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Francois Ledrappier*, Department of Mathematics, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46637, and **Omri Sarig**, Department of Mathematics, The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA 16802. *Fluctuations of ergodic sums for horocycle flows on some infinite surfaces.*

We study the almost sure asymptotic behavior of the ergodic sums of integrable functions, for the infinite measure preserving system given by the horocycle flow on the unit tangent bundle of a \mathbb{Z}^d cover of a hyperbolic surface of finite area, equipped with the volume measure. We prove rational ergodicity and a ‘second order’ ergodic theorem: almost sure convergence of properly renormalized ergodic sums, subject to a certain summability method (the ordinary pointwise ergodic theorem fails for infinite measure preserving systems). (Received August 03, 2007)