# ON THE SIMILARITY BETWEEN ATTENTION AND SVM ON THE TOKEN SEPARATION AND SELECTION BEHAVIOR

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## ABSTRACT

The attention mechanism underpinning the transformer architecture is effective in learning the token interaction within a sequence via softmax similarity. However, the current theoretical understanding on optimization dynamics of the softmax attention is insufficient in characterizing how attention performs intrinsic token separation and selection, which is crucial to sequence-level understanding tasks. On the other hand, support vector machines have been well-studied of its max-margin separation behaviour. In this paper, we will formulate the softmax attention convergence dynamics as hard-margin SVM optimization problem. We adopt a tensor trick to formulate the matrix-based attention optimization problem and relax the strong assumptions on the derivative of the loss function from the prior works. As a result, we demonstrate that gradient descent converges to the optimal solution for SVM. In addition, we show softmax is more stable than other linear attention through analysis on their lipschitz. Our theoretical insights are validated through numerical experiments, shedding insights on the convergence dynamics of softmax attention as the foundational stones on the success of the large language models.

## 1 INTRODUCTION

The transformer architecture was introduced and traditionally consists of alternating attention and multilayer-perceptron (MLP) sublayers, has given rise to influential models in the realm of complex natural language tasks. These models include BERT Devlin et al. (2018), RoBERTa Liu et al. (2019), XLNet Yang et al. (2019), GPT-3 Brown et al. (2020), OPT Zhang et al. (2022b), Llama Touvron et al. (2023), and PaLM Chowdhery et al. (2022). Among these, GPT series, with hundreds of billion parameters, have served as fundamental building block to power ChatGPT OpenAI (2022), a chat software capable of generating highly convincing textual responses, creating immersive user experiences. In addition, the arrival of the next-generation GPT-4 OpenAI (2023) has expanded the horizons of AI capabilities, enabling it to excel in tasks previously considered beyond its reach, achieving human-level proficiency in various professional and academic benchmarks. While widely studied, it is still very challenging to understand the training dynamics of transformer models.

In this paper, we aim to understand the training dynamics of the core component of transformers, known as attention Vaswani et al. (2017); Radford et al. (2018); Devlin et al. (2018); Brown et al. (2020); Alman & Song (2023); Zandieh et al. (2023); Brand et al. (2023); Gao et al. (2023b). It involves projecting tokens into queries, keys, and values and then comparing queries with keys to calculate attention scores. This attention matrix is a dynamic structure that guides the model in assigning importance to individual tokens within a text, allowing it to focus more on tokens relevant to its predictions while downplaying the significance of less informative tokens. This capability has proven invaluable across various domains, including NLP Devlin et al. (2018); Brown et al. (2020); Raffel et al. (2020), computer vision Parmar et al. (2018); Cornia et al. (2020), and reinforcement learning Chen et al. (2021b); Wu et al. (2022). During training, the attention matrix is learned, enabling the model to allocate additional attention to pivotal tokens. To delve into the specifics, the attention matrix computation begins with the multiplication of the query matrix $XQ$ and the key matrix $XK$, followed by the application of a softmax function to generate a matrix with values ranging between 0 and 1. These values signify the relative importance of each element in the input sequence. A final softmax operation results in the attention matrix. It's obvious that the formulation

of the self-attention is a special instance of cross-attention. Given input sequences $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$, we provide the general formulation of the attention computation as the following:

$$\text{Att}(X, Y) = D(X)^{-1} \exp(A_1 X A_2^\top) A_2 Y$$

where $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ denotes the combined parameter $X := QK^\top$, $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}, K \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ are trainable parameter key and query matrices, $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ denotes the value matrix and $D(X) := \text{diag}(\exp(A_1 X A_2^\top) \mathbf{1}_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$.

We delve into the language modeling task that applied in many popular pretrained models such as BERT Devlin et al. (2018), RoBERTa Liu et al. (2019), GPT-3 Brown et al. (2020). We work with a dataset denoted as $\{A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2}, B_{l_0}\}_{l_0=0}^m$ (for language modeling task, we have $A_{l_0,1} = A_{l_0,2}$), comprising labeled instances $B_{l_0}$, where each row represents a one-hot vector corresponding in the target sentence. In practice, logistic loss or cross entropy loss is commonly used to do NLP tasks to help classify the next token generation.

Inspired from Tarzanagh et al. (2023a) we give the general form of empirical risk minimization with a logistic loss function as the following:

$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(X) = \min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \text{logistic}(\text{Att}(X) \cdot H, B)$$

where $H \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times V}$ denotes the linear prediction head and $B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times V}$ denotes the labels. As $H$ is a fixed linear prediction head that does not impact our analysis, we will ignore that in the theoretical analysis of our paper.

In addition, for the regression task such as sentiment analysis, we give the formulation of optimization problem of $\ell_2$ loss as the following:

$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(X) = \min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \|D(X)^{-1} \exp(A_1 X A_2^\top) A_3 Y - B\|_2^2$$

We first convert the matrix representation into a vector representation by employing the well-known tensor trick Diao et al. (2018; 2019); Zhang (2022). This transformation condenses the multiple regression into a single regression task, entailing the rearrangement and grouping of all the elements. Then, we have the simplified optimization problem:

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}} L(x) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}} \|\text{mat}(D(x)^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A} x)) A_3 Y - B\|_2^2$$

where $\mathsf{A} := A_1 \otimes A_2$ and $x = \text{vec}(X) \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}$.

Our main contributions are as follows:

- **SVM equivalence** We characterize the optimization of attention layer by connecting it with a hard max-margin SVM problem (Att-SVM). We show that $W = QK^\top$ trained by gradient descent in the language modeling pretraining converge to the solution of SVM with the Frobenius norm objective.

- **Token selection and contextual sparsity** Building upon the inherent similarity between SVM and attention mechanisms, our experiments show that only a few tokens, which can be regarded as feature vectors, contribute to the gradient computation for each update. Tokens that do not serve as support vectors have zero gradients and can be safely disregarded during pretraining. This property help elucidates the practical effectiveness of sparse training techniques, as evidenced in prior studies Choromanski et al. (2020); Roy et al. (2021); Liu et al. (2023).

- **Token separation** Inspired by the property of SVM, we show that all tokens are gradually separated during the training process. For each subsequent in language modeling task, the decision hyperplane are fundamentally different as the optimal tokens are different for each next work prediction.

- **Lipschitz of Loss Functions** By computing the Lipschitz of different loss functions (logistic loss and $\ell_2$-loss) with softmax attention and linear attention, we show that the training of softmax attention is more stable than linear attention.

## 2 RELATED WORKS

In this section, we introduce background of Transformer theory as well as SVM, which are critical for our analysis later.

**Transformer Theory** Previous research has established that the exceptional performance of Transformer-based models can be ascribed to the rich information embedded within their constituent elements, particularly multi-head attention mechanisms. Various studies (Hewitt & Liang, 2019; Tenney et al., 2019; Belinkov, 2022) have presented empirical proof that these components carry a substantial amount of information, making them valuable for tackling a diverse range of probing tasks.

Recent research has explored the potential of Transformer models through a combination of theoretical and experimental approaches. These investigations have delved into several aspects, including their Turing completeness (Bhattamishra et al., 2020b), their capacity for function approximation (Yun et al., 2020; Chen et al., 2021a), their ability to represent formal languages (Bhattamishra et al., 2020a; Ebrahimi et al., 2020; Yao et al., 2021), and their aptitude for learning abstract algebraic operations (Zhang et al., 2022c). Some of these studies the theoretical analysis of attention in different application such as in-context learning Li et al. (2023); Gao et al. (2023b), contextual sparsity prediction Liu et al. (2023).

There are also many methods have been proposed to speedup the computation of Transformer from theoretical perspective. In Brand et al. (2023), they focus on dynamic attention computation and proposed an algorithm that is conditionally optimal, unless the hinted matrix vector multiplication conjecture is proven false. They integrate lazy update methods into their attention computation approach and use the Hinted Matrix-Vector Conjecture to demonstrate the inherent difficulty of this problem. In contrast, other studies Zandieh et al. (2023); Alman & Song (2023) focused on static attention computation. Specifically, Alman & Song (2023) delved into static attention and introduced an algorithm that assessed its complexity within the framework of the exponential time hypothesis.

Panigrahi et al. (2023) introduce innovative techniques that approximate self-attention back propagation that allow a transformer in transformer model to simulate and fine-tune a transformer model within a single forward pass. Malladi et al. (2023) proposed a memory-efficient zero-th order optimizer and theoretically show that adequate pre-training ensures the per-step optimization rate and global convergence rate of their model. Zhao et al. (2023) shows that attention models implicitly approximate parsing to achieve low masked language modeling loss.

**Support Vector Machine** Before the rise of deep learning, Support Vector Machines (SVMs) held a prominent position as one of the most favored machine learning models, resulting in a rich of research focused on enhancing the computational efficiency of SVM. For linear SVMs, Joachims (2006) introduces a first-order algorithm that efficiently resolves its Quadratic Programming (QP) problem with nearly linear time complexity. In the case of SVM classification, established algorithms such as SVM-Light Platt (1998a), SMO Platt (1998b), LIBSVM Chang & Lin (2011), and SVM-Torch Collobert & Bengio (2001) excel in high-dimensional data settings.

It is well-known that attention maps, represented as softmax outputs, serve as a mechanism for selecting relevant features and reveal the tokens relevant to classification. Tarzanagh et al. (2023b;a) establish the connection between attention and SVM. Tarzanagh et al. (2023a) formulate the attention computation as $X_i^\top V \mathbb{S}(X_i K Q^\top z_i)$, where $\mathbb{S}$ is the softmax function, $X_i$ is the $i$-th input sentence and $z_i$ is the classification token [CLS]. They demonstrate that one-layer transformer solves an SVM problem that separates the optimal tokens within each input sequence from other tokens. However, their approach relies on assumptions concerning the loss function and token sequences. In our paper, we relax their assumption of the loss function's derivative and Lipschitz. In addition, they provide proofs for the regularization path analysis in casual language modeling task. In our paper, we show that the $QK^\top$ trained by gradient descent also converge to the SVM solution with Frobenius norm object in casual language modeling task.

In Nguyen et al. (2022), they establish a connection between self-attention and support vector regression (SVR) by deriving self-attention as a support vector expansion. They introduce a principled primal-dual framework for the study and development of self-attentions. Through the solution of a

support vector regression problem, they achieved a more profound comprehension and elucidation of diverse attention mechanisms.

## 3 THE EQUIVALENCE BETWEEN SOFTMAX ATTENTION AND SUPPORT VECTOR MACHINE

In this section, we first provide several important definitions and then our main theorem.

### 3.1 PRELIMINARY

**Notations** Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^n, \exp(u) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ denote the vector that $\exp(x)_i = \exp(x_i)$. Given positive integer $n$, we use $[n]$ to denote set $\{1, 2, \cdots, n\}$. For two vectors $u, v$, we use $\langle u, v \rangle$ to denote the inner product. Let $\mathbf{1}_n$ denote a length-$n$ vector where all the entries are ones. For matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$, we use $A_{*,i}$ to denote the $i$-the column of matrix $A$ for each $i \in [d]$. We use $u \circ v$ to denote a vector whose $i$-th entry is $u_i v_i$.

Let's define a vector $x$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n^2}$ and a matrix $X$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$. We say that $x$ is the vectorization of $X$, denoted as $x = \text{vec}(X)$, if the $i$-th row of matrix $X$ is equivalent to the subsequence of elements in $x$ from the $(i-1)n+1$-th position to the $in$-th position, for all $i$ in the range $[n]$. Conversely, if we have a vector $x$ and we want to reconstruct the matrix $X, X = \text{mat}(x)$. Additionally, for two matrices $A$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n_1 \times d_1}$ and $B$ in $\mathbb{R}^{n_2 \times d_2}$, the Kronecker product $A \otimes B$ results in a new matrix in $\mathbb{R}^{n_1 n_2 \times d_1 d_2}$. Each entry at position $(i_1 - 1)n_2 + i_2, (j_1 - 1)d_2 + j_2$ in this new matrix is obtained by multiplying the corresponding elements from $A$ and $B$, where $i_1 \in [n_1], j_1 \in [d_1], i_2 \in [n_2], j_2 \in [d_2]$.

In this paper, we denote $m$ as the number of data points. Let $n$ denote the length of sentence. Let $d$ denote the size of feature dimension.

We first give the formal definitions of some basic functions in attention computation. We first introduce the computation of softmax with key and value matrix. By using the tensor trick, we turn the multiple regression into a single regression with re-ordering all the entries.

**Definition 3.1.** *Let $A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} = A_{l_0,1} \otimes A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$ denote the $j_0$-th block of $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $x = \text{vec}(X) \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}$*

*For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$.*

*We define $u(x)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ as follows*

$$\underbrace{u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \exp(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{x}_{d^2 \times 1})$$

**Definition 3.2.** *For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$.*

*We define $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows*

$$\underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{\text{scalar}} := \langle \underbrace{u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle.$$

Next, we give the formal definition of

**Definition 3.3.** *Let $A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} = A_{l_0,1} \otimes A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$ denote the $j_0$-th block of $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$.*

*For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$, we define $f(x)_{l_0,j_0} : \mathbb{R}^{d^2} \to \mathbb{R}^n$,*

$$\underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{\text{scalar}} \cdot \underbrace{u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}$$

**Definition 3.4.** *For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $i_0 \in [d]$, we define $h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2} \to \mathbb{R}^n$*

$$\underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} = \underbrace{A_{l_0,3}}_{n \times d} \underbrace{y_{i_0}}_{d \times 1}$$

*Here $y_{i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ is $i_0$-th column of $y \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$. (We can view $y$ as the value matrix $V$)*

By using the above definitions, we formulate the attention as $\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$. Next, we formally define the logistic loss function.

**Definition 3.5.** *Let* $x \in \mathbb{R}$*, then we defined the logistic function as follows:*

$$g(x) := \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)}$$

Now, we provide the formal definition of empirical loss function.

**Definition 3.6.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let* $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let* $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.4*

- *Let* $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$

- *Let* $g : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ *denote logistic function which follows from Definition 3.5*

- *Let* $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}$

*Then we define the loss function based on logistic function as follows:*

$$L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle b_{l_0,j_0,i_0})$$

Then,

**Definition 3.7** (Algorithm W-GD). *Given* $X(0) \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$*, for* $k \geq 0$ *do:*

$$X(k+1) = X(k) - \eta \nabla L(X(k))$$

Now, we introduce a convex hard-margin SVM problem, denoted as (Att-SVM). Its objective is to distinguish a particular token from the other tokens in the input sequence $A_{l_0}$ by evaluating the dot product between the key-query features before applying the softmax.

**Definition 3.8.** *Given* $A_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$*, we defined the Att-SVM as the following:*

$$X^{\mathrm{mm}} = \arg\min_X \|X\|_F$$
$$s.t. \ (A_{l_0,\mathrm{opt}_i} - A_{l_0,t})^\top X A_{l_0,i} \geq 1 \quad for \ all \ \ t \neq \mathrm{opt}_i, i \in [n], l_0 \in [m]$$

## 3.2 Asymptotically Equivalent Convergence Direction of Softmax Attention

Before we introduce our main result, we give the basic definitions of optimal tokens and support indices in our casual language modeling setting.

First, we define the score of the tokens and the optimal tokens. Tokens' scores can provide valuable information of the importance of individual tokens and how they contribute to the overall objective respectively. The tokens' scores quantifies the impact of each token to specific classification or prediction task. The optimal token is the token that manifest the greatest relevance to the input sequence.

**Definition 3.9** (Token Score and Optimality). *Given a prediction head* $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$*, the score of a token* $A_{l_0 t}$ *of input* $A_{l_0}$ *is defined as* $\gamma_{l_0 t} = B_{l_0,} \cdot v_i^\top A_{it}$*. The optimal token for each input* $A_{l_0}$ *is given by the index* $\mathrm{opt}_{l_0} \in \arg\max_{t \in [T]} \gamma_{l_0 t}$ *for all* $l_0 \in [m]$*.*

Next, we state two assumptions that is of significant importance to guarantee that the attention layer possess a benign optimization landscape. Specifically, the first part of the assumption below provide insights into overparameterization. The second assumption described a scenario that every token that is not optimal has the same token score, which is less than the score of the optimal token. In the scenarios where data are distributed such that $d$ is sufficiently large, such phenomenon is likely to persist. The second assumption states that for any token that is not optimal, possess the same token score. The second part of the assumption below is a relatively stringent assumption that needs to be relaxed.

**Assumption 3.10** (Assumption B in Tarzanagh et al. (2023a)). *Optimal tokens' indices* $(\texttt{opt}_{l_0})_{l_0=1}^m$ *are unique and one of the following on the tokens holds:*

1. *All tokens are support vectors, i.e.,* $(x_{i\texttt{opt}_i} - x_{it})^\top W^{mm} z_i = 1$ *for* $\forall t \neq \texttt{opt}_i$ *and* $i \in [n]$.

2. *The token's scores, as defined in Definition 3.9, satisfy* $\gamma_{it} = \gamma_{i\tau} < \gamma_{i\texttt{opt}_i}$ *for* $\forall t, \tau \neq \texttt{opt}_i$ *and* $i \in [n]$.

The next lemma is a important intermediate step of analyzing the loss function defined in Definition 3.6. It computes the gradient of the loss function whose lipschitz property is of great importance of proving our main results and would be evaluated in the lemmas afterwards.

**Lemma 3.11** (Formal version of Lemma F.2). *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let* $L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ *be defined as Definition 3.6*

- *Let* $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let* $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.4*

*Then we have*

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}
$$
$$
= g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle)(1 - g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle))b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}
$$
$$
\cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)
$$

Next, we would prove a well known fact in the real world applications regarding the logistic function.

**Lemma 3.12** (Informal version of Lemma F.6). *Let* $g(x)$ *be defined in Definition 3.5. Then we have*

$$
|g'(x) - g'(\widehat{x})| \leq |x - \widehat{x}|
$$

Then, we evaluate the lipschitz property of several basic function, which is the stepping stone for many analysis in this paper. By combining those analysis and Lemma 3.12, we are able to evaluate the lipschitz property of $\nabla L(x, :)$, stated as the lemma below.

**Lemma 3.13** (Informal version of F.10). *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let* $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let* $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.4*

- *Let* $d(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$

- *Let* $R \geq 4$

- *Let* $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ *satisfy* $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2 \leq R$ *and* $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \leq R$

- $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$

- *Let* $L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.5*

- *Let* $w(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle$

*Then we have*

$$
|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 3n^3 R^7 \exp(13R^2) \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
$$

This lemma is the basis to proving our main results.

Finally, we state the main result of this paper. The theorem below proved that the global convergence of the gradient descent algorithm to the max-margin direction $X^{mm}$ under the second assumption of Assumption 3.10 which states that all the tokens who are not optimal possess the same score that is lower than the score of the optimal token.

**Theorem 3.14** (Informal version of Theorem G.4). *Suppose Assumption 3.10 on the tokens' score hold. Let $X(k)$ denote the $k$-th iteration of $X$. Then, Algorithm W-GD (Definition 3.7) with the step size $\eta \leq 1/L_X$ and any starting point $X(0)$ satisfies*

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} = \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}$$

We provide another theorem below. This theorem is a relaxation of the second assumption in Assumption 3.10. This theorem demonstrates that the global convergence can still happen even when the score of the tokens are equal.

**Theorem 3.15** (Informal version of Theorem G.5). *For any initialization $X(0)$, there exists a dataset dependent sufficiently small $\delta > 0$ such that the following holds: Suppose non-optimal scores obey $|\gamma_{it} - \gamma_{i\tau}| \leq \delta$ for all $t, \tau \neq opt_i, i \in [m]$. Then, Algorithm X-GD, with $\eta \leq 1/(2L_x)$ obeys*

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|X(k)\|_F = \infty \quad and \quad \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} = \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}$$

By showing that gradient descent converges to the optimal solution for SVM with Frobenius norm objective, we establish a fundamental connection between attention mechanisms and Att-SVM, shedding light on the optimization dynamics of attention layers. Specifically, we demonstrate that the weight matrix, denoted as $W$, learned through gradient descent during language modeling pretraining, converges to a solution analogous to that of SVM with a Frobenius norm objective. Notably, our investigations reveal that during this optimization process, only a few selected tokens can be equated to feature vectors and play a pivotal role in the gradient computation for each update, while tokens that do not function as support vectors have gradients that effectively amount to zero. This intrinsic sparsity in attention mechanisms paves the way for the practical applicability of sparse training techniques.

**Token Selection & Separation** In Zhang et al. (2023), they introduce a groundbreaking approach aimed at optimizing the memory utilization of the $KV$ cache. This innovative method yields substantial reductions in memory footprint, a development that can have far-reaching implications for various applications. Their approach lies in the observation that only a small subset of tokens significantly contributes to the value computation during the process of attention scoring.

Considering the language modeling task we study in this paper, our result provide the evidence to this phenomenon. Attention mechanisms are tasked with the responsibility of identifying a highly relevant subset of tokens from the input sequence. This selection process is integral to the accurate prediction of subsequent tokens. Consequently, for tokens that exhibit low token scores (as defined in Definition 3.9), omitting their computational contributions does not detrimentally impact the final outcome. This unique insight underscores the intriguing interplay between attention mechanisms and the principles underlying Support Vector Machines (SVM). This insight underscores the interplay between attention mechanisms and SVM.

### 3.3 LIPSCHITZ OF BASIC FUNCTIONS

For the ease of proving the lipschitz property for complex terms, we would like to address the lipschitz property of some basic terms as follows:

- $\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y)\|_2 \leq R \exp(R^2) \cdot \|x - y\|_2$
- $|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \| \exp(Ax) - \exp(Ay)\|_2$
- $|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(x) - \alpha(y)|$
- $\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq R_f \cdot \|x - y\|_2$
- $\|c(x,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(y,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq R^2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|x - y\|_2$
- $\| \operatorname{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - \operatorname{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0})\| \leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|x - y\|_2$
- $f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0} \leq 2\beta^{-3} n^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - y\|_2$

The lipschitz property for these basic function is easy to prove, and we will use them as the stepping stone for proving the lipschitz property for $\nabla L(x, :)$.

### 3.4 Lipschitz for Logistic Loss

By using the lipschitz property of several basic functions, we could combine them to prove the lipschitz property for more complex functions. In this section, we aim to find $M$ such that

$$|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq M \cdot \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

where

$$L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} = \text{logistic}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle b_{l_0,j_0,i_0})$$

denote the loss function based on $\text{logistic}(.)$. We find $M$ by the following steps:

**Step 1: Prove the lipschitz property for logistic function** we can prove the following property for $\text{logistic}(.)$ through mean value theorem:

$$|\text{logistic}(x) - \text{logistic}(\widehat{x})| \leq |x - \widehat{x}|$$

**Step 2: Compute the gradient** $\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$. We are able to compute

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\
&= g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(1 - g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle))b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \\
&\quad \cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)
\end{aligned}
$$

**Step 3: Reform** $\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ **for the convenience of analysis** We reform the gradient to

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)$$

where

- $v_1 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$
- $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$
- $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$

this would make the analysis for the gradient more convenient.

**Step 4: Split the gradient and combine the lipschitz for basic functions to get the final result**

$$M = 3n^3R^7\exp(13R^2)$$

## 4 Experiment

We will verify the token-level max-margin separation behavior on transformer training tasks.
[1]

### 4.1 Experiment setup

In Figure 1, we train OPT-125M and OPT-1.3B (Zhang et al., 2022a) from scratch on WikiText-103 (Merity et al., 2016) for 10000 steps. We use the AdamW (Loshchilov & Hutter, 2018) with a learning rate of 5e-4 and a cosine learning rate scheduler with 1000 steps warmup for OPT-125M, and a constant learning rate of 1e-4 for OPT-1.3B. The weight decay is 0.01 and the minibatch size is 16 for both models. In addition, we clip the gradient with norm with threshold as 0.3. We set the maximum sequence length as 1024 and uses casual language modeling loss to train the OPT-125M and OPT-1.3B from scratch. We report the casual LM losses in the training and validation dataset on the first subfigure for both models in Figure 1.

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[1] We use the attention logits to denote the attention score before the softmax, and the attention probabilities to denote the attention score after the softmax transformation.
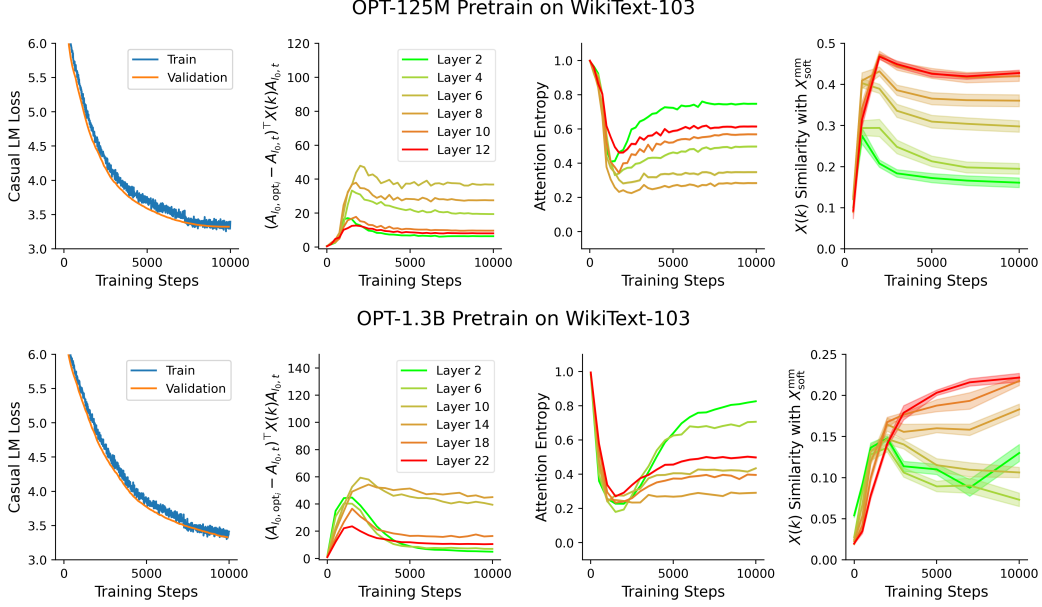
Figure 1: OPT-125M and OPT-1.3B train from scratch on WikiText-103. The first subfigure reports the training and validation loss. The second subfigure reports the average difference in the attention logits between optimal tokens and non-optimal tokens. The third subfigure reports the entropy of attention probabilities. The fourth subfigure reports the cosine similarity of attention trainable weights $X(K) = QK^T$ and a SVM solution $X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}}$ as the soft-margin relaxation of $X^{\text{mm}}$ in Definition 3.8. For the subfigure 2, 3, 4, we plot the average values as curves over all attention heads for a particular layer, and the standard error of this sample mean as the shaded areas.

## 4.2 MAX-MARGIN TOKEN SEPARATION BEHAVIOR

Our theory assumes that the optimal tokens are the tokens with highest prediction scores even before applying the attention transformation, according to Definition 3.9. However, such assumption more focuses on the scenario of 1-layer transformer with linear head, and for the scenario of multi-layer transformers with non-linear heads (non-linear FFNs), we consider the tokens with the highest attention scores as the optimal tokens. We will justify this generalization choice in Section 4.3.

In Figure 1, we investigate the token separation behavior in the attention training process. In the second subfigure, we observe that the average distance of attention logits between optimal and non-optimal tokens will increase for the first 1000-2000 steps, which corresponds to a drop in the attention entropy (the Shannon entropy of attention probabilities) for the first 1000-2000 steps. After this peak, the average distance of attention logits (second subfigure) will decrease and the attention entropy will start to increase again. Our theory predicts that the optimal tokens will be separated from the non-optimal tokens, which fits with the observed phenomenon in the first stage of attention training. This token separation phenomenon is also documented in prior works; Tian et al. (2023) also identify self-attention with non-linear MLP will first learn salient components, then non-salient components. However, they interpret this observation from the joint dynamics of attention and MLP, while our theoretical perspective is rooted on the similarity of converged solution between $X(k)$ and $X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}}$ (Theorem 3.14).

In the fourth subfigure of Figure 1, we first randomly sample a subset of sequences with size 128 and sequence length 1024 in the training set, and then use the input hidden states of this subset to derive a soft-margin Attn-SVM solution $X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}}$ by applying gradient descent on minimizing the objective [2]:

$$X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}} = \arg\min_X \frac{1}{m}\frac{1}{n}\sum_{l_0=0}^{m}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\sum_{t=0}^{i}\frac{1}{i}\left(\max(0, 1 - (A_{l_0,\text{opt}_i} - A_{l_0,t})^\top X A_{l_0,i}) + C\|X\|_F^2\right.$$

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[2]To mimic the casual attention training process of $X(k)$, we will only select unmasked tokens' hidden states for deriving $X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}}$.

with $C = 25/2$. We observe that the similarity between attention weight $X(k)$ and $X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}}$ will increase for both OPT-125M and OPT-1.3B on all layers.
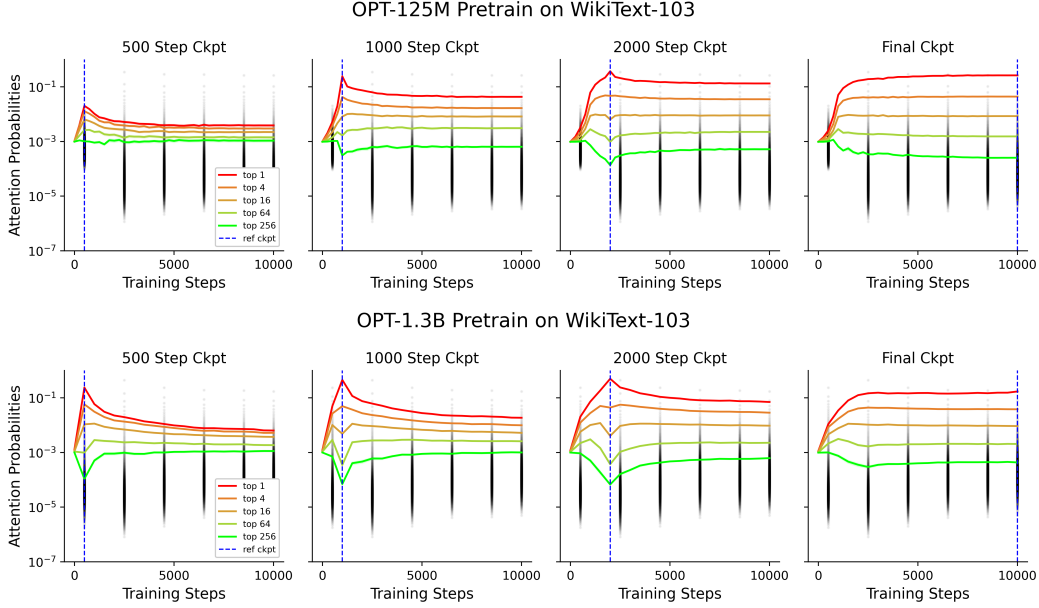


Figure 2: The attention probabilities of the top-$k$ ($k \in \{1, 4, 16, 64, 256\}$) tokens from a specific checkpoint. We first take the top-$k$ tokens in a checkpoint (ref ckpt), and then compute the attention probabilities of these top-$k$ tokens in all checkpoints. The title of each subfigure denotes the model checkpoint from which we retrieve the top-$k$ tokens. The horizontal dots in each subfigure means the distribution of attention probabilities at a specific model checkpoint $\in \{500, 2500, 4500, 6500, 8500, 10000\}$.

## 4.3 Implications for Top-$k$ Sparse Attention
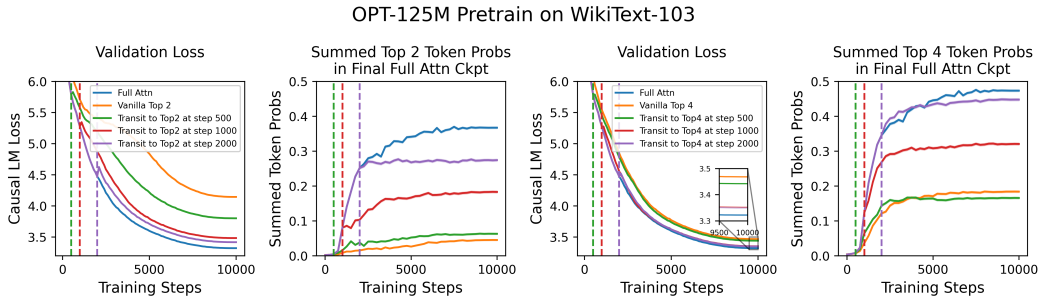


Figure 3: The convergence dynamics of top-$k$ ($k \in \{2, 4\}$) sparse attention for OPT-125M train from scratch on WikiText-103, where the left 2 subfigures are depicting the case of top-2 and the right 2 subfigures are depicting the case of top-4 sparse attention.

## 4.4 Teacher-forcing via Attention Mask Supervision

Gupta et al. (2021) Zhao et al. (2019)

## 5 Conclusion

In this work, we build a profound connection between attention mechanisms and Att-SVM for casual language modeling task. We've shown that the weight matrix $W = QK^\top$, trained via gradient descent in language modeling pretraining, converges to the SVM solution with a Frobenius norm

Figure 4: The cosine similarity between $X_{\text{soft}}^{\text{mm}}$ and $X(k)$ of all attention heads certain layers of OPT-125M train from scratch on WikiText-103.

objective. Furthermore, our experiments have revealed the practical implications of this connection, including token selection and c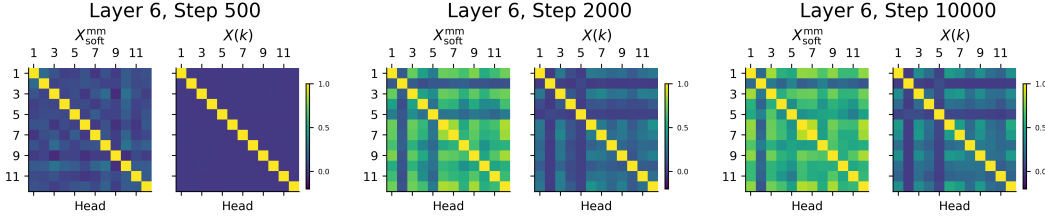ontextual sparsity, where only select tokens contribute to gradients, token separation during training, and the stability of training with softmax attention compared to linear attention. These findings not only deepen our understanding of attention mechanisms but also open new avenues for enhancing training efficiency and exploring novel applications in natural language processing.

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APPENDIX

**Roadmap.**

We order the appendix as follows: In Section A, we provide the preliminaries to be used in our proofs, such facts for basic algebras and inequalities. In Section B, we compute the gradient for our loss function step by step and reform it for prooving its lipschitz. In Section C we prove that the gradient for our loss function is lipschitz. In Section D, we compute the gradient of our loss function with respect to $Q$ and proved the lipschitz property for gradient. In Section E, we repeat the analysis for $Q$ and proved lipschitz property for gradient with respect to $K$. In Section F we provide systematic analysis on logistic function and proved the lipschitz property for the gradient of the loss function based on logistic function. In Section G, we prove our main results. In Section H, we provide a brief analysis on the hessian of our loss function.

## A   PRELIMINARY

In this section, we provide the preliminaries to be used in our proofs. In Section A.1, we provide some facts for exact computations. In Section A.2, we provide some inequalities with respect to vector's norms. In Section A.3, we provide some inequalities with respect to matrix's norms. In Section A.4, we provide some facts for computing gradient.

### A.1   BASIC ALGEBRAS

**Fact A.1.** *For vectors $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$. We have*

- $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle u \circ v, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$

- $\langle u \circ v, w \rangle = \langle u \circ v \circ w, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$

- $\langle u, v \rangle = \langle v, u \rangle$

- $\langle u, v \rangle = u^\top v = v^\top u$

**Fact A.2.** *For any vectors $u, v, w \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have*

- $u \circ v = v \circ u = \mathrm{diag}(u) \cdot v = \mathrm{diag}(v) \cdot u$

- $u^\top (v \circ w) = u^\top \mathrm{diag}(v) w$

- $u^\top (v \circ w) = v^\top (u \circ w) = w^\top (u \circ v)$

- $u^\top \mathrm{diag}(v) w = v^\top \mathrm{diag}(u) w = u^\top \mathrm{diag}(w) v$

- $\mathrm{diag}(u) \cdot \mathrm{diag}(v) \cdot \mathbf{1}_n = \mathrm{diag}(u) v$

- $\mathrm{diag}(u \circ v) = \mathrm{diag}(u) \mathrm{diag}(v)$

- $\mathrm{diag}(u) + \mathrm{diag}(v) = \mathrm{diag}(u + v)$

### A.2   BASIC VECTOR NORM BOUNDS

**Fact A.3.** *For vectors $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have*

- $\langle u, v \rangle \le \|u\|_2 \cdot \|v\|_2$ *(Cauchy-Schwarz inequality)*

- $\| \mathrm{diag}(u) \| \le \|u\|_\infty$

- $\|u \circ v\|_2 \le \|u\|_\infty \cdot \|v\|_2$

- $\|u\|_\infty \le \|u\|_2 \le \sqrt{n} \cdot \|u\|_\infty$

- $\|u\|_2 \le \|u\|_1 \le \sqrt{n} \cdot \|u\|_2$

- $\| \exp(u) \|_\infty \leq \exp(\|u\|_\infty) \leq \exp(\|u\|_2)$

- *Let $\alpha$ be a scalar, then $\|\alpha \cdot u\|_2 = |\alpha| \cdot \|u\|_2$*

- $\|u + v\|_2 \leq \|u\|_2 + \|v\|_2.$

- *For any $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^d$ such that $\|u\|_2, \|v\|_2 \leq R$, we have $\| \exp(u) - \exp(v) \| \leq \exp(R)\|u - v\|_2$*

*Proof.* For all the other facts we omit the details. We will only prove the last fact.

We have

$$\| \exp(u) - \exp(v) \|_2 = \| \exp(u) \circ (\mathbf{1}_n - \exp(v - u)) \|_2$$
$$\leq \| \exp(u) \|_2 \cdot \| \mathbf{1}_n - \exp(v - u) \|_\infty$$
$$\leq \| \exp(u) \|_2 \cdot 2 \|u - v\|_\infty,$$

where the 1st step follows from definition of $\circ$ operation and $\exp()$, the 2nd step follows from Fact A.3, the 3rd step follows from $| \exp(x) - 1 | \leq 2x$ for all $x \in (0, 0.1)$. $\square$

## A.3 BASIC MATRIX NORM BOUNDS

**Fact A.4.** *For matrices $U, V$, we have*

- $\|U^\top\| = \|U\|$

- $\|U\| \geq \|V\| - \|U - V\|$

- $\|U + V\| \leq \|U\| + \|V\|$

- $\|U \cdot V\| \leq \|U\| \cdot \|V\|$

- *If $U \preceq \alpha \cdot V$, then $\|U\| \leq \alpha \cdot \|V\|$*

- *For scalar $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, we have $\|\alpha \cdot U\| \leq |\alpha| \cdot \|U\|$*

- *For any vector $v$, we have $\|Uv\|_2 \leq \|U\| \cdot \|v\|_2$.*

- *Let $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ denote two vectors, then we have $\|uv^\top\| \leq \|u\|_2 \|v\|_2$*

**Fact A.5.** *If $\|Q\|_F \leq R$, then $\|Qe_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top\|_F = \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}Q) \leq R$.*

*If $\|K\|_F \leq R$, then $\|e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top\|_F = \| \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top) \|_2 \leq R$*

*If $\|Q\|_F \leq R$, $\|K\|_F \leq R$, then $\|QK\|_F \leq R^2$*

## A.4 BASIC CALCULUS

**Fact A.6.**
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} B(x) + \frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} \frac{\mathrm{d}B(x)}{\mathrm{d}t} + \frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t} \frac{\mathrm{d}B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} A(x)$$

*Proof.*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}s} A(x)B(x))$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} B(x) + A(x) \frac{\mathrm{d}B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s})$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} B(x) + \frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} \frac{\mathrm{d}B(x)}{\mathrm{d}t} + \frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t} \frac{\mathrm{d}B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} + \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 B(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} A(x)$$

where the first step is an expansion of hessian, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the last step follows from differential chain rule. $\square$

**Fact A.7.** *Let $A(x) \in \mathbb{R}$.*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)^2}{\mathrm{d}t\mathrm{d}t} = 2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t^2} + 2(\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t})^2$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)^2}{\mathrm{d}t} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)^2}{\mathrm{d}t}) \\
&= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t}) \\
&= 2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t^2} + 2(\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t})^2
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step is an expansion of hessian, the second step follows from basic derivative, the third step follows from differential chain rule. $\square$

**Fact A.8.** *Let $A(x) \in \mathbb{R}$, then we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A^2(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} = 2\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s}\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t} + 2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t}$$

*Proof.* We can show

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A^2(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}\frac{\mathrm{d}A^2(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} \\
&= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s}) \\
&= 2\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t}\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s} + 2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}t}(\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s}) \\
&= 2\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s}\frac{\mathrm{d}A(x)}{\mathrm{d}t} + 2A(x)\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 A(x)}{\mathrm{d}s\mathrm{d}t}
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step is an expansion of hessian, the second step follows from basic derivative, the third step follows from differential chain rule, the last step follows from simple algebra. $\square$

## B  GRADIENT COMPUTATION

In this section, we compute the gradient for our loss function step by step. In Section B.1, we define the definitions to be used in this section and the problem we would like to address in this section. In Section B.2, we compute the gradient with respect to $x$ step by step. In Section B.3, we compute the gradient with respect to $y$ step by step. In Section B.4, we reform the gradient with respect to $x$ for the convenience of proving its lipschitz property in Section C.

### B.1  PROBLEM FORMULATION

**Definition B.1.** *We define $c(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows*

$$c(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := \langle \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

**Definition B.2.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $c$ be defined as Definition B.1*

*For each $l_0 \in [m]$, $j_0 \in [n]$, $i_0 \in [d]$. We define $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ as follows*

$$L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := 0.5c(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2$$

**Definition B.3.** *The final loss is*

$$L(x, y) := \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} L_{l_0, j_0, i_0}(x, y).$$

Not hard to see that $L(x, y)$ is equivalent

$$\|D(X)^{-1} \exp(A_1 X A_2^\top) A_3 Y - B\|_F^2 \tag{1}$$

Let $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ denote the matrix view of $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}$. Here $X$ can be viewed as $QK^\top$ in attention computation. Let $y_{i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ denote the $i_0$-th column of $Y \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$.

By using well-known tensor-trick, we can rewrite Eq. (1) in the following vector version

$$\|\mathrm{mat}(D(x)^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}\, x)) \underbrace{A_3}_{n \times d} \underbrace{Y}_{d \times d} - B\|_2^2$$

Here the diagonal matrix $D(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$ can be written as $D(x) := D(X) \otimes I_n$

We give our formal definition of the optimization formulation

**Definition B.4.** *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ denote the matrix view of $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}$. We define the optimization formulation as the following:*

$$\min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(X) = \min_{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \|D(X)^{-1} \exp(A_1 X A_2^\top) A_3 Y - B\|_2^2$$

**Definition B.5.** *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A} = A_1 \otimes A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}$ denote the matrix view of $x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}$. Let $D(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$ denote the diagonal matrix $D(x) := D(X) \otimes I_n$. We define the vector version of optimization formulation as the following:*

$$\min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}} L(x) = \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d^2}} \|\mathrm{mat}(D(x)^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}\, x)) A_3 Y - B\|_2^2$$

## B.2 GRADIENT COMPUTATION WITH RESPECT TO $x$

**Lemma B.6.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $\alpha$ be defined in Definition 3.2*
- *Let $c$ be defined in Definition B.1*
- *Let $L$ be defined in Definition B.3*

*Then, we can show*

- *Part 1. For each $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\, \mathsf{A}_{l_0, j_0}\, x}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \mathsf{A}_{l_0, j_0, i}$$

- *Part 2. For each $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0, j_0} x)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0, j_0} x) \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0, j_0, i}$$

- *Part 4. For $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u(x)_{l_0, j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = u(x)_{l_0, j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0, j_0, i}$$

- *Part 5. For $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \langle u(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$

- *Part 6. For $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = -\alpha(x)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$

- *Part 7. For each $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} + f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$

- *Part 8. For $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$

  *(This is similar to **Part 5** of Lemma 5.1 in page 16 of Gao et al. (2023a))*

- *Part 9. For each $i \in [d^2]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)$$

  *(This is similar to **Part 6** of Lemma 5.1 in page 16 of Gao et al. (2023a))*

- *For each $i \in [d^2]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.**

We have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$$

this follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 2.**

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathrm{d}\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x) \circ \frac{\mathrm{d}(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\ &= \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x) \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from differential chain rule, the second step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 4.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\mathrm{d}u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\ &= u(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from basic calculus.

**Proof of Part 5.**

Let $j_0 \in [n]$. Let $i \in [d^2]$.

We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x),\mathbf{1}_n\rangle}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\
&= \langle\frac{\mathrm{d}\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x)}{\mathrm{d}x_i},\mathbf{1}_n\rangle \\
&= \langle\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x)\circ(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}),\mathbf{1}_n\rangle \\
&= \langle u(x)_{l_0,j_0},\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 2**, the last step follows from Fact A.1.

**Proof of Part 6.** We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= -1\cdot\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}\cdot\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\
&= -\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from differential chain rule, the second step follows from **Part 5**.

**Proof of Part 7.**

We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}(\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(x)_{l_0,j_0})}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\
&= \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot\frac{\mathrm{d}u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}+\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}u(x)_{l_0,j_0} \\
&= \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\circ\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}+\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}u(x)_{l_0,j_0} \\
&= \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\circ\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}-\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\cdot u(x)_{l_0,j_0} \\
&= f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\circ\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}-f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\cdot\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from Definition 3.3, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the third step follows from **Part 4**, the fourth step follows from **Part 6**, the last step follows from definition of function $f$.

**Proof of Part 8.**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle-b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}) \\
&= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle \\
&= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\circ\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i},h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle-\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra and the last step follows from **Part 7**.

**Proof of Part 9.**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}0.5c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2 \\
&= c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \\
&= c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\circ\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i},h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle-\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0},\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 8**. $\qquad\square$

**Proof of Part 10**

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)$$

This trivially follows from **Part 9**.

### B.3 GRADIENT COMPUTATION WITH RESPECT TO $y$

**Lemma B.7.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $\alpha$ be defined in Definition 3.2*
- *Let $c$ be defined in Definition B.1*
- *Let $L$ be defined in Definition B.3*

*For $i_1 \in [d], i_0 \in [d], i_2 \in [d]$ we have*

- *Part 1. $i_0 = i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = \underbrace{A_{l_0,3,i_2}}_{n \times 1}$$

  *where $y_{i_1,i_2}$ is the $i_2$-th entry in vector $y_{i_1} \in \mathbb{R}^d$*

- *Part 2. $i_0 \neq i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = \mathbf{0}_n$$

- *Part 3. $i_0 = i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2} \rangle$$

- *Part 4. $i_0 \neq i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = 0$$

- *Part 5. $i_0 = i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2} \rangle$$

- *Part 6. $i_0 \neq i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = 0$$

- *Part 7. $i_0 = i_1$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2} \rangle$$

- *Part 8.* $i_0 \neq i_1$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = 0$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.** For $\forall i_1 \in [d], i_2 \in [d]$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} A_{l_0,3}y_{i_0} \\
&= \underbrace{A_{l_0,3,i_2}}_{n \times 1}
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from simple calculus.

**Proof of Part 2.**

For $i_1 \neq i_0$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} A_{l_0,3}y_{i_0} \\
&= \underbrace{\mathbf{0}_n}_{n \times 1}
\end{aligned}$$

**Proof of Part 3**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \frac{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}}\rangle \\
&= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2}\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \frac{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}}\rangle \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 2**.

**Proof of Part 5**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \frac{\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2}\rangle
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 3**.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \frac{\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= \mathbf{0}_n
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 4**.

**Proof of Part 7**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}0.5c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2}\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 5**.

**Proof of Part 8**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}0.5c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} \\
&= \mathbf{0}_n
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 6**. $\square$

## B.4 Reformulating Gradient with respect to $x$

**Lemma B.8.** *If the following conditions hold*

- $\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ A_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$

*Then we can rewrite $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y)}{\mathrm{d}x_i}$ as follows:*

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} A_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top(f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(x)_{l_0,j_0}f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top)h(y)_{l_0,i_0}
$$

*Proof.* Note that by Fact A.1 we have

$$
\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ A_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle = A_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top \mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0})h(y)_{l_0,i_0}
$$
$$
\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle = A_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top f(x)_{l_0,j_0}f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top h(y)_{l_0,i_0}
$$

By substitute the two terms above into $\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}$, we completes the proof. $\square$

## C Gradient Lipschitz

In this section, we aim to prove the lipschitz property for the gradient of loss function defined in the previous section. In Section C.1, we adopt a result from previous section to reform the gradient with respect to $x$. In Section C.5, we reform the gradient with respect to $y$. In Section C.3, we prove the lipschitz property for several basic terms. In Section C.4, we prove the lipschitz property of gradient with respect to $x$. In Section C.5, we prove the lipschitz property of gradient with respect to $y$.

## C.1 Reformulating Gradient for $x$

**Lemma C.1.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be computed in Lemma B.6*

- *Let $A_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*

- *Let $f$ be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let $h$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $\alpha$ be defined in Definition 3.2*
- *Let $c$ be defined in Definition B.1*
- *Let $L$ be defined in Definition 3.4*

*Then, we have*

- 

$$\underbrace{\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x}}_{d^2 \times 1} = \underbrace{c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}^\top_{l_0,j_0}}_{d^2 \times n} (\underbrace{\mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0})}_{n \times n} - \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \underbrace{f(x)^\top_{l_0,j_0}}_{1 \times n}) \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}$$

*Proof.* This trivially follows from Lemma B.8 □

## C.2 Reformulating Gradient for $y$

**Lemma C.2.** *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}}$ be computed as in Lemma B.7.*

*For the case $i_1 = i_0$, we can rewrite $\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1}}$ as*

$$\underbrace{\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1}}}_{d \times 1} = \underbrace{A^\top_{l_0,3}}_{d \times n} \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \underbrace{c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}}$$

*For the case $i_1 \neq i_0$, then it's*

$$\underbrace{\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1}}}_{d \times 1} = \underbrace{\mathbf{0}_d}_{d \times 1}.$$

*Proof.*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1,i_2}} = c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, A_{l_0,3,i_2} \rangle$$
$$= A^\top_{l_0,3,i_2} f(x)_{l_0,j_0} c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

where the first step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma B.7, the second step follows from simple algebra.

Thus, we know

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}y_{i_1}} = A^\top_{l_0,3} f(x)_{l_0,j_0} c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

□

## C.3 Lipschitz for Some Basic Terms

**Lemma C.3.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*
- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy that $\|b\|_1 \leq 1$*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*

- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2 \leq R$ and $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \leq R$*

- $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$

- $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$

- $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$

- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*

- *Let $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.2*

- *Let $c(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition B.1*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.3*

*We have*

- *Part 0.* $\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x) \|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2)$

- *Part 1.* $\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \leq R \exp(R^2) \cdot \| x - y \|_2$

- *Part 2.* $|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \| \exp(Ax) - \exp(Ay) \|_2$

- *Part 3.* $|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(x) - \alpha(y)|$

- *Part 4.* $\| f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 \leq R_f \cdot \| x - y \|_2$

- *Part 5.* $\| c(x, z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(y, z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \|_2 \leq R^2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \| x - y \|_2$

- *Part 6.* $\| \mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - \mathrm{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}) \| \leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \| x - y \|_2$

- *Part 7.* $\| f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 \leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$

- *Part 8.* $f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0} \leq 2\beta^{-3} n^2 \exp(5R^2) \| x - y \|_2$

- *Part 9.* $\| (\mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) - (\mathrm{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) \| \leq 3\beta^{-2} n^2 \exp(5R^2) \| x - y \|_2$

- *Part 10.* $\| c(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \| \leq R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$

- *Part 11.* $\| c(x, z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) - c(y, z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\mathrm{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) \| \leq 6R\beta^{-3} \exp(7R^2) \| x - y \|_2$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 0.**

We can show that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x) \|_2 &\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x) \|_\infty \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_\infty) \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2) \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2),
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from **Part 4** of Fact A.3, the second step follows from **Part6** of Fact A.3, the third step follows from Fact A.3, and the last step follows from $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$ and $\| x \|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 1.** We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 &\leq \exp(R^2) \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \\
&\leq \exp(R^2) \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \| x - y \|_2 \\
&\leq R \exp(R^2) \| x - y \|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

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where the first step follows from **Part 10** of Fact A.3, the second step follows from **Part 4** of Fact A.4, the third step follows from $\| A_{l_0,j_0} \| \le R$.

**Proof of Part 2.**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}| &= |\langle \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \\
&\le \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

where the 1st step follows from the definition of $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the 2nd step follows from Cauchy-Schwarz inequality (**Part 1** of Fact A.3).

**Proof of Part 3.**

We can show that

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| &= \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}| \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}|
\end{aligned}
$$

where the 1st step follows from simple algebra, the 2nd step follows from $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0} \ge \beta$.

**Proof of Part 4.**

We can show that

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\| f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 \\
={}& \| \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \\
\le{}& \| \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 + \| \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \\
\le{}& \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 + |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \cdot \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the 1st step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ and $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the 2nd step follows from triangle inequality (**Part 3** of Fact A.4), the 3rd step follows from $\|\alpha A\| \le |\alpha| \|A\|$(**Part 5** of Fact A.4).

For the first term in the above, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 &\le \beta^{-1} \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-1} \cdot R \exp(R^2) \cdot \|x - y\|_2 \qquad (2)
\end{aligned}
$$

where the 1st step follows from $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} \ge \beta$, the 2nd step follows from **Part 1**.

For the second term in the above, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \cdot \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 &\le \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}| \cdot \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(y)_{l_0,j_0}| \cdot \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2) \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot \| \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} x) - \exp(A_{l_0,j_0} y) \|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2) \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot R \exp(R^2) \|x - y\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2) \\
&= \beta^{-2} \cdot n R \exp(2R^2) \|x - y\|_2 \qquad (3)
\end{aligned}
$$

where the 1st step follows from the result of **Part 3**, the 2nd step follows from **Part 0**, the 3rd step follows from the result of **Part 2**, the 4th step follows from **Part 1**, and the last step follows from simple algebra.

Combining Eq. (2) and Eq. (3) together, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\| f_{l_0,j_0}(x) - f_{l_0,j_0}(y) \|_2 &\le \beta^{-1} \cdot R \exp(R^2) \cdot \|x - y\|_2 + \beta^{-2} \cdot n R \exp(2R^2) \|x - y\|_2 \\
&\le 2\beta^{-2} n R \exp(2R^2) \|x - y\|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x - y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the 1st step follows from the bound of the first term and the second term, the 2nd step follows from $\beta^{-1} \ge 1$ and $n > 1$ trivially, the 3rd step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5.** We have

$$
\| c(x,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(y,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \|_2 = \| \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(z)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(y)_{l_0,j_0}, h(z)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \|_2
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
&= \|\langle (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}), h(z)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|_2 \\
&\leq \|h(z)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3} z_{i_0}\|_2 \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3} z_{i_0}\|_2 \cdot \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x-y\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\| \|z_{i_0}\|_2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x-y\|_2 \\
&\leq R \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x-y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the fifth step follows from **Part 4**, the sixth step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$ and $\|z_{i_0}\|_2 \leq R$.

Thus, we complete the proof.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\operatorname{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - \operatorname{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0})\| &= \|\operatorname{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0})\| \\
&\leq \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\|_\infty \\
&\leq \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x-y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the last step follows from **Part 4**.

**Proof of Part 7**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 &= \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\|_2 \|u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} \|\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle\|_2 \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} \|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_2 \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \\
&= \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle \geq \beta$, the fourth step follows from **Part 0**, the fifth step follows from Fact A.3, the sixth step follows from **Part 0**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8** For the simplicity of the proof, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_1 &:= f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top \\
C_2 &:= f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top
\end{aligned}
$$

Then it's obvious that

$$
\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top\| = \|C_1 + C_2\|
$$

Since $C_1$ and $C_2$ are similar, we only needs to bound $\|C_1\|$:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top\| &= \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0})^\top\| \\
&\leq \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2) \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x-y\|_2 \\
&= \beta^{-3} n^2 \exp(5R^2) \|x-y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the third step follows from **Part 7** and **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

Thus, we know

$$\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top\| \le 2\beta^{-3} n^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$

**Proof of Part 9**

$$\|(\text{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) - (\text{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top)\|$$
$$= \|(\text{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - \text{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}) + (f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top)\|$$
$$\le \|\text{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - \text{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}\| + \|f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(y)_{l_0,j_0}^\top - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top\|$$
$$\le \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|x - y\|_2 + 2\beta^{-3} n^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$
$$\le 3\beta^{-2} n^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the third step follows from **Part 6** and **Part 7**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 10**

$$\|c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\| = \|\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|$$
$$\le \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\le R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 7**.

**Proof of Part 11**

Let

$$d(x) := c(x,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$
$$e(x) := \text{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top$$

Then it's obvious that

$$\|d(x)e(x) - d(y)e(y)\|$$
$$= \|c(x,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\text{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) - c(y,z)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\text{diag}(f(y)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(y)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top)\|$$

Define

$$C_1 := d(x)e(x) - d(x)e(y)$$
$$C_2 := d(x)e(y) - d(y)e(y)$$

Thus, it's apparent that

$$\|d(x)e(x) - d(y)e(y)\| = \|C_1 + C_2\|$$

Since $C_1$ and $C_2$ are similar, we only need to bound $\|C_1\|$:

$$\|d(x)e(x) - d(x)e(y)\| = \|d(x)(e(x) - e(y))\|$$
$$\le \|d(x)\|\|e(x) - e(y)\|$$
$$\le R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2) 3\beta^{-2} n^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$
$$= 3R\beta^{-3} \exp(7R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the third step follows from **Part 10** and **Part 9**.

Thus, we have

$$\|d(x)e(x) - d(y)e(y)\| \le 6R\beta^{-3} \exp(7R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$

$\square$

**Lemma C.4.** *If the following conditions holds*

- $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$
- $\|x\|_2 \leq R$
- *Let $\beta$ be lower bound on $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$*

*Then we have*

$$\beta \geq \exp(-R^2)$$

*Proof.* We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle &\geq \max_{i \in [n]} \exp(-|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)_i|) \\
&\geq \exp(-\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_\infty) \\
&\geq \exp(-\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2) \\
&\geq \exp(-R^2)
\end{aligned}
$$

the 1st step follows from simple algebra, the 2nd step follows from definition of $\ell_\infty$ norm, the 3rd step follows from Fact A.3.

$\square$

## C.4 LIPSCHITZ FOR $\nabla L(x, :)$

**Lemma C.5.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*
- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}$*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}x\| \leq R$ and $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}y\| \leq R$*
- *$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*
- *Let $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.2*
- *Let $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition B.1*
- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.3*
- *Let $\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be computed as in Lemma C.1*
- *Let $L$ be defined as Definition B.3*

*Then we have*

$$\| \nabla L(x,y) - \nabla L(\widehat{x}, y) \| \leq 6mndR^2 \exp(10R^2) \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

*Proof.*

$$\| \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y) - \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\widehat{x}, y) \|$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
&= \| c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}^\top (\mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \\
&\quad - c(\widehat{x},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}^\top (\mathrm{diag}(f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}) - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0} f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^\top) h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \| \\
&\leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}^\top \| \| h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \| \\
&\quad \| c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) - c(\widehat{x},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\mathrm{diag}(f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}) - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0} f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^\top) \| \\
&\leq R \| c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\mathrm{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0}) - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) - c(\widehat{x},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\mathrm{diag}(f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}) - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0} f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^\top) \| \\
&\leq 6R^2 \beta^{-3} \exp(7R^2) \| x - \widehat{x} \|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}^\top \| \leq R$ and $\| h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \| = \mathsf{A}_{l_0,3} \, y_{i_0} \leq R$, the fourth step follows from **Part 10** of Lemma C.3.

Thus, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\nabla L(x,y) - \nabla L(\widehat{x},y)| &= \| \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} (\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y) - \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\widehat{x},y)) \| \\
&\leq \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} \| \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,y) - \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\widehat{x},y) \| \\
&\leq \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} 6R^2 \beta^{-3} \exp(7R^2) \| x - \widehat{x} \|_2 \\
&= 6mnd R^2 \beta^{-3} \exp(7R^2) \| x - \widehat{x} \|_2 \\
&\leq 6mnd R^2 \exp(10R^2) \| x - \widehat{x} \|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the third step follows from the lipschitz of $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from plugging $\beta$ from Lemma C.4. $\qquad\square$

## C.5 LIPSCHITZ FOR $\nabla L(y)$

**Lemma C.6.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*
- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy that $\|b\|_1 \leq 1$*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2 \leq R$ and $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*
- *Let $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.2*
- *Let $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition B.1*
- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.3*

*Then we have*

$$
\| \nabla L(:,y) - \nabla(:,\widehat{y}) \| \leq R^2 n^2 md \exp(6R^2) \| y - \widehat{y} \|_2
$$

*Proof.*

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,y) - \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,\widehat{y})\| &= \|A_{l_0,3}^\top f(:)_{l_0,j_0} c(:,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - A_{l_0,3}^\top f(:)_{l_0,j_0} c(:,\widehat{y})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\| \\
&= \|A_{l_0,3}^\top f(:)_{l_0,j_0}(c(:,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(:,\widehat{y})_{l_0,j_0,i_0})\| \\
&\leq \|A_{l_0,3}\|\|f(:)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 |c(:,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(:,\widehat{y})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \\
&\leq R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)|c(:,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(:,\widehat{y})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \\
&= R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)|\langle f(:)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(:)_{l_0,j_0}, h(\widehat{y})_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| \\
&= R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)|f(:)_{l_0,j_0}^\top(h(y)_{l_0,i_0} - h(\widehat{y})_{l_0,i_0})| \\
&\leq R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)\|f(:)_{l_0,j_0}^\top\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0} - h(\widehat{y})_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq R\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0} - h(\widehat{y})_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&= R\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|A_{l_0,3} y - A_{l_0,3}\widehat{y}\|_2 \\
&= R\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|A_{l_0,3}(y - \widehat{y})\|_2 \\
&\leq R\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|A_{l_0,3}\|\|y - \widehat{y}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^2\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|y - \widehat{y}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from Lemma C.2, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma C.3 and $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$, the fifth step follows from the definition of $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the sixth step follows from simple algebra, the seventh step follows from Fact A.3, the eighth step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma C.3, the ninth step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the tenth step follows from simple algebra, the eleventh step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$.

Thus, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\nabla L(:,y) - \nabla(:,\widehat{y})\| &= \|\sum_{l_0=1}^m \sum_{j_0=1}^n \sum_{i_0=1}^d (\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,y) - \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,\widehat{y}))\| \\
&\leq \sum_{l_0=1}^m \sum_{j_0=1}^n \sum_{i_0=1}^d \|\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,y) - \nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,\widehat{y})\| \\
&\leq \sum_{l_0=1}^m \sum_{j_0=1}^n \sum_{i_0=1}^d R^2\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|y - \widehat{y}\|_2 \\
&= R^2 nmd\beta^{-2} n \exp(4R^2)\|y - \widehat{y}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^2 n^2 md \exp(6R^2)\|y - \widehat{y}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from the lipschitz of $\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,x)$, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from Lemma C.4. $\qquad\square$

# D GRADIENT FOR $Q$

In Section D.1, we define the basic definitions and problems to be used in this section. In Section D.2, we compute the gradient with respect to $Q$ step by step. In Section D.3, we reform the gradient in a way that is easy for us to prove its lipschitz property. In Section D.4, we prove the lipschitz property for several basic terms. In Section D.5, we state some intermediate steps for proving the lipschitz of gradient. In Section D.6, we prove the lipschitz property of the gradient with respect to $Q$.

## D.1 DEFINITIONS

**Definition D.1.** *Let $A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} = A_{l_0,1} \otimes A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$ denote the $j_0$-th block of $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$.*

*For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$.*

*We define $u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ as follows*

$$\underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \exp(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1})$$

**Definition D.2.** *For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$.*

*We define $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows*

$$\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{\text{scalar}} := \langle \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle.$$

**Definition D.3.** *Let $A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} = A_{l_0,1} \otimes A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$ denote the $j_0$-th block of $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$.*

*We define $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} : \mathbb{R}^{d^2} \to \mathbb{R}^n$,*

$$\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{\text{scalar}} \cdot \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}$$

**Definition D.4.** *We define $c(Q, y)_{j_0, i_0} \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows*

$$\underbrace{c(Q, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}} := \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \underbrace{b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}}$$

**Definition D.5.** *For each $l_0 \in [m]$, $j_0 \in [n]$, $i_0 \in [d]$. We define $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ as follows*

$$\underbrace{L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q, y)}_{\text{scalar}} := 0.5 \underbrace{c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q, y)^2}_{\text{scalar}}$$

**Definition D.6.** *The final loss is*

$$\underbrace{L(Q, y)}_{\text{scalar}} := \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} \underbrace{L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q, y)}_{\text{scalar}}.$$

**Definition D.7.** *We define the diagonal matrix $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$ as:*

$$\underbrace{D(Q)}_{n^2 \times n^2} = \mathrm{diag}(\exp(\underbrace{A_1}_{n^2 \times d} \underbrace{Q}_{d \times L} \underbrace{K^\top}_{L \times d} A_2^\top)\mathbf{1}_n)$$

We give our formal definition of the optimization formulation

**Definition D.8.** *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. We define the optimization formulation as the following:*

$$\min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(Q) = \min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \|D(Q)^{-1} \exp(A_1 Q K^\top A_2^\top) A_3 Y - B\|_F^2$$

**Definition D.9.** *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A} = A_1 \otimes A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $D'(Q) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$ denote the diagonal matrix $D'(Q) := D(Q) \otimes I_n$. We define the vector version of optimization formulation as the following:*

$$\min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(Q) = \min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \|\mathrm{mat}(D'(Q)^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A} \cdot \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top))) A_3 Y - B\|_2^2$$

## D.2 GRADIENT

**Lemma D.10.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $Q_{i_2,k_2}$ denote the $i_2$-the row and $k_2$-th column of $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times L}$*

*Then, we have*

- *Part 1. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \mathrm{vec}(\underbrace{e_{i_2}}_{d \times 1} \underbrace{e_{k_2}^\top}_{1 \times L} \underbrace{K^\top}_{L \times d})$$

- *Part 2. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}$$

- *Part 3. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ \underbrace{(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))}_{n \times 1}$$

- *Part 4. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \langle \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1} \rangle$$

- *Part 5. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = -\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1} \rangle$$

- *Part 6. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ \underbrace{(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))}_{d^2 \times 1} - \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1} \rangle \rangle$$

- *Part 7. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ \underbrace{(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1} \rangle$$

- *Part 8. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= \underbrace{c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)}_{scalar}$$
$$(\langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ \underbrace{(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1} \rangle)$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \mathrm{vec}(\frac{\mathrm{d}Q}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}K^\top)$$

$$= \mathrm{vec}(\underbrace{e_{i_2}}_{d\times 1}\underbrace{e_{k_2}^\top}_{1\times L}\underbrace{K^\top}_{L\times d})$$

where the first step simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 2.** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(\frac{\mathrm{d}Q}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}K^\top)$$

$$= \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}$$

where the first step chain rule and the second step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3.** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}})$$

$$= \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\circ(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}))$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u$ and the second step follows from chain rule and **Part 2.**

**Proof of Part 4** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle.}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= \langle\frac{\mathrm{d}u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle$$

$$= \langle\underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\circ(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1})), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle$$

$$= \langle\underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 3**.

**Proof of Part 5** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = -\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= -\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}\langle\underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}\rangle$$

$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\langle\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 4**, the third step follows from simple algebra and Fact A.1.

**Proof of Part 6** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} + \frac{\mathrm{d}u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}
$$

$$
= -\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\rangle}_{d^2 \times 1} + \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))}_{d^2 \times 1} \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}
$$

$$
= \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))}_{d^2 \times 1} - \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\rangle}_{d^2 \times 1}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the third step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 5**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 7** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle
$$

$$
= \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}^\top}_{1 \times n} (\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))}_{d^2 \times 1} - \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))\rangle}_{d^2 \times 1})
$$

$$
= \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle - \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\rangle}_{d^2 \times 1}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ is a constant, the third step follows from only $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ is dependent on $Q$, the fourth step follows from **Part 6**,the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}0.5c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)^2}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y) \frac{\mathrm{d}c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \underbrace{c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)}_{scalar} (\langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle - \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle \underbrace{\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\rangle}_{d^2 \times 1})
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 7**. $\qquad\square$

### D.3 Reformulating Gradient

**Lemma D.11.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.3*

- *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ be compute as* **Part 8** *of Lemma D.10*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)$*

*then $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be rewrite as*

$$c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)(\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle)$$

*Proof.* The proof trivially follows from Fact A.1. □

## D.4 LIPSCHITZ OF SEVERAL TERMS

**Lemma D.12.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*

- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy that $\|b\|_1 \leq 1$*

- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*

- *Let $R \geq 4$*

- *Let $\|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2 \leq R$*

- *$\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$*

- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*

- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*

- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*

- *Let $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.2*

- *Let $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition D.4*

- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.3*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)) h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2)$*

- *Part 2. $\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$*

- *Part 3. $|c(Q,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$*

- *Part 4. $\|v_2\|_2 \leq R^2$*

- *Part 5. $\|v_3\|_2 \leq R^2$*

- *Part 6. $\|v_1\|_2 \leq R^4$*

- *Part 7. $|(\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle)| \leq \beta^{-1} n^2 R^4 \exp(6R^2)$*

- *Part 8. $\beta \geq \exp(-R^2)$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_\infty$$

$$\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_\infty)$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2)$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2)$$

**Proof of Part 2**

$$\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\|_2 \|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}\sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$, the fourth step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$\|c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\| = \|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|$$
$$\leq \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R\beta^{-1}n \exp(2R^2)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 2**.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 = \|A_{l_0,3}y_{i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \|A_{l_0,3}\|\|y_{i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the third step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\|$ and $\|y_{i_0}\|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 5**

$$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2 \leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \|\| \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.4, the second step follows from $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$ and Fact A.5.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$\|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_\infty \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^4$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.3, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 5**.

**Proof of Part 7**

$$|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\rangle|$$
$$\leq |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| + |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\rangle|$$
$$\leq \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}n \exp(2R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \beta^{-2}n^2 \exp(4R^2)\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}n \exp(2R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \beta^{-2}n^2 \exp(4R^2)\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}n \exp(2R^2)R^4 + \beta^{-2}n^2 \exp(4R^2)R^4$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}n^2 R^4 \exp(6R^2)$$

where the first step follows from triangle inequality, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 2**, the fourth step follows from Fact A.3, the fifth step follows from **Part 5** and **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8** We have

$$
\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \max_{i \in [n]} \exp(-|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))_i|)
$$
$$
\geq \exp(-\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_\infty)
$$
$$
\geq \exp(-\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2)
$$
$$
\geq \exp(-R^2)
$$

where the 1st step follows from simple algebra, the 2nd step follows from definition of $\ell_\infty$ norm, the 3rd step follows from Fact A.3. $\qquad\square$

**Lemma D.13.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*
- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy that $\|b\|_1 \leq 1$*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $\| \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*
- *Let $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.2*
- *Let $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition D.4*
- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.3*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2 \leq R^2 \exp(R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*
- *Part 2. $|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n}$*
- *Part 3. $|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}|$*
- *Part 4. $\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*
- *Part 5. $\|c(Q,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{Q},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq R^2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_2$*

*Note that $\|Q\|_F = (\sum_i \sum_j Q_{i,j}^2)^{1/2} = \| \operatorname{vec}(Q)\|_2$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.**

$$
\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2 \leq \exp(R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)\|_2
$$
$$
\leq \exp(R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \|\| \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)\|_2
$$
$$
= \exp(R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \|\|QK^\top - \widehat{Q}K^\top\|_F
$$
$$
\leq \exp(R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \|\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F\|K\|_F
$$

$$\leq R^2 \exp(R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

**Proof of Part 2.**

$$|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}| = |\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|$$

$$\leq \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n}$$

**Proof of Part 3.**

$$|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| = \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}|$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}|$$

**Proof of Part 4.** We can show that

$$\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$\leq \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$+ \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)) - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$\leq \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$+ |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

where the 1st step follows from the definition of $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ and $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the 2nd step follows from triangle inequality (**Part 3** of Fact A.3), the 3rd step follows from $\|\alpha A\| \leq |\alpha|\|A\|$(**Part 5** of Fact A.4).

For the first term in the above, we have

$$\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2 \tag{4}$$

$$\leq \beta^{-1}\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$\leq \beta^{-1} \cdot R^2 \exp(R^2) \cdot \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \tag{5}$$

where the 1st step follows from $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$, the 2nd step follows from **Part 1**.

For the second term in the above, we have

$$|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}| \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}| \cdot \sqrt{n}\exp(R^2)$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \text{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top))\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n}\exp(R^2)$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot R^2 \exp(R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \cdot \sqrt{n}\exp(R^2)$$

$$= \beta^{-2} \cdot nR^2 \exp(2R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \tag{6}$$

where the 1st step follows from the result of **Part 3**, the 2nd step follows from **Part 1** of Lemma D.12, the 3rd step follows from the result of **Part 2**, the 4th step follows from **Part 1**, and the last step follows from simple algebra.

Combining Eq. (4) and Eq. (6) together, we have

$$\|f_{l_0,j_0}(Q) - f_{l_0,j_0}(\widehat{Q})\|_2 \leq \beta^{-1} \cdot R^2 \exp(R^2) \cdot \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F + \beta^{-2} \cdot nR^2 \exp(2R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

$$\leq 2\beta^{-2}nR^2 \exp(2R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2}n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the 1st step follows from the bound of the first term and the second term, the 2nd step follows from $\beta^{-1} \geq 1$ and $n > 1$ trivially, the 3rd step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5.**

$$\|c(Q,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{Q},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 = \|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|_2$$

$$= \|\langle (f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}), h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|_2$$
$$\leq \|h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\, y_{i_0}\|_2 \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\, y_{i_0}\|_2 \cdot \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$
$$\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\|\|y_{i_0}\|_2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$
$$\leq R\beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the fifth step follows from **Part 4**, the sixth step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$ and $\|z_{i_0}\|_2 \leq R$ □

### D.5 SUMMARY OF 3 STEPS

**Lemma D.14.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.3*

- *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ be compute as* **Part 8** *of Lemma D.10*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)$*

*Then we have*

- $|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| \leq \beta^{-2} n R^4 \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$

- $|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle \quad - \quad \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle| \quad \leq$ $2\beta^{-3} n \exp(2R^2) R^6 n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$

- $|\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\widehat{Q},:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}| \leq \beta^{-3} n^3 R^7 \exp(19R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.**

$$|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| = |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle|$$
$$\leq \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_1\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} n R^4 \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma D.13, the fourth step follows from **Part 6** of Lemma D.12.

**Proof of Part 2.** For convenience, we define

$$C_1 := \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle$$
$$C_2 := \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle$$

Then it's apparent that

$$|C_1 + C_2| = |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|$$

Since $C_1$ and $C_2$ are similar, we only need to bound $|C_1|$:

$$|C_1| = |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
&= |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle(\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle)| \\
&\le |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle||\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle| \\
&= |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle||\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle| \\
&\le \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_3\|_2 \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_2\|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)\|v_3\|_2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \|v_2\|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-3} n^2 R^6 \exp(5R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from triangular inequality, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the fifth step follows from Fact A.3, the sixth step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma D.13, the last step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 5** of Lemma D.12.

Thus, we obtained the bound for $|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|$:

$$
|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle| \le 2\beta^{-3} n^2 R^6 \exp(5R^2)\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F
$$

**Proof of Part 3** By Lemma D.11, we know that $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be written as

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y)(\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)
$$

For convenience, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
s(Q) &:= c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,y) \\
t(Q) &:= (\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be rewrite as

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = s(Q)t(Q)
$$

Then the lipschitz of $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be expressed as

$$
|\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\widehat{Q},:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}| = |s(Q)t(Q) - s(\widehat{Q})t(\widehat{Q})|
$$

Use the same techinque in the proof of **Part 2**, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_1 &:= s(Q)t(Q) - s(Q)t(\widehat{Q}) \\
C_2 &:= s(Q)t(\widehat{Q}) - s(\widehat{Q})t(\widehat{Q})
\end{aligned}
$$

Then it's apparent that

$$
|s(Q)t(Q) - s(\widehat{Q})t(\widehat{Q})| = |C_1 + C_2|
$$

First, we upper bound $|C_1|$ as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|C_1| &= |s(Q)t(Q) - s(Q)t(\widehat{Q})| \\
&= |s(Q)(t(Q) - t(\widehat{Q}))| \\
&\le |s(Q)||t(Q) - t(\widehat{Q})| \\
&= |s(Q)||(\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle) - (\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)| \\
&= |s(Q)||(\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle) + (\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)|
\end{aligned}
$$

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$$\leq |s(Q)|(|\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| + |\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|)$$

$$\leq |s(Q)|(\beta^{-2}nR^4\exp(3R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F\| + 2\beta^{-3}n^2R^6\exp(5R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F)$$

$$\leq |s(Q)| \cdot \beta^{-2}n^2R^6\exp(8R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F$$

$$\leq \beta^{-3}n^3R^7\exp(10R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from the definition of $t(Q)$, the fifth step follows from simple algebra, the sixth step follows from triangular inequality, the seventh step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 4** the last step follows from **Part 3** of Lemma D.12.

Next, we upper bound $|C_2|$:

$$\begin{aligned}|C_2| &= |s(Q)t(\widehat{Q}) - s(\widehat{Q})t(\widehat{Q})| \\ &= |(s(Q) - s(\widehat{Q}))t(\widehat{Q})| \\ &\leq |s(Q) - s(\widehat{Q})||t(\widehat{Q}| \\ &\leq R^2\beta^{-2}n\exp(3R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F|t(\widehat{Q}| \\ &\leq R^6\beta^{-3}n^3\exp(9R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_2$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from simple algebra, the fourth step follows from **Part 5** of Lemma D.13, the last step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma D.12.

Thus, we can obtain the upper bound for $|s(Q)t(Q) - s(\widehat{Q})t(\widehat{Q})|$:

$$\begin{aligned}|s(Q)t(Q) - s(\widehat{Q})t(\widehat{Q})| &= |C_1 + C_2| \\ &\leq \beta^{-3}n^3R^7\exp(10R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F + R^6\beta^{-3}n^3\exp(9R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F \\ &\leq \beta^{-3}n^3R^7\exp(19R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from the upper bound of $|C_1|$ and $|C_2|$, the last step follows from simple algebra. $\qquad\square$

### D.6 Lipschitz of $\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)$

**Lemma D.15.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.3*

- *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ be compute as* **Part 8** *of Lemma D.10*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)$*

*Then we have*

$$\|\frac{\mathrm{d}L(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(Q)} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L(\widehat{Q},:)}{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(Q)}\|_2 \leq dLn^3R^7\exp(22R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F$$

*Proof.*

$$\begin{aligned}\|\frac{\mathrm{d}L(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(Q)} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L(\widehat{Q},:)}{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(Q)}\|_2 &\leq \sum_{i_2=1}^d \sum_{k_2=1}^L |\frac{\mathrm{d}L(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\big|_{Q=Q} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L(Q,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\big|_{Q=\widehat{Q}}| \\ &\leq \sum_{i_2=1}^d \sum_{k_2=1}^L \beta^{-3}n^3R^7\exp(19R^2)\|Q-\widehat{Q}\|_F\end{aligned}$$

$$= \beta^{-3} d L n^3 R^7 \exp(19R^2) \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$
$$\leq d L n^3 R^7 \exp(22R^2) \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.3, the second step follows from **Part 3** of Lemma D.14, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from **Part 8** of Lemma D.12.  $\square$

# E  GRADIENT FOR $K$

In Section E.1, we define the basic definitions and problems to be used in this section. In Section E.2, we compute the gradient with respect to $K$ step by step. In Section E.3, we reform the gradient in a way that is easy for us to prove its lipschitz property. In Section E.5, we prove the lipschitz property for several basic terms. In Section E.6, we state some intermediate steps for proving the lipschitz of gradient. In Section E.7, we prove the lipschitz property of the gradient with respect to $K$.

## E.1  DEFINITIONS

**Definition E.1.** *Let $A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} = A_{l_0,1} \otimes A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$ denote the $j_0$-th block of $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$.*

*For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$.*

*We define $u(K)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ as follows*

$$u(K)_{l_0,j_0} := \exp(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1})$$

**Definition E.2.** *For each $l_0 \in [m]$, for each $j_0 \in [n]$.*

*We define $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows*

$$\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} := \langle u(K)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle.$$

**Definition E.3.** *Let $A_{l_0,1}, A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} = A_{l_0,1} \otimes A_{l_0,2} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$ denote the $j_0$-th block of $\mathsf{A}_{l_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$.*

*We define $f(K)_{l_0,j_0} : \mathbb{R}^{d^2} \to \mathbb{R}^n$,*

$$f(K)_{l_0,j_0} := \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$$

**Definition E.4.** *We define $c(K, y)_{j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}$ as follows*

$$c(K, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

**Definition E.5.** *For each $l_0 \in [m]$, $j_0 \in [n]$, $i_0 \in [d]$. We define $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ as follows*

$$L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K, y) := 0.5 c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K, y)^2$$

**Definition E.6.** *The final loss is*

$$L(K, y) := \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K, y).$$

**Definition E.7.** *We define the diagonal matrix $D \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$ as:*

$$D(K) = \mathrm{diag}(\exp(A_1 Q K^\top A_2^\top) \mathbf{1}_n)$$

We give our formal definition of the optimization formulation

**Definition E.8.** *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. We define the optimization formulation as the following:*

$$\min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(Q) = \min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \| D(Q)^{-1} \exp(A_1 Q K^\top A_2^\top) A_3 Y - B \|_F^2$$

**Definition E.9.** *Let $A_1, A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d}$. Let $\mathsf{A} = A_1 \otimes A_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times d^2}$. Let $D'(Q) \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}$ denote the diagonal matrix $D'(Q) := D(Q) \otimes I_n$. We define the vector version of optimization formulation as the following:*

$$\min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} L(Q) = \min_{Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d}} \| \mathrm{mat}(D'(Q)^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A} \cdot \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top))) A_3 Y - B \|_2^2$$

### E.2 GRADIENT

**Lemma E.10.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $K_{i_2,k_2}$ denote the $i_2$-the row and $k_2$-th column of $Q \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times L}$*

*Then, we have*

- *Part 1. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \mathrm{vec}(\underbrace{Q}_{d \times L}\underbrace{e_{k_2}}_{L \times 1}\underbrace{e_{i_2}^\top}_{1 \times d})$$

- *Part 2. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}$$

- *Part 3. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ \underbrace{(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top))}_{n \times 1}$$

- *Part 4. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \langle\underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}\rangle$$

- *Part 5. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = -\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}\rangle$$

- *Part 6. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}) - \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}\langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1})\rangle$$

- *Part 7. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= \langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle - \langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle\langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}\rangle$$

- *Part 8. For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= \underbrace{c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)}_{scalar}$$
$$(\langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle - \langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1}\rangle\langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}\rangle)$$

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*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \mathrm{vec}(Q(\frac{\mathrm{d}K}{K_{i_2,k_2}})^\top)$$

$$= \mathrm{vec}(\underbrace{Q}_{d\times L}\ \underbrace{e_{k_2}}_{L\times 1}\ \underbrace{e_{i_2}^\top}_{1\times d})$$

where the first step simple algebra

**Proof of Part 2.** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(\frac{\mathrm{d}Q}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}K^\top)$$

$$= \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\ \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}$$

where the first step chain rule and the second step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3.** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}})$$

$$= \underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\circ(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1})$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u$ and the second step follows from chain rule and **Part 2.**

**Proof of Part 4** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle u(K)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle.}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= \langle\frac{\mathrm{d}u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle$$

$$= \langle\underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\circ(\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}), \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

$$= \langle\underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 3**.

**Proof of Part 5** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = -\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar}\langle\underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}\rangle$$

$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\langle\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 4**, the third step follows from simple algebra and Fact A.1.

**Proof of Part 6** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\cdot u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} u(K)_{l_0,j_0} + \frac{\mathrm{d}u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}
$$

$$
= -\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} \rangle + \underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar})
$$

$$
= \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}) - \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} \rangle
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the third step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 5**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 7** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}c(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle
$$

$$
= \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}^\top}_{1\times n} (\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}) - \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} \rangle)
$$

$$
= \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1} \rangle - \underbrace{\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1} \rangle \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} \rangle
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ is a constant, the third step follows from only $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ is dependent on $Q$, the fourth step follows from **Part 6**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8** For each $i_2 \in [d]$ and $k_2 \in [L]$,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}0.5c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)^2}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y) \frac{\mathrm{d}c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \underbrace{c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)}_{scalar} (\langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \circ (\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}), \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1} \rangle - \underbrace{\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1} \rangle \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} \rangle)
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 7**. $\square$

### E.3 REFORMULATING GRADIENT

**Lemma E.11.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition E.3*

- *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(:,K)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ be compute as* **Part 8** *of Lemma E.10*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)$*

*then $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,K)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be rewrite as*

$$c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(x,K)(\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle)$$

*Proof.* The proof trivially follows from Fact A.1. □

### E.4 LIPSCHITZ OF SEVERAL TERMS

**Lemma E.12.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*
- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy that $\|b\|_1 \leq 1$*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $\|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*
- *Let $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition E.2*
- *Let $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition E.4*
- *Let $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition E.3*
- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)) h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*
- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*
- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2)$*
- *Part 2. $\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$*
- *Part 3. $|c(:,K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$*
- *Part 4. $\|v_2\|_2 \leq R^2$*
- *Part 5. $\|v_3\|_2 \leq R^2$*
- *Part 6. $\|v_1\|_2 \leq R^4$*
- *Part 7. $|(\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle)| \leq \beta^{-1} n^2 R^4 \exp(6R^2)$*
- *Part 8. $\beta \geq \exp(-R^2)$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_\infty$$

$$\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_\infty)$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2)$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2)$$

**Proof of Part 2**

$$\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot u(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\|_2 \|u(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1}\sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$, the fourth step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$\|c(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\| = \|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle\|$$
$$\leq \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R\beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 2**.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 = \|A_{l_0,3} y_{i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \|A_{l_0,3}\| \|y_{i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the third step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\|$ and $\|y_{i_0}\|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 5**

$$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2 \leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \| \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.4, the second step follows from $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$ and Fact A.5.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$\|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_\infty \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^4$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.3, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 5**.

**Proof of Part 7**

$$|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top))h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top) \rangle|$$
$$\leq |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top))h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| + |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top) \rangle|$$
$$\leq \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \beta^{-2} n^2 \exp(4R^2)\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \beta^{-2} n^2 \exp(4R^2)\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)R^4 + \beta^{-2} n^2 \exp(4R^2)R^4$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} n^2 R^4 \exp(6R^2)$$

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where the first step follows from triangle inequality, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 2**, the fourth step follows from Fact A.3, the fifth step follows from **Part 5** and **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8** We have

$$
\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \max_{i \in [n]} \exp(-|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top))_i|)
$$
$$
\geq \exp(-\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_\infty)
$$
$$
\geq \exp(-\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2)
$$
$$
\geq \exp(-R^2)
$$

where the 1st step follows from simple algebra, the 2nd step follows from definition of $\ell_\infty$ norm, the 3rd step follows from Fact A.3. □

### E.5 LIPSCHITZ FOR SEVERAL BASIC TERMS

**Lemma E.13.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$*
- *Let $b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfy that $\|b\|_1 \leq 1$*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $\|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *$\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *Let $R_f := \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)$*
- *Let $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.2*
- *Let $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition D.4*
- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition D.3*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2 \leq R^2 \exp(R^2) \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*
- *Part 2. $|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n}$*
- *Part 3. $|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}|$*
- *Part 4. $\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*
- *Part 5. $\|c(K,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{K},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq R^2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|K - \widehat{K}\|_2$*

*Note that $\|K\|_F = (\sum_i \sum_j K_{i,j}^2)^{1/2} = \|\operatorname{vec}(K)\|_2$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.**

$$
\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2 \leq \exp(R^2) \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top)\|_2
$$
$$
\leq \exp(R^2) \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top)\|_2
$$

$$= \exp(R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \|\|QK^\top - Q\widehat{K}^\top\|_F$$
$$\leq \exp(R^2)\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \|\|Q\|_F\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$
$$\leq R^2 \exp(R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

**Proof of Part 2.**

$$|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| = |\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top)), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle|$$
$$\leq \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n}$$

**Proof of Part 3.**

$$|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| = \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}|$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}|$$

**Proof of Part 4.** We can show that

$$\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$+ \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top)) - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$+ |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$

where the 1st step follows from the definition of $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ and $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the 2nd step follows from triangle inequality (**Part 3** of Fact A.3), the 3rd step follows from $\|\alpha A\| \leq |\alpha|\|A\|$(**Part 5** of Fact A.4).

For the first term in the above, we have

$$\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2 \tag{7}$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} \cdot R^2 \exp(R^2) \cdot \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \tag{8}$$

where the 1st step follows from $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$, the 2nd step follows from **Part 1**.

For the second term in the above, we have

$$|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| \cdot \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2)$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot \| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)) - \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top))\|_2 \cdot \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2)$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot R^2 \exp(R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \cdot \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2)$$
$$= \beta^{-2} \cdot nR^2 \exp(2R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \tag{9}$$

where the 1st step follows from the result of **Part 3**, the 2nd step follows from **Part 1** of Lemma D.12, the 3rd step follows from the result of **Part 2**, the 4th step follows from **Part 1**, and the last step follows from simple algebra.

Combining Eq. (7) and Eq. (9) together, we have

$$\|f_{l_0,j_0}(K) - f_{l_0,j_0}(\widehat{K})\|_2 \leq \beta^{-1} \cdot R^2 \exp(R^2) \cdot \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F + \beta^{-2} \cdot nR^2 \exp(2R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$
$$\leq 2\beta^{-2}nR^2 \exp(2R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2}n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

where the 1st step follows from the bound of the first term and the second term, the 2nd step follows from $\beta^{-1} \geq 1$ and $n > 1$ trivially, the 3rd step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5.**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|c(K,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{K},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 &= \|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|_2 \\
&= \|\langle (f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}), h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\|_2 \\
&\leq \|h(:)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\, y_{i_0}\|_2 \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\, y_{i_0}\|_2 \cdot \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,3}\| \|y_{i_0}\|_2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \\
&\leq R\beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the fifth step follows from **Part 4**, the sixth step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$ and $\|z_{i_0}\|_2 \leq R$ $\qquad\square$

### E.6 SUMMARY OF 3 STEPS

**Lemma E.14.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition E.3*

- *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$ be compute as* **Part 8** *of Lemma E.10*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)$*

*Then we have*

- $|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| \leq \beta^{-2} n R^4 \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$

- $|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle| \leq 2\beta^{-3} n \exp(2R^2) R^6 n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$

- $|\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}\big|_{K=K} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}\big|_{K=\widehat{K}}| \leq \beta^{-3} n^3 R^7 \exp(19R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| &= |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| \\
&\leq \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_1\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \|(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} n R^4 \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma E.13, the fourth step follows from **Part 6** of Lemma D.12.

**Proof of Part 2.** For convenience, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_1 &:= \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle \\
C_2 &:= \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

Then it's apparent that

$$|C_1 + C_2| = |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|$$

Since $C_1$ and $C_2$ are similar, we only need to bound $|C_1|$:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|C_1| &= |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle| \\
&= |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle(\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle)| \\
&\leq |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle||\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle| \\
&= |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle||\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle| \\
&\leq \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|v_3\|_2\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|v_2\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-1}n\exp(2R^2)\|v_3\|_2\beta^{-2}n\exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F\|v_2\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-3}n^2R^6\exp(5R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from triangular inequality, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the fifth step follows from Fact A.3, the sixth step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma E.13, the last step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 5** of Lemma E.12.

Thus, we obtained the bound for $|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|$:

$$|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle| \leq 2\beta^{-3}n^2R^6\exp(5R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

**Proof of Part 3** By Lemma E.11, we know that $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be written as

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y)(\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)$$

For convenience, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
s(K) &: = c_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,y) \\
t(K) &: = (\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be rewrite as

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = s(K)t(K)$$

Then the lipschitz of $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$ can be expressed as

$$|\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\widehat{K},:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}| = |s(K)t(K) - s(\widehat{K})t(\widehat{K})|$$

Use the same techinque in the proof of **Part 2**, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_1 &: = s(K)t(K) - s(K)t(\widehat{K}) \\
C_2 &: = s(K)t(\widehat{K}) - s(\widehat{K})t(\widehat{K})
\end{aligned}
$$

Then it's apparent that

$$|s(K)t(K) - s(\widehat{K})t(\widehat{K})| = |C_1 + C_2|$$

First, we upper bound $|C_1|$ as follows:

$$|C_1|$$

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$$= |s(K)t(K) - s(K)t(\widehat{K})|$$

$$= |s(K)(t(K) - t(\widehat{K}))|$$

$$\leq |s(K)||t(K) - t(\widehat{K})|$$

$$= |s(K)||(\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle) - (\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)|$$

$$= |s(K)||(\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle) + (\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)|$$

$$\leq |s(K)|(|\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| + |\langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle \langle f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle - \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|)$$

$$\leq |s(K)|(\beta^{-2} n R^4 \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F\| + 2\beta^{-3} n^2 R^6 \exp(5R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F)$$

$$\leq |s(K)| \cdot \beta^{-2} n^2 R^6 \exp(8R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

$$\leq \beta^{-3} n^3 R^7 \exp(10R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from the definition of $t(K)$, the fifth step follows from simple algebra, the sixth step follows from triangular inequality, the seventh step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 4** the last step follows from **Part 3** of Lemma D.12.

Next, we upper bound $|C_2|$:

$$|C_2| = |s(K)t(\widehat{K}) - s(\widehat{K})t(\widehat{K})|$$

$$= |(s(K) - s(\widehat{K}))t(\widehat{K})|$$

$$\leq |s(K) - s(\widehat{K})||t(\widehat{K}|$$

$$\leq R^2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F |t(\widehat{K}|$$

$$\leq R^6 \beta^{-3} n^3 \exp(9R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_2$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from simple algebra, the fourth step follows from **Part 5** of Lemma E.13, the last step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma E.12.

Thus, we can obtain the upper bound for $|s(K)t(K) - s(\widehat{K})t(\widehat{K})|$:

$$|s(K)t(K) - s(\widehat{K})t(\widehat{K})| = |C_1 + C_2|$$

$$\leq \beta^{-3} n^3 R^7 \exp(10R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F + R^6 \beta^{-3} n^3 \exp(9R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

$$\leq \beta^{-3} n^3 R^7 \exp(19R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from the upper bound of $|C_1|$ and $|C_2|$, the last step follows from simple algebra. $\square$

### E.7 LIPSCHITZ OF $\nabla L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)$

**Lemma E.15.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined as Definition E.3*

- *Let $\frac{\mathrm{d}L_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$ be compute as* **Part 8** *of Lemma E.10*

- *Let $v_1 := (\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)) \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*

- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)$*

*Then we have*

$$\|\frac{\mathrm{d}L(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}\operatorname{vec}(K)} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L(\widehat{K},:)}{\mathrm{d}\operatorname{vec}(K)}\|_2 \leq dLn^3 R^7 \exp(22R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

*Proof.*

$$\|\frac{\mathrm{d}L(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}\operatorname{vec}(K)} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L(\widehat{K},:)}{\mathrm{d}\operatorname{vec}(K)}\|_2 \le \sum_{i_2=1}^{d}\sum_{k_2=1}^{L} |\frac{\mathrm{d}L(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}\Big|_{K=K} - \frac{\mathrm{d}L(K,:)}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}\Big|_{K=\widehat{K}}|$$

$$\le \sum_{i_2=1}^{d}\sum_{k_2=1}^{L} \beta^{-3}n^3 R^7 \exp(19R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

$$= \beta^{-3} dL n^3 R^7 \exp(19R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

$$\le dL n^3 R^7 \exp(22R^2)\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.3, the second step follows from **Part 3** of Lemma E.14, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from **Part 8** of Lemma E.12. □

## F ANALYSIS ON LOGISTIC FUNCTION

In this section, we provide systematic analysis on logistic function. In Section F.1, we compute the gradient of the loss function based on logistic function. In Section F.3, we prove the lipschitz property of gradient.

### F.1 GRADIENT WITH RESPECT TO $x$

**Fact F.1.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $g(x) : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$ be defined in Definition 3.5*

*Then we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}g(x)}{\mathrm{d}x} = \frac{\exp(-x)}{(1 + \exp(-x))^2}$$

*Further more, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}g(x)}{\mathrm{d}x} = g(x)(1 - g(x))$$

**Lemma F.2** (Formal version of Lemma 3.11)**.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.6*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*

*Then we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}$$
$$= g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(1 - g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle))b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$
$$\cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$

*Proof.* For $\forall i \in [d^2]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle b_{l_0,j_0,i_0})$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle b_{l_0,j_0,i_0})}{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle} \frac{\mathrm{d}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}$$
$$= g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(1 - g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle))b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$
$$\cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the last step follows from Lemma F.1 and the computations in **Part 8** of Lemma B.6. □

**Lemma F.3.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*

- *Let $L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.6*

- *Let $\nabla L$ be computed as Lemma F.2*

*Then we can rewrite $\nabla L$ as*

$$g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)$$

*where*

$$v_1 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$$
$$v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$$
$$v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$$

*Proof.*

$$g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(1 - g(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle))b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$
$$\cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$
$$\cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$
$$\cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \cdot (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle)$$

where the first step follows from simple derivative, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from the definition of $v_1, v_2$ and $v_3$. $\square$

## F.2 HESSIAN WITH RESPECT TO $x$

**Lemma F.4.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $L(x, y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined as Definition 3.6*
- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$

- *Part 2. For $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$

- *Part 3. For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$\quad - 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$\quad + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle$$

- *Part 4. For $i \in [d^2]$*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle = \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$- 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$

- *Part 5. For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have*

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
- 3\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle
$$

- *Part 6. For $i \in [d^2]$, we have*

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
- 3\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$

- *Part 7. For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have*

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i \mathrm{d}x_j}
$$
$$
= b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} g''(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)
$$
$$
+ b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
- 3\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle)
$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1** For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma B.6, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 2** For $i \in [d^2]$

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$

this trivially follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3** For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle
$$

$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$= (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \cdot \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$- 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from differential chain rule, the second step follows from **Part 7** of Lemma B.6, the third step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 4** For $i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle = \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$- 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$

this trivially follows from **Part 3**.

**Proof of Part 5** For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$- 3\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle$$

this trivially follows from **Part 1** and **Part 3**.

**Proof of Part 6** For $i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$- 3\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$

this trivially follows from **Part 2** and **Part 4**.

**Proof of Part 7** For $i, j \in [d^2]$ where $i \neq j$, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2 L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i \mathrm{d}x_j}$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i}$$
$$= b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j}g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$= b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}g''(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle)$$
$$+ b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$- 3\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\rangle$$
$$+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}\rangle)$$

where the first step follows from differential chain rule, the second step follows from Lemma F.3, the third step follows from **Part 6**. □

### F.3 GRADIENT LIPSCHITZ WITH RESPECT TO $x$

**Lemma F.5.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $g(x)$ be defined in Definiton 3.5*
- *Let $|x| \leq R$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $|g(x) - g(\widehat{x})| \leq \exp(R)|x - \widehat{x}|$*
- *Part 2. $|g^2(x) - g^2(\widehat{x})| \leq 2\exp(2R)|x - \widehat{x}|$*
- *Part 3. $|g'(x) - g'(\widehat{x})| \leq 3\exp(2R)|x - \widehat{x}|$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|g(x) - g(\widehat{x})| &= \Big|\frac{1}{1 + \exp(-x)} - \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\widehat{x})}\Big| \\
&= \Big|\frac{\exp(-\widehat{x}) - \exp(\widehat{-x})}{1 + \exp(-\widehat{x}) + \exp(-x) + \exp(-x - \widehat{x})}\Big| \\
&\leq |\exp(-\widehat{x}) - \exp(-x)| \\
&\leq |\exp(-x)||x - \widehat{x}| \\
&\leq \exp(R)|x - \widehat{x}|
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $g(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from simple algebra, the fourth step follows from Fact A.3, the fifth step follows from $|x| \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 2**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|g^2(x) - g^2(\widehat{x})| &= |g(x) - g(\widehat{x})||g(x) + g(\widehat{x})| \\
&\leq \exp(R)|x - \widehat{x}|2\exp(R) \\
&= 2\exp(2R)|x - \widehat{x}|
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 1** and $|x| \leq R$, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|g'(x) - g'(\widehat{x})| &= |(g(x) - g^2(x)) - (g(\widehat{x}) - g^2(\widehat{x}))| \\
&= |(g(x) - g(\widehat{x})) + (g^2(\widehat{x}) - g^2(x))| \\
&\leq |g(x) - g(\widehat{x})| + |g^2(x) - g^2(\widehat{x})| \\
&\leq 3\exp(2R)|x - \widehat{x}|
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from triangular inequality, the last step follows from **Part 1** and **Part 2**. $\qquad\square$

**Lemma F.6** (Formal version of Lemma 3.12)**.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $g(x)$ be defined in Definition 3.5*

*Then we have*

$$
|g'(x) - g'(\widehat{x})| \leq |x - \widehat{x}|
$$

*Proof.* We can easily bound $g''(x)$ as follows:

$$
g''(x) = (g(x) - g(x)^2)'
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
&= g'(x) - 2g(x)g'(x) \\
&= g(x) - g^2(x) - 2g(x)(g(x) - g^2(x)) \\
&= g(x) - g^2(x) - (2g^2(x) - 2g^3(x)) \\
&= g(x) - 3g^2(x) + 2g^3(x) \\
&\leq 1
\end{aligned}
$$

Then by Lagrange's mean value theorem, we have

$$
|g'(x) - g'(\widehat{x})| \leq 1 \cdot |x - \widehat{x}|
$$

$\square$

**Lemma F.7.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $d(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2 \leq R$ and $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*

*Then we have*

$$
|d(x) - d(\widehat{x})| \leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
$$

*Proof.*

$$
\begin{aligned}
|d(x) - d(\widehat{x})| &= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| \\
&= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| \\
&\leq \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|A_{l_0,3}y_{i_0}\|_2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^2 \beta^{-2} n \exp(3R^2) \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^2 n \exp(5R^2) \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ and **Part 4** of Lemma C.3, the fifth step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$ and $\|y\|_2 \leq R$, the last step follows from Lemma C.4. $\square$

**Lemma F.8.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2 \leq R$ and $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *Let $v_1 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$*
- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*
- *Let $v_3 := \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1.* $\|v_2\|_2 \leq R^2$

- *Part 2.* $\|v_3\|_2 \leq R$

- *Part 3.* $\|v_1\|_2 \leq R^3$

- *Part 4.* $\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \exp(R^2)$

- *Part 5.* $\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$\begin{aligned}
\|v_2\| &= \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&= \|A_{l_0,3} y_{i_0}\| \\
&\leq \|A_{l_0,3}\| \|y_{i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^2
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step folllows from the definition of $v_2$, the second step follows from the definition of $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$, the third step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$ and $\|y\|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 2** This trivially follows from $\|A_{l_0,3}\| \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$\begin{aligned}
\|v_1\|_2 &= \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^3
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $v_1$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 1** and $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\| \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 4** We can show that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_2 &\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_\infty \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x\|_\infty) \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x\|_2) \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2),
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from **Part 4** of Fact A.3, the second step follows from **Part6** of Fact A.3, the third step follows from Fact A.3, and the last step follows from $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$ and $\|x\|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 5**

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 &= \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \cdot u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\|_2 \|u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}\| \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} \|\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle\|_2 \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} \|\exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x)\|_2 \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \sqrt{n} \cdot \exp(R^2) \\
&= \beta^{-1} n \exp(2R^2)
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from $\langle \exp(\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle \geq \beta$, the fourth step follows from **Part 4**, the fifth step follows from Fact A.3, the sixth step follows from **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra. □

**Lemma F.9.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\| A_{l_0,j_0} x \|_2 \leq R$ and $\| A_{l_0,j_0} y \|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\| A_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *Let $v_1 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \circ A_{l_0,j_0,i}$*
- *Let $v_2 := h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$*
- *Let $v_3 := A_{l_0,j_0,i}$*
- *Let $s(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle$*
- *Let $t(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $|s(x) - s(\widehat{x})| \leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2) \|x - y\|_2$*
- *Part 2. $|t(x) - t(\widehat{x})| \leq 2n^2 R^4 \exp(8R^2) \|x - y\|_2$*
- *Part 3. $|(s(x) - t(x)) - (s(\widehat{x}) - t(\widehat{x}))| \leq n^2 R^4 \exp(13R^2) \|x - y\|_2$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|s(x) - s(\widehat{x})| &= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle| \\
&= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_1 \rangle| \\
&\leq \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_1\|_2 \\
&\leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2) \|x - y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $s(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the last step follows from combining **Part 4** of Lemma C.3, Lemma C.4 and **Part 1** of Lemma F.8.

**Proof of Part 2** First, note that

$$
|t(x) - t(\widehat{x})| = |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle|
$$

For convenience, we define

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_1 &:= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle \\
C_2 &:= \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

Then, it's easy to know

$$
|t(x) - t(\widehat{x})| = |C_1 + C_2|
$$

Since $C_1$ and $C_2$ are symmetry, we only need to upper bound $|C_1|$:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|C_1| &= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle| \\
&= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, v_2 \rangle| |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3 \rangle| \\
&\leq \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_2\|_2 \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|v_3\|_2 \\
&\leq n^2 R^4 \exp(8R^2) \|x - y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from combining **Part 4** of Lemma C.3, **Part 5**, **Part 1** and **Part 3** of Lemma F.8.

Thus, we obtained the bound:

$$|t(x) - t(\widehat{x})| = |C_1 + C_2|$$
$$\leq 2n^2 R^4 \exp(8R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$

**Proof of Part 3**

$$|(s(x) - t(x)) - (s(\widehat{x}) - t(\widehat{x}))| = |(s(x) - s(\widehat{x}) + (t(\widehat{x}) - t(x)))|$$
$$\leq |s(x) - s(\widehat{x})| + |t(\widehat{x}) - t(x)|$$
$$\leq n^2 R^4 \exp(13R^2)\|x - y\|_2$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from triangular inequality, the last step follows from **Part 2** and **Part 3**. □

**Lemma F.10** (Formal version of Lemma 3.13). *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $h(y)_{l_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.4*
- *Let $d(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ satisfy $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} x\|_2 \leq R$ and $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} y\|_2 \leq R$*
- *$\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$*
- *Let $L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.5*
- *Let $w(x) := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle$*

*Then we have*

$$|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 3n^3 R^7 \exp(13R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

*Proof.*

$$|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$$
$$= |g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \cdot w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \cdot w(\widehat{x})|$$
$$\leq b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(\widehat{x})|$$

where the first step follows from Lemma F.3 and the definition of $w(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra.

For convenience, we define

$$C_1 := g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x)$$
$$C_2 := g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(\widehat{x})$$

First, we upper bound $|C_1|$ as follows:

$$|C_1| = |g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x)|$$
$$\leq |g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)||w(x)|$$
$$\leq |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle||w(x)|$$
$$\leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2|\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|$$
$$\leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2(|\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_1\rangle| + |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_2\rangle\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, v_3\rangle|)$$
$$\leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2(\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|v_1\|_2 + \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|v_2\|_2\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|v_3\|_2)$$
$$\leq nR^2 \exp(5R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 2n^2 R^4 \exp(6R^2)$$
$$= 2n^3 R^6 \exp(11R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from Lemma F.6, the fourth step follows from the definition of $w(x)$, the fifth step follows from triangular inequality, the sixth step follows from Fact A.3, the seventh step follows from Lemma F.8, the last step follows from simple algebra.

Then, we upper bound $|C_2|$ as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|C_2| &= |g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(\widehat{x})| \\
&\leq |g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)||w(x) - w(\widehat{x})| \\
&\leq n^2 R^4 \exp(13R^2)\|x - y\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_2$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 3** of Lemma F.9 and $g(x)(1 - g(x)) \leq 1$.

Thus, we obtained the bound:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(\widehat{x})| &= |C_1 + C_2| \\
&\leq |C_1| + |C_2| \\
&\leq 3n^3 R^6 \exp(13R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

Finally, we have

$$
b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|g'(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(x) - g'(\langle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)w(\widehat{x})| \leq R \cdot 3n^3 R^6 \exp(13R^2)\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
$$

$\square$

## G  MAIN RESULTS

**Lemma G.1** (Lemma 8 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a))**.** *By Lemma F.10, if $\eta \leq 1/L_x$, then for any initialization $x(0)$, Algorithm W-GD (Definition 3.7) satisfies*

$$L(x(k+1)) - L(x(k)) \leq -\frac{\eta}{2}\|\nabla L(x(k))\|_F^2$$

*for $\forall k \geq 0$. Additionally, it holds that*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\|\nabla L(x(k))\|_F^2 < \infty$$

$$\lim_{k\to\infty}\|\nabla L(x(k))\|_F^2 = 0$$

*Proof.* The proof is similar to Lemma 5 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023b). □

**Lemma G.2** (Lemma 9 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a))**.** *Let $W^{mm}$ be the SVM solution of ATT-SVM(Tarzanagh et al. (2023a)). Assumption 3.10 hold. Then, for $\forall W \in \mathbb{R}^{d\times d}$, the training loss W-ERM(Tarzanagh et al. (2023a)) obyes $\langle \nabla L(W), W^{mm}\rangle \leq -c < 0$, for some constant $c > 0$ (see Eq. (16)) depending on the data, the head $v$, and a loss derivative bound.*

*Proof.* Let

$$\overline{h}_i := U_i X^{mm} z_i$$
$$\gamma_i := V_i \cdot U_i v$$
$$h_i := U_i X z_i$$

which implies that

$$\langle \nabla L(X), X^{mm}\rangle = \frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} l'(\gamma_i^\top \mathbb{S}(h_i)) \cdot \langle U_i^\top \mathbb{S}'(h_i)\gamma_i z_i^\top, X^{mm}\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} l'_i \cdot \mathrm{tr}[(X^{mm})^\top U_i^\top \mathbb{S}(h_i)\gamma_i z_i^\top]$$

$$= \frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} l'_i \cdot \overline{h}_i^\top \mathbb{S}'(h_i)\gamma_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^{m} l'_i \cdot (\overline{h}_i^\top \mathrm{diag}(s_i)\gamma_i - \overline{h}_i^\top s_i s_i^\top \gamma_i) \tag{10}$$

Here, let $l'_i := l'(\gamma_i^\top \mathbb{S}(h_i))$, $s_i = \mathbb{S}(h_i)$, the third step follows from $\mathrm{tr}[ba^\top] = a^\top b$

In order to move forward, we will establish the following result, with a focus on the equal score condition (the second assumption in Assumption 3.10): Let $\gamma = \gamma_{t\geq 2}$ be a constant, and let $\gamma_1$ and $\overline{h}_1$ represent the largest indices of vectors $\gamma$ and $\overline{h}$ respectively. For $\forall s$ that satisfies $\sum_{t\in[T]} cs_t = 1$ and $s_t > 0$, we aim to prove that $\overline{h}^\top \mathrm{diag}(s)\gamma - \overline{h}^\top ss^\top \gamma > 0$. To demonstrate this, we proceed by writing the following:

$$\overline{h}^\top \mathrm{diag}(s)\gamma - \overline{h}^\top ss^\top \gamma = \sum_{t=1}^{n} \overline{h}_t \gamma_t s_t - \sum_{t=1}^{n} \overline{h}_t s_t \sum_{t=1}^{n} \gamma_t s_t$$

$$= (\overline{h}_1(\gamma_1 - \gamma)s_1(1 - s_1)) - (\gamma_1 - \gamma)s_1 \sum_{t\geq 2}^{n} \overline{h}_t s_t$$

$$= (\gamma_1 - \gamma)(1 - s_1)s_1[\overline{h}_1 - \frac{\sum_{t\geq 2}^{n} \overline{h}_t s_t}{\sum_{t\geq 2}^{n} s_t}]$$

$$\geq (\gamma_1 - \gamma)(1 - s_1)s_1(\overline{h}_1 - \max_{t\geq 2} \overline{h}_t) \tag{11}$$

To proceed, we define

$$\gamma_{gap}^i := \gamma_{i\text{opt}_i} - \max_{t \neq \text{opt}_i} \gamma_{it}$$

$$\overline{h}_{gap}^i := \overline{h}_{i\text{opt}_i} - \max_{t \neq \text{opt}_i} \overline{h}_{it}$$

With these, we obtain

$$\overline{h}_i^\top \text{diag}(s_i)\gamma_i - \overline{h}_i^\top s_i s_i^\top \gamma_i \geq \gamma_{gap}^i \overline{h}_{gap}^i (1 - s_{i\text{opt}_i})s_{i\text{opt}_i} \tag{12}$$

Note that

$$\overline{h}_{gap}^i = \min_{i \neq \text{opt}_i} (x_{i\text{opt}_i} - x_{it})^\top W^{mm} z_i > 1$$

$$\gamma_{gap}^i = \min_{i \neq \text{opt}_i} \gamma_{i\text{opt}_i} - \gamma_{it} > 0$$

$$s_{i\text{opt}_i}(1 - s_{i\text{opt}_i}) > 0$$

Hence,

$$c_0 := \min_{i \in [n]}\{(\min_{i \neq \text{opt}_i}(x_{i\text{opt}_i} - x_{it})^\top W^{mm} z_i) \cdot (\min_{i \neq \text{opt}_i} \gamma_{i\text{opt}_i} - \gamma_{it}) \cdot s_{i\text{opt}_i}(1 - s_{i\text{opt}_i})\} > 0 \tag{13}$$

It follows from Eq. (12) and Eq. (13) that

$$\min_{i \in [n]}\{\overline{h}_i^\top \text{diag}(s_i)\gamma_i - \overline{h}_i^\top s_i s_i^\top \gamma_i\} \geq c_0 \geq 0 \tag{14}$$

Since $l_i' < 0$, $l'$ is continuous and the domain is bounded, the maximum is attained and negative, and thus

$$-c_1 = \max_x l'(x), \, for \, some \, c_1 > 0 \tag{15}$$

Hence, using Eq. (15) and Eq. (14) in Eq. (10), we obtain

$$\langle \nabla L(X), X^{mm} \rangle \leq -c < 0 \tag{16}$$

where

$$c = c_1 \cdot c_0$$

In the scenario that the second assumption in Assumption 3.10 holds (all tokens are support), $\overline{h}_t = x_{it}^\top W^{mm} z_i$ is constant for $\forall t \geq 2$. Hence, following similar steps as in Eq. (11) completes the proof. $\square$

**Lemma G.3** (Lemma 10 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a)). *Let $x^{mm}$ be the SVM solution of the problem Att-SVM (Tarzanagh et al. (2023a)). Suppose $L(\cdot)$ is strictly decreasing and differentiable. For any choice of $\pi > 0$, there exists $R := R_\pi$ such that, for any $x$ with $\|x\|_F \geq R$, we have*

$$\langle \nabla L(x), \frac{x}{\|x\|_F} \rangle \geq (1 + \pi)\langle \nabla L(x), \frac{x^{mm}}{\|x^{mm}\|_F} \rangle$$

*Proof.* We define

$$\overline{x} := \frac{\|x^{mm}\|_F x}{\|x\|_F}$$

$$M := \sup_{i,t} \|u_{it} z_i^\top\|$$

$$\Theta := \frac{1}{\|x^{mm}\|_F}$$

$$s_i := \mathbb{S}(U_i X z_i)$$

$$h_i := U_i \overline{x} z_i$$

$$\overline{h}_i := U_i x^{mm} z_i$$

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without loss of generality, assume

$$\alpha_i = \texttt{opt}_i = 1$$

for $\forall i \in [n]$.

Repeating the proof for Lemma 9 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a) yields

$$\langle \nabla L(x), x^{mm} \rangle = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} L_i'(\gamma_{i1} - \gamma)(1 - s_{i1})s_{i1} \left[ \overline{h}_{i1} - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} \overline{h}_{it} s_{it}}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_{it}} \right]$$

$$\langle \nabla L(x), \overline{x} \rangle = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} L_i'(\gamma_{i1} - \gamma)(1 - s_{i1})s_{i1} \left[ h_{i1} - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} h_{it} s_{it}}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_{it}} \right]$$

Focusing on a single example $i \in [n]$ with $s, h, \overline{h}$ vectors (dropping subscript $i$), given $\pi$, for suffciently large $R$, we wish to show that

$$\left[ h_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} h_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} \right] \leq (1 + \pi) \left[ \overline{h}_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} \overline{h}_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} \right] \tag{17}$$

We consider two scenarios.

**Scenarios 1:** $\|\overline{x} - x^{mm}\|_F \leq \epsilon := \pi/(2M)$. In this scenario, for any token, we find that

$$|h_t - \overline{h}_t| = |s_t^\top (\overline{x} - x^{mm}) z_t|$$
$$\leq M \|\overline{x} - x^{mm}\|_F$$
$$\leq M\epsilon$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$\overline{h}_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} \overline{h}_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} \geq h_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} h_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} - 2M\epsilon$$
$$= h_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} h_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} - \pi$$

Also noticing

$$\overline{h}_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} \overline{h}_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} \geq 1$$

This implies Eq.(17).

**Scenario 2:** $\|\overline{x} - x^{mm}\|_F \geq \epsilon := \pi/(2M)$. In this scenario, for some $\delta = \delta(\epsilon)$ and $\tau \geq 2$, we have

$$h_1 - h_\tau \leq 1 - 2\delta$$

Recall that $s = \mathbb{S}(\overline{R}h)$ where $\overline{R} = \|x\|_F / \|x^{mm}\|_F$. To proceed, split the tokens into two groups: Let $\mathcal{N}$ be the group of tokens obeying $(u_1 - u_t)^\top \overline{x} z \geq 1 - \delta$ for $t \in \mathcal{N}$ and $[n] - \mathcal{N}$ be the rest. Observe that

$$\frac{\sum_{t \in \mathcal{N}} s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^{n} s_t} \leq \frac{\sum_{t \in \mathcal{N}} s_t}{s_\tau}$$
$$\leq n \frac{e^{\delta \overline{R}}}{e^{2\delta \overline{R}}}$$
$$= n e^{-\delta \overline{R}}$$

Set $\overline{M} = M/\Theta$ and note that

$$\|h_t\| \leq \|x^{mm}\|_F \cdot \|u_t z^\top\| \leq M$$

Using

$$(u_1 - u_t)^\top \overline{x} z < 1 - \delta$$

over $t \in [n] - \mathcal{N}$ and plugging in the bound above, we obtain

$$\frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^n (h_1 - h_t) s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^n s_t} = \frac{\sum_{t \in [n] - \mathcal{N}} (h_1 - h_t) s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^n s_t} + \frac{\sum_{t \in \mathcal{N}} (h_1 - h_t) s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^n s_t}$$

$$\leq (1 - \delta) + 2\overline{M} n e^{-\delta \overline{R}}$$

Using the fact that

$$\overline{h}_1 - \frac{\sum_{t \geq 2}^n \overline{h}_t s_t}{\sum_{t \geq 2}^n s_t} \geq 1$$

the above implies Eq.(17) with $\pi' = 2\overline{M} n e^{-\delta \overline{R}} - \delta$. To proceed, choose

$$R_\pi = \delta^{-1} \Theta^{-1} \log(\frac{2\overline{M} n}{\pi})$$

to ensure $\pi' < \pi$  $\qquad \qquad \square$

**Theorem G.4** (A variation of Theorem 4 in page 8 in Tarzanagh et al. (2023a), formal version of Theorem 3.14). *Suppose Assumption 3.10 on the tokens's score hold. Then, Algorithm W-GD (Definition 3.7) with the step size $\eta \leq 1/L_X$ and any starting point $X(0)$ satisfies*

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} = \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}$$

*Proof.* Given $\forall \epsilon \in (0, 1)$, we define

$$\pi := \frac{\epsilon}{1 - \epsilon}$$

By Theorem 3 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a), we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \|X(k)\|_F = \infty$$

Hence, we can choose $k_\epsilon$ such that for any $k \geq k_\epsilon$, for some parameter $R_\epsilon$, it holds that

$$\|X(k)\|_F > R_\epsilon \vee \frac{1}{2}$$

Now, for any $k \geq k_\epsilon$, by Lemma 10 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a), we have

$$\langle -\nabla L(X(k)), \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \geq (1 - \epsilon) \langle -\nabla L(X(k)), \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} \rangle$$

Multiplying both sides by the stepsize $\eta$ and using the gradient descent update, we have

$$\langle X(k+1) - X(k), \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \geq (1 - \epsilon) \langle X(k+1) - X(k), \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} \rangle$$

$$= \frac{1 - \epsilon}{2\|X(k)\|_F} (\|X(k+1)\|_F^2 - \|X(k)\|_F^2 - \|X(k+1) - X(k)\|_F^2)$$

$$\geq (1 - \epsilon) \left( \frac{\|X(k+1)_F^2\| - \|X(k)\|_F^2}{2\|X(k)\|_F} - \|X(k+1) - X(k)\|_F^2 \right)$$

$$\geq (1 - \epsilon)(\|X(k+1)\|_F^2 - \|X(k)\|_F^2 - \|X(k+1) - X(k)\|_F^2)$$

$$\geq (1 - \epsilon)(\|X(k+1)\|_F - \|X(k)\|_F - 2\eta(L(X(k)) - L(X(k+1))))$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from $\|x(k)\|_F \geq 1/2$, the third step follows from $(a^2 - b^2)/2b - (a - b) \geq 0$ holds for $\forall a, b > 0$, the last step follows from Lemma 8 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a).

By summing the inequality over $k \geq k_\epsilon$, we have

$$\langle \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}, \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} \rangle \geq 1 - \epsilon + \frac{C(\epsilon, \eta)}{\|X(k)\|_F}$$

where the finite constant $C(\epsilon, \eta)$ is defined as

$$C(\epsilon, \eta) := \langle X(k_\epsilon), \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F} \rangle - (1 - \epsilon)\|X(k_\epsilon)\|_F - 2\eta(1 - \epsilon)(L(X(k_\epsilon)) - L_*)$$

where $L_* \leq L(x(k_\epsilon))$ for $\forall k \geq 0$.

Since $\|x(k)\|_F \to \infty$, we have

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \inf \langle \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}, \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} \rangle \geq 1 - \epsilon$$

Since $\epsilon$ is arbitary, we can consider the limit as $\epsilon \to 0$. Thus, we have

$$\frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F} \to \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}$$

$\square$

**Theorem G.5** (A variation of Theorem 5 in page 8 in Tarzanagh et al. (2023a), formal version of Theorem 3.15). *For any initialization $X(0)$, there exists a dataset dependent sufficiently small $\delta > 0$ such that the following holds: Suppose non-optimal scores obey $|\gamma_{it} - \gamma_{i\tau}| \leq \delta$ for all $t, \tau \neq opt_i, i \in [m]$. Then, Algorithm x-GD, with $\eta \leq 1/(2L_x)$ obeys $\lim_{k\to\infty} \|X(k)\|_F = \infty$ and $\lim_{k\to\infty} \frac{X_{(k)}}{\|X(k)\|_F} = \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F}$*

*Proof.* We provide the proof in three steps.

**Step 1: Defining the original and equally-scored problems**. Given the original dataset $(U_i, z_i, V_i)$ with scores $\gamma_i t$, define an approximate dataset $(\widetilde{U}_i, \widetilde{z}_i, \widetilde{V}_i)$ as follows. Let $P_v^\perp$ denote the projection onto the subspace orthogonal to the linear head v. For a given input i, we define an index $s, opt_i$ as follows:

- If the setting is cross-attention, then, $s, opt_i$ is arbitrary.

- If the setting is self-attention, then $s = 1$ whenever $opt_i \neq 1$ and $s \neq opt_i$ is arbitrary otherwise.

Note this construction does not touch $u_{is}$ and guarantees for equal scores $\gamma_{it} = \gamma_{is}$ for all $t, opt_i$. Observe that by construction $\|\widetilde{u}_{it} - u_{it}\| \leq \delta/\|v\|$ since non-optimal score differences are at most $\delta$. Additionally, we always set $\widetilde{z}_i = z_i$. This is clear for Cross-Attention. For Self-Attention, we use the fact that xi1 is unchanged thanks to our choice of s and we set $\widetilde{z}_i = u_{it1} = z_i$. Following this setting, we define $L(W)$ and $\widetilde{L}(\widetilde{x})$ as the ERM objectives of the original and equally-scored problems, respectively, as follows:

$$L(X) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} L(V_i v^\top U_i^\top \mathbb{S}(U_i X z_i)) \tag{18}$$

$$\widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} L(V_i v^\top \widetilde{U}_i^\top \mathbb{S}(\widetilde{U}_i \widetilde{X} z_i)) \tag{19}$$

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Let $X^{mm}$ and $\widetilde{X}^{mm}$ denote the solution of ATT-SVM(Tarzanagh et al. (2023a)) for the original and equally-scored SVM problems, respectively:

$$X^{mm} = \arg\min_{x} \|x\|_F \qquad \text{subj.to} \quad (u_{i\text{opt}_i} - u_{it})^{\top} xz_i \geq 1 \quad \text{for} \quad \forall t \neq \text{opt}_i, i \in [n] \qquad (20)$$

$$\widetilde{X}^{mm} = \arg\min_{\widetilde{X}} \|\widetilde{X}\|_F \qquad \text{subj.to} \quad (u_{i\text{opt}_i} - \widetilde{u}_{it})^{\top} \widetilde{X}z_i \geq 1 \quad \text{for} \quad \forall t \neq \text{opt}_i, i \in [n] \qquad (21)$$

Recall that we assume a solution to the original problem Wmm exists. Additionally, $\widetilde{x}^{mm}$ is guaranteed to exist by making $\delta$ smaller than a dataset-dependent constant. Also note that there exists $\Delta_0(\delta) > 0$ that depends solely on the original problem and $\delta$, and can be made arbitrarily small by decreasing $\delta$, such that

$$\frac{\|\widehat{x}^{mm} - x^{mm}\|_F}{\|x^{mm}\|_F} \leq \Delta_0(\delta) \qquad (22)$$

To proceed, let $\gamma_i = V_i \cdot U_i v, \widetilde{\gamma}_i = V_i \cdot \widetilde{U}_i v$ and $\widetilde{h}_i = \widehat{U}_i \widehat{x}_i z_i$. Following Lemma F.10, we have

$$\|\nabla L(X) - \nabla \widetilde{L}(X)\|_F \leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \|l'(\gamma_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}(h_i)) \cdot z_i \gamma_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}'(h_i) U_i - l'(\widetilde{\gamma}_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}(\widetilde{h}_i)) \cdot z_i \widetilde{\gamma}_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}'(\widetilde{h}_i) \widetilde{U}_i\|_F$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} M_0 \|z_i \widetilde{\gamma}_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}'(\widetilde{h}_i) \widetilde{U}_i\|_F \|\gamma_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}(h_i) - \widetilde{\gamma}_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}(\widetilde{h}_i)\|$$

$$+ \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} M_1 \|z_i \gamma_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}'(h_i) U_i - z_i \widetilde{\gamma}_i^{\top} \mathbb{S}'(\widetilde{h}_i) \widetilde{U}_i\|_F \qquad (23)$$

where by Lemma F.6 we have $M_1 = 3n^3 R^7 \exp(13R^2)$ and $M_0 = 2n^2 R^2 \exp(6R^2)$

**Step 2: Monitoring the fluctuations during iterations until $x(k)$ enters the local cone around $x^{mm}$** Fix $X(0) = \widetilde{X}(0)$. Algorithm W-GD(Definition 3.7) applied to $L(X)$ and $\widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X})$ defined in Eq. 20 and Eq. (19) implies that

$$\widetilde{X}(k+1) = \widetilde{X}(k) - \eta \nabla \widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X}(k)) \qquad (24)$$

$$X(k+1) = X(k) - \eta \nabla L(X(k)) \qquad (25)$$

For the original problem with Objective Eq.(20), it follows from Theorem 7 of Tarzanagh et al. (2023a) that there exist parameters $\mu = \mu(\text{opt}) \in (0,1)$ and $R = R\mu > 0$ and a conic set $C_{\mu,R}(X^{mm})$ such that gradient descent converges to the max-margin direction $X^{mm}$ when initialized anywhere within $C_{\mu,R}(X^{mm})$, where

$$C_{\mu,R}(X^{mm}) = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times d} : \langle \frac{X}{\|X\|_F}, \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \geq 1 - \mu, \|X\|_F \geq R\}$$

We will prove the following claim.

- **Claim 1** For a sufficiently large data-dependent $\delta$ (see (22),(26),(28),(34), there exists $k \geq 1$ such that $X(k) \in C_{\mu,R}(X^{mm})$, where $X(k)$ is defined in Eq. (25))

Let $L_X$ and $L_{\widetilde{X}}$ denote the lipschitz constants of gradients of objectives $L(X)$ and $\widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X})$ defined in Eq. (18) and Eq. (19) respectively. From Lemma F.10, we obtain

$$2\|v\|\|z_i\|^2 \|U_i\|^3 (M_0 \|v\| \|X_i\| + 3M_1) - \|v\| \|z_i\|^2 \|\widetilde{X}_i\|^3 (M_0 \|v\| \|\widetilde{X}_i\| + 3M_1) = 2L_X - L_{\widetilde{X}}$$

Hence, there exists $\Delta_1(\delta) > 0$ that depends solely on the original problem and $\delta$, and can be made arbitarily small by decreasing $\delta$, such that

$$2L_X - L_{\widetilde{X}} \geq \Delta_1(\delta) L_{\widetilde{X}} \qquad (26)$$

which implies that

$$\frac{1}{2L_X} \leq \frac{1}{(1 + \Delta_1(\delta)) L_{\widetilde{X}}} \leq \frac{1}{L_{\widetilde{X}}}$$

Hence, any stepsize $\eta \leq 1/(2L_X)$ satisfies the requirements of Lemma 8 for the original and auxiliary objectives $L(X)$ and $\widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X})$, respectively. As a result, the gradient descent updates (24) and (25) with any stepsize $\eta \leq 1/(2L_X)$ guarantees the descent of Objectives (18) and (19), respectively. To proceed, let $\widetilde{\mu} = \mu/2$. For the equally-scored problem with Objective (19), Theorem 4 in Tarzanagh et al. (2023b) assures the existence of $k = k_{\widetilde{\mu}}$ such that when we run gradient descent in (24) with the step size $\eta$ for $k$ iterations, then $\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F \geq R_{\widetilde{\mu}}$ for some $R_{\widetilde{\mu}} \geq 2R_\mu$, and

$$\langle \frac{\widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F}, \frac{\widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \geq 1 - \widetilde{\mu} \tag{27}$$

Using Eq. (23), let $\Delta_{2,\tau} := \|\nabla L(X(\tau)) - \nabla \widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X}(\tau))\|_F$. Since $X(0) = \widetilde{X}(0)$, it follows from Eq. (23) that there exists $\Delta_2(\delta)$ that depends on the original problem (due to Eq. (23) and $\mu = 2\widetilde{\mu}$) and $\delta$, and $\Delta_{2,\tau}(\delta)$ and $\Delta_2(\delta)$ can be made arbitrarily small by decreasing $\delta$ such that

$$\frac{\|\widetilde{X}(k) - X(k)\|_F}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F} \leq \frac{\eta}{R_{\widetilde{\mu}}} \sum_{\tau=0}^{k_{\widetilde{\mu}}-1} \|\nabla L(X(\tau)) - \nabla \widetilde{L}(\widetilde{X}(\tau))\|_F \leq \frac{\eta}{R_{\widetilde{\mu}}} \sum_{\tau=0}^{k_{\widetilde{\mu}}-1} \Delta_{2,\tau}(\delta) \leq \Delta_2(\delta) \tag{28}$$

Let

$$\Delta(\delta) := \Delta_2(\delta) + \Delta_0(\delta) + \Delta_2(\delta)\Delta_0(\delta) \tag{29}$$

where $\Delta_0(\delta)$ is given in Eq. (22) and $\Delta_2(\delta)$ is given in Eq. (28)

It follows from Eq. (22), Eq. (28), Eq. (27) and Eq. (29) that

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F}, \frac{\widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle &= \langle \frac{\widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F} + \frac{X(k) - \widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F}, \frac{\widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} + \frac{X^{mm} - \widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \\
&= \langle \frac{\widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F}, \frac{\widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle + \langle \frac{X(k) - \widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F}, \frac{\widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \\
&\quad + \langle \frac{\widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F}, \frac{X^{mm} - \widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle + \langle \frac{X(k) - \widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F}, \frac{X^{mm} - \widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \rangle \\
&\geq 1 - \widetilde{\mu} + (-\Delta_2(\delta) - \Delta_0(\delta) - \Delta_2(\delta)\Delta_0(\delta)) \\
&\geq 1 - 2\widetilde{\mu} + \widetilde{\mu} - \Delta(\delta) \\
&\geq 1 - \mu + \widetilde{\mu} - \Delta(\delta) \tag{30}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\|X(k)\|_F}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|} \leq 1 + \frac{X(k) - \widetilde{X}(k)}{\|\widetilde{X}(k)\|_F} \leq 1 + \Delta_2(\delta) \tag{31}$$

$$\frac{\|X^{mm}\|_F}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|} \leq 1 + \frac{X^{mm} - \widetilde{X}^{mm}}{\|\widetilde{X}^{mm}\|_F} \leq 1 + \Delta_0(\delta) \tag{32}$$

Now, it follows from Eq. (30) - Eq. (32) for $k = k_{\widetilde{\mu}}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\langle \frac{X(k)}{\|X(k)\|_F}, \frac{X^{mm}}{\|X^{mm}\|_F} \rangle &\geq \frac{1}{1 + \Delta_2(\delta)} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + \Delta_0(\delta)} (1 - \mu + \widetilde{\mu} - \Delta(\delta)) \\
&= \frac{1}{1 + \Delta(\delta)} (1 - \mu + \widetilde{\mu} - \Delta(\delta)) \\
&\geq 1 - \mu + \frac{1}{1 + \Delta(\delta)} (\widetilde{\mu} - (2 - \mu)\Delta(\delta)) \\
&\geq 1 - \mu \tag{33}
\end{aligned}$$

Here, the last inequality is obtained by choosing $\delta > 0$ to ensure that (26) holds, and both $\Delta_2(\delta)$ and $\Delta_0(\delta)$ are sufficiently small such that (22), (28), and the following condition are satisfied:

$$\widetilde{\mu} - (2 - \mu)\Delta(\delta) \geq 0 \tag{34}$$

We can similarly guarantee $\|X(k)\|_F \geq R_\mu$ by using $R_{\widetilde{\mu}} \geq 2R_\mu$. Hence, we have shown that, for sufficiently small data-dependent $\delta$ (see Conditions (22),(26),(28),(34)), Claim 1 holds, and for $k = k_{\widetilde{\mu}}$, $X(k) \in C_{\mu,R}(X^{mm})$, where $X(k)$ is defined in (24), (25).

**Step 3**: The proof now follows by applying Theorem 7 on the original problem. This is because gradient descent iterations starting at $X(k)$ for $k = k_{\widetilde{\mu}}$ which lies within the cone provably converges to the max-margin direction. $\qquad\square$

# H  HESSIAN

In this section, we provide a brief analysis on the hessian of our loss function. In Section H.1, we compute the hessian with respect to $x$. In Section H.2, we reform the hessian for the ease of the analysis afterwards. In Section H.3, we are able to show that the hessian can be decomposed into several diagnal matrices and low rank matrices.

## H.1  HESSIAN COMPUTATION WITH RESPECT TO $x$

**Lemma H.1.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $\gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$*

- *Let $\frac{dL_{l_0,i_0,j_0}(x,y)}{dx_i}$ be computed as Lemma B.6*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1.*

$$
\frac{dL_{l_0,i_0,j_0}(x,y)}{dx_i dx_i}
$$
$$
= (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)^2
$$
$$
+ c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}
$$
$$
(
$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle (1 - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0})
$$
$$
- 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle
$$
$$
+ 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle^2 \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}
$$
$$
)
$$

- *Part 2.*

$$
\frac{dL_{l_0,i_0,j_0}(x,y)}{dx_i dx_j}
$$
$$
= (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle) \cdot
$$
$$
(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle)
$$
$$
+ c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}
$$
$$
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$$
$$
+ \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle (1 - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0})
$$
$$
- \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle
$$
$$
+ 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}
$$
$$
)
$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1** First, we compute

$$
\frac{d}{dx_i}(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)
$$
$$
= \frac{d}{dx_i} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle
$$
$$
- (\frac{d}{dx_i} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle
$$
$$
- (\frac{d}{dx_i} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle
$$
$$
= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle
$$
$$
- (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle
$$

$$- (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$
$$+ 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle^2 \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

where the first step follows from simple derivative, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from simple algebra.

Then, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} L_{l_0,i_0,j_0}(x,y)$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} (c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) h(y)_{l_0,i_0})$$
$$= (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)^2$$
$$+ c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)$$

where the first step follows from differential chain rule, the second step follows from **Part 8** of Lemma B.6 and differential chain rule.

By combining the two equations, we completes the proof.

**Proof of Part 2** First, we compute

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$- (\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$
$$- (\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$
$$- (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$
$$- (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle) \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$- \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle$$
$$+ 2\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$- \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

where the first step follows from simple derivative, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from simple algebra.

Then, we have

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} L_{l_0,i_0,j_0}(x,y)$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} (c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top) h(y)_{l_0,i_0})$$
$$= (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle) \cdot$$
$$(\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle)$$
$$+ c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_j} (\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle)$$

where the first step follows from differential chain rule, the second step follows from **Part 8** of Lemma B.6 and differential chain rule.

By combining the two equations, we completes the proof. $\square$

## H.2 Reformulating Several Terms

**Lemma H.2.** *We have*

- *Part 1.*

$$\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle = \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top \operatorname{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}) \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}$$

- *Part 2.*

$$\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle$$
$$= \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top ((f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}) f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top + f(x)_{l_0,j_0} (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})^\top) \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}$$

- *Part 3.*

$$\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$= \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}) (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})^\top \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}$$

- *Part 4.*

$$\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle = \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1.** This trivially follows from Fact A.1

**Proof of Part 2.**

$$\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} + \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$$
$$= \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top ((f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}) f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top + f(x)_{l_0,j_0} (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})^\top) \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.1, the second step follows from Fact A.1.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$= \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} \rangle \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j} \rangle$$
$$= \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}^\top (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}) (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})^\top \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,j}$$

where the first step follows from Fact A.1, the second step follows from Fact A.1.

**Proof of Part 4** This trivially follows from Fact A.1. □

## H.3 Decomposing $\nabla^2 L_{l_0,i_0,j_0}(x,y)$

**Definition H.3.** *Let* $\gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$ *for convenience, then we define* $B(x)$ *as follows:*

$$B(x) := B_{\text{diag}} + B_{\text{rank}}^1 + B_{\text{rank}}^2 + B_{\text{rank}}^3$$

*where*

- $B_{\text{diag}} = (1 - \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}) c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \operatorname{diag}(f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})$

- $B_{\text{rank}}^1 = -(2\gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} + c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0})((f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0}) f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top + f(x)_{l_0,j_0} (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})^\top)$

- $B_{\text{rank}}^2 = (2\gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} + \gamma(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2) f(x)_{l_0,j_0} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}^\top$

- $B_{\text{rank}}^3 = (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})(f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \circ h(y)_{l_0,i_0})^\top$

# I  LINEAR ATTENTION

## I.1  DEFINITIONS

**Definition I.1.** *Let* $A_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$. *For each* $l_0 \in [m]$, $j_0 \in [n]$, *we define*

$$\underbrace{u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{A_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{x}_{d^2 \times 1}$$

**Definition I.2.** *We define* $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{\text{scalar}} := \big\langle \underbrace{A_{l_0,j_0} x}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \big\rangle$$

**Definition I.3.** *We define* $f(x)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{\text{scalar}} \underbrace{u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}$$

**Definition I.4.** *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, *we define*

$$\underbrace{c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalr}} := \big\langle \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \big\rangle - \underbrace{b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}}$$

**Definition I.5.** *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, *we define*

$$L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := 0.5 c(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2$$

**Definition I.6.** *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, *we define*

$$L(x,y) := \sum_{l_0=1}^{m} \sum_{j_0=1}^{n} \sum_{i_0=1}^{d} L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

## I.2  GRADIENT COMPUTATION

**Lemma I.7.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let* $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ *be defined in Definition I.1*
- *Let* $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ *be defined in Definition I.2*
- *Let* $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ *be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let* $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ *be defined in Definition I.4*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. For* $i \in [d^2]$, *we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = A_{l_0,j_0,i}$$

- *Part 2. For* $i \in [d^2]$, *we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \langle A_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 3. For* $i \in [d^2]$, *we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = -\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2} \langle A_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 4. For $i \in [d^2]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i} - \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$$

- *Part 5. For $i \in [d^2]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

- *Part 6. For $i \in [d^2]$, we have*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle)$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1** For $\forall i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}u(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x \\
&= \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1}
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\mathrm{d}x_i} = e_i$.

**Proof of Part 2** For $\forall i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \\
&= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \\
&= \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3** For $\forall i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= -\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2} \frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\
&= -\underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar} \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}y^\alpha}{\mathrm{d}x} = (\alpha - 1)y^{\alpha-1} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$, the second step follows from **Part 2**.

**Proof of Part 4** For $\forall i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x}_{n \times 1} \\
&= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x}_{n \times 1} + \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x}_{n \times 1} \\
&= -\underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \, x}_{n \times 1} + \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1} \\
&= \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1} - \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the third step follows from **Part 2** and **Part 3**, the last step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$.

**Proof of Part 5** For $\forall i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \\
&= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle \\
&= \langle \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1} - \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle \\
&= \langle \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \langle \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 6** For $\forall i \in [d^2]$, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} 0.5 c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2 \\
&= c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}x_i} \\
&= \underbrace{c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{scalar} (\langle \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \langle \underbrace{\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(x)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle)
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}y^\alpha}{\mathrm{d}x} = (\alpha - 1)y^{\alpha-1} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$, the last step follows from **Part 5**. $\qquad \square$

### I.3 NORM BOUNDS FOR SEVERAL TERMS

**Lemma I.8.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition I.1*
- *Let $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition I.2*
- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*
- *Let $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition I.4*
- *Let $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x > 0$*
- *Let $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$*
- *Let $\nabla L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be computed as in Lemma I.7*
- *Let $a(x) := \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$*
- *Let $b(x) := \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$*
- *Let $d(x) := a(x) - b(x)$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\|u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R^2$*

- *Part 2.* $\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \le \beta^{-1}R^2$

- *Part 3.* $|c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \le 2\beta^{-1}R^4$

- *Part 4* $|d(x)| \le 2\beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^5$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$\|u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\| = \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,x\|$$
$$\le \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\|\|x\|_2$$
$$\le R^2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\|$ and $\|x\|_2 \le R$.

**Proof of Part 2**

$$\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\le |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\le \beta^{-1}R^2$$

**Proof of Part 3**

$$|c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| = |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$$
$$\le |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| + |b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$$
$$\le \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + |b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$$
$$\le \beta^{-1}R^4 + R$$
$$\le 2\beta^{-1}R^4$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $|a - b| \le |a| + |b|$, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from **Part 2** and **Part 1** of Lemma F.8, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$|d(x)| = |\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$
$$\le |\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| + |\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$
$$\le \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\le |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\le \beta^{-1}R^3 + \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^5$$
$$\le 2\beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^5$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(x)$, the second step follows from $|a-b| \le |a|+|b|$, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from Fact A.4, the fifth step follows from $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} \ge \beta$, $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2 \le R$, **Part 1** of Lemma F.8 and **Part 2**. $\qquad\square$

## I.4 Lipschitz of several terms

**Lemma I.9.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition I.1*

- *Let $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition I.2*

- *Let $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition 3.3*

- *Let $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition I.4*

- *Let* $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x > 0$

- *Let* $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$

- *Let* $R \geq 4$

- *Let* $\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$

- *Let* $\nabla L(x,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ *be computed as in Lemma I.7*

- *Let* $a(x) := \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$

- *Let* $b(x) := \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$

- *Let* $d(x) := a(x) - b(x)$

*Then we have*

- *Part 1.* $|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \sqrt{n} R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 2.* $|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 3.* $\|u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 4.* $\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^3 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 5.* $|c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^5 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 6.* $\|a(x) - a(\widehat{x})\| \leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^4 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 7.* $\|b(x) - b(\widehat{x})\| \leq 4\beta^{-3} n R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 8.* $\|d(x) - d(\widehat{x})\| \leq 5\beta^{-3} n R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

- *Part 9.* $|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 12\beta^{-4} n R^{10} \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}| &= |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle - \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \widehat{x}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \\
&= |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}(x - \widehat{x}), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}(x - \widehat{x})\|_2 \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \\
&\leq \sqrt{n} R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 = \sqrt{n}$ and $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 2**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| &\leq \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}| \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from $\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, x, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \geq \beta$ and **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 &= \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}(x - \widehat{x})\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 \\
&\leq R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 4** Note that $\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$ is in the form of

$$\|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$

For convenience, we define

$$C_1 := \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0}$$

$$C_2 := \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}$$

Then it's apparent that

$$|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|C_1 + C_2\|_2$$

First, we upper bound $\|C_1\|_2$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
\|C_1\|_2 &= \|\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&= \|(\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}) u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \|u(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^3 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from **Part 1** of Lemma I.8 and **Part 2**.

Next, we upper bound $\|C_2\|_2$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
\|C_2\|_2 &= \|\alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&= \|\alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} (u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0})\|_2 \\
&\leq |\alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \|u(x)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-1} R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^3 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

**Proof of Part 5**

$$\begin{aligned}
|c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| &= |\langle f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| \\
&\leq \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^5 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the last step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 1** of Lemma F.8.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$\begin{aligned}
\|a(x) - a(\widehat{x})\| &= \|\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\| \\
&= \|\langle (\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}) \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle\| \\
&\leq \|(\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}) \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 R \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^4 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $a(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from Fact A.4, the fifth step follows from **Part 2**, the last step follows from **Part 1** of Lemma F.8.

**Proof of Part 7** Note that $\|b(x) - b(\widehat{x})\|$ is in the form of

$$|b(x) - b(\widehat{x})| = |\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n\rangle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$

For convenience, we define

$$C_1 := \langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

$$C_2 := \langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

Then it's apparent that

$$|b(x) - b(\widehat{x})| = |C_1 + C_2|$$

First, we upper bound $|C_1|$ as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
|C_1| &= |\langle \alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| \\
&= |\langle (\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}) \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| \\
&\le \|(\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}) \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\le |\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^3 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 \|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^3 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\le \beta^{-3} n^{\frac{3}{2}} R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_1$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from Fact A.4, the fifth step follows from **Part 2**, the sixth step follows from Fact A.4, the last step follows from **Part 2** of Lemma I.8 and $|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \le \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\| \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \le \sqrt{n} R$.

Next, we upper bound $|C_2|$ as follows

$$
\begin{aligned}
|C_2| &= |\langle \alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| \\
&\le \|\alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle (f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0})\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\le |\alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\le |\alpha(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \|f(x)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\le 2\beta^{-3} n R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $C_2$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from Fact A.4, the fourth step follows from $|ab| \le |a||b|$, the last step follows from **Part 4**, **Part 1** of Lemma F.8, $|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}, \mathbf{1}_n \rangle| \le \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0,i}\| \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \le \sqrt{n} R$ and $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0} \ge \beta$.

Thus, we have

$$|b(x) - b(\widehat{x})| \le 4\beta^{-3} n R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

**Proof of Part 8**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|d(x) - d(\widehat{x})| &= |(a(x) - b(x)) - (a(\widehat{x}) - b(\widehat{x}))| \\
&= |(a(x) - a(\widehat{x})) + (b(\widehat{x}) - b(x))| \\
&\le |a(x) - a(\widehat{x})| + |b(\widehat{x}) - b(x)| \\
&\le \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^4 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 + 4\beta^{-3} n R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2 \\
&\le 5\beta^{-3} n R^6 \|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(x)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $|a + b| \le |a| + |b|$, the fourth step follows from **Part 6** and **Part 7**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 9** Note that $|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$ is in the form of

$$|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| = |c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} d(x) - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0} d(\widehat{x})|$$

For convenience, we define

$$C_1 := c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} d(x) - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0} d(x)$$
$$C_2 := c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0} d(x) - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0} d(\widehat{x})$$

Then it's apparent that

$$|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| = |C_1 + C_2|$$

First, we upper bound $|C_1|$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
|C_1| &= |(c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0})d(x)| \\
&\le |c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}||d(x)| \\
&\le 2\beta^{-4}nR^{10}\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the defintion of $c(x)$, the second step follows from $|ab| \le |a||b|$, the third step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma I.8 and **Part 5**.

Next, we upper bound $C_2$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
|C_2| &= |c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(d(x) - d(\widehat{x}))| \\
&\le |c(\widehat{x})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}||d(x) - d(\widehat{x})| \\
&\le 10\beta^{-4}nR^{10}\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$|\nabla L(x,:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - \nabla L(\widehat{x},:)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \le 12\beta^{-4}nR^{10}\|x - \widehat{x}\|_2$$

$\square$

## J ANALYSIS FOR DECOMPOSED PARAMETERS

### J.1 DEFINITIONS WITH RESPECT TO $K$

**Definition J.1.** *Let* $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times d^2}$. *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n]$, *we define*

$$\underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \mathrm{vec}(\underbrace{\underbrace{Q}_{d \times L} \underbrace{K^\top}_{L \times d}}_{d^2 \times 1})$$

**Definition J.2.** *We define* $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{\text{scalar}} := \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle$$

**Definition J.3.** *We define* $f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{\text{scalar}} \underbrace{u(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}$$

**Definition J.4.** *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, *we define*

$$\underbrace{c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalr}} := \langle \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \underbrace{b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}}$$

**Definition J.5.** *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, *we define*

$$L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := 0.5c(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2$$

**Definition J.6.** *For each* $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, *we define*

$$L(K,y) := \sum_{l_0=1}^m \sum_{j_0=1}^n \sum_{i_0=1}^d L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

## J.2 GRADIENT WITH RESPECT TO $K$

**Lemma J.7.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.1*
- *Let $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.2*
- *Let $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.3*
- *Let $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition J.4*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 2. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = -\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 3. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top) - \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 4. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= \langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

- *Part 5. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} (\langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$
$$- \langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle)$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} &= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \\
&= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle \\
&= \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times d^2} \underbrace{\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2 \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from **Part 1** of Lemma E.10.

**Proof of Part 2** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = -\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2} \frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar} \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}y^\alpha}{\mathrm{d}x} = (\alpha - 1)y^{\alpha-1}\cdot\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$, the second step follows from **Part 2**.

**Proof of Part 3** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1}$$

$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1} + \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1}$$

$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar} \langle\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1} + \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}$$

$$= \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} - \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the third step follows from **Part 2** and **Part 3**, the last step follows from the definition of $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$.

**Proof of Part 4** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} \langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$$

$$= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$$

$$= \langle \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} - \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

$$= \langle \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle - \langle\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}} 0.5c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2$$

$$= c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\frac{\mathrm{d}c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$$

$$= \underbrace{c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{scalar}(\langle \underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle - \langle\underbrace{\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(K)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle)$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}y^\alpha}{\mathrm{d}x} = (\alpha-1)y^{\alpha-1}\cdot\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$, the last step follows from **Part 5**. □

### J.3 Norm bounds for several terms with respect to $K$

**Lemma J.8.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.1*

- Let $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.2
- Let $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.3
- Let $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition J.4
- Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$
- Let $R \geq 4$
- Let $\| \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) \|_2 \leq R$
- Let $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$
- $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$
- Let $\| b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \|_2 \leq R$
- Let $d(K) := \frac{\mathrm{d}c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}$

*Then we have*

- *Part 1.* $\| u(K)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 \leq R^2$
- *Part 2.* $\| f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq \beta^{-1} R^2$
- *Part 3.* $|c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 2\beta^{-1} R^4$
- *Part 4.* $|d(K)| \leq 2\sqrt{n}\beta^{-2} R^6$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$\| u(K)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 = \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) \|_2$$
$$\leq R^2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$ and $\| \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) \|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 2**

$$\| f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \| = |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(K)_{l_0,j_0}|$$
$$\leq |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}||u(K)_{l_0,j_0}|$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} R^2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from $|ab| \leq |a||b|$, the last step follows from $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$ and **Part 5** of Lemma D.12.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$|c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| = |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$$
$$\leq \| f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 \| h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \|_2 + \| b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} R^4 + R$$
$$\leq 2\beta^{-1} R^4$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $|a - b| \leq |a| + |b|$ and Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 1** and **Part 4** of Lemma D.12, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$|\frac{\mathrm{d}c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}K_{i_2,k_2}}| = |\langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle|$$

$$\leq |\langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle| + |\langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle|$$

$$\leq (\|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2 + \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle\|_2) \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2 (|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2 + |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|)$$
$$\leq R^2 (\beta^{-1} R^2 + \beta^{-2} R^2 |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|)$$
$$\leq R^2 (\beta^{-1} R^2 + \beta^{-2} R^4 \sqrt{n})$$
$$\leq 2\sqrt{n} \beta^{-2} R^6$$

where the first step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma J.16, the second step follows from $|a-b| \leq |a|+|b|$, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma D.12 and $|ab| \leq |a||b|$, the fifth step follows from **Part 1**, $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$, **Part 5** of Lemma D.12, the sixth step follows from $|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle| \leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2 \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} R^2$, the last step follows from simple algebra. $\qquad\square$

## J.4 Lipschitz of several terms with respect to $K$

**Lemma J.9.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.1*

- *Let $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.2*

- *Let $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.3*

- *Let $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition J.4*

- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*

- *Let $R \geq 4$*

- *Let $\|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2 \leq R$*

- *Let $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$*

- *$\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$*

- *Let $\|b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq R$*

- *Let $\|Q\|_F, \|K\|_F \leq R$*

- *Let $a(K) := \langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$*

- *Let $b(K) := \langle \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(K)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(Q e_{k_2} e_{i_2}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$*

- *Let $d(K) := a(K) - b(K)$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\|u(K)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq R^2 \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 2. $|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \sqrt{n} R^2 \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 3. $|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| \leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^2 \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 4. $\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^4 \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 5. $|c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^6 \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 6. $|a(K) - a(\widehat{K})| \leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^6 \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 7. $|b(K) - b(\widehat{K})| \leq 3n R^7 \beta^{-3} \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 8. $|d(K) - d(\widehat{K})| \leq 4n R^7 \beta^{-3} \|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$*

- *Part 9.* $|\nabla L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - L(\widehat{K},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 12\beta^{-4}nR^{12}\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|u(K)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 &= \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top)\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\|\|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top)\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\|\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F\|Q^\top\|_F \\
&\leq R^2\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from $\|\operatorname{vec}(X)\|_2 = \|X\|_F$, the last step follows from $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$ and $\|Q\|_F \leq R$

**Proof of Part 2**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| &= |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Q\widehat{K}^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle| \\
&\leq \|u(K)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\sqrt{n} \\
&\leq \sqrt{n}R^2\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, $\|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 = \sqrt{n}$ and the definition of $u(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the third step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}| &\leq \alpha(K)^{-1}\alpha(\widehat{K})^{-1}|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}| \\
&\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^2\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 1** and $\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 &= \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\| \\
&= \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(K)_{l_0,j_0} + \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(K)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\| \\
&\leq \|(\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1})u(K)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 + \|\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}(u(K)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0})\|_2 \\
&\leq |\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 + |\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|u(K)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^4\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F + \beta^{-1}R^2\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F \\
&\leq 2\beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^4\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(K)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $\|a + b\|_2 \leq \|a\|_2 + \|b\|_2$, the fourth step follows from Fact A.4, the fifth step follows from **Part 1** and **Part 3**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| &= |\langle f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}| \\
&\leq \|f(K)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq 2\beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^6\|K - \widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the last step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 4** of Lemma E.12.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|a(K) - a(\widehat{K})| &= |\langle(\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1})\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| \\
&\leq \|(\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1})\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq R^2|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top)\|_2
\end{aligned}
$$

$$\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^6\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $a(K)$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from Fact A.4 and **Part 4** of Lemma E.12, the last step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 5** of Lemma E.12.

**Proof of Part 7**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|b(K)-b(\widehat{K})| &= |\langle(\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}-\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0})\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top),\mathbf{1}_n\rangle,h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| \\
&\leq \|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}-\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top),\mathbf{1}_n\rangle|\,\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \sqrt{n}R^4\|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}-\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \sqrt{n}R^4\|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}-\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}+\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(K)_{l_0,j_0}-\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \\
&\leq \sqrt{n}R^4(|\alpha(K)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}-\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\,\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2+|\alpha(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\,\|f(K)_{l_0,j_0}-f(\widehat{K})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2) \\
&\leq \sqrt{n}R^4(\beta^{-3}\sqrt{n}R^4\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F+2\beta^{-3}\sqrt{n}R^4\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F) \\
&\leq 3nR^7\beta^{-3}\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $b(K)$, the second step follows from Fact A.4 and Fact A.3, the third step follows from $|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\operatorname{vec}(Qe_{k_2}e_{i_2}^\top),\mathbf{1}_n\rangle|\leq\sqrt{n}R^2$ and **Part 4** of Lemma E.12, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the fifth step follows from Fact A.4 and Fact A.3, the sixth step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8**

$$
\begin{aligned}
|d(K)-d(\widehat{K})| &= |(a(K)-b(K))-(a(\widehat{K})-b(\widehat{K}))| \\
&= |(a(K)-a(\widehat{K}))+(b(\widehat{K})-b(K))| \\
&\leq |a(K)-a(\widehat{K})|+|b(\widehat{K})-b(K)| \\
&\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^6\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F+3nR^7\beta^{-3}\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F \\
&\leq 4nR^7\beta^{-3}\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(K)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $|a+b|\leq|a|+|b|$, the fourth step follows from **Part 6** and **Part 7**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 9** For simplicity, we use $c(K)$ to denote $c(K)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
|\nabla L(K,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}-L(\widehat{K},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| &= |c(K)d(K)-c(\widehat{K})d(\widehat{K})| \\
&= |c(K)d(K)-c(\widehat{K})d(K)+c(\widehat{K})d(K)-c(\widehat{K})d(\widehat{K})| \\
&\leq |(c(K)-c(\widehat{K}))d(K)|+|c(\widehat{K})(d(K)-d(\widehat{K}))| \\
&\leq |c(K)-c(\widehat{K})|\,|d(K)|+|c(\widehat{K})|\,|d(K)-d(\widehat{K})| \\
&\leq 4\beta^{-4}nR^{12}\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F+8\beta^{-4}R^{11}n\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F \\
&\leq 12\beta^{-4}nR^{12}\|K-\widehat{K}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(K)$ and **Part 5** of Lemma J.7, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $|a+b|\leq|a|+|b|$, the fourth step follows from $|ab|\leq|a||b|$, the fifth step follows from **Part 5** and **Part 8**, the last step follows from simple algebra. $\qquad\square$

## J.5 Definitions with respect to $Q$

**Definition J.10.** *Let* $\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\in\mathbb{R}^{n\times d^2}$. *For each* $l_0\in[m]$, $j_0\in[n]$, *we define*

$$\underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} := \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\operatorname{vec}(\underbrace{Q}_{d\times L}\underbrace{K^\top}_{L\times d})_{\underbrace{}_{d^2\times 1}}$$

**Definition J.11.** *We define $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}$*

$$\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{\text{scalar}} := \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n \times 1} \rangle$$

**Definition J.12.** *We define $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \in \mathbb{R}^n$*

$$\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1} := \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{\text{scalar}} \underbrace{u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}$$

**Definition J.13.** *For each $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, we define*

$$\underbrace{c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalr}} := \langle \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n \times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n \times 1} \rangle - \underbrace{b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{\text{scalar}}$$

**Definition J.14.** *For each $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, we define*

$$L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} := 0.5c(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2$$

**Definition J.15.** *For each $l_0 \in [m], j_0 \in [n], i_0 \in [d]$, we define*

$$L(Q,y) := \sum_{l_0=1}^m \sum_{j_0=1}^n \sum_{i_0=1}^d L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$$

## J.6 GRADIENT WITH RESPECT TO $Q$

**Lemma J.16.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.10*
- *Let $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.11*
- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.12*
- *Let $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition J.13*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 2. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = -\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 3. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top) - \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle$$

- *Part 4. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= \langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle - \langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$$

- *Part 5. For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,*

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}(\langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}\, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$$
$$- \langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle)$$

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle$$
$$= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle$$
$$= \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the last step follows from **Part 1** of Lemma D.10.

**Proof of Part 2** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = -\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}\frac{\mathrm{d}\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$$
$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar}\langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}y^\alpha}{\mathrm{d}x} = (\alpha-1)y^{\alpha-1}\cdot\frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$, the second step follows from **Part 2**.

**Proof of Part 3** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1}$$
$$= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1} + \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1}$$
$$= -\underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-2}}_{scalar}\langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\, \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)}_{n\times 1} + \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}$$
$$= \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} - \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from differential chain rule, the third step follows from **Part 2** and **Part 3**, the last step follows from the definition of $f(x)_{l_0,j_0}$.

**Proof of Part 4** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$$
$$= \langle \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle$$
$$= \langle \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1} - \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$
$$= \langle \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle - \langle \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar}\underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1}\langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2}\underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1}\rangle, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1}\rangle$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(x)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5** For $\forall i_2 \in [d], k_2 \in [L]$,

$$
\frac{\mathrm{d}L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}} 0.5 c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}^2
$$

$$
= c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}
$$

$$
= \underbrace{c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}_{scalar} (\langle \underbrace{\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1} \rangle - \underbrace{\langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}}_{scalar} \underbrace{f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times 1} \langle \underbrace{\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}}_{n\times d^2} \underbrace{\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)}_{d^2\times 1}, \underbrace{\mathbf{1}_n}_{n\times 1} \rangle, \underbrace{h(y)_{l_0,i_0}}_{n\times 1} \rangle)
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $\frac{\mathrm{d}y^\alpha}{\mathrm{d}x} = (\alpha-1)y^{\alpha-1} \cdot \frac{\mathrm{d}y}{\mathrm{d}x}$, the last step follows from **Part 5**. □

## J.7    NORM BOUNDS FOR SEVERAL TERMS WITH RESPECT TO $Q$

**Lemma J.17.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.10*
- *Let $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.11*
- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.12*
- *Let $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition J.13*
- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*
- *Let $R \geq 4$*
- *Let $\| \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top) \|_2 \leq R$*
- *Let $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$*
- *$\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$*
- *Let $\| b_{l_0,j_0,i_0} \|_2 \leq R$*
- *Let $d(Q) := \frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\| u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 \leq R^2$*
- *Part 2. $\| f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq \beta^{-1}R^2$*
- *Part 3. $|c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 2\beta^{-1}R^4$*
- *Part 4. $|d(Q)| \leq 2\sqrt{n}\beta^{-2}R^6$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$
\| u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \|_2 = \| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top) \|_2
$$
$$
\leq R^2
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.4, $\| \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \| \leq R$ and $\| \mathrm{vec}(QK^\top) \|_2 \leq R$.

**Proof of Part 2**

$$\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\| = |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}|$$
$$\leq |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}||u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}|$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} R^2$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from $|ab| \leq |a||b|$, the last step follows from $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$ and **Part 5** of Lemma D.12.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$|c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| = |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}|$$
$$\leq \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2 + \|b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-1} R^4 + R$$
$$\leq 2\beta^{-1} R^4$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from $|a - b| \leq |a| + |b|$ and Fact A.3, the third step follows from **Part 1** and **Part 4** of Lemma D.12, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$|\frac{\mathrm{d}c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}}{\mathrm{d}Q_{i_2,k_2}}| = |\langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle - \langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$
$$\leq |\langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle| + |\langle \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$
$$\leq (\|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2 + \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle\|_2)\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2(|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2 + |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|)$$
$$\leq R^2(\beta^{-1} R^2 + \beta^{-2} R^2 |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|)$$
$$\leq R^2(\beta^{-1} R^2 + \beta^{-2} R^4 \sqrt{n})$$
$$\leq 2\sqrt{n}\beta^{-2} R^6$$

where the first step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma J.16, the second step follows from $|a-b| \leq |a|+|b|$, the third step follows from Fact A.3, the fourth step follows from **Part 4** of Lemma D.12 and $|ab| \leq |a||b|$, the fifth step follows from **Part 1**, $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$, **Part 5** of Lemma D.12, the sixth step follows from $|\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle| \leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2 \|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n}R^2$, the last step follows from simple algebra. $\square$

### J.8 LIPSCHITZ OF SEVERAL TERMS WITH RESPECT TO $Q$

**Lemma J.18.** *If the following conditions hold*

- *Let $u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.10*

- *Let $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.11*

- *Let $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$ be defined in Definition J.12*

- *Let $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$ be defined in Definition J.13*

- *Let $\beta \in (0, 0.1)$*

- *Let $R \geq 4$*

- *Let $\|\mathrm{vec}(QK^\top)\|_2 \leq R$*

- *Let $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$*

- *$\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$*

- *Let $\|b_{l_0,j_0,i_0}\|_2 \leq R$*

- *Let $\|Q\|_F, \|F\|_F \leq R$*

- *Let $a(Q) := \langle \alpha(Q)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} \, \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$*

- *Let $b(Q) := \langle \alpha(Q)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(e_{i_2} e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0} \rangle$*

- *Let $d(Q) := a(Q) - b(Q)$*

*Then we have*

- *Part 1. $\|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq R^2 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 2. $|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \sqrt{n} R^2 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 3. $|\alpha(Q)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1}_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^2 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 4. $\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^4 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 5. $|c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 2\beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^6 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 6. $|a(Q) - a(\widehat{Q})| \leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^6 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 7. $|b(Q) - b(\widehat{Q})| \leq 3n R^7 \beta^{-3} \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 8. $|d(Q) - d(\widehat{Q})| \leq 4n R^7 \beta^{-3} \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

- *Part 9. $|\nabla L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - L(\widehat{Q},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| \leq 12\beta^{-4} n R^{12} \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$*

*Proof.* **Proof of Part 1**

$$\|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \|\operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \|K^\top\|_F$$
$$\leq R^2 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from $\|\operatorname{vec}(X)\|_2 = \|X\|_F$, the last step follows from $\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\| \leq R$ and $\|F\| \leq R$

**Proof of Part 2**

$$|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}| = |\langle \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(QK^\top) - \mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0} \operatorname{vec}(\widehat{Q}K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n \rangle|$$
$$\leq \|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 \sqrt{n}$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n} R^2 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, $\|\mathbf{1}_n\|_2 = \sqrt{n}$ and the definition of $\|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$, the third step follows from **Part 1**.

**Proof of Part 3**

$$|\alpha(Q)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1}_{l_0,j_0}| \leq \alpha(Q)^{-1} \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1} |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}|$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2} \sqrt{n} R^2 \|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from simple algebra, the second step follows from **Part 1** and $\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0} \geq \beta$.

**Proof of Part 4**

$$\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 = \|\alpha(Q)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|$$
$$= \|\alpha(Q)^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} + \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})^{-1}_{l_0,j_0} u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|$$

$$\leq \|(\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1})u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 + \|\alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}(u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0})\|_2$$
$$\leq |\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 + |\alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|u(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - u(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^4\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F + \beta^{-1}R^2\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$
$$\leq 2\beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^4\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $\|a + b\|_2 \leq \|a\|_2 + \|b\|_2$, the fourth step follows from Fact A.4, the fifth step follows from **Part 1** and **Part 3**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 5**

$$|c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - c(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| = |\langle f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}|$$
$$\leq \|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq 2\beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^6\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the last step follows from **Part 4** and **Part 4** of Lemma D.12.

**Proof of Part 6**

$$|a(Q) - a(\widehat{Q})| = |\langle(\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1})\,\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$
$$\leq \|(\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1})\,\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq R^2|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top)\|_2$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^6\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $a(Q)$, the second step follows from Fact A.3, the third step follows from Fact A.4 and **Part 4** of Lemma D.12, the last step follows from **Part 3**.

**Proof of Part 7**

$$|b(Q) - b(\widehat{Q})| = |\langle(\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\rangle\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle, h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\rangle|$$
$$\leq \|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2|\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle|\|h(y)_{l_0,i_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n}R^4\|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n}R^4\|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} + \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n}R^4(|\alpha(Q)_{l_0,j_0}^{-1} - \alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0}\|_2 + |\alpha(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}^{-1}|\|f(Q)_{l_0,j_0} - f(\widehat{Q})_{l_0,j_0}\|_2)$$
$$\leq \sqrt{n}R^4(\beta^{-3}\sqrt{n}R^4\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F + 2\beta^{-3}\sqrt{n}R^4\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F)$$
$$\leq 3nR^7\beta^{-3}\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $b(Q)$, the second step follows from Fact A.4 and Fact A.3, the third step follows from $|\langle\mathsf{A}_{l_0,j_0}\,\mathrm{vec}(e_{i_2}e_{k_2}^\top K^\top), \mathbf{1}_n\rangle| \leq \sqrt{n}R^2$ and **Part 4** of Lemma D.12, the fourth step follows from simple algebra, the fifth step follows from Fact A.4 and Fact A.3, the sixth step follows from **Part 3** and **Part 4**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 8**

$$|d(Q) - d(\widehat{Q})| = |(a(Q) - b(Q)) - (a(\widehat{Q}) - b(\widehat{Q}))|$$
$$= |(a(Q) - a(\widehat{Q})) + (b(\widehat{Q}) - b(Q))|$$
$$\leq |a(Q) - a(\widehat{Q})| + |b(\widehat{Q}) - b(Q)|$$
$$\leq \beta^{-2}\sqrt{n}R^6\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F + 3nR^7\beta^{-3}\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$
$$\leq 4nR^7\beta^{-3}\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(Q)$, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$, the fourth step follows from **Part 6** and **Part 7**, the last step follows from simple algebra.

**Proof of Part 9** For simplicity, we use $c(Q)$ to denote $c(Q)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}$, then we have

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\begin{aligned}
|\nabla L(Q,y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0} - L(\widehat{Q},y)_{l_0,j_0,i_0}| &= |c(Q)d(Q) - c(\widehat{Q})d(\widehat{Q})| \\
&= |c(Q)d(Q) - c(\widehat{Q})d(Q) + c(\widehat{Q})d(Q) - c(\widehat{Q})d(\widehat{Q})| \\
&\leq |(c(Q) - c(\widehat{Q}))d(Q)| + |c(\widehat{Q})(d(Q) - d(\widehat{Q}))| \\
&\leq |c(Q) - c(\widehat{Q})||d(Q)| + |c(\widehat{Q})||d(Q) - d(\widehat{Q})| \\
&\leq 4\beta^{-4}nR^{12}\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F + 8\beta^{-4}R^{11}n\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F \\
&\leq 12\beta^{-4}nR^{12}\|Q - \widehat{Q}\|_F
\end{aligned}
$$

where the first step follows from the definition of $d(Q)$ and **Part 5** of Lemma J.16, the second step follows from simple algebra, the third step follows from $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$, the fourth step follows from $|ab| \leq |a||b|$, the fifth step follows from **Part 5** and **Part 8**, the last step follows from simple algebra. □