# Eigen behaviour of Random matrices with Heavy tailed independent columns

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#### **Abstract**

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## 1 Notations

Let us introduce the notations  $\mathbb{R}_+ \equiv [0,\infty)$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_+^* \equiv (0,+\infty)$  and  $\mathbb{H} \equiv \{z \in \mathbb{C}, \Im(z) > 0\}$  (the complex half plane). Given  $n,p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $[n] \equiv \{1,\ldots,n\}$ , the entries of a vector  $x \in \mathbb{C}^p$  are generally denoted  $x_1,\ldots,x_p$ , the columns of a complex matrix  $A \in \mathcal{M}_{p,n}$  are denoted  $a_1,\ldots,a_n$ . Let us denote  $\mathcal{M}_n$ , the set of square matrices  $\mathcal{M}_{n,n}$ ,  $S_n$ , the set of (possibly non-real) symmetric matrices,  $H_n$ , the set of Hermitian matrices,  $\mathcal{O}_n$ , the set of orthogonal matrices,  $\mathcal{U}_n$ , the set of unitary matrices and  $D_n$ , the set of diagonal matrices. We introduce the natural order relation on  $H_n$ , given  $A, B \in H_n$ :

$$A \le B$$
  $\Longrightarrow$   $\forall x \in \mathbb{C}^n : x^*(B-A)x \ge 0.$ 

Given  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,  $D = \mathrm{Diag}(x) \in D_n$  is the diagonal matrix having the elements  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  on the diagonal then one usually denote  $\forall i \in [n]$ ,  $D_i \equiv x_i$ . The conjugate transpose of a matrix M is denoted  $M^* = \bar{M}^T$ . Given a square matrix  $A \in \mathcal{M}_p(\mathbb{C})$ , the spectrum of A is  $\mathrm{Sp}(A)$  and we denote  $|A| = \sqrt{AA^*} \in \mathcal{H}_p$ .

The  $\ell_2$  norm on  $\mathbb{C}^p$  is denoted  $\|\cdot\|$  ( $\|x\| \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^p |x_i|^2}$ ), then the Hilbert-Schmidt norm is denoted  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathrm{HS}}$  ( $\forall M \in \mathcal{M}_{p,n} \colon \|M\|_{\mathrm{HS}} = \mathrm{Tr}(MM^*)$ ) and the spectral norm is denoted  $\|\cdot\|$  ( $\|M\| = \sup_{\|x\|=1} \|Mx\|$ ). Given two normed vector spaces  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  and  $(E', \|\cdot\|')$ , and a linear mapping  $u: E \to F$ , the operator norm of u is denoted  $\|u\| \equiv \sup_{\|x\|<1} \|u(x)\|'$ .

We will set in this paper quasi-asymptotic results on random matrices, meaning that we will express convergence results for inequalities or concentration inequalities when important quantities like the number of rows p and the number of columns n converge to  $\infty$  or the imaginary part of the complex parameter  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  appearing in the definition of the Stieltjes Transform tends to zero. Just the rate of convergence is relevant, therefore, in order to remove smoothly the constants from the quasi-asymptotic result, we will introduce several notations. Below, the set of indexes I could be thought to be  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{C}$ 

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or even something more elaborate like  $\{(p,n,z)\in\mathbb{N}\times\mathbb{N}\times\mathbb{C},p\leq n,\Im(z)>0\}$  (see Assumption **??**).

Given an index set  $\Theta$  and two family of parameters  $(a_{\theta})_{\theta \in \Theta} \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $(b_{\theta})_{\theta \in \Theta} \in \mathbb{R}_+^{\Theta}$ , we denote: " $a_{\theta} \leq O(b_{\theta}), \ \theta \in \Theta$ " or more simply " $a \leq O(b)$ " iif there exists a constant C > 0 such that  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ :  $a_{\theta} \leq Cb_{\theta}$  (and we note  $a \geq O(b)$  iif  $\exists C > 0$  such that  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ ,  $a_{\theta} \geq Cb_{\theta}$ ). If  $A, B \in \prod_{\theta \in \Theta} H_{n_{\theta}}$  are two families of Hermitian matrices,  $A \leq O(B)$  means that there exists a constant C > 0 such that:

$$\forall \theta \in \Theta : B_{\theta} - A_{\theta} \ge CI_{n_{\theta}}.$$

Following a previous work done in [?, ?] we will express concentration inequalities with operators which are set valued mappings. An operator  $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \mapsto 2^{\mathbb{R}}$  is said to be a positive probabilitic operator and we denote  $\alpha \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{P}_+}$  iif it is maximally decreasing  $\{1\} \subset \operatorname{Ran}(\alpha)$  and  $\operatorname{Dom}(\alpha) \subset \mathbb{R}_+$ . Let us consider a family of random variables  $(X_\theta)_{\theta \in \Theta} \in \mathbb{R}^\Theta$  and a family of positive probabilitic operators  $(\alpha_\theta)_\theta \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{P}_+}^\Theta$ . If there exists some constants C, c > 0 such that  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ :

$$\forall t \ge 0: \quad \mathbb{P}(|X_{\theta} - X_{\theta}'| \ge t) \le C\alpha_{\theta}(ct),$$

where  $(X'_{\theta})_{\theta \in \Theta}$  is a family of independent copies of  $X_{\theta}$ ,  $\theta \in \Theta$ , then we denote  $X \in \alpha$  or if one needs to describe more precisely the dependence on  $\Theta$ :

$$X_{\theta} \in \alpha_{\theta}, \theta \in \Theta.$$

When there exists a family of deterministic parameters  $(\tilde{X}_{\theta})_{\theta \in \Theta}$  such that  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$ :

$$\forall t \geq 0 : \quad \mathbb{P}(|X_{\theta} - \tilde{X}_{\theta}| \geq t) \leq C\alpha_{\theta}(ct),$$

for some constants C,c>0, one denotes  $X\in \tilde{X}\pm \alpha$  or more simply  $X\in O(m)\pm \alpha$ , for any  $(m_{\theta})_{\theta\in\Theta}$  such that  $|\tilde{X}|\leq O(m)$ .

We rely on real-valued functional to extend those notations to random vectors. Given a family of normed vector spaces  $(E_{\theta}, \|\cdot\|)_{\theta \in \Theta}$ , a family of random vectors  $(X_{\theta})_{\theta} \in \prod_{\theta \in \Theta} E_{\theta}$ , the notation " $X \in \alpha$ " means that there exists some constants C, c > 0 such that  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$  for all 1-Lipschitz mappings  $f : E_{\theta} \to \mathbb{R}$ :

$$\forall t \geq 0: \quad \mathbb{P}(|f(X_{\theta}) - f(X_{\theta}')| \geq t) \leq C\alpha_{\theta}(ct),$$

where for all  $\theta \in \Theta$ ,  $X'_{\theta}$  is an independent copy of  $X_{\theta}$ . If in addition, we are given a family of deterministic vectors  $(\tilde{X}_{\theta})_{\theta \in \Theta} \in \prod_{\theta \in \Theta} E_{\theta}$  such that exists some constants C, c > 0 such that  $\forall \theta \in \Theta$  for all linear form  $u : E_{\theta} \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $||u|| \leq 1$ :

$$\forall t \geq 0: \quad \mathbb{P}(|u(X_{\theta} - \tilde{X}_{\theta})| \geq t) \leq C\alpha_{\theta}(ct).$$

We denote  $\mathrm{Id}$ , the identity operator  $t\mapsto\{t\}$ , then  $\sqrt{\mathrm{Id}}:t\mapsto\{\sqrt{t}\}$ , it satisfies  $\mathrm{Dom}(\sqrt{\mathrm{Id}})\subset\mathbb{R}_+$ .

$$\forall (w,z) \in \operatorname{Gra}(\alpha): (x-w)(z-y) \geq 0 \qquad \Longrightarrow \qquad (x,y) \in \operatorname{Gra}(\alpha).$$

$$f(X_{\theta}) \in \alpha_{\theta}, \quad \theta \in \Theta, \ f: E_{\theta} \to \mathbb{R}, \ \text{1-Lipschitz}.$$

$$u(X_{\theta}) \in u(\tilde{X}_{\theta}) \pm \alpha_{\theta}, \quad \theta \in \Theta, \ u : E_{\theta} \to \mathbb{R}, \ \text{linear}, \ \|u\| \le 1.$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Following the monotone operator theory (see for instance [?]), given an operator  $\alpha: \mathbb{R} \mapsto 2^{\mathbb{R}}$ , one denotes  $\operatorname{Gra}(\alpha) \equiv \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : y \in \alpha(x)\}$ , the graph of  $\alpha$ ,  $\operatorname{Dom}(\alpha) \equiv \{x \in \mathbb{R}, f(x) \neq \emptyset\}$ , the domain of  $\alpha$  and  $\operatorname{Ran}(\alpha) \equiv \{y \in \mathbb{R}, \exists x \in \operatorname{Dom}(\alpha) : y \in \alpha(x)\}$  then  $\alpha$  is maximally decreasing iif it satisfies the implication  $\forall x,y \in \mathbb{R}^2$ :

 $<sup>^{2}\</sup>mbox{With the random variable notations, that means that:}$ 

 $<sup>^3</sup>$ With previous notations, that means that  $X \in \alpha$  and:

## 2 Setting

By default the sets of matrices  $\mathcal{M}_{p,n}$  (in particular  $D_n \subset \mathcal{M}_n$ ),  $p,n \in \mathbb{N}$  are endowed with Hilbert-Schmidt norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathrm{HS}}$  and the sets of random vectors  $\mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  are endowed with the  $\ell_2$  norm.

In what follow, we consider a constant  $\gamma > 0$  and introduce:

$$\Theta_{\gamma} \equiv \{(n,p) \in \mathbb{N}^2, n \geq \gamma p\}.$$

the index set that will direct our quasi-asymptotic results.

Considering a family of random matrices  $X=(X_{(n,p)})_{(n,p)\in\Theta_{\gamma}}$ , given  $i\in\mathbb{N}$ , let us naturally denote  $x_i\equiv (x_i^{(n,p)})_{(n,p)\in\Theta_{\gamma},n\geq i}$ , the family of the  $i^{th}$  column of X and introduce the family of means, of centered and non-centered empirical covariance matrices for all  $i\in\mathbb{N}$ :

$$\mu_i \equiv \mathbb{E}[x_i] \qquad \Sigma_i \equiv \mathbb{E}[x_i(x_i)^T]. \qquad C_i \equiv \Sigma_i - \mu_i(\mu_i)^T.$$

Considering a family of positive probability operators  $\alpha \in \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{P}_+}^{\Theta_{\gamma}}$ , we will assume the following properties are satisfied:

- for all  $(n,p) \in \Theta_{\gamma}$ :  $x_i^{(n,p)}, \dots, x_n^{(n,p)}$  are independent,
- $X \in \alpha$
- $\sigma_{\alpha} \equiv \int t \alpha(t) dt \leq \infty$  and  $\alpha(\sigma \alpha) \leq O(1)$ ,
- $\|\mu_i\| \leq O(1)$ ,  $i \in [n]$ ,
- $\Sigma_i \geq O(1), i \in [n].$

**Remark 2.1.** • Possible alpha...

- bound on  $\|\mu\|$ ...
- lower bound on  $\Sigma$ ...

## 3 Concentration of the resolvent.

To study the spectral distribution of  $\frac{1}{n}XX^T$ :

$$\nu \equiv \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\lambda \in \operatorname{Sp}(\frac{1}{n}XX^T)} \delta_{\lambda},$$

the classical approach is to look at the Stieltjes transform defined for any  $z \notin \operatorname{Sp}(\frac{1}{n}XX^T)$  as:

$$m(z) \equiv \int \frac{1}{z - \lambda} d\nu(\lambda).$$

To deduce properties on  $\nu$ , it is sufficient to study m(z) for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $\Im(z) \in (0,1]$ , we will thus restrict our study to this range to simplify the bounds in the convergence results. Introducing the family of resolvents  $Q \equiv (Q^z_{n,p})_{(n,p)\in\Theta_\gamma,\Im(z)\in(0,1]} \in \prod_{(p,n)\in\Theta_\gamma,\Im(z)\in(0,1]} \mathcal{M}_p$  defined for any  $(p,n)\in\Theta_\gamma$ ,  $\forall z\in\mathbb{H}$  as:

$$Q^z = \left(I_p - \frac{1}{n}XX^T\right)^{-1}$$

one will rely on the identity:

$$m(z) = \frac{1}{p} \operatorname{Tr}(Q^z).$$

It is somehow convenient to study simultaneously the so-called "co-resolvent"  $\check{Q}$  defined as:

$$\check{Q} = \left(zI_n - \frac{1}{n}X^TX\right)^{-1} \in \prod_{(n,p)\in\Theta_\gamma,\Im(z)\in(0,1]} \mathcal{M}_{p,n}.$$

To set the concentration of Q and  $\check{Q}$ , let us first bound them, it is a trivial and classical result of Random matrix theory that we provide here without proof.

**Lemma 3.1.** 
$$|Q|, |\check{Q}| \leq O(\frac{1}{\Im z}).$$

Let us note that from the identity  $Q^{\frac{1}{n}}XX^T=Q-I_p$ , one can also bound:

$$\left\| \frac{1}{n} Q X \right\| \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\left\| \frac{1}{n} Q X X^T Q \right\|} \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sqrt{\left\| Q^2 - Q \right\|} \le O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n} \Im(z)}\right) \tag{3.1}$$

Proposition 3.2.  $Q^z, \check{Q}^z \in \alpha(\frac{\cdot}{\Im(z)^2\sqrt{n}}).$ 

*Proof.* Introducing the mappings  $\Phi: \mathcal{M}_{p,n} \to \mathcal{M}_p$  and  $\check{\Phi}: \mathcal{M}_{p,n} \to \mathcal{M}_n$  defined as:

$$\Phi(M) = \left(zI_p - \frac{MM^T}{n}\right)^{-1}$$
 and  $\check{\Phi}(M) = \left(zI_n - \frac{M^TM}{n}\right)^{-1}$ ,

it is sufficient to show that  $\Phi$  and  $\check{\Phi}$  are both  $O(1/\sqrt{n}\Im(z)^2)$ -Lipschitz (for the Hilbert-Schmidt norm). For any  $M \in \mathcal{M}_{n,p}$  and any  $H \in \mathcal{M}_{p,n}$ , we can bound:

$$\left\| d\Phi_{|_{M}} \cdot H \right\|_{\mathrm{HS}} = \left\| \Phi\left(M\right) \frac{1}{n} (MH^{T} + HM^{T}) \Phi\left(M\right) \right\|_{\mathrm{HS}} \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\Im(z)^{2} \sqrt{n}}\right) \|H\|_{\mathrm{HS}},$$

thanks to lemma 3.1 and (3.1). The same holds for  $\check{Q}^z$ .

We also provide here the expression of the concentration of QX and  $X^T\check{Q}$  that will be useful later.

Lemma 3.3. 
$$QX = X^T \check{Q} \in \alpha \left(\Im(z)^2\right)$$

*Proof.* Let us look at the variations of the mapping  $\Psi: \mathcal{M}_{p,n} \to \mathcal{M}_{p,n}(\mathbb{C})$  defined as:

$$\Psi(M) = \left(zI_p - \frac{MM^T}{n}\right)^{-1}M.$$

to show the concentration of  $QX = \Psi(X)$ . For all  $H, M \in \mathcal{M}_{n,p}$  (and with the notation  $\Phi(M) = \left(zI_p - \frac{MM^T}{n}\right)^{-1}$  given in the proof of Proposition 3.2), let us bound:

$$\left\|d\Psi\right\|_{M}\cdot H\right\|\leq \left\|\Psi\left(M\right)\frac{1}{n}(MH^{T}+HM^{T})\Psi\left(M\right)M\right\|+\left\|\Psi\left(M\right)H\right\|\leq O\left(\frac{\|H\|_{\mathrm{HS}}}{\Im(z)^{2}}\right).$$

## 4 A first deterministic equivalent

In this subsection, we provide a first estimator of  $\mathbb{E}[Q]$ .

An efficient approach, developed in particular in [?, ?] is to look for a deterministic equivalent of  $Q^z$  depending on a deterministic diagonal matrix  $\Delta \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and having the form:

$$\tilde{Q}^{\Delta} = \left(zI_p - \Sigma^{\Delta}\right)^{-1}$$
 where  $\Sigma^{\Delta} \equiv \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{\Sigma_i}{\Delta_i} = \frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}[X\Delta^{-1}X^T].$  (4.1)

One can then express the difference with the expectation  $\mathbb{E}[Q^z]$  followingly:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Q\right] - \tilde{Q}^{\Delta} = \mathbb{E}\left[Q\left(\frac{1}{n}XX^T - \Sigma^{\Delta}\right)\tilde{Q}^{\Delta}\right] = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n\mathbb{E}\left[Q\left(x_ix_i^T - \frac{\Sigma_i}{\Delta_i}\right)\tilde{Q}^{\Delta}\right].$$

To pursue the estimation of the expectation, one needs to control the dependence between Q and  $x_i$ . For that purpose, one uses classically the Schur identities:

$$Q = Q_{-i} + \frac{1}{n} \frac{Q_{-i} x_i x_i^T Q_{-i}}{1 - \frac{1}{n} x_i^T Q_{-i} x_i} \qquad \text{and} \qquad Q x_i = \frac{Q_{-i}^z x_i}{1 - \frac{1}{n} x_i^T Q_{-i}^z x_i}, \tag{4.2}$$

for  $Q_{-i}=(I_n-\frac{1}{zn}X_{-i}X_{-i}^T)^{-1}$  (recall that  $X_{-i}=(x_1,\ldots,x_{i-1},0,x_{i+1},\ldots,x_n)\in\mathcal{M}_{p,n}$ ). The Schur identities can be seen as simple consequences to the so called "resolvent identity" that can be generalized to any, possibly non commuting, square matrices  $A,B\in\mathcal{M}_p$  with the identity:

$$A^{-1} - B^{-1} = A^{-1}(B - A)B^{-1}$$
 or  $A^{-1} + B^{-1} = A^{-1}(A + B)B^{-1}$  (4.3)

(it suffices to note that  $A(A^{-1} + A^{-1}(B - A)B^{-1})B = I_p$ ).

Introducing the notation:

$$\Lambda \equiv \operatorname{Diag}_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} x_i^T Q_{-i} x_i \right) \in \prod_{(n,p) \in \Theta_{\gamma}, \Im(z) \in (0,1]} \mathcal{D}_n,$$

one has the identity  $Qx_i = \frac{1}{\Lambda_i}Q_{-i}x_i$ . It is then possible to express:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[Q\right] - \tilde{Q}^{\Delta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbb{E}\left[Q_{-i} \left(\frac{x_{i} x_{i}^{T}}{\Lambda_{i}} - \frac{\Sigma_{i}}{\Delta_{i}}\right) \tilde{Q}^{\Delta}\right] + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{1}{\Delta_{i}} \mathbb{E}\left[(Q_{-i} - Q) \Sigma_{i} \tilde{Q}^{\Delta}\right]$$
(4.4)

where we recall that  $Q - Q_{-i} = \frac{1}{n} Q x_i x_i^T Q_{-i}$ .

From this decomposition, one is enticed into choosing, in a first step  $\Delta = \mathbb{E}[\Lambda] \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{C})$  so that  $\varepsilon_1$  would be small.

Proposition 4.1. 
$$\|Q - \tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}\|_{\mathrm{HS}} \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\Im(z)^4 \sqrt{n}}\right)$$

The proof of this proposition relies on the next four preliminary lemmas.

Lemma 4.2. 
$$\Lambda \geq O\left(\frac{1}{\Im(z)}\right)$$
.

*Proof.* It is a simple consequence of Lemma 3.1 and the identity:

$$\frac{1}{\Lambda^z} = \operatorname{Diag}_{i \in [n]} \left( \frac{1}{1 - \frac{1}{n} x_i^T Q_{-i} x_i} \right) = I_n + \frac{1}{n} \operatorname{Diag}(X^T Q X) = \operatorname{Diag}(\check{Q}). \tag{4.5}$$

Lemma 4.3.  $\|\mathbb{E}[Q_{-i}] - \mathbb{E}[Q]\| \le O\left(\frac{1}{n\Im(z)^2}\right)$ .

Note from [?] that this lemma implies in particular from Proposition 3.2 that  $Q_{-i} \in \mathbb{E}[Q] \pm \alpha \circ (\Im(z)^2 \sqrt{n} \ \mathrm{Id})$ .

*Proof.* Let us bound for any deterministic vector  $u \in \mathbb{C}$ :

$$|u^*(\mathbb{E}[Q_{-i}] - \mathbb{E}[Q])u| = \frac{1}{n} \left| \mathbb{E}\left[ \frac{u^*Q_{-i}x_ix_i^*Q_{-i}u}{\Lambda_i} \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \mathbb{E}[u^*Q_{-i}\Sigma_iQ_{-i}u]O\left(\frac{1}{n\Im(z)}\right) \leq O\left(\frac{1}{n\Im(z)^2}\right)$$

thanks to Lemmas 3.1 and 4.2

Lemma 4.4. Given  $\Delta \in \mathcal{D}_n$ ,  $\|\tilde{Q}^{\Delta}\| \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\min_{i \in [n]}(\Im(z\Delta_i))}\right)$ .

Lemma 4.5.  $\Im(z\Lambda) \leq \Im(z)$ .

One can deduce directly from Lemmas 4.4 and 4.5 that  $\|\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}\| \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\Im(z)}\right)$ .

Proof. Let us compute:

$$\Im(z\Lambda) = \Im(z) - \frac{1}{n}\operatorname{Tr}\left(\Sigma_i(Q - \bar{Q})\right) = \Im(z) - \frac{1}{n}\operatorname{Tr}\left(\Sigma_iQ(\bar{z}I_p - zI_p)\bar{Q}\right) \ge \Im(z),$$

since 
$$\operatorname{Tr}\left(\Sigma_i Q \bar{Q}\right) \geq 0$$
.

proof of Proposition 4.1. To prove our bound let us consider  $A \in \mathcal{M}_p$ , and start with the first component of (4.4):

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbb{E}\left[\operatorname{Tr}\left(AQ_{-i}\left(\frac{x_{i}x_{i}^{T}}{\Lambda_{i}}-\frac{\Sigma_{i}}{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda_{i}]}\right)\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}\right)\right]\\ &=\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbb{E}\left[x_{i}^{T}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}AQ_{-i}x_{i}\left(\frac{1}{\Lambda_{i}}-\frac{1}{\mathbb{E}\left[\Lambda_{i}\right]}\right)\right]\\ &=\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbb{E}\left[x_{i}^{T}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}AQx_{i}\left(\frac{\mathbb{E}\left[\Lambda_{i}\right]-\Lambda_{i}}{\mathbb{E}\left[\Lambda_{i}\right]}\right)\right]\\ &=\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{1}{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda_{i}]}\mathbb{E}\left[\left(x_{i}^{T}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}AQx_{i}-\mathbb{E}\left[x_{i}^{T}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}AQx_{i}\right]\right)\right]\\ &=\frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}\left[\operatorname{Tr}\left(\frac{1}{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}X^{T}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}AQX\right)-\mathbb{E}\left[\operatorname{Tr}\left(\frac{1}{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}X^{T}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}AQX\right)\right]\right]\leq O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}\Im(z)^{4}}\right), \end{split}$$

thanks to the matricial, heavy-tailed form of Hanson-Wright result ( $\sigma_{\alpha} \int t \alpha \leq \infty$  and  $\alpha(\sigma_{\alpha}) \geq O(1)$ ) applied to:

- the concentration  $\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}X\in\alpha$  (by hypothesis on X and thanks to the bound provided by Lemmas 4.4 and 4.5),
- $QX \in \alpha(\frac{1}{\Im(z)^2})$  (see Lemma 3.3),
- $\|\frac{1}{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]_{HS}} \le O\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\Im(z)}\right)$  (see Lemma 4.2).

The second component of (4.4) is simply bounded thanks to Lemma 4.3 that implies:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\operatorname{Tr}\left(A(Q_{-i}-Q)\Sigma_{i}\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]}\right)\right] \leq O\left(\|\mathbb{E}[Q_{-i}]-\mathbb{E}[Q]\|\frac{\sqrt{p}}{\Im(z)}\right) \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}\Im(z)^{2}}\right)$$

Combining those two bounds with (4.4), one obtains the result of the proposition.

In next section, we will see that it is more convenient to work with the deterministic diagonal matrix

$$\hat{\Lambda} \equiv \operatorname{Diag}\left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\operatorname{Tr}(\Sigma_i \mathbb{E}[Q])\right)_{1 \le i \le n} \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{C}),$$

which is close to  $\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]$  thanks to Lemma 4.3.

Proposition 4.6. 
$$\|\tilde{Q}^{\mathrm{E}[\Lambda]} - \tilde{Q}^{\hat{\Lambda}}\| \leq O\left(\frac{1}{\Im(z)^6n}\right)$$
.

*Proof.* Let us bound for any deterministic vector  $u \in \mathbb{C}^p$ :

$$\left| u^* (\tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]} - \tilde{Q}^{\hat{\Lambda}}) u \right| = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| u^* \tilde{Q}^{\mathbb{E}[\Lambda]} \Sigma_i \tilde{Q}^{\hat{\Lambda}} u \right| \left| \frac{\check{\Lambda}_i - \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_i]}{\check{\Lambda}_i \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_i]} \right|.$$

One can then directly conclude thanks to the bounds given in Lemmas 3.1 and 4.4 and the bound:

$$|\check{\Lambda}_i - \mathbb{E}[\Lambda_i]| = \frac{1}{n} |\text{Tr}(\Sigma_i(Q - Q_{-i}))| \le O\left(\frac{1}{\Im(z)^2 n}\right).$$

## 5 A second deterministic equivalent

# A The semi-metric and Lipschitz mapping

We introduce the semi-metric  $d_s$  on  $\mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H}) = \{D \in \mathcal{D}_n, \forall i \in [n], \Im D_i > 0\}$ :

$$d_s(\Delta, \Delta') = \sup_{1 \le i \le n} \frac{|\Delta - \Delta'|}{\sqrt{\Im(\Delta)\Im(\Delta')}}$$

The distance  $d_s$  is not a metric because it does not satisfy the triangular inequality, see the following counter-example:

$$d_s(4i, i) = \frac{3}{2} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = d_s(4i, 2i) + d_s(2i, 1i)$$

Indeed, one has the counter-triangular inequality when certain conditions are met: **Lemma A.1.** Given  $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}$ , x < y < z implies that:

$$d_s^2(a+xi,a+zi) > d_s^2(a+xi,a+yi) + d_s^2(a+yi,a+zi)$$

Proof. Here we construct the function

$$g: y \to \frac{(y-x)^2}{xy} + \frac{(z-y)^2}{yz}$$

and we differentiate it twice to get:

$$g'(y) = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{xy^2} + \frac{y^2 - z^2}{y^2 z} = \frac{1}{x} - \frac{x}{y^2} + \frac{1}{z} - \frac{z}{y^2}$$
$$g''(y) = \frac{3y}{x^3} + \frac{3z}{x^3} > 0$$

This shows that g is strictly convex on [x,z], and the statement follows from the fact that  $g(x)=g(z)=d_s^2(a+xi,a+yi)$  and that  $g(y)=d_s^2(a+xi,a+yi)+d_s^2(a+yi,a+zi)$ 

**Lemma A.2.** Given  $\Delta, \Delta' \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ : and  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{D}_n^+$ 

$$d_s(\Lambda \Delta, \Lambda \Delta') = d_s(\Delta, \Delta')$$

$$d_s(-\Delta^{-1}, -\Delta'^{-1}) = d_s(\Delta, \Delta')$$

**Lemma A.3.** Given four diagonal matrices  $\Delta, \Delta', D, D' \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ :

$$d_s(\Delta + D, \Delta' + D') \le \max(d_s(\Delta, \Delta'), d_s(D, D'))$$

*Proof.* For any  $\Delta, \Delta', D, D' \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ :, there exist  $i_0 \in [n]$  such that:

$$\begin{split} d_s(\Delta + D, \Delta' + D') &= \frac{|\lambda_{i_0} - \Lambda'_{i_0} + D_{i_0} - D'_{i_0}|}{\sqrt{\Im(\Delta_{i_0} + D_{i_0})\Im(\Delta'_{i_0} + D'_{i_0})}} \\ &\leq \frac{|\lambda_{i_0} - \Lambda'_{i_0}| + |D_{i_0} - D'_{i_0}|^2}{\sqrt{\Im(\Delta_{i_0})\Im(\Delta'_{i_0})} + \sqrt{\Im(D_{i_0})\Im(D'_{i_0})}} \\ &\leq \max\left(\frac{|\lambda_{i_0} - \Lambda'_{i_0}|}{\sqrt{\Im(\Delta_{i_0})\Im(\Delta'_{i_0})}}, \frac{|D_{i_0} - D'_{i_0}|}{\sqrt{\Im(D_{i_0})\Im(D'_{i_0})}}\right) \end{split}$$

In proving this property we have used the following elementary inequality results.

**Lemma A.4.** Given four positive real numbers  $a, b, \alpha, \beta$ :

$$\sqrt{ab} + \sqrt{\alpha\beta} \le \sqrt{(a+\alpha)(b+\beta)}$$
$$\frac{a+\alpha}{b+\beta} \le \max(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{\alpha}{\beta})$$

*Proof.* For the first result, we deduce from the inequality  $2\sqrt{ab\alpha\beta} \le a\beta + b\alpha$ :

$$(\sqrt{ab} + \sqrt{\alpha\beta})^2 = ab + \alpha\beta + 2\sqrt{ab\alpha\beta} \le ab + \alpha\beta + a\beta + b\alpha$$

For the second result, we simply bound:

$$\frac{a+\alpha}{b+\beta} = \frac{a}{b} \frac{b}{b+\beta} + \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \frac{\beta}{b+\beta} \le \max\left(\frac{a}{b}, \frac{\alpha}{\beta}\right).$$

**Definition A.5.** Given  $\lambda > 0$ , we denote  $C_s^{\lambda}(\mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H}))$ , the class of functions  $f : \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H}) \to \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ ,  $\lambda$ -Lipschitz for the semi-metric  $d_s$ ; i.e. satisfying for all  $D, D' \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ :

$$d_s(f(D), f(D')) \le \lambda d_s(D, D').$$

When  $\lambda < 1$ , we say that f is contracting for the semi-metric  $d_s$ .

**Proposition A.6.** Given three parameters  $\alpha, \lambda, \theta > 0$  and two mappings  $f \in \mathcal{C}^{\lambda}_s$  and  $g \in \mathcal{C}^{\theta}_s$ ,

$$\frac{-1}{f} \in \mathcal{C}_s^{\lambda}, \quad \alpha f \in \mathcal{C}_s^{\lambda}, \quad f \circ g \in \mathcal{C}_s^{\lambda \theta}, \quad f + g \in \mathcal{C}_s^{\max(\lambda, \theta)}$$

# B Fixed point theorem for contracting mapping

The Banach fixed point theorem states that a contracting function on a complete space admits a unique fixed point. The extension of this result to contracting mappings on  $\mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ , for the semi-metric  $d_s$ , is not obvious: first, because  $d_s$  does not verify the triangular inequality and second because the completeness needs to be proven. The completeness is guaranteed by a boundedness condition that we impose on the matrices.

**Theorem B.1.** Given a subset  $\mathcal{D}_b$  of  $\mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$  where each diagonal entry has an imaginary part bounded from above and below and a mapping  $f: \mathcal{D}_b \to \mathcal{D}_b$ , if it is furthermore contracting for the stable semi-metric  $d_s$  on  $\mathcal{D}_b$ , then there exists a unique fixed point  $\Delta^* \in \mathcal{D}_b$  satisfying  $\Delta^* = f(\Delta^*)$ .

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*Proof.* Noting  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  the Lipschitz constant such that  $\forall \Delta, \Delta' \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H}), d_s(f(\Delta), f(\Delta')) \leq \lambda d_s(\Delta, \Delta')$ , we show that the sequence  $(\Delta^{(k)})_{k>0}$  satisfying:

$$\Delta^{(0)} = I_n, \quad \forall k \ge 1, \Delta^{(k)} = f(\Delta^{(k-1)})$$

is a Cauchy sequence in  $\bar{\mathcal{D}}_n(\mathbb{H})$ , where  $\bar{\mathcal{D}}_n(\mathbb{H}) \equiv \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H} \bigcup \mathbb{R})$ .  $\forall p \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\Delta^{(p)} \in \mathcal{D}_b$ , i.e. there exists  $\delta > 0$ , such that  $|\Im \Delta^{(p)}| \leq \delta$ . We can then bound for any  $p \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\|\Delta^{(p+1)} - \Delta^{(p)}\| \le \delta d_s(\Delta^{(p+1)}, \Delta^{(p)}) \le \lambda^p \delta d_s(\Delta^{(1)}, \Delta^{(0)}).$$

Therefore, thanks to the triangular inequality in  $(\mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H}), \|\cdot\|)$ , for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\|\Delta^{(p+n)} - \Delta^{(p)}\| \le \|\Delta^{(p+n)} - \Delta^{(p+n-1)}\| + \dots + \|\Delta^{(p+1)} - \Delta^{(p)}\|$$

$$\le \frac{\delta d_s(\Delta^{(1)}, \Delta^{(0)})}{1 - \lambda} \lambda^p \to 0.$$

This allows us to conclude that  $(\Delta^{(p)})_{p\in\mathbb{N}}$  is a Cauchy sequence, and therefore it converges to a diagonal matrix  $\Delta^* \equiv \lim_{p\to\infty} \Delta^{(p)} \in \overline{\mathcal{D}}_n(\mathbb{H})$  which is a closed thus complete set. But since  $\Delta^{(p)}$  has diagonal entries which are bounded from below, we know that  $\Delta^* \in \mathcal{D}_b$ . By contractivity of f, it is clearly unique.

## C Stability of the stable semi-metric towards perturbations

We have first of all the following elementary inequality result.

**Lemma C.1.** Given theree diagonal matrices  $\Gamma^1, \Gamma^2, \Gamma^3 \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ :

$$\left\| \frac{\Gamma^3}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^1)}} \right\| \le \left\| \frac{\Gamma^3}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^2)}} (1 + d_s(\Im(\Gamma^1), \Im(\Gamma^2))) \right\|$$

Proof. We simply bound:

$$\left\| \frac{\Gamma^{3}}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{1})}} \right\| \leq \left\| \frac{\Gamma^{3}}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{2})}} \right\| + \left\| \frac{\Gamma^{3} \left( \sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{2})} - \sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{1})} \right)}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{2})\Im(\Gamma^{1})}} \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\| \frac{\Gamma^{3}}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{2})}} \right\| + \left\| \frac{\Gamma^{3}}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{2})}} \right\| \left\| \frac{\Im(\Gamma^{2}) - \Im(\Gamma^{1})}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{1})} \left( \sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{2})} + \sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{1})} \right)} \right\|$$

Next we give the result to bound the distance between a diagonal matrix and the other one which is obtained as a fixed point.

**Proposition C.2.** Given a diagonal matrix  $\Gamma \in \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$ , a mapping  $f : \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H}) \to \mathcal{D}_n(\mathbb{H})$   $\lambda$  contractive for the semi-metric  $d_s$  with the Lipschitz coefficient  $\lambda < 1$  and admitting the fixed point  $\tilde{\Gamma} = f(\tilde{\Gamma})$ , we have the bound:

$$d_s(\Gamma, \tilde{\Gamma}) \leq \left\| \frac{f(\Gamma) - \Gamma}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma)\Im(\tilde{\Gamma})}} \right\| / (1 - \lambda - \lambda d_s(\Im(\Gamma)), \Im(f(\Gamma)))$$

Proof. Thanks to the above lemma, we can bound:

$$d_{s}(\Gamma, \tilde{\Gamma}) \leq \left\| \frac{\tilde{\Gamma} - f(\Gamma)}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma)\Im(\tilde{\Gamma})}} \right\| + \left\| \frac{f(\Gamma) - \Gamma}{\sqrt{\Im(\tilde{\Gamma})\Im(\Gamma)}} \right\|$$

$$\leq d_{s}(\tilde{\Gamma}, \Gamma)(1 + d_{s}(\Im(\Gamma)), \Im(f(\Gamma)) + \left\| \frac{f(\Gamma) - \Gamma}{\sqrt{\Im(\tilde{\Gamma})\Im(\Gamma)}} \right\|$$

$$\leq \left\| \frac{f(\Gamma) - \Gamma}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma)\Im(\tilde{\Gamma})}} \right\| / (1 - \lambda - \lambda d_{s}(\Im(\Gamma)), \Im(f(\Gamma)))$$

**Proposition C.3.** Let us consider a family of mappings $(f^m)_{m\in\mathbb{N}}$  of  $\mathcal{D}_{n_m}(\mathbb{H})$ , each  $f^m$  being  $\lambda$ -Lipschitz for the semi-metric  $d_s$  with  $\lambda<1$  and admitting the fixed point  $\tilde{\Gamma}^m=f^m(\tilde{\Gamma}^m)$  and a family of diagonal matrices  $\Gamma^m$ . If one assume that  $d_s(\Im(\Gamma^m),\Im(f^m(\Gamma^m)))\leq o_{m\to\infty}(1)$ , then

$$d_s(\Gamma^m, \tilde{\Gamma}^m) \le O_{m \to \infty} \left( \left\| \frac{f^m(\Gamma^m) - \Gamma^m}{\sqrt{\Im(\tilde{\Gamma}^m)\Im(\Gamma^m)}} \right\| \right)$$

*Proof.* For m sufficiently big, we have  $d_s(\Im(\Gamma^m),\Im(f^m(\Gamma^m))) \leq o(1) \leq \frac{1-\lambda}{2\lambda}$ , so we have:

$$d_{s}(\Gamma^{m}, \tilde{\Gamma}^{m}) \leq \left\| \frac{f(\Gamma^{m}) - \Gamma^{m}}{\sqrt{\Im(\Gamma^{m})\Im(\tilde{\Gamma}^{m})}} \right\| / (1 - \lambda - \lambda d_{s}(\Im(\Gamma^{m})), \Im(f(\Gamma^{m})))$$

$$\leq \left( \left\| \frac{f^{m}(\Gamma^{m})) - \Gamma^{m}}{\sqrt{\Im(\tilde{\Gamma}^{m})\Im(\Gamma^{m})}} \right\| \right)$$