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A result on precise asymptotics for largest eigenvalues of β ensembles

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Abstract

The paper focuses on the precise asymptotics of the largest eigenvalues of β -Hermite ensemble and β -Laguerre ensemble. In particular, we obtain a general law on the precise moment convergence rates for a type of weighted series constructed by the first-order conditional moment of the largest eigenvalues of β ensembles. The results are motivated by the complete convergence for partial sums of independent random variables. The proofs depend on the small deviations for largest eigenvalue of β ensembles and non-asymptotic tail probability inequalities of the general β Tracy-Widom law.

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1 Introduction and main results

In random matrix theory, β -Hermite ensemble and β -Laguerre ensemble introduced by Baker and Forrester [1] are two classical ensembles, and they have played an important role in lattice gas theory and statistical mechanics. The first one, denoted by H_β , is a probability measure related to a random point process on \mathbb{R} , whose joint probability density function has the form

$$P(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) = \frac{1}{Z_{n,\beta}} \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} |\lambda_j - \lambda_k|^\beta e^{-n\beta \sum_{k=1}^n \lambda_k^2}, \quad (1.1)$$

where $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$, $Z_{n,\beta}$ is a normalizing constant, and for the parameter β can be taken any $\beta > 0$ and it can be interpreted as the inverse temperature of a Coulomb gas with logarithmic potential in lattice gas theory. In particular, when $\beta = 1, 2, 4$, the joint densities are shared by the eigenvalues of Gaussian orthogonal ensemble (*GOE*), Gaussian unitary ensemble (*GUE*), and Gaussian symplectic ensemble (*GSE*), respectively.

For the Gaussian ensembles, because of the facts that there exist corresponding explicit random matrix models and that some powerful analytical methods are available in the derivation of their exact or asymptotical properties, lots of limiting spectral properties, including the behavior of the extremal eigenvalue, have been discussed in depth. As one of the major achievements in random matrix theory, it has been shown by Tracy and Widom [2–4] that the distribution of the largest eigenvalue of *G(O/U/S)E*, after being centered and scaled properly, converges to the Tracy-Widom type distribution, which is an important

probability distribution and has aroused great interest of the mathematicians and statisticians. According to the results of Tracy and Widom, for the largest eigenvalue $\lambda_{\max}(\mathcal{A})$ of the random matrix \mathcal{A} , whenever it comes from *GOE* ($\beta = 1$), *GUE* ($\beta = 2$) or *GSE* ($\beta = 4$), its distribution function

$$F_{n,\beta}(x) = P(\lambda_{\max}(\mathcal{A}) \leq x), \quad \beta = 1, 2, 4,$$

satisfies the following Tracy-Widom limit law:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{n,\beta}\left(\frac{x}{2n^{\frac{2}{3}}} + 1\right) = F_{\beta}(x), \quad \beta = 1, 2, 4,$$

which is given by

$$\begin{aligned} F_2(x) &= \exp\left(-\int_x^{\infty} (y-x)q^2(y) dy\right), \\ F_1(x) &= \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\int_x^{\infty} q(y) dy\right)(F_2(x))^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ F_4\left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{2}}\right) &= \cosh\left(\frac{1}{2}\int_x^{\infty} q(y) dy\right)(F_2(x))^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here $q(x)$ is the unique solution to the *Painlevé II* equation $q'' = xq + 2q^3$ with the asymptotics

$$q(x) \sim \frac{1}{2}\pi^{-\frac{1}{2}}x^{-\frac{1}{4}} \exp\left(-\frac{2}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}}\right) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

As for the β -Hermite ensemble, where for $\beta > 0$ can be taken any positive real value, a primary question is whether we can establish an internal relation with the random matrix model, whose eigenvalues obey the desired joint probability law. This problem was first posed by Dumitriu and Edelman [5], who successfully constructed a tridiagonal sparse random matrix model for H_{β} , and the eigenvalues of the matrix model obey the desired joint density function. We usually also call the corresponding matrix model as H_{β} and denote the largest eigenvalue of the β -Hermite ensemble as $\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta})$. Making essential use of the tridiagonal matrix model, Ramírez *et al.* [6] proved that $\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta})$, after being centered and scaled, converges weakly to the general β Tracy-Widom law TW_{β} ($\beta > 0$), that is,

$$2n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) \Rightarrow TW_{\beta}, \quad \beta > 0. \tag{1.2}$$

They define the general β Tracy-Widom law through a random variational principle:

$$TW_{\beta} \stackrel{d}{=} \sup_{f \in L} \left\{ \frac{2}{\sqrt{\beta}} \int_0^{\infty} f^2(x) dB(x) - \int_0^{\infty} [(f'(x))^2 + xf^2(x)] dx \right\},$$

where $x \mapsto B(x)$ is a standard Brownian motion, L is the space of functions f that vanish at the origin and satisfy $\int_0^{\infty} f^2(x) dx = 1$, $\int_0^{\infty} [(f'(x))^2 + xf^2(x)] dx < \infty$.

Ramírez *et al.* [6] also obtained the tail properties of the distribution function of TW_β . Let $F_\beta(x) = P(TW_\beta \leq x)$ for any $\beta > 0$ and large a , and we have

$$F_\beta(-a) = \exp\left(-\frac{1}{24}\beta a^3(1 + o(1))\right) \tag{1.3}$$

and

$$1 - F_\beta(a) = \exp\left(-\frac{2}{3}\beta a^{\frac{3}{2}}(1 + o(1))\right). \tag{1.4}$$

In order to investigate the rates of the concentration for various eigenvalue statistics, some non-asymptotic results for certain random matrix ensembles have also been developed. Ledoux and Rider [7] presented some small deviation results related to $\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta)$, specifically, for all $n \geq 1$, $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$, and $\beta \geq 1$, we have

$$P(\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) \geq 1 + \varepsilon) \leq C e^{-\frac{\beta}{C_1} n \varepsilon^{\frac{3}{2}}} \tag{1.5}$$

and

$$P(\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) \leq 1 - \varepsilon) \leq C e^{-\frac{\beta}{C_1} n^2 \varepsilon^{\frac{3}{2}}}, \tag{1.6}$$

where C and C_1 are positive constants.

In this paper, we are interested in the precise asymptotics of the largest eigenvalues of β ensembles. Now we will give some attention to the precise asymptotics of random variables in classical probability theory. Let $\{X, X_n; n \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. random variables, $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$. Let $\varphi(x)$ and $f(x)$ be the positive functions defined on $[1, +\infty)$, which satisfy $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \varphi(n) = \infty, f(x) \uparrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Since Hsu and Robbins [8] introduced the concept of complete convergence, some researchers discussed the convergence of the series $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \varphi(n)P(|S_n| \geq \varepsilon f(n))$. Note that the sums tend to infinity as $\varepsilon \searrow 0$; it is interesting to find the precise convergence rates when this occurs. This amounts to finding the appropriate normalizations in terms of the functions of ε , which, multiplied by the series, has a non-trivial limit. The researchers call the discussion in this field ‘precise asymptotics’. Later, some researchers extended the discussion to the cases that the series is constructed by conditional moment related to S_n , or the series is constructed by other variables, such as the associated counting process, empirical process, self-normalized sums. For more details on the topic of precise asymptotics of independent random variables, one can refer to Hsu and Robbins [8], Baum and Katz [9], Chow [10], Gut and Spätaru [11], Zhang *et al.* [12], Chen and Zhang [13] and Zang and Huang [14].

This paper is devoted to an extension of the precise asymptotics of i.i.d. to the eigenvalue variables of random matrices. Su [15] first presented some precise convergence asymptotic results on the largest eigenvalues of *GUE* and *LUE*, their results are in a sense similar to the precise asymptotics in the context of the complete convergence of independent random variables. Xie [16] further obtained the precise moment convergence rates of a type of weighted series constructed by the largest eigenvalues of the β ensembles. The aim of the paper is to study the general law of the precise asymptotics of the moment convergence of the largest eigenvalues of the β ensemble.

Let $x_+ = \max\{x, 0\}$ and $[x]$ be the integer part of real number x . The main results can be listed as follows.

Theorem 1.1 *Assume that $g(x)$ is differentiable on the interval $[0, +\infty)$, which is non-negative and strictly increasing to ∞ , and the differentiable function $g'(x)$ is non-negative. We further suppose that $g'(x)$ is monotone, and if $g'(x)$ is monotone non-decreasing, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g'(x+1)}{g'(x)} = 1$. Then for any $s > 0$, $\beta \geq 1$, we have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} (2\varepsilon)^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g'(n) E \left\{ n^{\frac{2}{3}} (\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1) - \varepsilon g^s(n) \right\}_+ = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{1}{s}} (1 - F_\beta(x)) dx.$$

Theorem 1.2 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, we also have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{-1}{\log \varepsilon} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{g'(n)}{g(n)} E \left\{ n^{\frac{2}{3}} (\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1) - \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon g^s(n) \right\}_+ = \frac{1}{2s} \int_0^\infty (1 - F_\beta(x)) dx.$$

Remark 1.1 The assumptions on the function $g(x)$ in the above theorems are all rather mild conditions, it is easy to see that $g(x) = x^a$, $g(x) = (\log x)^b$ or $g(x) = (\log \log x)^c$ with some suitable conditions of $a > 0$, $b > 0$ or $c > 0$ and some others all satisfy these assumptions. In particular, when $g(x) = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$, $s = 2$, it can lead to a result which is consistent with that of Xie [16].

Remark 1.2 As it is difficult to get the explicit expression of $F_\beta(x)$, we do not present the exact values of the right hand of the above equations. However, the approximate values of them could be computed by Bornemann [17].

There is another probability measure, related to a random point process on \mathbb{R} whose joint probability density function is

$$P(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2, \dots, \lambda'_n) = \frac{1}{Z'_{n,\beta}} \prod_{1 \leq j < k \leq n} |\lambda'_j - \lambda'_k|^\beta \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{(\frac{\beta}{2})(m-n+1)-1} e^{-\frac{n\beta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda'_i},$$

where $\lambda'_i \in \mathbb{R}^+$, $m > n - 1$, and $\beta > 0$; $Z'_{n,\beta}$ is also a normalizing constant. It is usually called the β -Laguerre ensemble and denoted L_β for short. Dumitriu and Edelman [5] also constructed a tridiagonal sparse random matrix model for L_β , and we usually also call the corresponding matrix model L_β and denote the largest eigenvalue of the β -Hermite ensemble as $\lambda_{\max}(L_\beta)$. Ramírez *et al.* [6] also obtained, for $m + 1 > n \rightarrow \infty$, $\frac{m}{n} \rightarrow \gamma \geq 1$,

$$\frac{m^{\frac{1}{6}} n^{\frac{7}{6}}}{(\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})^{\frac{4}{3}}} (\lambda_{\max}(L_\beta) - (1 + \sqrt{\gamma})^2) \Rightarrow TW_\beta.$$

At the same time, Ledoux and Rider [7] proved that for all $c_1 n \leq m \leq c_2 n$ with $c_2 \geq c_1 \geq 1$, $\beta \geq 1$, and $0 < \varepsilon < 1$, there exist $C > 0$, $C_1 > 0$, and

$$P\left(\lambda_{\max}(L_\beta) \geq \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{m}{n}}\right)^2 (1 + \varepsilon)\right) \leq C e^{-\frac{\beta}{C_1} \sqrt{mn} \varepsilon^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \wedge \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)} \leq C e^{-\frac{\beta}{C_1} n \varepsilon^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

and

$$P\left(\lambda_{\max}(L_\beta) \leq \left(1 + \sqrt{\frac{m}{n}}\right)^2 (1 - \varepsilon)\right) \leq C e^{-\frac{\beta}{C_1} m n \varepsilon^3 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\varepsilon}} \wedge \left(\frac{m}{n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)} \leq C e^{-\frac{\beta}{C_1} n^2 \varepsilon^3}.$$

With the help of the two important results, we could reach a similar result on the β -Laguerre ensemble.

Theorem 1.3 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, when $m = [\gamma n]$, $1 \leq \gamma < \infty$ and $\beta \geq 1$, for any $s > 0$, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g'(n) E \left\{ \frac{m^{\frac{1}{6}} n^{\frac{7}{6}}}{(\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})^{\frac{4}{3}}} [\lambda_{\max}(L_\beta) - (1 + \sqrt{\gamma})^2] - \varepsilon g^s(n) \right\}_+ \\ &= \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{1}{s}} (1 - F_\beta(x)) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.4 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.3, we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{1}{-\log \varepsilon} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{g'(n)}{g(n)} E \left\{ \frac{m^{\frac{1}{6}} n^{\frac{7}{6}}}{(\sqrt{m} + \sqrt{n})^{\frac{4}{3}}} [\lambda_{\max}(L_\beta) - (1 + \sqrt{\gamma})^2] - \varepsilon g^s(n) \right\}_+ \\ &= \frac{1}{s} \int_0^\infty (1 - F_\beta(x)) dx. \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

The main proofs will be obtained in the next section, and they mainly depend on the non-asymptotic exponential inequalities about the general β Tracy-Widom law, weak convergence, and small deviation inequalities about the largest eigenvalues of the β ensembles. Throughout this paper, let C denote an absolutely positive constant whose value can be different from one appearance to another.

2 The proofs

Proof of Theorem 1.1 Set $A(\varepsilon) = [g^{-1}(M\varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{s}})]$, where $g^{-1}(x)$ is the inverse function of $g(x)$ and M is an arbitrary positive real number. The proof of Theorem 1.1 relies on the following four propositions.

Proposition 2.1 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, we have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g'(n) E \{ TW_\beta - 2\varepsilon g^s(n) \}_+ = 2^{-\frac{1}{s}} \int_0^\infty x^{\frac{1}{s}} (1 - F_\beta(x)) dx.$$

Proof Observing the fact that, for any random variable ξ and $a \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$E \xi I_{\{\xi \geq a\}} = aP(\xi \geq a) + \int_a^\infty P(\xi \geq x) dx, \tag{2.1}$$

thus we have

$$E \{ TW_\beta - 2\varepsilon g^s(n) \}_+ = \int_{2\varepsilon g^s(n)}^\infty P(TW_\beta \geq t) dt. \tag{2.2}$$

If $g'(x)$ is monotone non-increasing, by the assumption of Theorem 1.1, we can see that $g'(x) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(x)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt$ is also non-increasing, thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_1^{\infty} g'(y) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(y)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dy \\ & \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g'(n) E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\epsilon g^s(n)\}_+ \\ & \leq \int_0^{\infty} g'(y) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(y)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dy. \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

If $g'(x)$ is monotone non-decreasing, by the assumption that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{g'(n+1)}{g'(n)} = 1$, for any $0 < \delta_0 < 1$, there exists a sufficient large number $N = N(\delta_0)$, such that $\frac{g'(n+1)}{g'(n)} < 1 + \delta_0$ and $\frac{g'(n+1)}{g'(n)} > 1 - \delta_0$ for all $n \geq N$. Thus we can get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{1 + \delta_0} \int_N^{\infty} g'(y) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(y)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dy \\ & \leq \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} g'(n) E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\epsilon g^s(n)\}_+ \\ & \leq \frac{1}{1 - \delta_0} \int_{N-1}^{\infty} g'(y) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(y)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dy. \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Making a change of variables and performing integration by parts, for any $\theta \geq 0$, we can deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} \epsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \int_{\theta}^{\infty} g'(y) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(y)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dy \\ & = \lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} \frac{1}{s} 2^{-\frac{1}{s}} \int_{2\epsilon g^s(\theta)}^{\infty} x^{\frac{1}{s}-1} \int_x^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dx \\ & = \lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} \frac{1}{s} 2^{-\frac{1}{s}} \int_{2\epsilon g^s(\theta)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) \int_{2\epsilon g^s(\theta)}^t x^{\frac{1}{s}-1} dx dt \\ & = \lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} 2^{-\frac{1}{s}} \int_{2\epsilon g^s(\theta)}^{\infty} [t^{\frac{1}{s}} - (2\epsilon)^{\frac{1}{s}} g(\theta)] (1 - F_{\beta}(t)) dt \\ & = 2^{-\frac{1}{s}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{\frac{1}{s}} (1 - F_{\beta}(t)) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{2.5}$$

By (2.3)-(2.5) and the fact that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} \epsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g'(n) E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\epsilon g^s(n)\}_+ = \lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} \epsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n=N}^{\infty} g'(n) E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\epsilon g^s(n)\}_+,$$

letting $\delta_0 \rightarrow 0$, we can complete the proof. □

Proposition 2.2 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, for any $M > 0$, we have*

$$\lim_{\epsilon \searrow 0} \epsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n \leq A(\epsilon)} g'(n) |2E\{n^{\frac{2}{3}} (\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) - \epsilon g^s(n)\}_+ - E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\epsilon g^s(n)\}_+| = 0.$$

Proof Using (1.2), we have

$$\Delta_n := \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}} |P(2n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1) \geq y) - P(TW_\beta \geq y)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.6)$$

By (2.2), it is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} & |2E\{n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1) - \varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ - E\{TW_\beta - 2\varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+| \\ &= \left| \int_0^\infty P(2n^{\frac{2}{3}}[\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1] \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n)) dx - \int_0^\infty P(TW_\beta \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n)) dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty |P(2n^{\frac{2}{3}}[\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1] \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n)) - P(TW_\beta \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n))| dx \\ &= (\Delta_{n1} + \Delta_{n2}), \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

where

$$\Delta_{n1} = \int_0^{\Delta_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}} |P(2n^{\frac{2}{3}}[\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1] \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n)) - P(TW_\beta \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n))| dx$$

and

$$\Delta_{n2} = \int_{\Delta_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}^\infty |P(2n^{\frac{2}{3}}[\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1] \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n)) - P(TW_\beta \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n))| dx.$$

For the term Δ_{n1} , using the relation (2.6), we can get

$$\Delta_{n1} \leq \Delta_n \Delta_n^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \Delta_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.8)$$

For the term Δ_{n2} , by (1.4) and (1.5), for large n , we obtain

$$P(TW_\beta \geq x + 2\varepsilon g^s(n)) \leq C e^{-\frac{2}{3}\beta(x+2\varepsilon g^s(n))^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P(2n^{\frac{2}{3}}[\lambda_{\max}(H_\beta) - 1] \geq x + 2n^{\frac{2}{3}}\varepsilon) &\leq C e^{-\frac{\beta n}{C_1}(\frac{1}{2}n^{-\frac{2}{3}}x + \varepsilon n^{-\frac{2}{3}}g^s(n))^{\frac{3}{2}}} \\ &\leq C e^{-\frac{1}{C_1}\beta x^{\frac{3}{2}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\Delta_{n2} \leq C \int_{\Delta_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}^\infty e^{-\frac{1}{C_1}\beta x^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx + C \int_{\Delta_n^{-\frac{1}{2}}}^\infty e^{-\frac{2}{3}\beta(x+2\varepsilon g^s(n))^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.9)$$

Note that

$$\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} \sum_{n \leq A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) \leq C \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} \int_0^{A(\varepsilon)} g'(x) dx = C \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{3}} g(A(\varepsilon)) = CM < \infty,$$

by the Toeplitz lemma (see Loève [18], p.250), we can find that

$$\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n \leq A(\varepsilon)} g'(n)(\Delta_{n1} + \Delta_{n2}) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \searrow 0.$$

Then the proof is completed. □

Proposition 2.3 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, for uniformly $\varepsilon > 0$, we have*

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n > A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ = 0.$$

Proof Following the same line as of the proof of Proposition 2.1, we can deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n > A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) E\{TW_{\beta} - 2\varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ \\ &= \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n > A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) \int_{2\varepsilon g^s(n)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt \\ &\leq C \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \int_{A(\varepsilon)}^{\infty} g'(y) \int_{2\varepsilon g^s(y)}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dy \\ &\leq C \int_{2\varepsilon g^s(A(\varepsilon))}^{\infty} x^{\frac{1}{s}-1} \int_x^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) dt dx \\ &\leq C \int_{2M^s}^{\infty} P(TW_{\beta} \geq t) \int_{2M^s}^t x^{\frac{1}{s}-1} dx dt \\ &\leq C \int_{2M^s}^{\infty} t^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{2}{3}\beta t^{\frac{3}{2}}} dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } M \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where (1.4) is used again in the last inequality. The proof is completed. □

Proposition 2.4 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.1, for uniformly $\varepsilon > 0$, we have*

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n > A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) E\{n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) - \varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ = 0.$$

Proof It follows by the same argument as in Proposition 2.3 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n > A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) E\{n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) - \varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{s}} \sum_{n > A(\varepsilon)} g'(n) \int_{2\varepsilon g^s(n)}^{\infty} P\{2n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) \geq t\} dt \\ &\leq C \int_{2M^s}^{\infty} P\left\{\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) \geq 1 + \frac{1}{2}n^{-\frac{2}{3}}t\right\} \int_{2M^s}^t x^{\frac{1}{s}-1} dx dt \\ &\leq C \int_{2M^s}^{\infty} t^{\frac{1}{2}} e^{-\frac{\beta}{c_1}t^{\frac{3}{2}}} dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } M \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

where the last inequality used the fact (1.5) again, and the proof is completed. □

Letting $\varepsilon \searrow 0$ and then $M \rightarrow \infty$, a combination of Propositions 2.1-2.4 can complete the proof of Theorem 1.1 immediately. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.2 The proof of Theorem 1.2 is analogous to that of Theorem 1.1. The only difference is that we will change the cut-off point $A(\varepsilon) = \lfloor g^{-1}(M\varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{s}}) \rfloor$ to a new one, $\hat{A}(\varepsilon) = \lfloor g^{-1}(\varepsilon^{-\nu}) \rfloor$, $\nu > \frac{1}{s}$. The following four propositions corresponding to Propositions 2.1-2.4 are required, and the details are omitted.

Proposition 2.5 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.2, we have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{-1}{\log \varepsilon} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{g'(n)}{g(n)} E\{TW_{\beta} - \varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ = \frac{1}{s} \int_0^{\infty} (1 - F_{\beta}(x)) dx.$$

Proposition 2.6 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.2, we have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{-1}{\log \varepsilon} \sum_{n \leq \hat{A}(\varepsilon)} \frac{g'(n)}{g(n)} \left| 2E\left\{n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon g^s(n)\right\}_+ - E\{TW_{\beta} - \varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ \right| = 0.$$

Proposition 2.7 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.2, we have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{-1}{\log \varepsilon} \sum_{n > \hat{A}(\varepsilon)} \frac{g'(n)}{g(n)} E\{TW_{\beta} - \varepsilon g^s(n)\}_+ = 0.$$

Proposition 2.8 *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1.2, we have*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \searrow 0} \frac{-1}{\log \varepsilon} \sum_{n > \hat{A}(\varepsilon)} \frac{g'(n)}{g(n)} E\left\{n^{\frac{2}{3}}(\lambda_{\max}(H_{\beta}) - 1) - \frac{1}{2}\varepsilon g^s(n)\right\}_+ = 0. \quad \square$$

Proofs of Theorems 1.3 and 1.4 The proofs of Theorems 1.3 and 1.4 are essentially the same as those of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2, respectively, and the details of the proofs will not be presented. \square

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