

## A. Proof of Lemma 1

**Lemma 1** The characteristic functions of the variable  $z$ 's distributions in  $Z^{(i)}$ ,  $\forall i \in \{1, 2\}$ , are

$$\Phi_{Z^{(1)}}(t) = \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H(i) \quad (\text{A.1})$$

and

$$\Phi_{Z^{(2)}}(t) = \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H\left(\left\lceil \frac{i}{MK} \right\rceil \times MK\right), \quad (\text{A.2})$$

where  $H(k) = \frac{k(MN-k)}{(MN)^3 \cdot [f(F^{-1}(\frac{k}{MN}))]^2}$ ,  $f$  and  $F$  are probability density function and cumulative distribution function of  $W^{(0)}$ 's Gaussian distribution,  $F^{-1}$  denotes the quantile function associated with  $F$ . where  $K$  is the number of balance range per row,  $r^{(1)} = MK \cdot r^{(2)}$  is the total number of pruned elements.

*Proof:* To prove that, we consider each element  $w$  in  $W^{(0)}$  as a random sample drawn from the continuous distribution  $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_w^2)$ . Thus the  $k$ th smallest element in  $\text{Abs}(W^{(0)})$  is exactly the  $k$ th order statistic. In large sample size case (Mosteller 2006), the distribution of  $k$ th order statistic is

$$\xi_{k:num} \sim AN\left(F^{-1}(p), \frac{p(1-p)}{num \cdot [f(F^{-1}(p))]^2}\right) \quad (\text{A.3})$$

where  $num$  is the random sample times,  $p = k/num$ ,  $f$  and  $F$  are probability density function and cumulative distribution function of Gaussian distribution in our case.

Since we prune the elements by magnitude order, the pruned element i.e. the element in  $dW^{(i)}$  is satisfied with the distribution of order statistic. By considering those elements as different Gaussian distributions with same weights, we find that both the distributions of  $dW^{(1)}$  and  $dW^{(2)}$  are mixture of Gaussian distribution:

$$f_{dW}(x; \mu_1, \dots, \mu_r, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r) = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r g(x; \mu_i, \sigma_i) \quad (\text{A.4})$$

where  $g(x; \mu, \sigma)$  denotes a probability density function of Gaussian distribution.

At last, We can calculate the product of  $dw$  and  $x$ . We provide a detailed description of the calculation on the Random Sparsity case (i.e., the denote  $i = 1$ ) as an example.

$$z = dw \cdot x \quad (\text{A.5})$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Z^{(1)}}(z) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f_{dW^{(1)}}\left(\frac{z}{x}; \mu_1, \dots, \mu_r, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_r\right) \cdot \\ &\quad f_x(x; \mu_x, \sigma_x) dx \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} g\left(\frac{z}{x}; \mu_i, \sigma_i\right) g(x; \mu_x, \sigma_x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g\left(\frac{z}{x}; \mu_i, \sigma_i\right) g(x; \mu_x, \sigma_x) dx \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.6})$$

where  $f_x(x; \mu_x, \sigma_x)$  is the probability density function of each element in input  $X$ . Notice  $\mu_x = 0$ , a simplify can be done:

$$\begin{aligned} f_{Z^{(1)}}(z) &= \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g\left(\frac{z}{x}; \mu_i, \sigma_i\right) g(x; 0, \sigma_x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g\left(\frac{z}{x}; 0, \sigma_i\right) g(x; 0, \sigma_x) dx + \\ &\quad \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \mu_i g(x; 0, \sigma_x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g\left(\frac{z}{x}; 0, \sigma_i\right) g(x; 0, \sigma_x) dx \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.7})$$

In order to get a further result, we calculate the characteristic function  $\Phi_{Z^{(1)}}(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{Z^{(1)}}(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{itz} f_{Z^{(1)}}(z) dz \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{itz} \frac{1}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} g\left(\frac{z}{x}; 0, \sigma_i\right) \cdot \\ &\quad g(x; 0, \sigma_x) dx dz \\ &= \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} \sigma_i (1+t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H(i) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.8})$$

Similarly, the characteristic function  $\Phi_{Z^{(2)}}(z)$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_{Z^{(2)}}(t) &= \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} MK \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(2)}} H(i) \\ &= \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} (1+t^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H\left(\left\lceil \frac{i}{MK} \right\rceil \times MK\right) \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

## B. Proof of Theorem 1

**Theorem 1** The means of the variable  $z$ 's distributions in  $Z^{(i)}$ ,  $\forall i \in \{1, 2\}$ , are

$$\text{Mean}_{Z^{(1)}}(z) = \text{Mean}_{Z^{(2)}}(z) = 0. \quad (\text{B.1})$$

The variances of the variable  $z$ 's distributions in  $Z^{(i)}$ ,  $\forall i \in \{1, 2\}$ , are

$$\text{Var}_{Z^{(1)}}(z) = \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H(i) \quad (\text{B.2})$$

and

$$Var_{Z^{(2)}}(z) = \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H\left(\left\lceil \frac{i}{MK} \right\rceil \times MK\right). \quad (\text{B.3})$$

*Proof:* Generally, the characteristic function has this property

$$E(X^k) = (-i)^k \Phi_Z^k(0) \quad (\text{B.4})$$

Thus the mean values of  $z$  are

$$\begin{aligned} Mean_{Z^{(i)}}(z) &= E_{Z^{(i)}}(z) \\ &= (-i) \Phi'_{Z^{(i)}}(z)|_{z=0} \\ &= 0, \forall i \in \{1, 2\} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.5})$$

Thus the variance values of  $z$  are

$$\begin{aligned} Var_{Z^{(i)}}(z) &= E_{Z^{(i)}}(z^2) - [E_{Z^{(i)}}(z)]^2 \\ &= (-i)^2 \Phi''_{Z^{(i)}}(z)|_{z=0} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B.6})$$

Then substitute  $X$  into the above equation

$$Var_{Z^{(1)}}(z) = \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H(i) \quad (\text{B.7})$$

$$Var_{Z^{(2)}}(z) = \frac{\sigma_x}{r^{(1)}} \sum_{i=1}^{r^{(1)}} H\left(\left\lceil \frac{i}{MK} \right\rceil \times MK\right) \quad (\text{B.8})$$