Strong Laws for Randomly Weighted Sums of Random Variables and Applications in the Bootstrap and Random Design Regression

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Supplementary Material

In this supplement, we provide the proofs of Theorems 1-4, Corollaries 1 and 2, Lemmas 1 and 2, and Remark 5 in the main paper. Throughout this supplement, the symbol C denotes a positive constant which is not necessarily the same one in each appearance, I(A) denotes the indicator function of the event A. It proves convenient in defining that $\log x = \max\{1, \ln x\}$ for x > 0, where $\ln x$ denotes the natural logarithm.

Proof of Lemma 1. If z_1, \dots, z_n are all nonnegative, we have that

$$\begin{split} &P\left(X_1Y_1\leq z_1,\cdots,X_nY_n\leq z_n\right)\\ &=\int\cdots\int I\left(x_1y_1\leq z_1,\cdots,x_ny_n\leq z_n\right)\ dF_{X_1,\cdots,X_n,Y_1,\cdots,Y_n}(x_1,\cdots,x_n,y_1,\cdots,y_n)\\ &=\int\cdots\int I\left(x_1y_1\leq z_1,\cdots,x_ny_n\leq z_n\right)\ dF_{X_1,\cdots,X_n}(x_1,\cdots,x_n)dF_{Y_1,\cdots,Y_n}(y_1,\cdots,y_n)\\ &\text{(by independence of }\{X_n\}\ \text{and }\{Y_n\})\\ &=\int\cdots\int P\left(x_1Y_1\leq z_1,\cdots,x_nY_n\leq z_n\right)\ dF_{X_1,\cdots,X_n}(x_1,\cdots,x_n) \end{split}$$

$$\leq \int \cdots \int P(x_1 Y_1 \leq z_1) \cdots P(x_n Y_n \leq z_n) \ dF_{X_1, \dots, X_n}(x_1, \dots, x_n) \ (\text{by NOD of } \{Y_n\})$$

$$= E[F_{Y_1}(z_1/X_1) \cdots F_{Y_n}(z_n/X_n)]$$

$$\leq E[F_{Y_1}(z_1/X_1)] \cdots E[F_{Y_n}(z_n/X_n)] \ (\text{by NOD of } \{X_n\})$$

$$= \iint I(x_1 y_1 \leq z_1) \ dF_{Y_1}(y_1) dF_{X_1}(x_1) \cdots \iint I(x_n y_n \leq z_n) \ dF_{Y_n}(y_n) dF_{X_n}(x_n)$$

$$= \iint I(x_1 y_1 \leq z_1) \ dF_{X_1, Y_1}(x_1, y_1) \cdots \iint I(x_n y_n \leq z_n) \ dF_{X_n, Y_n}(x_n, y_n)$$

$$(\text{by independence of } \{X_n\} \text{ and } \{Y_n\})$$

$$= P(X_1 Y_1 \leq z_1) \cdots P(X_n Y_n \leq z_n).$$

Otherwise, we have that

$$P(X_1Y_1 \le z_1, \dots, X_nY_n \le z_n) = P(X_1Y_1 \le z_1) \cdots P(X_nY_n \le z_n) = 0.$$

Similarly, we also have that

$$P(X_1Y_1 > z_1, \dots, X_nY_n > z_n) \le P(X_1Y_1 > z_1) \dots P(X_nY_n > z_n).$$

Therefore, X_1Y_1, \dots, X_nY_n are NOD. \square

To prove Theorem 1, we need the following lemma which is the Rosenthal moment inequality for sums of NOD random variables.

Lemma A. (Asadian et al., 2006). Let $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of NOD random variables with $EX_n = 0$ and $E|X_n|^s < \infty$ for some $s \geq 2$ and all $n \geq 1$. Then there exists a positive constant C depending only on s such that for all $n \geq 1$,

$$E\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} X_{k}\right|^{s} \le C\left\{\sum_{k=1}^{n} E|X_{k}|^{s} + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{k}^{2}\right)^{s/2}\right\}.$$

Proof of Theorem 1. We can rewrite $\sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk}X_k - Ew_{nk}EX_k)$ as

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk}X_k - Ew_{nk}EX_k)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk}^+ X_k^+ - Ew_{nk}^+ EX_k^+) - \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk}^+ X_k^- - Ew_{nk}^+ EX_k^-)$$

$$+ \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk}^- X_k^- - Ew_{nk}^- EX_k^-) - \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk}^- X_k^+ - Ew_{nk}^- EX_k^+).$$

Since $\{X_n^+, n \geq 1\}$ and $\{X_n^-, n \geq 1\}$ are still sequences of NOD random variables, and $\{w_{nk}^+, n \geq 1, 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ and $\{w_{nk}^-, n \geq 1, 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ are still arrays of NOD random variables, we may assume that $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$ and $\{w_{nk}, n \geq 1, 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ are all nonnegative. Note that for all $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{\max_{1\leq k\leq n} w_{nk} > \varepsilon n^{1/p}\right\} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} P\{w_{nk} > \varepsilon n^{1/p}\}$$
$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk}^{\alpha}$$
$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{1-\alpha/p} < \infty.$$

By the Borel-Cantelli lemma,

$$n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \to 0 \text{ a.s.}$$
 (1)

The moment condition $EX^{\beta} < \infty$ is equivalent to $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\{X > n^{1/\beta}\} < \infty$, and hence

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\{X_n > n^{1/\beta}\} < \infty.$$

By the Borel-Cantelli lemma, the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n I(X_n > n^{1/\beta})$$

converges almost surely. Then we have by (1) that

$$n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} w_{nk} X_k I(X_k > n^{1/\beta}) \le \left(n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \right) \sum_{k=1}^{n} X_k I(X_k > n^{1/\beta})$$

$$\le \left(n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \right) \sum_{k=1}^{n} X_k I(X_k > k^{1/\beta})$$

$$\le \left(n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \right) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} X_k I(X_k > k^{1/\beta})$$

$$\to 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

Since $n^{1/\beta}I(X_k > n^{1/\beta}) \le X_kI(X_k > n^{1/\beta})$, we also have that

$$n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} w_{nk} n^{1/\beta} I(X_k > n^{1/\beta}) \to 0$$
 a.s.

On the other hand, by Remark 2,

$$n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk} E X_k I(X_k > n^{1/\beta}) = n^{-1/p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk} \right) E X^{\beta + 1 - \beta} I(X > n^{1/\beta})$$

$$\leq C n^{-1/\alpha} E X^{\beta} I(X > n^{1/\beta})$$

$$\to 0,$$

and hence

$$n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk} E\left(n^{1/\beta} I(X_k > n^{1/\beta})\right) \le n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk} E X_k I(X_k > n^{1/\beta}) \to 0.$$

Hence, to prove the result, it suffices to prove that

$$n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) - E w_{nk} E X_k(n^{1/\beta}) \right) \to 0 \text{ a.s.},$$
 (2)

where $X_k(n^{1/\beta}) := X_k I(X_k \le n^{1/\beta}) + n^{1/\beta} I(X_k > n^{1/\beta})$. Note that $\{X_k(n^{1/\beta}), n \ge 1, 1 \le k \le n\}$ is still an array of nonnegative rowwise NOD random variables. By the Borel-Cantelli lemma, to prove (2), it suffices to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) - E w_{nk} E X_k(n^{1/\beta}) \right) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right\} < \infty, \quad \forall \ \varepsilon > 0.$$
 (3)

Set

$$X_{nk} = w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) I(w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) < n^{1/p}) + n^{1/p} I(w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p}).$$

Then, by Lemma 1, $\{w_{nk}X_k(n^{1/\beta}), n \geq 1, 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ is an array of rowwise NOD random variables. Since X_{nk} is an increasing transformation of $w_{nk}X_k(n^{1/\beta})$, $\{X_{nk}, n \geq 1, 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ is still an array of rowwise NOD random variables. Note that

$$\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) - E w_{nk} E X_k(n^{1/\beta}) \right) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right\}
\subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{n} \left\{ w_{nk} X_k(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p} \right\} \cup \left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(X_{nk} - E w_{nk} E X_k(n^{1/\beta}) \right) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right\}.$$
(4)

By the Markov inequality and a standard computation,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} P\{w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p}\}$$

$$\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} n^{-\alpha/p} E\left(w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{\alpha}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} n^{-\alpha/p} Ew_{nk}^{\alpha} EX^{\alpha}(n^{1/\beta})$$

$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{1-\alpha/p} \left\{ EX^{\alpha} I(X \leq n^{1/\beta}) + n^{\alpha/\beta} P\left\{X > n^{1/\beta}\right\} \right\}$$

$$= C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{1-\alpha/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} EX^{\alpha} I(i-1 < X^{\beta} \leq i) + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{X^{\beta} > n\right\}$$

$$= C \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} EX^{\alpha} I(i-1 < X^{\beta} \leq i) \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/\beta} + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{X^{\beta} > n\right\}$$

$$\leq CEX^{\beta} < \infty, \tag{5}$$

and by Remark 2,

$$n^{-1/p} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk} EX_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) - \sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk} \right|$$

$$\leq n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) I(w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p}) + \sum_{k=1}^{n} P\left\{ w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p} \right\}$$

$$\leq 2n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) I(w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p})$$

$$= 2n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) \right)^{\beta+1-\beta} I(|w_{nk} X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})| > n^{1/p})$$

$$\leq 2n^{-\beta/p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk}^{\beta} \right) EX^{\beta}$$

$$\leq Cn^{1-\beta/p} = Cn^{-\beta/\alpha} \to 0.$$
(6)

Hence by (4)-(6), to prove (3), it suffices to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (X_{nk} - EX_{nk}) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right\} < \infty, \quad \forall \ \varepsilon > 0.$$
 (7)

By the Markov inequality and Lemma A, we have that for any q > 2,

$$P\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (X_{nk} - EX_{nk}) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right\}$$

$$\leq C \left(n^{-2/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk}^{2} \right)^{q/2} + C n^{-q/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk}^{q}.$$
(8)

If $\beta < 2$, then

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk}^{2} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{2} I(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) \leq n^{1/p}) + n^{2/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} P\left\{w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p}\right\} \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{\beta+2-\beta} I(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) \leq n^{1/p}) + n^{2/p} n^{-\beta/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{\beta} \\ &\leq 2n^{(2-\beta)/p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk}^{\beta}\right) EX^{\beta} \\ &\leq Cn^{1+(2-\beta)/p} = Cn^{2/p-\beta/\alpha}. \end{split}$$

Choosing $q > 2\alpha/\beta$, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(n^{-2/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E X_{nk}^{2} \right)^{q/2} \le C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-q\beta/(2\alpha)} < \infty.$$
 (9)

If $\beta \geq 2$, then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk}^{2} \le \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk}^{2}\right) EX^{2} \le Cn.$$

Choosing q > 2/(2/p - 1), we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(n^{-2/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E X_{nk}^{2} \right)^{q/2} \le C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-q(2/p-1)/2} < \infty.$$
 (10)

For any $q \geq \alpha$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk}^{q} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{q} I(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) \leq n^{1/p})$$

$$+ n^{q/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} P\left\{w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) > n^{1/p}\right\}$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{\alpha+q-\alpha} I(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta}) \leq n^{1/p})$$

$$+ n^{q/p} n^{-\alpha/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk}X_{k}(n^{1/\beta})\right)^{\alpha}$$

$$\leq 2n^{(q-\alpha)/p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk}^{\alpha}\right) EX^{\alpha}(n^{1/\beta})$$

$$\leq Cn^{1+(q-\alpha)/p} EX^{\alpha}(n^{1/\beta})$$

$$= Cn^{q/p-\alpha/\beta} EX^{\alpha}(n^{1/\beta}),$$

which implies that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-q/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} EX_{nk}^{q} \leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/\beta} EX^{\alpha} (n^{1/\beta})$$

$$= C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/\beta} \left\{ EX^{\alpha} I(X \leq n^{1/\beta}) + n^{\alpha/\beta} P \left\{ X > n^{1/\beta} \right\} \right\}$$

$$= C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} EX^{\alpha} I(i - 1 < X^{\beta} \leq i) + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P \left\{ X^{\beta} > n \right\}$$

$$= C \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} EX^{\alpha} I(i - 1 < X^{\beta} \leq i) \sum_{n=i}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/\beta} + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P \left\{ X^{\beta} > n \right\}$$

$$\leq CEX^{\beta} < \infty. \tag{11}$$

Thus (7) follows from (8)-(11). The proof is completed. \Box

Proof of Corollary 1. If $\alpha > 2p$, then the result holds at once by Theorem 1. Now we consider the case $\alpha = 2p$. Then $\beta = 2p$ and $E|wX|^{2p} = E|w|^{2p}E|X|^{2p} < \infty$. As in the proof of Theorem 1, we may assume that $X_n, n \ge 1$, and $w_{nk}, n \ge 1$ and $1 \le k \le n$, are nonnegative. By Lemma 1, $\{w_{nk}X_k, n \ge 1, 1 \le k \le n\}$ is an array of rowwise NOD random variables. By a result of Taylor et al. (2002),

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk} X_k - EwEX) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right\} < \infty, \quad \forall \ \varepsilon > 0,$$

which ensures the result by the Borel-Cantelli lemma. \qed

To prove Theorem 2, we need the following Fuk-Nagaev inequality for NOD random variables. One can refer to Chen and Sung (2017).

Lemma B. Let $\{\xi_k, 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ be a sequence of NOD random variables such that for some $q \geq 2$, $E|\xi_k|^q < \infty$ for $1 \leq k \leq n$. Then, for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\delta > 0$,

$$P\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (\xi_k - E\xi_k) \right| > \varepsilon \right\} \le 2 \exp\left\{ -\frac{\varepsilon^2}{(2+\delta) \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\xi_k^2} \right\} + C \sum_{k=1}^{n} E|\xi_k|^q / \varepsilon^q,$$

where C is a positive constant depending only on δ and q.

Proof of Theorem 2. Set $a_n = \sqrt{2n \log n}$, $b_n = n^{1/\beta} (\log n)^{1/2}$, $n \ge 1$. Note that for all $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{split} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{\max_{1\leq k\leq n} w_{nk} > \varepsilon a_n\right\} &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{\max_{1\leq k\leq n} w_{nk} > \varepsilon n^{1/2}\right\} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{n} P\{w_{nk} > \varepsilon n^{1/2}\} \\ &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/2} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk}^{\alpha} \\ &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{1-\alpha/2} < \infty. \end{split}$$

By the Borel-Cantelli lemma,

$$a_n^{-1} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \to 0 \text{ a.s.}$$
 (12)

The moment condition $EX^{\beta}/(\log X)^{\beta/2} < \infty$ is equivalent to

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\{X > b_n\} < \infty.$$

Then by the Borel-Cantelli lemma, the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n I(X_n > b_n)$$

converges almost surely. Then by (12),

$$a_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n w_{nk} X_k I(X_k > b_n) \le \left(a_n^{-1} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \right) \sum_{k=1}^n X_k I(X_k > b_n)$$

$$\le \left(a_n^{-1} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \right) \sum_{k=1}^n X_k I(X_k > b_k)$$

$$\le \left(a_n^{-1} \max_{1 \le k \le n} w_{nk} \right) \sum_{k=1}^\infty X_k I(X_k > b_k)$$

$$\to 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

Since $b_n I(X_k > b_n) \le X_k I(X_k > b_n)$, we also have that

$$a_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n w_{nk} b_n I(X_k > b_n) \to 0$$
 a.s.

On the other hand, by Remark 2,

$$a_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n Ew_{nk} EX_k I(X_k > b_n)$$

$$\leq a_n^{-1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n Ew_{nk} \right) E\left[\frac{X^{\beta}}{(\log X)^{\beta/2}} \cdot X^{1-\beta} (\log X)^{\beta/2} I(X > b_n) \right]$$

$$\leq C n^{-1/\alpha} E\left[\frac{X^{\beta}}{(\log X)^{\beta/2}} I(X > b_n) \right]$$

$$\to 0,$$

and hence

$$a_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n Ew_{nk}Eb_nI(X_k > b_n) \le a_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n Ew_{nk}EX_kI(X_k > b_n) \to 0.$$

Let $X_k(b_n) := X_k I(X_k \leq b_n) + b_n I(X_k > b_n)$. Then, to prove the result, it suffices to show that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk} X_k(b_n) - E w_{nk} X_k(b_n)) \right|}{a_n} \le \rho \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (13)

By the Borel-Cantelli lemma, it suffices to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left\{ \left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk} X_k(b_n) - E w_{nk} X_k(b_n)) \right| > \varepsilon a_n \right\} < \infty, \ \forall \ \varepsilon > \rho.$$
 (14)

Note that $\{X_k(b_n), 1 \leq k \leq n\}$ is still a sequence of nonnegative NOD random variables. By Lemmas 1 and B, we have that for any $\delta > 0$,

$$P\left\{\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk} X_{k}(b_{n}) - Ew_{nk} X_{k}(b_{n}))\right| > \varepsilon a_{n}\right\}$$

$$\leq 2 \exp\left\{-\frac{\varepsilon^{2} a_{n}^{2}}{(2+\delta) \sum_{k=1}^{n} E(w_{nk} X_{k}(b_{n}))^{2}}\right\} + C a_{n}^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E(w_{nk} X_{k}(b_{n}))^{\alpha}$$

$$\leq 2 \exp\left\{-\frac{2\varepsilon^{2} n \log n}{(2+\delta) \sum_{k=1}^{n} Ew_{nk}^{2}}\right\} + C a_{n}^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E(w_{nk} X_{k}(b_{n}))^{\alpha}, \qquad (15)$$

the last inequality follows from the fact that $EX_k^2(b_n) \le EX^2 = 1$ for all $n \ge 1$ and $1 \le k \le n$. Since $\varepsilon > \rho$, we can choose δ closed to zero enough such that $\sqrt{2\varepsilon^2/(2+\delta)} > \rho$, which ensures that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \exp\left\{-\frac{2\varepsilon^2 n \log n}{(2+\delta) \sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk}^2}\right\} < \infty.$$
 (16)

By a standard computation,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^{-\alpha} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E\left(w_{nk} X_k(b_n)\right)^{\alpha}$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^{-\alpha} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk}^{\alpha}\right) \left(E X^{\alpha} I(X \leq b_n) + b_n^{\alpha} P\{X > b_n\}\right)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{1-\alpha/2} (\log n)^{-\alpha/2} \left(E X^{\alpha} I(X \leq b_n) + b_n^{\alpha} P\{X > b_n\}\right)$$

$$= C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha/\beta} (\log n)^{-\alpha/2} E X^{\alpha} I(X \leq b_n) + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\{X > b_n\}$$

$$\leq C E X^{\beta} / (\log X)^{\beta/2} < \infty. \tag{17}$$

Thus (14) follows from (15)-(17). The proof is completed. \Box

Proof of Remark 5. To prove the first inequality, let $a = \liminf_{n \to \infty} \left(n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n E w_{nk}^2 \right)^{1/2} = \lim_{m \to \infty} \inf_{n \ge m} \left(n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n E w_{nk}^2 \right)^{1/2}$. Then, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a positive integer N such that

$$\left|\inf_{n\geq m} \left(n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} E w_{nk}^{2}\right)^{1/2} - a\right| < \varepsilon \quad \text{if } m \geq N,$$

which implies that

$$\left(n^{-1}\sum_{k=1}^{n}Ew_{nk}^{2}\right)^{1/2} > a - \varepsilon \quad \text{if } n \ge N.$$

It follows that

$$\sum_{n=-N}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 n \log n}{\sum_{k=1}^n Ew_{nk}^2}\right) > \sum_{n=-N}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 \log n}{(a-\varepsilon)^2}\right).$$

If $u \leq a - \varepsilon$, the second series diverges, and hence the first series also diverges. By the definition of ρ , we have that $\rho \geq a - \varepsilon$. Since $\varepsilon > 0$ was arbitrary, we obtain that $\rho \geq a$. Hence the first inequality holds. Similarly, the second inequality also holds. \square

Proof of Corollary 2. By E(wX) = 0,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} w_{nk} X_k = \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk} - Ew_{nk}) X_k + (Ew) \sum_{k=1}^{n} (X_k - EX_k),$$

and by the classical Hartman-Wintner law of iterated logarithm (see Hartman and Wintner, 1941),

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (X_k - EX_k) \right|}{\sqrt{2n \log \log n}} = \sqrt{E(X - EX)^2} \text{ a.s.,}$$

which ensures that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (X_k - EX_k) \right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} = 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

Thus, to prove the result, it suffices to show that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} (w_{nk} - Ew_{nk}) X_k \right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} = \sqrt{E(w - Ew)^2} \text{ a.s.}$$
 (18)

So we can assume that Ew = 0. For any M > 0, set

$$w'_{nk} = w_{nk}I(|w_{nk}| \le M) - Ew_{nk}I(|w_{nk}| \le M),$$

$$w_{nk}^{"} = w_{nk}I(|w_{nk}| > M) - Ew_{nk}I(|w_{nk}| > M).$$

Then $w_{nk} = w_{nk}' + w_{nk}''$ and

$$\frac{\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} w'_{nk} X_{k}\right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} - \frac{\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} w''_{nk} X_{k}\right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} \le \frac{\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} w_{nk} X_{k}\right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} \le \frac{\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} w'_{nk} X_{k}\right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} + \frac{\left|\sum_{k=1}^{n} w''_{nk} X_{k}\right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}}.$$
(19)

By Theorem 2.3 of Li et al. (1995),

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} w'_{nk} X_k \right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} = \sqrt{E(wI(|w| \le M) - EwI(|w| \le M))^2} \quad \text{a.s.}, \tag{20}$$

and by Remark 7,

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} w_{nk}^{"} X_k \right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} \le \sqrt{E(wI(|w| > M) - EwI(|w| > M))^2} \quad \text{a.s.}.$$
 (21)

Since

$$E(wI(|w| \le M) - EwI(|w| \le M))^2 \to Ew^2, \ E(wI(|w| > M) - EwI(|w| > M))^2 \to 0$$

as $M \to \infty$, (18) follows from (19)-(21). The proof is completed. \square

Proof of Lemma 2. We prove the result by induction on k.

(i) If k = 1, then $EX_n = np_n$ and we take $C_1 = 1$. Assume that $EX_n^i \leq C_i np_n$ for $i \leq k$. We can write the expansion of $X_n(X_n - 1) \cdots (X_n - k)$ as

$$X_n(X_n-1)\cdots(X_n-k) = X_n^{k+1} + \sum_{i=1}^k a_i X_n^i.$$

Since $E[X_n(X_n-1)\cdots(X_n-k)]=n(n-1)\cdots(n-k)p_n^{k+1}$, we have that

$$\begin{split} EX_n^{k+1} &= n(n-1)\cdots(n-k)p_n^{k+1} - \sum_{i=1}^k a_i EX_n^i \\ &\leq n(n-1)\cdots(n-k)p_n^{k+1} + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|EX_n^i \\ &\leq (np_n)^{k+1} + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|C_i np_n \\ &= np_n \{(np_n)^k + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|C_i\} \\ &\leq np_n \{c^k + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|C_i\}. \end{split}$$

Hence, we can take $C_{k+1} = c^k + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i| C_i$.

(ii) If k = 1, then $EX_n = np_n$ and we take $D_1 = 1$. Assume that $EX_n^i \leq D_i(np_n)^i$ for $i \leq k$. Then

$$EX_n^{k+1} \le n(n-1)\cdots(n-k)p_n^{k+1} + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|EX_n^i$$

$$\le (np_n)^{k+1} + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|D_i(np_n)^i$$

$$= (np_n)^{k+1} \{1 + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|D_i(np_n)^{-k-1+i}\}$$

$$\le (np_n)^{k+1} \{1 + \sum_{i=1}^k |a_i|D_id^{-k-1+i}\}.$$

Hence, we can take $D_{k+1}=1+\sum_{i=1}^{k}|a_i|D_id^{-k-1+i}$. \square

Proof of Theorem 3. Since $m(n)(w_{n1}, w_{n2}, \dots, w_{nn})$ has the multinomial distribution with parameters $(m(n), 1/n, 1/n, \dots, 1/n)$, $m(n)w_{n1}, m(n)w_{n2}, \dots, m(n)w_{nn}$ are negatively associated (see Joag-Dev and Proschan, 1983) and hence NOD. In particular, $m(n)w_{nk}$ has the binomial distribution with parameters m(n) and 1/n. Then by Lemma 2, for any $\alpha > 1$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} E|nw_{nk}|^{\alpha} = \frac{n^{\alpha+1}}{m(n)^{\alpha}} E|m(n)w_{n1}|^{\alpha}$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{n^{\alpha+1}}{m(n)^{\alpha}} \cdot O(m(n)/n), & \text{if } m(n)/n \le 1, \\ \frac{n^{\alpha+1}}{m(n)^{\alpha}} \cdot O(m^{\alpha}(n)/n^{\alpha}), & \text{if } m(n)/n > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$= O(n). \tag{22}$$

(i) We can rewrite $n^{1-1/p} \left(\bar{X}_n^* - EX \right)$ as

$$n^{1-1/p} \left(\bar{X}_n^* - EX \right) = n^{1-1/p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n (w_{nk} X_k - Ew_{nk} EX_k) + \sum_{k=1}^n Ew_{nk} EX_k - EX \right)$$

$$= n^{1-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^n (w_{nk} X_k - Ew_{nk} EX_k)$$

$$= n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^n (nw_{nk} X_k - nEw_{nk} EX_k).$$

Without loss of the generality, we can choose β closed to p enough such that $\alpha > 2p$ (if $E|X|^{\beta} < \infty$, then $E|X|^{\beta'} < \infty$ for $0 < \beta' < \beta$), where $1/\alpha + 1/\beta = 1/p$. Thus (3.1) holds by (22) and Theorem 1.

(ii) Note that

$$\sqrt{\frac{n}{2\log n}} |\bar{X}_n^* - EX| = \sqrt{\frac{n}{2\log n}} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n w_{nk} (X_k - EX_k) \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n\log n}} \left| \sum_{k=1}^n n w_{nk} (X_k - EX_k) \right|,$$

and it is easy to show that

$$\inf \left\{ u > 0 : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 n \log n}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} E(nw_{nk})^2}\right) < \infty \right\}$$

$$= \inf \left\{ u > 0 : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \exp\left(-\frac{u^2 \log n}{(n/m(n))(1 - 1/n) + 1}\right) < \infty \right\}$$

$$< \sqrt{r+1}.$$

Without loss of the generality, we can choose β close 2 enough such that $\alpha > 4$, where $1/\alpha + 1/\beta = 1/2$. Thus, (3.2) holds by (22) and Theorem 2. The proof is completed. \Box

Proof of Theorem 4. By (3.3) and (3.4), we have that for all $n \ge 1$,

$$\hat{b}_n - b = \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n X_{nk} \epsilon_k - \bar{X}_n \sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon_k}{S_-^2}, \quad \hat{a}_n - a = -\bar{X}_n (\hat{b}_n - b) + \bar{\epsilon}_n, \tag{23}$$

where $\bar{\epsilon}_n = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon_k$.

(i) By (23), to prove (3.5), it suffices to prove that

$$n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} X_{nk} \epsilon_k \to 0 \quad \text{a.s.}, \tag{24}$$

$$n^{-1/p}\bar{X}_n \sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon_k \to 0 \quad \text{a.s.}, \tag{25}$$

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} S_n^2 > 0 \text{ a.s.}$$
(26)

By Corollary 1, (24) holds. By the Kolmogorov strong law of large number for an array of rowwise NOD random variables (see Taylor et al., 2002), and the Marcinkiewicz-Zygmund strong law of large number for a sequence of NOD random variables (see Wu, 2010),

$$\bar{X}_n \to EX$$
 a.s., $n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon_k \to 0$ a.s., (27)

which ensure (25). By the moment condition, EX^2 exists, and $EX^2 > (EX)^2$ whenever X is non-degenerated. Thus there exists M > 0 such that $EX^2(M) > (EX)^2$, where $X(M) = (EX)^2$

 $XI(|X| \le M) + MI(X > M) - MI(X < -M)$. Then by the Kolmogorov strong law of large number for an array of rowwise NOD random variables (see Taylor et al., 2002) again,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \inf n^{-1} S_n^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf \left(n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n X_{nk}^2 - \bar{X}_n^2 \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n X_{nk}^2 - (EX)^2$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ (X_{nk}^+)^2 + (X_{nk}^-)^2 \right\} - (EX)^2$$

$$\geq \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ (X_{nk}^+(M))^2 + (X_{nk}^-(M))^2 \right\} - (EX)^2$$

$$= E(X^+(M))^2 + E(X^-(M))^2 - (EX)^2 \text{ a.s.}$$

$$= EX^2(M) - (EX)^2 > 0 \text{ a.s.},$$

which implies (26). Hence (3.5) holds. The equation (3.6) follows from (3.5), (23) and (27). The proof of (i) is completed.

(ii) By Corollary 2,

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\left| \sum_{k=1}^{n} X_{nk} \epsilon_k \right|}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} = \sqrt{E(X - EX)^2 E \epsilon^2} \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (28)

By the Kolmogorov strong law of large numbers for an array of rowwise independent random variables (see Hu et al. 1989),

$$\bar{X}_n \to EX$$
 a.s., $n^{-1}S_n^2 = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n X_{nk}^2 - \bar{X}_n^2 \to E(X^2) - (EX)^2$ a.s., (29)

and by the classical Hartman-Wintner law of iterated logarithm (see Hartman and Wintner, 1941),

$$\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n} \epsilon_k}{\sqrt{2n \log n}} \to 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$
 (30)

Then (3.7) follows from (23) and (28)-(30). The equation (3.8) follows from (3.7), (23) and (30). The proof is completed. \Box

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