

SUPPLEMENT TO “EFFICIENT ESTIMATION AND INFERENCE FOR THE
SIGNED β -MODEL IN DIRECTED SIGNED NETWORKS”

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Supplementary Material

In this supplement, we provide technical proofs for all the theoretical results, as well as an estimation procedure for κ .

S1 Appendix A: notations and necessary lemmas

Throughout the appendices, we use c to denote a generic positive constant whose value may vary according to context. For two nonnegative sequences a_n and b_n , $a_n \lesssim b_n$ means there exists a positive constant c such that $a_n \leq cb_n$ when n is sufficiently large, and $a_n \lesssim_P b_n$ means there exist positive constants c_1, c_2 such that $\Pr(a_n \geq c_1 b_n) \leq c_2 n^{-1}$ for n large enough.

With slight abuse of notations, we rewrite $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\boldsymbol{\alpha}^\top, \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top, \beta_n)^\top$ with $\theta_{2n} = \beta_n = 0$, and define $\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) / \partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_n = l''_{in}(\alpha_i + \beta_n; \kappa_i)$ for $i \in [n - 1]$

and $\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) / \partial \alpha_n \partial \beta_n = 0$. Further define

$$\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} l'_{in}(\alpha_i + \beta_n; \kappa_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n^2} = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} l''_{in}(\alpha_i + \beta_n; \kappa_i).$$

Similarly, $\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$, $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ and $\boldsymbol{\theta}^*$ are all augmented with an additional 0 entry, and the corresponding partial derivatives of $l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$, $l(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$ and $l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$ are defined as above. Also, we denote

$$\mathcal{I}_{ij} = \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} - \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right], \quad \text{for } i, j \in [n],$$

and $\mathcal{I}_{ii} = 0$ for $i \in [n]$. Define $d_i = \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n y_{ik}$ for any $i \in [n]$, $b_j = \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^n y_{kj}$ for any $j \in [n]$, and $(g_i)_{i=1}^{2n} = (d_1, \dots, d_n, b_1, \dots, b_n)^\top$. Further, for any $i, j \in [n]$, define

$$g_{i \setminus j} = g_i - y_{ij} = \sum_{k=1, k \neq i, j}^n y_{ik}, \quad \text{and} \quad g_{n+j \setminus i} = g_{n+j} - y_{ij} = \sum_{k=1, k \neq i, j}^n y_{kj}.$$

Recall the definitions in (??), (??), (??) and (??):

$$\begin{aligned} v_i &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n \frac{(1 + \kappa_i) e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_k^*}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_k^*})^2}, & w_i &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n \text{var}(y_{ik}), & \text{for } i \in [n], \\ v_{n+j} &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^n \frac{(1 + \kappa_k) e^{\alpha_k^* + \beta_j^*}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_k^* + \beta_j^*})^2}, & w_{n+j} &= \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^n \text{var}(y_{kj}), & \text{for } j \in [n], \\ u_i &= -\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2}, & \check{u}_i &= -\frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2}, & \widehat{u}_i &= -\frac{\partial^2 l(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2}, & \text{for } i \in [2n]. \end{aligned}$$

and $\widehat{\delta}_{ij}^2 = \widehat{u}_i^{-1} + \widehat{u}_j^{-1}$, $(\delta_{ij}^*)^2 = u_i^{-1} + (u_j^*)^{-1}$. Below we list some necessary lemmas, and their proof are provided in Appendix C.

Lemma 1. *There exists a positive constant c such that*

$$c^{-1}ne^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \leq \min_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} u_i \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} u_i \leq cn,$$

$$c^{-1}ne^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \leq \min_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} v_i \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} v_i \leq cn,$$

$$c^{-1}ne^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \leq \min_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} w_i \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} w_i \leq cn.$$

Further, there exists a constant $\epsilon > 0$ such that for any $\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\kappa}$ satisfying

$\|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty \leq \epsilon$ and $\|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty \leq \epsilon$, we have

$$n^{-1} \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} \right| = O(\|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty),$$

$$n^{-1} \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i^2} \right| = O(\|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty).$$

Lemma 2. *It holds true that*

$$\Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} |g_i - \mathbb{E}g_i| \leq \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) \geq 1 - \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}. \quad (\text{S1.1})$$

Further, there exists a constant $c > 0$ such that for n large enough, we have

$$\Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \leq \sqrt{16(n-1) \log(n-1)} + cn\|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty \right) \geq 1 - \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}, \quad (\text{S1.2})$$

$$\Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} + u_i \right| \leq c\sqrt{(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) \geq 1 - \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}. \quad (\text{S1.3})$$

Lemma 3. *Under the conditions of Theorem ??, with probability at least $1 - 4n/(n-1)^2$, it holds true that (??) has a unique solution $\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$, and*

$$\|\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty \lesssim e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}.$$

By Lemmas 1-3, we have

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} |\check{u}_i - u_i| \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} \right| + \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} + u_i \right| \lesssim_P e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{n \log n},$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} |\check{u}_i^{-1} - (u_i^*)^{-1}| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \frac{|\check{u}_i - u_i|}{|u_i \check{u}_i|} \lesssim_P e^{10\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \frac{\sqrt{\log n}}{n^{3/2}}. \quad (\text{S1.4})$$

Lemma 4. *Under the conditions of Theorem ??, it holds true that*

$$\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^* = v_i^{-1}(g_i - \mathbb{E}g_i) + v_{2n}^{-1}(g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^* = v_{n+j}^{-1}(g_{n+j} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+j}) - v_{2n}^{-1}(g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) + \epsilon_{n+j}, \quad j = 1, \dots, n-1,$$

where ϵ_i satisfies that

$$P\left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n-1} |\epsilon_i| \lesssim \frac{e^{18\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}\right) \geq 1 - \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}.$$

Lemma 5. *Under the conditions of Theorem ??, it holds true that*

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr\left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) \right| \lesssim e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}\right) &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \\ \Pr\left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_j} \right] \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) \right| \lesssim e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}\right) &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.5})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l \setminus i} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l \setminus i}) \right| \lesssim e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \right) &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \\ \Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kj} \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_{k \setminus j} - \mathbb{E} g_{k \setminus j}) \right| \lesssim e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \right) &\geq 1 - \frac{2}{n}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.6})$$

Lemma 6. *Under the conditions of Theorem ??, it holds true that*

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} (\check{\beta}_l - \beta_l^*) \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}},$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \left\{ u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_j} \right] - u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \right\} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Lemma 7. *Under the conditions of Theorem ??, it holds true that*

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} (\check{\beta}_l - \beta_l^*) \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}},$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \left\{ u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kj} - u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \right\} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

S2 Appendix B: main proofs

Proof of Theorem ??. The asymptotic bound for $\|\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty$ in (??) follows from Lemma 3 immediately. To obtain asymptotic normality, it follows

from Lemma 4 that

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| (\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) - \left\{ v_i^{-1} (g_i - \mathbb{E} g_i) + v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E} g_{2n}) \right\} \right| &\lesssim_P \frac{e^{18\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}, \\ \max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} \left| (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) - \left\{ v_{n+j}^{-1} (g_{n+j} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+j}) - v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E} g_{2n}) \right\} \right| &\lesssim_P \frac{e^{18\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S2.7})$$

Define $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n-1}$ with $q_i = v_i^{-1}(g_i - \mathbb{E}g_i) + v_{2n}^{-1}(g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n})$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$, and $q_{n+j} = v_{n+j}^{-1}(g_{n+j} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+j}) - v_{2n}^{-1}(g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n})$ for $j = 1, \dots, n-1$. It is not difficult to verify that for any fixed d , $\mathbf{q}_{[1:d]}$ is asymptotically multivariate normal with mean zero and covariance matrix $\Sigma_{[1:d,1:d]}$. By (S2.7) and Lemma 1, we have

$$\|(\Sigma_{[1:d,1:d]})^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^* - \mathbf{q})_{[1:d]}\|_\infty \lesssim_P \sqrt{n} e^{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \frac{e^{18\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n} = \frac{e^{19\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}} = o(1),$$

which completes the proof of Theorem ??.

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Proof of Theorem ??. By Taylor's expansion, there exists a $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ such that

$$\frac{\partial l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} = \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} + \frac{\partial^2 l(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}^2} (\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*),$$

where $\tilde{\theta}_i$ lies between θ_i^* and $\check{\theta}_i$ for $i \in [2n-1]$ and $\tilde{\theta}_{2n} = \theta_{2n}^* = \check{\theta}_{2n} = 0$. It is not difficult to verify that $\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) / \partial \beta_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) / \partial \alpha_k -$

$\sum_{l=1}^{n-1} \partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) / \partial \beta_l$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \widehat{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^* &= (\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) + \check{u}_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \\
 &= (\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) + \check{u}_i^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i^2} (\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right\} \\
 &\quad + \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \right\} \\
 &= \left\{ \check{u}_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right\} + (\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) \left\{ 1 + \check{u}_i^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i^2} \right\} \\
 &\quad + \left\{ \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \check{u}_i^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right\} \\
 &=: I_1^{(i)} + I_2^{(i)} + I_3^{(i)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

For $I_1^{(i)}$, we have

$$I_1^{(i)} = \left\{ u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right\} + [-u_i^{-1} + \check{u}_i^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + [\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} - u_{2n}^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n}.$$

The first term can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
 &u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \\
 &= \left\{ u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^{n-1} l'_{kn}(\alpha_k^* + \beta_n^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}_k) \right\} + u_{2n}^{-1} l'_{in}(\alpha_i^* + \beta_n^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}_i) \\
 &=: I_{11}^{(i)} + I_{12}^{(i)}
 \end{aligned}$$

By central limit theorem, $I_{11}^{(i)}$ is the sum of two independent variables which

are asymptotic normal with variances u_i^{-1} and u_{2n}^{-1} , respectively. Therefore,

$I_{11}^{(i)}$ is also asymptotic normal with variance $u_i^{-1} + u_{2n}^{-1}$. Also, Lemma 1

implies that $\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |I_{12}^{(i)}| = O(e^{2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} n^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2})$. Furthermore, it

follows from Lemma 2 and (S1.4) that

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| [u_i^{-1} - \check{u}_i^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + [\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} - u_{2n}^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{10\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n},$$

which is of order $o_p(n^{-1/2})$. Therefore, we have $\sqrt{u_i^{-1} + u_{2n}^{-1}} I_1^{(i)} \rightarrow N(0, 1)$

as n diverges.

For $I_2^{(i)}$, it follows from Lemmas 1 and 3 that

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |I_2^{(i)}| \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\check{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*| \left| \frac{\check{u}_i + \frac{\partial^2 l(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}})}{\partial \alpha_i^2}}{\check{u}_i} \right| \lesssim_P e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n} \frac{e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{n \log n}}{e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} n}} = \frac{e^{14\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n},$$

which is of order $o_p(n^{-1/2})$.

For $I_3^{(i)}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_3^{(i)} &= \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \check{u}_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right] (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right\} \\ &\quad + \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \check{u}_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{ij} (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right\} \\ &\quad + \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right) (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \check{u}_i^{-1} \left(\frac{\partial^2 l(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right) (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right\} \\ &=: I_{31}^{(i)} + I_{32}^{(i)} + I_{33}^{(i)}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that $|I_{31}^{(i)}|$ can be further bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} |I_{31}^{(i)}| &\leq \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right] (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \sum_{k=1}^n [\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} - u_{2n}^{-1}] \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} [\check{u}_i^{-1} - u_i^{-1}] \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right] (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 6, the first term is upper bounded by $e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$ in probability, and by Lemma 3 and (S1.4), the second term is upper bounded

by $e^{16\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$ in probability. Therefore, we have $\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |I_{31}^{(i)}| \lesssim_P e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$.

For $I_{32}^{(i)}$, we have

$$|I_{32}^{(i)}| \leq \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn}(\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{ij}(\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right| + \left| \sum_{k=1}^n [\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} - u_{2n}^{-1}] \mathcal{I}_{kn}(\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} [\check{u}_i^{-1} - u_i^{-1}] \mathcal{I}_{ij}(\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \right|.$$

By Lemma 7, the first term is upper bounded by $e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$ in probability, and by Lemma 3 and (S1.4), the second term is upper bounded by $e^{16\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$ in probability. Therefore, we have $\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |I_{32}^{(i)}| \lesssim_P e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$.

For $I_{33}^{(i)}$, it follows from Lemma 1, Lemma 3 and (S1.4) that $\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |I_{33}^{(i)}| \lesssim_P e^{14\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$. Then, combining the upper bounds for each term and

Lemma 2 yields that

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| (\hat{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) - \left\{ u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right\} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}, \quad (\text{S2.8})$$

where $u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n}$ is asymptotic normal with variance $u_i^{-1} + u_{2n}^{-1}$.

Next, we turn to bound $\widehat{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*$, where

$$\begin{aligned}
\widehat{\beta}_j - \beta_j^* &= (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) + \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} - \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \\
&= (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) + \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} + \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j^2} (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_j} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \right\} \\
&\quad - \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \left\{ \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} + \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \right\} \\
&= \left\{ \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} - \check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right\} + (\check{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) \left\{ 1 + \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j^2} \right\} \\
&\quad + \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \left[-\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} + \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 l(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_j} \right] \right\} \\
&=: J_1^{(j)} + J_2^{(j)} + J_3^{(j)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly as the case of $\widehat{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*$, we have

$$J_1^{(j)} = \left\{ u_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} - u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right\} + [-u_{n+j}^{-1} + \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} + [-\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} + u_{2n}^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n},$$

where it follows from Lemma 2 and (S1.4) that

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} \left| [-u_{n+j}^{-1} + \check{u}_{n+j}^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} + [-\check{u}_{2n}^{-1} + u_{2n}^{-1}] \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{10\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}.$$

Further, we also have

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} |J_2^{(j)}| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{14\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}, \quad \text{and} \quad \max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} |J_3^{(j)}| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n}.$$

Combing all the results together and Lemma 2, we have

$$\left| (\widehat{\beta}_j - \beta_j^*) - \left\{ u_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} - u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n} \right\} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n} \quad (\text{S2.9})$$

where central limit theorem implies that $u_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} - u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n}$ is asymptotic normal with variance $u_{n+j}^{-1} + u_{2n}^{-1}$.

Define $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^{2n-1}$, where $r_i = u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n}$ for $i \in [n]$, and $r_{n+j} = u_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} - u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_n}$ for $j \in [n-1]$. It is not difficult to verify that for any fixed d , $\mathbf{r}_{[1:d]}$ is asymptotically multivariate normal with mean zero and covariance matrix $\mathbf{H}_{[1:d, 1:d]}$. By (S2.8) and (S2.9), we obtain $\|\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^* - \mathbf{r}\|_\infty = o_p(n^{-1/2})$, and thus complete the proof of asymptotical normality.

By Lemma 1 and (S1.2) in Lemma 2, we have

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \lesssim_P e^{2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}.$$

Then, (??) is obtained from (S2.8) and (S2.9). \square

Proof of Proposition ??. Let $\bar{\alpha}_i$ be the solution of the estimation equation

$$d_i - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n g(\beta_j^* - \alpha_i) = 0.$$

It follows from Theorem ?? that the asymptotic variance of $\bar{\alpha}_i$ is $w_i(v_i^*)^{-2}$.

But by the Cramer-Rao bound, we also have

$$\text{var}(\bar{\alpha}_i) \geq \left(-\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*)}{\partial \alpha_i^2} \right] \right)^{-1} = -(u_i^*)^{-1}.$$

By letting $n \rightarrow \infty$, we get $w_i(v_i^*)^{-2} \geq |u_i^*|^{-1}$ for any $i \in [n]$. Similarly, we can also get $w_i(v_i^*)^{-2} \geq |u_i^*|^{-1}$ for any $i = n+1, \dots, 2n$. Therefore, for any

$i \in [2n]$, we have

$$\frac{\text{avar}(\check{\theta}_i)}{\text{avar}(\hat{\theta}_i)} = \frac{w_i(v_i^*)^{-2} + w_{2n}(v_{2n}^*)^{-2}}{|u_i^*|^{-1} + |u_{2n}^*|^{-1}} \geq \min \left\{ \frac{w_i(v_i^*)^{-2}}{|u_i^*|^{-1}}, \frac{w_{2n}(v_{2n}^*)^{-2}}{|u_{2n}^*|^{-1}} \right\} \geq 1.$$

This completes the proof of Proposition ??.

□

Proof of Theorem ??. By (S2.8) and (S2.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) - (\alpha_i^* - \alpha_j^*) &= \left\{ u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} - (u_j^*)^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_j} \right\} + o_p(n^{-\frac{1}{2}}), \\ (\hat{\beta}_i - \hat{\beta}_j) - (\beta_i^* - \beta_j^*) &= \left\{ (u_{n+i}^*)^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_i} - u_{n+j}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} \right\} + o_p(n^{-\frac{1}{2}}), \end{aligned}$$

which immediately imply (??).

By (??), similar to the derivation of (S1.4), we have

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} |\hat{u}_i^{-1} - u_i^{-1}| \lesssim_P e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \frac{\sqrt{\log n}}{n^{3/2}},$$

which, together with Lemma 2, implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{i \neq j} |(\delta_{ij}^*)^{-1} - \hat{\delta}_{ij}^{-1}| &= \max_{i \neq j} \left| \frac{\hat{\delta}_{ij}^2 - (\delta_{ij}^*)^2}{\delta_{ij}^* \hat{\delta}_{ij} (\hat{\delta}_{ij} + \delta_{ij}^*)} \right| \\ &= \max_{i \neq j} \left| \frac{[u_i^{-1} - \hat{u}_i^{-1}] + [(u_j^*)^{-1} - \hat{u}_j^{-1}]}{\delta_{ij}^* \hat{\delta}_{ij} (\hat{\delta}_{ij} + \delta_{ij}^*)} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} n^{-3/2} \sqrt{\log n}}{n^{-3/2}} = e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\log n}. \end{aligned} \tag{S2.10}$$

Simple algebra yields that

$$\begin{aligned} &\hat{\delta}_{ij}^{-1} [(\hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) - (\alpha_i^* - \alpha_j^*)] \\ &= (\delta_{ij}^*)^{-1} [(\hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) - (\alpha_i^* - \alpha_j^*)] + (\hat{\delta}_{ij}^{-1} - (\delta_{ij}^*)^{-1}) [(\hat{\alpha}_i - \hat{\alpha}_j) - (\alpha_i^* - \alpha_j^*)], \end{aligned}$$

where the first term converges to $N(0, 1)$ in distribution following (??), and

the second one is bounded by $O_p(e^{8\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n / \sqrt{n}) = o_p(1)$ following (??)

and (S2.10). The case for $\widehat{\delta}_{n+i,n+j}^{-1}[(\widehat{\beta}_i - \widehat{\beta}_j) - (\beta_i^* - \beta_j^*)]$ is similar. This completes the proof of Theorem ?? \square

Proof of Theorem ??. First, by the definition of FDR, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{FDR} &= \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{r} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} 1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r}{KL}\}} 1_{\{r > 0\}} \right] = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{r} 1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r}{KL}\}} 1_{\{r > 0\}} \right] \\ &= \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \mathbb{E} \left[1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r}{KL}\}} 1_{\{0 < r \leq l\}} \right] \leq \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S2.11})$$

where the third equality is due to that for each $r_0 > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{r_0} 1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r_0}{KL}\}} 1_{\{r_0 > 0\}} &= 1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r_0}{KL}\}} 1_{\{r_0 > 0\}} \sum_{l \geq r_0} \left(\frac{1}{l} - \frac{1}{l+1} \right) = 1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r_0}{KL}\}} 1_{\{r_0 > 0\}} \sum_{l=r_0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \\ &= 1_{\{p_k \leq \frac{\alpha r_0}{KL}\}} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} 1_{\{0 < r_0 \leq l\}}. \end{aligned}$$

It thus suffices to establish an upper bound for $\max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} \right)$.

Note that for any $k \in \mathcal{S}_0$, it follows from (S2.8) that

$$\widehat{\alpha}_i - \widehat{\alpha}_k = V_{ik} + (\omega_i - \omega_k) \quad \text{with} \quad \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} |\omega_i - \omega_k| \lesssim_P e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} \frac{\log n}{n},$$

where $V_{ik} = u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\theta^*; \kappa)}{\partial \alpha_i} - u_k^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\theta^*; \kappa)}{\partial \alpha_k}$ and $\omega_i = (\widehat{\alpha}_i - \alpha_i^*) - \left\{ u_i^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\theta^*; \kappa)}{\partial \alpha_i} + u_{2n}^{-1} \frac{\partial l(\theta^*; \kappa)}{\partial \beta_n} \right\}$.

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} \right) \\ &= \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(2 \left[1 - \Phi \left(\widehat{\delta}_{ik}^{-1} |\widehat{\alpha}_i - \widehat{\alpha}_k| \right) \right] \leq \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} \right) \\ &= \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(\widehat{\delta}_{ik}^{-1} |V_{ik} + (\omega_i - \omega_k)| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{2KL} \right) \right) \\ &\leq \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left((\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} |V_{ik}| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{2KL} \right) - \mu_{ik} \right) \\ &\leq \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left((\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} |V_{ik}| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{2KL} \right) - \frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right) + \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(\mu_{ik} \geq \frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $\mu_{ik} = \left| \left\{ (\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} - \widehat{\delta}_{ik}^{-1} \right\} V_{ik} \right| + \left| \widehat{\delta}_{ik}^{-1} (\omega_i - \omega_k) \right|$.

Note that $(\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} V_{ik} \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ in distribution following (??), then it follows from the Berry–Esseen theorem that

$$\max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Pr \left((\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} V_{ik} \leq t \right) - \Phi(t) \right| = O \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right).$$

It further implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left((\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} |V_{ik}| \geq \Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{2KL} \right) - \frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \\ & \leq 2 \left\{ 1 - \Phi \left[\Phi^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{2KL} \right) - \frac{(\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right\} + O \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \\ & = \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} + O \left(\frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{S2.12}$$

Also, it follows from (S2.10) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(\mu_{ik} \geq \frac{(\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \\ & \leq \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(\left| (\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} - \widehat{\delta}_{ik}^{-1} \right| \{ |V_{ik}| + |\omega_i - \omega_k| \} + |(\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} (\omega_i - \omega_k)| \geq \frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

But it follows from (S2.8) and (S2.10) that

$$\max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \left| (\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} - \widehat{\delta}_{ik}^{-1} \right| \{ |V_{ik}| + |\omega_i - \omega_k| \} + |(\delta_{ik}^*)^{-1} (\omega_i - \omega_k)| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Therefore, $\max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(\mu_{ik} \geq e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2 / \sqrt{n} \right) = O \left(\frac{1}{n} \right)$ following Lemma 2.

Putting the above results together, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} \right) & = \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} + O \left(\frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right) + O \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \\ & = \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} + O \left(\frac{e^{20\|\theta^*\|_\infty} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

It then implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{FDR} &\leq \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha \min(l, K)}{KL} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \left\{ \sum_{l=1}^K \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha l}{KL} \right) + \sum_{l=K+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \Pr \left(p_k \leq \frac{\alpha}{L} \right) \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{k \in \mathcal{S}_0} \left\{ \sum_{l=1}^K \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \left[\frac{\alpha l}{KL} + O \left(\frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right] + \sum_{l=K+1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l(l+1)} \left[\frac{\alpha}{L} + O \left(\frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right] \right\} \\
 &\leq \frac{\alpha K_0}{K} + \frac{\alpha K_0}{KL} + O \left(\frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} K_0 (\log n)^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

As $e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} K_0 n^{-1/2} (\log n)^2 = o(1)$, the desired upper bound on FDR follows immediately. \square

S3 Appendix C: proof of lemmas

Proof of Lemma 1. First, simple algebra yields that

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_i &= -\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i^2} \right] = -\sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right], \text{ for } i \in [n], \\
 u_{n+j} &= -\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j^2} \right] = -\sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^n \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right], \text{ for } j \in [n].
 \end{aligned} \tag{S3.13}$$

It is shown that $\mathbb{E} \left[-\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right] = \frac{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j})^2} \left[2 - \frac{(1 - \kappa_i) e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j}}{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j} + (1 - \kappa_i)} - \frac{1 - \kappa_i}{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j} + \frac{1 - \kappa_i}{1 + \kappa_i}} \right]$

for any $i \neq j$. Also, we have $\max_{i,j} |\alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*| \leq 2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}$. It can be verified

that there exists a positive constant c such that

$$c^{-1} e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} \leq \frac{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j})^2} \left[2 - \frac{(1 - \kappa_i) e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j}}{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j} + (1 - \kappa_i)} - \frac{1 - \kappa_i}{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_j} + \frac{1 - \kappa_i}{1 + \kappa_i}} \right] \leq c$$

for any $1 \leq i, j \leq n$. It then follows from (S3.13) that $c^{-1} n e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} \leq$

$\min_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} u_i \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} u_i \leq cn$. Further, we have $c^{-1} e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_{\infty}} \leq \frac{(1 + \kappa_i) e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*})^2} \leq$

c for any $1 \leq i, j \leq n$, and then it follows from the definition of v_i that $c^{-1}ne^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \leq \min_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} v_i \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} v_i \leq cn$. Similarly, note that $c^{-1}e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \leq \frac{(1+\kappa_i)e^{\alpha_i^*+\beta_j^*+\kappa_i(1-\kappa_i)}}{(1+e^{\alpha_i^*+\beta_j^*})^2} \leq c$ for any $1 \leq i, j \leq n$, which implies that $c^{-1}ne^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \leq \min_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} w_i \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} w_i \leq cn$.

Let $\mathbf{M} = (m_{ij})_{n \times n}$ with $m_{ij} = \beta_j + \alpha_i$. As $l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$ depends on α_i and β_j only through m_{ij} , we may write $l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$ as $l(\mathbf{M}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$ with $\mathbf{M} = (m_{ij})_{i,j=1}^n$ without causing any confusion, and it holds that $\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} = \frac{\partial^2 l(\mathbf{M}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial m_{ij}^2}$. Next, it also follows from (S3.13) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} \right| \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_j} \right| \\ &= \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\mathbf{M}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial m_{ij}^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\mathbf{M}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial m_{ij}^2} \right| \lesssim \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n |m_{ij} - m_{ij}^*| \lesssim n \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty, \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality is due to the fact that there exists a constant $\epsilon > 0$ such that

$$\sup_{\boldsymbol{\theta}: \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty \leq \epsilon} \max_{i \neq j} \left| \frac{\partial^3 l(\mathbf{M}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial m_{ij}^3} \right| = O(1).$$

Similarly, we also have

$$\max_{n+1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} \right| \lesssim n \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty.$$

The proof is similarly for

$$n^{-1} \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} - \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i^2} \right| = O(\|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty),$$

which completes the proof of Lemma 1. \square

Proof of Lemma 2. Note that $|y_{ij}| \leq 1$ for any $i, j \in [n]$, and it can also be verified that $\mathbb{E} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i} = 0$ and $n^{-1} \left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \leq 2$ for any $i \in [2n]$. It then follows from Hoeffding's inequality that

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} |g_i - \mathbb{E} g_i| \geq \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \Pr \left(|g_i - \mathbb{E} g_i| \geq \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) \\ &\leq 4n \exp \left(-\frac{8(n-1) \log(n-1)}{4(n-1)} \right) = \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \geq \sqrt{16(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \Pr \left(\left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \geq \sqrt{16(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) \\ &\leq 4n \exp \left(-\frac{32(n-1) \log(n-1)}{16(n-1)} \right) = \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, (S1.2) holds since by (1), we have

$$\left| \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i} \right| - \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \right| \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i} - \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*)}{\partial \theta_i} \right| \lesssim n \|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty.$$

Also, there exists a positive constant c such that $|\mathcal{I}_{ij}| \leq c/2$ for any

$i, j \in [n]$. Again, by Hoeffding's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq 2n} \left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} + u_i \right| \geq c \sqrt{(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{2n} \Pr \left(\left| \frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \theta_i^2} + u_i \right| \geq c \sqrt{(n-1) \log(n-1)} \right) \\ &\leq 4n \exp \left(-\frac{2c^2(n-1) \log(n-1)}{c^2(n-1)} \right) = \frac{4n}{(n-1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2. \square

Proof of Lemma 3. The proof mainly follows from the results in Yan et al. (2016), except that we have $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ here which approximates true values

$\boldsymbol{\kappa}^*$. Note that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial F_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i} &= - \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n \frac{(1 + \kappa_i) e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_k^*}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_k^*})^2} = -v_i, \quad \text{for } i \in [n], \\ \frac{\partial F_{n+j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \beta_j} &= - \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^n \frac{(1 + \kappa_k) e^{\alpha_k^* + \beta_j^*}}{(1 + e^{\alpha_k^* + \beta_j^*})^2} = -v_{n+j}, \quad \text{for } j \in [n-1].\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 1, there exist positive constants c_1 and c_2 such that $-\partial F(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})/\partial \boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathcal{L}(c_1 e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty}, c_2)$, where $\mathcal{L}(c_1 e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty}, c_2)$ is defined as in Section 2.1 of Yan et al. (2016).

By Lemma 2, with probability at least $1 - 4n/(n-1)^2$, we have $\max \{ \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |d_i - \mathbb{E}d_i|, \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |b_j - \mathbb{E}b_j| \} \leq \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)}$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |F_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})| &\leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |g_i - \mathbb{E}g_i| + \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n \frac{|\kappa_i - \kappa_i^*|}{1 + e^{\alpha_i^* + \beta_k^*}} \\ &\leq \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)} + (n-1) \|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty \\ &= [1 + o(1)] \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)}.\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, $\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |F_{n+j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})| \leq [1 + o(1)] \sqrt{4(n-1) \log(n-1)}$. According to Theorem 7 in Yan et al. (2016) with $m = c_1 e^{-2\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty}$, $M = c_2$, $K_1 = (1 + \kappa)(n-1)$, $K_2 = \frac{(1+\kappa)(n-1)}{2}$, $\rho \asymp e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty}$ and $r \lesssim e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\log n/n}$, it holds that with probability approaching 1, $F(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) = 0$ has a solution $\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$, and it satisfies

$$\|\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty \leq \frac{r}{1 - \rho r} \leq 2r \lesssim e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}.$$

Next, we prove the uniqueness of $\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ by contradiction. If there exists $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \neq \check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ such that $F(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) = \mathbf{0}$, we define $h(t) = (t\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + (1-t)\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}})^\top F(t\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + (1-t)\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})$,

and

$$h'(t) = (\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \check{\boldsymbol{\theta}})^\top \left[\frac{\partial F(t\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + (1-t)\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}} \right] (\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}).$$

Since $-\partial F(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})/\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}$ is a diagonally dominant matrix with positive diagonals (Yan et al., 2016), it implies that $-\partial F(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa})/\partial \boldsymbol{\theta}$ is a positive definite matrix, and thus $h'(t) < 0$ for any $t \in [0, 1]$. This contradicts with the fact that $h(0) = h(1) = 0$, and the uniqueness of $\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ then follows immediately. \square

Proof of Lemma 4. Let $\mathbf{h} = -F(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) - F'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})(\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*)$ and $\mathbf{g} = (g_1, \dots, g_{2n-1})^\top$. Further denote

$$\mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) = (g_1(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}), \dots, g_{2n-1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}))^\top,$$

where $g_i(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) = \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n \frac{e^{\alpha_i + \beta_k - \kappa_i}}{1 + \alpha_i + \beta_k}$ and $g_{n+j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) = \sum_{k=1, k \neq j}^n \frac{e^{\alpha_k + \beta_j - \kappa_k}}{1 + \alpha_k + \beta_j}$ for $i, j \in [n]$. Note that $\mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*) = \mathbb{E}\mathbf{g}$. Then,

$$\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^* = -[F'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})]^{-1}(\mathbf{g} - \mathbb{E}\mathbf{g}) - [F'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})]^{-1}(\mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*) - \mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})) - [F'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})]^{-1}\mathbf{h}.$$

By Lemma 3, and Lemmas 8, 9 of Yan et al. (2016), we have $\|[F'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})]^{-1}\mathbf{h}\|_\infty \lesssim e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \|\check{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty^2 \lesssim_P e^{18\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$. Similarly, we have $\|[F'(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})]^{-1}(\mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*) - \mathbf{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa}))\|_\infty \lesssim e^{6\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty \lesssim e^{18\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$. The desired results follows immediately. \square

Proof of Lemma 5. Note that for any $l \in [n-1]$,

$$u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{nv_{n+l}^{-1}} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l})$$

is a sub-Gaussian random variable with zero mean and by Lemma 1,

$$\max_{1 \leq l \leq n-1} \text{var} \left\{ u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l}) \right\} \leq \frac{c_1 e^{8\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty}}{n^2},$$

where c_1 is a constant. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l}) \right| \leq c_2 e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \right) \\ & \geq 1 - n \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \Pr \left(\left| \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l}) \right| \leq c_2 e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \right) \\ & \geq 1 - 2n \exp \left(-\frac{c_2^2 \log n}{2c_1} \right) = 1 - \frac{2}{n}, \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality is due to Hoeffding's inequality, and the last equality holds with $c_2 = 2\sqrt{c_1}$. Similarly, we can establish the bound for

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_j} \right] \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E} g_k) \right|,$$

and thus we complete the proof of (S1.5).

For (S1.6), note that for any $l \in [n-1]$,

$$u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l \setminus i} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l \setminus i})$$

is also a sub-Gaussian random variable with zero mean and by Lemma 1,

$$\max_{1 \leq l \leq n-1} \text{var} \left\{ u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l \setminus i} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l \setminus i}) \right\} \leq \frac{c_1 e^{8\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty}}{n^2},$$

where c_1 is a constant. The rest of the proof is similar to that of (S1.5). \square

Proof of Lemma 6. By Lemma 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} (\check{\beta}_l - \beta_l^*) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} [v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) + v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) + \epsilon_i] \\
&\quad + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} [v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) - v_{2n}^{-1} (b_n - \mathbb{E}b_n) + \epsilon_{n+l}] \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) \\
&\quad + u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) + \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} \epsilon_i \\
&\quad + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} \epsilon_{n+l} \\
&=: \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) + r_i.
\end{aligned}$$

By (S1.5) in Lemma 5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) \right| \lesssim_P e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}; \\
& \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) \right| \lesssim_P e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}},
\end{aligned}$$

and it follows from Lemmas 1, 2 and 4 that for any $i \in [n]$,

$$|r_i| \lesssim_P e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n / \sqrt{n} + e^{8\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{n} \|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty \lesssim e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n / \sqrt{n}.$$

Therefore, it holds true that

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_i \partial \beta_l} \right] \sqrt{n} (\check{\beta}_l - \beta_l^*) \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Similarly, we can also show that

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \left\{ u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_j} \right] - u_{2n}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{\partial^2 l(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*; \boldsymbol{\kappa})}{\partial \alpha_k \partial \beta_n} \right] \right\} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 6. \square

Proof of Lemma 7. By Lemma 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} (\tilde{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} (\tilde{\beta}_l - \beta_l^*) \\
= & \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} [v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) + v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) + \epsilon_i] \\
& + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} [v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) - v_{2n}^{-1} (b_n - \mathbb{E}b_n) + \epsilon_{n+l}] \\
= & \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_k - \mathbb{E}g_k) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l}) \\
& + u_{2n}^{-1} \sqrt{n} v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) \sum_{k=1}^n \mathcal{I}_{kn} - u_i^{-1} \sqrt{n} v_{2n}^{-1} (b_n - \mathbb{E}b_n) \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \\
& + \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} \epsilon_i + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} \epsilon_{n+l} \\
= & \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_{k \setminus n} - \mathbb{E}g_{k \setminus n}) + \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (y_{kn} - \mathbb{E}y_{kn}) \\
& + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l \setminus i} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l \setminus i}) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (y_{il} - \mathbb{E}y_{il}) \\
& + \sqrt{n} v_{2n}^{-1} (g_{2n} - \mathbb{E}g_{2n}) \frac{u_{2n} - u_{2n}}{u_{2n}} - \sqrt{n} v_{2n}^{-1} (b_n - \mathbb{E}b_n) \frac{u_i - u_i}{u_i} + \sqrt{n} v_{2n}^{-1} (b_n - \mathbb{E}b_n) \frac{\mathcal{I}_{in}}{u_i} \\
& + \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} \epsilon_i + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} \epsilon_{n+l} \\
= & \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_{k \setminus n} - \mathbb{E}g_{k \setminus n}) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l \setminus i} - \mathbb{E}g_{n+l \setminus i}) + s_i.
\end{aligned}$$

By (S1.6) in Lemma 5, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} v_k^{-1} (g_{k \setminus n} - \mathbb{E} g_{k \setminus n}) \right| &\lesssim_P e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}; \\ \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} v_{n+l}^{-1} (g_{n+l \setminus i} - \mathbb{E} g_{n+l \setminus i}) \right| &\lesssim_P e^{4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}, \end{aligned}$$

and it follows from Lemmas 1, 2 and 4 that

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |s_i| \lesssim_P e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n / \sqrt{n} + e^{8\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \sqrt{n} \|\boldsymbol{\kappa} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^*\|_\infty \lesssim e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n / \sqrt{n}.$$

Therefore, it holds true that

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn} \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) + \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} u_i^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{il} \sqrt{n} (\check{\beta}_l - \beta_l^*) \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

Similarly, we can also show that

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n-1} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n \sqrt{n} (\check{\alpha}_k - \alpha_k^*) \{u_{n+j}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kj} - u_{2n}^{-1} \mathcal{I}_{kn}\} \right| \lesssim_P \frac{e^{20\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 7. \square

Appendix D: estimation of $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$ and asymptotics

Define $\mathcal{I}_1^* = \{i \in [n] : \kappa_i = \kappa_{01}\}$ and $n_1^* = |\mathcal{I}_1^*|$. We develop a selection procedure to determine the pattern of each node in sending negative edges.

Specifically, for each $i \in [n]$, we calculate $\zeta_i = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^n 1_{\{y_{ik} = -1\}}$, and define $\mathcal{I}_1 = \{i \in [n] : \zeta_i > \xi_n\}$, where ξ_n is a pre-specified threshold.

Further, let $\kappa_i = \kappa$ if $i \in \mathcal{I}_1$, where κ is the unknown parameter we are

going to estimate, and $\kappa_i = \log n/n$ if otherwise. Without loss of generality, we assume $\mathcal{I}_1 = [n_1]$ and define $\boldsymbol{\theta}_1 = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n_1}, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{n_1-1})^\top$. Then, the log likelihood based on the subnetwork with n_1 nodes takes the form

$$l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \boldsymbol{\kappa}) = \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} l_{ij}(\alpha_i + \beta_j; \boldsymbol{\kappa}).$$

To estimate $\boldsymbol{\kappa}$, we consider the following restricted MLE

$$(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_1, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}) = \arg \min_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\kappa} \in [\gamma_n, 1-\gamma_n]}} l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \boldsymbol{\kappa}),$$

where $\tau \geq 1/40$ and $\gamma_n \in (0, 1/2)$. Given $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}$, we let $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\kappa}} = (\tilde{\kappa}_1, \dots, \tilde{\kappa}_n)$, where $\tilde{\kappa}_i = \tilde{\kappa}$ if $i \in \mathcal{I}_1$ and $\tilde{\kappa}_i = \log n/n$ if otherwise.

Lemma 8. *Suppose $\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty \leq c \log n$ with $0 < c < 1/40$, $\kappa_{00} \lesssim e^{12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n/n$ and $\kappa_{01} \in (\gamma_n, 1 - \gamma_n)$. Choose ξ_n such that $\sqrt{\log n/n} \ll \xi_n \ll \gamma_n n^{-\frac{1}{10}}$. Then, $\Pr(\mathcal{I}_1 = \mathcal{I}_1^*) \rightarrow 1$ as n grows to infinity.*

Proof of Lemma 8. By Hoeffding's inequality,

$$\max_{i \in [n]} |\zeta_i - \mathbb{E}\zeta_i| \lesssim_P \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}},$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{i \in \mathcal{I}_1^*} |\zeta_i| &\gtrsim_P \min_{i \in \mathcal{I}_1^*} |\mathbb{E}\zeta_i| - \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \gtrsim \gamma_n e^{-4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} - \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \gtrsim \gamma_n n^{-\frac{1}{10}}, \\ \max_{i \in [n] \setminus \mathcal{I}_1^*} |\zeta_i| &\lesssim_P \max_{i \in [n] \setminus \mathcal{I}_1^*} |\mathbb{E}\zeta_i| + \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \lesssim \frac{e^{12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}^*\|_\infty} \log n}{n} + \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}} \lesssim \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof. \square

Let $p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)$ represent the distribution of y_{ij} under parameters $(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)$ and $p_{ij} = p_{ij}(\alpha_i^*, \beta_j^*, \kappa_{01})$. Define the KL-divergence of p_{ij} from $p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)$ as

$$D_{KL}(p_{ij} || p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)) = \sum_{y \in \{-1, 0, 1\}} p(y | \alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*, \kappa_{01}) \log \frac{p(y | \alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*, \kappa_{01})}{p(y | \alpha_i + \beta_j, \kappa)}.$$

For any $\rho > 0$, define $B_n(\rho) = \{\kappa : |\kappa - \kappa_{01}| < \rho\}$ and $B_n^c(\rho) = [\gamma_n, 1 - \gamma_n] \setminus B_n(\rho)$.

Lemma 9. *Under the same conditions of Lemma 8, suppose*

$$\min_{\substack{\|\theta_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in B_n^c(\rho)}} \frac{1}{n_1(n_1 - 1)} \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} D_{KL}(p_{ij} || p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)) \gtrsim \rho e^{-12\|\theta_1^*\|_\infty}, \quad (\text{S3.14})$$

then we have $|\tilde{\kappa} - \kappa_{01}| \lesssim_P e^{12\|\theta_1^*\|_\infty} \log n_1 / n_1$.

Proof of Lemma 9. The proof is similar to the proof of Theorem 2 in Yan et al. (2019), and thus we only show the main steps and different parts. We have

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta_1; \kappa) - \mathbb{E}l(\theta_1; \kappa) &= \sum_{i \neq j}^{n_1} \{1_{\{y_{ij}=1\}} - \mathbb{E}1_{\{y_{ij}=1\}}\} \log p(1 | \alpha_i + \beta_j, \kappa) \\ &+ \{1_{\{y_{ij}=0\}} - \mathbb{E}1_{\{y_{ij}=0\}}\} \log p(0 | \alpha_i + \beta_j, \kappa) + \{1_{\{y_{ij}=-1\}} - \mathbb{E}1_{\{y_{ij}=-1\}}\} \log p(-1 | \alpha_i + \beta_j, \kappa). \end{aligned}$$

Note that there exists a constant c such that

$$\max_{\substack{\|\theta_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in [\gamma_n, 1 - \gamma_n]}} \max_{\substack{y \in \{-1, 0, 1\} \\ i \neq j}} |\log p(y | \alpha_i + \beta_j, \kappa)| \leq c \log n_1.$$

Then, by Hoeffding's equality, there exists a possibly different constant c_1 such that

$$\max_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in [\gamma_n, 1 - \gamma_n]}} \frac{1}{n_1(n_1 - 1)} |l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa) - \mathbb{E}l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa)| <_P c_1 \log n_1 \sqrt{\frac{\log n_1(n_1 - 1)}{n_1(n_1 - 1)}} < c_1 \frac{\log n_1}{n_1}, \quad (\text{S3.15})$$

where c_1 may take different values. For any $\rho > 0$, define

$$\epsilon_n(\rho) = \frac{1}{n_1(n_1 - 1)} \left\{ \max_{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1} \mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa_{01})] - \max_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in B_n^c(\rho)}} \mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa)] \right\},$$

and $\rho_n = \inf \{\rho > 0 : \epsilon_n(\rho) > 2c_1 \log n_1/n_1\}$. Similar as proof of Theorem 2 in Yan et al. (2019), (S3.15) implies

$$\max_{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1} \frac{1}{n_1(n_1 - 1)} \mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \tilde{\kappa})] > \max_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in B_n^c(\rho_n)}} \frac{1}{n_1(n_1 - 1)} \mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa)],$$

which further leads that $\tilde{\kappa} \in B_n(\rho_n)$.

Note that

$$\mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \kappa)] = - \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} D_{KL}(p_{ij} || p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)) + \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} S(p_{ij}),$$

where $D_{KL}(p_{ij} || p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa))$ is the KL-divergence of p_{ij} from $p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)$ as defined earlier, and

$$S(p_{ij}) = \sum_{y \in \{-1, 0, 1\}} p(y | \alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*, \kappa_{01}) \log p(y | \alpha_i^* + \beta_j^*, \kappa_{01}).$$

Then by (S3.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \max_{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1} \mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa_{01})] - \max_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in B_n^c(\rho)}} \mathbb{E}[l(\boldsymbol{\theta}_1; \kappa)] \\
&= - \min_{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1} \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} D_{KL}(p_{ij} \| p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa_{01})) + \min_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in B_n^c(\rho)}} \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} D_{KL}(p_{ij} \| p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)) \\
&= \min_{\substack{\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1\|_\infty \leq \tau \log n_1 \\ \kappa \in B_n^c(\rho)}} \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^{n_1} D_{KL}(p_{ij} \| p_{ij}(\alpha_i, \beta_j, \kappa)) \gtrsim \rho n_1 (n_1 - 1) e^{-12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1^*\|_\infty} > 0,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that $\epsilon_n(\rho) \gtrsim e^{-12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1^*\|_\infty}$. Since $\epsilon_n(\rho)$ is continuous, we get

$2c_1 \log n_1 / n_1 = \epsilon_n(\rho_n) \gtrsim \rho e^{-12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1^*\|_\infty}$, which leads that $\rho_n \lesssim e^{12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1^*\|_\infty} \log n_1 / n_1$.

Therefore, $|\tilde{\kappa} - \kappa_{01}| \lesssim_P e^{12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1^*\|_\infty} \log n_1 / n_1$. \square

Based on Lemmas 8 and 9, we have the following proposition specifying the convergence rate of $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\kappa}}$, which satisfy the requirement in Theorem ??.

Proposition 1. *Under the same conditions of Lemma 9, suppose $n_1^* \gtrsim n$.*

Then, we have $\|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\kappa}} - \boldsymbol{\kappa}^\|_\infty \lesssim_P e^{12\|\boldsymbol{\theta}_1^*\|_\infty} \log n / n$.*

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