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# An inverse norm weight spatial sign test for high-dimensional directional data<sup>\*</sup>

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we focus on the high-dimensional location testing problem of directional data under the assumption of rotationally symmetric distributions, where the data dimension is potentially much larger than the sample size. We study the family of directional weighted spatial sign tests for this testing problem and establish the asymptotic null distributions and local power properties of this family. In particular, we find that the test based on the inverse norm weight, named as the inverse norm weight spatial sign test, has the maximum asymptotic power in this family. As demonstrated by extensive numerical results, the inverse norm weight spatial sign test has advantages in empirical power compared with some other members in the family as well as some existing tests.

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#### 1. Introduction

Directional data have been widely studied in meteorology [7], astronomy [2], earth science [22] and biology [10]. These fields naturally yield a large number of directional data, such as the wind direction data and the earth scale spatial

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data, which are commonly considered as an implementation of a random vector on a hypersphere. Besides, some data from other fields are essential only for their relative size, hence being projected onto a unit hypersphere, where the projection removes the overall scale factor associated with the size. For analyzing directional data, the family of rotationally symmetric distributions is one of the most commonly used distributions, which has played a central role in the application of directional statistics [15]. One prominent member of the family of rotationally symmetric distributions is the Fisher-von Mises-Langevin (FvML) distribution, which plays a critical role in directional statistics, on par with that of the Gaussian distribution in the classic multivariate setting.

The literature on the inference of location parameters under the assumption of rotationally symmetric distributions is abundant. For example, [23], [3], [11], [13] and [19] considered the location inference problems in low-dimensional situations. [21] and [5] tackled the problem for spherical regression, while [1] considered the location testing problem under axial frames. [8] considered the problem of testing rotational symmetry on hyperspheres, and introduced two locally asymptotically maximin tests against two classes of directional distributions in the Le Cam sense.

In this paper, we focus on the high-dimensional location testing problem of directional data under the assumption of rotationally symmetric distributions, where the null hypothesis is that the location parameter vector is equal to a given vector on the unit hypersphere. To deal with such a testing problem, [23] proposed a traditional Watson test based on the mean of the spherical sample. [17] proposed a class of rank tests and discussed the Le Cam optimality of the tests. Then, [12] proposed a high-dimensional Watson test by standardizing the traditional Watson statistic.

To develop some alternative high-dimensional tools for testing location under rotationally symmetric distributions, in this paper we study the family of directional weighted spatial sign tests for testing location of directional data under rotationally symmetric distributions. In particular, we find that the test based on the inverse norm weight, named as the inverse norm weight spatial sign test, has the maximum asymptotic power in this family. Indeed, the proposed inverse norm weight spatial sign test is an extension of the inverse norm sign test devised for general data. We then present its asymptotic properties under the unified framework of directional weighted spatial sign tests, and demonstrate its empirical power advantages via extensive numerical results.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we introduce the family of directional weighted spatial sign tests for high-dimensional directional data under rotationally symmetric distributions. Besides, we establish the corresponding theoretical results, including the limiting null distributions, the asymptotic power under the local alternative and the asymptotic relative efficiency results in Section 3. Then, we investigate the numerical performance of the proposed test in comparison with its main competitors in Section 4. Finally, we conclude the paper with some discussions in Section 5, and relegate some additional numerical results as well as the technical proofs to the appendix.

#### 2. Test statistics

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n \in S^{p-1} \doteq \{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p : \|\mathbf{x}\| = 1\}$  be a sequence of *p*-dimensional independent and identically distributed (iid) observations from a rotationally symmetric distribution with spherical location  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in S^{p-1}$ . We recall that a random vector  $X_i$  is said to be rotationally symmetric about some location  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in S^{p-1}$  if its distribution is invariant under rotations about  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ , i.e. if  $OX_i$  has the same distribution as  $X_i$  for any orthogonal  $p \times p$  matrix O satisfying  $O\boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\theta}$ . In particular,  $X_i$  has the density of  $c_{f,p}f(\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta})$  with  $\mathbf{x} \in S^{p-1}$ , where  $f: [-1,1] \to \mathbb{R}^+$ is an absolutely continuous function, called the angular function, and  $c_{f,p}$  is the standardization constant. For example, the FvML distributions, is obtained by taking the angular function  $t \to \exp(\kappa t)$ , where  $t \in [-1,1]$  and  $\kappa \geq 0$  is the concentration parameter.

Our interest is to test the location hypotheses

$$H_0: \boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \quad \text{versus} \quad H_1: \boldsymbol{\theta} \neq \boldsymbol{\theta}_0,$$
 (2.1)

for some given location  $\theta_0 \in S^{p-1}$ . To test (2.1), we study the family of directional weighted spatial sign tests, where the test statistics are constructed as

$$T_{n}(\omega) \doteq \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega(\|(\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{i}\|)\omega(\|(\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{j}\|) \times \mathbf{U}\{(\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{i}\}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{U}\{(\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{j}\}.$$
(2.2)

Here,  $\omega(\cdot)$  is a nonnegative and continuous weight function on  $\mathbb{R}^+$ ,  $I_p$  denotes the  $p \times p$  identity matrix and  $\mathbf{U}(\cdot)$  denotes the spatial sign function with  $\mathbf{U}(a) \doteq a/||a||$  if  $a \neq 0$  and  $\mathbf{U}(a) \doteq 0$  if a = 0. Define

$$\widehat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega) \doteq 2n^{-4} p^{-1} \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq j} \omega(\|(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i\|)^2 \omega(\|(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_j\|)^2.$$
(2.3)

According to Theorems 3.1 and 3.2 presented in the next section, for each  $\omega$ ,  $H_0$  will be rejected when  $T_n(\omega)/\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega)} > z_{\alpha}$ , where  $z_{\alpha}$  is the upper  $\alpha$ -quantile of the standard normal distribution  $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  with significance level  $\alpha$ . We will call this test the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based test.

In fact, some members of this family are closely related to existing tests for (2.1). For example, taking  $\omega(t) = \omega_{\rm N}(t) \doteq t$  for  $t \ge 0$ , i.e. using the norm (N) weight function  $\omega_{\rm N}$ , the test statistic is

$$T_{n}(\omega_{\mathrm{N}}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \| \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \| \\ \times \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \}.$$
(2.4)

The main part of  $T_n(\omega_N)$  is the same as that of the high-dimensional Watson test statistic proposed by [12]:

$$\widetilde{W}_{n} \doteq \frac{\sqrt{2(p-1)}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} v_{i0}^{2}} \sum_{i < j} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \| \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \|$$

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where  $v_{i0} \doteq \| (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \|$ .

The relationship between the two statistics is discussed in the following proposition. To present this relationship, we need to impose the following condition.

(C0)  $\mathbb{E}(v_i^4)/\mathbb{E}^2(v_i^2) = O(1), \mathbb{E}(v_i^2) \neq 0$  and for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \mathbb{E}\{v_i^{-4}\}$  exists for sufficiently large p.

Here,  $v_i \doteq \|(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_i\| = (1 - u_i^2)^{1/2}$ , where  $u_i \doteq \boldsymbol{X}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}$  and  $\boldsymbol{X}_i$  is rotationally symmetric about  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  with concentration parameter  $\kappa$ . The probability density function of  $u_i$  is

$$c_{p,f,\kappa} \left(1-u^2\right)^{(p-3)/2} f_{\kappa}(u),$$

where  $u \in [-1,1]$  and  $c_{p,f,\kappa} \doteq 1/\int_{-1}^{1} (1-u^2)^{(p-3)/2} f_{\kappa}(u) du$ . It can be seen that the distributions of  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  do not depend on  $\theta$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** As  $n, p \to \infty$ , under condition (C0) and  $H_0$ ,

$$\widetilde{W}_n / \frac{T_n(\omega_{\rm N})}{\sqrt{\widehat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega_{\rm N})}} \to 1$$
 in probability.

This proposition indicates that the  $T_n(\omega_N)$ -based and  $\widetilde{W}_n$ -based tests are asymptotically equivalent, where the  $\widetilde{W}_n$ -based test rejects  $H_0$  when  $\widetilde{W}_n > z_{\alpha}$ . We recall that all proofs are discussed in the appendix.

In fact,  $W_n$  is a standardized version of the traditional Watson test statistic [23, 20]

$$W_n \doteq \frac{n(p-1)\bar{\boldsymbol{X}}_n^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\bar{\boldsymbol{X}}_n}{1 - \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n (\boldsymbol{X}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_0)^2},$$

with asymptotic mean p-1 and asymptotic variance 2(p-1) under the null hypothesis, where  $\bar{\mathbf{X}}_n \doteq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{X}_i$ . The  $W_n$ -based test rejects  $H_0$  when  $W_n$  is larger than the upper  $\alpha$ -quantile of  $\chi^2_{p-1}$ .

Taking  $\omega(t) = \omega_{\rm C}(t) \doteq 1$  for  $t \ge 0$ , i.e. using the constant (C) weight function  $\omega_{\rm C}$ , the test statistic is

$$T_n(\omega_{\rm C}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\rm T}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \}^{\rm T} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\rm T}) \boldsymbol{X}_j \}, \quad (2.5)$$

which is very similar to the test that was mentioned in [18].

In addition to these existing ones, we also consider some other members of this family. Taking  $\omega(t) = \omega_{\text{IN}}(t) \doteq t^{-1}$  for  $t \ge 0$ , i.e. using the inverse norm (IN) weight function  $\omega_{\text{IN}}$ , the test statistic is

$$T_{n}(\omega_{\mathrm{IN}}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \|^{-1} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \|^{-1} \\ \times \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \},$$
(2.6)

which can be regarded as an extension of the inverse norm sign test (INST) proposed by [6] on directional data. In this paper, we name the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based test as the inverse norm weight spatial sign test.

Taking  $\omega(t) = \omega_{\rm S}(t) \doteq t^2$  and  $\omega(t) = \omega_{\rm R}(t) \doteq t^{1/2}$  respectively, the test statistics are

$$T_{n}(\omega_{\rm S}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \|^{2} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \|^{2} \\ \times \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \}^{\rm T} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \},$$
(2.7)

and

$$T_{n}(\omega_{\mathrm{R}}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{i} \|^{1/2} \| (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{j} \|^{1/2} \\ \times \mathbf{U}\{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{i} \}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{U}\{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{j} \}.$$
(2.8)

Now, we have introduced the family of directional weighted spatial sign tests. In the following section, we will establish the theoretical results of the whole family, which imply that the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based test has the maximum asymptotic power among this family. Then, extensive numerical results will demonstrate the empirical power advantages of the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based test compared with some other members of this family as well as some existing tests.

#### 3. Theoretical results

In this section, we will establish the theoretical results of the whole family of directional weighted spatial sign tests with the general form of weight function  $\omega(\cdot)$ .

#### 3.1. Null distribution

(C1)  $b_4(\omega) = O\{b_2(\omega)^2\}, b_2(\omega) \neq 0$  and for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}, \mathbb{E}\{v_i^{-4}\}$  exists for sufficiently large p.

Here,  $b_k(\omega) \doteq \mathbb{E}\{\omega^k(v_i)\}$  for any positive integer k. Note that by choosing  $\omega = \omega_N$ , condition (C1) becomes condition (C0), which leads to  $\mathbb{E}(v_i^4)/\mathbb{E}^2(v_i^2) = o(n)$ , previously used in Theorem 3.1 (iv) of [12] and Theorem 3.1 (b) of [20].

**Theorem 3.1.** Under condition (C1) and  $H_0$ , as  $n, p \to \infty$ ,  $T_n(\omega)/\sigma_n(\omega) \to \mathcal{N}(0,1)$  in distribution, where  $\sigma_n^2(\omega) \doteq 2n^{-2}p^{-1}b_2^2(\omega)$ .

We find a ratio-consistent estimation of  $\sigma_n^2(\omega)$  in the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.** Under condition (C1) and  $H_0$ , as  $n, p \to \infty$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega)/\sigma_n^2(\omega) \to 1$  in probability, where  $\hat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega)$  is defined in (2.3).

#### 3.2. Asymptotic power

Then, we investigate the asymptotic distribution of  $T_n(\omega)$  under the following local alternative.

(C2) 
$$\|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\|^2 \sqrt{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})} = O(n^{-1}p^{-1/2})$$
 and  $\operatorname{var}(u_i) = o(1)$  for each  $i \in \{1, \cdots, n\}$ , where  $u_i = \boldsymbol{X}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}$ .

Note that  $\operatorname{var}(u_i) = o(1)$  is a weaker condition than condition (c), i.e.  $\sqrt{p\mathbb{E}}(u_i^2) = o(1)$ , of Theorem 3.1 in [20] due to  $\operatorname{var}(u_i) \leq \mathbb{E}(u_i^2)$ , which was used to derive the local power of  $\widetilde{W}_n$ . Condition (C2) ensures that the difference between  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_0$  is not too large, so that the variance of  $T_n(\omega)$  can be asymptotically described by  $\sigma_n^2(\omega)$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Under conditions (C1)–(C2), as  $n, p \to \infty$ ,

$$[T_n(\omega) - c_0(\omega)^2 \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta} \}] / \sigma_n(\omega) \to \mathcal{N}(0,1) \text{ in distribution,}$$

where  $c_0(\omega) \doteq \mathbb{E}(u_i) \mathbb{E}\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}.$ 

According to Theorems 3.1 and 3.3, the local power of the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based test against an alternative  $\theta$  that satisfies condition (C2) is

$$\begin{split} & \beta_{n,p}(\omega) \\ &\doteq \mathbf{P}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left[ T_n(\omega) > \sigma_n(\omega) z_{\alpha} \right] \\ &= \mathbf{P}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \left[ \frac{T_n(\omega) - c_0(\omega)^2 \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}}{\sigma_n(\omega)} > z_{\alpha} - \frac{c_0(\omega)^2 \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}}{\sigma_n(\omega)} \right]. \end{split}$$

Then, we obtain the asymptotic power of the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based test:

$$\beta(\omega)$$

$$\doteq \lim_{n,p \to \infty} \beta_{n,p}(\omega)$$

$$= \lim_{n,p \to \infty} \Phi \left[ -z_{\alpha} + \frac{\mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\mathbb{E}^{2}\{\omega(v_{i})v_{i}^{-1}\}}{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^{2}(v_{i})\}} \frac{p^{1/2}n(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta})}{\sqrt{2}} \right]. \quad (3.1)$$

To find a weight function  $\omega$  that can make  $\beta(\omega)$  reach the maximum value, we only need to find the maximum value of  $\mathbb{E}^2(u_i)\mathbb{E}^2\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}/\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\}$ , because  $\Phi\left[-z_{\alpha} + \frac{\mathbb{E}^2(u_i)\mathbb{E}^2\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}}{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\}} \frac{p^{1/2}n(\theta^{\mathrm{T}}(\theta\theta^{\mathrm{T}}-\theta_0\theta_0^{\mathrm{T}})\theta)}{\sqrt{2}}\right]$  in (3.1) is an increasing function of  $\mathbb{E}^2(u_i)\mathbb{E}^2\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}/\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\}$ . By proving  $\mathbb{E}^2\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}/\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\} \leq \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2})$ , we will obtain that taking  $\omega = \omega_{\mathrm{IN}}$  makes  $\beta(\omega)$  reach the maximum value.

**Theorem 3.4.** For all the weight functions satisfying conditions (C1)–(C2), as  $n, p \to \infty$ , the maximum value of the asymptotic power  $\beta(\omega)$  is

$$\beta(\omega_{\rm IN}) = \lim_{n,p \to \infty} \Phi\left[ -z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) \frac{p^{1/2} n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\rm T})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}} \right]$$

In contrast, the asymptotic power of the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm C})$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_{\rm N})$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_{\rm S})$ -based and  $T_n(\omega_{\rm R})$ -based tests are

$$\beta(\omega_{\rm N}) = \lim_{n,p\to\infty} \Phi\left[-z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\mathbb{E}^{-1}(v_{i}^{2})\frac{p^{1/2}n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}}\right],$$
  

$$\beta(\omega_{\rm C}) = \lim_{n,p\to\infty} \Phi\left[-z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\mathbb{E}^{2}(v_{i}^{-1})\frac{p^{1/2}n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}}\right],$$
  

$$\beta(\omega_{\rm S}) = \lim_{n,p\to\infty} \Phi\left[-z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\frac{\mathbb{E}^{2}(v_{i})}{\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{4})}\frac{p^{1/2}n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}}\right],$$
  

$$\beta(\omega_{\rm R}) = \lim_{n,p\to\infty} \Phi\left[-z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\frac{\mathbb{E}^{2}(v_{i}^{-1/2})}{\mathbb{E}(v_{i})}\frac{p^{1/2}n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\rm T})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}}\right]$$

respectively.

Next, we consider the asymptotic power of the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based test in situation of the FvML distribution.

**Corollary 3.1.** Suppose  $X_i$  follows a FvML distribution. Under conditions (C1) and (C2), as  $n, p \to \infty$ , the asymptotic power of the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based test is

$$\beta = \lim_{n,p \to \infty} \Phi\left[ -z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) \frac{p^{1/2} n \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}}{\sqrt{2}} \right],$$

which does not depend on the choice of the weight function  $\omega$ .

This corollary indicates that if  $X_i$  follows a FvML distribution, all the directional weighted spatial sign tests have the same asymptotic power.

#### 3.3. Asymptotic relative efficiency

Then, we derive the asymptotic relative efficiencies (AREs) between the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ based test and the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm C})$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_{\rm N})$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_{\rm S})$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_{\rm R})$ -based tests, respectively. Specifically,

$$\begin{aligned} &\operatorname{ARE}_{\mathrm{IN,N}} = \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2})\mathbb{E}(v_i^2) \geq 1, \\ &\operatorname{ARE}_{\mathrm{IN,C}} = \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2})\mathbb{E}^{-2}(v_i^{-1}) = 1 + \operatorname{var}(v_i^{-1})\mathbb{E}^{-2}(v_i^{-1}) \geq 1, \\ &\operatorname{ARE}_{\mathrm{IN,S}} = \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2})\mathbb{E}(v_i^4)\mathbb{E}^{-2}(v_i) \geq 1, \\ &\operatorname{ARE}_{\mathrm{IN,R}} = \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2})\mathbb{E}(v_i)\mathbb{E}^{-2}(v_i^{-1/2}) \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

For rotationally symmetric distributions, there are many choices of angular functions. Below, we present the formulas for calculating the AREs under some commonly used angular functions. First, when  $\mathbf{X}_i$  follows a rotationally symmetric distribution, the density function of  $\mathbf{X}_i$  is  $c_{p,f,\kappa}f_{\kappa}(\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\theta)$ , where  $c_{p,f,\kappa} = 1/\int_{-1}^{1} (1-t^2)^{(p-3)/2} f_{\kappa}(t) dt$ . Hence,

$$ARE_{IN,N} = \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa}^2}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa}c_{p+2,f,\kappa}},$$

,

$$ARE_{IN,C} = \frac{c_{p-1,f,\kappa}^2}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa}c_{p,f,\kappa}},$$
$$ARE_{IN,S} = \frac{c_{p+1,f,\kappa}^2}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa}c_{p+4,f,\kappa}},$$
$$ARE_{IN,R} = \frac{c_{p-\frac{1}{2},f,\kappa}^2}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}c_{p+1,f,\kappa_1}}$$

Next, when  $X_i$  follows the mixture of two rotationally symmetric distributions with the same location parameter, the density function of  $X_i$  can be denoted as

$$\lambda c_{p,f,\kappa_1} f_{\kappa_1}(\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}) + (1-\lambda) c_{p,f,\kappa_2} f_{\kappa_2}(\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}), \qquad (3.2)$$

where  $c_{p,f,\kappa} = 1 / \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - t^2)^{(p-3)/2} f_{\kappa}(t) dt$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{split} \text{ARE}_{\text{IN,N}} &= \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_2}} \right] \times \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p+2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p+2,f,\kappa_2}} \right], \\ \text{ARE}_{\text{IN,C}} &= \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_2}} \right] / \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-1,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-1,f,\kappa_2}} \right]^2 \\ \text{ARE}_{\text{IN,S}} &= \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_2}} \right] \times \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p+4,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p+4,f,\kappa_2}} \right] \right] \\ &/ \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_2}} \right]^2 , \\ \text{ARE}_{\text{IN,R}} &= \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_2}} \right] \times \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p+1,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p+1,f,\kappa_2}} \right] \right] \\ &/ \left[ \lambda \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_1}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_1}} + (1-\lambda) \frac{c_{p,f,\kappa_2}}{c_{p-2,f,\kappa_2}} \right]^2 . \end{split}$$

In the following, we investigate the ARE results numerically under the nonmixed and mixed rotationally symmetric distributions respectively. Here, we consider the following three types of angular functions.

- (F1) The FvML angular function  $\exp(\kappa t)$  with  $t \in [-1, 1]$ . (F2) The angular function  $4^{-\kappa \cdot \arccos(t)}$  with  $t \in [-1, 1]$ .
- (F3) The angular function  $6^{-\kappa \cdot \operatorname{arcsin}(t)}$  with  $t \in [-1, 1]$ .

Table 1 presents the corresponding ARE results of the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions, where some different choices of  $\kappa$  and p are considered. Then, Tables 2, 3 and 4 present the corresponding ARE results of the mixed distributions for (F1)-(F3) respectively, where two settings are considered: (1)  $\lambda = 0.9$  with  $\kappa_1 = \kappa/10$  and  $\kappa_2 = 10\kappa$ ; (2)  $\lambda = 0.6$  with  $\kappa_1 = \kappa/5$  and  $\kappa_2 = 5\kappa$ . Although the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based test does not show obvious advantages in Table 1, it has obvious advantages as shown in Tables 2, 3 and 4, which indicates that the proposed  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based test performs better than the other four directional weighted spatial sign tests in situation of mixed distributions.

	angular functions.									
p	$\kappa$	$ARE_{IN,N}$	$ARE_{IN,C}$	$ARE_{IN,S}$	$ARE_{IN,R}$					
			(F1)							
100	p	1.011	1.003	1.026	1.006					
200	p	1.006	1.001	1.013	1.003					
300	p	1.004	1.001	1.008	1.002					
400	p	1.003	1.001	1.006	1.002					
100	$p^2$	1.021	1.005	1.046	1.012					
200	$p^2$	1.010	1.003	1.023	1.006					
300	$p^2$	1.007	1.002	1.015	1.004					
400	$p^2$	1.005	1.001	1.011	1.003					
			(F2)							
100	2p	1.037	1.009	1.083	1.021					
150	2p	1.024	1.006	1.055	1.014					
200	2p	1.018	1.005	1.041	1.010					
250	2p	1.014	1.004	1.032	1.008					
300	2p	1.012	1.003	1.027	1.007					
100	3p	1.039	1.010	1.089	1.022					
150	3p	1.026	1.006	1.059	1.014					
200	3p	1.019	1.005	1.044	1.011					
250	3p	1.015	1.004	1.035	1.009					
300	3p	1.013	1.003	1.029	1.007					
			(F3)							
100	2p	1.038	1.010	1.088	1.022					
150	2p	1.025	1.006	1.057	1.014					
200	2p	1.019	1.005	1.043	1.011					
250	2p	1.015	1.004	1.034	1.008					
300	2p	1.013	1.003	1.028	1.007					
100	3p	1.040	1.010	1.091	1.022					
150	3p	1.026	1.007	1.060	1.015					
200	3p	1.020	1.005	1.045	1.011					
250	3p	1.016	1.004	1.035	1.009					
300	3p	1.013	1.003	1.029	1.007					

TABLE 1 The ARE results of the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions for the three types of angular functions.

## 3.4. Two rank-based tests

To make a more extensive comparison in the following simulation studies, in this subsection we consider two rank-based weights mentioned in [16]. The statistics are

$$R_W = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} R_i R_j \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_j \}$$

and

$$R_{S} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} R_{i}^{2} R_{j}^{2} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{U} \{ (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \}$$

respectively. Here,  $R_i$  is the rank of  $v_i$  among  $\{v_1, v_2, \cdots, v_n\}$ ,

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TABLE 2The ARE results of the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions for angular function(F1) with two different choices of  $\lambda$ .

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λ	p	$\kappa$	$ARE_{IN,N}$	$ARE_{IN,C}$	$ARE_{IN,S}$	$ARE_{IN,R}$
0.9	100	$p^2$	9.583	2.978	11.831	6.531
	200	$p^2$	9.699	2.998	11.840	6.616
	300	$p^2$	9.739	3.005	11.842	6.645
	400	$p^2$	9.759	3.009	11.843	6.660
	100	p	1.784	1.307	2.041	1.565
	200	p	1.775	1.303	2.029	1.557
	300	p	1.772	1.301	2.025	1.555
	400	p	1.770	1.300	2.023	1.554
0.6	100	$p^2$	6.520	1.570	14.042	3.220
	200	$p^2$	6.524	1.569	13.905	3.223
	300	$p^2$	6.526	1.569	13.859	3.225
	400	$p^2$	6.527	1.568	13.837	3.225
	100	p	1.869	1.184	2.851	1.463
	200	p	1.855	1.180	2.825	1.455
	300	p	1.851	1.179	2.817	1.452
	400	p	1.849	1.178	2.813	1.451

TABLE 3 The ARE results of the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions for angular function (F2) with two different choices of  $\lambda$ .

$\lambda$	p	$\kappa$	$ARE_{IN,N}$	$ARE_{IN,C}$	$ARE_{IN,S}$	ARE <sub>IN,R</sub>
0.9	100	2p	67.816	5.764	83.333	33.717
	150	2p	66.906	5.731	82.109	33.328
	200	2p	66.459	5.715	81.509	33.136
	250	2p	66.194	5.706	81.152	33.022
	300	2p	66.018	5.699	80.916	32.947
	100	3p	139.115	6.703	172.029	59.975
	150	3p	137.236	6.669	169.279	59.306
	200	3p	136.313	6.653	167.930	58.977
	250	3p	135.765	6.643	167.129	58.781
	300	3p	135.401	6.636	166.599	58.651
0.6	100	2p	37.454	2.026	94.224	9.777
	150	2p	36.951	2.018	92.583	9.682
	200	2p	36.705	2.013	91.778	9.635
	250	2p	36.558	2.011	91.300	9.607
	300	2p	36.461	2.009	90.984	9.589
	100	3p	64.558	2.127	168.273	13.679
	150	3p	63.686	2.118	164.869	13.552
	200	3p	63.257	2.114	163.200	13.489
	250	3p	63.003	2.112	162.209	13.452
	300	3p	62.834	2.110	161.552	13.428

$$\sigma_n^2(R_W) \doteq 2n^{-4}p^{-1} \sum_{i \neq j} i^2 j^2 = 2n^{-4}p^{-1} \left\{ \left(\sum_i i^2\right)^2 - \sum_i i^4 \right\}$$
$$= \frac{(n^2 - 1)(4n^2 - 1)(5n + 6)}{90n^3p}$$

		(F3)	) with two	different ch	nonces of $\lambda$ .	
$\lambda$	p	$\kappa$	$ARE_{IN,N}$	$ARE_{IN,C}$	ARE <sub>IN,S</sub>	$ARE_{IN,R}$
0.9	100	2p	107.571	6.380	132.694	48.888
	150	2p	106.121	6.347	130.647	48.334
	200	2p	105.409	6.330	129.643	48.062
	250	2p	104.985	6.321	129.047	47.900
	300	2p	104.705	6.314	128.653	47.792
	100	3p	211.010	7.188	262.208	83.162
	150	3p	208.153	7.155	257.689	82.265
	200	3p	206.750	7.138	255.473	81.824
	250	3p	205.917	7.128	254.156	81.561
	300	3p	205.364	7.122	253.284	81.387
0.6	100	2p	53.704	2.095	138.357	12.217
	150	2p	52.980	2.086	135.713	12.102
	200	2p	52.624	2.082	134.417	12.045
	250	2p	52.413	2.080	133.647	12.011
	300	2p	52.273	2.078	133.137	11.989
	100	3p	84.398	2.170	223.751	16.106
	150	3p	83.256	2.161	218.766	15.963
	200	3p	82.695	2.157	216.324	15.892
	250	3p	82.361	2.155	214.874	15.850
	300	3p	82.140	2.153	213.914	15.822

TABLE 4

The ARE results of the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions for angular function (F3) with two different choices of  $\lambda$ .

and

$$\sigma_n^2(R_S) \doteq 2n^{-4}p^{-1} \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq j} i^4 j^4 = 2n^{-4}p^{-1} \left\{ \left( \sum_i i^4 \right)^2 - \sum_i i^8 \right\}$$
$$= \frac{(n^2 - 1)(4n^2 - 1)(9n^5 + 20n^4 - 15n^3 - 50n^2 + n + 30)}{450n^3p}$$

**Proposition 3.1.** Under  $H_0$ , both  $R_W/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_W)}$  and  $R_S/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_S)}$  are asymptotically standard normal.

The  $R_W$ -based and  $R_S$ -based tests rejects  $H_0$  when  $R_W/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_W)} > z_\alpha$ and  $R_S/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_S)} > z_\alpha$ , respectively.

#### 4. Simulation results

In this section, we present some simulation results to investigate the performance of the  $W_n$ -based,  $\widetilde{W}_n$ -based,  $R_W$ -based and  $R_S$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_N)$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_C)$ based,  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based,  $T_n(\omega_S)$ -based and  $T_n(\omega_R)$ -based tests, abbreviated as  $W_n$ ,  $\widetilde{W}_n$ ,  $R_W$ ,  $R_S$ ,  $T_N$ ,  $T_C$ ,  $T_{\rm IN}$ ,  $T_S$  and  $T_R$  respectively. We let  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_0 = (1, 0, \cdots, 0)^{\rm T} \in \mathcal{S}^{p-1}$ ,

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 + \delta(-2\delta, 2\sqrt{1-\delta^2}, 0, \cdots, 0)^{\mathrm{T}} \in \mathcal{S}^{p-1}.$$
(4.1)

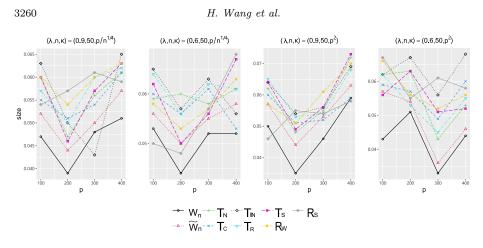


FIG 1. The empirical size results of the nine tests under the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F1) under settings I and II.

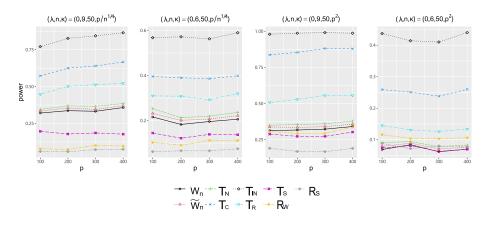


FIG 2. The empirical power results of the nine tests under the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F1) under settings I and II.

We consider two settings of mixed distributions in (3.2), where for setting I,  $(\lambda, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \delta) = (0.9, \kappa/10, 10\kappa, 2\Delta)$ , and for setting II,  $(\lambda, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \delta) = (0.6, \kappa/5, 5\kappa, \Delta/2)$ .  $\kappa$  and  $\Delta$  will be set according to the angular function type in the following text.

For angular function (F1), we let  $n = 50, p \in \{100, 200, 300\}$  and consider two cases:

(1) 
$$\kappa = p/n^{1/4}, \ \Delta = p^{3/4}/(\sqrt{n\kappa}),$$
  
(2)  $\kappa = p^2, \ \Delta = p^{1/4}/\sqrt{n\kappa}.$ 

Figures 1 and 2 summarize the empirical size and power results of the nine tests by using angular function (F1), where all the simulation results are based on 1,000 replications. The results in Figure 1 suggest that all these nine tests can

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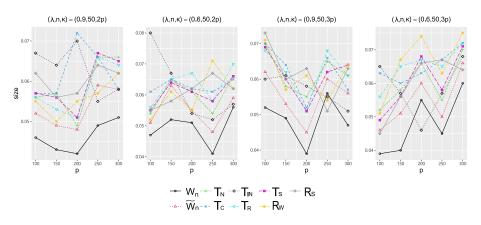


FIG 3. The empirical size results of the nine tests under the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F2) under settings I and II.

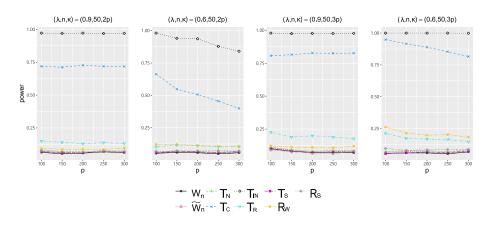


FIG 4. The empirical power results of the nine tests under the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F2) under settings I and II.

properly control the empirical size. For power performance, the power results in Figure 2 suggest that  $T_{\rm IN}$  can outperform the remaining tests.

For angular functions (F2) and (F3), we let  $\kappa \in \{2p, 3p\}$ ,  $\Delta = 1/(n^{1/2}p^{1/2})$ , n = 50 and  $p \in \{100, 150, 200, 250, 300\}$ . Figures 3 and 5 summarize the empirical size of the nine tests by using angular functions (F2) and (F3), respectively. Similarly, all the simulation results are based on 1,000 replications. The size results in Figures 3 and 5 are similar to that for angular function (F1). For power performance, Figure 4 presents the power curves for angular function (F2), while Figure 6 presents the power curves for angular function (F3). From Figures 4 and 6, we see that  $T_{\rm IN}$  and  $T_{\rm C}$  can outperform the remaining tests in power comparison, while  $T_{\rm IN}$  performs much better than  $T_{\rm C}$ . In addition, we place some additional simulation results for the non-mixed distributions in Appendix.

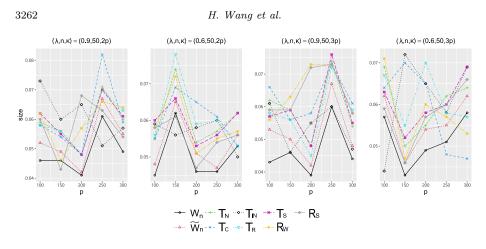


FIG 5. The empirical size results of the nine tests under the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F3) under settings I and II.

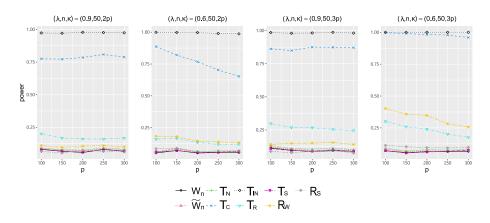


FIG 6. The empirical power results of the nine tests under the mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F3) under settings I and II.

#### 5. Discussion

We have studied the general framework of directional weighted spatial sign tests for testing location of directional data under the commonly used rotationally symmetric distributions, which includes many members closely related to the existing tests. The asymptotic properties of the family of tests have been established under the rotationally symmetric distributions. Within this framework of asymptotic properties, we find that the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ -based test has the maximum asymptotic power in this family. Then, the power advantages of the  $T_n(\omega_{\rm IN})$ based test have been fully demonstrated by the theoretical and numerical results.

#### Appendix

#### Some additional simulation results

In this subsection, we present some additional simulation results of the nine tests, as  $X_i$  follows the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions.

For angular function (F1), we perform simulations under the following three settings:

(a) 
$$\kappa = p^2, \, \delta = p^{1/4} / \sqrt{n\kappa},$$
  
(b)  $\kappa = p, \, \delta = \sqrt{0.5 + \sqrt{1 + 0.25}} p^{3/4} / (\sqrt{n\kappa})$   
(c)  $\kappa = p/n^{1/4}, \, \delta = p^{3/4} / (\sqrt{n\kappa}),$ 

which are the same as settings (i)–(iii) used in [20], with concentration  $\kappa$  and location

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} = (1, 0, \cdots, 0)^{\mathrm{T}} + \delta(-2\delta, 2\sqrt{1 - \delta^2}, 0, \cdots, 0)^{\mathrm{T}} \in \mathcal{S}^{p-1}.$$
 (A.1)

Let  $(n, p) \in \{(100, 400), (200, 800)\}.$ 

Table 5 summarizes the empirical size and power results of the nine tests by using the angular function (F1). The size results in Table 5 suggest that all these nine tests can properly control the empirical size. For power performance, the power results in Table 5 suggest that the power of the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based weighted spatial sign tests are quite similar to that of the  $W_n$ -based and  $\widetilde{W}_n$ -based tests. The power of the  $R_W$ -based and  $R_S$ -based tests are significantly smaller than those of the remaining tests.

Next, for angular functions (F2) and (F3), we let  $p \in \{100, 150, 200, 250, 300\}$ , n = 40 and  $\kappa \in \{2p, 3p\}$ , respectively. The setting of  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  is the same as (A.1) for angular function (F1). We fix  $\delta = \sqrt{0.65}/[n^{1/2}p^{1/4}\{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})\}^{1/4}]$  for angular function (F2), and fix  $\delta = \sqrt{0.70}/[n^{1/2}p^{1/4}\{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})\}^{1/4}]$  for angular function (F3).

Table 6 summarizes the empirical size of the nine tests for angular functions (F2) and (F3), which suggests that all these tests generally control the size. In particular, we find that the empirical size of the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based weighted spatial sign tests are slightly larger than that of the  $W_n$ -based and  $\widetilde{W}_n$ -based tests. These may indicate a slight anti-conservatism of the proposed tests.

For power comparison, Figure 7 shows the power curves of  $\kappa = 2p$  and 3p respectively for angular function (F2), while Figure 8 shows the power curves of  $\kappa = 2p$  and 3p respectively for angular function (F3). From Figures 7 and 8, it can be seen that some of the proposed directional weighted spatial sign tests are more powerful, but not significantly more powerful, than the  $W_n$ -based and  $\widetilde{W}_n$ -based tests, considering the slight anti-conservatism of the proposed tests are much lower than that of the remaining tests. In short, in the case of non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions, the power of all tests except the  $R_S$ -based and  $R_W$ -based tests are similar.

Table 5

The empirical size and power results of the nine tests under the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular function (F1).

				$\sim$							
n	p	$\kappa$	$W_n$	$W_n$	$T_{\rm N}$	$T_{\rm C}$	$T_{\rm IN}$	$T_{\rm S}$	$T_{\rm R}$	$R_W$	$R_S$
			size								
100	400	$p^2$	0.054	0.058	0.062	0.059	0.060	0.061	0.059	0.082	0.076
	400	p	0.051	0.054	0.056	0.059	0.061	0.052	0.057	0.055	0.057
100	400	$p/n^{1/4}$	0.054	0.057	0.062	0.062	0.060	0.064	0.062	0.066	0.058
200	800	$p^2$	0.048	0.050	0.050	0.051	0.052	0.047	0.051	0.050	0.051
	800	p	0.050	0.051	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.054	0.053	0.052	0.047
200	800	$p/n^{1/4}$	0.060	0.062	0.064	0.064	0.063	0.064	0.064	0.047	0.050
						por	wer				
100	400	$p^2$	0.814	0.822	0.831	0.830	0.824	0.827	0.832	0.693	0.514
100	400	p	0.826	0.834	0.840	0.840	0.845	0.837	0.841	0.677	0.495
100	400	$p/n^{1/4}$	0.777	0.785	0.793	0.791	0.791	0.793	0.793	0.631	0.451
	800		0.837	0.841	0.845	0.845	0.846	0.844	0.846	0.654	0.463
200	800	p	0.838	0.842	0.854	0.847	0.845	0.852	0.851	0.690	0.490
200	800	$p/n^{1/4}$	0.794	0.805	0.810	0.808	0.807	0.809	0.808	0.601	0.411

TABLE 6

The empirical size results of the nine tests under the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions at 5% level with angular functions (F2) and (F3).

n	p	κ	$W_n$	$\widetilde{W}_n$	$T_{\rm N}$	$T_{\rm C}$	$T_{\rm IN}$	$T_{\rm S}$	$T_{\rm R}$	$R_W$	$R_S$
	Р	10	$\boldsymbol{n}$	$\boldsymbol{n}$	TN		'2)	15	<sup>1</sup> R	$10_W$	105
40	100	200	0.049	0.053	0.060	0.062	0.062	0.061	0.059	0.068	0.069
40	100	300	0.043	0.046	0.050	0.056	0.054	0.056	0.055 0.056	0.056	0.005
40	$150 \\ 150$	300	0.040	0.040	0.062	0.061	0.064	0.000	0.064	0.000 0.071	0.000 0.072
40	$150 \\ 150$	450	0.000	0.052	0.060	0.001 0.059	0.061	0.056	0.054	0.060	0.060
40	200	400	0.044 0.045	0.052	0.050	0.055 0.055	0.001 0.055	0.050 0.058	0.058 0.056	0.069	0.000 0.071
40	200	400 600	0.043	0.050 0.051	0.059 0.058	0.055 0.056	0.055 0.051	0.058	0.050 0.055	0.060	0.060
40	250	500	0.044	0.051 0.052	0.053 0.057	0.063	0.001 0.065	0.053	0.055 0.062	0.000 0.057	0.050
40	250	750	0.040	0.002 0.047	0.057	0.058	0.005	0.055	0.058s	0.057	0.052 0.057
40	300	600	0.041 0.055	0.047	0.062	0.050 0.061	0.064	0.063	0.0503	0.057	0.057 0.053
40	300	900	0.035 0.041	0.038 0.045	0.002 0.052	0.001 0.055	0.004 0.053	0.005	0.050	0.051	0.055 0.063
40	500	300	0.041	0.040	0.052		(3)	0.000	0.000	0.002	0.005
40	100	200	0.042	0.046	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.052	0.058	0.058	0.057
40	100	300	0.042 0.044	0.040 0.053	0.058 0.062	0.058	0.063	0.052 0.061	0.058 0.058	0.058 0.059	0.057 0.064
40	$150 \\ 150$	300	0.044 0.040	0.033 0.048	0.002 0.052	0.000 0.055	0.003 0.057	0.001 0.062	0.053 0.053	0.059 0.067	$0.004 \\ 0.059$
40	$150 \\ 150$	450	0.040 0.046	0.048 0.052	0.052 0.057	0.055 0.057	0.057	0.002 0.062	0.055 0.056	0.067	0.059 0.061
40	200	400	0.040 0.044	0.032 0.046	0.057 0.052	0.057 0.057	0.050 0.056	0.002 0.052	0.050 0.057	0.000 0.062	0.061
40 40	200	400 600	$0.044 \\ 0.045$	0.040 0.050	0.052 0.053	0.057 0.051	0.050 0.050	0.052 0.053	0.057 0.054	0.002 0.058	0.008 0.058
-	$200 \\ 250$			0.050 0.054	0.053 0.055	0.051 0.056					
40	$250 \\ 250$	$500 \\ 750$	0.048				0.054	0.054	0.055	0.056	0.068
40		750	0.045	0.050	0.057	0.062	0.061	0.052	0.060	0.048	0.046
40	300	600	0.056	0.062	0.071	0.072	0.073	0.072	0.074	0.056	0.050
40	300	900	0.052	0.058	0.071	0.066	0.067	0.067	0.066	0.047	0.040

#### Technical details

If  $X_i$  are rotationally symmetric on  $S^{p-1}$  about  $\theta$ , then we have the tangentnormal decomposition of  $X_i$ ,  $X_i = u_i \theta + v_i S_i$ , where  $u_i = X_i^{\mathrm{T}} \theta$ ,  $v_i^2 = 1 - u_i^2 =$  $\|(\mathbf{I}_p - \theta \theta^{\mathrm{T}}) X_i\|^2$ ,  $S_i = \mathbf{U}\{(\mathbf{I}_p - \theta \theta^{\mathrm{T}}) X_i\}$ . In addition,  $S_i$  are independent with  $u_i$ , and  $S_i$  is uniformly distributed on  $S^{p-1}(\theta^{\perp}) : \{ S \in \mathbb{R}^p : \|S\| = 1, S^{\mathrm{T}} \theta = 0 \}$ . Before starting to prove, we recall Lemma B.1. in [4].

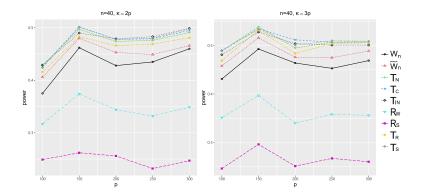


FIG 7. The power curves of nine tests under the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions for angular function (F2) with  $\kappa = 2p$  and 3p.

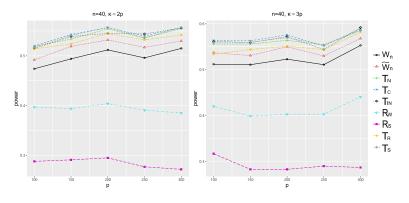


FIG 8. The power curves of nine tests under the non-mixed rotationally symmetric distributions for angular function (F3) with  $\kappa = 2p$  and 3p.

**Lemma A.1.** Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be a sequence of independent and identically distributed observations with a rotationally symmetric distribution, due to  $X_i = u_i \theta + v_i S_i$ , we have

(i) 
$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{S}_i \mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}) = \frac{1}{p-1} (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}) \text{ for any } i;$$
  
(ii)  $\mathbb{E}\left\{ (\mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_j)^2 \right\} = \frac{1}{p-1} \text{ for any } i \neq j;$   
(iii)  $\mathbb{E}\left\{ (\mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{S}_j)^4 \right\} = \frac{3}{p^2 - 1} \text{ for any } i \neq j.$ 

# Proof of Theorem 3.1

First, it is noteworthy that under  $H_0$ ,  $X_i$  are rotationally symmetric with  $\theta_0$ , hence  $S_i$  and  $u_i$  are independent. We have  $\mathbb{E}\{T_n(\omega)\} = 0$  under  $H_0$  due to

 $\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{S}_i) = \mathbf{0}$ . Then, the variance of  $T_n(\omega)$  is

$$\operatorname{var}\{T_n(\omega)\} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \mathbb{E}\left\{\omega^2(v_i)\omega^2(v_j)(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j)^2\right\}$$
$$= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \left[\mathbb{E}\left\{\omega^2(v_i)\right\}\right]^2 \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j)^2$$
$$= \frac{2}{n(n-1)(p-1)} b_2^2(\omega)$$
$$= \sigma_n^2(\omega)\{1+o(1)\}.$$

The normality of  $T_n(\omega)$  has yet to be proven. Define  $W_{nk} = \sum_{i=2}^k Z_{ni}$  where  $Z_{ni} = 2/\{n(n-1)\} \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} V_i^{\mathrm{T}} V_j, V_i = \omega(v_i) S_i$ . Let  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbb{E}(V_i V_i^{\mathrm{T}})$ . Note that  $\mathbf{A} = b_2(\omega)(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})/(p-1)$  due to Lemma A.1. Let  $\mathcal{F}_{n,i} \doteq \sigma\{V_1, \cdots, V_i\}$  be the  $\sigma$ -field generated by  $\{V_j, j \leq i\}$ . Obviously,  $\mathbb{E}(Z_{ni} \mid \mathcal{F}_{n,i-1}) = 0$  and it follows that  $\{W_{nk}, \mathcal{F}_{n,k}; 2 \leq k \leq n\}$  is a zero mean martingale. According to the Martingale central limit theorem in [9], we only need to show

$$\frac{\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})}{\sigma_n^2(\omega)} \xrightarrow{p} 1,$$
(A.2)

and

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\} = o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(\omega)\}.$$
(A.3)

It can be shown that

$$\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{2}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1}) = \sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left[\left\{\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i=1}^{j-1}\boldsymbol{V}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}\right\}^{2}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1}\right]$$
$$= \sum_{j=2}^{n} \frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \mathbb{E}\left\{\left(\sum_{i_{1}=1}^{j-1}\sum_{i_{2}=1}^{j-1}\boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}\boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}\right)|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1}\right\}$$
$$= \sum_{j=2}^{n} \frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}}\sum_{i_{1}=1}^{j-1}\sum_{i_{2}=1}^{j-1}\boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{V}_{j}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}}$$
$$= C_{n1} + C_{n2},$$

where

$$C_{n1} = \frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_i \text{ and } C_{n2} = \frac{8}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_2}.$$

We first consider  $C_{n1}$ . Due to  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{V}_i \mathbf{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}})$ , we have

$$\mathbb{E}(C_{n1}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_i)$$

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$$= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \operatorname{tr} \{ \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_i \mathbf{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}}) \}$$
$$= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}^2)$$
$$= \sigma_n^2(\omega) \{ 1 + o(1) \},$$

where  $\mathbf{A} = b_2(\omega)(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})/(p-1)$  and  $\boldsymbol{S}_i = (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_i/v_i$ . We also obtain

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{S}_{i} &= \frac{1}{v_{i}^{2}(p-1)} b_{2}(\omega) \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})) (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \\ &= \frac{1}{p-1} b_{2}(\omega). \end{split}$$

Thus,

$$(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{S}_i)^2 = \frac{b_2^2(\omega)}{(p-1)^2}.$$
 (A.4)

In addition,

$$\operatorname{var}(C_{n1}) = \operatorname{var}\left(\frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \mathbf{V}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{i}\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{var}\left\{\frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \frac{1}{p-1} b_{2}(\omega) \omega^{2}(v_{i})\right\}$$
$$= \operatorname{var}\left\{\frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} \frac{1}{p-1} b_{2}(\omega) \omega^{2}(v_{i})\right\}$$
$$= \operatorname{var}\left\{\frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{n-i}{p-1} b_{2}(\omega) \omega^{2}(v_{i})\right\}$$
$$\leq O\{n^{-5}(p-1)^{-2}\} b_{4}(\omega) b_{2}^{2}(\omega)$$
$$= o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(\omega)\},$$

where we used Condition (C1) in the last equality. Then, we have

$$C_{n1}/\sigma_n^2(\omega) \xrightarrow{p} 1.$$

Similarly,

$$\mathbb{E}(C_{n2}^2) = \mathbb{E}\left\{\frac{8}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_2}\right\}^2$$
$$= O(n^{-8}) \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{j_1=2}^n \sum_{j_2=2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1-1} \sum_{i_2 < i_2}^{j_1-1} \sum_{i_3 < i_4}^{j_2-1} V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_2} V_{i_3}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_4}\right)$$

$$= O(n^{-8}) \mathbb{E} \left\{ \sum_{j_1 < j_2}^{n} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1 - 1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1 - 1} (\mathbf{V}_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{i_2})^2 \right\}$$
  
$$= O(n^{-8}) \mathbb{E} \left\{ \sum_{j_2 = 2j_1 = 1}^{n} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_2 - 1j_1 - 1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1 - 1} (\mathbf{V}_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_{i_2})^2 \right\}$$
  
$$= O(n^{-4}) \mathbb{E} \left\{ (\mathbf{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_j)^2 \right\}$$
  
$$= O(n^{-4}) \mathbb{E} \left\{ \omega^2(v_i) \omega^2(v_j) (\mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}_j)^2 \right\}$$
  
$$= O(n^{-4}) b_2^2(\omega) \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \mathbb{E} (\mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}_j \mathbf{S}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}_i) \right\}$$
  
$$= O(n^{-4} p^{-3}) b_2^4(\omega) = o\{\sigma_n^4(\omega)\},$$

where  $i \neq j$  in the fourth equality and we used  $\mathbf{A} = (p-1)^{-1}b_2(\omega)(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})$ and Lemma A.1 (ii) in the seventh equality. Then (A.2) holds.

Next, we only need to show

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j=2}^{n}\mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\}=o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(\omega)\}.$$

Note that

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j=2}^{n}\mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\} = \sum_{j=2}^{n}\mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}) = O(n^{-8})\sum_{j=2}^{n}\mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{j-1}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_{i}\right)^{4}$$

can be decomposed as Q + P, where

$$Q = O(n^{-8}) \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} \mathbb{E} \left( V_j^{\mathrm{T}} V_{i_1} V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} V_j V_j^{\mathrm{T}} V_{i_2} V_{i_2}^{\mathrm{T}} V_j \right),$$
  
$$P = O(n^{-8}) \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \mathbb{E} \left\{ (V_j^{\mathrm{T}} V_i)^4 \right\}.$$

Because

$$Q = O(n^{-5})\mathbb{E}\left(\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{1}}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{2}}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\right)$$
  
=  $O(n^{-5})\operatorname{tr}\left\{\mathbb{E}\left(\mathbf{V}_{i_{1}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{2}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\right)^{\mathrm{T}}\right\}$   
=  $O(n^{-5})\operatorname{tr}\left[\mathbb{E}\left\{\mathbb{E}\left(\mathbf{V}_{i_{1}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{2}}\mathbf{V}_{i_{2}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}|\mathbf{V}_{j}\right)\right\}\right]$   
=  $O(n^{-5})\operatorname{tr}\left\{\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}_{j}\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}})\right\}$   
=  $O(n^{-5})\mathbb{E}\left\{(\mathbf{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}_{j})^{2}\right\},$ 

hence,  $Q = O\{n^{-5}(p-1)^{-2}\}b_4(\omega)b_2^2(\omega) = o\{\sigma_n^4(\omega)\}$  due to (A.4) and Condition (C1). Similarly, due to Lemma A.1 (iii), we can show that

$$P = O(n^{-6}) \mathbb{E}\left\{ (\boldsymbol{V}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_i)^4 \right\}$$

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$$= O(n^{-6})\mathbb{E} \left\{ \omega^{4}(v_{i})\omega^{4}(v_{j})(\boldsymbol{S}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{i})^{4} \right\}$$
  

$$= O(n^{-6})b_{4}^{2}(\omega)\mathbb{E} \left\{ (\boldsymbol{S}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{i})^{4} \right\}$$
  

$$= O(n^{-6}p^{-2})b_{2}^{4}(\omega)$$
  

$$= O\{n^{-2}\sigma_{n}^{4}(\omega)\}.$$
 (A.5)

Then, we complete the proof.

# Proof of Theorem 3.2

We have

$$\widehat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega) = 2n^{-4}p^{-1} \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq j} \omega(\|(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i\|)^2 \omega(\|(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_j\|)^2$$
$$= 2n^{-4}p^{-1} \sum_{i \neq j} \sum_{i \neq j} \omega(v_i)^2 \omega(v_j)^2.$$

First of all,

$$\mathbb{E}(\widehat{\sigma}_{n}^{2}(\omega)) = 2n^{-2}p^{-1}b_{2}^{2}(\omega) = \sigma_{n}^{2}(\omega)\{1 + o(1)\}.$$

Next, we have

$$\operatorname{var}\{\widehat{\sigma}_{n}^{2}(\omega)\} = \mathbb{E}\left[\left\{2n^{-4}p^{-1}\sum_{i\neq j}\omega(v_{i})^{2}\omega(v_{j})^{2}\right\}^{2}\right]$$
$$-\left[\mathbb{E}\left\{2n^{-4}p^{-1}\sum_{i\neq j}\omega(v_{i})^{2}\omega(v_{j})^{2}\right\}\right]^{2}$$
$$=O(n^{-6}p^{-2})b_{4}^{2}(\omega) + O(n^{-5}p^{-2})b_{2}^{2}(\omega)b_{4}(\omega)$$
$$=o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(\omega)\},$$

where the last equality is due to Condition (C1), which leads to

$$\widehat{\sigma}_n^2(\omega)/\sigma_n^2(\omega) \xrightarrow{p} 1.$$

# Proof of Theorem 3.3

We have

$$U\{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \} = U\{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i + (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \} \\ = \{ (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i + (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \} \\ \times \{ v_i^2 + \boldsymbol{X}_i^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \}^{-1/2} \\ = \{ \boldsymbol{S}_i + v_i^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \}$$

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$$\times \left\{ 1 + v_i^{-2} \boldsymbol{X}_i^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \right\}^{-1/2} \\ = \left\{ \boldsymbol{S}_i + v_i^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i \right\} \left\{ 1 + \alpha_i \right\}^{-1/2} ,$$

where  $\alpha_i = v_i^{-2} \boldsymbol{X}_i^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i$ . Note that

$$\|(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i\| = v_i (1 + \alpha_i)^{1/2}.$$

Thus,

$$T_{n}(\omega) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} U((\mathbf{I}_{p}-\theta_{0}\theta_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\mathbf{X}_{i})^{\mathrm{T}} \\ \times U((\mathbf{I}_{p}-\theta_{0}\theta_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\mathbf{X}_{j}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} \\ \times \{ \mathbf{S}_{i} + v_{i}^{-1}(\theta\theta^{\mathrm{T}}-\theta_{0}\theta_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\mathbf{X}_{i} \}^{\mathrm{T}} \{ \mathbf{S}_{j} + v_{j}^{-1}(\theta\theta^{\mathrm{T}}-\theta_{0}\theta_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\mathbf{X}_{j} \} \\ \times (1+\alpha_{i})^{-1/2}(1+\alpha_{j})^{-1/2} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{V}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{V}_{j} + A_{1} + A_{2} + A_{3} + A_{4} + A_{5} + A_{6},$$

where

$$\begin{split} A_{1} &= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \left[ \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} - \omega(v_{i}) \omega(v_{j}) \right] \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{S}_{j}, \\ A_{2} &= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} \\ &\times \{ v_{i}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{S}_{j} + v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \}, \\ A_{3} &= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} \\ &\times \{ v_{i}^{-1} v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} + \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} ) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \}, \\ A_{4} &= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{S}_{j} \\ &\times \{ (1+\alpha_{i})^{-1/2} (1+\alpha_{j})^{-1/2} - 1 \}, \\ A_{5} &= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} \\ &\times \{ v_{i}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{S}_{j} + v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \} \\ &\times \{ v_{i}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{S}_{j} + v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \} \\ &\times \{ v_{i}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{S}_{j} + v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \} \\ &\times \{ v_{i}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{S}_{j} + v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_{j} \} \\ &\times \{ (1+\alpha_{i})^{-1/2} (1+\alpha_{j})^{-1/2} - 1 \}, \\ A_{6} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i} (1+\alpha_{i})^{-1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j} (1+\alpha_{j})^{-1/2} \} \{ v_{i}^{-1} v_{j}^{-1} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \} \}$$

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$$\times (\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} + \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{X}_{j} \} \\ \times \{(1+\alpha_{i})^{-1/2}(1+\alpha_{j})^{-1/2}-1\}.$$

Because of the tangent-normal decomposition, we have

$$\alpha_i = v_i^{-2} u_i^2 - v_i^{-2} u_i^2 \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} - 2 v_i^{-1} u_i \boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} - (\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_0)^2,$$

then,

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(\alpha_i) = & \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}u_i^2)\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\} - \mathbb{E}\{(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0)^2\} \\ = & \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}u_i^2)\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\} - \mathbb{E}[\{\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_0 - \boldsymbol{\theta})\}^2] \\ \leq & \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}u_i^2)\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\} - \|\boldsymbol{\theta}_0 - \boldsymbol{\theta}\|^2 \\ \leq & \sqrt{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}u_i^4)}\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}. \end{split}$$

According to  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta} = 1 - (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0})^{2} = \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\|^{2} - \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\|^{4}/4$  and Condition (C2), we have  $\mathbb{E}(\alpha_{i}) = o(1)$ , then we concentrate on the variance of  $\alpha_{i}$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{var}(\alpha_{i}) \leq & \mathbb{E}(\alpha_{i}^{2}) \\ \leq & 4\mathbb{E}\left(v_{i}^{-4}u_{i}^{4}\right)\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\right\}^{2} + 4\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0})^{4} \\ & + 8\mathbb{E}\left(u_{i}v_{i}^{-1}\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}\right)^{2} \\ = & 4\mathbb{E}\left(v_{i}^{-4}u_{i}^{4}\right)\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\right\}^{2} + 4\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}-\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta})^{4} \\ & + 8\mathbb{E}\left(u_{i}^{2}v_{i}^{-2}\right)\operatorname{tr}\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{S}_{i}\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}})\right\} \\ = & o(1) + 4\mathbb{E}\left\{\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}-\boldsymbol{\theta})\right\}^{4} \\ \leq & 4\|\boldsymbol{\theta}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\|^{4} + o(1). \end{aligned}$$

Due to Condition (C2), we have  $var(\alpha_i) = o(1)$  and then  $\alpha_i = o_p(1)$ . Thus,

$$\begin{split} & \mathbb{E}(A_1^2) \\ = & \frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i < j} \left[ \omega \{v_i(1+\alpha_i)^{1/2}\} \omega \{v_j(1+\alpha_j)^{1/2}\} - \omega(v_i)\omega(v_j) \right] \\ & \times S_i^{\mathrm{T}} S_j \right)^2 \\ = & \frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{i < j} \left( \left[ \omega(v_i)^{-1} \omega \{v_i(1+\alpha_i)^{1/2}\} \omega(v_j)^{-1} \omega \{v_j(1+\alpha_j)^{1/2}\} \right. \\ & \left. -1 \right] \times V_i^{\mathrm{T}} V_j \right)^2 \right\} \\ = & O(n^{-2}) \mathbb{E}\left( \left[ \omega(v_i)^{-1} \omega \{v_i(1+\alpha_i)^{1/2}\} \omega(v_j)^{-1} \omega \{v_j(1+\alpha_j)^{1/2}\} - 1 \right] \\ & \times V_i^{\mathrm{T}} V_j \right)^2 \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} &\leq O(n^{-2})\sqrt{\mathbb{E}\left(\left[\omega(v_i)^{-1}\omega\{v_i(1+\alpha_i)^{1/2}\}\omega(v_j)^{-1}\omega\{v_j(1+\alpha_j)^{1/2}\}-1\right]^4\right)}\\ &\times\sqrt{\mathbb{E}\{(\boldsymbol{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_j)^4\}}\\ &= o\{n^{-2}b_4(\omega)\}\sqrt{\mathbb{E}\left\{(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j)^4\right\}}\\ &= o\{\sigma_n^2(\omega)\}, \end{split}$$

where the second last equality is due to  $\alpha_i \to 0$  and Lemma A.1 (iii). This leads to  $A_1 = o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ . Next, for the first term in  $A_2$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(A_{21}^2) = & \mathbb{E}\left(\left[\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i$$

where  $i_1 \neq i_2 < j$ . We have that

$$\begin{split} &O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}[\{\omega(v_i)\omega(v_j)v_i^{-1}(u_i\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j + v_i\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j)\}^2] \\ &\leq &O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}\left\{\omega(v_i)\omega(v_j)v_i^{-1}u_i\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j\right\}^2 + O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}\left\{\omega(v_i)\omega(v_j)\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j\right\}^2 \\ &= &O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\omega^2(v_j)v_i^{-2}u_i^2\}\mathbb{E}\{(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j)^2\} \\ &+ &O\{n^{-2}b_2^2(\omega)\}\mathbb{E}\{(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j)^2\} \\ &\leq &O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_j)\}\sqrt{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}u_i^4)\mathbb{E}\{\omega^4(v_i)\}}\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j\boldsymbol{S}_j^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ &+ &O\{n^{-2}b_2^2(\omega)\}\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_j\boldsymbol{S}_j^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_i) \\ &= &o\{\sigma_n^2(\omega)\}, \end{split}$$

where the second last equality is due to Lemma A.1 (i) and Condition (C2). Then, due to  $i_1 \neq i_2 < j$ , we have that

$$O(n^{-1})\mathbb{E}\left\{\omega(v_{i_1})\omega(v_{i_2})\omega(v_j)^2 v_{i_1}^{-1} v_{i_2}^{-1} u_{i_1} u_{i_2}\right\} \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{S}_j \boldsymbol{S}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

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$$\begin{split} &= O(n^{-1})b_{2}(\omega)[\mathbb{E}\{\omega(v_{i})v_{i}^{-1}u_{i}\}]^{2}\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{j}\boldsymbol{S}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}) \\ &\leq O\{n^{-1}(p-1)^{-1}\}b_{2}(\omega)\mathbb{E}\{\omega^{2}(v_{i})v_{i}^{-2}u_{i}^{2}\}\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta} - (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}\right\} \\ &\leq O\{n^{-1}(p-1)^{-1}b_{2}(\omega)\}\sqrt{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^{4}(v_{i})\}\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-4}u_{i}^{4})}\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta} - (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}\right\} \\ &= O\{n^{-1}(p-1)^{-1}b_{2}^{2}(\omega)\}\sqrt{\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-4}u_{i}^{4})}\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta} - (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}\right\} \\ &= o\{\sigma_{n}^{2}(\omega)\}, \end{split}$$

where  $i \neq j$  in the first equality, and the second last equality is due to Condition (C1). In addition,

$$\{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta} - (\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta})^{2} \}$$
  
=  $(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0})^{2} (\|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\|^{2} - \|\boldsymbol{\theta} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\|^{4}/4),$ 

hence the last equation holds and  $A_{21} = o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ . Similarly,  $A_{22} = o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ , hence  $A_2 = o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ . Next, define  $\beta_i \doteq \omega \{v_i(1 + \alpha_i)^{1/2}\} v_i^{-1}$ , and  $\beta_0 \doteq \mathbb{E}(\beta_i)$ . Then  $\beta_0 = c_0(\omega) \{1 + o(1)\}$ .

$$\mathbb{E}(\beta_i^2) = \mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)v_i^{-2}\}\{1 + o(1)\} \\ \leq [\mathbb{E}\{\omega^4(v_i)\}\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})]^{1/2} \\ \leq O\{b_2(\omega)\}\sqrt{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})}.$$

Note that  $\beta_0^2 \leq \mathbb{E}(\beta_i^2)$ . We let

$$A'_{3} = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{ v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2} \} \omega \{ v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2} \} v_{i}^{-1} v_{j}^{-1}$$
$$\{ \mathbb{E}(u_{i}u_{j})\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta} + v_{i}v_{j}\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{j} \}.$$

Next, we will show  $A_3 = A'_3 + o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$  i.e.  $A_3 - A'_3 = o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}.$ 

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(A_{3} - A_{3}') = \mathbb{E}[\frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \sum_{i < j} \omega \{v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2}\} v_{i}^{-1} \omega \{v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2}\} v_{j}^{-1} \\ & \times \{u_{i}u_{j} - \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}] \\ = \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta}\mathbb{E}[\omega \{v_{i}(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2}\} v_{i}^{-1} \omega \{v_{j}(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2}\} \\ & \times v_{j}^{-1} \{u_{i}u_{j} - \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\}] \\ = \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \sqrt{\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2}\beta_{j}^{2})\mathbb{E}(u_{i}u_{j} - \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i}))^{2}} \\ \leq \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta}\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2}) \sqrt{\mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i}^{2}) - \mathbb{E}^{4}(u_{i})} \\ \leq \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \sqrt{b_{4}(\omega)\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-4})} \sqrt{\mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i}^{2}) - \mathbb{E}^{4}(u_{i})} \\ = o\{\sigma_{n}(\omega)\}, \end{split}$$

where the last equality is due to Condition (C2). Hence we have

$$\mathbb{E}^2(u_i^2) - \mathbb{E}^4(u_i) = o(1).$$

So, we define  $u_i u_j - \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) = \gamma_{ij}$ , then

$$\operatorname{var}(A_{3} - A_{3}') = \mathbb{E}\left\{\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i < j}\beta_{i}\beta_{j}\gamma_{ij}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\right\}^{2} \\ - \mathbb{E}^{2}\left\{\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\beta_{i}\beta_{j}\gamma_{ij}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\right\} \\ = \left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\right\}^{2}\left\{O(n^{-1})\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2}\beta_{j}\beta_{l}\gamma_{ij}\gamma_{il}) \\ + O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2}\beta_{j}^{2}\gamma_{ij}^{2})\right\} \\ = D_{1} + D_{2},$$

where  $i < j \neq l$  in the second inequality. At first, we focus on  $D_1$ . Due to  $i < j \neq l$ ,

$$\begin{split} D_1 = &\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^2 O(n^{-1})\mathbb{E}(\beta_i^2\beta_j\beta_l\gamma_{ij}\gamma_{il}) \\ = &\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^2 O(n^{-1})[\mathbb{E}(\beta_i^2\beta_j\beta_lu_i^2u_ju_l) - \mathbb{E}\{\beta_i^2\beta_j\beta_l\mathbb{E}^2(u_i)u_iu_j\} \\ &- \mathbb{E}\{\beta_i^2\beta_j\beta_l\mathbb{E}^2(u_i)u_iu_l\} + \mathbb{E}\{\beta_i^2\beta_j\beta_l\mathbb{E}^4(u_i)\}] \\ \leq &\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^2 O(n^{-1})b_4(\omega)\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) \\ = &O\{n^{-1}b_2^2(\omega)\}\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^2\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) \\ = &o\{\sigma_n^2(\omega)\}, \end{split}$$

where the first inequality is because of the Cauchy inequality and  $|u_i| \leq 1$ . The Condition (C2) brings about the last equality. Next, similar to the above process, we have

$$\begin{split} D_2 &= \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}^2 O(n^{-2}) \mathbb{E}[\beta_i^2 \beta_j^2 \{ u_i^2 u_j^2 + \mathbb{E}^4(u_i) - 2u_i u_j \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \}] \\ &\leq O(n^{-2}) \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}^2 b_4(\omega) \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) \\ &\leq O\{n^{-2} b_2^2(\omega)\} \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}^2 \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) \\ &= o\{\sigma_n^2(\omega)\}. \end{split}$$

Therefore, we can conclude that  $A_3 = A_3' + o_p \{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ . Then, for  $A_3'$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(A'_3) = &\beta_0^2 \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \\ = &c_0^2(\omega) \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \{1 + o(1)\}. \end{split}$$

Moreover,

$$\operatorname{var}(A'_{3}) = \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i < j} \left[\beta_{i}\beta_{j}\mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}\right]$$

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$$\begin{split} &+\omega(v_{i})\omega(v_{j})\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{j}\big]\big)^{2} - \beta_{0}^{4}\mathbb{E}^{4}(u_{i})\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^{2} \\ &= \mathbb{E}\{\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i< j}\beta_{i}\beta_{j}\mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^{2} \\ &+ \mathbb{E}\{\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i< j}\omega(v_{i})(1+\alpha_{i})^{1/2}\omega(v_{j})(1+\alpha_{j})^{1/2}\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{j}\}^{2} \\ &- \beta_{0}^{4}\mathbb{E}^{4}(u_{i})\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}^{2} \\ =&O\{n^{-4}(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}\}\mathbb{E}\{\sum_{i< j}\sum_{k< l}(\beta_{i}\beta_{j}\beta_{k}\beta_{l}-\beta_{0}^{4})\} \\ &+ O\{n^{-2}b_{2}^{2}(\omega)\}\mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{j}\boldsymbol{S}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{S}_{i}) \\ =&(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}\{O(n^{-2})\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2}\beta_{j}^{2}-\beta_{0}^{4}) \\ &+ O(n^{-1})\beta_{0}^{2}\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2}-\beta_{0}^{2})\} + o(n^{-2}b_{2}^{2}(\omega)p^{-2}) \\ \leq&(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}[O(n^{-2})\{\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2})\}^{2} + O(n^{-1})\{\mathbb{E}(\beta_{i}^{2})\}^{2}] \\ &+ o\{n^{-2}b_{2}^{2}(\omega)p^{-2}\} \\ =&(\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta})^{2}\{O(n^{-1})b_{2}^{2}(\omega)\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-4})\} + o\{\sigma_{n}^{2}(\omega)\} \\ &=o\{\sigma_{n}^{2}(\omega)\}, \end{split}$$

where the last equality is due to Condition (C2), which leads to

$$A_3 = c_0(\omega)^2 \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \} + o_p \{ \sigma_n(\omega) \}.$$

For  $A_4$ , by the Cauchy inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(A_4^2) = & \frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{i < j} \mathbb{E} \left[ V_i^T V_j \{ (1+\alpha_i)^{-1/2} (1+\alpha_j)^{-1/2} - 1 \} \right]^2 \\ & \times \{1+o(1)\} \\ = & O(n^{-2}) \mathbb{E} \{ (V_i^T V_j)^2 \} \mathbb{E} \left[ \{ (1+\alpha_i)^{-1/2} (1+\alpha_j)^{-1/2} - 1 \}^2 \right] \\ & \times \{1+o(1)\} \\ = & o\{ n^{-2} b_2^2(\omega) (p-1)^{-1} \} \\ = & o\{ n^{-2} p^{-1} b_2^2(\omega) \} \\ = & o\{ \sigma_n^2(\omega) \}, \end{split}$$

hence  $A_4 = o_p\{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ . Similarly, we can obtain that  $\mathbb{E}(A_5^2) = o\{\mathbb{E}(A_2^2)\}$  and  $\mathbb{E}(A_6^2) = o\{\mathbb{E}(A_3^2)\}$ , which lead to  $A_5 = o_p\{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ ,  $A_6 = o_p\{\sigma_n(\omega)\}$ , respectively.

Combining the above results, we get

$$T_n(\omega) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < j} \mathbf{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{V}_j + c_0(\omega)^2 \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} (\boldsymbol{\theta} \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \} + o_p \{ \sigma_n(\omega) \},$$

using the same procedure as in the proof of Theorem 1. Then, we obtain the conclusion.  $\hfill \Box$ 

# Proof of theorem 3.4

Under conditions (C1)–(C2), given  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\theta}_0$ , we find that the right side of (3.1) is an increasing function of  $\mathbb{E}^2\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}/\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\}$ . Interestingly, according to the Cauchy inequality, it can be seen that

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}^{2}\{\omega(v_{i})v_{i}^{-1}\}}{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^{2}(v_{i})\}} \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^{2}(v_{i})\}\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-2})}{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^{2}(v_{i})\}} = \mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-2}).$$
(A.6)

The above inequality holds for any nonnegative continuous weight function satisfying the condition (C1). So, the maximum value of the asymptotic power in the whole family is

$$\lim_{n,p\to\infty} \Phi\left[-z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^{2}(u_{i})\mathbb{E}(v_{i}^{-2})\frac{p^{1/2}n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}-\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}\boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}}\right]$$

Besides, when taking  $\omega = \omega_{IN}$ , the asymptotic power is

$$\beta(\omega_{\rm IN}) = \lim_{n,p\to\infty} \Phi\left[ -z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^2(u_i)\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) \frac{p^{1/2}n\{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\rm T} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0\boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\rm T})\boldsymbol{\theta}\}}{\sqrt{2}} \right],$$

which equals to the maximum value of the asymptotic power in the whole family.

In addition, we will verify that under the FvML and mixed FvML distributions, the weight  $\omega_{IN}$  satisfies condition (C1).

When  $X_i$  follows a FvML distribution with density function  $c_{p,\kappa} \exp(\kappa \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta})$ . Then, the density function of  $u_i$  is  $c_{p,\kappa}(1-u^2)^{\frac{p-3}{2}} \exp(\kappa u)$ , where

$$c_{p,\kappa} = 1 / \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - u^2)^{\frac{p-3}{2}} \exp(\kappa u) du$$

So, we have

$$\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) = c_{p,\kappa} \int_{-1}^{1} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-7}{2}} \exp(\kappa u) du$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) = c_{p,\kappa} \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - u^2)^{\frac{p-5}{2}} \exp(\kappa u) du$$

Then, according to (S.2.7) in the supplement of [4], we have

$$\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) = \frac{(\kappa/2)^2 \Gamma\left(\frac{p-5}{2}\right) \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa)}$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) = \frac{(\kappa/2)\Gamma\left(\frac{p-3}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa)},$$

where

$$\mathcal{I}_{\nu}(\kappa) \doteq \frac{(\kappa/2)^{\nu}}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(\nu + \frac{1}{2}\right)} \int_{-1}^{1} \left(1 - s^{2}\right)^{\nu - \frac{1}{2}} \exp(\kappa s) ds$$

is the modified Bessel function of the first kind and of order v. Then, we have

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})}{\mathbb{E}^2(v_i^{-2})} = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-5}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa)\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-3}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)\Gamma\left(\frac{p-3}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)} = \frac{(p-3)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa)}{(p-5)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)}.$$

Then, according to (S.2.6) and Lemma S.2.2(i) in the supplement of [4], we can obtain

$$\begin{split} \frac{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})}{\mathbb{E}^2(v_i^{-2})} &= \frac{(p-3)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa)}{(p-5)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)} \\ &= \frac{p-3}{p-5} \left( A_{p-2}^2(\kappa) + \frac{p-4}{\kappa} A_{p-2}(\kappa) \right) \\ &\leq \frac{p-3}{p-5} \left[ 1 + \frac{p-4}{(p-4)/2 + \sqrt{\kappa^2 + (p-4)^2/4}} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{p-3}{p-5} \left[ 1 + \frac{p-4}{p-4} \right] \\ &= O(1), \end{split}$$

for all p > 5, where  $A_p(\kappa) \doteq I_{p/2}(\kappa)/I_{p/2-1}(\kappa)$  and

$$A_{p-2}(\kappa) \le \frac{\kappa}{(p-4)/2 + \sqrt{\kappa^2 + (p-4)^2/4}}.$$

When  $X_i$  follows the mixture of two FvML distributions with the same location parameter, the density function of  $X_i$  can be denoted as

$$\lambda c_{p,\kappa_1} \exp(\kappa_1 \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}) + (1 - \lambda) c_{p,\kappa_2} \exp(\kappa_2 \mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\theta}).$$
(A.7)

the density function of  $u_i$  is

$$\lambda c_{p,\kappa_1} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-3}{2}} \exp(\kappa_1 u) + (1-\lambda) c_{p,\kappa_2} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-3}{2}} \exp(\kappa_2 u).$$

So, we have

$$\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) = \lambda c_{p,\kappa_1} \int_{-1}^{1} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-7}{2}} \exp(\kappa_1 u) du + (1-\lambda) c_{p,\kappa_2} \int_{-1}^{1} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-7}{2}} \exp(\kappa_2 u) du$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) = \lambda c_{p,\kappa_1} \int_{-1}^{1} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-5}{2}} \exp(\kappa_1 u) du + (1-\lambda) c_{p,\kappa_2} \int_{-1}^{1} (1-u^2)^{\frac{p-5}{2}} \exp(\kappa_2 u) du.$$

Then, according to (S.2.7) in the supplement of [4], we have

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4}) &= \lambda \frac{(\kappa_1/2)^2 \Gamma\left(\frac{p-5}{2}\right) \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa_1)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_1)} + (1-\lambda) \frac{(\kappa_2/2)^2 \Gamma\left(\frac{p-5}{2}\right) \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa_2)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_2)} \\ &= \lambda \frac{\kappa_1^2 \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa_1)}{(p-3)(p-5)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_1)} + (1-\lambda) \frac{\kappa_2^2 \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa_2)}{(p-3)(p-5)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_2)} \\ &= \frac{\lambda \kappa_1^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right) \\ &+ \frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{\lambda \kappa_1^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right) \\ &+ \frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_2 A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right), \end{split}$$

where  $\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-3}(\kappa) = \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa) + \frac{p-4}{\kappa}\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa)$  due to (S.2.6) in supplement of [4].

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) &= \lambda \frac{(\kappa_1/2)\Gamma\left(\frac{p-3}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa_1)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_1)} + (1-\lambda)\frac{(\kappa_2/2)\Gamma\left(\frac{p-3}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa_2)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_2)} \\ &= \lambda \frac{\kappa_1 \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa_1)}{(p-3)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_1)} + (1-\lambda)\frac{\kappa_2 \mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-2}(\kappa_2)}{(p-3)\mathcal{I}_{\frac{p}{2}-1}(\kappa_2)} \\ &= \frac{\lambda \kappa_1}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)} + \frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}. \end{split}$$

Then, we have

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})}{\mathbb{E}^2(v_i^{-2})} = \frac{\frac{\lambda \kappa_1^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right) + \frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_2 A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right)}{\left[\frac{\lambda \kappa_1}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)} + \frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right]^2} \\ \leq \frac{\frac{\lambda \kappa_1^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right) + \frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_2 A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right)}{\left[\frac{\lambda \kappa_1}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right]^2 + \left[\frac{(1-\lambda)\kappa_2}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right]^2}.$$

Because

$$\frac{\frac{\kappa_1^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right)}{\left[\frac{\kappa_1}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_1)}\right]^2} = O(1)$$

and

$$\frac{\frac{\kappa_2^2}{(p-3)(p-5)} \left(1 + \frac{p-4}{\kappa_1 A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right)}{\left[\frac{\kappa_2}{(p-3)A_{p-2}(\kappa_2)}\right]^2} = O(1),$$

Then, we have

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-4})}{\mathbb{E}^2(v_i^{-2})} = O(1).$$

Then, we obtain the conclusion that under the FvML and mixed FvML distributions, the weight  $\omega_{IN}$  satisfies condition (C1). Similarly, it is easy to verify that under the FvML and mixed FvML distributions, the weight  $\omega_N, \omega_C, \omega_R, \omega_S$  satisfies condition (C1).

#### Proof of Proposition 2.1

Under  $H_0$ , we have that

$$\widetilde{W}_n / \frac{T_n(\omega_N)}{\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(\omega_N)}} = \sqrt{\frac{p-1}{p}} \frac{n-1}{n} \frac{b_2(\omega_N)}{n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n v_{i0}^2}$$

Therefore,  $\widetilde{W}_n / \frac{T_n(\omega_N)}{\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(\omega_N)}} \to^p 1$  as  $n, p \to \infty$ , because  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n v_{i0}^2 \to^p \mathbb{E}(v_{i0}^2) = b_2(\omega_N)$ . Then, under Condition (C0) and  $H_0$ , this leads to  $\widetilde{W}_n / \frac{T_n(\omega_N)}{\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(\omega_N)}} \to^p 1$  as  $n, p \to \infty$ , due to Theorem 3.2.

## Proof of Corollary 3.1

 $X_i$  follows the FvML distribution, hence we have that  $f(\cdot) = \exp(\cdot)$ .

First, we will prove that  $v_i$  converges to a constant with probability one. To this end, we just need to show that, under the FvML distribution,  $u_i$  converges to  $\mathbb{E}(u_i)$  with probability one. Specifically, due to the equation on the last line of the fourth page of [14], we have

$$\operatorname{var}(u_i) = 1 - \frac{p-1}{\kappa} A_p(\kappa) - \{A_p(\kappa)\}^2,$$
 (A.8)

where  $A_p(\kappa) \doteq I_{p/2}(\kappa)/I_{p/2-1}(\kappa)$ , and

$$\mathcal{I}_{\nu}(\kappa) \doteq \frac{(\kappa/2)^{\nu}}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma\left(\nu + \frac{1}{2}\right)} \int_{-1}^{1} \left(1 - s^{2}\right)^{\nu - \frac{1}{2}} \exp(\kappa s) ds$$

is the modified Bessel function of the first kind and of order v. Due to Lemma S.2.2(i) in the supplement of [4], we have

$$A_p(\kappa) \ge G_{\frac{p}{2}, \frac{p}{2}}(\kappa) \doteq \frac{\kappa}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^2 + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^2}}.$$
(A.9)

Hence,

$$\operatorname{var}(u_i) = 1 - \frac{p-1}{\kappa} A_p(\kappa) - \{A_p(\kappa)\}^2$$

$$\leq 1 - \frac{p-1}{\kappa} \frac{\kappa}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}} - \frac{\kappa^{2}}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \\ = 1 - \frac{p-1}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}} - \frac{\kappa^{2}}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \\ \leq 1 - \frac{p-1}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}} - \frac{\kappa^{2}}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \\ \leq \frac{\sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2} - \frac{p}{2} + 1}}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}} - \frac{\kappa^{2}}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \\ \leq \frac{1}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}} + \frac{\sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2} - \frac{p}{2}}}{\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}} - \frac{\kappa^{2}}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \\ \leq \frac{1}{p} + \frac{\left(\sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}} - \frac{p}{2}\right)\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \\ - \frac{\kappa^{2}}{\left(\frac{p}{2} + \sqrt{\kappa^{2} + \left(\frac{p}{2}\right)^{2}}\right)^{2}} \leq \frac{1}{p}.$$
 (A.10)

Besides, there exist a positive integer  $p_0$  and a real constant c such that

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{u_i - \mathbb{E}(u_i)\right\}^4 \le c\mathbb{E}\left\{u_i - \mathbb{E}(u_i)\right\}^2$$

for any  $p \ge p_0$  and any  $\kappa > 0$  (see Lemma S.2.1(ii) in the supplement of [4]). Hence,  $\mathbb{E} \{u_i - \mathbb{E}(u_i)\}^4 \le c/p^2$  due to (A.10). Thus, we have  $\mathbb{E} \{u_i - \mathbb{E}(u_i)\}^4 = O(p^{-2})$  and

$$\sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(|u_i - \mathbb{E}(u_i)| \ge \epsilon\right) < \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}\{u_i - \mathbb{E}(u_i)\}^4}{\epsilon^4} < \infty, \ \forall \epsilon > 0,$$

that is,  $u_i \to \mathbb{E}(u_i)$  with probability one.

Then, we have that  $v_i$  converges to a constant with probability one due to  $v_i = \sqrt{1-u_i^2}$ , which leads to

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}^2(u_i)\mathbb{E}^2\{\omega(v_i)v_i^{-1}\}}{\mathbb{E}\{\omega^2(v_i)\}} \to \mathbb{E}^2(u_i)\mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}).$$

Hence, the asymptotic power of all the  $T_n(\omega)$ -based tests is

$$\beta = \lim_{n,p \to \infty} \Phi \left[ -z_{\alpha} + \mathbb{E}^2(u_i) \mathbb{E}(v_i^{-2}) \frac{p^{1/2} n \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}\boldsymbol{\theta}^{\mathrm{T}} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{\theta} \}}{\sqrt{2}} \right].$$

#### Proof of Proposition 3.1

Under  $H_0$ , since  $S_i = \mathbf{U}\{(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^T) X_i\}$  and  $v_i$  are independent, so  $S_i$  and  $R_i$  are also independent. We have

$$\mathbb{E}\left(\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i< j} R_i R_j \boldsymbol{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{S}_j\right) = 0.$$

Then, the variance of  $R_W$  is

$$\operatorname{var}\left(\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i
$$=\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\mathbb{E}\left\{R_{i}^{2}R_{j}^{2}(S_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}S_{j})^{2}\right\}$$
$$=\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\mathbb{E}\left(R_{i}^{2}R_{j}^{2}\right)\mathbb{E}\left(S_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}S_{j}\right)^{2}$$
$$=\frac{2}{n(n-1)(p-1)}\mathbb{E}\left(R_{i}^{2}R_{j}^{2}\right)$$
$$=2n^{-4}p^{-1}\sum_{i\neq j}i^{2}j^{2}\left\{1+o(1)\right\}$$
$$=\sigma_{n}^{2}\left(R_{W}\right)\left\{1+o(1)\right\},$$$$

where  $\sigma_n^2(R_W) = 2n^{-4}p^{-1}\sum_{i\neq j} i^2 j^2 = O(n^2p^{-1})$ . Similar to the proof of Theorem 3.1, to prove the normality of  $R_W/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_W)}$ , we only need to show

$$\frac{\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^2 \mid \mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})}{\sigma_n^2(R_W)} \xrightarrow{p} 1, \qquad (A.11)$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j=2}^{n}\mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\} = o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(R_{W})\},\tag{A.12}$$

where  $Z_{ni} = 2/\{n(n-1)\}\sum_{j=1}^{i-1} V_i^{\mathrm{T}} V_j$ ,  $V_i = R_i S_i$ . Let  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbb{E}(V_i V_i^{\mathrm{T}})$ , it can be shown that

$$\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{2} | \mathcal{F}_{n,j-1}) = \sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left[\left\{\frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} V_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} V_{j}\right\}^{2} | \mathcal{F}_{n,j-1}\right]$$

$$= \sum_{j=2}^{n} \frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \mathbb{E} \left\{ \left( \sum_{i_{1}=1}^{j-1} \sum_{i_{2}=1}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \right) | \mathcal{F}_{n,j-1} \right\}$$
$$= \sum_{j=2}^{n} \frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{i_{1}=1}^{j-1} \sum_{i_{2}=1}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}}$$
$$= C_{n1} + C_{n2},$$

where

$$C_{n1} = \frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_i \text{ and } C_{n2} = \frac{8}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_2}.$$

Next, we consider  $C_{n1}$  and note that  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbb{E}(R_i^2)(\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})/(p-1)$  due to Lemma A.1. Furthermore, we have

$$\mathbb{E}(C_{n1}) = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_i)$$
$$= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \operatorname{tr}\{\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{V}_i \mathbf{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}})\}$$
$$= \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \operatorname{tr}(\mathbf{A}^2)$$
$$= \sigma_n^2(R_W)\{1 + o(1)\},$$

where  $S_i = (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}}) \boldsymbol{X}_i / v_i$  and the last equality holds due to  $\mathbb{E}(R_i^2 R_j^2) = \mathbb{E}^2(R_i^2) \{1 - o(1)\}$ . We also obtain

$$\begin{split} \boldsymbol{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{S}_{i} &= \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{2})}{v_{i}^{2}(p-1)} \boldsymbol{X}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}}) (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})) (\mathbf{I}_{p} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{0}^{\mathrm{T}})) \boldsymbol{X}_{i} \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{2})}{(p-1)}. \end{split}$$

Thus,

$$(\mathbf{S}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{S}_{i})^{2} = \frac{\mathbb{E}^{2}(R_{i}^{2})}{(p-1)^{2}}.$$
 (A.13)

So, due to  $\mathbb{E}(R_i^4)=O(n^4)$  and  $\mathbb{E}(R_i^2)=O(n^2),$ 

$$\operatorname{var}(C_{n1}) = \operatorname{var}\left(\frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \boldsymbol{V}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_i\right)$$
$$= \operatorname{var}\left\{\frac{4}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_i^2)}{(p-1)} R_i^2\right\}$$

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$$= \operatorname{var}\left\{\frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{2})}{(p-1)} R_{i}^{2}\right\}$$
$$= \operatorname{var}\left\{\frac{4}{n^{2}(n-1)^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{2})(n-i)}{(p-1)} R_{i}^{2}\right\}$$
$$\leq O\{n^{-5}(p-1)^{-2}\} \mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{4}) \mathbb{E}^{2}(R_{i}^{2})$$
$$= o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(R_{W})\}.$$

Then, we have  $C_{n1}/\sigma_n^2(R_W) \rightarrow^p 1$ . Similarly,

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{E}(C_{n2}^2) &= \mathbb{E}\left\{\frac{8}{n^2(n-1)^2} \sum_{j=2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_2}\right\}^2 \\ &= O(n^{-8}) \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{j_1=2}^n \sum_{j_2=2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1-1} \sum_{i_3 < i_4}^{j_2-1} V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_2} V_{i_3}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_4}\right) \\ &= O(n^{-8}) \mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j_1 < j_2}^n \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1-1} \sum_{i_3 < i_4}^{j_1-1} V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_2}\right)^2\right\} \\ &= O(n^{-8}) \mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j_2=2}^n \sum_{j_1=1}^{j_2-1} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j_1-1} (V_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_{i_2})^2\right\} \\ &= O(n^{-4}) \mathbb{E}\left\{(V_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} V_j)^2\right\} \\ &= O(n^{-4}) \mathbb{E}\left\{R_i^2 R_j^2 (\mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}_j)^2\right\} \\ &= O(n^{-4}) \mathbb{E}\{R_i^2 R_j^2) \mathrm{tr}\left\{\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{S}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}_j \mathbf{S}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}_i)\right\} \\ &= O(n^{-4} p^{-3}) \mathbb{E}(R_i^2 R_j^2) \mathbb{E}^2(R_i^2) = o\{\sigma_n^4(R_W)\}, \end{split}$$

where  $i \neq j$  in the fourth equality and we used  $\mathbf{A} = (p-1)^{-1} \mathbb{E}(R_i^2) (\mathbf{I}_p - \boldsymbol{\theta}_0 \boldsymbol{\theta}_0^{\mathrm{T}})$ and Lemma A.1 (ii) in the seventh equality. Then (A.11) holds.

Next, we only need to show

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j=2}^{n}\mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\} = o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(R_{W})\}.$$

Note that

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\} = \sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left\{\mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4}|\mathcal{F}_{n,j-1})\right\}$$
$$= \sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}(Z_{nj}^{4})$$

$$=\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left(\left(\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{j=1}^{i-1}\boldsymbol{V}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}\right)^{4}\right)$$
$$=O(n^{-8})\sum_{j=2}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{j-1}\boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}\boldsymbol{V}_{i}\right)^{4}$$
(A.14)

can be decomposed as Q + P, where

$$Q = O(n^{-8}) \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{i_1 < i_2}^{j-1} \mathbb{E} \left( \boldsymbol{V}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_1} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_1}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_j \boldsymbol{V}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_2} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_2}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_j \right),$$
  
$$P = O(n^{-8}) \sum_{j=2}^{n} \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} \mathbb{E} \left\{ (\boldsymbol{V}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_i)^4 \right\}.$$

Because

$$\begin{split} &Q = O(n^{-5}) \mathbb{E} \left( \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \right) \\ &= O(n^{-5}) \mathrm{tr} \left\{ \mathbb{E} \left( \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \right) \right\} \\ &= O(n^{-5}) \mathrm{tr} \left[ \mathbb{E} \left\{ \mathbb{E} \left( \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{1}}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{i_{2}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} | \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \right) \right\} \right] \\ &= O(n^{-5}) \mathrm{tr} \left\{ \mathbb{E} (\mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_{j} \boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}) \right\} \\ &= O(n^{-5}) \mathbb{E} \left\{ (\boldsymbol{V}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{V}_{j})^{2} \right\}, \end{split}$$

 $Q = O\{n^{-5}(p-1)^{-2}\}\mathbb{E}(R_j^4)\mathbb{E}^2(R_i^2) = o\{\sigma_n^4(R_W)\}$  due to (A.13). Similarly, due to Lemma A.1 (iii), we can show that

$$P = O(n^{-6})\mathbb{E}\left\{ (V_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}V_{i})^{4} \right\}$$
  
=  $O(n^{-6})\mathbb{E}\left\{ (R_{i}^{4}R_{j}^{4})(S_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}S_{i})^{4} \right\}$   
=  $O(n^{-6})\mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{4}R_{j}^{4})\mathbb{E}\left\{ (S_{j}^{\mathrm{T}}S_{i})^{4} \right\}$   
=  $O(n^{-6}p^{-2})\mathbb{E}(R_{i}^{4}R_{j}^{4})$   
=  $o\{\sigma_{n}^{4}(R_{W})\}.$  (A.15)

So, we have complete the proof of  $R_W/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_W)}$ . Similarly,  $R_S/\sqrt{\sigma_n^2(R_S)}$  is also asymptotically standard normal. Finally, we obtain the conclusion.

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