



Dropping the Independence: Singular Values for Products of Two Coupled Random Matrices

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Abstract: We study the singular values of the product of two coupled rectangular random matrices as a determinantal point process. Each of the two factors is given by a parameter dependent linear combination of two independent, complex Gaussian random matrices, which is equivalent to a coupling of the two factors via an Itzykson-Zuber term. We prove that the squared singular values of such a product form a biorthogonal ensemble and establish its exact solvability. The parameter dependence allows us to interpolate between the singular value statistics of the Laguerre ensemble and that of the product of two independent complex Ginibre ensembles which are both known. We give exact formulae for the correlation kernel in terms of a complex double contour integral, suitable for the subsequent asymptotic analysis. In particular, we derive a Christoffel–Darboux type formula for the correlation kernel, based on a five term recurrence relation for our biorthogonal functions. It enables us to find its scaling limit at the origin representing a hard edge. The resulting limiting kernel coincides with the universal Meijer G-kernel found by several authors in different ensembles. We show that the central limit theorem holds for the linear statistics of the singular values and give the limiting variance explicitly.

1. Introduction

A remarkable feature of products of independent complex Gaussian matrices, i.e. independent matrices with i.i.d. standard complex Gaussian entries, is the exact solvability of the statistical properties of their eigenvalues and singular values. Indeed, it was shown in [2] that the eigenvalues of such products form a determinantal point processes in \mathbb{C} . The behaviour of singular values for such products was studied in [4, 6], where it was

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observed that its (squared) singular values also form a determinantal point process in $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$. The correlation kernels of these two different determinantal point processes can be written explicitly in terms of Meijer G-functions, with suitable choices of parameters.

These results have opened the possibility to investigate products of independent complex Gaussian matrices on the same level as the well-known classical ensembles of random matrix theory, such as the Ginibre ensemble and the Laguerre ensemble. We refer the reader to the books by Anderson, Guionnet and Zeitouni [9], and by Forrester [20] for an introduction to random matrix theory, as well as to [1] for a compilation of its most recent applications.

The study of products of random matrices goes back to Furstenberg and Kesten [25] who were interested in its Lyapunov exponents that characterise dynamical systems. Many statistical mechanics applications have been summarised in the book by Crisanti, Paladin, and Vulpiani [17], and most recent examples for applications include telecommunications [42] and combinatorics [46]. A very particular case of the product of two coupled matrices was applied to quantum chromodynamics (QCD) with chemical potential in [45], where the complex eigenvalue spectrum was determined. This example will be important for our paper, due to the coupling of the matrices.

The recent rapid development on products of matrices is summarised in the review [3], to which we refer for details and references. While at the soft edge and in the bulk of the spectrum the respective universal Airy- and Sine-kernel known from classical ensembles were recovered by Liu, Wang and Zhang [40], in the work by Kuijlaars and Zhang [38] a new class of so-called Meijer G-kernels was found near the origin, representing a hard edge. The name alludes to the appearance of the Meijer G-function. This kernel generalises the Bessel kernel and overlaps with the kernel of Borodin [13] for special parameter values, as pointed out by Kuijlaars and Stivigny [37]. It is universal as it remains unchanged when multiplying by additional independent inverse complex Gaussian matrices as shown by Forrester [21] or by an additional truncated unitary matrix as shown by Kuijlaars and Stivigny [37]. Furthermore, it appears in the Cauchy two-matrix model [11] and its multi-matrix extension [12] of Bertola and coworkers. Because the Cauchy two-matrix model was used recently to solve the (Laplace transform) of a matrix model with Bures measure by Forrester and Kieburg [22], this kernel enjoys applications to quantum density matrices. And we will also find this limiting Meijer G-kernel for two independent matrices, starting from two coupled random matrices. It was shown in Kuijlaars and Zhang [38] that the class of kernels is integrable in the sense of Its, Isergin, Korepin, and Slavnov [32]. This enabled the description of the squared singular values by Hamiltonian equations [48]. For a survey on integrable operators see Deift [18]. Furthermore, contact was made to questions from Gaussian analytic functions in [5, 7] by studying the asymptotics of gap and overcrowding probabilities. For very recent results on determinantal point processes related to products of independent complex Gaussian matrices we refer the reader to Kuijlaars [36], Forrester and Wang [24], and Forrester and Liu [23].

Two questions arise naturally: What happens when the assumption of a Gaussian distribution of matrix elements is dropped? When the matrices in the product are independent, but not necessarily Gaussian, a number of results for the statistics of eigenvalues and of singular values in the *global* asymptotic regime are available. The paper by O'Rourke and Soshnikov [47] gives an analogue of the circular law for the product of a finite number of non-Hermitian random matrices, generalising the result by Burda, Janik, and Waclaw [16]. For a description of the statistics of singular values of products of independent matrices, and, in particular, for the central limit theorem for the squared

singular values we refer the reader to the papers by Götze, Tikhomirov and their co-workers [8, 26, 27]. Results on the *local* statistics for products of independent matrices with non-Gaussian entries are still not available to the best of our knowledge. This is no doubt due to the lack of integrability in the non-Gaussian case.

The second question is whether some of the above results can be extended to those of coupled random matrices. Here we consider a product of two *dependent* matrices, and concentrate on the statistics of the squared singular values. Such random matrices appeared first in the work by Osborn [45] in the context of QCD with a baryon chemical potential μ as follows:

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & iA + \mu B \\ iA^* + \mu B^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \quad (1.1)$$

Here A and B are rectangular independent matrices with i.i.d. standard complex Gaussian entries, and $\mu \in [0, 1]$ is a dimensionless parameter. The motivation to consider (1.1) comes from the observation that the QCD Dirac operator D has this off-diagonal block form in the so-called chiral basis. For the random matrix application to QCD we refer to the review by Verbaarschot and Wettig [50], see also chapter 32 in [1] by Verbaarschot. In [45] the correlations of complex eigenvalues of D were determined, which is equivalent to determining the eigenvalues of the product matrix $Y = X_1 X_2$, with $X_1 = (iA + \mu B)$ and $X_2 = (iA^* + \mu B^*)$. The change of variables from matrices A, B to X_1, X_2 reveals that the latter are coupled by an Itzykson–Zuber term, in addition to their Gaussian weight. Very recently it has been suggested in [34, 35] to study the singular values of the Dirac operator in QCD and QCD-like theories instead, in order to better understand the high-density regime. This is one of the motivations for us to study the (squared) singular values of the product matrix Y . Apart from this physical interpretation the parameter μ allows one to interpolate between the classical Laguerre ensemble at $\mu = 0$ solved by orthogonal Laguerre polynomials and the recent solution of the product of two independent Gaussian random matrices at $\mu = 1$ given in terms of biorthogonal functions.

This paper is organised as follows. In Sect. 2 we define the notion of μ -dependent Gaussian complex random matrices, making this notion of interpolation and of its limits more precise. We state our main results in Sect. 3. In particular we demonstrate the exact solvability of the statistical properties of the singular values of the product matrix Y for arbitrary parameter values μ : the joint probability density function of the squared singular values is a determinantal process on $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ and can be computed explicitly in terms of modified Bessel functions of first and second kind. This determinantal point process is a biorthogonal ensemble in the sense of Borodin [13]. For this parameter dependent ensemble we derive different formulae for the correlation kernel including a Christoffel–Darboux type formula and a double complex contour integral representation. We compute the hard edge scaling limit at the origin, and we obtain a central limit theorem for fluctuations of linear statistics. Sections 4–11 and Appendix A contain the proofs of our statements.

2. Parameter Dependent Gaussian Complex Matrices

Before we present our results we will define a family of parameter dependent coupled Gaussian random variables, and the corresponding notion for random matrices. By this we mean the following.

Definition 2.1. Let $\mu \in (0, 1)$, $\alpha(\mu) = \frac{1+\mu}{2\mu}$, and $\delta(\mu) = \frac{1-\mu}{2\mu}$. We will refer to two complex random variables, z and ξ as to μ -dependent Gaussian complex variables if the joint density of these variables is given by

$$\rho(z, \xi) = \frac{1}{\pi^2 \mu} \exp \left[-\alpha(\mu)(z\bar{z} + \xi\bar{\xi}) + \delta(\mu)(z\xi + \bar{z}\bar{\xi}) \right].$$

Definition 2.2. Let

$$X_1 = \begin{pmatrix} X_{1,1}^{(1)} & \dots & X_{1,M}^{(1)} \\ \vdots & & \\ X_{N,1}^{(1)} & \dots & X_{N,M}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}, \quad X_2 = \begin{pmatrix} X_{1,1}^{(2)} & \dots & X_{1,N}^{(2)} \\ \vdots & & \\ X_{M,1}^{(2)} & \dots & X_{M,N}^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}$$

be two matrices whose complex random entries are defined by the following conditions

- $X_{i,j}^{(1)}$, $1 \leq i \leq N$, $1 \leq j \leq M$ are independent;
- $X_{i,j}^{(2)}$, $1 \leq i \leq M$, $1 \leq j \leq N$ are independent;
- For each $1 \leq i \leq N$, and for each $1 \leq j \leq M$ the pair $(X_{i,j}^{(1)}, X_{j,i}^{(2)})$ is a pair of μ -dependent Gaussian complex random variables.

We will refer to such random matrices X_1 and X_2 as to μ -dependent Gaussian complex random matrices.

Alternatively, we can define μ -dependent Gaussian complex random matrices as follows. Let $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times M)$ denote the space of $N \times M$ complex matrices X_1 , and $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, M \times N)$ denote the space of $M \times N$ complex random matrices X_2 . We consider the probability distribution $P_{N,M}(X_1, X_2)dX_1dX_2$ on the Cartesian product of $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times M)$ and $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, M \times N)$

$$P_{N,M}(X_1, X_2)dX_1dX_2 = c \cdot \exp \left[-\alpha(\mu) \text{Tr} (X_1 X_1^* + X_2^* X_2) + \delta(\mu) \text{Tr} (X_1 X_2 + X_2^* X_1^*) \right] \\ \times \prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^M dX_{i,j}^{(1)R} dX_{i,j}^{(1)I} \prod_{i=1}^M \prod_{j=1}^N dX_{i,j}^{(2)R} dX_{i,j}^{(2)I}, \quad (2.1)$$

where $X_{i,j}^{(1)} = X_{i,j}^{(1)R} + iX_{i,j}^{(1)I}$, $X_{i,j}^{(2)} = X_{i,j}^{(2)R} + iX_{i,j}^{(2)I}$ denote the sums of the real and imaginary parts of the matrix entries $X_{i,j}^{(1)}$ and $X_{i,j}^{(2)}$, and c is a normalising constant. The second term in the exponent proportional to $\delta(\mu)$ is nothing else than the Itzykson–Zuber term (for non-hermitian matrices) coupling the two matrices.¹ We have

$$\text{Tr}(X_1 X_1^*) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M X_{i,j}^{(1)} \overline{X_{i,j}^{(1)}}, \quad \text{Tr}(X_2^* X_2) = \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{j=1}^N X_{j,i}^{(2)} \overline{X_{j,i}^{(2)}},$$

and

$$\text{Tr}(X_1 X_2) = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{j=1}^M X_{i,j}^{(1)} X_{j,i}^{(2)}, \quad \text{Tr}(X_2^* X_1^*) = \sum_{i=1}^M \sum_{j=1}^N \overline{X_{i,j}^{(2)}} \overline{X_{j,i}^{(1)}}.$$

¹ However, because we will be interested in the singular values of the product matrix $X_1 X_2$, we will not use their integration formula [30, 33] for this term.

Therefore the formula for $P_{N,M}(X_1, X_2)dX_1dX_2$ can be rewritten as

$$P_{N,M}(X_1, X_2)dX_1dX_2 = c \cdot \prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^M e^{-\alpha(\mu)\left(X_{i,j}^{(1)}\overline{X_{i,j}^{(1)}}+X_{j,i}^{(2)}\overline{X_{j,i}^{(2)}}\right)+\delta(\mu)\left(X_{i,j}^{(1)}X_{j,i}^{(2)}+\overline{X_{i,j}^{(1)}}\overline{X_{j,i}^{(2)}}\right)} \times dX_{i,j}^{(1)R} dX_{i,j}^{(1)I} dX_{j,i}^{(2)R} dX_{j,i}^{(2)I}. \tag{2.2}$$

It is clear from the formula just written above that $P_{N,M}(X_1, X_2)$ is indeed the probability distribution of the μ -dependent Gaussian complex matrices X_1 and X_2 . In addition, note that the normalising constant c is equal to

$$c = \frac{1}{(\pi^2\mu)^{NM}}.$$

Proposition 2.3. *Let A, B be two independent matrices of size $N \times M$ with i.i.d. standard complex Gaussian entries. Define the random matrices X_1 and X_2 as*

$$X_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(A - i\sqrt{\mu}B), \quad X_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(A^* - i\sqrt{\mu}B^*). \tag{2.3}$$

Then the matrices X_1 and X_2 are μ -dependent Gaussian complex random matrices.

Proof. This can be checked by direct calculation. \square

3. Statement of Results

3.1. The joint probability density function. Our first result is an explicit formula for the joint probability density function for the squared singular values of the random matrix X_1X_2 . Recall that the modified Bessel function of the first kind $I_\kappa(z)$ is defined by

$$I_\kappa(z) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m!\Gamma(\kappa + m + 1)} \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{2m+\kappa}, \tag{3.1}$$

and the modified Bessel function of the second kind $K_\kappa(z)$ can be defined by the integral formula

$$K_\kappa(z) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\kappa + \frac{1}{2}\right)(2z)^\kappa}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos(t)dt}{(t^2 + z^2)^{\kappa+\frac{1}{2}}}, \tag{3.2}$$

see, for example, Gradshteyn and Ryzhik [28].

Theorem 3.1. *Let $X_1 \in \text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times M)$ and $X_2 \in \text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, M \times N)$ be two μ -dependent Gaussian complex matrices. Assume that $M \geq N$, and set*

$$v = M - N.$$

Then the joint probability density function for the squared singular values y_1, \dots, y_N of the matrix $Y = X_1 X_2$ is given by

$$P(y_1, \dots, y_N) = \frac{1}{Z_N} \det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} I_{j-1} (2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{y_i}) \right]_{i,j=1}^N \times \det \left[y_i^{\frac{j+\nu-1}{2}} K_{j+\nu-1} (2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y_i}) \right]_{i,j=1}^N, \quad (3.3)$$

where

$$Z_N = \frac{N! \alpha(\mu)^{N\nu + \frac{N(N-1)}{2}} \delta(\mu)^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2}}}{2^N (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{N\nu + N^2}} \prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j)\Gamma(j + \nu). \quad (3.4)$$

Let us regard μ as a deformation parameter, and consider two interesting limits of the joint probability density function $P(y_1, \dots, y_N)$. In the first limiting case the two Gaussian matrices become independent, corresponding to $\mu \rightarrow 1$, with $\delta(\mu) \rightarrow 0$ and $\alpha(\mu) \rightarrow 1$. This fact is obvious from the very definition of the two μ -dependent Gaussian complex matrices. It can also be seen directly from the explicit formula for the joint probability density function $P(y_1, \dots, y_N)$, Eq. (3.3), as shown in Appendix A:

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 1} P(y_1, \dots, y_N) = \frac{\det \left[y_i^{j-1} \right]_{i,j=1}^N}{N! \prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j)^2 \Gamma(j + \nu)} \det \left[G_{0,2}^{2,0} \left(0, j + \nu - 1 \mid y_i \right) \right]_{i,j=1}^N. \quad (3.5)$$

Here we have introduced the Meijer G-function (see e.g. Luke [41])

$$G_{p,q}^{m,n} \left(\begin{matrix} a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p \\ b_1, b_2, \dots, b_q \end{matrix} \middle| z \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_C \frac{\prod_{j=1}^m \Gamma(b_j - s) \prod_{j=1}^n \Gamma(1 - a_j + s)}{\prod_{j=m+1}^q \Gamma(1 - b_j + s) \prod_{j=n+1}^p \Gamma(a_j - s)} z^s ds. \quad (3.6)$$

An empty product is interpreted as unity, for the indices $m \geq q, n \geq p$. The contour of integration C depends on the location of the poles of the Gamma functions, and we refer to the NIST handbook [44] for details on the different possibilities. In particular the following formula holds, see 9.34.3 in [28],

$$G_{0,2}^{2,0} \left(\begin{matrix} - \\ 0, l \end{matrix} \middle| y \right) = 2y^{\frac{l}{2}} K_l(2\sqrt{y}). \quad (3.7)$$

The right-hand side of Eq. (3.5) agrees with the joint probability density function of squared singular values of two independent rectangular complex Ginibre matrices, see Akemann et al. [4], formulae (18) and (21). Here we only consider the special case that the matrix $Y = X_1 X_2$ is square, with $\nu = \nu_1$ and $\nu_2 = 0$ compared to there. We will need Y to be square for the group integrals that we encounter in the derivation for general $\mu \in (0, 1)$.

The second interesting limit is that of $\mu \rightarrow 0$. In this limit $\delta(\mu)$ and $\alpha(\mu)$ diverge, and we obtain the joint density equivalent to the classical Laguerre ensemble. To find the limit of the joint probability density function as $\mu \rightarrow 0$ we use formula (3.3), and

replace the modified Bessel functions inside the determinants by their large argument asymptotic expressions. A short calculation in Appendix A yields

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} P(y_1, \dots, y_N) = \frac{2^{N(M-1)}}{N! \prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j)\Gamma(j+\nu)} \left(\det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} \right]_{i,j=1}^N \right)^2 \prod_{i=1}^N y_i^{\frac{\nu-1}{2}} \exp \left[-2y_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]. \quad (3.8)$$

Changing variables in Eq. (3.8),

$$y_i \mapsto v_i = 2y_i^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad (3.9)$$

we obtain the joint probability density function of the classical Laguerre ensemble

$$\frac{1}{N! \prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j)\Gamma(j+\nu)} \left(\det \left[v_i^{j-1} \right]_{i,j=1}^N \right)^2 \prod_{i=1}^N v_i^\nu e^{-v_i},$$

see Forrester [20], Chapter 7. The change of variables is necessary because we started from the singular values of $Y = X_1 X_1^*$ in this limit, rather than of X_1 which is the single matrix with Gaussian distribution left in this limit.

We conclude that the product $X_1 X_2$ of two μ -dependent Gaussian complex matrices represents an *interpolating biorthogonal ensemble*. It interpolates between the ensemble of two independent complex Gaussian matrices, and the Laguerre ensemble of a single complex Gaussian matrix.

3.2. Exact formulae for the correlation kernel. Theorem 3.1 implies that the squared singular values y_1, \dots, y_N of the product $X_1 X_2$ of two μ -dependent Gaussian complex matrices form a determinantal point process,

$$P(y_1, \dots, y_N) = \det \left[K_N(y_i, y_j) \right]_{i,j=1}^N. \quad (3.10)$$

Here we present exact formulae for the correlation kernel of this process.

Theorem 3.2. *The correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ of the determinantal point process formed by the squared singular values of $X_1 X_2$ is given by*

$$K_N(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} P_n(x) Q_n(y), \quad (3.11)$$

where the functions $P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots$ are defined by

$$P_n(x) = (-1)^n (v+n)! n! \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\delta(\mu)^k} \frac{(-n)_k}{(v+k)! k!} x^{\frac{k}{2}} I_k(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{x}), \quad (3.12)$$

and the functions $Q_0(y), Q_1(y), \dots$ are defined by

$$Q_n(y) = (-1)^n \frac{2}{(n!)^2} \sum_{l=0}^n \frac{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{l+\nu+\frac{1}{2}}}{\alpha(\mu)^{l+\nu}} \frac{(-n)_l}{(v+l)! l!} y^{\frac{l+\nu}{2}} K_{l+\nu}(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y}). \quad (3.13)$$

Using explicit formulae for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(x)$ (Eqs. (3.12) and (3.13)) we derive the following formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$.

Theorem 3.3. *The correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ can be written as*

$$K_N(x, y) = 2 \sum_{k,l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^l \frac{(-1)^{i+k} (v + N + i)!}{(N - 1 - k)!(v + k)!i!(l - i)!k!(v + i)!(v + k + i + 1)} \times \frac{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{k+l+v+1}}{\alpha(\mu)^{v+l} \delta(\mu)^k} x^{\frac{k}{2}} y^{\frac{l+v}{2}} I_k(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{x}) K_{l+v}(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y}). \quad (3.14)$$

Theorem 3.3 enables us to compare our biorthogonal ensemble with the family of the Laguerre-type biorthogonal ensembles introduced and studied in Borodin [13], Section 4. Also, Theorem 3.3 can be used to investigate the transition of our biorthogonal ensemble to a Laguerre-type ensemble as μ approaches zero. Consider the Laguerre-type ensemble defined by the right-hand side of Eq. (3.8). Using the same argument as in Borodin [13], Section 4, Theorem 4.1 we can write the correlation kernel $K_N^{\text{Lag}}(x, y)$ of the ensemble from [13] with $\theta = 1$ as

$$K_N^{\text{Lag}}(x, y) = \frac{e^{-x^{\frac{1}{2}} - y^{\frac{1}{2}}}}{x^{\frac{1}{4}} y^{\frac{1}{4}}} \sum_{k,l=0}^{N-1} \sum_{i=0}^l \frac{(-1)^{i+k} (v + N + i)! 2^{k+l+v}}{(N - 1 - k)!(v + k)!i!(l - i)!k!(v + i)!(v + k + i + 1)} \frac{x^{\frac{k}{2}} y^{\frac{l+v}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{4}} y^{\frac{1}{4}}}. \quad (3.15)$$

It is not hard to check using the asymptotic expressions for the modified Bessel functions of large arguments (see Eq. (A.1)) that the kernel $K_N(x, y)$ turns into a kernel equivalent to $K_N^{\text{Lag}}(x, y)$ as $\mu \rightarrow 0$.²

The subsequent asymptotic analysis requires a detailed investigation of the properties of the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ determining the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$. In particular, we show that these functions satisfy the following biorthogonality condition.

Proposition 3.4. *The functions $P_n(x)$, $Q_n(x)$ defined by Eqs. (3.12) and (3.13) correspondingly satisfy the biorthogonality condition:*

$$\int_0^\infty P_n(x) Q_m(x) dx = \delta_{n,m}, \quad n, m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Moreover, both $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ satisfy five term recurrence relations, and can be represented as contour integrals. Namely, the following proposition holds true.

Proposition 3.5. *(a) For the functions $P_n(x)$ we have the following five term recurrence relation*

$$x P_n(x) = a_{2,n} P_{n+2}(x) + a_{1,n} P_{n+1}(x) + a_{0,n} P_n(x) + a_{-1,n} P_{n-1}(x) + a_{-2,n} P_{n-2}(x), \quad (3.16)$$

² Two kernels $K(x, y)$ and $K'(x, y)$ are called equivalent if $\det [K(x_i, x_j)]_{i,j=1}^m = \det [K'(x_i, x_j)]_{i,j=1}^m$, for any $m = 1, 2, \dots$, for example $K'(x, y) = (f(x)/f(y))K(x, y)$. Thus two equivalent kernels define the same correlation functions.

where the coefficients $a_{2,n}$, $a_{1,n}$, $a_{0,n}$, $a_{-1,n}$, and $a_{-2,n}$ are given explicitly by

$$a_{2,n} = \frac{1}{(n+2)(n+1)} \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.17}$$

$$a_{1,n} = \frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + \frac{2(2n+v+2)}{(n+1)} \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.18}$$

$$a_{0,n} = \frac{3n^2 + 2vn + 3n + v + 1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + (6n^2 + 6nv + v^2 + 6n + 3v + 2) \times \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.19}$$

$$a_{-1,n} = \frac{n^2(n+v)(3n+v)}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + 2n^2(v+n)(2n+v) \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.20}$$

$$a_{-2,n} = (v+n)(v+n-1)n^2(n-1)^2 \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}. \tag{3.21}$$

(b) For the functions $Q_n(y)$ we have the following five term recurrence relation

$$yQ_n(y) = b_{2,n}Q_{n+2}(y) + b_{1,n}Q_{n+1}(y) + b_{0,n}Q_n(y) + b_{-1,n}Q_{n-1}(y) + b_{-2,n}Q_{n-2}(y), \tag{3.22}$$

where the coefficients $b_{2,n}$, $b_{1,n}$, $b_{0,n}$, $b_{-1,n}$, and $b_{-2,n}$ are given explicitly by

$$b_{2,n} = (v+n+2)(v+n+1)(n+2)^2(n+1)^2 \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.23}$$

$$b_{1,n} = -\frac{(n+1)^2(n+v+1)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + 2(2n+v+2)(n+v+1)(n+1)^2 \times \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.24}$$

$$b_{0,n} = -\frac{(n+v)^2 + 2(n+1)(n+v) + n+1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + ((n+v)(5n+v+3) + n(n+3) + 2) \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.25}$$

$$b_{-1,n} = -\frac{(3n+2v)}{n} \frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + \frac{2(2n+v)}{n} \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}, \tag{3.26}$$

$$b_{-2,n} = \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2}. \tag{3.27}$$

Note that the recurrence coefficients are related as

$$a_{2,n} = b_{-2,n+2}, \quad a_{1,n} = b_{-1,n+1}, \quad a_{0,n} = b_{0,n}, \quad a_{-1,n} = b_{1,n-1}, \quad a_{-2,n} = b_{2,n-2}. \tag{3.28}$$

This follows from the biorthogonality of the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$, see Proposition 3.4. Equation (3.28) can be checked directly as well using the formulas in Proposition 3.5 for the recurrence coefficients.

Using the recurrence relations stated in Proposition 3.5 we derive the following Christoffel–Darboux type formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$.

Theorem 3.6. *The Christoffel–Darboux type formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ valid for $N \geq 2$ and $x \neq y$ is given by*

$$K_N(x, y) = -\frac{a_{-2,N} P_{N-2}(x) Q_N(y) + a_{-2,N+1} P_{N-1}(x) Q_{N+1}(y) + a_{-1,N} P_{N-1}(x) Q_N(y)}{x - y} + \frac{a_{1,N-1} P_N(x) Q_{N-1}(y) + a_{2,N-2} P_N(x) Q_{N-2}(y) + a_{2,N-1} P_{N+1}(x) Q_{N-1}(y)}{x - y}, \tag{3.29}$$

where the coefficients $a_{-2,N}$, $a_{-1,N}$, $a_{1,N}$ and $a_{2,N}$ are given by Proposition 3.5.

The next Proposition gives contour integral representations for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$.

Proposition 3.7. (a) *The following contour integral representation for the function $P_n(x)$ holds:*

$$P_n(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} (v+n)!(n!)^2 \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \oint_{\Sigma} \frac{\Gamma(t-n) \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2\right)^t x^t}{(\Gamma(t+1))^2 \Gamma(t+v+1)} {}_0F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} - \\ t+1 \end{matrix} \middle| \delta(\mu)^2 x \right) dt, \tag{3.30}$$

where Σ is a closed contour that encircles $0, 1, \dots, n$ once in positive direction, $n = 0, 1, \dots$, and $x > 0$.

(b) *The following contour integral representation for the function $Q_n(y)$ is true:*

$$Q_n(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi i (n!)^2 (n+v)!} \left(1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2}\right)^v \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \times \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \frac{\Gamma^2(s)\Gamma(s+v)}{\Gamma(s-n)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, v+s \\ s-n \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 y\right)^{-s} ds, \tag{3.31}$$

where $c > 0$, $n = 0, 1, \dots$, and $y > 0$.

Finally, we state that as a consequence the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ admits a double contour integral representation.

Theorem 3.8. *The correlation kernel, $K_N(x, y)$, can be written as*

$$K_N(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} K_N^{(k)}(x, y) \left(\frac{\delta(\mu)}{\alpha(\mu)}\right)^{2k}, \tag{3.32}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 K_N^{(k)}(x, y) &= \sum_{m=0}^k \frac{(-1)^m}{(2\pi i)^2} \binom{N}{m} \oint_{\Sigma} dt \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} ds \frac{\Gamma^2(s)\Gamma(s+\nu+k)\Gamma(s-t+m-1)\Gamma(t-N+1)}{\Gamma^2(t+1)\Gamma(t+\nu+1)\Gamma(s-N+m)\Gamma(s-t+k)} \\
 &\quad \times \left(1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2}\right)^\nu \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2\right)^{t+1} x^t {}_0F_1\left(\begin{matrix} - \\ t+1 \end{matrix} \middle| \delta(\mu)^2 x\right) \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 y\right)^{-s}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.33}$$

The contour Σ is chosen in the same way as in Proposition 3.7, and $c > 0$.

In Eqs. (3.30) and (3.33) the hypergeometric function can also be expressed through the modified Bessel function of the first kind, ${}_0F_1\left(\begin{matrix} - \\ \nu+1 \end{matrix} \middle| \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^2\right) = \Gamma(\nu+1) \left(\frac{z}{2}\right)^{-\nu} I_\nu(z)$. As $\mu \rightarrow 1$, the biorthogonal ensemble defined by Eq. (3.3) turns into that for the squared singular values of the product of two matrices with independent complex Gaussian entries, see Eq. (3.5). The biorthogonal ensemble for the squared singular values of products of M matrices with independent complex Gaussian entries was studied in [4,6]. As $\mu \rightarrow 1$, the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ defined by Eqs. (3.12) and (3.13) turn into the biorthogonal polynomials and their normalised dual functions there, see equations (43) and (47) in [4], respectively. Furthermore, our Propositions 3.5 and 3.7 are extensions of the results obtained by Kuijlaars and Zhang, see their Proposition 3.2 and formula (3.6), and the recurrence relations in Section 4 of Kuijlaars and Zhang [38]. As $\mu \rightarrow 1$, the formulae for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ given in Theorem 3.8 turn into the double integral formula of Proposition 5.1 in Kuijlaars and Zhang [38].

3.3. The hard edge scaling limit of the correlation kernel. We use the Christoffel–Darboux type formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ given by Theorem 3.6, and the contour integral representations for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ of Proposition 3.7 to find the scaling limit of $K_N(x, y)$ near the origin (hard edge).

Theorem 3.9. *Let ν and μ be fixed. For x and y in a compact subset of the positive real axis,*

$$K_\nu(x, y) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{N (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} K_N \left(\frac{x}{N (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)}, \frac{y}{N (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} \right) \right\},$$

where the limiting Meijer G -kernel $K_\nu(x, y)$ is given by

$$K_\nu(x, y) = \int_0^1 G_{0,3}^{1,0} \left(0, \begin{matrix} - \\ -\nu, 0 \end{matrix} \middle| ux \right) G_{0,3}^{2,0} \left(\nu, \begin{matrix} - \\ 0, 0 \end{matrix} \middle| uy \right) du.$$

Here $G_{0,3}^{1,0} \left(0, \begin{matrix} - \\ -\nu, 0 \end{matrix} \middle| ux \right)$ and $G_{0,3}^{2,0} \left(\nu, \begin{matrix} - \\ 0, 0 \end{matrix} \middle| uy \right)$ are Meijer G -functions with a suitable choice of parameters.

The resulting limiting kernel $K_\nu(x, y)$ coincides with the scaling limit found by Bertola, Gekhtman, and Szmigielski in the Cauchy–Laguerre two-matrix model [11], with the scaling limit for the product of two independent complex Gaussian matrices found by Kuijlaars and Zhang [38], and with the limiting kernel for the product of two independent complex Gaussian matrices times a fixed arbitrary number of inverses of such matrices found by Forrester [21]. This confirms that the family of new limiting so-called Meijer G-kernels obtained in Kuijlaars and Zhang [38] in the context of products of independent matrices represents a new universality class.

Remark 3.10. In this paper we do not consider the local scaling limit of the correlation kernel in the bulk and at the soft edge. First, both in the classical Laguerre ensemble (cf. [20]) and for the product of two (or more) independent matrices [40] the same respective universal Sine- and Airy-kernel are found. Therefore it can be expected, that in our interpolating ensemble once again the same limiting kernels are found. Our focus here is on the universality of the new behaviour at the origin described by the Meijer G-kernel. Second, on a technical level the double contour integral of our interpolating kernel from Theorem 3.8 is considerably more involved than the corresponding representation for two independent matrices from [38]. Moreover, the proof for the Sine- and Airy-kernel presented in [40] explicitly relies on the known representation of the corresponding global density [43] which is not available in our case, cf. Remark 3.12.2. below.

3.4. The central limit theorem. Proposition 3.5 gives explicitly the recurrence coefficients for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ determining the correlation kernel of the biorthogonal ensemble defined by Eq. (3.3). This enables us to derive a Central Limit Theorem for the linear statistics of singular values of $X_1 X_2$, and to give the limiting variance explicitly.

Here, instead of the probability distribution $P_{N,M}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2$ (defined by Eq. (2.1)) we consider the probability distribution $\widetilde{P}_{N,M}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2$ on the Cartesian product of $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times M)$ and $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, M \times N)$ defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \widetilde{P}_{N,M}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2 &= c \cdot \exp \left[-N\alpha(\mu) \text{Tr}(X_1 X_1^* + X_2^* X_2) + N\delta(\mu) \text{Tr}(X_1 X_2 + X_2^* X_1^*) \right] \\ &\times \prod_{i=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^M dX_{i,j}^{(1)R} dX_{i,j}^{(1)I} \prod_{i=1}^M \prod_{j=1}^N dX_{i,j}^{(2)R} dX_{i,j}^{(2)I}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.34}$$

where $X_{i,j}^{(1)} = X_{i,j}^{(1)R} + iX_{i,j}^{(1)I}$ and $X_{i,j}^{(2)} = X_{i,j}^{(2)R} + iX_{i,j}^{(2)I}$ denote the sums of the real and imaginary parts of the matrix entries $X_{i,j}^{(1)}$ and $X_{i,j}^{(2)}$, and c is a normalising constant. Equation (3.34) is obtained from Eq. (2.1) by a simple rescaling of the matrix elements by \sqrt{N} .

Let y_1, \dots, y_N be the squared singular values of the matrix $X_1 X_2$, and define the linear statistics of y_1, \dots, y_N by the formula

$$Y_f^{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N f(y_i).$$

Theorem 3.11. *Let f be a polynomial with real coefficients. Then we have*

$$Y_f^{(N)} - \mathbb{E}Y_f^{(N)} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}\left(0, \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \hat{f}_k \hat{f}_{-k}\right)$$

in distribution, where

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_k &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w|=1} f(s(w; \mu)) w^k \frac{dw}{w}, \\ s(w; \mu) &= \frac{1}{4w^2} (w+1)^3 \left(w(1-\mu)^2 + (1+\mu)^2 \right). \end{aligned} \tag{3.35}$$

Remark 3.12. 1. Since f is a polynomial with real coefficients, \hat{f}_k is real. Furthermore, the Central Limit Theorems for the limiting cases $\mu \rightarrow 0$ and $\mu \rightarrow 1$ can be immediately read off by taking the limits on the Laurent polynomial $s(w; \mu)$. For the product of two independent complex Gaussian matrices we obtain $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 1} s(w; \mu) = (w+1)^3/w^2$. This agrees with the results following from the recursion coefficients by Kuijlaars and Zhang, by specifying to two matrices there. In the opposite limit we obtain $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 0} s(w; \mu) = (w+1)^4/(4w^2)$. It is not difficult using Laguerre polynomials of square root arguments to directly show that this is the correct limit for the ensemble in Eq. (3.8)—which is not the standard Laguerre ensemble due to the change of variables in Eq. (3.9).

2. Although it is an interesting open question we do not consider the global density here as it goes beyond the scope of this paper. For the combinatorial approach to a much simpler problem we refer the reader to [9], see Section 2, Exercise 2.1.18. There the independence of the matrix elements plays a crucial role, so it is not clear whether this approach can be extended to our case. A second approach uses moments to reconstruct the global density. In our case these are given in terms of sums over special functions and the analysis will be much more involved than in the case of Fuss–Catalan numbers relevant for the product of independent matrices [46]. In [29] explicit formulae for moment generating functions were derived, starting from an explicit formula for the relevant correlation kernel. In particular, in Section 6 they compute a moment generating function for the Laguerre ensemble, and obtain the Marchenko–Pastur law. In principle, their approach should be applicable to products of random matrices as well, but the calculations will be much more involved. Despite the fact that the Central Limit Theorem stated above deals with the global regime the density does not follow from it in a straightforward manner.

The proof of Theorem 3.11 uses the results for biorthogonal ensembles obtained in Breuer and Duits [14]. They showed that whenever the asymptotic of recurrence coefficients is available, a Central Limit Theorem for the linear statistics can be derived. In our case, Proposition 3.5 gives the recurrence coefficients explicitly. Considering the rescaled probability distribution $\widetilde{P}_{N,M}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2$ we obtain recurrence coefficients that have finite limits as $N \rightarrow \infty$, which gives Theorem 3.11.

4. Proof of Theorem 3.1

First we show that the computation of the joint probability density function of (squared) singular values for products of rectangular matrices can be reduced to that for products of square matrices of the same size. Namely, the following Lemma holds true.

Lemma 4.1. *Let $X \in \text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, M \times N)$ and $G \in \text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times M)$ be two μ -dependent Gaussian complex matrices. Assume that $M \geq N$. Then the squared singular values of the matrix GX are distributed in the same way as the squared singular values of the matrix G_0X_0 , where $G_0 \in \text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times N)$, $X_0 \in \text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times N)$, and the joint distribution of G_0, X_0 is given by*

$$P^{(N,M)}(G_0, X_0)dG_0dX_0 = \text{const} \cdot \det(X_0^*X_0)^{M-N} \times e^{-\alpha(\mu)\text{Tr}(G_0G_0^*+X_0^*X_0)+\delta(\mu)\text{Tr}(G_0X_0+X_0^*G_0^*)}dG_0dX_0. \quad (4.1)$$

Here and below the computation of the μ -dependent constants is suppressed until the last part of the proof of Theorem 3.1.

Proof. If $M = N$, then the statement of the Lemma follows immediately. Consider the case when $M > N$. Recall that the matrices G, X are distributed in accordance with

$$P^{(N,M)}(G, X)dGdX = \text{const} \cdot e^{-\alpha(\mu)\text{Tr}(GG^*+X^*X)+\delta(\mu)\text{Tr}(GX+X^*G^*)}dGdX.$$

Consider the following decomposition of the matrix X

$$X = U \begin{pmatrix} X_0 \\ O_{M-N,N} \end{pmatrix},$$

where U is an $M \times M$ unitary matrix, X_0 is an $N \times N$ complex matrix, and $O_{M-N,N}$ is a complex matrix of size $(M - N) \times N$ with zero entries.³ We have

$$P^{(N,M)}(G, X)dGdX = \text{const} \cdot \det(X_0^*X_0)^{M-N} e^{-\alpha(\mu)\text{Tr}(GG^*+X_0^*X_0)} \times \exp \left[\delta(\mu) \left\{ \text{Tr} \left(GU \begin{pmatrix} X_0 \\ O_{M-N,N} \end{pmatrix} \right) + \text{Tr} \left((X_0^* O_{N,M-N}) U^* G^* \right) \right\} \right] dGdUdX_0,$$

where we have used the results of Section 2 in Fischmann et al. [19] (see also the discussion in Ipsen and Kieburg [31], Section III, A). Here dU denotes the Haar measure. If $\hat{G} = GU$, then the equation above can be rewritten as

$$P^{(N,M)}(G, X)dGdX = \text{const} \cdot \det(X_0^*X_0)^{M-N} e^{-\alpha(\mu)\text{Tr}(\hat{G}\hat{G}^*+X_0^*X_0)} \times \exp \left[\delta(\mu) \left\{ \text{Tr} \left(\hat{G} \begin{pmatrix} X_0 \\ O_{M-N,N} \end{pmatrix} \right) + \text{Tr} \left((X_0^* O_{N,M-N}) \hat{G}^* \right) \right\} \right] d\hat{G}dUdX_0, \quad (4.2)$$

where we have used the invariance of the corresponding Lebesgue measure dG under unitary transformations. Now, set

$$\hat{G} = \begin{pmatrix} G_0 & \hat{G}_{N,M-N} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (4.3)$$

This is a block decomposition of the rectangular matrix \hat{G} of size $N \times M$ ($M > N$) such that G_0 is the square matrix of size $N \times N$ whose entries are those of the first N

³ For a proof of the existence of such a decomposition see Fischmann et al. [19], Section 2.

columns of \hat{G} , and $\hat{G}_{N,M-N}$ is the remaining rectangular matrix of size $N \times (M - N)$. Inserting (4.3) into Eq. (4.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(N,M)}(G, X)dGdX \\ = \text{const} \cdot \det(X_0^*X_0)^{M-N} e^{-\alpha(\mu)\left(\text{Tr}(G_0G_0^*)+\text{Tr}(\hat{G}_{N,M-N}\hat{G}_{N,M-N}^*)+\text{Tr}(X_0^*X_0)\right)} \\ \times e^{\delta(\mu)\text{Tr}(G_0X_0+X_0^*G_0^*)}d\hat{G}_0d\hat{G}_{N,M-N}dUdX_0. \end{aligned}$$

The formula just written above implies that the joint distribution of G_0, X_0 is given by Eq. (4.1). Moreover, by construction the squared singular values of GX coincide with those of G_0X_0 . \square

Let us turn to the proof of Theorem 3.1. We use Lemma 4.1, and assume that both matrices X_1, X_2 are taken from $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times N)$, and that the joint distribution of X_1, X_2 is given by

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2)dX_1dX_2 = \text{const} \cdot \det(X_2^*X_2)^{M-N} \\ \times e^{-\alpha(\mu)\text{Tr}(X_1X_1^*+X_2^*X_2)+\delta(\mu)\text{Tr}(X_1X_2+X_2^*X_1^*)}dX_1dX_2, \end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

where $M \geq N$. In fact we need that $X_1, X_2 \in \text{Gl}(N, \mathbb{C})$. Because the set of invertible matrices is dense in $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times N)$ this will not change the joint distribution. Consider the change of variables

$$X_1 \mapsto Y_2 = X_1X_2, \quad X_2 \mapsto Y_1 = X_2.$$

It is known that this transformation has a Jacobian $\det(Y_1^*Y_1)^{-N}$. Therefore we can write

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2)dX_1dX_2 = \text{const} \cdot \det(Y_1^*Y_1)^{M-2N} \\ \times e^{-\alpha(\mu)\left(\text{Tr}(Y_2^*Y_2Y_1^{-1}(Y_1^*)^{-1})+\text{Tr}(Y_1^*Y_1)\right)+\delta(\mu)\text{Tr}(Y_2+Y_2^*)}dY_2dY_1. \end{aligned} \tag{4.5}$$

Next we use the singular value decomposition for both Y_2 and Y_1

$$\begin{aligned} Y_1 = V_1\Lambda_1U_1, \quad \Lambda_1 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^{(1)} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_N^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}, \\ Y_2 = V_2\Lambda_2U_2, \quad \Lambda_2 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1^{(2)} & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_N^{(2)} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned}$$

where Λ_1, Λ_2 are diagonal matrices with the singular values along the diagonals, and V_1, V_2, U_1 and U_2 are unitary $N \times N$ matrices. It is known that

$$dY_1 = \text{const} \cdot \Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right)^2 \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(1)} d\lambda_j^{(1)} \right) dU_1 dV_1,$$

$$dY_2 = \text{const} \cdot \Delta \left(\Lambda_2^2 \right)^2 \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(2)} d\lambda_j^{(2)} \right) dU_2 dV_2,$$

where we have introduced the Vandermonde determinant

$$\Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right) = \prod_{N \geq j > k \geq 1} \left(\left(\lambda_j^{(1)} \right)^2 - \left(\lambda_k^{(1)} \right)^2 \right),$$

$$\Delta \left(\Lambda_2^2 \right) = \prod_{N \geq j > k \geq 1} \left(\left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^2 - \left(\lambda_k^{(2)} \right)^2 \right),$$

and where dU_1, dV_1, dU_2 , and dV_2 are the corresponding Haar measures on the unitary group $U(N)$. Combining these formulae we obtain a probability measure

$$P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2$$

$$= \text{const} \cdot e^{-\alpha(\mu) \left(\text{Tr}(\Lambda_1^2) + \text{Tr}(U_1 U_2^* \Lambda_2^2 U_2 U_1^* \Lambda_1^{-2}) \right) + \delta(\mu) \left(\text{Tr}(V_2 \Lambda_2 U_2) + \text{Tr}(U_2^* \Lambda_2 V_2^*) \right)}$$

$$\times \Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right)^2 \Delta \left(\Lambda_2^2 \right)^2 \det^{M-2N} \left[\Lambda_1^2 \right] \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(1)} d\lambda_j^{(1)} \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(2)} d\lambda_j^{(2)} \right) dU_1 dU_2 dV_1 dV_2.$$

Using the invariance of the Haar measures under the subsequent shifts

$$U_1 \mapsto U_1 U_2, \quad \text{and} \quad U_2 \mapsto U_2 V_2^*,$$

and integrating over V_1 and V_2 we obtain

$$P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2$$

$$= \text{const} \cdot e^{-\alpha(\mu) \left(\text{Tr}(\Lambda_1^2) + \text{Tr}(U_1 \Lambda_2^2 U_1^* \Lambda_1^{-2}) \right) + \delta(\mu) \left(\text{Tr}(\Lambda_2 U_2) + \text{Tr}(U_2^* \Lambda_2) \right)}$$

$$\times \Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right)^2 \Delta \left(\Lambda_2^2 \right)^2 \det^{M-2N} \left[\Lambda_1^2 \right] \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(1)} d\lambda_j^{(1)} \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(2)} d\lambda_j^{(2)} \right) dU_1 dU_2. \quad (4.6)$$

The integration over U_1 can be performed using the Harish–Chandra–Itzykson–Zuber integration formula [30,33]

$$\int_{U(N)} e^{-\text{Tr}(U_1 \Lambda_2^2 U_1^* \Lambda_1^{-2})} dU_1 = \text{const} \cdot \frac{\det \left[\exp \left[- \left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^2 \left(\lambda_i^{(1)} \right)^{-2} \right] \right]_{i,j=1}^N}{\Delta(\Lambda_2^2) \Delta(\Lambda_1^{-2})}, \quad (4.7)$$

where the constant does not depend on Λ_1 and Λ_2 , and we have used the transformation $\Lambda_1 \mapsto \alpha(\mu)^{\frac{1}{2}} \Lambda_1$. In addition, we apply the fact that the Vandermonde determinant of

inverse powers is proportional to the Vandermonde determinant with positive powers, namely

$$\Delta \left(\Lambda_1^{-2} \right) = \text{const} \cdot \frac{\Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right)}{\det^{N-1} \left[\Lambda_1^2 \right]}. \tag{4.8}$$

As a result of the application of formulae (4.7) and (4.8) to probability measure (4.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2 &= \text{const} \cdot e^{-\alpha(\mu)^2 \text{Tr}(\Lambda_1^2) + \delta(\mu)(\text{Tr}(\Lambda_2 U_2) + \text{Tr}(U_2^* \Lambda_2))} \Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right) \\ &\times \Delta \left(\Lambda_2^2 \right) \det \left[\exp \left[- \left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^2 \left(\lambda_i^{(1)} \right)^{-2} \right] \right]_{i,j=1}^N \det^{M-N-1} \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right) \\ &\times \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(1)} d\lambda_j^{(1)} \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(2)} d\lambda_j^{(2)} \right) dU_2. \end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

Now our task is to perform the integration over U_2 . This can be done exploiting the following Leutwyler–Smilga integral formula [39] first derived in [15], see e.g. [10] for a derivation based on group characters,

$$\int_{U(N)} e^{\delta(\mu) \text{Tr}(\Lambda_2 (U_2 + U_2^*))} dU_2 = \text{const} \cdot \frac{\det \left[\left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^{i-1} I_{i-1} \left(2\delta(\mu) \lambda_j^{(2)} \right) \right]_{i,j=1}^N}{\Delta \left(\Lambda_2^2 \right)}. \tag{4.10}$$

Here $I_k(x)$ denotes the modified Bessel function of the first kind. After the integration over U_2 we obtain the following probability distribution

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2 &= \text{const} \cdot e^{-\alpha^2(\mu) \text{Tr}(\Lambda_1^2)} \Delta \left(\Lambda_1^2 \right) \\ &\times \det \left[\left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^{i-1} I_{i-1} \left(2\delta(\mu) \lambda_j^{(2)} \right) \right]_{i,j=1}^N \det \left[\exp \left[- \left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^2 \left(\lambda_i^{(1)} \right)^{-2} \right] \right]_{i,j=1}^N \\ &\times \det^{M-N-1} \left[\Lambda_1^2 \right] \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(1)} d\lambda_j^{(1)} \right) \left(\prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(2)} d\lambda_j^{(2)} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{4.11}$$

To get the induced probability distribution of the singular values $\lambda_1^{(2)}, \dots, \lambda_N^{(2)}$ of the matrix $Y_2 = X_1 X_2$ we only need to integrate the probability distribution (4.11) over the variables $\lambda_1^{(1)}, \dots, \lambda_N^{(1)}$. The integral over these variables is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{I} &= \int \det \left[\left(\lambda_i^{(1)} \right)^{2(j-1)} \right]_{i,j=1}^N \det \left[\exp \left[- \left(\lambda_j^{(2)} \right)^2 \left(\lambda_i^{(1)} \right)^{-2} \right] \right]_{i,j=1}^N \\ &\times \prod_{j=1}^N e^{-\alpha(\mu)^2 \left(\lambda_j^{(1)} \right)^2} \left(\lambda_j^{(1)} \right)^{2\nu-1} d\lambda_j^{(1)}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.12}$$

Applying the Andréief integral identity valid for a set of integrable functions,

$$\int \det [\varphi_i(x_j)]_{i,j=1}^N \det [\psi_i(x_j)]_{i,j=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^N d\mu(x_j) = N! \det \left[\int \varphi_i(x) \psi_j(x) d\mu(x) \right]_{i,j=1}^N, \tag{4.13}$$

to $\varphi_i(x) = x^{2(i-1)}$, $\psi_i(x) = e^{-\left(\lambda_i^{(2)}\right)^2 x^{-2}}$, and $d\mu(x) = e^{-\alpha(\mu)^2 x^2} x^{2\nu-1} dx$ on \mathbb{R}_+ , we obtain that integral (4.12) is equal

$$\mathcal{I} = N! \det \left[\int_0^\infty e^{-\alpha(\mu)^2 x^2 - \left(\lambda_j^{(2)}\right)^2 x^{-2}} x^{2(i+\nu)-3} dx \right]_{i,j=1}^N.$$

To compute the integral inside the determinant above we use the formula [28] 8.432.6

$$\int_0^\infty x^{\nu-1} \exp \left[-x - \frac{\rho^2}{4x} \right] dx = 2 \left(\frac{\rho}{2} \right)^\nu K_{-\nu}(\rho),$$

where $K_{-\nu}(\rho) = K_{+\nu}(\rho)$ is the modified Bessel function of the second kind. The result is that integral (4.12) is proportional to

$$\mathcal{I} = \text{const} \cdot \det \left[\left(\lambda_j^{(2)}\right)^{i+\nu-1} K_{i+\nu-1} \left(2\alpha(\mu) \lambda_j^{(2)} \right) \right]_{i,j=1}^N.$$

We conclude that the joint density of the singular values of the matrix $X_1 X_2$ with $\nu = M - N$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} P^{(N,M)}(X_1, X_2) dX_1 dX_2 &= \text{const} \cdot \det \left[\left(\lambda_i^{(2)}\right)^{j-1} I_{j-1} \left(2\delta(\mu) \lambda_i^{(2)} \right) \right]_{i,j=1}^N \\ &\times \det \left[\left(\lambda_i^{(2)}\right)^{j+\nu-1} K_{i+\nu-1} \left(2\alpha(\mu) \lambda_i^{(2)} \right) \right]_{i,j=1}^N \prod_{j=1}^N \lambda_j^{(2)} d\lambda_j^{(2)}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.14}$$

Changing to squared singular values, $\left(\lambda_i^{(2)}\right)^2 = y_i$, we obtain Eq. (3.3) up to a normalisation constant $\text{const} = 1/Z_N$.

In order to compute this constant we can apply again the Andréief identity Eq. (4.13), interpreting the left-hand side as a probability measure, with the following choice of functions for the squared singular values y_j of $X_1 X_2$:

$$\psi_j(x) = x^{\frac{j}{2}} I_j \left(2\delta(\mu) \sqrt{x} \right), \tag{4.15}$$

and

$$\varphi_j(x) = x^{\frac{j+\nu}{2}} K_{j+\nu} \left(2\alpha(\mu) \sqrt{x} \right). \tag{4.16}$$

After applying the integral identity the requirement that this probability measure is normalised reads as follows,

$$1 = Z_N^{-1} N! \det \left[\int_0^\infty y^{\frac{i+j+\nu}{2}} I_i(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{y}) K_{j+\nu}(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y}) dy \right]_{i,j=0}^{N-1}.$$

The integral inside the determinant above can be computed explicitly. Namely, we have from [28] 6.576.7

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^\infty y^{\frac{i+j+\nu}{2}} I_i(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{y}) K_{j+\nu}(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y}) dy \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \alpha(\mu)^{j+\nu} \delta(\mu)^i \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right)^{-j-\nu-i-1} \Gamma(i+j+\nu+1). \end{aligned} \quad (4.17)$$

Taking into account the formula known from the normalisation of the Laguerre ensemble,

$$\det [\Gamma(i+j+\nu+1)]_{i,j=0}^{N-1} = \prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j)\Gamma(j+\nu),$$

we obtain the normalising constant (3.4) in the formula for $P(y_1, \dots, y_N)$. The statement of Theorem 3.1 follows immediately. \square

5. Proof of Theorem 3.2

To derive an explicit formula for the correlation kernel of the biorthogonal ensemble under consideration we need the following Proposition.

Proposition 5.1. *Let $\psi_j(x)$, $\varphi_j(x)$ be defined by Eqs. (4.15) and (4.16), where $j = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$. The correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ of the biorthogonal ensemble defined by equation (3.10) can be written as*

$$K_N(x, y) = \sum_{k,l=0}^{N-1} c_{k,l} \psi_k(x) \varphi_l(y), \quad (5.1)$$

where the matrix $C = (c_{k,l})_{k,l=0}^{N-1}$ is defined by

$$C = G^{-1}, \quad G = (g_{k,l})_{k,l=0}^{N-1}, \quad g_{k,l} = \int_0^\infty \psi_l(x) \varphi_k(x) dx. \quad (5.2)$$

Proof. See Borodin [13], Section 2. \square

The matrix entries of G can be computed explicitly. Using Eq. (4.17) the result is

$$g_{k,l} = \frac{1}{2} \alpha(\mu)^{k+\nu} \delta(\mu)^l \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right)^{-k-\nu-l-1} (k+l+\nu)!. \quad (5.3)$$

This yields

$$c_{k,l} = \frac{2(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{k+l+\nu+1}}{\alpha(\mu)^{\nu+l}\delta(\mu)^k} a_{k,l}, \quad (5.4)$$

where $(a_{k,l})_{k,l=0}^{N-1}$ is the inverse of the Hankel matrix

$$H_{N-1} = (h_{k+l})_{k,l=0}^{N-1}, \quad h_k = (k+\nu)!. \quad (5.5)$$

Thus the problem of the computation of the correlation kernel is reduced to that of finding the inverse of the Hankel matrix H_{N-1} defined by Eq. (5.5). A general method to find the inverse of a Hankel matrix can be described as follows.

Assume that there exists a probability measure $d\mu(x)$ on \mathbb{R} such that all moments exist:

$$h_k = \int x^k d\mu(x), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots$$

Construct the corresponding system $\{P_k\}$ of orthonormal polynomials,

$$\int P_k(x) P_l(x) d\mu(x) = \delta_{k,l}, \quad k, l \geq 0.$$

Consider the following auxiliary Christoffel–Darboux kernel $\kappa_n(x, y)$ needed for the inversion of the Hankel matrix,

$$\kappa_n(x, y) = \sum_{k=0}^n P_k(x) P_k(y).$$

It is not to be confused with our correlation kernel K_N introduced in Theorem 3.2. Rewrite this kernel in the form

$$\kappa_n(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n q_{i,j}^{(n)} x^i y^j,$$

and set

$$Q_n = \left(q_{i,j}^{(n)} \right)_{i,j=0}^n.$$

Proposition 5.2. *We have*

$$H_n Q_n = I_n,$$

where $H_n = (h_{i+j})_{i,j=0}^n$, and I_n is the unit matrix of order $n+1$.

Proof. Using the reproducing property of the Christoffel–Darboux kernels we obtain

$$\int x^k \kappa_n(x, y) d\mu(x) = y^k, \quad 0 \leq k \leq n.$$

This can be rewritten as

$$\int x^k \left(\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n q_{i,j}^{(n)} x^i y^j \right) d\mu(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n q_{i,j}^{(n)} h_{k+i} y^j.$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n q_{i,j}^{(n)} h_{k+i} y^j = y^k, \quad 0 \leq k \leq n.$$

The equation just written above implies

$$\sum_{i=0}^n h_{k+i} q_{i,j}^{(n)} = \delta_{k,j},$$

and the statement of the Proposition follows. \square

Proposition 5.3. *We have*

$$a_{k,l} = \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \frac{(v+p)!(-p)_k(-p)_l}{p!(v+k)!k!(v+l)!l!}. \tag{5.6}$$

Proof. Use Proposition 5.2, and observe that the relevant family of orthogonal polynomials is that of the classical Laguerre polynomials $\{L_n^{(v+k)}(x)\}$. Then use the explicit formulae for $\{L_n^{(v+k)}(x)\}$ (see, for example, [28] 8.970.1). \square

After splitting factors accordingly among the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(x)$, including a factor of unity $(-1)^{n+n}$, formulae (5.1), (5.4), and (5.6) give us the expression for the correlation kernel stated in Theorem 3.2. Here we have also used that $(-n)_k = 0$ for $k > n > 0$. \square

6. Proof of Theorem 3.3

In this Section we derive the formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ stated in Theorem 3.3 (Eq. 3.14). To obtain Eq. (3.14) from Eqs. (3.11)–(3.13) of Theorem 3.2 we use the following combinatorial fact.

Proposition 6.1. *Define $S(\alpha; k, r, N)$ by*

$$S(\alpha; k, r, N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!(n-r)!} \Gamma(\alpha+n+1), \tag{6.1}$$

where $N = 1, 2, \dots$; k, r are two integers such that $0 \leq k, r \leq N - 1$, and $\alpha > -1$. We have

$$S(\alpha; k, r, N) = \frac{(-1)^r \Gamma(\alpha+r+1)r!}{(N-1-k)!} \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{\Gamma(N+i+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(i+\alpha+1)} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!(r-i)!(\alpha+k+i+1)}. \tag{6.2}$$

Proof. We will prove the equivalence of expressions (6.1) and (6.2) by induction with respect to r . Namely, we will check that the equivalence of expressions (6.1) and (6.2) takes place for $r = 0$, then we will assume that Eq. (6.2) is valid for an arbitrary r , and then we will show that this identity remains to be valid when we replace r by $r + 1$.

From the definition (6.1) we have at $r = 0$

$$S(\alpha; k, r = 0, N) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + n + 1)}{\Gamma(n - k + 1)} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-k-1} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + k + n + 1)}{\Gamma(n + 1)}.$$

Using the formula

$$\frac{\Gamma(a + s)}{\Gamma(s)} - \frac{\Gamma(a + s + 1)}{\Gamma(s + 1)} = -a \frac{\Gamma(a + s)}{\Gamma(1 + s)},$$

it is not hard to see that for $a > 0$

$$\sum_{n=0}^L \frac{\Gamma(a + n)}{\Gamma(1 + n)} = \frac{\Gamma(a + L + 1)}{a\Gamma(L + 1)}.$$

Replacing L by $N - k - 1$, and a by $\alpha + k + 1 > 0$, we obtain

$$S(\alpha; k, r = 0, N) = \frac{\Gamma(N + \alpha + 1)}{(\alpha + k + 1)\Gamma(N - k)}.$$

On the other hand, if $r = 0$, then the right-hand side of Eq. (6.2) can be rewritten as

$$\frac{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)}{(N - 1 - k)!} \frac{\Gamma(N + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(\alpha + 1)(\alpha + k + 1)} = \frac{\Gamma(N + \alpha + 1)}{(\alpha + k + 1)\Gamma(N - k)}.$$

So the Proposition is proved for $r = 0$.

Using formula (6.1) we can obtain a recurrence relation for $S(\alpha; k, r, N)$, namely

$$S(\alpha; k, r + 1, N) = S(\alpha + 1; k, r, N) - (\alpha + r + 1)S(\alpha; k, r, N). \quad (6.3)$$

Now assume that formula (6.2) holds true for a certain $r \in \mathbb{N}$. In order to see that it remains to be valid for $r + 1$ it is enough to show that the right-hand side of equation (6.2) satisfies Eq. (6.3). To see this, note that the right-hand side of Eq. (6.3) (with $S(\alpha; k, r, N)$ given by Eq. (6.2)) can be explicitly rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(-1)^r \Gamma(\alpha + r + 2)r!}{(N - 1 - k)!} \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{\Gamma(N + i + \alpha + 2)}{\Gamma(i + \alpha + 2)} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!(r - i)!(\alpha + k + i + 2)} \\ & - \frac{(-1)^r \Gamma(\alpha + r + 2)r!}{(N - 1 - k)!} \sum_{i=0}^r \frac{\Gamma(N + i + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(i + \alpha + 1)} \frac{(-1)^i}{i!(r - i)!(\alpha + k + i + 1)}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.4)$$

Changing the index of summation in the first sum by one, $i \mapsto j = i + 1$, we can rewrite expression (6.4) as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(-1)^{r+1} \Gamma(\alpha + r + 2)r!}{(N - 1 - k)!} \sum_{j=1}^{r+1} \frac{\Gamma(N + j + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(j + \alpha + 1)} \frac{(-1)^j j}{j!(r + 1 - j)!(\alpha + k + j + 1)} \\ & + \frac{(-1)^{r+1} \Gamma(\alpha + r + 2)r!}{(N - 1 - k)!} \sum_{j=0}^r \frac{\Gamma(N + j + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(j + \alpha + 1)} \frac{(-1)^j (r + 1 - j)}{j!(r + 1 - j)!(\alpha + k + j + 1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, the sum of the two terms just written above can be represented as

$$\frac{(-1)^{r+1} \Gamma(\alpha + r + 2)(r + 1)!}{(N - 1 - k)!} \sum_{j=0}^{r+1} \frac{\Gamma(N + j + \alpha + 1)}{\Gamma(j + \alpha + 1)} \frac{(-1)^j}{j!(r + 1 - j)!(\alpha + k + j + 1)},$$

which is $S(\alpha; k, r + 1, N)$ as given by Eq. (6.2). Thus we have seen that the right-hand side of Eq. (6.2) satisfies equation (6.3). The Proposition is proved. \square

Setting $\alpha = M - N$ and $r = l$ in Proposition 6.1 and multiplying with $(-1)^{k+l}$ we obtain the following corollary.

Corollary 6.2. *The following identity holds true*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \frac{(M - N + p)!}{p!} (-p)_k (-p)_l \\ &= \frac{(M - N + l)!!}{(N - 1 - k)!} \sum_{i=0}^l \frac{(i + M)!}{(M - N + i)! i!(l - i)!(M - N + k + i + 1)} \frac{(-1)^{i+k}}{1}, \end{aligned} \quad (6.5)$$

where $M \geq N$.

To get equation (3.14) for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ use formula (6.5), and equations (3.11)–(3.13) of Theorem 3.2. \square

7. Proof of Proposition 3.4

In this Section we begin to investigate the properties of the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(x)$ defined by Eqs. (3.12) and (3.13). In particular, we show that $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(x)$ are biorthogonal functions. To see this define two matrices, $V = (v_{k,p})_{k,p=0}^{N-1}$ and $W = (w_{p,l})_{p,l=0}^{N-1}$, by the formulae

$$v_{k,p} = (-1)^p \frac{(v + p)! p! (-p)_k}{(v + k)! k!} \frac{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}}{\delta(\mu)^k}, \quad (7.1)$$

and

$$w_{p,l} = (-1)^p \frac{2(-p)_l}{(p!)^2 (v + l)!!} \frac{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{l+v+\frac{1}{2}}}{\alpha(\mu)^{l+v}}. \quad (7.2)$$

In addition, introduce two column vectors, $\Psi(x)$, and $\Phi(y)$,

$$\Psi(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0(x) \\ \psi_1(x) \\ \vdots \\ \psi_{N-1}(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Phi(y) = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_0(y) \\ \varphi_1(y) \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_{N-1}(y) \end{pmatrix},$$

where $\psi_j(x)$ and $\varphi_j(y)$ are defined by Eqs. (4.15) and (4.16). Set

$$\mathbf{P}(x) = V^T \Psi(x), \quad \mathbf{Q}(y) = W \Phi(y). \quad (7.3)$$

By elementary Linear Algebra calculations, the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ Eq. (3.11) can be written as

$$K_N(x, y) = \mathbf{P}^T(x)\mathbf{Q}(y). \quad (7.4)$$

Observe that the matrix G (defined by Eq. (5.2)) can be written as

$$G = \int_0^\infty \Phi(x)\Psi^T(x)dx.$$

The notation above means that we integrate each matrix element of the $N \times N$ matrix $\Phi(x)\Psi^T(x)$ from 0 to ∞ .

The matrix $C = (c_{k,l})_{k,l=0}^{N-1}$ (whose matrix elements are given explicitly by Eqs. (5.4) and (5.6)) is the inverse of the matrix G . Therefore we can write

$$C^{-1} = \int_0^\infty \Phi(x)\Psi^T(x)dx.$$

The key observation is that

$$C = VW,$$

as it follows from Eqs. (5.4), (5.6), (7.1), and (7.2). Since C is invertible, both matrices V, W are invertible, and we have

$$(VW)^{-1} = \int_0^\infty \Phi(x)\Psi^T(x)dx,$$

or

$$I = \left(\int_0^\infty \Phi(x)\Psi^T(x)dx \right) VW.$$

Multiplying both sides of the equation just written above by W from the left, and using the definitions of the vectors $\mathbf{P}(x), \mathbf{Q}(y)$ (see Eq. (7.3) solved for $\Phi(x)$ and $\Psi^T(x)$) we obtain

$$W = \left(\int_0^\infty \mathbf{Q}(x)\mathbf{P}^T(x)dx \right) W.$$

Since the matrix W is invertible, we conclude that

$$\int_0^\infty \mathbf{Q}(x)\mathbf{P}^T(x)dx = I.$$

In other words, $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(x)$ are biorthogonal functions. Proposition 3.4 is proved. \square

8. Proof of Proposition 3.5 and Theorem 3.6

In this Section we derive the recurrence relations for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ stated in Proposition 3.5. Using these recurrence relations we derive the Christoffel–Darboux type formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$, and prove Theorem 3.6. First, let us obtain Eqs. (3.16)–(3.21). Setting

$$\widehat{I}_k(x) = \frac{k!x^{\frac{k}{2}}}{\delta(\mu)^k} I_k(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{x}), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, \tag{8.1}$$

the following recurrence relation holds true:

$$x\widehat{I}_k(x) = \widehat{I}_{k+1}(x) + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(k+1)(k+2)} \widehat{I}_{k+2}(x), \quad k = 0, 1, \dots \tag{8.2}$$

To see this, use the recurrence relation for the Bessel functions, namely

$$zI_\nu(z) = 2(\nu+1)I_{\nu+1}(z) + zI_{\nu+2}(z).$$

Introduce the vectors

$$\widehat{\mathbf{I}}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{I}_0(x) \\ \widehat{I}_1(x) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{P}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} P_0(x) \\ P_1(x) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}.$$

The recurrence relations for the functions \widehat{I}_k (Eq. (8.2)) can be rewritten as

$$x\widehat{\mathbf{I}}(x) = E\widehat{\mathbf{I}}(x), \tag{8.3}$$

where the matrix E is defined by the formula

$$E_{k,m} = \delta_{k+1,m} + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(k+1)(k+2)} \delta_{k+2,m}, \quad k, m = 0, 1, \dots \tag{8.4}$$

Moreover, set

$$\mathcal{V}_{p,k} = (-1)^p \frac{(v+p)!p!(-p)_k}{(v+k)!(k!)^2} \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2\right)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}, \quad p, k = 0, 1, \dots \tag{8.5}$$

Then we have

$$\mathbf{P}(x) = \mathcal{V}\widehat{\mathbf{I}}(x), \tag{8.6}$$

where $\mathcal{V} = (\mathcal{V}_{p,k})_{0 \leq p, k \leq \infty}$. From Eqs. (8.3) and (8.6) we immediately obtain

$$x\mathbf{P}(x) = \mathcal{V}E\widehat{\mathbf{I}}(x). \tag{8.7}$$

Introduce the matrix R_P by the formula

$$x\mathbf{P}(x) = R_P\mathbf{P}(x). \tag{8.8}$$

The matrix R_P is defining the recurrence relation for the functions $P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots$. From Eqs. (8.3)–(8.8) we find

$$R_P = \mathcal{V}E\mathcal{V}^{-1}. \tag{8.9}$$

In the explicit calculations of the matrix R_P below (and in the derivation of the recurrence relations) we will exploit the following lemma.

Lemma 8.1. For any non-negative integers i, j the following formulae hold true:

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} = \delta_{i,j}, \quad (8.10)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}(\nu+m+1)(m+1)^2}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m+2-j)} &= (\nu+i+1)(i+1)^2\delta_{i+1,j} \\ &+ \left(i^2 + 2i(\nu+i) + \nu + 3i + 1\right) \delta_{i,j} + (\nu+3i)\delta_{i-1,j} + \delta_{i-2,j}, \end{aligned} \quad (8.11)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}(\nu+m+1)^2(m+1)}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m+2-j)} &= (i+1)(i+\nu+1)^2\delta_{i+1,j} \\ &+ \left((\nu+i)^2 + 2(i+1)(i+\nu) + i + 1\right) \delta_{i,j} + (2\nu+3i)\delta_{i-1,j} + \delta_{i-2,j}, \end{aligned} \quad (8.12)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}(m+1)(m+2)(\nu+m+1)(m+2)}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m+3-j)} &= (\nu+i+2)(\nu+i+1)(i+2)(i+1)\delta_{i+2,j} \\ &+ 2(i+1)(\nu+2i+2)(\nu+i+1)\delta_{i+1,j} + ((\nu+i)(\nu+5i+3) + i(i+3) + 2) \delta_{i,j} \\ &+ 2(\nu+2i)\delta_{i-1,j} + \delta_{i-2,j}. \end{aligned} \quad (8.13)$$

Proof. The left-hand side of the first statement (8.10) reduces to

$$\sum_{m=j}^i \frac{(-1)^{m+i}}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)}.$$

For $i < j$ the sum is void and thus Eq. (8.10) is true for $i < j$. For $i \geq j$ we can further rewrite the sum as

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=0}^{i-j} \frac{(-1)^{n+i+j}}{(i-j-n)!n!} &= \frac{1}{(i-j)!} \sum_{n=0}^{i-j} \binom{i-j}{n} 1^{i-j} (-1)^{n-i-j} \\ &= \frac{(1+(-1))^{i-j}}{(i-j)!} = \delta_{i,j}. \end{aligned}$$

This proves Eq. (8.10) for $i \geq j$. The remaining Eqs. (8.11)–(8.13) can be derived recursively from Eq. (8.10) by straightforward calculations, inserting powers of m in the numerator and using properties of the Gamma-function. From Eq. (8.10) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}m}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j)} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i}j}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\ &= \delta_{i,j+1} + j\delta_{i,j}. \end{aligned}$$

Continuing the iteration leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^2}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j)} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m j}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\
 &= \delta_{i,j+2} + (2j+1)\delta_{i,j+1} + j^2\delta_{i,j}, \\
 & \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^3}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^2}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j)} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^2 j}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\
 &= \delta_{i,j+3} + (3j+3)\delta_{i,j+2} + (3j^2+3j+1)\delta_{i,j+1} + j^3\delta_{i,j}, \text{ and} \\
 & \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^4}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\
 &= \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^3}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j)} + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{m+i} m^3 j}{\Gamma(i-m+1)\Gamma(m-j+1)} \\
 &= \delta_{i,j+4} + (4j+6)\delta_{i,j+3} + (3(j+1)^2+3j+4+3j(j+1))\delta_{i,j+2} \\
 & \quad + ((j+1)^3+3j^2(j+1)+j)\delta_{i,j+1} + j^4\delta_{i,j}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Linear combinations of these formulae then imply Eqs. (8.11)–(8.13). \square

Proposition 8.2. *The matrix \mathcal{V} is invertible, and its inverse is given by*

$$(\mathcal{V}^{-1})_{k,l} = \frac{(k!)^2(\nu+k)!}{(k-l)!(l!)^2(\nu+l)!} \frac{1}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{k+\frac{1}{2}}} \quad k, l = 0, 1, \dots \quad (8.14)$$

Proof. This can be checked by direct calculations using formula (8.10). \square

Equation (8.8) says that it is enough to compute the matrix R_P explicitly to obtain the recurrence for $P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots$ (Eqs. (3.16)–(3.21)). This can be done exploiting formula (8.9), the formula for the matrix elements of \mathcal{V} (Eq. (8.5)), and that for the matrix elements of E (Eq. (8.4)). In the computations we use formulae (8.11), (8.13) to express the sums involved in terms of the Kronecker symbols.

Now we turn to derivation of the recurrence relation for $Q_0(y), Q_1(y), \dots$ (Eqs. (3.22)–(3.27)). Set

$$\widehat{K}_l(y) = \frac{(l+\nu)! y^{\frac{l+\nu}{2}}}{\alpha(\mu)^{l+\nu}} K_{l+\nu}(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y}).$$

We have

$$y\widehat{K}_l(y) = -\widehat{K}_{l+1}(y) + \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(l+\nu+2)(l+\nu+1)} \widehat{K}_{l+2}(y). \quad (8.15)$$

To see that Eq. (8.15) holds true use the recurrence relations

$$zK_\nu(z) = -2(\nu + 1)K_{\nu+1}(z) + zK_{\nu+2}(z).$$

Introduce the vectors

$$\widehat{\mathbf{K}}(y) = \begin{pmatrix} \widehat{K}_0(y) \\ \widehat{K}_1(y) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{Q}(y) = \begin{pmatrix} Q_0(y) \\ Q_1(y) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then the recurrence relation for the functions $\widehat{K}_k(y)$ (Eq. (8.15)) can be rewritten as

$$y\widehat{\mathbf{K}}(y) = \widetilde{E}\widehat{\mathbf{K}}(y), \quad (8.16)$$

where the matrix \widetilde{E} is defined by the formula

$$\widetilde{E}_{k,m} = -\delta_{k+1,m} + \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(k+\nu+1)(k+\nu+2)}\delta_{k+2,m}, \quad k, m = 0, 1, \dots \quad (8.17)$$

Moreover, set

$$\mathcal{W}_{p,k} = \frac{2(-1)^p(-p)_k}{(p!)^2 k!((\nu+k)!)^2} \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right)^{\nu+k+\frac{1}{2}}, \quad p, k = 0, 1, \dots$$

We have

$$\mathbf{Q}(y) = \mathcal{W}\widehat{\mathbf{K}}(y).$$

By the same argument as in the derivation of the recurrence relation for the functions $\widehat{P}_p(x)$ we find that the recurrence matrix R_Q for the functions $Q_p(y)$ is given by

$$R_Q = \mathcal{W}\widetilde{E}\mathcal{W}^{-1}.$$

Proposition 8.3. *We have*

$$\left(\mathcal{W}^{-1} \right)_{k,l} = \frac{((\nu+k)!)^2 l! k!}{2(k-l)!} \frac{1}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{k+\nu+\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

Proof. The formula for $(\mathcal{W}^{-1})_{k,l}$ can be obtained by direct calculations using formula (8.10). \square

The subsequent computation leading to the recurrence relation for the functions $Q_0(y), Q_1(y), \dots$ is very similar to that leading to the recurrence relation for the functions $P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots$, where in the evaluation of the matrix R_Q we use Eqs. (8.12) and (8.13). Proposition 3.5 is proved. \square

Now let us prove Theorem 3.6. Setting $P_{-n}(x) = 0 = Q_{-n}(x)$ for $n = 1, 2$ we can apply the recurrence from Proposition 3.5 as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} (x-y)P_n(x)Q_n(y) &= a_{-2,n}P_{n-2}(x)Q_n(y) - a_{-2,n+2}P_n(x)Q_{n+2}(y) \\ &\quad + a_{-1,n}P_{n-1}(x)Q_n(y) - a_{-1,n+1}P_n(x)Q_{n+1}(y) \\ &\quad + a_{1,n}P_{n+1}(x)Q_n(y) - a_{1,n-1}P_n(x)Q_{n-1}(y) \\ &\quad + a_{2,n}P_{n+2}(x)Q_n(y) - a_{2,n-2}P_n(x)Q_{n-2}(y), \quad \text{for } n = 0, 1, \dots \end{aligned}$$

Here we have already used the relation between the coefficients $a_{k,n}$ and $b_{k,n}$ in Eq. (3.28). Summing up the right-hand side and the left-hand side of the equation above from $n = 0$ to $N - 1$ we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 (x - y)K_N(x, y) &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} (a_{2,n}P_{n+2}(x) + a_{1,n}P_{n+1}(x))Q_n(y) + \sum_{n=0}^{N-2} a_{-1,n+1}P_n(x)Q_{n+1}(y) \\
 &+ \sum_{n=0}^{N-3} a_{-2,n+2}P_n(x)Q_{n+2}(y) - \sum_{n=0}^{N-3} a_{2,n}P_{n+2}(x)Q_n(y) \\
 &- \sum_{n=0}^{N-2} a_{1,n}P_{n+1}(x)Q_n(y) \\
 &- \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} P_n(x)(a_{-1,n+1}Q_{n+1}(y) + a_{-2,n+2}Q_{n+2}(y)), \tag{8.18}
 \end{aligned}$$

after shifting several summation indices. Cancelling all terms and dividing by $(x - y) \neq 0$ we obtain formula (3.29) for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$. \square

9. Proof of Proposition 3.7 and Theorem 3.8

Let us first obtain the contour integral representation for the functions $P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots$ as given in Eq. (3.30). Recall that $P_n(x)$ is given explicitly by Eq. (3.12). We express the Bessel function in Eq. (3.12) as an infinite sum,

$$I_k \left(2\delta(\mu)x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{l!(k+l)!} \left(\delta(\mu)x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^{k+2l}.$$

Next we rewrite the formula for $P_n(x)$ as

$$P_n(x) = (-1)^n \frac{(\nu+n)!n!}{\nu!} \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^l \delta(\mu)^{2l}}{l!} \left(\sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(-n)_k \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right)^k}{(\nu+1)_k k!(k+l)!} x^k \right).$$

The expression in the bracket on the right-hand side of the equation for $P_n(x)$ above can be written as a generalised hypergeometric series, so we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n(x) &= (-1)^n \frac{(\nu+n)!n!}{\nu!} \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\times \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^l \delta(\mu)^{2l}}{(l!)^2} {}_1F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n \\ \nu+1, l+1 \end{matrix} \middle| \left(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2 \right) x \right). \tag{9.1}
 \end{aligned}$$

The following contour integral representation can be obtained from residue calculus

$${}_1F_M \left(\begin{matrix} -n \\ 1+\nu_1, \dots, 1+\nu_M \end{matrix} \middle| x \right) = \frac{(-1)^n \prod_{j=1}^M \Gamma(\nu_j + 1)n!}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Sigma} \frac{\Gamma(t-n)}{\Gamma(t+1) \prod_{j=1}^M \Gamma(t+\nu_j+1)} x^t dt,$$

where Σ is a closed contour that encircles $0, 1, \dots, n$ once in the positive direction. In particular,

$$\begin{aligned} & {}_1F_2 \left(\begin{matrix} -n \\ \nu + 1, l + 1 \end{matrix} \middle| (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2) x \right) \\ &= \frac{(-1)^n \Gamma(\nu + 1) \Gamma(l + 1) n!}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Sigma} \frac{\Gamma(t - n) ((\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2) x)^t}{\Gamma(t + 1) \Gamma(t + \nu + 1) \Gamma(t + l + 1)} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Inserting the above formula into Eq. (9.1), we obtain the desired expression for $P_n(x)$, Eq. (3.30), after writing the remaining sum as another hypergeometric function.

Now we derive the contour integral representation for the functions $Q_0(y)$, $Q_1(y)$, \dots (Eq. (3.31)). We start from the formula (3.13), and use the relation (3.7). This enables us to rewrite Eq. (3.13) as

$$\begin{aligned} Q_n(y) &= \frac{(-1)^n}{(n!)^2 \nu!} (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \sum_{l=0}^n \left(\frac{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right)^{l+\nu} \frac{(-n)_l}{(\nu + 1)_l l!} G_{0,2}^{2,0} \left(\begin{matrix} - \\ 0, l + \nu \end{matrix} \middle| \alpha(\mu)^2 y \right). \end{aligned} \tag{9.2}$$

Following the definition (3.6) a contour integral representation for the Meijer G-function in the formula above holds:

$$G_{0,2}^{2,0} \left(\begin{matrix} - \\ 0, l + \nu \end{matrix} \middle| \alpha(\mu)^2 y \right) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \Gamma(s + l + \nu) \Gamma(s) (\alpha(\mu)^2 y)^{-s} ds, \tag{9.3}$$

with $c > 0$. Formulae (9.2) and (9.3) result in the following expression for the function $Q_n(y)$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_n(y) &= \frac{(-1)^n}{(n!)^2 \nu!} \left(1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right)^\nu (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} \Gamma(s) \Gamma(s + \nu) {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \nu + s \\ 1 + \nu \end{matrix} \middle| 1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) (\alpha(\mu)^2 y)^{-s} ds. \end{aligned} \tag{9.4}$$

The (Gauss) hypergeometric function inside the integral above can be written as follows using [28] 9.131.2 for $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$${}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \nu + s \\ 1 + \nu \end{matrix} \middle| 1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) = \frac{\Gamma(1 + \nu) \Gamma(1 - s + n)}{\Gamma(1 + \nu + n) \Gamma(1 - s)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -n, \nu + s \\ s - n \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right). \tag{9.5}$$

Applying this formula, and the fact that

$$\frac{\Gamma(1 - s + n)}{\Gamma(1 - s)} = (-1)^n \frac{\Gamma(s)}{\Gamma(s - n)}, \tag{9.6}$$

which can be shown using [28] 8.334.3, we obtain Eq. (3.31). Proposition 3.7 is proved. \square

To obtain the contour integral representation for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ given in Theorem 3.8 we need the following Lemma.

Lemma 9.1. *We have*

$$\sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\Gamma(t-n)}{\Gamma(s-n)} \frac{(-n)_k}{(s-n)_k} = k! \frac{\Gamma(t-N+1)}{\Gamma(s-t+k)} \sum_{m=0}^k (-1)^m \binom{N}{m} \frac{\Gamma(s-t+m-1)}{\Gamma(s+m-N)} - \frac{\Gamma(t+1)\Gamma(s-t-1)k!}{\Gamma(s)\Gamma(s-t+k)}, \quad (9.7)$$

where $k = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$.

Proof. Denote by $S_N(t, s; k)$ the sum on the left-hand side of Eq. (9.7),

$$S_N(t, s; k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\Gamma(t-n)}{\Gamma(s-n)} \frac{(-n)_k}{(s-n)_k}.$$

Also, set

$$\tilde{S}_N(t, s; k) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\Gamma(t-n)}{\Gamma(s-n)} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}.$$

These sums are related to each other according to the formula

$$S_N(t, s; k) = (-1)^k \tilde{S}_N(t, s+k; k). \quad (9.8)$$

Thus it is enough to find a closed formula for $\tilde{S}_N(t, s; k)$. Using the elementary property $x\Gamma(x) = \Gamma(x+1)$ it is easy to check that the following identity holds true

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\Gamma(t-n-1)}{\Gamma(s-n-1)} \frac{(n+1)!}{(n+1-k)!} - \frac{\Gamma(t-n)}{\Gamma(s-n)} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!} \\ &= k \frac{\Gamma(t-n-1)}{\Gamma(s-n-1)} \frac{n!}{(n-k+1)!} - (t-s) \frac{\Gamma(t-n-1)}{\Gamma(s-n)} \frac{n!}{(n-k)!}. \end{aligned} \quad (9.9)$$

This identity implies the following recurrence relation

$$(s-t-1)\tilde{S}_N(t, s; k) + k\tilde{S}_N(t, s-1; k-1) = \frac{\Gamma(t-N+1)}{\Gamma(s-N)} \frac{N!}{(N-k)!},$$

starting from $k = 1, \dots, N - 1$. The recurrence relation above can be solved, and a formula for $\tilde{S}_N(t, s; k)$ can be obtained. Namely, beginning with $k = 0$,

$$\tilde{S}_N(t, s; k=0) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} \frac{\Gamma(t-n)}{\Gamma(s-n)} = \frac{\Gamma(t-N+1)}{(s-t-1)\Gamma(s-N)} - \frac{\Gamma(t+1)}{(s-t-1)\Gamma(s)},$$

which can be easily seen by induction in N we find

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_N(t, s; k) &= \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{\Gamma(t-N+1)(-k)_l}{(s-t-1)(s-t-2)\dots(s-t-l-1)\Gamma(s-N-l)} \frac{N!}{(N-k+l)!} \\ &+ \frac{(-1)^{k-1}\Gamma(t+1)k!}{(s-t-1)(s-t-2)\dots(s-t-1-k)\Gamma(s-k)}. \end{aligned} \quad (9.10)$$

Formulae (9.8) and (9.10) imply

$$S_N(t, s; k) = \sum_{l=0}^k \frac{(-1)^{k-l} \Gamma(t - N + 1) \Gamma(s - t + k - l - 1) k!}{\Gamma(s - t + k) (k - l)! \Gamma(s + k - l - N)} \frac{N!}{(N - k + l)!} \\ - \frac{\Gamma(t + 1) k! \Gamma(s - t - 1)}{\Gamma(s - t + k) \Gamma(s)}.$$

Then, after setting $m = k - l$ we get formula (9.7). \square

Recall that the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$ can be represented as the sum of the biorthogonal functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$, see Eq. (3.11). We insert the integral representations for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ (see Proposition 3.7) into Eq. (3.11). We write the hypergeometric function ${}_2F_1$ as a finite sum up to $N - 1$. Then we interchange the finite sum and the double contour integral, use the combinatorial identity (9.7), and observe that the second term on the right-hand side of Eq. (9.7) does not contribute to the double contour integral. The result of these calculations is the formula for the correlation kernel in the statement of Theorem 3.8. \square

10. Proof of Theorem 3.9

We use the contour integral representations for the functions $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ obtained in Proposition 3.7 together with the Christoffel–Darboux type formula for the correlation kernel $K_N(x, y)$, see Theorem 3.6. Namely, we insert the contour integrals representing $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ into formula (3.29). In the numerator of the right-hand side of Eq. (3.29) we obtain a double contour integral. Let us write this contour integral representation of the correlation kernel explicitly. We have for $N \geq 2$

$$K_N(x, y) = \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2}{(2\pi i)^2 (x - y)} \left(1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right)^v \\ \times \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} ds \oint_{\Sigma} dt \frac{\Gamma^2(s) \Gamma(s + v) (\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^t x^t {}_0F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} - \\ t + 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2 x}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right)}{(\Gamma(t + 1))^2 \Gamma(t + v + 1)} (\alpha(\mu)^2 y)^{-s} \\ \times \left\{ - \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{\Gamma(t - N + 2)}{\Gamma(s - N)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -N, v + s \\ s - N \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \right. \\ - \frac{\alpha(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{\Gamma(t - N + 1)}{\Gamma(s - N - 1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -N - 1, v + s \\ s - N - 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \\ - \left[\frac{3N + v}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + \frac{2(2N + v)\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \right] \frac{\Gamma(t - N + 1)}{\Gamma(s - N)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -N, v + s \\ s - N \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \\ + \left[\frac{N^2(N + v)}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} + \frac{2N(N + v)(2N + v)\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \right] \frac{\Gamma(t - N)}{\Gamma(s - N + 1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -N + 1, v + s \\ s - N + 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \\ + \frac{N(N - 1)(N + v)(N + v - 1)\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{\Gamma(t - N)}{\Gamma(s - N + 2)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -N + 2, v + s \\ s - N + 2 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \\ \left. + \frac{N(N + 1)(N + v)(N + v + 1)\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{\Gamma(t - N - 1)}{\Gamma(s - N + 1)} {}_2F_1 \left(\begin{matrix} -N + 1, v + s \\ s - N + 1 \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2} \right) \right\}. \quad (10.1)$$

We note that as $N \rightarrow \infty$, we have the following ratio asymptotic of Gamma functions

$$\frac{\Gamma(t - N)}{\Gamma(s - N)} = \frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\sin(\pi t)} \frac{\Gamma(1 - s + N)}{\Gamma(1 - t + N)} = \frac{\sin(\pi s)}{\sin(\pi t)} N^{t-s} \left(1 + O(N^{-1})\right),$$

upon using Eq. (9.6), $\Gamma(1 - x)\Gamma(x) = \pi/\sin(\pi x)$, and the standard asymptotic expansion of the Gamma-function. Moreover, we have [49]

$${}_2F_1\left(\begin{matrix} -N, \nu + s \\ s - N \end{matrix} \middle| \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2}\right)^{\nu+s}} \left(1 + O(N^{-1})\right),$$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$. Using the asymptotic formulae just written above, we find

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} K_N\left(\frac{x}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)}, \frac{y}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2(x - y)} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} ds \oint_{\Sigma} dt \left[\frac{\Gamma^2(s)\Gamma(s + \nu)}{(\Gamma(t + 1))^2 \Gamma(t + \nu + 1)} \frac{\sin \pi s}{\sin \pi t} \frac{x^t}{y^s} \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times \left(A(s, t; N) + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} B(s, t; N) \right) (1 + O(N^{-1})) \right], \end{aligned} \tag{10.2}$$

where we used that the hypergeometric function ${}_0F_1$ of rescaled argument tends to unity. The functions $A(s, t; N)$ and $B(s, t; N)$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned} A(s, t; N) &= \frac{N^2(N + \nu)}{s - N} - (t - N)(s + t + N + \nu), \\ B(s, t; N) &= \frac{N(N + 1)(N + \nu)(N + \nu + 1)}{(t - N - 1)(s - N)} + \frac{N(N - 1)(N + \nu)(N + \nu - 1)}{(s - N + 1)(s - N)} \\ & \quad + \frac{2N(N + \nu)(2N + \nu)}{s - N} - (t - N)(t + s + 2N + 2\nu). \end{aligned}$$

Note that the additional factor in front of the kernel compensates the rescaling of the arguments of the factor $1/(x - y)$. Computations show that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} A(s, t; N) = -s(s + \nu) - t(t + \nu) - st,$$

and

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} B(s, t; N) = 0.$$

Now we take the limit $N \rightarrow \infty$ from both sides of Eq. (10.2), and interchange the limit and integrals in the right-hand side. The fact that we are allowed to take the limit inside the integrals can be justified as in the proof of Theorem 5.3 in Kuijlaars and Zhang

[38] using the dominated convergence theorem and the asymptotic properties of Gamma functions. Thus we obtain the limiting relation

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} K_N \left(\frac{x}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)}, \frac{y}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{-1}{(2\pi i)^2(x-y)} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} ds \oint_{\Sigma} dt \left[\frac{\Gamma^2(s)\Gamma(s+\nu)}{(\Gamma(t+1))^2\Gamma(t+\nu+1)} \frac{\sin \pi s}{\sin \pi t} \frac{x^t}{y^s} (s(s+\nu) + t(t+\nu) + st) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{10.3}$$

Since

$$\frac{\Gamma(s) \sin \pi s}{\Gamma(t+1) \sin \pi t} = -\frac{\Gamma(-t)}{\Gamma(1-s)},$$

we can rewrite the equation above as

$$\begin{aligned} & \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} K_N \left(\frac{x}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)}, \frac{y}{N(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)} \right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi i)^2(x-y)} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} ds \oint_{\Sigma} dt \left[\frac{\Gamma(-t)\Gamma(s)\Gamma(s+\nu)}{\Gamma(t+1)\Gamma(t+\nu+1)\Gamma(1-s)} \frac{x^t}{y^s} (s(s+\nu) + t(t+\nu) + st) \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{10.4}$$

It follows from the definition (3.6) that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{\Sigma} dt \frac{\Gamma(-t)}{\Gamma(t+1)\Gamma(t+\nu+1)} x^t = -G_{0,3}^{1,0} \left(0, -\nu, 0 \middle| x \right),$$

and that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{c-i\infty}^{c+i\infty} ds \frac{\Gamma(s)\Gamma(s+\nu)}{\Gamma(1-s)} y^{-s} = G_{0,3}^{2,0} \left(\nu, 0, 0 \middle| y \right).$$

Now we can rewrite the right-hand side of Eq. (10.4) as

$$\frac{f(x) \left(\nu y \frac{d}{dy} g(y) - \left(y \frac{d}{dy} \right)^2 g(y) \right)}{x-y} + \frac{x \frac{d}{dx} f(x) \left(-\nu g(y) + y \frac{d}{dy} g(y) \right)}{x-y} - \frac{\left(x \frac{d}{dx} \right)^2 f(x) g(y)}{x-y}, \tag{10.5}$$

where

$$f(x) = G_{0,3}^{1,0} \left(0, -\nu, 0 \middle| x \right), \quad g(y) = G_{0,3}^{2,0} \left(\nu, 0, 0 \middle| y \right). \tag{10.6}$$

Expression (10.5) (with the functions $f(x), g(y)$ defined by Eq. (10.6)) gives the limiting kernel for the product of two matrices with independent complex Gaussian entries, see Proposition 5.4 in Kuijlaars and Zhang [38]. As it is shown in Kuijlaars and Zhang [38] (see the proof of Theorem 5.3) such limiting kernel can be also written as

$$\int_0^1 G_{0,3}^{1,0} \left(0, -\nu, 0 \middle| ux \right) G_{0,3}^{2,0} \left(\nu, 0, 0 \middle| uy \right) du.$$

Theorem 3.9 is proved. \square

11. Proof of Theorem 3.11

We use the following result for biorthogonal ensembles obtained by Breuer and Duits [14]. Assume we are given a biorthogonal ensemble on $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$ defined by the joint probability density function $P(x_1, \dots, x_N)$. Assume further that the correlation kernel of this ensemble, $K_N(x, y)$, is given by

$$K_N(x, y) = \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \psi_p^{(N)}(x)\phi_p^{(N)}(y),$$

where the functions $\psi_p^{(N)}, \phi_k^{(N)}$ are orthonormal,

$$\int_0^\infty \psi_p^{(N)}(x)\phi_k^{(N)}(x)dx = \delta_{p,k}.$$

Suppose we know that the functions $\psi_p^{(N)}$ satisfy a $2m + 1$ term recurrence relation

$$x\psi_n^{(N)}(x) = \sum_{j=-m}^m a_{j,n}^{(N)}\psi_{n+j}^{(N)}(x),$$

where $n = 0, 1, \dots$, and m is independent of N . Here we define that $\psi_{-m}^{(N)}(x) = 0, \dots, \psi_{-1}^{(N)}(x) = 0$. In other words, there exists a banded matrix $J^{(N)}$ such that

$$x \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0^{(N)}(x) \\ \psi_1^{(N)}(x) \\ \psi_2^{(N)}(x) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix} = J^{(N)} \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0^{(N)}(x) \\ \psi_1^{(N)}(x) \\ \psi_2^{(N)}(x) \\ \vdots \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let us consider the situation when the recurrence coefficients $a_{m,N}^{(N)}, a_{m-1,N}^{(N)}, \dots, a_{-m,N}^{(N)}$ have limits as $N \rightarrow \infty$, namely

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a_{m,N}^{(N)} = \alpha_m, \quad \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a_{m-1,N}^{(N)} = \alpha_{m-1}, \dots, \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a_{-m,N}^{(N)} = \alpha_{-m}.$$

In this situation we associate with $J^{(N)}$ a Laurent polynomial $s(w)$ defined by

$$s(w) = \sum_{j=-m}^m \alpha_j w^j.$$

Proposition 11.1. *Let f be a polynomial with real coefficients, and define the linear statistics of the biorthogonal ensemble by the formula*

$$X_f^{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N f(x_i),$$

where x_1, \dots, x_N are the points of the biorthogonal ensemble under considerations. Then

$$X_f^{(N)} - \mathbb{E}X_f^{(N)} \rightarrow \mathcal{N}\left(0, \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k \hat{f}_k \hat{f}_{-k}\right)$$

in distribution, where

$$\hat{f}_k = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \oint_{|w|=1} f(s(w)) w^k \frac{dw}{w}.$$

Proof. This statement is a corollary of a more general result for biorthogonal ensembles obtained by Breuer and Duits [14], see Theorem 2.1 and Corollary 2.2 therein. \square

Note that since f is a polynomial with real coefficients, \hat{f}_k is real.

Now, let us consider the N -dependent probability distribution $\widetilde{P}_{N,M}(X_1, X_2)$ on the Cartesian product of $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, N \times M)$ and $\text{Mat}(\mathbb{C}, M \times N)$ defined by Eq. (3.34). Let y_1, \dots, y_N be the squared singular values of the random matrix $X_1 X_2$, with its linear statistics given by

$$Y_f^{(N)} = \sum_{i=1}^N f(y_i).$$

By Theorem 3.1 the squared singular values y_1, \dots, y_N of the random matrix $X_1 X_2$ form a biorthogonal ensemble on $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$. The correlation kernel of this ensemble, $\widetilde{K}_N(x, y)$, can be written as

$$\widetilde{K}_N(x, y) = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} P'_n(x) Q'_n(y).$$

The new functions, $P'_n(x)$ and $Q'_n(y)$, are defined in terms of $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ as

$$P'_n(x) = \frac{1}{n!(n+\nu)!} P_n(x), \quad Q'_n(y) = n!(n+\nu)! Q_n(y),$$

where $P_n(x)$ and $Q_n(y)$ are defined as previously by Eqs. (3.12), (3.13), with $\alpha(\mu)$ replaced by $N\alpha(\mu)$, and $\delta(\mu)$ replaced by $N\delta(\mu)$. Clearly, the functions $P'_p(x)$ and $Q'_m(x)$ are orthonormal,

$$\int_0^{\infty} P'_p(x) Q'_q(x) dx = \delta_{p,q}.$$

Moreover, the 5 term recurrence relation ($m = 2$ here) for the functions $P'_n(x)$ can be written as

$$x P'_n(x) = a'_{2,n} P'_{n+2}(x) + a'_{1,n} P'_{n+1}(x) + a'_{0,n} P'_n(x) + a'_{-1,n} P'_{n-1}(x) + a'_{-2,n} P'_{n-2}(x). \tag{11.1}$$

The coefficients $a'_{2,n}$, $a'_{1,n}$, $a'_{0,n}$, $a'_{-1,n}$, and $a'_{-2,n}$ easily follow from Proposition 3.5 and are given explicitly by

$$a'_{2,n} = \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{(n + \nu + 1)(n + \nu + 2)}{N^2}, \tag{11.2}$$

$$a'_{1,n} = \frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} \frac{(n + 1)(n + \nu + 1)}{N^2} + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{2(2n + \nu + 2)(n + \nu + 1)}{N^2}, \tag{11.3}$$

$$a'_{0,n} = \frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} \frac{3n^2 + 2\nu n + 3n + \nu + 1}{N^2} + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{6n^2 + 6\nu n + \nu^2 + 6n + 3\nu + 2}{N^2}, \tag{11.4}$$

$$a'_{-1,n} = \frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} \frac{n(3n + \nu)}{N^2} + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{2n(\nu + 2n)}{N^2}, \tag{11.5}$$

$$a'_{-2,n} = \frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} \frac{n(n - 1)}{N^2} + \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} \frac{n(n - 1)}{N^2}. \tag{11.6}$$

Noting that

$$\frac{1}{\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2} = \mu, \quad \frac{\delta(\mu)^2}{(\alpha(\mu)^2 - \delta(\mu)^2)^2} = \frac{(1 - \mu)^2}{4},$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a'_{2,N} &= \alpha_2 = \frac{(1 - \mu)^2}{4}, & \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a'_{1,N} &= \alpha_1 = \mu + (1 - \mu)^2, \\ \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a'_{0,N} &= \alpha_0 = 3\mu + \frac{3}{2}(1 - \mu)^2, & \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a'_{-1,N} &= \alpha_{-1} = 3\mu + (1 - \mu)^2, \\ \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} a'_{-2,N} &= \alpha_{-2} = \mu + \frac{(1 - \mu)^2}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, Proposition 11.1 can be applied, and the relevant Laurent polynomial can be computed explicitly. The result follows. \square

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Appendix A. Limits of the joint probability density function

In this appendix we derive the two limits $\mu \rightarrow 1$ and $\mu \rightarrow 0$ of the joint probability density function $P(y_1, \dots, y_N)$ Eq. (3.3), as given in Eqs. (3.5) and (3.8), respectively.

For the first limit $\mu \rightarrow 1$ leading to two independent Gaussian complex matrices we have $\delta(\mu) \rightarrow 0, \alpha(\mu) \rightarrow 1$. From the series representation of the function $I_\kappa(z)$, Eq. (3.1), it is not hard to obtain the following limiting relation

$$\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 1} \left(\frac{\det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} I_{j-1}(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{y_i}) \right]_{i,j=1}^N}{\delta(\mu)^{\frac{N(N-1)}{2}}} \right) = \frac{\det \left[y_i^{j-1} \right]_{i,j=1}^N}{\prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j)}.$$

The limit of the remainder of the pre-factor Z_N and of the modified Bessel function of the second kind $K_\kappa(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y})$ is trivial, and after expressing the latter in terms of the Meijer G-function from Eq. (3.7) the limiting joint probability density function $\lim_{\mu \rightarrow 1} P(y_1, \dots, y_N)$ in Eq. (3.5) follows.

In the second limit $\mu \rightarrow 0$ both $\delta(\mu)$ and $\alpha(\mu)$ diverge. Hence in Eq. (3.3) we have to replace the modified Bessel functions inside the determinants by their large argument asymptotic expressions. Namely, we use the formulae

$$I_\kappa(z) \simeq \frac{e^z}{\sqrt{2\pi z}}, \quad K_\kappa(z) \simeq \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2z}} e^{-z}, \tag{A.1}$$

see Gradshteyn and Ryzhik [28], Section 8.45. This gives asymptotically

$$\begin{aligned} \det \left[y_i^{\frac{j+v-1}{2}} K_{j+v-1}(2\alpha(\mu)\sqrt{y_i}) \right]_{i,j=1}^N &\simeq \frac{\pi^{\frac{N}{2}}}{2^N \alpha(\mu)^{\frac{N}{2}}} \prod_{i=1}^N y_i^{\frac{v}{2}-\frac{1}{4}} \exp \left[-2\alpha(\mu)y_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \\ &\times \det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} \right]_{i,j=1}^N, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} I_{j-1}(2\delta(\mu)\sqrt{y_i}) \right]_{i,j=1}^N \simeq \frac{\pi^{\frac{N}{2}}}{2^N \delta(\mu)^{\frac{N}{2}}} \prod_{i=1}^N y_i^{-\frac{1}{4}} \exp \left[2\delta(\mu)y_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} \right]_{i,j=1}^N.$$

Noting that

$$\alpha(\mu) - \delta(\mu) = \frac{1 + \mu}{2\mu} - \frac{1 - \mu}{2\mu} = 1,$$

and that asymptotically

$$\alpha(\mu)\delta(\mu) = \frac{(1 + \mu)(1 - \mu)}{2\mu} \simeq \frac{1}{4\mu^2},$$

we obtain that the product of the two determinants in Eq. (3.3) turns into

$$\frac{\mu^N}{2^N} \left(\det \left[y_i^{\frac{j-1}{2}} \right]_{i,j=1}^N \right)^2 \prod_{i=1}^N y_i^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left[-2y_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \right].$$

Moreover, as $\mu \rightarrow 0$, the normalising constant Z_N in Eq. (3.3) becomes asymptotically equal to

$$Z_N \simeq \frac{2^{NM}}{N! \mu^N \prod_{j=1}^N \Gamma(j) \Gamma(j + \nu)}.$$

Putting all these results together we obtain Eq. (3.8).

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