

## A Note on Rate of Convergence in Probability to Semicircular Law\*

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### Abstract

In the present paper, we prove that under the assumption of the finite sixth moment for elements of a Wigner matrix, the convergence rate of its empirical spectral distribution to the Wigner semicircular law in probability is  $O(n^{-1/2})$  when the dimension  $n$  tends to infinity.

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# 1 Introduction and the result.

A Wigner matrix  $\mathbf{W}_n = n^{-1/2} (x_{ij})_{i,j=1}^n$  is defined to be a Hermitian random matrix whose entries on and above the diagonal are independent zero-mean random variables. It is an important model for depicting heavy-nuclei atoms, which began with the seminal work of Wigner in 1955 ([16]). Details in this area can be found in [13].

There are various mathematical tools in the study of Wigner matrices in the past half century (see [1]). One of the most popular instruments is the limit theory of empirical spectral distribution (ESD). Here, for any  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  with real eigenvalues, the ESD of  $\mathbf{A}$  is defined by

$$F^{\mathbf{A}}(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I(\lambda_i^{\mathbf{A}} \leq x),$$

where  $\lambda_i^{\mathbf{A}}$  denotes the  $i$ -th smallest eigenvalue of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $I(B)$  denotes the indicator function of an event  $B$ . It is proved that, under assumptions of for all  $i, j$ ,  $\mathbb{E}|x_{ij}|^2 = \sigma^2$ , the ESD  $F^{\mathbf{W}_n}(x)$  converges almost surely to a non-random distribution  $F(x)$  which has the destiny function

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma} \sqrt{4\sigma^2 - x^2}, \quad x \in [-2\sigma, 2\sigma]. \quad (1)$$

This is also known as the Wigner semicircular law (see [16], [6]).

The rate of convergence is important in establishing the central limit theorem for linear spectral statistics of Wigner matrices ([7, 6]). There are some partial results in this area. In [2], Bai proved that under the assumption of  $\sup_n \sup_{i,j} \mathbb{E}x_{ij}^4 < \infty$ , the rate of

$$\Delta_n = \|\mathbb{E}F^{\mathbf{W}_n} - F\| := \sup_x |\mathbb{E}F^{\mathbf{W}_n}(x) - F(x)|$$

tending to 0 is  $O(n^{-1/4})$ . Bai et al. in [4] obtained that the rate established in [2] was still valid in probability for

$$\Delta_p = \|F^{\mathbf{W}_n} - F\| := \sup_x |F^{\mathbf{W}_n}(x) - F(x)|$$

Under a stronger condition that  $\sup_n \sup_{i,j} \mathbb{E}x_{ij}^8 < \infty$ , Bai et al. in [5] showed that  $\Delta_n = O(n^{-1/2})$  and  $\Delta_p = O_p(n^{-2/5})$  (Bai and Silverstein improved this condition up to  $\sup_n \sup_{i,j} \mathbb{E}x_{ij}^6 < \infty$  in their book [6]). Here and in the sequel, the notation  $R_n = O_p(r_n)$  means for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a  $C > 0$  such that  $\sup_n \mathbb{P}(|R_n| \geq Cr_n) < \varepsilon$ . Later, Götze et al. in [10] derived  $\Delta_n = O(n^{-1/2})$  as well assuming fourth moment, and  $\Delta_p = O_p(n^{-1/2})$  at the cost of the twelfth moment of the matrix entries. There are some other results with some special assumptions on the matrix entries. If the entries of  $\mathbf{W}_n$  have a normal distribution, then the optimal order  $\Delta_n = O(n^{-1})$  was shown in [11]. When the distribution of the entries satisfies a Poincare inequality or a uniformly subexponential decay, the order of  $\Delta_p$  can be improved to  $O_p(n^{-2/3} \log^2 n)$  and  $O_p(n^{-1} \log^C n)$  with some constant  $C$  respectively. For which one can refer to [9, 8].

In this note we prove that the twelfth moment condition in [10] could be reduced to the sixth moment assumption while still getting  $\Delta_p = O_p(n^{-1/2})$ . Our main result of this paper is as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Assume that*

- $\mathbb{E}x_{ij} = 0$ , for all  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ ,
- $\mathbb{E}|x_{ii}^2| = \sigma^2 > 0, \mathbb{E}|x_{ij}|^2 = 1$ , for all  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ ,
- $\sup_n \sup_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \mathbb{E}|x_{ii}^3|, \mathbb{E}|x_{ij}|^6 < \infty$ .

Then we have

$$\Delta_p := \|F^{\mathbf{W}_n} - F\| = O_p(n^{-1/2}). \quad (2)$$

**Remark 1.2.** *It is not clear what the exact rate and the optimal conditions are in Theorem 1.1.*

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. The main tool of proving the theorem is introduced in Section 2. Theorem 1.1 is proved in Section 3 and some technical lemmas are given in Section 4. Throughout this paper, constants appearing in inequalities are represented by  $C$  which are nonrandom and may take different values from one appearance to another.

## 2 The main tool

For any function of bounded variation  $H$  on the real line, its Stieltjes transform is defined by

$$s_H(z) = \int \frac{1}{\lambda - z} dH(\lambda), \quad z \in \mathbb{C}^+ \equiv \{z \in \mathbb{C}^+ : \Im z > 0\}.$$

Our main tool to prove the theorem is a Berry-Esseen type inequality which is proved in [2].

**Lemma 2.1.** *(Bai inequality) Let  $F$  be a distribution function and let  $G$  be a function of bounded variation satisfying  $\int |F(x) - G(x)| dx < \infty$ . Denote their Stieltjes transforms by  $s_F(z)$  and  $s_G(z)$  respectively, where  $z = u + iv \in \mathbb{C}^+$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} \|F - G\| \leq & \frac{1}{\pi(1 - \zeta)(2\rho - 1)} \left( \int_{-A}^A |s_F(z) - s_G(z)| du \right. \\ & + 2\pi v^{-1} \int_{|x| > B} |F(x) - G(x)| dx \\ & \left. + v^{-1} \sup_x \int_{|u| \leq 2v\epsilon} |G(x + u) - G(x)| du \right), \end{aligned}$$

where the constants  $A > B > 0$ ,  $\zeta$  and  $\epsilon$  are restricted by  $\rho = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{|u| \leq \epsilon} \frac{1}{u^2 + 1} du > \frac{1}{2}$ , and  $\zeta = \frac{4B}{\pi(A-B)(2\rho-1)} \in (0, 1)$ .

Here we should notice that we can use the same methods in [10] to prove our theorem. However, Götze-Tikhomirov inequality (see Corollary 2.3 in [10]) involves the supremum of  $|s_n(z) - \mathbb{E}s_n(z)|$  over  $\Im z$  in some interval. This makes the proof rather complicated. Therefore in this paper, we use Bai inequality instead of Götze-Tikhomirov inequality which could make the presentation simpler.

### 3 The proof of Theorem 1.1.

We will firstly introduce a new technique which can handle the moment conditions efficiently. That is given in Lemma 3.2. Then, by using this lemma and dividing the expression of  $\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2$ , we prove our theorem step by step.

Before proving the theorem, we introduce some notation. Denote  $\mathbf{I}_n$  be the identity matrix of size  $n$  and  $\mathbf{a}_i$  be the  $i$ th column of  $\mathbf{W}_n$  with  $x_{ii}$  removed. Define  $\mathbf{D}(z) = n^{-1/2}\mathbf{W}_n - z\mathbf{I}_n$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_i(z) = \mathbf{D}(z) - n^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i\mathbf{a}_i^*$  and  $s_n = s_n(z) = s_{F^{\mathbf{W}_n}}(z)$ . Moreover write

$$\begin{aligned}\beta_i &= \left(n^{-1/2}x_{ii} - z - n^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i^*\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i\right)^{-1}, \quad \gamma_i = \mathbf{a}_i^*\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i - \text{tr}\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} \\ \varepsilon_i &= n^{-1/2}x_{ii} - n^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i^*\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i + \mathbb{E}s_n(z), \quad \hat{\gamma}_i = \mathbf{a}_i^*\mathbf{D}_i^{-2}\mathbf{a}_i - \text{tr}\mathbf{D}_i^{-2} \\ \xi_i &= \text{tr}\mathbf{D}^{-1} - \text{tr}\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}, \quad a_n = (z + \mathbb{E}s_n(z))^{-1}.\end{aligned}$$

Throughout this section, we denote  $z = u + iv$ ,  $u \in [-16, 16]$  and  $1 \geq v \geq v_0 = C_0n^{-1/2}$  with an appropriate constant  $C_0$ . Let  $s = s(z) = s_F(z)$ , we know that (see (3.2) in [2] )

$$s(z) = -\frac{1}{2} \left( z - \sqrt{z^2 - 4} \right) \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{C}^+.$$

Then we have

$$\int_{-16}^{16} \frac{1}{|z + 2s(z)|} du \leq \int_{-16}^{16} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|z^2 - 4|}} du \leq \int_{-16}^{16} \frac{1}{\sqrt{|u^2 - 4|}} du < 10. \quad (3)$$

In addition, by Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 8.2 in [6], we have for some positive constant  $C$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\|F^{\mathbf{W}_n} - F\| \leq C \int_{-16}^{16} \mathbb{E}|s_n(z) - \mathbb{E}s_n(z)| du + O(n^{-1/2}). \quad (4)$$

Therefore, the rest of the proof is reduced to the lemma below.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Under the assumptions in Theorem 1.1, for any  $1 > v \geq v_0 = C_0n^{-1/2}$  with sufficiently large  $C_0 > 0$ , we have*

$$\mathbb{E} \left| s_n(z) - \mathbb{E}s_n(z) \right|^2 \leq \frac{C}{n|z + 2s(z)|^2}.$$

#### 3.1 Known results and a preliminary lemma

Following the same truncation, centralization and rescaling steps in [6], in this section we may assume the random variables satisfy the conditions as follows

$$|x_{ij}| \leq n^{1/4}, \quad \mathbb{E}x_{ij} = 0, \quad \mathbb{E}|x_{ij}|^2 = 1 \text{ for all } i, j.$$

Bai in [2] derived the equation

$$s_n(z) = \frac{1}{n} \text{tr}\mathbf{D}^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i,$$

which together with the fact

$$\beta_i = -a_n + a_n \beta_i \varepsilon_i, \quad (5)$$

implies

$$s_n(z) = -a_n + \frac{a_n}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i \varepsilon_i. \quad (6)$$

For each  $i$  we have

$$|\Im \beta_i^{-1}| = |\Im (z + n^{-1} \mathbf{a}_i^* \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} \mathbf{a}_i)| \geq \nu.$$

Thus we have

$$|\beta_i| \leq \nu^{-1}. \quad (7)$$

From the definition of  $\varepsilon_i$  it follows that

$$\varepsilon_i = n^{-1/2} x_{ii} - n^{-1} \gamma_i + n^{-1} \xi_i - (s_n - \mathbb{E} s_n), \quad (8)$$

and

$$s_n = -a_n + \frac{a_n}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i x_{ii} + \frac{a_n}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i \gamma_i + \frac{a_n}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_i \xi_i - a_n (s_n - \mathbb{E} s_n) s_n. \quad (9)$$

Then, we have the the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.2.** *Under the assumption in Theorem 1.1, we have for any  $\nu > \nu_0$*

$$\mathbb{P} (|\beta_i| > 2) \leq \frac{C}{n^2 \nu^2}. \quad (10)$$

*Proof.* From integration by parts and Theorem 1.1 in [10], we have for  $1 > \nu > \nu_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbb{E} s_n(z) - s(z)| &= \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d(\mathbb{E} F^{\mathbf{W}_n}(x) - F(x))}{x - z} \right| \\ &= \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E} F^{\mathbf{W}_n}(x) - F(x)}{(x - z)^2} dx \right| \leq C, \end{aligned}$$

which together with the fact that  $|s(z)| \leq 1$  ( see (3.3) in [2]) implies

$$|\mathbb{E} s_n(z)| \leq C.$$

Then applying Lemma 4.2 and Lemma 4.3 we have for  $1 > \nu > \nu_0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E} |s_n(z)| \leq C \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} |\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| \leq C.$$

By Lemma 4.1 we can check that

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}|\gamma_i|^4 &\leq C\mathbb{E}\left(\left(\text{tr}\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}(\mathbf{D}_i^{-1})^*\right)^2 + n^{1/2}\text{tr}\left(\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}(\mathbf{D}_i^{-1})^*\right)^2\right) \\
&\leq C\left(v^{-2}\mathbb{E}|\text{tr}\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 + n^{1/2}v^{-3}\mathbb{E}|\text{tr}\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|\right) \\
&\leq \frac{Cn^2}{v^2}.
\end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Thus, from (8), Lemma 4.2 and Lemma 4.3 we have for  $v > v_0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4 \leq \frac{C}{n^2v^2}. \tag{12}$$

In addition, by the proof of Lemma 5.1 and (5.59) in [10], we can see that

$$|a_n| \leq 1 \text{ for all } v \geq v_0. \tag{13}$$

Therefore from the equation (5) we can obtain

$$\mathbb{P}\left(|\beta_i| > 2\right) \leq \mathbb{P}\left(|a_n\varepsilon_i| > \frac{1}{2}\right) \leq 2^4\mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4 \leq \frac{C}{n^2v^2},$$

which complete the proof.  $\square$

### 3.2 The proof of Lemma 3.1

Notice that in this subsection, we will use the equality (5) and (8) frequently. From (9), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 &= \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})(s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n) \\
&= \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})s_n = a_n(S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + S_4),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
S_1 &= \frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})x_{ii}\beta_i, & S_2 &= -\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})\gamma_i\beta_i, \\
S_3 &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})\xi_i\beta_i, & S_4 &= -\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2s_n.
\end{aligned}$$

We first consider  $S_1$ . From (5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
S_1 &= \frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})x_{ii}\beta_i \\
&= \frac{a_n}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}\left(-(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})x_{ii} + a_n\mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})x_{ii}\varepsilon_i - a_n(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n})x_{ii}\beta_i\varepsilon_i^2\right) \\
&= \frac{a_n}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(-S_{11} + S_{12} - S_{13}).
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 4.2 we have

$$|\mathbb{E}S_{11}| = \left| \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \xi_i x_{ii} \right| \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}|x_{ii}|}{nv} = O\left(\frac{1}{nv}\right). \quad (14)$$

From (12), (13), Hölder's inequality and Lemma 4.3, we obtain

$$|\mathbb{E}S_{12}| \leq \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^4 \mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4 (\mathbb{E}|x_{ii}|^2)^2 \right)^{1/4} \leq \frac{C}{n^{3/2}v^2}. \quad (15)$$

Next we consider the term  $S_{13}$ . Using (12), (13), Lemma 3.2, Lemma 4.3 and the fact  $|\beta_i| \leq v^{-1}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbb{E}S_{13}| &\leq 2 \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^4 (\mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4)^2 \mathbb{E}|x_{ii}|^4 \right)^{1/4} \\ &\quad + v^{-1} \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^4 (\mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4)^2 \right)^{1/4} \left( \mathbb{E}|x_{ii}|^2 I(|\beta_i| > 2) \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{C}{nv}. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

Therefore combining inequalities (13)-(16) we obtain

$$|S_1| = O\left(\frac{1}{n}\right). \quad (17)$$

Furthermore, we have the following expression for  $S_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} S_2 &= -\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n}) \gamma_i \beta_i \\ &= \frac{a_n}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n}) \gamma_i - \frac{a_n^2}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n}) \gamma_i \varepsilon_i \beta_i \\ &= S_{21} + S_{22} + S_{23} + S_{24} + S_{25}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_{21} &= \frac{a_n}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i}) \gamma_i, & S_{22} &= -\frac{a_n}{n^{5/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n}) x_{ii} \gamma_i \beta_i, \\ S_{23} &= \frac{a_n}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n}) \beta_i \gamma_i^2, & S_{24} &= -\frac{a_n}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n}) \gamma_i \beta_i \xi_i, \\ S_{25} &= \frac{a_n}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \gamma_i \beta_i. \end{aligned}$$

Here we will use the method which we used to handle the bound of  $S_1$ . Firstly, we express  $S_{21}$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned} S_{21} &= \frac{a_n}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}((1 + n^{-1} \mathbf{a}_i^* \mathbf{D}_i^{-2} \mathbf{a}_i) \beta_i) \gamma_i \\ &= S_{211} + S_{212}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$S_{211} = -\frac{|a_n|^2}{n^4} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\bar{\gamma}_i) \gamma_i \quad S_{212} = \frac{|a_n|^2}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(\overline{(1+n^{-1}\mathbf{a}_i^* \mathbf{D}_i^{-2} \mathbf{a}_i) \beta_i \varepsilon_i}) \gamma_i.$$

From Lemma 4.1 and Hölder's inequality we get

$$|S_{211}| \leq \frac{C}{n^4} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbb{E}|\hat{\gamma}_i|^2 \mathbb{E}|\gamma_i|^2)^{1/2} \leq \frac{C}{n^2 v^2}.$$

Applying Lemma 4.2, Hölder's inequality and (12), we obtain

$$S_{212} = \frac{|a_n|^2}{n^2} \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(s_n - n^{-1} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} \varepsilon_i) \gamma_i \right| \leq \frac{C}{n^3 v} \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^2 \mathbb{E}|\gamma_i|^2)^{1/2} \leq \frac{C}{n^2 v^2}.$$

From the last two inequalities we obtain

$$|S_{21}| = O\left(\frac{1}{n^2 v^2}\right). \quad (18)$$

For  $S_{22}$ , we use Lemma 4.2 to get

$$|S_{22}| \leq \frac{C}{n^{7/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |x_{ii} \gamma_i \beta_i| + \frac{C}{n^{7/2} v} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|x_{ii} \gamma_i \beta_i|.$$

Notice that  $x_{ii}$  and  $\gamma_i$  are independent. From Hölder's inequality and Lemma 3.2 we have

$$\mathbb{E}|x_{ii} \gamma_i \beta_i| \leq C \mathbb{E}|x_{ii} \gamma_i| + (\mathbb{E}|x_{ii} \gamma_i|^2 \mathbb{E}|\beta_i I(|\beta_i| > 2)|^2)^{1/2} = O(n^{1/2} v^{-1/2}).$$

Similarly we can get

$$\mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |x_{ii} \gamma_i \beta_i| \leq (\mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^4 \mathbb{E}|\gamma_i|^4)^{1/4} = O(n^{1/2} v^{-2}),$$

which implies

$$|S_{22}| \leq \frac{C}{n^2 v^2}. \quad (19)$$

Now consider  $S_{23}$ . Using Lemma 4.2 again we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |S_{23}| &\leq \frac{C}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |\gamma_i^2 \beta_i| + \frac{C}{n^3 v} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|\gamma_i^2 \beta_i| \\ &\leq \frac{C}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |\gamma_i^2 \beta_i| + \frac{C}{n^2 v^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 3.2 and Hölder's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |\gamma_i^2 \beta_i| &\leq 2 \mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |\gamma_i^2| \\ &\quad + \left( (\mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 |\gamma_i|^4) \mathbb{E}|\beta_i I(|\beta_i| > 2)|^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \left( \mathbb{E}|\text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E} \text{tr} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 |\gamma_i|^4 \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$



It follows from (11) that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2|\gamma_i|^4 \\
& \leq C\mathbb{E}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 \left( v^{-2}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 + n^{1/2}v^{-3}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| \right) \\
& \leq Cv^{-2}\mathbb{E}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^4 + \frac{Cn^2}{v^2}\mathbb{E}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 \\
& \leq \frac{Cn^2}{v^2}\mathbb{E}|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^2 + \frac{C}{v^8} \\
& \leq \frac{Cn^2}{v^2}\mathbb{E}|tr\mathbf{D}^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}^{-1}|^2 + \frac{C}{v^8}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we conclude that

$$|S_{23}| \leq \frac{C}{nv} \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \frac{C}{n^2v^2}. \quad (20)$$

From Lemma 3.2, Lemma 4.2, Lemma 4.3 and Hölder's inequality, it is easy to check that

$$|S_{24}| \leq \frac{C}{n^2v} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^4 \mathbb{E}|\gamma_i|^4 \right)^{1/4} \left( \mathbb{E}|\beta_i|^2 I(|\beta_i| > 2) \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{C}{n^2v^2}. \quad (21)$$

For  $S_{25}$ , we use (5) to represent it in the form

$$\begin{aligned}
S_{25} &= -\frac{a_n^2}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \gamma_i + \frac{a_n^2}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \gamma_i \varepsilon_i \beta_i \\
&= -S_{251} + S_{252}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 4.3 and Hölder's inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
|S_{251}| &\leq \frac{C}{n^4} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|\xi_i - \mathbb{E}\xi_i|^2 |\gamma_i| + \frac{C}{n^4} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}|\xi_i - \mathbb{E}\xi_i| |tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}| |\gamma_i| \\
&\leq \frac{C}{n^{5/2}v^{5/2}} + \frac{C}{n^{5/2}v^3} = O\left(\frac{1}{n^2v^2}\right).
\end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Similarly we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \gamma_i \varepsilon_i \beta_i &\leq \left( \mathbb{E}(|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^8 |\gamma_i|^4) \mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4 \right)^{1/4} \left( 2 + \mathbb{E}|\beta_i|^2 I(|\beta_i| > 2) \right)^{1/2} \\
&\leq \frac{C}{n^{1/2}v^{1/2}} \left( \mathbb{E}(|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^8 |\gamma_i|^4) \right)^{1/4} \\
&\leq \frac{C}{n^{1/2}v^{1/2}} \left( n^{-8} \mathbb{E}(|\xi_i - \mathbb{E}\xi_i|^8 |\gamma_i|^4) + n^{-8} \mathbb{E}(|tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}tr\mathbf{D}_i^{-1}|^8 |\gamma_i|^4) \right)^{1/4} \\
&\leq \frac{C}{n^3v^4}.
\end{aligned}$$

From the last inequality and (22) we obtain

$$|S_{25}| \leq \frac{C}{n^2v^2}. \quad (23)$$

Combining inequalities (18)-(21) and (23), we conclude that, for  $\nu \geq \nu_0$

$$|S_2| \leq \frac{C}{n\nu} \left( \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \right)^{1/2} + \frac{C}{n^2\nu^2}. \quad (24)$$

From Lemma 3.2, Lemma 4.3 and Hölder's inequality, we can check that

$$\begin{aligned} |S_3| &\leq \frac{C}{n^2\nu} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (2 + \mathbb{E} |\beta_i|^2 I(|\beta_i| > 2)) \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{C}{n\nu} \left( \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

Therefore, it remains to get the bound of  $S_4$ . Now we recall the equality (9), then we have

$$S_4 = a_n \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 - a_n (S_{41} + S_{42} + S_{43} + S_{44}),$$

and

$$S_4 = -\mathbb{E}s_n \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n). \quad (26)$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} S_{41} &= \frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 x_{ii} \beta_i, & S_{42} &= -\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \gamma_i \beta_i, \\ S_{43} &= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \xi_i \beta_i, \\ S_{44} &= -\mathbb{E}s_n \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n) - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Comparing (26) with  $S_{44}$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} &(1 + a_n \mathbb{E}s_n) \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n) \\ &= -(a_n + \mathbb{E}s_n) \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \\ &\quad + a_n (S_{41} + S_{42} + S_{43} - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} &-\mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n) \\ &= b_n a_n^{-1} (a_n + \mathbb{E}s_n) \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \\ &\quad - b_n (S_{41} + S_{42} + S_{43} - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $b_n = (z + 2\mathbb{E}s_n(z))^{-1}$ . Thus denoting  $\delta_n = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E} \beta_i \varepsilon_i$ , we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} S_4 &= (-\mathbb{E}s_n + b_n a_n^{-1} (a_n + \mathbb{E}s_n)) \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \\ &\quad - b_n (S_{41} + S_{42} + S_{43} - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2) \\ &= (a_n - \delta_n b_n \mathbb{E}s_n) \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \\ &\quad - b_n (S_{41} + S_{42} + S_{43} - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2) \\ &= (a_n + a_n \delta_n b_n) \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \\ &\quad - b_n (\delta_n^2 \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 + S_{41} + S_{42} + S_{43} - \mathbb{E} |s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 (s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2). \end{aligned}$$

It is obvious that  $S_{42}$  and  $S_{25}$  have the same bound. Using Lemma 3.2, Lemma 4.2 and Lemma 4.3 we get the following three inequalities

$$|\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2(s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n)^2| \leq \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^4 \leq \frac{C}{n^4\nu^6},$$

$$|S_{43}| \leq \frac{1}{n\nu} \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^4 \right)^{1/2} \leq \frac{C}{n^3\nu^4},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 x_{ii} \beta_i| &\leq |\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 x_{ii} a_n| + |\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 x_{ii} a_n \varepsilon_i \beta_i| \\ &\leq \frac{C}{n^2\nu^3} + \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^{16} \mathbb{E}|x_{ii}|^8 \right)^{1/8} \left( \mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_i|^4 \right)^{1/4} \left( 2 + \mathbb{E}|\beta_i|^2 I(|\beta_i| > 2) \right)^{1/2} \\ &= O\left( \frac{1}{n^2\nu^3} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, from the definition of  $\delta_n$  and (12), we have

$$|\delta_n| = \left| n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \mathbb{E}n^{-1} \mathbf{D}_i^{-1} - \mathbb{E}s_n + \mathbb{E}\beta_i \varepsilon_i^2 \right) \right| \leq \frac{C}{n\nu}.$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$S_4 = a_n \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 + O\left( \frac{|b_n|}{n^2\nu^2} \right),$$

which combined with (17), (24) and (25) implies

$$|1 - a_n^2 \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2| \leq \frac{C_1 |a_n b_n|}{n} + \frac{C_2 |a_n|}{\sqrt{n}} \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Then, from (6.91) and (6.95) in [10] which are under the existing fourth moment assumption, for  $1 > \nu > \nu_0$ ,

$$|1 - a_n^2| \geq |a_n(z + 2s(z))| \text{ and } |b_n| \leq 2|z + 2s(z)|^{-1},$$

we obtain the following inequality

$$\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \leq \frac{C_1}{n|z + 2s(z)|^2} + \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{n}|z + 2s(z)|} \left( \mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Solving this inequality, we obtain

$$\mathbb{E}|s_n - \mathbb{E}s_n|^2 \leq \frac{C}{n|z + 2s(z)|^2},$$

which complete the proof of the Lemma.

## 4 Basic lemmas

In this section we list some results which are needed in the proof.

**Lemma 4.1.** (Lemma B.26 of [6]) Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be an  $n \times n$  nonrandom matrix and  $\mathbf{X} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^*$  be a random vector of independent entries. Assume that  $\mathbb{E}x_i = 0$ ,  $\mathbb{E}|x_i|^2 = 1$ , and  $\mathbb{E}|x_j|^l \leq v_l$ . Then, for any  $p \geq 1$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}|\mathbf{X}^* \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X} - \text{tr} \mathbf{A}|^p \leq C_p \left( (v_4 \text{tr}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^*))^{p/2} + v_{2p} \text{tr}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^*)^{p/2} \right),$$

where  $C_p$  is a constant depending on  $p$  only.

**Lemma 4.2.** (Lemma 2.6 of [14]). Let  $z \in \mathbb{C}^+$  with  $v = \Im z$ ,  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$   $n \times n$  with  $\mathbf{B}$  Hermitian,  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ , and  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{C}^N$ . Then

$$|\text{tr}((\mathbf{B} - z\mathbf{I})^{-1} - (\mathbf{B} + \tau \mathbf{q} \mathbf{q}^* - z\mathbf{I})^{-1}) \mathbf{A}| \leq \frac{\|\mathbf{A}\|}{v}.$$

**Lemma 4.3.** (Lemma 8.7 of [6]) Under the assumption in Theorem 1.1, we have for any  $l \geq 1$

$$\mathbb{E}|s_n(z) - \mathbb{E}s_n(z)|^{2l} \leq \frac{C}{n^{2l} v^{3l}}. \quad (27)$$

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