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ON THE DOBRUSHIN'S HYPOTHESIS

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Abstract. The central limit theorem for the stationary random processes under generalized mixing conditions is proved. The wellknown Ibragimov's results are given as a special case of the theorem received.

1. In [3] Dobrushin has introduced certain weak dependence conditions for random fields, which form natural generalization of the known mixing conditions to be found in [4]. In the same paper Dobrushin has suggested that under these generalized mixing conditions it is possible to prove a central limit theorem which would contain the well-known results as special cases. Here we prove the Dobrushin hypothesis for 1-dimensional case.

2. Let X be a metric space with metric $\varrho(x, \tilde{x}), x, \tilde{x} \in X, \mathscr{B}$ be its Borel σ -algebra, and P and Q be the probability distribution on \mathscr{B} .

The quantity $R(P, Q) = \inf E \varrho(\eta, \zeta)$, where the "inf" is taken over all 2dimensional random vectors (η, ζ) which marginal distributions coincide with P and Q, respectively, is a metric on the space of probability distributions on (X, \mathcal{B}) and is called the *Wasserstein* or, sometimes, the *Kantorovich*-*Rubinstein distance* [6].

In [3] it is shown that if

(1)
$$\varrho(x, \tilde{x}) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \neq \tilde{x}, \\ 0, & x = \tilde{x}, \end{cases}$$

then

$$\mathcal{R}(P, Q) = \sup_{B \in \mathscr{B}} |P(B) - Q(B)|,$$

i.e. R becomes the well-known variation metric.

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If $X = R^k$, where k is any positive integer and

$$\varrho^{(k)}(x, \tilde{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^{k} |x_i - \tilde{x}_i|, \quad x, \tilde{x} \in \mathbb{R}^k,$$

then (cf. [5])

$$\mathbf{R}(P, Q) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^{k}} |F(x) - G(x)| \, dx,$$

where F(x) and G(x) are the distribution functions of P and Q, respectively.

Let $\{\xi_i\} = \{\xi_i, t \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ be a stationary process which takes values in the space X, where Z is the set of the integers, and let $\mathbb{P} = \{P_V, V \subset \mathbb{Z}\}$ be the set of its finite-dimensional distributions. Here every P_V is a probability measure on the σ -algebra of Borel subsets of the metric space $X^{|V|} = \{(x_1, \ldots, x_V), x_i \in X, i = 1, 2, \ldots, |V|\},$

(2)
$$\varrho_{\mathcal{V}}(x, \, \tilde{x}) = \sum_{t=1}^{|\mathcal{V}|} \varrho(x_t, \, \tilde{x}_t), \quad x, \, \tilde{x} \in X^{|\mathcal{V}|},$$

where |V| denotes the number of points in a (finite) set V.

We say that a random process $\{\xi_i\}$ satisfies the generalized strong mixing condition (g.m.c.) if

$$(3) \qquad \mathbf{R}(P_{(-k,0)\cup(n,n+m)}, P_{(-k,0)}\times P_{(n,n+m)}) \leq \alpha_{\varrho}(n) \quad \text{for any } k, m, n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where $\alpha_{\varrho}(n) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$. Here (a, b) denotes the set of integers between a and b, a < b $(a, b \in \mathbb{Z})$.

It is clear that if X = R and the metric ρ is discrete, i.e. coincides with (1), then (3) is the usual Rosenblatt strong mixing condition

$$|\mathbf{P}(AB) - \mathbf{P}(A) \mathbf{P}(B)| \leq \alpha(n)$$

for any $A \in \sigma(\xi_t, t \leq 0)$ and $B \in \sigma(\xi_t, t \geq n), n = 1, 2, ...$ and $\alpha(n) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$.

By changing the space X and the metric ϱ one can obtain various new mixing conditions. For instance, if X = R and $\varrho(x, \tilde{x}) = |x - \tilde{x}|, x, \tilde{x} \in R$, then (3) reduces to

(5)
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{k+m}} \left| P\left(\bigcap_{t \in V_1 \cup V_2} (\xi_t < x_t) \right) - P\left(\bigcap_{t \in V_1} (\xi_t < x_t) \right) P\left(\bigcap_{t \in V_2} (\xi_t < x_t) \right) \right| \times \\ \times \prod_{t \in V_1 \cup V_2} dx^t \leq \hat{\alpha}(n),$$

where $V_1 = (-k, 0), V_2 = (n, n+m), \hat{\alpha}(n) \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ independently of $k, m \in \mathbb{N}$.

We will use mixing conditions (4) and (5) to illustrate our general proposition.

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Note that various conditions under which the random field satisfies g.m.c. have been presented in [3].

3. Let $f(x), x \in X$, be a continuous function on (X, ϱ) and let $\tau^{f}(\gamma)$, $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}_{+}$, denote the *continuity modulus* of f, i.e.

$$\tau^{f}(\gamma) = \sup_{(x,\tilde{x}) \neq (x,\tilde{x}) < \gamma} |f(x) - f(\tilde{x})|.$$

We say that the process $\{\xi_t\}$ satisfies the central limit theorem (CLT) with function f if, for any $s \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P\left(\left(\mathscr{D} \sum_{t=1}^{n} f(\xi_t) \right)^{-1/2} \sum_{t=1}^{n} \left(f(\xi_t) - Ef(\xi_t) \right) < s \right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{s} e^{-u^2/2} du,$$

where \mathcal{D} stands for the variance.

Our main result is as follows:

THEOREM. Suppose that the stationary random process $\{\xi_i\}$ satisfies the g.m.c. and:

1. for some $\delta > 0$, $E |f(\xi_t)|^{2+\delta} < \infty$ (or, with probability 1, $|f(\xi_t)| < C < \infty$);

2. there exists a decreasing sequence $\gamma_n \in \mathbb{R}_+$, $\gamma_n \downarrow 0$ as $n \to \infty$, such that $\gamma_n^{-1} \alpha_o(n) \downarrow \beta(n)$, $\beta(n) \downarrow 0$ as $n \to \infty$, and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tau^{f}(\gamma_{n}) < \infty, \qquad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(n) < \infty \qquad (or \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta(n) < \infty).$$

Then the series

$$\sigma_{f}^{2} = E(f(\xi_{1}) - Ef(\xi_{1}))^{2} + 2\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} E(f(\xi_{1}) - Ef(\xi_{1}))(f(\xi_{n}) - Ef(\xi_{n}))$$

converges and, if $\sigma_f^2 \neq 0$, then the process satisfies the CLT with the function f.

Note that, in case of X = R and discrete metric ρ , the continuity modulus $\tau^{f}(\gamma)$, $\gamma \in R_{+}$, of any function f on X is equal to zero for $\gamma < 1$ and so the well-known Ibragimov's result [2] on CLT for stationary random processes becomes a special case of our theorem for $f(x) = x, x \in R$. It has been shown in [5] and [6] that these results of Ibragimov practically cannot be improved.

If X = R and $\varrho(x, \tilde{x}) = |x - \tilde{x}|, x, \tilde{x} \in R, f(x) = x$, then $\tau^{f}(\gamma) = \gamma, \gamma \in R_{+}$, and we have the following

COROLLARY. Suppose that the stationary random process $\{\xi_t\}$ with values in R satisfies the mixing condition (5) and, for some $\delta > 0$, $E |\xi_t|^{2+\delta} < \infty$. If for some $\varepsilon > 0$ the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{1+\varepsilon} \alpha^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(n) < \infty$$

If $\sigma^2 \neq 0$, then the process satisfies the CLT with $f(x) = x, x \in \mathbb{R}$.

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4. We state now some necessary estimates for the covariance of random variables.

LEMMA 1. Suppose that a stationary random process $\{\xi_i\}$ satisfies the g.m.c., $V_1 = (-k, 0), V_2 = (n, n+m)$ and $\xi_I = (\xi_i, t \in I), I \subset \mathbb{Z}$. Let the functions $\varphi_i(x_i, t \in V_i), i = 1, 2$, be continuous with respect to the metric $\varrho_{V_i}, i = 1, 2$, respectively, and $\tau_{V_i}(\gamma), i = 1, 2$, be their continuity moduli. Suppose also that, for some s, u > 1 (1/s + 1/u < 1) the moments $E |\varphi_1(\xi_{V_1})|^s$ and $E |\varphi_2(\xi_{V_1})|^u$ exist. Then, for any $\gamma > 0$,

(4) $|E\varphi_{1}(\xi_{V_{1}})\varphi_{2}(\xi_{V_{2}}) - E\varphi_{1}(\xi_{V_{1}})E\varphi_{2}(\xi_{V_{2}})| \\ \leq \tau_{V_{1}}(\gamma)E|\varphi_{2}(\xi_{V_{2}})| + \tau_{V_{2}}(\gamma)E|\varphi_{1}(\xi_{V_{1}})| + \sum_{v \in V_{1}} \sum_{v \in V_{2}} \sum_{v$

$$+BE^{1/s}|\varphi_1(\xi_{V_1})^s E^{1/u}|\varphi_2(\xi_{V_2})|^u(\gamma^{-1}\alpha_e(n))^{1-1/s-1/u}, \quad 0 < B < \infty.$$

If, with probability 1, $|\varphi_i(\xi_{V_i})| \leq C_i < \infty$, i = 1, 2, then the right-hand side of (4) may be replaced by

(4)
$$\tau_{V_1}(\gamma) \mathbf{E} | \varphi_2(\xi_{V_2}) + \tau_{V_2}(\gamma) \mathbf{E} | \varphi_1(\xi_{V_1}) | + \frac{2C_1 C_2 \alpha_{\varrho}(n)}{\gamma}.$$

Proof. Let $\varphi(x_t, t \in V_1 \cup V_2) = \varphi_1(x_t, t \in V_1) \varphi_2(x_t, t \in V_2)$. Suppose the random vector $\eta_{V_1 \cup V_2} = (\eta_t, t \in V_1 \cup V_2)$ has the distribution $P_{V_1} \times P_{V_2}$, $P_{V_i} \in \mathbf{P}, i = 1, 2$,

$$A_{\gamma} = \{ \varrho_{V_1 \cup V_2}(\xi_{V_1 \cup V_2}, \eta_{V_1 \cup V_2}) < \gamma \},\$$

 \bar{A}_{y} is the complement of A_{y} and, with probability 1,

$$|\varphi_i(\xi_i, t \in V_i)| \leq C_i < \infty, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Then

$$\leq \tau_{V_2}(\tau) \operatorname{E} |\varphi_1(\xi_{V_1})| + \tau_{V_1}(\gamma) \operatorname{E} |\varphi_2(\xi_{V_2})| + \frac{2C_1 C_2}{\gamma} \alpha_{\varrho}(n).$$

Thus inequality (4') is proved (¹).

^{(&}lt;sup>1</sup>) We acknowledge that the idea of this inequality should be attributed to Dobrushin (see inequality (3.8) in [3]; note that inequality (3.8) contains a misprint: γ and $\delta(\gamma)$ should be interchanged).

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Let us prove now inequality (4). Let

$$\varphi_i^{K_i}(x) = \begin{bmatrix} \varphi_i(x) & \text{if } |\varphi_i(x)| \leq K_i, \\ K_i & \text{if } \varphi_i(x) > K_i, \\ -K_i & \text{if } \varphi_i(x) < -K_i, \end{bmatrix}$$
$$K_i \in R_+, \ \overline{\varphi}_i^{K_i}(x) = \varphi_i(x) - \varphi_i^{K_i}(x), \qquad x \in X^{|V_i|}, \ i = 1, 2,$$

 $\tau_i^{K_i}(\gamma)$ be the continuity modulus of $\varphi_i^{K_i}(x)$. It is easy to see that

$$\tau_i^{K_i}(\gamma) \leq \tau_{V_i}(\gamma), \quad |\varphi_i^{K_i}(x)| \leq K_i, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Further,

$$\begin{split} &|E\varphi_{1}(\xi_{V_{1}})\varphi_{2}(\xi_{V_{2}}) - E\varphi_{1}(\xi_{V_{1}})E\varphi_{2}(\xi_{V_{2}})|\\ &\leq E \left|\varphi_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\varphi_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}}) - \varphi_{1}^{K_{1}}(\eta_{V_{1}})\varphi_{2}^{K_{2}}(\eta_{V_{2}})\right| + E \left|\varphi_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\bar{\varphi}_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}})\right| + \\ &+ E \left|\bar{\varphi}_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\varphi_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}})\right| + E \left|\bar{\varphi}_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\bar{\varphi}_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}})\right| + \\ &+ E \left|\varphi_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\right|E \left|\bar{\varphi}_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}})\right| + E \left|\bar{\varphi}_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\right|E \left|\varphi_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}})\right| + \\ &+ E \left|\bar{\varphi}_{1}^{K_{1}}(\xi_{V_{1}})\right|E \left|\bar{\varphi}_{2}^{K_{2}}(\xi_{V_{2}})\right|. \end{split}$$

Now it is enough to put

$$K_1 = \left(\frac{\gamma \mathbf{E} |\varphi_1(\xi_{V_1})|^s}{\alpha_{\varrho}(n)}\right)^{1/s}, \quad K_2 = \left(\frac{\gamma \mathbf{E} |\varphi_2(\xi_{V_2})|^u}{\alpha_{\varrho}(n)}\right)^{1/u}$$

and by proceeding in the same way as in [2] (§ 2, p. 390) one can prove (4). In the sequel the following statement will be important:

LEMMA 2. Let $(\zeta_1, \zeta_2, ..., \zeta_n)$ be a vector such that

$$\left| E \prod_{s=i}^{n} \zeta_{s} \right| < \infty, i = 1, 2, ..., n-1; \quad |E\zeta_{i}| \leq 1, i = 1, 2, ..., n.$$

Then

(5)
$$|\operatorname{E}\prod_{s=1}^{n}\zeta_{s}-\prod_{s=1}^{n}\operatorname{E}\zeta_{s}|$$

 $\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1}\sum_{j=i+1}^{n}|\operatorname{E}(\zeta_{i}-1)(\zeta_{j}-1)\prod_{s=j+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}-\operatorname{E}(\zeta_{i}-1)\operatorname{E}(\zeta_{j}-1)\prod_{s=j+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}|.$

Proof. It is well-known ([2], \S 4, p. 429) that, under the conditions of Lemma 2,

(6)
$$\left| \operatorname{E} \prod_{s=1}^{n} \zeta_{s} - \prod_{s=1}^{n} \operatorname{E} \zeta_{s} \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left| \operatorname{E} \zeta_{i} \prod_{s=i+1}^{n} \zeta_{s} - \operatorname{E} \zeta_{i} \operatorname{E} \prod_{s=i+1}^{n} \zeta_{s} \right|$$

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We can write

$$|E\zeta_{i}\prod_{s=i+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}-E\zeta_{i}E\prod_{s=i+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}|$$

$$=|E(\zeta_{i}-1)\zeta_{i+1}\prod_{s=i+2}^{n}\zeta_{s}-E(\zeta_{i}-1)E\zeta_{i+1}\prod_{s=i+2}^{n}\zeta_{s}|$$

$$\leq |E(\zeta_{i}-1)(\zeta_{i+1}-1)\prod_{s=i+2}^{n}\zeta_{s}-E(\zeta_{i}-1)E(\zeta_{i+1}-1)\prod_{s=i+2}^{n}\zeta_{s}| + |E(\zeta_{i}-1)\zeta_{i+2}\prod_{s=i+3}^{n}\zeta_{s}-E(\zeta_{i}-1)E\zeta_{i+2}\prod_{s=i+3}^{n}\zeta_{s}.$$

Continuing this procedure we obtain

(7)
$$|\mathbf{E}\zeta_{i}\prod_{s=i+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}-\mathbf{E}\zeta_{i}\mathbf{E}\prod_{s=i+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}|$$

 $\leq \sum_{j=i+1}^{n}|\mathbf{E}(\zeta_{i}-1)(\zeta_{j}-1)\prod_{s=j+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}-\mathbf{E}(\zeta_{j}-1)\mathbf{E}(\zeta_{j}-1)\prod_{s=j+1}^{n}\zeta_{s}|.$

Substituting (7) into (6) we get Lemma 2.

5. Now we are going to prove our theorem.

In the sequel p = p(n) and q = q(n), $n \in N$, denote the positive integer-valued functions.

LEMMA 3. Let $\{\eta_t\}$ be a real-valued stationary random process such that $E\eta_t^2 < \infty$ and:

1.
$$\mathscr{D}S_n \sim cn, n \to \infty$$
, where $0 < c < \infty, S_n = \sum_{t=1}^n \eta_t$;

2. for any function p = p(n), $p(n) \to \infty$, p = o(n), $n \to \infty$, there exists a function q = q(n), $q(n) \to \infty$, q = o(p), $n \to \infty$, such that, for every real t,

$$\left| \mathbf{E} \prod_{j=1}^{\kappa} \exp\left\{ it \widehat{S}_{p}^{(j)} \right\} - \prod_{j=1}^{\kappa} \mathbf{E} \exp\left\{ it \widehat{S}_{p}^{(j)} \right\} \right| \to 0, \quad n \to \infty,$$

where

$$\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)} = (\mathscr{D}S_{n})^{-1/2} S_{p}^{(j)}, \quad S_{p}^{(j)} = \sum_{\substack{s=(j-1)p+\\+(j-1)q+1}}^{jp+(j-1)q} (\eta_{s} - E\eta_{s}), \quad j = 1, 2, ..., k$$

and k = k(n) = [n/(p+q)].

Then for this process the CLT with identity function f jolds.

Proof. It is clear that there exists a function p = p(n) such that $(\mathscr{D}S_p^{(1)})^{-1} \int (S_p^{(1)})^2 dP \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$, integrating for $|S_p^{(1)}| \ge \varepsilon \sqrt{\mathscr{D}S_n}$, where $\varepsilon > 0$, $p(n) \to \infty$, p = o(n), $n \to \infty$.

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Now, to complete the proof, it remains to apply the Bernstein method ([2], § 4, p. 426) for this p = p(n).

Thus, in order to prove our theorem it is sufficient to verify the conditions of Lemma 3 for the process $\{\eta_t\} = \{f(\xi_t)\}$.

Let us verify condition 1. We have

$$\mathscr{D}\left(\sum_{t=1}^{n} f(\xi_{t})\right) = \sum_{t,s=1}^{n} \left(\mathrm{E}f(\xi_{t}) f(\xi_{s}) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{t}) \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{s}) \right)$$
$$= n \mathrm{E}\left(f(\xi_{1}) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{j})\right) + 2 \sum_{t=2}^{n} (n - t + 1) \left(\mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1}) f(\xi_{t}) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1}) \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{t})\right)$$

and

(8)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \mathscr{D}\left(\sum_{t=1}^{n} f(\xi_{t})\right) = \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1}) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1})^{2} + 2\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{t=2}^{n} \left(\mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1})f(\xi_{t}) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1})Ef(\xi_{t})\right) - 2\lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{t=2}^{n} t\left(\mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1})f(\xi_{t}) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_{1})Ef(\xi_{t})\right).$$

By Lemma 1 we get

$$|\mathrm{E}f(\xi_1)f(\xi_t) - \mathrm{E}f(\xi_1)\mathrm{E}f(\xi_t)| \leq 2C\tau(\gamma_t) + C\left(\frac{\alpha_{\varrho}(t)}{\gamma_t}\right)^{\delta/(2+\delta)}, \quad 0 < C < \infty,$$

hence

$$\sigma_f^2 \leq \mathrm{E} f^2(\xi_1) + 2C \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \tau(\gamma_t) + 2C \sum_{t=1}^{\infty} \beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(t)$$

The second summand in (8) vanishes as $n \to \infty$ by the well-known Kronecker lemma.

It remains to check condition 2. Let

$$W_t(x) = \exp \{itB\sum_{s=1}^m f(x_s)\} - 1, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}, \ 0 < B < \infty, \ x \in X^m,$$

 X^m being a metric space with metric (2). Since

$$|W_t(x) - W_t(\tilde{x})| \leq B |t| \sum_{s=1}^m |f(x_s) - f(\tilde{x}_s)|, \quad x, \ \tilde{x} \in X^m,$$

we conclude that the continuity modulus of the function $W_t(x)$ does not exceed $B|t|m\tau^f(\gamma)$, where $\tau^f(\gamma)$ is the continuity modulus of f. By Lemma 1

for
$$j > r$$
 and $s = u = 2 + \delta$, $\delta > 0$, we have
(9) $|E(\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(r)}\} - 1)(\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)}\} - 1)\prod_{s=j+1}^{k}\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(s)}\} - -E(\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(r)}\} - 1)E(\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)}\} - 1)\prod_{s=j+1}^{k}\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(s)}\}|$
 $\leq B_{1}\frac{|t|}{\sqrt{n}}\tau^{f}(\gamma_{(j-\tau)q})E|\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(1)}\} - 1| + B_{2}E^{2/(2+\delta)}|\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(1)}\} - 1|^{2+\delta}\left(\frac{\alpha_{e}((j-r)q)}{\gamma_{(j-\tau)q}}\right)^{\delta/(2+\delta)}$
 $\leq B_{3}\left[\frac{|t|p\sqrt{p}}{n}\tau^{f}(\gamma_{(j-r)q}) + \frac{p^{2}}{n}\left(\frac{\alpha_{e}((j-r)q)}{\gamma_{(j-\tau)q}}\right)^{\delta/(2+\delta)}\right], \quad 0 < B_{i} < \infty, i = 1, 2, 3.$
By Lemma 2 and (9) we get
 $|E\prod_{j=1}^{k}\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)}\} - \prod_{j=1}^{k}E\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)}\}|$
 $\leq B_{4}(|t|\frac{p\sqrt{p}n}{n}\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\tau^{f}(\gamma_{jq}) + \frac{p^{2}n}{n}\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\left(\frac{\alpha_{e}(jq)}{\gamma_{jq}}\right)^{\delta/(2+\delta)}$
and then

$$|\mathbb{E}\prod_{j=1}^{k} \exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)}\} - \prod_{j=1}^{k} \mathbb{E}\exp\{it\hat{S}_{p}^{(j)}\} \leq B_{4}(|t|\sqrt{p}\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\tau^{f}(\gamma_{jq}) + p\sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(jq)).$$

The monotonicity of the members of this series implies

$$\tau(\gamma_{jq}) \leq \frac{2}{q} \sum_{k \geq (j-1/2)q}^{jq} \tau(\gamma_k),$$

$$\beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(jq) \leq \frac{2}{q} \sum_{k \geq (j-1/2)q} \beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(k), \quad j = 1, 2, \dots,$$

hence

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \tau(\gamma_{jq}) \leqslant \frac{2}{q} \sum_{j \ge q/2}^{\infty} \tau(\gamma_j), \qquad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(jq) \leqslant \frac{2}{q} \sum_{j \ge q/2}^{\infty} \beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(j).$$

Finally,

(10)
$$\left| E \prod_{j=1}^{k} \exp\left\{ it \hat{S}_{p}^{(j)} \right\} - \prod_{j=1}^{k} E \exp\left\{ it \hat{S}_{p}^{(j)} \right\} \right|$$

 $\leq B_{4} \left| t \right| \frac{2\sqrt{p}}{q} \sum_{j \geq q/2}^{\infty} \tau(\gamma_{j}) + \frac{2p}{q} \sum_{j \geq q/2}^{\infty} \beta^{\delta/(2+\delta)}(j),$

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as it is obvious that one can choose the function $q(n) \to \infty$, q = o(p), $n \to \infty$, such that the right-hand side of (10) tends to zero as $n \to \infty$.

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