n Z_n W_n}{\beta_{n+k} Z_{n+k} W_{n+k}} \leq \frac{4C_2^4 \alpha_n X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{\alpha_{n+k} X_{n+k}^2 \rho^{(n+k)^2}} \leq \frac{4C_2^4 X_n^2}{X_{n+k}^2}.$$

Therefore $I_{2,n} \leq m_3 n^{-2} X_n^{-2} \rho^{-n^2}$ yields (ii). The inequalities (iii) and (iv) hold since

$$J_{1,n} \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \{X_n^2(1 + C_2^2 \rho^{-n^2})\rho^{n^2} + 2C_2 X_n^2 \rho^{-n^2}(\rho^{n^2} + 1) \log \rho^{n^2}\} \leq \frac{m_4 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{n^2},$$

$$K_{1,n} \leq \frac{1}{n^4 \rho^{n^2/2}(1 - \rho^{-n^2})} \{C_2 \rho^{n^2/2} + \rho^{-n^2/2}(\rho^{n^2} + 1) \log \rho^{n^2}\} \leq \frac{m_5}{n^2},$$

$$J_{2,n} \leq \frac{2}{n^2} \left\{ 2C_2^2 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 2C_2^2 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}} \right) \right\} \leq \frac{m_6 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{n^2},$$

$$K_{2,n} \leq \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\beta_n^2} \left\{ C_2^2 \left(\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2} \right) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}} \right\} \leq \frac{m_7}{n^4}. \quad \square$$

From this lemma it follows that

$$\int_0^{b_1} \frac{dr}{r F_S(r)^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (I_{1,n+1} + I_{2,n}) \leq \frac{C_3}{4X_2^2} + \frac{C_3}{X_1^2 \rho} < \infty$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^{b_1} \frac{F_S(r)^2}{r} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{s F_S(s)^2} dr \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \{K_{2,n} + J_{2,n} \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} (I_{1,k} + I_{2,k})\} \\ & \quad + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \{K_{1,n} + J_{1,n} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} (I_{2,k} + I_{1,k+1})\} \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{C_3}{n^4} + \frac{C_3 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{n^2} \left(\frac{C_3}{(n+1)^2 X_{n+1}^2} + \frac{C_3}{(n+1)^2 X_{n+1}^2 \rho^{(n+1)^2}} \right) \right\} \\ & \quad + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{C_3}{n^2} + \frac{C_3 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}}{n^2} \left(\frac{C_3}{n^2 X_n^2 \rho^{n^2}} + \frac{C_3}{(n+1)^2 X_{n+1}^2} \right) \right\} \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{C_3}{n^4} + \frac{C_2^2 C_3^2}{n^2(n+1)^2} (1 + \rho^{-(n+1)^2}) \right\} \\ & \quad + \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{C_3}{n^2} + \frac{C_3^2}{n^4} \left(1 + \frac{C_2^2 n^2}{(n+1)^2} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we proved the following lemma:

LEMMA 14. *The function F_S satisfies*

$$(i) \quad \int_0^{b_1} \frac{dr}{rF_S(r)^2} < \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad \int_0^{b_1} \frac{F_S(r)^2}{r} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{sF_S(s)^2} dr < \infty.$$

6. Proof of Theorem

Recall the discontinuous function R ($S = R/4$, resp.) and the C^1 function F_R (F_S , resp.) considered in Section 4 (5, resp.). In the definition of these functions, we used the sequences $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_n\}$ and $\{a_n\}$, $\{b_n\}$ given by (11) and (2), respectively. In the proof of Theorem, these letters denote the same.

Let $\delta = \{\delta_n\}_1^\infty$ be a sequence of numbers δ_n satisfying

$$(19) \quad 0 < \delta_n \leq \frac{b_n - a_{n+1}}{2} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

With δ and R we associate a density R_δ on Ω defined by

$$R_\delta = \begin{cases} R(r) = \frac{\alpha_n^2}{r^2} & (b_n \leq r \leq a_n) \\ \frac{1}{\delta_n} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_n^2}{b_n^2} + \frac{\beta_n^2}{(b_n - \delta_n)^2} \right\} (r - b_n) + \frac{\alpha_n^2}{b_n^2} & (b_n - \delta_n < r < b_n) \\ R(r) = -\frac{\beta_n^2}{r^2} & (a_{n+1} + \delta_n \leq r \leq b_n - \delta_n) \\ -\frac{1}{\delta_n} \left\{ \frac{\beta_n^2}{(a_{n+1} + \delta_n)^2} + \frac{\alpha_{n+1}^2}{a_{n+1}^2} \right\} (r - a_{n+1}) + \frac{\alpha_{n+1}^2}{a_{n+1}^2} & (a_{n+1} < r < a_{n+1} + \delta_n) \end{cases}$$

($n = 1, 2, \dots$).

Apply Lemma 6 to $P = R$ and $Q = R_\delta$. Then $R_\delta \geq R$ implies $f_{R_\delta} \geq F_R$, where f_{R_δ} is the R_δ -subunit. In particular we denote by R_0 the density R_δ with $\delta_n = (b_n - a_{n+1})/2$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) and f_{R_0} the R_0 -subunit. For a general δ satisfying (19), $R_\delta \leq R_0$ implies $f_{R_\delta} \leq f_{R_0}$ ([8]). Moreover in view of this and Lemma 6 and 9, following inequalities hold for positive constant C_4 :

$$(20) \quad 1 \leq \frac{f_{R_\delta}(r)}{F_R(r)} \leq 1 + C_4 \int_0^{b_1} s \{R_\delta(s) - R(s)\} f_{R_0}(s) F_R(s) ds \quad (0 < r < 1).$$

We also consider densities $R_\delta/4$ and $R_0/4$. Then the $R_\delta/4$ -subunit $f_{R_\delta/4}$ is dominated by the $R_0/4$ -subunit $f_{R_0/4}$ so that following inequalities hold for positive constant C_5 :

$$(21) \quad 1 \leq \frac{f_{R_0/4}(r)}{F_S(r)} \leq 1 + C_5 \int_0^{b_1} s \left\{ \frac{R_\delta(s)}{4} - \frac{R(s)}{4} \right\} f_{R_0/4}(s) F_S(s) ds \quad (0 < r < 1)$$

by Lemmas 6 and 14.

Now we set

$$\gamma_n = \frac{b_n(\alpha_{n+1}^2 + \beta_n^2)}{a_{n+1}^2}, \quad U_n = (a_{n+1}, a_{n+1} + \delta_n) \cup (b_n - \delta_n, b_n) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

We can choose and fix $\delta = \{\delta_n\}$ satisfying (19) and the following condition:

$$(22) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n \int_{U_n} \{f_{R_0}(s)F_R(s) + f_{R_0/4}(s)F_S(s)\} ds < \infty.$$

Let P be the density R_δ with this δ . By (20)–(22) the P -subunit f_P and the function F_R (the $P/4$ -subunit $f_{P/4}$ and the function F_S , resp.) are comparable since $s\{R_\delta(s) - R(s)\}$ is dominated by γ_n on U_n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) and vanishes otherwise: there exists a positive constant C_6 such that

$$1 \leq \frac{f_P(r)}{F_R(r)} \leq C_6 \left(1 \leq \frac{f_{P/4}(r)}{F_S(r)} \leq C_6, \text{ resp.} \right) \quad (0 < r < 1).$$

Hence Lemma 9 and (i) of Lemma 14 yield

$$\int_0^{b_1} \frac{dr}{rf_P(r)^2} < \infty, \quad \int_0^{b_1} \frac{dr}{rf_{P/4}(r)^2} < \infty$$

so that P and $P/4$ are both hyperbolic by Theorem A. Moreover Lemma 10 and (ii) of Lemma 14 yield

$$\int_0^{b_1} \frac{f_P(r)^2}{r} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{sf_P(s)^2} dr = \infty, \quad \int_0^{b_1} \frac{f_{P/4}(r)^2}{r} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{sf_{P/4}(s)^2} dr < \infty.$$

Thus we conclude $\dim P = 1$ and $\dim (P/4) = c$ by Theorem B. □

In the above proof, the density P can be replaced by a C^∞ density. In fact we can construct a C^∞ density Q on Ω such that $0 \leq Q(s) - R(s) \leq \gamma_n/b_n$ ($s \in U_n; n = 1, 2, \dots$) and $Q(s) - R(s)$ vanishes otherwise. By the same reason as that of P , the functions Q and R ($Q/4$ and S , resp.) are also comparable. Hence Q is hyperbolic and satisfy $\dim Q = 1, \dim (Q/4) = c$.

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