

Supplementary Appendix for “Asymptotic Properties of Empirical Quantile-Based Estimators”

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Abstract

This appendix contains additional lemmas used to prove Theorems 1 and 2.

S.1 Lemmas for Theorem 1

Lemma S.1.1 *For all $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$: $R_j = o_P(1)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof: First, we show that $R_1 = o_P(1)$. By the triangle inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |R_1| &\leq \sqrt{N} \left| F_Y^{-1}(\xi_{(n_1)}) \right| \left| F_U(1) - F_U(\xi_{(n_1)}) \right| + \sqrt{N} \left| F_Y^{-1}(\xi_{(1)}) \right| \left| F_U(1/n_1) - F_U(\xi_{(1)}) \right| \\ &= \sqrt{N} \left| Y_{(n_1)} \right| \left| 1 - F_U(\xi_{(n_1)}) \right| + \sqrt{N} \left| Y_{(1)} \right| \left| F_U(1/n_1) - F_U(\xi_{(1)}) \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{S.1.1}$$

Lemma 4 and Markov’s inequality imply

$$\sqrt{N} \left| Y_{(1)} \right| = O_P \left(n_1^{\frac{1}{2}+d_1} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \sqrt{N} \left| Y_{(n_1)} \right| = O_P \left(n_1^{\frac{1}{2}+d_2} \right),$$

and it suffices to show that

$$\left| F_U(1/n_1) - F_U(\xi_{(1)}) \right| = o_P \left(n_1^{-\frac{1}{2}-d_1} \right) \quad \text{and} \quad \left| 1 - F_U(\xi_{(n_1)}) \right| = o_P \left(n_1^{-\frac{1}{2}-d_2} \right).$$

We show the second result only (the first can be obtained analogously). By the triangle inequality and the mean value theorem, there exists $c_{n_1} \in ((n_1 - 1)/n_1 \wedge \varepsilon_{(n_1)}, (n_1 - 1)/n_1 \vee \varepsilon_{(n_1)})$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| 1 - F_U(\xi_{(n_1)}) \right| &\leq \left| 1 - F_U((n_1 - 1)/n_1) \right| + \left| F_U((n_1 - 1)/n_1) - F_U(\xi_{(n_1)}) \right| \\ &= \int_{\frac{n_1-1}{n_1}}^1 f_U(u) du + f_U(c_{n_1}) \left(1 - \xi_{(n_1)} + \frac{1}{n_1} \right) \\ &\lesssim \int_{\frac{n_1-1}{n_1}}^1 u^{-b_1} (1-u)^{-b_2} du + c_{n_1}^{-b_1} (1-c_{n_1})^{-b_2} \left(1 - \xi_{(n_1)} + \frac{1}{n_1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&\lesssim \int_0^{\frac{1}{n_1}} v^{-b_2} dv + \left(2^{b_1} + \xi_{(n_1)}^{-b_1}\right) \left(n_1^{b_2} + (1 - \xi_{(n_1)})^{-b_2}\right) \left(1 - \xi_{(n_1)} + \frac{1}{n_1}\right) \\
&\lesssim n_1^{b_2-1} + n_1^{b_2-1} \left(2^{b_1} + \xi_{(n_1)}^{-b_1}\right) \left(1 + [n_1(1 - \xi_{(n_1)})]^{-b_2}\right) \left(n_1(1 - \xi_{(n_1)}) + 1\right) \\
&= n_1^{b_2-1} (1 + O_P(1)),
\end{aligned}$$

where the last line follows from $\xi_{(n_1)} \xrightarrow{P} 1$, $n_1(1 - \xi_{(n_1)}) \xrightarrow{d} \text{Exponential}(1)$, and the continuous mapping theorem. The result follows from $b_2 + d_2 < 1/2$ by Assumption 2(iv).

Second, we show that $R_2 = o_P(1)$. By Assumption 2(ii)–(iii),

$$\begin{aligned}
\sqrt{N} \left| \int_0^{\xi_{(1)}} F_Y^{-1} dF_U \right| &\lesssim \sqrt{n_1} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} \geq 1/2 \right\} \left| \int_0^1 F_Y^{-1} dF_U \right| + \sqrt{n_1} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} < 1/2 \right\} \int_0^{\xi_{(1)}} t^{-b_1-d_1} dt \\
&\lesssim \sqrt{n_1} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} \geq 1/2 \right\} + n_1^{b_1+d_1-1/2} [n_1 \xi_{(1)}]^{1-b_1-d_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

The first term is $o_P(1)$ since it converges to zero in L_1 :

$$E \left[\sqrt{n_1} \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} \geq 1/2 \right\} \right] = \sqrt{n_1} \Pr \left(\xi_{(1)} \geq 1/2 \right) = \frac{\sqrt{n_1}}{2^{n_1}} = o(1).$$

That the second term is $o_P(1)$ follows from $E[\xi_{(1)}] = 1/(n_1 + 1)$ and Jensen's inequality since $b_1 + d_1 < 1/2$. This shows that

$$\sqrt{N} \left| \int_0^{\xi_{(1)}} F_Y^{-1} dF_U \right| = o_P(1). \quad (\text{S.1.2})$$

An analogous reasoning shows that

$$\sqrt{N} \left| \int_{\xi_{(n_1)}}^1 F_Y^{-1} dF_U \right| = o_P(1). \quad (\text{S.1.3})$$

It follows that $R_2 = o_P(1)$.

Third, we show that $R_3 = o_P(1)$. By the mean value theorem, there exists $u_{n_1}(t) \in (\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t), t)$ such that

$$R_3 = \sqrt{N} \int_{\xi_{(1)}}^{\xi_{(n_1)}} \underbrace{[f_U - f_U \circ u_{n_1}]}_{=: \nu_{n_1}} [\mathbb{G}_{n_1} - \mathbf{I}] dF_Y^{-1}.$$

By Assumption 2(iv), there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $b_j + d_j < 1/2 - \delta$. Further, let $\delta_j > 0$ be such that $\delta > 2(\delta_1 \vee \delta_2)$ and

$$b_j + d_j < 1/2 - \delta - \delta_j.$$

Then, let $q(t) = t^{1/2-\delta_1}(1-t)^{1/2-\delta_2}$. From what precedes, we have

$$|R_3| \leq \sup_{t \in (0,1)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right| \int_{\xi_{(1)}}^{\xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_{n_1}(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t). \quad (\text{S.1.4})$$

We now show that the integral term in (S.1.4) tends to 0 in L_1 . Let $f_{n_1}(t) := \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} < t < \xi_{(n_1)} \right\} |\nu_{n_1}(t)|$ and let μ denote the measure defined as the product of the probability measure on Ω , the probability space on which all random variables are defined, with the measure ρ on $(0, 1)$ such that $d\rho/dF_Y^{-1} = q$. By Lemma 6, $\mu(\Omega \times (0, 1)) = \int_0^1 q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) < \infty$. Moreover,

$$E \left[\int_{\xi_{(1)}}^{\xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_{n_1}(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \right] = \int_{\Omega \times (0,1)} f_{n_1} d\mu.$$

First, we show that f_{n_1} tends to 0 μ -almost surely. By almost-sure convergence of $\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)$ to t , we have, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $u_{n_1}(t) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} t$. Then, by continuity of f_U , $\nu_{n_1}(t) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$ for all $t \in (0, 1)$. This shows that $f_{n_1} \rightarrow 0$ μ -almost-surely. Second, by Corollary(i)–(ii) of Theorem 16.14 in (Billingsley, 1995, p. 218), it is sufficient to show that f_{n_1} is uniformly integrable, i.e., that

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbb{1} \{f_{n_1} > M\} f_{n_1} d\mu = 0.$$

We will show the stronger result that, for all $M > 0$,

$$\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbb{1} \{f_{n_1} > M\} f_{n_1} d\mu = 0. \quad (\text{S.1.5})$$

Let $M > 0$ and $\nu \in (1, \infty)$ such that

$$\nu < \frac{b_1 + \delta - \delta_1}{b_1} \wedge \frac{b_2 + \delta - \delta_2}{b_2}. \quad (\text{S.1.6})$$

By Hölder's inequality,

$$\int \mathbb{1} \{f_{n_1} > M\} f_{n_1} d\mu \leq \left(\int f_{n_1}^\nu d\mu \right)^{1/\nu} \left(\int \mathbb{1} \{f_{n_1} > M\} d\mu \right)^{(\nu-1)/\nu}. \quad (\text{S.1.7})$$

First, we show that the first term in the right-hand side of (S.1.7) is $O(1)$.

$$\int f_{n_1}^\nu d\mu = \int_0^1 E \left[\mathbb{1} \{ \xi_{(1)} < t < \xi_{(n_1)} \} |\nu_{n_1}(t)|^\nu \right] q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t).$$

Let $B(t) := C_U t^{-b_1} (1-t)^{-b_2}$. By the triangle inequality, Assumption 2, and since B^ν is convex and $u_{n_1}(t)$ lies between $\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)$ and t , for all $t \in (\xi_{(1)}, \xi_{(n_1)})$, almost surely,

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu_{n_1}(t)|^\nu &\leq B(t)^\nu + B(u_{n_1}(t))^\nu \\ &\leq 2B(t)^\nu + B(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))^\nu. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\int f_{n_1}^\nu d\mu \lesssim \int_0^1 B(t)^\nu q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) + \int_0^1 E \left[\mathbb{1} \{ \xi_{(1)} < t < \xi_{(n_1)} \} B(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))^\nu \right] q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t).$$

By Lemma 6, for ν sufficiently small, the first integral is finite and does not depend on n_1 . Consider the second integral. By Lemma 6 again, to show that this integral is $O(1)$ it suffices to show that

$$v_{n_1}(t) := E \left[\mathbb{1} \{ \xi_{(1)} < t < \xi_{(n_1)} \} B(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))^\nu \right] q(t) \lesssim t^{1/2-b_1-\delta} (1-t)^{1/2-b_2-\delta}, \quad (\text{S.1.8})$$

which we prove below. We have

$$\begin{aligned} v_{n_1}(t) &= E \left[\mathbb{1} \{ 1 < n_1 \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t) < n_1 \} B \left((n_1 \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)) / n_1 \right)^\nu \right] q(t) \\ &= C_U t^{1/2-\delta_1} (1-t)^{1/2-\delta_2} E \left[\mathbb{1} \{ 1 < W < n_1 \} \left(\frac{W}{n_1} \right)^{-b_1\nu} \left(1 - \frac{W}{n_1} \right)^{-b_2\nu} \right] \\ &\lesssim t^{1/2-b_1-\delta} (1-t)^{1/2-b_2-\delta} w_{n_1}(t), \end{aligned}$$

where $W \sim \text{Binomial}(n_1, t)$ and

$$w_{n_1}(t) = t^{b_1 + \delta - \delta_1} (1-t)^{b_2 + \delta - \delta_2} E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-b_1\nu} \left(1 - \frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-b_2\nu} \right].$$

Hence, it suffices to show that $w_{n_1}(t) = O(1)$ uniformly in t . Since

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-b_1\nu} \left(1 - \frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-b_2\nu} \right] \\ & \leq E^{1/2} \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] E^{1/2} \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(1 - \frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_2\nu} \right], \end{aligned}$$

it suffices to show

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] & \lesssim t^{-2b_1\nu}, \\ E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(1 - \frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_2\nu} \right] & \lesssim (1-t)^{-2b_2\nu}. \end{aligned} \tag{S.1.9}$$

We show the first result only (the second can be obtained analogously). We have

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] \\ & = E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \mathbf{1} \left\{W \geq \frac{n_1 t}{2}\right\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] \\ & \quad + E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \mathbf{1} \left\{W < \frac{n_1 t}{2}\right\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] \\ & \lesssim t^{-2b_1\nu} + E \left[\mathbf{1} \left\{W < \frac{n_1 t}{2}\right\} \left(\frac{1}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] \\ & = t^{-2b_1\nu} + n_1^{2b_1\nu} \Pr \left(W < \frac{n_1 t}{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By Hoeffding's inequality, we have

$$\Pr \left(W < \frac{n_1 t}{2} \right) \leq \exp \left(-\frac{1}{8} n_1 t \right).$$

Since $x^\delta \exp(-x/8)$ is bounded on $[0, \infty)$ for any $\delta > 0$, we have

$$n_1^{2b_1\nu} \Pr \left(W < \frac{n_1 t}{2} \right) \lesssim t^{-2b_1\nu}$$

and thus

$$E \left[\mathbf{1} \{1 < W < n_1\} \left(\frac{W}{n_1}\right)^{-2b_1\nu} \right] \lesssim t^{-2b_1\nu},$$

which proves (S.1.9), $w_{n_1}(t) = O(1)$, (S.1.8), and in turn that the first term in (S.1.7) is $O(1)$.

Next, we show that the second term in (S.1.7) converges to zero. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int \mathbb{1}\{f_{n_1} > M\} d\mu &= \int_0^1 \Pr\left(\mathbb{1}\{\xi_{(1)} < t < \xi_{(n_1)}\} |\nu_{n_1}(t)| > M\right) q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \Pr(|\nu_{n_1}(t)| > M) q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.1.10})$$

We have already shown that, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $|\nu_{n_1}(t)| \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$. It follows that, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $|\nu_{n_1}(t)| = o_P(1)$. This implies that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Pr(|\nu_{n_1}(t)| > M) q(t) = 0, \quad \forall t \in (0, 1).$$

Moreover, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $\Pr(|\nu_{n_1}(t)| > M) q(t) \leq q(t)$ with $\int_0^1 q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) < \infty$ by Lemma 6. By the dominated convergence theorem,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \Pr(|\nu_{n_1}(t)| > M) q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) = 0,$$

and (S.1.10) implies that (S.1.5) holds. This completes the proof that

$$E \left[\int_{\xi_{(1)}}^{\xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_{n_1}(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \right] = o(1),$$

and thus

$$\int_{\xi_{(1)}}^{\xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_{n_1}(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) = o_P(1). \quad (\text{S.1.11})$$

To prove $R_3 = o_P(1)$, it is thus sufficient to show that the first term in (S.1.4) is bounded in probability. By Equation (2) in Chapter 2, Section 7 (p. 141) in Shorack and Wellner (1986), there exists a Brownian bridge \mathbb{U} such that

$$\sup_{t \in (0, 1)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t) - t) - \mathbb{U}(t)}{q(t)} \right| = o_P(1).$$

Since $\|./q\|$ is a norm, the triangular inequality yields

$$\sup_{t \in (0, 1)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right| \leq \sup_{t \in (0, 1)} |\mathbb{U}(t)/q(t)| + o_P(1) = O_P(1) + o_P(1) = O_P(1),$$

by inequality (17) p. 451 in Shorack and Wellner (1986) with $a = 0, b = 1/2$, and by noticing that \mathbb{U}/q has the same distribution on $[0, 1/2]$ and $[1/2, 1]$, and that the integral on the right-hand side of the inequality is finite for $q(t) = [t(1-t)]^a$ with $a < 1/2$. This result, together with (S.1.11) and (S.1.4), implies that $R_3 = o_P(1)$.

Fourth, we show that $R_4 = o_P(1)$. We have

$$|R_4| \leq \sqrt{N} \int_0^{\xi_{(1)}} x d\Lambda(x) + \sqrt{N} \int_{\xi_{(n_1)}}^1 (1-x) d\Lambda(x).$$

Consider the first term (the second term can be controlled analogously). Let $\delta \in (b_1 + d_1, 1/2)$. With probability tending to 1, $\xi_{(1)} \leq 1/2$. Moreover, on this event, we have, by Assumption 2,

$$\sqrt{N} \int_0^{\xi_{(1)}} x d\Lambda(x) \lesssim \sqrt{N} \xi_{(1)}^{1-\delta} \int_0^{1/2} x^\delta d\Lambda(x)$$

$$\lesssim \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_1}} n_1^{\delta-1/2} [n_1 \xi_{(1)}]^{1-\delta} \int_0^{1/2} x^{\delta-b_1} dF_Y^{-1}(x).$$

By Lemma 6, $\int_0^{1/2} x^{\delta-b_1} dF_Y^{-1}(x) < \infty$. The result follows from $[n_1 \xi_{(1)}]^{1-\delta} = O_P(1)$, $\sqrt{N/n_1} \leq 1$, and $\delta < 1/2$. \square

Lemma S.1.2 $E[|R_5|] \rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof: For that purpose, let $I_{n_1}(x) = (x, \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x)]$ if $\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) > x$, $I_{n_1}(x) = [\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x), x)$ if $\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) < x$, and \emptyset otherwise. Finally, let $S_{n_1}(x) = \text{sgn}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - x)$. Observe first that

$$\mathbb{V}_{n_2} \circ F_U \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{V}_{n_2} \circ F_U(x) = S_{n_1}(x) Z_N(x), \quad (\text{S.1.12})$$

with

$$Z_N(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n_2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} [\mathbb{1}\{U_i \in I_{n_1}(x)\} - P_U(I_{n_1}(x))],$$

where $P_U([a, b]) = P_U((a, b]) = P_U([a, b)) = P_U((a, b)) = F_U(a) - F_U(b)$ for all $(a, b) \in [0, 1]$, $a \leq b$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} E[|R_5| | (\xi_i)_i] &\leq E \left[\int_0^1 |\mathbb{V}_{n_2} \circ F_U \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1} - \mathbb{V}_{n_2} \circ F_U| dF_Y^{-1} \middle| (\xi_i)_i \right] \\ &= \int_0^1 E[|\mathbb{V}_{n_2} \circ F_U \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1} - \mathbb{V}_{n_2} \circ F_U| | (\xi_i)_i] dF_Y^{-1} \\ &\leq \int_0^1 E[Z_N(x)^2 | (\xi_i)_i]^{1/2} dF_Y^{-1}(x) \\ &= \int_0^1 V[\mathbb{1}\{U_1 \in I_{n_1}(x)\} | (\xi_i)_i]^{1/2} dF_Y^{-1}(x) \\ &\leq \int_0^1 |P_U(I_{n_1}(x))|^{1/2} dF_Y^{-1}(x). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.1.13})$$

The first equality follows by Fubini–Tonelli’s theorem, the second inequality uses (S.1.12) and the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, and the second equality holds since conditional on the $(\xi_i)_i$, the variables $\mathbb{1}\{U_i \in I_{n_1}(x)\} - P_U(I_{n_1}(x))$ are i.i.d. with mean zero. As a result,

$$\begin{aligned} E[|R_5|] &\leq \int_0^1 E[|P_U(I_{n_1}(x))|^{1/2}] dF_Y^{-1}(x) \\ &\leq \int_0^1 E[|P_U(I_{n_1}(x))|^{1/2}] dF_Y^{-1}(x), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.1.14})$$

where the first inequality follows by (S.1.13) and Fubini–Tonelli’s theorem, whereas the second is due to Jensen’s inequality. Now, by the law of large numbers and the continuous mapping theorem, $|F_U(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x)) - F_U(x)| \xrightarrow{P} 0$ for all $x \in [0, 1]$. Moreover, $|F_U(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x)) - F_U(x)| \leq 1$. Hence, for all $x \in [0, 1]$,

$$E[|F_U(x) - F_U(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x))|] \rightarrow 0.$$

We now apply the dominated convergence theorem to prove that $E[|R_5|] \rightarrow 0$. Because $x \mapsto E[|P_U(I_{n_1}(x))|^{1/2}]$ is bounded by 1 for all n_1 , it is actually enough to bound this function for

x close to 0 and close to 1. Also, by symmetry, we can focus without loss of generality on the neighborhood of 0. We prove that

$$E [|P_U(I_{n_1}(x))|] \lesssim x^{1-b_1}. \quad (\text{S.1.15})$$

Then the result follows by Lemma 6 combined with Assumption 2(iv). To prove (S.1.15), we apply Lemma 7 with $Q_n(x) := \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x)$, $B_n(x) = 1$, and $\delta < \exp(-1)/2$. If $x \geq 1/n_1$, the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality yields

$$E [|\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - x|] \leq \left[\frac{x(1-x)}{n_1} \right]^{1/2} \leq 2x, \quad (\text{S.1.16})$$

since $n_1^{1/2} \geq x^{-1/2}$. If $x < 1/n_1$, (S.1.16) holds as well by Theorem 1 in Berend and Kontorovich (2013). Hence, (S.1.16) holds for all $x \in (0, \bar{\delta}/2)$. Next, let $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$, $n_0 \geq 4/(1-\bar{\delta})^2$. By Kiefer’s inequality (see, e.g. Van der Vaart and Wellner, 1996, Corollary A.6.3), we have, for all $x \in [0, \bar{\delta}]$ and all $n_1 \geq n_0$,

$$\Pr(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) > 1/2) \leq (ex)^{n_1(1-\bar{\delta})^2/4} \lesssim x.$$

Thus, we can apply Lemma 7, which yields (S.1.15). □

Lemma S.1.3 *For all $j \in \{6, 7, 8, 9\}$: $R_j = o_P(1)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof: First, we show that $R_6 = o_P(1)$. We split R_6 into three integrals: $R_{6,1}$ is obtained by integrating along the segment $[\xi_{(1)}, \zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}]$, $R_{6,2}$ is obtained by integrating along the segment $(\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}, \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)})$, and $R_{6,3}$ is obtained by integrating on the segment $(\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}, \xi_{(n_1)})$. Let us first focus on $R_{6,2}$. By the mean value theorem, for all $t \in [\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}, \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}]$, there exists $u_N(t) \in (\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t), \mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))$ such that

$$R_{6,2} = \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \sqrt{n_3} \int_{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}} \underbrace{[f_U - f_U \circ u_N]}_{=: \nu_N} [\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1} - \mathbb{G}_{n_1}] dF_Y^{-1}.$$

By Assumption 2(iv), there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $b_j + d_j < 1/2 - \delta$. Further, let $\delta_j > 0$ be such that $\delta > 2(\delta_1 \vee \delta_2)$ and

$$b_j + d_j < 1/2 - \delta - \delta_j. \quad (\text{S.1.17})$$

Then let $q(t) = t^{1/2-\delta_1}(1-t)^{1/2-\delta_2}$. From what precedes, we have

$$|R_{6,2}| \leq \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \sup_{t \in (1/n_1, 1-1/n_1)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_3}(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right| \int_{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_N(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t). \quad (\text{S.1.18})$$

We now show that the last term in (S.1.18) tends to 0 in L_1 . Let

$$f_N(t) := \mathbf{1} \left\{ \zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)} < t < \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)} \right\} |\nu_N(t)|,$$

and let μ denote the measure defined as the product of the probability measure on Ω , the probability space on which all random variables are defined, with the measure ρ on $(0, 1)$ such that $d\rho/dF_Y^{-1} = q$. By Lemma 6, $\mu(\Omega \times (0, 1)) = \int_0^1 q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) < \infty$. Moreover,

$$E \left[\int_{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_N(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \right] = \int_{\Omega \times (0,1)} f_N d\mu.$$

First, we show that f_N tends to 0 μ -almost surely. By convergence of $\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)$ and $\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(t)$ to t , we have, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $u_N(t) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} t$. Then, by continuity of f_U , $\nu_N(t) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$ for all $t \in (0, 1)$. This shows that $f_N \rightarrow 0$ μ -almost-surely. Second, by Corollary(i)–(ii) of Theorem 16.14 in (Billingsley, 1995, p. 218), it is sufficient to show that f_N is uniformly integrable, i.e., that

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbf{1} \{f_N > M\} f_N d\mu = 0. \quad (\text{S.1.19})$$

We will show the stronger result that, for all $M > 0$,

$$\limsup_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbf{1} \{f_N > M\} f_N d\mu = 0. \quad (\text{S.1.20})$$

Let $M > 0$ and $\nu \in (1, \infty)$ such that (S.1.6) holds. By Hölder's inequality,

$$\int \mathbf{1} \{f_N > M\} f_N d\mu \leq \left(\int f_N^\nu d\mu \right)^{1/\nu} \left(\int \mathbf{1} \{f_N > M\} d\mu \right)^{(\nu-1)/\nu}. \quad (\text{S.1.21})$$

Consider the first term.

$$\int f_N^\nu d\mu = \int_0^1 E \left[\int_{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_N(t)|^\nu q(t) \right] dF_Y^{-1}(t).$$

Let $B(t) := C_U t^{-b_1} (1-t)^{-b_2}$. By Assumption 2 and since B^ν is convex and $u_N(t)$ lies between $\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)$ and t , for all $t \in (\xi_{(1)}, \xi_{(n_1)})$,

$$\begin{aligned} |\nu_N(t)|^\nu &\leq 2^{\nu-1} [B(t)^\nu + B(u_N(t))^\nu] \\ &\leq 2^{\nu-1} [2B(t)^\nu + B(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))^\nu + B(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)))^\nu], \quad \text{a.s.} \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \int f_N^\nu d\mu &\lesssim \int_0^1 B(t)^\nu q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) + \int_0^1 E \left[\mathbf{1} \{ \xi_{(1)} < t < \xi_{(n_1)} \} B(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))^\nu q(t) \right] dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &\quad + \int_0^1 E \left[\mathbf{1} \{ \zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)} < t < \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)} \} B(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)))^\nu q(t) \right] dF_Y^{-1}(t). \end{aligned}$$

The first two integrals are uniformly bounded as already shown in the proof of Lemma S.1.1. Let us focus on the third integral.

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 E \left[\mathbf{1} \{ \zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)} < t < \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)} \} B(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)))^\nu q(t) \right] dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &\leq \int_0^1 E \left[\zeta_{(1)}^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_1-\delta_1} (1-\zeta_{(n_3)})^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_2-\delta_2} \right] t^{1/2-\delta-b_1} (1-t)^{1/2-\delta-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &= n_3^{(b_1+b_2)(\nu-1)+\delta_1+\delta_2-\delta} E \left[(n_3 \zeta_{(1)})^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_1-\delta_1} (n_3(1-\zeta_{(n_3)}))^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_2-\delta_2} \right] \\ &\quad \times \int_0^1 t^{1/2-\delta-b_1} (1-t)^{1/2-\delta-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t). \end{aligned}$$

For ν sufficiently small, $n_3^{(b_1+b_2)(\nu-1)+\delta_1+\delta_2-\delta} \leq 1$ and $x \mapsto x^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_j-\delta_j}$ is concave. By the Cauchy–Schwarz and Jensen inequalities,

$$E \left[(n_3 \zeta_{(1)})^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_1-\delta_1} (n_3(1-\zeta_{(n_3)}))^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_2-\delta_2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \left(E \left[(n_3 \zeta_{(1)})^{2(\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_1-\delta_1)} \right] \right)^{1/2} \left(E \left[(n_3(1-\zeta_{(n_3)}))^{2(\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_2-\delta_2)} \right] \right)^{1/2} \\
&\leq E \left[n_3 \zeta_{(1)} \right]^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_1-\delta_1} E \left[n_3(1-\zeta_{(n_3)}) \right]^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_2-\delta_2} \\
&= \left(\frac{n_3}{n_3+1} \right)^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_1-\delta_1} \left(\frac{n_3}{n_3+1} \right)^{\delta/2+(1-\nu)b_2-\delta_2} \\
&\leq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Combining all pieces together yields

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_0^1 E \left[\mathbb{1} \left\{ \zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)} < t < \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)} \right\} B(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)))^\nu q(t) \right] dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\
&\leq \int_0^1 t^{1/2-\delta-b_1} (1-t)^{1/2-\delta-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t),
\end{aligned}$$

which does not depend on N and is finite by Lemma 6. Next, let us show that the second term in (S.1.21) converges to zero.

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \mathbb{1} \{f_N > M\} d\mu &= \int_0^1 \Pr \left(\mathbb{1} \left\{ \zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)} < t < \zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)} \right\} |\nu_N(t)| > M \right) q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\
&\leq \int_0^1 \Pr (|\nu_N(t)| > M) q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t). \tag{S.1.22}
\end{aligned}$$

Since we have already shown that, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $|\nu_N(t)| \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$, it follows that, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $|\nu_N(t)| \xrightarrow{P} 0$. This implies that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Pr (|\nu_N(t)| > M) q(t) = 0, \quad \forall t \in (0, 1).$$

Moreover, for all $t \in (0, 1)$, $\Pr (|\nu_N(t)| > M) q(t) \leq q(t)$ with $\int_0^1 q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) < \infty$ by Lemma 6. By the dominated convergence theorem,

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \Pr (|\nu_N(t)| > M) q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) = 0,$$

and (S.1.22) implies that (S.1.20) holds. This completes the proof that

$$E \left[\int_{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_N(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \right] = o(1),$$

and thus

$$\int_{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(n_3)} \wedge \xi_{(n_1)}} |\nu_N(t)| q(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \xrightarrow{P} 0. \tag{S.1.23}$$

Next, by Corollary 4.3.1 and Theorem 3.4 in Csörgő et al. (1986),

$$\sup_{t \in (1/n_3, 1-1/n_3)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_3}(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right| = O_P(1).$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$. For N sufficiently large, $1/n_1 > 1/n_3 - \varepsilon$. It follows that

$$\sup_{t \in (1/n_1, 1-1/n_1)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_3}(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right| \leq \sup_{t \in (1/n_3 - \varepsilon, 1-1/n_3 + \varepsilon)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_3}(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right|$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sup_{t \in (1/n_3, 1-1/n_3)} \left| \frac{\sqrt{n_3}(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(t) - t)}{q(t)} \right| + O_P(1) \\
&= O_P(1).
\end{aligned}$$

This, together with (S.1.18), $\sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} = O_P(1)$, and (S.1.23), implies that $R_{6,2} = o_P(1)$. Now, let us show that $R_{6,1} = o_P(1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
|R_{6,1}| &:= \left| \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \sqrt{n_3} \int_{\xi_{(1)}}^{\zeta_{(1)} \vee \xi_{(1)}} A_N(t) \left[\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t) - \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t) \right] dF_Y^{-1}(t) \right|, \\
&\leq \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \left| F_Y(\zeta_{(1)}) - F_Y(\xi_{(1)}) \right| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} < \zeta_{(1)} \right\} \\
&\quad \times \sqrt{n_3} (\zeta_{(j_N)} + n_1^{-1}) \sup_{\xi_{(1)} < t < \zeta_{(1)}} \left[2B(t) + B(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t)) + B(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(t))) \right] \\
&\leq O_P(1) o_P(1) \times n_1^{b_1-1/2} \left((n_1/n_3)^{1/2} \left[n_3 \zeta_{(j_N)} \right] + (n_1/n_3)^{-1/2} \right) \left(\left[n_1 \xi_{(1)} \right]^{-b_1} + 1 + (n_1/n_3)^{-b_1} \left[n_3 \zeta_{(1)} \right]^{-b_1} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

where $j_N = \lceil n_1/n_3 \rceil$. By assumption, there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that, for N sufficiently large, $|\frac{n_1}{n_3} - \frac{\lambda_3}{\lambda_1}| < \varepsilon$. By choosing ε sufficiently small, this ensures that for N sufficiently large N , $j_N \leq \lceil \varepsilon + \lambda_3/\lambda_1 \rceil \leq \lceil \lambda_3/\lambda_1 \rceil + 1 =: \bar{j}$. In particular, $n_3 \zeta_{(j_N)} \leq n_3 \zeta_{(\bar{j})} = O_P(1)$. Since $[n_1 \xi_{(1)}]^{-b_1} = O_P(1)$ and $[n_3 \zeta_{(1)}]^{-b_1} = O_P(1)$, and $b_1 < 1/2$ by Assumption 2(iv),

$$R_{6,1} \leq O_P(1) o_P(1) o_P(1) O_P(1) = o_P(1).$$

An analogous reasoning yields $R_{6,3} = o_P(1)$.

Second, we show that R_7 is defined in (22). We actually prove the stronger result that R_7 converges to 0 in L^1 . Let $\mathbb{W}_{n_3} = \sqrt{n_3}(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1} - \mathbf{I})$ and $B_{n_1} = \mathbf{1} \left\{ \xi_{(1)} \leq x < \xi_{(n_1)} \right\}$. We have, by Fubini–Tonelli’s theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}
E[|R_7|] &\leq \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \int_0^1 E[|\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x)| \times B_{n_1}] f_U(x) dF_Y^{-1}(x) \\
&\leq \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \int_0^1 E[(\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x))^2 \times B_{n_1}]^{1/2} f_U(x) dF_Y^{-1}(x).
\end{aligned}$$

We apply the dominated convergence theorem to prove the result. First, note that for all $(x, y) \in (0, 1]^2$,

$$|\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) - \mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(y)| \sim \text{Beta}(|\lceil n_3 x \rceil - \lceil n_3 y \rceil|, n_3 - |\lceil n_3 x \rceil - \lceil n_3 y \rceil| + 1),$$

with the convention that the $\text{Beta}(0, n_3 + 1)$ is the Dirac distribution at 0. Hence, for any $k \in \{1, \dots, n_1 - 1\}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&E \left[(\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x))^2 \mid \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) = k/n_1 \right] \\
&= n_3 \left\{ E \left[\left(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(k/n_1) - \mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) - (k/n_1 - x) \right)^2 \right] \right\} \\
&= n_3 \left\{ E \left[\left(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(k/n_1) - \mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) - \frac{1}{n_3 + 1} (\lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - \lceil n_3 x \rceil) \right)^2 \right] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left. + \frac{1}{n_3 + 1} \left(\lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - \lceil n_3 x \rceil - (k/n_1 - x) \right)^2 \right\} \\
= & n_3 \left\{ V \left[\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(k/n_1) - \mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) \right] + \frac{1}{(n_3 + 1)^2} \left(\lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - (n_3 k)/n_1 + n_3 x - \lceil n_3 x \rceil + x - k/n_1 \right)^2 \right\} \\
= & \frac{n_3}{(n_3 + 1)^2 (n_3 + 2)} \left| \lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - \lceil n_3 x \rceil \right| (n_3 + 1 - \left| \lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - \lceil n_3 x \rceil \right|) \tag{S.1.24} \\
& + \frac{n_3}{(n_3 + 1)^2} \left(\lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - (n_3 k)/n_1 + n_3 x - \lceil n_3 x \rceil + x - k/n_1 \right)^2 \\
\leq & \frac{1}{n_3} \left| \lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - \lceil n_3 x \rceil \right| + \frac{2}{n_3} \left[2 \left(\lceil (n_3 k)/n_1 \rceil - (n_3 k)/n_1 \right)^2 + 2 \left(\lceil n_3 x \rceil - n_3 x \right)^2 + \left(\frac{k}{n_1} - x \right)^2 \right] \\
\leq & \left| \frac{k}{n_1} - x \right| + \frac{1}{n_3} \left[10 + 2 \left(\frac{k}{n_1} - x \right)^2 \right], \tag{S.1.25}
\end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality follows by convexity and the last by the triangle inequality and because by definition, $|a - \lceil a \rceil| \leq 1$ for all $a \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Now, remark that $B_{n_1} = 1$ iff $n_1 \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) \in \{1, \dots, n_1 - 1\}$. Then, by what precedes,

$$\begin{aligned}
E \left[(\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x))^2 \times B_{n_1} \right] & \leq E \left[|\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - x| \right] + \frac{1}{n_3} [10 + 2V(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x))] \tag{S.1.26} \\
& \rightarrow 0.
\end{aligned}$$

To apply the dominated convergence theorem, we show that there exists $q(\cdot)$ such that for all $n_1 \geq n_0$ and all $x \in [0, 1]$,

$$E[(\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x))^2 \times B_{n_1}]^{1/2} \leq q(x), \tag{S.1.27}$$

with $\int_0^1 q(x) f_U(x) dF_Y^{-1}(x) < \infty$. As above, we focus on a neighborhood of 0. If $x > 1/n_3$, we have, by (S.1.26) and (S.1.16),

$$E \left[(\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x))^2 \times B_{n_1} \right] \leq 14x.$$

Now suppose that $x < 1/n_3$. Remark that $E(B_{n_1}) \leq 1 - (1 - x)^{n_1} \leq n_1 x$. Then, integrating (S.1.25), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
E \left[(\mathbb{W}_{n_3} \circ \mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - \mathbb{W}_{n_3}(x))^2 \times B_{n_1} \right] & \leq E \left[|\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x) - x| \right] + \frac{1}{n_3} [10n_1 x + 2V(\mathbb{G}_{n_1}(x))] \\
& \leq (\lceil \lambda_3/\lambda_1 \rceil + 1)14x.
\end{aligned}$$

Then we can choose $q(x) = ((\lceil \lambda_3/\lambda_1 \rceil + 1)14x)^{1/2}$ in (S.1.27). By Assumption 2 and Lemma 6, we have $\int_0^{1/2} q(x) f_U(x) dF_Y^{-1}(x) < \infty$. The same reasoning applies to the interval $[1/2, 1]$. The result follows.

Third, we show that $R_8 = o_P(1)$. Let Λ denote the measure on $(0, 1)$ such that $d\Lambda/dF_Y^{-1} = f_U$. Note that $\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) \sim \text{Beta}(\lceil n_3 x \rceil, n_3 + 1 - \lceil n_3 x \rceil)$, thus $E[\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x)] = \lceil n_3 x \rceil / (n_3 + 1)$. Then

$$E[|R_8|] \leq \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \int_0^1 [1 - x^{n_1} - (1 - x)^{n_1}] \left| \frac{\lceil n_3 x \rceil - (n_3 + 1)x}{(n_3 + 1)n_3^{-1/2}} \right| d\Lambda(x).$$

Let $f_N(x)$ denote the integrand. We have $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} f_N(x) = 0$. Moreover, using $1 - x^{n_1} - (1 - x)^{n_1} \leq n_1 x$ and since $n_1 \lesssim n_3$, we obtain, when $x < 1/n_3$,

$$f_N(x) \leq 2n_3^{1/2} x \leq x^{1/2} \lesssim [x(1-x)]^{1/2}.$$

When $x \in [1/n_3, 1 - 1/n_3]$,

$$f_N(x) \leq \frac{2}{n_3^{1/2}} \lesssim [x(1-x)]^{1/2}.$$

Finally, when $x > 1 - 1/n_3$, then $x > 1 - 1/n_1$, and thus using $1 - x^{n_1} \leq n_1(1-x)$,

$$f_N(x) \leq n_1(1-x) \frac{2}{(n_3+1)n_3^{-1/2}} \leq 2(1-x)^{1/2} \lesssim [x(1-x)]^{1/2}.$$

Moreover, $\int_0^1 [x(1-x)]^{1/2} d\Lambda < \infty$ by Lemma 6. Thus, by the dominated convergence theorem, $R_8 = o_P(1)$.

Fourth, we show that $R_9 = o_P(1)$. We prove the stronger result that R_9 converges to 0 in L^1 . By Fubini–Tonelli’s theorem combined with Assumption 1(ii) and Jensen’s inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[|R_9|] &\leq \sqrt{\frac{N}{n_3}} \int_0^1 \sqrt{n_3} E \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \{x \in [\xi_{(1)}, \xi_{(n_1)}]\} - \mathbf{1} \{x \in [1/n_3, (n_3-1)/n_3]\} \right| \right] \\ &\quad \times E \left[\left(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) - \frac{\lceil n_3 x \rceil}{(n_3+1)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} d\Lambda(x). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.1.28})$$

Since $\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) \sim \text{Beta}(\lceil n_3 x \rceil, n_3 + 1 - \lceil n_3 x \rceil)$, we have

$$E \left[\left(\mathbb{H}_{n_3}^{-1}(x) - \frac{\lceil n_3 x \rceil}{(n_3+1)} \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} = \sqrt{\frac{\lceil n_3 x \rceil (n_3 + 1 - \lceil n_3 x \rceil)}{(n_3+1)^2 (n_3+2)}} \lesssim \sqrt{\frac{x(1-x)}{n_3}}.$$

Let $q_N(x)$ denote the first expectation in the integrand in (S.1.28). By letting $p_{n_1}(x) := 1 - x^{n_1} - (1-x)^{n_1}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} q_N(x) &= \Pr(\xi_{(1)} \leq x \leq \xi_{(n_1)}, x < 1/n_3) + \Pr(\xi_{(1)} \leq x \leq \xi_{(n_1)}, x > (n_3-1)/n_3) \\ &\quad + \Pr(\xi_{(1)} > x \cup x > \xi_{(n_1)}, 1/n_3 \leq x \leq (n_3-1)/n_3) \\ &= p_{n_1}(x) [\mathbf{1} \{x < 1/n_3\} + \mathbf{1} \{1-x < 1/n_3\}] + (1-p_{n_1}(x)) \mathbf{1} \{1/n_3 \leq x \leq (n_3-1)/n_3\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $f_N(x)$ denote the integrand in the right-hand side of (S.1.28). For all $x \in (0, 1)$, $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} p_{n_1}(x) = 1$ so from what precedes, $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} f_N(x) = 0$ for all $x \in (0, 1)$. Moreover, using $q_N(x) \leq 1$, we get

$$f_N(x) \lesssim [x(1-x)]^{1/2},$$

with $\int_0^1 [x(1-x)]^{1/2} d\Lambda < \infty$ by Lemma 6. The result follows by the dominated convergence theorem. \square

Lemma S.1.4 As $N \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\sqrt{n_3} J_2 \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \varsigma^2),$$

where

$$\varsigma^2 = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 [s \wedge t - st] f_U(s) f_U(t) dF_Y^{-1}(s) dF_Y^{-1}(t).$$

Proof: Let $I_{in_3} = [(i-1)/n_3, i/n_3]$. First, note that

$$-\sqrt{n_3}J_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n_3} a_{in_3} \left(\zeta_{(i)} - \frac{i}{(n_3+1)} \right), \quad (\text{S.1.29})$$

where $a_{1n_3} = a_{n_3n_3} = 0$, and, for all $i \in \{2, \dots, n_3-1\}$, $a_{in_3} = \sqrt{n_3}\Lambda(I_{in_3})$. We now verify that the necessary and sufficient conditions given by Hecker (1976) for the asymptotic normality of the L-statistic in (S.1.29) hold in our case. Let us define

$$\sigma_{n_3}^2 = \frac{1}{n_3+2} \sum_{j=1}^{n_3} \sum_{k=1}^{n_3} a_{jn_3} a_{kn_3} \left[\left(\frac{j}{n_3+1} \wedge \frac{k}{n_3+1} \right) - \frac{jk}{(n_3+1)^2} \right].$$

We have to prove that

$$\lim_{n_3 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\max_{1 \leq i \leq n_3} \left| \sum_{j=i}^{n_3} a_{jn_3} \right|}{n_3 \sigma_{n_3}} = 0. \quad (\text{S.1.30})$$

First, by Assumption 2 and Lemma 6, there exists $\delta < 1/2$ such that

$$\int_0^1 t^{\delta-b_1} (1-t)^{\delta-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t) < \infty.$$

Now, because $a_{in_3} \geq 0$, we have, for all $n_3 \geq 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{1 \leq i \leq n_3} \left| \sum_{j=i}^{n_3} a_{jn_3} \right| &= \sqrt{n_3} \sum_{j=2}^{n_3-1} \Lambda(I_{jn_3}) \\ &= \sqrt{n_3} \int_{1/n_3}^{(n_3-1)/n_3} f_U(t) dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &\leq C_U \sqrt{n_3} \int_{1/n_3}^{(n_3-1)/n_3} t^{-b_1} (1-t)^{-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &\leq C_U 2^\delta n_3^{1/2+\delta} \int_{1/n_3}^{(n_3-1)/n_3} t^{\delta-b_1} (1-t)^{\delta-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t) \\ &\leq C_U 2^\delta n_3^{1/2+\delta} \int_0^1 t^{\delta-b_1} (1-t)^{\delta-b_2} dF_Y^{-1}(t), \end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality follows by Assumption 2 and the second uses the fact that $[t(1-t)]^\delta \geq 1/(2n_3)^\delta$ for all $t \in [1/n_3, 1-1/n_3]$. Therefore,

$$\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \sum_{j=i}^{n_3} a_{jn_3} \right| = O(n_3^{1/2+\delta}). \quad (\text{S.1.31})$$

Next, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_{n_3}^2 &= \frac{n_3}{n_3+2} \sum_{j=2}^{n_3-1} \sum_{k=2}^{n_3-1} \Lambda(I_{jn_3}) \Lambda(I_{kn_3}) \left(\frac{j}{n_3+1} \wedge \frac{k}{n_3+1} - \frac{jk}{(n_3+1)^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{n}{n_3+2} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 f_{n_3}(x, y) d\Lambda(x) d\Lambda(y), \end{aligned}$$

where $f_{n_3}(x, y) = \frac{j}{n_3+1} \wedge \frac{k}{n_3+1} - \frac{jk}{(n_3+1)^2}$ when $(x, y) \in I_{jn_3} \times I_{kn_3}$, $1 < j \wedge k \leq j \vee k < n_3$, $f_{n_3}(x, y) = 0$ otherwise. For any $(x, y) \in (0, 1)^2$, $f_{n_3}(x, y) \rightarrow f(x, y) := x \wedge y - xy$. Moreover, for any $(x, y) \in I_{jn_3} \times I_{kn_3}$, $1 < j \wedge k \leq j \vee k < n_3$,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{j}{n_3+1} \wedge \frac{k}{n_3+1} &\leq 2(x \wedge y), \\ 1 - \frac{j}{n_3+1} \vee \frac{k}{n_3+1} &\leq 2(1 - x \vee y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $f_{n_3}(x, y) \leq 4f(x, y)$ for all $(x, y) \in [1/n_3, 1 - 1/n_3]^2$. This inequality also holds for $(x, y) \in [0, 1]^2 \setminus [1/n_3, 1 - 1/n_3]^2$ since $f_{n_3}(x, y) = 0$ for such (x, y) . Because $x \wedge y \leq (xy)^{1/2}$ and $1 - x \vee y \leq [(1-x)(1-y)]^{1/2}$, we have $f(x, y) \leq [x(1-x)y(1-y)]^{1/2}$. Moreover, by Lemma 6, $\int_0^1 [I(1-I)]^{1/2} d\Lambda < \infty$. Thus, by the dominated convergence theorem,

$$\lim_{n_3 \rightarrow \infty} \sigma_{n_3}^2 = \sigma^2 := \int_0^1 \int_0^1 (x \wedge y - xy) d\Lambda(x) d\Lambda(y) > 0. \quad (\text{S.1.32})$$

Combined with (S.1.31), this implies (S.1.30). Thus, by Theorem 1 of Hecker (1976) and (S.1.32) again,

$$-\sqrt{n_3} J_2 \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \varsigma^2).$$

□

S.2 Lemmas for Theorem 2

Lemma S.2.1 *For all $k \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$: $J_k = o(1)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof: First, we show that $J_1 = o(1)$. By sub-additivity of $u \mapsto |u|^\beta$ on \mathbb{R} (since $\beta \in (0, 1]$) and using that $|\tilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)| \leq h_{n_2, \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_1 &\leq 2c_U E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(|\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y)|^\beta \right) \left(\Omega \circ \hat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \hat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) (y, y') dy dy' \right] \\ &\quad + 2c_U E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(|h_{n_2, \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}|^\beta \right) \left(\Omega \circ \hat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \hat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) (y, y') dy dy' \right] \\ &= 2c_U E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(|\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y)|^\beta \right) \left(\Omega \circ \hat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \hat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) (y, y') dy dy' \right] \\ &\quad + O(\varepsilon_{n_2}) E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\Omega \circ \hat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \hat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.2.1})$$

The second term tends to zero since $\varepsilon_{n_2} \rightarrow 0$ and $E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\Omega \circ \hat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \hat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) \right] < \infty$ by Lemma 9. We now focus on the first term in (S.2.1). Letting $\delta \in (0, 1)$ be such that $\delta \leq 1/2 - (b_1 + d_1) \vee (b_2 + d_2)$ (using Assumption 2(iv)), we have

$$\begin{aligned} &E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(|\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y)|^\beta \right) \left(\Omega \circ \hat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \hat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) (y, y') dy dy' \\ &= E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(|\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y)|^\beta \right) \left(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{1-2b_1} \left(\bar{\hat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \bar{\hat{F}}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{1-2b_2} dy dy' \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} \left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\beta \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{d_1} \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{d_2} \mathbf{1}_{\{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \neq 0\}} dy \right] \\
&\quad \times E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right)^{d_1+\delta} \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right)^{d_2+\delta} dy \right] \\
&\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} E^{1/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^{2\beta} \mathbf{1}_{\{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \neq 0\}} \right] E^{1/2} \left[\left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{2d_1} \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{2d_2} \right] dy \times C \quad \text{by Lemma 9} \\
&\leq 2^{\beta/2} C \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\beta/2} E^{1/2} \left[\left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{2d_1} \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{2d_2} \right] dy \quad \text{by Lemma S.3.2} \\
&\leq 2^{\beta/2} C \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(\frac{F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\beta/2} \left(F_Y(y) \right)^{d_1} \left(\bar{F}_Y(y) \right)^{d_2} dy \quad \text{by concavity of } x \mapsto x^{2d_1} (1-x)^{2d_2} \\
&= o(1) \quad \text{by Lemma 6.}
\end{aligned}$$

Note that we used Lemma S.3.2 with $\tilde{b}_1 = (1 - \beta)/2$. This yields $J_1 \rightarrow 0$.

Second, we show that $J_2 = o(1)$. In the analysis of this term, we will write

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_1 &= 1 - 2b_1 \\
\alpha_2 &= 1 - 2b_2 \\
m(s, t) &= s \wedge t, \quad \forall \alpha, s, t \in [0, 1].
\end{aligned}$$

It follows that $\Omega(s, t) = m(s, t)^{\alpha_1} m(\bar{s}, \bar{t})^{\alpha_2}$. Then, by Assumption 2(iii), there exists a positive constant C_U such that $g \leq C_U^2$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
J_2 &= E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(g \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right) \left| \left(\Omega \circ \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) - \left(\Omega \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right) \right| \\
&\lesssim E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(\Omega \circ \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right) - \left(\Omega \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right) \right| \\
&= E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(m \circ \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_1} \left(m \circ \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_2} - \left(m \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_1} \left(m \circ \bar{F}_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_2} \right| \\
&\leq E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(m \circ \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_1} - \left(m \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_1} \right| \left(m \circ \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_2} \\
&\quad + E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(m \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_1} \left| \left(m \circ \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_2} - \left(m \circ \bar{F}_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_2} \right| \\
&\leq E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(m \circ \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_1} - \left(m \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_1} \right| \left(m \circ \bar{F}_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_2} \\
&\quad + E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(m \circ \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_2} - \left(m \circ \bar{F}_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_2} \right| \left(m \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_1} \\
&\quad + E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(m \circ \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_1} - \left(m \circ F_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_1} \right| \left| \left(m_{\alpha_2} \circ \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)} \otimes \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)} \right)^{\alpha_2} - \left(m \circ \bar{F}_Y^{\otimes 2} \right)^{\alpha_2} \right| \\
&=: A + A' + B.
\end{aligned}$$

To show that $J_2 = o(1)$, it suffices to show that $A, A', B = o(1)$. Since the terms A and A' can be analyzed in a similar fashion, we only show that $A, B = o(1)$.

Term A: We have

$$A = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} E \left(\left| (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))^{\alpha_1} - (F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1} \right| \left(\bar{F}_Y(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y') \right)^{\alpha_2} dy dy' \right).$$

By Lemma S.3.4, the term $E \left(\left| (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))^{\alpha_1} - (F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1} \right| \right)$ goes to 0 as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for any fixed $y, y' \in \mathbb{R}$, and is dominated by the quantity $6(F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1}$ independently of N . Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1} \left(\bar{F}_Y(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y') \right)^{\alpha_2} dy dy' \\ & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (F_Y(y) F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1/2} (\bar{F}_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y'))^{\alpha_2/2} dy dy' \\ & = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} F_Y(y)^{\alpha_1/2} \bar{F}_Y(y)^{\alpha_2/2} dy \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

The latter integral converges since $\alpha_1/2 > d_1$ and $\alpha_2/2 > d_2$ by Assumption 2(iv). By the dominated convergence theorem, we obtain that $A \rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Term B_N : By the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} B &= E \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left| \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{\alpha_1} - (F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1} \right| dy dy' \\ & \quad \times \left| \left(\bar{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{\alpha_2} - (\bar{F}_Y(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y'))^{\alpha_2} \right| dy dy' \\ & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} E^{1/2} \left[\left| \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{\alpha_1} - (F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1} \right|^2 \right] \\ & \quad \times E^{1/2} \left[\left| \left(\bar{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{\alpha_2} - (\bar{F}_Y(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y'))^{\alpha_2} \right|^2 \right] dy dy'. \end{aligned} \tag{S.2.2}$$

Now, by Lemma S.3.3 and Jensens's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & E^{1/2} \left[\left| \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right)^{\alpha_1} - (F_Y(y) \wedge F_Y(y'))^{\alpha_1} \right|^2 \right] \\ & \leq E^{\alpha_1/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^2 \wedge F_Y(y)^2 \right] + E^{\alpha_1/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') - F_Y(y') \right|^2 \wedge F_Y(y')^2 \right] \\ & \quad + E^{\alpha_1/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^2 \wedge \left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') - F_Y(y') \right|^2 \right] \\ & \leq \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge F_Y(y)^{\alpha_1} + \left(\frac{2F_Y(y') \bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge F_Y(y')^{\alpha_1} \\ & \quad + \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge \left(\frac{2F_Y(y') \bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

where, in the last inequality, we used that, for any two random variables U, V , it holds that $E(U \wedge V) \leq E(U) \wedge E(V)$. The second factor can be controlled analogously. Therefore, by (S.2.2),

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
B &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left\{ \left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge F_Y(y)^{\alpha_1} + \left(\frac{F_Y(y')\bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge F_Y(y')^{\alpha_1} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge \left(\frac{F_Y(y')\bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \right\} \\
&\quad \times \left\{ \left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_2/2} \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y)^{\alpha_2} + \left(\frac{F_Y(y')\bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_2/2} \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y')^{\alpha_2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_2/2} \wedge \left(\frac{F_Y(y')\bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_2/2} \right\} dy dy' \\
&=: 6 \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left\{ M_1(y, y') + M_2(y, y') + M_3(y, y') \right\} \left\{ N_1(y, y') + N_2(y, y') + N_3(y, y') \right\} dy dy'.
\end{aligned}$$

We now prove that $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_i(y, y')N_j(y, y') dy dy' = o(1)$ for any $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. Using that $x \wedge y \leq (xy)^{1/2}$ for all $x, y \in [0, 1]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_1(y, y')N_1(y, y') dy dy' \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_2(y, y')N_2(y, y') dy dy' \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left[\left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \wedge F_Y(y)^{\alpha_1} \right] \times \left[\left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_2/2} \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y)^{\alpha_2} \right] dy dy' \\
&\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{(\alpha_1+\alpha_2)/2} F_Y(y)^{\alpha_1/2} \bar{F}_Y(y)^{\alpha_2/2} dy dy' \\
&= o(1),
\end{aligned}$$

where the convergence follows from Assumption 4(iv) and Lemma 6. Next,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_1(y, y')N_3(y, y') dy dy' &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_2(y, y')N_3(y, y') dy dy' \\
&\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\frac{F_Y(y')\bar{F}_Y(y')}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_1/2} \left(\frac{F_Y(y)\bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha_2/2} dy dy' \\
&= o(1),
\end{aligned}$$

where, again, the convergence follows from Assumption 4(iv) and Lemma 6. The terms $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_2(y, y')N_1(y, y') dy dy'$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_1(y, y')N_2(y, y') dy dy'$, $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_3(y, y')N_1(y, y') dy dy'$ and $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} M_3(y, y')N_3(y, y') dy dy'$ can be controlled analogously, which concludes the proof of the claim $B = o(1)$.

Third, we show that $J_3 = o(1)$. This follows from $|\tilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - F_Y(y)|^\beta \leq 1$, $g \leq C_U^2$, and Lemma 9.

Fourth, we show that $J_4 = o(1)$. Notice that

$$\sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}} \left(h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}^\beta + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}^\beta + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}^\beta + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}^\beta \right) \leq 4\varepsilon_{n_2} = o(1).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
J_4 &\leq 64c_U^2 \varepsilon_{n_2}^2 E \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Omega \left(\tilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \tilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right) dy dy' \right)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + 4E \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\left| \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - \hat{\hat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right|^\beta + \left| \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') - \hat{\hat{F}}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right|^\beta \right) \Omega \left(\tilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \tilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right) dy dy' \right)^2 \right] \\
&= o(1) + 4E \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\left| \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - \hat{\hat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right|^\beta + \left| \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') - \hat{\hat{F}}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right|^\beta \right) \Omega \left(\tilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \tilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right) dy dy' \right)^2 \right],
\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from

$$E \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Omega \left(\tilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \tilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right) dy dy' \right)^2 \right] = (1 + O(\varepsilon_{n_2}))^2 E \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \Omega \left(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right) dy dy' \right)^2 \right]$$

which is finite by Lemma 9 since $1 - 2b_j > 2d_j$ for $j \in \{1, 2\}$ by Assumption 2(iv). The remaining term can be shown to converge to zero by adding and subtracting $F_Y(y)$ and $F_Y(y')$ inside each absolute value, respectively, by using the sub-additivity of $x \mapsto |x|^\beta$, and by following a reasoning similar to Step 1.A above for showing that $J_1 = o(1)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Fifth, that $J_5 = o(1)$ follows by adding and subtracting $\Omega(F_Y(y), F_Y(y'))$ inside the absolute value and by following a reasoning similar to the reasoning above for showing that $J_2 = o(1)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$. \square

Lemma S.2.2 For $k \in \{6, 7, 8\}$: $E[|J_k|] = o(1)$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof: First, we show that $E[|J_6|] = o(1)$. Using symmetry, we have the decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[|J_6|] \\
&\leq E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} \text{cov}(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s')) \text{cov}(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t), \hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
&\quad + E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \text{cov}(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) d\hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] \\
&\quad + 2E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} E(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s)) E(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s')) \text{cov}(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t), \hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
&\quad + 2E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} E(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s)) E(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) \text{cov}(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s'), \hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
&= o(1),
\end{aligned}$$

where the convergence follows by Lemma S.2.3.

Second, we show that $E[|J_7| + |J_8|] = o(1)$. By the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[|J_7| + |J_8|] \\
&\leq E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \text{cov}(\hat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \hat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) d\hat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$+ E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} e_{\mathbf{Y}}(s) e_{\mathbf{Y}}(t) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right].$$

By Lemma S.2.3(i) below, we have $E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] = o(1)$. To show that $E[|J_7| + |J_8|] = o(1)$, it now remains to prove that $E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} e_{\mathbf{Y}}(s) e_{\mathbf{Y}}(t) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] = O(1)$. We recall the definition of $\widetilde{f}_U^{(1)}$ from (29) and will slightly abuse notation by writing h_s instead of $h_{n_2, s}$. We have, for any $s \in [0, 1]$,

$$\begin{aligned} e_{\mathbf{Y}}(s) &= E \left[\widetilde{f}_U^{(1)}(s) \mid \mathbf{Y} \right] = \frac{1}{2h_s} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s) \\ &= \frac{F_U(s + h_s) - F_U(s - h_s)}{2h_s} \\ &= f_U(\tilde{s}) \\ &\leq \frac{\widetilde{C}_U}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}}, \end{aligned}$$

for some absolute constant $\widetilde{C}_U > 0$ where we used the mean value theorem for some $\tilde{s} \in [s - h_s, s + h_s]$ in the third line, and Lemma S.2.4 in the last line. We therefore obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} e_{\mathbf{Y}}(s) e_{\mathbf{Y}}(t) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] \\ &\leq E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \frac{\widetilde{C}_U^2}{(st)^{b_1} (\bar{s}\bar{t})^{b_2}} (s \wedge t)(\bar{s} \wedge \bar{t}) d(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(s) d(\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right)^2 \right] \\ &\leq E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \frac{\widetilde{C}_U^2}{(s \wedge t)^{2b_1} (\bar{s} \wedge \bar{t})^{2b_2}} (s \wedge t)(\bar{s} \wedge \bar{t}) d(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(s) d(\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \widetilde{C}_U^4 E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} (s \wedge t)^{1-2b_1} (\bar{s} \wedge \bar{t})^{1-2b_2} d(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(s) d(\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right)^2 \right], \end{aligned}$$

which is finite by Lemma 9 since $1 - 2b_j > 2d_j$ for $j \in \{1, 2\}$ by Assumption 2(iv). \square

Lemma S.2.3 *It holds that*

- (i) $E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] = o(1)$.
- (ii) $E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s')) \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] = o(1)$.
- (iii) $E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s)) E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s')) \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] = o(1)$.
- (iv) $E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s)) E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s'), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] = o(1)$.

Proof: For ease of notation, we will write n and $\widehat{F}^{(j)}$ instead of n_2 and $\widehat{F}_Y^{(j)}$ respectively throughout the proof. We have, for any $s, t \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) \\
&= E \left[\frac{1}{n^2 h_s h_t} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n/2} \mathbb{1}_{|U_i - s| \leq h_s} \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n/2} \mathbb{1}_{|U_j - t| \leq h_t} \right) \right] - \frac{1}{n^2 h_s h_t} E \left[\sum_{i=1}^{n/2} \mathbb{1}_{|U_i - s| \leq h_s} \right] E \left[\sum_{j=1}^{n/2} \mathbb{1}_{|U_j - t| \leq h_t} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2 h_s h_t} E \left[\sum_{i \neq j} \mathbb{1}_{|U_i - s| \leq h_s} \mathbb{1}_{|U_j - t| \leq h_t} + \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{|U_i - s| \leq h_s} \mathbb{1}_{|U_i - t| \leq h_t} \right] \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s) \Pr(|U - t| \leq h_t) \\
&\leq \frac{1}{h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s) \Pr(|U - t| \leq h_t) + \frac{1}{n h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s \text{ and } |U - t| \leq h_t) \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s) \Pr(|U - t| \leq h_t) \\
&= \frac{1}{n h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s \text{ and } |U - t| \leq h_t).
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by Lemma S.3.7 below, we have that $|s - t| \leq 7h_s$ and $h_t \geq h_s/6$ whenever $|s - t| \leq h_s + h_t$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{n h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s \text{ and } |U - t| \leq h_t) &\leq \frac{1}{n h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s \text{ and } |s - t| \leq h_s + h_t) \\
&= \frac{1}{n h_s h_t} \Pr(|U - s| \leq h_s) \mathbb{1}\{|s - t| \leq h_s + h_t\} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{n h_s \cdot (h_s/6)} \cdot 2h_s f_U(\bar{s}) \mathbb{1}\{|s - t| \leq 7h_s\} \\
&\leq \frac{12}{n h_s} \frac{\widetilde{C}_U}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s - t| \leq 7h_s\} \\
&=: \frac{C}{n h_s} \frac{1}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s - t| \leq 7h_s\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) \leq \frac{C}{n h_s} \frac{1}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s - t| \leq 7h_s\}.$$

Whenever $|s - t| \leq 7h_s$, we have $t \leq s + 7h_s \leq 5s$ since $h_s \leq \frac{1}{2}s\bar{s}$, and similarly, $\bar{t} \leq 5\bar{s}$. Letting $n'_1 = n_1/2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t)) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right] \\
&\leq E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \frac{C}{n h_s} \frac{1}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s - t| \leq 7h_s\} d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t) \right)^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \frac{C}{nh_s} \frac{1}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s-t| \leq 7h_s\} (s \wedge t) (\bar{s} \wedge \bar{t}) d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right)^2 \right] \\
&\leq E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]^2} \frac{C}{nh_s} \frac{1}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s-t| \leq 7h_s\} \cdot 5s \cdot 5\bar{s} \cdot d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right)^2 \right] \\
&= (25C)^2 E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} \left(\frac{1}{h_s} \int_{[0,1]} \mathbb{1}\{|s-t| \leq 7h_s\} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right) d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right)^2 \right] \\
&\lesssim E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} \frac{(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(s+7h_s) - (\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(s-7h_s)}{h_s} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right)^2 \right] \\
&= E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s + 7n'_1 h_s \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s - 7n'_1 h_s \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_s} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right)^2 \right] \\
&= E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \binom{k}{n'_1}^{1-b_1} \binom{n'_1-k}{n'_1}^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil k+7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil k-7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{k/n'_1}} (Y_{(k+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(k)}^{(1)}) \right)^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2 \varepsilon_n^2} \sum_{k,\ell=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k\ell}{(n'_1)^2} \right)^{-b_1} \left(\frac{(n'_1-k)(n'_1-\ell)}{(n'_1)^2} \right)^{-b_2} E \left[\left(Y_{(\lceil k+7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil k-7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} \right) (Y_{(k+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(k)}^{(1)}) \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times \left(Y_{(\lceil \ell+7n'_1 h_{\ell/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil \ell-7n'_1 h_{\ell/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} \right) (Y_{(\ell+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(\ell)}^{(1)}) \right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{n^2 \varepsilon_n^2} \sum_{k,\ell=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k\ell}{(n'_1)^2} \right)^{-b_1} \left(\frac{(n'_1-k)(n'_1-\ell)}{(n'_1)^2} \right)^{-b_2} E \left[\left(Y_{(\lceil k+7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil k-7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} \right)^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. \times \left(Y_{(\lceil \ell+7n'_1 h_{\ell/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil \ell-7n'_1 h_{\ell/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(2)} \right)^2 \right] \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{n \varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \binom{k}{n'_1}^{-b_1} \binom{n'_1-k}{n'_1}^{-b_2} E \left[\left(Y_{(\lceil k+7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(1)} - Y_{(\lceil k-7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil)}^{(1)} \right)^2 \right] \right)^2 \\
&\lesssim \left(\frac{1}{n \varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \binom{k}{n'_1}^{-b_1} \binom{n'_1-k}{n'_1}^{-b_2} \left(\frac{h_{k/n'_1} + \frac{1}{n'_1}}{\binom{k}{n'_1}^{1+d_1} \binom{n'_1-k}{n'_1}^{1+d_2}} \right)^2 \right)^2,
\end{aligned}$$

where we used the independence between $(Y_i^{(1)})_i$ and $(Y_j^{(2)})_j$ to obtain the second to last line, and Lemma S.3.1 below in the last inequality.

Next, since $n_1 \asymp n_2$, we have

$$\frac{1}{n \varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \binom{k}{n'_1}^{-b_1} \binom{n'_1-k}{n'_1}^{-b_2} \left(\frac{h_{k/n'_1} + \frac{1}{n'_1}}{\binom{k}{n'_1}^{1+d_1} \binom{n'_1-k}{n'_1}^{1+d_2}} \right)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \frac{2}{n\varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_1-2(1+d_1)} \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_2-2(1+d_2)} \left(h_{\frac{k}{n'_1}}^2 + \frac{1}{(n'_1)^2}\right) \\
&\asymp \frac{2\varepsilon_n}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_1-2d_1} \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_2-2d_2} + \frac{2}{n^3\varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_1-2(1+d_1)} \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_2-2(1+d_2)} \\
&\lesssim \frac{2\varepsilon_n}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left[\left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_1-2d_1} + \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_2-2d_2} \right] + \frac{2}{n^3\varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left[\left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_1-2(1+d_1)} + \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_2-2(1+d_2)} \right].
\end{aligned}$$

In the last step, we used the relation $x^u(1-x)^v \lesssim x^u + (1-x)^v$ for $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$ and any $x \in (0, 1)$. Fix $j \in \{1, 2\}$. Under Assumption 4(iv), we have

$$\frac{2\varepsilon_n}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_j-2d_j} \lesssim \varepsilon_n = o(1),$$

and

$$\frac{2}{n^3\varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_j-2(1+d_j)} \lesssim \frac{n^{b_j+2(1+d_j)}}{n^3\varepsilon_n} = o(1),$$

which implies that

$$\frac{1}{n\varepsilon_n} \sum_{k=1}^{n'_1-1} \left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_1} \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{-b_2} \left(\frac{h_{k/n'_1} + \frac{1}{n'_1}}{\left(\frac{k}{n'_1}\right)^{1+d_1} \left(\frac{n'_1-k}{n'_1}\right)^{1+d_2}} \right)^2 = o(1).$$

This completes the proof of Point 1.

As for Point 2, an analogous reasoning yields

$$\begin{aligned}
&E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s')) \text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t')) d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
&\leq E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} \frac{C^2}{n^2 h_s} \frac{s\bar{s}}{s^{b_1} \bar{s}^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|s-s'| \leq 7h_s\} \frac{1}{h_{t'}} \frac{t'\bar{t}'}{t'^{b_1} \bar{t}'^{b_2}} \mathbb{1}\{|t'-t| \leq 7h_{t'}\} d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
&= C^2 E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s + 7n'_1 h_s \rceil)}^{(1)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s - 7n'_1 h_s \rceil)}^{(1)}}{h_s} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right) \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. \left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} t'^{1-b_1} \bar{t}'^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' + 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' - 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{t'}} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t') \right) \right] \\
&= C^2 E \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s + 7n'_1 h_s \rceil)}^{(1)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s - 7n'_1 h_s \rceil)}^{(1)}}{h_s} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right] \\
&\quad \times C^2 E \left[\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} t'^{1-b_1} \bar{t}'^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' + 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' - 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{t'}} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t') \right],
\end{aligned}$$

where the last equality follows from independence between the samples $(Y_i^{(1)})_i$ and $(Y_i^{(2)})_i$. That each expectation in the upper bound is $o(1)$ follows from the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality together with the same arguments used in the proof of Point 1.

As for Point 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s))E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s'))\text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t'))d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
& \leq C\widetilde{C}_U^2 E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right) \left(\int_{[0,1]} s'^{1/2-b_1} \bar{s}'^{1/2-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s') \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. \times \left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} t'^{1/2} \bar{t}'^{1/2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' + 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' - 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{t'}} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t') \right) \right] \\
& \leq C\widetilde{C}_U^2 E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]} s^{1-b_1} \bar{s}^{1-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right)^2 \right] E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]} s'^{1/2-b_1} \bar{s}'^{1/2-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s') \right)^2 \right] \\
& \quad \times E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} t'^{1/2} \bar{t}'^{1/2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' + 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 t' - 7n'_1 h_{t'} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{t'}} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t') \right) \right],
\end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality and independence between the samples $(Y_i^{(1)})_i$ and $(Y_i^{(2)})_i$. That the upper bound is $o(1)$ follows from the first two expectations being bounded (by Lemma 9) and the last expectation being $o(1)$ by the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality and the same arguments used in the proof of Point 1.

Finally, as for Point 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[\int_{[0,1]^4} E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s))E(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t))\text{cov}(\widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(s'), \widehat{f}_U^{(1)}(t'))d\widehat{\mu}_{\mathbf{Y}}(s, t, s', t') \right] \\
& \leq C\widetilde{C}_U^2 E \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]} s^{1/2-b_1} \bar{s}^{1/2-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right) \left(\int_{[0,1]} t^{1/2-b_1} \bar{t}^{1/2-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right) \right. \\
& \quad \left. \times \left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s'^{1-b_1} \bar{s}'^{1-b_2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s' + 7n'_1 h_{s'} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s' - 7n'_1 h_{s'} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{s'}} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s') \right) \right] \\
& \leq C\widetilde{C}_U^2 E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]} s^{1/2-b_1} \bar{s}^{1/2-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s) \right)^2 \right] E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{[0,1]} t^{1/2-b_1} \bar{t}^{1/2-b_2} d(\widehat{F}^{(2)})^{-1}(t) \right)^2 \right] \\
& \quad \times E^{1/2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \int_{[0,1]} s'^{1/2} \bar{s}'^{1/2} \frac{Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s' + 7n'_1 h_{s'} \rceil)}^{(2)} - Y_{(\lceil n'_1 s' - 7n'_1 h_{s'} \rceil)}^{(2)}}{h_{s'}} d(\widehat{F}^{(1)})^{-1}(s') \right) \right],
\end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality follows from the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality and independence between the samples $(Y_i^{(1)})_i$ and $(Y_i^{(2)})_i$. That the upper bound is $o(1)$ follows from the first two expectations being bounded (by Lemma 9) and the last expectation being $o(1)$ by the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality and the same arguments used in the proof of Point 1. \square

Lemma S.2.4 *There exists some absolute constant $\tilde{C}_U > 0$ such that, for all $s, \tilde{s} \in (0, 1)$ such that $\tilde{s} \in [s - h_s, s + h_s]$,*

$$f_U(\tilde{s}) \leq \frac{\tilde{C}_U}{s^{b_1} \tilde{s}^{b_2}}.$$

Proof: Without loss of generality, assume that $s \in (0, 1/2]$ (the symmetric case $s \in [1/2, 1)$ can be treated analogously). By Assumption 2(iii), we have

$$f_U(\tilde{s}) \leq \frac{C_U}{\tilde{s}^{b_1} \tilde{s}^{b_2}}.$$

If $s \in [1/4, 1/2]$ then $\tilde{s} \in [1/8, 3/4]$ since we have $h_s \leq \frac{1}{2}s\bar{s}$ by definition. We then obtain

$$f_U(\tilde{s}) \leq C \leq \frac{C'}{s^{b_1} \tilde{s}^{b_2}}$$

for some absolute constant $C' > 0$. Otherwise, $s \in (0, 1/4]$ so that $\tilde{s} \leq 1/2$ and $\tilde{s} \geq s/2$. We therefore obtain

$$f_U(\tilde{s}) \leq \frac{C_U}{\tilde{s}^{b_1} \tilde{s}^{b_2}} \leq \frac{C_U}{(s/2)^{b_1} (1/2)^{b_2}} \leq \frac{2^{b_1+b_2} C_U}{s^{b_1} \tilde{s}^{b_2}} \leq \frac{2C_U}{s^{b_1} \tilde{s}^{b_2}}.$$

□

Lemma S.2.5

$$E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} I(y, y') dy dy' \right] = o(1), \quad (\text{S.2.3})$$

$$E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} II(y, y') dy dy' \right] = o(1), \quad (\text{S.2.4})$$

$$E \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} III(y, y') dy dy' \right] = o(1). \quad (\text{S.2.5})$$

Proof: First, we show (S.2.3). By independence of U_2 from $(Z_1, \dots, Z_{n_3}, Y_1, \dots, Y_{n_1}, X_1)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} I(y, y') dy dy' \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} \\ & \quad \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| \hat{U}^{(1)} - \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right] \times \mathbb{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \\ & \quad \times \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_2 - \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right| \leq h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')} \right) dy dy' \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \hat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\hat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) \right\} - \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) \right\} \right| \times \mathbb{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] \\ & \times f_U(\widetilde{F}_Y(y')) dy dy', \end{aligned}$$

by the mean-value theorem for some $\widetilde{F}_Y(y') \in (\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \pm h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}}(y'))$. Fix $\delta > 0$ such that $\delta < 1 - 2[(b_1 + d_1) \vee (b_2 + d_2)]$ which exists by Assumption 2(iv). We have for all $y, y' \in \mathbb{R}$

$$w(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')) \leq \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-b_1-d_1-\delta} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{b_1+d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-b_2-d_2-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{b_2+d_2+\delta}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}}(y')} I(y, y') dy dy' \\ & \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-b_1-d_1-\delta} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{b_1+d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-b_2-d_2-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{b_2+d_2+\delta}}{h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y)} \\ & \quad \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) \right\} - \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) \right\} \right| \times \mathbb{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] \\ & \quad \times (\widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))^{-b_1} (\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-b_2} dy dy' \\ & \lesssim \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-b_1-d_1-\delta} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-b_2-d_2-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} \\ & \quad \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) \right\} - \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}}(y) \right\} \right| \times \mathbb{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] dy dy', \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 7. Next, we take the expectation with respect to $(Y_i)_{i=1}^{n_1}$ and split the integration domain \mathbb{R}^2 as follows

$$\mathbb{R}^2 = \{ \mathcal{D}_1 \times \mathbb{R} \} \cup \{ \mathcal{D}_2 \times \mathbb{R} \} \cup \{ \mathcal{D}_3 \times \mathbb{R} \} \quad (\text{S.2.6})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{D}_1 &= \left(-\infty, (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right], \\ \mathcal{D}_2 &= \left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right), (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right), \\ \mathcal{D}_3 &= \left[(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right), \infty \right). \end{aligned}$$

Consider the second domain \mathcal{D}_2 . By Lemma S.2.6,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \int_{\mathcal{D}_2} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-b_1-d_1-\delta} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-b_2-d_2-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} \\ & \quad \times \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_1} \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_2} \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} dy dy' \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{2a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} \int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-2b_1-d_1-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-2b_2-d_2-\delta} dy \int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} dy'.$$

Taking the expectation with respect to $(Y_i)_i$ and using the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, the latter quantity is upper bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-2b_1-d_1-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-2b_2-d_2-\delta} dy \right)^2 \right] \\ & \quad \times E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} dy' \right)^2 \right] \\ & \lesssim \frac{a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-2b_1-d_1-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-2b_2-d_2-\delta} dy \right)^2 \right] \text{ by Lemma 9} \\ & = o(1) \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma S.2.7 applied with $\gamma_1 = -2b_1 - d_1 - \delta \geq \frac{1}{2} - b_1$ and $\gamma_2 = -2b_2 - d_2 - \delta \geq \frac{1}{2} - b_2$. We now consider the first domain \mathcal{D}_1 (the third one \mathcal{D}_3 can be analyzed in a similar way). We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \int_{-\infty}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-b_1-d_1-\delta} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{-b_2-d_2-\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{1-b_1} dy dy' \\ & \lesssim \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \int_{-\infty}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-2b_1-d_1-\delta} dy \int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} dy'. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, by the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[\frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \int_{-\infty}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-2b_1-d_1-\delta} dy \int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} dy' \right] \\ & \leq E^{1/2} \left[\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \int_{-\infty}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-2b_1-d_1-\delta} dy \right)^2 \right] E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_1+\delta} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')^{d_2+\delta} dy' \right)^2 \right] \\ & = o(1) \end{aligned}$$

by Lemmas 9 and S.2.8.

Second, we show (S.2.4). This follows from the observation that $I(y, y') = II_N(y', y)$ and the proof is analogous to the steps above.

Third, we show (S.2.5). By independence of $\widehat{U}^{(1)}$ and $\widehat{U}^{(2)}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} III(y, y') dy dy' \\ & = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{w(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))}{h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\mathbf{1} \left\{ |\widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbf{1} \left\{ |U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \times \left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(2)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')} \right\} - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_2 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n \} \Big] dy dy' \\
& \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))^{1/2} (\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y), \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y'))^{1/2}}{h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')}} \\
& \quad \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] \\
& \quad \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(2)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')} \right\} - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_2 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y') \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y')} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(2)} \} \right] dy dy' \\
& = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{1/2}}{h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}} E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] dy \Big)^2 \\
& = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-1/2}}{\varepsilon_n} E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] dy \Big)^2 \\
& = \left(\int_{\mathcal{D}_1 \cup \mathcal{D}_2 \cup \mathcal{D}_3} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-1/2} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] dy \right)^2
\end{aligned}$$

where the domains \mathcal{D}_i are defined in (S.2.6). We now show that the latter quantity tends to zero as $N \rightarrow \infty$ by successively placing ourselves on the domains $\mathcal{D}_1, \mathcal{D}_2$ and \mathcal{D}_3 . Consider first the domain \mathcal{D}_2 . By Lemma S.2.6 and the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[\int_{\mathcal{D}_2} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-1/2} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \times E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbf{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] dy \right] \\
& \leq E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{\mathcal{D}_2} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-1/2} \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-b_1} (\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-b_2} dy \right)^2 \right] \\
& = o(1)
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma S.2.7. We now consider the domain \mathcal{D}_1 (the integral over the domain \mathcal{D}_3 can be controlled in a similar way). We have, by Lemma S.2.6

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[\int_{\mathcal{D}_1} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y))^{-1/2} E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right. \right. \right. \\
& \quad \left. \left. - \mathbf{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \right] dy \Big]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\lesssim E \left[\int_{\mathcal{D}_1} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-1/2} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{1-b_1} dy \right] \\
&\lesssim E \left[\int_{\mathcal{D}_1} \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\frac{1}{2}-b_1} dy \right] \\
&= o(1)
\end{aligned}$$

by Lemma S.2.8. This concludes the proof.

Lemma S.2.6 *For any $y \in \mathbb{R}$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
&E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbb{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] \\
&\lesssim \begin{cases} \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_1} \left(\bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_2} & \text{if } \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \geq \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \\ \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{1-b_1} & \text{if } \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) < \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \\ \left(\bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{1-b_2} & \text{if } \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) < \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}}. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Proof: We have

$$\begin{aligned}
&E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\left| \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} - \mathbb{1} \left\{ \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right\} \right| \times \mathbb{1} \{ \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \} \right] \\
&= \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \right) \\
&\quad + \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Assume first that $\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y) \geq 2a_n/\sqrt{n}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \right) \\
&\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - U_1 \right|, \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}, \left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - U_1 \right| \leq \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \\
&\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \in \left[h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}, h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right) \\
&\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \in \left[h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \text{ and } \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \right) \\
&\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}, \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - U_1 \right|, \left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - U_1 \right| \leq \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \\
&\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \in \left[h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right] \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \in \left[h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right).$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \in \left[h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right) \\ &= F_U \left(\left[\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right) \\ &\quad + F_U \left(\left[\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \right) \\ &= \left[f_U \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right) + f_U \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right) \right] \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used the mean-value theorem for some

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) &\in \left[\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} - \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}, \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) - h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \subseteq \left[\frac{1}{6} \widehat{F}_Y(y), 1 - \frac{1}{6} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right] \\ \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) &\in \left[\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)}, \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) + h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} + \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right] \subseteq \left[\widehat{F}_Y(y), 1 - \frac{1}{6} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right], \end{aligned}$$

for N sufficiently large. By Assumption 2(iii), the latter quantity is further upper-bounded as

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \left[f_U \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right) + f_U \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right) \right] \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \\ &\leq 2C_U \left\{ \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_1} \left(1 - \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_2} + \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right)^{-b_1} \left(1 - \widetilde{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right)^{-b_2} \right\} \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \\ &\leq 4C_U \left(\frac{1}{6} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_1} \left(\frac{1}{6} \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_2} \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \\ &\leq C \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_1} \left(\widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{-b_2} \frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves the desired result in the case where $\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \wedge \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \geq \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}}$.

Assume now that $\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \vee \widetilde{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) < 2\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}}$. By symmetry, assume that $\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) < 2a_n/\sqrt{n}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \quad \text{and} \quad \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \right) \\ &\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right) \\ &\leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(U_1 \leq 2\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right) \\ &\leq \int_0^{2\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} C_U t^{-b_1} (1-t)^{-b_2} dt \\ &\lesssim \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right)^{1-b_1}. \end{aligned} \tag{S.2.7}$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \quad \text{and} \quad \left| U_1 - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| > h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}_n^{(1)} \right) \\
& \leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\left| \widehat{U}_1^{(1)} - \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right| \leq h_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)} \right) \\
& \leq \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\widehat{U}_1^{(1)} \leq 2\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y) \right). \tag{S.2.8}
\end{aligned}$$

Defining $n'_3 = n_3/2$, we have, for all $t \in [0, 1]$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}}(\widehat{U}_1^{(1)} \leq t) &= E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\widehat{F}_Z^{(1)}(X_1) \leq t \mid X_1 \right) \right] \\
&= E_{\mathbf{Y}} \left[\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}} \left(\text{Binomial}(n'_3, F_Z(X_1)) \leq n'_3 t \mid X_1 \right) \right].
\end{aligned}$$

We place ourselves conditionally on X_1 . Suppose first that $t > F_Z(X_1)$. Then we have

$$\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}}(\text{Binomial}(n'_3, F_Z(X_1)) \leq n'_3 t \mid X_1) \leq 1.$$

Otherwise, by Bennett's inequality (e.g., Theorem 2.9 in Boucheron et al., 2013), for all $t \leq F_Z(X_1)$,

$$\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}}(\text{Binomial}(n'_3, F_Z(X_1)) \leq n'_3 t \mid X_1) \leq \exp \left(-n'_3 F_Z(X_1) h \left(\frac{n'_3(t - F_Z(X_1))}{n'_3 F_Z(X_1)} \right) \right)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \Pr_{\mathbf{Y}}(\text{Binomial}(n'_3, U_1) \leq n'_3 t \mid X_1) = \exp \left(-n'_3 U_1 h \left(\frac{t - U_1}{U_1} \right) \right),$$

where $h(x) = (1+x) \log(1+x) - x$. Taking expectation on both sides, Assumption 2(iii) yields for $t < 1/4$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}}(\widehat{U}_1 \leq t) &\leq \int_0^{2t} f_U(u) du + \int_{2t}^1 \exp \left(-n'_3 u h \left(\frac{t-u}{u} \right) \right) f_U(u) du \\
&\lesssim \int_0^{2t} u^{-b_1} du + \int_{2t}^{1/2} \exp \left(-n'_3 u h \left(\frac{t-u}{u} \right) \right) u^{-b_1} du \\
&\quad + \int_{1/2}^1 \exp \left(-n'_3 u h \left(\frac{t-u}{u} \right) \right) (1-u)^{-b_2} du \\
&\lesssim t^{1-b_1} + \int_{2t}^{1/2} \exp(-cn'_3 u) u^{-b_1} du \\
&\quad + \int_{1/2}^1 \exp(-cn'_3 u) (1-u)^{-b_2} du \\
&\lesssim t^{1-b_1} + n_3^{b_1-1} \int_{2tcn'_3}^{\infty} \exp(-z) z^{-b_1} dz + n_3^{b_2-1} \exp(-cn'_3) \int_{cn'_3/2}^{\infty} \exp(-z) z^{-b_2} dz \\
&\lesssim t^{1-b_1} + n_3^{b_1-1} \exp(-2tcn'_3) + n_3^{b_2-1} \exp \left(-\frac{3}{2} cn'_3 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

For all $t \geq 1/n'_3$,

$$n_3^{b_1-1} \exp(-2tcn'_3) \leq t^{1-b_1}.$$

Moreover, for N larger than a constant depending on b_1 and b_2 ,

$$n_3' b_2^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{3}{2}cn_3'\right) \leq t^{1-b_1}.$$

It follows that, for all $t \geq 1/n_3'$,

$$\Pr_{\mathbf{Y}}(\widehat{U}_1 \leq t) \lesssim t^{1-b_1}.$$

By taking $t = \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)$ and combining (S.2.7) and (S.2.8), the result follows. \square

Lemma S.2.7 *Let $\gamma_1 \geq -\frac{1}{2} - b_1$ and $\gamma_2 \geq -\frac{1}{2} - b_2$. Then it holds that*

$$\frac{a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_1} \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_2} dy \right)^2 \right] = o(1).$$

Proof:

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_1} \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_2} dy \right)^2 \right] \\ & \lesssim \frac{a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} \left\{ E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1/2)} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_1} \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_2} dy \right)^2 \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1/2)}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_1} \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_2} dy \right)^2 \right] \right\} \\ & \lesssim \frac{a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} \left\{ E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1/2)} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_1} dy \right)^2 \right] + E^{1/2} \left[\left(\int_{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1/2)}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(1-\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}(y)^{\gamma_2} dy \right)^2 \right] \right\} \\ & \leq \frac{a_n}{\varepsilon_n \sqrt{n}} \left\{ E^{1/2} \left[\left(\left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{\gamma_1} \times \left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}\left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right) \right)^2 \right] \right. \\ & \quad \left. + E^{1/2} \left[\left(\left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{\gamma_2} \times \left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}\left(1 - \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) \right)^2 \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We handle the first expectation (the second one can be analyzed in a similar way). We have

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{1+\gamma_1} E^{1/2} \left[\left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) - (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}\left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right)^2 \right]. \quad (\text{S.2.9})$$

Letting $n_1' = n_1/2$, we recall that the density of $\xi_{(r)}$ is (see, e.g., Equation (2.1.6) in David and Nagaraja, 2004):

$$f_{\xi_{(r)}}(x) = \frac{1}{\text{B}(r, n_1' - r + 1)} x^r \bar{x}^{n_1' - r}.$$

Combining this with Assumption 2(ii) and letting $r = \lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
E \left[\left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right)^2 \right] &= E \left[(F_Y^{-1}(\xi_{(r)}))^2 \right] \\
&\lesssim \int_0^1 x^{-2d_1} \bar{x}^{-2d_2} \frac{1}{\mathbb{B}(r, n_1 - r + 1)} x^{r-1} \bar{x}^{n'_1 - r} dx \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{B}(\lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil - 2d_1, n'_1 - \lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil - 2d_2 + 1)}{\mathbb{B}(\lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil, n'_1 - \lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil + 1)} \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(\lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil - 2d_1) \Gamma(n'_1 - \lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil - 2d_2 + 1)}{\Gamma(n'_1 + 1 - 2(d_1 + d_2))} \\
&\quad \times \frac{\Gamma(n'_1 + 1)}{\Gamma(\lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil) \Gamma(n'_1 - \lceil 2a_n\sqrt{n} \rceil + 1)} \\
&\lesssim (2a_n\sqrt{n})^{-2d_1} n'_1{}^{-2d_2} n'_1{}^{2(d_1+d_2)} \quad \text{by Lemma S.3.6} \\
&\lesssim \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{-2d_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

By a similar reasoning, there exists a constant $C > 0$ independent of N such that

$$E \left[\left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^2 \right] \leq C.$$

Plugging this result into (S.2.9) yields

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{1+\gamma_1} E^{1/2} \left[\left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) - (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right)^2 \right] \\
&\lesssim \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{1+\gamma_1} \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{-d_1} \\
&= \frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{1+\gamma_1-d_1} \\
&= o(1)
\end{aligned}$$

since $1 + \gamma_1 - d_1 \geq \frac{1}{2} - b_1 - d_1 > 0$ and $a_n = O(\log(n))$. Similarly,

$$\frac{1}{\varepsilon_n} \left(\frac{a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^{1+\gamma_2} E^{1/2} \left[\left((\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right) - (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \right)^2 \right] = o(1).$$

□

Lemma S.2.8 For any $\alpha \geq \frac{1}{2} - b_1$, it holds that

$$E \left[\left(\int_{-\infty}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1} \left(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^\alpha dy \right)^2 \right] = o(\varepsilon_n^2).$$

Proof: Let $n'_1 = n_1/2$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[\left(\int_{-\infty}^{(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)})^{-1}(\frac{2a_n}{\sqrt{n}})} \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(y)^\alpha dy \right)^2 \right] \\
&= E \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\lceil 2\sqrt{na_n} \rceil - 1} \left(\frac{i}{n'_1} \right)^\alpha (Y_{(i+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(i)}^{(1)}) \right)^2 \right] \\
&= \sum_{i,j=1}^{\lceil 2\sqrt{na_n} \rceil - 1} \left(\frac{ij}{(n'_1)^2} \right)^\alpha E \left[(Y_{(i+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(i)}^{(1)}) (Y_{(j+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(j)}^{(1)}) \right] \\
&\leq \sum_{i,j=1}^{\lceil 2\sqrt{na_n} \rceil - 1} \left(\frac{ij}{(n'_1)^2} \right)^\alpha E^{1/2} \left[(Y_{(i+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(i)}^{(1)})^2 \right] E^{1/2} \left[(Y_{(j+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(j)}^{(1)})^2 \right] \\
&= \left(\sum_{i=1}^{\lceil 2\sqrt{na_n} \rceil - 1} \left(\frac{i}{n'_1} \right)^\alpha E^{1/2} \left[(Y_{(i+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(i)}^{(1)})^2 \right] \right)^2 \\
&\lesssim \left(\frac{1}{n'_1} \sum_{i=1}^{\lceil 2\sqrt{na_n} \rceil - 1} \left(\frac{i}{n'_1} \right)^{\alpha - (1+d_1)} \right)^2 \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{(n'_1)^{\alpha - d_1}} \sum_{i=1}^{\lceil 2\sqrt{na_n} \rceil - 1} i^{(\alpha - d_1) - 1} \right)^2 \\
&\asymp \left(\frac{a_n \sqrt{n}}{n} \right)^{2(\alpha - d_1)} \\
&= o(\varepsilon_n^2),
\end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality follows from the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, the asymptotic inequality follows from Lemma S.3.5, and the asymptotic equivalence from $\alpha - d_1 > 0$. \square

S.3 Other technical lemmas

Lemma S.3.1 *Let $n'_1 = n_1/2$. For all $k \in \{1, \dots, n'_1 - 1\}$, we have*

$$E \left[\left(Y_{(\lceil k + 7n'_1 h_k/n'_1 \rceil)}^{(1)} - Y_{(\lceil k - 7n'_1 h_k/n'_1 \rceil)}^{(1)} \right)^2 \right] \lesssim \left(\frac{h_k/n'_1 + \frac{1}{n'_1}}{\left(\frac{k}{n'_1} \right)^{1+d_1} \left(\frac{n'_1 - k}{n'_1} \right)^{1+d_2}} \right)^2.$$

Proof: Let $a_k = \lceil k - 7n'_1 h_k/n'_1 \rceil$ and $b_k = \lceil k + 7n'_1 h_k/n'_1 \rceil$. We note that we always have $b_k \geq a_k + 1$ for any $k \in \{1, \dots, n'_1 - 1\}$. Suppose that $a_k \geq 10$ and $b_k \leq n'_1 - 10$. Then, we have $a_k \asymp b_k \asymp k$ and $b_k - a_k \lesssim n'_1 h_k/n'_1$. The result follows from Lemma S.3.5.1.

Now, suppose that $a_k \leq 10$ or $n'_1 - b_k \leq 10$. By symmetry, suppose $a_k \leq 10$. By the definition of h_{k/n'_1} , we have $7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} < k/12$ for n'_1 large enough, so that

$$\lceil k - 7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} \rceil \leq 10 \implies \lceil 11k/12 \rceil \leq 10 \implies k \leq 10.$$

In particular, we have $7n'_1 h_{k/n'_1} < k/12 < 1$, which implies $b_k = a_k + 1$. The result follows from Lemma S.3.5.2. \square

Lemma S.3.2 *For any $y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 \leq b_1, b_2 \leq 1/2$, we have for all $j \in \{1, 2\}$:*

$$\begin{aligned} E^{1/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(j)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^{2(1-2b_1)} \mathbb{1}_{\{\widehat{F}_Y^{(j)}(y) \widehat{F}_Y^{(j)}(y) \neq 0\}} \right] &\leq \frac{2^{1/2-b_1} (F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y))^{1/2}}{n_1^{1/2-2b_1}} \wedge \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{1/2-b_1} \\ E^{1/2} \left[\left| \widetilde{F}_Y^{(j)}(y) - \bar{F}_Y(y) \right|^{2(1-2b_2)} \mathbb{1}_{\{\widetilde{F}_Y^{(j)}(y) \widetilde{F}_Y^{(j)}(y) \neq 0\}} \right] &\leq \frac{2^{1/2-b_2} (F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y))^{1/2}}{n_1^{1/2-2b_2}} \wedge \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{1/2-b_2}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: To ease notation, we drop the superscript (j) and simply write \widehat{F}_Y . We define the weights $u = 1/(1-2b_1)$ and $v = 1/(2b_1)$ that satisfy $\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = 1$ and $u, v \geq 1$, using the convention that $1/0 = \infty$ if $b_1 = 1/2$. By the Hölder inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &E^{1/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^{2(1-2b_1)} \mathbb{1}_{\{\widehat{F}_Y(y) \widehat{F}_Y(y) \neq 0\}} \right] \\ &\leq E^{1/(2u)} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^2 \right] E^{1/(2v)} \left[\left(\mathbb{1}_{\{\widehat{F}_Y(y) \widehat{F}_Y(y) \neq 0\}} \right)^v \right] \\ &\leq \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\frac{1-2b_1}{2}} \left(\Pr \left(\widehat{F}_Y(y) \neq 0 \right) \wedge \Pr \left(\widetilde{F}_Y(y) \neq 0 \right) \right)^{b_1} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\frac{1-2b_1}{2}} \left\{ \left(1 \wedge \left(\frac{n_1 F_Y(y)}{2} \right) \right)^{b_1} \wedge \left(1 \wedge \left(\frac{n_1 \bar{F}_Y(y)}{2} \right) \right)^{b_1} \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\frac{1-2b_1}{2}} n_1^{b_1} \left\{ \frac{F_Y(y) \wedge \bar{F}_Y(y)}{2} \wedge \frac{1}{n_1} \right\}^{b_1} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{\frac{1-2b_1}{2}} n_1^{b_1} \left\{ F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y) \wedge \frac{1}{n_1} \right\}^{b_1} \quad \text{using } u \wedge \bar{u} \leq 2u\bar{u}, \forall u \in [0, 1] \\ &= \frac{2^{1/2-b_1} (F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y))^{1/2}}{n_1^{1/2-2b_1}} \wedge \left(\frac{2F_Y(y) \bar{F}_Y(y)}{n_1} \right)^{1/2-b_1}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves the first claim. The second claim can be proved in a similar fashion, following the same steps as outlined above. \square

Lemma S.3.3 *For any $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\alpha \in (0, 1]$, it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned} \left| (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y))^\alpha - (F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y))^\alpha \right| &\leq \left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \wedge F_Y(y)^\alpha \\ &\quad + \left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\alpha \wedge F_Y(x)^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \wedge \left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\alpha,$$

and the same inequality holds true by replacing $\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}$, $\widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}$, and F_Y with $\bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(1)}$, $\bar{\widehat{F}}_Y^{(2)}$, and \bar{F}_Y , respectively.

Proof: Below, we will use the classical inequalities that hold true for any $a, b, c \geq 0$ and $\alpha \in (0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} |a \wedge b - a \wedge c| &\leq a \wedge |b - c| \\ |a^\alpha - b^\alpha| &\leq |a - b|^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

By the triangle inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{b})^\alpha - (a \wedge b)^\alpha| &\leq \left(|(\widehat{a} \wedge \widehat{b})^\alpha - (a \wedge \widehat{b})^\alpha| \right) + \left(|(a \wedge \widehat{b})^\alpha - (a \wedge b)^\alpha| \right) \\ &\leq \left(|\widehat{a}^\alpha - a^\alpha| \wedge \widehat{b}^\alpha \right) + \left(a^\alpha \wedge |\widehat{b}^\alpha - b^\alpha| \right) \\ &\leq \left(|\widehat{a} - a|^\alpha \wedge \widehat{b}^\alpha \right) + \left(a^\alpha \wedge |\widehat{b} - b|^\alpha \right) \\ &\leq \left(|\widehat{a} - a|^\alpha \wedge b^\alpha \right) + \left(a^\alpha \wedge |\widehat{b} - b|^\alpha \right) \\ &\quad + |\widehat{a} - a|^\alpha \wedge |\widehat{b} - b|^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Applying this with $a = F_Y(x)$, $\widehat{a} = \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x)$, $b = F_Y(y)$, and $\widehat{b} = \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y)$ yields the result. \square

Lemma S.3.4 For any $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\alpha \in (0, 1]$, it holds that

$$E \left[\left| (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y))^\alpha - (F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y))^\alpha \right| \right] \leq 6(F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y))^\alpha$$

and $E^{1/2} \left[\left| (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y))^\alpha - (F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y))^\alpha \right| \right] \rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof: By Lemma S.3.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\left| (\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y))^\alpha - (F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y))^\alpha \right| \right] &\leq E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \right] \wedge E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\alpha \right] \\ &\quad + E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \right] \wedge F_Y(y)^\alpha \\ &\quad + E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\alpha \right] \wedge F_Y(x)^\alpha. \end{aligned} \tag{S.3.1}$$

We now control the quantity $E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \right]$ for any fixed $x \in \mathbb{R}$. We define the weights $v = 2/\alpha \geq 1$ and $u = \frac{v}{v-1}$. These quantities satisfy $u \leq 2/\alpha$ since $v - 1 \geq 1$, and $\frac{1}{u} + \frac{1}{v} = 1$. By

Hölder's inequality, we therefore have

$$\begin{aligned}
E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \right] &= E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \mathbf{1}_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \neq 0} + F_Y(x)^\alpha \mathbf{1}_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) = 0} \right] \\
&\leq E^{1/u} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^{\alpha u} \right] \Pr \left(\mathbf{1}_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \neq 0} \right)^{1/v} + F_Y(x)^\alpha \Pr \left(\mathbf{1}_{\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) = 0} \right) \\
&\leq E^{\alpha/2} \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^2 \right] \left(1 - \bar{F}_Y(x)^{n_1/2} \right)^{1/v} + F_Y(x)^\alpha \bar{F}_Y(x)^{n_1/2} \\
&\leq \left(\frac{2F_Y(x)\bar{F}_Y(x)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha/2} \left(1 \wedge \left(\frac{n_1}{2} F_Y(x) \right) \right)^{1/v} + F_Y(x)^\alpha \bar{F}_Y(x)^{n_1/2} \\
&\leq \left(\frac{2F_Y(x)}{n_1} \right)^{\alpha/2} \wedge F_Y(x)^\alpha + F_Y(x)^\alpha \bar{F}_Y(x)^{n_1/2},
\end{aligned}$$

where we used Jensen's inequality in the third line (which can be applied here since $\alpha u/2 \leq 1$) and the inequality $1 - (1-a)^n \leq 1 \wedge (na)$ for any $a \in [0, 1]$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ in the fourth line. It follows from the display above that $E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \right] \leq 2F_Y(x)^\alpha$ and that $E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) - F_Y(x) \right|^\alpha \right] \rightarrow 0$ as $n_1 \rightarrow \infty$ for any fixed x . By swapping the roles of x and y , we similarly obtain that $E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\alpha \right] \leq 2F_Y(y)^\alpha$ and that $E \left[\left| \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) - F_Y(y) \right|^\alpha \right] \rightarrow 0$ as $n_1 \rightarrow \infty$ for any fixed y . Combining with (S.3.1) yields that

$$E \left[\left| \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right)^\alpha - \left(F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y) \right)^\alpha \right| \right] \leq 6(F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y))^\alpha$$

and that $E \left[\left| \left(\widehat{F}_Y^{(1)}(x) \wedge \widehat{F}_Y^{(2)}(y) \right)^\alpha - \left(F_Y(x) \wedge F_Y(y) \right)^\alpha \right| \right] \rightarrow 0$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$ for any fixed $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, which concludes the proof. \square

Lemma S.3.5

1. For all $a, b \in \{10, \dots, n_1/2 - 10\}$ such that $a < b$,

$$E \left[\left(Y_{(b)}^{(1)} - Y_{(a)}^{(1)} \right)^2 \right] \lesssim \left[\left(\frac{a}{n_1} \right)^{-(1+d_1)} \left(\frac{n_1 - b}{n_1} \right)^{-(1+d_2)} \left(\frac{b - a}{n_1} \right) \right]^2.$$

2. For all $k \in \{1, \dots, 10\} \cup \{n_1/2 - 11, \dots, n_1/2 - 1\}$:

$$E \left[\left(Y_{(k+1)}^{(1)} - Y_{(k)}^{(1)} \right)^2 \right] \lesssim n_1^{2(\mathbf{1}\{k \leq 10\}d_1 + \mathbf{1}\{k \geq n_1/2 - 11\}d_2)}.$$

Proof: For ease of notation we drop the superscript (1) and write $Y_{(a)}, Y_{(b)}$ instead of $Y_{(a)}^{(1)}, Y_{(b)}^{(1)}$.

1. Suppose that $a \geq 10$ and $b \leq n_1/2 - 10$ such that $a < b$.

$$\begin{aligned}
E \left[\left(Y_{(b)} - Y_{(a)} \right)^2 \right] &= E \left[\left(F_Y^{-1}(\xi_{(b)}) - F_Y^{-1}(\xi_{(a)}) \right)^2 \right] \\
&= E \left[\left((F_Y^{-1})'(\tilde{\xi}) \right)^2 \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \right]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\leq E \left[\tilde{\xi}^{-2(1+d_1)} (1 - \tilde{\xi})^{-2(1+d_2)} \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \left(\mathbf{1} \{ \tilde{\xi} \geq 1/2 \} + \mathbf{1} \{ \tilde{\xi} \leq 1/2 \} \right) \right],$$

for some $\tilde{\xi} \in (\xi_{(a)}, \xi_{(b)})$. We bound $E \left[\tilde{\xi}^{-2(1+d_1)} (1 - \tilde{\xi})^{-2(1+d_2)} \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \mathbf{1} \{ \tilde{\xi} \leq 1/2 \} \right]$, and the second term in the sum can be analyzed in a similar way. We have

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[\tilde{\xi}^{-2(1+d_1)} (1 - \tilde{\xi})^{-2(1+d_2)} \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \mathbf{1} \{ \tilde{\xi} \leq 1/2 \} \right] \\ & \leq 2^{2(1+d_2)} E \left[\left(\xi_{(a)} \right)^{-2(1+d_1)} \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \right] \\ & \leq 2^{2d} E^{1/2} \left[\left(\xi_{(a)} \right)^{-4(1+d_1)} \right] E^{1/2} \left[\left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^4 \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S.3.2})$$

We compute the two expectations in the right-hand side separately. We recall that the density of $\xi_{(a)}$ at point $u \in (0, 1)$ is given by

$$f_{\xi_{(a)}}(u) = \frac{n_1!}{(a-1)!(n_1-a)!} u^{a-1} (1-u)^{n_1-a}.$$

Therefore, since $a \geq 10 > 4(1+d_1)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\xi_{(a)}^{-4(1+d_1)} \right] &= \int_{(0,1)} \frac{n_1!}{(a-1)!(n_1-a)!} u^{a-1-4(1+d_1)} (1-u)^{n_1-a} du \\ &= \frac{n_1!}{(a-1)!(n_1-a)!} \text{B}(a-4(1+d_1), n_1-a+1) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n_1+1)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(n_1-a+1)} \frac{\Gamma(a-4d)\Gamma(n_1-a+1)}{\Gamma(n_1-4(1+d_1)+1)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n_1+1)}{\Gamma(n_1-4(1+d_1)+1)} \frac{\Gamma(a-4(1+d_1))}{\Gamma(a)} \\ &\lesssim n_1^{4(1+d_1)} a^{-4(1+d_1)} \\ &= \left(\frac{a}{n_1} \right)^{-4(1+d_1)}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used Lemma S.3.6 to obtain the inequality. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^4 \right] &= E \left[\text{Beta}(b-a, n_1-b+a+1)^4 \right] \\ &= \prod_{r=0}^3 \frac{b-a+r}{n_1+d+r} \\ &\asymp \left(\frac{b-a}{n_1} \right)^4. \end{aligned}$$

Combining with (S.3.2), we obtain

$$E \left[\tilde{\xi}^{-2(1+d_1)} (1 - \tilde{\xi})^{-2(1+d_2)} \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \mathbf{1} \{ \tilde{\xi} \leq 1/2 \} \right] \lesssim \left(\frac{a}{n_1} \right)^{-2(1+d_1)} \left(\frac{b-a}{n_1} \right)^2,$$

and similarly,

$$E \left[\tilde{\xi}^{-2(1+d_1)} (1 - \tilde{\xi})^{-2(1+d_2)} \left(\xi_{(b)} - \xi_{(a)} \right)^2 \mathbf{1} \left\{ \tilde{\xi} \geq 1/2 \right\} \right] \lesssim \left(\frac{n_1 - b}{n_1} \right)^{-2(1+d_2)} \left(\frac{b - a}{n_1} \right)^2.$$

Therefore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} E \left[\left(Y_{(b)} - Y_{(a)} \right)^2 \right] &\lesssim \left[\left(\frac{a}{n_1} \right)^{-2(1+d_1)} + \left(\frac{n_1 - b}{n_1} \right)^{-2(1+d_2)} \right] \left(\frac{b - a}{n_1} \right)^2 \\ &\asymp \left[\left(\frac{a}{n_1} \right)^{-(1+d_1)} \left(\frac{n_1 - b}{n_1} \right)^{-(1+d_2)} \left(\frac{b - a}{n_1} \right) \right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the case $a \geq 10$ and $b \leq n_1/2 - 10$.

2. Fix $k \leq 10$. We recall that, for any $u, v \in \mathbb{R}$, the joint density of $(Y_{(k)}, Y_{(k+1)})$ is

$$f_{Y_{(k)}, Y_{(k+1)}}(u, v) = f_Y(u) f_Y(v) F_Y(u)^{k-1} \bar{F}_Y(v)^{n_1-k-1} \frac{n_1!}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} \mathbf{1} \{u < v\}$$

(see, e.g. Casella and Berger, 2001, Theorem 5.4.6). We use the change of variables $s = F_Y(u)$ and $t = F_Y(v)$ and the notation $d\vec{x} = dx_1 dx_2$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &E \left[\left(Y_{(k+1)} - Y_{(k)} \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (v - u)^2 f_Y(u) f_Y(v) F_Y(u)^{k-1} \bar{F}_Y(v)^{n_1-k-1} \frac{n_1! \mathbf{1} \{u < v\}}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} dudv \\ &= \int_{(0,1)^2} \left(F_Y^{-1}(t) - F_Y^{-1}(s) \right)^2 s^{k-1} (1-t)^{n_1-k-1} \frac{n_1! \mathbf{1} \{s < t\}}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} ds dt \\ &= \int_{(0,1)^2} \left(\int_s^t (F_Y^{-1})'(x) dx \right)^2 s^{k-1} (1-t)^{n_1-k-1} \frac{n_1! \mathbf{1} \{s < t\}}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} ds dt \\ &\leq \int_{(0,1)^2} \left(\int_s^t (x^{-(1+d_1)} (1-x)^{-(1+d_2)}) dx \right)^2 s^{k-1} (1-t)^{n_1-k-1} \frac{n_1! \mathbf{1} \{s < t\}}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} ds dt \\ &= \int_{(0,1)^2} \left(\prod_{i=1}^2 \int_s^t (x_i^{-(1+d_1)} (1-x_i)^{-(1+d_2)}) dx_i \right) s^{k-1} (1-t)^{n_1-k-1} \frac{n_1! \mathbf{1} \{s < t\}}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} ds dt \\ &= \int_{(0,1)^4} s^{k-1} \mathbf{1} \left\{ s < \min_j x_j \right\} (1-t)^{n_1-k-1} \mathbf{1} \left\{ t < \max_j x_j \right\} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^2 (x_i^{-(1+d_1)} (1-x_i)^{-(1+d_2)}) \frac{n_1!}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} ds dt d\vec{x} \\ &= \int_{(0,1)^2} \frac{\min_j x_j^k}{k} \cdot \frac{(1 - \max_j x_j)^{n_1-k}}{n_1 - k} \prod_{i=1}^2 (x_i^{-(1+d_1)} (1-x_i)^{-(1+d_2)}) \frac{n_1!}{(k-1)!(n_1-k-1)!} d\vec{x} \\ &\leq \int_{(0,1)^2} \prod_{i=1}^2 x_i^{k/2-(1+d_1)} (1-x_i)^{(n_1-k)/2-(1+d_2)} \binom{n_1}{k} d\vec{x} \\ &= \binom{n_1}{k} \left(\int_0^1 x^{k/2-(1+d_1)} (1-x)^{(n_1-k)/2-(1+d_2)} dx \right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \binom{n_1}{k} \left[\text{B} \left(\frac{k}{2} - d_1, \frac{n_1 - k}{2} - d_2 \right) \right]^2 \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(n_1 + 1)}{\Gamma(k + 1)\Gamma(n_1 - k + 1)} \left[\frac{\Gamma(\frac{k}{2} - d_1)\Gamma(\frac{n_1 - k}{2} - d_2)}{\Gamma(\frac{n_1}{2} - d_1 - d_2)} \right]^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Now, note that $\Gamma(\frac{k}{2} - d_1)$ is a constant, and

$$\frac{\Gamma(n_1 + 1)}{\Gamma(k + 1)\Gamma(n_1 - k + 1)} \left[\frac{\Gamma(\frac{k}{2} - d_1)\Gamma(\frac{n_1 - k}{2} - d_2)}{\Gamma(\frac{n_1}{2} - d_1 - d_2)} \right]^2 \asymp n_1^k \left(n_1^{d_1 - k/2} \right)^2 = n_1^{2d_1}.$$

This concludes the proof. \square

Lemma S.3.6 *Let $\varepsilon > 0$. For all $a \in (-10, 10)$ and $x \in (0, \infty)$ such that $x + a > \varepsilon$, it holds that*

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} &\leq (x + \lfloor a \rfloor)^a \quad \text{if } a > 0, \\
\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} &\leq \frac{(x - \lfloor |a| \rfloor)^a}{\left(1 + \frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon}\right)^{\lfloor |a| \rfloor + 1}} \quad \text{if } a < 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof: First, suppose that $0 < a < 1$. Then, for all $x > 0$,

$$\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} \leq x^a \leq (x + \lfloor a \rfloor)^a,$$

where the first inequality follows from the right part of Wendel (1948)'s double inequality. Second, suppose that $a \geq 1$. Let $u \in (0, 1)$ and define $b = a/u$. We have

$$\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} = \frac{\Gamma(x + u)}{\Gamma(x)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(x + 2u)}{\Gamma(x + u)} \cdots \frac{\Gamma(x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)}{\Gamma(x + (\lfloor b \rfloor - 1)u)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(x + bu)}{\Gamma(x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)}.$$

By applying Wendel (1948)'s inequality to each term in the product, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} &\leq x^u (x + u)^u \cdots (x + (\lfloor b \rfloor - 1)u)^u \cdot (x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)^{u(b - \lfloor b \rfloor)} \\
&\leq (x + (\lfloor b \rfloor - 1)u)^{u\lfloor b \rfloor} (x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)^{u(b - \lfloor b \rfloor)} \\
&\leq (x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)^{u\lfloor b \rfloor} (x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)^{u(b - \lfloor b \rfloor)} \\
&= (x + \lfloor b \rfloor u)^a.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $b \mapsto \lfloor b \rfloor$ is right-continuous, by taking the limit as $u \rightarrow 1$ we obtain

$$\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} \leq (x + \lfloor a \rfloor)^a.$$

Third, suppose that $-1 < a < 0$ and let $\tilde{x} = x + a$. Then,

$$\frac{\Gamma(x + a)}{\Gamma(x)} = \frac{\Gamma(\tilde{x})}{\Gamma(\tilde{x} + (-a))} \leq \tilde{x}^a \left(\frac{\tilde{x} + (-a)}{\tilde{x}} \right)^{1 - (-a)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= x^a \cdot \frac{x}{x+a} \\
&\leq \frac{x^a}{1 + \frac{a}{\varepsilon - a}} \\
&\leq \frac{x^a}{1 - \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon}}, \tag{S.3.3}
\end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality follows from the left part of Wendel (1948)'s double inequality since $0 < (-a) < 1$ and $\tilde{x} > 0$, the second inequality follows from $x + a > \varepsilon$, and the third inequality follows from $a > -1$.

Fourth, suppose that $a \leq -1$ and let $u \in (-1, 0)$ such that $b = a/u$. We have

$$\frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{\Gamma(x)} = \frac{\Gamma(x+u)}{\Gamma(x)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(x+2u)}{\Gamma(x+u)} \cdots \frac{\Gamma(x+[b]u)}{\Gamma(x+([b]-1)u)} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(x+bu)}{\Gamma(x+[b]u)}.$$

By applying inequality (S.3.3) to each term in the product, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{\Gamma(x)} &\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon}\right)^{|b|+1}} x^u (x+u)^u \cdots (x+([b]-1)u)^u (x+[b]u)^{u(b-[b])} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon}\right)^{|b|+1}} (x+[b]u)^a.
\end{aligned}$$

Since $b \mapsto [b]$ is right-continuous, by taking the limit as $u \rightarrow -1$ we obtain

$$\frac{\Gamma(x+a)}{\Gamma(x)} \leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{1}{\varepsilon+1}\right)^{\lfloor |a| \rfloor + 1}} (x - \lfloor |a| \rfloor)^a.$$

□

Lemma S.3.7 *Let $s, t \in [0, 1]$ and assume that $|s - t| \leq \varepsilon(s\bar{s} + t\bar{t})$ for some $\varepsilon \leq 1/2$. Then $t\bar{t} \leq 6s\bar{s}$, and $s\bar{s} \leq 6t\bar{t}$.*

Proof: The second claim follows from the first one by symmetry of the roles of s and t . We therefore focus on proving the first claim.

Without loss of generality, assume $s \leq 1/2$ (otherwise, it suffices to repeat the following argument with \bar{s} and \bar{t} instead of s and t , respectively). If $t \leq s$, then $t\bar{t} \leq s\bar{s}$ and the result follows. Assume from now on that $t > s$. By assumption, we have

$$t - s \leq \varepsilon(s\bar{s} + t\bar{t}) \leq \varepsilon(s + t) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad t \leq \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon} s,$$

by rearranging the terms. Hence

$$t\bar{t} \leq t \leq \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon} s \leq \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{1 - \varepsilon} s \cdot 2\bar{s} \leq 6s\bar{s}.$$

This completes the proof. □

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