

A. Proof of Theorem 2

We apply Blackwell’s Theorem (see Theorem 1) in a constructive fashion, namely we build stochastic matrices M_1 and M_2 such that $R \times M_1 = P$ and $R \times M_2 = Q$; thus, constituting a sufficient condition for proving the theorem.

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} p_{1,1} & \cdots & p_{1,n_y^P} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ p_{n_s,1} & \cdots & p_{n_s,n_y^P} \end{bmatrix} \quad Q = \begin{bmatrix} q_{1,1} & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ q_{n_s,1} & \cdots & q_{n_s,n_y^Q} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = Q \times P = \begin{bmatrix} q_{1,1} \cdot p_{1,1} & \cdots & q_{1,1} \cdot p_{1,n_y^P} & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q} \cdot p_{1,n_y^P} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ q_{n_s,1} \cdot p_{n_s,1} & \cdots & q_{n_s,1} \cdot p_{n_s,n_y^P} & \cdots & q_{n_s,n_y^Q} \cdot p_{n_s,n_y^P} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let M_1 and M_2 be two stochastic (Markov) matrices each having $n_y^P \times n_y^Q$ rows and n_y^P or n_y^Q columns, receptively, constructed as follows:

$$M_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & . & . & . & . & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & . & . & . & . & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & . & . & . & . & 0 \\ \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & . & . & . & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & . & . & . & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & & & & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & . & . & . & . & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & . & . & . & . & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots & \\ 0 & & & & & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{1st } n_y^P \text{ rows} \\ \\ \text{2nd } n_y^P \text{ rows} \\ \\ \text{last } n_y^P \text{ rows} \end{array}$$

$$M_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & 1 \\ \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & & 1 \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & & & \vdots \\ 0 & & & & & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{1st } n_y^Q \text{ rows} \\ \\ \text{2nd } n_y^Q \text{ rows} \\ \\ \text{last } n_y^Q \text{ rows} \end{array}$$

It is easy to see that $R \times M_1 = P$ and $R \times M_2 = Q$. Hence, R is generally more informative than both Q and P .

B. Proof of Theorem 3

In the proof, it is assumed that investment costs C_Q and C_R are greater than zero. The confusion matrices $Q(C_Q)$ and $R(C_R)$ have the following general form:

$$Q(C_Q) = \begin{bmatrix} f(C_Q) & \frac{1-f(C_Q)}{n-1} & \dots & \dots & \frac{1-f(C_Q)}{n-1} \\ \frac{1-f(C_Q)}{n-1} & f(C_Q) & & & \cdot \\ \cdot & & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \cdot & & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \frac{1-f(C_Q)}{n-1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & f(C_Q) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(C_R) = \begin{bmatrix} f(C_R) & \frac{1-f(C_R)}{n-1} & \dots & \dots & \frac{1-f(C_R)}{n-1} \\ \frac{1-f(C_R)}{n-1} & f(C_R) & & & \cdot \\ \cdot & & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \cdot & & \cdot & & \cdot \\ \frac{1-f(C_R)}{n-1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & f(C_R) \end{bmatrix}$$

According to Blackwell's theorem [10], $Q(C_Q)$ is more effective than $R(C_R)$ if and only if there exists a stochastic matrix M_Q with appropriate dimensions such that $Q(C_Q) \cdot M_Q = R(C_R)$. It is sufficient to show that $M_Q = Q(C_Q)^{-1} \cdot R(C_R)$ is a stochastic matrix while $M_R = R(C_R)^{-1} \cdot Q(C_Q)$ is not. Since $Q(C_Q)$ and $R(C_R)$ have full rank, M_Q and M_R can be derived.

It can be verified that M_Q and M_R have the following general form ($n = n_y = n_s$):

$$M_Q = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1+f(C_Q)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} & \frac{f(C_Q)-f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} & \dots & \frac{f(C_Q)-f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} \\ \frac{f(C_Q)-f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} & \frac{-1+f(C_Q)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{f(C_Q)-f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} & \dots & \dots & \frac{-1+f(C_Q)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$M_R = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{-1+f(C_R)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} & \frac{f(C_R)-f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} & \dots & \frac{f(C_R)-f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} \\ \frac{f(C_R)-f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} & \frac{-1+f(C_R)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} & \dots & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{f(C_R)-f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} & \dots & \dots & \frac{-1+f(C_R)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_Q)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_R)} \end{bmatrix}$$

It is proved that M_Q is a stochastic matrix by showing that all elements of M_Q have values in the interval $[0,1]$ and that the sum of each row equals one. First, it is shown that the sum of each row is equal to 1:

$$\forall i \quad \sum_{j=1}^n M_{Qij} = \frac{-1+f(C_Q)+(n-1) \cdot f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} + (n-1) \frac{f(C_Q)-f(C_R)}{-1+n \cdot f(C_Q)} = 1$$

Next, it is shown that all the elements of M_Q are positive:

$$\begin{aligned}
C_Q > C_R &\rightarrow f(C_Q) > f(C_R) \\
\Downarrow & \\
-1 + f(C_Q) + (n-1) \cdot f(C_R) &< -1 + n \cdot f(C_Q) \\
\Downarrow & \\
\forall i \quad M_{Q_{ii}} &= \frac{-1 + f(C_Q) + (n-1) \cdot f(C_R)}{-1 + n \cdot f(C_Q)} \in (0,1) \\
\forall i \neq j \quad M_{Q_{ij}} &= \frac{f(C_Q) - f(C_R)}{-1 + n \cdot f(C_Q)} \in (0,1)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, M_Q is a stochastic matrix.

Now, it is shown that M_R is not a stochastic matrix. It can be verified that the sum of elements in each row of M_R is 1, and that all the diagonal elements of M_R are positive. We show that the off-diagonal elements of M_R are negative:

$$\begin{aligned}
C_R < C_Q &\rightarrow f(C_R) < f(C_Q) \\
\Downarrow & \\
-1 + f(C_R) + (n-1) \cdot f(C_Q) &> -1 + n \cdot f(C_R) \\
\Downarrow & \\
\forall i \quad M_{R_{ii}} &= \frac{-1 + f(C_R) + (n-1) \cdot f(C_Q)}{-1 + n \cdot f(C_R)} > 1 \\
\forall i \neq j \quad M_{R_{ij}} &= \frac{f(C_R) - f(C_Q)}{-1 + n \cdot f(C_R)} < 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\forall i \neq j \quad M_{R_{ij}} < 0$, M_R is not a stochastic matrix. Since M_R is not a stochastic matrix and M_Q is a stochastic matrix, $Q(C_Q)$ is proved to be more effective than $R(C_R)$ when $C_Q > C_R$.

C. Proof of Theorem 4

Our result relies on the following useful lemma:

Lemma 1: The matrices $S_1 = P \times R$ and $S_2 = R \times P$ are *equivalent* in terms of their effectiveness.

Proof (Sketch): It is obvious that S_1 and S_2 consist of the same columns arranged in a different order. However, permutations of the columns do not affect the effectiveness of the confusion matrix, since the decision-maker needs only to permute the rows of the decision matrix accordingly.

We now prove Theorem 4. By applying Lemma 1, it is sufficient to show that $P \times Q(C_Q)$ is more

effective than $P \times R(C_R)$. Since $C_Q > C_R$, by Theorem 3 $Q(C_Q)$ is more effective than $R(C_R)$. Thus, according to Blackwell's theorem [10], there exists a stochastic matrix M with appropriate dimensions such that $Q(C_Q) \cdot M = R(C_R)$. The Cartesian products $P \times Q(C_Q)$ and $P \times R(C_R)$ can be represented in matrix form as follows:

$$P \times Q(C_Q) = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1n} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{21} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{2n} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Q(C_Q) & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & Q(C_Q) & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & Q(C_Q) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P \times R(C_R) = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1n} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{21} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{2n} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} R(C_R) & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & R(C_R) & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & R(C_R) \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1n} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{21} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{2n} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Q(C_Q) \cdot M & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & Q(C_Q) \cdot M & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & Q(C_Q) \cdot M \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1n} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{21} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{2n} & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{nn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Q(C_Q) & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & Q(C_Q) & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & Q(C_Q) \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} M & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & M & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & M \end{bmatrix} = (P \times Q(C_Q)) \cdot \begin{bmatrix} M & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & M & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & M \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$(P \times Q(C_Q)) \cdot M^\times = P \times R(C_R) \quad \Rightarrow \quad M^\times = \begin{bmatrix} M & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & M & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & M \end{bmatrix}$$

Since M^\times is a stochastic matrix, according to Blackwell's theorem $P \times Q(C_Q)$ is more effective than $P \times R(C_R)$. By applying Lemma 1 above, we conclude that $Q(C_Q) \times P$ is more effective than $R(C_R) \times P$.

D. Proof of Theorem 5

Let Q (respectively P) be a confusion matrix of size $n_s^Q \times m_y^Q$ (respectively $n_s^P \times m_y^P$). Let $R = Q \otimes P$ be the doubly-Cartesian product of Q and P . The doubly-Cartesian process operates over the set of object types in $S_R = \{(s_i^Q, s_j^P) : i=1, \dots, n_s^Q, j=1, \dots, n_s^P\}$. The doubly-Cartesian process classifies object types to one of the classes in $Y_R = \{(y_i^Q, y_j^P) : i=1, \dots, n_y^Q, j=1, \dots, n_y^P\}$. Thus, the doubly-Cartesian product has $n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P$ rows and $n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P$ columns.

The confusion matrices R , Q (respectively R , P) operate on different object types and, thus, cannot be compared for their effectiveness (see Definition 1). In order to perform the comparison, the confusion matrices Q and P will be represented by equivalent confusion matrices Q^E , P^E respectively, that operate on the same set of object types S_R :

$$Q^E = \begin{bmatrix} q_{1,1}^E & q_{1,2}^E & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q}^E \\ q_{2,1}^E & q_{2,2}^E & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q}^E \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ q_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 1}^E & q_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 2}^E & \cdots & q_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, n_y^Q}^E \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} q_{1,1} & q_{1,2} & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q} \\ q_{1,1} & q_{1,2} & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ q_{1,1} & q_{1,2} & \cdots & q_{1,n_y^Q} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ q_{n_s^Q, 1} & q_{n_s^Q, 2} & \cdots & q_{n_s^Q, n_y^Q} \\ q_{n_s^Q, 1} & q_{n_s^Q, 2} & \cdots & q_{n_s^Q, n_y^Q} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ q_{n_s^Q, 1} & q_{n_s^Q, 2} & \cdots & q_{n_s^Q, n_y^Q} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^E = \begin{bmatrix} p_{1,1}^E & p_{1,2}^E & \cdots & p_{1,n_y^P}^E \\ p_{2,1}^E & p_{2,2}^E & \cdots & p_{1,n_y^P}^E \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 1}^E & p_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 2}^E & \cdots & p_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, n_y^P}^E \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} p_{1,1} & p_{1,2} & \cdots & p_{1,n_y^P} \\ p_{2,1} & p_{2,2} & \cdots & p_{2,n_y^P} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{n_s^P, 1} & p_{1,2} & \cdots & p_{n_s^P, n_y^P} \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ p_{1,1} & p_{1,2} & \cdots & p_{1,n_y^P} \\ p_{2,1} & p_{2,2} & \cdots & p_{2,n_y^P} \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ p_{n_s^P, 1} & p_{n_s^P, 2} & \cdots & p_{n_s^P, n_y^P} \end{bmatrix}$$

According to Blackwell's theorem, in order to prove that the confusion matrix R is more effective than Q^E and P^E , stochastic matrices M_Q and M_P have to be found such that:

$$P^E = R \cdot M_P, \text{ and } Q^E = R \cdot M_Q.$$

The following equalities can be verified:

$$Q^E = R \cdot M_Q = \begin{bmatrix} r_{1,1}^E & r_{1,2}^E & \cdots & r_{1,n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P}^E \\ r_{2,1}^E & r_{2,2}^E & \cdots & r_{2,n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P}^E \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 1}^E & r_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 2}^E & \cdots & r_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P}^E \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P^E = R \cdot M_P = \begin{bmatrix} r_{1,1}^E & r_{1,2}^E & \cdots & r_{1,n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P}^E \\ r_{2,1}^E & r_{2,2}^E & \cdots & r_{2,n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P}^E \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ r_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 1}^E & r_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, 2}^E & \cdots & r_{n_s^Q \cdot n_s^P, n_y^Q \cdot n_y^P}^E \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & & & \vdots \\ 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since M_Q and M_P are stochastic matrices, the confusion matrix R is more effective than both Q^E and P^E .

E. Proof of Theorem 6

Our result relies on the following useful lemma whose proof is similar to the proof of Lemma 1:

Lemma 2: The matrices $S_1 = P \otimes R$ and $S_2 = R \otimes P$ are *equivalent* in terms of their effectiveness.

By Lemma 2, $Q \otimes P$ (respectively $R \otimes P$) is equivalent to $P \otimes Q$ (respectively $P \otimes R$). Thus, it is sufficient to show that $P \otimes Q$ is more effective than $P \otimes R$. Let Q and R be the following confusion matrices operating on a finite set of object types S and finite sets of classes Y^Q and Y^R respectively:

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} Q_{1,1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & Q_{1,n_y^Q} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ Q_{n_s,1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & Q_{n_s,n_y^Q} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & R_{1,n_y^R} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ R_{n_s,1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & R_{n_s,n_y^R} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let P be a confusion matrix operating on a finite set of object types S^P and a finite set of classes Y^P , where $S \cap S^P = \emptyset$:

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} P_{1,1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & P_{1,n_y^P} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ P_{n_s^P,1} & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & P_{n_s^P,n_y^P} \end{bmatrix}$$

Let Q^\otimes and R^\otimes be:

$$Q^\otimes = P \otimes Q$$

$$R^\otimes = P \otimes R$$

According to Blackwell's theorem there exists a stochastic matrix M with appropriate dimensions such that $Q^\otimes \cdot M = R^\otimes$. The doubly-Cartesian processes Q^\otimes and R^\otimes can be represented in matrix form as follows:

$$Q^{\otimes} = (P \otimes Q) = \begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1,n_y}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & R_{1,1} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{1,n_y}^P & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & R_{1,1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{1,n_y}^P \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ P_{n_s,1}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{n_s,n_y}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{n_s,1}^P & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{n_s,n_y}^P & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n_s,1}^P & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n_s,n_y}^P \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} Q & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & Q & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & Q \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R^{\otimes} = (P \otimes R) = \begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1,n_y}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & R_{1,1} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{1,n_y}^P & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & R_{1,1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{1,n_y}^P \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ P_{n_s,1}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{n_s,n_y}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{n_s,1}^P & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{n_s,n_y}^P & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n_s,1}^P & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n_s,n_y}^P \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & R & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & R \end{bmatrix} =$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} R_{1,1} & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{1,n_y}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & R_{1,1} & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{1,n_y}^P & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & R_{1,1} & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{1,n_y}^P \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \vdots & & & \vdots \\ P_{n_s,1}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & P_{n_s,n_y}^P & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & P_{n_s,1}^P & & \vdots & & 0 & P_{n_s,n_y}^P & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 & & \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n_s,1}^P & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 & P_{n_s,n_y}^P \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} R & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & R & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & R \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} M & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & M & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & M \end{bmatrix} = (P \otimes Q) \cdot M^{\otimes} = Q^{\otimes} \cdot M^{\otimes}$$

Thus, $R^{\otimes} = Q^{\otimes} \cdot M^{\otimes}$, where $M^{\otimes} = \begin{bmatrix} M & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & M & & \vdots \\ \vdots & & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & M \end{bmatrix}$. Since M^{\otimes} is a stochastic matrix, we

conclude that Q^{\otimes} is more effective than R^{\otimes} .