

Supplementary Material

A. Derivation of ΔU_t

We first recall that

$$U_t = U_{t-1}E_t + \Delta U_t, \quad (\text{A1})$$

where ΔU_t represents the distinctive new information in U_t . Thanks to (10) in the main text, we have

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{y}_t + U_{t-1}\mathbf{z}_t. \quad (\text{A2})$$

The matrix S_t in (7) can be expressed as follows

$$\begin{aligned} S_t &= \mathbf{R}_t U_{t-1} = \beta \mathbf{R}_{t-1} U_{t-1} + \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ &= \beta \mathbf{R}_{t-1} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-2} & U_{t-2,\perp} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} U_{t-2} & U_{t-2,\perp} \end{bmatrix}^\top}_{=I_n} U_{t-1} + \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ &= \beta \mathbf{R}_{t-1} U_{t-2} U_{t-2}^\top U_{t-1} + \beta \mathbf{R}_{t-1} U_{t-2,\perp} U_{t-2,\perp}^\top U_{t-1} + \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A3})$$

where $U_{t-2,\perp}^\top U_{t-2} = \mathbf{0}_{n-r \times r}$ and $U_{t-2}^\top U_{t-2,\perp} = \mathbf{0}_{r \times n-r}$ by definition. As the underlying subspace is assumed to be fixed or slowly varying with time, U_{t-1} is nearly orthogonal to the noise subspace of U_{t-2} , i.e., $U_{t-2,\perp}^\top U_{t-1} \approx \mathbf{0}$. Therefore, the second term of (A3) is negligible and can be discarded. In what follows, we indicate that the QR decomposition of S_t in (A3) can be expressed in terms of the augmented and updated terms of the QR decomposition of S_{t-1} . Denote by $U_k R_{U,k}$ the QR representation of S_k for $k = 1, 2, \dots, t$. Note that $S_{t-1} = \mathbf{R}_{t-1} U_{t-2}$, (A3) is further expressed as follows

$$\begin{aligned} S_t &\approx \beta \mathbf{R}_{t-1} U_{t-2} U_{t-2}^\top U_{t-1} + \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ &= \beta \underbrace{U_{t-1} R_{U,t-1}}_{\text{QR}(S_{t-1})} \underbrace{E_{t-1}}_{U_{t-2}^\top U_{t-1}} + \mathbf{x}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ &= U_{t-1} (\beta R_{U,t-1} E_{t-1} + \mathbf{z}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top) + \mathbf{y}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ &= \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1} & \mathbf{y}_t \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{augmented term}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \beta R_{U,t-1} E_{t-1} + \mathbf{z}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_t^\top \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{updated term}}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A4})$$

Without loss of generality, we suppose that the Givens method is used to compute the QR decomposition of S_t . By using a sequence of Givens rotations, (A4) is recast into the following form

$$\begin{aligned} S_t &\approx \left(\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1} & \mathbf{y}_t \end{bmatrix} G_t^\top \right) \left(G_t \begin{bmatrix} \beta R_{U,t-1} E_{t-1} + \mathbf{z}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ \mathbf{z}_t^\top \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= \left(\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1} & \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t \end{bmatrix} G_t^\top \right) \left(G_t \begin{bmatrix} \beta R_{U,t-1} E_{t-1} + \mathbf{z}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ \|\mathbf{y}_t\|_2 \mathbf{z}_t^\top \end{bmatrix} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A5})$$

where $\bar{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y}_t / \|\mathbf{y}_t\|_2$ is the normalized vector of \mathbf{y}_t , and G_t is a $(r+1) \times (r+1)$ orthogonal matrix representing the sequence of Givens rotations. The Givens rotations in G_t should be selected such that the second term of (A5) is transformed into an upper triangular matrix, i.e.,

$$G_t \begin{bmatrix} \beta R_{U,t-1} E_{t-1} + \mathbf{z}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ \|\mathbf{y}_t\|_2 \mathbf{z}_t^\top \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} R_{U,t} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times r} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (\text{A6})$$

to obtain the R-factor $R_{U,t}$ of S_t . Now, let $\mathbf{u}_t = [U_{t-1} \quad \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t] g_t^\top$ where g_t is the last row of the Givens matrix G_t . To form the QR representation of S_t , we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_t &\stackrel{\text{QR}}{=} U_t R_{U,t} \\ &= \underbrace{\left(\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1} & \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t \end{bmatrix} G_t^\top \right)}_{[U_t \quad \mathbf{u}_t]} \underbrace{\left(G_t \begin{bmatrix} \beta R_{U,t-1} E_{t-1} + \mathbf{z}_t \mathbf{z}_t^\top \\ \|\mathbf{y}_t\|_2 \mathbf{z}_t^\top \end{bmatrix} \right)}_{\begin{bmatrix} R_{U,t} \\ \mathbf{0}_{1 \times r} \end{bmatrix}}. \end{aligned}$$

This gives rise the following recursion for updating U_t at time t

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_t & \mathbf{u}_t \end{bmatrix} = [U_{t-1} \quad \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t] G_t^\top. \quad (\text{A7})$$

As $\bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t = 1$ and $\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1}^\top \\ \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top \end{bmatrix} [U_{t-1} \quad \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t] = I$, we can express the rotation matrix G_t as follows

$$\begin{aligned} G_t^\top &= \begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1}^\top \\ \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top \end{bmatrix} [U_t \quad \mathbf{u}_t] = \begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1}^\top U_t & U_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{u}_t \\ \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top U_t & \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top \mathbf{u}_t \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} E_t & U_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{u}_t \\ \mathbf{h}_t^\top & \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top \mathbf{u}_t \end{bmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A8})$$

where $E_t = U_{t-1}^\top U_t$ and $\mathbf{h}_t = U_{t-1}^\top \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t$ are defined as in (8) and (11), respectively. By substituting (A8) into (A7), we obtain

$$\begin{bmatrix} U_{t-1} & \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} E_t & U_{t-1}^\top \mathbf{u}_t \\ \mathbf{h}_t^\top & \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t^\top \mathbf{u}_t \end{bmatrix} = [U_t \quad \mathbf{u}_t], \quad (\text{A9})$$

and hence,

$$U_t = U_{t-1} E_t + \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t \mathbf{h}_t^\top. \quad (\text{A10})$$

It implies that $\Delta U_t = \bar{\mathbf{y}}_t \mathbf{h}_t^\top$, according to (A1).

B. Proof of Lemma 1

Because $U_{t,\mathcal{F}}$ is the Q-factor of S_t , we obtain $\theta(\mathbf{A}, U_{t,\mathcal{F}}) = \theta(\mathbf{A}, S_t)$ and hence

$$\tan \theta(\mathbf{A}, U_{t,\mathcal{F}}) = \max_{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2=1} \left\{ f(\mathbf{v}) = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top S_t \mathbf{v}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{A}^\top S_t \mathbf{v}\|_2} \right\}. \quad (\text{B1})$$

For any vector $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times 1}$ and $\|\mathbf{v}\|_2 = 1$, we can rewrite $f(\mathbf{v})$ in (B1) as follows

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{v}) &= \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top R_t U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{A}^\top R_t U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2} = \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top (t(C + \Delta C_t)) U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{A}^\top (t(C + \Delta C_t)) U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2} \\ &= \frac{\|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top (\sigma_x^2 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^\top + \sigma_n^2 I_N + \Delta C_t) U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2}{\|\mathbf{A}^\top (\sigma_x^2 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^\top + \sigma_n^2 I_N + \Delta C_t) U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2} \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{=} \frac{\|\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{A}_\perp^\top U_{t-1} \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \Delta C_t U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2}{\|(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \mathbf{A}^\top U_{t-1} \mathbf{v} + \mathbf{A}^\top \Delta C_t U_{t-1} \mathbf{v}\|_2} \\ &\stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \frac{\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top U_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \Delta C_t U_{t-1}\|_2}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \|\mathbf{A}^\top U_{t-1}\|_2 - \|\mathbf{A}^\top \Delta C_t U_{t-1}\|_2} \\ &\stackrel{(iii)}{\leq} \frac{\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top U_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta C_t\|_2}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top U_{t-1}\|_2^2} - \|\Delta C_t\|_2}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B2})$$

Here, (i) is due to $\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{0}$ (orthogonal complement); (ii) uses the inequality $\|\mathbf{P}\|_2 - \|\mathbf{Q}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{P}\|_2 + \|\mathbf{Q}\|_2$, $\forall \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}$ of the same size; and (iii) is derived from the following facts: $\|\mathbf{P}\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{P}\|_2 \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2$, $\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 = \|\mathbf{A}_\perp\|_2 = \|\mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 = 1$, and

$$\lambda_{\min}^2(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}) + \lambda_{\max}^2(\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}) = 1, \quad (\text{B3})$$

where $\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{P})$ and $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{P})$ represent the largest and smallest singular value of \mathbf{P} , respectively.

Indeed, the relation (B3) leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 &= \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}) \geq \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}) \\ &= \sqrt{1 - \lambda_{\max}^2(\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1})} = \sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B4})$$

and thus, (iii) follows.

In parallel, it is well known that $\sin \psi = 1/\sqrt{1 + \tan^2 \psi}$ $\forall \psi \in [0, \pi/2]$ and $h(x) = 1/\sqrt{1 + x^2}$ is an increasing function in the domain $(0, \infty)$, i.e., $x_1 \leq x_2$ implies $h(x_1) \leq h(x_2)$. Accordingly, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 &\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + [\max_v f(v)]^{-2}}} \\ &= \frac{\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2}{\left(\left[(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2} - \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2 \right]^2 + \left[\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2 \right]^2 \right)^{1/2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{B5})$$

It ends the proof.

C. Proof of Lemma 2

We first recast $\|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2$ into the following form

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 &= \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_t\|_2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}^\top (\mathbf{U}_t - \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}})\|_2 = \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}^\top \Delta\mathbf{U}_t\|_2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C1})$$

Under the following condition

$$(1 + \sqrt{2})\kappa(\mathbf{S}_t) \|\mathbf{S}_t - \hat{\mathbf{S}}_t\|_F < \|\mathbf{S}_t\|_2, \quad (\text{C2})$$

where $\Delta\mathbf{S}_t = \mathbf{S}_t - \hat{\mathbf{S}}_t$ and $\kappa(\mathbf{S}_t) = \|\mathbf{S}_t^\# \|_2 \|\mathbf{S}_t\|_2$, we can bound this distance as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}^\top \Delta\mathbf{U}_t\|_2 &\leq \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}^\top \Delta\mathbf{U}_t\|_F \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{\leq} \frac{\kappa(\mathbf{S}_t) \frac{\|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}^\top \Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F}{\|\mathbf{S}_t\|_2}}{1 - (1 + \sqrt{2})\kappa(\mathbf{S}_t) \frac{\|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F}{\|\mathbf{S}_t\|_2}} \\ &\stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \frac{\|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F}{\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{S}_t) - (1 + \sqrt{2})\|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C3})$$

Here, (i) follows immediately the perturbation theory for QR decomposition [1, Theorem 3.1] and (ii) is obtained from the facts that $\|\mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp}\|_2 = 1$, $\|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{Q}\|_F \leq \|\mathbf{P}\|_2 \|\mathbf{Q}\|_F$, and $\|\mathbf{P}^\# \|_2 = \lambda_{\min}^{-1}(\mathbf{P})$ $\forall \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}$ of suitable sizes.

We also know that there always exists two coefficient matrices $\mathbf{H}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$ and $\mathbf{K}_t \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-r) \times r}$ satisfying $\mathbf{U}_{t-1} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{H}_t + \mathbf{A}_\perp \mathbf{K}_t$ (i.e., projection of \mathbf{U}_{t-1} onto the subspace \mathbf{A}) and

$$\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{H}_t) = \|\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2, \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{H}_t) = \sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2}, \quad (\text{C4})$$

$$\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K}_t) = \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2, \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{K}_t) = \sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2}. \quad (\text{C5})$$

Accordingly, we can express \mathbf{S}_t by

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{S}_t &= \mathbf{R}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1} = t(\mathbf{C}\mathbf{U}_{t-1} + \Delta\mathbf{C}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1}) \\ &= t(\mathbf{A}\Sigma_x \mathbf{A}^\top + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_n (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{H}_t + \mathbf{A}_\perp \mathbf{K}_t) + \Delta\mathbf{C}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1}) \\ &= t(\mathbf{A}(\sigma_x^2 \mathbf{I}_r + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_r) \mathbf{H}_t + \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{A}_\perp \mathbf{K}_t + \Delta\mathbf{C}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C6})$$

Thanks to the fact that $\lambda_i(\mathbf{P} + \mathbf{Q}) \geq \lambda_i(\mathbf{P}) - \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{Q})$ $\forall \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}$ of the same size, the lower bound on $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{S}_t)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{S}_t) &\geq t(\lambda_{\min}((\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)\mathbf{A}\mathbf{H}_t) - \lambda_{\max}(\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{A}_\perp \mathbf{K}_t) \\ &\quad - \lambda_{\max}(\Delta\mathbf{C}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1})) \\ &\geq t((\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{H}_t) - \sigma_n^2 \lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{K}_t) - \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2) \\ &= t((\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)\sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2} - \sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 - \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C7})$$

In what follows, we derive an upper bound on $\|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F$. For short, let us denote the support of \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{U}_{t-1} , and \mathbf{U}_t by \mathcal{T}_A , \mathcal{T}_{t-1} , and \mathcal{T}_t , respectively, and $\mathcal{S}_t = \mathcal{T}_A \cup \mathcal{T}_{t-1} \cup \mathcal{T}_t$. Here, we also know that $\mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{S}_t} = \mathbf{R}_{t,\mathcal{S}_t \times \mathcal{S}_t} \mathbf{U}_{t-1}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{S}}_t = \mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{T}_t} = \tau(\mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{S}_t}, k)$. Accordingly, we can bound $\|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F &= \|\mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{S}_t} - \mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{T}_t}\|_F \stackrel{(i)}{\leq} \|\mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{S}_t} - \mathbf{S}_{t,\mathcal{T}_A}\|_F \\ &= t\|\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{A}_\perp \mathbf{K}_t + \Delta\mathbf{C}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_F \\ &\leq t\sqrt{r}\|\sigma_n^2 \mathbf{A}_\perp \mathbf{K}_t + \Delta\mathbf{C}_t \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 \leq t\sqrt{r}(\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{K}_t\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2) \\ &= t\sqrt{r}(\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C8})$$

where (i) is due to $|\mathcal{T}_t| \geq |\mathcal{T}_A|$ $\forall t$ (i.e., $|\mathcal{S}_t \setminus \mathcal{T}_t| \leq |\mathcal{S}_t \setminus \mathcal{T}_A|$), thanks the thresholding operator $\tau(\cdot)$ with $n\omega_{\text{sparse}} \leq k \leq \sqrt{n/\log n}$.

In parallel, we can rewrite the sufficient and necessary condition (C2) as

$$(1 + \sqrt{2})\|\mathbf{S}_t^\# \|_2 \|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F \leq 1. \quad (\text{C9})$$

Since $\|\mathbf{S}_t^\# \|_2 = \lambda_{\min}^{-1}(\mathbf{S}_t)$, substituting the (C7) for $\|\mathbf{S}_t^\# \|_2$ and (C8) for $\|\Delta\mathbf{S}_t\|_F$ results in

$$\frac{\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)\sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{\sqrt{r} - 1 + \sqrt{2}}. \quad (\text{C10})$$

Under the condition (C10), the upper bound on $\|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 &\leq \frac{\sqrt{r}(\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2)}{\left((\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)\sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2} - \sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 - \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2 - \sqrt{r}(1 + \sqrt{2})(\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2) \right)} \\ &= \frac{\sqrt{r}(\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2)}{\left((\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)\sqrt{1 - \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2^2} - (1 + \sqrt{r}(1 + \sqrt{2})) \times \right. \\ &\quad \left. \times (\sigma_n^2 \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t-1}\|_2 + \|\Delta\mathbf{C}_t\|_2) \right)}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{C11})$$

thanks to (C3). It ends the proof.

D. Proof of Lemma 3

We begin the proof with the following proposition:

Proposition 1. Given two sets of random variable vectors $\{\mathbf{a}_i\}_{i=1}^N$ and $\{\mathbf{b}_i\}_{i=1}^N$ where $\mathbf{a}_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_a^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$, $\mathbf{b}_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_b^2 \mathbf{I}_m)$, and

\mathbf{a}_i is independent of $\mathbf{b}_j, \forall i, j$. The following inequality holds with a probability at least $1 - \delta$:

$$\left\| \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{a}_i \mathbf{b}_i^\top \right\|_2 \leq C \sigma_a \sigma_b \sqrt{\log(2/\delta) \frac{\max\{n, m\}}{N}}. \quad (\text{D1})$$

where $0 < \delta \ll 1$ and $C > 0$ is a universal positive number.

Proof. Its proof follows immediately Lemma 15 in [2]. \square

Since $\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{w}_i + \mathbf{n}_i$, we always have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Delta \mathbf{C}_t\|_2 &\leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top - \sigma_x^2 \mathbf{I}_r \right\|_2 + \\ &+ 2\|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top \right\|_2 + \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top - \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_n \right\|_2, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{D2})$$

please see (D3) for a detailed derivation of (D2). Accordingly, with a probability at least $1 - \delta$ ($0 < \delta \ll 1$), three components in the right hand side of (D2) are respectively bounded by

$$\left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top - \sigma_x^2 \mathbf{I}_r \right\|_2 \leq C_1 \sqrt{\log(2/\delta)} \sigma_w^2 \sqrt{\frac{r}{tW}}, \quad (\text{D4})$$

$$\left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top - \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_n \right\|_2 \leq C_2 \sqrt{\log(2/\delta)} \sigma_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{n}{tW}}, \quad (\text{D5})$$

$$\left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top \right\|_2 \leq C_3 \sqrt{\log(2/\delta)} \sigma_w \sigma_n \sqrt{\frac{n}{tW}}, \quad (\text{D6})$$

where C_1, C_2, C_3 are universal positive parameters, thanks to Proposition 1 and [3, Proposition 2.1]. As a result, we obtain

$$\|\Delta \mathbf{C}_t\|_2 \leq c_\delta \left(\sigma_w^2 \sqrt{\frac{r}{tW}} + (2\sigma_n \sigma_w + \sigma_n^2) \sqrt{\frac{n}{tW}} \right), \quad (\text{D7})$$

where $c_\delta = \max\{C_1, C_2, C_3\} \sqrt{\log(2/\delta)}$. It ends the proof.

E. Proof of Lemma 4

We first use proof by induction to prove $d_t \leq \omega_0 = \max\{d_0, \epsilon\}$. Particularly, we already have the base case of $d_0 \leq \omega_0$. In the induction step, we suppose $d_{t-1} \leq \omega_0$ and then prove $d_t \leq \omega_0$ still holds. After that, we indicate that $d_t \leq \epsilon$ is achievable when the two conditions (17) and (18) are met.

Thanks to Lemma 3, when t satisfies (17), i.e.,

$$t \geq \frac{C \log(2/\delta) r^2}{W \epsilon^2 \rho^2} \left(\sqrt{r} + \left(\frac{\sigma_n^2}{\sigma_x^2} + 2 \frac{\sigma_n}{\sigma_x} \right) \sqrt{n} \right)^2, \quad (\text{E1})$$

we obtain $\|\Delta \mathbf{C}_t\|_2 \leq r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2 \epsilon$ with $0 < \rho \leq r$. In what follows, two case studies $d_{t-1} \geq \epsilon$ and $d_{t-1} < \epsilon$ are investigated.

Case 1: When $d_{t-1} \geq \epsilon$, i.e., $\|\Delta \mathbf{C}_t\|_2 \leq r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2 d_{t-1}$.

We can rewrite $\|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2$ as follows

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 &\leq \frac{(\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) d_{t-1}}{\left(\left[(\sigma_n^2 + \sigma_x^2) \sqrt{1 - d_{t-1}^2} - r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2 d_{t-1} \right]^2 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (\sigma_n^2 + \sigma_x^2 \rho/r)^2 d_{t-1}^2 \right)^{1/2}} \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{\leq} \frac{(\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) d_{t-1}}{\left(\left[(\sigma_n^2 + \sigma_x^2) \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2} - r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2 \omega_0 \right]^2 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + (\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2)^2 \omega_0^2 \right)^{1/2}} \\ &\stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \frac{(\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) d_{t-1}}{\left((1 + \gamma^2 r^2) \sigma_n^4 + (1 - \rho \gamma)^2 \sigma_x^4 + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + 2(1 - \rho \gamma + \gamma^2 r^2) \sigma_x^2 \sigma_n^2 \right)^{1/2} \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E2})$$

Here, (i) is obtained from the fact that $g(x) = ((a\sqrt{1-x^2} - bx)^2 + cx^2)^{-1/2}$ is an increasing function in the range $[0, \sqrt{2}/2]$ where a, b , and c are defined therein¹ and (ii) is simple due to the fact that there always exists a small parameter $\gamma > 0$ such that $\rho \gamma < 1$ and $\omega_0 \leq \gamma r \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}$.

In the similar way, we obtain the following upper bound on $\|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2$:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 &\leq \frac{\sqrt{r} (\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) d_{t-1}}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \sqrt{1 - d_t^2} - (1 + \sqrt{r}(1 + \sqrt{2})) \times} \\ &\quad \times (\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) d_{t-1} \\ &\stackrel{(i)}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{r} (\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) d_{t-1}}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2} - (1 + \sqrt{r}(1 + \sqrt{2})) (\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) \omega_0} \\ &\stackrel{(ii)}{\leq} \frac{\sqrt{r} (\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2)}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) (1 - \varrho) \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}} d_{t-1}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E4})$$

where $\varrho = \gamma(1 + \sqrt{r}(1 + \sqrt{2}))(r\sigma_n^2 + \rho\sigma_x^2)(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)^{-1}$. Specifically, (i) is due to the increasing property of $z(x) = (a\sqrt{1-x^2} - bx)^{-1}$, and (ii) thanks to $\omega_0 \leq \gamma r \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}$.

Thanks to (E2) and (E4), we obtain

$$d_t \leq \|\mathbf{A}_\perp^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 + \|\mathbf{U}_{t,\perp}^\top \mathbf{U}_{t,\mathcal{F}}\|_2 \leq \frac{r\sigma_n^2 + \rho\sigma_x^2}{r\xi \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}} d_{t-1}, \quad (\text{E5})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= 0.5 \max \left\{ \left((1 + \gamma^2 r^2) \sigma_n^4 + (1 - \rho \gamma)^2 \sigma_x^4 \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + 2(1 - \rho \gamma + \gamma^2 r^2) \sigma_x^2 \sigma_n^2 \right)^{1/2}, (\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) (1 - \varrho) / \sqrt{r} \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E6})$$

Note that in order to utilize the two bounds (E2) and (E4), the condition (C10) must be satisfied which is equivalent to

$$\frac{(\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2) \omega_0}{(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2) \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2} - 1}{\sqrt{r} - 1 + \sqrt{2}}. \quad (\text{E7})$$

Accordingly, we obtain $\omega_0 \leq \left(\frac{\alpha(r, \rho)}{1 - \alpha(r, \rho)} \right)^{1/2}$ where

$$\alpha(r, \rho) = \frac{(3 - 2\sqrt{2})(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_n^2)^2}{(r + 2\sqrt{r}(\sqrt{2} - 1) + 3 - 2\sqrt{2})(\sigma_n^2 + r^{-1} \rho \sigma_x^2)^2}. \quad (\text{E8})$$

In parallel, $\alpha(r, \rho) \geq \frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{r + 2\sqrt{r}(\sqrt{2} - 1) + 3 - 2\sqrt{2}}$ for every $0 < \rho \leq r$. Thus,

we obtain $\omega_0 \leq \left(\frac{3 - 2\sqrt{2}}{r + 2\sqrt{r}(\sqrt{2} - 1)} \right)^{1/2}$ which is exactly the condition (18) in Theorem 1. Moreover, there are various options of $\rho \in (0, r]$ satisfying $\rho \sigma_x^2 < r \xi \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2} - r \sigma_n^2$, e.g., when the value of ρ is very close to zero. In such cases, d_t will decrease in each time t , i.e., $d_t \leq d_{t-1} \leq \omega_0$.

Case 2: When $d_{t-1} \leq \epsilon$, applying the same arguments in Case 1, we also obtain $d_t \leq \frac{r\sigma_n^2 + \rho\sigma_x^2}{r\xi \sqrt{1 - \omega_0^2}} \epsilon \leq \epsilon \leq \omega_0$.

¹Writing $x = \sin y$, the domain of y is $[0, \pi/4]$. Here, we can recast $g(x)$ into $g(y) = ((a \cos y - b \sin y)^2 + c \sin^2 y)^{-1/2}$. The derivative $g'(y)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} g'(y) &= 0.5 \left((a \cos y - b \sin y)^2 + c \sin^2 y \right)^{-3/2} \times \\ &\quad \times \left((a^2 - b^2 - c) \sin(2y) + ab \cos(2y) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E9})$$

Since $a^2 - b^2 > c$ by their definition, $g'(y) > 0 \forall y \in [0, \pi/4]$ and hence $g'(x) = g'(y) dy/dx = g'(y) / \sqrt{1 - x^2} > 0 \forall x \in [0, \sqrt{2}/2]$. Accordingly, $d_{t-1} \leq \omega_0 \leq \sqrt{2}/2$ implies $g(d_{t-1}) \leq g(\omega_0)$ which (i) then follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\Delta C_t\|_2 &= \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top - \mathbf{C} \right\|_2 = \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \left(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top \mathbf{A}^\top + \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top + \mathbf{A} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top + \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top \mathbf{A}^\top \right) - \sigma_x^2 \mathbf{A} \mathbf{A}^\top - \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_n \right\|_2 \\
&\leq \left\| \mathbf{A} \left(\frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top - \sigma_x^2 \mathbf{I}_r \right) \mathbf{A}^\top \right\|_2 + \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top - \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_n \right\|_2 + 2 \left\| \mathbf{A} \left(\frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top \right) \right\|_2 \\
&\leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_2^2 \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}_i^\top - \sigma_x^2 \mathbf{I}_r \right\|_2 + \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{n}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top - \sigma_n^2 \mathbf{I}_n \right\|_2 + 2 \|\mathbf{A}\|_2 \left\| \frac{1}{tW} \sum_{i=1}^{tW} \mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{n}_i^\top \right\|_2, \quad (\text{D3})
\end{aligned}$$

thanks to the inequality $\|\mathbf{P}\mathbf{Q}\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{P}\|_2 \|\mathbf{Q}\|_2$ for all \mathbf{P} and \mathbf{Q} of suitable sizes.

To sum up, if the two conditions (17) and (18) are satisfied, then $d_t \leq \max\{d_{t-1}, \epsilon\} = \omega_0$. As a result, the statement $d_t \leq \epsilon$ holds if and only if

$$\left(\frac{r\sigma_n^2 + \rho\sigma_x^2}{r\xi\sqrt{1-\omega_0^2}} \right)^{tW} \omega_0 \leq \epsilon. \quad (\text{E9})$$

Specifically, (E9) is equivalent to

$$t \geq \frac{\log(\epsilon/\omega_0)}{W(\log(r\sigma_n^2 + \rho\sigma_x^2) - \log(r\xi\sqrt{1-\omega_0^2}))}. \quad (\text{E10})$$

which is lower than the bound (17). Therefore, we can conclude that $d_t \leq \epsilon$ holds and it ends the proof.

F. Decomposition of U_t

Let $U_{t,\mathcal{F}} = D_t$ and $U_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp} = D_{t,\perp}$ for easy of representation. Now, our objective is to demonstrate the existence of two matrices $\mathbf{W}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$ and $\mathbf{W}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-r) \times r}$ such that

$$U_t = D_t \mathbf{W}_1 + D_{t,\perp} \mathbf{W}_2.$$

Proof. Given a full-rank matrix $\mathbf{P} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$, we always find a matrix $\mathbf{W} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times r}$ such that

$$U_t = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{W} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{u}_t^{(i)} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{w}^{(i)}, i = 1, 2, \dots, r,$$

where $\mathbf{u}_t^{(i)}$ and $\mathbf{w}^{(i)}$ are the i -th column of U_t and \mathbf{W} , respectively. It is because $\mathbf{w}^{(i)} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{u}_t^{(i)}$ always exists. Form $\mathbf{P} = [D_t \ D_{t,\perp}]$ (of size $n \times n$, full rank n), we then obtain

$$U_t = [D_t \ D_{t,\perp}] \mathbf{W} = [D_t \ D_{t,\perp}] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{W}_1 \\ \mathbf{W}_2 \end{bmatrix} = D_t \mathbf{W}_1 + D_{t,\perp} \mathbf{W}_2,$$

where $\mathbf{W}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times r}$ and $\mathbf{W}_2 \in \mathbb{R}^{(n-r) \times r}$ are sub-matrices of \mathbf{W} . It implies that we always decompose U_t into two components as

$$U_t = U_{t,\mathcal{F}} \mathbf{W}_1 + U_{t,\mathcal{F},\perp} \mathbf{W}_2.$$

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