

**Web Appendix of
On Varying-coefficient Independence Screening for High-dimensional
Varying-coefficient Models**

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Summary

This web appendix contains two parts. In the first part, we provide the proofs of all the theoretical results in the main paper. In the second part, we provide figures for the real data analysis in Section 5.

1. Proofs

Proof of Lemma 1.

By the property of the least-squares, $E(Y(T) - \tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T))\tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T) = 0$ and $E(Y(T) - \beta_{l0}(T)X_l(T))\tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T) = 0$, where T is the random observation time with distribution $F_T(\cdot)$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & E\tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T)(\beta_{l0}(T)X_l(T) - \tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T)) \\ &= E(Y(T) - \tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T))\tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T) - E(Y(T) - \beta_{l0}(T)X_l(T))\tilde{\beta}_l(T)X_l(T) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from this and the orthogonal decomposition $\beta_{l0}(T) = \tilde{\beta}_l(T) + (\beta_{l0}(T) - \tilde{\beta}_l(T))$ that

$$E\tilde{\beta}_l(T)^2 = E\beta_{l0}(T)^2 - E(\beta_{l0}(T) - \tilde{\beta}_l(T))^2.$$

By Conditions A, C and definition of ρ_n ,

$$\begin{aligned} E\beta_{l0}(T)^2 &\geq M_1 \int_{\mathcal{T}} \beta_{l0}(t)^2 dt \geq M_1 L_1 c_1 n^{-2\kappa}, \\ E(\beta_{l0}(T) - \tilde{\beta}_l(T))^2 &\leq M_2 \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\beta_{l0}(t) - \tilde{\beta}_l(t))^2 dt \leq M_2 L_2 \rho_n^2. \end{aligned}$$

The desired result follows from Triangle inequality. \square

For functions $g_l^{(1)}(t)$ and $g_l^{(2)}(t)$, define the following inner product

$$\langle g_l^{(1)}, g_l^{(2)} \rangle_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i w_i \sum_j \left(X_{li}(t_{ij}) g_l^{(1)}(t_{ij}) \right) \left(X_{li}(t_{ij}) g_l^{(2)}(t_{ij}) \right).$$

Its population version is

$$\langle g_l^{(1)}, g_l^{(2)} \rangle = E \langle g_l^{(1)}, g_l^{(2)} \rangle_n = E \left(X_{li}(T) g_l^{(1)}(T) \right) \left(X_{li}(T) g_l^{(2)}(T) \right),$$

where T is the random observation time with distribution $F_T(\cdot)$. We denote the corresponding norms by $\|\cdot\|_n$ and $\|\cdot\|$. Let $\mathbf{g}\boldsymbol{\gamma} = \sum_k \gamma_{lk} B_{lk}$, note that $\boldsymbol{\gamma}'(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l / n) \boldsymbol{\gamma} = \|\mathbf{g}\boldsymbol{\gamma}\|_n^2$.

The following result from Huang, Wu and Zhou (2004) will be used.

Lemma 2. (Lemma A.2 in Huang, Wu and Zhou (2004)) Let \mathbb{G} denote the collection of vectors of functions $\mathbf{g} = (g_1, \dots, g_p)'$ with $g_l \in \mathbb{G}_l$, then for $s > 0$,

there exist positive constants C_1, C_2 such that

$$P\left(\sup_{\mathbf{g}_1, \mathbf{g}_2 \in \mathbb{G}} \frac{|\langle \mathbf{g}_1, \mathbf{g}_2 \rangle_n - \langle \mathbf{g}_1, \mathbf{g}_2 \rangle|}{\|\mathbf{g}_1\| \|\mathbf{g}_2\|} > s\right) \leq C_1 K_m^2 \exp\left(-C_2 \frac{n}{K_m} \frac{s^2}{1+s}\right).$$

Lemma 3. Under Conditions A and B, for $s > 0$, there exist constants C_1 and C_2 such that

$$P\left(\frac{|\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l) - \lambda_{\min}(E \mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)|}{\lambda_{\max}(E \mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)} > s\right) \leq C_1 K_l^2 \exp\left(-C_2 \frac{n}{K_l} \frac{s^2}{1+s}\right). \quad (1.1)$$

More over, there exists some positive constants c_4 and c_5 such that

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left\{\left|\lambda_{\max}((\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)^{-1}) - \lambda_{\max}(E \mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)^{-1}\right| \geq \lambda_{\max}(E \mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)^{-1}\right\} \\ & \leq c_5 K_l^2 \exp\left(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

Proof of Lemma 3. For $g_1 = \sum_k g_{1k} B_{1k}(t)$ and $g_2 = \sum_k g_{2k} B_{2k}(t) \in \mathcal{G}_l$, by Lemma 2, for $s > 0$,

$$P\left(\sup_{g_1, g_2 \in \mathcal{G}_l} \frac{|\langle g_1, g_2 \rangle_n - \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle|}{\|g_1\| \|g_2\|} > s\right) \leq C_1 K_l^2 \exp\left(-C_2 \frac{n}{K_l} \frac{s^2}{1+s}\right). \quad (1.3)$$

Since for any $g \in \mathcal{G}_l$,

$$\frac{|\|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2|}{\|g\|^2} \geq \frac{|\|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2|}{\sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \|g\|^2},$$

we have

$$\sup_{g_1, g_2 \in \mathcal{G}_l} \frac{|\langle g_1, g_2 \rangle_n - \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle|}{\|g_1\| \|g_2\|} \geq \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \frac{|\langle g, g \rangle_n - \langle g, g \rangle|}{\|g\| \|g\|} \geq \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \frac{|\|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2|}{\sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \|g\|^2}. \quad (1.4)$$

Since for any $g \in \mathcal{G}_l$,

$$\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2) \leq \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2) - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2).$$

By switching the roles of $\|g\|_n^2$ and $\|g\|^2$, we also have

$$\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2 - \|g\|_n^2) \leq \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2) - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2).$$

In other words,

$$\left| \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2) - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2) \right| \leq \max\{|\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2)|, |\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2 - \|g\|_n^2)|\}. \quad (1.5)$$

The right-hand-side of (1.5) is further bounded from above as

$$\max\{|\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2)|, |\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2 - \|g\|_n^2)|\} \leq \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \left| \|g\|_n^2 - \|g\|^2 \right|. \quad (1.6)$$

It follows from (1.4)–(1.6) that

$$\sup_{g_1, g_2 \in \mathcal{G}_l} \frac{|\langle g_1, g_2 \rangle_n - \langle g_1, g_2 \rangle|}{\|g_1\| \|g_2\|} \geq \frac{|\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2) - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2)|}{\sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \|g\|^2}. \quad (1.7)$$

For $g \in \mathcal{G}_l$, by the property of B-splines in de Boor (1978), there exist positive constants E_1, E_2 such that

$$\frac{E_1}{K_l} \sum_k \gamma_{lk}^2 \leq \int_T \left(\sum_k \gamma_{lk} B_{lk}(t) \right)^2 dt \leq \frac{E_2}{K_l} \sum_k \gamma_{lk}^2, \quad \gamma_{lk} \in \mathbb{R}, \quad k = 1, \dots, K_l.$$

Hence by Condition A, there exist positive D_1 and D_2 such that

$$D_1/K_l \leq \lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n) \leq \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \|g\|^2 = \lambda_{\max}(E\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n) \leq D_2/K_l. \quad (1.8)$$

Since $\|g\|_n^2 = \gamma'(\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n)\gamma$,

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2) &= \min_{\gamma} \gamma'(\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n)\gamma = \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n), \text{ and} \\ \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2) &= \min_{\gamma} \gamma'(E\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n)\gamma = \lambda_{\min}E(\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n), \end{aligned}$$

the right-hand-side of (1.7) can be expressed as

$$\frac{|\inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|_n^2) - \inf_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} (\|g\|^2)|}{\sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}_l} \|g\|^2} = \frac{|\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n) - \lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n)|}{\lambda_{\max}(E\mathbf{U}'_l\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l/n)}. \quad (1.9)$$

Now it follows from (1.9) and (1.3) that for $s > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(\frac{\left|\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l/n) - \lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l/n)\right|}{\lambda_{\max}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l/n)} > s\right) \\ & \leq C_1 K_l^2 \exp\left(-C_2 \frac{n}{K_l} \frac{s^2}{1+s}\right) \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

To prove the second inequality, letting $s = 1/2D_1 D_2^{-1}$ in (1.10), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(\left|\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l) - \lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)\right| > 1/2D_1 K_l^{-1}\right) \\ & \leq C_1 K_l^2 \exp\left(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.11)$$

for some positive constant c_4 . By (1.8), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & P(|\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l/n) - \lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l/n)| \geq 1/2\lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l/n)) \\ & \leq C_1 K_l^2 \exp\left(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.12)$$

for some positive constants C_1 and c_4 .

The second part of the lemma thus follows from the fact that $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{H})^{-1} = \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{H}^{-1})$, if we establish that

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(\left|\left\{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)\right\}^{-1} - \left\{\lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)\right\}^{-1}\right| \geq \left\{\lambda_{\min}(E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)\right\}^{-1}\right) \\ & \leq C_1 K_m^2 \exp\left(-c_4 n K_m^{-1}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.13)$$

by using (1.12). A similar argument in Lemma 5 of Fan et al. (2011) applies hence we omit the details. The desired result follows by letting $c_5 = C_1$. \square

Lemma 4. Under Conditions A, B, D and E, for any $\delta > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - E\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\|^2 \geq K_l \delta^2) \\ & \leq 4K_l \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7 N^2 \omega^2 n K_l^{-1} + c_8 N \omega \delta)), \end{aligned} \quad (1.14)$$

for some positive constants c_7 and c_8 .

Proof of Lemma 4. Recall that $\mathbf{U}_{li} = (\mathbf{U}_{li1}, \dots, \mathbf{U}_{lin_i})'$, $\mathbf{W}_{li} = w_i I_{n_i}$ and $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i = (\varepsilon_{i1}, \dots, \varepsilon_{in_i})'$. $\tilde{Y}_{ij} = \mathbf{X}_i(t_{ij})' \boldsymbol{\alpha}(t_{ij})$, $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_i = (\tilde{Y}_{i1}, \dots, \tilde{Y}_{in_i})'$, $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} = (\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_n)'$.

We have

$$\mathbf{U}'_l \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} = \sum_i \mathbf{U}'_{li} \mathbf{W}_{li} \mathbf{Y}_i = \sum_i (\mathbf{U}'_{li} \mathbf{W}_{li} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_i + \mathbf{U}'_{li} \mathbf{W}_{li} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_i).$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{U}'_{li} \mathbf{W}_{li} \mathbf{Y}_i &= w_i \sum_j \mathbf{U}_{lij} Y_{ij} = w_i \sum_j X_{lij} Y_{ij} (B_{l1}(t_{ij}), \dots, B_{lK_l}(t_{ij}))', \text{ and} \\ \sum_i \mathbf{U}'_{li} \mathbf{W}_{li} \mathbf{Y}_i &= \left(\sum_i w_i \sum_j X_{lij} Y_{ij} B_{l1}(t_{ij}), \dots, \sum_i w_i \sum_j X_{lij} Y_{ij} B_{lK_l}(t_{ij}) \right)'. \end{aligned}$$

Let $T_{lkij} = B_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} Y_{ij} - EB_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} Y_{ij}$. Hence

$$\mathbf{U}'_l \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - E \mathbf{U}'_l \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} = \left(\sum_i w_i \sum_j T_{l1ij}, \dots, \sum_i w_i \sum_j T_{lK_l ij} \right)'. \quad (1.15)$$

Since $Y_{ij} = \tilde{Y}_{ij} + \epsilon_{ij}$, we can write $T_{lkij} = T_{lkij1} + T_{lkij2}$, where

$$T_{lkij1} = B_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} \tilde{Y}_{ij} - EB_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} \tilde{Y}_{ij},$$

and $T_{lkij2} = B_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} \epsilon_{ij}$.

By Properties of B-splines in de Boor (1978), $B_{lk}(t) \geq 0$, $\sum_{k=1}^{K_l} B_{lk}(t) = 1$. $EB_{lk}(t_{ij}) \leq C_3 K_l^{-1}$ for some $C_3 > 0$. By Conditions A, B, E, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_j T_{lkij1} \right| &\leq 2n_i B_1 M_3, \\ \text{var} \left(\sum_j T_{lkij1} \right) &\leq n_i^2 EB_{lk}^2(t_{ij}) X_{lij}^2 \tilde{Y}_{ij}^2 \leq n_i^2 C_3 B_1^2 M_3^2 K_l^{-1}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.16)$$

By Bernstein's inequality, for any $\delta_1 > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} &P \left(\left| \sum_i w_i \sum_j T_{lkij1} \right| > \delta_1 \right) \\ &\leq 2 \exp \left(- \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta_1^2}{n N^2 w^2 C_3 M_3^2 B_1^2 K_l^{-1} + 2NwB_1M_3\delta_1/3} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (1.17)$$

where $w = \max_i w_i$ and $N = \max_i n_i$. Now we bound the tail of T_{lkij2} . Note

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{that for } k = 1, \dots, K_l, m \geq 2, E \left| \sum_j T_{lkij2} \right|^m = E \left| \sum_j X_{lij} \epsilon_{ij} B_{lk}(t_{ij}) \right|^m \\ & \leq \sum_{\substack{\{b_r\} \geq 0 \\ \sum_{r=1}^{n_i} b_r = m}} \binom{m}{b_1} \binom{m-b_1}{b_2} \dots \binom{m-\sum_{r=1}^{n_i-2} b_r}{b_{n_i-1}} E \left| T_{lki12} \right|^{b_1} \dots E \left| T_{lkin_i2} \right|^{b_{n_i}}. \end{aligned}$$

By Condition E, for any $b_r \geq 1, r = 1, \dots, n_i, \sum_{r=1}^{n_i} b_r = m \geq 2,$

$$\begin{aligned} E \left| T_{lki r 2} \right|^{b_r} &= E \left| X_{lir} \epsilon_{ir} B_{lk}(t_{ir}) \right|^{b_r} \leq E \left(\left| X_{lir}^{b_r} B_{lk}(t_{ir})^{b_r} \right| E(|\epsilon_{ir}|^{b_r} | X_{lir}) \right) \\ &\leq b_r! B_2^{-b_r} C_3 E \exp(B_2 |\epsilon_i| | \mathbf{X}_i) M_3^{b_r} K_l^{-1} \leq B_3 C_3 b_r! B_2^{-b_r} M_3^{b_r} K_l^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $E \left| w_i \sum_j X_{lij} \epsilon_{ij} B_{lk}(t_{ij}) \right|^m \leq m! w_i^m n_i^m B_4 K_l^{-1} B_2^{-m} M_3^m,$ for some constant $B_4 > 0.$

By Bernstein's inequality, for any $\delta_2 > 0,$

$$\begin{aligned} & P \left(\left| \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \sum_j X_{lij} \epsilon_{ij} B_{lk}(t_{ij}) \right| > \delta_2 \right) \\ & \leq 2 \exp \left(- \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta_2^2}{2n\omega^2 N^2 B_2^{-2} M_3^2 B_4 K_l^{-1} + \omega N B_2^{-1} M_3 \delta_2} \right). \quad (1.18) \end{aligned}$$

Combining (1.17) and (1.18), taking $c_7 = \max(C_3 M_3^2 B_1^2, 2B_2^{-2} M_3^2 B_4)$ and $c_8 = \max(2/3B_1 M_3, B_2^{-1} M_3),$

$$P \left(\left| \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \sum_j T_{lkij} \right| > \delta \right) \leq 4 \exp \left(- \frac{1}{2} \frac{\delta^2}{c_7 N^2 \omega^2 n K_l^{-1} + c_8 N \omega \delta} \right). \quad (1.19)$$

The desired result now follows from the union bound of probability,

$$P(\|U_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - E U_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\|^2 \geq K_l \delta^2) \leq 4K_l \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7 N^2 \omega^2 n K_l^{-1} + c_8 N \omega \delta)).$$

□

Throughout the rest of the proof, for any matrix $\mathbf{A},$ let $\|\mathbf{A}\| = \sqrt{\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})}$ be the operator norm and $\|\mathbf{A}\|_{\infty} = \max_{i,j} |A_{ij}|$ be the infinity norm. The next lemma is about the tail probability of the eigenvalues of the design matrix.

LEMMA 5. Under Conditions A, B, D and E, for any $\delta > 0$,

$$P\left(\left|\|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2\right| \geq c_2 K_l n^{-2\kappa}\right) \leq (8K_l + 2K_l^2) \exp(-c_3 N^{-2} \omega^{-2} n^{1-4\kappa} K_l^{-3}) + 6K_l^2 \exp(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}).$$

Proof of Lemma 5. Recall that

$$\tilde{\gamma}_l = \left(EU_l' \mathbf{W} U_l\right)^{-1} EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}, \text{ and } \tilde{\beta}_l(t) = \mathbf{B}_l(t)' \tilde{\gamma}_l.$$

Let $\mathbf{a}_n = \mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}$, $\mathbf{B}_n = (\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2}$, $\mathbf{a} = EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}$ and $\mathbf{B} = (EU_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2}$. By some algebra,

$$\mathbf{a}_n' \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{a}_n - \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{B} \mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{a}_n - \mathbf{a})' \mathbf{B}_n (\mathbf{a}_n - \mathbf{a}) + 2(\mathbf{a}_n - \mathbf{a})' \mathbf{B}_n \mathbf{a} + \mathbf{a}_n' (\mathbf{B}_n - \mathbf{B}) \mathbf{a},$$

we have

$$\|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 = S_1 + S_2 + S_3, \quad (1.20)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \left(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\right)' (\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2} \left(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\right), \\ S_2 &= 2 \left(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\right)' (\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2} EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}, \\ S_3 &= (EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y})' \left((\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2} - (EU_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2}\right) EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$S_1 \leq \lambda_{\max}((\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-2}) \cdot \|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\|^2. \quad (1.21)$$

By Lemma 4,

$$P(\|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y} - EU_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{Y}\|^2 \geq K_l \delta^2) \leq 4K_l \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7 N^2 \omega^2 n K_l^{-1} + c_8 N \omega \delta)).$$

Recall the result in Lemma 3 that,

$$\begin{aligned} &P\left\{\left|\lambda_{\max}((\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-1}) - \lambda_{\max}((EU_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-1})\right| \geq \lambda_{\max}((EU_l' \mathbf{W} U_l)^{-1})\right\} \\ &\leq C_1 K_m^2 \exp(-c_4 n K_m^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Since by the property of B-spline in de Boor (1978),

$$\lambda_{\max}\left((E\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l)^{-2}\right) \leq n^{-2}D_1^{-2}K_m^2,$$

it follows that

$$P\left\{\lambda_{\max}\left((\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l)^{-2}\right) \geq 4D_1^{-2}K_l^2n^{-2}\right\} \leq C_1K_m^2 \exp\left(-c_4nK_m^{-1}\right). \quad (1.22)$$

Combining (1.21)–(1.22) and the union bound of probability, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & P(S_1 \geq 4n^{-2}D_1^{-2}K_m^3\delta^2) \\ & \leq 4K_l \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7N^2\omega^2nK_m^{-1} + c_8N\omega\delta)) \\ & \quad + C_1K_m^2 \exp\left(-c_4nK_m^{-1}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.23)$$

To bound S_2 , we note that

$$\begin{aligned} |S_2| & \leq 2\|\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y} - E\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y}\| \cdot \|(\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l)^{-2}E\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y}\| \\ & \leq 2\|\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y} - E\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y}\| \cdot \|(\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_l)^{-2}\| \cdot \|E\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y}\|. \end{aligned} \quad (1.24)$$

Since by Condition D,

$$\begin{aligned} \|E\mathbf{U}_l'\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y}\|^2 & = \sum_{k=1}^{K_l} \left(E \sum_i w_i \sum_j B_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} Y_{ij} \right)^2 \\ & = \sum_{k=1}^{K_l} \left(E \sum_i w_i \sum_j B_{lk}(t_{ij}) X_{lij} \tilde{Y}_{ij} \right)^2 \leq n^2 B_1^2 M_3^2 N^2 w^2 \sum_{k=1}^{K_l} E B_{lk}^2 \leq C_4 N^2 \omega^2 n^2, \end{aligned} \quad (1.25)$$

for some $C_4 > 0$, it follows from (1.14), (1.22), (1.24), (1.25) and the union bound of probability that

$$\begin{aligned} & P(|S_2| \geq 8D_1^{-2}C_4^{1/2}n^{-1}K_l^{5/2}\delta) \\ & \leq 4K_l \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7N^2\omega^2nK_l^{-1} + c_8N\omega\delta)) \\ & \quad + C_1K_l^2 \exp\left(-c_4nK_l^{-1}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (1.26)$$

Now we bound S_3 . Note that

$$S_3 = (EU_l' \mathbf{WY})' \left((\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^{-2} - (EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^{-2} \right) EU_l' \mathbf{WY}.$$

It can be further expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} S_3 &= (EU_l' \mathbf{WY})' (\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^{-2} \left((EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^2 - (\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^2 \right) \\ &\quad (EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^{-2} EU_l' \mathbf{WY}. \end{aligned} \quad (1.27)$$

By the fact that $\|\mathbf{AB}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| \cdot \|\mathbf{B}\|$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |S_3| &\leq \|(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^2 - (EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^2\| \cdot \|(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^{-2}\| \cdot \\ &\quad \|(EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^{-2}\| \cdot \|EU_l' \mathbf{WY}\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (1.28)$$

Since for any symmetric matrix $\|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\| + \|\mathbf{B}\|$, and $\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l$ is symmetric,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^2 - (EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)^2\| \quad (1.29) \\ &= \|(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l - EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l + EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l)\| \\ &\leq \|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l - EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l\|^2 + 2\|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l - EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l\| \cdot \|EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l\|. \end{aligned}$$

Since for K_l -dimensional square matrix \mathbf{D} , $\|\mathbf{D}\| \leq K_l \|\mathbf{D}\|_\infty$, we have

$$\|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l - EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l\| \leq K_l \|\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{WU}_l - EU_l' \mathbf{WU}_l\|_\infty. \quad (1.30)$$

We now use Bernstein's inequality to bound the right-hand side of (1.30).

Since $\|B_{lk}\|_\infty \leq 1$, we have that for $k, m \leq K_l$, $j \leq n_i$,

$$\text{var} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n_i} B_{lk}(t_{ij}) B_{lm}(t_{ij}) X_{lij}^2 \right) \leq n_i M_3^2 E B_{lk}^2(t_{ij}) B_{lm}^2(t_{ij}) \leq n_i M_3^2 E B_{lk}^2(t_{ij}) \leq N M_3^2 C_3 K_l^{-1}.$$

By Bernstein's inequality, for any $\delta > 0$,

$$P\left(\left|\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} X_{lij}^2 B_{lk}(t_{ij}) B_{lm}(t_{ij}) - E \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} X_{lij}^2 B_{lk}(t_{ij}) B_{lm}(t_{ij})\right| > \delta\right) \leq 2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\delta^2}{2(Nw^2 M_3^2 C_3 n K_l^{-1} + 2wNM_3^2 \delta/3)}\right\}. \quad (1.31)$$

By (1.29) and (1.31), we have

$$P\left(\|(\mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)^2 - (E \mathbf{U}_l' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{U}_l)^2\| > K_l^2 \delta^2 + 2D_2 n \delta\right) \leq 2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\delta^2}{2(Nw^2 M_3^2 C_3 n K_l^{-1} + 2wNM_3^2 \delta/3)}\right\}. \quad (1.32)$$

By (1.22), (1.25), (1.28), (1.30)-(1.32) and the union bound of probability, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & P(|S_3| \geq 8C_4 D_1^{-4} D_2 K_l^4 n^{-1} \delta + 4K_l^6 D_1^{-4} n^{-2} \delta^2) \\ & \leq 2K_l^2 \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7 N^2 \omega^2 n K_l^{-1} + c_8 N \omega \delta)) \\ & \quad + 2K_l^2 C_1 \exp(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}). \end{aligned} \quad (1.33)$$

It follows from (1.20), (1.23), (1.26), (1.33) and the union bound of probability that for some positive constants c_9 , c_{10} , c_{11} and c_{12} ,

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(\left|\|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2\right| \geq c_9 K_l^3 \delta^2/n^2 + c_{10} K_l^{5/2} \delta/n + c_{11} K_l^4 \delta/n + c_{12} K_l^6 \delta^2/n^2\right) \\ & \leq (8K_l + 2K_l^2) \exp(-\delta^2/2(c_7 N^2 \omega^2 n K_l^{-1} + c_8 N \omega \delta)) \\ & \quad + 6K_l^2 C_1 \exp(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}). \end{aligned} \quad (1.34)$$

In (1.34), let $c_9 K_l^3 \delta^2/n^2 + c_{10} K_l^{5/2} \delta/n + c_{11} K_l^4 \delta/n + c_{12} K_l^6 \delta^2/n^2 = c_2 K_l n^{-2\kappa}$ for any given $c_2 > 0$, i.e., taking $\delta = n^{1-2\kappa} K_l^{-2} c_2/c_{11}$, there exist some positive constants c_3 and c_4 such that

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(\left|\|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2\right| \geq c_2 K_l n^{-2\kappa}\right) \\ & \leq (8K_l + 2c_5 K_l^2) \exp(-c_3 n^{1-4\kappa} K_l^{-3}) + 6c_5 K_l^2 \exp(-c_4 n K_l^{-1}). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Theorem 1.

Note that $|\int_{\mathcal{T}} \hat{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt - \int_{\mathcal{T}} \tilde{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt| =$

$$\left| \hat{\gamma}_l' \int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbf{B}_l(t) \mathbf{B}_l(t)' dt \hat{\gamma}_l - \tilde{\gamma}_l' \int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbf{B}_l(t) \mathbf{B}_l(t)' dt \tilde{\gamma}_l \right| = \left| (\hat{\gamma}_l - \tilde{\gamma}_l)' \int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbf{B}_l(t) \mathbf{B}_l(t)' dt (\hat{\gamma}_l + \tilde{\gamma}_l) \right|.$$

Since by B-splines property, $\lambda_{\max}\{\int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbf{B}_l(t) \mathbf{B}_l(t)' dt\} \leq C_5 K_l^{-1}$ for some positive constant C_5 , the above can be bounded by

$$\leq \lambda_{\max}\left\{\int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathbf{B}_l(t) \mathbf{B}_l(t)' dt\right\} \left| (\hat{\gamma}_l - \tilde{\gamma}_l)' (\hat{\gamma}_l + \tilde{\gamma}_l) \right| = C_5 K_l^{-1} \left| \|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 \right|. \quad (1.35)$$

Therefore on the event

$$B_n \equiv \left\{ \max_{l \in \mathcal{M}_\star} \left| \|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 \right| \leq c_1 C_5^{-1} L_1 \xi K_m n^{-2\kappa} / 2 \right\},$$

we have

$$\max_{l \in \mathcal{M}_\star} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{T}|} \left| \int_{\mathcal{T}} \hat{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt - \int_{\mathcal{T}} \tilde{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt \right| \leq c_1 \xi n^{-2\kappa} / 2.$$

Meanwhile by Lemma 1, we have

$$\frac{1}{|\mathcal{T}|} \left| \int_{\mathcal{T}} \hat{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt \geq c_1 \xi n^{-2\kappa} / 2, \quad \text{for all } l \in \mathcal{M}_\star. \quad (1.36)$$

Hence, by the choice of ν_n , we have $\mathcal{M}_\star \subset \widehat{\mathcal{M}}_{\nu_n}$. Let $c_2 = c_1 C_5^{-1} L_1 \xi$, the result now follows from Lemma 5 and a simple union bound:

$$P(B_n^c) \leq s_n \left\{ (8K_m + 2c_5 K_m^2) \exp\left(-c_3 N^{-2} \omega^{-2} n^{1-4\kappa} K_m^{-1}\right) + 6c_5 K_m^2 \exp\left(-c_4 n K_m^{-1}\right) \right\}. \quad \square$$

Proof of Theorem 2.

The proof takes two steps. Let $\mathbf{U} = (\mathbf{U}_1, \dots, \mathbf{U}_p)'$. In the first step we show that

$$\|E\mathbf{U}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{Y}\|^2 = O(\lambda_{\max}(E\mathbf{U}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}')). \quad (1.37)$$

Define the joint regression coefficients in the population

$$\boldsymbol{\alpha}_n = \operatorname{argmin}_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} E(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{U}'\boldsymbol{\alpha})' \mathbf{W} (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{U}'\boldsymbol{\alpha}).$$

By the score equation of α_n , we get

$$EUW(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{U}'\alpha_n) = 0.$$

Hence, $\|EUW\mathbf{Y}\|^2 = \alpha_n' EUWU' EUWU' \alpha_n \leq \lambda_{\max}(\Sigma) \alpha_n' EUWU' \alpha_n$. It now follows from the orthogonal decomposition that

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{Y}) = \text{var}(\mathbf{U}'\alpha_n) + \text{var}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{U}'\alpha_n).$$

Since $\text{var}(\mathbf{Y}) = O(1)$, we conclude that $\text{var}(\mathbf{U}'\alpha_n) = O(1)$, i.e.

$$\alpha_n' EUWU' \alpha_n = O(1).$$

For the second step, by definition and the fact that $\|B_{lk}\|_\infty \leq 1$, we have

$$\sum_{l=1}^{p_n} \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 \leq \max_{1 \leq l \leq p_n} \lambda_{\max}\{(EU_l' \mathbf{W}U_l)^{-2}\} \|EUW\mathbf{Y}\|^2 = O(K_m^2 \lambda_{\max}(\Sigma)).$$

This implies that the number of $\{l : \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 > \varepsilon K_m n^{-2\kappa}\}$ can not exceed $O(n^{2\kappa} \lambda_{\max}(\Sigma))$ for any $\varepsilon > 0$. Since on the set

$$B_n = \left\{ \max_{1 \leq l \leq p_n} \left| \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 - \|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 \right| \leq \varepsilon K_m n^{-2\kappa} \right\},$$

the number of $\{l : \|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 > 2\varepsilon K_m n^{-2\kappa}\}$ can not exceed the number of $\{l : \|\tilde{\gamma}_l\|^2 > \varepsilon K_m n^{-2\kappa}\}$, which is bounded by $O\{n^{2\kappa} \lambda_{\max}(\Sigma)\}$. Moreover, on set B_n we have

$$\max_{l \in \mathcal{M}_*} \frac{1}{|\mathcal{T}|} \left| \int_{\mathcal{T}} \hat{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt - \int_{\mathcal{T}} \tilde{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt \right| \leq \varepsilon C_5 L_1^{-1} n^{-2\kappa}.$$

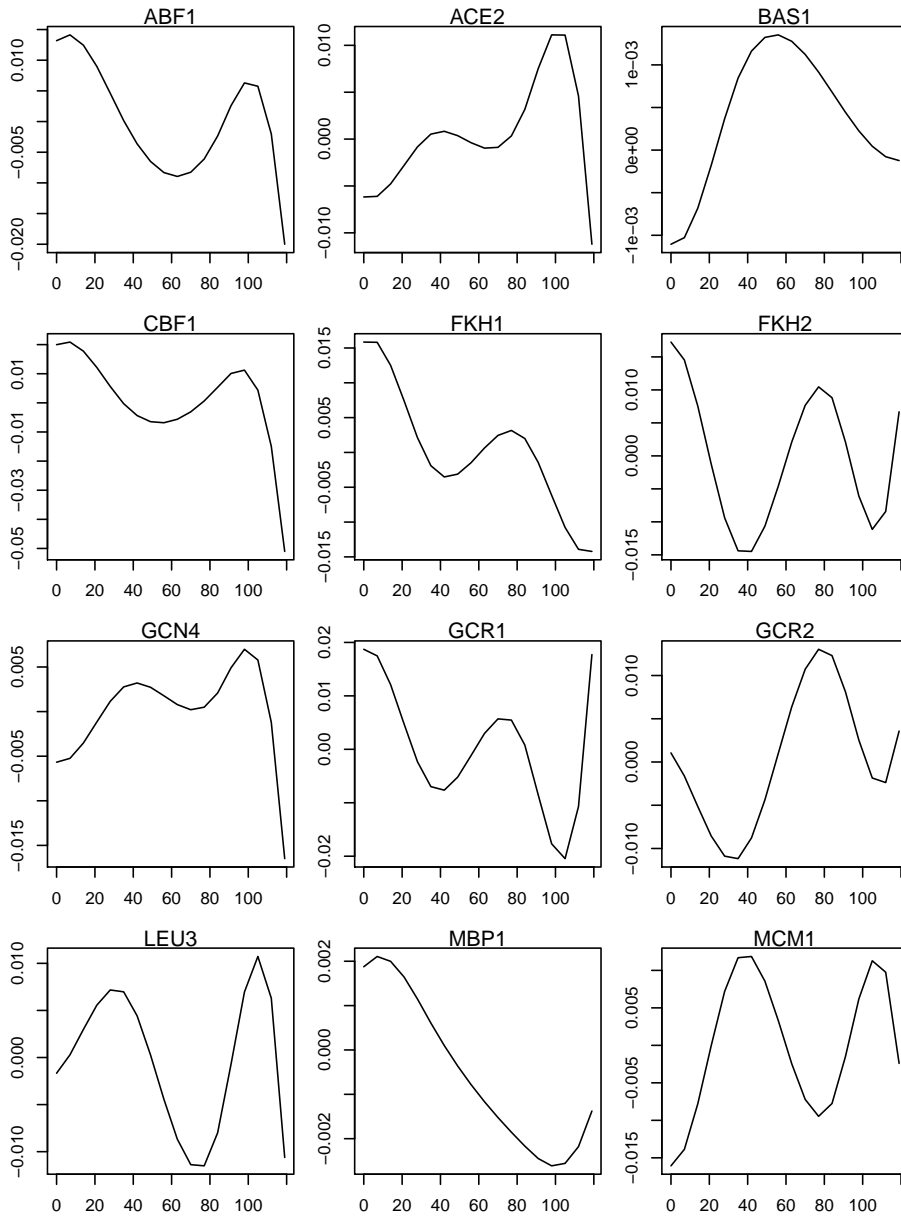
Let $\varepsilon = c_6 C_5^{-1} L_1 / 2$, the number of $\{l : \frac{1}{|\mathcal{T}|} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \hat{\beta}_l(t)^2 dt > c_6 n^{-2\kappa}\}$ can not exceed the number of $\{l : \|\hat{\gamma}_l\|^2 > \varepsilon K_m n^{-2\kappa}\}$, which is bounded by $O\{n^{2\kappa} \lambda_{\max}(\Sigma)\}$.

Thus we have

$$P[|\widehat{\mathcal{M}}_{\nu_n}| \leq O\{n^{2\kappa} \lambda_{\max}(\Sigma)\}] \geq P(B_n).$$

The conclusion follows from Theorem 1. This completes the proof. \square .

2. Figures



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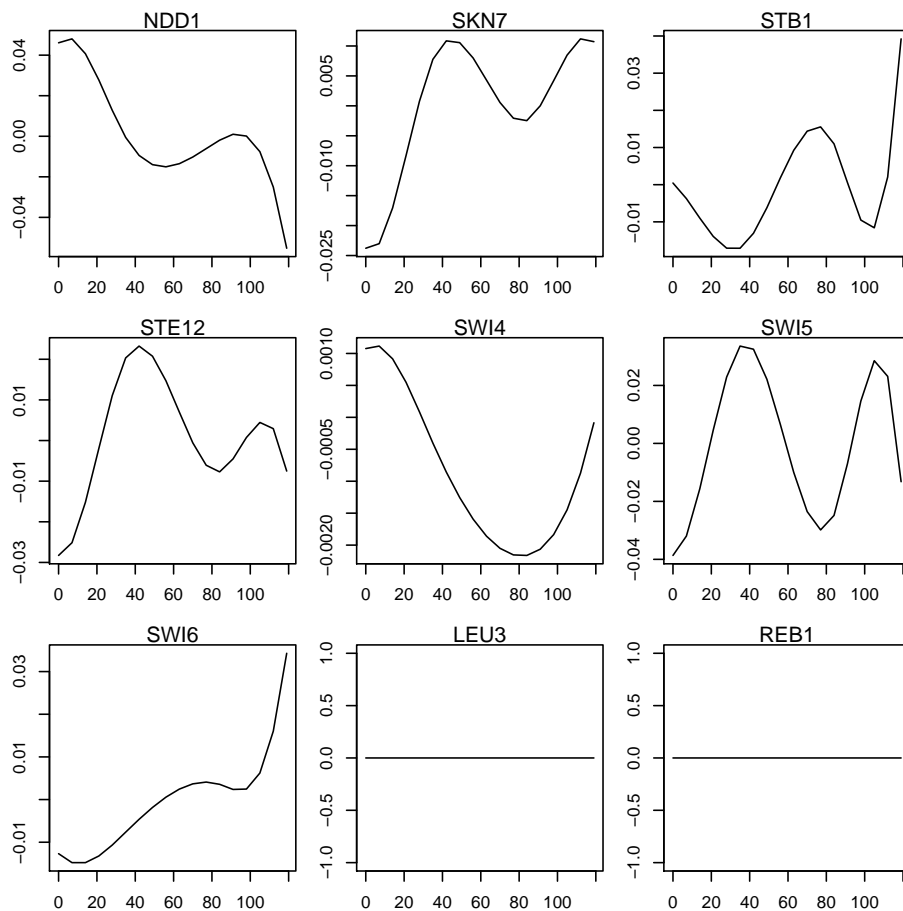
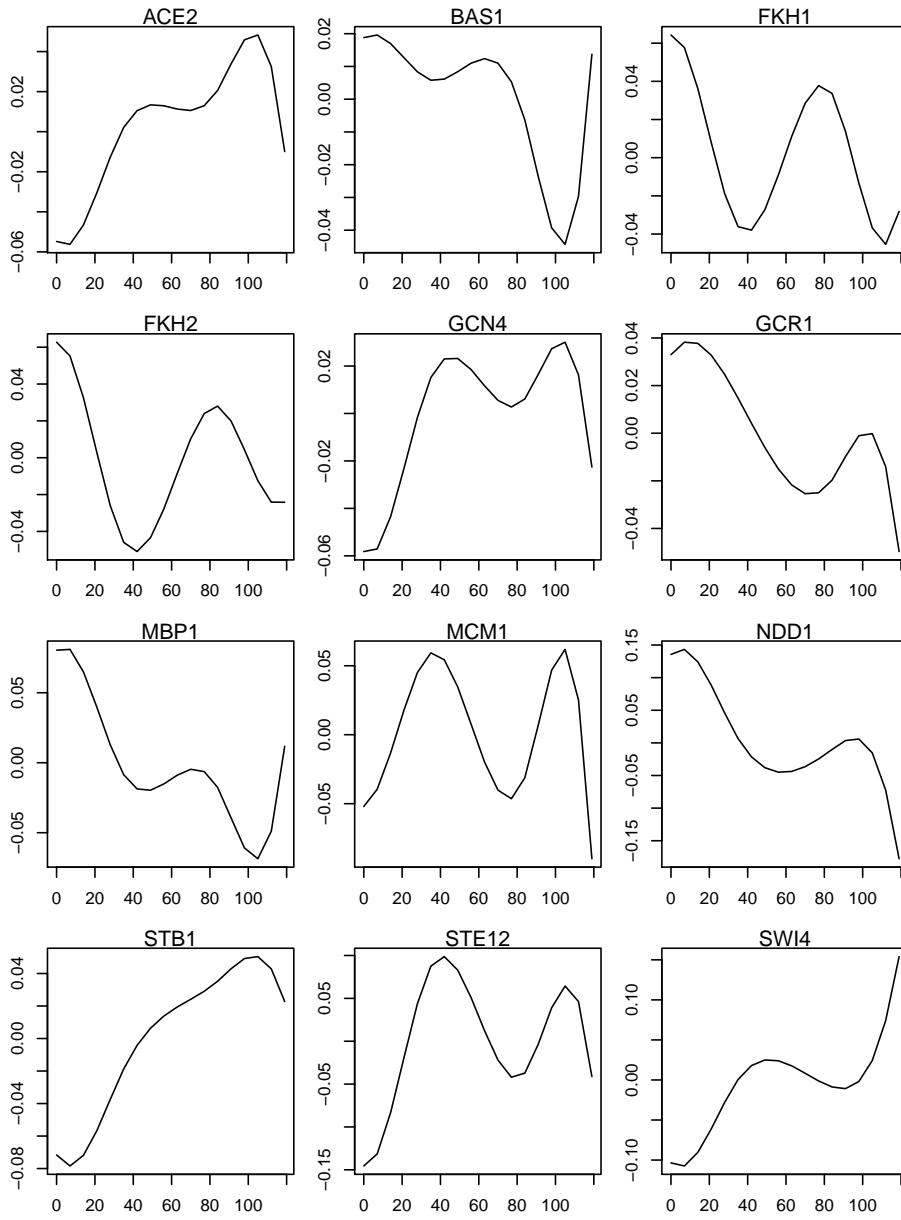


Figure 2.1: Estimated time-varying transcriptional effects for 21 known yeast TFs related to cell cycle process. LEU3 and REB1 are not selected, so there are no estimates for these two.

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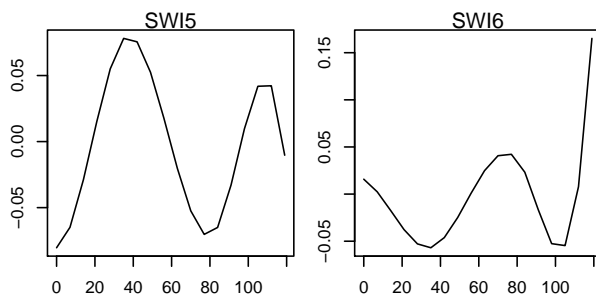


Figure 2.2: Estimated time-varying transcriptional effects for 14 TFs identified by IVIS on an augmented higher dimension dataset.