

## Strong limit theorems for quasi-orthogonal random fields. II

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**1. Introduction.** Let  $\{X_{ik}: i, k \geq 1\}$  be a random field (in abbreviation: r.f.). We say that  $\{X_{ik}\}$  is quasi-orthogonal if

$$(1.1) \quad EX_{ik}^2 = \sigma_{ik}^2 < \infty$$

and there exists a double sequence  $\{\varrho(m, n): m, n \geq 0\}$  of nonnegative numbers such that

$$(1.2) \quad |EX_{ik}X_{jl}| \leq \varrho(|i-j|, |k-l|)\sigma_{ik}\sigma_{jl} \quad (i, j, k, l \geq 1)$$

and

$$(1.3) \quad \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \varrho(m, n) < \infty.$$

In the special case when  $\varrho(m, n) = 0$  except  $m = n = 0$ , we say that  $\{X_{ik}\}$  is an orthogonal r.f.

**2. Main results.** We will study the almost sure (in abbreviation: a.s.) behavior of the Cesàro type means

$$(2.1) \quad \zeta_{mn} = \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{i-1}{m}\right) \left(1 - \frac{k-1}{n}\right) X_{ik} \quad (m, n \geq 1)$$

as  $m+n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Theorem 1.** *If  $\{X_{ik}\}$  is a quasi-orthogonal r.f. and*

$$(2.2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} < \infty,$$

then

$$(2.3) \quad \lim_{m+n \rightarrow \infty} \zeta_{mn} = 0 \quad a.s.$$

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It is instructive to compare Theorem 1 with the corresponding result in [4, Theorem 1] according to which

$$(2.4) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} [\log(i+1)]^2 [\log(k+1)]^2 < \infty$$

is a sufficient (and in the monotonic case, necessary) condition for the following strong law of large numbers:

$$(2.5) \quad \lim_{m+n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n X_{ik} = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

The surprising fact is that the logarithmic factors are missing in condition (2.2). We note that the logarithms are to the base 2 in this paper.

We will prove Theorem 1 in a more general setting which provides information on the rate of convergence in (2.3). In the sequel,  $p$  and  $q$  denote nonnegative integers.

**Proposition 1.** *If the conditions of Theorem 1 are satisfied and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then*

$$(2.6) \quad P[\sup_{m \geq 2^p} \sup_{n \geq 2^q} |\zeta_{mn}| > \varepsilon] = O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{2p} 2^{2q}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \sigma_{ik}^2 + \frac{1}{2^{2p}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^{q+1}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{k^2} + \frac{1}{2^{2q}} \sum_{i=2^{p+1}}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2} + \sum_{i=2^{p+1}}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^{q+1}}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} \right\}.$$

Applying the well-known Kronecker lemma (see, e.g. [5, p. 35]), Proposition 1 implies Theorem 1.

We note that a result analogous to Proposition 1 was proved in [3, Theorem 4] for sequences of random variables (in abbreviation: r.v.'s).

We also consider other Cesàro type means defined by

$$(2.7) \quad \tau_{nm} = \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n \left(1 - \frac{i-1}{m}\right) X_{ik} \quad (m, n \geq 1).$$

Clearly, the  $\tau_{nm}$  are intermediate between the rectangular arithmetic means occurring in (2.5) and the means (2.1).

**Theorem 2.** *If  $\{X_{ik}\}$  is a quasi-orthogonal r.f. and*

$$(2.8) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} [\log(k+1)]^2 < \infty,$$

then

$$(2.9) \quad \lim_{m+n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_{mn} = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

A more general statement giving information on the convergence rate in (2.9) reads as follows.

Proposition 2. *If the conditions of Theorem 2 are satisfied and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then*

$$(2.10) \quad P[\sup_{m \geq 2^p} \sup_{n \geq 2^q} |\tau_{mn}| > \varepsilon] = O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{2p} 2^{2q}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \sigma_{ik}^2 + \right. \\ \left. + \frac{1}{2^{2p}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{k^2} [\log(k+1)]^2 + \frac{1}{2^{2q}} \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2} + \right. \\ \left. + \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} [\log(k+1)]^2 \right\}.$$

Condition (2.8) lies between (2.2) and (2.4) (cf. conclusions (2.3), (2.5), and (2.9)).

We guess that the logarithmic factor in condition (2.8) is exact.

Conjecture. If  $\{\sigma_{ik} \equiv 0\}$  is a double sequence such that

$$\frac{\sigma_{ik}}{k} \equiv \frac{\sigma_{i,k+1}}{k+1} \quad (i, k \equiv 1)$$

and

$$(2.11) \quad \sum_{i=r}^{\infty} \sum_{k=r}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} [\log(k+1)]^2 = \infty$$

with  $r=1$ , then there exists an orthogonal r.f.  $\{X_{ik}\}$  such that

$$EX_{ik} = 0, \quad EX_{ik}^2 \equiv \sigma_{ik}^2 \quad (i, k \equiv 1)$$

and

$$\limsup_{m+n \rightarrow \infty} |\tau_{mn}| = \infty \quad \text{a.s.}$$

If condition (2.11) is satisfied with any  $r \equiv 1$ , then we can state

$$\limsup_{m, n \rightarrow \infty} |\tau_{mn}| = \infty \quad \text{a.s.}$$

**3. Proof of Proposition 1.** We begin with a known result [2].

Lemma 1. *If  $\{X_{ik}\}$  satisfies conditions (1.1)–(1.3), and  $\{a_{ik}\}$  is any sequence of numbers, then*

$$(3.1) \quad E \left[ \sum_{i=a+1}^{a+m} \sum_{k=b+1}^{b+n} a_{ik} X_{ik} \right]^2 = O(1) \sum_{i=a+1}^{a+m} \sum_{k=b+1}^{b+n} a_{ik}^2 \sigma_{ik}^2 \quad (a, b \equiv 0; m, n \equiv 1).$$

We emphasize that in the proofs of Propositions 1 and 2 the condition that  $\{X_{ik}\}$  is a quasi-orthogonal r.f. is used only to the extent that this implies the moment inequality (3.1).

Now we turn to the proof of Proposition 1. We start with the inequality

$$(3.2) \quad P\left[\sup_{m \geq 2^p} \sup_{n \geq 2^q} |\zeta_{mn}| > \varepsilon\right] \leq \sum_{r=p}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} P\left[\max_{2^r \leq m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s \leq n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\zeta_{mn}| > \varepsilon\right].$$

Let  $2^r \leq m \leq 2^{r+1}$  and  $2^s \leq n \leq 2^{s+1}$ . Since

$$(3.3) \quad \zeta_{mn} = \zeta_{2^r, 2^s} + (\zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}) + (\zeta_{2^r, n} - \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}) + (\zeta_{mn} - \zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{2^r, n} + \zeta_{2^r, 2^s})$$

we can estimate as follows

$$(3.4) \quad P\left[\max_{2^r \leq m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s \leq n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\zeta_{mn}| > \varepsilon\right] \leq P\left[|\zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right] + \sum_{j=1}^3 P_{rs}^{(j)},$$

where

$$P_{rs}^{(1)} = P\left[\max_{2^r < m \leq 2^{r+1}} |\zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right],$$

$$P_{rs}^{(2)} = P\left[\max_{2^s < n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\zeta_{2^r, n} - \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right],$$

$$P_{rs}^{(3)} = P\left[\max_{2^r < m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s < n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\zeta_{mn} - \zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{2^r, n} + \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right].$$

By the Chebyshev inequality and (3.1),

$$(3.5) \quad P\left[|\zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right] \leq \frac{16}{\varepsilon^2} E\zeta_{2^r, 2^s}^2 = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^{2^r} \sum_{k=1}^{2^s} \sigma_{ik}^2.$$

By the Cauchy inequality,

$$(3.6) \quad \left[\max_{2^r < m \leq 2^{r+1}} |\zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}|\right]^2 \leq \sum_{m=2^r+1}^{2^{r+1}} m[\zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{m-1, 2^s}]^2.$$

An elementary calculation shows that

$$\zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{m-1, 2^s} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^{2^s} a_{ik}(m, s) X_{ik}$$

where

$$a_{ik}(m, s) = \frac{1}{2^s} \left(1 - \frac{k-1}{2^s}\right) \left[\frac{(i-1)(2m-1)}{m^2(m-1)^2} - \frac{1}{m(m-1)}\right].$$

Clearly,

$$|a_{ik}(m, s)| \leq \frac{1}{m(m-1)2^s}.$$

Hence, by the Chebyshev inequality and (3.1),

$$(3.7) \quad P_{rs}^{(1)} \leq \frac{16}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^r+1}^{2^{r+1}} m E[\zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{m-1, 2^s}]^2 = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^r+1}^{2^{r+1}} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^{2^s} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{m(m-1)^2 2^{2s}}.$$

The symmetric counterpart of (3.7) is

$$(3.8) \quad P_{rs}^{(2)} = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{n=2^{2^r}+1}^{2^{2^r+1}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^r} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{n(n-1)^2 2^{2^r}}$$

Finally, by the Cauchy inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \max_{2^r < m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s < n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\zeta_{mn} - \zeta_{m, 2^s} - \zeta_{2^r, n} + \zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| \right]^2 \cong \\ & \cong \sum_{m=2^{2^r}+1}^{2^{2^r+1}} \sum_{n=2^{2^s}+1}^{2^{2^s+1}} mn [\zeta_{mn} - \zeta_{m-1, n} - \zeta_{m, n-1} + \zeta_{m-1, n-1}]^2 \end{aligned}$$

and by an elementary calculation,

$$\zeta_{mn} - \zeta_{m-1, n} - \zeta_{m, n-1} + \zeta_{m-1, n-1} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n b_{ik}(m, n) X_{ik}$$

where

$$b_{ik}(m, n) = \left[ \frac{(i-1)(2m-1)}{m^2(m-1)^2} - \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \right] \left[ \frac{(k-1)(2n-1)}{n^2(n-1)^2} - \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \right].$$

Clearly,

$$|b_{ik}(m, n)| \cong \frac{1}{m(m-1)n(n-1)}.$$

Hence, by the Cauchy inequality and (3.1),

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} P_{rs}^{(3)} & \cong \frac{16}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^{2^r}+1}^{2^{2^r+1}} \sum_{n=2^{2^s}+1}^{2^{2^s+1}} mn E[\zeta_{mn} - \zeta_{m-1, n} - \zeta_{m, n-1} + \zeta_{m-1, n-1}]^2 = \\ & = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^{2^r}+1}^{2^{2^r+1}} \sum_{n=2^{2^s}+1}^{2^{2^s+1}} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{m(m-1)^2 n(n-1)^2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we combine the above estimates in four parts.

*Part 1.* By (3.2) and (3.5), while decomposing the inner double sum and interchanging the order of summations, we get that

$$(3.10) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=p}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} P \left[ |\zeta_{2^r, 2^s}| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4} \right] = O(1) \sum_{r=p}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{2^r} 2^{2^s}} \times \\ & \times \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} + \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^{2^q}+1}^{2^q} + \sum_{i=2^{2^p}+1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} + \sum_{i=2^{2^p}+1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^{2^q}+1}^{2^q} \right\} \sigma_{ik}^2 = \\ & = O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{2^p} 2^{2^q}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \sigma_{ik}^2 + \frac{1}{2^{2^p}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^{2^q}+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{k^2} + \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{1}{2^{2^q}} \sum_{i=2^{2^p}+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2} + \sum_{i=2^{2^p}+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^{2^q}+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Part 2. By (3.2) and (3.7), we obtain in a similar way that

$$(3.11) \quad \sum_{r=p}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} P_{rs}^{(1)} = O(1) \sum_{m=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^m \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} + \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{2^r} \right\} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{m^3 2^{2s}} =$$

$$= O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{2q}} \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{k^2} + \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} \right\}.$$

Part 3. By (3.2) and (3.8),

$$(3.12) \quad \sum_{r=p}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} P_{rs}^{(2)} = O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{2p}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2} + \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} \right\}.$$

Part 4. By (3.2) and (3.9),

$$(3.13) \quad \sum_{r=p}^{\infty} \sum_{s=q}^{\infty} P_{rs}^{(3)} = O(1) \sum_{m=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=2^q+1}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} + \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^n + \sum_{i=2^p+1}^m \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} + \right.$$

$$\left. + \sum_{i=2^p+1}^m \sum_{k=2^q+1}^n \right\} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{m^3 n^3} = O(1) \left\{ \frac{1}{2^{2p} 2^{2q}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \sigma_{ik}^2 + \frac{1}{2^{2p}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^p} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{k^2} + \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1}{2^{2q}} \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{2^q} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2} + \sum_{i=2^p+1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=2^q+1}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{i^2 k^2} \right\}.$$

Collecting (3.2) and (3.10)—(3.13) yields (2.6) to be proved.

4. Proof of Proposition 2. This proof is essentially a combination of the techniques of Section 3 and the proof of [4, Proposition 1]. Therefore, we do not go into full details.

The next lemma is a version of the well-known Rademacher—Menshov inequality (see, e.g. [1, Theorem 2]).

Lemma 2. If  $\{X_{ik}\}$  satisfies conditions (1.1)—(1.3), and  $\{a_{ik}\}$  is any sequence of numbers, then

$$(4.1) \quad E \left[ \max_{1 \leq l \leq n} \sum_{i=a+1}^{a+m} \sum_{k=b+1}^{b+l} a_{ik} X_{ik} \right]^2 = O(1) [\log 2n]^2 \sum_{i=a+1}^{a+m} \sum_{k=b+1}^{b+n} a_{ik}^2 \sigma_{ik}^2$$

( $a, b \geq 0; m, n \geq 1$ ).

To start the proof of Proposition 2, assume that  $2^r \leq m \leq 2^{r+1}$  and  $2^s \leq n \leq 2^{s+1}$  with nonnegative integers  $r$  and  $s$ . Obviously, it is enough to prove (2.10) for the slightly modified means

$$\tau_{mn}^* = \frac{1}{m 2^s} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^n \left( 1 - \frac{i-1}{m} \right) X_{ik}$$

in the place of  $\tau_{mn}$ . We use a decomposition analogous to (3.3), according to which we can write

$$(4.2) \quad P\left[\max_{2^r \leq m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s \leq n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\tau_{mn}^*| > \varepsilon\right] \leq P\left[|\tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right] + \sum_{j=1}^3 Q_{rs}^{(j)}$$

(cf. (3.4)), where

$$Q_{rs}^{(1)} = P\left[\max_{2^r < m \leq 2^{r+1}} |\tau_{m, 2^s}^* - \tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right],$$

$$Q_{rs}^{(2)} = P\left[\max_{2^s < n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\tau_{2^r, n}^* - \tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right],$$

$$Q_{rs}^{(3)} = P\left[\max_{2^r < m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s < n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\tau_{mn}^* - \tau_{m, 2^s}^* - \tau_{2^r, n}^* + \tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right].$$

Imitating the corresponding steps in the proof of Proposition 1, it is easy to verify that

$$(4.3) \quad P\left[|\tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*| > \frac{\varepsilon}{4}\right] = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^{2^r} \sum_{k=1}^{2^s} \sigma_{ik}^2$$

and

$$(4.4) \quad Q_{rs}^{(1)} = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^r+1}^{2^{r+1}} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=1}^{2^s} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{m(m-1)^2 2^{2s}}$$

(cf. (3.5) and (3.7), respectively).

The following two estimates are different from (3.8) and (3.9). By the Chebyshev inequality and (4.1),

$$(4.5) \quad \begin{aligned} Q_{rs}^{(2)} &= \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \frac{[\log 2^{s+1}]^2}{2^{2r} 2^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^r} \sum_{k=2^{s+1}}^{2^{s+1}} \left(1 - \frac{i-1}{m}\right)^2 \sigma_{ik}^2 = \\ &= \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \frac{1}{2^{2r}} \sum_{i=1}^{2^r} \sum_{k=2^{s+1}}^{2^{s+1}} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{k^2} [\log 2k]^2. \end{aligned}$$

To estimate  $Q_{rs}^{(3)}$ , we set  $\eta_{mn} = \tau_{mn}^* - \tau_{m, 2^s}^*$ . Then

$$\eta_{mn} - \eta_{2^r, n} = \tau_{mn}^* - \tau_{m, 2^s}^* - \tau_{2^r, n}^* + \tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*.$$

Similarly to the reasoning in (3.6) we estimate as follows

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[\max_{2^r \leq m \leq 2^{r+1}} \max_{2^s \leq n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\tau_{mn}^* - \tau_{m, 2^s}^* - \tau_{2^r, n}^* + \tau_{2^r, 2^s}^*|\right]^2 \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{m=2^r+1}^{2^{r+1}} m \left[\max_{2^s < n \leq 2^{s+1}} |\eta_{mn} - \eta_{m-1, n}|\right]^2. \end{aligned}$$

A simple computation shows that

$$\eta_{mn} - \eta_{m-1, n} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=2^s+1}^n c_{ik}(m, n) X_{ik},$$

where

$$c_{ik}(m, n) = \frac{1}{2^s} \left[ \frac{(i-1)(2m-1)}{m^2(m-1)^2} - \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \right].$$

Clearly,

$$|c_{ik}(m, n)| \leq \frac{1}{m(m-1)2^s}.$$

Thus, by the Chebyshev inequality and (4.1),

$$\begin{aligned} (4.6) \quad Q_{rs}^{(s)} &= \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^{r+1}}^{2^{r+1}} m [\log 2^{s+1}]^2 \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=2^{r+1}}^{2^{s+1}} c_{ik}^2(m, n) \sigma_{ik}^2 = \\ &= \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{m=2^{r+1}}^{2^{r+1}} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{k=2^{r+1}}^{2^{s+1}} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{m(m-1)^2 2^{2s}} [\log 2k]^2 = \frac{O(1)}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{i=1}^{2^{r+1}} \sum_{k=2^{r+1}}^{2^{s+1}} \frac{\sigma_{ik}^2}{2^{2r} k^2} [\log 2k]^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now to complete the proof on the basis of (4.2)–(4.6) we have to go along the same lines as in the proof of Proposition 1 (cf. Parts 1–4 there).

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