

Main examples of descent operators (convolution-of-projections maps) in the theory of Markov chains from Hopf algebras are available at my website.

If you spot an error, or wish to add other maps to this list, please let me know.

Name of chain	Defining map (in all cases assume $\sum q_i = 1$)	Eigenvalues ($i(\lambda)$ denotes i -th part of λ)
Hopf-square / Riffle-shuffle	$\frac{1}{2^n} m \Delta$	$2^{l(\lambda)-n}$
Hopf-power / a -handed shuffle	$\frac{1}{a^n} m^{[a]} \Delta^{[a]}$	$a^{l(\lambda)-n}$
biased Hopf-power / biased a -handed shuffle	$\sum q_1^{i_1} \dots q_a^{i_a} \text{Proj}_{i_1} * \dots * \text{Proj}_{i_a}$	the power sum symmetric functions
ordered top- m -to-random	$\frac{1}{\binom{n}{m}} \text{Proj}_m * \iota$	(doesn't simplify)
top-to-random (T2R)	$\frac{1}{n} \text{Proj}_1 * \iota$	$\frac{1(\lambda)}{n}$
unordered top- m -to-random	$\frac{(n-m)!}{n!} \text{Proj}_1^{*m} * \iota$	$\binom{1(\lambda)}{m}$
binomial top-to-random	$\sum_{m=0}^n \frac{1}{m!} q^m (1-q)^{n-m} \text{Proj}_1^{*m} * \iota$	$(1-q)^{n-1} (1-q\lambda)$
top-or-bottom-to-random (ToB2R)	$\frac{1}{n} (q \text{Proj}_1 * \iota + (1-q) \iota * \text{Proj}_1)$	$\frac{1(\lambda)}{n}$
trinomial top-and-bottom-to-random	$\sum_{m_1+m_2+m_3=n} \frac{1}{m_1! m_3!} q_1^{m_1} q_2^{m_2} q_3^{m_3} \text{Proj}_1^{*m_1} * \iota * \text{Proj}_1^{*m_3}$	$q_2^{n-1} (q_1 + q_2 \lambda + q_3)$
top-and-bottom-to-random (T+B2R)	$\frac{1}{n(n-1)} (\text{Proj}_1 * \iota * \text{Proj}_1)$	$\frac{1(\lambda)(1(\lambda)-1)}{n(n-1)}$
top- m -and-bottom- m -to-random	$\frac{(n-2m)!}{n!} (\text{Proj}_1^{*m} * \iota * \text{Proj}_1^{*m})$	$\frac{1(\lambda) \dots (1(\lambda)-2m)}{n \dots (n-2m)}$

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β_λ	Eigenfunction formulae		References	
	cocommutative	commutative	[DFP92]	[Pan15]
(number of parts of size i in λ)	[Pan14, Th. 2.5.1.B]	[Pan14, Th. 2.5.1.A]		Sec. 1
	[Pan14, Th. 2.5.1.B]	[Pan14, Th. 2.5.1.A]		Sec. 1
in p_λ in the variables q_1, \dots, q_a				Ex. 3.2
(simplify nicely)			Sec. 2, Sec. 6 Ex.1	Ex. 3.3
	[Pan15, after Prop. 5.2]	forthcoming		Ex. 4.3
			Sec. 6 Ex.2	Ex. 3.3
			Sec. 2 Ex. 3	
	[Pan15, Th. 5.1]	forthcoming	Sec. 6 Ex.4	Ex. 3.4, Ex. 4.4
			Sec. 6 Ex. 6	before Ex. 5.3
	forthcoming		Sec. 6 Ex. 5	
(n)	forthcoming		Sec. 6 Ex. 3	

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