Statistical Properties of Lorentz Gas with Periodic Configuration of Scatterers

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Abstract. In our previous paper Markov partitions for some classes of dispersed billiards were constructed. Using these partitions we estimate the decay of velocity auto-correlation function and prove the central limit theorem of probability theory and Donsker's Invariance Principle for Lorentz Gas with periodic configuration of scatterers.

1. Introduction

We consider in this paper the dynamical system which corresponds to the motion of a single particle between fixed scatterers on the plane R^2. Outside all scatterers the particle moves with the constant velocity and at the moments of reflections it changes its velocity according to the usual law of elastic collisions.

We assume that scatterers are disks of arbitrary diameters and the configuration of scatterers is invariant under a discrete subgroup Γ with a compact fundamental domain of the group of all translations of the plane. The fundamental domain of Γ can be chosen as a semi-open set the closure of which is a rectangular. We shall denote it by

$$\Pi = \{q = (q_1, q_2) | 0 \leq q_1 < B_1, \, 0 \leq q_2 < B_2\}.$$

Another assumption concerns the existence of a constant A such that the length of any straight segment which avoids all scatterers cannot be more than A. Sometimes the last property is called as the property to have a finite horizon (see [1]).

The phase space $\mathcal{M}$ of our dynamical system consists of points $x = (q, v)$, where $q = (q^1, q^2)$ are coordinates, $v = (v^1, v^2)$ is velocity of the particle. Without any loss of generality we can restrict ourselves by the case $\|v\| = \sqrt{(v^1)^2 + (v^2)^2} = 1$. The flow corresponding to our dynamical system will be denoted by $\{S^t\}$. In Theorem 1 we consider a natural special representation of the flow $\{S^t\}$. Namely let $\mathcal{M}_1$ be the space of points $x = (q, v)$ such that q belongs to the boundary of one of the scatterers and v is directed inside the scatterers. We denote by T_0 the transformation of $\mathcal{M}_1$ into itself which arises when the point $x \in \mathcal{M}_1$ moves along its trajectory till the

next reflection from a scatterer and $T_0 x = (q_1, v_1)$, where $q_1 \in R^2$ is the point where the next reflection takes place and v_1 is the velocity in the moment after the reflection. If q is a point on the boundary of a scatterer then $n(q)$ is the unit normal vector directed outwards the scatterer and $\cos \varphi = (n(q), v)$, $+\dfrac{\pi}{2} < \varphi < \dfrac{3\pi}{2}$, where $(\cdot, \cdot)$ denotes the scalar product. Thus for every scatterer $\mathscr{D}_i$ we can introduce natural coordinates r, φ on the set $\mathscr{D}_i \subset \mathscr{M}_1$ of points $x = (q, v)$, $q \in \mathscr{D}'_i$, where r is a cyclic coordinate along the boundary $\mathscr{D}'_i$ and φ measures the angle between $n(q)$ and v. Let $d\mu_0$ be the differential of the measure on the set $\mathscr{D}^{(per)} = \bigcup\limits_{\mathscr{D}_i \subset \Pi} \mathscr{D}_i{}^1$ such that its restriction to $\mathscr{D}_i$ is proportional to $|\cos \varphi| dr d\varphi$.

Theorem 1. *There exists a constant γ, $0 < \gamma \leqq 1$, such that for all sufficiently large n*

$$|E(v(n), v(0))| \leqq \exp(-n^\gamma).$$

Here for $x = (q, v) \in \mathscr{D}^{(per)}$ we denote $v(0) = v$, $T_0^n x = (q(n), v(n))$ and expectation is taken with respect to the measure μ_0.

The proof of the Theorem 1 is contained in the Sect. 2. Let μ be a probability measure concentrated on the set $\mathscr{M} \cap (\Pi x S^1)$ which is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesque measure on $\mathscr{M}$ and its density $p(x) \in C^1$. We consider x as a random variable distributed according to the measure μ. If $S^t x = x(t) = (q(t), v(t))$ then $q(t)$, $v(t)$ are also random variables.

Theorem 2. *There exists a non-degenerate two-dimensional gaussian probability distribution with the density g such that*

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \mu \left\{ x : \frac{q(t)}{\sqrt{t}} \in C \right\} = \int\limits_C g(q^1, q^2) dq^1 dq^2.$$

Here C is a bounded open subset of the plane, the boundary of which has the area equal to zero. The next theorem is a stronger version of Theorem 2. For every t we put $q_t(s) = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{t}} q(st)$, $0 \leqq s \leqq 1$. The measure μ induces the probability distribution on the set of all possible trajectories $q_t(s)$, $0 \leqq s \leqq 1$, which are points of the space $C_{[0, 1]}(R^2)$ of continuous functions defined on the segment $[0, 1]$ with values in R^2. We shall denote this measure by μ_t.

Theorem 3. *The measures μ_t converge weakly to a Wiener measure.*

Theorems 1–3 are derived from the properties of the Markov partition η constructed in our previous paper [2]. The Markov partition η is a countable partition of the phase space $\mathscr{D}^{(per)}$. Its elements are denoted by A_{ω_i}, $\omega_i \in W$ where W is the set indices.

Let T be the transformation of the set $\mathscr{D}^{(per)}$ induced by periodic boundary conditions. We shall list the properties of the symbolic representation of T established in [2]. Let Ω be the space of sequences $\omega = \{\omega_i\}_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ where ω_i takes values in W. We consider the mapping $\varphi : \mathscr{D}^{(per)} \to \Omega$ where $\varphi(x) = \omega$ if $T^n x \in A_{\omega_n}$,

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1   The notation $\mathscr{D}_i \subset \Pi$ means that the centrum of $\mathscr{D}'_i$ belongs to Π

$-\infty < n < \infty$. For every A_{ω_i} one can define its $\pm$-ranks which are denoted by $r_+(A_{\omega_i})$, $r_-(A_{\omega_i})$. We shall write $r_+(\omega_n)$, $r_-(\omega_n)$ instead of $r_+(A_{\omega_n})$, $r_-(A_{\omega_n})$. The measure $\varphi^* \mu_0$ is defined on the natural σ-algebra of subsets Ω and is invariant under the shift. It will be convenient to denote $\varphi^* \mu_0$ by μ_0. In all cases it will be clear whether we consider the measure on $\mathscr{D}^{(per)}$ or on Ω.

Lemma 1. (see [2, Sect. 6]). *There exists λ_1, $0 < \lambda_1 < 1$, such that for all sufficiently large k*

$$\mu_0(\omega : r_+(\omega_0) \geq k) \leq \lambda_1^k, \qquad \mu_0(\omega : r_-(\omega_0) \geq k) \leq \lambda_1^k.$$

Let us introduce one-sided conditional probabilities

$$\mu_0(\omega_0 | \omega_{-1}, \omega_{-2}, \ldots, \omega_{-n}, \ldots)$$

which exist with μ_0-probability 1. Many important properties of our dynamical system follow from the possibility of approximation of $\mu_0(\omega_0 | \omega_{-1}, \ldots, \omega_{-n}, \ldots)$ by conditional probabilities with finite memory $\mu_0(\omega_0 | \omega_{-1}, \ldots, \omega_{-n})$. We shall describe the character of approximation which is valid in our case (see [2]). For any constants λ_{20}, λ_{21}, λ_{22}, $\lambda_{20} < \lambda_{22}$, $0 < \lambda_{20}$, λ_{21}, $\lambda_{22} < 1$ we introduce the sets:

$$U_m = \{x : \text{dist}(x, \partial \mathscr{D}^{(per)}) < \lambda_{20}^m\}, \qquad m = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$$

$$V_n = \{x : T^k x \notin U_m, m = [n^{\lambda_{21}}], |k| \leq n; T^i x \notin U_i \text{ for } |i| > n\},$$

$$Z_n = \{x : \mu_0(V_n | C_{\zeta^-}(x)) > 1 - \lambda_{22}^{n^{1/2}}\}.$$

Here ζ^- is the partition of Ω which appears when we fix all ω_i, $-\infty < i \leq 0$, $C_{\zeta^-}(x)$ is the element of ζ^- containing $\varphi(x)$.

It is easy to see that

$$\mu_0(U_m) < \lambda_{20}^m, \quad \mu_0(\bar{V}_n) \leq 2n \lambda_{20}^{[n^{\lambda_{21}}]} + \lambda_{20}^n/(1 - \lambda_{20}),$$

$$\mu_0(\bar{Z}_n) < \frac{2n}{1 - \lambda_{20}} \left(\frac{\lambda_{20}}{\lambda_{22}}\right)^{[n^{\lambda_{21}}]}.$$

Lemma 2. *Let C'_{ζ^-}, C''_{ζ^-} correspond to ω_0, $\omega_{-1}, \ldots, \omega_{-n+1}$, ω'_{-n}, $\omega'_{-n-1}, \ldots$, and ω_0, $\omega_{-1}, \ldots, \omega_{-n+1}$, ω''_{-n}, $\omega''_{-n-1}, \ldots$ respectively and C'_{ζ^-}, $C''_{\zeta^-} \in \varphi(Z_n)$. Then one can choose λ_{20}, λ_{21}, λ_{22}, and λ_2, $0 < \lambda_2 < 1$ in such a way that*

$$\sum_{\omega_1} |\mu_0(\omega_1 | C'_{\zeta^-}) - \mu_0(\omega_1 | C''_{\zeta^-})| \leq \lambda_2^{n^{1/2}}.$$

The last property is an analogy of the famous Doeblin's condition in the theory of usual countable Markov chains (see [3]). Let us consider conditional probabilities

$$\pi_1(\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n}) = \mu_0(\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n} | \omega'_{-n+1}, \ldots, \omega'_0),$$

$$\pi_2(\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n}) = \mu_0(\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n} | \omega''_{-n+1}, \ldots, \omega''_0).$$

We have the probability distributions π_1, π_2 on the space of words $\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n}$ under different conditions $\omega'_{-n+1}, \ldots, \omega'_0$ and $\omega''_{-n+1}, \ldots, \omega''_0$.

Lemma 3. *Suppose that* $r_\pm(\omega_i')$, $r_\pm(\omega_i'') \leqq n$, $1 \leqq i \leqq n$. *There exists a constant* λ_3, $0 < \lambda_3 < 1$ *such that for all large enough n*

$$\mathrm{Var}(\pi_1, \pi_2) = \tfrac{1}{2} \sum_{\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n}} |\pi_1(\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n}) - \pi_2(\omega_{3n+1}, \ldots, \omega_{4n})| \leqq \lambda_3.$$

Only the properties of μ_0 which are presented in Lemmas 1–3 will be used during the proof of our Theorems.

2. Proof of Theorem 1

Let $h(\omega)$ be a function defined on Ω such that $|h(\omega)| \leqq C_1$ where C_1 is a constant and there exists a constant λ_4, $0 < \lambda_4 < 1$, such that for all sufficiently large n one can find functions $h_n(\omega) = h_n(\omega_{-n}, \ldots, \omega_n)$, $\int h_n d\mu_0 = 0$, depending only on coordinates ω_i, $|i| \leqq n$ and $\sup_\omega |h(\omega) - h_n(\omega)| \leqq \lambda_4^n$. We denote also by T_0 the shift in the space Ω.

Lemma 4. *Let the measure* μ_0 *satisfy the assertions of Lemmas 1–3. If* $Eh = 0$ *then* $|Eh(T_0^n \omega) h(\omega)| \leqq \exp(-n^\gamma)$ *for all sufficiently large n and some constant* γ, $0 < \gamma < 1$.

Proof. Let n and $n_1 < n$ be chosen. We have

$$|Eh(T_0^n \omega) \cdot h(\omega) - Eh_{n_1}(T_0^n \omega) h_{n_1}(\omega)| \leqq C_2 \lambda_4^{n_1},$$

where C_2 is a positive constant. We can write

$$Eh_{n_1}(T_0^n \omega) h_{n_1}(\omega) = \sum_{\omega_{-n_1}, \ldots, \omega_{n+n_1}} h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) h_{n_1}(\omega_{n-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}) \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}).$$

Now we shall transform the probability distribution $\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1}, \ldots, \omega_{n+n_1})$. Let A_n be the set of words $(\omega_{-n_1}, \ldots, \omega_{n+n_1})$ such that $\mathrm{rg}_\pm(\omega_i) \leqq 2n_1 + 1$, $-n \leqq i \leqq n + n_1$ and

$$\mu_0(V_{n_1} \cap (\omega_k \ldots \omega_l)) \geqq (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})}) \mu_0(\omega_k \ldots \omega_l)$$

where $\bar{V}_{n_1} = M - V_{n_1}$, $-n_1 \leqq k$, $l \leqq n + n_1$. An easy application of Chebyshev's inequality shows that $\mu_0(A_n) \geqq 1 - n^2 \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})}$.

Lemma 4.1. *For* $(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}) \in A_n$

$$(1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})^{2n} (1 + \lambda_4^{n_1})^{-n} \leqq \frac{\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1})}{\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})}$$

$$\leqq (1 + \lambda_4^{n_1})^n (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})^{-2n}$$

for some λ_4, $0 < \lambda_4 < 1$.

Proof. We have

$$\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}) = \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{-n_1}).$$

We shall estimate the fraction

$$I_i = \frac{\mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})}{\mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{-n_1})}.$$

We can consider also the fraction

$$I_i^{(0)} = \frac{\mu_0(V_{n_1} \cap \omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})}{\mu_0(V_{n_1} \cap \omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{-n_1})}.$$

For words $(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1}) \in A_n$ we have

$$(1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\overline{V}_{n_1})})^2 \leq I_i^{(0)} : I_i \leq (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\overline{V}_{n_1})})^{-2}.$$

Therefore it is sufficient to estimate $I_i^{(0)}$. We can write

$$I_i^{(0)} = \frac{\int \mu_0(V_{n_1} \cap \omega_i | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}) dv^{(1)}}{\int \mu_0(V_{n_1} \cap \omega_i | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}) dv^{(2)}},$$

where $v^{(1)}(v^{(2)})$ is the induced probability distribution on the space of

$$C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-} \subset (\omega_{i-1}, \ldots, \omega_{-n_1})(C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-} \subset (\omega_{i-1}, \ldots, \omega_{i-2n_1-1})).$$

Let us fix

$$C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}^{(0)} \in (\omega_{i-1}, \ldots, \omega_{-n_1}) \subset (\omega_{i-1}, \ldots, \omega_{i-2n_1-1})$$

and rewrite $I_i^{(0)}$ as follows

$$I_i^{(0)} = \frac{\int \frac{\mu_0(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1} | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-})}{\mu_0(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1} | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}^{(0)})} dv^{(1)}}{\int \frac{\mu_0(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1} | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-})}{\mu_0(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1} | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}^{(0)})} dv^{(2)}}.$$

The sets $(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1}) \cap C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}$ and $(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1}) \cap C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}^{(0)}$ are canonically isomorphic for arbitrary $C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}$, $C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}^{(0)}$ (see [2]). The absolute value of the difference between the corresponding density and 1 is not more than $\lambda_4^{n_1}$ for some λ_4, $0 < \lambda_4 < 1$. Therefore

$$\left| \frac{\mu_0(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1} | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-})}{\mu_0(\omega_i \cap V_{n_1} | C_{T^{i-1}\zeta^-}^{(0)})} - 1 \right| \leq \lambda_4^{n_1}$$

and $(1 + \lambda_4^{n_1})^{-2} \leq I_i^{(0)} \leq (1 + \lambda_4^{n_1})^2$. Now we have

$$\frac{\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1})}{\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})} = \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} I_i \leq (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\overline{V}_{n_1})})^{-2n} \prod I_i^{(0)}$$

$$\leq (1 + \lambda_4^{n_1})^n (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\overline{V}_{n_1})})^{-2n}.$$

In an analogous way one can get easily a similar estimation from below. Q.E.D.

It follows easily from the Lemma 4.1 that the problem is reduced to the investigation of the expression

$$\sum h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) h_{n_1}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1}) \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})$$
$$\cdot \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1}).$$

The numbers

$$\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1}) = \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})$$

define the probability distribution on the space of all words $\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}$ which is homogeneous Markov chain with the memory $2n_1 + 1$. Its stationary probabilities are equal to $\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})$ while the transition probabilities have the form $\mu_0(\omega_i|\omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})$. The space of states of the Markov chain consists of all words $(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})$. Let us introduce the subset $\mathscr{E}_{n_1}$ of the space of states which is defined via the conditions:

1. $\mathrm{rg}_{\pm}(\omega_i) \leqq 2n_1 + 1$, $-n_1 \leqq i \leqq n_1$;
2. $\mu_0((\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \cap V_{n_1}) \geqq (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})$;
3. a transition $(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \to (\omega_{-n_1+1} \ldots \omega_{n_1+1})$ will be called admissible if

$$\mu_0((\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1+1}) \cap V_{n_1}) \geqq (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})\mu_0((\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1+1}));$$

by definition for all states $(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \in \mathscr{E}_{n_1}$ the conditional probability of admissible transitions is not less than $\sqrt{\mu_0(V_{n_1})}$.

We introduce the subset $\mathscr{B}_n$ of all words $(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1})$ for which $(\omega_{i-n_1} \ldots \omega_{i+n_1}) \in \mathscr{E}_n$, $0 \leqq i \leqq n$, and all transitions

$$(\omega_{i-n_1} \ldots \omega_{i+n_1}) \to (\omega_{i+1-n_1} \ldots \omega_{i+1+n_1})$$

are admissible. We define a new probability distribution $\mu_0^{(1)}$ on the space $\mathscr{B}_n$ by putting for $(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}) \in B_n$

$$\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1+n}) = Z^{-1}\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i|\omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{i-2n_1-1}),$$

where Z is a partition function,

$$Z = \sum_{\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}} \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1}) \prod_{i=n_1+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_i|\omega_{i-1} \ldots \omega_{i-2n_1-1}).$$

An easy application of Chebyshev's inequality shows that

$$\mu_0(B_n) \geqq 1 - 2(n + 2n_1 + 1)\sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})} - (2n_1 + n + 1)\lambda_1^{2n_1+1}.$$

It follows from Lemma 4.1.

$$e^{-\varepsilon_n} \leqq \frac{\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1})}{\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1})} \leqq e^{\varepsilon_n}$$

for

$$(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}) \in A_n \cap B_n, \qquad \varepsilon_n = n\ln(1 + \lambda_4^{n_1}) - 2n\ln(1 - \mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})).$$

As a result we get an estimation $Z \geqq \mu_0(V_{n_1})\exp(-\varepsilon_n)$ which shows that the probability distributions $\mu_0^{(1)}$ and μ_0 are very close to each other on the set $A_n \cap B_n$. It shows also that it is sufficient for our aims to consider the expression

$$b_n = \sum \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1})h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})h_{n_1}(\omega_{n-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1})$$

$$= \sum \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})$$

$$\cdot \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}|\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n_1})h_{n_1}(\omega_{n-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}).$$

The probability distribution $\mu_0^{(1)}$ is a non-homogeneous Markov chain of the memory $2n_1 + 1$. Its transition probabilities have the form

$$\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})$$

$$= \frac{\mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1}) \displaystyle\sum_{\omega_{i+1} \cdots \omega_n} \prod_{j=i+1}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_j | \omega_{j-1} \cdots \omega_{j-2n_1-1})}{\displaystyle\sum_{\omega_i \cdots \omega_{n+n_1}} \prod_{j=i}^{n+n_1} \mu_0(\omega_j | \omega_{j-1} \cdots \omega_{j-2n_1-1})}.$$

In both cases the sums are taken over such words that $(\omega_{j-2n_1} \cdots \omega_j) \in \mathscr{E}_n$ and all transitions are admissible. It follows easily from the properties of $\mathscr{E}_n$ that these sums are very close to one. Namely, the absolute values of their differences from 1 are not more than $(1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})^{n+2n_1+1}$. Thus

$$\left| \frac{\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})}{\mu_0(\omega_i | \omega_{i-1} \cdots \omega_{i-2n_1-1})} - 1 \right| \le 1 - (\sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})^{2(n+2n_1+1)}.$$

The same arguments show that for any m the variation

$$\tfrac{1}{2} \sum \big| \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{3(2n_1+1)+m+1} \cdots \omega_{4(2n_1+1)+m} | \omega'_{-n_1} \cdots \omega'_{n_1})$$
$$- \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{3(2n_1+1)+m+1} \cdots \omega_{4(2n_1+1)+m} | \omega''_{-n_1} \cdots \omega''_{n_1}) \big|$$

differs from the analogous variation for μ_0 to a number whose absolute value is not more than $2|1 - (1 - \sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})^{4(2n_1+1)}|$. Now from Lemma 3 we get that the last sum is not more than λ'_3 where $0 < \lambda'_3 < 1$ and does not depend on n. Therefore from the usual ergodic theorem for Markov chains

$$\tfrac{1}{2} \sum | \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega'_{-n_1} \cdots \omega'_{n_1}) - \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega''_{-n_1} \cdots \omega''_{n_1}) |$$

$$\le \mathrm{Const}(\lambda'_3)^{\frac{n}{3(2n_1+1)}}.$$

Let us fix $\omega_{-n_1}^{(0)} \cdots \omega_{n_1}^{(0)}$. We have

$$b_n = \big(\sum \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) \big) \sum h_{n_1}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1})$$
$$\cdot \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega_{-n_1}^{(0)} \cdots \omega_{n_1}^{(0)})$$
$$+ \sum \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})$$
$$\cdot \big(\sum h_{n_1}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1})(\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})$$
$$- \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega_{-n_1}^{(0)} \cdots \omega_{n_1}^{(0)}) \big).$$

The absolute value of the second term is less than $\mathrm{const}(\lambda'_3)^{\frac{n}{3(2n_1+1)}}$. Concerning the first term we can write

$$\sum \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})$$

$$= \sum (\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) - \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})) h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})$$

$$= \sum \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}) \left(\frac{\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})}{\mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1})} - 1 \right) h_{n_1}(\omega_{-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1}).$$

The absolute value of the last expression is not more than

$$[1-(1-\sqrt{\mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1})})^{2(n+2n_1+1)}]\max|h_{n_1}|. \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

Theorem 1 follows immediately from Lemma 4.

It follows easily from Theorem 1 that for considered h $E\left(\sum_{0\leqq i\leqq k}h(T^ix)\right)^2$ $\sim\text{const }k$ as $k\to\infty$, where const depends only on h.

Theorem 1'. *For the same class of functions h*

$$E\left(\sum_{0\leqq i\leqq k}h(T^ix)\right)^4\sim\text{const }k^2.$$

Proof. Let $n_1=[n^{\alpha_1}]$ where α_1 is small enough. It is sufficient to estimate

$$E\left(\sum_{0\leqq i\leqq k}h_{n_1}(T^ix)\right)^4=\sum Eh_{n_1}(T^{i_1}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_2}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_3}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_4}x).$$

We shall estimate expectations

$$Eh_{n_1}(T^{i_1}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_2}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_3}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_4}x)$$

assuming that $i_1\leqq i_2\leqq i_3\leqq i_4$. Also we can assume that

$$m=\max((i_2-i_1),(i_3-i_2),(i_4-i_3))\geqq[n_1^{1+\alpha_2}], \quad \alpha_2>0$$

because the total number of terms not satisfying this conditions is less than $\text{const }n^{1+3\alpha_1(1+\alpha_2)}<n^2$ if α_1 is small enough. The next approximation consists of replacing μ_0 by $\mu_0^{(1)}$ and considering

$$E^{(1)}h_{n_1}(T^{i_1}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_2}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_3}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_4}x)$$
$$=\sum h_{n_1}(\omega_{i_1-n_1}\ldots\omega_{i_1+n_1})h_{n_1}(\omega_{i_2-n_1}\ldots\omega_{i_2+n_1})h_{n_1}(\omega_{i_3-n_1}\ldots\omega_{i_3+n_1})$$
$$\cdot h_{n_1}(\omega_{i_4-n_1}\ldots\omega_{i_4+n_1})\mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1}\ldots\omega_{n+n_1})$$

because the error also is sufficiently small. Now we consider three cases.

1. $m=i_4-i_3$. In this case we estimate the conditional expectations of $h_{n_1}(T^{i_4}x)$ under fixed $\omega_{-n_1},\ldots,\omega_{i_3+n_1}$. The same arguments as above show that its absolute value is not more than $\text{const}(\lambda_3')^{m/n_1}$. Therefore the absolute value of the whole expectation is not more const $(\lambda_3')^{m/n_1}$ and the total amount of such terms is not more than $\text{const }nm^2$. Thus the absolute value of the sum over such terms is not more than $\text{const }n\sum_{m\geqq n^{(1+\alpha_2)}}m^2(\lambda_3')^{m/n_1}\sim 0(n^2)$ for $n\to\infty$.

2. $m=i_3-i_2$. In this case we fix $\omega_{-n_1}\ldots\omega_{i_2+n_1}$ and consider the conditional expectation of $h_{n_1}(T^{i_3}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_4}x)$.

The absolute value of the difference between it and the unconditional one is less than $\text{const}(\lambda_3')^{m/n_1}$. From the other side we have shown during the proof of Lemma 4 that the unconditional expectation of $h_{n_1}(T^{i_3}x)h_{n_1}(T^{i_4}x)$ with respect to $\mu_0^{(1)}$ decays very quickly and in particular is less than $\text{const}(i_4-i_3)^{-2}$. The summation of all estimates gives the desired result.

3. $m=i_2-i_1$. This case can be treated in the same way as 2.   Q.E.D.

3. Proof of Theorem 2

We start with proving a central limit theorem of probability theory for a function $h(\omega)$ satisfying to the same conditions as in the beginning of Sect. 2. From Theorem 1 it follows that

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |E(T_0^n h \cdot h)| < \infty$$

and consequently

$$\sigma(h) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E(T_0^n h \cdot h) < \infty$$

where the expectation E is taken with respect to the measure μ_0. Suppose that $\sigma(h) > 0$.

Lemma 5. *Let $E(h) = 0$. Then for every $a, b, a < b$ we have*

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_0 \left(\omega : a < \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h(T^k \omega) < b \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_a^b \exp\left(-\frac{u^2}{2} \right) du.$$

Proof. The statement of lemma means that the probability distribution of the normed sums $\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_n n}} \displaystyle\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h(T^k \omega)$ converges weakly to the standard gaussian probability distribution. The machinery of proving such theorems is now sufficiently far developed and we shall use one of the usual ways.

Let us introduce a characteristic function

$$\varphi_n(\lambda) = E \exp\left(i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h(T^k \omega) \right).$$

In order to prove lemma we must show that $\varphi_n(\lambda) \to \exp\left(-\dfrac{\lambda^2}{2} \right)$ when λ takes values from any compact set and $n \to \infty$. Let us decompose the whole interval $[0, n-1]$ onto non-overlapping subintervals

$$\Delta = \Delta_1^{(1)} \cup \Delta_1^{(2)} \cup \Delta_2^{(1)} \cup \Delta_2^{(2)} \cup \ldots \cup \Delta_{p-1}^{(2)} \cup \Delta_p^{(1)}$$

in such a way that the length $|\Delta_i^{(1)}|$ of each $\Delta_i^{(1)}$ except the last one is equal to $[n^{\gamma_1}]$ while the length of each $\Delta_j^{(2)}$ is equal to $[n^{\gamma_2}]$, where $\gamma_1, \gamma_2 > 0$, $\frac{1}{2} + \gamma_2 < \gamma_1 < 1$ and $|\Delta_p^{(1)}| \leq [n^{\gamma_1}]$. We can write now

$$\varphi_n(\lambda) = E \exp\left(i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \left[\sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \Delta_s^{(1)}} h(T^k \omega) + \sum_{s=1}^{p-1} \sum_{k \in \Delta_s^{(2)}} h(T^k \omega) \right] \right).$$

We have

$$\left| \sum_{s=1}^{p-1} \sum_{k \in \Delta_s^{(2)}} h(T^k \omega) \right| \leq \text{const}\, p \cdot n^{\gamma_2} \leq \text{const}\, n^{1 - \gamma_1 + \gamma_2}.$$

From our assumptions concerning γ_1, γ_2 it follows that

$$\sup \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{s=1}^{p-1} \sum_{k \in \Delta_s^{(2)}} h(T^k \omega) \right| \to 0$$

when $n \to \infty$ and the limit behaviour of $\varphi_n(\lambda)$ is just the same as the limit behaviour of

$$\psi_n^{(1)}(\lambda) = E \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} h(T^k \omega) \right\}.$$

We shall show that $\psi_n^{(1)}(\lambda)$ is close to

$$\left[E \exp i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_1^{(1)}} h(T^k \omega) \right]^p,$$

i.e. $\psi_n^{(1)}(\lambda)$ is close to the characteristic function of the normed sum of p independent random variables distributed as the random variable $\sum\limits_{k \in \varDelta_1^{(1)}} h(T^k \omega)$. We choose $0 < \gamma_3 < \gamma_2$ and $n_1 = [n^{\gamma_3}]$ and the function $h_{n_1}(\omega)$ (see the beginning of Sect. 2). We have

$$\left| \sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} (h(T^k \omega) - h_{n_1}(T^k \omega)) \right| \leq \mathrm{const}\, n^2 \lambda_4^{n_1}.$$

Therefore we can replace $\psi_n^{(1)}(\lambda)$ by

$$\psi_n^{(2)}(\lambda) = E \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\}.$$

The function $\exp\left\{ i \dfrac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h n}} \sum\limits_{s=1}^{p} \sum\limits_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\}$ depend only on variables $\omega_{-n_1}, \ldots, \omega_{n+n_1}$. Let us restrict ourselves in the integral which gives $\psi_n^{(2)}(\lambda)$ only by sequences for which $r_{\pm}(\omega_i) \leq 2n_1 + 1 = n_2$.

According to Lemma 1 the probability of these sequences is not less than $(1 - (n+n_2)\lambda_1^{n_2})$. Therefore we can consider

$$\psi_n^{(3)}(\lambda) = \sum_{\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}} \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h} \cdot n} \sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \cdot \mu_0(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}).$$

The next step is to replace the probability distribution μ_0 by the Markov probability distribution $\mu_0^{(1)}$ constructed in Sect. 2 and to consider

$$\psi_n^{(4)}(\lambda) = \sum \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h} \cdot n} \sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1}).$$

It follows easily from Sect. 2 that the absolute value $|\psi_n^{(4)}(\lambda) - \psi_n^{(3)}(\lambda)| \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ uniformly in λ. Now we can write for $m = n - [n^{\gamma_1}] - [n^{\gamma_2}]$

$$\psi_n^{(4)}(\lambda) = \sum \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h} \cdot n} \sum_{s=1}^{p-1} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\}$$

$$\cdot \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{m+n_1}) \cdot \sum_{\omega_j,\, n-[n]^{\gamma_1} - n_1 \leq j \leq n+n_1}$$

$$\cdot \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h} \cdot n} \sum_{k \in \varDelta_p^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\}$$

$$\cdot \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-[n^{\gamma_1}]-n_1} \ldots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega_{m-n_1} \ldots \omega_{m+n_1}).$$

The same arguments as in Sect. 2 show that the last conditional probabilities depend very weakly on conditions. More precisely,

$$\left| \sum \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h \cdot n}} \sum_{k \in \Delta_p^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \right.$$
$$\cdot \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-[n^{\gamma_1}]-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1} | \omega_{m-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n_1+m})$$
$$\left. - \sum \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h \cdot n}} \sum_{k \in \Delta_p^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \mu_0^{(1)}(\omega_{n-[n^{\gamma_1}]-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1}) \right|$$
$$\leqq (\lambda_3')^{[n^{\gamma_1}]/n_1} + n^2 \mu_0(\bar{V}_{n_1}).$$

Also the absolute value of the difference

$$\sum \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h \cdot n}} \sum_{k \in \Delta_p^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \mu_0 (\omega_{n-[n^{\gamma_1}]-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1})$$
$$- \sum \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h \cdot n}} \sum_{k \in \Delta_p^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \mu_0 (\omega_{n-[n^{\gamma_1}]-n_1} \cdots \omega_{n+n_1})$$

is sufficiently small. We get as a result that the difference

$$\left| \psi_n^{(4)}(\lambda) - \prod_{r=1}^{p} E \exp\left\{ i \frac{\lambda}{\sqrt{\sigma_h \cdot n}} \sum_{k \in \Delta_r^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right\} \right|$$

tends to zero uniformly in λ.

It is easy to see that the variance $E\left(\sum_{k \in \Delta_1^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right)^2 \sim \sigma_h n^{\gamma_1}$ and

$$E\left(\sum_{s=1}^{p} \sum_{k \in \Delta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right)^2 \sim \sigma_h \cdot n_1 \cdot p \sim \sigma_h \cdot n$$

for $n \to \infty$. Thus in order to show the desired limit relation we must check the Lindeberg's condition (see [4]). In view of Chebyshev's inequality it is sufficient to estimate

$$E\left(\sum_{k \in \Delta_s^{(1)}} h_{n_1}(T^k \omega) \right)^4$$
$$= \sum_{k_1, k_2, k_3, k_4 \in \Delta_s^{(1)}} E(h_{n_1}(T^{k_1}\omega) h_{n_1}(T^{k_2}\omega) h_{n_1}(T^{k_3}\omega) h_{n_1}(T^{k_4}\omega)),$$

which can be estimated by $\text{const} |\Delta_s^{(1)}|^2$ in view of Theorem 1'. Q.E.D.

Now we can formulate a natural extension of Lemma 5.

Lemma 6. *Suppose that we have r functions $\{h_1, \ldots, h_r\} = h$ with the same properties as in the beginning of Sect. 2 and $Eh_i = 0$ for all $i = 1, \ldots, r$. Suppose also that the series*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} E(h_i(T^n \omega) \cdot h_j(\omega)) = \sigma_{ij}(h)$$

are such that the matrix $\sigma_h = \|\sigma_{ij}(h)\|$ is the positively-definite matrix. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_0 \left(\omega : a_i < \frac{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h_i(T^k \omega)}{\sqrt{n}} < b_i, \, 1 \leqq i \leqq r \right) = \int_A g_\sigma(u_1, \ldots, u_r) du,$$

where $A = \{u : a_i < u_i < b_i, \ 1 \leqq i \leqq r\} \subset R^r$, g_σ *is the density of the gaussian probability distribution with the covariance matrix equal to* σ_h.

The proof of Lemma 6 goes in the same way as the proof of Lemma 5. Therefore we omit the details.

Now we shall derive a weaker version of Theorem 2. Let us take $x_0 \in \mathcal{M}_1$, $x_1 = Tx_0$ and put $h_1(x_0) = q^{(1)}(x_1) - q^{(1)}(x_0)$, $h_2(x_0) = q^{(2)}(x_1) - q^{(2)}(x_0)$. It is easy to see that $Eh_1 = Eh_2 = 0$ and h_1, h_2 satisfy the properties described in the beginning of Sect. 2. Thus in order to apply Lemma 6 we must check whether the matrix σ_h, $h = (h_1, h_2)$ is non-degenerate.

Suppose that this is wrong. It means that one can find real numbers a_1, a_2 and a function $H(x)$ on the phase space $\mathcal{M}_1$ of the billiard problem under consideration for which

$$a_1 h_1(x) + a_2 h_2(x) = H(Tx) - H(x). \tag{1}$$

From this equality we have for arbitrary n

$$\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (a_1 h_1(T^k x) + a_2 h_2(T^k x)) = H(T^n x) - H(x). \tag{2}$$

We shall denote by $\Pi(k)$ a connected rectangular of the plane R^2 consisting on k^2 rectangulars i.e.

$$\Pi(k) = \{q = (q_1, q_2) | 0 \leqq q_1 \leqq kB_1, \ 0 \leqq q_2 \leqq kB_2\}.$$

Let us consider now a billiard in $(\Pi(k) \times S^1) \cap \mathcal{M}$. It follows from the equality (2) that for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a constant C_4 not depending on k such that for an arbitrary n the inequality

$$|a_1 q^{(1)}(T^n x) + a_2 q^{(2)}(T^n x)| \leqq C_4 \tag{3}$$

holds with probability (calculated with the help of measure μ_0) more than $1 - \varepsilon$. But from the theory of dispersed billiards it follows that for any k the billiard dynamical system in $\Pi(k)$ is ergodic. It means that for any n the measure μ_k of the set consisting of all points x satisfying the inequality (3) tends to zero as $k \to \infty$ where μ_k is the invariant measure for billiard in $\Pi(k)$ which is absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesque measure. From this we obtain that μ_0-measure of the set of points x satisfying (3) also tends to zero as $k \to \infty$. Consequently we get a contradiction with the assumption that inequality (3) holds with big probability. Thus the matrix σ_h is non-degenerate. Q.E.D.

Now from Lemma 6 we derive immediately.

Theorem 2′. *Let* $q_k^{(1)}(x)$, $q_k^{(2)}(x)$ *be coordinates of the moving point on the plane* R^2 *after* k *reflections from the scatterers. Then*

$$\mu_0 \left(x : b_1 \leqq \frac{q_k^{(1)}(x)}{\sqrt{k}} \leqq d_1, \ b_2 \leqq \frac{q_k^{(2)}(x)}{\sqrt{k}} \leqq d_2 \right) \to \int_{b_1}^{d_1} \int_{b_2}^{d_2} g_\sigma(u_1, u_2) du_1 du_2$$

$$k \to \infty,$$

where g_σ *is a two-dimensional non-degenerate gaussian probability density.*

Now we proceed to the proof of Theorem 2. Let $x \in \mathcal{M}_1$ and $F(x)$ be equal to the time of the motion of this point till the next collision. Then again the function $F(\varphi^{-1}(\omega))$ satisfies the conditions of the beginning of Sect. 2.

Let us denote by t^- for every $x \in \mathcal{M}$ and every $t > 0$ the largest non-positive number, for which $x^- = S_{t^-} = x \in \mathcal{M}_1$ and $t^+ > t$ be the last number, for which $S_{t^+} x = x^+ \in \mathcal{M}_1$. Let $k_0 = \left[\dfrac{t}{EF} \right]$ and k_1 be such that $x^+ = T^{k_1} x$. We can write

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} q^{(1)}(S_t x) = \sqrt{\frac{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x^-)}{t}} \, \frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x^-)}}$$

$$\cdot \sum_{i=0}^{k_1-1} h_1(T^i x^-) + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right).$$

The same formula is true for $\dfrac{1}{\sqrt{t}} q^{(2)}(S_t x)$. It follows from the usual Birkhoff's ergodic theorem that $\dfrac{1}{t} \displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x^-)$ converges in probability to 1. Therefore

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} q^{(1)}(S_t x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x^-)}} \sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} h_1(T^i x^-)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x)}} \sum_i' h_1(T^i x^-) + \alpha_t(x),$$

where $\alpha_t(x)$ converges in probability to zero when $t \to \infty$ and Σ' is taken over i lying between k_0 and k_1. We shall show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x)}} \sum_i' h_1(T^i x^-)$$

converges in probability to zero. Let us fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and choose $A = A(\varepsilon)$ in such a way that $\mu_0(|k_0 - k_1| \geq A\sqrt{k_0}) \leq \varepsilon$. It can be done in view of Lemma 5. Now the desired result will follow from the assertion that both

$$\max_{1 \leq l \leq A\sqrt{k_0}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_0}} \left| \sum_{k_0 \leq i < l + k_0} h_1(T^i x^-) \right|$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq l \leq A\sqrt{k_0}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_0}} \left| \sum_{k_0 - l < i \leq k_0} h_1(T^i x^-) \right|$$

converge in probability to zero. Because T is measure preserving we can consider

$$\max_{1 \leq l \leq A\sqrt{k_0}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_0}} \sum_{0 \leq i \leq l} h_1(T^i x)$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq l \leq A\sqrt{k_0}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k_0}} \sum_{1 \leq l \leq A\sqrt{k_0}} h_1(T^{-i} x).$$

The convergence in probability of last expression to zero is an easy consequence of Birkhoff's ergodic Theorem. Thus we see that the limit of

$$\mu_0 \left(x : b_1 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} q^{(1)}(S_t x) \leq d_1, \ b_2 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} q^{(2)}(S_t x) \leq d_2 \right)$$

is the same as the limit of

$$\mu_0 \ (x^- : b_1 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x^-)}} \sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} h_1(T^i x^-) \leq d_1,$$

$$b_2 \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\displaystyle\sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} F(T^i x^-)}} \sum_{i=0}^{k_0-1} h_2(T^i x^-) \leq d_2) \ ,$$

which in view of Lemma 6 is equal to

$$\int_{b_1}^{d_1} \int_{b_2}^{d_2} g_\sigma(u_1, u_2) du_1 du_2$$

where g_σ is the corresponding gaussian density.   Q.E.D.
    Now we can formulate a direct generalization of Theorem 2.

Theorem 2″. *Let be chosen* $0 < s_1 < s_2 < \ldots < s_r = 1$. *For every* $t > 0$ *consider random variables* $\mathbf{q}(s_i t) = (\mathbf{q}^{(1)}(s_i t), q^{(2)}(s_i t))$, $1 \leq i \leq r$, *and the normed ones* $\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \mathbf{q}(s_i t)$. *Then for arbitrary pairs of real numbers* $b_i, d_i, b_i < d_i$, $1 \leq i \leq r$,

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \mu_0 \left(x : b_i \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \mathbf{q}(s_i t) \leq d_i, \ 1 \leq i \leq r \right)$$

$$= \int_{b_1}^{d_1} \int_{b_2}^{d_2} \ldots \int_{b_r}^{d_r} g_\sigma \left(\frac{u_1^{(1)}}{\sqrt{s_1}}, \frac{u_2^{(1)}}{\sqrt{s_1}} \right) \cdot g_\sigma \left(\frac{u_1^{(2)} - u_1^{(1)}}{\sqrt{s_2 - s_1}}, \frac{u_2^{(2)} - u_2^{(1)}}{\sqrt{s_2 - s_1}} \right),$$

$$\cdot g_\sigma \left(\frac{u_1^{(r)} - u_1^{(r-1)}}{\sqrt{s_r - s_{r-1}}}, \frac{u_2^{(r)} - u_2^{(r-1)}}{\sqrt{s_r - s_{r-1}}} \right) \prod_{i=1}^{r} \prod_{j=1}^{2} du_i^{(j)}.$$

4. Proof of Theorem 3

Let P_t be a probability distribution on trajectories $\mathbf{q}_t(s) = \dfrac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \mathbf{q}(st)$, $\mathbf{q}(st)$
$= \{q^{(1)}(st), q^{(2)}(st)\}$, $0 \leq s \leq 1$, induced by the probability measure μ_0. In view of Theorem 2″ and Theorem 8.1 from [5] it is sufficient to show that P_t is a tight family of probability measures on the metric space $C_{[0,1]}(R^2)$ of continuous functions $\mathbf{q}(s)$, $0 \leq s \leq 1$, $\mathbf{q}(s) \in R^2$ (see [5]). To do this we shall use Prohorov's theorem [6], [5] which gives the necessary and sufficient condition of tightness of a family of probability distributions. Namely, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ there must exist a compact set K_ε in the space $C_{[0,1]}(R^2)$ such that $P_t(K_\varepsilon) > 1 - \varepsilon$ for all t.

Using Theorem 8.3 from [5] [more precisely, formula (8.12)] it is sufficient to show that for arbitrary $\varepsilon > 0$, $\eta > 0$ there exist δ, $0 < \delta < 1$, and t_0 such that for all $t \geq t_0$ and all s, $0 \leq s \leq 1$,

$$\delta^{-1} P_t \left\{ x : \sup_{s \leq s' \leq s + \delta} \| q_t(s') - q_t(s) \| \geq \varepsilon \right\} \leq \eta. \tag{4}$$

Thus we fix ε, η and put $\delta \leq \varepsilon^{7/4}$. The value of t_0 will be chosen during the proof. We decompose the whole segment $[0, 1]$ on subintervals by points $0 = s_0 < s_1 < \ldots < s_r = 1$ where $s_{i+1} - s_i \sim \frac{1}{6} t^{-7/12}$ and $|s_{i+1} - s_i| \leq \frac{1}{3} t^{-7/12}$. For each s, s', $0 \leq s$, $s' \leq 1$ we take s_{j_1}, s_{j_2} which are the closest points to s, s' and

$$\| q_t(s) - q_t(s') \| \leq \| q_t(s_{j_1}) - q_t(s_{j_2}) \|$$
$$+ \| q_t(s_{j_1}) - q_t(s) \| + \| q_t(s_{j_2}) - q_t(s') \|$$
$$\leq \tfrac{2}{3} \varepsilon + \| q_t(s_{j_1}) - q_t(s_{j_2}) \| .$$

Here we have used

$$\| q_t(s_1) - q_t(s_2) \| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \| q(s_1 t) - q(s_2 t) \|$$

$$\leq \sqrt{t} |s_1 - s_2| \leq \tfrac{1}{3} t^{-1/12} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} ,$$

if t is large enough. Now in (4) we can consider s_j, s_{j_1} instead of s, s' and estimate the probabilities

$$P_t \left\{ x : \max_{s_j \leq s_{j_1} \leq s_j + \delta} \| q_t(s_j) - q_t(s_{j_1}) \| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{3} \right\} .$$

For every s_j we put $k_j = \dfrac{t \cdot s_j}{E(F(x))}$ and consider the norm of the difference

$$\left\| q_t(s_j) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum_{i=0}^{k_j - 1} h(T^i x) \right\| = \alpha_j(t)$$

where

$$h(x) = (h^{(1)}(x), h^{(2)}(x)) = (q^{(1)}(Tx) - q^{(1)}(x), q^{(2)}(Tx) - q^{(2)}(x)) .$$

Lemma 7. $\max\limits_{0 \leq j \leq r} \alpha_j^{(t)}$ *converges in probability to zero as* $t \to \infty$.

Proof of Lemma 7 will be given slightly later. We have now for arbitrary s_j, s_{j_1}

$$\|q_t(s_j) - q_t(s_{j_1})\| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \left\| \sum_{k_j \leq i \leq k_{j_1}} \mathbf{h}(T^i x) \right\| + \alpha_j^{(t)} + \alpha_{j_1}^{(t)}.$$

If t is large enough, then P_t-probabilities of the inequalities $\alpha_j^{(t)} \leq \dfrac{\varepsilon}{12}$, $\alpha_{j_1}^{(t)} \leq \dfrac{\varepsilon}{12}$ will be more than $1 - \frac{1}{2}\delta \cdot \eta$. Therefore we must estimate only

$$P_t = P_t \left\{ x : \max_{j_1} \left\| \sum_{k_j \leq i \leq k_{j_1}} \mathbf{h}(T^i x) \right\| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{6} \sqrt{t} \right\},$$

where $j \leq j_1 \leq j + \dfrac{\delta t}{EF(x)}$.

The last probability does not depend on k_j because T is measure-preserving. Thus it is sufficient to estimate

$$P \left\{ \max_{0 \leq k \leq \delta t/EF} \left| \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{12} \sqrt{t} \right\}$$

$$+ P \left\{ \max_{0 \leq k \leq \delta t/EF} \left| \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(2)}(T^i x) \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{12} \sqrt{t} \right\}.$$

Our arguments will be of the same nature as in the proof of the classical Kolmogorov's inequality in the theory of probabilities. We shall consider only the first term. Let be

$$S_k = \left\{ x : \left| \sum_{0 \leq i \leq j} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right| < \frac{\varepsilon}{12} \sqrt{t}, j < k \text{ and } \left| \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{12} \sqrt{t} \right\}.$$

The subsets S_k do not intersect and we are interested in $P = \sum\limits_{0 \leq k \leq \delta t/EF} P(S_k)$. We have

$$P = \sum_k P(S_k) \leq \frac{12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^4 d\mu_0$$

$$\leq \frac{12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^4 d\mu_0 - \frac{4 \cdot 12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]$$

$$\times \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 d\mu_0 - \frac{4 \cdot 12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0$$

$$\leq \frac{12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \int \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^4 d\mu_0 - \frac{4 \cdot 12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]$$

$$\times \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 d\mu_0 - \frac{4 \cdot 12^4}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0.$$

The first term is not more than $\operatorname{const} \varepsilon^{-4} t^{-2} \delta^2 t^2 = \delta \operatorname{const} \varepsilon^{-4} \delta$. Suppose that δ is chosen in such a way that $\operatorname{const} \varepsilon^{-4} \delta \leq \eta$. Then the first term is not more than $\delta\eta$. Thus we must estimate

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0$$

$$I_2 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] \cdot \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 d\mu_0 .$$

We approximate $h^{(1)}$ by $h^{(1)}_{n_1}$ where $n_1 = [n^\alpha]$ and α is small enough. The error is of order $\operatorname{const} t^{\alpha_1} \exp\{-t^{\alpha_2}\}$, $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 > 0$ and therefore sufficiently small in order to be neglected. Thus we shall consider

$$I'_1 = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}_{n_1}(T^i x) \right]^3 \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}_{n_1}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0 .$$

For $x \in S_k$ we have $\left| \sum_{0 \leq i \leq k} h^{(1)}_{n_1}(T^i x) \right|^3 \leq \operatorname{const} \varepsilon^3 t^{3/2}$. The expectation $E h^{(1)}_{n_1} = 0$. The same arguments as in Sect. 3 show that the conditional expectation of $h^{(1)}_{n_1}(T^i x)$ for $i \geq k + n_1^{\alpha_2}$, $\alpha_2 > 1$ when ω_j, $-n_1 \leq j \leq k + n_1$, are fixed is less than $(\lambda_4)^{\operatorname{const} \frac{i-k}{n_1}}$. The part of the sum corresponding to i, $k \leq i \leq k + n_1^{\alpha_2}$, can be estimated simply by $\operatorname{const} n_1^{\alpha_2}$. Thus we get

$$|I'_1| \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} \sum_k \operatorname{const} \varepsilon^3 t^{3/2} \left| \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{k < i \leq \delta t/EF} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0 \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{\operatorname{const} n_1^{\alpha_2}}{\varepsilon \sqrt{t}} P .$$

The factor $\dfrac{n_1^{\alpha_2}}{\varepsilon \sqrt{t}} \to 0$ as $t \to \infty$. In the same way one can estimate $|I'_2|$. We have $|I_1| + |I_2| \leq P \cdot \gamma(t)$ where $\gamma(t) \to 0$ as $t \to \infty$.

Now we have $P \leq \dfrac{\operatorname{const}}{\varepsilon^4 t^2} E \left(\sum_{0 \leq i \leq \delta t/EF} h(T^i x) \right)^4$. In view of Theorem 1' (see Sect. 2) the last expression is not more than $\operatorname{const} \varepsilon^{-4} \delta^2 = \delta \cdot \operatorname{const} \varepsilon^4 \cdot \delta$. If δ is so small that $\operatorname{const} \varepsilon^4 \delta \leq \eta$ then we get the desired estimation.

Proof of Lemma 7. We shall estimate the probability

$$P \left\{ x : \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \left| q^{(1)}(s_j t) - \sum_{i=0}^{k_j - 1} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right| > \varepsilon \right\} .$$

Let j be fixed and $t_j(x) = \sum_{i=0}^{k_j - 1} F(T^i x)$. For every $a > 0$ from Chebyshev's inequality and Theorem 1'

$$P\{x : |t_j(x) - s_j t| > a\}$$

$$= P \left\{ x : \left| \sum_{i=0}^{k_j - 1} F(T^i x) - EF \cdot k_j \right| > a \right\} \leq \frac{\operatorname{const} k_j^2}{a^4} .$$

We take $a = t^{2/3}$. The right-hand term is not more than const $t^{-13/64}k_j$. Therefore

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k_j^1(x)} F(T^i x) \leqq s_j t \leqq \sum_{i=0}^{k_j^1(x)+1} F(T^i x).$$

The next remark is that if $|t_j(x) - s_j t| \leqq a$ then $|k_j'(x) - k_j| \leqq \text{const}\, a$. Therefore we can write

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \left| q^{(1)}(s_j t) - \sum_{i=0}^{k_j-1} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right|$$

$$\leqq \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \left| \sum_{k_j^1(x) \leqq i \leqq k_j} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right| + \frac{\text{const}}{\sqrt{t}}.$$

The last problem consists in estimating

$$P\left\{ \max_{i:|i-k_j| \leqq \text{const}\, a} \left| \sum_{j=k_j(x)}^{i} h^{(1)}(T^j x) \right| > b \right\} = P$$

for $b = \varepsilon \sqrt{t}$. Again our arguments will be of the same nature as in the proof of Kolmogorov's classical inequality in probability theory. Let S_k, $k \geqq 0$ be a subset consisting of such x for which

$$\left| \sum_{j=k_j}^{k_j+i} h_1(T^j x) \right| \leqq b, \quad i < k; \quad \left| \sum_{j=k_j}^{k_j+k} h_1(T^j x) \right| > b.$$

The events S_k are pairwisely disjoint and we shall estimate $P_1 = \sum_{k=0}^{\text{const}\, a} P(S_k)$. An analogous sum of $P(S_k)$ with $k < 0$ can be estimated in the same way. From the definition of S_k we have

$$P_1 = \sum_k P(S_k) \leqq \frac{1}{b^4} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{k_j \leqq i \leqq k_j+k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^4 d\mu_0$$

$$\leqq \frac{1}{b^4} \int \left[\sum_{k_j \leqq i \leqq k_j+a} h^{(i)}(T^i x) \right]^4 d\mu_0$$

$$- \frac{4}{b^4} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{k_j \leqq i \leqq k_j+k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 \left[\sum_{k_j+k < j \leqq k_j+\text{const}\, a} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0$$

$$- \frac{4}{b^4} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{k_j \leqq i \leqq k_j+k} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] \left[\sum_{k_j+k < j \leqq k_j+\text{const}\, a} h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 d\mu_0.$$

The first term is not more than const $a^2 b^{-4} = \text{const}\, t^{4/3} b^{-4}$ (see Theorem 1'). In order to estimate the last sums we approximate $h^{(1)}$ by the function $h_{n_1}^{(1)}$ where $n_1 = [t^\alpha]$ and α is small enough. The error is of order const $t^{\alpha_1} \exp\{-t^{\alpha_2}\}$ where α_1, $\alpha_2 > 0$ and therefore very small. We must estimate only

$$\frac{1}{b^4} \left| \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{k_j \leqq i \leqq k_j+k} h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 \left[\sum_{k_j+k < i \leqq k_j+\text{const}\, a} h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] d\mu_0 \right|.$$

The first remark is that $\left| \sum_{k_j \leq i \leq k_j + k} h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^i x) \right|^3 \leq (b + \text{const})^3$ in view of the definition S_k. In particular $(b + \text{const})^3 \leq \text{const} \, b^3$ for $b > 1$. The expectation $E h_{n_1}^{(1)} = 0$. The same arguments as in §3 show that the conditional expectation of $h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^i x)$ for $i \geq k_j + k + n_1^{\alpha_2}$, $\alpha_2 > 1$ is very small and can be neglected. The estimation of the rest part of the last sum is $\text{const} \, b^{-1} n_1^{\alpha_2} P_1$. Similar arguments can be applied to the expression

$$\frac{1}{b^4} \sum_k \int_{S_k} \left[\sum_{k_j \leq i \leq k_j + k} h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^i x) \right] \left[\sum_{k_j + k < i \leq k_j + \text{const} \, a} h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^i x) \right]^3 d\mu_0 .$$

Here we must estimate conditional expectations of

$$h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^{i_1} x) h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^{i_2} x) h_{n_1}^{(1)}(T^{i_3} x), \qquad k_j + k \leq i_1 \leq i_2 \leq i_3$$

when $\omega_{-n_1} \ldots \omega_{k_j + k + n_1}$ are fixed.

These expectations are very small if $i_3 - i_2 \geq n_1^{\alpha_2}$. The total amount of other terms is less than $\text{const} \, a^2 n_1^{\alpha_2}$. Therefore the absolute value of the whole sum is not more than $\text{const} \, b^{-3} a^2 n_1^{\alpha_2} P_1$. Finally we get for sufficiently small α_2 and sufficiently large t

$$P_1 \leq \text{const} \, t^{113/84} b^{-4} = \text{const} \, \varepsilon^{-4} t^{-55/84}$$

The whole estimation of P takes an analogous form

$$P \leq \text{const} \, \varepsilon^{-4} t^{-55/84}$$

The final result follows from the last estimation because the total number N of j is not more than $\text{const} \, t^{7/12}$ and therefore

$$P \left\{ \max_j \max_{i: |k_j - i| \leq \text{const} \, a} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \sum h^{(1)}(T^i x) \right| \geq \varepsilon \right\}$$

$$\leq N \cdot P = \text{const} \, t^{7/12} \varepsilon^{-4} t^{-55/84} = \text{const} \, \varepsilon^{-4} t^{-1/14} \to 0$$

as $t \to \infty$.   Q.E.D.

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