## Supplementary Material for "Estimation of smoothness of a stationary Gaussian random

## field"

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## 1. Proofs of Theorems in Section 2 of the Main Paper

Throughout the document, we let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be the probability space where a stationary Gaussian random field Z(s) is defined. To self-contained, we state theorems and corollary again in this supplementary material.

**Proof of Theorem 2.2**. The proof of the consistency of  $\theta_m$  is similar with Wu, Lim and Xiao (2013). So we only show (2.10) of the main paper.

We have

$$0 = \left. \frac{d}{d\theta} R_m(c^*, \theta) \right|_{\theta = \theta_m} = -\log(m) + \frac{\dot{g}_{c^*, \theta_m} \left(2\pi J/m\right)}{g_{c^*, \theta_m} \left(2\pi J/m\right)} + \log(m) \frac{1}{m^{d - \theta_m}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi J/m)}{g_{c^*, \theta_m} (2\pi J/m)} \\ - \frac{1}{m^{d - \theta_m}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi J/m)}{g_{c^*, \theta_m}^2 (2\pi J/m)} \dot{g}_{c^*, \theta_m} (2\pi J/m),$$

where  $\dot{g_{c,\theta}} = dg_{c,\theta}/d\theta$ . We can rewrite  $\left.\frac{d}{d\theta}R_m(c^*,\theta)\right|_{\theta=\theta_m}$  as

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} R_m(c^*,\theta) \bigg|_{\theta=\theta_m} = -\log(m) + \frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi J/m)}{g_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi J/m)} + \log(m) \frac{c_0}{c^*} m^{\theta_m-\theta_0} \frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi J/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_m}(2\pi J/m)} \\ - \frac{c_0}{c^*} m^{\theta_m-\theta_0} \frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi J/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_m}(2\pi J/m)} \frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi J/m)}{g_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi J/m)}.$$

Note that we have  $(1/m^{d-\theta_0}) \left( \hat{I}_m^{\tau} (2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m) / g_{c_0,\theta_m} (2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m) \right) \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} 1$  since  $(1/m^{d-\theta_0}) \left( \hat{I}_m^{\tau} (2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m) / g_{c_0,\theta_0} (2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m) \right) \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} 1$  by Lim and Stein (2008) and  $\theta_m$  is consistent. Thus, from the continuity of g, for any  $0 < \epsilon < 1$ , there exists a positive integer  $M_{\epsilon}$  independent of the value of  $c^*$  such that

$$P\left\{ \left| \frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_m}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)} - 1 \right| < \epsilon \right\} \ge 1 - \epsilon$$

for all  $m > M_{\epsilon}$ . Note that

$$\left\{ \left| \frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_m}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)} - 1 \right| < \epsilon \right\} = \left\{ 1 - \epsilon < \frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_m}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)} < 1 + \epsilon \right\}.$$

Since  $\dot{g} (2\pi J/m) < 0$  [Wu (2011)], we have the following inequalities by replacing  $(1/m^{d-\theta_0}) \left( \hat{I}_m^{\tau} (2\pi J/m) / g_{c_0,\theta_m} (2\pi J/m) \right)$  with  $1 - \epsilon$  and  $1 + \epsilon$ , respectively, in the expression of  $\frac{d}{d\theta} R_m(c^*,\theta) \Big|_{\theta=\theta_m}$ :

$$-\log(m) + \frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)}{g_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)} + \log(m)\frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m - \theta_0}(1 - \epsilon) - \frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m - \theta_0}\frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)}{g_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)}(1 - \epsilon) < \frac{d}{d\theta}R_m(c,\theta)\Big|_{\theta = \theta_m} = 0$$
(1.1)  
$$-\log(m) + \frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)}{g_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)} + \log(m)\frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m - \theta_0}(1 + \epsilon) - \frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m - \theta_0}\frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)}{g_{1,\theta_m}(2\pi \mathbf{J}/m)}(1 + \epsilon) > \frac{d}{d\theta}R_m(c,\theta)\Big|_{\theta = \theta_m} = 0.$$
(1.2)

(1.1) and (1.2) can be rewritten as

$$\left(\frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}\left(2\pi\boldsymbol{J}/m\right)}{g_{1,\theta_m}\left(2\pi\boldsymbol{J}/m\right)} - \log(m)\right) \left(1 - \frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m - \theta_0}(1-\epsilon)\right) < 0.$$
(1.3)

$$\left(\frac{\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m}\left(2\pi\boldsymbol{J}/m\right)}{g_{1,\theta_m}\left(2\pi\boldsymbol{J}/m\right)} - \log(m)\right) \left(1 - \frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m - \theta_0}(1+\epsilon)\right) > 0.$$
(1.4)

From (1.3) and (1.4), we have

$$\frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m-\theta_0}(1-\epsilon)<1 \ \text{ and } \ \frac{c_0}{c^*}m^{\theta_m-\theta_0}(1+\epsilon)>1,$$

since  $(\dot{g}_{1,\theta_m} (2\pi J/m)/g_{1,\theta_m} (2\pi J/m) - \log(m)) < 0$  for large enough m due to the boundedness of g and  $\dot{g}$  shown in Wu, Lim and Xiao (2013). By taking the logarithm on both sides of the above inequalities, we obtain (2.10) of the main paper.

**Proof of Corollary 2.1.** First, it can be easily shown that when  $\max\{0, (d-2)/d\} < \gamma < \frac{d-1}{d}$ ,

$$\frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}} \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_0}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)} \to 1 \quad a.e.$$
(1.5)

by the Borel-Cantelli lemma and the Chebyshev's inequality with

$$Var\left(\frac{1}{m^{d-\theta_0}}\frac{\hat{I}_m^{\tau}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}{g_{c_0,\theta_0}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}\right) \sim m^{-2\eta}.$$
(1.6)

Then, the strong consistency of  $\theta_m$  can be shown in a similar way as the proof of Theorem 3 in Wu, Lim and Xiao (2013) by using (1.5).

**Proof of Theorem 2.4.** Only the proof of case (i)  $(c^* > c_0)$  is presented, and that of case (ii) can be shown similarly.

Suppose that the result (i) does not hold, that is, there exists  $\delta > 0$  and  $M_1 > 0$ such that

$$P(\theta_0 > \theta_m) > \delta$$

for  $m > M_1$ . By the consistency of a smoothed periodogram (Lim and Stein (2008)), we have

$$d_m := \frac{\hat{I}_m^{\delta}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)}{m^{d-\theta_0}g_{c^*,\theta_0}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m)} \stackrel{p}{\longrightarrow} c_0/c^*.$$

Then, there exists a subsequence of  $\{m\}$ ,  $\{m_k\}$ , such that  $d_{m_k}$  converges to  $c_0/c^*$  almost surely. By the Egorov's Theorem (Folland, (1999)), there exists  $\mathcal{G}_{\delta} \subset \Omega$  such that  $d_{m_k}$ converges to  $c_0/c^*$  uniformly on  $\mathcal{G}_{\delta}$  and  $P(\mathcal{G}_{\delta}) > 1 - \delta/2$ . Since  $c_0/c^* < 1$ , there exists  $M_2$  such that  $d_{m_k} < 1$  on  $\mathcal{G}_{\delta}$  for  $m_k > M_2$  by the uniform convergence.

Let  $\Omega_{m_k} = \{ \omega \in \Omega : \theta_0 > \theta_{m_k} \}$ . On  $\Omega_{m_k}$ , we have  $g_{c^*,\theta_0}(2\pi J/m_k) < g_{c^*,\theta_{m_k}}(2\pi J/m_k)$ since  $\dot{g}(2\pi J/m_k) < 0$ . Then, we have

$$m_k^{\theta_{m_k}-\theta_0} \frac{g_{c^*,\theta_0}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m_k)}{g_{c^*,\theta_{m_k}}(2\pi \boldsymbol{J}/m_k)} < 1 \text{ on } \Omega_{m_k}.$$

Thus, we can show  $R_{m_k}(c^*, \theta_{m_k}) - R_{m_k}(c^*, \theta_0) > 0$  on  $\Omega_{m_k} \bigcap \mathcal{G}_{\delta}$  using the Lemma 2 of Wu, Lim and Xiao (2013). Note that, by construction,  $P(\Omega_{m_k} \bigcap \mathcal{G}_{\delta}) > \delta/2 > 0$  since  $P(\Omega_{m_k}) > \delta$  and  $P(\mathcal{G}_{\delta}) > 1 - \delta/2$  for  $m_k > M = \max\{M_1, M_2\}$  which contradicts to the fact that  $\theta_{m_k}$  is the minimizer of  $R_{m_k}(c^*, \theta)$ .