## ON CHUNG'S LAW OF THE ITERATED LOGARITHM FOR SOME STOCHASTIC INTEGRALS<sup>1</sup>

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We prove that there exists a constant  $a(A) \in (0,\infty)$  such that  $\liminf_{t \to \infty} (\log \log t/t) \sup_{0 \le s \le t} |\int_0^s \langle AW_u, dW_u \rangle| = a(A)$  with probability 1, where A is a skew-symmetric  $d \times d$  matrix,  $A \ne 0$ , and  $\{W_t\}_{t \ge 0}$  is a d-dimensional Wiener process.

**1. Introduction.** Let  $\{B_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  be a one-dimensional Wiener process. Chung (1948) proved that with probability 1,

(1.1) 
$$\liminf_{t\to\infty} \left(\log\log t/t\right)^{1/2} \sup_{0 < s < t} |B_s| = \pi/\sqrt{8}.$$

Motivated by recent results concerning processes of the form

$$L_t = \int_0^t \langle AW_u, dW_u \rangle,$$

we prove that the analog of (1.1) also holds for these processes. More precisely we will prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 1. Suppose that  $\{W_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  is a d-dimensional Wiener process and suppose that A is a skew-symmetric  $d\times d$  matrix [i.e.,  $A^*=-A$ , where the asterisk (\*) stands for the transpose] and  $A\neq 0$ . Let  $L_t=\int_0^t \langle AW_u,dW_u\rangle$ ,  $t\geq 0$ . Then

(1.2) 
$$\lim_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\log P\left(\sup_{0\leq s\leq t}|L_s|<1\right)=-a(A),$$

where  $a(A) \in (0, \infty)$  and

(1.3) 
$$P\left(\liminf_{t\to\infty} \left(\log\log t/t\right) \sup_{0\leq s\leq t} |L(s)| = a(A)\right) = 1.$$

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: in Section 2 we prove (1.2) and we prove (1.3) in Section 3.

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**2. Existence of** a(A). Suppose that  $(\Omega, F, P)$  is a complete probability space and let  $\{W_t, F_t\}_{t\geq 0}$  be a d-dimensional Wiener process on  $(\Omega, F, P)$ , when  $F_t$  is its standard filtration and  $P(W_0 = 0) = 1$ . From now on, A is a fixed  $d \times d$  matrix such that  $A \neq 0$  and  $A^* = -A$ .

Let  $L_t$  be a continuous version of the stochastic integral  $\int_0^t \langle AW_u, dW_u \rangle$ , where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  stands for the Euclidean scalar product. Since for every c > 0,  $\{W_{ct}/\sqrt{c}\}_{t \geq 0}$  is also a Wiener process, we see that  $\{L_{ct}/c\}_{t \geq 0}$  has the same law as  $\{L_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ . Moreover, if we define  $P_{(x,y)}$  as the probability measure induced by the process

$$(W_t^x, L_t^y) = (x + W_t, \langle Ax, W_t \rangle + y + L_t), \qquad (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}.$$

then  $P_{(x,y)}$  is the solution of the martingale problem starting at (x,y) with generator  $L=(1/2)\sum_{i=1}^d X_i^2$ , where the vector fields  $X_i$  are given by  $X_i=\partial x_i+(A\,x)_i\,\partial y,$   $1\leq i\leq d$ . Since  $[X_i,X_j]=-2A_{ij}\,\partial y$  and  $A\neq 0$ , the diffusion is hypoelliptic and the process has a  $C^\infty$  density P(t;(x,y),(w,l)); that is, for every Borel subset C of  $\mathbb{R}^{d+1}$ ,

$$P_{(x,y)}ig((W_t,L_t)\in Cig)=\int_C Pig(t;(x,y),(w,l)ig)\,dw\,dl.$$

For an open set  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$ , set  $T_D = \inf\{t > 0; (W_t, L_t) \in D^c\}$ . Using this notation, (1.2) can be written as

(2.1) 
$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P_{(0,0)}(T_G > t) = -a(A),$$
 where  $G = \mathbb{R}^d \times (-1,1)$  and  $0 < a(A) < \infty$ .

We will now prove (2.1). Let  $C_0^{\infty}(D)$  be the set of all infinitely differentiable functions with compact support contained in D.

Further let  $| \ |_2$  be the  $L^2$  norm on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^{d+1})$ . Next define  $L_D$  to be the unique self-adjoint operator on  $H_D = L^2(D)$  whose quadratic form is the closure of the form

$$Q(f,g) = (-Lf,g) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{d} \int_{D} (X_{i}f)(X_{i}g) dz, \qquad f,g \in C_{0}^{\infty}(D).$$

Set l(f) = Q(f, f).

Then it is easy to see that for every  $f\in C_0^\infty(D)$ ,  $L_Df=Lf$ . Since the process  $(W_t,L_t)$  is continuous and D is open, we have  $P_x(T=0)=0$ , for any  $x\in D$ . Moreover,  $f(W_{t\wedge T_D},L_{t\wedge T_D})-\int_0^{t\wedge T_D}Lf(Wu,Lu)\,du$  is a martingale for  $f\in C_0^\infty(D)$ . It follows that

$$\lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{t} \Big( E_{(x,y)} \Big( f(W_t, L_t) \mathbf{1}_{\{T_D > t\}} \Big) - f(x,y) \Big) = L f(x,y) = L_D f(x,y)$$

for  $(x,y) \in D$ . Therefore, the semigroup  $T_t$ , defined on all  $H_D = L^2(D)$  by

$$T_t f(x,y) = E_{(x,y)} (f(W_t, L_t) 1_{\{T_{D>t}\}}),$$

has  $L_D$  as its generator. Since  $C_0^{\infty}(D)$  is a core for  $L_D$ , it follows that  $T_t = e^{tL_D}$ .

Combining results of Azencott (1981) and Léandre [(1987), e.g., Théorème 11.3], we can prove that for every convex open set D with compact closure,  $\inf_{(w,l)\in K}P_D(t_0;(x,y),(w,l))>0$  for every compact  $K\subset D$  and for some  $t_0>0$   $[t_0=t_0(K)]$ .

Recall that  $G = \mathbb{R}^d \times (-1, 1)$ .

LEMMA 2.1. Suppose  $f \in C_0^{\infty}(G)$  and  $|f|_2 = 1$ . Then

(2.2) 
$$\liminf_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P(T_G > t) \ge -l(f).$$

PROOF. Let support  $(f) = K \subset G$ . Then we can find a convex open set D with compact closure such that  $K \subset D \subset \overline{D} \subset G$ . Moreover there exists  $t_0 > 0$  such that

$$\inf_{(w,l)\in K} P_D(t_0; (0,0),(w,l)) = c > 0.$$

Now  $P_{(0,0)}(T_G > t) \ge P_{(0,0)}(T_D > t) = \int_D P_D(t_0; (0,0), (x,y)) P_{(x,y)}(T_D > t - t_0) dx dy$  by the Markov property if  $t > t_0$ . Therefore,

$$P_{(0,\,0)}(T_G>t)\geq c\int_K P_{(x,\,y)}(T_D>t-t_0)\,dx\,dy.$$

Next if  $|f|_{\infty} = \sup_{(x,y)} |f(x,y)|$ , then

$$\int_{K} P_{(x,y)}(T_{D} > t) dx dy \ge \int f((x,y)) E_{(x,y)} (f(W_{t}, L_{t}) 1_{\{T_{D} > t\}}) dx dy / |f|_{\infty}^{2}$$

$$= \int f(x,y) e^{tL_{D}} f(x,y) dx dy / |f|_{\infty}^{2} = (e^{tL_{D}} f, f)_{H} / |f|_{\infty}^{2}.$$

Since  $|f|_2 = 1$ ,  $E_f(d\lambda)$  is a probability measure. Therefore, using Jensen's inequality and the spectral theorem, we get

$$\left(\exp(tL_D)f,f\right)_H = \int_{-\infty}^0 \exp(\lambda t)E_f(d\lambda) \ge \exp\left(t\int_{-\infty}^0 \lambda E_f(d\lambda)\right).$$

However,  $\int_{-\infty}^0 \lambda E_f(d\lambda) = (L_Df,f) = -l(f)$ . Hence  $(e^{tL_D}f,f) \geq e^{-tl(f)}$  and we can conclude that

$$P_{(0,\,0)}(T_G>t)\geq c\expigl(-(t-t_0)l(f)igr)/|f|_\infty^2.$$

Therefore,  $\liminf_{t\to\infty} (1/t) \log P_{(0,0)}(T_G > t) \ge -l(f)$ .  $\square$ 

Since (2.2) holds for every  $f \in C_0^{\infty}(G)$  such that  $|f|_2 = 1$ , we obtain

(2.3) 
$$\liminf_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P_{(0,0)}(T_G > t) \ge -\inf_{\substack{f \in C_0^{\infty}(G) \\ |f|_2 = 1}} l(f).$$

We now set

$$a(A) = \inf_{\substack{f \in C_0^{\infty}(G) \\ |f|_2 = 1}} l(f).$$

REMARK. We can see that a(A) is the infimum of the spectrum of the self-adjoint operator  $-L_G$ .

LEMMA 2.2.

(2.4) 
$$\limsup_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\log P_{(0,\,0)}(T_G>t)\leq -a(A).$$

PROOF. Let  $D_t = B_{t^2} \times (-1, 1)$ , when  $B_{t^2}$  is the open ball centered at 0 with radius  $t^2$ , t > 0. Clearly,

$$P_{(0,\,0)}ig(T_G > t, T_{D_t} < tig) \leq Pigg(\sup_{0\,\leq\,s\,\leq\,t}|W_s| \geq t^2igg) \leq ke^{-\delta t^2}$$

for some positive constants k and  $\delta$ . It follows that

(2.5) 
$$\limsup_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P_{(0,0)}(T_G > t) \le \limsup_{t \to \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P_{(0,0)}(T_{D_t} \ge t).$$

By the Markov property,

$$egin{align} P_{(0,\,0)}ig(T_{D_t}>tig) &= \int_{D_t} P_{D_t}ig(1;(0,\,0),(x,y)ig)P_{(x,\,y)}ig(T_{D_t}>t-1ig)dx\,dy \ &\leq c_1\int_{D_t} P_{(x,\,y)}ig(T_{D_t}>t-1ig)dx\,dy, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_1 = \sup_{(x,y)} p(1;(0,0);(x,y)) = p(1;(0,0),(0,0))$  since the characteristic function of  $(W_1,L_1)$  is real and positive [see Helmes and Schwane (1983), Corollary 2]. The last inequality holds since

$$P_{D_t}(1,(0,0);(x,y)) \leq p(1;(0,0),(x,y)) \leq c_1.$$

Next set  $V_t = \int_{D_t} dx \, dy$  and  $\phi_t = 1_{D_t} / V_t^{1/2}$ . Then  $\phi_t \in L^2(D_t) = H_{D_t}$ ,  $|\phi_t|_2 = 1$  and

$$\int_{D_t} P_{(x,y)} \big( T_{D_t} > t-1 \big) dx \, dy = V_t \Big( \exp \big( (t-1) L_{D_t} \big) \phi_t, \phi_t \Big) \leq V_t \exp \big( (t-1) \lambda_t \big),$$

where

$$\lambda_t = \sup_{ \substack{\phi \in \operatorname{Domain}(L_{D_t}) \\ |\phi|_{L^2(D_t)} = 1}} \left( L_{D_t} \phi, \phi \right) = -\inf_{ \substack{f \in C_0^{\infty}(D_t) \\ |f|_2 = 1}} l(f),$$

which follows from the construction of  $L_{D_t}$ . Since

$$-\lambda_t \ge \inf_{\substack{f \in C_0^{\infty}(G) \\ |f|_2 = 1}} l(f) = a(1),$$

we obtain  $P_{(0,0)}(T_{D_t}>t) \leq c_1 V_t \exp(-(t-1)a(A)), \ t>1$ . Combining the last inequality with (2.5) we get  $\limsup_{t\to\infty} (1/t) \log P_{(0,0)}(T_G>t) \leq -a(A)$ , proving the lemma.  $\Box$ 

Using (2.3) and (2.4) we have

$$\lim_{t\to\infty}\frac{1}{t}\log P_{(0,\,0)}(T_G>t)=-\alpha(A).$$

We will now find a representation for a(A).

LEMMA 2.3. Suppose that the set of nonnull eigenvalues of A is given by  $\{\pm ia_1, \ldots, \pm ia_{d_0}\}$ , where  $2d_0 \leq d$ . Then  $a(A) = (\pi/2)\sum_{k=1}^{d_0} |a_k|$ .

PROOF. Since A is skew-symmetric, there exists an orthogonal  $d\times d$  matrix O such that  $O^TAO=\Delta$ , where  $\Delta=\operatorname{diag}\{(a_kJ)_{1\leq k\leq d_0}\}$ , that is,  $\Delta$  is the  $d\times d$  matrix with  $2\times 2$  matrices  $a_kJ=(\begin{smallmatrix}0&a_k\\-a_k&0\end{smallmatrix})$  along its diagonal and with zero entries elsewhere. It is easy to see that the process  $(W_t,L_t^{(A)})_{t\geq 0}$  has the same law as the process  $(OW_t,L_t^{(\Delta)})$ , where  $L_t^{(A)}=\int_0^t\langle AW_s,\ dW_s\rangle$ , and  $L_t^{(\Delta)}=\int_0^t\langle \Delta W_s,\ dW_s\rangle$ . Therefore,  $a(A)=a(\Delta)$ . Moreover  $L_t^{(\Delta)}$  is independent of the  $(d-2d_0)$  components of  $W_t$ ; hence  $a(\Delta)=a(\Delta_0)$ , where  $\Delta_0$  is the  $2d_0\times 2d_0$  matrix defined by  $\Delta=(\begin{smallmatrix} \Delta_0\\0&0\end{smallmatrix})$ . Our goal is to show that  $a(\Delta_0)$  is the largest eigenvalue of  $L_{G_0}$ , where  $G_0=\mathbb{R}^{2d_0}\times (-1,1)$  and

$$L_{G_0}f(x,y) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{2d_0} \partial_{x_k}^2 f(x,y) + \frac{1}{2} |\Delta_0 x|^2 \, \partial_y^2 f(x,y) + \sum_{k=1}^{2d_0} (\Delta_0 x)_k \, \partial_y \partial_{x_k} f,$$

 $f\in C_0^\infty(G_0),\ (x,y)\in G_0$ . Using a limiting argument, it can be shown that the last formula also holds for infinitely differentiable functions f that are continuous on  $\overline{G}_0$  and such that  $f|_{\partial G_0}\equiv 0$ . It is the case for the following function  $f_0$  defined by

$$f_0(x,y) = \left(\prod_{k=1}^{d_0} \frac{|a_k|}{2}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sum_{k=1}^{d_0} |a_k| \left(x_{2k-1}^2 + x_{2k}^2\right)\right) \cos \frac{\pi}{2} y,$$

$$x \in \mathbb{R}^{2d_0}, \ y \in [-1, 1].$$

Then it is easy to see that  $f_0 > 0$  on  $G_0$ ,  $\int_{G_0} f^2(z) dz = 1$  and  $L_{G_0} f_0 = -\lambda_0 f_0$  on  $G_0$ , where  $\lambda_0 = (\pi/2) \sum_{k=1}^{d_0} |a_k|$ . Therefore,  $a(\Delta_0) \leq \lambda_0$ . We will now prove that  $a(\Delta_0) \geq \lambda_0$ . So suppose that  $f \in C_0^{\infty}(G_0)$  and  $|f|_2 = 1$ . Since the support of f is compact and contained in  $G_0$ , we see that  $K_f = \sup_{x \in G_0} |f(x)|/f_0(x)$  is finite.

Therefore, if  $Z_t = (W_t, L_t^{(\Delta_0)})$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \left(\exp(tL_{G_0})f,f\right) &= \int_{G_0} f(z)E_z\big(f(z_t)1_{\{T_{G_0} > t\}}\big)dz \\ &\leq K_f^2 \int_{G_0} f_0(z)E_z\big(f_0(z_t)1_{\{T_{G_0} > t\}}\big)dz = K_f^2 \exp(-\lambda_0 t), \qquad t > 0. \end{split}$$

On the other hand, using Jensen's inequality, we get

$$\left(\exp(tL_{G_0})f,f\right)\geq \exp\left(t\left(L_{G_0}f,f\right)\right)=\exp\left(-tl(f)\right), \qquad t>0.$$

Hence  $-\lambda_0 \geq -I(f)$ , that is,  $\lambda_0 \leq l(f)$ . Since  $a(\Delta_0)$  is the infimum of I(f) over all  $f \in C_0^{\infty}(G_0)$ ,  $|f|_2 = 1$ , we obtain  $a(\Delta_0) \geq \lambda_0$ , completing the proof.  $\square$ 

REMARK. For Lévy's area process  $L_t = L_t^{(J)}$ , we obtain  $a(J) = \pi/2$ .

**3. Chung's LIL.** Set  $\phi(t) = \log \log t/t$ ,  $t \ge 3$ . The proof of (1.3) is based on the following lemmas.

LEMMA 3.1.

$$P\bigg(\liminf_{t\to\infty}\phi(t)\sup_{0\leq s\leq t}|L(s)|\geq a(A)\bigg)=1.$$

PROOF. Let r be such that 0 < r < a(A). Then we can find c > 1 such that rc < a(A). Then

$$egin{aligned} Pigg( \liminf_{t o \infty} \phi(t) \sup_{0 \, \leq \, s \, \leq \, t} |L(s)| < r igg) & \leq Pigg( \inf_{c^n \, \leq \, t \, \leq \, c^{n+1}} \phi(t) \sup_{0 \, \leq \, s \, \leq \, t} |L(s)| < r \quad ext{i.o.} igg) \ & \leq Pigg( rac{\phi(c^n)}{rc} \sup_{0 \, \leq \, s \, \leq \, c^n} |L(s)| < 1 \quad ext{i.o.} igg). \end{aligned}$$

Using the scaling property of L,

$$P\bigg(\frac{\phi(c^n)}{rc}\sup_{0 < s < c^n}|L(s)| < 1\bigg) = P_{(0,\,0)}\bigg(T_G > \frac{c^n\phi(c^n)}{rc}\bigg).$$

Using (2.4), we see that for any  $r_1$  satisfying  $rc < r_1 < a(A)$ ,

$$P_{(0,\,0)}\bigg(T_G>\frac{c^n\phi(c^n)}{rc}\bigg)\leq \exp\bigg(-\Big(\frac{r_1}{rc}\Big)\log(n\log c)\bigg)=(n\log c)^{-r_1/(rc)}$$

if  $n_0$  is large enough. Therefore, using the Borel–Cantelli lemma we obtain

$$P\bigg(\liminf_{t \to \infty} \phi(t) \sup_{0 \le s \le t} |L(s)| < r\bigg) = 0 \qquad \forall \ 0 < r < a(A).$$

Hence  $P(\liminf_{t\to\infty}\phi(t)\sup_{0\leq s\leq t}|L(s)|\geq a(A))=1$ .  $\square$ 

LEMMA 3.2. Set  $t_n = n^n$ . Then for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

(3.1) 
$$P\left(\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 < s < t_{n-1}} |L(s)| > \varepsilon \quad \text{i.o.}\right) = 0$$

and

$$(3.2) P\bigg(\phi(t_n)\sup_{t_{n-1}< s < t_n} \big| \langle AW_{t_{n-1}}, W_s - W_{t_{n-1}} \rangle \big| > \varepsilon \quad \text{i.o.} \bigg) = 0.$$

PROOF. It follows from Baldi (1986), that there exists  $c \in (0, \infty)$  such that with probability 1,  $\sup_{0 \le s \le t_{n-1}} |L(s)| \le ct_{n-1}^2 \phi(t_{n-1})$  eventually. Hence  $\phi(t_n)$   $\sup_{0 \le s \le t_{n-1}} |L(s)| \le ct_{n-1}^2 \phi(t_{n-1}) \phi(t_n) \le \varepsilon$  eventually for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Thus (3.1) holds true.

Next it is easy to see that

$$Pigg(\sup_{0 \le s \le t} |\langle h, W_s 
angle| > aigg) \le 2 \expigg(-\lambda a + rac{\lambda^2 t |h|^2}{2}igg), \qquad \lambda > 0.$$

Therefore,

$$egin{split} Pigg(\sup_{t_{n-1} \le s \le t_n} \left| \left\langle AW_{t_{n-1}}, W_s - W_{t_{n-1}} 
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ight| > arepsilon/\phi(t_n) igg) \ & \le 2 \expig( -\lambda arepsilon/\phi(t_n) ig) Eigg( \expigg( \left( \lambda^2/2 
ight) (t_n - t_{n-1}) |AW_{t_{n-1}}|^2 igg) igg) \ & \le 2 \expig( -\lambda arepsilon/\phi(t_n) ig) ig( 1 - \lambda^2 c_1^2 t_{n-1} (t_n - t_{n-1}) ig)^{-d/2}, \end{split}$$

where  $c_1$  is such that  $|Ah|^2 \le c_1^2 |h|^2$ ,  $\forall h \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , and  $\lambda$  is small enough. In particular, if  $\lambda = (t_{n-1}(t_n - t_{n-1})/2)^{-1/2} r/c_1$ , where 0 < r < 1, we get

$$\begin{split} P\bigg(\phi(t_n) \sup_{t_{n-1} \le s \le t_n} \left| \left\langle AW_{t_{n-1}}, W_s - W_{t_{n-1}} \right\rangle \right| > \varepsilon \bigg) \\ & \le 2 \big(1 - r^2\big)^{-d/2} \exp\Big\{ - \Big( \big(\varepsilon r/c_1\big) \phi(t_n) \Big) \big(t_{n-1}(t_n - t_{n-1})/2\big)^{-1/2} \Big\} \\ & = k \exp(-a_n), \quad \text{say}. \end{split}$$

Now  $t_n^2/(t_{n-1}(t_n-t_{n-1}))\sim ne$  [here  $b_n\sim c_n$  means  $\lim_{n\to\infty}(b_n/c_n)=1$ ]. Therefore,  $a_n\sim (\varepsilon re^{1/2}n^{1/2})/(c_1\log\log n^n))$  and  $\sum_{n\geq 2}\exp(-a_n)<\infty$ .

By the Borel–Cantelli lemma, we can conclude that (3.2) holds true for any  $\varepsilon>0$ .  $\square$ 

We have already proved that

$$P\bigg(\liminf_{t\to\infty}\phi(t)\sup_{0\leq s\leq t}|L(s)|\geq a(A)\bigg)=1.$$

To prove our theorem, we only need to prove the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.3.** 

$$P\left(\liminf_{t\to\infty}\phi(t)\sup_{0\leq s\leq t}|L(s)|\leq a(A)\right)=1.$$

PROOF. To prove the lemma, it is sufficient to show that for any r > a(A),

$$(3.3) P\bigg(\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 < s < t_n} |L(s)| \le r \quad \text{i.o.}\bigg) = 1.$$

Fix r > a(A) and choose  $r_1$  such that  $r > r_1 > a(A)$ . Define the event  $B_n$  as

$$B_n = \bigg\{ 2 \sup_{0 < s < t_{n-1}} |L(s)| + \sup_{t_{n-1} \le s \le t_n} \left| \langle AW_{t_{n-1}}, W_s - W_{t_{n-1}} \rangle \right| < (r - r_1)/\phi(t_n) \bigg\}.$$

By Lemma 3.2,  $P(B_n^c \text{ i.o.}) = 0$ . Hence,

$$\begin{split} P\bigg(\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t_n} |L(s)| \leq r \text{ i.o.}\bigg) \\ &\geq P\bigg(B_n \cap \bigg\{\phi(t_n) \sup_{t_{n-1} \leq s \leq t_n} \big|L(s) - L(t_{n-1}) \\ & - \big\langle AW_{t_{n-1}}, W_s - W_{t_{n-1}} \big\rangle \big| < r_1\bigg\} \text{ i.o.}\bigg) \\ &= P\bigg(B_n \cap \bigg\{\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 \leq s \leq t_n - t_{n-1}} |L_n(s)| < r_1\bigg\} \text{ i.o.}\bigg), \end{split}$$

where

$$L_n(s) = L(s + t_{n-1}) - L(t_{n-1}) - \langle AW_{t_{n-1}}, W_{s+t_{n-1}} - W_{t_{n-1}} \rangle, \qquad s \ge 0$$

and it is easy to see that  $\{L_n(s)\}_{s \geq 0}$  is independent of  $F_{t_{n-1}}$  and has the same law as  $\{L(s)\}_{s \geq 0}$ . Next if  $A_n$  and  $B_n$  are two sequences of events, then

$$P((A_n \text{ i.o.})) = P((A_n \text{ i.o.}) \cap (\{B_n^c \text{ i.o.}\})^c) \leq P(A_n \cap B_n \text{ i.o.}) \quad \text{if } P(B_n^c \text{ i.o.}) = 0.$$

Taking  $A_n = \{\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 \le s \le t_n - t_{n-1}} |L_n(s)| < r_1\}$  we get  $P(\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 \le s \le t_n} |L(s)| \le r$  i.o.)  $\ge P(A_n \text{ i.o.})$ . Since  $A_n \in F_{t_n}$  and  $A_n$  is independent of  $F_{t_{n-1}}$ , then  $P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$ , if  $\sum_n P(A_n) = +\infty$ . Now from (2.3) we know that if  $r_2$  is chosen so that  $r_1 > r_2 > a(A)$ , then  $P(T_G > t) \ge e^{-tr_2}$  if t is large enough.

Hence

$$\begin{split} P(A_n) &= P\bigg(\phi(t_n) \sup_{0 \le s \le t_n - t_{n-1}} |L_n(s)| < r_1 \bigg) \\ &= P\bigg(T_G > \frac{\phi(t_n)}{r_1}\bigg) \ge \exp\bigg(-\bigg(\frac{t_n}{t_n - t_{n-1}}\bigg) (\log \log t_n) \bigg(\frac{r_2}{r_1}\bigg)\bigg) \\ &> (n \log n)^{-p} \end{split}$$

if n is large, where p>0 is chosen so that  $r_2/r_1< p<1$ . Now the series  $(n\log n)^{-p}$  diverges, proving that  $\sum_{n\geq 2}P(A_n)=+\infty$ . Therefore,  $P(A_n \text{ i.o})=1$ , which completes the proof of the theorem.  $\square$ 

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