

## Hypothesis Testing for Block-structured Correlation for High-dimensional Variables

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### Supplementary Material 1

The first supplementary material consists of the proofs of Lemma 1 and Theorem 1-3, and Tables 3-4-5-6. Lemma 1, Theorem 1-3 and the simulation settings of Tables 3-4-5-6 are in the main paper.

$$H_0 : \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{KK}). \quad (1)$$

The one-sided rejection region for  $H_0$  at the nominal level  $\alpha$  is

$$\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n : T_n - \hat{\mu} > \hat{\sigma}_0 q_{1-\alpha}\}, \quad (2)$$

where  $q_\alpha$  is the  $\alpha$ -th quantile of the standard normal distribution. To check the sensitivity of the threshold  $s^*(n, p)$  and any scaled version of  $T_{n0}$ , we consider the rejection region

$$\{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n : T_n(c_1, c_2) - \hat{\mu} > \hat{\sigma}_0 q_{1-\alpha}\}, \quad (3)$$

where  $\hat{\mu}$  is in (4),  $\hat{\sigma}_0$  is just before (2.4) of the main paper and  $T_n(c_1, c_2) = T_{n1} + c_1 \cdot T_{n0}(c_2)$ ,  $T_n = T_n(1, 1)$  with  $T_{n1} = \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}_n - \text{diag}(\mathbf{S}_{11}, \dots, \mathbf{S}_{KK})]^2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T_{n0}(c_2) &= p^2 \delta_{\{\max_{(\ell_1, \ell_2) \in A_0} n(s_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^2 (\hat{\theta}_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^{-1} > s^*(n, p, c_2)\}}, \\ s^*(n, p, c_2) &= c_2 \cdot [4 + (\log \log n - 1)^2] (\log p_0 - 0.25 \log \log p_0) + q. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.** *Under Assumption [A]-[B], and under  $H_0$  specified by (1), we have*

$$\frac{T_{n1} - \mu}{\sigma} \rightarrow N(0, 1) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{T_{n1} - \hat{\mu}}{\sigma_0} \rightarrow N(0, 1),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= \frac{(n^2 - n - 1)[(\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma})^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk})^2]}{n(n-1)^2}, \\ \hat{\mu} &= \frac{(n^2 - n - 1)[(\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk})^2]}{n(n-1)^2}, \\ \sigma_0^2 &= 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}^2)^2 - 4\sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)^2, \\ \sigma^2 &= \sigma_0^2 + 4n^{-3}\sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} - \text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma})^2 \left[ 2\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2 \right], \\ \beta_w &= E(w_{ji}^4) - 3. \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

Here  $\mathbf{e}_\ell$  is a  $p$ -dimensional vector with the  $\ell$ -th element being one and other elements being zeros and  $\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}$  is a  $p_k$ -dimensional vector with the  $\ell$ -th element being one and other elements being zeros.

**Theorem 1.** *Under Assumptions [A]-[B], and under  $H_0$  specified by (1), if*

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{(i,j) \in A_0} \text{var}[(x_{1i} - E x_{1i})(x_{1j} - E x_{1j})][\text{var}(x_{1i})\text{var}(x_{1j})]^{-1/2} > 0,$$

$s^*(n, p) - 4 \log p_0 \rightarrow +\infty$ , and  $\sup_{1 \leq \ell \leq p} E \exp(t_0 |x_{\ell 1}|^{m_0}) < \infty$  for some constants  $t_0 > 0$  and

$0 < m_0 \leq 2$ , we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_0^{-1}(T_n - \hat{\mu}) \rightarrow N(0, 1).$$

**Theorem 2.** *Under Assumptions [A]-[B], we have*

$$\sigma_1^{-1}(T_{n1} - \hat{\mu} - \mu_1) \rightarrow N(0, 1)$$

where  $\mu_1 = (n^2 - n + 2)\text{tr}\mathbf{A}/(n-1)^2$ ,  $\sigma_1^2 = \sigma_0^2 + 4[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\mathbf{A}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2]$ . Here  $\mathbf{e}_\ell$

is the  $p$ -dimensional vector with the  $\ell$ th element being one and other elements being zeros and

$$\beta_w = Ew_{ij}^4 - 3.$$

**Theorem 3.** Under Assumptions [A]-[B] and  $\Sigma^2 = \text{diag}(\Sigma_{11}^2, \dots, \Sigma_{KK}^2) + \mathbf{A}$ ,

(1). We have  $\beta_{T_n}(\mathbf{A}) \geq \alpha$  when  $n$  is large enough; Especially, when  $\text{tr}\mathbf{A} > \epsilon_0 > 0$  for any positive constant  $\epsilon_0$ , we have  $\beta_{T_n}(\mathbf{A}) > \alpha$  for sufficiently large  $n$ ;

(2). If  $\text{tr}\mathbf{A}$  tends to infinity or  $P(\max_{(\ell_1, \ell_2) \in A_0} n(s_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^2 (\hat{\theta}_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^{-1} > s^*(n, p))$  converges to one, then we have  $\beta_{T_n}(\mathbf{A}) \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

## S1 Tables 3-4-5-6

## S2 Proofs of Lemma 1 and Theorem 1-2-3

Define  $\mathbf{r}_i = n^{-1/2} \mathbf{w}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_i = (w_{1i}, \dots, w_{pi})^\top$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_{ik} = n^{-1/2} \mathbf{w}_{ik}$ ,  $\mathbf{w}_{ik} = (w_{\tilde{p}_{k-1}+1, i}, \dots, w_{\tilde{p}_k, i})^\top$

with  $\tilde{p}_0 = 0$  and  $\tilde{p}_k = p_1 + \dots + p_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then

$\mathbf{r}_i = (\mathbf{r}_{i1}^\top, \dots, \mathbf{r}_{iK}^\top)^\top$  and  $\mathbf{w}_i = (\mathbf{w}_{i1}^\top, \dots, \mathbf{w}_{iK}^\top)^\top$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . We have

$$(n-1)^2 n^{-2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_n^2) = \text{tr}[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \Sigma^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma^{1/2}\right)^2] + n^2 (\bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}})^2 - 2n \bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}},$$

where  $\bar{\mathbf{r}} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i$ . By Lemma S.2.1 and S.2.2 from the supplementary

file 2, letting  $\epsilon$  be a very small positive number, we have  $n^2 (\bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}})^2 =$

$(n-1)n^{-3} (\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 + o_p(n^{-(1-\epsilon)})$ , and

$$n \bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}} = (n^{-1} \text{tr}\Sigma)^2 + (n-1)n^{-2} \text{tr}(\Sigma^2) + o_p(n^{-(1-\epsilon)}).$$

Table 3: Empirical test sizes and empirical powers (in percentage) of comparison of three methods with with  $(p_1, \dots, p_K) = (p/K, \dots, p/K)$  and  $K = 2, 3$  for Gamma variables. The vector  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$  specifies the  $\Sigma$  matrix. The rejection region is given in (2). When a test is not applicable, the corresponding entries are marked  $-$ .

$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$	$n$	Methods	p=180	360	900	180	360	900
			$K = 2$			$K = 3$		
			Empirical test sizes					
(0, 0, 0)	150	FDS	4.86	4.90	4.44	5.12	4.99	4.54
		BHPZ	4.46	—	—	5.22	4.90	—
		YHN	4.94	5.36	5.48	5.30	5.29	5.06
	300	FDS	4.92	4.82	4.81	4.92	5.02	4.84
		BHPZ	4.76	4.94	—	5.38	5.14	—
		YHN	4.84	4.92	5.10	5.02	5.22	4.90
			Empirical powers					
(1, 0, 0)	150	FDS	33.98	22.44	13.36	52.32	33.08	19.24
		BHPZ	5.89	—	—	8.02	5.02	—
		YHN	8.82	7.42	5.88	12.88	7.88	6.38
	300	FDS	95.56	90.78	81.34	99.58	99.02	95.42
		BHPZ	8.34	5.86	—	14.17	7.26	—
		YHN	13.28	8.76	6.12	22.12	11.93	7.16
(0, 1, 0)	150	FDS	59.82	47.54	31.44	79.76	67.61	47.70
		BHPZ	9.48	—	—	21.44	7.40	—
		YHN	8.44	6.92	5.76	10.30	7.78	6.10
	300	FDS	99.08	98.46	96.04	99.98	99.96	99.86
		BHPZ	31.06	11.00	—	74.36	27.98	—
		YHN	11.40	8.00	5.84	16.78	10.36	6.62
(0, 0, 1)	150	FDS	75.24	98.62	100	83.14	99.28	100
		BHPZ	7.40	—	—	11.42	6.62	—
		YHN	77.30	98.86	100	84.34	99.39	100
	300	FDS	99.38	100	100	99.74	100	100
		BHPZ	14.78	8.02	—	34.00	19.76	—
		YHN	99.50	100	100	99.78	100	100

Table 4: Empirical test sizes and powers (in percentage) for comparison of four methods with  $n = 200$ ,  $(p_1, \dots, p_K) = (p/K, \dots, p/K)$  and  $K = 2, 3$  for Gaussian variables. The vector  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$  specifies the  $\Sigma$  matrix. The rejection region is given in (3).

$(c_1, c_2)$	$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$	Methods	$p = 60$	120	180	60	120	180
			$K = 2$			$K = 3$		
Empirical test sizes								
(0.001, 1)	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	5.61	5.48	5.65	5.77	5.73	5.20
		CLRT	5.15	5.36	5.38	5.26	5.49	5.29
		BHPZ	5.20	5.08	4.88	4.86	5.29	5.15
		YHN	5.32	5.36	5.54	5.55	5.58	4.87
(5, 1)	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	5.61	5.48	5.65	5.77	5.73	5.20
		CLRT	5.15	5.36	5.38	5.26	5.49	5.29
		BHPZ	5.20	5.08	4.88	4.86	5.29	5.15
		YHN	5.32	5.36	5.54	5.55	5.58	4.87
Empirical powers								
(0.001, 1)	(1, 0, 0)	FDS	87.63	77.34	70.30	98.20	93.21	88.66
		CLRT	19.54	9.78	7.07	38.47	14.27	8.51
		BHPZ	17.27	9.08	6.69	35.03	14.41	9.75
		YHN	27.55	13.91	9.60	52.16	22.80	14.83
(5, 1)	(1, 0, 0)	FDS	87.77	77.34	70.30	98.21	93.21	88.66
		CLRT	19.54	9.78	7.07	38.47	14.27	8.51
		BHPZ	17.27	9.08	6.69	35.03	14.41	9.75
		YHN	27.55	13.91	9.60	52.16	22.80	14.83

Table 5: Empirical test sizes and powers (in percentage) for comparison of four methods with  $n = 200$ ,  $(p_1, \dots, p_K) = (p/K, \dots, p/K)$  and  $K = 2, 3$  for Gaussian variables. The vector  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$  specifies the  $\Sigma$  matrix. The rejection region is given in (3).

$(c_1, c_2)$	$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$	Methods	$p = 60$	120	180	60	120	180
			$K = 2$			$K = 3$		
Empirical test sizes								
(1, 0.5)	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	20.53	29.74	39.05	22.40	32.66	41.39
		CLRT	5.15	5.36	5.38	5.26	5.49	5.29
		BHPZ	5.20	5.08	4.88	4.86	5.29	5.15
		YHN	5.32	5.36	5.54	5.55	5.58	4.87
(1, 2)	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	5.43	5.35	5.55	5.60	5.55	5.12
		CLRT	5.15	5.36	5.38	5.26	5.49	5.29
		BHPZ	5.20	5.08	4.88	4.86	5.29	5.15
		YHN	5.32	5.36	5.54	5.55	5.58	4.87
Empirical powers								
(1, 0.5)	(1, 0, 0)	FDS	99.10	98.47	97.91	99.97	99.93	99.93
		CLRT	19.54	9.78	7.07	38.47	14.27	8.51
		BHPZ	17.27	9.08	6.69	35.03	14.41	9.75
		YHN	27.55	13.91	9.60	52.15	22.80	14.82
(1, 2)	(1, 0, 0)	FDS	40.26	20.03	13.34	64.40	31.24	19.74
		CLRT	19.54	9.78	7.07	38.47	14.27	8.51
		BHPZ	17.27	9.08	6.69	35.03	14.41	9.75
		YHN	27.55	13.91	9.60	52.15	22.80	14.82

Table 6: Empirical test sizes and powers (in percentage) for comparison of four methods with  $n = 200$ ,  $(p_1, \dots, p_K) = (p/K, \dots, p/K)$  and  $K = 2, 3$  for Gaussian variables. The vector  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$  specifies the  $\Sigma$  matrix. The rejection region is given in (2).

$n$	$(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$	Methods	$p = 6$	12	18	6	12	18
			$K = 2$			$K = 3$		
			Empirical test sizes					
600	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	6.65	6.28	5.92	6.82	6.12	5.87
		CLRT	6.51	6.13	5.65	6.68	5.90	5.67
		BHPZ	6.46	6.09	5.59	6.69	5.93	5.50
		YHN	6.57	5.97	5.65	6.72	5.92	5.64
750	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	6.36	6.22	5.84	6.46	6.12	6.36
		CLRT	6.48	5.99	5.81	6.49	5.84	6.19
		BHPZ	6.45	5.99	5.72	6.46	5.82	6.23
		YHN	6.35	6.04	5.79	6.39	6.00	6.19
1000	(0, 0, 0)	FDS	6.54	6.07	6.05	6.54	5.87	6.36
		CLRT	6.29	5.86	5.96	6.49	5.69	6.10
		BHPZ	6.26	5.83	5.90	6.39	5.67	6.21
		YHN	6.51	6.01	5.91	6.59	5.87	6.21

Thus, we have

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_n^2) = \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} \text{tr}\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2}\right)^2\right] - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \frac{2}{n-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + o_p(n^{-(1-\epsilon)}).$$

Because  $\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n = n(n-1)^{-1} (\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n \bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \bar{\mathbf{r}})$ , we have  $\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n = n(n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - (n-1)^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} + o_p(n^{-(1-\epsilon)})$  by Lemma S.2.1 from the supplementary file 2. As shown in Bai and Silverstein (2004) (p. 559-560),

$$\text{tr}\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2}\right)^q\right] - \text{tr}\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2}\right)^q\right] = o_p(n^{-1/4}), \quad q = 1, 2$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i = n^{-1/2} \tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_i = (\tilde{w}_{1i}, \dots, \tilde{w}_{pi})^\top$ ,

$$\tilde{w}_{\ell i} = [\text{Var}(w_{\ell i} \delta_{\{|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n\}})]^{-1/2} (w_{\ell i} \delta_{\{|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n\}} - \text{E} w_{\ell i} \delta_{\{|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n\}}),$$

$|\tilde{w}_{\ell i}| \leq c \sqrt{n} \eta_n$ ,  $\text{E} \tilde{w}_{\ell i} = 0$ ,  $\text{E}(\tilde{w}_{\ell i}^2) = 1$  and  $\text{E}(\tilde{w}_{\ell i}^4) < \infty$  for  $\ell = 1, \dots, p$  and  $i = 1, \dots, n$  with  $\eta_n \downarrow 0$ ,  $n^{1/4} \eta_n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $c$  being a positive constant. For simplicity, we shall rename the variables  $\tilde{w}_{\ell i}$  simply as  $w_{\ell i}$  and proceed by assuming that  $|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n$ ,  $\text{E} w_{\ell i} = 0$ ,  $\text{E}(w_{\ell i}^2) = 1$  and  $\text{E}(w_{\ell i}^4) < \infty$  with  $\eta_n \downarrow 0$  and  $n^{1/4} \eta_n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $\mathbf{B}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2}$ , then

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_n^2) = \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \frac{2}{n-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + o_p(n^{-1/4}). \quad (\text{S2.1})$$

Similarly, let  $\mathbf{B}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_{ik} \mathbf{r}_{ik}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^{1/2}$ , then  $\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk} = n(n-1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_{ik}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{r}_{ik} - (n-1)^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} + o_p(1)$  and

$$\text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_{kk}^2) = \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2) - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2 - \frac{2}{n-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2) + o_p(n^{-1/4}), \quad (\text{S2.2})$$



where  $o_p(n^{-1/4})$  is uniform for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ .

### S2.1 Part I of Lemma 1 and its proof

**Lemma 2.** *Under Assumption [A]-[B] and under  $H_0 : \Sigma = \text{diag}(\Sigma_{11}, \dots, \Sigma_{KK})$ ,*

*we have  $\sigma^{-1}(T_{n1} - \mu) \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ , where the quantities  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  are given in*

*Lemma 1 in the main paper.*

**Proof of Lemma 2.** First note that  $T_{n1} = \text{tr}[\mathbf{S}_n - \text{diag}(\mathbf{S}_{11}, \dots, \mathbf{S}_{KK})]^2 = \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_{kk}^2)$ . By (S2.1) and (S2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 T_{n1} &= \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} [\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] \\
 &\quad - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} [(\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})^2] - \frac{2}{n-1} [\text{tr}(\Sigma^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\Sigma_{kk}^2)] + o_p(n^{-1/4}).
 \end{aligned} \tag{S2.3}$$

Under  $H_0$ , we have

$$T_{n1} = \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} [\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} [(\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})^2] + o_p(n^{-1/4}).$$

That is, the central limit theorem for  $T_{n1}$  can be obtained by establishing the central limit theorem for  $[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)]$ . We need to compute the mean  $\mu$  and the variance  $\sigma^2$  of the statistic  $T_{n1}$ . The asymptotic normality is due to the fact that  $\{\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2), j = 1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\{\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2), j = 1, \dots, n\}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$  are two martingale difference sequences, where we use  $\mathbb{E}_j$  as the conditional expectation given  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_j$ .

Lemma S.2.3 from the supplementary file 2 shows that these martingale difference sequences satisfy the Lindeberg's conditions, that is,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}([\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2)]^2 \delta_{\{|\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2)| \geq \epsilon\}}) = O(\eta_n^4), \quad (\text{S2.4})$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}([\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)]^2 \delta_{\{|\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)| \geq \epsilon\}}) = O(\eta_n^4), \quad (\text{S2.5})$$

for any  $\epsilon > 0$  where  $O(\eta_n^4)$  is uniform for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . For simplicity,

$\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2)$  is often written as  $(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2)$  in this paper.

To compute the mean and the variance, we take the following two steps.

**Step 1** computes the mean

$$\mu = \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} \mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} [(\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2].$$

We have

$$\mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2)] = n^{-1} [2\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_j)^2] + n^{-1} (\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 + (n-1)n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2),$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] = n^{-1} [2\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{jk}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{jk})^2] + n^{-1} (\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2 + (n-1)n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2),$$

for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Then under  $H_0$ , we have

$$\mu = \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n(n-1)^2} (\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n(n-1)^2} \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2.$$

**Step 2** shows that  $\sigma^2 = \sigma_{00} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{kk} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{0k}$  converges in probability, where  $\sigma_{00} = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1}[(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2)]^2$ ,  $\sigma_{kk} = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1}[(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)]^2$ ,  $\sigma_{0k} = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1}\{[(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2)][(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)]\}$

for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . To do so, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2 \\
= & 2(n-j)n^{-1}(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j + (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \\
& + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \\
= & 2(n-j)n^{-1}(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j + (\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2] \\
& + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j, \\
& (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{11}^2 \\
= & 2(n-j)n^{-1}(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} + (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \\
& + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \\
= & 2(n-j)n^{-1}(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} \\
& + (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2 - \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \\
& + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1},
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j)^2 - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j)^2 &= (\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 \\
&+ 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}), \\
(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1})^2 - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1})^2 &= (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2 - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2 \\
&+ 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}).
\end{aligned}$$

We first compute  $\sigma_{01}$ , and the calculations of  $\{\sigma_{0k}, k = 2, \dots, K\}$  can be

similarly obtained.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{01} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{11}^2] \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \left\{ (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \left[ \frac{2(n-j)}{n} \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j + \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \left[ \frac{2(n-j)}{n} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} + \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \right] \right\} \\
 &= (S2.6) + (S2.7) + (S2.8),
 \end{aligned}$$

where (S2.6)-(S2.8) are given as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{j=1}^n 2(n-j)n^{-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \left\{ (\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) [2(n-j)n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \right\}, \quad (S2.6)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \left\{ (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) (\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j) (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) [2(n-j)n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \right\} \quad (S2.7)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &2 \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \left\{ (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \left( \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \right) (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) [2(n-j)n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} + 2 \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \right\}. \quad (S2.8)
 \end{aligned}$$

As verified in the supplementary file, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (S2.6) &= 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr} (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] \\
 &\quad + 2[2n^{-1} \text{tr} (\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (S2.7) &= 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] \\
 &\quad + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] + O_p(\eta_n^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (S2.8) &= 2(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})(\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})] \\
 &\quad + 2[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus under  $H_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{01} &= (S2.6) + (S2.7) + (S2.8) \\
 &= 4[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + 4[n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)]^2 \\
 &\quad + (4n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma} + 4n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] \\
 &\quad + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for  $k = 2, \dots, K$ , under  $H_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{0k} &= 4[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)^2 \\
 &\quad + (4n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma} + 4n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell k} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}] \\
 &\quad + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{00} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{\ell-1}[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})(\text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2)]^2 \\
 &= 4[2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] \\
 &\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] \\
 &\quad + 4[n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)]^2 + 8(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_\ell] + o_p(1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{kk} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{\ell-1}[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2]^2 \\
 &= 4n^{-1} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] \\
 &\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2 n^{-1} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2) + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] + 4[n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)]^2 \\
 &\quad + 8(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}) n^{-1} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^3) + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell k} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}] + O_p(\eta_n^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting things together, we have under  $H_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma^2 &= \sigma_{00} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{kk} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{0k} \\
 &= 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] \\
 &\quad + 4[n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)]^2 - 4 \sum_{k=1}^K [n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)]^2 + O_p(K \eta_n^2).
 \end{aligned}$$

## S2.2 Proofs of Theorem 1, Part II of Lemma 1 and Theorem 2

### Proof of Theorem 2

Under  $H_0$ , we have  $(T_{n1} - \mu)/\sigma \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ . But

$$\mu = \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n(n-1)^2} (\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 - \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n(n-1)^2} \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})^2$$

is unknown. We now replace  $\text{tr}\Sigma$  and  $\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk}$  by  $\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n$  and  $\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk}$  in  $\mu$ , and establish the asymptotic distribution of

$$T_{n1} - \hat{\mu} = \text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk}^2 - \hat{\mu}$$

where  $\hat{\mu} = \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{n(n-1)^2} [(\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk})^2]$ . By (S2.1) and (S2.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & T_{n1} - \hat{\mu} \\ = & \frac{n^2}{(n-1)^2} [\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] \\ & - \frac{n}{n-1} \frac{n^2 - n - 1}{(n-1)^3} [(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n - n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk} - n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})^2] \\ & - \frac{n+1}{n(n-1)^2} [(\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})^2] - \frac{2}{n-1} [\text{tr}(\Sigma^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\Sigma_{kk}^2)] + o_p(n^{-1/4}). \end{aligned}$$

That is, the central limit theorem for  $T_{n1} - \hat{\mu}$  can be obtained by establishing the central limit theorem for  $(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2, \text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n, \text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{11}, \dots, \text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{KK})$ .

The asymptotic normality is due to the fact that the sequences  $\{(E_j - E_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2), j = 1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\{(E_j - E_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n), j = 1, \dots, n\}$ ,  $\{(E_j - E_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}), j = 1, \dots, n\}$  and  $\{(E_j - E_{j-1})(\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2), j = 1, \dots, n\}$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$  are mar-

tingale difference sequences and Lindeberg-type conditions are satisfied by Lemma S.2.3 from the supplementary file 2. Then we have

$$\sigma_1^{-1}\{T_{n1} - \hat{\mu} - \mu_1\} \rightarrow N(0, 1),$$

where  $\mu_1 = n^2(n-1)^{-2}\mathbf{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] - (n+1)n^{-1}(n-1)^{-2}[(\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2] - 2(n-1)^{-1}[\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)] - \mu$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_1^2 &= \sigma_{00A} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{kkA} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{0kA} - 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})\sigma_{000A} + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{00kA} \\ &\quad + 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})\sigma_{0kkA} - 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})\sigma_{kkkA} + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2\sigma_{0000A} \\ &\quad + 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})^2\sigma_{kkkkA} - 8 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{kk})\sigma_{00kkA}, \end{aligned}$$

if the following terms converge in probability

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{00A} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2]^2, \\ \sigma_{0kA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}\{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2]\}, \\ \sigma_{kkA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2]^2, \\ \sigma_{0000A} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}\{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n]\}, \\ \sigma_{000A} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}\{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n]\}, \\ \sigma_{kkkkA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}\{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}]^2\}, \\ \sigma_{kkkA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}\{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}]\}, \end{aligned}$$



$$\sigma_{0kkA} = \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n^2][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}]\},$$

$$\sigma_{00kA} = \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2]\},$$

$$\sigma_{00kkA} = \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} [(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_{kk}][(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{B}_n].$$

**The first step is to compute  $\mu_1$ .** Because  $\mathbf{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2)] = n^{-1}[2\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^\top \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_j)^2] + n^{-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma})^2 + (n-1)n^{-1}\text{tr}(\mathbf{\Sigma}^2)$  and  $\mathbf{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] = n^{-1}[2\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{jk}^\top \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{jk})^2] + n^{-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk})^2 + (n-1)n^{-1}\text{tr}(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)$  for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ , thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1 &= n^2(n-1)^{-2} \mathbf{E}[\text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_{kk}^2)] - (n+1)n^{-1}(n-1)^{-2} [(\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma})^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K (\text{tr}\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk})^2] \\ &\quad - 2(n-1)^{-1} [\text{tr}(\mathbf{\Sigma}^2) - \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2)] - \mu = \frac{n^2 - n + 2}{(n-1)^2} \text{tr}\mathbf{A} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^2 - \text{diag}(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{11}^2, \dots, \mathbf{\Sigma}_{KK}^2)$ .

**The second step is to compute  $\sigma_1^2$ .** Let  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{(kk)}$  is the  $p \times p$  dimensional matrix with the  $k$ th diagonal block being  $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}$  and other entries being zeros. The detailed proofs of  $\sigma_{00A}$ ,  $\sigma_{0kA}$ ,  $\sigma_{kkA}$ ,  $\sigma_{0000A}$ ,  $\sigma_{000A}$ ,  $\sigma_{kkkkA}$ ,  $\sigma_{kkkA}$ ,  $\sigma_{0kkA}$ ,  $\sigma_{00kA}$  and  $\sigma_{00kkA}$  are similar for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Moreover, the proof of  $\sigma_{01A}$  is similar to  $\sigma_{01}$ . Therefore, we do not give the details of the proofs of  $\sigma_{01A}$ .

We have

$$\sigma_{01A} = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n^2][(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{11}^2] = (S2.6) + (S2.7) + (S2.8)$$

where under the alternative hypothesis,

$$(S2.6) = 2[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2\Sigma_{(11)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)(\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)] \\ + 2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)}[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2\Sigma_{(11)} + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)} \mathbf{e}_\ell] + O_p(\eta_n^4),$$

$$(S2.7) = 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)(2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma\Sigma_{(11)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell) \\ + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma\Sigma_{(11)} + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell)(\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)} \mathbf{e}_\ell)] + O_p(\eta_n^4),$$

$$(S2.8) = 2[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2\Sigma_{(11)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)(\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)] \\ + 2(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2\Sigma_{(11)} + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)(\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)} \mathbf{e}_\ell)] + O_p(\eta_n^4).$$

Therefore, under the alternative hypothesis, we have

$$\sigma_{01A} = 4[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2\Sigma_{(11)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)(\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)] \\ + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)(2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)}^3 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell) \\ + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)})(2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2\Sigma_{(11)} + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)} \mathbf{e}_\ell) \\ + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{(11)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell)(\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(11)} \mathbf{e}_\ell)] \\ + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma\Sigma_{(11)})^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2).$$

Similarly, for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ , under the alternative hypothesis, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sigma_{0kA} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n^2] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}^2] \\
&= 4[2n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma^2 \Sigma_{(kk)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell) (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(kk)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)] + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{(kk)}^2)^2 \\
&\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma) (2n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{(kk)}^3 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(kk)} \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(kk)}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell) \\
&\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{(kk)}) (2n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma^2 \Sigma_{(kk)} + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(kk)} \mathbf{e}_\ell) \\
&\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{(kk)}) (n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma) [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{(kk)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{(kk)} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
\sigma_{00A} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} [(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n^2]^2 \\
&= 4n^{-1} [2 \text{tr} \Sigma^4 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma)^2 n^{-1} [2 \text{tr} \Sigma^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] \\
&\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma^2)^2 + 8(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma) n^{-1} [2 \text{tr} \Sigma^3 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell] + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
\sigma_{kkA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} [(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}^2]^2 \\
&= 4n^{-1} [2 \text{tr} \Sigma_{kk}^4 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \Sigma_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{kk})^2 n^{-1} [2 \text{tr} \Sigma_{kk}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \Sigma_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k})^2] \\
&\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{kk}^2)^2 + 8(n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma_{kk}) n^{-1} [2 \text{tr} \Sigma_{kk}^3 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_k} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \Sigma_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell k} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}^\top \Sigma_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell k}] + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
\sigma_{0000A} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n] [(\mathbf{E}_\ell - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n] \} \\
&= 2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\Sigma^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2),
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sigma_{000A} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n^2][(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n]\} \\
 &= 2(2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}^3 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_{\ell} \mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell}) \\
 &\quad + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}) (2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_{\ell})^2) + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
 \sigma_{kkkkA} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}]^2\} = 2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell})^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
 \sigma_{kkkA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}^2][(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}]\} \\
 &= 2n^{-1} (2 \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^3 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_{k\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{k\ell} \mathbf{e}_{k\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 \mathbf{e}_{k\ell}) \\
 &\quad + 2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_{k\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{k\ell})^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
 \sigma_{0kkA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n^2][(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}]\} \\
 &= 2(2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{\Sigma}_{(kk)} + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell} \mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{(kk)} \mathbf{e}_{\ell}) \\
 &\quad + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}) (2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell})^2) + O_p(\eta_n^2), \\
 \sigma_{00kA} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1} \{[(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_n][(\mathbf{E}_{\ell} - \mathbf{E}_{\ell-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}^2]\} \\
 &= 2(2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{(kk)}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_{\ell} \mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{(kk)}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell}) \\
 &\quad + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}) (2n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_{\ell}^{\top} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{kk} \mathbf{e}_{\ell})^2) + O_p(\eta_n^2),
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{00kkA} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1}[(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk}][(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1})\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n] \\ &= 2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\Sigma_{kk}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \Sigma_{kk} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2).\end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1^2 &= \sigma_{00A} + \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{kkA} - 2 \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{0kA} - 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)\sigma_{000A} + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma) \sum_{k=1}^K \sigma_{00kA} \\ &\quad + 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})\sigma_{0kkA} - 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})\sigma_{kkkA} + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)^2 \sigma_{0000A} \\ &\quad + 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})^2 \sigma_{kkkkA} - 8 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma)(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk})\sigma_{00kkA} \\ &= 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2)^2 - 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk}^2)^2 + 4[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\mathbf{A}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \mathbf{A} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] + O_p(K\eta_n^2).\end{aligned}$$

with  $\mathbf{A} = \Sigma^2 - \text{diag}(\Sigma_{11}^2, \dots, \Sigma_{KK}^2)$ . Thus  $\sigma_1^{-1}(T_{n1} - \hat{\mu} - \mu_1) \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ .

**The proof of Theorem 2 is now complete.**

### Proof of Part II of Lemma 1

Under  $H_0$ ,  $\mu_1 = 0$  and  $\sigma_0^2 = \sigma_1^2 = 4(n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^K \text{tr}\Sigma_{kk}^2)^2 - 4 \sum_{k=1}^K (n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk}^2)^2$ . Then under  $H_0$  and by Theorem 2, we have  $\sigma_0^{-1}(T_{n1} - \hat{\mu}) \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ .

**The proof of Lemma 1 is complete.**

### Proof of Theorem 1

We have  $(n-2)^{-1}[\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n^2 - (n+2)^{-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_n)^2] - n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma^2 = o_p(1)$  and  $(n-2)^{-1}[\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk}^2 - (n+2)^{-1}(\text{tr}\mathbf{S}_{kk})^2] - n^{-1}\text{tr}\Sigma_{kk}^2 = o_p(1)$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, K$ . Thus under  $H_0$ , we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_0^{-1}(T_{n1} - \hat{\mu}) \rightarrow N(0, 1) \tag{S2.9}$$

where  $\hat{\sigma}_0^2 = 4(n-2)^{-2} \{ \sum_{k=1}^K [\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}^2 - (n+2)^{-1} (\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk})^2] \}^2 - 4(n-2)^{-2} \sum_{k=1}^K [\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk}^2 - (n+2)^{-1} (\text{tr} \mathbf{S}_{kk})^2]^2$ .

Moreover, Xiao and Wu (2013) presented that  $\max_{(\ell_1, \ell_2) \in A_0} n(s_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^2 \hat{\theta}_{\ell_1 \ell_2}^{-1} - 4 \log p_0 + \log \log p_0$  converges to a type I extreme value distribution under  $H_0$ . Then if the threshold  $s^*(n, p)$  is taken to satisfy  $s^*(n, p) - 4 \log p_0 \rightarrow +\infty$ , then  $P(\max_{(\ell_1, \ell_2) \in A_0} n(s_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^2 \hat{\theta}_{\ell_1 \ell_2}^{-1} > s^*(n, p)) \rightarrow 0$  under  $H_0$ . That is,  $T_n - T_{n1} = o_p(1)$  under  $H_0$ . By (S2.9), we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_0^{-1}(T_n - \hat{\mu}) \rightarrow N(0, 1).$$

**The proof of Theorem 1 is complete.**

### S2.3 Proof of Theorem 3

When  $\text{tr} \mathbf{A}$  tends to infinity,  $\sigma_1$  also converges and  $\mu_1 \rightarrow +\infty$ . Then

$$\frac{\sigma_0 q_{1-\alpha} - \mu_1}{\sigma_1} \rightarrow -\infty.$$

Thus we have  $\beta_{T_n}(\mathbf{A}) \rightarrow 1$ . Moreover, if  $P(\max_{(\ell_1, \ell_2) \in A_0} n(s_{\ell_1 \ell_2})^2 \hat{\theta}_{\ell_1 \ell_2}^{-1} > s^*(n, p)) \rightarrow 1$ , then  $T_{n0} \rightarrow \infty$  in probability as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then the power function will tend to one.

**The proof of Lemma 3 is complete.**

## Supplementary material 2

This supplementary material consists of three lemmas and the detailed proofs of (S2.6)-(S2.8). These proofs are conducted under Assumption [A]-[B].

### S.2.1 Lemma S.2.1-S.2.4 and their proofs

Let  $\mathbf{r}_i = n^{-1/2} \mathbf{w}_i$  and  $\epsilon$  be a very small positive number.

**Lemma S.2.1.** *Under Assumptions [A]-[B], we have*

$$n\bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}} = n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma + o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}).$$

Proof. We have

$$n\bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}} = 2n^{-1} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j + n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_i.$$

First, we have  $E(n^{-1} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j) = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & E(n^{-1} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j)^2 \\ &= (n-1)n^{-1} E(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_2 \mathbf{r}_2^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_1) + n^{-2} \sum_{i < j < k < \ell} E(\mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_k^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_\ell) \\ &\quad + 2n^{-2} \sum_{i < j < k} E(\mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_k) \\ &\leq n^{-2} \text{tr}(\Sigma^2) = o(n^{-2(0.5-\epsilon)}), \end{aligned}$$

for any small positive number  $\epsilon$ . That is,

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_j = o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}).$$

Second, we have  $E(n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_i) = n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_i) &= n^{-1} E[(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma)^2] \\ &= n^{-2} [2\text{tr}(\Sigma^2) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^\top \Sigma \mathbf{e}_j)^2] = o(n^{-2(0.5-\epsilon)}), \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality is from (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004). That is,

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^\top \Sigma \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma = o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}).$$

Thus we have

$$n\bar{\mathbf{r}}^\top \Sigma \bar{\mathbf{r}} = n^{-1} \text{tr} \Sigma + o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}).$$

**Lemma S.2.2.** *Under Assumptions [A]-[B], we have*

$$n\bar{\mathbf{r}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \bar{\mathbf{r}} = (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 + (n-1)n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + o_p(1).$$

Proof. We have

$$\begin{aligned} n\bar{\mathbf{r}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \bar{\mathbf{r}} &= n^{-1} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell + n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \\ &\quad + 2n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j + n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i. \end{aligned}$$

Step 1. We have

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 \\ &\quad + 2n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) + (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2. \end{aligned}$$

Because  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2] = n^{-2} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_j)^2] = o(n^{-(1-\epsilon)})$ ,

then we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 = o(n^{-(1-\epsilon)})$ . Because  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = 0$  and

$$\text{Var}[n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})] = n^{-3} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_j)^2] = o(n^{-2(1-\epsilon)}),$$

then we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = o_p(n^{-(1-\epsilon)})$ . Thus,

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i = (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 + o_p(n^{-(1-\epsilon)}). \quad (\text{S.2.1})$$



Step 2. We have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell) = 0$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mathbb{E}(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell)^2 \\
 = & 2n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,\ell,k \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2})] \\
 & + 2n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2})] \\
 & + 4n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2})] \\
 \leq & 2n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + 2n^{-1} \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_1)^2] + 4\mathbb{E}[\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2} \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_2 \mathbf{r}_2^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{1/2})] \\
 \leq & 2n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + 2n^{-3} [2\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)^2] \\
 & + 8\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_2 \mathbf{r}_2^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_1)] + 8\mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_2 \mathbf{r}_2^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1)^2] \\
 = & 2n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + 2n^{-3} [2\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)^2] \\
 & + 8n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + 24n^{-2} \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_2^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_2)^2 + 8n^{-2} \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_2)^4 \\
 = & 10n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + (2n^{-3} + 24n^{-4}) [2\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)^2] \\
 & + 24n^{-4} \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + 8n^{-4} \beta_w^2 \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^4 \\
 = & o_p(n^{-2(0.5-\epsilon)}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell) = o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}). \quad (\text{S.2.2})$$

Step 3. We have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i = (n-1)n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & n^{-2} \mathbf{E} \left( \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \right)^2 \\
 = & 2n^{-2} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i)^2 + n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,k,\ell \text{ unequal}} (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i) (\mathbf{r}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell) \\
 & + 4n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i) (\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_\ell \mathbf{r}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i) \\
 = & 6n^{-3} (n-1) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_1)^2] + 2n^{-3} (n-1) \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p \mathbf{E} (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1)^4 \\
 & + n^{-5} (n-1)(n-2)(n-3) [\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)]^2 \\
 & + 4n^{-5} (n-1)(n-2) [2\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)^2] \\
 \leq & 6n^{-5} (n-1) \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + 2n^{-5} (n-1) \beta_w^2 \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^4 \\
 & + n^{-5} (n-1)(n-2)(n-3) [\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)]^2 \\
 & + 2n^{-5} (n-1)(2n-1) [2\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{e}_j)^2 + (\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)^2].
 \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Var} \left( n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \right) \\
 = & n^{-2} \mathbf{E} \left[ \left( \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \right)^2 \right] - \left( n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{E} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \right)^2 \\
 = & o(n^{-2(0.5-\epsilon)}).
 \end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - (n-1)n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) = o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}). \quad (\text{S.2.3})$$

Step 4. By (1.8) of Bai and Silverstein (2004), there exists  $\eta_n \downarrow 0$  satisfying  $n^{1/4} \eta_n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\eta_n^{-4} \mathbf{E} [w_{11}^4 \delta(|w_{11}| \geq \eta_n \sqrt{n})] \rightarrow 0$ . Then let  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i$  be the truncated version of  $\mathbf{r}_i$ , that is,  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T = n^{-1/2} \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i$  with  $\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i = (\hat{w}_{1i}, \dots, \hat{w}_{pi})^T$  and  $\hat{w}_{\ell i} = w_{\ell i} \delta_{\{|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n\}}$ . Then we have

$E\hat{w}_{11} \rightarrow 0$ ,  $E\hat{w}_{11}^2 \rightarrow 1$  and  $\text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11}) \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = n^{-1/2}(E\hat{w}_{11})\mathbf{1}_p$  where  $\mathbf{1}_p$  is the  $p$ -dimensional vector with all entries being ones. Because  $Ew_{11} = 0$ , then we have

$$|E\hat{w}_{11}| = |E[w_{11}\delta(|w_{11}| > \eta_n\sqrt{n})]| \leq \eta_n^{-3}n^{-3/2}E[w_{11}^4\delta(|w_{11}| > \eta_n\sqrt{n})] = o(n^{-3/2}).$$

That is

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^\top \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = n^{-1}(E\hat{w}_{11})^2 \mathbf{1}_p^\top \mathbf{1}_p \leq o(n^{-1/2}).$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned} & P(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \neq n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_j) \\ & \leq P(\text{for some } \ell, i, \hat{w}_{\ell i} \neq w_{\ell i}) \\ & \leq \sum_{\ell=1}^p \sum_{i=1}^n P(|w_{\ell i}| \geq \eta_n\sqrt{n}) \\ & \leq (\eta_n\sqrt{n})^{-4} np E[w_{11}^4 \delta(|w_{11}| \geq \eta_n\sqrt{n})] \\ & = (p/n)\eta_n^{-4} E[w_{11}^4 \delta(|w_{11}| \geq \eta_n\sqrt{n})] \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

where the third inequality is from the Chebyshev inequality and the last equality is from

(1.8) of Bai and Silverstein (2004), then we have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j = n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_j + o_p(1). \quad (\text{S.2.4})$$

Let  $\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i = (\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i - \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})/\sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11})}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i &= \text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i + 2\sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11})} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \\ &= \text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11}) (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) + n^{-1} \text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11}) \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \\ &\quad + 2\sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11})} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + o(n^{-1/2}), \end{aligned}$$

and  $\hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_j = \text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j + \sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11})} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + \sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{w}_{11})} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + o(n^{-1/2})$ . Because

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} E \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j = 0, \quad E(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j)^2 \leq n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) = o(n^{-2(0.5-\epsilon)}),$$

we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j = o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)})$ . Because

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = 0, \quad \mathbb{E}(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^2 \leq \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = o(n^{-1/2}),$$

we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Because  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^2 = \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = o(n^{-1/2})$ , we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^2 = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Because

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j) = 0, \quad \mathbb{E}(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j)^2 \leq (\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^2 = o(n^{-1}),$$

we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j) = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Because

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^2 \\ &= n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_\ell \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j + n^{-2} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j \\ & \quad + n^{-2} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \\ & \leq n^{-2} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^4 \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + \mathbb{E} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1 \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1 + \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_2)^2 \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_2 = o(n^{-1/2}), \end{aligned}$$

we have  $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Because

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E}(n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j)^2 \\ &= n^{-2} \sum_{i,j,\ell \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_\ell (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_\ell^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_\ell - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \\ & \quad + n^{-2} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \\ & \quad + n^{-2} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \\ & \leq [\mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2]^2 + \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_2)^2 + n^{-1} \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1 \\ & \quad + [\mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2]^2 + \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_1^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_2)^4 = o(n^{-2(0.5-\epsilon)}), \end{aligned}$$

by (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004) and (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010), we have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} (\tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \tilde{\mathbf{r}}_j = o_p(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}).$$

Thus we have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_i \hat{\mathbf{r}}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \hat{\mathbf{r}}_j = o(n^{-(0.5-\epsilon)}). \quad (\text{S.2.5})$$

By (S.2.4) and (S.2.5), we have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i,j \text{ unequal}} \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_j^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j = o_p(1). \quad (\text{S.2.6})$$

By (S.2.1), (S.2.2), (S.2.3) and (S.2.6), we have

$$n \bar{\mathbf{r}}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \bar{\mathbf{r}} = (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 + (n-1)n^{-2} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + o_p(1). \quad (\text{S.2.7})$$

**That is, the proof of Lemma S.2.2 is complete.**

**Lemma S.2.3.** *Under Assumptions [A]-[B] with  $|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n$ ,  $E w_{\ell i} = 0$ ,  $E(w_{\ell i}^2) = 1$  and  $E(w_{\ell i}^4) < \infty$  with  $\eta_n \downarrow 0$  and  $n^{1/4} \eta_n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n E([(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n]^2 \delta_{\{ |(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n| \geq \epsilon \}}) &= O(\eta_n^4), \\ \sum_{j=1}^n E([(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2]^2 \delta_{\{ |(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2| \geq \epsilon \}}) &= O(\eta_n^4), \\ \sum_{j=1}^n E([(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}]^2 \delta_{\{ |(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}| \geq \epsilon \}}) &= O(\eta_n^4), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^n E([(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2]^2 \delta_{\{ |(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2| \geq \epsilon \}}) = O(\eta_n^4).$$

Proof. We have  $\text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i$  and  $E(\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^4 \leq C n^{-1} \eta_n^4 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^4 = O(\eta_n^4 n^{-1})$  by (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010) where  $C$  is a constant independent of  $n$  and  $p$ . Then we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^n E([(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n]^2 \delta_{\{ |(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n| \geq \epsilon \}}) \leq n E(\mathbf{r}_i^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_i - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^4 / \epsilon^2 = O(\eta_n^4).$$

Similarly, we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}([\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}] \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2]^2 \delta_{\{|\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}| \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2| \geq \epsilon\}} = O(n^4).$$

$\mathbb{E}_j(\text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}(\text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2)$  can be expressed by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_j \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) - \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \text{tr}(\mathbf{B}_n^2) &= 2(n-j)n^{-1}[\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)] \\ &\quad + [\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j)] \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{k \leq j-1} [\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j)]. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (n-j)^4 n^{-4} \mathbb{E} [(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)^4] \leq C \sum_{j=1}^n (n-j)^4 n^{-5} \eta_n^4, \quad (\text{S.2.8})$$

which is from Lemma 9.1 of Bai and Silverstein (2004) and  $C$  is a constant not dependent on  $p$  or  $n$ . Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - \mathbb{E} \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j)^4] \\ &= n \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbb{E} \mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 \mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1)^4] \\ &\leq Cn \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^8] + nO(n^{-4}) + Cn(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^4 \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^4] \\ &\leq O(\eta_n^{12}) + O(n^{-3}) + O(n^{-4}) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.2.9})$$

where  $(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 = n^{-2}[2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2) + \beta_w \sum_{j=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_j)^2]$ , the last inequality is from (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010) and

$$\begin{aligned} &(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1)^2 - \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1)^2] \\ &= (\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 - \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2] + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \\ &= (\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{r}_1^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_1 - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) + O(n^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left\{\left[\sum_{k \leq j-1} (\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j\right]^4\right\} \\
&= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left\{\left[\sum_{k \leq j-1} (\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j)\right]^4\right\} \\
&\leq C \eta_n^4 n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left(\left\|\sum_{k \leq j-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}\right\|^4\right) \\
&\leq C \eta_n^4 \mathbb{E}\left(\left\|\sum_{k=1}^n \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}\right\|^4\right) \leq C \eta_n^4 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^8 \mathbb{E}\left(\left\|\sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top\right\|^4\right) \\
&\leq 2C \eta_n^4 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 (1 + \sqrt{y_n})^8 = O(\eta_n^4) \tag{S.2.10}
\end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality is from (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010),  $\left\|\sum_{k \leq j-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}\right\|$  is the spectral norm of the random matrix  $\sum_{k \leq j-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ , that is, the maximum eigenvalue of  $\sum_{k \leq j-1} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}$  and the last inequality is from (4.2) of Yin, Bai and Krishnaiah (1988). From (S.2.8)-(S.2.9)-(S.2.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left\{\left[(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2\right]^2 \delta_{\{|\text{tr} \mathbf{B}_n^2| \geq \epsilon\}}\right\} \\
&\leq C \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left[2(n-j)n^{-1}(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)\right]^4 + C \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left[\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j)\right]^4 \\
&\quad + C \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left\{\left[\sum_{k \leq j-1} (\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j\right]^4\right\} = O(\eta_n^4) + O(n^{-3}) + O(n^{-4}) = O(\eta_n^4).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left\{\left[(\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}) \text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2\right]^2 \delta_{\{|\text{tr} \mathbf{B}_{kk}^2| \geq \epsilon\}}\right\} = O(\eta_n^4) + O(n^{-3}) + O(n^{-4}) = O(\eta_n^4).$$

The proof of Lemma S.2.3 is complete.

**Lemma S.2.4.** *Under Assumptions [A]-[B] with  $|w_{\ell i}| \leq \sqrt{n} \eta_n$ ,  $\mathbb{E} w_{\ell i} = 0$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(w_{\ell i}^2) = 1$*

and  $E(w_{\ell i}^4) < \infty$  with  $\eta_n \downarrow 0$  and  $n^{1/4}\eta_n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$(S2.6) = 2(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] \\ + 2[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2),$$

$$(S2.7) = 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] \\ + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] + O_p(\eta_n^2),$$

$$(S2.8) = 2(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})(\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})] \\ + 2[2n^{-1}\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2),$$

where  $O_p(\eta_n^2)$  is uniform for  $k = 1, \dots, K$ .

Proof. We have

$$(S2.6) = (S2.11) + (S2.12) + (S2.13),$$

$$(S2.7) = (S2.14) + (S2.15) + (S2.16),$$

$$(S2.8) = (S2.17) + (S2.18) + (S2.19),$$

where

$$4 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)^2}{n^2} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (S2.11)$$

$$2 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)}{n} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (S2.12)$$

$$4 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)}{n} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (S2.13)$$

$$2 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)}{n} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (S2.14)$$



$$\sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (\text{S.2.15})$$

$$2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (\text{S.2.16})$$

$$4 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)}{n} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (\text{S.2.17})$$

$$2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (\text{S.2.18})$$

$$4 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \{ [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j] [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \} \quad (\text{S.2.19})$$

**Detailed proof of (S.2.11):**

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{S.2.11}) &= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)^2}{n^2} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \\ &= \frac{4n(1 + O(n^{-1}))}{3} \mathbf{E} \{ [\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)]^2 \} \\ &= \frac{4}{3n} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O(n^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is from (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004).

**Detailed proof of (S.2.12):**

$$\begin{aligned} &(\text{S.2.12}) \\ &= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{(n-j)}{n} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \\ &= n(1 + O(n^{-1})) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - \mathbf{E} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}) [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1})^2 - \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1})^2]] \\ &= n(1 + O(n^{-1})) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - \mathbf{E} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \\ &\quad + 2n(1 + O(n^{-1})) (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - \mathbf{E} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] \quad (\text{S.2.20}) \end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is from the following equality

$$\begin{aligned}
& (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1})^2 - \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1})^2] \\
&= (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2 - \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \\
&\quad + 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}).
\end{aligned}$$

By (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010), we have

$$n \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - \mathbb{E} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \leq C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2\| \eta_n^2 = O(\eta_n^2) \tag{S.2.21}$$

where  $C_0$  is a constant. By (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}[(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - \mathbb{E} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] \\
&= n^{-2} [2 \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] = O(n^{-1}). \tag{S.2.22}
\end{aligned}$$

By (S.2.20)-(S.2.21)-(S.2.22), we have

$$(S.2.12) = 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] + O(\eta_n^2).$$

Moreover, the detailed proof of (S.2.14) is similar to the proof of (S.2.12).

**Detailed proof of (S.2.13):**

$$\begin{aligned}
& (S.2.13) \\
&= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \frac{(n-j)}{n} \mathbb{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \\
&= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \frac{(n-j)}{n} \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \{ [\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2)] (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1}) \} \\
&= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \frac{(n-j)}{n} \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \{ [\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)] (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1}) \} \\
&= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \frac{(n-j)}{n^3} (2 \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 \mathbf{r}_{k1} + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}) \tag{S.2.23}
\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality is from (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004). It is clear that

$\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} (n-j)n^{-3} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 \mathbf{r}_{k1}$  is the weighted sum of independent random variables  $\{\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 \mathbf{r}_{k1}, k = 1, \dots, n\}$  with  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \frac{n-j}{n^3} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 \mathbf{r}_{k1} \right] = (3n)^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + O(n^{-1})$  and  $\text{var} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \frac{n-j}{n^3} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 \mathbf{r}_{k1} \right] = O(n^{-1})$ . That is

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} (n-j)n^{-3} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 \mathbf{r}_{k1} = (3n)^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + O_p(n^{-1/2}). \quad (\text{S.2.24})$$

It is clear that  $\sum_{j=1}^n (n-j)n^{-3} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_\ell$  is the weighted sum of the independent random variables  $\{\sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_\ell, k = 1, \dots, n\}$  with

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n (n-j)n^{-3} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_\ell \right] &= (6n)^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2 + O(n^{-1}) \\ \text{var} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n (n-j)n^{-3} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_\ell \right] &= O(n^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (n-j)n^{-3} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_\ell = (6n)^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2 + O_p(n^{-1/2}). \quad (\text{S.2.25})$$

By (S.2.23)-(S.2.24)-(S.2.25), we have

$$(S.2.13) = \frac{2}{3n} [2 \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] + O_p(n^{-1/2}).$$

Moreover, the detailed proof of (S.2.17) is similar to the proof of (S.2.13).

**Detailed proof of (S.2.15):**

$$\begin{aligned}
 (S.2.15) &= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \\
 &= n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \\
 &\quad - n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2] \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \\
 &\quad + 2n (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] \\
 &\quad + 2n (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \\
 &\quad + 4n (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] (S.2.26)
 \end{aligned}$$

By (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2] \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] \quad (S.2.27) \\
 &= n^{-1} [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_\ell)^2] [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] = O(n^{-1}),
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] = n^{-2} [2 \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2]. \quad (S.2.28)$$

By (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] &\leq \eta_n^4 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\|^2 = O(\eta_n^4), \\
 n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] &\leq \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\| = O(\eta_n^2), \\
 n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})^2] &\leq \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\| = O(\eta_n^2). \quad (S.2.29)
 \end{aligned}$$

By (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004), we have

$$n \mathbf{E} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})] = 2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2. \quad (S.2.30)$$

Then by (S.2.26)-(S.2.27)-(S.2.28)-(S.2.29)-(S.2.30), we have

$$(S.2.15) = 4(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})[2n^{-1}\text{tr}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O(\eta_n^2).$$

**Detailed proof of (S.2.16):**

$$\begin{aligned} & (S.2.16) \\ &= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1}] \\ &= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})] \\ &\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})] \end{aligned} \quad (S.2.31)$$

By (9.9.6) of Bai and Silverstein (2010), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})] \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \mathbf{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})^2 (\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})] \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^n n^{-1} \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\| \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \\ & \leq \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\| \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \\ & \leq \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\|^2 \left\| \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \right\| \\ & = \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\|^2 \lambda_{\max} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \right) \\ & = \eta_n^2 \cdot C_0 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\|^2 \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}\|^2 [(1 + \sqrt{y_n})^2 + o_{a.s.}(1)] = O_{a.s.}(\eta_n^2) \end{aligned} \quad (S.2.32)$$

where  $\lambda_{\max}(\sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top) = (1 + \sqrt{y_n})^2 + o_{a.s.}(1)$  is the maximum eigenvalue of the random matrix  $\sum_{k=1}^n \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top$  by Yin, Bai and Krishnaiah (1988). Similar to the proofs

of (S.2.24) and (S.2.25), we have

$$2n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3 \mathbf{r}_{k1} = n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3 + O_p(n^{-1/2})$$

and

$$n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} = 0.5n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} + O_p(n^{-1/2}).$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbb{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})] \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbb{E}_{j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})] \\ &= n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbb{E} \left[ 2\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3 \mathbf{r}_{k1} + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1} \right] \\ &= 0.5n^{-1} (2\text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}) + O_p(n^{-1}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.2.33})$$

By (S.2.31)-(S.2.32)-(S.2.33), we have

$$(S.2.16) = 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}) + O_p(\eta_n^2).$$

The detailed proofs of (S.2.18) is similar to the proofs of (S.2.16).

**Detailed proofs of (S.2.19):**

$$\begin{aligned} (S.2.19) &= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{i \leq j-1} (\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_j (\mathbb{E}_j - \mathbb{E}_{j-1}) \mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1} \mathbf{r}_{i1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{j1} \\ &= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{i \leq j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_j^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{r}_k)^2 - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_k^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^2 \mathbf{r}_k][(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{i1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1}] \\ &= 4 \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{i \leq j-1} [(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1}][(\mathbf{r}_{j1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 - n^{-1} \mathbf{r}_{i1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 4n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}_{j-1} \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{i \leq j-1} \left[ 2(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 \right] \\
 &= 4n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \left[ 2(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^4 \right] \\
 &\quad + 4n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{1 \leq k \neq i \leq j-1} \left[ 2(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 \right] \tag{S.2.34}
 \end{aligned}$$

where the fourth equality is from (1.15) of Bai and Silverstein (2004). Because

$$\begin{cases} n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 = 0.5n^{-2} [2 \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] = O(n^{-1}), \\ n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbb{E} |\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2| \leq 0.5 \{ \mathbb{E} [(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2] \}^{1/2} = O(n^{-1/2}), \end{cases}$$

leads to

$$\begin{cases} n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 = O_p(n^{-1}), \\ n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) (\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) = O_p(n^{-1/2}), \end{cases}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} (\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 &= n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} (\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + 0.5(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 \\
 &\quad + 2n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} (n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) (\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{k1} - n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) \\
 &= 0.5(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + O_p(n^{-1/2}). \tag{S.2.35}
 \end{aligned}$$

Because  $n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^4 = n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_\ell \mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2$ ,

similar to the proof of (S.2.35), we have

$$n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^4 = O_p(n^{-1/2}). \tag{S.2.36}$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned}
 &4n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{1 \leq k \neq i \leq j-1} \mathbb{E} \left[ 2(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 \right] \\
 &= \frac{4}{3} [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O(n^{-1}),
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{cases} n^{-4} \text{var}[\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{1 \leq k \neq i \leq j-1} (\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2] = O(n^{-1}), \\ n^{-4} \text{var}[\sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{1 \leq k \neq i \leq j-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^p (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2] = O(n^{-1}), \end{cases}$$

then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & 4n^{-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{1 \leq k \neq i \leq j-1} \left[ 2(\mathbf{r}_{k1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 + \beta_w \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{k1})^2 (\mathbf{e}_\ell^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{r}_{i1})^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{4}{3} [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + O_p(n^{-1/2}). \quad (\text{S.2.37}) \end{aligned}$$

By (S.2.34)-(S.2.35)-(S.2.36)-(S.2.37), we have

$$(S.2.19) = \frac{4}{3} [2n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4 + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + O_p(n^{-1/2}).$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (S2.6) &= 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] \\ &\quad + 2[2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + O_p(\eta_n^2), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (S2.7) &= 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11})(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] \\ &\quad + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}] + O_p(\eta_n^2), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} (S2.8) &= 2(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}) [2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^3) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})(\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})] \\ &\quad + 2[2n^{-1} \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^4) + \beta_w n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{p_1} (\mathbf{e}_{\ell 1}^\top \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2 \mathbf{e}_{\ell 1})^2] + 4(n^{-1} \text{tr} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^2)^2 + O_p(\eta_n^2). \end{aligned}$$

**The proof of Lemma S.2.4 is complete.**



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