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ON THE EXISTENCE OF INTERSECTIONAL LOCAL TIME EXCEPT ON ZERO CAPACITY SET

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0. Introduction

Let W be the space of \mathbf{R}^d -valued continuous functions on $[0, 1]$, where $d \geq 2$. We shall consider the functionals on W

$$(0.1) \quad \psi(\alpha, w) = \frac{d-\alpha}{4} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 |w(t) - w(s)|^{-\alpha} ds dt, \quad \alpha < 2,$$

which may take infinite value. These functionals play an important role in the investigation of properties of function w : the finiteness of $\psi(\alpha, w)$ implies that the Hausdorff dimension of range $\{w(t); 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ is no less than α (cf. Taylor [9]). Let Q be the Wiener measure on W . Since $\psi(\alpha, w)$ is finite Q -almost surely for any $\alpha < 2$, the Hausdorff dimension of $\{w(t); 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ is no less than 2 Q -almost surely.

Next, let α tend to 2. Though the mean of $\psi(\alpha, \cdot)$ with respect to Q diverges to infinity, the functional

$$(0.2) \quad \Psi_n(w) = \psi(2-2^{-n}, w) - 2^n$$

converges Q -almost surely. In case $d=2$, Varadhan studied this limit functional in connection with the quantum field theory and proved its existence (cf. Appendix to Symanzik [8]).

Recently Fukushima [1] showed that various famous properties of sample paths such as Lévy's Hölder continuity hold not only Q -almost surely but also *quasi-everywhere*, i.e. except on a set of zero capacity with respect to the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process on W . On the other hand, Kôno [4] and [5] proved that if $d \leq 4$, then sample paths are recurrent with positive capacity. Therefore 'quasi-everywhere' is strictly finer than ' Q -almost everywhere'.

The purpose of this paper is to show that $\psi(\alpha, w)$ is finite quasi-everywhere for any $\alpha < 2$ and that $\lim \Psi_n(w) = \Psi(w)$ exists quasi-everywhere. The former result implies the theorem in Komatsu and Takashima [3]: the Hausdorff

dimension of range $\{w(t); 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ is 2 quasi-everywhere. Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P, X_\tau(\cdot))$ be the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process on W . Since a Borel subset A of W has zero capacity if and only if

$$P[X_\tau(\cdot) \in A \text{ for any } \tau] = 1$$

(cf. Fukushima [1], Kusuoka [6]), it is sufficient to prove the continuity of $\psi(\alpha, X_\tau(\cdot))$ in τ and the uniform convergence of $\Psi_n(X_\tau(\cdot))$ in τ .

In case $d=2$, the limit functional $\lim \Psi_n(w) = \Psi(w)$ is formally expressed by

$$\Psi(w) = \frac{\pi}{2} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \delta(w(t) - w(s)) ds dt - C$$

(C is an infinite constant), which is similar to the *intersectional local time* considered in Wolpert [11]. Westwater [10] investigated a similar functional in connection with the study of long polymer chains in \mathbf{R}^3 . Finally, we shall mention the relative result of Shigekawa [7]: the 1-dimensional Brownian local time exists quasi-everywhere.

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1. Singular Wiener functional

Let W be the Banach space of all \mathbf{R}^d -valued continuous functions $w = (w(t))$ on $[0, 1]$ satisfying $w(0) = 0$; \mathcal{W} , the usual Borel field and Q , the Wiener measure on (W, \mathcal{W}) . Set, for $\alpha < 2$,

$$(1.1) \quad f_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) = \frac{1}{2-\alpha} \{(|x|^2 + \varepsilon^2)^{1-\alpha/2} - 1\}, \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

Considering that $\Delta f_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) \rightarrow (d-\alpha)|x|^{-\alpha}$ as $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$, we shall define

$$(1.2) \quad \psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, w) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} \Delta f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, t)) ds dt,$$

where Δ denotes the Laplacian and $w(s, t) = w(t) - w(s)$.

Set $\partial_j = \partial/\partial x^j$ and $\partial = (\partial_1, \dots, \partial_d)$. From the Ito formula

$$\psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, w) + f_\varepsilon(\alpha, 0) = \int_0^1 (f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, 1)) - \int_s^1 \partial f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, t)) dw(t)) ds.$$

Using the Fubini type theorem for the product $ds \cdot dw(t)$ (cf. Ikeda and Watanabe [2] Chap. II Sec. 4 Lemma 4.1), we have

$$\psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, w) + f_\varepsilon(\alpha, 0) = \int_0^1 f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, 1)) ds - \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^t \partial f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, t)) ds \right) dw(t).$$

Let $g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x)$ be the isotropic function satisfying

$$\frac{1}{2} \Delta g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) = f_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) \quad \text{and} \quad g_\varepsilon(\alpha, 0) = 0.$$

Then $g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x)$ is given by

$$(1.3) \quad g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) = \int_0^{|x|} r^{1-d} \left(\int_0^r 2f_\varepsilon(\alpha, u\xi) u^{d-1} du \right) dr, \quad |\xi| = 1.$$

Let x' denote the transposed vector of x , $x \cdot y = x'y$, the inner product of column vectors x and y , and $\partial' \partial = (\partial_i \partial_j)$: $d \times d$ -matrix. Define

$$\int_0^1 h(t, w) \hat{d}w(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n h\left(\frac{i}{n}, w\right) w\left(\frac{i-1}{n}, \frac{i}{n}\right)$$

for a process $h(t, w)$ adapted to σ -fields $\sigma(w(u); t \leq u \leq 1)$. Then we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, 1)) ds &= g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(0, 1)) - \int_0^1 \partial g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, 1)) \hat{d}w(s), \\ \int_0^t \partial f_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, t)) ds &= \partial g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(0, t)) - \int_0^t (\hat{d}w(s))' \partial' \partial g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, t)). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} (1.4) \quad \psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, w) + f_\varepsilon(\alpha, 0) &= g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(0, 1)) \\ &\quad - \int_0^1 \partial g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, 1)) \hat{d}w(s) - \int_0^1 \partial g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(0, t)) dw(t) \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 \int_0^t \hat{d}w(s) \cdot \partial' \partial g_\varepsilon(\alpha, w(s, t)) dw(t) \quad \text{a.e.} \end{aligned}$$

Define, for $\alpha < 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} (1.5) \quad g_0(\alpha, x) &= \frac{2}{2-\alpha} \int_0^{|x|} \left(\int_0^r (u^{2-\alpha} - 1) u^{d-1} du \right) r^{1-d} dr \\ &= \frac{2|x|^2}{(4-\alpha)(2+d-\alpha)} \left\{ \frac{|x|^{2-\alpha} - 1}{2-\alpha} - \frac{4+d-\alpha}{2d} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to show that, for $|\nu| \leq 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \partial^\nu g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) &\rightarrow \partial^\nu g_0(\alpha, x) \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0, \\ |\partial^\nu g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x)| &\leq \text{const. } (1 + |x|)^{2-|\nu|}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\nu = (\nu_1, \dots, \nu_d) \in \mathbf{Z}_+^d$, $|\nu| = \nu_1 + \dots + \nu_d$ and

$$\partial^\nu = \partial_1^{\nu_1} \partial_2^{\nu_2} \dots \partial_d^{\nu_d}.$$

Let $\psi(\alpha, w)$ be the functional defined by (0.1). Since $d \geq 2$,

$$\psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, w) \rightarrow \psi(\alpha, w) \quad \text{for all } w \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0.$$

From (1.4) we have

$$(1.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi(\alpha, w) - \frac{1}{2-\alpha} &= g_0(\alpha, w(0, 1)) \\ &- \int_0^1 \partial g_0(\alpha, w(s, 1)) \dot{w}(s) - \int_0^1 \partial g_0(\alpha, w(0, t)) dw(t) \\ &+ \int_{0 \leq s < t < 1} \dot{w}(s) \cdot \partial' \partial g_0(\alpha, w(s, t)) dw(t) \quad \text{a.e.} \end{aligned}$$

The following theorem is proved in Section 2.

Theorem 1. $\{\Psi_n(w)\}$ converge for almost all $w \in W$ and the limit functional $\lim \Psi_n(w) = \Psi(w)$ satisfies

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \Psi(w) &= g(w(0, 1)) - \int_0^1 \partial g(w(s, 1)) \dot{w}(s) - \int_0^1 \partial g(w(0, t)) dw(t) \\ &+ \int_{0 \leq s < t < 1} \dot{w}(s) \cdot \partial' \partial g(w(s, t)) dw(t) \quad \text{a.e.}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(1.8) \quad g(x) = \frac{1}{d} |x|^2 \left\{ \log |x| - \frac{d+2}{2d} \right\}.$$

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a probability space; $B(d\tau \times dt) = (B^i(d\tau \times dt))$, a d -dimensional two-parameter white noise and $B_0(t) = (B_0^i(t))$, a d -dimensional Brownian motion independent of $B(d\tau \times dt)$ satisfying $B_0(0) = 0$. Define

$$(1.9) \quad X_\tau^i(t) = e^{-\tau/2} \{B_0^i(t) + \int_0^\tau e^{\sigma/2} B^i(d\sigma \times [0, t])\}.$$

The process $X_\tau = (X_\tau^i(\cdot))$ is called the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process on W . Fix τ and σ . Then the process $t \mapsto X_\tau(t)$ is a d -dimensional Brownian motion and

$$(1.10) \quad \langle dX_\tau^i(t), dX_\sigma^j(t) \rangle = \delta_{ij} e^{-|\tau - \sigma|/2} dt.$$

We shall prove the following theorems.

Theorem 2. For any $0 < \alpha < 2$,

$$P[\psi(\alpha, X_\tau) \text{ is continuous in } \tau] = 1.$$

From the theorem we see that $\psi(\alpha, w) < \infty$ quasi-everywhere, i.e. except

on a zero capacity set. Especially $\Psi_n(w) < \infty$ quasi-everywhere.

Theorem 3. *The sequence $\{\Psi_n(w)\}$ converges quasi-everywhere. Let $\Psi(w) = \lim \Psi_n(w)$ quasi-everywhere. Then*

$$P[\Psi(X_\tau) \text{ is continuous in } \tau] = 1.$$

2. Elementary inequalities

Fix $0 < \alpha < 2$ and set $2\beta = 2 - \alpha$. We shall consider the functions

$$(2.1) \quad G_\varepsilon(x) = g_\varepsilon(\alpha, x) - g_{2\varepsilon}(\alpha, x).$$

Let $k_\varepsilon = \beta^{-1}(\varepsilon^{2\beta} - (2\varepsilon)^{2\beta})$ and

$$\phi_\varepsilon(u) = \beta^{-1}((u^2 + \varepsilon^2)^\beta - (u^2 + 4\varepsilon^2)^\beta) - k_\varepsilon.$$

Then we have

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{cases} G_\varepsilon(x) = \int_0^{|x|} \left(\int_0^1 \phi_\varepsilon(ru) u^{d-1} du \right) r dr + \frac{1}{2d} k_\varepsilon |x|^2, \\ \partial_j G_\varepsilon(x) = x_j \int_0^1 \phi_\varepsilon(|x|u) u^{d-1} du + \frac{1}{d} k_\varepsilon x_j, \\ \partial_i \partial_j G_\varepsilon(x) = x_i x_j |x|^{-2} \phi_\varepsilon(|x|) \\ \quad + (\delta_{ij} - d x_i x_j |x|^{-2}) \int_0^1 \phi_\varepsilon(|x|u) u^{d-1} du + \frac{1}{d} \delta_{ij} k_\varepsilon. \end{cases}$$

In this and the following sections, we shall use the convenient practice of letting c 's stand for unimportant positive constants which may change from line to line.

Lemma 2.1. *There is a constant C independent of ε such that*

$$(2.3) \quad |\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(x)| \leq C |x|^{2-|\nu|} \varepsilon^{2\beta},$$

$$(2.4) \quad |\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(x+y) - \partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(x)| \leq C \varepsilon^\beta |y| (|x| \vee |y|)^{\beta-1} (1 + |x| \vee |y|)^{2-|\nu|}$$

for any x, y , $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ and $|\nu| \leq 2$.

Proof. Since $0 \leq \phi_\varepsilon(u) \leq -k_\varepsilon \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{2\beta}$, inequality (2.3) follows from (2.2). Set $G'_\varepsilon(x) = G_\varepsilon(x) - k_\varepsilon |x|^2 / 2d$. It suffices for the proof of (2.4) to show that

$$(2.5) \quad |\partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x+y) - \partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x)| \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^\beta |y| (|x| \vee |y|)^{\beta+1-|\nu|}.$$

We see that $0 \leq \phi_\varepsilon(u) \leq c \cdot (\varepsilon u)^\beta$, for $\phi_\varepsilon(u) \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{2\beta}$ and

$$\beta \phi_\varepsilon(u) = ((u^2 + \varepsilon^2)^\beta - \varepsilon^{2\beta}) - ((u^2 + 4\varepsilon^2)^\beta - (2\varepsilon)^{2\beta}) \leq (u^2 + \varepsilon^2)^\beta - \varepsilon^{2\beta} \leq u^{2\beta}.$$

Therefore we have

$$|\partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x)| \leq c \cdot |x|^{2-|\nu|} (\varepsilon |x|)^\beta \quad (|\nu| \leq 2).$$

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_i \partial_j \partial_k G'_\varepsilon(x) &= h_0(x) |x|^2 ((|x|^2 + \varepsilon^2)^{\beta-1} - (|x|^2 + 4\varepsilon^2)^{\beta-1}) \\ &\quad + h_1(x) \phi_\varepsilon(|x|) + h_2(x) \int_0^1 \phi_\varepsilon(|x|u) u^{d-1} du, \end{aligned}$$

where h_0 , h_1 and h_2 are homogeneous functions with index -1 . Since

$$u^2((u^2 + \varepsilon^2)^{\beta-1} - (u^2 + 4\varepsilon^2)^{\beta-1}) \leq c \cdot (u\varepsilon)^\beta,$$

we have

$$|\partial_i \partial_j \partial_k G'_\varepsilon(x)| \leq c \cdot |x|^{-1} (\varepsilon |x|)^\beta.$$

Now, suppose that $|x| < 2|y|$. Then, for $|\nu| \leq 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x+y) - \partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x)| &\leq |\partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x+y)| + |\partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x)| \\ &\leq c \cdot |x+y|^{2-|\nu|} (\varepsilon |x+y|)^\beta + c \cdot |x|^{2-|\nu|} (\varepsilon |x|)^\beta \leq c \cdot |y|^{2-|\nu|} (\varepsilon |y|)^\beta. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $|x| \geq 2|y|$. Then, for $|\nu| \leq 2$,

$$|\partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x+y) - \partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x)| = \left| \int_0^1 \partial \partial^\nu G'_\varepsilon(x+\theta y) y d\theta \right| \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^\beta |y| |x|^{1+\beta-|\nu|}.$$

These prove (2.5). q.e.d.

Next, define

$$\begin{aligned} (2.6) \quad G^\beta(x) &= g_0(2-2\beta, x) - g_0(2-\beta, x) \\ &= |x|^2 \beta^{-1} \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^1 ((|x|ru)^\beta - 1)^2 u^{d-1} du \right) r dr. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_j G^\beta(x) = x_j \beta^{-1} \int_0^1 ((|x|u)^\beta - 1)^2 u^{d-1} du, \\ \partial_i \partial_j G^\beta(x) = x_i x_j |x|^{-2} \beta^{-1} (|x|^\beta - 1)^2 \\ \quad + (\delta_{ij} - d x_i x_j |x|^{-2}) \beta^{-1} \int_0^1 ((|x|u)^\beta - 1)^2 u^{d-1} du. \end{cases}$$

Lemma 2.2. *There is a constant C independent of β such that*

$$(2.8) \quad |\partial^\nu G^\beta(x)| \leq C \beta |x|^{2-|\nu|} (1 + |\log |x||)^2 (1 + |x|^2)$$

for any x and $|\nu| \leq 2$ and that

$$(2.9) \quad |\partial^\nu G^\beta(x) - \partial^\nu G^\beta(y)| \leq C\beta \left(|x^\nu| |x|^{-2} - y^\nu |y|^{-2} + \left| \log \frac{|y|}{|x|} \right| \right) \\ \times (1 + |\log |x||) (1 + |\log |y||) (1 + (|x| \vee |y|)^2)$$

for any x, y and $|\nu| = 2$, where x^ν denotes

$$(x^1)^{\nu_1} (x^2)^{\nu_2} \dots (x^d)^{\nu_d}.$$

Proof. By the inequality

$$\beta^{-1} |u^\beta - 1| = (u^\beta + 1) |\beta^{-1} \operatorname{th} \left(\frac{\beta}{2} \log u \right)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |\log u| (1 + u^\beta),$$

(2.8) is easily proved from (2.6) and (2.7). For example, in case $|\nu| = 1$,

$$|\partial_j G^\beta(x)| \leq \frac{\beta}{4} |x| \int_0^1 (\log(|x|u))^2 (1 + |x|^\beta u^\beta)^2 u^{d-1} du \\ \leq c \cdot \beta |x| (1 + |\log |x||)^2 (1 + |x|^2).$$

We see that

$$|\beta^{-2}(u^\beta - 1)^2 - \beta^{-2}(v^\beta - 1)^2| \\ = \left| \log \frac{u}{v} \right| \left| \frac{u^\beta - v^\beta}{\beta \log(u/v)} \right| |\beta^{-1}(u^\beta - 1) + \beta^{-1}(v^\beta - 1)| \\ \leq \left| \log \frac{u}{v} \right| (u \vee v)^\beta \frac{1}{2} \{ |\log u| (1 + u^\beta) + |\log v| (1 + v^\beta) \} \\ \leq c \cdot \left| \log \frac{u}{v} \right| (1 + |\log u| + |\log v|) (1 + (u \vee v)^2).$$

Then it is easy to prove (2.9) from (2.7). For example,

$$|x^\nu |x|^{-2} (|x|^\beta - 1)^2 - y^\nu |y|^{-2} (|y|^\beta - 1)^2| \\ \leq |(|x|^\beta - 1)^2 - (|y|^\beta - 1)^2| + |x^\nu |x|^{-2} - y^\nu |y|^{-2}| \cdot (|x|^\beta - 1) (|y|^\beta - 1)| \\ \leq c \cdot \beta^2 \left| \log \frac{|x|}{|y|} \right| (1 + |\log |x|| + |\log |y||) (1 + (|x| \vee |y|)^2) \\ + c \cdot \beta^2 |x^\nu |x|^{-2} - y^\nu |y|^{-2}| \cdot |\log |x| \cdot \log |y|| (1 + (|x| \vee |y|)^2). \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Proof of Theorem 1. Note that

$$g_0(2 - 2^{-n}, x) - g(x) = \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} G^{2^{-k}}(x).$$

From (2.8) we have, for $|\nu| \leq 2$,

$$|\partial^\nu g_0(2 - 2^{-n}, x) - \partial^\nu g(x)| \leq c \cdot \sum_{k=n+1}^{\infty} 2^{-k} |x|^{2-|\nu|} (1 + |\log |x||)^2 (1 + |x|^2) \\ \leq c \cdot 2^{-n} |x|^{2-|\nu|} ((\log |x|)^2 + |x|^3).$$

Let $\Psi(w)$ denote the right hand side of (1.7). From (0.2), (1.6) and the above inequality, it is easily proved that

$$E|\Psi_n(\cdot) - \Psi(\cdot)|^2 \leq c \cdot 2^{-2n}.$$

From

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E|\Psi_n(\cdot) - \Psi(\cdot)|^2 < \infty,$$

we know that $\Psi_n(w) \rightarrow \Psi(w)$ a.e. as $n \rightarrow \infty$. q.e.d.

3. Preliminary estimates

Let $G^\beta(x)$ be the function defined by (2.6). From (1.6) we see that

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{aligned} & \psi(2-2\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-\beta, X_\tau) + \frac{1}{2\beta} = G^\beta(X_\tau(0, 1)) \\ & - \int_0^1 \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, 1)) dX_\tau(s) - \int_0^1 \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) dX_\tau(t) \\ & + \int \int_{0 < s < t < 1} dX_\tau(s) \cdot \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) dX_\tau(t) \quad \text{a.e. } (P), \end{aligned}$$

where $X_\tau(s, t) = X_\tau(t) - X_\tau(s)$. Hence, for any $0 \leq \tau, \sigma \leq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} & |\psi(2-2\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-2\beta, X_\sigma) + \psi(2-\beta, X_\sigma)| \\ & \leq |G^\beta(X_\tau(0, 1)) - G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, 1))| \\ & + \left| \int_0^1 \{ \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, 1)) dX_\tau(s) - \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, 1)) dX_\sigma(s) \} \right. \\ & + \left. \int_0^1 \{ \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) dX_\tau(t) - \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, t)) dX_\sigma(t) \} \right| \\ & + \left| \int \int_{s < t} \{ dX_\tau(s) \cdot \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) dX_\tau(t) \right. \\ & \quad \left. - dX_\sigma(s) \cdot \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, t)) dX_\sigma(t) \} \right| \\ & = |G^\beta(X_\tau(0, 1)) - G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, 1))| + \Xi_1 + \Xi_2. \end{aligned}$$

Let $p > 2$. Using the Burkholder inequality and (1.10), we have

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} E|\Xi_1|^p & \leq c \cdot E \left| \int_0^1 \{ |\partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, 1)) - \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, 1))|^2 \right. \\ & \quad + 2(1 - e^{-|\tau - \sigma|/2}) \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, 1)) \partial' G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, 1)) \} ds \Big|^p \\ & + c \cdot E \left| \int_0^1 \{ |\partial G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) - \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, t))|^2 \right. \\ & \quad + 2(1 - e^{-|\tau - \sigma|/2}) \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) \partial' G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, t)) \} ds \Big|^p \\ & \leq c \cdot \int_0^1 E |\partial G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) - \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, t))|^p dt \end{aligned}$$

$$+c \cdot \left(\operatorname{th} \frac{|\tau - \sigma|}{4} \right)^{p/2} \int_0^1 E |\partial G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t))|^p dt.$$

Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned} E |\Xi_2|^p &\leq c \cdot \int_0^1 E \left| \int_s^1 \{ \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) dX_\tau(t) - \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, t)) dX_\sigma(t) \} \right|^p ds \\ &\quad + c \cdot \left(\operatorname{th} \frac{|\tau - \sigma|}{4} \right)^{p/2} \int_0^1 E \left| \int_s^1 \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) dX_\tau(t) \right|^p ds. \end{aligned}$$

From the Burkholder inequality we see that

$$\begin{aligned} &E \left| \int_s^1 \{ \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) dX_\tau(t) - \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, t)) dX_\sigma(t) \} \right|^p \\ &\leq c \cdot E \left| \sum_{j=1}^d \int_s^1 \{ |\partial' \partial_j G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) - \partial' \partial_j G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, t))|^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2(1 - e^{-|\tau - \sigma|/2}) \partial \partial_j G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) \partial' \partial_j G^\beta(X_\sigma(s, t)) \} dt \right|^{p/2} \\ &\leq c \cdot \sum_{|v|=2} E \left| \int_0^{1-s} |\partial^v G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) - \partial^v G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, t))|^2 dt \right|^{p/2} \\ &\quad + c \cdot \left(\operatorname{th} \frac{|\tau - \sigma|}{4} \right)^{p/2} \sum_{|v|=2} \int_0^{1-s} E |\partial^v G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t))|^p dt, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$E \left| \int_s^1 \partial' \partial G^\beta(X_\tau(s, t)) dX_\tau(t) \right|^p \leq c \cdot \sum_{|v|=2} \int_0^{1-s} E |\partial^v G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t))|^p dt.$$

Combining these inequalities, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.3) \quad E |\Xi_2|^p &\leq c \cdot \sum_{|v|=2} E \left| \int_0^1 |\partial^v G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t)) - \partial^v G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, t))|^2 dt \right|^{p/2} \\ &\quad + c \cdot \left(\operatorname{th} \frac{|\tau - \sigma|}{4} \right)^{p/2} \sum_{|v|=2} \int_0^1 E |\partial^v G^\beta(X_\tau(0, t))|^p dt. \end{aligned}$$

For $0 \leq \tau, \sigma \leq 1$, set

$$(3.4) \quad a = \left(\operatorname{th} \frac{|\tau - \sigma|}{4} \right)^{1/2}, \quad b = \frac{1}{2} (1 + e^{-|\tau - \sigma|/2}).$$

Let $B_1(t)$ and $B_2(t)$ be independent d -dimensional Brownian motions defined on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) satisfying $B_1(0) = B_2(0) = 0$. From (1.10) the law of the process

$$t \rightsquigarrow (X_\tau(0, t), X_\sigma(0, t))$$

is equal to that of the process

$$t \rightsquigarrow (B_1(bt) + a B_2(bt), B_1(bt) - a B_2(bt)).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & E |G^\beta(X_\tau(0, 1)) - G^\beta(X_\sigma(0, 1))|^p \\ &= E |G^\beta(B_1(b) + aB_2(b)) - G^\beta(B_1(b) - aB_2(b))|^p \\ &\leq 2^p \sup_{t \leq 1} E |G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p. \end{aligned}$$

By a similar argument we have the following lemma from (3.2) and (3.3).

Lemma 3.1. *For $p > 2$, it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned} (3.5) \quad & E |\psi(2-2\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-2\beta, X_\sigma) + \psi(2-\beta, X_\sigma)|^p \\ &\leq c \cdot a^p \sum_{|v|=1,2} \int_0^1 E |\partial^v G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p dt \\ &\quad + \sup_{t \leq 1} E |G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p \\ &\quad + c \cdot \int_0^1 E |\partial G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p dt \\ &\quad + c \cdot \sum_{|v|=2} E \left| \int_0^1 |\partial^v G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial^v G^\beta(B_1(t))|^2 dt \right|^{p/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Fix $0 < \alpha < 2$ and let $G_\varepsilon(x)$ be the function defined by (2.1). Replace the function $G^\beta(x)$ by the function $G_\varepsilon(x)$ in the above arguments. Then we have the following estimate, which is much simpler than (3.5).

Lemma 3.2. *For fixed $0 < \alpha < 2$ and $p > 2$, it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned} (3.6) \quad & E |\psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, X_\tau) - \psi_{2\varepsilon}(\alpha, X_\tau) - \psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, X_\sigma) + \psi_{2\varepsilon}(\alpha, X_\sigma)|^p \\ &\leq c \cdot a^p \sum_{|v|=1,2} \sup_{t \leq 1} E |\partial^v G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p \\ &\quad + c \cdot \sum_{|v| \leq 2} \sup_{t \leq 1} E |\partial^v G_\varepsilon(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial^v G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p. \end{aligned}$$

4. Moment inequalities

Let $2 - \alpha = 2\beta > 0$. Define a function $\zeta_p(a)$, $0 \leq a < 1$, by

$$(4.1) \quad \zeta_p(a) = \begin{cases} a^{p \wedge (\beta p + d)} & (p \neq \beta p + d) \\ a^p (1 - \log a) & (p = \beta p + d). \end{cases}$$

Lemma 4.1. *There is a constant C independent of ε such that*

$$(4.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & E |\psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, X_\tau) - \psi_{2\varepsilon}(\alpha, X_\tau) - \psi_\varepsilon(\alpha, X_\sigma) + \psi_{2\varepsilon}(\alpha, X_\sigma)|^p \\ &\leq C \varepsilon^{\beta p} \zeta_p \left(\left(\tanh \frac{|\tau - \sigma|}{4} \right)^{1/2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

for any $0 \leq \tau, \sigma \leq 1$.

Proof. From (2.3) we see that, for $|v| \leq 2$,

$$E|\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{2\beta p} \int |\sqrt{t} x|^{(2+\beta-|\nu|)p} e^{-|x|^2/2} dx \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{2\beta p}.$$

Since $a^p \leq \zeta_p(a)$, we have

$$a^p \sum_{|\nu|=1,2} \sup_{t \leq 1} E|\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{2\beta p} \zeta_p(a).$$

From (2.4)

$$\begin{aligned} & E[|\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p; |B_1(t)| \leq 2a|B_2(t)|] \\ & \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} \iint_{|x| \leq 2a|y|} (a|y|)^{\beta p} (1+|y|)^{2p} e^{-|y|^2/2} dx dy \\ & \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} \int (a|y|)^{\beta p+d} (1+|y|)^{2p} e^{-|y|^2/2} dy \\ & \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} a^{\beta p+d} \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} \zeta_p(a). \end{aligned}$$

Moreover we have

$$\begin{aligned} & E[|\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p; |B_1(t)| > 2a|B_2(t)|] \\ & \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} \iint_{|x| > 2a|y|} (a|y| |x|^{\beta-1} (1+|x|)^2)^p e^{-(|x|^2+|y|^2)/2} dx dy \\ & \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} \int \left(\int_{a|y|}^{\infty} r^{(\beta-1)p+d-1} e^{-r} dr \right) a(|y|)^p e^{-|y|^2/2} dy, \end{aligned}$$

for $(1+r)^{2p} \exp(-r^2/2) \leq c \cdot \exp(-r)$. Using the estimate

$$\int_{a|y|}^{\infty} r^{q-1} e^{-r} dr \leq \begin{cases} c \cdot (a|y|)^{q \wedge 0} & (q \neq 0) \\ c \cdot (1 - \log a) (1 + |\log |y||) & (q = 0) \end{cases}$$

We obtain the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & E[|\partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial^\nu G_\varepsilon(B_1(t))|^p; |B_1(t)| > 2a|B_2(t)|] \\ & \leq c \cdot \varepsilon^{\beta p} \zeta_p(a). \end{aligned}$$

From (3.6) the proof is completed. q.e.d.

Next, we shall consider the moment inequality with respect to the process $\psi(\alpha, X_r)$. Let $G^\beta(x)$ be the function defined by (2.6).

Lemma 4.2. *There is a constant C independent of $0 < \beta < 1$ such that, for $0 < a < 1$,*

$$\begin{aligned} (4.3) \quad & a^p \sum_{|\nu|=1,2} \int_0^1 E|\partial^\nu G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p dt \\ & + \sup_{t \leq 1} E|G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p \\ & + \int_0^1 E|\partial G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p dt \leq C(a, \beta)^p. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. From (2.8) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_j G^\beta(x)| &\leq c \cdot \beta(1 + |x|^4), \\ |\partial_i \partial_j G^\beta(x)| &\leq c \cdot \beta((\log|x|)^2 + |x|^3). \end{aligned}$$

Immediately we have, for $|\nu| = 1, 2$,

$$a^p \int_0^1 E |\partial^\nu G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p dt \leq c \cdot (a\beta)^p.$$

Using the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} &|\partial_j G^\beta(x+ay) - \partial_j G^\beta(x)|^p \\ &\leq a^p \left| \int_0^1 \partial \partial_j G^\beta(x+\theta ay) y d\theta \right|^p \\ &\leq c \cdot (a\beta|y|)^p \int_0^1 ((\log|x+\theta ay|)^2 + |x+\theta ay|^3)^p d\theta \\ &\leq c \cdot (a\beta)^p \left\{ \int_0^1 (\log|x+\theta ay|)^{4p} d\theta + |x|^{6p} + |y|^{6p} + |y|^{2p} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\int_0^1 E |\partial G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p dt \leq c \cdot (a\beta)^p.$$

It is much easier to show that

$$\sup_{t \leq 1} E |G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - G^\beta(B_1(t))|^p \leq c \cdot (a\beta)^p.$$

So the proof is completed. q.e.d.

In consideration of (2.9) we shall define, for $|\nu| = 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} (4.4) \quad \lambda_\nu(a, x, y) &= \left(|(x+ay)^\nu |x+ay|^{-2} - x^\nu |x|^{-2}| + \left| \log \frac{|x+ay|}{|x|} \right| \right) \\ &\quad \times (1 + |\log|x+ay||) (1 + |\log|x||) (1 + |x|^2 + |y|^2). \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4.3. Let $p = 4 + 8\delta > 4$. There is a constant C such that, for $0 < a < 1$,

$$(4.5) \quad E \left| \int_0^1 \lambda_\nu(a, B_1(t), B_2(t))^2 dt \right|^{p/2} \leq C a^{2(1+\delta)}.$$

Proof. Divide the space \mathbf{R}^{2d} into three domains:

$$\begin{aligned} D(0, a) &= \{(x, y); |x| \vee |y| > -\log a\}, \\ D(1, a) &= \{(x, y); |x| \vee |y| \leq -\log a, |x| > 2a|y|\}, \\ D(2, a) &= \{(x, y); |x| \vee |y| \leq -\log a, |x| \leq 2a|y|\}, \end{aligned}$$

and define

$$\rho_k(a, x, y) = I_{D(k, a)}(x, y).$$

Let $B(t) = (B_1(t), B_2(t))$. First, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} \left| \int_0^1 (\lambda_v^2 \rho_0)(a, B(t)) dt \right|^{p/2} \\ & \leq (\mathbb{E} \int_0^1 \lambda_v^{2p}(a, B(t)) dt)^{1/2} (\mathbb{E} \int_0^1 \rho_0(a, B(t)) dt)^{1/2} \\ & \leq c \cdot (\mathbb{E} \int_0^1 \rho_0(a, B(t)) dt)^{1/2} \\ & \leq c \cdot \left(\int_0^1 P[|B_1(t)| > -\log a] dt \right)^{1/2} \\ & \leq c \cdot (P[|B_1(1)| > -\log a])^{1/2} \\ & \leq c \cdot (|\log a|^{d-2} e^{-(\log a)^2/2})^{1/2} \\ & = c \cdot |\log a|^{d/2-1} a^{(\log(1/a))/4} \leq c \cdot a^{2(1+\delta)}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\int_0^1 |B_1(t)|^{-1} dt = \frac{2}{d-1} \{ |B_1(1)| - \int_0^1 |B_1(t)|^{-1} B_1(t) \cdot dB_1(t) \},$$

it holds that

$$\mathbb{E} \left| \int_0^1 |B_1(t)|^{-1} dt \right|^q < \infty \quad \text{for any } q > 0.$$

We see that, for any $0 < \mu < 1$, using the mean value theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} & (\lambda_v^2 \rho_1)(a, x, y) \\ & \leq c \cdot \left\{ a \frac{|y|}{|x|} (1 + (\log |x|)^2) (1 + |x|^2) \right\}^2 \rho_1(a, x, y) \\ & \leq c \cdot \left(a \frac{|y|}{|x|} \right)^\mu (1 + (\log |x|)^4) (1 + |x|^4) \rho_1(a, x, y) \\ & \leq c \cdot (a \log(1/a))^\mu (|x|^{-1} + |x|^4). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have, setting $\mu = (4 + 6\delta)/p$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} \left| \int_0^1 (\lambda_v^2 \rho_1)(a, B(t)) dt \right|^{p/2} \\ & \leq c \cdot (a \log(1/a))^{\mu/2} (1 + \mathbb{E} \left| \int_0^1 |B_1(t)|^{-1} dt \right|^{p/2}) \\ & \leq c \cdot a^{2(1+\delta)}. \end{aligned}$$

Set $r = (2 + 4\delta)/\delta$. Since $(r-1)p/r = 4 + 6\delta$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left| \int_0^1 (\lambda_v^2 \rho_2)(a, B(t)) dt \right|^{p/2} \\
& \leq E \left[\left(\int_0^1 \lambda_v^{2r}(a, B(t)) dt \right)^{p/2r} \left(\int_0^1 \rho_2(a, B(t)) dt \right)^{(r-1)p/2r} \right] \\
& \leq (E \left| \int_0^1 \lambda_v^{2r}(a, B(t)) dt \right|^{p/r})^{1/2} (E \left| \int_0^1 \rho_2(a, B(t)) dt \right|^{4+6\delta})^{1/2} \\
& \leq c \cdot (E \left| \int_0^1 \rho_2(a, B(t)) dt \right|^{4+6\delta})^{1/2} \\
& \leq c \cdot (E \left| \int_0^1 \frac{2a \cdot \log(1/a)}{|B_1(t)|} dt \right|^{4+6\delta})^{1/2} \\
& = c \cdot (a \log(1/a))^{2+3\delta} (E \left| \int_0^1 |B_1(t)|^{-1} dt \right|^{4+6\delta})^{1/2} \\
& \leq c \cdot (a \log(1/a))^{2+3\delta} \leq c \cdot a^{2(1+\delta)}.
\end{aligned}$$

These prove (4.5). q.e.d.

From (2.9) and (4.5) we know that

$$(4.6) \quad \sum_{|v|=2} E \left| \int_0^1 |\partial^v G^\beta(B_1(t) + aB_2(t)) - \partial^v G^\beta(B_1(t))|^2 dt \right|^{p/2} \leq c \cdot \beta^p a^{2(1+\delta)}.$$

Combining (3.5), (4.3) and (4.6), we obtain the following lemma.

Lemma 4.4. *There is a constant C independent of $0 < \beta < 1$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.7) \quad & E |\psi(2-2\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-\beta, X_\tau) - \psi(2-2\beta, X_\sigma) + \psi(2-\beta, X_\sigma)|^p \\
& \leq C \beta^p |\tau - \sigma|^{1+\delta},
\end{aligned}$$

for any $0 \leq \tau, \sigma \leq 1$, where $p = 4 + 8\delta > 4$.

5. Proof of theorems

We shall prove Theorem 2 and 3 applying the following lemma. The basic idea of the lemma is communicated by Prof. S. Kusuoka.

Lemma 5.1. *Let $\{\Phi_n(\tau)\}$, $0 \leq \tau \leq 1$, be a sequence of real valued continuous processes. If there are positive constants C , p , q and δ such that, for all τ, σ and n ,*

$$(5.1) \quad E |\Phi_n(\tau) - \Phi_n(\sigma)|^p \leq C 2^{-nq} |\tau - \sigma|^{1+\delta},$$

then

$$(5.2) \quad P \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup_{\tau} |\Phi_n(\tau) - \Phi_n(0)| < \infty \right] = 1.$$

Proof. Choose γ , $0 < \gamma < \delta$, and η , $0 < \eta < 1$, so small that $(1-\eta)(1+\delta-\gamma) > 1$. Set

$$J(m) = \{(i, j) \in \mathbf{Z}_+^2; 0 \leq i < j \leq 2^m, j-i < 2^{m\eta}\}.$$

Then, from (5.1) we know that

$$\begin{aligned} P[|\Phi_n(j2^{-m}) - \Phi_n(i2^{-m})|^p > 2^{-nq/2} ((j-i)2^{-m})^\gamma \text{ for any } (i, j) \in J(m)] \\ \leq c \cdot 2^{-nq/2} \sum_{(i, j) \in J(m)} ((j-i)2^{-m})^{1+\delta-\gamma} \\ \leq c \cdot 2^{-nq/2} 2^{-m((1-\eta)(1+\delta-\gamma)-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $A(M, N)$ denote the set

$$\begin{aligned} A(M, N) = \{|\Phi_n(j2^{-m}) - \Phi_n(i2^{-m})|^p \leq 2^{-nq/2} ((j-i)2^{-m})^\gamma \\ \text{for all } n \geq N \text{ and } (i, j) \in J(m) \text{ with } m \geq M\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have $P[A(M, N)] \uparrow 1$ as $M, N \uparrow \infty$.

For a moment, we shall consider paths of processes $\{\Phi_n(\tau); n \geq N\}$ on the set $A(M, N)$. Pick $0 \leq \sigma < \sigma' \leq 1$ so close that $\sigma' - \sigma < 2^{-M(1-\eta)}$. Choose m such that

$$2^{-(m+1)(1-\eta)} \leq \sigma' - \sigma < 2^{-m(1-\eta)},$$

and expand σ and σ' as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma &= i2^{-m} + 2^{-m(1)} + 2^{-m(2)} + \dots, \\ \sigma' &= j2^{-m} - 2^{-m'(1)} - 2^{-m'(2)} - \dots, \end{aligned}$$

where $m < m(1) < m(2) < \dots$ and $m < m'(1) < m'(2) < \dots$. Since $\Phi_n(\tau)$ is continuous in τ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &|\Phi_n(\sigma') - \Phi_n(\sigma)| \\ &\leq |\Phi_n(\sigma') - \Phi_n(j2^{-m})| + |\Phi_n(i2^{-m}) - \Phi_n(\sigma)| + |\Phi_n(j2^{-m}) - \Phi_n(i2^{-m})| \\ &\leq 2^{-nq/2p} \{2 \sum_{k \geq m} 2^{-k\gamma/p} + (j2^{-m} - i2^{-m})^{\gamma/p}\} \\ &\leq c \cdot 2^{-nq/2p} \{2^{-m\gamma/p} + (\sigma' - \sigma)^{\gamma/p}\} \\ &\leq c \cdot 2^{-nq/2p} (\sigma' - \sigma)^{\gamma/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\sup_{\tau} |\Phi_n(\tau) - \Phi_n(0)| \leq c \cdot 2^{-nq/2p} 2^{M(1-\eta)} 2^{-M(1-\eta)\gamma/p}.$$

This implies (5.2), for $P[A(M, N)] \uparrow 1$ as $M, N \uparrow \infty$. q.e.d.

Proof of Theorem 2. Let $p > 2$ and $2 - \alpha = 2\beta > 0$. Then there is a positive constant δ such that $\zeta_p(a) \leq c \cdot a^{2(1+\delta)}$, where $\zeta_p(a)$ is the function defined by (4.1). Set $\varepsilon(n) = 2^{-n}$ and

$$\Phi_n(\tau) = \psi_{\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_\tau) - \psi_{2\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_\tau).$$

From Lemma 4.1, the function $\Phi_n(\tau)$ satisfies condition (5.1) for $q = \beta p$. From

Lemma 5.1 we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\tau} |\psi_{\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_{\tau}) - \psi(\alpha, X_{\tau}) - \psi_{\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_0) + \psi(\alpha, X_0)| = 0 \quad \text{a.e.},$$

for

$$\psi(\alpha, X_{\tau}) - \psi_{\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_{\tau}) = \sum_{k > n} \Phi_k(\tau).$$

Since $\psi_{\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_0) \rightarrow \psi(\alpha, X_0)$ $n \rightarrow \infty$, and since $\psi_{\varepsilon(n)}(\alpha, X_{\tau})$ is continuous in τ , we conclude that

$$P[\psi(\alpha, X_{\tau}) \text{ is continuous in } \tau] = 1. \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

Proof of Theorem 3. Set

$$\Phi_n(\tau) = \Psi_n(X_{\tau}) - \Psi_{n-1}(X_{\tau}).$$

From Lemma 4.4, the function $\Phi_n(\tau)$ satisfies condition (5.1) for $p=q=4+8\delta$. Therefore $\Psi_n(X_{\tau}) - \Psi_n(X_0)$ converges uniformly in τ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ almost everywhere. By Theorem 1, $\Psi_n(X_0)$ converges to $\Psi(X_0)$ a.e. as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Hence

$$P[\Psi_n(X_{\tau}) \text{ converges uniformly in } \tau \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty] = 1.$$

This implies that $\{\Psi_n(w)\}$ converges quasi-everywhere and

$$P[\lim \Psi_n(X_{\tau}) \text{ is continuous in } \tau] = 1. \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

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