

# An RKHS Approach to Robust Functional Linear Regression

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## Supplementary Material

We prove the main results in this supplementary note.

### S1 Proof of Proposition 1

Differentiating (5) with respect to  $\mathbf{c} = (c_1, \dots, c_n)^T$  yields

$$-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \sum_{l=1}^L d_l \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(t) \theta_l(t) dt - \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \langle \xi_i, \xi_j \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \frac{\langle \xi_i, \xi_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} + 2\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \langle \xi_i, \xi_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = 0 \quad (\text{S1.1})$$

for  $k = 1, \dots, n$ . For  $\beta \in S_n$ , (S1.1) is written as

$$\left\langle -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}} + 2\lambda P_1 \beta, \xi_k \right\rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = 0, \quad k = 1, \dots, n,$$

which implies that  $-(n\hat{\sigma})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) + 2\lambda P_1 \beta$  is an element in  $\mathcal{H}_1$  perpendicular to  $\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n$ . However,  $-(n\hat{\sigma})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) + 2\lambda P_1 \beta$  belongs to  $\text{span}\{\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n\}$ , so

$$-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}} + 2\lambda P_1 \beta = 0 \quad (\text{S1.2})$$

holds for a minimizer  $\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}$ . Also, differentiating (5) with respect to  $\mathbf{d} = (d_1, \dots, d_L)^T$  yields

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \frac{\int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(t) \theta_l(t) dt}{\hat{\sigma}} = 0, \quad l = 1, \dots, L. \quad (\text{S1.3})$$

Combining (S1.2) and (S1.3) with the fact that  $\eta_i(t) = \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(u) K(u, t) du = \sum_{l=1}^L \{\int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(u) \theta_l(u) du\} \theta_l(t) + \xi_i(t)$ , we have

$$-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \alpha - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}} + 2\lambda P_1 \beta = 0$$

for  $\beta \in S_n$ . Therefore, a minimizer  $\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}$  satisfies (6).  $\square$

### S2 Proof of Theorem 1

Let us define the norm  $\|f\|_{n\lambda} = \|\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} f\|_{\Gamma}$  for  $f \in S_n$  and constant  $B_n = \sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} E\|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^2$ . Note that  $\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} f$  is a function of  $\eta_1, \dots, \eta_n$  and so  $\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_n$  are dependent, but the  $\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j$  are identically distributed. This means

that the random variables  $|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}$  are not independent but identically distributed. Thus,  $B_n = \sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} E|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2 = E|||\eta_1|||_{n\lambda}^2$ . Also, note that, by Lemma 1 and (14),

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-1} B_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n C_n = 0. \quad (\text{S2.1})$$

By Mean-value theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\hat{\sigma}} \right) \frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}} &= \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma} \right) \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ &\quad - (\hat{\sigma} - \sigma) \left\{ \psi' \left( \frac{y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma_n} \right) \left( \varepsilon_i + \frac{\langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma_n} \right) + \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma_n} \right) \right\} \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2} \end{aligned}$$

with  $\sigma_n = \inf_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sigma_{in}$  for  $\sigma_{in}$  lying between  $\hat{\sigma}$  and  $\sigma$ . Taking a second-order Taylor expansion of  $\psi((y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}})/\sigma)$  around  $\beta_0$ , observe that

$$|||\Psi_{n\lambda}\beta - \sigma^2 \Phi_{n\lambda}(\beta, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi' |||_{n\lambda} \leq T_1 + T_2 + T_3,$$

where

$$T_1 = |||n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} (\psi'(\varepsilon_i) - E\psi')/E\psi' |||_{n\lambda},$$

and

$$T_2 = |||(2n\sigma)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \psi''(\varepsilon_i + a_i) \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2 / E\psi' |||_{n\lambda}$$

for a random variable  $a_i$  that is between 0 and  $\langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}/\sigma$ . Also,

$$T_3 = ||| \frac{(\hat{\sigma} - \sigma)}{\sigma_n^2} \frac{\sigma^2}{E\psi'} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \left\{ \psi' \left( \frac{y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma_n} \right) \left( \varepsilon_i + \frac{\langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma_n} \right) + \psi \left( \frac{y_i - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}}{\sigma_n} \right) \right\} |||_{n\lambda}.$$

We have that for any  $\beta \in S_n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} ET_1^2 &= E|||n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} (\psi'(\varepsilon_i) - E\psi')/E\psi' |||_{n\lambda}^2 \\ &= E|||n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_i \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} (\psi'(\varepsilon_i) - E\psi')/E\psi' |||_{\Gamma}^2 \\ &= n^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left[ |||\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_i |||_{\Gamma}^2 \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2 (\psi'(\varepsilon_i) - E\psi')^2 / (E\psi')^2 \right] \\ &\quad + n^{-2} \sum \sum_{i \neq j} E \left[ \langle \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_i, \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j \rangle_{\Gamma} \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \langle \eta_j, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \right] \\ &\quad \times E[(\psi'(\varepsilon_i) - E\psi')][(\psi'(\varepsilon_j) - E\psi')]/(E\psi')^2 \\ &= n^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left[ |||\eta_i |||_{n\lambda}^2 \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \right] \text{Var}(\psi')/(E\psi')^2 \\ &\leq n^{-1} CE|||\eta_1|||_{n\lambda}^2 \left\{ n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E \langle \eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \right\} \text{Var}(\psi')/(E\psi')^2 \\ &= n^{-1} CB_n |||\beta_0 - \beta |||_{\Gamma}^2 \text{Var}(\psi')/(E\psi')^2 \end{aligned}$$

because the  $x_i$  and  $\varepsilon_i$  are independent, the  $\varepsilon_i$  are independent and identically distributed, the  $x_i$  are independent and identically distributed, and  $E\langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = E\left(\int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(t)(\beta_0(t) - \beta(t))dt\right)^2 = \|\beta_0 - \beta\|_{\Gamma}^2$ . Remark that the expectation for  $T_1$  is taken with respect to the sample  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  and  $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ . Note that the inequality above is obtained by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, (A7) and Lemma 2, where we have

$$\begin{aligned} E\left[\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^2 \langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2\right] &\leq \left\{E\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^4 E\langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^4\right\}^{1/2} \\ &\leq CE\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^2 E\langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2. \end{aligned}$$

We have that for any  $\beta \in S_n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T_2 &= \left\|\left(2n\sigma\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \psi''(\varepsilon_i + a_i) \langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2 / E\psi'\right\|_{n\lambda} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2n\sigma} \frac{\sup|\psi''|}{|E\psi'|} \left\|\sum_{i=1}^n \eta_i \langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2\right\|_{n\lambda} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2n\sigma} \frac{\sup|\psi''|}{|E\psi'|} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} \langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2, \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$ET_2 \leq \frac{1}{2\sigma} \frac{\sup|\psi''|}{|E\psi'|} C^{1/2} B_n^{1/2} \|\beta_0 - \beta\|_{\Gamma}^2$$

because, by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (A7),

$$E\left[\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} \langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2\right] \leq \left\{E\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^2 E\langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^4\right\}^{1/2} \leq C^{1/2} \left\{E\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^2\right\}^{1/2} \|\beta_0 - \beta\|_{\Gamma}^2.$$

Also, for  $\beta \in S_n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T_3 &\leq \frac{|\hat{\sigma} - \sigma|}{\sigma_n^2} \frac{\sigma^2}{|E\psi'|} \left\{ \sup|\psi'| \left( n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} |\varepsilon_i| + \sigma_n^{-1} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} |\langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}| \right) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sup|\psi| \left( n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

From the fact that  $(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i)^2 \leq n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2$ , observe that  $E\left(n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}\right)^2 \leq E\|\eta_1\|_{n\lambda}^2$ ,

$$E\left(n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} |\varepsilon_i|\right)^2 \leq n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^2 E\varepsilon_i^2 = E\|\eta_1\|_{n\lambda}^2$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda} |\langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}|\right)^2 &\leq n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E\left[\|\eta_i\|_{n\lambda}^2 \langle\eta_i, \beta_0 - \beta\rangle_{\mathcal{H}}^2\right] \\ &\leq CE\|\eta_1\|_{n\lambda}^2 \|\beta_0 - \beta\|_{\Gamma}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (A3), we have

$$ET_3 \leq C_1(n^{-1} B_n)^{1/2} + C_2(n^{-1} B_n)^{1/2} \|\beta_0 - \beta\|_{\Gamma}$$

for some positive constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

Now observe that for  $A \geq 8/\delta$ ,

$$P[\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \beta_0\|_{\Gamma} < (1/2)(AC_n)^{1/2}] > 1 - \delta/2 \quad (\text{S2.2})$$

by Markov's inequality. From Lemma 1 and (13), there is a constant  $C_3$  such that  $|B_n/(nC_n)| \leq C_3$  for sufficiently large  $n$ . Let  $C_4 = C_1 C_3^{1/2}$ . Define  $F_n = \{\beta \in S_n : \|\beta - \beta_0\|_{\Gamma}^2 \leq (A^{1/2}C_4 + 1)^2 AC_n\}$ . Then, for  $\beta \in F_n$ , we have

$$ET_1^2 \leq n^{-1}C(A^{1/2}C_4 + 1)^2 AB_n C_n \text{Var}(\psi')/(E\psi')^2$$

and

$$ET_2 \leq \frac{1}{2\sigma} \frac{\sup |\psi''|}{|E\psi'|} C^{1/2} (A^{1/2}C_4 + 1)^2 AB_n^{1/2} C_n.$$

Also, for  $\beta \in F_n$ ,

$$ET_3 \leq \left\{ C_1 A^{-1/2} (n^{-1} B_n C_n^{-1})^{1/2} + (A^{1/2} C_4 + 1) C_2 (n^{-1} B_n)^{1/2} \right\} (AC_n)^{1/2}.$$

By (S2.1), for sufficiently large  $n$ ,  $ET_3 \leq C_4 C_n^{1/2}$ .

Letting  $D_1 = \{8\delta^{-1}C(A^{1/2}C_4 + 1)^2 \text{Var}(\psi')/(E\psi')^2\}^{1/2}$  and  $D_2 = 2\delta^{-1}\sigma^{-1}C^{1/2}(A^{1/2}C_4 + 1)^2(\sup |\psi'|/|E\psi'|)$ , by Markov inequality, we have

$$P[T_1 \leq D_1(n^{-1}AB_n C_n)^{1/2}] > 1 - \delta/8 \quad (\text{S2.3})$$

and

$$P[T_2 \leq D_2 AB_n^{1/2} C_n] > 1 - \delta/4. \quad (\text{S2.4})$$

Also,

$$P[T_3 \leq C_4 AC_n^{1/2}] > 1 - \delta/8. \quad (\text{S2.5})$$

Recall that  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}$  is the solution of  $\Psi_{n\lambda}\beta = 0$ . From  $\Psi_{n\lambda}\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} = 0$ , we have  $n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{y}_i \eta_i = \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}$ . So, for any  $\beta \in S_n$ ,  $\Psi_{n\lambda}\beta = -n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{y}_i \eta_i + \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}\beta = -\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} + \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}\beta = \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}(\beta - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda})$ . Combining (S2.2), (S2.3), (S2.4) and (S2.5), we have an event of probability greater than  $1 - \delta$  on which for all  $\beta \in F_n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |||\sigma^2 \Phi_{n\lambda}(\beta, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi' - \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}(\beta - \beta_0)|||_{n\lambda} &\leq |||\sigma^2 \Phi_{n\lambda}(\beta, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi' - \Psi_{n\lambda}\beta|||_{n\lambda} + |||\Psi_{n\lambda}\beta - \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}(\beta - \beta_0)|||_{n\lambda} \\ &= |||\sigma^2 \Phi_{n\lambda}(\beta, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi' - \Psi_{n\lambda}\beta|||_{n\lambda} + \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \beta_0\|_{\Gamma} \\ &\leq \{D_1(n^{-1}B_n)^{1/2} + D_2 A^{1/2} B_n^{1/2} C_n^{1/2} + 1/2 + C_4 A^{1/2}\} (AC_n)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

By (S2.1), the quantity in braces will be less than or equal to  $C_4 A^{1/2} + 1$  for sufficiently large  $n$ . For such  $n$ , if  $x \in F_n^*$  with  $F_n^* = \{\beta - \beta_0 : \beta \in F_n\}$  and

$$U(x) = x - \sigma^2 \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \Phi_{n\lambda}(x + \beta_0, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi',$$

then  $\|U(x)\|_{\Gamma}^2 \leq (A^{1/2}C_4 + 1)^2 AC_n$ , which means that the continuous function  $U$  maps the compact, convex set  $F_n^*$  into itself. By Brouwer's theorem,  $U$  has a fixed point  $x_0$  in  $F_n^*$  such that  $U(x_0) = x_0$ , i.e.,  $\Phi_{n\lambda}(x_0 + \beta_0, \hat{\sigma}) = 0$ . Taking  $\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} = x_0 + \beta_0$ ,  $\Phi_{n\lambda}(\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}, \hat{\sigma}) = 0$ . Also, for such  $\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}$ ,  $|||\Psi_{n\lambda}\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \sigma^2 \Phi_{n\lambda}(\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi'|||_{n\lambda} = |||\Psi_{n\lambda}\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}|||_{n\lambda} = |||\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}(\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda})|||_{n\lambda} = \|\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}\|_{\Gamma}$ . Thus, together with (S2.3), (S2.4) and (S2.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}\|_{\Gamma} &= |||\Psi_{n\lambda}\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \sigma^2 \Phi_{n\lambda}(\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}, \hat{\sigma})/E\psi'|||_{n\lambda} \\ &\leq \{D_1(n^{-1}B_n)^{1/2} + D_2 A^{1/2} B_n^{1/2} C_n^{1/2} + C_4 A^{1/2}\} (AC_n)^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

where the inequality holds on an event of probability greater than  $1 - \delta$ . Applying (S2.1) completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 1.** *Under the assumptions (A4)-(A8), we have*

$$E|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2 = O(n^{1/(2r+2s+1)})$$

for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ , where the norm  $|||\cdot|||_{n\lambda}$  is defined as  $|||f|||_{n\lambda} = \|\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}f\|_{\Gamma}$  for  $f \in S_n$ .

**Proof.** Recall that  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} = \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \left( n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{y}_i \eta_i \right)$  from the fact that  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}$  is the solution to  $\Psi_{n\lambda} \beta = 0$ . Then,  $\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j$  is obtained by taking  $\tilde{y}_i = n\delta_{ij}$  so that  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} := \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j$  is the minimizer over  $\beta$  of

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (n\delta_{ij} - \langle \eta_i, \beta \rangle_{\mathcal{H}})^2 + 2 \frac{\lambda \sigma^2}{E\psi'} \|P_1 \beta\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2,$$

where  $\delta_{ij}$  is the Kronecker's delta. This enables us to use the techniques in Yuan and Cai (2010) for getting the desired rate for  $|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2$ . Note that, if  $\|P_1 \beta\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = \int_{\mathcal{T}} [\beta^{(m)}(t)]^2 dt$ , then  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}$  is the least squares smoothing spline estimator for functional linear regression with impulse response.

Now let us bring some results and definitions from Yuan and Cai (2010). Let  $\omega_k = \nu_k^{-1/2} R^{1/2} \zeta_k$ , where  $\nu_k = (1 + \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1}$  and  $\zeta_k$  are the eigenvalues and the corresponding eigenfunctions of the operator  $R^{1/2} \Gamma R^{1/2}$ . Then, it was shown in Yuan and Cai (2010) that for any  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k \omega_k$  with  $f_k = \nu_k \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_R$ ,  $\|f\|_{\Gamma}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k^2$ , and  $\|f\|_R^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-1}) f_k^2$ . For  $0 \leq a \leq 1$ , define the norm  $\|\cdot\|_a$  by

$$\|f\|_a^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a}) f_k^2. \quad (\text{S2.6})$$

Note that  $\|f\|_0^2 = 2\|f\|_{\Gamma}^2$  and  $\|f\|_1^2 = \|f\|_R^2$ .

For  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , define the operator  $G_{\lambda}$  by

$$G_{\lambda} f(\cdot) = \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} f(s) \Gamma(s, t) K(\cdot, t) ds dt + 2 \frac{\lambda \sigma^2}{E\psi'} P_1 f(\cdot).$$

From Lemma 3, we observe that the operator  $G_{\lambda}^{-1}$  given by

$$G_{\lambda}^{-1} f(\cdot) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( 1 + 2 \frac{\lambda \sigma^2}{E\psi'} \gamma_k^{-1} \right)^{-1} \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \omega_k(\cdot)$$

is the inverse operator of  $G_{\lambda}$ . Let  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^* = G_{\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j$ . Then, we have

$$E|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2 = E\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_{\Gamma}^2 \leq 2E\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_{\Gamma}^2 + 2E\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_{\Gamma}^2.$$

We investigate the upper bounds for both terms in the right-hand side of the inequality above. Let  $\lambda_0 = 2\lambda\sigma^2/E\psi'$ . Since  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^* = G_{\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \langle \eta_j, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \omega_k$ , we have

$$\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_a^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a}) \nu_k^2 \langle \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*, \omega_k \rangle_R^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a}) (1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-2} \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(t) \omega_k(t) dt \right)^2$$

using the fact that  $\langle \eta_j, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(t) \omega_k(t) dt$  and  $\langle \omega_k, \omega_l \rangle_R = \nu_k^{-1} \delta_{kl}$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
E \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_a^2 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a})(1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-2} E \underbrace{\left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(t) \omega_k(t) dt \right)^2}_{=\|\omega_k\|_{\Gamma}^2=1} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a})(1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-2} \\
&\leq C_5 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + k^{a(2r+2s)})(1 + \lambda_0 k^{2r+2s})^{-2} \\
&\leq C_6 \lambda_0^{-(a+1/(2r+2s))} \int_{\lambda_0^{a+1/(2r+2s)}}^{\infty} \left( 1 + y^{(2r+2s)/(a(2r+2s)+1)} \right)^{-2} dy \\
&= O(\lambda^{-(a+1/(2r+2s))})
\end{aligned}$$

for some positive constants  $C_5$  and  $C_6$ , so  $E \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_0^2 = O(\lambda^{-1/(2r+2s)})$  by taking  $a = 0$ , equivalently, we have  $E \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_{\Gamma}^2 = O(\lambda^{-1/(2r+2s)})$ . Next observe that  $G_{\lambda} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^* = \eta_j = \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}$ , so

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^* &= G_{\lambda}^{-1} G_{\lambda} (\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*) \\
&= G_{\lambda}^{-1} (G_{\lambda} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \left[ \langle G_{\lambda} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} - \langle \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \right] \omega_k \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_k(t) ds dt \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}(s) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(s) x_i(t) \right) \omega_k(t) ds dt \right] \omega_k.
\end{aligned}$$

Now write  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \tilde{b}_{jk} \omega_k$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_a^2 &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a})(1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-2} \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \tilde{b}_{jl} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_l(s) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(s) x_i(t) - \Gamma(s, t) \right) \omega_k(t) ds dt \right]^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_k^{-a})(1 + \lambda_0 \gamma_k^{-1})^{-2} \underbrace{\left( \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_l^{-c}) \tilde{b}_{jl}^2 \right)}_{=\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_{\mathcal{C}}^2} \\
&\quad \times \left( \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_l^{-c})^{-1} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_l(s) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(s) x_i(t) - \Gamma(s, t) \right) \omega_k(t) ds dt \right]^2 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Note that by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (A7),

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left( \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_l^{-c})^{-1} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_l(s) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i(s) x_i(t) - \Gamma(s, t) \right) \omega_k(t) ds dt \right]^2 \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_l^{-c})^{-1} \text{Var} \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} X(s) \omega_l(s) ds \int_{\mathcal{T}} X(t) \omega_k(t) dt \right) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_l^{-c})^{-1} E \left[ \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} X(s) \omega_l(s) ds \int_{\mathcal{T}} X(t) \omega_k(t) dt \right)^2 \right] \\
&\leq \frac{C}{n} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} (1 + \gamma_l^{-c})^{-1} \leq \frac{C_5}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + k^{c(2r+2s)})^{-1} = O(n^{-1})
\end{aligned}$$

for  $c > 1/(2r + 2s)$ . Thus,

$$\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_a^2 = O_p(n^{-1} \lambda^{-(a+1/(2r+2s))} \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_c^2).$$

Taking  $a = c$  yields

$$\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_c^2 = O_p(n^{-1} \lambda^{-(c+1/(2r+2s))} \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_c^2).$$

If  $n^{-1} \lambda^{-(c+1/(2r+2s))} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_c \geq \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_c - \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_c = (1 - o_p(1)) \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_c,$$

so  $\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_c^2 = O_p(\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_c^2)$ . Since  $\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_c^2 = O_p(\lambda^{-(c+1/(2r+2s))})$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\Gamma}^2 = \frac{1}{2} \|\cdot\|_0^2$ ,

$$\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}^*\|_{\Gamma}^2 = O_p(n^{-1} \lambda^{-1/(2r+2s)} \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_c^2) = O_p(\lambda^{-1/(2r+2s)} n^{-1} \lambda^{-(c+1/(2r+2s))}) = o_p(\lambda^{-1/(2r+2s)}).$$

Therefore,  $E\|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^2 = E\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda j}\|_{\Gamma}^2 = O(\lambda^{-1/(2r+2s)})$  for all  $j$ , so the proof is complete by (A6).  $\square$

**Lemma 2.** Under the assumption (A7), we have

$$E\|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^4 \leq C \{E\|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^2\}^2$$

for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

**Proof.** Recall that  $\eta_j(t) = \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) K(u, t) du$ . Observe that

$$\|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^2 = \|\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j\|_{\Gamma}^2 = \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j(s) \Gamma(s, t) \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j(t) ds dt = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \pi_k \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} \eta_j(t) \phi_k(t) dt \right)^2,$$

where the  $(\pi_k, \phi_k)$  are the pairs of the eigenvalue and eigenfunction of the covariance operator  $\Gamma$ . Letting  $g_{n\lambda k}(u) =$

$\int_{\mathcal{T}} \mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} K(u, t) \phi_k(t) dt$ ,  $|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \pi_k \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^2$  and so we have

$$\begin{aligned}
E|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^4 &= E \left[ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \pi_k \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^2 \right]^2 \\
&= \sum_k \pi_k^2 E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^4 \\
&\quad + \sum \sum_{k \neq l} \pi_k \pi_l E \left[ \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^2 \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda l}(u) du \right)^2 \right] \\
&\leq \sum_k \pi_k^2 E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^4 \\
&\quad + \sum \sum_{k \neq l} \pi_k \pi_l \left\{ E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^4 E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda l}(u) du \right)^4 \right\}^{1/2} \\
&\leq C \sum_k \pi_k^2 \left\{ E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^2 \right\}^2 \\
&\quad + C \sum \sum_{k \neq l} \pi_k \pi_l E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^2 E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda l}(u) du \right)^2 \\
&= C \left\{ \sum_k \pi_k E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u) g_{n\lambda k}(u) du \right)^2 \right\}^2
\end{aligned}$$

by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and the assumption (A7). The proof is complete.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.** For  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ , define

$$G_{\lambda} f(\cdot) = \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} f(s) \Gamma(s, t) K(\cdot, t) ds dt + \lambda P_1 f(\cdot)$$

and

$$G_{\lambda}^{-1} f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \omega_k.$$

Then,  $G_{\lambda}^{-1} G_{\lambda} f = f = G_{\lambda} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f$ .

**Proof.** We will first show that  $G_{\lambda}^{-1} G_{\lambda} f = f$  for any  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ . For this, observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
G_{\lambda}^{-1} G_{\lambda} f &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \langle G_{\lambda} f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \omega_k \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} f(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_k(t) ds dt + \lambda \langle P_1 f, P_1 \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \right] \omega_k
\end{aligned}$$

because  $\langle P_1 f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} = \langle P_1 f, P_1 \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}$ . Note that  $\omega_k \in \mathcal{H}$  since we observe  $\|\omega_k\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 \leq \|\omega_k\|_R^2 < \infty$  from the definition of the norm  $\|\cdot\|_R$ . For any  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k \omega_k$  with  $f_k = \nu_k \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_R$  and so

$$G_{\lambda}^{-1} G_{\lambda} f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_j \left\{ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_j(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_k(t) ds dt + \lambda \langle P_1 \omega_j, P_1 \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \right\} \right] \omega_k.$$



Now, from the definition of  $\|\cdot\|_R^2$ , we can observe that

$$\langle f, g \rangle_R = \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} f(s) \Gamma(s, t) g(t) ds dt + \langle P_1 f, P_1 g \rangle_{\mathcal{H}},$$

so that we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_j(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_k(t) ds dt + \lambda \langle P_1 \omega_j, P_1 \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} &= (1 - \lambda) \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_j(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_k(t) ds dt + \lambda \langle \omega_j, \omega_k \rangle_R \\ &= \{(1 - \lambda) + \lambda \nu_k^{-1}\} \delta_{jk} \\ &= (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1}) \delta_{jk} \end{aligned}$$

because  $\langle \omega_j, \omega_k \rangle_R = \nu_k^{-1} \delta_{jk}$ ,  $\int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_j(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_k(t) ds dt = \delta_{jk}$  and  $\nu_k = (1 + \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1}$ . Thus,

$$G_{\lambda}^{-1} G_{\lambda} f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} f_j (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1}) \delta_{jk} \right] \omega_k = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k \omega_k = f.$$

To see that  $G_{\lambda} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f = f$ , observe that

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\lambda} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f(\cdot) &= \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f(s) \Gamma(s, t) K(\cdot, t) ds dt + \lambda P_1 G_{\lambda}^{-1} f(\cdot) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_k(s) \Gamma(s, t) K(\cdot, t) ds dt + \lambda P_1 \omega_k(\cdot) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle G_{\lambda} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f, \omega_l \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \left[ \int_{\mathcal{T}} \int_{\mathcal{T}} \omega_k(s) \Gamma(s, t) \omega_l(t) ds dt + \lambda \langle P_1 \omega_k, P_1 \omega_l \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1})^{-1} \langle f, \omega_k \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} (1 + \lambda \gamma_k^{-1}) \delta_{kl} \\ &= \langle f, \omega_l \rangle_{\mathcal{H}}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $G_{\lambda} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f = f$  for  $f \in \mathcal{H}$  since both  $G_{\lambda} G_{\lambda}^{-1} f - f$  and  $\omega_l$  are in  $\mathcal{H}$ .  $\square$

### S3 Proof of Theorem 3

Now define the norm  $\|f\|_{n\lambda} = \|\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1} f\|$  for  $f \in S_n$  and constants  $B_n = \sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} E \|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^2$  and  $C_n = E \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \beta_0\|^2$ . Since  $\|\beta_0 - \beta\|_{\Gamma}^2 = E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} X(t) (\beta_0(t) - \beta(t)) dt \right)^2 \leq E \|X\|^2 \|\beta_0 - \beta\|^2$ , the proof of Theorem 1 goes exactly the same with respect to  $\|\cdot\|$  and so Theorem 1 remains under the  $\mathcal{L}_2$ -norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . Thus, it is sufficient to show the condition on  $B_n$  and  $C_n$  in (S2.1) and Lemma 2 under the norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . From the fact that the norm in (S2.6) with  $a = s/(r+s)$  is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|$ , we can show that

$$B_n = \sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} E \|\eta_j\|_{n\lambda}^2 = O(n^{(2s+1)/(2r+2s+1)})$$

in analogous to Lemma 1. Also, from Yuan and Cai (2010), we have that under the assumption (A4)-(A8),

$$C_n = E \|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \beta_0\|^2 = O(n^{-2r/(2r+2s+1)}).$$

Consequently, the condition (S2.1) is met when  $2r > 2s + 1$ .

Next we show that Lemma 2 holds with  $|||f|||_{n\lambda} = \|\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}f\|$ . For this, observe that  $\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\eta_j(t) = \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}K(u, t)du = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varsigma_k \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du\vartheta_k(t)$ , where the  $(\varsigma_k, \vartheta_k)$  are the pairs of the eigenvalue and eigenfunction of the reproducing kernel  $K$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} |||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2 &= \|\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\eta_j\|^2 = \int_{\mathcal{T}} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varsigma_k \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du\vartheta_k(t) \right)^2 dt \\ &= \sum_k \varsigma_k^2 \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \right)^2 \int_{\mathcal{T}} \vartheta_k^2(t)dt \\ &\quad + \sum \sum_{k \neq l} \varsigma_k \varsigma_l \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_l(u)du \int_{\mathcal{T}} \vartheta_k(t)\vartheta_l(t)dt \\ &= \sum_k \varsigma_k^2 \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

In a similar way to the proof of Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^4 &= E \left( \sum_k \varsigma_k^2 \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \right)^2 \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_k \varsigma_k^4 E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \right)^4 \\ &\quad + \sum \sum_{k \neq l} \varsigma_k^2 \varsigma_l^2 E \left[ \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \right)^2 \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_l(u)du \right)^2 \right] \\ &\leq C \left\{ \sum_k \varsigma_k^2 E \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_j(u)\mathcal{G}_{n\lambda}^{-1}\vartheta_k(u)du \right)^2 \right\}^2 = C \{E|||\eta_j|||_{n\lambda}^2\}^2 \end{aligned}$$

by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (A7). Since  $\|\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}\|^2 = O_p(C_n)$  and  $\|\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \beta_0\|^2 \leq 2\|\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \beta_0\|^2 + 2\|\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda} - \tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}\|^2$ , the convergence rate for the estimation error of our M-type smoothing spline estimator  $\hat{\beta}_{n\lambda}$  is the same for the least squares smoothing spline estimator  $\tilde{\beta}_{n\lambda}$ .  $\square$

## S4 Proof of Theorem 4

Recall that our M-estimate of scale is given in the form of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(r_i^0, \sigma) = 0$  with  $\Psi(r, \sigma) = \rho_0(|r|/\sigma) - \delta$  for some  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ . Although  $r_i^0 = y_i - \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(t)\hat{\beta}(t)dt$  with an estimator  $\hat{\beta}$  obtained using all the observations in the sample, we take  $r_i^0 = y_i - \int_{\mathcal{T}} x_i(t)\hat{\beta}_{-i}(t)dt$  with a leave-one-out estimator  $\hat{\beta}_{-i}$ , in sense that  $\hat{\beta}_{-i} \approx \hat{\beta}$  for sufficiently large  $n$ .

Let  $\tilde{\sigma}$  be the solution of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\epsilon_i, \sigma) = 0$ , where  $\epsilon_i = y_i - \int \beta_0 x_i$ . Then, we can show that

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(r_i^0, \sigma) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\epsilon_i, \sigma) + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \quad (\text{S4.1})$$

implies  $\hat{\sigma} - \check{\sigma} = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ . This is because

$$\begin{aligned} \left| n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(r_i^0, \hat{\sigma}) - n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\epsilon_i, \hat{\sigma}) \right| &= \left| n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\epsilon_i, \hat{\sigma}) \right| \\ &= \left| n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\epsilon_i, \check{\sigma}) + n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \dot{\Psi}(\epsilon_i, \sigma_0)(\hat{\sigma} - \check{\sigma}) \right| \\ &= \left| n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \dot{\Psi}(\epsilon_i, \sigma_0) \sqrt{n}(\hat{\sigma} - \check{\sigma}) \right|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\sigma_0$  is some value between  $\hat{\sigma}$  and  $\check{\sigma}$  and  $\dot{\Psi} = \partial\Psi/\partial\sigma$ . Note that the second equation above yields by the first-order Talyor expansion of  $\Psi$  at  $\sigma$ . Since  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \dot{\Psi}(\epsilon_i, \sigma_0) \rightarrow E[\dot{\Psi}(\epsilon_1, \sigma_0)] < \infty$  in probability, (S4.1) implies that  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\sigma} - \check{\sigma}) = o_p(1)$ . Also, it can be shown that  $\sqrt{n}(\check{\sigma} - \sigma) = O_p(1)$  by asymptotic normality of  $M$ -estimates for scale in the form of  $\sum_{i=1}^n \Psi(\epsilon_i, \sigma) = 0$ . Thus, it suffices to show (S4.1) to verify (A3).

We now show (S4.1). A second-order Talyor expansion of  $\rho_0$  at  $\beta$  yields

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_0 \left( \frac{r_i^0}{\sigma} \right) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_0 \left( \frac{\epsilon_i}{\sigma} \right) + \sigma^{-1} V_1 + \sigma^{-2} V_2,$$

where  $V_1 = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma) \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0)(t) x_i(t) dt$  and  $V_2 = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho''_0 \left( \frac{\epsilon_i + u_i}{\sigma} \right) \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0)(t) x_i(t) dt \right)^2$  for some  $u_i$  in between 0 and  $\int_{\mathcal{T}} (\beta_0 - \hat{\beta}_{-i})(t) x_i(t) dt$ . For  $V_2$ , observe that

$$E|V_2| \leq M_1 n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left[ \left( \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0)(t) x_i(t) dt \right)^2 \right] = M_1 E \|\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0\|_{\Gamma}^2$$

with  $M_1 = \sup_t |\rho''_0(t)| < \infty$ . Now let  $D_i = \rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma) \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0)(t) x_i(t) dt$ . For  $V_1$ , we have

$$nEV_1^2 = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E[D_i^2] + n^{-1} \sum \sum_{i \neq j} E[D_i D_j].$$

Observe that

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E[D_i^2] = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left[ \left( \rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma) \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0)(t) x_i(t) dt \right)^2 \right] = M_2 E \|\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0\|_{\Gamma}^2.$$

since  $E[\rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma)] = 0$  and  $M_2 = \text{Var}(\rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma)) < \infty$ . Let  $D_{ij} = \rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma) \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{ij} - \beta_0)(t) x_i(t) dt$ . Then, observe that

$$E[D_i D_{ji}] = E[D_{ji} E[D_i | (x_k, y_k), 1 \leq k \leq n, k \neq i]] = 0$$

from the fact that  $E[D_i | (x_k, y_k), 1 \leq k \leq n, k \neq i] = \int (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0)(t) E[\epsilon_i x_i(t)] dt = 0$ . Similarly,  $E[D_{ij} D_j] = E[D_{ij} D_{ji}] = 0$ . Thus, we have  $E[D_i D_j] = E[(D_i - D_{ij})(D_j - D_{ji})]$ . Note that  $\hat{\beta}_{ii} = \hat{\beta}_{-i}$ , so  $D_i = D_{ii}$ . Since  $|E[(D_i - D_{ij})(D_j - D_{ji})]| \leq E[(D_i - D_{ij})^2]$  by Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and

$$E[(D_i - D_{ij})^2] = E \left[ \left( \rho'_0(\epsilon_i/\sigma) \int_{\mathcal{T}} (\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \hat{\beta}_{ij})(t) x_i(t) dt \right)^2 \right] = M_2 E \|\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \hat{\beta}_{ij}\|_{\Gamma}^2,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} nEV_1^2 &\leq n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E[D_i^2] + n^{-1} \sum \sum_{i \neq j} E[(D_i - D_{ij})^2] \\ &= M_2 E\|\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \beta_0\|_{\Gamma}^2 + M_2 n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n E\|\hat{\beta}_{-i} - \hat{\beta}_{ij}\|_{\Gamma}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Under the assumptions (15) and (16), we have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_0 \left( \frac{r_i^0}{\sigma} \right) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_0 \left( \frac{\epsilon_i}{\sigma} \right) + o_p(n^{-1/2}),$$

which proves (S4.1).  $\square$