

## Large deviation properties of on-off intermittency

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The large deviation property of on-off intermittency is investigated by introducing a two-dimensional piecewise linear map, which can be mapped to an *infinite* Markov chain. It is shown that nonanalyticity, in the  $q$ -weighted average of the portion of time spent in burst state, appears as a *second-order* phase transition for an interval of control parameter with the bifurcation point of on-off intermittency as its end point.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Intermittency is a highly non-Gaussian temporal behavior commonly observed in various fields of nonlinear sciences. In low-dimensional dynamical systems, intermittent chaos of type I, II, and III was established by Pomeau and Manneville (PM intermittency) [1]. Also in low-dimensional dynamical systems, another type of intermittency was first found by Fujisaka and Yamada in coupled chaotic oscillators [2], and is recently called *on-off intermittency* [3]. This intermittency has been attracting considerable attention. In contrast to PM intermittency, which is associated with instability of periodic orbits, on-off intermittency is observed when the chaotic attractor, which is confined in an invariant sub-manifold of lower dimension than that of the full phase space, loses stability in the transverse direction [4]. Although many studies have been carried out on the universal characteristics of on-off intermittency [5–8], many features, such as its geometric structures, are still to be understood.

The thermodynamic formalism based on the large deviation theory [9] is useful to characterize ergodic properties of dynamical systems [10–12]. However, large deviation properties of on-off intermittency [13] are also not fully understood. In this paper, we shall discuss the large deviation property of the portion of time spent in burst state and show that there appears a *second-order* phase transition. In Sec. II, a model of on-off intermittency, which can be mapped to an *infinite* Markov chain, is introduced and its large deviation property is discussed in Sec. III. A summary and remarks are given in the last section. The Appendix contains detailed calculations.

### II. MODIFIED RANDOM WALK MODEL

Let us consider an  $N$ -dimensional discrete dynamical system

$$\begin{cases} X_{n+1} = F(X_n, Y_n), \\ Y_{n+1} = G(X_n, Y_n), \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

where  $X \in \mathbf{R}^{N_{\parallel}}$ ,  $Y \in \mathbf{R}^{N_{\perp}}$ , and  $N_{\parallel} + N_{\perp} = N$ . Assume that  $G(X, Y)$  is antisymmetric with respect to  $Y$ , i.e.,

$$G(X, -Y) = -G(X, Y), \quad (2)$$

so that,  $G(X, 0) = 0$  and the system (1) has the  $N_{\parallel}$ -dimensional invariant subspace  $S \equiv \{(X, Y) | Y = 0\}$ . Moreover let us assume that the system

$$X_{n+1} = F(X_n, 0), \quad (3)$$

which is the motion restricted within  $S$ , has a chaotic attractor  $\mathcal{A}$  with an ergodic natural invariant measure.

The linearized motion transverse to  $S$  along the dynamics (3) on the chaotic attractor  $\mathcal{A}$  is given by

$$\delta Y_{n+1} = D_Y G(X_n, 0) \delta Y_n, \quad (4)$$

where  $\delta Y_n$  denotes the deviation transverse to  $S$  and  $D_Y G(X, Y)$  denotes the tangent map of  $G(X, Y)$  with respect to  $Y$  at  $(X, Y)$ . The transverse stability of this chaotic attractor  $\mathcal{A}$  is determined by the *transverse Lyapunov exponent* defined as

$$\lambda_{\perp} \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \frac{|\delta Y_n|}{|\delta Y_0|}, \quad (5)$$

which converges to a unique value for almost all  $X_0$  on  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\delta Y_0 \neq 0$  by the ergodic property of the chaotic attractor  $\mathcal{A}$ .

If  $\lambda_{\perp} < 0$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is transversely stable, i.e., infinitesimally small disturbance transverse to  $S$  decay in time. If  $\lambda_{\perp} > 0$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is not transversely stable and does not have global stability, thus a qualitatively different motion appears. This transition of motion at  $\lambda_{\perp} = 0$  is called *blow-out bifurcation* [14].

Chaotic behavior in  $D_Y G(X_n, 0)$  leads to a nonuniform growth of  $\delta Y_n$ , i.e., the transverse disturbance may show an intermittent growth and decay in time. If  $\lambda_{\perp} > 0$  and there is a global mechanism of reinjection toward  $\mathcal{A}$ , on-off intermittency is observed.

As a tractable model showing on-off intermittency, we introduce a two-dimensional piecewise linear map on  $[0,1] \times [-1,1]$  with  $N_{\parallel} = N_{\perp} = 1$  by

$$x_{n+1} = \begin{cases} a^{-1}x_n & \text{if } 0 \leq x_n < a, \\ a'^{-1}(1-x_n) & \text{if } a \leq x_n \leq 1, \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

$$y_{n+1} = \begin{cases} b^{-1}y_n & \text{if } 0 \leq |y_n| < b, \quad 0 \leq x_n < a, \\ by_n & \text{if } 0 \leq |y_n| < b, \quad a \leq x_n \leq 1, \\ \text{sgn}(y_n)b'^{-1}(1-|y_n|) & \text{if } b \leq |y_n| \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $0 < a, b < 1$ ,  $a' = 1 - a$ ,  $b' = 1 - b$ , and  $\text{sgn}(x)$  denotes the sign of  $x$ . Note that  $y_n$  does not change its sign along the orbit and thus, in the following, the phase space is restricted to  $[0,1] \times [0,1]$ . The invariant submanifold  $S$  is a unit interval on  $y=0$  and the chaotic attractor  $\mathcal{A}$  has the uniform natural invariant density on  $S$ .

The transverse Lyapunov exponent  $\lambda_{\perp}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$  is

$$\lambda_{\perp} = a \log b^{-1} + a' \log b = (2a - 1) \log b^{-1}. \quad (7)$$

Thus the bifurcation point is at  $a = a_0 \equiv 1/2$  and  $\mathcal{A}$  is unstable to the transverse disturbance for  $a > a_0$ , and not an attractor any more. A time series  $\{y_n\}$  for  $a = 0.505$  and  $b = 1/e$  is shown in Fig. 1. As can be seen in Fig. 1, the model (6) exhibits characteristics of on-off intermittency.

Let us define rectangles  $R_j^i \subset [0,1] \times [0,1]$  as

$$\begin{cases} R_j^0 \equiv [0, a) \times (b^{j+1}, b^j], \\ R_j^1 \equiv [a, 1] \times (b^{j+1}, b^j], \end{cases} \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \quad (8)$$

where  $\cup_{i=0}^1 \cup_{j=0}^{\infty} R_j^i = [0,1] \times [0,1]$  and  $R_j^i \cap R_{j'}^{i'} = \emptyset$  if  $(i, j) \neq (i', j')$ . Since

$$T(R_j^i) = \begin{cases} R_{j+2i-1}^0 \cup R_{j+2i-1}^1 & \text{if } j \neq 0, \\ \cup_{i=0}^1 \cup_{k=0}^{\infty} R_k^i & \text{if } j = 0, \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

where  $T$  denotes the map (6), the partition  $\mathcal{R} = \{R_j^i\}$  gives a *Markov partition*.

Now consider piecewise constant functions such that

$$f(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^1 \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j^i R_j^i(x, y), \quad (10)$$

where

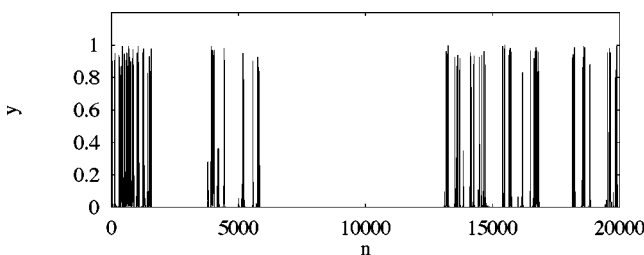


FIG. 1. Time series of  $y$  exhibiting on-off intermittency.

$$R_j^i(x, y) \equiv \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (x, y) \in R_j^i, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (11)$$

Operation of the Frobenius-Perron operator  $\mathcal{H}$  on  $f$  leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}f(x, y) &= (c_0^0 ab' + c_0^1 a' b') \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} R_j(x, y) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [c_j^0 ab R_{j-1}(x, y) + c_j^1 a' b^{-1} R_{j+1}(x, y)], \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where  $R_j(x, y) \equiv R_j^0(x, y) + R_j^1(x, y)$ . Moreover, if  $f(x, y)$  does not depend on  $x$ , i.e.,  $c_j^0 = c_j^1 \equiv c_j$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}f(y) &= c_0 b' \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} R_j(x, y) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_j [ab R_{j-1}(x, y) + a' b^{-1} R_{j+1}(x, y)]. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Let us denote the masses of the rectangles by

$$p_j \equiv (R_j f) = c_j (R_j) = c_j b' b^j \quad (14)$$

and

$$p'_j \equiv (R_j \mathcal{H}f), \quad (15)$$

where  $(G)$  denotes  $\int_0^1 dx \int_0^1 dy G(x, y)$ , then  $p'_j$  is explicitly given as

$$p'_j = \begin{cases} ap_{j+1} + a' p_{j-1} + b' b^j p_0 & \text{if } j \geq 2, \\ ap_{j+1} + b' b^j p_0 & \text{if } j = 0, 1, \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

which is equivalent to an *infinite* Markov chain and thus we call the system (6) the modified random walk model. If  $a > a_0 = 1/2$ , Eq. (16) has the stationary solution

$$p_j^s = \begin{cases} (a-a')b'/(1-2a'b') & \text{for } j=0, \\ p_0^s b(a'-ab)^{-1}\{(a'/a)^j - b^j\} & \text{for } j \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

where  $p_j^s$  satisfies the normalization condition  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_j^s = 1$  and the limit  $(a'/a) \rightarrow b$  is taken in the case  $a' = ab$ . By using  $p_j^s$ , the natural invariant density  $\rho(x, y)$  of Eq. (6) is given as

$$\rho(x, y) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} p_j^s (R_j)^{-1} R_j(x, y). \quad (18)$$

### III. SECOND-ORDER $Q$ -PHASE TRANSITION

In order to investigate the intermittent property of on-off intermittency, let us introduce the indicator of burst and laminar by

$$u(X) \equiv R_0(X), \quad (19)$$

where  $X$  denotes  $(x, y)$  and  $u(X) = 0$  and 1 for the laminar and burst states, respectively.

The portion of time spent in the burst state in a time interval of length  $n$  is given by

$$u_n(X) \equiv (1/n) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} u(T^k(X)), \quad (20)$$

where  $T$  denotes the map (6). Moreover let us introduce the thermodynamic structure functions [13,15] associated with  $u(X)$  by

$$\phi(q) \equiv \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1/n) \log \langle e^{nqu_n(X)} \rangle, \quad (21)$$

$$u(q) \equiv d\phi(q)/dq = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n(X) e^{nqu_n(X)} \rangle / \langle e^{nqu_n(X)} \rangle, \quad (22)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(q) &\equiv d^2\phi(q)/dq^2 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \langle \{u_n(X) - u(q)\}^2 e^{nqu_n(X)} \rangle / \langle e^{nqu_n(X)} \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

where  $-\infty < q < \infty$  and  $\langle G(X) \rangle$  denotes the average of  $G(X)$  with natural invariant density  $\rho(X)$ , i.e.,

$$\langle G(X) \rangle = \int dX \rho(X) G(X) = (\rho G). \quad (24)$$

Note that  $u(q)$  is a  $q$ -weighted average of  $u_n(X)$  and enables us to single out some characteristics of invariant sets contained in the chaotic attractor by changing the value of  $q$  [15].

After a calculation shown in the Appendix, we obtain the following results. In the case of the critical regime, i.e.,  $a_0 < a < a_c \equiv (1+b^2)^{-1}$ ,

$$\phi(q) = \begin{cases} \log(2\sqrt{aa'}) & \text{for } -\infty < q < q_c, \\ \log(\lambda(q)) & \text{for } q_c \leq q < \infty, \end{cases} \quad (25)$$

where  $q_c = \log\{2(\sqrt{aa'} - ab)/b'\}$  and  $\lambda(q)$  is an analytic function, which is defined in the Appendix with  $\lambda(q_c) = 2\sqrt{aa'}$ ,  $d\lambda(q_c)/dq = 0$ , and  $d^2\lambda(q_c)/dq^2 = 2\sqrt{aa'}b^{-2}(b - \sqrt{a'/a})^2$ . Thus, as shown in Fig. 2, the derivative  $\chi(q)$  of the  $q$ -weighted average  $u(q)$  has a discontinuity at  $q = q_c$ , exhibiting a *second-order*  $q$ -phase transition. The fluctuation spectrum  $S(u)$  is shown also in Fig. 2, where  $S(u)$  is related to  $\phi(q)$  with the Legendre transformation

$$\phi(q) = \max_u \{qu - S(u)\} \quad \text{or} \quad S(u) = \max_q \{qu - \phi(q)\}. \quad (26)$$

The transition point  $q_c \rightarrow -\infty$  as  $a \rightarrow a_c - 0$  and the nonanalyticity disappears, on the other hand,  $q_c \rightarrow 0 - 0$  as  $a \rightarrow a_0 + 0$ .

Since  $u(q=0) = \langle u \rangle = p_0^s = (a-a')b'/(1-2a'b') \propto \epsilon$ ,  $S(u=0) = -\phi(q=-\infty) = -\log(2\sqrt{aa'}) \propto \epsilon^2$ , for small  $\epsilon \equiv a - a_0 > 0$ , and  $S(u)$  is parabolic around  $u = \langle u \rangle$ , a scaling  $S(u) \approx \epsilon^2 \sigma(u/\epsilon)$  for  $0 \leq u \leq \langle u \rangle$  and  $u > \langle u \rangle$  with small  $u/\langle u \rangle$ . Similar scaling has been found to hold in the multiplicative stochastic model of on-off intermittency [13].

As shown in the Appendix, the transition at  $q_c$  is brought about by the disappearance of the discrete eigenvalue of the generalized Frobenius-Perron operator associated with  $u_n(X)$ . The eigenvector for the discrete eigenvalue is localized and may be contributed by localized invariant sets, where the orbit elements visit  $R_0 = R_0^0 \cup R_0^1$  repeatedly, whereas the eigenvectors for the continuous eigenvalues have the wavelike form spreading over  $R_j = R_j^0 \cup R_j^1$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ) and may be contributed by the invariant sets, where the orbit elements travels over  $R_j$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ) unboundedly. Thus the transition at  $q_c$  may be interpreted as the transition between the two modes of motions of localized and unbounded.

In the case of the normal regime, i.e.,  $a_c \leq a < 1$ ,  $\phi(q)$  and thus  $u(q)$  and  $\chi(q)$  are analytic for all  $q$ , as shown in Fig. 3. As shown in the Appendix, in this case, only the discrete eigenvalue contributes and no transition takes place.

### IV. SUMMARY AND CONCLUDING REMARKS

A simple model of on-off intermittency, the modified random walk model, is introduced to study large deviation properties of on-off intermittency. It is shown that a second-order  $q$ -phase transition in  $u(q)$  appears for an interval of control parameter with the bifurcation point of on-off intermittency as its end point. This point contrasts with the first-order  $q$ -phase transitions at the bifurcation points of chaos [12] and the onset point of type I PM intermittency [16,17], where  $q$ -phase transitions are seen only at just before or after the bifurcation points.

The second-order  $q$ -phase transition is considered to be a characteristic of on-off intermittency. Indeed, similar calculation performed on the solvable model of on-off intermittency proposed by Hata and Miyazaki [6] leads to a similar second-order  $q$ -phase transition. As shown by Fujisaka and Yamada [13], the second-order  $q$ -phase transition is also seen in the multiplicative stochastic model of on-off intermittency.

On-off intermittency shows another kind of  $q$ -phase tran-

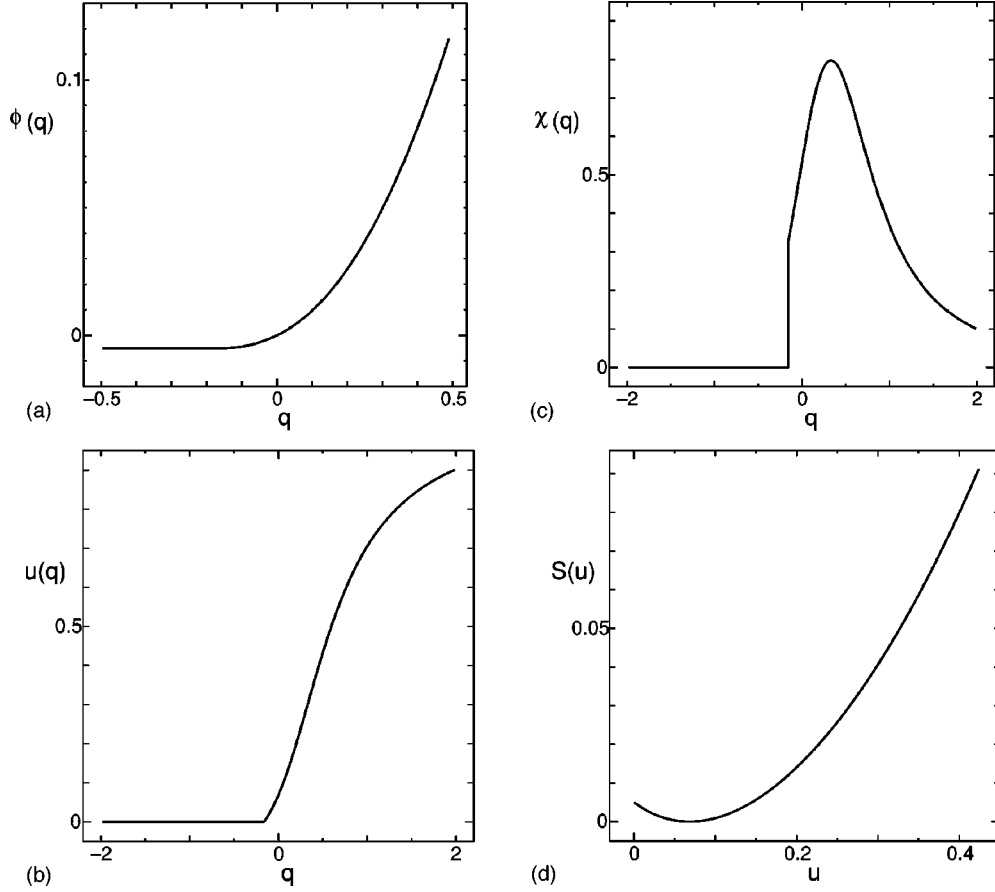


FIG. 2. Thermodynamic structure functions of the modified random walk model in the critical regime with  $a=0.6$  and  $b=1/\sqrt{3}$ .  $\chi(q)$  shows a discontinuity at  $q=q_c=-0.160712$ , exhibiting a second-order phase transition at  $q=q_c$ .

sition as seen in the solvable map of on-off intermittency [6]. The natural invariant density given by Eq. (18) with Eq. (17) leads to the singularity spectrum [18,10]

$$f(\alpha) = \begin{cases} 2 + (\alpha - 2)/(2 - \alpha_0) & \text{if } \alpha_0 \leq \alpha \leq 2, \\ -\infty & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (27)$$

where  $\alpha_0 = 1 + \min\{1, \log(a'/a)/\log b\}$ , exhibiting a linear slope [6], i.e.,  $q$ -phase transition, for  $a_0 < a < (1+b)^{-1}$ , as shown in Fig. 4. Note that, since  $(1+b)^{-1} < a_c = (1+b^2)^{-1}$ ,  $q$ -phase transition in  $u(q)$  is observed before the appearance of  $q$ -phase transition in  $f(\alpha)$  if the control parameter is changed toward the bifurcation point of on-off intermittency. The understanding of geometric structures of on-off intermittency may be needed to clarify the relation between these  $q$ -phase transitions. Finally let us mention that, as in our model, on-off intermittency has a close relationship with random walks and, as discussed by Radons [19], the problem of thermodynamic formalism of random walks contains the second-order phase transitions.

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#### APPENDIX: CALCULATION OF $\phi(Q)$

Let  $M_q(n) \equiv \langle e^{nq u_n(X)} \rangle$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} M_q(n) &= \int dX \rho(X) \exp \left\{ q \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} u(T^k(X)) \right\} \\ &= \int dX [\mathcal{H}e^{qu}]^n \rho(X), \end{aligned} \quad (A1)$$

where

$$[\mathcal{H}e^{qu}]G(X) \equiv \int dY \delta(X - T(Y)) e^{qu(Y)} G(Y). \quad (A2)$$

Since we are considering the map (6) and  $u(X) = R_0(X)$ , for a piecewise constant function  $f(y) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} c_j R_j(x, y)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} [\mathcal{H}e^{qu}]f(y) &= c_0 b' e^q \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} R_j(x, y) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [abR_{j-1}(x, y) + a'b^{-1}R_{j+1}] \quad (A3) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} (fR_l)[P_q]_{lk}(R_k)^{-1} R_k(x, y), \end{aligned} \quad (A4)$$

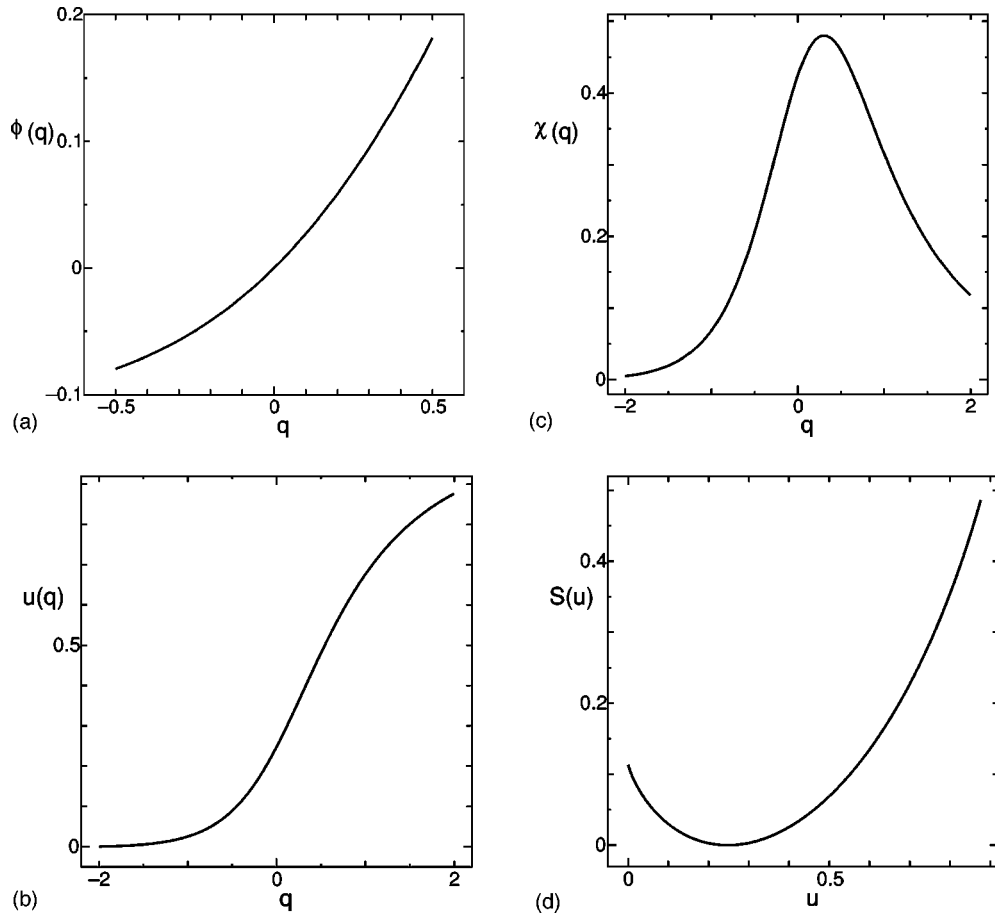


FIG. 3. Thermodynamic structure functions of the modified random walk model in the normal regime with  $a=0.95$  and  $b=1/\sqrt{3}$ .

where  $P_q$  has the form

$$P_q = \begin{pmatrix} b' & a & & & \\ b'b & 0 & a & & 0 \\ b'b^2 & a' & 0 & a & \\ b'b^3 & a' & 0 & a & \\ \vdots & & 0 & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} e^q & & & & \\ & 1 & 0 & & \\ & & 1 & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & & \ddots \end{pmatrix} \quad (A5)$$

and  $P_0$  defines an infinite Markov chain. By using Eqs. (18) and (A4), Eq. (A1) leads to

$$M_q(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} [P_q^n]_{kl} P_l^s. \quad (A6)$$

In order to investigate  $n$  dependence of  $M_q(n)$ , let us consider the eigenvalue problem of  $P_q$ . First, we construct a finite Markov chain by approximating  $P_0$  with an  $m \times m$  matrix

$$P_0^{(m)} = \begin{pmatrix} b^{(m)} & a & & & 0 \\ b^{(m)}b & 0 & a & & 0 \\ b^{(m)}b^2 & a' & 0 & a & 0 \\ b^{(m)}b^3 & a' & 0 & a & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots \\ b^{(m)}b^{m-3} & & & a & 0 & a & 0 \\ b^{(m)}b^{m-2} & & & & a' & 0 & 1 \\ b^{(m)}b^{m-1} & & & & & a' & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad (A7)$$

where  $b^{(m)} = (1 - b^m)/b'$ , and  $P_q^{(m)}$  is naturally introduced by multiplying an  $m \times m$  diagonal matrix with diagonal elements  $(e^q, 1, 1, \dots, 1)$  as in Eq. (A5). The left eigenequation of  $P_q^{(m)}$  reads

$$e^q b^{(m)} \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} b^i v_{i-1} = \lambda v_0, \quad (A8)$$

$$a v_{i-1} + a' v_{i+1} = \lambda v_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, m-2, \quad (A9)$$

$$v_{m-2} = \lambda v_{m-1}, \quad (A10)$$

where  $\lambda$  denotes the eigenvalue and  $(v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{m-1})$  denotes the eigenvector. Since real and positive eigenvalues are interested,  $\lambda > 0$  is assumed in the following. For a given  $\lambda$ ,

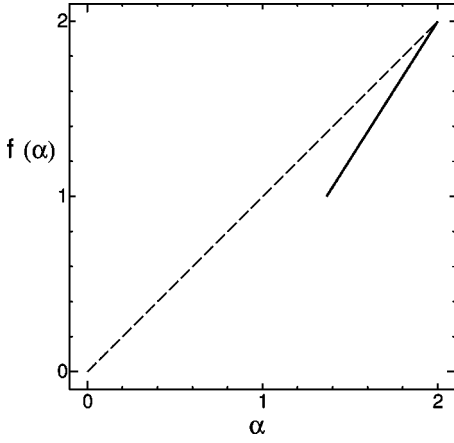


FIG. 4. Singularity spectrum of the invariant measure for the modified random walk model with  $a=0.55$  and  $b=1/\sqrt{3}$ .  $f(\alpha)$  has a linear slope for  $\alpha_0 \approx 1.365 \leq \alpha \leq 2$ .

$$v_i = \alpha \mu_+^i + \beta \mu_-^i, \quad i=0,1,\dots,m-1, \quad (\text{A11})$$

with

$$\mu_{\pm} = \frac{\lambda \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - 4aa'}}{2a'} \quad (\text{A12})$$

and constants  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , satisfies Eq. (A9), thus Eqs. (A8) and (A10) lead to

$$\alpha \left( e^q b^{(m)} \frac{1-b^m \mu_+^m}{1-b\mu_+} - \lambda \right) + \beta \left( e^q b^{(m)} \frac{1-b^m \mu_-^m}{1-b\mu_-} - \lambda \right) = 0, \quad (\text{A13})$$

$$\alpha \mu_+^{m-2} (1-\lambda \mu_+) + \beta \mu_-^{m-2} (1-\lambda \mu_-) = 0, \quad (\text{A14})$$

and furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta (\mu_- / \mu_+)^{m-2} (1-\lambda \mu_-) \left( e^q b^{(m)} \frac{1-b^m \mu_+^m}{1-b\mu_+} - \lambda \right) \\ &= \beta (1-\lambda \mu_+) \left( e^q b^{(m)} \frac{1-b^m \mu_-^m}{1-b\mu_-} - \lambda \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A15})$$

If  $\lambda > 2\sqrt{aa'}$ , then  $\mu_+ > \sqrt{aa'} > \mu_- > 0$  and, in the limit of  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , Eq. (A15) leads to

$$\frac{e^q b'}{1-b\mu_-} = \lambda, \quad (\text{A16})$$

by abandoning nonphysical solutions  $\beta=0$  and  $\lambda \mu_+ = 1$ , because the left-hand side of Eq. (A15) goes to 0. Since Eq. (A12) is equivalent to

$$\alpha \mu_-^{-1} + a' \mu_- = \lambda, \quad 0 \leq \mu_- \leq \sqrt{aa'}, \quad (\text{A17})$$

the eigenvalue  $\lambda$  is given by the intersecting point of Eqs. (A16) and (A17) on the  $\mu_- - \lambda$  plane as shown in Fig. 5. If  $b < \sqrt{a'/a}$  and  $q < q_c \equiv \log\{2(\sqrt{aa'} - ab)/b'\}$ , there is no eigenvalue greater than  $2\sqrt{aa'}$ . Otherwise, by eliminating  $\mu_-$  in Eqs. (A16) and (A17), the eigenvalue is given as the real root of

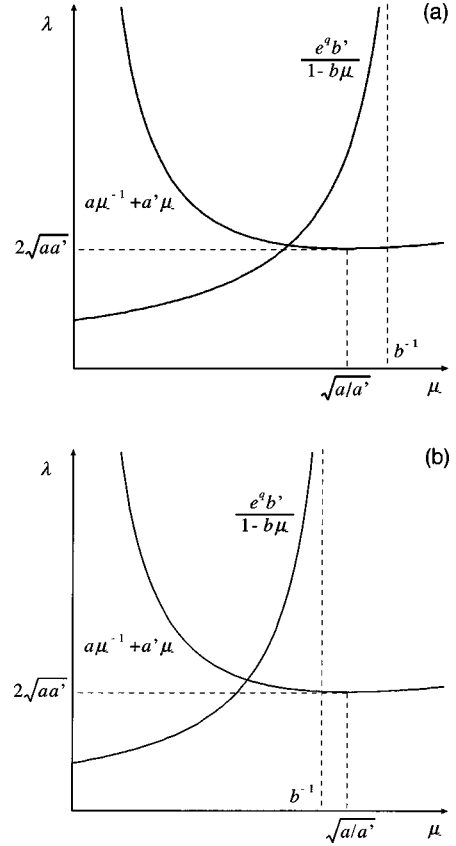


FIG. 5.  $\lambda$  versus  $\mu_-$  in the critical (a) and normal (b) regime. The crossing point of the two curves determines the eigenvalue. In the critical regime, there is no crossing point satisfying  $\mu_- \leq \sqrt{aa'}$  for  $q < q_c$ ; on the other hand, in the normal regime, there is a crossing point for all  $q$ .

$$b\lambda^3 - (e^q b b' + ab^2 + a')\lambda^2 + 2e^q a' b' \lambda - (e^q b')^2 a' = 0, \quad (\text{A18})$$

which has a unique real root  $\lambda(q)$  greater than  $2\sqrt{aa'}$  as it can be seen from Fig. 5.

If  $\lambda \leq 2\sqrt{aa'}$ , by introducing  $\theta \in [0, \pi]$ ,  $\mu_{\pm}$  can be expressed as  $\mu_{\pm} = \sqrt{a/a'} e^{\pm i\theta}$  and  $\lambda = 2\sqrt{aa'} \cos \theta$ . Without loss of generality, we can set  $\alpha = \beta^{-1} = e^{i\psi}$  with real  $\psi$ . Eq. (A13) leads to

$$\text{Re} \left\{ e^{i\psi} \left( e^q b^{(m)} \frac{1-b^m (a/a')^{m/2} e^{im\theta}}{1-b\sqrt{a/a'} e^{i\theta}} - 2\sqrt{aa'} \cos \theta \right) \right\} = 0, \quad (\text{A19})$$

which is satisfied with

$$\psi = \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$-\arg \left\{ \left( e^q b^{(m)} \frac{1-b^m (a/a')^{m/2} e^{im\theta}}{1-b\sqrt{a/a'} e^{i\theta}} - 2\sqrt{aa'} \cos \theta \right) \right\}. \quad (\text{A20})$$

Equation (A14) leads to

$$a' \cos(\psi + (m-2)\theta) = a \cos(\psi + m\theta), \quad (\text{A21})$$

which has  $m$  or  $m-1$  solutions with respect to  $\theta$ .  $\theta$ 's satis-

fying Eq. (A21) almost uniformly range over  $[0, \pi]$ ; thus, in the limit of  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , a band of continuous eigenvalues over  $[-2\sqrt{aa'}, 2\sqrt{aa'}]$  is formed.

By estimating  $M_q(n)$  with the largest eigenvalue  $\lambda_{\max}(q)$  of  $P_q$  as  $M_q(n) \sim (\lambda_{\max}(q))^n$ ,  $\phi(q)$  shown in Sec. III is obtained. In the normal regime  $b \geq \sqrt{a'/a}$ , i.e.,  $a \geq a_c = (1 + b^2)^{-1}$ , no eigenvalue in the band of continuous eigenvalue does not contribute to  $\phi(q)$ , whereas, in the critical regime

$a_0 = 1/2 < a < a_c$ , the largest eigenvalue in the band of continuous eigenvalue determines  $\phi(q)$  for  $q < q_c$ .

Note that for each eigenvector considered above,  $|\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} v_i p_i^s| < \infty$  holds, because  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$  by Eq. (A14) if  $\lambda > 2\sqrt{aa'}$ , and the largest eigenvalue determines  $\phi(q)$ . It is not the case, but, if  $|\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} v_i p_i^s| < \infty$  is not guaranteed, there is a possibility that not only the largest eigenvalue determines the growth rate of  $M_q(n)$  [19].

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