

## Laplace Approximations for Diffusion Processes on Torus: Nondegenerate Case

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**Abstract.** Let  $\mathbf{T}^d = \mathbf{R}^d/\mathbf{Z}^d$ , and consider the family of probability measures  $\{P_x\}_{x \in \mathbf{T}^d}$  on  $C([0, \infty); \mathbf{T}^d)$  given by the infinitesimal generator  $L_0 \equiv \frac{1}{2}\Delta + b \cdot \nabla$ , where  $b : \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^d$  is a continuous function. Let  $\Phi$  be a mapping  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ . Under a nuclearity assumption on the second Fréchet differential of  $\Phi$ , an asymptotic evaluation of  $Z_T^{x,y} \equiv E^{P_x} \left[ \exp \left( T\Phi \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \right) \middle| X_T = y \right]$ , up to a factor  $(1 + o(1))$ , has been gotten in Bolthausen-Deuschel-Tamura [2]. In this paper, we show that the same asymptotic evaluation holds without the nuclearity assumption.

### 1. Introduction

We consider the torus  $\mathbf{T}^d = \mathbf{R}^d/\mathbf{Z}^d$ , which is a compact manifold. The tangent space  $T(\mathbf{T}^d)$  can be identified with  $\mathbf{R}^d$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{T}^d)$  be the set of all Borel sets in  $\mathbf{T}^d$ .

Let  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d)$  be the dual space of  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ .  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d)$  is the set of all signed measures on  $\mathbf{T}^d$  with finite total variation, and denote the norm derived by it, the total variation, by  $\|\cdot\|$ . We also think of the weak\*-topology in  $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Let  $\wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$  and  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$  be the set of all probability measures on  $\mathbf{T}^d$  and the set of all signed measures on  $\mathbf{T}^d$  with total measure 0, respectively. Let  $\text{dist}(\cdot, \cdot)$  denote the Prohorov metric on  $\wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Note that the topology induced by the Prohorov metric and the weak\*-topology coincide.

The path space  $\Omega = C([0, \infty), \mathbf{T}^d)$  is the set of continuous functions  $\omega : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbf{T}^d$ . Let  $X_t(\omega) = \omega(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , let  $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma\{\omega(s); s \leq t\}$ , and let  $\mathcal{F} = \vee_t \mathcal{F}_t$ .

Let  $L_0 = \frac{1}{2}\Delta + b_0 \cdot \nabla$ , where  $b_0 : \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^d$  is a  $C^\infty$  function. Let  $\{P_x\}_{x \in \mathbf{T}^d}$  be the family of probability measures on  $\Omega$  of the martingale

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problem  $L_0$ , *i.e.*, for any  $f \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d; \mathbf{R})$ ,

- (1)  $f(\omega_t) - f(\omega_0) - \int_0^t L_0 f(\omega_s) ds$  is a  $(\Omega, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}, P_x)$  martingale,
- (2)  $P_x(\omega_0 = x) = 1$ .

Denote the corresponding semigroup of linear operators in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  by  $\{P_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ .  $\{P_x\}$  has a unique invariant probability measure  $\mu$ , which is absolutely continuous with respect to the Riemann volume on  $\mathbf{T}^d$ , and  $\frac{d\mu}{dx}$  is a strictly positive smooth function. For any  $T > 0$ , the distribution law of  $\{X_{T-t}(\omega)\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$  under  $P_\mu(d\omega)$  is also a diffusion process. The infinitesimal generator of it is the adjoint operator of  $L_0$  in  $L^2(d\mu)$ , and can be written as  $L_0^{*\mu} = \frac{1}{2}\Delta + b_0^* \cdot \nabla$  for some  $b_0^* \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d; \mathbf{R}^d)$ . Actually,  $b_0^* = \nabla(\log \frac{d\mu}{dx}) - b_0$ .

Also, for each  $t > 0$ , there exist transition probability densities  $(p_t(x, y))_{x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d}$  of  $P_t$  with respect to  $\mu$ , which satisfy  $p_t \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$  and  $p_t$  is strictly positive.

Let  $\Phi : \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be a bounded and three times continuously Fréchet differentiable function satisfying the following:

A 1. *There exist functions  $\Phi^{(1)} \in C(\wp(\mathbf{T}^d) \times \mathbf{T}^d, \mathbf{R})$ ,  $\Phi^{(2)} \in C(\wp(\mathbf{T}^d) \times \mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d, \mathbf{R})$ , and  $\Phi^{(3)} \in C(\wp(\mathbf{T}^d) \times (\mathbf{T}^d)^3, \mathbf{R})$ , such that for any  $\nu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$  and any  $R_1, R_2, R_3 \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned} D\Phi(\nu)(R_1) &= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \Phi^{(1)}(\nu, x) R_1(dx), \\ D^2\Phi(\nu)(R_1, R_2) &= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \Phi^{(2)}(\nu, x, y) R_1(dx) R_2(dy), \\ D^3\Phi(\nu)(R_1, R_2, R_3) &= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \Phi^{(3)}(\nu, x, y, z) R_1(dx) R_2(dy) R_3(dz). \end{aligned}$$

Then by Donsker-Varadhan [4], we have (*c.f.* Lemma 4.4)

$$\frac{1}{T} \log E^{P_x} \left[ \exp \left( T \Phi \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \middle| X_T = y \right) \right] \rightarrow \lambda, \quad T \rightarrow \infty$$

for every  $x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , where  $\lambda = \sup\{\Phi(\nu) - I(\nu); \nu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)\}$  and  $I$  is given by

$$I(\nu) = \sup \left\{ - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \frac{L_0 u}{u} d\nu; u \in C^\infty, u \geq 1 \right\}, \quad \nu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d).$$

The aim of this paper is to give a more precise evaluation of

$$Z_T^{x,y} \equiv E^{P_x} \left[ \exp \left( T \Phi \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \right) \mid X_T = y \right]$$

up to order  $1 + o(1)$  under some assumptions given below.

Define

$$K = \{ \nu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d) : \Phi(\nu) - I(\nu) = \lambda \}.$$

We can easily see that  $K$  is not empty and is compact in  $\wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . In this paper, we assume that

A 2. *There exists only one element in  $K$ , say  $\nu_0$ , that is,  $K = \{\nu_0\}$ .*

Now, let us construct a diffusion which has  $\nu_0$  as its invariant measure following Bolthausen-Deuschel-Tamura [2] and Bolthausen-Deuschel-Schmock [1]. For any  $\varphi \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , let

$$P_t^\varphi(x, A) = E^{P_x} [\exp(\int_0^t \varphi(X_s) ds), X_t \in A], \quad A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{T}^d),$$

and

$$\Lambda(\varphi) = \sup \left\{ \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \varphi d\nu - I(\nu), \nu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d) \right\}.$$

Then  $P_t^\varphi$  has strictly positive right- and left-hand principal eigenfunctions  $h^\varphi$  and  $l^\varphi \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , *i.e.*,

$$\begin{aligned} P_t^\varphi h^\varphi &= \exp(\Lambda(\varphi)t) h^\varphi, & t \geq 0, \\ \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \mu(dy) l^\varphi(y) P_t^\varphi(y, dz) &= \exp(\Lambda(\varphi)t) l^\varphi(z) \mu(dz). \end{aligned}$$

They are unique if they are appropriately normalized by

$$\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} (h^\varphi)^2 d\mu = 1, \quad d\pi^\varphi \equiv l^\varphi h^\varphi d\mu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d).$$

PROPOSITION 1.1.  *$\pi^\varphi$  is the stationary measure of the diffusion process whose transition probability  $Q_t^\varphi(x, dy)$  is given by*

$$Q_t^\varphi(x, dy) \equiv e^{-\Lambda(\varphi)t} \frac{1}{h^\varphi(x)} P_t^\varphi(x, dy) h^\varphi(y).$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned}\phi^{\nu_0}(x) &= D\Phi(\nu_0)(\delta_x - \nu_0) + \Phi(\nu_0) \\ &= \Phi^{(1)}(\nu_0, x) - D\Phi(\nu_0)(\nu_0) + \Phi(\nu_0), \quad x \in \mathbf{T}^d.\end{aligned}$$

Then we have  $\lambda = \Lambda(\phi^{\nu_0})$ . Denote  $h^{\phi^{\nu_0}}$  by  $h$ , and  $l^{\phi^{\nu_0}}$  by  $l$ .

Let  $\{Q_x\}_{x \in \mathbf{T}^d}$  be the probability measures given by

$$\frac{dQ_x}{dP_x}(\omega) \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_t} = e^{-\lambda t} \frac{h(X_t(\omega))}{h(x)} \exp\left(\int_0^t \phi^{\nu_0}(X_s(\omega)) ds\right).$$

$\{Q_x\}$  is a diffusion process. Denote the corresponding semigroup of linear operators in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  by  $\{Q_t\}$ , and the infinitesimal generator of  $\{Q_t\}$  by  $L$ . Actually,  $h \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and  $L = L_0 + \frac{\nabla h}{h} \cdot \nabla$ . (c.f. Proposition 2.3). As has been shown in Bolthausen-Deuschel-Tamura [2],  $\pi^{\phi^{\nu_0}} = \nu_0$ . So by proposition 1.1, we have

LEMMA 1.2.  $\{Q_x\}_{x \in \mathbf{T}^d}$  has  $\nu_0$  as its invariant measure.

As a result,  $\nu_0$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\mu$ , and  $\frac{d\nu_0}{d\mu} > 0$  is continuous, also,  $\text{supp}\nu_0 = \mathbf{T}^d$ .

Now, for any  $t > 0$  and any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , let  $q_t(x, \cdot)$  be the density function of  $Q_t(x, \cdot)$  with respect to  $\nu_0$  with  $q_t \in C^+(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$ . We will write it as  $q(t, x, y)$  sometimes, too. By Boltuausen-Deuschel-Tamura [2] and Bolthausen-Deuschel-Schmock [1],  $\sup_{x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d} |q_t(x, y) - 1| \rightarrow 0$  exponentially fast as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . So we can define

$$(1.1) \quad g(x, y) = \int_0^\infty (q_t(x, y) - 1) dt.$$

Define  $G : L^2(d\nu_0) \rightarrow L^2(d\nu_0)$  by

$$Gf(x) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} g(x, y) f(y) \nu_0(dy) = \int_0^\infty (Q_t f(x) - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f d\nu_0) dt.$$

Let  $G^*$  be the adjoint operator of it in  $L^2(d\nu_0)$ , i.e.,  $G^*f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} g(y, x) f(y) \nu_0(dy)$ , and let  $\overline{G} = G + G^*$ .

In this paper, we will need the following operators: For  $f_1, f_2 \in L^2(d\nu_0)$ , let  $(\overline{G} \otimes \overline{G})(f_1 \otimes f_2)(x, y) = (\overline{G}f_1)(x)(\overline{G}f_2)(y)$ , and denote the continuous

linear expansion of it on  $L^2(d\nu_0) \otimes L^2(d\nu_0)$  as  $\overline{G} \otimes \overline{G}$ , too. Define  $\overline{G}_x \equiv \overline{G} \otimes I$  and  $\overline{G}_y \equiv I \otimes \overline{G}$  in the same way, where  $I$  means the identify operator on  $L^2(d\nu_0)$ . (So  $\overline{G}_x \overline{G}_y = \overline{G} \otimes \overline{G}$ .)  $G_x, G_x^*, G_y, G_y^*$  are defined similarly.

Let  $\Gamma(f_1, f_2) \equiv \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f_1 \overline{G} f_2 d\nu_0$ ,  $f_1, f_2 \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Then it is easy to see (c.f. Proposition 2.5 below) that  $\Gamma(f, f) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla(Gf)(x)\|^2 \nu_0(dx) \geq 0$ , so  $\Gamma(f, f) = 0$  if and only if  $f \equiv \text{constant}$ . Let us define a equivalent relation  $\sim$  by  $f \sim g \Leftrightarrow f - g \equiv \text{constant}$ , and let  $\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d) \equiv C(\mathbf{T}^d) / \sim$ . Then  $\Gamma$  is a inner product on  $\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Let  $H \equiv \left( \overline{\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)}^\Gamma \right)^*$ , where  $\overline{\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)}^\Gamma$  means the completion of  $\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with respect to  $\Gamma$ . Since  $\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)^*$  is identified with  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $H$  can be regarded as a dense subset of  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , (see Proposition 2.6).  $H$  is a Hilbert space with norm  $\|\overline{G}f d\nu_0\|_H^2 \equiv \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f \overline{G} f d\nu_0$ .

Also, as has been shown in Bolthausen-Deuschel-Tamura [2], for any  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,

$$(f, \overline{G}f)_{L^2(d\nu_0)} \geq D^2\Phi(\nu_0)(\overline{G}f d\nu_0, \overline{G}f d\nu_0),$$

which means that all of the eigenvalues of  $D^2\Phi(\nu_0)\Big|_{H \times H}$  are less than or equal to 1. In addition, we assume the following

A 3. All of the eigenvalues of  $D^2\Phi(\nu_0)\Big|_{H \times H}$  are smaller than 1.

A 4. For any  $\delta > 0$ , there exist a constant  $\varepsilon > 0$  and a symmetric continuous function  $K_\delta : \mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , such that the function  $\widetilde{K}_\delta$  given by  $\widetilde{K}_\delta(R_1, R_2) \equiv \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} K_\delta(x, y) R_1(dx) R_2(dy)$ ,  $R_1, R_2 \in \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , satisfies

$$\|\widetilde{K}_\delta\Big|_{H \times H}\|_{H.S.} \leq \delta,$$

and

$$D^3\Phi(R)(\nu - \nu_0, \nu - \nu_0, \nu - \nu_0) \leq \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} K_\delta(x, y) (\nu - \nu_0)(dx) (\nu - \nu_0)(dy)$$

for any  $R \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with  $\text{dist}(R, \nu_0) < \varepsilon$  and any  $\nu \in \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with  $\text{dist}(\nu, \nu_0) < \varepsilon$ .

Our main result is the following

**THEOREM 1.3.** Under the assumptions above, for any  $x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} e^{-T\lambda} Z_T^{x,y} &= \frac{h(x)}{h(y)} \cdot \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0, \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(u,u)} \nu_0(du) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \det_2(I_H - D^2\Phi(\nu_0))^{-1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

REMARK 1. The fact that  $D^2\Phi(\nu_0)|_{H \times H}$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt type function, which ensures that the factor  $\det_2(I_H - D^2\Phi(\nu_0))$  above is well-defined, can be seen from the Proposition 2.8.

## 2. Preparations

In this section, we will show in the first half an extended Ito's formula for  $Gf$ , where  $f$  is a continuous function. Also, we will give the proofs of the several facts claimed in section 1.

In general, consider a operator  $L$  given by  $L \equiv \frac{1}{2}\Delta + b \cdot \nabla$ , where  $b \in C(\mathbf{T}^d; \mathbf{R}^d)$ . For each  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , let  $P_x^L$  denote the probability law of the diffusion process generated by  $L$  starting at  $x$ . Write the invariant measure of  $\{P_x^L\}$  as  $\mu_L$ . Let  $\{P_t^L\}_{t \geq 0}$  denote the corresponding semigroup of linear operators in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Also, let  $G_L$  be the corresponding Green operator, *i.e.*,  $G_L f \equiv \int_0^\infty (P_t^L f - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f d\mu_L) dt$ ,  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Let  $\|\cdot\|_{op}$  denote the operator norm in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Then we have the following

PROPOSITION 2.1.  $P_t^L$  is a compact operator on  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $t > 0$ .

PROOF. Let  $L_B \equiv \frac{1}{2}\Delta$  and let  $P_t^0$  be the semigroup of linear operators on  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  corresponding to it. Then  $P_t^0$  maps  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  to  $C^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and  $\|\nabla P_t^0\|_{op} \leq \frac{2\sqrt{d}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$  for any  $t > 0$ . So  $P_t^0$  is a compact operator for any  $t > 0$ . Also,

$$P_t^L = P_t^0 + \int_0^t P_s^L b \cdot \nabla P_{t-s}^0 ds,$$

where  $b \cdot \nabla P_s^0$  is compact for any  $s > 0$ , Thus,  $P_t^L$  is compact for any  $t > 0$ .  $\square$

By Proposition 2.1, every number in the spectrum of  $P_t^L$  except 0 is a eigenvalue of it. Let  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  denote the Sobolev space, *i.e.*,  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d) = \{(1 - \Delta)^{-1}f; f \in L^p\}$ . Then we have the following

LEMMA 2.2.  $G_L$  maps  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  into  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $p \in [1, \infty)$ , and it is a bounded linear map. Also, for any  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with  $\int f d\mu_L = 0$ ,  $u \equiv -G_L f$  is a solution of the equation  $Lu = f$  in the sense of generalized functions. Also, if  $v \in W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} v d\mu_L = 0$ , and  $Lv = f$  in  $L^p$  for some

$p > 1$ , then  $u = v$  in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Moreover, let  $\{X_t\}$  be the diffusion process generated by  $L$ , and let  $B_t = X_t - X_0 - \int_0^t b(X_s)ds$ . Then  $\{B_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a Brownian motion, and

$$(2.1) \quad u(X_t) = u(X_0) + \int_0^t \nabla u(X_s)dB_s + \int_0^t f(X_s)ds.$$

PROOF. The fact that  $\{B_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a Brownian motion is trivial since by the definition of  $\{X_t\}$ ,  $g(X_t) - g(X_0) - \int_0^t (Lg)(X_s)ds$  is a  $\mathcal{F}_t$ -martingale for any  $g \in C^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ .

Since  $b \in C(\mathbf{T}^d; \mathbf{R}^d)$  and  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , we can find  $b_n \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d; \mathbf{R}^d)$  and  $f_n \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , such that  $b_n \rightarrow b \in C(\mathbf{T}^d; \mathbf{R}^d)$  and  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $\int f_n d\mu_L = 0$ . Let  $L_n \equiv \frac{1}{2}\Delta + b_n \cdot \nabla$ , and write the invariant probability measure, the semigroup of linear operators on  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  and the Green operator corresponding to it as  $\mu_n$ ,  $P_t^n$  and  $G_n$ , respectively. Also, let  $u_n \equiv -G_n f_n$ . Then  $u_n \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and  $L_n u_n = f_n - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f_n d\mu_n$ . Therefore, by Ito's formula,

$$(2.2) \quad u_n(X_t) = u_n(X_0) + \int_0^t \nabla u_n(X_s)dB_s + \int_0^t L u_n(X_s)ds.$$

By using Cameron-Martin-Maruyama-Girsanov formula, we get from the definition of  $P_t^n$  and  $P_t^L$  that  $P_t^n \rightarrow P_t^L$  in the operator norm as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for any  $t > 0$ . Therefore, by Perron-Frobenius argument, it is not difficult that  $u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and  $\langle \cdot \rangle_{\mu_{L_n}} \rightarrow \langle \cdot \rangle_{\mu_L}$  as linear operators on  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We show that  $u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , too. We first show that  $u_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ , is bounded in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . From the definition of  $u_n$ ,  $\Delta u_n = 2(f_n - b_n \cdot \nabla u_n)$ . So, from the boundedness of  $b_n$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ , there exists a constant  $C_3 > 0$ , such that

$$\|u_n\|_{W_p^2} \leq C_3 (\|f_n\|_{L_p} + \|u_n\|_{L_p} + \|\nabla u_n\|_{L_p}).$$

By Friedman [5, Theorem 1.8.1], for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $C(\varepsilon) > 0$ , such that

$$\|g\|_{W_p^1} \leq \varepsilon \|g\|_{W_p^2} + C(\varepsilon) \|g\|_{L_p}, \quad \text{for all } g \in W_p^2.$$

So we get

$$(2.3) \quad (1 - \varepsilon C_3) \|u_n\|_{W_p^2} \leq C_3 (1 + C(\varepsilon)) (\|f_n\|_{L_p} + \|u_n\|_{L_p}), \quad n \geq 1,$$

for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Take  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough such that  $1 - \varepsilon C_3 > 0$ , and we see that  $\sup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \|u_n\|_{W_p^2} < \infty$ . Now, using the boundedness of  $u_n$  in  $W_p^2$ , in the same way, we can show that  $u_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbf{N}$ , is a Cauchy sequence in  $W_p^2$ . Therefore, from the convergence on  $u_n$  to  $u$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  and the completeness of  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , we see that  $u \in W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $p > 1$ , and  $u_n \rightarrow u$  in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now, take  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (2.2), since  $Lu_n = f_n - \int f_n d\mu_n + (b - b_n) \cdot \nabla u_n \rightarrow f$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get (2.1).

The linearity of  $G_L : C(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  is trivial. Also, from (2.3), there exists a constant  $C > 0$  independent to  $f$ , such that

$$(2.4) \quad \|u\|_{W_p^2} \leq C_5(\|f\|_{L^p} + \|u\|_{L^p}).$$

So the boundedness of  $G_L : C(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  follows from that of  $G_L : C(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ .

For the uniqueness of the solution of the equation  $Lu = f$  in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  *s.t.*  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} u d\mu_L = 0$ , let  $v \in W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  satisfies  $Lv = f$  and  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} v d\mu_L = 0$ , we show that  $v = u (= -G_L f)$  in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Since  $v \in W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , there exist  $v_n \in C^\infty(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} v_n d\mu_L = 0$ , such that  $v_n \rightarrow v$  in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Let  $g_n = Lv_n$ , then  $v_n = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} v_n d\mu_L - G_L g_n = -G_L g_n$ . Therefore, from the completeness of  $W_p^2$ , we only need to show that  $G_L g_n \rightarrow G_L f$  in  $L^p$ . But  $g_n \rightarrow f$  in  $L^p$  from the definition, so this is easy to see from the definition of  $G$  and the fact that  $\sup_{x,y \in \mathbf{T}^d} \left| \frac{P_t^L(x,dy)}{\mu_L(dy)} \right| \rightarrow 0$  exponentially as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\square$

Now, let us come back to our situation described in section 1, *i.e.*, let  $L$  be the infinitesimal generator corresponding to  $\{Q_x\}$ . Let  $L^{*\nu_0}$  denote the adjoint operator of  $L$  in  $L^2(d\nu_0)$ .  $L^{*\nu_0}$  is the infinitesimal generator of the diffusion process  $\{X_{T-t}(\omega)\}_{0 \leq t \leq T}$  under  $Q_{\nu_0}(d\omega)$  for any  $T > 0$ . Note that the  $G^*$  defined in section 1 is nothing but the Green operator with respect to  $L^{*\nu_0}$ . We have the following

**PROPOSITION 2.3.**  $h \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and  $L = L_0 + \frac{\nabla h}{h} \cdot \nabla$ . Also,  $\ell \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and  $L^{*\nu_0} = L_0^{*\mu} + \frac{\nabla \ell}{\ell} \cdot \nabla$ .

**PROOF.** As the proof is the same, we only give the proof of the first assertion. By the definition of  $h$ ,  $h = h^{\phi^{\nu_0}}$ , (and  $\Lambda(\phi^{\nu_0}) = \lambda$ ), for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ ,

$$E^{P_x} \left[ \exp \left( \int_0^t \phi^{\nu_0}(X_s) ds \right) h(X_t) \right] = e^{\lambda t} h(x).$$



So we have  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{t}(P_t h - h) = \lambda h - \phi^{\nu_0}(x)h$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Acting  $G_0$  on the both side, since  $G_0(P_t h - h) = t \int h d\mu - \int_0^t P_s h ds$ , from the continuity of  $G_0$  we get that

$$h - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} h d\mu = G_0(\phi^{\nu_0} h - \lambda h).$$

Therefore, by Lemma 2.2 applied to  $L_0$ ,  $h \in W_p^2$  for any  $p > 1$ , which implies  $h \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and

$$h(X_t) = h(X_0) + \int_0^t \nabla h(X_s) dB_s + \int_0^t (\lambda h - \phi^{\nu_0} h)(X_s) ds.$$

Therefore, by Ito's formula, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \log h(X_t) &= \log h(X_0) + \int_0^t \frac{\nabla h}{h}(X_s) dB_s \\ &\quad + \lambda t - \int_0^t \phi^{\nu_0}(X_s) ds - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \left| \frac{\nabla h}{h}(X_s) \right|^2 ds, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-\lambda t} \frac{h(X_t)}{h(X_0)} \exp\left(\int_0^t \phi^{\nu_0}(X_s) ds\right) \\ = \exp\left(\int_0^t \frac{\nabla h}{h}(X_s) dB_s - \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t \left| \frac{\nabla h}{h}(X_s) \right|^2 ds\right). \end{aligned}$$

The left hand side above is nothing but  $\frac{dQ_{X_0}}{dP_{X_0}}(\omega) \Big|_{\mathcal{F}_t}$ . This gives our assertion.  $\square$

From Lemma 2.2 and Proposition 2.3, we have the following

**COROLLARY 2.4.**  *$G$  maps  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  into  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $p > 1$ , and it is a bounded linear map. Also, for any  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $u \equiv -Gf$  is the unique solution of the equation  $Lu = f$  in the sense of generalized functions. Moreover, let  $\{X_t\}$  be the diffusion process generated by  $L$ , and let  $B_t \equiv X_t - X_0 - \int_0^t (b_0 + \frac{\nabla h}{h})(X_s) ds$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , then  $\{B_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  is a Brownian motion, and*

$$(2.5) \quad u(X_t) = u(X_0) + \int_0^t \nabla u(X_s) dB_s + \int_0^t f(X_s) ds, \quad a.s.$$

PROPOSITION 2.5. *For any  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,*

$$\Gamma(f, f) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla(Gf)\|^2 d\nu_0 = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla(G^*f)\|^2 d\nu_0.$$

PROOF. We only give the proof of the first equality. The second is the same.

First, since  $\nu_0$  is  $\{Q_t\}$  invariant, and  $L$  is the infinitesimal generator of it, we have that  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} Lg d\nu_0 = 0$  for any  $g \in C^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Also, by Proposition 2.3, for any  $g \in C^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,

$$gLg = \frac{1}{2}L(g^2) - \frac{1}{2}\|\nabla g\|^2,$$

so

$$-2 \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} Lg \cdot g d\nu_0 = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla g\|^2 d\nu_0$$

for any  $g \in C^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . So the same is true for any  $g \in \cap_{p>1} W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  (actually, with some  $p > 1$  large enough, for any  $g \in W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ).

Now, for any  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , let  $g \equiv Gf$ . Then by Corollary 2.4,  $g \in W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $p > 1$ . Also,  $f = -Lg + a$  as generalized functions, where  $a = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f d\nu_0$ , and  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} g d\nu_0 = 0$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f \bar{G}f d\nu_0 &= 2 \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f Gf d\nu_0 \\ &= -2 \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} Lg \cdot g d\nu_0 + 2a \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} g d\nu_0 \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla g\|^2 d\nu_0 = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla Gf\|^2 d\nu_0. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

PROPOSITION 2.6.  *$H$  can be regarded as a subset of  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , which is dense in  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with respect to the weak\*-topology.*

PROOF. The fact that  $H \subset \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$  is trivial since  $H = \overline{(\tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)^\Gamma)^*}$  and  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d) = \tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)^*$ . So to finish the proof, we only need to show that  $\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d) \subset \overline{H}^{weak^*}$ . If not, there will exist a  $\nu \in \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$  satisfying  $\nu \notin \overline{H}^{weak^*}$ . For the sake of simplicity, we denote the equivalent class which contains  $f$  by  $\bar{f}$ , too. So there exists a function  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , such that

$(f, \nu) = 1$ , and  $(f, h) = 0$  for any  $h \in H$ . So  $f = 0 \in H^*$ , which means  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f \overline{G} f d\nu_0 = 0$ . Therefore  $f \equiv \text{constant}$ , and so  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} f d\nu = 0$ , which makes a contradiction.  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 2.7.** *For any symmetric continuous function  $V : \mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , let  $U_1(x, y) \equiv -G_x V(x, y)$ , and let  $U \equiv -G_y^* U_1$ , then  $U \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $\nabla_x U(x, y)$  is continuously differentiable with respect to  $y$ , and  $\nabla_y \nabla_x U(x, y) \in C(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$ . Also,*

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \overline{G}_x \overline{G}_y V(x, y) \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy) \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla_x \nabla_y U(x, y)\|^2 \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy). \end{aligned}$$

**PROOF.** From the compactness of  $\mathbf{T}^d$  and the continuity of  $V$ ,  $V$  is uniformly continuous, and the map  $\mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $y \mapsto V(\cdot, y)$ , is continuous.

$U_1(x, y) = -G_x V(x, y)$ , so by Corollary 2.4,  $U_1(\cdot, y) \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $y \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , and  $y \mapsto \nabla_x U_1(\cdot, y) \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  is continuous.

Now, from the definition of  $G^*$ , we see that  $G^*$  is continuous in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . So  $\nabla_x U(x, y) = -\nabla_x (G_y^* U_1(x, y)) = -G_y^* (\nabla_x U_1(x, y))$ . Therefore,  $\nabla_x U(x, \cdot) \in C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , and the function  $x \mapsto \nabla_y \nabla_x U(x, \cdot) \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  is continuous. *i.e.*,  $\nabla_y \nabla_x U(x, y) \in C(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$ .

We show (2.6) now. First, if  $V$  can be expressed as  $V(x, y) = \sum_{k=1}^n \varphi_k(x) \psi_k(y)$  for some  $n \in \mathbf{N}$  and some  $\varphi_k, \psi_k \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , then (2.6) is obvious by Proposition 2.5. For general  $V$ , by Weierstrass-Stone Theorem, there exist  $V_n$ , such that  $V_n$  has the expression above, and  $V_n \rightarrow V$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$ . From the boundedness of  $\overline{G}_x \overline{G}_y$  in  $C(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$ , the left hand side of (2.6) for  $V_n$  converges to that for  $V$ . For the right hand side, we have from Sobolev's inequality and (2.4) that for any  $f \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,  $u = -Gf$  is in  $C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and for  $p > 1$  large enough, we have

$$\|\nabla u\|_\infty \leq C_6 \|\nabla u\|_{W_p^1} \leq C_7 \|u\|_{W_p^2} \leq C_8 (\|f\|_{L^p} + \|u\|_{L^p}) \leq C_9 \|f\|_\infty$$

for some proper constants  $C_6, C_7, C_8, C_9$ . So the right hand converges, too. Therefore, (2.6) is true for general  $V$ .  $\square$

**PROPOSITION 2.8.** *Given any continuous symmetric function  $V : \mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , define a bilinear and continuous function  $A_V : \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d) \times$*

$\mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by  $A_V(R_1, R_2) \equiv \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) R_1(dx) R_2(dy)$ . Then  $A_V|_{H \times H}$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt type function.

PROOF. Let  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be a complete orthonormal base of  $H^*$  with  $\{f_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in \tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . Then by Proposition 2.5 and Proposition 2.7,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|A_V\|_{H.S.}^2 &= \sum_{n,m=1}^\infty A_V(\overline{G}f_n d\nu_0, \overline{G}f_m d\nu_0)^2 \\
&= \sum_{m=1}^\infty \sum_{n=1}^\infty \left( \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \overline{G}f_n(x) \overline{G}f_m(y) \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy) \right)^2 \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^d \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \sum_{m=1}^\infty \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x_k} G_x V(x, \cdot), f_m \right)_{H^*}^2 \nu_0(dx) \\
&= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla_x \nabla_y G_x G_y V(x, y)\|^2 \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy) \\
&= \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \overline{G}_x \overline{G}_y V(x, y) \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy) \\
&< \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

since  $V$  and  $\overline{G}_x \overline{G}_y V$  are bounded.  $\square$

### 3. Lemmas

The following lemma is easy to see, from the definition of multiple integral.

LEMMA 3.1. *Let  $\{W_t\}_{t \geq 0}$  be a Brownian motion. Then for any  $T > 0$ , and any symmetric function  $h(\cdot, \cdot) : [0, T] \times [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  that satisfies*

$$\int_0^T \int_0^T h(t_1, t_2)^2 dt_1 dt_2 < \frac{1}{4},$$

we have

$$E^W \left[ \exp \left( \int_0^T \int_0^T h(t_1, t_2) dW_{t_1} dW_{t_2} \right) \right] \leq \exp \left( \int_0^T \int_0^T h(t_1, t_2)^2 dt_1 dt_2 \right).$$

PROOF. Let  $A$  be the symmetric operator on  $L^2[0, T]$  given by  $A : L^2[0, T] \rightarrow L^2[0, T]$ ,

$$Af(t) = \int_0^T h(t, s)f(s)ds.$$

$A$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator. Therefore, it has discrete spectrum (except 0). So all of its spectrums except 0 are its eigenvalues. Write them as  $\{\lambda_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ . By the assumption,

$$\sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k^2 = \|A\|_{H.S.}^2 = \int_0^T \int_0^T h(s, t)^2 dsdt < \frac{1}{4},$$

so  $|\lambda_k| < 1/2$  for any  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ . Write the corresponding orthonormal eigenvectors as  $e_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , so  $h(s, t) = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k e_k(s)e_k(t)$  in  $L^2([0, T] \times [0, T])$ .  $\int_0^T e_k(s)dW_s$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ , are *i. i. d.* normal distributed random variables. Note that  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2x}}e^{-x} \leq e^{x^2}$  for any  $x < 1/2$ , so we get

$$\begin{aligned} & E^W \left[ \exp \left( \int_0^T \int_0^T h(t_1, t_2)dW_{t_1}dW_{t_2} \right) \right] \\ &= E^W \left[ \exp \left( \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k \left[ \left( \int_0^T e_k(s)dW_s \right)^2 - 1 \right] \right) \right] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^\infty \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-2\lambda_i}} e^{-\lambda_i} \leq \exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^\infty \lambda_i^2 \right) \\ &= \exp \left( \int_0^T \int_0^T h(t_1, t_2)^2 dt_1 dt_2 \right). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

LEMMA 3.2. For any probability measure  $\nu$  on  $(\Omega, \{\mathcal{F}_t\}_{t \geq 0})$ , any continuous  $\nu$ -local-martingale  $(M_t)$  with  $M_0 = 0$ , any pair of dual numbers  $p_1, q_1 > 1$ , *i. e.*,  $\frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{q_1} = 1$ , any  $T > 0$ , and any  $A \in \mathcal{F}_T$ ,

$$E^\nu \left[ e^{M_T}, A \right] \leq E^\nu \left[ \exp \left( \frac{p_1 q_1}{2} \langle M \rangle_T \right), A \right]^{1/q_1}.$$

PROOF. Since  $(M_t)$  is a continuous  $\nu$ -local-martingale,  $(p_1 M_t)$  is a continuous  $\nu$ -local-martingale, too, so  $\exp(p_1 M_t - \frac{p_1^2}{2} \langle M \rangle_t)$  is also a continuous

$\nu$ -local-martingale, and so a  $\nu$ -super-martingale. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} E^\nu \left[ e^{M_T}, A \right] &\leq E^\nu \left[ \exp(p_1 \cdot (M_T - \frac{p_1}{2} \langle M \rangle_T)) \right]^{1/p_1} \\ &\quad \times E^\nu \left[ \exp(q_1 \cdot (\frac{p_1}{2} \langle M \rangle_T)), A \right]^{1/q_1} \\ &\leq E^\nu \left[ \exp(\frac{p_1 q_1}{2} \langle M \rangle_T), A \right]^{1/q_1}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Now, we are ready to proof the following:

LEMMA 3.3. *Let  $V : \mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  be a symmetric, continuous function that satisfies the following:*

1.  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \nu_0(dy) = 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ ,
2.  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \overline{G}_x \overline{G}_y V(x, y) \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy) < \frac{1}{128}$ .

Then there exists a constant  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ , such that for any  $x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , and any  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{T > 0} E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_t, X_s) ds dt\right), \right. \\ \left. \text{dist}\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \nu_0\right) < \varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. First, we have that for any  $T > 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_s, X_t) ds dt - \frac{1}{T} \int_1^{T-1} \int_1^{T-1} V(X_s, X_t) ds dt \right| \\ &\leq \frac{4T-4}{T} \|V\|_\infty \leq 4 \|V\|_\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $C_{10} = \sup_{x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d} \{q(1, x, y), q^*(1, x, y)\} < \infty$ , where  $q^*(1, x, y) \equiv \frac{Q_1^*(x, dy)}{\nu_0(dy)} \in C(\mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d)$  and  $q^*(1, x, y) > 0$ . Then for any  $A \in \mathcal{F}_T$ ,

$$E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_t, X_s) ds dt\right), A \mid X_T = y \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ q(1, x, X_1) q^*(1, y, X_{T-1}) \right. \\
&\quad \cdot \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_1^{T-1} \int_1^{T-1} V(X_t, X_s) ds dt + 4\|V\|_\infty\right), A \Big] \\
&\leq C_{10}^2 e^{8\|V\|_\infty} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_t, X_s) ds dt\right), A \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is sufficient to prove that

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_t, X_s) ds dt\right), \text{dist}\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \nu_0\right) < \varepsilon \right] < \infty.$$

Since  $\nu_0$  is the invariant measure of  $(Q_x)$  as mentioned before,  $(X_{T-t})_{t=0}^T$  under  $(Q_{\nu_0})$  is still a diffusion process for any  $T > 0$ , with the infinitesimal generator  $L^{*\nu_0} = L_0^{*\mu} + \frac{\nabla \ell}{\ell} \cdot \nabla$ . Let  $U_1(x, y) \equiv -(G_x V)(x, y)$  and  $U(x, y) \equiv -(G_y^* U_1)(x, y)$  as in Proposition 2.7. By condition,  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \nu_0(dy) = 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , so

$$L_x L_y^{*\nu_0} U(x, y) = L_y^{*\nu_0} L_x U(x, y) = V(x, y), \quad \text{for any } x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$$

in the sense of generalized functions. From the condition (2) and Proposition 2.7, we have that  $\nabla_x \nabla_y U$  exists, is continuous, and

$$\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla_x \nabla_y U(x, y)\|^2 \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy) < \frac{1}{128}.$$

Let  $\rho_T \equiv \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt$  and  $A_\varepsilon \equiv \{\text{dist}(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \nu_0) < \varepsilon\}$ . Then from the boundedness of  $\|\nabla_x \nabla_y U(x, y)\|^2$ , there exists a constant  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ , such that for any  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla_x \nabla_y U(x, y)\|^2 \rho_T(dx) \rho_T(dy) < \frac{1}{128} \quad \text{on } A_\varepsilon.$$

From the definition of  $U_1$  and Corollary 2.4,

$$U_1(X_T, X_t) = U_1(X_t, X_t) + \int_t^T \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dB_s + \int_t^T V(X_s, X_t) ds,$$

where  $(B_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is the Brownian motion defined in Corollary 2.4. Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_s, X_t) ds dt = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T \int_t^T V(X_s, X_t) ds dt$$

$$= \frac{2}{T} \left( \int_0^T (U_1(X_T, X_t) - U_1(X_t, X_t)) dt \right) \\ - \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T dt \left( \int_t^T \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dB_s \right).$$

Here,  $\|U_1\|_\infty < \infty$  from the continuity of  $U_1$  and the compactness of  $\mathbf{T}^d$ , and the second term is equal to  $-\frac{2}{T} \int_0^T (\int_0^s \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dt) dB_s$  by stochastic Fubini's theorem (*c.f.* Ikeda-Watanabe [6, Lemma 3.4.1]), hence a continuous  $Q_{\nu_0}$ -martingale. So by Lemma 3.2 (with  $p_1 = 2$  and  $\nu = Q_{\nu_0}$ ),

$$E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_t, X_s) ds dt\right), A_\varepsilon \right] \\ \leq \exp(4\|U_1\|_\infty) \cdot E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp\left(-\frac{2}{T} \int_0^T dB_s \left(\int_0^s \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dt\right)\right), A_\varepsilon \right] \\ \leq \exp(4\|U_1\|_\infty) \cdot E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp\left(2 \int_0^T \left|\frac{2}{T} \int_0^s \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dt\right|^2 ds\right), A_\varepsilon \right]^{1/2}.$$

So, the problem now turns to show that

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{8}{T^2} \int_0^T ds \left|\int_0^s \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dt\right|^2\right), A_\varepsilon \right] < \infty$$

for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $(X_{T-t})_{t=0}^T$  under  $Q_{\nu_0}$  is a diffusion process for any  $T > 0$ , we have by Lemma 2.2 and the definition of  $U$  that  $\hat{B}_t^T \equiv X_{T-t} - X_T - \int_0^t (b_0^* + \frac{\nabla \ell}{\ell}(X_{T-s})) ds$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ , is a Brownian motion, and for any  $s' \in (0, T)$ ,

$$\nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_0) = \nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-s'}) + \int_{s'}^T \nabla_y \nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-t'}) d\hat{B}_{t'}^T \\ + \int_{s'}^T \nabla_x U_1(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-t'}) dt'.$$

So we have

$$\frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^T ds \left|\int_0^s \nabla_x U_1(X_s, X_t) dt\right|^2 \\ = \frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^T ds' \left|\int_{s'}^T \nabla_x U_1(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-t'}) dt'\right|^2$$



$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{2}{T^2} \int_0^T |\nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_0) - \nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-s'})|^2 ds' \\ &\quad + \frac{2}{T^2} \int_0^T \left| \int_{s'}^T \nabla_y \nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-t'}) d\hat{B}_{t'}^T \right|^2 ds'. \end{aligned}$$

Here the first term is bounded by the compactness of  $\mathbf{T}^d$  and the continuity of  $\nabla_x U$ . So it is sufficient to show that for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough,

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{16}{T^2} \int_0^T \left| \int_{s'}^T \nabla_y \nabla_x U(X_{T-s'}, X_{T-t'}) d\hat{B}_{t'}^T \right|^2 ds' \right), A_\varepsilon \right] < \infty.$$

Let  $W_t$  be another  $d$ -dimension Brownian motion which is independent to  $\{X_t\}_{t \in [0, \infty)}$ . Write  $g(t, s) \equiv \nabla_y \nabla_x U(X_{T-t}, X_{T-s})$ , then by Lemma 3.2,

$$\begin{aligned} &E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{16}{T^2} \int_0^T \left| \int_t^T \nabla_y \nabla_x U(X_{T-t}, X_{T-s}) d\hat{B}_s^T \right|^2 dt \right), A_\varepsilon \right] \\ &= E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ E^W \left[ \exp \left( \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{T} \int_0^T \left( \int_t^T g(t, s) d\hat{B}_s^T \right) dW_t \right) \right], A_\varepsilon \right] \\ &= E^W \left[ E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{T} \int_0^T \left( \int_0^s g(t, s) dW_t \right) d\hat{B}_s^T \right) \right], A_\varepsilon \right] \\ &\leq E^W \left[ E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{64}{T^2} \int_0^T \left| \int_0^s g(t, s) dW_t \right|^2 ds \right) \right], A_\varepsilon \right]^{1/2} \\ &= E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ E^W \left[ \exp \left( \frac{64}{T^2} \int_0^T \left| \int_0^s g(t, s) dW_t \right|^2 ds \right) \right], A_\varepsilon \right]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^T \left| \int_0^s g(t, s) dW_t \right|^2 ds \\ &= \frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^T \int_0^T \left( \int_{t_1 \vee t_2}^T g(t_1, s) \otimes g(t_2, s) ds \right) dW_{t_1} dW_{t_2} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^T \left( \int_t^T |g(t, s)|^2 ds \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$

The second term is bounded from the compactness of  $\mathbf{T}^d$  and Proposition 2.7. So we only need to show that

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ E^W \left[ \exp \left( \frac{64}{T^2} \int_0^T \int_0^T \right) \right] \right]$$

$$\left( \int_{t_1 \vee t_2}^T g(t_1, s) \otimes g(t_2, s) ds dW_{t_1} dW_{t_2} \right), A_\varepsilon \Big] < \infty.$$

On the other hand, as shown before,  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla_x \nabla_y U(x, y)\|^2 \rho_T(dx) \rho_T(dy) < \frac{1}{128}$  on  $A_\varepsilon$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad & \frac{64^2}{T^4} \int_0^T \int_0^T dt_1 dt_2 \left\| \int_{t_1 \vee t_2}^T g(t_1, s) \otimes g(t_2, s) ds \right\|^2 \\ & \leq \frac{64^2}{T^4} \int_0^T dt_1 \int_0^T dt_2 \left( \int_{t_1}^T \|g(t_1, s)\|^2 ds \right) \left( \int_{t_2}^T \|g(t_2, s)\|^2 ds \right) \\ & = (64)^2 \left\{ \frac{1}{T^2} \int_0^T dt \left( \int_t^T \|g(t, s)\|^2 ds \right) \right\}^2 \\ & \leq \left\{ \frac{64}{T^2} \int_0^T \int_0^T \|g(t, s)\|^2 dt ds \right\}^2 \\ & = \left\{ 64 \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla_x \nabla_y U(x, y)\|^2 \rho_T(dx) \rho_T(dy) \right\}^2 \\ & < 64^2 \cdot \left( \frac{1}{128} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{on } A_\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

So from Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ E^W \left[ \exp \left( \frac{64}{T^2} \int_0^T \int_0^T \left( \int_{t_1 \vee t_2}^T g(t_1, s) \otimes g(t_2, s) ds \right) \right. \right. \right. \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \left. \left. \times dW_{t_1} dW_{t_2} \right) \right], A_\varepsilon \right] \\ & \leq E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{64^2}{T^4} \int_0^T \int_0^T dt_1 dt_2 \right. \right. \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. \left. \times \left| \int_{t_1 \vee t_2}^T g(t_1, s) \otimes g(t_2, s) ds \right|^2 \right), A_\varepsilon \right] < e^{\frac{1}{4}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

LEMMA 3.4. *For any  $e \in C(\mathbf{T}^d)$  with  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} e(y) \nu_0(dy) = 0$  and  $\|e\|_{H^*} = 1$ , and any  $a < 1$ , there exists a constant  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ , such that for any  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$ ,*

$$\sup_{T > 0} E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{a}{2T} \left( \int_0^T e(X_t) dt \right)^2 \right), A_\varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] < \infty,$$

where  $A_\varepsilon = \{\text{dist}(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \nu_0) < \varepsilon\}$  as in Lemma 3.3.

PROOF. As in the proof of Lemma 3.3, we only need to show the assertion without the condition that  $X_0 = x$  and  $X_T = y$ , *i.e.*, it is sufficient if we prove

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{a}{2T} \left( \int_0^T e(X_t) dt \right)^2 \right), A_\varepsilon \right] < \infty.$$

Also, as there, since  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} e(x) \nu_0(dx) = 0$ , by Corollary 2.4, the function  $u$  defined by  $u \equiv -Ge$  is in  $W_p^2(\mathbf{T}^d)$  for any  $p > 1$ , hence in  $C^1(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and

$$u(X_T) - u(X_0) = \int_0^T \nabla u(X_t) dB_t + \int_0^T e(X_t) dt.$$

So from the boundedness of  $u$ , it is sufficient if

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_{\nu_0}} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{a}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{T} \left( \int_0^T \nabla u(X_t) dB_t \right)^2 \right), A_\varepsilon \right] < \infty$$

for  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough. Choose and fix a constant  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{a} - 1)$  first. Since

$$\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla u(x)\|^2 \nu_0(dx) = \|e\|_{H^*}^2 = 1,$$

and  $\|\nabla u(x)\|^2$  is bounded on  $\mathbf{T}^d$ , there exists an  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ , such that for any  $\varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0$ ,  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla u(x)\|^2 \rho_T(dx) \leq 1 + \delta$  on  $A_\varepsilon$ . So, by Ikeda-Watanabe [6, Theorem II.7.2], there exists a standard Brownian motion  $\tilde{B}$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \int_0^T \nabla u(X_t) dB_t \right)^2 &= \left( \tilde{B} \left( \int_0^\cdot \nabla u(X_t) dB_t, \int_0^\cdot \nabla u(X_t) dB_t \right)_T \right)^2 \\ &= \tilde{B} \left( \int_0^T \|\nabla u(X_t)\|^2 dt \right)^2 \\ &= \tilde{B} \left( T \cdot \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \|\nabla u(x)\|^2 \rho_T(dx) \right)^2 \\ &\leq \sup_{0 \leq t \leq (1+\delta)T} |\tilde{B}(t)|^2 \quad \text{on } A_\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By the reflection principle, for any  $T_0 > 0$  and any  $x$ ,

$$P \left( \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T_0} |\tilde{B}(t)| \geq x \right) \leq 2P \left( \sup_{0 \leq t \leq T_0} \tilde{B}(t) \geq x \right) = 2P(|\tilde{B}(T_0)| \geq x).$$

Therefore, since  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{a} - 1)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{T>0} E^{Q\nu_0} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{a}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{T} \left(\int_0^T \nabla u(X_t) dB_t\right)^2\right), A_\varepsilon \right] \\
& \leq \sup_{T>0} E \left[ \exp\left(\frac{a}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{T} \sup_{0 \leq t \leq (1+\delta)T} |\tilde{B}(t)|^2\right) \right] \\
& = \sup_{T>0} \int_0^\infty P\left(\sup_{0 \leq t \leq (1+\delta)T} |\tilde{B}(t)| \geq x\right) d(e^{\frac{a}{2T}x^2}) + 1 \\
& \leq 2 \sup_{T>0} E \left[ \exp\left(\frac{a}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{T} |\tilde{B}((1+\delta)T)|^2\right) \right] - 1 \\
& = \frac{2}{\sqrt{1 - a(1+\delta)}} - 1 < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

Using the two lemmas above, we get the following:

LEMMA 3.5. *For any continuous symmetric function  $V : \mathbf{T}^d \times \mathbf{T}^d \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ , which satisfies  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) \nu_0(dy) = 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , define a symmetric, bilinear, and continuous function  $A_V : \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d) \times \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d) \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$  by  $A_V(R_1, R_2) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} V(x, y) R_1(dx) R_2(dy)$ . Suppose that all of the eigenvalues of  $A_V|_{H \times H}$  are smaller than 1. Then there exists a constant  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough, such that for any  $x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$ ,*

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{T>0} E^{Qx} \left[ \exp\left(\frac{1}{2T} \int_0^T \int_0^T V(X_t, X_s) dt ds\right), \right. \\
& \left. \text{dist}\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \nu_0\right) < \varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

PROOF. By Proposition 2.8,  $A_V|_{H \times H}$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt type function. Combining this with the condition, we see that the maximum of its eigenvalues, say  $a_0$ , is also smaller than 1. Choose and fix a  $p > 1$  such that  $a_0 p < 1$ .

Write the eigenvalues of  $A_V|_{H \times H}$  as  $\{a_n\}_{n \in \mathbf{N}}$  with  $|a_1| \geq |a_2| \geq |a_3| \geq \dots$ , and the corresponding eigenvectors as  $\{\overline{G}e_m d\nu_0\}_{m=1}^\infty$  with  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} e_m(x) \overline{G}e_n(x) \nu_0(dx) = \delta_{mn}$ . Then  $A_V(\overline{G}e_m d\nu_0, R) = a_m \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} e_m(x) R(dx)$

for any  $R \in \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$ . So for any  $m \in \mathbf{N}$  with  $a_m \neq 0$ , from the continuity of  $V(x, y)$ , we can assume that  $e_m \in \tilde{C}(\mathbf{T}^d)$ .

Let  $q$  be the dual number of  $p > 1$ , that is,  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Since  $A_V|_{H \times H}$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt function as claimed, there exists a  $N \in \mathbf{N}$  large enough such that  $\sum_{i=N+1}^{\infty} q^2 a_i^2 < \frac{1}{128}$ . Apply lemma 3.3 to

$$V_1(x, y) := q \left( V(x, y) - \sum_{i=1}^N a_i e_i(x) \cdot e_i(y) \right), \quad x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d,$$

and use Hölder's inequality, so it is sufficient if

$$\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p}{2T} \int_0^T \int_0^T a_i e_i(X_t) e_i(X_s) ds dt \right), A_\varepsilon | X_T = y \right] < \infty$$

for  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough, where  $A_\varepsilon$  is as before.

Obviously, we can assume that  $a_1, \dots, a_N \geq 0$ , as if not, we can just omit the term corresponding to it. As in Kusuoka-Tamura [9], in general, we have that for any  $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ , there exists an integer  $m > 0$  and  $\xi_i = (\xi_i^1, \dots, \xi_i^N) \in \mathbf{R}^N$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , such that  $\|\xi_i\|_{\mathbf{R}^N} = 1$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , and

$$\bigcap_{i=1}^m \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R}^N : (x, \xi_i) \leq \frac{1}{(1 + \varepsilon_1)^{1/2}} \right\} \subset \{x \in \mathbf{R}^N : \|x\| < 1\},$$

so

$$\|x\|^2 \leq (1 + \varepsilon_1) \max_{i=1, \dots, m} (x, \xi_i)^2, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^N.$$

Replace  $\varepsilon_1$  by  $1 - pa_0$  in the above. Let  $\tilde{e}_i = \sum_{j=1}^N \xi_i^j e_j$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . Then  $(\overline{G\tilde{e}_i}, \tilde{e}_i)_{L^2(d\nu_0)} = 1$ ,  $\int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \tilde{e}_i(x) \nu_0(dx) = 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^N \left( \int_0^T e_j(X_t) dt \right)^2 &\leq (1 + \varepsilon_1) \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \sum_{j=1}^N \left( \int_0^T e_j(X_t) dt \cdot \xi_i^j \right)^2 \\ &= (1 + \varepsilon_1) \max_{i=1, \dots, m} \left( \int_0^T \tilde{e}_i(X_t) dt \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup_{T>0} E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{p}{2T} \int_0^T \int_0^T a_i e_i(X_t) e_i(X_s) ds dt \right), A_\varepsilon | X_T = y \right] \\ &\leq \sup_{T>0} \sum_{i=1}^m E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( \frac{1 - \varepsilon_1^2}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{T} \left( \int_0^T \tilde{e}_i(X_t) dt \right)^2 \right), A_\varepsilon | X_T = y \right], \end{aligned}$$

which is finite for  $\varepsilon > 0$  small enough by Lemma 3.4.

This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

#### 4. Proof of the Theorem

In this section, we will give the proof of the main theorem. Let

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\Phi}(\nu) &\equiv \Phi(\nu) - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \phi^{\nu_0}(y) \nu(dy), \\ &= \Phi(\nu) - \Phi(\nu_0) - D\Phi(\nu_0)(\nu - \nu_0), \quad \nu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{T}^d).\end{aligned}$$

Also, let  $A_\varepsilon = \{\text{dist}(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \nu_0) < \varepsilon\}$  as before. Since for any  $A \in \mathcal{F}_T$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}&e^{-\lambda T} E^{P_x} \left[ \exp \left( T\Phi \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \right), A \mid X_T = y \right] \\ &= \frac{h(x)}{h(y)} E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( T\tilde{\Phi} \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \right), A \mid X_T = y \right],\end{aligned}$$

the theorem will be shown if we can show the following two lemmas.

LEMMA 4.1.

$$\limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( T\tilde{\Phi} \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \right), A_\varepsilon^C \mid X_T = y \right] < 0$$

for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

LEMMA 4.2.

$$\begin{aligned}&\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( T\tilde{\Phi} \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \right), A_\varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] \\ &= \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0, \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(u,u)} \nu_0(du) \right\} \times \det_2(I_H - D^2\Phi(\nu_0))^{-1/2}.\end{aligned}$$

We prove Lemma 4.1 in the first. By Donsker-Varadhan [4], we have the following

PROPOSITION 4.3.

(1) For any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$  and any closed set  $C \subset \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P_x \left[ \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \delta_{X_s} ds \in C \right] \leq -\inf\{I(\nu); \nu \in C\},$$

(2) for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$  and any open set  $G \subset \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \log P_x \left[ \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t \delta_{X_s} ds \in G \right] \geq -\inf\{I(\nu); \nu \in G\}.$$

From this, we get the following

LEMMA 4.4.

1. For any  $x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$  and any closed set  $C \subset \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,

$$\limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_s} ds \in C \mid X_T = y \right] \leq -\inf\{I(\nu); \nu \in C\}.$$

2. For any  $x, y \in \mathbf{T}^d$  and any open set  $G \subset \wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ ,

$$\liminf_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_s} ds \in G \mid X_T = y \right] \geq -\inf\{I(\nu); \nu \in G\}.$$

PROOF. We only give the proof of the first assertion, the second one can be proved in the same way.

First, for any path  $\{X_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ ,  $\|\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \frac{1}{T-1} \int_0^{T-1} \delta_{X_t} dt\| \leq \frac{2}{T}$ , therefore, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $t_\varepsilon > 0$ , such that for any  $T > t_\varepsilon$  and any path  $\{X_t\}_t$ ,  $\text{dist}(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt, \frac{1}{T-1} \int_0^{T-1} \delta_{X_t} dt) \leq \varepsilon$ . Now, let  $C_\varepsilon$  be the  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $C$  in  $\wp(\mathbf{T}^d)$ , and let  $C_{10}$  be the constant defined in the proof of Lemma 3.3, *i.e.*,  $q^*(1, x_1, x_2) \leq C_{10}$  for any  $x_1, x_2 \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , then for any  $T > t_\varepsilon$ ,

$$P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \in C \mid X_T = y \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T-1} \int_0^{T-1} \delta_{X_t} dt \in C_\varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] \\
&= E^{P_x} \left[ 1_{\left\{ \frac{1}{T-1} \int_0^{T-1} \delta_{X_t} dt \in C_\varepsilon \right\}} q^*(1, y, X_{T-1}) \right] \\
&\leq C_{10} P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T-1} \int_0^{T-1} \delta_{X_t} dt \in C_\varepsilon \right].
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \in C \mid X_T = y \right] \\
&\leq \limsup_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \log P_x \left[ \frac{1}{T-1} \int_0^{T-1} \delta_{X_t} dt \in C_\varepsilon \right] \\
&\leq -\inf\{I(\nu); \nu \in C_\varepsilon\}
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . The right hand side above converges to  $-\inf\{I(\nu); \nu \in C\}$  as  $\varepsilon$  goes to 0.  $\square$

Lemma 4.1 can now be seen by the same method as used for the not pinned one.

For Lemma 4.2, we follow the way as used in Kusuoka-Tamura [9] and Kusuoka-Liang [8].

LEMMA 4.5. *There exist constants  $p > 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , such that*

$$\sup_{T > 0} E^{Q_x} \left[ e^{pT\tilde{\Phi}\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt\right)}, A_\varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] < \infty.$$

PROOF. The proof is similar with the one in Kusuoka-Liang [8]. Let  $R(\nu_0, \cdot)$  be the 3rd remainder of the Taylor expansion around  $\nu_0$ , *i.e.*,  $R(\nu_0, \nu - \nu_0) = \tilde{\Phi}(\nu) - D^2\tilde{\Phi}(\nu_0)(\nu - \nu_0, \nu - \nu_0)$ . Then for any  $p > 1$  and any  $r, s > 1$  with  $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{s} = 1$ , by Hölder's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned}
&E^{Q_x} \left[ e^{pT\tilde{\Phi}\left(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt\right)}, A_\varepsilon \mid X_T = y \right] \\
&= E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left\{ p \cdot \frac{T}{2} D^2\tilde{\Phi}(\nu_0) \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0 \right) \right. \right.
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& + p \cdot TR(\nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0) \Big\}, A_\varepsilon | X_T = y \Big] \\
(4.1) \quad & \leq E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left\{ p \cdot \frac{T}{2} \cdot r D^2 \Phi(\nu_0) \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. \times \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0 \right) \right\}, A_\varepsilon | X_T = y \right]^{1/r} \\
(4.2) \quad & \times E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left\{ p \cdot T \cdot s R(\nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0) \right\}, A_\varepsilon | X_T = y \right]^{1/s}.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, for any function  $U(\cdot, \cdot)$ , define

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{U}(x, y) \quad & \equiv U(x, y) - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} U(x, y) \nu_0(dx) - \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} U(x, y) \nu_0(dy) \\
& + \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} U(x, y) \nu_0(dx) \nu_0(dy),
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\tilde{U}(R_1, R_2) = \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} U(x, y) R_1(dx) R_2(dy),$$

then  $\int \bar{U}(x, y) \nu_0(dx) = 0$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , and  $\tilde{\bar{U}}(R_1, R_2) = \tilde{U}(R_1, R_2)$  for any  $R_1, R_2 \in \mathcal{M}_0(\mathbf{T}^d)$ .

Since the maximum  $a_0$  of the eigenvalues of  $D^2 \Phi(\nu_0) \Big|_{H \times H}$  is smaller than 1 by the assumption 4, we can find a  $p > 1$  such that  $a_0 \cdot p < 1$ . For this  $p$ , there exists a  $r > 1$  such that  $a_0 \cdot p \cdot r < 1$ . So since

$$\begin{aligned}
& T \cdot D^2 \Phi(\nu_0) \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dy - \nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dy - \nu_0 \right) \\
& = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T \overline{\Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0, \cdot, \cdot)} \Big|_{(X_t, X_s)} dt ds,
\end{aligned}$$

we get by Lemma 3.5 that (4.1) is bounded for  $T > 0$  if  $\varepsilon > 0$  is small enough.

For (4.2), let  $s$  be the dual number of  $r > 1$ , choose a  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{2ps})$  and fix it. By the assumption 4, for this  $\delta > 0$ , there exist a constant  $\varepsilon' > 0$  and a  $K_\delta$ , such that  $\|\widetilde{K_\delta}\|_{H \times H} ||_{H.S.} \leq \delta$ , and

$$|TR(\nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0)|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq T \cdot \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} K_\delta(x, y) \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dy - \nu_0 \right)^{\otimes 2} (dx \otimes dy) \\
&= \frac{1}{T} \cdot \int_0^T \int_0^T \overline{K}_\delta(X_t, X_s) ds dt \quad \text{on } A_{\varepsilon'}.
\end{aligned}$$

So by using Lemma 3.5 again, we get that (4.2) is bounded for  $T > 0$  if  $\varepsilon' > 0$  is small enough.

This completes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

PROOF OF LEMMA 4.2. As in Kusuoka-Tamura [9],  $Q_x$  has the strong mixing property, so  $X_T$  and  $\sqrt{T}(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0)$  are asymptotically independent as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  under  $Q_x$  for any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ , also,

$$\begin{aligned}
&E^{Q_x} \left[ \exp \left( \sqrt{-1} \sqrt{T} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} u(x) \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0 \right) (dx) \right) \right] \\
&\rightarrow \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} u(y) \overline{G}u(y) \nu_0(dy) \right), \quad \text{as } T \rightarrow \infty
\end{aligned}$$

for any  $u \in L^2(\mathbf{T}^d, d\nu_0)$ .

Take a separable Hilbert space  $H_1$  such that the set  $\{\overline{G}u d\nu_0 \mid \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} u \overline{G}u d\nu_0 < \infty\}$  is a dense linear subspace of  $H_1$ , and the inclusion map is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator. Let  $W$  be an  $H_1$ -valued random variable with distribution  $\gamma$  such that

$$E \left[ \exp(\sqrt{-1}(u, W)) \right] = \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} u(y) \overline{G}u(y) \nu_0(dy) \right)$$

for any  $u \in H_1^*$ .

So from the central limit theorem for Hilbert space valued random variables, the distribution of  $(X_T, \sqrt{T}(\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt - \nu_0))$  under  $Q_x$  converges weakly to  $\nu_0 \otimes \gamma$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  on  $\mathbf{T}^d \times H_1$ .

As before,  $D^2\Phi(\nu_0)(\cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{H \times H}$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt function. Write the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenvectors as  $a_m$  and  $\overline{G}e_m d\nu_0$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $\sum_{m=1}^N a_m ((e_m, W)^2 - 1)$  converges in  $L^2(d\gamma)$ . Let  $: D^2\Phi(\nu_0)(W, W) :$  be the  $L^2(d\gamma)$ -limit of  $\sum_{m=1}^N a_m ((e_m, W)^2 - 1)$ .

It is easy that

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T \sum_{m=1}^N a_m e_m(X_s) e_m(X_t) ds dt$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sum_{m=1}^N a_m e_m(X_s) \overline{G} e_m(X_s) ds \\
\rightarrow & \sum_{m=1}^N a_m \left( (e_m, W)^2 - 1 \right)
\end{aligned}$$

under  $Q_x$  in distribution as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  for any  $N \in \mathbf{N}$  and any  $x \in \mathbf{T}^d$ . Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{T>0} E^{Q_x} \left[ \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; X_t, X_s) ds dt \right. \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. \left. - \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(X_s, X_s)} ds \right) \right. \\
& - \left. \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T \sum_{m=1}^N a_m e_m(X_s) e_m(X_t) ds dt \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sum_{m=1}^N a_m e_m(X_s) \overline{G} e_m(X_s) ds \right) \right\}^2 \Big] \\
\rightarrow & 0
\end{aligned}$$

as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \int_0^T \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; X_t, X_s) ds dt - \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(X_s, X_s)} ds \\
\rightarrow & : D^2 \Phi(\nu_0)(W, W) :
\end{aligned}$$

in distribution as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . Also,

$$\frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(X_s, X_s)} ds \rightarrow \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(u, u)} \nu_0(du)$$

$Q_x$ -almost surely as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ , and

$$TR(\nu_0, \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt) \rightarrow 0$$

under  $Q_x$  in distribution as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore, we have that

$$T \tilde{\Phi} \left( \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \delta_{X_t} dt \right) \rightarrow : D^2 \Phi(\nu_0)(W, W) : + \int_{\mathbf{T}^d} \overline{G}_x \Phi^{(2)}(\nu_0; \cdot, \cdot) \Big|_{(u, u)} \nu_0(du)$$

in distribution as  $T \rightarrow \infty$ . This together with Lemma 4.5 gives our assertion.  $\square$

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