ON THE LAW OF THE ITERATED LOGARITHM FOR INFINITE DIMENSIONAL ORNSTEIN-UHLENBECK PROCESSES

QI-MAN SHAO

ABSTRACT Let $\{X_k(t), -\infty < t < \infty\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be independent Ornstein-Uhlenbeck processes and $X(t, n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i(t)$ In this paper the law of iterated logarithm for X(t, n) is considered The results obtained improve those of Csorgő and Lin(1988) and Schmuland(1987)

A real valued stationary Gaussian process $\{X(t), -\infty < t < \infty\}$ will be called an *Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process* with coefficients γ and λ ($\gamma \ge 0, \lambda > 0$) if EX(t) = 0 and EX(s)X(t) = (γ / λ) exp($-\lambda | t - s |$). Let

$$\{Y(t), -\infty < t < \infty\} = \{X_k(t), -\infty < t < \infty\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$$

be a sequence of independent Ornstein-Uhlenbeck processes with coefficients γ_k and λ_k . The process $Y(\cdot)$ was first studied by Dawson(1972) as the stationary solution of the infinite array of stochastic differential equations:

$$dX_k(t) = -\lambda_k X_k(t) dt + (2\gamma_k)^{1/2} dW_k(t), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where $\{W_k(t), -\infty < t < \infty\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ are independent Wiener processes. The properties of $Y(\cdot)$ have been extensively studied in the literature. Since $\text{EX}_k^2(t) = \gamma_k / \lambda_k$, it is clear that for every fixed t, Y(t) is almost surely in ℓ^2 if and only if $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \gamma_k / \lambda_k < \infty$. The continuity properties of $Y(\cdot)$ were investigated by Dawson(1972), Schmuland(1987), Iscoe and McDonald(1986), Fernique(1989), Csáki, Csórgő and Shao(1991). Csörgő and Lin(1988) studied $Y(\cdot)$ in terms of the path behaviour of the two-time parameter stochastic process $\{X(t, n), -\infty < t < \infty, n = 1, 2, ...\}$, where $X(t, n) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} X_k(t)$, X(t, 0) = 0 for all $t \in R$ and established P. Lévy type moduli of continuity, large increment rates for the latter process and the following law of the iterated logarithm:

THEOREM A. Let $\lambda_N^* = \max_{1 \le i \le N} \lambda_i$, and $\sigma_N = \sigma(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i / \lambda_i$. Assume that

(1)
$$(\log \lambda_N *) / \log \log N \longrightarrow 0, \text{ as } N \longrightarrow \infty,$$

and that the non-decreasing sequence $\{T_N\}$ satisfies

(2)
$$\log T_N / \log \log N \longrightarrow 0, \text{ as } N \longrightarrow \infty.$$

Supported by the Fok Yingtung Education Foundation, and by an NSERC Canada Scientific Exchange Award at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada

Received by the editors April 22, 1991

AMS subject classification Primary 60G10, 60G15, 60 G17, secondary 60F15

[©] Canadian Mathematical Society, 1993

QI-MAN SHAO

Suppose also that for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exist $1 < \theta_1 < \theta_2$ such that

(3)
$$\limsup_{k \to \infty} \sigma(\theta_1^{k+1}) / \sigma(\theta_1^k) \le 1 + \epsilon$$

and

(4)
$$\limsup_{k \to \infty} \sigma(\theta_2^k) / \sigma(\theta_2^{k+1}) \le \epsilon.$$

Then, with $\beta_N^* = \left(2(\sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i / \lambda_i) \log \log N\right)^{1/2}$, we have

$$\limsup_{N\to\infty} |X(T_N,N)|/\beta_N^* = \limsup_{N\to\infty} \max_{1\le n\le N} \sup_{|t|\le T_N} |X(t,n)|/\beta_N^* = 1 \ a.s.$$

Schmuland(1987), using Dirichlet form-techniques, proved that if $\gamma_k / \lambda_k \equiv 1$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i / (2n \log \log n) \longrightarrow 0$ as $n \longrightarrow \infty$, then

(5)
$$P\left\{\limsup_{n \to \infty} X(t,n) / (2n \log \log n)^{1/2} = 1 \text{ for all } t \in R\right\} = 1.$$

It is not difficult to see that (3) and (4), in fact, imply that there exists positive constants α_1, α_2, c_1 and c_2 such that

(6) $\sigma_n/n^{\alpha_1} \le c_1 \sigma_m/m^{\alpha_1}$

and

(7)
$$\sigma_n/n^{\alpha_2} \ge c_2 \sigma_m/m^{\alpha_2}$$

for each $1 \le n \le m$.

Unfortunately, conditions (1) and (2) in Theorem A are too restrictive to be satisfied even for $\lambda_k = k^{\alpha}$, or $\lambda_k = \log^{\alpha}(1+k)$ ($\alpha > 0$), or $T_N = \log N$. The aim of this note is to relax the conditions of Theorem A and that of Schmuland(1987) as well.

Let $\{T_N, n \ge 1\}$ be a non-decreasing sequence of positive numbers. Put

$$\sigma_N = \sigma(N) = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i / \lambda_i, \ \Gamma_N = \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i,$$
$$\beta_N = \left(2\sigma_N \left(\log(\Gamma_N T_N / \sigma_N) + \log \log \sigma_N \right) \right)^{1/2},$$

where and in the sequel, $\log x = \ln(\max(x, e))$, ln is the natural logarithm. For $0 < \epsilon < 1$, define $\theta_n(\epsilon)$ as the solution of the equation

(8)
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n(\epsilon)} = \epsilon \sigma_n$$

THEOREM 1. Assume that

(9)
$$T_N\Gamma_N/\sigma_N + \sigma_N \longrightarrow \infty, \ as \ N \longrightarrow \infty.$$

Then, we have (10)

$$\limsup_{N\to\infty} \max_{1\le n\le N} \sup_{|t|\le T_N} |X(t,n)|/\beta_N \le 1 \ a.s.$$

THEOREM 2. Assume that (9) is satisfied and that there exists a positive constant C such that

(11)
$$\sigma_N \leq C \sigma_{N-1} \text{ for every } N \geq 1,$$

(12)
$$\log \frac{T_N \Gamma_N}{\sigma_N} \le (1 + C\epsilon) \log \frac{T_N}{\theta_N(\epsilon)} + C\epsilon \log \log \sigma_N,$$

for every $0 < \epsilon < 1$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$. Then, we have

(13)
$$\limsup_{N\to\infty} \sup_{0\le t\le T_N} |X(t,N)|/\beta_N = 1 \ a.s.$$

(14)
$$\limsup_{N \to \infty} \max_{1 \le n \le N} \sup_{|t| \le T_N} |X(t, n)| / \beta_N = 1 \ a.s.$$

If, in addition, we also have

(15)
$$\log \log \sigma_N = o\left(\log \frac{T_N \Gamma_N}{\sigma_N}\right), \text{ as } N \to \infty.$$

Then

(16)
$$\lim_{N\to\infty} \sup_{0\le t\le T_N} |X(t,N)|/\beta_N = 1 \ a.s.$$

(17)
$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \max_{1 \le n \le N} \sup_{|t| \le T_N} |X(t, n)| / \beta_N = 1 \text{ a.s.}$$

THEOREM 3. Assume that (11) is satisfied. Moreover, suppose that

(18)
$$\log(\Gamma_N/\sigma_N) = o(\log\log\sigma_N) \text{ as } N \to \infty,$$

and

(19)
$$\sigma_N \longrightarrow \infty \text{ as } N \longrightarrow \infty.$$

Then, we have

(20)
$$P\left\{\limsup_{N\to\infty} X(t,N)/(2\sigma_N\log\log\sigma_N)^{1/2} = 1 \text{ for all } t\in R\right\} = 1.$$

Before stating our corollaries, we introduce the following notations:

$$\lambda_N^* = \max_{\iota \le N} \lambda_\iota, \ m_n(1,\epsilon) = \max\left\{\ell : \sum_{\iota=\ell}^n \frac{\gamma_\iota}{\lambda_\iota} \ge (1-\epsilon)\sigma_n\right\},$$
$$m_n(2,\epsilon) = \min\left\{\ell : \sum_{\iota=1}^\ell \frac{\gamma_\iota}{\lambda_\iota} \ge (1-\epsilon)\sigma_n\right\}, \ \lambda_N'(\epsilon) = \max\left\{\min_{m_n(1,\epsilon) \le \iota \le N} \lambda_\iota, \min_{1 \le \iota \le m_n(2,\epsilon)} \lambda_\iota\right\}.$$

A sequence $\{a_n\}$ is called *quasi-increasing* if there exists a positive constant C such that

$$a_k \leq Ca_n$$
 for each $k \leq n$.

COROLLARY 1. Assume that (9) and (11) are satisfied and that there exists a positive constant C such that

$$\lambda_N^* \leq C(\lambda_N^{\prime}(\epsilon))^{1+C\epsilon} \log^{C\epsilon} \sigma_N$$

for every $0 < \epsilon < 1$. Then, (13) and (14) hold. If we also have (15), then (16) and (17) are true.

COROLLARY 2. Assume that (11) is satisfied and that there is positive constants α and C such that $\sigma(n)/n^{\alpha}$ is quasi-increasing and $\lambda_{2k}^* \leq C \min_{k \leq i \leq 2k} \lambda_i$ for each $k \geq 1$. Then, (13) and (14) hold. If we also have (15), then (16) and (17) are true.

COROLLARY 3. Assume that (11) is satisfied and that

$$\log \frac{T_N \Gamma_N}{\sigma_N} = o(\log \log \sigma_N) \text{ as } N \to \infty.$$

Then, we have (13), (14) and

(21)
$$\limsup_{N \to \infty} X(T_N, N) / (2\sigma_N \log \log \sigma_N)^{1/2} = 1 \ a.s.$$

COROLLARY 4. Assume that (9) and (11) are satisfied and that $\lambda_n \sigma_n^{1-\alpha}$ and $\sigma_n^{1/\alpha}/\lambda_n$ are quasi-increasing for some $0 < \alpha < 1$. Then, (13) and (14) hold. If we also have (15), then (16) and (17) are true.

The proof of theorems is based on the following lemmas.

LEMMA 1 (FERNIQUE(1964)). Let G(t) be a Gaussian process on [0, 1] with

$$E(G(t) - G(s))^2 \le \Lambda^2(|t-s|)$$

where Λ is continuous, non-decreasing and satisfies $\int_1^{\infty} \Lambda(e^{-y^2}) dy < \infty$ and also $EG^2(t) \leq \Gamma^2$. Then, for every x > 0

$$P\left\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq 1}|G(t)|>x\left(\Gamma+4\int_1^\infty\Lambda(e^{-y^2})\,dy\right)\right\}\leq d\int_x^\infty e^{-y^2/2}\,dy,$$

where d is an absolute constant.

LEMMA 2. For every $0 < \epsilon < 1$, there exists a constant $C = C(\epsilon)$ such that

(22)
$$P\left\{\sup_{|t|\leq T}|X(t,n)|\geq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}\leq C\left(1+\frac{T\Gamma_n}{\sigma_n}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{(1-\epsilon)}{2}x^2\right).$$

PROOF. Note that

(23)
$$\mathrm{EX}^2(t,n) = \sigma_n$$

and

(24)
$$E(X(t,n) - X(s,n))^2 = 2\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} (1 - e^{-\lambda_i |t-s|}) \le 2\Gamma_n |t-s|$$

for every t and s. Put

$$\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{32(1-\epsilon)^{1/2}}, \quad \theta = \frac{\delta^2 \sigma_n}{\Gamma_n}.$$

~

Then

(25)
$$P\left\{\sup_{|t|\leq T} |X(t,n)| \geq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \leq 2\left(\left[\frac{T}{\theta}\right] + 1\right)P\left\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq \theta} |X(t,n)| \geq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}$$
$$= 2\left(\left[\frac{T}{\theta}\right] + 1\right)P\left\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq 1} |X(t\theta,n)| \geq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}.$$

By (23) and (24), we have

(26)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} (2\theta \Gamma_n e^{-y^2})^{1/2} \, dy \le 4\delta \sigma_n^{1/2}$$

Using the Fernique lemma, we find

(27)
$$P\{\sup_{0 \le t \le 1} |X(t\theta, n)| \ge x\sigma_n^{1/2}\}$$

$$\le P\{\sup_{0 \le t \le 1} |X(t\theta, n)| \ge \frac{x}{1 + 16\delta} (\sigma_n^{1/2} + 4\int_1^\infty (2\theta\Gamma_n e^{-y^2})^{1/2} dy\}$$

$$\le d\int_{\frac{x}{1 + 16\delta}}^\infty e^{-t^2/2} dt$$

$$\le d\exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2(1 + 16\delta)^2}\right)$$

$$\le d\exp\left(-\frac{(1 - \epsilon)x^2}{2}\right).$$

Now (22) follows from (27) and (25).

LEMMA 3. Let $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$, $\theta_n(\epsilon)$ be the solution of the equation (8). Then, there is a positive $C(\epsilon)$ such that

(28)
$$P\left\{\sup_{0\le t\le T}|X(t,n)|\le x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}\le \left(1-C(\epsilon)\exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2(1-2\epsilon)}\right)\right)^{T/\theta_n(\epsilon)}$$

for each x > 0.

PROOF. Let $\{W_i(t), 0 \le t < \infty\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ be independent standard Wiener processes. Noting that

$$\{X(t,n), 0 \le t \le T\}$$
 and $\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}\right)^{1/2} \frac{W_i(e^{2\lambda_i t})}{e^{\lambda_i t}}, 0 \le t \le T\right\}$

have the same distribution, we have

(29)
$$P\left\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq T}|X(t,n)|\leq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}\leq P\left\{\sup_{0\leq j\leq \lfloor\frac{T}{\theta_n}\rfloor}|X(j\theta_n,n)|\leq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}$$
$$=P\left\{\max_{0\leq j\leq \lfloor\frac{T}{\theta_n}\rfloor}\left|\sum_{i=1}^n\left(\frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}\right)^{1/2}\frac{W_i(e^{2j\lambda_i\theta_n})}{e^{j\lambda_i\theta_n}}\right|\leq x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\},$$

where $\theta_n = \theta_n(\epsilon)$. Set

$$U_J = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}\right)^{1/2} \frac{W_i(e^{2j\lambda_i\theta_n})}{e^{j\lambda_i\theta_n}}, \quad V_J = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}\right)^{1/2} \frac{W_i(e^{2(j-1)\lambda_i\theta_n})}{e^{j\lambda_i\theta_n}}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$U_j - V_j \sim N\Big(0, \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}(1 - e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n})\Big).$$

Whence (30)

$$U_j - V_j \sim N(0, (1-\epsilon)\sigma_n)$$

by the definition of θ_n . Thus, by (30), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(31)} & P\left\{\max_{0 \leq j \leq [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &= P\left\{\max_{0 \leq j < [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}, |U_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} - V_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} + V_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]}| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} P\left\{|U_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} - V_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} + y| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} dP\left\{V_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} < y, \max_{0 \leq j < [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\Phi\left(\frac{x \sigma_n^{1/2} - y}{((1 - \epsilon)\sigma_n)^{1/2}}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{-x \sigma_n^{1/2} - y}{((1 - \epsilon)\sigma_n)^{1/2}}\right)\right) dP \\ &\left\{V_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} < y, \max_{0 \leq j < [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\Phi\left(\frac{x}{(1 - \epsilon)^{1/2}}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{-x}{(1 - \epsilon)^{1/2}}\right)\right) dP\left\{V_{[\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} < y, \max_{0 \leq j < [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\frac{x}{(1 - \epsilon)^{1/2}}}^{\infty} e^{-t^2/2} dt\right) P\left\{\max_{0 \leq j < [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &\leq \left(1 - C(\epsilon)e^{-\frac{x^2}{2(1 - 2\epsilon)}}\right) P\left\{\max_{0 \leq j < [\frac{T}{\theta_n}]} |U_j| \leq x \sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}, \end{aligned}$$

here we have used the following facts on the Wiener Process:

- i) $U_{\left[\frac{T}{\theta_{n}}\right]} V_{\left[\frac{T}{\theta_{n}}\right]}$ and $\{V_{\left[\frac{T}{\theta_{n}}\right]}, U_{j}, 0 \le j < \left[\frac{T}{\theta_{n}}\right]\}$ are independent, ii) $\Phi(x-y) \Phi(-x-y) \le \Phi(x) \Phi(-x)$ for every $y \in R$ and $x \ge 0$,
- iii) for each $\delta > 0$, there is a $C(\delta) > 0$ such that

$$\int_{x}^{\infty} e^{-t^{2}/2} dt \ge C(\delta) \exp\left(-\frac{x^{2}(1+\delta)}{2}\right) \text{ for every } x \ge 0$$

By recurrence, we conclude from (29) and (31) that (28) holds true. From (28) it is easy to see that

LEMMA 4. Let $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$, $\theta_n(\epsilon)$ be the solution of the equation (8). Then, there is a positive $C(\epsilon)$ such that

(32)
$$P\left\{\sup_{0\le t\le T}|X(t,n)|\ge x\sigma_n^{1/2}\right\}\ge C(\epsilon)\left(1+\frac{T}{\theta_n}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{x^2}{2(1-2\epsilon)}\right)$$

for each $x \ge \left(2(1-2\epsilon)\log\frac{T}{\theta_n}\right)^{1/2}$.

LEMMA 5. For each $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{2}$, there is a constant $C = C(\epsilon)$ such that

(33)
$$P\left\{\max_{1\leq n\leq N}\sup_{|t|\leq T}|X(t,n)|\geq x\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}\leq C\left(1+\frac{T\Gamma_N}{\sigma_N}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{(1-2\epsilon)x^2}{2}\right).$$

PROOF. (33) will follow from Lemma 2 and

(34)
$$P\left\{\max_{1\leq n\leq N}\sup_{|t|\leq T}|X(t,n)|\geq x\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}$$
$$\leq 4\left(1+\frac{T\Gamma_N}{\sigma_N}\right)P\left\{\sup_{|t|\leq \sigma_N/\Gamma_N}|X(t,N)|\geq x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}$$

for every x sufficiently large. Let

$$B = \sigma_N / \Gamma_N, \ E_1 = \left\{ \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,1)| \ge x \sigma_N^{1/2} \right\},$$
$$E_i = \left\{ \max_{j \le i} \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,j)| < x \sigma_N^{1/2} \le \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,i)| \right\}, \quad i = 2, \dots, N.$$

Noting that

$$\left\{ \max_{1 \le n \le N} \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,n)| \ge x \sigma_N^{1/2} \right\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^N E_n \subset \left\{ \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,N)| \ge x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2} \right\}$$
$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{N-1} \left(E_n \cap \left\{ \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,N)| < x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2} \right\} \right)$$
$$\subset \left\{ \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,N)| \ge x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2} \right\}$$
$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{N-1} \left(E_n \cap \left\{ \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,N) - X(t,n)| \ge \epsilon x \sigma_N^{1/2} \right\} \right)$$

and that $\{X(t, N) - X(t, n), |t| \leq B\}$ and E_n are independent, we have

$$P\left\{\max_{1\leq n\leq N}\sup_{|t|\leq B}|X(t,n)|\geq x\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}$$

$$\leq P\left\{\sup_{|t|\leq B}|X(t,N)|\geq x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}$$

$$+\sum_{n=1}^{N-1}P\left\{\sup_{|t|\leq B}|X(t,N)-X(t,n)|\geq \epsilon x\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}P(E_n)$$

$$\leq P\left\{\sup_{|t|\leq B}|X(t,N)|\geq x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2}\right\}$$

$$+\sum_{n=1}^{N-1}d\left(1+\frac{B\sum_{l=l+n}^N\gamma_l}{\sum_{l=l+n}^N\gamma_l/\lambda_l}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 x^2\sigma_N}{4\sum_{l=l+n}^N\gamma_l/\lambda_l}\right)P(E_n)$$

QI-MAN SHAO

$$\leq P\{\sup_{|t|\leq B} |X(t,N)| \geq x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2}\} + 2 d \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 x^2}{4}\right) \sum_{n=1}^{N-1} P(E_n)$$

$$\leq P\{\sup_{|t|\leq B} |X(t,N)| \geq x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2}\} + \frac{1}{2}P\{\max_{1\leq n\leq N} \sup_{|t|\leq B} |X(t,n)| \geq x\sigma_N^{1/2}\}$$

provided $x \ge 4(\log(8d))/\epsilon$. In the last but second inequality we have used the fact that $f(y) = ye^{-ay}$ is decreasing on $[1/a, \infty)$ for each a > 0 fixed, and d is an absolute constant as in Lemma 2. The above inequality yields

$$P\{\max_{1 \le n \le N} \sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,n)| \ge x\sigma_N^{1/2}\} \le 2P\{\sup_{|t| \le B} |X(t,N)| \ge x(1-\epsilon)\sigma_N^{1/2}\}$$

for $x \ge 4(\log(8d))/\epsilon$, as desired.

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. It suffices to show that for each $0 < \epsilon < 1/8$

(35)
$$\limsup_{N\to\infty} \max_{1\le n\le N} \sup_{|t|\le T_N} |X(t,n)|/\beta_N \le 1+8\epsilon \text{ a.s.}$$

For $k \ge 0$, put

$$H_k = \{N : (1+\epsilon)^k < \beta_N \le (1+\epsilon)^{k+1}\},\$$
$$M_k = \max\{N : N \in H_k\}.$$

Clearly, (9) implies that $\beta_N \to \infty$ as $N \to \infty$. So, we have

(36)
$$\limsup_{N \to \infty} \max_{1 \le n \le N} \sup_{|t| \le T_N} |X(t, n)| / \beta_N$$
$$\leq \limsup_{k \to \infty} \max_{N \in H_k} \max_{1 \le n \le N} \sup_{|t| \le T_N} |X(t, n)| / \beta_N$$
$$\leq (1 + \epsilon) \limsup_{k \to \infty} \max_{1 \le n \le M_k} \sup_{|t| \le T_{M_k}} |X(t, n)| / (1 + \epsilon)^{k+1}.$$

From the definition of M_k , we find that

$$\frac{(1+\epsilon)^{2k}}{2\left(\log(T_{M_k}\Gamma_{M_k}/\sigma_{M_k}) + \log\log\sigma_{M_k}\right)} < \sigma_{M_k} \le \frac{(1+\epsilon)^{2(k+1)}}{2\left(\log(T_{M_k}\Gamma_{M_k}/\sigma_{M_k}) + \log\log\sigma_{M_k}\right)}$$

Whence, for each $k \ge 1$

(37)
$$\sigma_{M_k} \ge (1+\epsilon)^k \text{ or } \left(\frac{T_{M_k} \Gamma_{M_k}}{\sigma_{M_k}} + e\right) \ge \exp\left(\frac{1}{4}(1+\epsilon)^k\right).$$

https://doi.org/10.4153/CJM-1993-009-2 Published online by Cambridge University Press

Using Lemma 5, we deduce

$$(38) \quad P\left\{\max_{1 \le n \le M_k} \sup_{|t| \le T_{M_k}} |X(t,n)| \ge (1+\epsilon)^{k+1}(1+\epsilon)^2\right\} \\ \le P\left\{\max_{1 \le n \le M_k} \sup_{|t| \le T_{M_k}} |X(t,n)| \ge \beta_{M_k}(1+\epsilon)^2\right\} \\ \le C(\epsilon) \left(1 + \frac{T_{M_k}\Gamma_{M_k}}{\sigma_{M_k}}\right) \exp\left(-(1+\epsilon) \left(\log \frac{T_{M_k}\Gamma_{M_k}}{\sigma_{M_k}} + \log\log\sigma_{M_k}\right)\right) \\ \le C(\epsilon) \left(1 + \frac{T_{M_k}\Gamma_{M_k}}{\sigma_{M_k}}\right)^{-\epsilon} (\log\sigma_{M_k})^{-(1+\epsilon)} \\ \le C(\epsilon) k^{-(1+\epsilon)}$$

by (37). Now (35) follows from (36), (38) and the Borel-Cantelli lemma. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. Noting that σ_N is non-decreasing, we have

$$\sigma_N \longrightarrow \sigma \text{ as } N \longrightarrow \infty$$
,

where $0 < \sigma \le \infty$. If $0 < \sigma < \infty$, then (9) implies $T_N \Gamma_N / \sigma_N \to \infty$ and hence (15) is satisfied. So we only need to consider two cases: one is $\sigma = \infty$, the other is (15) being satisfied. We formulate the proof below in two steps, which together with (10) will imply our statements.

STEP 1. Suppose $\sigma = \infty$, then, for each $0 < \epsilon < 1/(4C^2)$

(39)
$$\limsup_{N\to\infty} \sup_{0\le t\le T_N} |X(t,N)|/\beta_N \ge 1-\epsilon^{1/2} \text{ a.s.}$$

Let

$$N_1 = 1, N_{k+1} = \min\left\{n : \sigma_n \ge \left(\frac{8C^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)^k\right\}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

From condition (11), we get

(40)
$$\left(\frac{8C^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)^k < \sigma_{N_{k+1}} \le C \left(\frac{8C^2}{\epsilon^2}\right)^k.$$

Clearly, $\sigma = \infty$ implies $N_k \uparrow \infty$ as $k \to \infty$. Then

(41)
$$\limsup_{N \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_N} |X(t,N)| / \beta_N \ge \limsup_{k \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{N_k}} |X(t,N_k)| / \beta_{N_k}$$
$$\ge \limsup_{k \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{N_k}} |X(t,N_k) - X(t,N_{k-1})| / \beta_{N_k}.$$
$$-\limsup_{k \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{N_k}} |X(t,N_{k-1})| / \beta_{N_k}.$$

Using Lemma 5 again, we have

$$P\left\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq T_{N_{k}}}|X(t,N_{k-1})|/\beta_{N_{k}}\geq \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right\}$$

$$\leq C(\epsilon)\left(1+\frac{T_{N_{k}}\Gamma_{N_{k-1}}}{\sigma_{N_{k-1}}}\right)\exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^{2}\sigma_{N_{k}}}{9\sigma_{N_{k-1}}}\left(\log\frac{T_{N_{k}}\Gamma_{N_{k}}}{\sigma_{N_{k}}}+\log\log\sigma_{N_{k}}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq C(\epsilon)\left(1+\frac{T_{N_{k}}\Gamma_{N_{k-1}}}{\sigma_{N_{k-1}}}\right)\left(1+\frac{T_{N_{k}}\Gamma_{N_{k}}}{\sigma_{N_{k}}}\right)^{-2}\log^{-2}\sigma_{N_{k}}$$

$$\leq C(\epsilon)k^{-2}$$

by (40). This implies that

(42)
$$\limsup_{k\to\infty} \sup_{0\le t\le T_{N_k}} |X(t,N_{k-1})|/\beta_{N_k} \le \frac{\epsilon}{2} \text{ a.s}$$

To estimate $|X(t, N_k) - X(t, N_{k-1})| / \beta_{N_k}$, we let $\theta_k^*(\epsilon)$ be the solution of the equation

$$\sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_k^*(\epsilon)} = \epsilon \sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}$$

and let

$$\beta'_{k} = \left(2\left(\sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_{k}} \frac{\gamma_{i}}{\lambda_{i}}\right)\left(\log(T_{N_{k}}/\theta_{k}^{*}(\epsilon)) + \log\log\sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_{k}} \frac{\gamma_{i}}{\lambda_{i}}\right)\right).$$

Then, in terms of (32), we obtain

$$P\left\{\sup_{0 \le t \le T_{N_k}} |X(t, N_k) - X(t, N_{k-1})| / \beta'_k \ge (1 - 2\epsilon)^{1/2}\right\}$$
$$\ge C(\epsilon) \left(1 + \frac{T_{N_k}}{\theta^*_k(\epsilon)}\right) \exp\left(-(\beta'_k)^2 / 2\right)$$
$$\ge C(\epsilon) \log^{-1}\left(\sum_{\iota=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_\iota}{\lambda_\iota}\right)$$
$$\ge C(\epsilon) k^{-1}$$

by (40) again. Therefore, we have

(43)
$$\limsup_{k \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{N_k}} |X(t, N_k) - X(t, N_{k-1})| / \beta'_k \ge (1 - 2\epsilon)^{1/2} \text{ a.s.},$$

since $\{\sup_{0 \le t \le T_{N_k}} | X(t, N_k) - X(t, N_{k-1}) |, k \ge 1\}$ are independent random variables. On the other hand, it follows from the definitions of $\theta_{N_k}(\epsilon/2)$ and θ_k^* that

$$\frac{1}{4}\epsilon\sigma_{N_k} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i\theta_{N_k}(\frac{\epsilon}{4})}$$
$$\geq \sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i\theta_{N_k}(\frac{\epsilon}{4})}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}\epsilon\sigma_{N_k} = \frac{\epsilon}{2}(\sigma_{N_k} - \sigma_{N_{k-1}} + \sigma_{N_{k-1}})$$
$$\leq \frac{\epsilon}{2}(\sigma_{N_k} - \sigma_{N_{k-1}}) + \frac{\epsilon}{4}\sigma_{N_k}.$$

From the latter, we find that $\sigma_{N_k} \leq 4(\sigma_{N_k} - \sigma_{N_{k-1}})$. Hence

$$\sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_{N_k}(\frac{\epsilon}{4})} \leq \sum_{i=1+N_{k-1}}^{N_k} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_k^*(\epsilon)},$$

which is equivalent to say that $\theta_{N_k}(\frac{\epsilon}{4}) \ge \theta_k^*(\epsilon)$. Combining the above results with the assumption (12), we finally conclude that

(44)
$$\limsup_{k\to\infty} \sup_{0\le t\le T_{N_k}} |X(t,N_k)-X(t,N_{k-1})|/\beta_{N_k} \ge \frac{(1-2\epsilon)}{(1+C\epsilon)^2} \text{ a.s.}$$

This proves (39) by (41), (42) and (44).

STEP 2. If, in addition, (15) is satisfied, then for each
$$0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{8}$$

(45)
$$\liminf_{N\to\infty} \sup_{0\le t\le T_N} |X(t,N)| / \alpha_N \ge 1 - 4\epsilon \text{ a.s.}.$$

where $\alpha_N = (2\sigma_N \log \frac{T_N \Gamma_N}{\sigma_N})^{1/2}$.

Let
$$1 < \theta < 1 + \frac{\epsilon}{6}$$
. Define

$$\begin{split} A_{k} &= \{N : \theta^{k} \sigma_{1} \leq \sigma_{N} < \theta^{k+1} \sigma_{1} \}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, \\ B_{J} &= \{N : \theta^{j} \leq \frac{T_{N} \Gamma_{N}}{\sigma_{N}} + 1 < \theta^{j+1} \}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, \\ L_{k,J} &= \min\{N : N \in A_{k} B_{J} \}, \ L_{k,J}^{*} &= \max\{N : N \in A_{k} B_{J} \}, \\ \Gamma_{k,J} &= \sum_{i=1+L_{k,j}}^{L_{k,j}^{*}} \gamma_{i}, \ \sigma_{k,J} &= \sum_{i=1+L_{k,j}}^{L_{k,j}^{*}} \frac{\gamma_{i}}{\lambda_{i}}. \end{split}$$

Clearly, (15) implies that $T_N\Gamma_N/\sigma_N \to \infty$ and that $A_kB_j = \emptyset$ if $k \ge \theta^{\epsilon_j}$, when j is sufficiently large. Thus, we have

$$(46) \liminf_{N \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_N} |X(t,N)| / \alpha_N$$

$$\geq \liminf_{J \to \infty} \inf_{0 \le t \le T_N} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_N} |X(t,N)| / \alpha_N$$

$$\geq \liminf_{J \to \infty} \inf_{0 \le k \le \theta^{t_J}} \sup_{N \in B_J A_k} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_N} |X(t,N)| / \alpha_N$$

$$\geq \liminf_{J \to \infty} \inf_{0 \le k \le \theta^{t_J}} \sup_{N \in B_J A_k} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{L_{k_J}}} \frac{|X(t,N)|}{(2\theta^{k+1} \log \theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}$$

$$\geq \liminf_{J \to \infty} \inf_{0 \le k \le \theta^{t_J}} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{L_{k_J}}} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{L_{k_J}}} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{L_{k_J}}} \frac{|X(t,N)|}{(2\theta^{k+1} \log \theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}$$

$$-\limsup_{J \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le k \le \theta^{t_J}} \sup_{L_{k_J} \le N \le L_{k_J}^*} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{L_{k_J}}} \frac{|X(t,N) - X(t,L_{k_J})|}{(2\theta^{k+1} \log \theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}.$$

Similarly to (33), we can obtain that

$$P\left\{\sup_{L_{k,j}\leq N\leq L_{k,j}^*}\sup_{0\leq t\leq T_{L_{k,j}}}\frac{|X(t,N)-X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}\geq \epsilon\right\}$$
$$\leq C(\epsilon)\Big(1+\frac{T_{L_{k,j}}\Gamma_{k,j}}{\sigma_{k,j}}\Big)\exp\Big(-\frac{\epsilon^2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1}}{2\sigma_{k,j}}\Big).$$

Since xe^{-x} is decreasing on $[1, \infty)$ and $\sigma_{k,j} = \sigma_{L_{k,j}^*} - \sigma_{L_{k,j}} \leq (\theta - 1)\theta^k$, the above inequality is bounded by

$$C(\epsilon) \left(1 + \frac{T_{L_{k_j}^*} \Gamma_{L_{k_j}^*}}{\sigma_{L_{k_j}^*}} \right) \exp\left(-\frac{\epsilon^2 \log \theta^{j+1}}{2(\theta-1)}\right) \le C(\epsilon) \theta^{j+1} \exp(-3 \log \theta^{j+1}) \le C(\epsilon) \theta^{-2j}$$

for every *j* sufficiently large. Therefore

$$P\Big\{\sup_{0\leq k\leq \theta^{j}}\sup_{L_{k,j}\leq N\leq L_{k,j}^{*}}\sup_{0\leq t\leq T_{L_{k,j}}}\frac{|X(t,N)-X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}\geq\epsilon\Big\}\leq C(\epsilon)\theta^{-j},$$

which follows that

(47)
$$\limsup_{j \to \infty} \sup_{0 \le k \le \theta^{ij}} \sup_{L_{k,j} \le N \le L_{k,j}^*} \sup_{0 \le t \le T_{L_{k,j}}} \frac{|X(t,N) - X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}} \le \epsilon \text{ a.s.}$$

On the other hand, using (28), we have

$$\begin{split} P\Big\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq T_{L_{k,j}}} \frac{|X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}} \leq \frac{1-2\epsilon}{\theta}\Big\} \\ &\leq P\Big\{\sup_{0\leq t\leq T_{L_{k,j}}} \frac{|X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\sigma_{L_{k,j}}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}} \leq 1-2\epsilon\Big\} \\ &\leq \Big(1-C(\epsilon)\exp\Big(-(1-2\epsilon)\log\theta^{j+1}\Big)\Big)^{T_{L_{k,j}}/\theta_{L_{k,j}}(\epsilon)} \\ &\leq \exp\Big(-\frac{C(\epsilon)T_{L_{k,j}}}{\theta^{(1-2\epsilon)j}\theta_{L_{k,j}}(\epsilon)}\Big) \\ &\leq \exp\Big(-C(\epsilon)\theta^{\epsilon j}\Big) \end{split}$$

by (12) and (15), for every sufficiently large j, and hence

$$P\left\{\inf_{0\leq k\leq \theta^{ij}}\sup_{0\leq t\leq T_{L_{k,j}}}\frac{|X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}\leq \frac{1-2\epsilon}{\theta}\right\}\leq \theta^{\epsilon j}\exp\left(-C(\epsilon)\theta^{\epsilon j}\right)\leq \theta^{-j}$$

provided that *j* is sufficiently large, which implies immediately

(48)
$$\liminf_{j\to\infty}\inf_{0\le k\le\theta^{j}}\sup_{0\le t\le T_{L_{k,j}}}\frac{|X(t,L_{k,j})|}{(2\theta^{k+1}\log\theta^{j+1})^{1/2}}\ge\frac{1-2\epsilon}{\theta} \text{ a.s.}$$

by the Borel-Cantelli lemma.

Now (45) follows from (46)–(48). This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

PROOF OF THEOREM 3. It suffices to show that

(49)
$$\forall A > 0, \quad \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sup_{|t| \le A} \frac{|X(t,n)|}{(2\sigma_n \log \log \sigma_n)^{1/2}} \le 1 \text{ a.s.}$$

and

(50)
$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \forall A > 0, \quad \lim_{n \to \infty} P\left\{\bigcup_{|t| \le A} \bigcap_{i=n}^{\infty} \{X(t,i) < (1-\epsilon)(2\sigma_t \log \log \sigma_i)^{1/2}\}\right\} = 0$$

hold true.

(49) follows from Theorem 1 and (18) immediately. We now prove (50). Let

$$0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{4}, \quad n_k = \max\{n : \sigma_n \le a^k\}$$

where a > 1 is a constant which will be specified later. Then

$$\frac{a^k}{C} \leq \sigma_{N_k} \leq a^k.$$

Clearly, (50) is implied by

(51)
$$\lim_{k\to\infty} P\Big\{\bigcup_{|t|\leq A}\bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} \{X(t,n_i)<(1-\epsilon)(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2}\}\Big\}=0.$$

Noting that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ X(t,n_i) < (1-\epsilon)(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2} \right\} \\ & \subset \left\{ X(t,n_{i-1}) < -\frac{\epsilon}{2}(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2} \right\} \\ & \bigcup \left\{ X(t,n_i) - X(t,n_{i-1}) < \left(1-\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\bigcup_{|t|\leq A} \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} \{X(t,n_i) < (1-\epsilon)(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2}\}$$

$$\subset \bigcup_{|t|\leq A} \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} \{X(t,n_i) - X(t,n_{i-1}) < \left(1-\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2}\}$$

$$\bigcup_{|t|\leq A} \bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} \{X(t,n_{i-1}) < -\frac{\epsilon}{2}(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2}\}.$$

From Theorem 1 and (18) it follows that

$$P\Big\{\bigcup_{|t|\leq A}\bigcup_{i=k}^{\infty} \{X(t,n_{i-1}) < -\frac{\epsilon}{2}(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2}\Big\} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \to \infty$$

provided $a > 8C/\epsilon^2$.

The rest we should do is to prove

(52)
$$P\left\{\bigcup_{|t|\leq A}\bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty}\left\{X(t,n_i)-X(t,n_{i-1})<\left(1-\frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)(2\sigma_{n_i}\log\log\sigma_{n_i})^{1/2}\right\}\right\}\longrightarrow 0$$

as $k \to \infty$. Let $b := b_k = 1/(Ak^2)$. Then

$$(53) \quad P\left\{\bigcup_{|t|\leq A} \bigcap_{i=k}^{\infty} \left\{X(t,n_{i}) - X(t,n_{i-1}) < \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)(2\sigma_{n_{i}}\log\log\sigma_{n_{i}})^{1/2}\right\}\right\} \\ \leq P\left\{\bigcup_{|t|\leq A} \bigcap_{i=k}^{2k} \left\{X(t,n_{i}) - X(t,n_{i-1}) < \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)(2\sigma_{n_{i}}\log\log\sigma_{n_{i}})^{1/2}\right\}\right\} \\ \leq 4k^{2}P\left\{\bigcup_{0\leq t\leq b} \bigcap_{i=k}^{2k} \left\{X(t,n_{i}) - X(t,n_{i-1}) < \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)(2\sigma_{n_{i}}\log\log\sigma_{n_{i}})^{1/2}\right\}\right\} \\ \leq 4k^{2}P\left\{\bigcap_{i=k}^{2k} \left\{X(b,n_{i}) - X(b,n_{i-1}) < \left(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{3}\right)(2\sigma_{n_{i}}\log\log\sigma_{n_{i}})^{1/2}\right\}\right\} \\ + 4k^{2}P\left\{\bigcup_{0\leq t\leq b} \bigcup_{i=k}^{2k} \left\{\frac{X(t,n_{i}) - X(t,n_{i-1}) - X(b,n_{i}) + X(b,n_{i-1})}{(2\sigma_{n_{i}}\log\log\sigma_{n_{i}})^{1/2}} < -\frac{\epsilon}{6}\right\}\right\} \\ := I_{1}(k) + I_{2}(k).$$

Since $\{X(b, n_i) - X(b, n_{i-1}), k \le i \le 2k\}$ are independent, we have

(54)

$$I_{1}(k) \leq 4k^{2} \prod_{i=k}^{2k} \left(1 - C(\epsilon) \exp\left(-(1 - \frac{\epsilon}{6}) \log \log \sigma_{N_{i}}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq 4k^{2} \prod_{i=k}^{2k} \left(1 - C(\epsilon)i^{-1 + \frac{\epsilon}{6}}\right)$$

$$\leq 4k^{2} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=k}^{2k} C(\epsilon)i^{-1 + \frac{\epsilon}{6}}\right)$$

$$\leq 4k^{2} \exp\left(-C(\epsilon)k^{\epsilon/6}\right) \longrightarrow 0, \text{ as } k \longrightarrow \infty.$$

On the other hand, for $0 \le t \le b$ and $k \le i \le 2k$ we have

$$E(X(t, n_{i}) - X(t, n_{i-1}) - X(b, n_{i}) + X(b, n_{i-1}))^{2} = 2 \sum_{j=1+n_{i-1}}^{n_{i}} \frac{\gamma_{i}}{\lambda_{i}} (1 - e^{-2\lambda_{i}(b-t)})$$

$$\leq 4(b-t) \sum_{j=1+n_{i-1}}^{n_{i}} \gamma_{i}$$

$$\leq \frac{4\Gamma_{n_{i}}}{A\sigma_{n_{i}}} k^{-2} \sigma_{n_{i}}$$

$$\leq 4k^{-2} \sigma_{n_{i}} (\log \sigma_{N_{i}}) / A$$

$$\leq 8\sigma_{n_{i}} (\log \sigma_{N_{i}}) / A$$

$$\leq \epsilon \sigma_{n_{i}} / 48$$

provided that k is large enough.

Consequently, using the Fernique lemma again, we get

$$I_{2}(k) \leq C(\epsilon)k^{3} \max_{k \leq i \leq 2k} \left(1 + \frac{b\Gamma_{n_{i}}}{\sigma_{n_{i}}}\right) \exp(-4\log\log\sigma_{n_{k}})$$

$$\leq C(\epsilon)k^{3} \exp(-4\log\log\sigma_{n_{k}})$$

$$\leq C(\epsilon)k^{-1} \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \longrightarrow \infty.$$

This proves (52) by (53) and (54), as desired. The proof of Theorem 3 is completed.

PROOF OF COROLLARY 1. It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{T_N \Gamma_N}{\sigma_N} &\leq \lambda_N^*, \\ 2\epsilon \sigma_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n(2\epsilon)} \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{m_n(1,\epsilon)-1} \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} + \sum_{i=m_n(1,\epsilon)}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n(2\epsilon)} \\ &\leq \epsilon \sigma_n + \sum_{i=m_n(1,\epsilon)}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n(2\epsilon)} \\ &\leq \epsilon \sigma_n + \left(\sum_{i=m_n(1,\epsilon)}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i}\right) \exp\left(-2\min_{m_n(1,\epsilon) \leq i \leq n} \{\lambda_i\} \theta_n(2\epsilon)\right) \\ &\leq \epsilon \sigma_n + \sigma_n \exp\left(-2\min_{m_n(1,\epsilon) \leq i \leq n} \{\lambda_i\} \theta_n(2\epsilon)\right). \end{aligned}$$

The latter implies that

$$\frac{1}{\theta_n(2\epsilon)} \ge 2 \min_{m_n(1,\epsilon) \le t \le n} \{\lambda_t\} / \log(1/\epsilon).$$

Similarly, we have

$$\frac{1}{\theta_n(2\epsilon)} \geq 2 \min_{1 \leq \iota \leq m_n(2,\epsilon)} \{\lambda_\iota\} / \log(1/\epsilon).$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\theta_n(2\epsilon)} \ge 2\lambda_n'(\epsilon) / \log(1/\epsilon)$$

This indicates that the condition (12) is satisfied. The corollary now follows from Theorems 2 and 3.

PROOF OF COROLLARY 2. Since σ_n/n^{α} is quasi-increasing, there exists a positive constant C such that

(55)
$$\sigma_{\ell}/\ell^{\alpha} \le C\sigma_n/n^{\alpha}$$

for each $\ell \leq n$. From (55) we can find that for every $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{4}$

$$\sigma_{\ell} \leq \epsilon \sigma_n$$
 for each $\ell \leq \left(\frac{\epsilon}{C}\right)^{1/\alpha} n$

1 / -

and hence

(56)
$$m_n(1,\epsilon) \ge \left(\frac{\epsilon}{C}\right)^{1/\alpha} n.$$

On the other hand, it is easy to find that from the assumption $\lambda_{2k}^* \leq C \min_{k \leq i \leq 2k} \lambda_i$, for each $0 < \epsilon < \frac{1}{4}$, there exists a constant $C(\epsilon)$ such that

(57)
$$\lambda_n^* \le C(\epsilon) \min_{\epsilon n \le \iota \le n} \lambda_\iota.$$

Thus, the assumption of Corollary 1 is satisfied by (56) and (57) and hence the corollary holds.

The proof of Corollary 3 is trivial and so is omitted here.

PROOF OF COROLLARY 4. By the assumption of quasi-increasing, there is a positive constant C such that for each $k \le n$

$$\lambda_k \sigma_k^{1-\alpha} \leq C \lambda_n \sigma_n^{1-\alpha}$$

and

$$\sigma_k^{1/\alpha}/\lambda_k \leq C\sigma_n^{1/\alpha}/\lambda_n.$$

Then

$$\frac{\Gamma_n}{\sigma_n} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} \lambda_i\right) / \sigma_n$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(\sigma_i - \sigma_{i-1})}{\sigma_i^{1-\alpha}} \lambda_n \sigma_n^{1-\alpha}\right) / \sigma_n$$

$$\leq C \lambda_n / \alpha,$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 2\epsilon\sigma_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n(2\epsilon)} \\ &\leq \epsilon\sigma_n + \sum_{i=m_n(1,\epsilon)}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} e^{-2\lambda_i \theta_n(2\epsilon)} \\ &\leq \epsilon\sigma_n + \sum_{i=m_n(1,\epsilon)}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} \exp\left(-\frac{2\lambda_n \sigma_i^{1/\alpha} \theta_n(2\epsilon)}{C\sigma_n^{1/\alpha}}\right) \\ &\leq \epsilon\sigma_n + \sum_{i=m_n(1,\epsilon)}^n \frac{\gamma_i}{\lambda_i} \exp\left(-\frac{2\lambda_n \epsilon^{1/\alpha} \theta_n(2\epsilon)}{C}\right) \\ &\leq \epsilon\sigma_n + \sigma_n \exp\left(-\frac{2\lambda_n \epsilon^{1/\alpha} \theta_n(2\epsilon)}{C}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\frac{1}{\theta_n(2\epsilon)} \geq \frac{2\lambda_n \epsilon^{1/\alpha}}{C\log(1/\epsilon)}.$$

This proves that condition (12) is also satisfied and hence the corollary follows from Theorems 2 and 3.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS. A part of this work was done while at Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada. The author gratefully expresses his thanks to Professor M. Csorgő, the referee and Dr. Jun Liu for their valuable comments and suggestions.

REFERENCES

- 1. E Csákı, M Csorgő and Q M Shao, *Moduli of continuity for Gaussian processes*, Tech Rep Ser Lab Res Stat Probab 160, Carleton University–University of Ottawa, 1991
- 2. M Csorgő and Z Y Lin, A law of the iterated logarithm for infinite dimensional Ornstein-Uhlenbeck processes, C R Math Rep Acad Sci Canada 10(1988), 113–118
- 3. D A Dawson, Stochastic evolution equations, Math Biosciences 15(1972), 1-52
- **4.** X Fernique, La régularité des fonctions aleatoires d'Orenstein-Uhlenbeck à valeurs dans ℓ^2 , le cas diagonal, C R Acad Sci Paris **309**(1989), 59–62
- 5. _____, Continuite des processus Gaussiens, C R Acad Sci Paris 258(1964), 6058-6060
- I Iscoe and D McDonald, Continuity of ℓ²-valued Ornstein-Uhlenbeck processes, Tech Rep Ser Lab Res Stat Probab 58, Carleton University-University of Ottawa, 1986
- 7. B Schmuland, Dirichlet forms and infinite dimensional Ornstein-Uhlenbeck processes, Ph D Dissertation, Carleton University, Ottawa, 1987

Department of Mathematics Hangzhou University Hangzhou, Zhejiang People's Republic of China

Present address Department of Mathematics National University of Singapore Singapore 0511