# Supplementary Material for "Testing and estimation for clustered signals"

Section S1 provides proofs for some results in Sections 2 and 3, while Section S2 presents some additional simulation studies and real data analysis.

# S1 Proofs of Main Results

# S1.1 Preliminary Lemmas

We shall first provide Lemma S1.1, a probability inequality. The constant in  $\leq$  of Lemma S1.1 only depends on v. Lemma S1.1(i) follows from [S9] and it implies (ii), which is a version of Nagaev's inequality [S6]. Recall Condition 2.3 for sub-Gaussian random variables. Lemma S1.1(iii) follows from Ottaviani's inequality for maximal partial sums and the concentration inequality for sums of sub-Gaussian variables. Lemma S1.1(S4) follows from Ottaviani's inequality (cf. [S8]).

**Lemma S1.1.** Let  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$  be independent random variables with  $E(X_i) = 0$ ,  $E(X_i^2) = \sigma_i^2 < \infty$ ; let  $S_j = \sum_{i=1}^j X_i$ . (i) ([S9]) There exists i.i.d. N(0,1) random variables  $\eta_i$  with  $G_j = \sum_{i=1}^j \sigma_i \eta_i$  such that for all t > 0,

$$P(\max_{1 \le i \le n} |S_i - G_i| \ge t) \lesssim \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{M}_v(X_i/t),$$
(S1)

where  $\mathcal{M}_{v}(\cdot)$ , v > 2, is the truncated moment defined in (2.18). (ii) Let  $b_{j} = E(S_{j}^{2}) = \sum_{i=1}^{j} \sigma_{i}^{2}$ . Then for all t > 0,

$$P(\max_{1 \le i \le n} |S_i| \ge t) \lesssim \sum_{i=1}^n \mathcal{M}_v(X_i/t) + \exp(-t^2/(3b_n)).$$
(S2)

(iii) Assume that  $X_i$  are  $\sigma_i^2$ -sub-Gaussian. Then for all t > 0,

$$P(\max_{1 \le i \le n} |S_i| \ge 2t) \le 4 \exp(-t^2/(2b_n)),$$
(S3)

and there exists absolute constants  $c_1, c_2, c_3 > 0$  such that

$$P(\max_{1 \le i \le n} |\sum_{j=1}^{i} (X_j^2 - \sigma_j^2)| \ge t) \le c_1[\exp(-c_2 t^2/b_n) + \exp(-c_3 t/\max_{j \le n} \sigma_j)].$$
(S4)

## S1.2 Proof of Theorem 2.2

Let  $S_j^{\diamond} = \{i \in \mathbb{Z} : \tau_j + k \leq i \leq \tau_{j+1} - 1 - k\}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_j^{\diamond} = \{i \in \mathbb{Z} : \tau_j - k \leq i < \tau_j + k\}$ . Hence  $S^{\diamond} = S_1^{\diamond} \cup S_3^{\diamond} \cup \ldots$  is the interior signal set,  $\mathcal{N}^{\diamond} = S_0^{\diamond} \cup S_2^{\diamond} \cup \ldots$  is the interior non-signal set and  $\mathcal{B}^{\diamond} = \mathcal{B}_1^{\diamond} \cup \mathcal{B}_2^{\diamond} \cup \ldots$  is the boundary set. Under Condition 2.2, we can decompose  $\{1, \ldots, p\} = S^{\diamond} \cup \mathcal{N}^{\diamond} \cup \mathcal{B}^{\diamond}$ . Let event

$$\mathcal{A}_{1} = \{ \max_{k \le i \le p} |L_{i} - EL_{i}| \ge \gamma \} = \{ \max_{k \le i \le p} |S_{i} - S_{i-k}| \ge k\gamma \},\$$

where  $S_i = \sum_{h=1}^{i} Z_h$ . To prove Theorem 2.2(ii), we shall use Lemma S1.1(ii), while proof of Theorem 2.2(i) requires Lemma S1.1(iii). Since the two cases can be dealt with similarly, we only show the arguments for the former. By Lemma S1.1(ii), we have

$$P(\max_{1 \le i \le k} |S_i| \ge k\gamma) \lesssim k\mathcal{M}_v(Z_1/(k\gamma)) + e^{-c_3k\gamma^2/\sigma^2},$$
(S5)

where  $c_3$  and the constant in  $\leq$  only depend on  $\theta$ . By (S5) and the Bonferroni inequality,

$$P(\mathcal{A}_{1}) \leq P(\max_{k \leq i \leq p} |S_{i} - S_{\lfloor i/k \rfloor k}| \geq \frac{k\gamma}{2}) + P(\max_{k \leq i \leq p} |S_{i} - S_{\lceil i/k \rceil k}| \geq \frac{k\gamma}{2})$$
  
$$\lesssim p\mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(Z_{1}/(k\gamma)) + pk^{-1}e^{-c_{4}k\gamma^{2}/\sigma^{2}},$$
(S6)

where  $c_4 = c_3/4$ . Under event  $\mathcal{A}_1^c$ , by Condition 2.2 and since  $d > 2\gamma$ , we have  $Q_i = 0$  if  $i \in \mathcal{N}^{\diamond}$  and  $Q_i = 2$  if  $i \in \mathcal{S}^{\diamond}$ . Similarly as (S6), we have

$$P(\max_{k \le i \le 3k} |S_i - S_{i-k}| \ge k\delta) \lesssim k\mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(Z_1/(k\delta)) + e^{-c_4k\delta^2/\sigma^2} =: \varpi.$$
(S7)

Hence for event  $\mathcal{A}_2 = \{ \max_{i \in \mathcal{B}^{\diamond}} |L_i - EL_i| \ge \delta \}$ , we similarly have

$$P(\mathcal{A}_2) \lesssim l\varpi.$$
 (S8)

Let  $m = \lfloor 2k\delta/d \rfloor$ . If  $\tau_1 - k \leq i \leq \tau_1 - m - 1$ , then  $E(R_i - R_{\tau_1}) \leq k^{-1}(i - \tau_1)d < -2\delta$ . By (S7), we have  $P(\max_{k \leq i \leq 3k} |R_i - ER_i| \geq \delta) \lesssim \varpi$  and

$$P\left[\max_{\tau_1-k\leq i\leq \tau_1-m-1}R_i > R_{\tau_1}\right] \lesssim \varpi.$$
(S9)

Let  $g = \tau_1 + m$ . If  $g + 1 \le i \le \tau_1 + k$ , then  $(i - \tau_1)d > 2k\delta$  and  $EL_i > 2\delta$ . Again by (S7),

$$P\left[\min_{g+1\leq i\leq \tau_1+k} L_i \leq \delta\right] \lesssim \varpi.$$
(S10)

On event  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_1^c \cap \mathcal{A}_2^c$ , we have  $\hat{\tau}_1 \in \mathcal{B}_1^{\diamond}$ . Thus by (S9) and (S10),

$$P(\mathcal{A} \cap \{ |\hat{\tau}_1 - \tau_1| > m \}) \lesssim \varpi.$$
(S11)

Similar inequalities hold for  $\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j$ ,  $2 \le j \le l$ . By (S6) and (S8), (2.20) follows from (S11) via the Bonferroni inequality.

# S1.3 Proof of Theorem 2.3

We should prove Theorem 2.3 in the main paper together with the following Theorem S1.1 which concerns polynomial-tailed  $Z_j$ .

**Theorem S1.1.** Let  $\gamma^{\dagger} = (k^{-1} \log p)^{1/2} + k^{-1} p^{2/\theta}$  and  $\delta^{\dagger} = (k^{-1} \log p)^{1/2} + k^{-1} (lk)^{2/\theta}$ . Assume  $\theta > 4$ , Conditions 2.1, 2.4, and  $\gamma^{\dagger} = o(d^2)$ . Let  $\gamma = c_1 \gamma^{\dagger}$  and  $\delta = c_2 \delta^{\dagger}$ , where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are sufficiently large constants. Then there exists a constant c > 0 independent of k and p such that

$$P\left[\hat{l} = l, \max_{j \le l} |\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j| \le \frac{ck\delta}{d^2}\right] \to 1.$$
(S12)

Proof of Theorem S1.1. The argument is similar to the one of Theorem 2.2. Recall the latter proof for  $\mathcal{S}^{\diamond}$ ,  $\mathcal{B}^{\diamond}$  and  $\mathcal{N}^{\diamond}$ . Let  $\zeta_j = Z_j^2 - \sigma^2$  and  $H_j = \sum_{i=1}^j \zeta_i$ . Let  $\upsilon > \theta/2$  and recall (2.15) for  $\kappa$ . Similarly as (S5),

$$P(\max_{1 \le i \le k} |H_i| \ge k\gamma) \lesssim k\mathcal{M}_v(\zeta_1/(k\gamma)) + e^{-c_3k\gamma^2/\kappa^2},$$
(S13)

which by the Bonferroni inequality imply that there exists a constant  $c_1 > 0$  such that

$$P(\mathcal{A}_1) \to 0$$
, where  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \left\{ \max_{i \in \mathcal{N}^\diamond} |L_i^\dagger| \lor |R_i^\dagger| \ge c_1 \gamma^\dagger \right\}.$  (S14)

Hence under  $\mathcal{A}_1^c$ , we have  $Q_i^{\dagger} = 0$  if  $i \in \mathcal{N}^{\diamond}$ . Now let  $i \in \mathcal{S}^{\diamond}$ . Then for j with  $i \leq j \leq i+k-1$ ,  $|\mu_j| \geq d$ . By Lemma S1.1(ii), let  $t = \sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1} \mu_j^2$ ,

$$P(\sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1} (\mu_j^2 + 4\mu_j Z_j) < 0) \lesssim \sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1} \mathcal{M}_v(\mu_j Z_j/t) + \exp(-c_4 t).$$
(S15)

By Conditions 2.3, since  $i \in S^{\diamond}$  and  $\gamma^{\dagger} = o(d^2)$ ,  $t \ge kd^2 \to \infty$ . For  $i \le j \le i + k - 1$ , since  $2t \ge t + \mu_j^2 \ge 2t^{1/2}|\mu_j|$ , we have  $\varpi := \min_{i \le j \le i+k-1} t/|\mu_j| \ge t^{1/2}$ .  $h := \sup_{y \ge \varpi} y^{\theta} \mathcal{M}_v(Z_1/y) \to 0$ . Hence

$$\sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1} \mathcal{M}_{v}(\mu_{j}Z_{j}/t) \leq \sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1} \frac{|\mu_{j}|^{\theta}h}{t^{\theta}} \leq \frac{h}{t^{\theta/2}} \leq \frac{h}{(kd^{2})^{\theta/2}}.$$
 (S16)

By (S15) and the Bonferroni inequality, since  $\gamma = o(d^2)$ , we have

$$P(\min_{i\in\mathcal{S}^{\diamond}}\sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1}(\mu_j^2 + 4\mu_j Z_j) < 0) \le p[\frac{h}{(kd^2)^{\theta/2}} + \exp(-c_4 kd^2)] \to 0$$
(S17)

by the definition of  $\gamma^{\dagger}$ . Again by  $\gamma = o(d^2)$ ,  $X_i^2 - \sigma^2 = \mu_i^2/2 + (\mu_i^2/2 + 2\mu_i Z_i) + Z_i^2 - \sigma^2$ , (S13) and (S17), we have

$$P(\mathcal{A}_2) \to 1$$
, where  $\mathcal{A}_2 = \left\{ \min_{i \in \mathcal{S}^\circ} L_i - \sigma^2 > \gamma \right\}$ . (S18)

Under  $\mathcal{A}_2$ , if  $i \in \mathcal{S}^\diamond$ , we have  $Q_i^\dagger = 2$ . Let  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_1^c \cap \mathcal{A}_2$ .

Let  $m = \lfloor ck\delta/d^2 \rfloor$ . For  $\tau_1 - k \le i \le \tau_1 - m$ , we have

$$k(R_i^{\dagger} - R_{\tau_1}^{\dagger}) = \sum_{f=i+1}^{\tau_1} (X_f^2 - X_{k+f}^2) = Q_i - \pi_i - U_i,$$
(S19)

where  $Q_i = \sum_{f=i+1}^{\tau_1} (Z_f^2 - Z_{k+f}^2), U_i = \sum_{f=i+1}^{\tau_1} (\mu_{k+f}^2 / 2 + 2\mu_{k+f} Z_{k+f})$  and  $\pi_i = \sum_{f=i+1}^{\tau_1} \mu_{k+f}^2 / 2$ .

By (S13), there exists a constant  $c_5 > 0$  such that

$$P\left[\max_{\tau_1-k\leq i\leq \tau_1-1}|Q_i|\geq k\delta\right]\lesssim k\mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(\zeta_1/(k\delta))+e^{-c_3k\delta^2/\kappa^2}=o(l^{-1})$$
(S20)

by letting  $\delta = c_2 \delta^{\dagger}$ , where  $c_2 > 0$  is a sufficiently large constant. To see the second relation in (S20), we use the fact that  $y^{\theta/2} \mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(\zeta_1/y) \to 0$  as  $y \to \infty$ . We shall now deal with the term  $U_i$ . Similarly as (S15), let  $t_i = \sum_{f=i+1}^{\tau_1} \mu_{k+f}^2$ ,  $\tau_1 - k \leq i \leq \tau_1 - m$ . Then  $\min_{i+1 \leq f \leq \tau_1} t_i/|\mu_{k+f}| \geq t_i^{1/2} \geq m^{1/2}d$ . Let  $h_1 := \sup_{y \geq m^{1/2}d} y^{\theta} \mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(Z_1/y) \to 0$ . Similarly as (S17),

$$P(\min_{\tau_1 - k \le i \le \tau_1 - m} U_i < 0) \le \sum_{i=\tau_1 - k}^{\tau_1 - m} \left[ \frac{h_1}{((\tau_1 - i)d^2)^{\theta/2}} + \exp(-c_4(\tau_1 - i)d^2) \right] \le \frac{h_1}{m^{\theta/2 - 1}d^{\theta}} + \exp(-c_4md^2) = o(l^{-1}).$$
(S21)

The last relation in (S21) is due to the fact that  $l = o(\gamma^{\dagger}(k\delta^{\dagger})^{\theta/2-1})$  and  $\gamma^{\dagger} = o(d^2)$ . By (S19), (S20) and (S21), we obtain

$$P[\max_{\tau_1 - k \le i \le \tau_1 - m - 1} k(R_i^{\dagger} - R_{\tau_1}^{\dagger}) \ge 0] = o(l^{-1}).$$
(S22)

For  $L_i^{\dagger}$  with  $\tau_1 + m + 1 \leq i \leq \tau_1 + k$ , we similarly have

$$P[\min_{\tau_1 + m + 1 \le i \le \tau_1 + k} L_i \le \delta] = o(l^{-1}).$$
(S23)

By (S22) and (S23),  $P(\mathcal{A} \cap \{ | \hat{\tau}_1 - \tau_1 | \leq m \}) = o(l^{-1})$ . The latter inequality also holds for  $\hat{\tau}_f - \tau_f$  with  $2 \leq f \leq l$ . Hence (S12) follows from (S14) and (S18).

Proof of Theorem 2.3 in the main paper. Theorem 2.3 assumes sub-Gaussian  $Z_j$ . We can use the arguments in the proof of Theorem S1.1, with the following modifications: by Lemma S1.1(iii), the term  $k\mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(\zeta_1/(k\gamma))$  in (S13) can be replaced by  $\exp(-c_4k\gamma)$ ; the term  $\mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(\mu_j Z_j/t)$  in (S15) vanishes; the term  $k\mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(\zeta_1/(k\delta))$  in (S20) can be replaced by  $\exp(-c_5k\delta)$ ,

and the polynomial term  $h_1/(m^{\theta/2-1}d^{\theta})$  in (S21) vanishes. Then Theorem 2.3 follows from the arguments in the proof of Theorem S1.1.

## S1.4 Proof of Theorem 2.4

Let p' = p - m + 1 and define the empirical distribution function

$$\hat{G}(v) = \frac{1}{p'} \sum_{i=1}^{p'} \mathbf{1}_{\hat{\sigma}_i^2 \le v}.$$
(S24)

Then  $\hat{G}(\hat{\sigma}_{(k)}^2) = k/p'$ . Let  $G(v) = E\hat{G}(v)$ . Since  $\hat{\sigma}_i^2$  are *m*-dependent, we have  $\operatorname{cov}(\mathbf{1}_{\hat{\sigma}_i^2 \leq v}, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{\sigma}_j^2 \leq v}) = 0$  if  $|j - i| \geq m$ . Hence we have

$$\hat{G}(v) - G(v) \to 0$$
 in probability (S25)

in view of  $m/p' \to 0$  and

$$E[\hat{G}(v) - G(v)]^2 = \frac{1}{p'^2} \sum_{i,j=1}^{p'} \operatorname{cov}(\mathbf{1}_{\hat{\sigma}_i^2 \le v}, \, \mathbf{1}_{\hat{\sigma}_j^2 \le v}) \le \frac{2m}{p'}.$$
(S26)

Let  $W_i = \sum_{j=1}^{i} (Z_j^2 - \sigma^2)$ ,  $y = m\gamma_p$  and  $\upsilon > \theta/2$ . By Lemma S1.1(ii),

$$P(\max_{i \le m} |W_i| \ge y) \le m\mathcal{M}_{\nu}(\frac{Z_1^2 - \sigma^2}{y}) + \exp(-C_3 m\gamma_p^2) = o(\frac{m}{p}), \tag{S27}$$

where constant  $C_3$  only depends on  $\theta$  and  $\kappa$ . The second relation in (S27) holds in view of (2.22) and  $y \to \infty$ . Let  $V_1 = m^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2$ . Note that, if  $i < \tau_1 - m$  or  $\tau_l \le i < \tau_{l+1} - m$  for even l,  $\hat{\sigma}_i^2$  and  $V_1$  have the same distribution. Hence, by Assumption 1, for sufficiently large p, we have  $G(\sigma^2 + \gamma_p) > 1/2$ , which implies

$$P(\hat{\sigma}_{(k/2)}^2 \le \sigma^2 + \gamma_p) \to 1.$$
(S28)

Therefore, to prove (2.23), by (S25), it remained to show that

$$P(\hat{\sigma}_{(1)}^2 \ge \sigma^2 - c\gamma_p) = P(\min_{i \le p'} \hat{\sigma}_i^2 \ge \sigma^2 - c\gamma_p) \to 1$$
(S29)

holds for some constant c > 0. By (S27), and the Bonferroni inequality, since  $\max_{i \le m} |\sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} Z_j^2 - m\sigma^2| \le 2 \max_{i \le 2m} |W_i|$ , we have

$$P(\max_{i \le p'} | m^{-1} \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} Z_j^2 - \sigma^2 | \ge c_\theta \gamma_p) \to 0,$$
(S30)

where the constant  $c_{\theta}$  only depends on  $\theta$ . Since  $X_i^2 = \mu_i^2 + 2\mu_i Z_i + Z_i^2$ , to prove (S29), it remains to verify that

$$P(\min_{i \le p'} \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} (\mu_j^2 + \gamma_p + 2\mu_j Z_j) < 0) \to 0.$$
(S31)

As in (S15), (S16), (S17), let  $T = \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} \mu_j Z_j$ ,  $\varrho_l = \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} |\mu_j|^l$ ,  $u = \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} (\mu_j^2 + \gamma_p) = \varrho_2 + m\gamma_p$ . By Lemma S1.1(ii), there exists a positive constant  $C_4$ , only depending on  $\theta$  such that

$$P(2T \le -u) \le \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} \mathcal{M}_{v}(\mu_{j}Z_{j}/u) + \exp(-C_{3}\frac{u^{2}}{\varrho_{2}}),$$
(S32)

where  $\varphi = \min_j u/|\mu_j|$ . Since  $(\mu_j^2 + m\gamma_p)/|\mu_j| \ge 2(m\gamma_p)^{1/2}$ , we have  $\varphi \ge 2p^{1/q} \to \infty$ . Also  $2u^q \ge \varrho_2^q + (m\gamma_p)^q \ge \varrho_q^2 + (m\gamma_p)^q \ge 2\varrho_q p$  and  $u^2 \ge 2\varrho_2 p^{2/q}$ . So  $(u/\mu_j)^{\theta} \mathcal{M}_v(\mu_j Z_j/u) \to 0$ . Hence by (S32) we obtain  $P(2T \le -u) = o(p^{-1})$  holds uniformly in *i*. Thus (S31) follows.

To deal with the sub-Gaussian case with Condition 2.3, instead of using (S27), the Nagaev inequality Lemma S1.1(ii), we can apply the Bernstein inequality

$$P(\max_{i \le m} |W_i| \ge y) \lesssim \exp(-C_2 y) + \exp(-C_3 y^2/m).$$
 (S33)

With elementary calculations, we can similarly show that  $\hat{\sigma}_{(k)}^2 = \sigma^2 + O_P(\gamma_p)$  with  $y = m\gamma_p$ and the new  $\gamma_p = (m^{-1}\log p)^{1/2}$ . Details are omitted.

#### S1.4.1 Proof of Corollary 2.2

Corollary 2.2 can be proved by using the same arguments for Theorem 2.4. Let  $U_1 = m^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{m} (Z_i - Z_{i-1})^4$ . Note that the differences  $Z_i - Z_{i-1}$  are 1-dependent. We can have a concentration inequality for  $P(|U_1 - \nu| \ge \phi_p)$ , by considering separately even and odd indices *i*. Then we apply the following version of Bernstein's inequality: if  $Y_i$  are i.i.d. with mean 0, variance  $\sigma^2$  and  $E(\exp(t|Y_i|)) < \infty$  for some t > 0, then  $P(\max_{j \le n} |\sum_{i=1}^{j} (Y_i^2 - \sigma^2)| \ge u) \le c_1 \exp(-c_2 \sqrt{u}) + c_1 \exp(-c_3 u^2/n)$  for some constants  $c_1, c_2, c_3 > 0$ . Other arguments are similar so we omit the details.

#### S1.5 Proof of Theorem 3.1

We shall first prove (3.6). For  $1 \leq g \leq np$ , let g = n(a-1) + i, where  $i = i_g, a = a_g \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Write  $S_g = \sum_{b=1}^{a-1} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_{jb} + \sum_{j=1}^i Y_{ja}$ . Let  $v_g = \operatorname{var}(S_g) = n(\sigma_1^2 + \ldots + \sigma_{a-1}^2) + i\sigma_a^2$ . Note that  $S_{an} - S_{bn} = n(\hat{\mu}_{b+1} + \ldots + \hat{\mu}_a)$ . Since  $Y_{ij}$  are independent with mean 0, under Condition 3.1, by Lemma S1.1(i) with  $v = \theta$ , we have

$$P\left[\max_{g \le np} |S_g - IB(v_g)| \ge c_1 u\right] \le \sum_{a=1}^p \sum_{i=1}^n E|\frac{Y_{ia}}{u}|^{\theta} \le npu^{-\theta} K_{\theta}^{\theta}$$

where the constant  $c_1$  only depends on  $\theta$ . So (3.6) follows.

We now prove (3.7). Let the index set  $\mathcal{A} = \{(i, a) : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq a \leq p\}$ . For  $\alpha = (i, a) \in \mathcal{A}$ , let  $X_{\alpha j} = \psi_{\alpha j} Y_{\alpha}, 0 \leq j \leq p - k$ , where  $\psi_{\alpha j} = \mathbf{1}_{j+1 \leq a \leq j+k} (nv_j)^{-1/2}$ . Let vector

 $\psi_{\alpha} = (\psi_{\alpha,0}, \dots, \psi_{\alpha,p-k})^T$  and  $\psi_{\alpha*} = \max_{0 \le j \le p-k} \psi_{\alpha j}$ . Observe that

$$\max_{0 \le j \le p-k} R_j^{\star} = \max_{0 \le j \le p-k} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} Y_{\alpha} \psi_{\alpha j}$$
(S34)

and  $Y_{\alpha}, \alpha \in \mathcal{A}$ , are independent random variables. We now apply Theorem 2.1 in [S2]. To this end, note that  $\psi_{\alpha j} \leq (nk)^{-1/2}/\sigma_*$  and  $\psi_{\alpha j} = 0$  if  $j \geq a$  or a > j + k,

$$L := \max_{0 \le j \le p-k} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} E |Y_{\alpha}\psi_{\alpha}|^{3} \le kn K_{3}^{3} ((nk)^{1/2}\sigma_{*})^{-3}.$$
 (S35)

Using the inequality  $E(|Z|^3 \mathbf{1}_{|Z|\geq A}) \leq A^{3-\theta} E(|Z|^{\theta})$  since  $\theta > 3$ , we have

$$M(\phi) := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} E |Y_{\alpha}\psi_{\alpha*}|^{3} \mathbf{1}_{|Y_{\alpha}\psi_{\alpha*}| \ge (4\phi \log(p-k+1))^{-1}} \le \frac{pn(4\phi \log p)^{\theta-3}K_{\theta}^{\theta}}{((nk)^{1/2}\sigma_{*})^{\theta}} =: M^{\circ}(\phi).$$
(S36)

Note that  $E(R_j^2) = 1$  for all  $0 \le j \le p - k$ . By Theorem 2.1 in [S2], there exists an absolute constant c > 0 such that

$$\rho^* \le c \min_{\ell \ge L} [(\ell^2 \log^7 p)^{1/6} + \ell^{-1} M((\ell^2 \log^4 p)^{-1/6})].$$
(S37)

Choose  $\ell = \ell^{\circ}$  such that  $(\ell^2 \log^7 p)^{1/6} = \ell^{-1} M^{\circ} ((\ell^2 \log^4 p)^{-1/6})$ . Then (3.7) follows from elementary manipulations by considering two cases  $\ell^{\circ} > L$  and  $\ell^{\circ} \leq L$  separately. In the latter case, the right hand size of (S37) is minimized at  $\ell = L$ .

### S1.6 Proof of Proposition 3.1

We first consider the case  $\theta > 4$ . Assume that  $\mu_j = 0$  for all  $j \leq p$ . Let  $\bar{Y}_{j} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_{ij}$ ,

$$S_j = \sum_{l=1}^{j} W_j$$
, where  $W_j = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_{j})^2 - (n-1)\sigma_j^2$ 

By Burkholder's inequality,  $\|\bar{Y}_{.j}\|_{\theta} \lesssim n^{-1/2} \|Y_{ij}\|_{\theta}$  and  $\|\sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_{ij}^2 - n\sigma_j^2\|_{\theta/2} \lesssim n^{1/2} \|Y_{ij}\|_{\theta}^2$ . By Condition 3.1,

$$E(|W_j|^{\theta/2}) \lesssim nK_{\theta}^{\theta}$$
 and  $E(|W_j|^2) \lesssim nK_4^4$ 

Since  $Y_{ij}$  are independent, by Lemma S1.1(ii), for u > 0,

$$P(\max_{j \le k} |S_j| \ge u) \lesssim \frac{nkK_{\theta}^{\theta}}{u^{\theta/2}} + \exp(-c_3 \frac{u^2}{nkK_2^2}),$$
(S38)

where  $c_3$  only depends on  $\theta$ . Define the oscillation

$$\Upsilon = \Upsilon(k) = \max_{1 \le j, h \le p: |j-h| \le k} |S_j - S_h|.$$
(S39)

By the triangle inequality, we have

$$P(\Upsilon \ge u) \le \sum_{g=0}^{\lfloor p/k \rfloor} P(\max_{1 \le j \le k} |S_{j+gk} - S_{gk}| \ge u/3)$$
  
$$\lesssim \frac{p}{k} \frac{nkK_{\theta}}{u^{\theta/2}} + \frac{p}{k} \exp(-c_7 \frac{u^2}{nkK_2^2}), \qquad (S40)$$

implying (3.11). If  $2 < \theta \leq 4$ , instead of (S38), we have by the Markov and the Burkholder inequalities that

$$P(\max_{j \le k} |S_j| \ge u) \le \frac{E(\max_{j \le k} |S_j|^{\theta/2})}{u^{\theta/2}} \le c_4 \frac{nkK_{\theta}^{\theta}}{u^{\theta/2}}.$$
(S41)

By the argument in (S40),  $P(\Upsilon \ge u) \lesssim np K_{\theta}^{\theta} u^{-\theta/2}$ . So (3.12) follows.

#### S1.7 Proof of Theorem 3.2

Recall (S39) for  $\Upsilon$ , (3.3) for  $W_j$ , and (3.14) for  $W_j^*$ . Let  $E^*$  be the conditional expectation given  $Y = (Y_1, \ldots, Y_n)$ . Define coefficients  $f_{j,l} = 0$  if  $l \leq j$  or l > j + k, and  $f_{j,l} = 1$  if  $j < l \leq j + k$ . Then  $W_j^* = \sum_{l=0}^{p-k} f_{j,l} \hat{\sigma}_l \eta_l$ , and for all  $k \leq j, j' \leq p - k$ , we have

$$|E^*(W_j^*W_{j'}^*) - E(W_jW_{j'})| = |\sum_{l=0}^{p-k} f_{j,l}f_{j',l}(\hat{\sigma}_l^2 - \sigma_l^2)| \le \frac{\Upsilon}{n}.$$
 (S42)

By Condition 3.1, (S42) and the triangle inequality, there exist constants  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  only depending on  $\sigma_*, \sigma^*$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\gamma_{j,j'}(\hat{\sigma}) - \gamma_{j,j'}(\sigma)| &\leq |\gamma_{j,j'}(\hat{\sigma}) - \frac{E^*(W_j^*W_{j'}^*)}{v_j^{1/2}v_{j'}^{1/2}}| + \frac{\Upsilon/n}{v_j^{1/2}v_{j'}^{1/2}} \\ &\leq |\gamma_{j,j'}(\hat{\sigma})||1 - \frac{\hat{v}_j^{1/2}\hat{v}_{j'}^{1/2}}{v_j^{1/2}v_{j'}^{1/2}}| + c_1\frac{\Upsilon}{nk} \leq c_2\frac{\Upsilon}{nk}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying inequality (S40) with  $u = nkt/c_2$ , letting  $t = ct_*$  with a sufficiently large constant c, we obtain (3.15) after elementary manipulations in view of Theorem 4.1 in [S2] (see also Theorem 3.1 in [S1]). By Theorem 3.1, under (3.7),  $\rho^* = o(1)$ , implying that the right hand side of (3.15) is o(1) via elementary manipulations.

#### S1.8 Proof of Theorem 3.3

We should prove Theorem 3.3 in the main paper together with the following Theorem S1.2 which concerns polynomial-tailed  $Z_j$ .

**Theorem S1.2.** Assume Conditions 2.2, 2.5 and 3.1 and  $2\sigma^*\gamma \leq d\sqrt{nk}$ . Let  $m = \lfloor 2k^{1/2}\delta\sigma^*n^{-1/2}d^{-1} \rfloor$ . Then

$$1 - P\left[\hat{l} = l, \max_{j \le l} |\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j| \le m\right] \lesssim \frac{p}{k} \left[\frac{knK_{\theta}^{\theta}}{(kn)^{\theta/2}\gamma^{\theta}} + \exp(-c_1\gamma^2)\right]$$

$$+l\left[\frac{knK_{\theta}^{\theta}}{(kn)^{\theta/2}\delta^{\theta}} + \exp(-c_2\delta^2)\right], \qquad (S43)$$

where the constant in  $\leq$  and  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  are independent of k, d, n and p.

Proof of Theorem S1.2. We shall use the argument in the proof in Theorem 2.2. Let  $S_l = \sum_{j=1}^{l} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Z_{ij}$ . Similarly as (S5), by Lemma S1.1(ii),

$$P[\max_{1 \le l \le k} |S_l| \ge (nk)^{1/2} \sigma_* \gamma] \lesssim \frac{kn K_{\theta}^{\theta}}{(kn)^{\theta/2} (\sigma_* \gamma)^{\theta}} + \exp(-c_3 (\gamma \sigma_* / \sigma^*)^2).$$
(S44)

As (S7), the above inequality implies

$$P(\max_{k \le l \le 3k} |S_l - S_{l-k}| \ge (nk)^{1/2} \sigma_* \delta) \lesssim \frac{kn K_{\theta}^{\theta}}{(kn)^{\theta/2} \delta^{\theta}} + \exp(-c_4 \delta^2) =: \varpi.$$
(S45)

Let event  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \{ \max_{j \le p-k} |R_j^{\star} - ER_j^{\star}| \ge \gamma \}$ . By (S44) and Condition 3.1,

$$P(\mathcal{A}_1) \lesssim \frac{p}{k} \left[\frac{knK_{\theta}^{\theta}}{(kn)^{\theta/2}\gamma^{\theta}} + \exp(-c\gamma^2)\right].$$
(S46)

Recall the proof of Theorem 2.2 for the definitions of  $\mathcal{B}^{\diamond}$ ,  $\mathcal{N}^{\diamond}$  and  $\mathcal{S}^{\diamond}$ . If  $j \in \mathcal{S}^{\diamond}$ , since  $2\sigma^*\gamma \leq d\sqrt{nk}$ ,  $ER_j^{\star} > 2\gamma$ . Hence under  $\mathcal{A}_1^c$ , we have  $Q_j^{\star} = 0$  if  $j \in \mathcal{N}^{\diamond}$  and  $Q_j^{\star} = 2$  if  $j \in \mathcal{S}^{\diamond}$ . Let event  $\mathcal{A}_2 = \{\max_{j \in \mathcal{B}^{\diamond}} |R_j^{\star} - ER_j^{\star}| \geq \delta\}$  and  $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{A}_1^c \cap \mathcal{A}_2^c$ . Similarly as (S8), we have

$$P(\mathcal{A}_2) \lesssim l\varpi.$$
 (S47)

If  $\tau_1 + m + 1 \le j \le \tau_1 + k$ , then  $EL_j^* > 2\delta$ . Similarly as (S10), by (S45),

$$P\left[\min_{\tau_1+m+1\leq j\leq \tau_1+k} L_j^{\star} \leq \delta\right] \lesssim \varpi.$$
(S48)

If  $\tau_1 - k \leq j \leq \tau_1 - m - 1$ , then  $E(R_j^{\flat} - R_{\tau_1}^{\flat}) \leq k^{-1/2}(j - \tau_1)n^{1/2}d < -2\delta$ . So by (S45)

$$P\left[\max_{\tau_1-k\leq j\leq \tau_1-m-1} R_j^{\flat} > R_{\tau_1}^{\flat}\right] \lesssim \varpi.$$
(S49)

Thus by the argument in the proof of Theorem 2.2, (S43) follows.

Proof of Theorem 3.3. In Theorem 3.3  $Z_j$  are sub-Gaussian. By Lemma S1.1(iii), the terms  $knK_{\theta}^{\theta}/((kn)^{\theta/2}(\sigma_*\gamma)^{\theta})$  in (S44) and  $knK_{\theta}^{\theta}/((kn)^{\theta/2}\gamma^{\theta})$  in (S46) vanish. Then the claim in Theorem 3.3 follows from the arguments in the proof of Theorem S1.2.

Based on Theorem S1.2, let  $\gamma^{\flat} = (\log p)^{1/2} + (nk)^{-1/2} (np)^{1/\theta}$ ,  $\delta^{\flat} = (\log p)^{1/2} + (kn)^{1/\theta - 1/2} l^{1/\theta}$ ; let  $\gamma = C_1 \gamma^{\flat}$ ,  $\delta = C_2 \delta^{\flat}$ , where  $C_1, C_2 > 0$  are constants. Then the right hand side of (S43) can be arbitrarily small by letting  $C_1, C_2$  sufficiently large. Theorem S1.2 implies that we can have exact recovery with probability  $P[\hat{l} = l, \max_{j \leq l} |\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j| = 0]$  going to 1 if

$$\frac{k^{1/2}}{n^{1/2}} \frac{(\log p)^{1/2} + (kn)^{1/\theta - 1/2} l^{1/\theta}}{d} \to 0.$$

#### S1.9 Proof of Theorem 3.4.

Note that the bound in (3.20) of Theorem 3.4 is the same as (2.10) in Theorem 2.1. By Proposition S1.1,  $\|((n^2 - n)/2)^{1/2}W_j\|_{\theta} = O(1)$ . With the latter, Theorem 3.4 can be proved along similar lines as the argument in Theorem 3.1. Details are omitted.

**Proposition S1.1.** Assume that  $U_1, \ldots, U_n$  are *i.i.d.* with mean 0 and  $K_{\theta} := ||U_i||_{\theta} < \infty$ ,  $\theta > 2$ . Then

$$\|\sum_{1 \le i < i' \le n} U_i U_{i'}\|_{\theta} \lesssim nK_2^2 + n^{2/\theta} K_{\theta}^2,$$
(S50)

where the constant in  $\leq$  only depends on  $\theta$ .

Proof of Proposition S1.1. Let  $U_i, U'_j, i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , be i.i.d. random variables. By the decoupling equality (see for example [S4]), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \| \sum_{1 \le i < i' \le n} U_i U_{i'} \|_{\theta} &\lesssim & \| \sum_{1 \le i < i' \le n} U_i U_{i'} \|_{\theta} \\ &\le & \| \sum_{1 \le i, i' \le n} U_i U_{i'} \|_{\theta} + \| \sum_{1 \le i \le n} U_i U_{i'} \|_{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

By the Rosenthal inequality, we have  $\|\sum_{1 \le i \le n} U_i\|_{\theta} \lesssim n^{1/2} K_2 + n^{1/\theta} K_{\theta}$  and  $\|\sum_{1 \le i \le n} U_i U_i'\|_{\theta} \lesssim n^{1/2} K_2^2 + n^{1/\theta} K_{\theta}^2$ . Hence Proposition S1.1 follows.

#### S1.10 Proof of Theorem 3.5

We should prove Theorem 3.5 in the main paper together with the following Theorem S1.3 which concerns polynomial-tailed  $Z_j$ .

**Theorem S1.3.** Let  $\theta > 2$ . Assume either (i) n is bounded,  $(|Z_{1j}|^{\theta})_{j\geq 1}$  is uniformly integrable or (ii)  $n \to \infty$ . Let  $\gamma^{\natural} = (\log p)^{1/2} + k^{-1/2}p^{2/\theta}$ ,  $\delta^{\natural} = (\log p)^{1/2} + (lk)^{2/\theta}k^{-1/2}$ ; let  $\gamma = c_1\gamma^{\natural}$ ,  $\delta = c_2\delta^{\natural}$ , where  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  are sufficiently large constants. Assume Conditions 2.4, 3.1 and  $\gamma^{\natural} = o(d^2n\sqrt{k})$ . Then there exists a constant c > 0 independent of n, k and p such that

$$P\left[\hat{l}=l, \max_{j\leq l} |\hat{\tau}_j - \tau_j| \leq \frac{ck^{1/2}\delta^{\natural}}{nd^2}\right] \to 1.$$
(S51)

**Proof of Theorem S1.3**. Let  $\overline{Z}_{j} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Z_{ij}$  and write

$$W_j = \frac{2\xi_j}{n(n-1)} + \mu_j^2 + 2\mu_j \bar{Z}_{\cdot j}, \text{ where } \xi_j = \sum_{1 \le i < i' \le n} Z_{ij} Z_{i'j}.$$
 (S52)

By Proposition 3.2 and Condition 3.1,  $E(|\xi_j|^{\theta}) \lesssim n^{\theta}(\sigma^*)^{2\theta} + n^2 K_{\theta}^{\theta}$ . Let  $T_h = \sum_{j=1}^h \xi_j$  and  $y = c_4 \gamma^{\natural} n k^{1/2}$ , where  $c_4 > 0$  is a constant to be determined later. By Lemma S1.1(ii), there

exists a constant  $c_3 > 0$  such that

$$P(\max_{h \le k} |T_h| \ge y) \lesssim \sum_{j=1}^k E(|\xi_j/y|^{\theta}) + \exp(-\frac{c_3 y^2}{k n^2 (\sigma^*)^4}) = O(k/p^2)$$
(S53)

by letting  $c_4 = 2(\sigma^*)^2 c_3^{-1/2}$ . By (S53), similarly as (S14), for some constant  $c_1 > 0$ ,

$$P(\mathcal{A}_1) \to 0$$
, where  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \left\{ \max_{j \in \mathcal{N}^\diamond} |L_{j,4}| \lor |R_{j,4}| \ge c_1 \gamma^{\natural} \right\}.$  (S54)

Let  $a \in S^{\diamond}$ ,  $a \leq j \leq a + k - 1$  and  $t = \sum_{j=a}^{a+k-1} \mu_j^2$ . We first consider the case that  $n \to \infty$ . By Nagaev's inequality [S6] or Lemma S1.1(ii),

$$P(\sum_{j=a}^{a+k-1} (\mu_j^2 + 4\mu_j \bar{Z}_{\cdot j}) < 0) \lesssim \frac{\sum_{j=a}^{a+k-1} n |\mu_j|^{\theta} K_{\theta}^{\theta}}{(\sum_{j=a}^{a+k-1} n |\mu_j|^2)^{\theta}} + \exp(-c_5 nt) \\ \lesssim \frac{n^{1-\theta}}{(kd^2)^{\theta/2}} + \exp(-c_5 nkd^2).$$
(S55)

By the condition  $\gamma^{\natural} = o(d^2 n \sqrt{k})$ , we have  $n^{1-\theta} (kd^2)^{-\theta/2} = O(n^{1-\theta/2}p^{-1})$  and  $\exp(-c_5 nkd^2) = o(p^{-2})$ . Thus the right hand side of (S55) is of order  $o(p^{-1})$  since  $n \to \infty$ . If n is bounded, using the uniform integrability of  $(|Z_{1j}|^{\theta})_{j\geq 1}$ , we shall show that the right hand side of (S55) is also of order  $o(p^{-1})$ . To this end, in view of (S15) and (S16), it suffices to show that

$$\lim_{u \to \infty} u^{\theta} \max_{j \ge 1} \mathcal{M}_{\upsilon}(Z_{1j}/u) = 0.$$
(S56)

Clearly,  $u^{\theta} \max_{j \ge 1} E((Z_{1j}/u)^2 \mathbf{1}_{|Z_{1j}| \ge u}) \le E(|Z_{1j}|^{\theta} \mathbf{1}_{|Z_{1j}| \ge u}) \to 0 \text{ as } u \to \infty$ . Let  $\ell = (1-\theta/\upsilon)/2$ . Choose  $K_u \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $2^{K_u} \le u^{1-\ell} < 2^{K_u+1}$ . Then

$$E(|Z_{1j}|^{\upsilon}\mathbf{1}_{|Z_{1j}|\leq u}) \leq E(|Z_{1j}|^{\upsilon}\mathbf{1}_{|Z_{1j}|\leq u^{\ell}}) + \sum_{b=0}^{K_{u}} E(|Z_{1j}|^{\upsilon}\mathbf{1}_{2^{-b-1}u<|Z_{1j}|\leq 2^{-b}u})$$
  
$$\leq u^{\ell\upsilon} + \sum_{b=0}^{K_{u}} (2^{b}u)^{\upsilon-\theta} E(|Z_{1j}|^{\theta}\mathbf{1}_{2^{-K_{u}-1}u<|Z_{1j}|})$$

Hence  $u^{\theta} \max_{j \ge 1} E((Z_{1j}/u)^{\nu} \mathbf{1}_{|Z_{1j}| \le u}) \to 0$  as  $u \to \infty$ . Thus (S56) follows. Using the same argument in the proof of Theorem 2.3, we have (S51). The main difference is that  $\xi_j$  here has finite  $\theta$ th moment, while  $\zeta_j$  therein only has finite  $(\theta/2)$ th moment. Details are omitted.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Theorem 3.5. Recall the proof of Theorem S1.3 for  $\xi_j$ . Let  $Q_j = \xi_j/n$ . By the Hanson-Wright inequality (cf. [S8]), there exists absolute constants  $c_1, c_2 > 0$  such that  $P(|Q_j| \ge u) \le 2 \exp(-c_1 u^2) + 2 \exp(-c_2 u)$  for all u > 0. Hence  $Q_j$  is sub-exponential in the sense that  $E \exp(t|Q_j|) < \infty$  for some t > 0. By Bernstein's inequality, for some positive constants  $c_3, c_4, c_5$ ,

$$P(\max_{h \le k} |\sum_{i=1}^{h} Q_i| \ge u) \le c_3 \exp(-c_4 u) + c_3 \exp(-c_5 u^2/k).$$
(S57)

Following the arguments in the proof of Theorem S1.3, Theorem 3.5 follows by replacing the polynomial term  $\sum_{j=1}^{k} E(|\xi_j/y|^{\theta})$  in (S53) by the exponential term in (S57) and by removing the term  $n^{1-\theta}/(kd^2)^{\theta/2}$  in (S55) in view of Lemma S1.1(iii).

# S2 Additional Simulation Studies

In the main paper we presented one-sided test with one realization and compare it with [S10] in Section 4.1 and two-sided test with one realization in Section 4.2. In this Supplementary Material we shall present additional simulation studies. One-sided test with multiple realization is presented in Section S2.1. In Section S2.2, we examine two-sided test with multiple realization and compare it with [S3].

#### S2.1 Simulation study 3

We now study performance of our testing and estimation procedures based on multiple realizations with heteroscedastic variances for the one-sided test. Consider the model

$$Y_{ij} = \mu_j + \sigma_j \epsilon_{ij}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad j = 1, \dots, p,$$
(S1)

where  $\mu_j$  follows the same configuration as in Table 1,  $\sigma_j \sim \mathcal{U}(1,2), j = 1, \ldots, p$  and  $\epsilon_{ij} \sim N(0,1), t(6)/1.5^{0.5}$  or  $LP(0,1)/2^{0.5}, i = 1, \ldots, n; j = 1, \ldots, p$ . We construct test statistic

$$\hat{R}_j = \frac{\sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \sqrt{n}\hat{\mu}_l}{(\sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \hat{\sigma}_l^2)^{1/2}}, \quad j = 0, \dots, p-k,$$

where  $\hat{\mu}_l = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_{il}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_l^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_{il} - \hat{\mu}_l)^2 / (n-1)$  and let

$$R_j^* = \frac{\sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \sqrt{n}\hat{\mu}_l}{(\sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \sigma_l^2)^{1/2}}, \quad j = 0, \dots, p-k.$$

Let p = 600, 2000 and 6000, sample size n = 2 and 5 and error distributions  $N(0, 1), t(6)/1.5^{0.5}$ and  $LP(0, 1)/2^{0.5}$ . We use  $k = \lfloor p^{1/2} \rfloor$ . We follow Algorithm 3.1. For  $\hat{R}_j$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  are the 0.95th quantile of  $\max_{0 \le j \le p-k} \hat{G}_j$  and  $\max_{j \in W_1} \hat{G}_j$  respectively, where  $\hat{G}_j = \sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \hat{\sigma}_l \eta_l / \hat{v}_j^{1/2}$  and  $\eta_l$  are i.i.d. N(0, 1) that are independent of  $(Y_{ij})$  and  $\hat{v}_j = \sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \hat{\sigma}_l^2$ . For  $R_j^*$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  are the 0.95th quantile of  $\max_{0 \le j \le p-k} G_j^*$  and  $\max_{j \in W_1} G_j^*$ , where  $G_j^* = \sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \sigma_l \eta_l / v_j^{1/2}$  and  $v_j = \sum_{l=j+1}^{j+k} \sigma_l^2$ . From Table S1, we can see that the performance of using estimated variance is comparable as the one using the true variance and the detection accuracy improves with increased sample sizes and number of tests. The combined error rate, FDR, power and the difference between estimated break points and true break points are similar across different error terms.

Table S1: Summary statistics for one-sided test with multiple realization based on 1,000 simulations. Underscore e (resp. underscore t) is computed based on  $\hat{R}_j$  with the estimate  $\hat{\sigma}_j^2$  (resp. the true  $\sigma_j^2$ ).

<i>p</i>	$\operatorname{CER}_{e}$	$\operatorname{CER}_t$	$FDR_e$	$FDR_t$	$\operatorname{Power}_{e}$	Power <sub>t</sub>	$\hat{l}_e$	$\hat{l}_t$	$\operatorname{Diff}_e$	$\operatorname{Diff}_t$
2										
n = 2 N(0, 1)										
600	0.0513	0.0513	0.0048	0.0037	0.75	0.74	2	2	$5\ 49$	543
2000	0.0294	0.0294	0.0019	0.0017	0.85	0.85	2	2	10.07	10.31
6000	0.0148	0.0149	0.0010	0.0009	0.93	0.93	2	2	18.14	17.76
(a) (1 = 0.5)										
$t(6)/1.5^{0.0}$	0.0515	0.0515	0.0040	0.0040	0 75	0.74	0	0	5 10	5 50
600	0.0517	0.0517	0.0040	0.0040	0.75	0.74	2	2	5.42	5.52
2000	0.0293	0.0293	0.0022	0.0018	0.86	0.85	2	2	10.48	10.03
6000	0.0147	0.0147	0.0017	0.0015	0.93	0.93	2	2	14.84	14.73
$LP(0,1)/2^{0.5}$										
600	0.0585	0.0584	0.0038	0.0026	0.71	0.70	2	2	5.30	5.34
2000	0.0290	0.0290	0.0022	0.0018	0.86	0.85	2	2	9.12	9.31
6000	0.0138	0.0138	0.0011	0.0011	0.93	0.93	2	2	13.48	13.68
$n \equiv 5$ N(0, 1)										
N(0, 1)	0.0257	0.0257	0.0081	0.0083	0.88	0.88	2	2	3 60	2 62
2000	0.0257 0.0114	0.0257 0.0114	0.0001	0.0005	0.00	0.88	2	2	5.05 6.05	5.05 6.03
2000 6000	$0.0114 \\ 0.0052$	0.0114 0.0052	0.0040 0.0031	0.0040 0.0031	0.93 0.98	0.93 0.98	$\frac{2}{2}$	2	15.66	15.63
$t(6)/1.5^{0.5}$										
600	0.0242	0.0242	0.0086	0.0077	0.89	0.88	2	2	3.58	3.57
2000	0.0117	0.0117	0.0048	0.0044	0.95	0.95	2	2	6.64	6.11
6000	0.0054	0.0054	0.0036	0.0035	0.98	0.98	2	2	15.25	15.21
$IP(0,1)/2^{0.5}$										
600	0 0283	0 0283	0.0071	0.0067	0.87	0.86	2	2	3.00	3.07
2000	0.0200	0.0200	0.0071	0.0007	0.07	0.00	⊿ ?	∠ ?	5.09 7 75	5.07 7.79
6000	0.0123 0.0052	0.0122 0.0052	0.0030	0.0044	0.94	0.94	$\frac{2}{2}$	$\frac{2}{2}$	12.86	1.12 12.80
0000	0.0052	0.0052	0.0000	0.0052	0.90	0.90	4	4	12.00	12.00

#### S2.2 Simulation study 4

In this section, we study the empirical performance of the two-sided test with multiple realizations and compare it with the classical approach where individual self-normalized *t*-statistics are used (see for example [S3]). Data generation is the same as the one in simulation study 3 except that  $\mu_j, j = 1, \ldots, p$  follow Table 5. We first compute the U-statistic  $W_j$  from (3.17). Our test statistic is

$$R_{j,4}^* = \sqrt{n(n-1)/2} \frac{W_{j+1} + \ldots + W_{j+k}}{(\hat{\omega}_{j+1} + \ldots + \hat{\omega}_{j+k})^{1/2}},$$

where  $\hat{\omega}_j, 0 \leq j \leq p - m$ , are defined in (3.21) and are computed by (3.25). We use two ways to approximate the limiting distribution of  $\max_{0\leq j\leq p-k}R_{j,4}^*$  by using (3.23) and (3.24), respectively. We compare their empirical performances with different number of tests (p =600, 2000 and 6000), sample size (n = 4 and 10) and error terms ( $N(0, 1), t(6)/1.5^{0.5}$  and  $LP(0, 1)/2^{0.5}$ ). Let  $k = \lfloor p^{1/2} \rfloor$ . We follow Algorithm 3.2. We compare these approximations and the method in [S3] at significance level 0.05 and summarize the results in Table S2.

Table S2 suggests that the proposed methods have smaller combined error rates and FDR and larger power across all scenarios and the performance improves with increased number of tests and sample size. When n is large,  $\chi^2$  approximation is better than normal approximation, as can be seen in Table S2 when n = 10. When n is small, their performances are comparable. The performance of the proposed methods improve with increased number of tests while the combined error rate based on [S3] does not change much as number of tests increases. Both approximations based on  $G_{j,4}^{\star}$  and  $G_{j,4}^{\circ}$  identify 4 break points across different scenarios.

#### S2.3 Data analysis with one realization

We removed missing data and based our analysis on the resulting p = 6233 genes. We used  $k = \lfloor p^{1/2} \rfloor = 78$  in the computation of  $R_i^{\circ}, i = k, \ldots, p - k + 1$  and critical values  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  and  $m = \lfloor p^{1/2} \rfloor = 78$  in the computation of  $\hat{\sigma}_i^2, i = 1, \ldots, p - m + 1$ . Critical values  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  were

Table S2: Summary statistics for two-sided test with multiple realization based on 1,000 simulations. D represents difference between estimated break points and true break points. Underscore F is computed based on [S3], and underscore N (resp. underscore  $\chi^2$ ) is computed by distributional approximations based on  $G_{j,4}^*$  (resp.  $G_{j,4}^{\diamond}$ ).

p	$\operatorname{CER}_F$	$\operatorname{CER}_N$	$\operatorname{CER}_{\chi^2}$	$\mathrm{FDR}_F$	$\mathrm{FDR}_N$	$\mathrm{FDR}_{\chi^2}$	$\operatorname{Power}_F$	$\operatorname{Power}_N$	$\operatorname{Power}_{\chi^2}$	$D_N$	$D_{\chi^2}$
n	- 4										
n = 4 N(0, 1)											
600	0.20	0.07	0.09	0.53	0.04	0.03	0.11	0.66	0.55	16	18
2000	0.20	0.04	0.04	0.50	0.01	0.01	0.10	0.83	0.80	19	18
6000	0.20	0.02	0.02	0.50	0.01	0.005	0.08	0.91	0.90	34	34
t(6)	/1 50.5										
600	0.19	0.08	0.11	0.44	0.03	0.02	0.12	0.60	0.48	15	24
2000	0.19	0.04	0.04	0.41	0.01	0.008	0.12	0.83	0.81	16	16
6000	0.19	0.02	0.02	0.42	0.008	0.007	0.10	0.90	0.89	44	34
LP(0,	$1)/2^{0.5}$										
600	0.18	0.07	0.09	0.29	0.03	0.03	0.16	0.67	0.57	10	13
2000	0.18	0.03	0.04	0.29	0.01	0.01	0.13	0.84	0.81	16	18
6000	0.18	0.02	0.02	0.27	0.005	0.005	0.12	0.90	0.89	51	33
<i>n</i> -	- 10										
N(	(0,1)										
600	0.17	0.03	0.03	0.08	0.04	0.04	0.15	0.89	0.89	15	13
2000	0.18	0.02	0.01	0.08	0.02	0.02	0.11	0.95	0.95	33	27
6000	0.18	0.01	0.01	0.07	0.01	0.01	0.08	0.97	0.97	49	47
t(c)	/1 = 0.5										
600	0.17	0.03	0.03	0.07	0.04	0.04	0.18	0.88	0.80	17	14
2000	0.17	0.00	0.03 0.02	0.01 0.05	0.04 0.02	0.04 0.02	0.10	0.00	0.03 0.94	47	25
6000	0.18	0.01	0.01	0.04	0.01	0.01	0.10	0.97	0.98	51	$\frac{20}{47}$
							-			-	
LP(0,	$ m LP(0,1)/2^{0.5}$										
600	0.16	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.18	0.89	0.90	21	13
2000	0.17	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.16	0.94	0.95	53	47
6000	0.18	0.01	0.01	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.12	0.97	0.97	52	48



Figure S1: Testing results and detected break-points of amplification for breast cancer cell line BT474.

computed through the simulation-assisted approach. Specifically,  $\gamma$  and  $\delta$  are empirical 0.95th quantiles of  $10^4$  independent realizations of  $\hat{\sigma} \max_{1 \le i \le p-k+1} G_i^{\circ}$ , and  $\hat{\sigma} \max_{i \in W_1} G_i^{\circ}$ , respectively, where  $G_i^{\circ} = k^{-1} \sum_{j=i}^{i+k-1} \eta_j$ ,  $j \in \mathbb{Z}, \eta_j$  are i.i.d. N(0,1) random variables and  $W_1$  includes indices i such that the smoothed  $\tilde{Q}_i^{\circ} = 1$ . They are 0.4375 and 0.1204, respectively. We use the median of  $\hat{\sigma}_i^2 = \sum_{j=i}^{i+m-1} X_j^2/m$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, p-m+1$  as our estimate of  $\sigma^2$ , which is 0.0897. We follow Algorithm 2.1 and present the results in Figure S2. It detects three clusters. Most amplifications on chromosomes 11, 17 and 20 are well known, as they have been identified by previous studies and in other breast cancer cell lines [S7, S5].

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