

**NON-PERTURBATIVE POSITIVITY AND WEAK HÖLDER
 CONTINUITY OF LYAPUNOV EXPONENT OF ANALYTIC
 QUASI-PERIODIC JACOBI COCYCLES DEFINED ON A HIGH
 DIMENSION TORUS**

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ABSTRACT. When analytic quasi-periodic cocycles are defined on a high dimension torus, their Lyapunov exponents have perturbative positivity and continuity. In this article, we study a class of analytic quasi-periodic Jacobi cocycles defined on a two dimension torus. We show that in the non-perturbative large coupling regimes, the Lyapunov exponent is positive for any frequency and weak Hölder continuous for the full-measured frequency.

1. INTRODUCTION

We consider the quasi-periodic Jacobi operator $H_{\underline{x}, \underline{\omega}, \lambda v, a}$ in $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z})$,

$$\begin{aligned} (H_{\underline{x}, \underline{\omega}, \lambda v, a} \phi)(n) = & -a(x_2 + (n+1)\omega_2)\phi(n+1) - \bar{a}(x_2 + n\omega_2)\phi(n-1) \\ & + \lambda v(x_1 + n\omega_1)\phi(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.1)$$

where $v : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a real analytic function called the potential, $a : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is a complex analytic function and not identically zero, λ is a real positive constant called the coupling number, $\underline{x} = (x_1, x_2)$ is the phase, and $\underline{\omega} = (\omega_1, \omega_2)$ is the frequency. Their characteristic equations $H_{\underline{x}, \underline{\omega}, \lambda v, a} \phi = E\phi$ can be expressed as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi(n+1) \\ \phi(n) \end{pmatrix} = M(\underline{x} + n\underline{\omega}, E, \lambda v, a) \begin{pmatrix} \phi(n) \\ \phi(n-1) \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$M(\underline{x} + n\underline{\omega}, E, \lambda v, a) = \frac{1}{a(x_2 + (n+1)\omega_2)} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda v(x_1 + n\omega_1) - E & -\bar{a}(x_2 + n\omega_2) \\ a(x_2 + (n+1)\omega_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

In this article, we always fix the analytic functions v and a , and suppress them from symbols. Then, we have the following analytic quasi-periodic Jacobi cocycles $(M_{\lambda, E, \underline{\omega}}) \in C^\omega(\mathbb{T}^2, M_2(\mathbb{C})) \times \mathbb{R}^2$ where $M_2(\mathbb{C})$ is the set of 2×2 matrices with complex entries:

$$(M_{\lambda, E, \underline{\omega}}) : \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^2 \times \mathbb{T}^2 \quad \text{with } (\underline{v}, \underline{x}) \rightarrow (M_{\lambda, E}(\underline{x})\underline{v}, \underline{x} + \underline{\omega}),$$

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where

$$M_{\lambda,E}(\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{a(x_2 + \omega_2)} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda v(x_1) - E & -\bar{a}(x_2) \\ a(x_2 + \omega_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Because the complex function a has only finite zero points in the complex plane, the matrix $M_{\lambda,E}$ and the Jacobi cocycles make sense almost everywhere.

Let $M(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) := M_{\lambda,E}(\underline{x})$ and define

$$\begin{aligned} M_n(\underline{x}, E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda) &= \prod_{j=n-1}^0 M(\underline{x} + j\underline{\omega}, E, \lambda) \\ &= \prod_{j=n-1}^0 \frac{1}{a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda v(x_1 + j\omega_1) - E & -\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2) \\ a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

which is called the transfer matrix of (1.1). Set

$$L_n(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda) := \frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \log \|M_n(\underline{x}, E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)\| d\underline{x}.$$

From the Kingman's subadditive ergodic theorem, we have

$$L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n(\underline{x}, E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)\|$$

for almost every $\underline{x} \in \mathbb{T}^2$, which is called the Lyapunov exponent of (1.1).

Note that $L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ is non-negative, as

$$\int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \log |\det M(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)| d\underline{x} \equiv 0.$$

In this article, we first show that the Lyapunov exponent is always positive when the coupling number is large.

Theorem 1.1. *For any $\kappa > 0$, there exists $\lambda_0 = \lambda_0(v, a, \kappa) > 0$ such that for any $\underline{\omega}$, if $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$ and E is in the spectrum of (1.1), then*

$$(1 - \kappa) \log |\lambda| < L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda) < (1 + \kappa) \log |\lambda|.$$

Because of the uniform hyperbolicity, the Lyapunov exponent is always positive when E is in the resolvent set.

Secondly, we study the continuity of $L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ in the energy E . It is well known that $L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ is a C^∞ function of E on the resolvent set. So we only need to consider $E \in \mathcal{E}$, which contains the spectrum and will be defined in (2.1). What's more, we need to assume that ω_1 and ω_2 are both the Diophantine number (DN for short). Here when we say that an irrational number $\omega \in (0, 1)$ is the DN, it means that ω satisfies the Diophantine condition

$$\|n\omega\| \geq \frac{C_\omega}{|n|^\alpha} \quad \text{for all } n \neq 0. \quad (1.2)$$

It is well known that for a fixed $\alpha > 1$, almost every $\omega \in \mathbb{T}$ satisfies (1.2). Thus, the set of $\underline{\omega}$ we assumed has full measure in \mathbb{T}^2 . Then, we obtain the weak Hölder continuity of $L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ in E .

Theorem 1.2. *Let $E \in \mathcal{E}$, both ω_1 and ω_2 be the DN, and $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$ where λ_0 comes from Theorem 1.1 with $\kappa = \frac{1}{100}$. Then $L(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ is a continuous function of E with modulus of continuity*

$$h(t) = \exp(-c|\log t|^\tau),$$

where $\tau = \tau(\alpha)$ and $c = c(\lambda v, a)$ are positive constants.

Remark 1.3. Actually, the d -dimension Diophantine number (DN) is always defined by

$$\|\underline{n} \cdot \underline{\omega}\| := \|n_1\omega_1 + \cdots + n_d\omega_d\| \geq \frac{c}{(|n_1| + \cdots + |n_d|)^A}$$

for all $(n_1, \dots, n_d) \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus \{0\}$ and $A > d$, which is also almost everywhere in \mathbb{T}^d . Obviously, this 2-dimension DN is a subset of our frequency.

The research on Lyapunov exponents has been a hot topic in several fields for a long time. In 2001 Goldstein and Schlag [8] developed two powerful techniques, the Large Deviation Theorem and the Avalanche Principle. These two techniques are widely applied in the literatures, to study the Schrödinger operator

$$(H_{\underline{x}, \underline{\omega}, \lambda}^s \phi)(n) = \phi(n+1) + \phi(n-1) + \lambda v(\underline{x} + n\underline{\omega})\phi(n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z},$$

where the potential v is a real analytic function on \mathbb{T}^d . Obviously, it is a special case of (1.1) with $a \equiv 1$, and $M_n^s(\underline{x}, E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$, $L^s(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ and $L_n^s(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ have the corresponding definitions. When $d = 1$ and $\underline{\omega} = \omega$ this is the Strong DN:

$$\|n\omega\| \geq \frac{C_\omega}{|n|(1 + \log |n|)^\alpha} \quad \text{for all } n \neq 0,$$

which is also almost everywhere in \mathbb{T} for $\alpha > 1$. They obtained that $L^s(E, \omega, \lambda)$ is Hölder continuous in E in the positive Lyapunov exponent regimes. When $d \geq 2$ and $\underline{\omega}$ is the d -dimension DN, they obtained the perturbative result that there exists a $\tilde{\lambda}_0^s := \tilde{\lambda}_0^s(v, A, \underline{\omega})$ such that for any $|\lambda| > \tilde{\lambda}_0^s$, $L^s(E, \underline{\omega}, \lambda)$ is positive for all E and weak Hölder continuous in E . Readers may have doubts when the Lyapunov exponent is positive for $d = 1$. Actually, Sorets-Spencer [14] proved in 1991 that for any nonconstant real analytic potential v , there exists $\lambda_0^s = \lambda_0^s(v)$ such that for any $|\lambda| > \lambda_0^s$, the Lyapunov exponent is positive for any ω . In 2002, Bourgain-Jitomirskaya [6] proved the joint continuity of $L^s(E, \omega, \lambda)$ in (E, ω) at every (E, ω_0) if ω_0 is irrational and $L^s(E, \omega_0, \lambda)$ is positive. Then in 2005, Bourgain [3] extended this continuity and the result of the positive Lyapunov exponent in [14] from \mathbb{T} to \mathbb{T}^d .

All above results depend on the fact that the determinants of the Schrödinger transfer matrices are always 1. For the analytic quasi-periodic $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$ cocycles

$$M(\underline{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} v_{11}(\underline{x}) & v_{12}(\underline{x}) \\ v_{21}(\underline{x}) & v_{22}(\underline{x}) \end{pmatrix},$$

where v_{ij} ($i, j = 1, 2$) are analytic function on \mathbb{T}^d , Jitomirskaya-Koslover-Schulteis [10] and Jitomirskaya-Marx [11] proved the weak Hölder continuity of the Lyapunov exponent in v_{ij} over the analytic category for 1-dimension Diophantine frequency. Avila-Jitomirskaya-Sadel showed the continuity for any 1-dimension frequency in [1]. The author extended it to $d \geq 2$ for d -dimension Diophantine frequency in [16]. He also studied the following general analytic quasi-periodic Jacobi operators

$(\tilde{H}_{\underline{x}, \underline{\omega}, \lambda v, a} \phi)(n) = -a(\underline{x} + (n+1)\underline{\omega})\phi(n+1) - \bar{a}(\underline{x} + n\underline{\omega})\phi(n-1) + \lambda v(\underline{x} + n\underline{\omega})\phi(n)$ for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, and proved in [17] that when $d = 1$ and $\underline{\omega} = \omega$ is the strong DN, the continuity of the Lyapunov exponent in E can be Hölder.

In summary, the Lyapunov exponent of the $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ cocycles is always positive for any $\underline{\omega}$ and any d in the large coupling regimes. But when the cocycles become $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$, we have the same result only for $d = 1$. Therefore, the first highlight of

our paper is that it is the first conclusion of the positive Lyapunov exponents of a class of $GL(2, \mathbb{C})$ cocycles defined on \mathbb{T}^2 for any frequency. Secondly, we prove the weak Hölder continuity for the more generic full-measured frequency (see Remark 1.3). Furthermore, both results are non-perturbative.

We organize this article as follows. In Section 2, we develop Bourgain-Goldstein's method, which was applied to the quasi-periodic Schrödinger equations in [4], to prove Theorem 1.1. With its help, we obtain the large deviation theorem and Theorem 1.2 in Section 3.

2. POSITIVE LYAPUNOV EXPONENT

It is well known that if v is real analytic function on \mathbb{T} , then there exists some $\rho_v > 0$ such that

$$v(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{v}(k) e^{2\pi i k x}, \quad \text{with } |\hat{v}(k)| \lesssim e^{-\rho_v |k|}.$$

So, it has a holomorphic extension

$$v(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{v}(k) e^{2\pi i k z}$$

on the strip $|\Im z| < \frac{\rho_v}{10}$, satisfying

$$|v(z)| \leq \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\hat{v}(k)| e^{2\pi |k| |\Im z|} < \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\rho_v |k|} e^{\rho_v |k| \frac{\pi}{10}} < C_v.$$

Easy computations show that the spectrum of our operators must be in the interval

$$\mathcal{E} := [-2 \max_{x \in \mathbb{T}} |a| - |\lambda| C_v, 2 \max_{x \in \mathbb{T}} |a| + |\lambda| C_v]. \quad (2.1)$$

In the rest paper, we always fix the frequency $\underline{\omega}$ and suppress it for ease from now on. Define the analytic transfer matrix

$$M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) := \prod_{j=n-1}^0 M^a(\underline{x} + j\underline{\omega}, E, \lambda),$$

where

$$M^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) := a(x_2 + \omega_2) M(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda v(x_1) - E & -\bar{a}(x_2) \\ a(x_2 + \omega_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then for fixed λ, E and x_2 , the function

$$u_n^a(\cdot, x_2, E, \lambda) = \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\|$$

has a subharmonic extension $u_n^a(z, x_2, E, \lambda)$ ($u_n^a(z)$ for short) on $|\Im z| < \frac{\rho_v}{10}$, which is bounded by $\log(4 \max_{x \in \mathbb{T}} |a| + 2|\lambda| C_v)$ for any $E \in \mathcal{E}$. If we choose

$$C_{\max} = 4 \max_{x \in \mathbb{T}} |a| + 2C_v,$$

then for any $x_1, x_2, \underline{\omega}$ and $E \in \mathcal{E}$, it holds, for any $|\lambda| \geq 1$,

$$u_n^a(x_1) \leq \log C_{\max} |\lambda|. \quad (2.2)$$

Set

$$L_n^a(E, \lambda) := \frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{T}^2} \log \|M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| d\underline{x},$$

$$L^a(E, \lambda) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n^a(E, \lambda),$$

which also exists by the Kingman’s subharmonic ergodic theorem. It is straightforward to check that

$$\begin{aligned} \log \|M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| &= \log \|M_n(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| + \sum_{j=1}^n \log |a(x_2 + (j + 1)\omega_2)|, \\ L_n^a(E, \lambda) &= L_n(E, \lambda) + D, \\ L^a(E, \lambda) &= L(E, \lambda) + D, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$D := \int_{\mathbb{T}} \log |a(x)| dx = \int_{\mathbb{T}} \log |\bar{a}(x)| dx, \tag{2.3}$$

which exists by the analyticity of a . Obviously, to obtain Theorem 1.1, we only need to prove that for any $|\lambda| > \lambda_0(v, a, \kappa)$,

$$\left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{2}\right) \log |\lambda| < L^a(\lambda, E) < \left(1 + \frac{\kappa}{2}\right) \log |\lambda|.$$

Actually, the second inequality is trivial by (2.2) with large $|\lambda|$.

Now, we start the proof of the first inequality. First, we recall the following lemmas from [4] and [18].

Lemma 2.1 ([4, Lemma 14.5]). *For every $0 < \delta < \rho$, there is an ϵ such that*

$$\inf_{E_1} \sup_{\delta/2 < y < \delta} \inf_{x \in [0,1]} |v(x + iy) - E_1| > \epsilon.$$

Lemma 2.2 ([18, Corollary 2]). *Let $u : \Omega \rightarrow [-\infty, +\infty)$ be an upper semicontinuous function. Then $u(z)$ is a subharmonic function on Ω , if and only if for any Jordan subdomain Ω' satisfying $\bar{\Omega}' \subset \Omega$ and any $z \in \Omega'$, it satisfies*

$$u(z) \leq \int_{\partial\Omega'} u(\zeta) d\mu_\zeta(z, \partial\Omega', \Omega'),$$

where $\mu(z, \partial\Omega', \Omega')$ is the harmonic measure of $\partial\Omega'$ at $z \in \Omega'$.

Remark 2.3. Here we emphasize that this harmonic measure depends only on the region Ω' and the point z , not on the subharmonic function $u(z)$. It is the key of our method applied in this section.

Without loss of generality, we assume $\lambda > 0$. Fix $0 < \delta \ll \rho$ and ϵ satisfying Lemma 2.1. Define

$$\tilde{\lambda}_0 = 200C_{\max}\epsilon^{-100/\kappa} > 0$$

and let $\lambda > \tilde{\lambda}_0 > 0$. Then, for any fixed E , there is $\delta/2 < y_1 < \delta$ such that

$$\inf_{x_1 \in [0,1]} \left| v(x_1 + iy_1) - \frac{E}{\lambda} \right| > \epsilon.$$

Therefore,

$$\inf_{x_1 \in \mathbb{T}} |\lambda v(x_1 + iy_1) - E| > \lambda\epsilon > 200C_{\max}\epsilon^{-\frac{100}{\kappa}+1} > 200C_{\max}. \tag{2.4}$$

For $n \geq 1$ we define

$$M_{n-1}^a(iy_1, x_2, E, \lambda) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} w_1^{n-1} \\ w_2^{n-1} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{2.5}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} w_1^n \\ w_2^n \end{pmatrix} &= \begin{pmatrix} \lambda v(iy_1 + n\omega_1) - E & -\bar{a}(x_2 + n\omega_2) \\ a(x_2 + (n+1)\omega_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} w_1^{n-1} \\ w_2^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (\lambda v(iy_1 + n\omega_1) - E)w_1^{n-1} - \bar{a}(x_2 + n\omega_2)w_2^{n-1} \\ a(x_2 + (n+1)\omega_2)w_1^{n-1} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

Now we use induction to show that for any $n \geq 1$,

$$|w_1^n| \geq |w_2^n|, \quad \text{and} \quad |w_1^n| \geq (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})|w_1^{n-1}| \geq (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})^n. \quad (2.7)$$

From definition (2.5), we have $w_1^0 = 1$ and $w_2^0 = 0$. Then

$$|w_1^1| = |\lambda v(iy_1 + \omega_1) - E| > \lambda\epsilon > 200C_{\max}, \text{ and } |w_2^1| < C_{\max} < |w_1^1|,$$

which satisfy (2.7) for $n = 1$. Let $n = t$ with

$$|w_1^t| \geq |w_2^t|, \quad \text{and} \quad |w_1^t| > (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})|w_1^{t-1}| > (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})^t. \quad (2.8)$$

From (2.6) and (2.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} |w_1^{t+1}| &\geq (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})w_1^t > (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})^{t+1}, \\ |w_2^{t+1}| &\leq 2C_{\max}|w_1^t| < 198C_{\max}|w_1^t| \leq (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})|w_1^t| \leq |w_1^{t+1}|, \end{aligned}$$

which also satisfy (2.7) for $n = t + 1$. Thus, (2.7) holds for any $n \geq 1$. Then

$$\|M_n^a(iy_1, x_2, E, \lambda)\| > (\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max})^n \quad \text{and} \quad u_n^a(iy_1) > \log(\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max}).$$

We denote by $\mathbb{H} = \{z : \Im z > 0\}$ and $\mathbb{H}_\rho = \{z = x + iy : 0 < y < \frac{\rho}{2}\}$ strips of the complex plane. We denote by $\mu(z, \mathcal{E}, \mathbb{H})$ the harmonic measure of \mathcal{E} at $z \in \mathbb{H}$ and $\mu_s(iy_1, \mathcal{E}_s, \mathbb{H}_\rho)$ the harmonic measure of \mathcal{E}_s at $iy_1 \in \mathbb{H}_\rho$, where $\mathcal{E} \subset \partial\mathbb{H} = \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathcal{E}_s \subset \partial\mathbb{H}_\rho = \mathbb{R} \cup [y = \frac{\rho}{2}]$. Note that $\psi(z) = \exp(\frac{2\pi}{\rho}z)$ is a conformal map from \mathbb{H}_ρ onto \mathbb{H} . From [7], we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_s(iy_1, \mathcal{E}_s, \mathbb{H}_\rho) &\equiv \mu(\psi(iy_1), \psi(\mathcal{E}_s), \mathbb{H}), \\ \mu(z = x + iy, \mathcal{E}, \mathbb{H}) &= \int_{\mathcal{E}} \frac{y}{(t-x)^2 + y^2} \frac{dt}{\pi}. \end{aligned}$$

Easy computations show that

$$\mu_s[y = \frac{\rho}{10}] = \frac{10\pi y_1}{\pi\rho} < \frac{10\delta}{\rho} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d\mu_s(x)}{dx} \Big|_{y=0} < \frac{y_1}{x^2 + y_1^2}.$$

So, the subharmonicity and Lemma 2.2 yield

$$\begin{aligned} \log(\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max}) < u_n^a(iy_1) &\leq \int_{[y_1=0] \cup [y_1=\frac{\rho}{10}]} u_n^a(z_1) \mu_s(dz_1) \\ &= \int_{y_1=0} u_n^a(x_1) \mu_s(dx_1) + \int_{y_1=\frac{\rho}{10}} u_n^a(x_1 + iy_1) \mu_s(dx_1) \\ &\leq \int_{y_1=0} u_n^a(x_1) \mu_s(dx_1) + \frac{10\delta}{\rho} \left[\sup_{y_1=\frac{\rho}{10}} u_n^a(x_1 + iy_1) \right] \\ &\leq \int_{y_1=0} u_n^a(x_1) \mu_s(dx_1) + \frac{10(1+\kappa)\delta}{\rho} \log \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by the definition of $\tilde{\lambda}_0$ and $\delta \ll \rho$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n^a(x_1) \mu_s(dx_1) &\geq \log(\lambda\epsilon - 2C_{\max}) - \frac{10(1+\kappa)\delta}{\rho} \log \lambda \\ &\geq \left(1 - \frac{10(1+\kappa)\delta}{\rho}\right) \log \lambda + \log \epsilon \\ &> \left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{2}\right) \log \lambda. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

Set

$$(u_n^a)^h(x_1) = u_n^a(x_1 + h), \quad h \in \mathbb{T}.$$

Then, from Remark 2.3, and (2.4), it is easy to see that (2.9) also holds for $(u_n^a)^h(x_1)$. So, for any $h \in \mathbb{T}$, we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n^a(x_1 + h) \mu_s(dx_1) > \left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{2}\right) \log \lambda. \quad (2.10)$$

Define

$$L_n^a(x_2, E, \lambda) := \int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n^a(x_1, x_2, E, \lambda)\| dx_1.$$

Using (2.10) and integrating for $h \in \mathbb{T}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L_n^a(x_2, E, \lambda) &= \int_0^1 u_n^a(x_1 + h) dh \\ &\geq \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \mu_s(dx_1)\right) \left(\int_0^1 u_n^a(x_1 + h) dh\right) \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_{\mathbb{R}} u_n^a(x_1 + h) \mu_s(dx_1) dh \\ &> \left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{2}\right) \log \lambda, \quad \forall n \geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

Therefore,

$$L_n^a(E, \lambda) = \int_{\mathbb{T}} L_n^a(x_2, E, \lambda) dx_2 > \left(1 - \frac{\kappa}{2}\right) \log \lambda, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \quad (2.12)$$

which completes the proof as $n \rightarrow +\infty$.

3. LARGE DEVIATION THEOREMS

As mentioned in the introduction, Goldstein and Schlag [8] introduced the large deviation theorem and the avalanche principle. These two methods are standard tools to study the continuity of the Lyapunov exponent. The avalanche principle read as follows.

Proposition 3.1 ([8, Proposition 2.2]). *Let A_1, \dots, A_n be a sequence of 2×2 -matrices whose determinants satisfy*

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |\det A_j| \leq 1. \quad (3.1)$$

Suppose that

$$\min_{1 \leq j \leq n} \|A_j\| \geq \gamma > n, \quad (3.2)$$

$$\max_{1 \leq j < n} [\log \|A_{j+1}\| + \log \|A_j\| - \log \|A_{j+1}A_j\|] < \frac{1}{2} \log \gamma. \quad (3.3)$$

Then

$$\left| \log \|A_n \cdots A_1\| + \sum_{j=2}^{n-1} \log \|A_j\| - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \log \|A_{j+1}A_j\| \right| < C \frac{n}{\gamma} \quad (3.4)$$

where $C = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 4^n/n!$.

Because of assumption (3.1), the key in the references mentioned in Section 1 is to obtain a suitable large deviation theorem for some $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ matrices related to the cocycles studied. In this paper, we also prove the corresponding statement, Lemma 3.2. Then, the other part of the proof of the weak Hölder continuity, including how to apply the large deviation theorem and the avalanche principle, can be found in [10, 16].

To state our large deviation theorem for the $SL(2, \mathbb{C})$ matrices, we define the unimodular matrices

$$M_n^u(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) := \frac{M_n(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)}{|\det M_n(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)|^{1/2}} = \frac{M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)}{|\det M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)|^{1/2}}.$$

Because of the analyticity, this definition makes sense almost everywhere. It is straightforward to check that

$$\det M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) = \prod_{j=0}^{n-1} \bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \log \|M_n^u(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| \\ &= \log \|M_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \log |\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Our desired large deviation theorem reads as follows.

Lemma 3.2 (Large Deviation Theorem). *Let $E \in \mathcal{E}$, both ω_1 and ω_2 be the DN, and $|\lambda| > \lambda_0$ where λ_0 comes from Theorem 1.1 with $\kappa = \frac{1}{100}$. Then there exists an $n_0 = n_0(\lambda v, a, \underline{\omega})$ such that for any $n \geq n_0$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{meas} \left\{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{T}^2 : \left| \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n^u(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| - \left\langle \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n^u(\cdot, E, \lambda)\| \right\rangle \right| > \frac{1}{10} \log \lambda \right\} \\ & \leq C \exp(-c \log \lambda n^{\frac{\sigma}{10}}). \end{aligned}$$

where

$$C = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{4^n}{n!}, \quad c = 2^{-2} \log 2$$

which are called the absolute constants, and $\sigma = \sigma(\alpha)$ is positive.

To prove this lemma, we use the subharmonicity, which comes from the analyticity of v and a , and is the most important hypothesis in the following four lemmas.

Lemma 3.3 ([9, Lemma 2.1]). *Let $u : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a subharmonic function on a domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$. Suppose that $\partial\Omega$ consists of finitely many piece-wise C^1 curves. Then there exists a positive measure μ on Ω such that for any $\Omega_1 \Subset \Omega$ (i.e., Ω_1 is a compactly contained subregion of Ω)*

$$u(z) = \int_{\Omega_1} \log |z - \zeta| d\mu(\zeta) + h(z),$$

where h is harmonic on Ω_1 and μ is unique with property. Moreover, μ and h satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\Omega_1) &\leq C(\Omega, \Omega_1)(\sup_{\Omega} u - \sup_{\Omega_1} u), \\ \|h - \sup_{\Omega_1} u\|_{L^\infty(\Omega_2)} &\leq C(\Omega, \Omega_1, \Omega_2)(\sup_{\Omega} u - \sup_{\Omega_1} u), \end{aligned}$$

for any $\Omega_2 \Subset \Omega_1$.

Lemma 3.4 ([2, Corollary 4.7]). *Let u be a subharmonic function defined in the annulus $\mathcal{A}_\rho = \{z : |\Im z| < \rho\}$. Suppose furthermore that $u(x) = \int \log|x - \zeta|d\mu(\zeta) + h(x)$ with $\|\mu\| + \|h\|_{L^\infty} \leq \check{C}$. Then, the fourier coefficient of u satisfies*

$$|\hat{u}(k)| \lesssim \frac{\check{C}}{|k|}.$$

Lemma 3.5 ([5, Lemma 2.3]). *Suppose u is subharmonic on \mathcal{A}_ρ with $\sup_{\mathcal{A}_\rho} |u| \leq n$. Furthermore, assume that $u = u_0 + u_1$, where*

$$\|u_0 - \langle u_0 \rangle\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{T})} \leq \epsilon_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \|u_1\|_{L^1(\mathbb{T})} \leq \epsilon_1.$$

Then for some constant C_ρ depending only on ρ ,

$$\|u\|_{BMO(\mathbb{T})} \leq C_\rho \left(\epsilon_0 \log\left(\frac{n}{\epsilon_1}\right) + \sqrt{n\epsilon_1} \right).$$

Remark 3.6. $BMO(\mathbb{T})$ is the space of functions of bounded mean oscillation on \mathbb{T} , see [13]. Identifying functions that differ only by an additive constant, the norm on $BMO(\mathbb{T})$ is

$$\|f\|_{BMO} := \sup_{I \subset \mathbb{T}} \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |f - \langle f \rangle_I| dx,$$

where

$$\langle f \rangle_I = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I f(x) dx.$$

Lemma 3.7 ([17, Theorem 2.7]). *Let u be a subharmonic function defined in the annulus \mathcal{A}_ρ . Suppose furthermore that $u(x) = \int \log|x - \zeta|d\mu(\zeta) + h(x)$ with $\|\mu\| + \|h\|_{L^\infty} \leq \check{C}$. Then for any $DN \omega$, we have*

$$\text{meas} \left\{ x : \left| \sum_{j=1}^n u(x + j\omega) - n\langle u(\cdot) \rangle \right| > \delta n \right\} < \exp(-c\delta n), \tag{3.6}$$

where $c = c(\check{C}, \omega)$.

Remark 3.8. It is obvious that the subharmonic function $\log|\bar{a}(z)a(z + \omega_2)|$ has an upper bound C_a on the annulus $\mathcal{A}_a = \{z : |\Im z| \leq \rho_a\}$, and then Lemma 3.7 holds because

$$\text{meas} \left\{ x : \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \log|\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)a(x_2(j+1)\omega_2)| - 2nD \right| > \delta n \right\} < \exp(-c\delta n), \tag{3.7}$$

where D is defined by (2.3). Combining this with (3.5), we obtain that the following large deviation theorem for u_n^α , which is the sufficient condition for Lemma 3.2:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{meas} \left\{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{T}^2 : \left| \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n^\alpha(\underline{x}, E, \lambda)\| - \left\langle \frac{1}{n} \log \|M_n^\alpha(\cdot, E, \lambda)\| \right\rangle \right| > \frac{1}{20} \log \lambda \right\} \\ \leq C \exp(-c \log \lambda n^{\frac{\alpha}{10}}). \end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

Now, we start the proof of (3.8). Fixing x_2 , $E \in \mathcal{E}$ and $\lambda > \lambda_0$ with $\kappa = \frac{1}{100}$, we expand u_n^a into its Fourier series of x_1 and denote the Fourier coefficient as $\hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2, E, \lambda)$, i.e.,

$$u_n^a(\underline{x}, E, \lambda) = \sum_{k \in Z} \hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2, E, \lambda) e^{2\pi i k x_1},$$

$$\hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2, E, \lambda) = \int_{x_1 \in \mathbb{T}} u_n^a(x_1, x_2, E, \lambda) e^{-2\pi i k x_1} dx_1.$$

Combining Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4, we obtain that there exists a C'_{\max} such that

$$\sup_{x_2 \in \mathbb{T}} |\hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2)| \leq \frac{C'_{\max}}{|k|}, \quad \forall k \neq 0. \quad (3.9)$$

Here we suppress the fixed $\lambda > \lambda_0$ and $E \in \mathcal{E}$ from symbols for ease, if there is no doubt. Note that

$$u_n^a(x_1 + j\omega_1, x_2 + j\omega_2) = \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2 + j\omega_2) \rangle + \sum_{k \neq 0} \hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2) e^{2\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N [u_n^a(x_1 + j\omega_1, x_2 + j\omega_2) - \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2 + j\omega_2) \rangle] \right| \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{k \in Z \setminus \{0\}} \hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2) e^{2\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{0 < |k| < K} \hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2) e^{2\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right| \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{|k| > K} \hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2) e^{2\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right| := (a) + (b) \end{aligned}$$

From (3.9), we have

$$\|(b)\|_2^2 \leq \sum_{|k| > K} \sup_j |\hat{u}(k, x_2 + j\omega)|^2 \leq (C'_{\max})^2 K^{-1}.$$

On the other hand, by the Cauchy inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |(a)|^2 &\leq N^{-2} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{0 < |k| < K} \hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2) e^{2\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right|^2 \\ &\leq N^{-2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{0 < |k| < K} |\hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2)|^2 \right) \left| \sum_{j=1}^N \sum_{0 < |k| < K} e^{4\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right| \\ &\leq N^{-2} \left(N \sup_j \sum_{0 < |k| < K} |\hat{u}_n^a(k, x_2 + j\omega_2)|^2 \right) \left| \sum_{0 < |k| < K} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{4\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right| \\ &\leq N^{-1} (C'_{\max})^2 \left| \sum_{0 < |k| < K} \sum_{j=1}^N e^{4\pi i k(x_1 + j\omega_1)} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Easy computations show that

$$\left| \sum_{j=1}^N e^{2\pi i j k \omega} \right| = \left| \frac{\exp(2\pi i k \omega) \cdot (1 - \exp(2\pi i N k \omega))}{1 - \exp(2\pi i k \omega)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{2\|k\omega\|}.$$

Combining this with (1.2), we have

$$|(a)|^2 \leq N^{-1} (C'_{\max})^2 \sum_{0 < |k| < K} \frac{1}{2\|2k\omega\|} \leq C \frac{K^{\alpha+1}}{N}.$$

Set $K = N^\sigma$ where $\sigma = 1/(2(\alpha + 1))$. Then $|(a)|^2 \leq CN^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\|(b)\|_2^2 \leq (C'_{\max})^2 N^{-\sigma}$. For any fixed $x_2 \in \mathbb{T}$, we define

$$|u(x_1)| = \sum_{j=1}^N [u_n^a(x_1 + j\omega_1, x_2 + j\omega_2) - \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2 + j\omega_2) \rangle].$$

Then

$$\text{meas}\{x_1 \in \mathbb{T} : |u(x_1)| > N^{1-\frac{\sigma}{3}}\} < N^{-\frac{\sigma}{3}}. \tag{3.10}$$

We define \mathcal{B} as the exceptional set for (3.10). Let $u(x_1) = u_0(x_1) + u_1(x_1)$ where $u_0(x_1) = 0$ on \mathcal{B} and $u_1(x_1) = 0$ on $\mathbb{T} \setminus \mathcal{B}$. Thus

$$\|u_0(x_1)\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{T})} \leq N^{1-\frac{\sigma}{3}} \quad \text{and} \quad \|u_1(x_1)\|_{L^1(\mathbb{T})} \leq N^{1-\frac{\sigma}{3}}.$$

From Lemma 3.5, we have

$$\|u\|_{\text{BMO}(\mathbb{T})} \leq C_\rho N^{1-\frac{\sigma}{3}}.$$

Recall the John-Nirenberg inequality ([13]),

$$\text{meas}\{x \in \mathbb{T} : |u(x) - \langle u \rangle| > \gamma\} \leq C \exp\left(-\frac{c\gamma}{\|u\|_{\text{BMO}}}\right),$$

with the absolute constants $C \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{4^n}{n!}$. $c = 2^{-2} \log 2$. Let $\gamma = \frac{1}{100} N \log \lambda$.

Lemma 3.9. *There exists an $N_0 := N_0(\lambda v, a)$ such that for any $N > N_0$, $E \in \mathcal{E}$, $x_2 \in \mathbb{T}$ and $DN \omega_1$, it holds*

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{meas}\left\{x_1 \in \mathbb{T} : \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N [u_n^a(x_1 + j\omega_1, x_2 + j\omega_2) - \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2 + j\omega_2) \rangle] \right| > \frac{1}{100} \log \lambda \right\} \\ & \leq C \exp(-cN^{\frac{\sigma}{3}} \log \lambda). \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, comparing this with our desired (3.8), we need to obtain the following lemma, which studies the deviation between u_n^a and its shifts.

Lemma 3.10. *There exists a constant $\tilde{C}_2 := \tilde{C}_2(\lambda v, a)$ such for any $C_2 \leq \tilde{C}_2$, $\delta > 1$ and $N = C_2 \delta n$, it holds*

$$\sup_{x_1 \in \mathbb{T}} \text{meas}\left\{x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N [u_n^a(\underline{x} + j\omega) - u_n^a(\underline{x})] \right| > \delta \right\} \leq 2N \exp\left(-\frac{c\delta n}{4}\right). \tag{3.11}$$

Proof. Since $\det M^a(\underline{x}) = a(x_2 + \omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2)$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} (M^a)^{-1}(\underline{x}) &= \frac{1}{a(x_2 + \omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2)} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \bar{a}(x_2) \\ -a(x_2 + \omega_2) & \lambda v(x_1 + \omega_1) - E \end{pmatrix}, \\ \sup_{x_1 \in \mathbb{T}} \|(M^a)^{-1}(\underline{x})\| &\leq \frac{C_{\max}}{|a(x_2 + \omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2)|}. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} \|M_n^a(\underline{x} + \underline{\omega})\| &\leq \|M^a(\underline{x} + n\underline{\omega})\| \|M_n^a(\underline{x})\| \|(M^a)^{-1}(\underline{x})\| \\ &\leq C_{\max} \|M_n^a(\underline{x})\| \frac{C_{\max}}{|\bar{a}(x_2)a(x_2 + \omega_2)|}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|M_n^a(\underline{x})\| \leq C_{\max} \|M_n^a(\underline{x} + \underline{\omega})\| \frac{C_{\max}}{|\bar{a}(x_2 + (n-1)\omega_2)a(x_2 + n\omega_2)|}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} -C_1 + \log |\bar{a}(x_2)a(x_2 + \omega_2)| &\leq \log \|M_n^a(\underline{x})\| - \log \|M_n^a(\underline{x} + \underline{\omega})\| \\ &\leq C_1 - \log |\bar{a}(x_2 + (n-1)\omega_2)a(x_2 + n\omega_2)|, \end{aligned}$$

where $C_1 = 2 \log C_{\max}$. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} &-\frac{kC_1}{n} + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{n} \log |a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)| \\ &\leq u_n^a(\underline{x}) - u_n^a(\underline{x} + k\underline{\omega}) \\ &\leq \frac{kC_1}{n} - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{n} \log |\bar{a}(x_2 + (n+j-1)\omega_2)a(x_2 + (n+j)\omega_2)|. \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

Let

$$\mathcal{Y}_k^- = \{x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : -\frac{kC_1}{n} + \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{n} \log |a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)| < -\delta\}$$

and $N = C_2\delta n$ where $C_1C_2 \leq \frac{1}{2}$. Then, for any $1 \leq k \leq N$,

$$\mathcal{Y}_k^- \subset \mathcal{Y}_k^{-'} := \{x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \log |a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)| < -\frac{\delta n}{2} = -\frac{N}{2C_2}\}.$$

For $D > 0$,

$$\mathcal{Y}_k^{-'} \subset \mathcal{Y}_k^{-''} := \{x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \log |a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)| - 2kD < -\frac{\delta n}{2}\}.$$

From (3.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{meas } \mathcal{Y}_k^- &\leq \text{meas } \mathcal{Y}_k^{-''} \\ &\leq \text{meas} \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \log |a(x_2 + j\omega_2)a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)| - 2kD \right| > \frac{\delta n}{2} \right\} \\ &\leq \exp\left(-c \frac{\delta n}{2k} \cdot k\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{c\delta n}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

For $D < 0$, let $8C_2|D| < 1$, to make $\frac{1}{8C_2} + D > 0$. This implies that $\frac{N}{4C_2} + 2kD > 0$ for $1 \leq k \leq N$ and

$$\mathcal{Y}_k^{-'} \subset \mathcal{Y}_k^{-'''}.$$

$$:= \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \log |a(x_2 + (j+1)\omega_2)\bar{a}(x_2 + j\omega_2)| - 2kD < -\frac{N}{4C_2} = -\frac{\delta n}{4} \right\}.$$

From (3.7) again, it follows that $\text{meas } \mathcal{Y}_k^- \leq \exp(-\frac{c\delta n}{4})$. Above all, there exists a constant $\tilde{C}_2 := \tilde{C}_2(\lambda v, a)$ such for any $C_2 < \tilde{C}_2$ and $1 \leq k \leq N = C_2\delta n$,

$$\text{meas } \mathcal{Y}_k^- \leq \exp\left(-\frac{c\delta n}{4}\right). \tag{3.13}$$

Similar calculations show that for the set

$$\mathcal{Y}_k^+ := \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \frac{kC_1}{n} - \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \frac{1}{n} \log |a(x_2 + (n+j-1)\omega_2)a(x_2 + (n+j)\omega_2)| > \delta \right\}$$

we have

$$\text{meas } \mathcal{Y}_k^+ < \exp\left(-\frac{c\delta n}{4}\right).$$

Combining this with (3.12) and (3.13), we have that for any $1 \leq k \leq N$,

$$\text{meas } \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : |u_n^a(\underline{x} + k\omega) - u_n^a(\underline{x})| > \delta \right\} \leq 2 \exp\left(-\frac{c\delta n}{4}\right).$$

Then, this lemma is obtained by the drawer principle:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N [u_n^a(\underline{x} + j\omega) - u_n^a(\underline{x})] \right| > \delta \right\} \\ & \subset \cup_{j=1}^N \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : |u_n^a(\underline{x} + j\omega) - u_n^a(\underline{x})| > \delta \right\}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3.11. Obviously, we also obtain the deviation between the integrations of x_1 for u_n^a and its shifts: there exists a constant $\tilde{C}_2 := \tilde{C}_2(\lambda v, a)$ such for any $C_2 < \tilde{C}_2$, $\delta > 1$ and $N = C_2\delta n$,

$$\text{meas } \left\{ x_2 \in \mathbb{T} : \frac{1}{N} \left| \sum_{j=1}^N [\langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2 + j\omega_2) \rangle - \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2) \rangle] \right| > \delta \right\} \leq 2N \exp\left(-\frac{c\delta n}{4}\right).$$

Now, combining Lemmas 3.9 and 3.10, and Remark 3.11, there exists an $N_0 := N_0(\lambda v, a)$ such that for any $N = \tilde{C}_2 \frac{\log \lambda}{100} n > N_0$, $E \in \mathcal{E}$ and DN ω_1 , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{meas } \left\{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{T}^2 : |u_n^a(\underline{x}) - \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2) \rangle| > \frac{1}{25} \log \lambda \right\} \\ & \leq C \exp(-cN^{\frac{\sigma}{7}} \log \lambda) + 4N \exp\left(-\frac{c \log \lambda}{4 \cdot 100} n\right) \\ & < C \exp(-cN^{\frac{\sigma}{10}} \log \lambda). \end{aligned} \tag{3.14}$$

At last, we need to exchange $\langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2) \rangle$ by $\langle u_n^a(\cdot) \rangle$. It comes from Section Two. By (2.2), (2.11) and (2.12), for any $\lambda > \lambda_0(v, a, \frac{1}{100})$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{199}{200} \log \lambda & \leq \langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2) \rangle \leq \frac{210}{200} \log \lambda, \\ \frac{199}{200} \log \lambda & \leq \langle u_n^a(\cdot) \rangle \leq \frac{210}{200} \log \lambda. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$|\langle u_n^a(\cdot, x_2) \rangle - \langle u_n^a(\cdot) \rangle| \leq \frac{1}{100} \log \lambda,$$

and then we obtain (3.8) by combining this with (3.14).

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