GENERALIZATION OF OVERPARAMETRIZED DEEP NEURAL NETWORK UNDER NOISY OBSERVATIONS

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ABSTRACT

We study the generalization properties of the overparameterized deep neural network (DNN) with Rectified Linear Unit (ReLU) activations. Under the nonparametric regression framework, it is assumed that the ground-truth function is from a reproducing kernel Hilbert space (RKHS) induced by a neural tangent kernel (NTK) of ReLU DNN, and a dataset is given with the noises. Without a delicate adoption of early stopping, we prove that the overparametrized DNN trained by vanilla gradient descent does not recover the ground-truth function. It turns out that the estimated DNN's L_2 prediction error is bounded away from 0. As a complement of the above result, we show that the ℓ_2-regularized gradient descent enables the overparametrized DNN achieve the minimax optimal convergence rate of the L_2 prediction error, without early stopping. Notably, the rate we obtained is faster than $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1/2})$ known in the literature.

1 INTRODUCTION

Over the past few years, Neural Tangent Kernel (NTK) [Arora et al., 2019b; Jacot et al., 2018; Lee et al., 2018; Chizat & Bach, 2018] has been one of the most seminal discoveries in the theory of neural network. The underpinning idea of the NTK-type theory comes from the observation that in a wide-enough neural net, model parameters updated by gradient descent (GD) stay close to their initializations during the training, so that the dynamics of the networks can be approximated by the first-order Taylor expansion with respect to its parameters at initialization. The linearization of learning dynamics on neural networks has been helpful in showing the linear convergence of the training error on both overparametrized shallow [Li & Liang, 2018; Du et al., 2018] and deep neural networks [Allen-Zhu et al., 2018; Zou et al., 2018; 2020], as well as the characterizations of generalization error on both models [Arora et al., 2019a; Cao & Gu, 2019]. These findings clearly lead to the equivalence between learning dynamics of neural networks and the kernel methods in an reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces (RKHS) associated with NTK. [1] Specifically, Arora et al. [2019a] provided the $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1/2})$ generalization bound of shallow neural network, where n denotes the training sample size.

Recently, in the context of nonparametric regression, two papers Nitanda & Suzuki [2020] and Hu et al. [2021] showed that neural network can obtain the convergence rate faster than $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1/2})$ by specifying the complexities of target function and hypothesis space. Specifically, Nitanda & Suzuki [2020] showed that the shallow neural network with smoothly approximated ReLU (swish, see Ramachandran et al. [2017]) activation trained via ℓ_2-regularized averaged stochastic gradient descent (SGD) can recover the target function from RKHSs induced from NTK with swish activation. Similarly, Hu et al. [2021] showed that a shallow neural network with ReLU activation trained via ℓ_2-regularized GD can generalize well, when the target function (i.e., $f_\rho^\star$) is from $\mathcal{H}_1^{\mathbf{NTK}}$. Notably, the rate that the papers Nitanda & Suzuki [2020] and Hu et al. [2021] obtained is minimax optimal, meaning that no estimators perform substantially better than the ℓ_2-regularized GD or averaged SGD algorithms for recovering functions from respective function spaces. Nevertheless, these results are restricted to shallow neural networks, and cannot explain the generalization abilities of deep neural network (DNN). Similarly with Arora et al. [2019a], Cao & Gu [2019] obtained

[1] Henceforth, we denote $\mathcal{H}_1^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ and $\mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ as RKHSs induced from NTK of shallow $L = 1$ and deep neural networks $L \geq 2$ with ReLU activations, respecitvely.

the $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1/2})$ generalization bound, showing that the SGD generalize well for $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$, when $f_\rho^\star$ has a bounded RKHS norm. However, the rate they obtained is slower than the minimax rate we can actually achieve. Furthermore, their results become vacuous under the presence of additive noises on the data set. Motivated from these observations, the fundamental question in this study is as follows:

When the noisy dataset is generated from a function from $\mathcal{H}_L^{NTK}$, does the overparametrized DNN obtained via (ℓ_2-regularized) GD provably generalize well the unseen data?

We consider a neural network that has $L \geq 2$ hidden layers with width $m \gg n$. (i.e., overparametrized deep neural network.) We focus on the least-squares loss and assume that the activation function is ReLU. A positivity assumption of NTK from ReLU DNN is imposed, meaning that $\lambda_0 > 0$, where λ_0 denotes the minimum eigenvalue of the NTK. We give a more formal mathematical definition of ReLU DNN in the following Subsection 2.2. Under these settings, we provide an affirmative answer to the above question by investigating the behavior of L_2-prediction error of the obtained neural network with respect to GD iterations.

1.1 Additional Related works

Recently, there has been another line of works trying to characterize the generalizabilities of DNN under noisy observation settings. Specifically, it has been shown that the neural network model can achieve minimax style optimal convergence rates of L_2-prediction risk both in regression [Bauer & Kohler, 2019; Liu et al., 2019; Schmidt-Hieber, 2020] and classification [Kim et al., 2021] problems. Nonetheless, a limitation of the aforementioned papers is that they assume an adequate minimizer of the empirical risk can be obtained. In other words, the mathematical proofs of their theorems do not correspond to implementable algortihms. For instance, Schmidt-Hieber [2020] showed that if the estimated neural network (i.e., $\widehat{f}_n$) has an empirical risk close to that of the empirical risk minimizer (i.e., $\Delta_n(\widehat{f}_n, f_\rho^*)$ is small in their notation), then it can achieve the input dimension free minimax optimal rate of the risk for estimating functions (i.e., f_ρ^*) with some specific compositional structure. However, they left the analysis on the behavior of $\Delta_n(\widehat{f}_n, f_\rho^*)$ for the commonly employed algorithms in practice as a future work.

1.2 Contributions

Our derivations of algorithm-dependent prediction risk bound require the analysis on training dynamics of the estimated neural network through (regularized) GD algorithm. We include these results as the contributions of our paper, which can be of independent interests as well.

- In an unregulaized case, under the assumption $\lambda_0 > 0$, we show randomly initialized GD converges to 0 training loss at a linear rate. As will be detailed in subsection 3.2, this is the different result from the seminal work of Allen-zhu et al. [Allen-Zhu et al., 2018], where they also prove a linear convergence of training loss of ReLU DNN, but under different data distribution assumption.
- We show that the DNN updated via vanilla GD does not recover the ground truth function $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ under noisy observations, if the DNN is trained for either too short or too long: that is, the prediction error is bounded away from 0 by some constant as n goes to infinity.
- In regularized case, we prove the mean-squared error (MSE) of DNN is upper bounded by some positive constant. Additionally, we proved the dynamics of the estimated neural network get close to the solution of kernel ridge regression associated with NTK from ReLU DNN.
- We show that the ℓ_2-regularization can be helpful in achieving the minimax optimal rate of the prediction risk for recovering $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ under the noisy data. Specifically, it is shown that after some iterations of ℓ_2-regularized GD, the minimax optimal rate (which is $\mathcal{O}\big(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\big)$, where d is a feature dimension.) can be achieved.

Note that our paper is an extension of Hu et al. [2021] to DNN model, showing that the ℓ_2-regularized DNN can achieve a minimax optimal rate of prediction error for recovering $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$. However,

we would like to emphasize that our work is not a trivial application of their work from at least two technical aspects. These aspects are more detailed in the following subsection.

1.3 TECHNICAL COMPARISONS WITH HU ET AL. [2021]

Firstly, in the analysis of training loss of regularized shallow neural-net, Hu et al. [2021] begin the proof by decomposing the difference between two individual predictions into two terms : one that is related with the gram matrix evaluated at each iteration of the algorithm and the perturbation term. Henceforth, we name this decompostion as "Gram+Pert" decomposition. This decomposition can be checked with the equality (E.2) in the supplementary PDF of Hu et al. [2021]. The key ingredients for the decomposition are (i) the simple gradient structure of the shallow neural net, and (ii) the partitioning of the nodes in the hidden-layer into two sets: a set of nodes whose activation patterns change from their initializations during training, and the complement of the set. This construction of the sets peels off the ReLU activation in the difference so that the GD algorithm can be involved in the analysis. However, because of the compositional structure of the network, the same nodes partitioning technique cannot be applied for obtaining the decomposition in the DNN setting with ReLU activation. To avoid this difficulty, we employ a specially designed diagonal matrix $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}$ and this matrix can peel off the ReLU function for each layer of the network. (See the definition of $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}$ in the proof of Theorem 3.4 in the Appendix.) Recursive applications of this diagonal matrix across the entire hidden layers enable the Gram+Pert decomposition in our setting. It should be noted that the diagnoal matrix $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}$ had been employed in Zou et al. [2020], which analyzed the behavior of training loss of classification problem via ReLU DNN under logistic loss. However, since their result is dependent on different data distribution assumption under the different loss function from ours, they didn't employ the Gram+Pert decomposition. Thus their technical approaches are different from ours.

Secondly, Hu et al. [2021] directly penalized the weight parameter $\mathbf{W}$ by adding $\|\mathbf{W}\|_F^2$ to the objective function. The ℓ_2-regularization solely on the $\mathbf{W}$ has an effect of pushing the weight towards the origin. This makes $\|\mathbf{W}^{(k)} - \mathbf{W}^{(0)}\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(1\big)$, allowing most activation patterns of the nodes in the hidden layer can change during the training, even in overparametrized setting. Here, $\mathbf{W}^{(k)}$ denotes the updated weight parameter at kth itertaion of algorithm, and $\|\cdot\|_2$ denotes the spectral norm of the matrix. Nonetheless, this doesn't affect the analysis on obtaining the upper-bound of MSE in shallow neural net, since the network has only a single hidden layer. In contrast, in the DNN setting, we allow the non-convex interactions of parameters across the hidden layers. To the best of our knowledge, a technique for controlling the size of ℓ_2-norm of network gradient has not been developed under this setting, yet. We circumvent this difficulty by regularizing the distance between the updated and the initialized parameter, instead by directly regularizing the updated parameter. This ensures that the updated parameter by ℓ_2-regularized GD stays in a close neighborhood to its initialization, so that with heavy over-parametrization, the dynamics of network becomes linearized in parameter and we can ignore the non-convex interactions of parameters across the hidden layers. Specifically, under suitable model parameter setting, we prove that $\|\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)} - \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\|_2 \leq \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_{\mathbb{P}}\big(\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}}\big)$ over all $\ell \in \{1, \ldots, L\}$. This result allows us to adopt the so-called "Forward Stability" argument developed by Allen-Zhu et al. [2018], and eventually leads to the control of network gradient under ℓ_2 sense.

Remark 1.1. *We defer all the technical proofs of the Theorems in subsequent sections in the Appendix for the conciseness of the paper.*

Notation. We use the following notation for asymptotics: For sufficiently large n, we write $f(n) = \mathcal{O}(g(n))$, if there exists a constant $K > 0$ such that $f(n) \leq Kg(n)$, and $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$ if $f(n) \geq K'g(n)$ for some constant $K' > 0$. The notation $f(n) = \Theta(g(n))$ means that $f(n) = \mathcal{O}(g(n))$ and $f(n) = \Omega(g(n))$. Let $\langle A, B\rangle_{\text{Tr}} := \text{Tr}(A^\top B)$ for the two matrices $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times d_2}$. We adopt the shorthand notation denoting $[n] := \{1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ for $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

2 PROBLEM FORMULATION

2.1 NON-PARAMETRIC REGRESSION

Let $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\mathcal{Y} \subset \mathbb{R}$ be the measureable feature space and output space. We denote ρ as a joint probability measure on the product space $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$, and let $\rho_{\mathcal{X}}$ be the marginal distribution of the feature space $\mathcal{X}$. We assume that the noisy data-set $\mathcal{D} := \{(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ are generated from the non-parametric regression model $\mathbf{y}_i = f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_i) + \varepsilon_i$, where $\varepsilon_i \overset{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 1^2)$ for $i = 1, \ldots, n$. Let $\widehat{f}_{W(k)}(\cdot)$ be the value of neural network evaluated with the parameters $\mathbf{W}$ at the k-th iterations of GD update rule. At $k = 0$, we randomly initialize the weight parameters in the model following He initialization [He et al., 2015] with a slight modification. Then, the L_2 prediction risk is defined as the difference between two expected risks (i.e., excess risk) $\mathcal{R}(\widehat{f}_{W(k)}) := \mathbb{E}_{\rho \sim (\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y})}[\big(\mathbf{y} - \widehat{f}_{W(k)}(\mathbf{x})\big)^2]$ and $\mathcal{R}(f_\rho^\star) := \mathbb{E}_{\rho \sim (\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y})}[\big(\mathbf{y} - f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x})\big)^2]$, where $f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}) := \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}]$. Then, we can easily show the prediction risk has a following form:

$$\mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}_k, f_\rho^\star\big) := \mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}_{W(k)}\big) - \mathcal{R}\big(f^\star\big) = \mathbb{E}_{\rho_{\mathbf{x}},\varepsilon}\left[\big(\widehat{f}_{W(k)}(\mathbf{x}) - f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x})\big)^2\right]. \tag{1}$$

Note that the expectation is taken over the marginal probability measure of feature space, $\rho_{\mathbf{x}}$, and the noise of the data, ε. However, the (1) is still a random quantity due to the randomness of the initialized parameters $\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\big)_{\ell=1,\ldots,L}$.

2.2 DEEP NEURAL NETWORK WITH RELU ACTIVATION

Following the setting introduced in Allen-Zhu et al. [2018], we consider a fully-connected deep neural networks with L hidden layers and m network width. For $L \geq 2$, the output of the network $f_{\mathbf{W}}(\cdot) \in \mathbb{R}$ with input data $\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}$ can be formally written as follows:

$$f_{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x}) = \sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \sigma\big(\mathbf{W}_L \sigma\big(\mathbf{W}_{L-1} \cdots \sigma\big(\mathbf{W}_1 \mathbf{x}\big) \cdots\big)\big), \tag{2}$$

where $\mathcal{S}^{d-1}$ is a unit sphere in d-dimensional euclidean space, $\sigma(\cdot)$ is an entry-wise activation function, $\mathbf{W}_1 \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d}$, $\mathbf{W}_2, \ldots, \mathbf{W}_L \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ denote the weight matrices for hidden layers and $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times 1}$ denote the weight vector for the output layer. Following the existing literature, we will consider ReLU activation function $\sigma(x) = \max(x, 0)$, which is the most commonly used activation function by practitioners.

Random Initialization. Each entries of weight matrices in hidden layers are assumed to be generated from $\big(\mathbf{W}_{i,j}\big)_{\ell=1,\ldots,L} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{2}{m})$, and entries of the output layer are drawn from $\mathbf{v}_j \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{\omega}{m})$. This initialization scheme helps the forward propagation neither explode nor vanish at the initialization, seeing Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]; Zou et al. [2018; 2020]. Note that we initialize the parameters in the last layer with variance $\frac{\omega}{m}$, where $\omega \leq 1$ is a model parameter to be chosen later for technical convenience.

Unregularized GD update rule. We solve a following ℓ_2-loss function with the given dataset $\mathcal{D}$:

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}\big) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \big(y_i - f_{\mathbf{W}}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big)^2. \tag{3}$$

Let $\mathbf{W}_1^{(0)}, \ldots, \mathbf{W}_L^{(0)}$ be the initialized weight matrices introduced above, and we consider a following gradient descent update rule:

$$\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)} = \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k-1)} - \eta \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big(\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k-1)})\big), \quad \ell \in [L], \quad k \geq 1, \tag{4}$$

where $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big(\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\cdot)\big)$ is a partial gradient of the loss function $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{S}}(\cdot)$ with respect to the ℓ-th layer parameters $\mathbf{W}_\ell$, and $\eta > 0$ is the learning rate of the gradient descent.

ℓ_2-regularized GD update rule. The estimator is obtained by minimizing a ℓ_2-regularized function;

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_D(\mathbf{W}) := \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D\big) + \frac{\mu}{2}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\Big\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\Big\|_F^2. \tag{5}$$

Naturally, we update the model parameters $\big\{\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}\big\}_{\ell=1,\ldots,L}$ via modified GD update rule:

$$\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)} = \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k-1)} - \eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D^{(k-1)}\big)\big] + \eta_2\mu\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}, \quad \forall\ell\in[L], \quad \forall k\geq 1. \tag{6}$$

The notations η_1, η_2 are step sizes, and $\mu > 0$ is a tuning parameter on regularization. We adopt the different step sizes for the partial gradient and regularized term for the theoretical conveniences. Furthermore, we add the additional subscript D to the update rule (6) to denote the variables are under the regularized GD update rule. Recall that the $\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}$ are initialized parameters same with the unregularized case. For simplicity, we fix the output layer, and train L hidden layers for both unregularized and regularized cases.

3 Main Theory

First, we describe the neural tangent kernel (NTK) matrix of (2), which is first proposed by Jacot et al. [2018] and further studied by Arora et al. [2019b]; Du et al. [2019]; Lee et al. [2018]; Yang [2019]. NTK matrix of DNN is a L-times recursively defined $n\times n$ kernel matrix, whose entries are the infinite-width limit of the gram matrix. Let $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\cdot)\big]$ be the gradient of the ReLU DNN (2) with respect to the weight matrix in ℓth hidden layer at random initialization. Note that when $\ell=1$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\cdot)\big]\in\mathbb{R}^{m\times d}$ and when $\ell\in\{2,\ldots,L\}$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\cdot)\big]\in\mathbb{R}^{m\times m}$. Then, as $m\to\infty$,

$$\mathbf{H}(0) := \left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\big\langle\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big],\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\big\rangle_{\text{Tr}}\right)_{n\times n}\to\mathbf{H}_L^\infty, \tag{7}$$

where $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty := \big\{\mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{x}_i,\mathbf{x}_j)\big\}_{i,j=1}^n$. Here, $\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\cdot)$ denotes a NTK function of (2) to be defined as follows:

Definition 3.1. ***(NTK function of (2)).*** *For any $\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}'\in\mathcal{X}$ and $\ell\in[L]$, define*

$$\begin{aligned}
&\Phi^{(0)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') = \langle\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}'\rangle,\\
&\Theta^{(\ell)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') = \begin{pmatrix}\Phi^{(\ell-1)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}) & \Phi^{(\ell-1)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}')\\ \Phi^{(\ell-1)}(\mathbf{x}',\mathbf{x}) & \Phi^{(\ell-1)}(\mathbf{x}',\mathbf{x}')\end{pmatrix}\in\mathbb{R}^{2\times 2},\\
&\Phi^{(\ell)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') = 2\cdot\mathop{\mathbb{E}}_{(u,v)\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\Theta^{(\ell)})}\big[\sigma(u)\cdot\sigma(v)\big], \quad \textit{and}\\
&\dot\Phi^{(\ell)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') = 2\cdot\mathop{\mathbb{E}}_{(u,v)\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\Theta^{(\ell)})}\big[\dot\sigma(u)\cdot\dot\sigma(v)\big],
\end{aligned}$$

where $\dot\sigma(u) = \mathbb{1}\big(u\geq 0\big)$. Then, we can derive the final expression of NTK function of (2) as follows:

$$\mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}') = \frac{\omega}{2}\cdot\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left(\Phi^{(\ell-1)}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}')\cdot\prod_{\ell'=\ell}^{L}\dot\Phi^{(\ell')}(\mathbf{x},\mathbf{x}')\right). \tag{8}$$

The expression in (8) is adapted from Cao & Gu [2019]. As remarked in Cao & Gu [2019], a coefficient 2 in $\Phi^{(\ell)}$ and $\dot\Phi^{(\ell)}$ remove the exponential dependence on the network depth L in the NTK function. However, when compared with the NTK formula in Cao & Gu [2019], (8) is different from two aspects: (i) An additional factor ω in (8)) comes from the difference in initialization settings of the output layer, in which Cao & Gu [2019] considers $v_j\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\frac{1}{m})$, whereas we consider $v_j\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\frac{\omega}{m})$. (ii) $\Phi^{(L)}$ is not added in the final expression of (8)), whereas it is added in the definition provided in Cao & Gu [2019]. This is because we only train the L hidden layers but fix the output layer, while Cao & Gu [2019] train the entire layers of the network including the output layer.

As already been pointed by several papers Cho & Saul [2009]; Jacot et al. [2018], it can be proved that the NTK function (8) is a positive semi-definite kernel function. Furthermore, Cho & Saul [2009] prove that the expectations in Φ and $\dot{\Phi}$ have closed form solutions, when the covariance matrices have the form $\left(\begin{smallmatrix} 1 & t \\ t & 1 \end{smallmatrix}\right)$ with $|t| \leq 1$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathop{\mathbb{E}}_{(u,v)\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\Theta^{(\ell)})} \big[\sigma(u)\cdot\sigma(v)\big] &= \frac{1}{2\pi}\bigg(t\cdot(\pi-\arccos(t)) + \sqrt{1-t^2}\bigg), \\ \mathop{\mathbb{E}}_{(u,v)\sim\mathcal{N}(0,\Theta^{(\ell)})} \big[\dot{\sigma}(u)\cdot\dot{\sigma}(v)\big] &= \frac{1}{2\pi}\big(\pi-\arccos(t)\big). \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

Clearly, (8) is symmetric and continuous on the product space $\mathcal{X}\times\mathcal{X}$, from which it can be implied that $\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\cdot)$ is a Mercer kernel inducing an unique RKHS. Following Ghorbani et al. [2020], we define the RKHS induced by (8) as:

Definition 3.2. ***(NTK induced RKHS).*** *For some integer $p\in\mathbb{N}$, set of points $\{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j\}_{j=1}^p \subset \mathcal{X}$, and weight vector $\alpha := \{\alpha_1,\ldots,\alpha_p\}\in\mathbb{R}^p$, define a complete vector space of functions, $f:\mathcal{X}\to\mathbb{R}$,*

$$\mathcal{H}_L^{\textbf{NTK}} := cl\bigg(\bigg\{f(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j \mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j)\bigg\}\bigg), \tag{10}$$

where $cl(\cdot)$ denotes closure.

In the remaining of our work, we assume the regression function $f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}) := \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}]$ belongs to $\mathcal{H}_L^{\textbf{NTK}}$.

3.1 Assumptions.

In this subsection, we state the assumptions imposed on the data distribution with some remarks.

- **(A1)** $\rho_{\mathcal{X}}$ is an uniform distribution on $\mathcal{S}^{d-1} := \{\mathbf{x}\in\mathbb{R}^d \mid \|\mathbf{x}\|_2 = 1\}$, and noisy observations are assumed to be bounded. (i.e., $\rho_{\mathbf{x}} \sim \mathbf{Unif}\big(\mathcal{S}^{d-1}\big)$, $\mathbf{y}_i = \mathcal{O}(1), \forall i\in[n]$.)
- **(A2)** Draw n i.i.d. samples $\{\mathbf{x}_i, f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$ from the joint measure ρ. Then, with probability at least $1-\delta$, we have $\lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big) = \lambda_0 > 0$.

Remark 3.3.

- When the feature space is restricted on the unit sphere, the NTK function in (8) becomes rotationally invariant zonal kernel. This setting allows to adopt the results of spectral decay of (8) in the basis of spherical harmonic polynomials for measuring the complexity of hypothesis space, $\mathcal{H}_L^{\textbf{NTK}}$. See the Appendix A.1 and references therein.
- Assumption (A2) is commonly employed in NTK related literature for proving global convergence of training error and generalization error of both deep and shallow neural network, Du et al. [2018; 2019]; Arora et al. [2019a]. Note that the (A2) holds as long as no two $\mathbf{x}_i$ and $\mathbf{x}_j$ are parallel to each other, which is true for most of the real-world distributions. See the proof of this claim in Du et al. [2019].

3.2 Analysis of Unregularized DNN

In this subsection, we provide the results on the training loss of DNN estimator obtained via minimizing unregularized ℓ_2-loss (3) and on the corresponding estimator's L_2-prediction risk $\mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}_k, f_\rho^\star\big)$.

Theorem 3.4. ***(Optimization)*** *For some $\delta\in[0,1]$, if we set the width of the network as $m \geq \Omega\big(\omega^7 n^8 L^{18}\frac{\log^3(m)}{\lambda_0^8\delta^2}\big)$, and we set the step-size of gradient descent as $\eta = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{\lambda_0}{n^2L^2m}\big)$. Then, with probability at least $1-\delta$ over the randomness of initialized parameters $\mathcal{W}^{(0)} := \big\{\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\big\}_{\ell=1}^{L+1}$ with $\mathbf{W}_{L+1}^{(0)} = \mathbf{v}$, we have for $k=0,1,2,\ldots,$*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(k)}\big) \leq \bigg(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\bigg)^k \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)}\big). \tag{11}$$

In other words, the training loss drops to 0 at a linear rate.

We acknowledge a series of past works Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]; Du et al. [2019] have similar spirits with those in Theorem 3.4. However, it is worth noting that their results are not applicable in our problem settings and data assumptions. Specifically, the result of Du et al. [2019] is based on the smooth and differentiable activation function, whereas the Theorem 3.4 is about the training error of ReLU activation function, which is not differentiable at 0. Furthermore, the result of Allen-Zhu et al. [2018] relies on ϕ-separateness assumption stating that the every pair of feature vectors $\{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j\}_{i\neq j}^n$ is apart from each other by some constant $\phi > 0$ in a Euclidean norm. In our work, the positivity assumption on the minimum eigenvalue of the NTK is imposed (i.e., $\lambda_0 > 0$).

Remark 3.5. *There has been an attempt to make a connection between the positivity and ϕ-separateness assumptions. Recently, Zou & Gu [2019] proved the relation $\lambda_0 = \Omega(\phi n^{-2})$ in a shallow-neural net setting. See Proposition 3.6. of their work. However, it is still an open question this relation holds in DNN setting as well. The results in Theorem 3.4 suggest a positive conjecture on this question. Indeed, plugging the relation $\lambda_0 = \Omega(\phi n^{-2})$ in (11) and in the $\eta = \mathcal{O}(\frac{\lambda_0}{n^2L^2m})$ yield the discount factor $\left(1 - \Omega(\frac{\eta m \phi}{n^2})\right)^k$ and step-size $\eta = \mathcal{O}(\frac{\phi}{n^4L^2m})$, which are exactly the same orders as presented in Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]. See Theorem 1 of their ArXiv version paper for the clear comparison. We leave the proof of this conjecture as a future work.*

Theorem 3.6. ***(Generalization)*** *Let $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\textbf{NTK}}$. Fix a failure probability $\delta \in [0,1]$. Set the width of the network as $m \geq \Omega(\omega^7 n^8 L^{18} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\lambda_0^8 \delta^2})$, the step-size of gradient descent as $\eta = \mathcal{O}(\frac{\lambda_0}{n^2L^2m})$, and the variance parameter $\omega \leq \mathcal{O}(\frac{\lambda_0 \delta}{n})^{2/3}$. Then, if the GD iteration $k \geq \Omega(\frac{\log(n)}{\eta m \lambda_0})$ or $k \leq \mathcal{O}(\frac{1}{\eta m \omega L})$, with probability at least $1-\delta$ over the randomness of initialized parameters $\mathcal{W}^{(0)}$, we have*

$$\mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}_k, f_\rho^\star\big) = \Omega(1).$$

This theorem states that if the network is trained for too long or too short, the L_2-prediction error of $\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}}$ is bounded away from 0 by some constant factor. Specifically, the former scenario indicates that the overfitting can be harmful for recovering $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\textbf{NTK}}$ given the noisy observations.

Remark 3.7. *Readers should note that the Theorem 3.6 does not consider if the GD algorithm can achieve low prediction risk $\mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}_k, f_\rho^\star\big)$ over the range of iterations $(\eta m \omega L)^{-1} \lesssim k \lesssim (\eta m \lambda_0)^{-1}\log(n)$. In the numerical experiment to be followed in Section 4, we observe that for some algorithm iterations k^*, the risk indeed decreases to the same minimum as low as the ℓ_2-regularized algorithm can achieve, and increases again. This observation implies that the unregularized algorithm can achieve the minimax rate of prediction risk. However, deriving the precise order of k^*, which gives the optimal minimax rate, seems to be a challenging problem, as it requires the knowledge of eigen-distribution of the NTK kernel matrix $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty$. Readers can refer Raskutti et al. [2014] for the early stopping rule in the context of non-parametric kernel regression and Hu et al. [2021] for the same observation in shallow neural net.*

3.3 Analysis of ℓ_2-regularized DNN

In this subsection, we study the training dynamics of ℓ_2-regularized DNN and the effects of the regularization for obtaining the minimax optimal convergence rate of L_2-prediction risk. In the results to be followed, we set the orders of model parameters μ, η_1, η_2 in (6), and a variance parameter of output layer, ω as follows:

$$\mu = \Theta\left(n^{\frac{d-1}{2d-1}}\right), \quad \eta_1 = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{m} n^{-\frac{3d-2}{2d-1}}\right), \quad \eta_2 = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{L} n^{-\frac{3d-2}{2d-1}}\right), \quad \omega = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{3/2}} n^{-\frac{5d-2}{2d-1}}\right). \tag{12}$$

Theorem 3.8. ***(Optimization)*** *Suppose we minimize ℓ_2-regularized objective function (5) via modified GD (6). Set the network width $m \geq \Omega(L^{20} n^{24} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2})$ and model parameters as in (12). Then, with probability at least $1-\delta$, the mean-squared error follows*

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathcal{W}_D^{(k)}\big)/n \leq \left(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\right)^k \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathcal{W}_D^{(0)}\big)/n + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1), \tag{13}$$

for $k \geq 0$. Additionally, after $k \geq \Omega\big((\eta_2 \mu L)^{-1} \log(n^{3/2})\big)$ iterations of (6), for some constant $C > 0$, we have

$$\left\| \mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty} \left(C\mu \cdot \mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{y} \right\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), \tag{14}$$

where we denote $\mathbf{u}_D(k) := [\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_1), \ldots, \widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_n)]^\top$.

Several comments are in sequel. Theorem 3.8 is, to our knowledge, the first result that rigorously shows the training dynamics of ℓ_2-regularized ReLU DNN in overparametrized setting. Observe that the first term on the right-hand side of the inequality (13) converges linearly to 0, and the second term is some positive constant that is bounded away from 0. This implies that the MSE of regularized DNN is upper-bounded by some positive constant. Note that we only provide the upper bound, but the results of our numerical experiments indicate that the MSE is lower-bounded by $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1)$ as well. We leave the proof of this conjecture for the future work.

The inequality (14) states that the trained dynamics of the regularized neural network can approximate the optimal solution of the following kernel ridge regression problem:

$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{H}^{\mathbf{NTK}}} \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \big(y_i - f(\mathbf{x}_i)\big)^2 + \frac{C\mu}{2} \|f\|_{\mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}}^2 \right\},$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}}$ denotes a NTK-induced RKHS norm. Specifically, (14) states that after approximately $(\eta_2 \mu L)^{-1}$ iterations of (6), the error rate becomes $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$. The approximation error is computed at the training data points under ℓ_2 norm. This should be compared with the Theorem 5.1 of Hu et al. [2021], where they showed that the similar approximation holds "within" a certain range of algorithm in shallow neural network setting. In contrast, we show that the approximation holds "after" $k \geq \Omega\big((\eta_2 \mu L)^{-1} \log(n^{3/2})\big)$ in deep neural network. It should be noted that the difference of results comes from the regularization scheme, where we penalize the $\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{W}_\ell - \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\|_F^2$, whereas Hu et al. [2021] regularized the term $\|\mathbf{W}_1\|_F^2$.

As another important comparison, Hu et al. [2019] showed the equivalence of a solution of kernel ridge regression associated with NTK and first order Taylor expansion of the regularized neural network dynamics; note, however, that the $\mathbf{u}_D(k)$ in (14) is a full neural network dynamics. Let $\mathcal{R}(\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}, f_\rho^\star)$ be the L_2-prediction risk of the regularized estimator $\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}$ via modified GD (6). Next theorem states the result of generalization ability of $\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}$.

Theorem 3.9. ***(Generalization)*** *Let $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$. Suppose the network width $m \geq \Omega\big(L^{20} n^{24} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2}\big)$ and model parameters are set as suggested in (12). Then, with probability tending to 1, we have*

$$\mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}, f_\rho^\star\big) = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}} \right).$$

The resulting convergence rate is $\mathcal{O}\big(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\big)$ with respect to the training sample size n. Note that the rate is always faster than $\mathcal{O}\big(n^{-1/2}\big)$ and turns out to be the minimax optimal rate Caponnetto & De Vito [2007]; Blanchard & Mücke [2018] for recovering $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ in the following sense:

$$\lim_{r \to 0} \liminf_{n \to \infty} \inf_{\widehat{f}} \sup_{\rho} \mathbb{P}\left[\mathcal{R}\big(\widehat{f}, f_\rho^\star\big) > r n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}} \right] = 1, \tag{15}$$

where ρ is a data distribution class satisfying the Assumptions (A1), (A2) and $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$, and infimum is taken over all estimators $\mathcal{D} \to \widehat{f}$. It is worth noting that the minimax rate in (15) is same with the minimax rate for recovering $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_1^{\mathbf{NTK}}$, i.e., Hu et al. [2021]. This result can be derived from the recent discovery of the equivalence between two function spaces , $\mathcal{H}_1^{\mathbf{NTK}} = \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$. We defer the rigorous justification of this claim in the Appendix A.1 with relevant references.

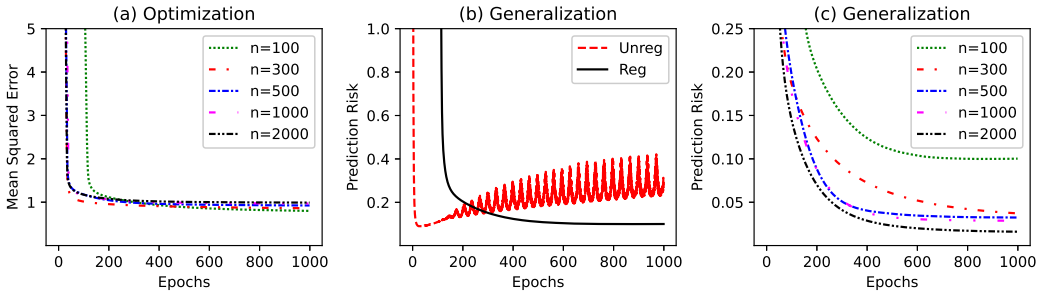

Figure 1: Results on synthetic data.

4 Numerical illustrations

In this section, we use synthetic data to corroborate our theoretical findings. We use the He initialization [He et al., 2015] and employ (ℓ_2-regularized) GD as introduced in subsection 2.2. For the experiments, we run 1000 epochs of GD and use a fixed step size, setting $\eta_1 = \eta_2 = 0.001$. We uniformly generate n feature data $\mathbf{x_i}^{\text{train}}$ from $\mathcal{S}^{d-1}$ with $d = 2$ and generate $\mathbf{y}_i$ from $f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_i^{\text{train}})$ with $\varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. To create a function $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$, we use the definition in (10) with $\alpha \in \mathbf{Unif}(\mathcal{S}^{p-1})$ and with p fixed points $\{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j\}_{j=1}^p \subset \mathbf{Unif}(\mathcal{S}^{d-1})$, where p is simply set as 1. Note that $\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot, \cdot)$ in (10) can be calculated via the formulas (8) and (9) with specified network depth L. We consider a scenario where we have a network with depth $L = 8$ and width $m = 2000$.

In Fig 1.(a), we record the training errors of regularized networks over the GD epochs $k \leq 1000$, where we have $n \in \{100, 300, 500, 1000, 2000\}$ training samples. This aims to verify the inequality (13) that the MSE of regularized network is bounded away from 0 by some constant. In Fig 1.(b), the prediction risks of both unregularized and regularized networks are displayed. We approximate the risk with $\frac{1}{500}\sum_{j=1}^{500}\left(\widehat{f}_k(\mathbf{x}_j^{\text{test}}) - f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_j^{\text{test}})\right)^2$ with a new test data set $\{\mathbf{x}_j^{\text{test}}, f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_j^{\text{test}})\}_{j=1}^{500}$ over $k \leq 1000$ for both unregularized and regularized cases. In both cases, they reach the same minimal risks, but the risk of unregularized network increase after it hits the minimal point, whereas the risk of regularized network stays stable. Note that the optimal risk is non-zero as long as we have finite sample sizes n, but converges to 0 at the rate $\mathcal{O}\left(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\right)$. In Fig 1.(c), we verify that the more training sample sizes we have, the closer the risks of the regularized networks get to 0.

5 Conclusion

We analyze the convergence rate of L_2-prediction error of both the unregularized and the regularized gradient descent for overparameterized DNN with ReLU activation for a regression problem. Under a positivity assumption of NTK, we show that without the adoption of early stopping, the L_2-prediction error of the estimated DNN via vanilla GD is bounded away from 0 (Theorem 3.4), whereas the prediction error of the DNN via ℓ_2-regularized GD achieves the optimal minimax rate (Theorem 3.9). The minimax rate $\mathcal{O}\left(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\right)$ is a faster than the $\mathcal{O}(n^{-1/2})$ by specifying the complexities of target function and hypothesis space.

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A APPENDIX

A.1 MINIMAX RATE FOR RECOVERING $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$

The complexity of RKHS $\mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ can be characterized by the eigen-decay rate of the NTK function. Since $\mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}')$ is defined on the sphere, the decomposition can be given in the basis of spherical harmonics as follows:

$$\mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_k \sum_{j=1}^{N(d,k)} Y_{k,j}(\mathbf{x}) Y_{k,j}(\mathbf{x}'),$$

where $Y_{k,j}, j = 1, \ldots, N(d,k)$ are spherical harmonic polynomials of degree k and $\{\mu_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ are non-negative eigenvalues. Recently, several researchers, both empirically Basri et al. [2020] and theoretically Chen & Xu [2020]; Geifman et al. [2020]; Bietti & Bach [2021], showed that, for large enough harmonic function frequency k, the decay rate of the eigenvalues μ_k is in the order of $\Theta\big(k^{-d}\big)$ [2]. Given this result and the fact $N(d,k) = \frac{2k+d-3}{k}\binom{k+d-3}{d-2}$ grows as k^{d-2} for large k, it can be easily shown $\lambda_j = \Theta\big(j^{-\frac{d}{d-1}}\big)$, when $\mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}') = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda_j \phi_j(\mathbf{x}) \phi_j(\mathbf{x}')$, for eigen-values $\lambda_0 \geq \lambda_1 \geq \cdots \geq 0$ and orthonormal basis $\{\phi_j\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$. Furthermore, it is a well known fact that if the eigenvalues decay at the rate $\lambda_j = \Theta(j^{-2\nu})$, then the corresponding minimax rate for estimating function in RKHS is $\mathcal{O}\big(n^{-\frac{2\nu}{2\nu+1}}\big)$, [Raskutti et al., 2014; Yuan & Zhou, 2016; Hu et al., 2021]. By setting $2\nu = \frac{d}{d-1}$, we can see the minimax rate for recovering $f_\rho^\star \in \mathcal{H}_L^{\mathbf{NTK}}$ is $\mathcal{O}\big(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\big)$.

A.2 PRELIMINARY NOTATIONS

Before presenting the formal proofs of Lemmas and main results, we introduce several notations used frequently throughout the proofs. First, we denote $\mathbf{x}_{\ell,i}$ the output of the ℓth hidden layer with the input data $\mathbf{x}_i$ after applying entry-wise ReLU activation function.

$$\mathbf{x}_{\ell,i} = \sigma\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell \sigma\big(\mathbf{W}_{\ell-1} \cdots \sigma\big(\mathbf{W}_1 \mathbf{x}_i\big) \cdots\big)\big).$$

Denote $f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)$ a value of neural network (2) evaluated at the collection of network parameters $\mathcal{W}^{(k)} := \big\{\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\big\}_{\ell=1,\ldots,L}$ and $\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}$ denotes the ℓth hidden layer parameter updated by kth GD iterations.

Partial gradient of $f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)$**.** We employ the following matrix product notation which was used in several other papers [Zou et al., 2018; Cao & Gu, 2019]:

$$\prod_{r=\ell_1}^{\ell_2} A_r := \begin{cases} A_{\ell_2} A_{\ell_2-1} \cdots A_{\ell_1} & \text{if} \quad \ell_1 \leq \ell_2, \\ \mathcal{I} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \tag{16}$$

Then, the partial gradient of $f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)$ with respect to $\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}$ for $1 \leq \ell \leq L$ has a following form: for $i \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$,

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] = \sqrt{m} \cdot \left[\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} \mathbf{W}_r^{(k)}\bigg) \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\right]^\top, \qquad \ell \in [L],$$

where $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} := \mathrm{Diag}\big(\mathbb{1}\big(\langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,1}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \rangle \geq 0\big), \ldots, \mathbb{1}\big(\langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,m}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \rangle \geq 0\big)\big) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ and $\mathbf{w}_{\ell,j}^{(k)}$ denotes jth column of the matrix $\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}$.

Gram matrix $\mathbf{H}(k)$**.** Each entries of empirical gram matrix evaluated at the kth GD update are defined as follows:

$$\mathbf{H}_{i,j}(k) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\big\rangle_{\mathrm{Tr}}.$$

[2] In shallow neural network with ReLU activation without bias terms, it is shown that μ_k satisfy $\mu_0, \mu_1 > 0$, $\mu_k = 0$ if $k = 2j+1$ with $j \geq 1$, and otherwise $\mu_k = \Theta\big(k^{-d}\big)$. See Bietti & Mairal [2019]. However, in ReLU DNN, it is shown that these parity constraints can be removed even without bias terms and μ_k achieves $\Theta\big(k^{-d}\big)$ decay rate for large enough k. Readers can refer Bietti & Bach [2021] for this result.

Note that $\mathbf{H}(0) \to \mathbf{H}_L^\infty$ as $m \to \infty$ which is proved in Jacot et al. [2018]; Yang [2019]; Lee et al. [2018]; Arora et al. [2019b].

Perturbation region of weight matrices. Consider a collection of weight matrices $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} = \big\{\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_\ell\big\}_{\ell=1,\dots,L}$ such that

$$\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)}, \tau\big) := \Big\{\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_\ell : \|\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_\ell - \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\|_2 \le \tau, \quad \forall \ell \in [L]\Big\}. \tag{17}$$

For all $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and $\ell = 1, \dots, L$, we denote $\mathbf{x}_{\ell,i}$ and $\widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\ell,i}$ as the outputs of the ℓ-th layer of the neural network with weight matrices $\mathbf{W}^{(0)}$ and $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}$, and $\Sigma_{\ell,i}$ and $\widetilde{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}$ are diagonal matrices with $\big(\Sigma_{\ell,i}\big)_{jj} = \mathbb{1}\big(\langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,j}^{(0)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}\rangle \ge 0\big)$ and $\big(\widetilde{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}\big)_{jj} = \mathbb{1}\big(\langle \widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\ell,j}, \widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\ell-1,i}\rangle \ge 0\big)$, respectively.

A.3 Useful Lemmas

A simple fact. Suppose $\mathbf{v}_j \overset{\text{i.i.d}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{\omega}{m})$ for $j \in [m]$. Then, with probability at least $1 - \exp\left[-\Omega(m)\right]$, $\|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2 \le \mathcal{O}(\omega)$.

Proof. Since $\big\|\mathbf{v}_j^2\big\|_{\Psi_1} \le \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{\omega}{m}\big)$ for $j \in [m]$, where $\|\cdot\|_{\Psi_1}$ denotes a sub-exponential norm, Bernstein's inequality for i.i.d. centered sub-exponential random variables can be employed : For any $t \ge 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}\bigg(\bigg|\sum_{j=1}^m \Big(\mathbf{v}_j^2 - \frac{\omega}{m}\Big)\bigg| \ge t\bigg) \le 2\exp\bigg(-c\min\bigg(\frac{t^2}{\sum_{j=1}^m \big\|\mathbf{v}_j^2\big\|_{\Psi_1}^2}, \frac{t}{\max_j \big\|\mathbf{v}_j^2\big\|_{\Psi_1}}\bigg)\bigg), \tag{18}$$

where $c > 0$ is an absolute constant. Note that we used the fact centering does not hurt the sub-exponentiality of random variable. Choosing $t = \mathcal{O}\big(\omega\big)$ concludes the proof. □

Lemma 1.1 (**Lemma 7.1. Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]**). *With probability at least* $1 - \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m/L)]$, $3/4 \le \|\mathbf{x}_{\ell,i}^{(0)}\|_2 \le 5/4$ *for all* $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ *and* $\ell \in \{1, \dots, L\}$.

Lemma 1.2 (**Lemma B.1. Cao & Gu [2019]**). *If* $\tau \le \mathcal{O}\big(L^{-9/2}[\log(m)]^{-3}\big)$, *then with probability at least* $1 - \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$, $1/2 \le \|\widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\ell,i}\|_2 \le 3/2$ *for all* $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)}, \tau\big)$, $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ *and* $\ell \in \{1, \dots, L\}$.

Lemma 1.3 (**Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]**). *Uniformly over* $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ *and* $1 \le \ell_1 \le \ell_2 \le L$, *the following results hold:*

1. *(**Lemma.7.3,** Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]) Suppose* $m \ge \Omega(nL\log(nL))$, *then with probability at least,* $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL^2\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$,

$$\bigg\|\prod_{r=\ell_1}^{\ell_2} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(0)}\bigg\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{L}\big).$$

2. *(**Lemma.7.4,** Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]) Suppose* $m \ge \Omega(nL\log(nL))$, *then with probability at least,* $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m/L)]$,

$$\bigg\|\mathbf{v}^\top\Big(\prod_{r=\ell_1}^{L} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(0)}\Big)\bigg\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{w}\big).$$

3. *(**Lemma.8.2,** Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]) Suppose* $\tau \le \mathcal{O}\big(L^{-9/2}[\log(m)]^{-3}\big)$. *For all* $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)}, \tau\big)$, *with probability at least,* $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL^2\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$,

$$\Big\|\widetilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\ell_1,i} - \mathbf{x}_{\ell_1,i}^{(0)}\Big\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\tau L^{5/2}\sqrt{\log(m)}\big).$$

4. *(**Corollary.8.4,** Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]) Suppose $\tau \leq \mathcal{O}\big(L^{-9/2}[\log(m)]^{-3}\big)$, then with probability at least, $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL^2\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$,*

$$\Big\|\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{\ell_1,i} - \mathbf{\Sigma}^{(0)}_{\ell_1,i}\Big\|_0 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(m\tau^{2/3}L\big).$$

5. *(**Lemma.8.7,** Allen-Zhu et al. [2018]) For all $\ell \in [L]$, let $\mathbf{\Sigma}''_{\ell,i} \in [-3,3]^{m\times m}$ be the diagonal matrices with at most $s = \mathcal{O}(m\tau^{2/3}L)$ non-zero entries. For all $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)},\tau\big)$, where $\tau = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{L^{1.5}}\big)$, with probability at least $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(s\log(m))]$,*

$$\Bigg\|\mathbf{v}^T\Big(\prod_{r=\ell_1+1}^{L}(\mathbf{\Sigma}''_{r,i} + \mathbf{\Sigma}^{(0)}_{r,i})\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_{r,i}\Big)(\mathbf{\Sigma}''_{\ell_1,i} + \mathbf{\Sigma}^{(0)}_{r,i}) - \mathbf{v}^T\Big(\prod_{r=\ell_1+1}^{L}\mathbf{\Sigma}^{(0)}_{r,i}\mathbf{W}^{(0)}_{r,i}\Big)\mathbf{\Sigma}^{(0)}_{\ell_1,i}\Bigg\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega\log(m)}\big).$$

Lemma 1.4 (**Lemma B.3. Cao & Gu [2019]**). *There exists an absolute constant κ such that, with probability at least $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL^2\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$, $i \in 1,\ldots,n$ and $\ell \in 1,\ldots,L$ and for all $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)},\tau\big)$, with $\tau \leq \kappa L^{-6}[\log(m)]^{-3}$, it holds uniformly that*

$$\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\big\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{\omega m}\big).$$

Lemma 1.5. *Suppose $\widetilde{\mathbf{W}} \in \mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)},\tau\big)$ and $\tau \leq \mathcal{O}\big(L^{-9/2}[\log(m)]^{-3}\big)$. For all $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ with a cardinality $\|u\|_0 \leq s$, for any $1 \leq \ell \leq L$ and $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$, with probability at least $1 - \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp\big(-\Omega(s\log(m))\big) - \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp\big(-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)\big)$,*

$$\Big|\mathbf{v}^\top\Big(\prod_{r=\ell}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_{r,i}\Big)u\Big| \leq \sqrt{\frac{\omega s\log(m)}{m}} \cdot \mathcal{O}\big(\|u\|_2\big).$$

Proof. Recall Lemma 1.2. For any fixed vector $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$, with probability at least $1 - \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$ for $\tau \leq \mathcal{O}\big(L^{-9/2}[\log(m)]^{-3}\big)$, for any $1 \leq \ell \leq L$ and $i \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$, we have the event $\mathcal{T}$,

$$\Big\|\Big(\prod_{r=\ell}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_{r,i}\Big)u\Big\|_2 \leq 3\,\|u\|_2\,. \tag{19}$$

Conditioned on this event happens, it is easy to see the random variable $\mathbf{v}^\top\big(\prod_{r=a}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_{r,i}\big)u \sim SG\big(\frac{9\omega}{m}\|u\|_2^2\big)$. Based on this observation, we have the probability,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbb{P}\Big(\Big|\mathbf{v}^\top\Big(\prod_{r=\ell}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_{r,i}\Big)u\Big| \geq \sqrt{\frac{\omega s\log(m)}{m}} \cdot \mathcal{O}\big(\|u\|_2\big)\Big) \\
&\qquad \leq \mathbb{P}\Big(\Big|\mathbf{v}^\top\Big(\prod_{r=\ell}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}\widetilde{\mathbf{W}}_{r,i}\Big)u\Big| \geq \sqrt{\frac{\omega s\log(m)}{m}} \cdot \mathcal{O}\big(\|u\|_2\big)\;\Big|\;\mathcal{T}\Big) + \mathbb{P}\big(\mathcal{T}^c\big) \\
&\qquad \leq \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp\big(-\Omega(s\log(m))\big) + \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp\big(-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)\big),
\end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality, union bounds over the indices ℓ and i, and over the vector $u \in \mathbb{R}^m$ with $\|u\|_0 \leq s$ are taken. □

Lemma 1.6. *Suppose $\tau \leq \frac{1}{CL^{9/2}[\log(m)]^3}$ for some constant $C > 0$. Then, for all $i \in [n]$ and $\ell \in [L]$, with probability at least $1 - \mathcal{O}\big(nL\big) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$, we have*

$$\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\big\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\Big(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\Big).$$

Proof. By using the results from Lemma 1.3, we can control the term :

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\ \big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\ \|_2 \\
&= \sqrt{m}\cdot\left\|\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1}^{(k)}\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L}\mathbf{\Sigma}_r^{(k)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(k)}\bigg)\mathbf{\Sigma}_\ell^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1}^{(0)}\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L}\mathbf{\Sigma}_r^{(0)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(0)}\bigg)\mathbf{\Sigma}_\ell^{(0)}\right\|_2 \\
&\le \sqrt{m}\cdot\underbrace{\|\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1}^{(k)} - \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1}^{(0)}\ \|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(\tau L^{5/2}\sqrt{\log(m)})}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L}\mathbf{\Sigma}_r^{(k)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(k)}\bigg)\mathbf{\Sigma}_\ell^{(k)}\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\omega})} \\
&\qquad + \sqrt{m}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1}^{(0)}\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(1)}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L}\mathbf{\Sigma}_r^{(k)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(k)}\bigg)\mathbf{\Sigma}_\ell^{(k)} - \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L}\mathbf{\Sigma}_r^{(0)}\mathbf{W}_r^{(0)}\bigg)\mathbf{\Sigma}_\ell^{(0)}\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega\log(m)})} \\
&\le \mathcal{O}\bigg(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\bigg),
\end{aligned}
$$

where, in the last inequality, we used the condition on $\tau \le \frac{1}{CL^{9/2}[\log(m)]^3} < 1$. □

Remark 1.7. *Note that the results in Lemmas* 6.3 *(second and fifth items),* 6.4*,* 6.5*,* 6.6 *are in the setting of* $v_j \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{\omega}{m})$ *for* $j \in [m]$.

For the notational convenience, in following Lemmas we denote $f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ as $\mathbf{u}_i(k)$ and let $\mathbf{u}(k) := [\mathbf{u}_1(k), \ldots, \mathbf{u}_n(k)]^\top$ for $k \ge 0$.

Lemma 1.8. *For some* $\delta \in [0,1]$*, if* $m \ge \Omega\big(L\log(nL/\delta)\big)$*, then with probability at least* $1-\delta$*,* $\|\mathbf{u}(k)\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{\sqrt{n\omega}}{\delta}\big)$ *for any* $k \ge 0$.

Proof. Recall the Lemma 1.2 stating that $\left\|\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2 = \mathcal{O}(1)$ for any input data $\mathbf{x}_i$ for $i \in [n]$. Also recall that $\mathbf{v}_j \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \frac{\omega}{m})$ for $j \in [m]$, $\mathbf{x}_{L,i} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{u}_i(k) = \sqrt{m}\mathbf{v}^\top\mathbf{x}_{L,i} \sim \mathcal{N}\big(0, \mathcal{O}(\omega)\big)$. Then, we have a following via simple Markov inequality: for any $t \ge 0$,

$$
\mathbb{P}\bigg(\ \|\mathbf{u}(k)\|_2 \ge t\bigg) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}\big[\ \|\mathbf{u}(k)\|_2\ \big]}{t} \le \frac{\sqrt{\mathbb{E}\big[\ \|\mathbf{u}(k)\|_2^2\ \big]}}{t} \le \frac{\mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{n\omega}\big)}{t}.
$$

□

Lemma 1.9. *For some* $\delta \in [0,1]$*, if* $m \ge \Omega\big(L\log(nL/\delta)\big)$*, then with probability at least* $1-\delta$*, we have*

$$
\|\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\bigg(\sqrt{\frac{n}{\delta}}\bigg).
$$

Proof. By Markov's inequality, for any $t \ge 0$,

$$
\mathbb{P}\bigg(\ \|\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \ge t\bigg) \le \frac{\mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon,\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}}\Big[\ \|\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2\Big]}{t^2}. \tag{20}
$$

Note that the expectation in the nominator of (20) is taken over the random noise ε and initialized parameter $\mathbf{W}(0)$, $\mathbf{v}$. We can expand the nominator as follows:

$$
\mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon,\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}}\Big[\ \|\mathbf{u}(0) - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2\Big] = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}}\|\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2^2 + \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 - 2\mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon,\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}}\Big[\mathbf{y}^\top\mathbf{u}(0)\Big]. \tag{21}
$$

For the convenience of notation, let $\mathbf{y}^* := [f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_1), \ldots, f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_n)]^\top$ and $\varepsilon := [\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n]^\top$. Recall that we have $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^* + \varepsilon$, and $\|\mathbf{y}^*\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(n)$. Also note that by Lemma 1.1, with probability at least $1 - \mathcal{O}(nL)\cdot\exp[-\Omega(m/L)]$, for any $i = 1, \ldots, n$, $\|\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(0)}\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(1)$. Then, we have a random

variable $\mathbf{u}_i(0) = \sqrt{m}\mathbf{v}^\top \mathbf{x}_{L,i} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathcal{O}(\omega))$. Now, we are ready to derive the orders of three terms on the RHS of (21).

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}} \|\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(n),$$
$$\mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon} \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 = \mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon}\Big[\|\mathbf{y}^*\|_2^2 + \|\varepsilon\|_2^2 - 2\mathbf{y}^\top \varepsilon\Big] = \mathcal{O}(n),$$
$$\mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon,\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}}\Big[\mathbf{y}^\top \mathbf{u}(0)\Big] = \mathbb{E}_{\varepsilon,\mathbf{W}(0),\mathbf{v}}\Big[\big(\mathbf{y}^* + \varepsilon\big)^\top \mathbf{u}(0)\Big] = 0.$$

Combining the above three equalities, we conclude the proof. □

Lemma 1.10. *Suppose* $\tau = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\big)$. *For some* $\delta \in [0,1]$ *such that* $\delta \geq \mathcal{O}(nL) \cdot \exp[-\Omega(m\tau^{2/3}L)]$, *then with probability at least* $1-\delta$, *we have*

$$\|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta\lambda_0^2}}\right).$$

Proof. By the definition of gram matrix $\mathbf{H}_{i,j}(k)$ for any $k \geq 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&|\mathbf{H}_{i,j}(k) - \mathbf{H}_{i,j}(0)| \\
&= \left| \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \Big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \Big\rangle_{\text{Tr}} - \Big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \Big\rangle_{\text{Tr}} \right| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \Bigg\{ \left| \Big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \Big\rangle_{\text{Tr}} \right| \\
&\qquad + \left| \Big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] \Big\rangle_{\text{Tr}} \right| \Bigg\} \\
&\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \Bigg\{ \underbrace{\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\big\|_2}_{\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega m}\right)} \cdot \underbrace{\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\big\|_2}_{\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega m \log(m)}\right)} \\
&\qquad + \underbrace{\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\big\|_2}_{\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega m}\right)} \cdot \underbrace{\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\big\|_2}_{\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega m \log(m)}\right)} \Bigg\} \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/6} n^{1/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta\lambda_0^2}}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

In the second inequality, Lemmas 1.4 and 1.6 are used, and in the last inequality, $\tau = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\big)$ is plugged in. With this, using the fact that Frobenius norm of a matrix is bigger than the operator norm, we bound the term $\|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_2$ as follows:

$$\|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_2 \leq \|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_F \leq \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta\lambda_0^2}}\right).$$

□

Lemma 1.11. *For some* $\delta \in [0,1]$, *with probability at least* $1-\delta$,

$$\|\mathbf{H}_L^\infty - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\left(\omega n L^{5/2} \sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right)$$

Proof. For some $\delta' \in [0,1]$, set $\varepsilon = L^{3/2}\sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(L/\delta')}{m}}$ from Theorem 3.1. of Arora et al. [2019b]. For any fixed $i, j \in [n]$, we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left[\big|\mathbf{H}_{i,j}^\infty - \mathbf{H}_{i,j}(0)\big| \leq \mathcal{O}\left(\omega L^{5/2}\sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(L/\delta')}{m}}\right)\right] \geq 1 - \delta'.$$

After applying the union bound over all $i, j \in [n]$, setting $\delta = \frac{\delta'}{n^2}$, and using the fact that Frobenius norm of a matrix is bigger than the operator norm, we conclude the proof. $\square$

For two positive semi-definite matrices $\mathbf{A}$ and $\mathbf{B}$, if we write $\mathbf{A} \succeq \mathbf{B}$, then it means $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ is positive semi-definite matrix. Similarly, if we write $\mathbf{A} \succ \mathbf{B}$, then it means $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}$ is positive definite matrix. With these notations, we introduce a following Lemma.

Lemma 1.12 (**Lemma D.6. Hu et al. [2021]**). *For two positive semi-definite matrices* $\mathbf{A}$ *and* $\mathbf{B}$,

1. *Suppose* $\mathbf{A}$ *is non-singular, then* $\mathbf{A} \succeq \mathbf{B} \iff \lambda_{max}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^{-1}) \leq 1$ *and* $\mathbf{A} \succ \mathbf{B} \iff \lambda_{max}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}^{-1}) < 1$, *where* $\lambda_{max}(\cdot)$ *denotes the maximum eigenvalue of the input matrix.*
2. *Suppose* $\mathbf{A}$, $\mathbf{B}$ *and* $\mathbf{Q}$ *are positive definite matrices,* $\mathbf{A}$ *and* $\mathbf{B}$ *are exchangeable, then* $\mathbf{A} \succeq \mathbf{B} \Longrightarrow \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{A} \succeq \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{B}$.

B Proof of Theorem 3.4

Proof. For the convenience of notation, denote $u_i(k) = f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ and let $\mathbf{u}(k) = \big[u_1(k), u_2(k), \ldots, u_n(k)\big]^\top$. In order to achieve linear convergence rate of the training error, $\|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2$, we decompose the term as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - y\|_2^2 &= \big\|\mathbf{u}(k) - y + \big(\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\big)\big\|_2^2 \\ &= \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2 - 2\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big)^\top\big(\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\big) + \|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\|_2^2 .\end{aligned}$$

Equipped with this decomposition, the proof consists of the following steps:

1. Similarly with Du et al. [2019], a term $\big(\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\big)$ is decomposed into two terms, where we denote them as $\mathbf{I}_1^{(k)}$ and $\mathbf{I}_2^{(k)}$, respectively. We note that the first term $\mathbf{I}_1^{(k)}$ is related with a gram matrix $\mathbf{H}(k)$ and a second term $\mathbf{I}_2^{(k)}$ can be controlled small enough in ℓ_2 sense with proper choices of the step size and the width of network.
2. A term $\|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\|_2^2$ needs to be controlled small enough to ensure $2\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big)^\top\big(\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\big) > \|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\|_2^2$ so that the loss decreases.
3. It is shown that the distance between the gram matrix $\mathbf{H}(k)$ and the NTK matrix $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty$ is close enough in terms of operator norm.
4. Lastly, we inductively show that the weights generated from gradient descent stay within a perturbation region $\mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)}, \tau\big)$, irrespective with the number of iterations of algorithm,

We start the proof by analyzing the term $\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)$.

Step 1. Control on $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{1}) - \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{k})$. Recall $\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj} = \mathbb{1}\big(\langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,j}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\rangle \geq 0\big)$ and we introduce a diagonal matrix $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}$, whose jth entry is defined as follows:

$$\big(\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj} = \big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj} \cdot \frac{\langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,j}^{(k+1)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k+1)}\rangle}{\langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,j}^{(k+1)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k+1)}\rangle - \langle \mathbf{w}_{\ell,j}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\rangle}.$$

With this notation, the difference $\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}$ can be rewritten via the recursive applications of $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}$:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)} &= \big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{L,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{L,i}^{(k)}\big)\big(\mathbf{W}_L^{(k+1)}\mathbf{x}_{L-1,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_L^{(k)}\mathbf{x}_{L-1,i}^{(k)}\big) \\ &= \big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{L,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{L,i}^{(k)}\big)\mathbf{W}_L^{(k+1)}\big(\mathbf{x}_{L-1,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{L-1,i}^{(k)}\big) + \big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{L,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{L,i}^{(k)}\big)\big(\mathbf{W}_L^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_L^{(k)}\big)\mathbf{x}_{L-1,i}^{(k)} \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\Bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L}\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)}\big)\mathbf{W}_r^{(k+1)}\Bigg)\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\big)\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\end{aligned} \tag{22}$$

Then, we introduce following notations :

$$\mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} = \bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} \mathbf{W}_r^{(k)}\bigg) \mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}, \qquad \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} = \bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L} (\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)}) \mathbf{W}_r^{(k+1)}\bigg) (\mathbf{\Sigma}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}).$$

Now, we can write $u_i(k+1) - u_i(k)$ by noting that $u_i(k) = \sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}$:

$$\begin{aligned} u_i(k+1) - u_i(k) &= \sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \big(\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}\big) \\ &= \sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} \bigg(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\bigg) \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \\ &= \underbrace{-\eta\sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell} \big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big] \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{1,i}^{(k)}} \\ &\qquad \underbrace{-\eta\sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \bigg(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\bigg) \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell} \big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big] \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{2,i}^{(k)}} \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Here, $\mathbf{I}_{1,i}^{(k)}$ can be rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I}_{1,i}^{(k)} &= -\eta\sqrt{m} \cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \big(u_j(k) - y_j\big) \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell} \big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \\ &= -\eta \cdot \sum_{j=1}^{n} \big(u_j(k) - y_j\big) \cdot \bigg(\sqrt{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell} \big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\bigg) \\ &= -m\eta \cdot \sum_{j=1}^{n} \big(u_j(k) - y_j\big) \cdot \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \Big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell} \big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell} \big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \Big\rangle_{\mathrm{Tr}} \\ &= -m\eta \cdot \sum_{j=1}^{n} \big(u_j(k) - y_j\big) \cdot \mathbf{H}_{i,j}(k). \end{aligned}$$

For $\mathbf{I}_{2,i}^{(k)}$, we need a more careful control. First, we pay our attention on bounding the term $\|\mathbf{v}^\top(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)})\|_2$ as follows: By triangle inequality, we have

$$\bigg\|\mathbf{v}^\top \bigg(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\bigg)\bigg\|_2 \leq \bigg\|\mathbf{v}^\top \bigg(\mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(0)}\bigg)\bigg\|_2 + \bigg\|\mathbf{v}^\top \bigg(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(0)}\bigg)\bigg\|_2. \tag{24}$$

We control the first term of the right-hand side (R.H.S) in (24). By the fourth item of the Lemma 1.3, we know $\|\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\|_0 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(m\tau^{2/3}L\big)$ and $|\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\big)_{j,j}| \leq 1$ for $j \in [m]$. Then, we can plug $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}'' = \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}$ in the inequality of the fifth item of Lemma 1.3. So, the first term of the R.H.S in (24) can be bounded by $\mathcal{O}\big(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega\log(m)}\big)$.

The second term of the R.H.S in (24) can be similarly controlled as the first term. Observe that $|\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj}| \leq 1$, then we have $|\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\big)_{j,j}| \leq 2$ for all $j \in [m]$. Note that by the definition of $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)}$, we have $\|\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)}\|_0 = \|\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)}\|_0 \leq \|\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\|_0 + \|\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\|_0 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(m\tau^{2/3}L\big)$. Thus, by the triangle inequality, we have $\|\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}\|_0 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(m\tau^{2/3}L\big)$. These observations enable us to plug $\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}'' = \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(0)}$ in the inequality of the fifth item of Lemma 1.3, and give the bound on the second term as $\mathcal{O}\big(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega\log(m)}\big)$.

We have $\|\mathbf{v}^\top(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)})\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega\log(m)}\big)$. Now, we control the ℓ_2-norm of the $\mathbf{I}_2^{(k)}$ as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathbf{I}_2^{(k)}\right\|_2 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left|\mathbf{I}_{2,i}^{(k)}\right| \\
&\leq \eta\sqrt{m}\cdot\sum_{i=1}^{n}\Bigg[\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{v}^\top\left(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\right)\right\|_2}_{\leq\mathcal{O}(L^2\tau^{1/3}\sqrt{\omega\log(m)})}\cdot\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\right\|_2\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2}_{\leq\mathcal{O}(1)\text{ : Lemma 1.2}}\Bigg] \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\Big(\eta nL^2\tau^{1/3}\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\Big)\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\right\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\Big(\eta nL^{5/2}\tau^{1/3}\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\Big)\sqrt{\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\right\|_F^2} \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\Big(\eta nL^{5/2}\tau^{1/3}\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\Big)\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_j(k)-y_j\big)^2\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\right\|_F^2} \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\Big(\eta nL^3\tau^{1/3}\omega m\sqrt{\log(m)}\Big)\left\|\mathbf{u}(k)-y\right\|_2. \qquad (25)
\end{aligned}
$$

Step 2. Control on $\|\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{k}+\mathbf{1})-\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{k})\|_2^2$**.** Recall that by (23), $\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)}-\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}$ can be written as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)} &= \sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\left(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\right)\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \\
&= -\eta\cdot\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}.
\end{aligned}
$$

It is worth noting that,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\right\|_2^2 &= \left\|\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_j(k)-y_j\big)\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\right\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_j(k)-y_j\big)^2\sum_{j=1}^{n}\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\right\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}(nm\omega)\left\|\mathbf{u}(k)-y\right\|_2^2. \qquad (26)
\end{aligned}
$$

Also, observe that $|\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{r,i}^{(k)}+\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{r,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj}|\leq 1$ for all $j\in[m]$, so by Lemma A.3 of Zou et al. [2020], we know $\|\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\|_2\leq\mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{L}\big)$. Combining all the facts, we can conclude:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{u}(k+1)-\mathbf{u}(k)\|_2^2 &= m\cdot\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}\right)^2 \\
&\leq m\cdot\|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left\|\mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{L,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \eta^2 m\cdot\|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2\sum_{i=1}^{n}\Bigg[\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\|\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{\ell,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2^2\cdot\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\right\|_2^2\cdot\left\|\mathbf{x}_{\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2^2\Bigg] \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\big(\eta^2n^2L^2m^2\omega^2\big)\left\|\mathbf{u}(k)-y\right\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\big(\eta^2n^2L^2m^2\big)\left\|\mathbf{u}(k)-y\right\|_2^2, \qquad (27)
\end{aligned}
$$

where in the third inequality, we additionally used the fact $\|\mathbf{v}\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(\omega)$ with probability at least $1 - \exp(-\Omega(m))$, and the inequality (26). In the last inequality, we used the assumption $\omega \leq 1$.

Step 3. $\lambda_{min}\big(H(k)\big) \geq \frac{\lambda_0}{2}$ ***with sufficiently large*** m**.** Denote $\rho(A)$ as a sprectral radius of a matrix A. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\|_2 &\geq \rho\big(\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big) \\
&\geq -\lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big) \\
&\geq \lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big) - \lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}(k)\big) \\
&\geq \lambda_0 - \lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}(k)\big),
\end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

where, in the second inequality, we used a triangle inequality, $\lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big) + \lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big) \leq \lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}(k)\big)$. By Lemmas 1.10 and 1.11, setting $m \geq \Omega\bigg(\omega^7 n^8 L^{18} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\lambda_0^8 \delta}\bigg)$ and $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}\bigg(\frac{\lambda_0^{4/3}\delta^{1/3}}{n^{4/3}L^4}\bigg) \leq \omega \leq 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\|_2 &\leq \|\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_2 + \|\mathbf{H}(0) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta\lambda_0^2}}\bigg) + \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega n^2 L^{5/2} \sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\bigg) \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta\lambda_0^2}}\bigg) \\
&\leq \frac{\lambda_0}{2}.
\end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

Thus, combining (28) and (29) yields that $\lambda_{\min}\big(H(k)\big) \geq \frac{\lambda_0}{2}$.

Step 4. Concluding the proof. Recall that $\mathbf{I}_1^{(k)} = -m\eta \cdot \mathbf{H}(k)(\mathbf{u}(k) - y)$. Then observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathbf{u}(k) - y)^\top \mathbf{I}_1^{(k)} &= -\eta m \cdot (\mathbf{u}(k) - y)^\top \mathbf{H}(k)(\mathbf{u}(k) - y) \\
&\leq -\eta m \cdot \lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}(k)\big) \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2 \\
&\leq -\eta m \cdot \frac{\lambda_0}{2} \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2 .
\end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

We set the step size η, radius of perturbation region τ and network width m as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}
\eta &= \Omega\bigg(\frac{\lambda_0}{n^2 L^2 m}\bigg), \\
\tau &= \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\bigg), \\
m &\geq \Omega\bigg(\omega^7 n^8 L^{18} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\lambda_0^8 \delta}\bigg).
\end{aligned}$$

With the above settings, we can control the $\|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - y\|_2^2$ by combining (25), (27) and (30) as follows,

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - y\|_2^2 &= \big\|\mathbf{u}(k) - y + \big(\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\big)\big\|_2^2 \\
&= \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2 - 2\eta m \cdot \big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big)^\top \mathbf{H}(k)\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big) \\
&\qquad - \big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big)^\top \mathbf{I}_2^{(k)} + \|\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k)\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \bigg(1 - \eta m \lambda_0 + \mathcal{O}\big(\eta n L^3 \tau^{1/3} m\omega\sqrt{\log(m)}\big) + \mathcal{O}\big(\eta^2 n^2 L^2 m^2\big)\bigg) \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \bigg(1 - \frac{\eta m \lambda_0}{2}\bigg) \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2^2 .
\end{aligned}$$

So far, we have shown from Step 1 to Step 4 that given the radius of perturbation region τ has the order $\mathcal{O}\big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\big)$, then we can show the training error drops linearly to 0 with the discount factor $(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2})$ along with the proper choices of η and m. It remains us to prove the iterates $\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}$ for all $\ell\in[L]$ generated by GD algorithm indeed stay in the perturbation region $\mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)},\tau\big)$ over $k\geq 0$ with $\tau=\mathcal{O}\big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\big)$.

Step 5. The order of the radius of perturbation region. We employ the induction process for the proof. The induction hypothesis is : $\forall s\in[k+1]$,

$$\Big\|\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(s)}-\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\Big\|_2\leq\eta\cdot\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{nm\omega}\Big)\sum_{t=0}^{s-1}\Big(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\Big)^{\frac{t}{2}}\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{\frac{n}{\delta}}\Big)\leq\mathcal{O}\Big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\Big). \tag{31}$$

First, it is easy to see it holds for $s=0$. Now, suppose it holds for $s=0,\ldots,k$, we consider $s=k+1$.

$$\begin{aligned}\Big\|\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k+1)}-\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\Big\|_2&=\Big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)\big]\Big\|_2\\&=\eta\cdot\Bigg\|\sum_{j=1}^n\big(u_j(k)-y_j\big)\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\Bigg\|_2\\&\leq\eta\cdot\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n\big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\big\|_2^2}\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n\big(u_j(k)-y_j\big)^2}\\&\leq\eta\cdot\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{nm\omega}\Big)\sqrt{2\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}^{(k)}\big)}\\&\leq\eta\cdot\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{nm\omega}\Big)\Big(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\Big)^{\frac{k}{2}}\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{\frac{n}{\delta}}\Big),\end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

where in the second inequality, we used Lemmas 1.4. Note that since it is assumed that $\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\in\mathcal{B}\big(\mathcal{W}^{(0)},\tau\big)$, the Lemma is applicable with $m\geq\Omega\Big(\omega^7n^8L^{18}\frac{\log^3(m)}{\lambda_0^8\delta}\Big)$. Similarly, since it is assumed that the induction hypothesis holds for $s=0,\ldots,k$, we can see $\|\mathbf{u}(k)-y\|_2^2\leq\big(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\big)^k\|\mathbf{u}(0)-y\|_2^2$. This inequality is plugged in the last inequality with Lemma 1.9.

By combining the inequalities (31) for $s\in[k]$ and (32), and triangle inequality, we conclude the proof:

$$\Big\|\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k+1)}-\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\Big\|_2\leq\eta\cdot\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{nm\omega}\Big)\sum_{t=0}^{k}\Big(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\Big)^{\frac{t}{2}}\mathcal{O}\Big(\sqrt{\frac{n}{\delta}}\Big)\leq\mathcal{O}\Big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\Big).$$

□

Proposition 2.1. *For some $\delta\in[0,1]$, if we set the width of the network as $m\geq\Omega\big(\omega^7n^8L^{18}\frac{\log^3(m)}{\lambda_0^8\delta^2}\big)$, and we set the step-size of gradient descent as $\eta=\mathcal{O}\big(\frac{\lambda_0}{n^2L^2m}\big)$. Then, with probability at least $1-\delta$ over the randomness of initialized parameters $\mathcal{W}^{(0)}$, we have for $k=0,1,2,\ldots,$*

$$\mathbf{u}(k)-y=\big(\mathbf{I}-\eta m\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k\big(\mathbf{u}(0)-y\big)+\xi(k),$$

where

$$\|\xi(k)\|_2=k\Big(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\Big)^{k-1}\mathcal{O}\Bigg(\eta m\cdot\omega^{7/6}n^{4/3}L^3\sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\lambda_0^2\delta}}\Bigg)\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2.$$

Proof. Define $u_i(k) := f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}(k+1) - \mathbf{u}(k) &= -\eta m \cdot \mathbf{H}(k)\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big) + \mathbf{I}_1^{(k)} \\ &= -\eta m \cdot \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big) - \eta m \cdot \big(\mathbf{H}(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big) + \mathbf{I}_1^{(k)} \\ &= -\eta m \cdot \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - y\big) + \mathbf{e}(k).\end{aligned}$$

By recursively applying the above equality, we can easily derive a following for any $k \geq 0$,

$$\mathbf{u}(k) - y = \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^k \big(\mathbf{u}(0) - y\big) + \underbrace{\sum_{t=0}^{k-1} \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^t \mathbf{e}(k-1-t)}_{=\xi(k)}. \tag{33}$$

Now, we want to show $\xi(k)$ can be controlled in arbitrarily small number. First, $e(k)$ needs to be bounded in an ℓ_2 norm:

$$\begin{aligned}\|e(k)\|_2 &\leq \eta m \left\|\mathbf{H}_L^{\infty} - \mathbf{H}(k)\right\|_2 \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2 + \left\|\mathbf{I}_2^{(k)}\right\|_2 \\ &\leq \eta m \cdot \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\lambda_0^2 \delta}}\right) \|\mathbf{u}(k) - y\|_2,\end{aligned}$$

where, in the second inequality, $\tau = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\right)$ is plugged in (25). Equipped with the bound on $\|e(k)\|_2$, we can easily bound the $\|\xi(k)\|_2$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}&\left\|\sum_{t=0}^{k-1} \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^t \mathbf{e}(k-1-t)\right\|_2 \\ &\quad\leq \sum_{t=0}^{k-1} \|\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\|_2^t \, \|\mathbf{e}(k-1-t)\|_2 \\ &\quad\leq \sum_{t=0}^{k-1} \Big(1 - \eta m \lambda_0\Big)^t \mathcal{O}\left(\eta m \cdot \omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\lambda_0^2\delta}}\right) \|\mathbf{u}(k-1-t) - y\|_2 \\ &\quad\leq \sum_{t=0}^{k-1} \Big(1 - \eta m \lambda_0\Big)^t \mathcal{O}\left(\eta m \cdot \omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\lambda_0^2\delta}}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\eta m \lambda_0}{2}\right)^{k-1-t} \|\mathbf{u}(0) - y\|_2 \\ &\quad= k\left(1 - \frac{\eta m \lambda_0}{2}\right)^{k-1} \mathcal{O}\left(\eta m \cdot \omega^{7/6} n^{4/3} L^3 \sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\lambda_0^2\delta^2}}\right) \|\mathbf{u}(0) - y\|_2.\end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Note that in the third inequality, we used the result from Theorem 1. □

C PROOF OF THEOREM 3.6

Proof. We begin the proof by decomposing the error $\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}}(x) - f^*(x)$ for any fixed $x \in \mathbf{Unif}(\mathcal{S}^{d-1})$ into two terms as follows:

$$\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}}(x) - f^*(x) = \underbrace{\big(\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}}(x) - g^*(x)\big)}_{\Delta_1} + \underbrace{\big(g^*(x) - f^*(x)\big)}_{\Delta_2}. \tag{35}$$

Here, we denote the solution of kernel regression with kernel $\mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}$ as $g^*(x)$, which is a minimum RKHS norm interpolant of the noise-free data set $\{\mathbf{x}_i, f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$. To avoid the confusion of the notation, we write $\mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) = \big(\mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}(x, \mathbf{x}_1), \ldots, \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}(x, \mathbf{x}_n)\big)_{i=1}^n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and let $\mathbf{y}^* = [f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_1), \ldots, f_\rho^\star(\mathbf{x}_n)]^\top$. Then, we have a following closed form solution $g^*(x)$ as,

$$g^*(x) := \mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^{-1}\mathbf{y}^*.$$

Step 1. Control on Δ_1. For n data points $\big(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\big)$ and for the kth updated parameter $\mathbf{W}(k)$, denote:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{X})\big] = \bigg[\mathbf{vec}\bigg(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_1)\big]\bigg), \cdots, \mathbf{vec}\bigg(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{x}_n)\big]\bigg)\bigg].$$

Note that when $\ell = 1$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \in \mathbb{R}^{md\times n}$ and when $\ell = 2, \dots, L$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \in \mathbb{R}^{m^2\times n}$. With this notation, we can rewrite the Gradient Descent update rule as

$$\mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k+1)}\big) = \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\big) - \eta\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\big(\mathbf{u}(k) - \mathbf{y}\big), \quad k \geq 0.$$

Applying Proposition 3.6, we can get :

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\big) - \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\big)\\
&\quad= \sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\bigg(\mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(j+1)}\big) - \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(j)}\big)\bigg)\\
&\quad= -\eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\big(\mathbf{u}(j) - \mathbf{y}\big)\\
&\quad= \eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^j\big(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0)\big) - \eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\xi(j)\\
&\quad= \eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^j\big(y - \mathbf{u}(0)\big) - \eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\xi(j)\\
&\qquad\qquad + \eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\bigg(\Big[\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\Big]\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^j\big(y - \mathbf{u}(0)\big)\bigg)\\
&\quad= \eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^j\big(y - \mathbf{u}(0)\big) + \xi^{'}(k). \qquad (36)
\end{aligned}$$

First, we control ℓ_2-norm of the first term of $\xi^{'}(k)$ as follows: Note that $\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\|_F \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{nm\omega}\big)$ by Lemma 1.4 for $0 \leq j \leq k-1$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\bigg\|\eta\cdot\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\xi(j)\bigg\|_2\\
&\quad\leq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\mathcal{O}\bigg(\eta\sqrt{nm\omega}\bigg)\mathcal{O}\bigg(j\bigg(1 - \frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\bigg)^{j-1}\bigg)\mathcal{O}\bigg(\eta m\cdot\omega^{7/6}n^{4/3}L^3\sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\lambda_0^2\delta}}\bigg)\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0)\|_2\\
&\quad\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{n^{11/6}L^3\omega^{5/3}}{m^{2/3}\lambda_0^{7/3}\delta^{1/6}}\sqrt{\log(m)}\bigg)\|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0)\|_2. \qquad (37)
\end{aligned}$$

In the second inequality, $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j\big(1-\frac{\eta m\lambda_0}{2}\big)^j = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{\eta^2 m^2 \lambda_0^2}\big)$ is used. Then, we control ℓ_2-norm of the second term of $\xi^{'}(k)$ as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \eta \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \Big[\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \Big] \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^j \big(y - \mathbf{u}(0)\big) \right\|_2 \\
&\leq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \eta \left\| \mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty} \right\|_2^j \left\| \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0) \right\|_2 \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\| \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(j)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] \right\|_2^2} \\
&\leq \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \eta \big(1 - \eta m \lambda_0\big)^j \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{n^{1/3} m^{1/3} L^2 \omega^{2/3}}{\lambda_0^{1/3} \delta^{1/6}} \sqrt{\log(m)} \bigg) \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{n}\big) \left\| \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0) \right\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{n^{5/6} L^2 \omega^{2/3}}{m^{2/3} \lambda_0^{4/3} \delta^{1/6}} \sqrt{\log(m)} \bigg) \left\| \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0) \right\|_2 ,
\end{aligned} \tag{38}
$$

where in the second inequality, we used Lemmas 1.6 with $\tau = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\big)$.

Now, we are ready to control Δ_1 term. By using the equality (36), we can decompose the term Δ_1 as follows: Let us denote $G_k = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \eta m \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^j$. Note that for any $\ell \in [L]$, $\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}}(x) = \langle \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big), \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(k)}\big)\rangle$ and recall that $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}^* + \varepsilon$. Then, for any fixed $\ell^{'} \in [L]$, we have:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\Delta_1 &= \Big[\Big\langle \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big), \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}^{(k)}\big) \Big\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) \big(\mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^{-1} \mathbf{y}^* \Big] \\
&\quad + \mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) G_k \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) G_k \mathbf{y} \\
&= \underbrace{\Big[\mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) \big[G_k - \big(\mathbf{H}_L^{\infty}\big)^{-1} \big] \mathbf{y}^* + \mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) G_k \varepsilon \Big]}_{=\Delta_{11}} \\
&\quad \underbrace{\begin{aligned} &+ \Big[\frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \mathbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X}) \Big] G_k \mathbf{y} \\ &\qquad - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell : \ell \neq \ell'} \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] G_k \mathbf{y} \end{aligned}}_{=\Delta_{12}} \\
&\quad \underbrace{\begin{aligned} &+ \Big[\Big\langle \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big), \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}^{(0)}\big) \Big\rangle + \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \xi^{'}(k) \\ &\qquad - \frac{1}{m} \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] G_k \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{0}) \Big]. \end{aligned}}_{=\Delta_{13}}
\end{aligned} \tag{39}
$$

Our goal in this step is to control $\|\Delta_{12}\|_2$ and $\|\Delta_{13}\|_2$. Then, in the third step, we will show $\|\Delta_{11}\|_2$ is the term, which governs the behavior of the prediction risk with respect to algorithm iteration k.

First, we bound the ℓ_2 norm of the first term in Δ_{12} as:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \left[\frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \right] G_k \mathbf{y} \right\|_2 \\
&\quad \le \frac{1}{mL} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \underbrace{\left\| \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big) - \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(x)\big]\big) \right\|_2}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\tau^{1/3} L^2 \sqrt{\omega m \log(m)}\right) \text{ : Lemma 1.6}} \underbrace{\left\| \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \right\|_F}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega n m}\right) \text{ : Lemma 1.4}} \|G_k \mathbf{y}\|_2 \\
&\qquad + \frac{1}{L} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \big\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(x)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] \big\rangle_{\mathrm{Tr}} - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{x}_i) \right)^2} \|G_k \mathbf{y}\|_2 \\
&\quad \le \left\{ \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{5/6} L^2 \omega^{7/6}}{m^{1/6} \delta^{1/6} \lambda_0^{1/3}} \sqrt{\log(m)} \right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\omega n^{1/2} L^{3/2} \sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}} \right) \right\} \|G_k\|_2 \, \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \\
&\quad \le \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{5/6} L^2 \omega^{7/6}}{m^{1/6} \delta^{1/6} \lambda_0^{4/3}} \sqrt{\log(m)} \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\omega n^{1/2} L^{3/2}}{\lambda_0} \sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}} \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \right), \qquad (40)
\end{aligned}$$

where, in the second inequality, we plugged $\tau = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{n\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}\lambda_0}\big)$ in the result of Lemma 1.6 and used Lemma 1.11. In the last inequality, we used $\|G_k\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{\lambda_0}\big)$. Similarly, we can control the ℓ_2 norm of the second term in Δ_{12} as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell:\ell\neq\ell'} \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] G_k \mathbf{y} \right\|_2 \\
&\quad \le \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell:\ell\neq\ell'} \underbrace{\|\mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)\|_2}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega m}\right)} \cdot \underbrace{\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\|_F}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega m n}\right)} \cdot \underbrace{\|G_k\|_2}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_0}\right)} \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \\
&\quad \le \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\omega L \sqrt{n}}{\lambda_0} \right) \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|_2. \qquad (41)
\end{aligned}$$

We turn our attention to controlling $\|\Delta_{13}\|_2$. The first term in Δ_{13}; Recall that $\left\|\mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)\right\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{m\omega}\big)$ by Lemma 1.4. Then, the random variable $\mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_\ell^{(0)}\big)$ is simply a $\mathcal{N}\big(0, \mathcal{O}(\omega)\big)$ for $1 \le \ell \le L$. A straightforward application of Chernoff bound for normal random variable and taking union bound over the layer $1 \le \ell \le L$ yield that: with probability at least $1-\delta$,

$$\left| \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}^{(0)}\big) \right| \le \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega \log\left(\frac{L}{\delta}\right)} \right). \qquad (42)$$

The ℓ_2 norm of the third term in Δ_{13} can be bounded as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \frac{1}{m} \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] G_k \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{0}) \right\|_2 \\
&\quad \le \frac{1}{m} \underbrace{\left\| \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big) \right\|_2}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{m\omega}\right)} \underbrace{\left\| \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \right\|_F}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega m n}\right)} \underbrace{\|G_k \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{0})\|_2}_{\le \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\sqrt{n\omega}}{\lambda_0 \delta}\right)} \le \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n\omega^{3/2}}{\lambda_0 \delta} \right). \qquad (43)
\end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality, we used the Lemma 1.8 and $\|G_k\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{\lambda_0}\big)$. By combining (37), (38), (42), (43) with $\Big\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(x)\big]\Big\|_F \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{m\omega}\big)$, we have a following :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\Delta_{13}\|_2 &\leq \Big\|\Big\langle \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(k)}(x)\big]\big), \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}^{(0)}\big)\Big\rangle\Big\|_2 + \Big\|\big(\mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(x)\big]\big)\big)^\top \xi'(k)\Big\|_2 \\
&\qquad + \Big\|\frac{1}{m}\big(\mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(x)\big]\big)\big)^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_{\ell'}}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] G_k \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{0})\Big\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega \log\left(\frac{L}{\delta}\right)}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{11/6}L^3\omega^{13/6}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2}{m^{1/6}\lambda_0^{4/3}\delta^{1/6}}\sqrt{\log(m)}\right) \\
&\qquad + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{5/6}L^2\omega^{7/6}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2}{m^{1/6}\lambda_0^{7/3}\delta^{1/6}}\sqrt{\log(m)}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n\omega^{3/2}}{\lambda_0\delta}\right) \\
&= \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{11/6}L^3\omega^{13/6}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2}{m^{1/6}\lambda_0^{4/3}\delta^{1/6}}\sqrt{\log(m)}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{5/6}L^2\omega^{7/6}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2}{m^{1/6}\lambda_0^{7/3}\delta^{1/6}}\sqrt{\log(m)}\right) \\
&\qquad + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n\omega^{3/2}}{\lambda_0\delta}\right). \qquad (44)
\end{aligned}
$$

Step 2. Control on Δ_2**.** First, note that there is a recent finding that the reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces of NTKs with any number of layers (i.e., $L \geq 1$) have the same set of functions, if kernels are defined on $\mathcal{S}^{d-1}$. See Chen & Xu [2020]. Along with this result, we can apply the proof used in Lemma.D.2. in Hu et al. [2021] for proving a following :

$$\|\Delta_2\|_2 = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right). \qquad (45)$$

Step 3. The behavior of L_2 ***risk is characterized by the term*** Δ_{11}**.** Recall the decompositions (35) and (39), then we have:

$$\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}}(x) - f^*(x) = \Delta_{11} + \big(\Delta_{12} + \Delta_{13} + \Delta_2\big) := \Delta_{11} + \Theta. \qquad (46)$$

Our goal in this step is mainly two-folded: (i) Control $\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Theta\|_2^2$ arbitrarily small with proper choices of step-size of GD η and width of the network m. (ii) Show that how $\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Delta_{11}\|_2^2$ affect the behavior of prediction risk over the GD iterations k. First, note that we have

$$\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 = \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\mathbf{y}^* + \varepsilon\|_2^2 \leq 2\big(\mathbf{y}^*\big)^\top \mathbf{y}^* + 2\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\varepsilon\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(n). \qquad (47)$$

Second, recall Lemma 1.9 and note that over the random initialization, with probability at least $1-\delta$,

$$\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{u}(0)\|_2^2 \leq \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n}{\delta}\right). \qquad (48)$$

Now, by combining the bounds (40), (44) and (45), we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Theta\|_2^2 &\leq 3\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\big(\|\Delta_{12}\|_2^2 + \|\Delta_{13}\|_2^2 + \|\Delta_2\|_2^2\big) \\
&\leq \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\Bigg[\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{5/3}L^4\omega^{7/3}}{m^{1/3}\lambda_0^{8/3}\delta^{1/3}}\log(m)\cdot\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\omega^2 nL^3}{\lambda_0^2}\sqrt{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\cdot\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2\right) \\
&\qquad + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{11/3}L^6\omega^{13/3}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2^2}{m^{1/3}\lambda_0^{8/3}\delta^{1/3}}\log(m)\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{5/3}L^4\omega^{7/3}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2^2}{m^{1/3}\lambda_0^{14/3}\delta^{1/3}}\log(m)\right)\Bigg] \\
&\qquad + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^2\omega^3}{\lambda_0^2\delta^2}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\omega^2 n^2 L^3}{\lambda_0^2}\sqrt{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{14/3}L^6\omega^{13/3}}{m^{1/3}\lambda_0^{8/3}\delta^{4/3}}\log(m)\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^{8/3}L^4\omega^{7/3}}{m^{1/3}\lambda_0^{14/3}\delta^{4/3}}\log(m)\right) \\
&\qquad + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{n^2\omega^3}{\lambda_0^2\delta^2}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), \qquad (49)
\end{aligned}
$$

where in the third inequality, we used (47) and (48).

<u>Case 1.</u> When k is large, the L_2 risk is bounded away from zero by some constant.

Now we control $\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Delta_{11}\|_2^2$. Recall the definitions $\|f\|_2^2 := \int_{\mathbf{x}\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}} |f(\mathbf{x})|^2 d\mathbf{x}$ and $G_k = \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \eta m \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^j$. Let us denote $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{y}^* \mathbf{y}^{*\top}$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Delta_{11}\|_2^2 &= \int_{x\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}} \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \bigg[\Big(G_k - \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1} \Big) \mathbf{y}^* \mathbf{y}^{*\top} \Big(G_k - \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1} \Big) + G_k^2 \bigg] \mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{X}, x) dx \\
&= \int_{x\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}} \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1} M_k \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1} \mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{X}, x) dx
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
M_k &= \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k \mathbf{S} \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k + \big(\mathbf{I} - \big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k\big)^2 \\
&= \big[\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1}\big] \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big) \big[\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1}\big] + \mathcal{I} - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1}.
\end{aligned}$$

For the algorithm iterations $k \geq \big(\frac{\log(n)}{\eta m \lambda_0}\big) C_0$ with some constant $C_0 > 1$, we have

$$\big(\mathcal{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k \preceq \big(1 - \eta m \lambda_0\big)^k \cdot \mathcal{I} \preceq \exp(-\eta m \lambda_0 k) \cdot \mathcal{I} \preceq \exp(-C_0 \log(n)) = \frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \mathcal{I}.$$

Since $1 + \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2 \leq C_1 n$ for some constant C_1, we have

$$\lambda_{\max}\bigg(\frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big) \bigg) = \frac{1 + \|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2}{n^{C_0}} \leq \frac{C_1}{n^{C_0 - 1}} < 1. \tag{50}$$

Using the first item of Lemma (1.12) with the inequality (50), we have

$$\big(\mathcal{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k \preceq \frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \mathcal{I} \prec \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1}. \tag{51}$$

The above inequality (51) lead to a following result :

$$\big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} - \big(\mathcal{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k \succeq \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} - \frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \mathcal{I}. \tag{52}$$

It is obvious that both $\big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} - \big(\mathcal{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k$ and $\big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} - \frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \mathcal{I}$ are positive definite matrices due to (52), and it is also easy to see that they are exchangeable. By using the second item of Lemma (1.12), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
M_k &= \big[\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1}\big] \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big) \big[\big(\mathbf{I} - \eta m \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^k - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1}\big] + \mathcal{I} - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} \\
&\succeq \big[\big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} - \frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \mathcal{I}\big] \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big) \big[\big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} - \frac{1}{n^{C_0}} \cdot \mathcal{I}\big] + \mathcal{I} - \big(\mathbf{S} + \mathcal{I}\big)^{-1} \\
&= \frac{1}{n^{2C_0}} \mathbf{S} + \bigg(1 - \frac{1}{n^{C_0}}\bigg)^2 \cdot \mathcal{I}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we have

$$\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Delta_{11}\|_2^2 \succeq \frac{1}{n^{2C_0}} \mathcal{A} + \bigg(1 - \frac{1}{n^{C_0}}\bigg)^2 \mathcal{B} \succeq c_0 \mathcal{B},$$

where $c_0 \in (0,1)$ is a constant and

$$\mathcal{A} = \int_{x\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}} \big[\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1} \mathbf{y}^*\big]^2 dx, \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{B} = \int_{x\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}} \big[\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\big]^2 dx. \tag{53}$$

By triangle inequality with the decomposition (46) and the bound on $\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Theta\|_2^2$ in (49), we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \Big\| \widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}} - f^* \Big\|_2^2 &= \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Delta_{11} + \Theta\|_2^2 \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Delta_{11}\|_2 - \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon \|\Theta\|_2^2 \\
&\geq \frac{c_0}{2} \mathcal{B} - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{1}{n}\bigg) - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{n^2 \omega^3}{\lambda_0^2 \delta^2}\bigg) - \tilde{\mathcal{O}}\bigg(\frac{1}{m^{1/3}} \text{poly}\bigg(\omega, n, L, \frac{1}{\lambda_0}, \frac{1}{\delta}\bigg)\bigg).
\end{aligned} \tag{54}$$

For the third term in (54), we can choose $\omega \leq C_2\big(\frac{\lambda_0\delta}{n}\big)^{2/3}$ for some constant $C_2 > 0$ such that the term can be bounded by $\frac{c_0}{8}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\right\|_2^2$. Similarly, the width m can be chosen large enough such that the fourth term in (54) is upper-bounded by $\frac{c_0}{8}\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\|_2^2$. Using the above choices of k, ω, and m, we can further bound (54):

$$\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|f_{\mathbf{W}(k)} - f^*\right\|_2^2 \geq \frac{c_0}{4}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\right\|_2^2 - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{1}{n}\bigg). \tag{55}$$

Note that $\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\|\widehat{f}_\infty - g^*\|_2^2 = \|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\|_2^2$ where $g^* := 0$ and $\widehat{f}_\infty$ denotes the noise interpolator. Then, by Theorem 4.2. of Hu et al. [2021], we know that $\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\|\widehat{f}_\infty - g^*\|_2^2 \geq c_1$ for some constant $c_1 > 0$. Then, we can take n large enough such that the term $\mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$ is upper-bounded by $\frac{c_0 c_1}{8}$, and finish the proof.

<u>Case 2.</u> When k is small, the L_2 risk is bounded away from zero by some constant.

Recall the definition of Δ_{11} in the decomposition (39),

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{11} &:= \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})G_k\big[\mathbf{y}^* + \varepsilon\big] - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}^* \\ &:= \Delta_{11}^* - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}^*.\end{aligned} \tag{56}$$

We denote the eigen-decomposition of the matrix $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty := \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \mathbf{v_i}\mathbf{v_i}^\top$, then we can easily see a following:

$$G_k = \eta m\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\bigg(\sum_{i=1}^n (1-\eta m\lambda_i)^j \mathbf{v_i}\mathbf{v_i}^\top\bigg) \preceq \eta m\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{v_i}\mathbf{v_i}^\top \preceq \eta m k\cdot\mathcal{I}.$$

By using the above inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|\Delta_{11}^*\right\|_2^2 &= \int_{x\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}} \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})G_k\big(\mathbf{S}+\mathcal{I}\big)G_k\mathbf{Ker}(\mathbf{X},x)dx \\ &\leq \eta^2 m^2 k^2\bigg(\int_{x\in\mathcal{S}^{d-1}}\big[\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{y}^*\big]^2 dx + \|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\|_2^2\bigg) = \mathcal{O}\bigg(\eta^2 m^2 k^2\omega^2 n^2 L^2\bigg).\end{aligned}$$

Recall the decompositions (35) and (39), then we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}^{(k)}} - f^*\right\|_2^2 &= \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|\Delta_{11}^* + \Theta - \mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}^*\right\|_2^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}^*\right\|_2^2 - \mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|\Delta_{11}^* + \Theta\right\|_2^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}^*\right\|_2^2 - 2\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|\Delta_{11}^*\right\|_2^2 - 2\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|\Theta\right\|_2^2 \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}^*\right\|_2^2 - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\eta^2 m^2 k^2\omega^2 n^2 L^2\bigg) - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{1}{n}\bigg) \\ &\qquad - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{n^2\omega^3}{\lambda_0^2\delta^2}\bigg) - \tilde{\mathcal{O}}\bigg(\frac{1}{m^{1/3}}\mathrm{poly}\bigg(\omega, n, L, \frac{1}{\lambda_0}, \frac{1}{\delta}\bigg)\bigg).\end{aligned} \tag{57}$$

For some constant $C_1^{'} > 0$, let $k \leq C_1^{'}\big(\frac{1}{\eta m n\omega L}\big)$ such that the second term in the bound (57) can be bounded by $\frac{1}{8}\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\mathbf{y}^*\|_2^2$. For the fourth term in (57), we can choose $\omega \leq C_2^{'}\big(\frac{\lambda_0\delta}{n}\big)^{2/3}$ for some constant $C_2^{'} > 0$ such that the term can be bounded by $\frac{1}{8}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\mathbf{y}^*\right\|_2^2$. Similarly, the width m can be chosen large enough such that the fifth term in (57) is upper-bounded by $\frac{1}{8}\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\mathbf{y}^*\|_2^2$. Using the above choices of k, ω, and m, we can further bound (57):

$$\mathbb{E}_\varepsilon\left\|f_{\mathbf{W}(k)} - f^*\right\|_2^2 \geq \frac{1}{4}\left\|\mathbf{Ker}(\cdot,\mathbf{X})\big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\mathbf{y}^*\right\|_2^2 - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{1}{n}\bigg) \geq C_3^{'}\left\|f_\rho^\star\right\|_2^2 - \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{1}{n}\bigg). \tag{58}$$

In the second inequality, we used (45) with triangle inequality. In the third inequality, we can take n large enough such that the term $\mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$ is upper-bounded by $\frac{C_3^{'}}{2}\left\|f_\rho^\star\right\|_2^2$. Lastly, by using the assumption that $f_\rho^\star$ is a square-integrable function, we finish the proof. □

D DYNAMICS ON TRAINING ERROR OF ℓ_2-REGULARIZED DNN

For the convenience of notation, we denote $u_{D,i}(k) = f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ and let $\mathbf{u}_D(k) = \big[u_{1,D}(k), \ldots, u_{n,D}(k)\big]^\top$. Note that we add the additional subscript D to variables to be followed in the proof of this and next sections in order to denote the variables are under the regularized GD update rule.

Step 1. Dynamics of $\mathbf{u_D(k+1)-(1-\eta_2\mu L)\cdot u_D(k)}$**.** Recall $\big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj} = \mathbb{1}\big(\langle \mathbf{w}_{D,\ell,j}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\rangle \geq 0\big)$ and we introduce a diagonal matrix $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}$, whose jth entry is defined as follows:

$$\big(\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj} = \big(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\big)_{jj} \cdot \frac{\langle \mathbf{w}_{D,\ell,j}^{(k+1)}, \mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k+1)}\rangle}{\langle \mathbf{w}_{D,\ell,j}^{(k+1)}, \mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k+1)}\rangle - \langle \mathbf{w}_{D,\ell,j}^{(k)}, \mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\rangle}.$$

With this notation, the difference $\mathbf{x}_{D,L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{D,L,i}^{(k)}$ can be rewritten via the recursive applications of $\widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}$: Then, we introduce following notations :

$$\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)} = \bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L} \mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,r,i}^{(k)} \mathbf{W}_{D,r}^{(k)}\bigg)\mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}, \qquad \widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)} = \bigg(\prod_{r=\ell+1}^{L} (\mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,r,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{D,r,i}^{(k)})\mathbf{W}_{D,r}^{(k+1)}\bigg)(\mathbf{\Sigma}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)} + \widetilde{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}).$$

Now, we can write $u_{D,i}(k+1) - u_{D,i}(k)$ by noting that $u_{D,i}(k) = \sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{x}_{D,L,i}^{(k)}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
&u_{D,i}(k+1) - u_{D,i}(k)\\
&\quad= \sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\big(\mathbf{x}_{D,L,i}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{x}_{D,L,i}^{(k)}\big)\\
&\quad= \sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\bigg(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\bigg)\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\\
&\quad= \sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\bigg(-\eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}\big)\big] - \eta_2\mu\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)} + \eta_2\mu\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\bigg)\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\\
&\quad= \underbrace{-\eta_1\sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}\big)\big]\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{1,D,i}^{(k)}}\\
&\qquad\underbrace{-\eta_1\sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\bigg(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\bigg)\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}\big)\big]\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{2,D,i}^{(k)}}\\
&\qquad\underbrace{-\eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\bigg(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)} - \mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\bigg)\bigg(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\bigg)\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{3,D,i}^{(k)}}\\
&\qquad\underbrace{-\eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{4,D,i}^{(k)}}\\
&\qquad\underbrace{+\eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot \mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}}_{\mathbf{I}_{5,D,i}^{(k)}} \qquad (59)
\end{aligned}$$

where in the second equality, we used the recursive relation (22), and in the third equality, modified GD update rule (6) is applied.

Furthermore, $\mathbf{I}_{1,D,i}^{(k)}$ can be rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{I}_{1,D,i}^{(k)} &= -\eta_1\sqrt{m}\cdot\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_{D,j}(k)-y_j\big)\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)} \\
&= -\eta_1\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_{D,j}(k)-y_j\big)\cdot\left(\sqrt{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right) \\
&= -m\eta_1\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_{D,j}(k)-y_j\big)\cdot\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big],\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\right\rangle_{\mathrm{Tr}} \\
&= -m\eta_1\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_{D,j}(k)-y_j\big)\cdot\mathbf{H}_{D,i,j}(k). \qquad (60)
\end{aligned}$$

With $\mathbf{I}_{4,i}^{(k)} = (-\eta_2\mu L)\cdot u_{D,i}(k)$ and (60), we can rewrite (59) as follows:

$$u_{D,i}(k+1)-(1-\eta_2\mu L)u_{D,i}(k) = -m\eta_1\cdot\sum_{j=1}^{n}\big(u_{D,j}(k)-y_j\big)\cdot\mathbf{H}_{D,i,j}(k)+\mathbf{I}_{2,D,i}^{(k)}+\mathbf{I}_{3,D,i}^{(k)}+\mathbf{I}_{5,D,i}^{(k)}. \qquad (61)$$

Step 2. Control of the size $\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2$**.**

Let $\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)} = [\mathbf{I}_{2,D,1}^{(k)}+\mathbf{I}_{3,D,1}^{(k)}+\mathbf{I}_{5,D,1}^{(k)},\ldots,\mathbf{I}_{2,D,n}^{(k)}+\mathbf{I}_{3,D,n}^{(k)}+\mathbf{I}_{5,D,1}^{(k)}]^\top$. Now, we control the bound on the $\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2$. Recall that in Eq. (25), we have

$$\left\|\mathbf{I}_{2,D}^{(k)}\right\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\left(\eta_1 nL^3\tau^{1/3}\omega m\sqrt{\log(m)}\right)\|\mathbf{u}_D(k)-y\|_2. \qquad (62)$$

Similarly, $\left\|\mathbf{I}_{3,D}^{(k)}\right\|_2$ can be bounded:

$$\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathbf{I}_{3,D}^{(k)}\right\|_2 &\le \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left|\mathbf{I}_{3,D,i}^{(k)}\right| \le \eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{v}^\top\left(\widetilde{\mathbf{D}}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}-\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\right)\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}\left(L^2\tau^{1/3}\sqrt{\omega\log(m)}\right)}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}-\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\right\|_2}_{\le\tau}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(1)}\right] \\
&\le \mathcal{O}\left(\eta_2\mu nL^3\tau^{4/3}\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\right). \qquad (63)
\end{aligned}$$

Lastly $\left\|\mathbf{I}_{5,D}^{(k)}\right\|_2$ can be bounded:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left\|\mathbf{I}_{5,D}^{(k)}\right\|_2 \le \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left|\mathbf{I}_{5,D,i}^{(k)}\right| \\
&\le \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left|\eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right| + \sum_{i=1}^{n}\left|\eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot\mathbf{v}^{\mathrm{T}}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\left(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}-\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\right)\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right| \\
&\le \eta_2\mu L\cdot\sum_{i=1}^{n}|\mathbf{u}_{i,D}(k)| + \eta_2\mu\sqrt{m}\cdot\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\underbrace{\|\mathbf{v}\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\omega})}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{D}_{D,\ell,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{L})}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}-\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\right\|_2}_{\le\tau}\cdot\underbrace{\left\|\mathbf{x}_{D,\ell-1,i}^{(k)}\right\|_2}_{\le\mathcal{O}(1)}\right] \\
&\le \mathcal{O}\left(\eta_2\mu nL\sqrt{\omega\log(L/\delta)}\right)+\mathcal{O}\left(\eta_2\mu nL^{3/2}\tau\sqrt{m\omega}\right), \qquad (64)
\end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality, we employed the same logic used in (42) with the Lemma 1.2 to obtain the upper-bound on the $|\mathbf{u}_{i,D}(k)|$. We set the orders of the parameters μ, η_1, η_2, τ, and ω as follows:

$$\mu = \Theta\left(n^{\frac{d-1}{2d-1}}\right), \quad \eta_1 = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{m} n^{-\frac{3d-2}{2d-1}}\right), \quad \eta_2 = \Theta\left(\frac{1}{L} n^{-\frac{3d-2}{2d-1}}\right),$$
$$\tau = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{L\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m}\delta} n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\right), \quad \omega = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{L^{3/2}} n^{-\frac{5d-2}{2d-1}}\right). \tag{65}$$

Plugging the choices of parameters (65) with sufficiently large m in (62), (63) and (64) yields

$$\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\left(L^{37/12} n^{-\frac{9d-8}{12d-6}} \frac{\sqrt{\log(m)}}{m^{1/6}\delta^{1/3}}\right) \cdot \|\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\|_2 + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right). \tag{66}$$

Step 3. Upper-bound of the decomposition on training error.

First, we work on getting the upper-bound on $\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)$. By the Gershgorin's circle theorem Varga [2004], we know the maximum eigenvalue of symmetric positive semi-definite matrix is upper-bounded by the maximum absolute column sum of the matrix. Using this fact, we can bound the $\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)$ as :

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big) &\leq \max_{i=1,\ldots,n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} |\mathbf{H}_{D,i,j}(k)| \\
&\leq \max_{i=1,\ldots,n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left| \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\langle \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big], \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big] \right\rangle_{\text{Tr}} \right| \\
&\leq \max_{i=1,\ldots,n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \underbrace{\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\right\|_F}_{\leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{m\omega})} \underbrace{\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_j)\big]\right\|_F}_{\leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{m\omega})} \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\big(nL\omega\big).
\end{aligned} \tag{67}$$

With the dynamics (61), we can decompose the training error $\|\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - \mathbf{y}\|_2^2$ as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - y\|_2^2 &= \|(1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\|_2^2 + \|\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 \\
&\qquad - 2\big(y - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \big(\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\big) \\
&= \underbrace{\|(1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\|_2^2}_{:=\mathbf{T}_1} + \underbrace{\|\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2}_{:=\mathbf{T}_2} \\
&\qquad + \underbrace{2m\eta_1\big(y - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \mathbf{H}_D(k)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\big)}_{:=\mathbf{T}_3} \\
&\qquad \underbrace{-2\big(y - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}}_{:=\mathbf{T}_4}.
\end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

Our goal is to obtain the upper-bound on $\mathbf{T}_i$ for $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$.

Control on $\mathbf{T}_1$. By using the inequality $2\eta_2\mu L(1-\eta_2\mu L)y^\top\big(y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\big) \leq \eta_2\mu L\,\|y\|_2^2 + \eta_2\mu L(1-\eta_2\mu L)^2\,\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|y - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 &= \big\|(1-\eta_2\mu L)\big(y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\big) + \eta_2\mu L y\big\|_2^2 \\
&= (1-\eta_2\mu L)^2\,\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 + \eta_2^2\mu^2 L^2\,\|y\|_2^2 \\
&\qquad + 2\eta_2\mu L(1-\eta_2\mu L)y^\top\big(y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\big) \\
&\leq (\eta_2\mu L + \eta_2^2\mu^2 L^2)\,\|y\|_2^2 + \big(1+\eta_2\mu L\big)\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2\,\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{69}$$

Control on $\mathbf{T}_2$. Recall the equality (61). Then, through applications of the Young's inequality $\|a+b\|_2^2 \le 2\|a\|_2^2 + 2\|b\|_2^2$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 &= \left\|-m\eta_1 \cdot \mathbf{H}_D(k)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\big) + \mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 \\ &\le 2m^2\eta_1^2\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)^2 \|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 + 2\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2. \quad (70)\end{aligned}$$

Similarly with $\mathbf{T}_1$ and $\mathbf{T}_2$, we can control $\mathbf{T}_3$ and $\mathbf{T}_4$ as follows:

Control on $\mathbf{T}_3$. Recall $\mathbf{H}_D(k)$ is a Gram matrix by definition. Then, by using the fact $\lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big) \ge 0$ and Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}&2m\eta_1\big(y - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \mathbf{H}_D(k)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\big) \\ &\quad= -2m\eta_1(1-\eta_2\mu L)\big(y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \mathbf{H}_D(k)\big(y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\big) + \big(2m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot y^\top \mathbf{H}_D(k)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\big) \\ &\quad\le \big(2m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 + \big(2m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\big(\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\|y\|_2\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2\big) \\ &\qquad - 2m\eta_1\lambda_{\min}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 \\ &\quad= \big(4m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 + \big(4m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\|y\|_2^2. \quad (71)\end{aligned}$$

Control on $\mathbf{T}_4$. By a simple Cauchy-Schwarz and Young's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}&-2\big(y - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \mathbf{I}_D^{(k)} \\ &\quad= -2(1-\eta_2\mu L)\big(y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\big)^\top \mathbf{I}_D^{(k)} + 2\eta_2\mu L\cdot y^\top \mathbf{I}_D(k) \\ &\quad\le 2\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2 + \eta_2\mu L\|y\|_2^2 + \eta_2\mu L\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 \quad (72)\end{aligned}$$

<u>Step 4.</u> Upper-bound of the decomposition on training error (68).

Before getting the upper bound of the decomposition (68), we first work on obtaining the bound of (73). Set $\kappa = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n^2}\big)$ and notice $\eta_2\mu L = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$ by (65), then we have

$$\begin{aligned}&2\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 + 2\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2 + \eta_2\mu L\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 \quad (73) \\ &\quad= \left(2 + \eta_2\mu L\right)\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 + 2\kappa\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2\cdot\frac{1}{\kappa}\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2 \\ &\quad\le \left(2 + \eta_2\mu L + \frac{1}{\kappa^2}\right)\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 + \kappa^2\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 \\ &\quad= \frac{1}{\kappa^2}\cdot\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2 + \kappa^2\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 \\ &\quad\le \left\{\frac{1}{\kappa^2}\cdot\mathcal{O}\left(L^{37/6}n^{-\frac{9d-8}{6d-3}}\frac{\log(m)}{m^{1/3}\delta^{2/3}}\right) + \kappa^2\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2\right\}\cdot\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{\kappa^2}\cdot\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right) \\ &\quad\le \big(\eta_2\mu L\big)^4\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2\cdot\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 + \eta_2\mu L\cdot\|y\|_2^2, \quad (74)\end{aligned}$$

where in the second inequality, the Eq. (66) is used with $(a+b)^2 \le 2a^2 + 2b^2$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$, and in the last inequality, we used $\|y\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(n)$ and the sufficiently large m to control the order of the coefficient terms of $\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2$. Specifically, we choose $m \ge \Omega\big(L^{19}n^{20}\frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2}\big)$.

Now, by combining the inequalities (69), (70), (71), (72), (67) and (74), we obtain the upper-bound on the decomposition (68);

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\|\mathbf{u}_D(k+1)-y\|_2^2 \\
&\quad\leq \Big(2\eta_2\mu L+\eta_2^2\mu^2L^2+4m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\cdot\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\Big)\cdot\|y\|_2^2 \\
&\qquad+\Big(\big(1+\eta_2\mu L\big)\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2+2m^2\eta_1^2\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)^2+4m\eta_1\eta_2\mu L\cdot\lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big)\Big) \\
&\qquad\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2+\Big(2\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2+2\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2+\eta_2\mu L\left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2^2\Big) \\
&\quad\leq\Big\{3\eta_2\mu L+\eta_2^2\mu^2L^2+\mathcal{O}\Big(\omega mn\eta_1\eta_2\mu L^2\Big)\Big\}\cdot\|y\|_2^2 \\
&\qquad+\Big\{\big(1+\eta_2\mu L+\eta_2^4\mu^4L^4\big)\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^2+\mathcal{O}\Big(\omega^2m^2n^2\eta_1^2L^2\Big)+\mathcal{O}\Big(\omega mn\eta_1\eta_2\mu L^2\Big)\Big\} \\
&\qquad\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 \\
&\quad:=\mathcal{A}\cdot\|y\|_2^2+(1-\mathcal{B})\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2\,. \qquad (75)
\end{aligned}
$$

With the order choices of μ, η_1 and η_2 as in (65), it is easy to see the leading terms of both $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{B}$ are same as $\eta_2\mu L=o(\frac{1}{n})$. Then, by recursively applying the inequality (75), we can get the upper-bound on the training error.

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(k+1)\|_2^2 &\leq \mathcal{A}\cdot\|y\|_2^2+(1-\mathcal{B})\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{A}\|y\|_2^2\cdot\Big(\sum_{j=0}^{k}(1-\mathcal{B})^j\Big)+(1-\mathcal{B})^{k+1}\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(0)\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{B}}\cdot\|y\|_2^2+(1-\mathcal{B})^{k+1}\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(0)\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\big(n\big)+(1-\eta_2\mu L)^{k+1}\cdot\|y-\mathbf{u}_D(0)\|_2^2\,. \qquad (76)
\end{aligned}
$$

In the last inequality, we used $\frac{\mathcal{A}}{\mathcal{B}}=o(1)$, $\mathcal{B}\geq\eta_2\mu L$ and $\|y\|_2^2=\mathcal{O}(n)$.

<u>Step 5.</u> The order of the radius of perturbation region. It remains us to prove the radius of perturbation region τ has the order $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\Big(\frac{L\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m}}n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\Big)$. First, recall that the ℓ_2-regularized GD update rule is as:

$$
\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}=\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k-1)}-\eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D^{(k-1)}\big)\big]+\eta_2\mu\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)},\quad\forall 1\leq\ell\leq L\quad\text{and}\quad\forall k\geq 1. \qquad (77)
$$

Similarly with the proof in the Theorem 3.4, we employ the induction process for the proof. The induction hypothesis is

$$
\left\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(s)}-\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\right\|_2\leq\mathcal{O}\Big(\frac{\eta_1 n\sqrt{m\omega}}{\sqrt{\delta}\eta_2\mu}\Big),\qquad\forall s\in[k+1]. \qquad (78)
$$

It is easy to see it holds for $s = 0$, and suppose it holds for $s = 0, 1, \ldots, k$, we consider $k+1$. Using the update rule (77), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k+1)} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\right\|_2 &\leq \eta_2\mu \left\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\right\|_2 + \eta_1 \left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[\mathcal{L}_{\mathbf{S}}\big(\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}\big)\big]\right\|_2 \\
&= \eta_2\mu \left\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\right\|_2 + \eta_1 \left\|\sum_{i=1}^{n}\Big(y_i - \mathbf{u}_{D,i}(k)\Big)\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\right\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{\eta_1 n\sqrt{m\omega}}{\sqrt{\delta}}\bigg) + \mathcal{O}\Big(\eta_1\sqrt{nm\omega}\Big)\cdot\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{\eta_1 n\sqrt{m\omega}}{\sqrt{\delta}}\bigg) + \mathcal{O}\Big(\eta_1\sqrt{nm\omega}\Big)\cdot\Big\{\mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{n}\big) + (1-\eta_2\mu L)^{\frac{k}{2}}\mathcal{O}\bigg(\sqrt{\frac{n}{\delta}}\bigg)\Big\} \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{\eta_1 n\sqrt{m\omega}}{\sqrt{\delta}\eta_2\mu}\bigg).
\end{aligned}$$

In the first inequality, we use the induction hypothesis for $s = k$, and Lemma 1.4. In the second inequality, since the induction hypothesis holds for $s = 0, 1, \ldots, k$, we employ $\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(k)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{n}\big) + (1-\eta_2\mu L)^{\frac{k}{2}}\|y - \mathbf{u}_D(0)\|_2$ with the Lemma 1.9. In the last inequality, we use $\eta_2\mu < 1$. By triangle inequality, the induction holds for $s = k+1$. Plugging the proper choices of η_1, η_2 and μ as suggested in (65) to $\mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{\eta_1 n\sqrt{m\omega}}{\sqrt{\delta}\eta_2\mu}\bigg)$ yields $\|\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)} - \mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\bigg(\frac{L\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m}}n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\bigg)$.

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Proof. Recall the equality (61). Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\mathbf{u}_D(k+1) - (1-\eta_2\mu L)\mathbf{u}_D(k) \\
&\quad= -m\eta_1\cdot\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{y}\big) + \mathbf{I}_{2,D}^{(k)} + \mathbf{I}_{3,D}^{(k)} + \mathbf{I}_{5,D}^{(k)} \\
&\quad= -m\eta_1\cdot\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{y}\big) \\
&\qquad\quad - m\eta_1\cdot\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{y}\big) + \mathbf{I}_{2,D}^{(k)} + \mathbf{I}_{3,D}^{(k)} + \mathbf{I}_{5,D}^{(k)} \\
&\quad= -m\eta_1\cdot\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{y}\big) + \xi_D(k).
\end{aligned} \tag{79}$$

With $\tau = \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{L\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m\delta}}n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\bigg)$, similarly with Lemma 1.10 and a direct employment of the result from Lemma 1.11, we can control the distance from $\mathbf{H}_D(k)$ to $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty$ under operator norm as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\|\mathbf{H}_D(k) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\|_2 &\leq \|\mathbf{H}_D(k) - \mathbf{H}(0)\|_2 + \|\mathbf{H}(0) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\|_2 \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega^{7/6}L^{10/3}n^{\frac{7d-3}{6d-3}}\sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta^2}}\bigg) + \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega L^{5/2}n\sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\bigg) \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(L^{19/12}n^{-\frac{21d-8}{12d-6}}\sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta^2}}\bigg) + \mathcal{O}\bigg(Ln^{-\frac{18d-6}{12d-6}}\sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\bigg) \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(L^{19/12}n^{-\frac{21d-8}{12d-6}}\sqrt[6]{\frac{\log^3(m)}{m\delta^2}}\bigg),
\end{aligned} \tag{80}$$

where in the third inequality, $\omega = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{L^{3/2}}n^{-\frac{5d-2}{2d-1}}\big)$ is plugged-in. The last inequality holds with $d \geq 2$ with large enough n and the condition on width $m \geq \Omega\big(L^{19}n^{20}\frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2}\big)$. Then, the ℓ_2 norm

of $\xi_D(k)$ can be bounded as:

$$\begin{aligned}\|\xi_D(k)\|_2 &\leq m\eta_1 \cdot \|\mathbf{H}_L^\infty - \mathbf{H}_D(k)\|_2 \|\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\|_2 + \left\|\mathbf{I}_D^{(k)}\right\|_2 \\ &\leq \mathcal{O}\left(L^{19/12} n^{-\frac{12d-5}{6d-3}} \frac{\sqrt{\log(m)}}{m^{1/6}\delta^{1/3}}\right) \cdot \underbrace{\|\mathbf{u}_D(k) - y\|_2}_{\leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n/\delta})} + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) \\ &\leq \mathcal{O}\left(L^{19/12} n^{-\frac{18d-7}{12d-6}} \frac{\sqrt{\log(m)}}{m^{1/6}\delta^{5/6}}\right) + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right) = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right), \end{aligned} \tag{81}$$

where in the second inequality, we used (80) with $\eta_1 = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{m} n^{-\frac{3d-2}{2d-1}}\right)$ to control the first term and employed Eq. (66) to control the second term. In the last equality, we used $m \geq \Omega\big(L^{19} n^{20} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2}\big)$. Now, by setting $\mathbf{B} := \left(\frac{\eta_2 \mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathbf{y}$, we can easily convert the equality (79) as follows: for $k \geq 1$,

$$\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{B} = \left(\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)\big(\mathbf{u}_D(k-1) - \mathbf{B}\big) + \xi_D(k-1). \tag{82}$$

The recursive applications of the equality (82) yields

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{B} &= \left(\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^k \big(\mathbf{u}_D(0) - \mathbf{B}\big) \\ &\qquad + \sum_{j=0}^{k} \left(\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^j \xi_D(k-j-1) \\ &= \left(\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^k \big(\mathbf{u}_D(0) - \mathbf{B}\big) + \mathbf{e}_D(k). \end{aligned} \tag{83}$$

Now, we bound the ℓ_2 norm of $\mathbf{e}_D(k)$ in (83):

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{e}_D(k)\|_2 &= \left\|\sum_{j=0}^{k} \left(\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^j \xi_D(k-j-1)\right\|_2 \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{k} \left\|\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right\|_2^j \|\xi_D(k-j-1)\|_2 \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{k} \big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big)^j \|\xi_D(k-j-1)\|_2 = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right), \end{aligned} \tag{84}$$

in the last inequality, we used $\eta_2 \mu L = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$ and Eq. (81). Now, we control the ℓ_2-norm of the first term in (83) as:

$$\begin{aligned}\left\|\left(\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big) \cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^k \big(\mathbf{u}_D(0) - \mathbf{B}\big)\right\|_2 &\leq \big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big)^k \|\mathbf{u}_D(0) - \mathbf{B}\|_2 \\ &\leq \mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{n}\big(1 - \eta_2 \mu L\big)^k\right), \end{aligned} \tag{85}$$

where in the second inequality, we used $\|\mathbf{u}_D(0)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n\omega}/\delta)$ and the fact that

$$\|\mathbf{B}\|_2 \leq \left\|\left(\frac{\eta_2 \mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right\|_2 \cdot \|\mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n}).$$

By combining (84) and (85) and using a fact $(1 - \eta_2 \mu L)^k \leq \exp(-\eta_2 \mu L k)$, we conclude that after $k \geq \Omega\big((\eta_2 \mu L)^{-1} \log(n^{3/2})\big)$, the error $\|\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{B}\|_2$ decays at the rate $\mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$. □

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Proof. We begin the proof by decomposing the error $\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(x) - f^*(x)$ for any fixed $x \in \textbf{Unif}(\mathcal{S}^{d-1})$ into three terms as follows:

$$\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(x) - f^*(x) = \underbrace{\big(\widehat{f}_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(x) - g_\mu^*(x)\big)}_{\Delta_{D,1}} + \underbrace{\big(g_\mu^*(x) - f^*(x)\big)}_{\Delta_{D,2}}. \tag{86}$$

Here, we devise a solution of kernel ridge regression $g_\mu^*(x)$ in the decomposition (86):

$$g_\mu^*(x) := \textbf{Ker}(x, \mathbf{X})\big(C\mu \cdot \mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\mathbf{y},$$

for some constant $C > 0$. Specifically, in the proof to follow, we set $C = \frac{\eta_2 L}{\eta_1 m}$ for the theoretical convenience. Our goal is to show that all the terms $\|\Delta_{D,1}\|_2^2$, and $\|\Delta_{D,2}\|_2^2$ have the order either equal to or smaller than $\mathcal{O}\big(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\big)$ with the proper choices on m, μ, η_1 and η_2.

Step 1. Control on $\Delta_{D,2}$. First, note that there is a recent finding that the reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces induced from NTKs with any number of layers (i.e., $L \geq 1$) have the same set of functions, if kernels are defined on $\mathcal{S}^{d-1}$. See Chen & Xu [2020]. Along with this result, under the choice of model parameters as suggested in (equation 65), we can apply the same proof used in Theorem.3.2 in Hu et al. [2021] for proving a following :

$$\|\Delta_{D,2}\|_2^2 := \big\|g_\mu^* - f^*\big\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\Big(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\Big), \qquad \big\|g_\mu^*\big\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1). \tag{87}$$

Step 2. Control on $\Delta_{D,1}$. For n data points $\big(\mathbf{x}_1, \ldots, \mathbf{x}_n\big)$ and for the kth updated parameter $\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}$, denote:

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{X})\big] = \Bigg[\textbf{vec}\Big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_1)\big]\Big), \cdots, \textbf{vec}\Big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x}_n)\big]\Big)\Bigg].$$

Note that when $\ell = 1$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{X})\big] \in \mathbb{R}^{md \times n}$ and when $\ell = 2, \ldots, L$, $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(\mathbf{X})\big] \in \mathbb{R}^{m^2 \times n}$. With this notation, we can write the vectorized version of the update rule (77) as:

$$\textbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\big) = \textbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\big) - \eta_1 \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1 - \eta_2\mu\big)^j \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\Big(\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1) - y\Big),$$

$\forall 1 \leq \ell \leq L$ and $\forall k \geq 1$. Using the equality, we can get the decomposition :

$$\begin{aligned}\textbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\big) = \underbrace{\textbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\big)}_{:=\mathbf{E}_1} \underbrace{-\eta_1 \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1 - \eta_2\mu\big)^j \Big(\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1) - y\Big)}_{:=\mathbf{E}_2} \\ \underbrace{-\eta_1 \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1 - \eta_2\mu\big)^j \Bigg[\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\Bigg]\Big(\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1) - y\Big)}_{:=\mathbf{E}_3}.\end{aligned} \tag{88}$$

Let $z_{D,k}(x) := \mathbf{vec}\big(\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(x)\big]\big)$, and note that $f_{\mathbf{W}_D^{(k)}}(x) = \langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(k)}\big)\rangle$. Then, by the definition of $\Delta_{D,1}$ and the decomposition (88), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta_{D,1} &= \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_1+\mathbf{E}_2+\mathbf{E}_3\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\\ &= \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_1\rangle + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_3\rangle\\ &\quad + \underbrace{\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_2\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}}_{:=\mathcal{C}}\end{aligned} \tag{89}$$

First, we focus on controlling the ℓ_2 bound on the first two terms in (89). Observe that the first term can be bounded as:

$$\left|\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_1\rangle\right|^2 \le \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left|\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_1\rangle\right|^2. \tag{90}$$

Recall that $\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2 \le \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{m\omega}\big)$ by Lemma 1.4. Then, the random variable $z_{D,k}(x)^\top \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\big) \mid z_{D,k}(x)$ is simply a $\mathcal{N}\big(0, \mathcal{O}(\omega)\big)$ for $1 \le \ell \le L$. A straightforward application of Chernoff bound for normal random variable and taking union bound over the layer $1 \le \ell \le L$ yield that: with probability at least $1-\delta$,

$$\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left|z_{D,k}(x)^\top \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\big)\right|^2 \le \mathcal{O}\left(\omega\log\left(\frac{L}{\delta}\right)\right). \tag{91}$$

The ℓ_2 norm of the second term in (89) can be similarly bounded as (90) in addition with the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality:

$$\left|\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_3\rangle\right|^2 \le \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left|\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_3\rangle\right|^2 \le \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\,\|\mathbf{E}_3\|_2^2. \tag{92}$$

The $\|\mathbf{E}_3\|_2$ is bounded as :

$$\begin{aligned}\|\mathbf{E}_3\|_2 &= \left\|\eta_1\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}(1-\eta_2\mu)^j\left[\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\right]\Big(\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1)-y\Big)\right\|_2\\
&\le \eta_1\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}(1-\eta_2\mu)^j\cdot\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\right\|_2\|\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1)-y\|_2\\
&\le \eta_1\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}(1-\eta_2\mu)^j\cdot\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{X})\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\right\|_F\|\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1)-y\|_2\\
&= \eta_1\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}(1-\eta_2\mu)^j\cdot\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\right\|_F^2}\,\|\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1)-y\|_2\\
&\le \eta_1\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}(1-\eta_2\mu)^j\cdot\sqrt{2\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\big]\right\|_2^2}\,\|\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1)-y\|_2\\
&\le \frac{\eta_1}{\eta_2\mu}\cdot\mathcal{O}\left(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega mn\log(m)}\right)\cdot\mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{n}\big)\\
&\le \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{L^{10/3}\omega^{1/6}}{m^{2/3}\delta^{1/3}}n^{\frac{4d}{6d-3}}\sqrt{\log(m)}\right).\end{aligned} \tag{93}$$

In the first, second and third inequalities, we used a simple fact that for the matrix $A \in \mathbb{R}^{d_1 \times d_2}$ with rank r, then $\|A\|_2 \leq \|A\|_F \leq \sqrt{r}\|A\|_2$. Recall that the rank of the matrix $\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(k-j-1)}(x)\big] - \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(x)\big]$ is at most 2. In the second to the last inequality, we use the result of Lemma 1.6 and the $\|\mathbf{u}_D(i) - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n})$ for any $i \geq 1$. In the last inequality, we plug the correct orders as set in (65) to τ, η_1, η_2 and μ. Back to the inequality (92), using the $\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{m\omega}\big)$ and (93), we can get

$$\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\,\|\mathbf{E}_3\|_2^2 \leq \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\bigg(\frac{L^{20/3}\omega^{4/3}}{m^{1/3}}n^{\frac{8d}{6d-3}}\log(m)\bigg). \tag{94}$$

Before controlling the ℓ_2 norm of $\mathcal{C}$ in (89), recall that we set $\mathbf{B} := \bigg(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{-1}\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\mathbf{y}$ and the dynamics of $\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{B}$ can be expressed in terms of $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty$ as follows: For any $k \geq 1$,

$$\mathbf{u}_D(k) - \mathbf{B} = \bigg(\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\mathcal{I} - m\eta_1\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^k\big(\mathbf{u}_D(0) - \mathbf{B}\big) + \mathbf{e}_D(k), \tag{95}$$

with $\|\mathbf{e}_D(k)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{1}{n}\big)$. Using (95), we can further decompose the term $\mathbf{E}_2$ in (88) as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{E}_2 &:= -\eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\bigg(\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1) - y\bigg)\\
&= -\eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\bigg(\mathbf{u}_D(k-j-1) - \mathbf{B}\bigg)\\
&\qquad - \eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\bigg(\mathbf{B} - y\bigg)\\
&= \eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\bigg(\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\mathcal{I} - m\eta_1\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{k-j-1}\mathbf{B}\\
&\qquad - \eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\bigg(\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot\mathcal{I} - m\eta_1\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{k-j-1}\mathbf{u}_D(0)\\
&\qquad - \eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\mathbf{e}_D(k-j-1)\\
&\qquad - \eta_1\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j\bigg(\mathbf{B} - y\bigg)\\
&= \mathbf{E}_{2,1} + \mathbf{E}_{2,2} + \mathbf{E}_{2,3} + \mathbf{E}_{2,4}.
\end{aligned} \tag{96}$$

Then, we can re-write the error term $\mathcal{C}$ in (89) as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{C} = \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,1}\rangle + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,2}\rangle + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,3}\rangle\\
+ \underbrace{\bigg\{\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,4}\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\bigg(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\bigg\}}_{:=\mathcal{D}}.
\end{aligned} \tag{97}$$

Our goal is to control the ℓ_2 norm of each summand in the equality (97). For the first three terms in (97), a simple Cauchy-Schwarz inequality can be applied: for $i = 1, 2, 3$:

$$\bigg|\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,i}\rangle\bigg|^2 \leq \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}|\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,i}\rangle|^2 \leq \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\cdot\|\mathbf{E}_{2,i}\|_2^2.$$

We work on obtaining the bound of $\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,1}\|_2^2$. Let $\mathcal{T}_k$ be defined as

$$\mathcal{T}_k := \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j \Big(\big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)\cdot \mathcal{I} - m\eta_1 \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{k-j-1}.$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,1}\|_2^2 &= \eta_1^2 \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \Big(\mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]\mathcal{T}_k\mathbf{B}\Big) \\
&= m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}(0)\mathcal{T}_k\mathbf{B} \\
&= m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \Big(\mathbf{H}(0) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)\mathcal{T}_k\mathbf{B} + m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k\mathbf{B} \\
&\leq m\eta_1^2 \left\|\mathbf{H}(0) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right\|_2 \cdot \mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^2 \mathbf{B} + m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k\mathbf{B}. \qquad (98)
\end{aligned}$$

To obtain the upper-bound on (98), we need to control the terms $\mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k$ and $\mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^2 \mathbf{B}$. Let us denote $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i v_i v_i^\top$ be the eigen-decomposition of $\mathbf{H}_L^\infty$. Using $1-\eta_2\mu L \leq 1-\eta_2\mu$, note that

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{T}_k &= \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j \big(1-\eta_2\mu L\big)^{k-j-1} \Big(\mathcal{I} - \frac{m\eta_1}{1-\eta_2\mu L}\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{k-j-1} \\
&\preceq \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{k-1} \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \Big(\mathcal{I} - \frac{m\eta_1}{1-\eta_2\mu}\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{i} \\
&= \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{k-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n} \Bigg(\frac{1-\big(1-\frac{m\eta_1}{1-\eta_2\mu}\lambda_j\big)^k}{\frac{m\eta_1}{1-\eta_2\mu}\lambda_j}\Bigg) v_j v_j^\top \preceq \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^k}{m\eta_1\lambda_0}\cdot \mathcal{I}. \qquad (99)
\end{aligned}$$

A similar logic can be applied to bound $\mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k &\preceq \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{k-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n} \Bigg(\frac{1-\big(1-\frac{m\eta_1}{1-\eta_2\mu}\lambda_j\big)^k}{\frac{m\eta_1}{1-\eta_2\mu}\lambda_j}\Bigg)^2 \lambda_j v_j v_j^\top \\
&\preceq \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2}\cdot \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}. \qquad (100)
\end{aligned}$$

Recall the definition of the notation $\mathbf{B} := \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \Big(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{-1}\mathbf{y}$. Then, we can bound the term $\mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{B}$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{B} &\leq \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2}\cdot \mathbf{B}^\top \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1}\mathbf{B} \\
&= \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2}\cdot \mathbf{y}^\top \Big(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{-1} \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \Big(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
&= \mathcal{O}\Bigg(\frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2}\Bigg), \qquad (101)
\end{aligned}$$

where in the last equality, we used $\big\|g_\mu^*\big\|_{\mathcal{H}}^2 = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}(1)$ in (87). Now we turn our attention to bound the term $\mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^2 \mathbf{B}$,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B}^\top \mathcal{T}_k^2 \mathbf{B} &\leq \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2\lambda_0^2}\mathbf{y}^\top \Big(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{-1} \Big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^2 \Big(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\Big)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
&= \mathcal{O}\Bigg(\frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k} n}{m^2\eta_1^2\lambda_0^2}\Bigg), \qquad (102)
\end{aligned}$$

where we used $\|y\|_2^2 = \mathcal{O}(n)$ in the last inequality. Combining the bounds (101), (102) and the result from Lemma 1.11, we can further bound (98) and have:

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,1}\|_2^2 \leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m\lambda_0^2} n^2 L^{5/2} \sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}} + \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m}\bigg) \leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m}\bigg), \tag{103}$$

where in the second inequality, we used $m \geq \Omega\bigg(L^{19} n^{20} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2}\bigg)$. Similarly, we can bound $\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,2}\|_2^2$:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,2}\|_2^2 &= \eta_1^2 \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \bigg(\mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big]^\top \nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\big[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\big] \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{u}_D(0)\bigg) \\
&= m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}(0) \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{u}_D(0) \\
&= m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \bigg(\mathbf{H}(0) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg) \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{u}_D(0) + m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{u}_D(0) \\
&\leq m\eta_1^2 \|\mathbf{H}(0) - \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\|_2 \cdot \mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \mathcal{T}_k^2 \mathbf{u}_D(0) + m\eta_1^2 \mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \mathcal{T}_k^\top \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \mathcal{T}_k \mathbf{u}_D(0) \\
&\leq m\eta_1^2 \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2\lambda_0^2} \mathcal{O}\bigg(\omega n L^{5/2} \sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\bigg) \|\mathbf{u}_D(0)\|_2^2 \\
&\qquad + m\eta_1^2 \frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m^2\eta_1^2} \mathbf{u}_D(0)^\top \big(\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\big)^{-1} \mathbf{u}_D(0) \\
&\leq \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k} n^2 \omega^2 L^{5/2}}{m\lambda_0^2\delta^2} \sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}} + \frac{n\omega\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m\lambda_0\delta^2}\bigg) \\
&= \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\bigg(\frac{n\omega\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{m\lambda_0}\bigg).
\end{aligned} \tag{104}$$

Here, in the second inequality, we used the inequalities (99) and (100) and Lemma 1.11. In the third inequality, we used the Lemma 1.8, $\|\mathbf{u}(0)\|_2 = \mathcal{O}\big(\frac{\sqrt{n\omega}}{\delta}\big)$ with probability at least $1-\delta$. In the last equality, we used $m \geq \Omega\bigg(L^{19} n^{20} \frac{\log^3(m)}{\delta^2}\bigg)$.

Next, we bound $\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,3}\|_2^2$ as:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \|\mathbf{E}_{2,3}\|_2^2 &= m\eta_1^2 \cdot \bigg(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j \big(\mathbf{e}_{k-j-1}\big)\bigg)^\top \mathbf{H}_D(0) \bigg(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^j \big(\mathbf{e}_{k-j-1}\big)\bigg) \\
&\leq \frac{m\eta_1^2}{\eta_2^2\mu^2} \cdot \lambda_{\max}\big(\mathbf{H}_D(k)\big) \cdot \|\mathbf{e}_{k-j-1}\|_2^2 \\
&\leq \frac{m\eta_1^2}{\eta_2^2\mu^2} \cdot \mathcal{O}\big(\omega n L\big) \cdot \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{1}{n^2}\bigg) \\
&= \mathcal{O}\bigg(\frac{L^3}{m} \omega \cdot n^{-\frac{4d-3}{2d-1}}\bigg).
\end{aligned} \tag{105}$$

Now, we focus on obtaining the ℓ_2 norm bound on $\mathcal{D}$ in (97). Recall the definition of the notation $\mathbf{B} := \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \bigg(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{-1} \mathbf{y}$. A simple calculation yields that

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{B} - \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{H}_L^\infty \bigg(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{-1} \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y} \\
&= -\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{m\eta_1} \bigg(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\bigg)^{-1} \mathbf{y}.
\end{aligned}$$

Then, we can re-write the expression of the $\mathcal{D}$ as :

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{D} :=& \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{m\eta_1}\right)\cdot\eta_1\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{D,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^j\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
&\qquad -\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
=& \left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{D,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle-\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\right)\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
&\qquad -\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{D,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
=& \left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{0,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle-\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\right)\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
&\qquad -\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{0,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\
&\qquad +\left(1-\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right)\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{D,k}(x)-z_{D,0}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle\right)\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y},
\end{aligned}
\tag{106}
$$

where in the second equality, $\sum_{j=0}^{k-1}(1-\eta_2\mu)^j=\frac{1-(1-\eta_2\mu)^k}{\eta_2\mu}$ is used. The ℓ_2 norm of first term in the (106) can be bounded as:

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\left\|\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{D,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle-\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\right)\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\leq\left\|\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_{D,k}(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle-\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\right)\right\|_2\cdot\left\|\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&=\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\left\langle z_0(x),\nabla_{\mathbf{W}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{W}_D(0)}(\mathbf{x}_i)\right]\right\rangle-\mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{x}_i)\right)^2}\cdot\left\|\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\leq\mathcal{O}\left(\omega\sqrt{n}L^{5/2}\sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right)\cdot\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\eta_1 m}{\eta_2\mu L}\sqrt{n}\right) \\
&=\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\omega\eta_1 mn}{\eta_2\mu L}L^{5/2}\sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right)=\mathcal{O}\left(\omega L^{5/2}n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\sqrt[4]{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right),
\end{aligned}
\tag{107}
$$

where, in the second inequality, we used Lemma 1.11, and also we used

$$
\left\|\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2\leq\sqrt{\mathbf{y}^\top\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-2}\mathbf{y}}\leq\sqrt{\frac{\eta_1^2 m^2}{\eta_2^2\mu^2 L^2}\cdot\|\mathbf{y}\|_2^2}=\mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\eta_1 m}{\eta_2\mu L}\sqrt{n}\right).
\tag{108}
$$

The ℓ_2 norm of the second term in (106) can be easily bounded as:

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\langle z_0(x), \nabla_{\mathbf{w}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{w}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\quad\le \left\| \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\langle z_0(x), \nabla_{\mathbf{w}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{w}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\right) \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\qquad + \left\| \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \left\| \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\langle z_0(x), \nabla_{\mathbf{w}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{w}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\right\|_2 \cdot \left\| \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\qquad + \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \left\| \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X}) \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \cdot \mathcal{O}\left(\omega\sqrt{n}L^{3/2}\sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right)\cdot \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\eta_1 m}{\eta_2\mu L}\sqrt{n}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right) \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k \cdot \mathcal{O}\left(\omega L^{3/2} n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\sqrt[4]{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right). \qquad (109)
\end{aligned}
$$

Lastly, the ℓ_2 norm of the third term in (106) is bounded as:

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\left\| \left(1-\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right) \left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\langle z_{D,k}(x)-z_{D,0}(x), \nabla_{\mathbf{w}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{w}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle\right) \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right)\cdot \left\| \frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\langle z_{D,k}(x)-z_{D,0}(x), \nabla_{\mathbf{w}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{w}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\rangle\right\|_2 \cdot \left\| \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right)\cdot \left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L} \left\|z_{D,k}(x)-z_{D,0}(x)\right\|_F \left\|\nabla_{\mathbf{w}_\ell}\left[f_{\mathbf{w}_D(0)}(\mathbf{X})\right]\right\|_F\right) \cdot \left\| \left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I}+\mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2 \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right)\cdot \left(\frac{L}{m}\mathcal{O}\left(\tau^{1/3}L^2\sqrt{\omega m\log(m)}\right)\cdot\mathcal{O}\left(\sqrt{\omega m n}\right)\right)\cdot \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\eta_1 m}{\eta_2\mu L}\sqrt{n}\right) \\
&\quad\le \left(1-\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^k\right)\cdot \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/6}L^{10/3}n^{\frac{4d}{6d-3}}\frac{\sqrt{\log(m)}}{m^{1/6}\delta^{1/3}}\right) \le \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/6}L^{10/3}n^{\frac{4d}{6d-3}}\frac{\sqrt{\log(m)}}{m^{1/6}\delta^{1/3}}\right), \qquad (110)
\end{aligned}
$$

where in the fourth inequality, $\tau = \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{L\sqrt{\omega}}{\sqrt{m}}n^{\frac{d}{2d-1}}\right)$ is plugged in. Combining the inequalities (107), (109) and (110), we get the bound on $\|\mathcal{D}\|_2$ in (106):

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\mathcal{D}\|_2^2 &\le \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^2 L^5 n^{\frac{2d}{2d-1}}\sqrt{\frac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right) + \left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^{2k}\mathcal{O}\left(\omega^2 L^3 n^{\frac{2d}{2d-1}}\sqrt{\tfrac{\log(nL/\delta)}{m}}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^{2k}\right) \\
&\qquad + \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/3}L^{20/3}n^{\frac{8d}{6d-3}}\frac{\log(m)}{m^{1/3}\delta^{2/3}}\right) \\
&\le \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/3}L^{20/3}n^{\frac{8d}{6d-3}}\frac{\log(m)}{m^{1/3}\delta^{2/3}}\right) + \mathcal{O}\left(\left(1-\eta_2\mu\right)^{2k}\right). \qquad (111)
\end{aligned}
$$

Step 3. Combining all pieces. Recall $\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2 \leq \mathcal{O}\big(\sqrt{m\omega}\big)$. With this fact, combining the bounds (91), (94), (103), (104), (105) and (111), we can bound the $\|\Delta_{D,1}\|_2^2$ via the decomposition (89) as follows:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\|\Delta_{D,1}\|_2^2 \leq\ & \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\Big|z_{D,k}(x)^\top \mathbf{vec}\big(\mathbf{W}_{D,\ell}^{(0)}\big)\Big|^2 + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\,\|\mathbf{E}_3\|_2^2 \\
& + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\,\|\mathbf{E}_{2,1}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\,\|\mathbf{E}_{2,2}\|_2^2 + \frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\|z_{D,k}(x)\|_2^2\,\|\mathbf{E}_{2.3}\|_2^2 \\
& + \left\|\frac{1}{L}\sum_{\ell=1}^{L}\langle z_{D,k}(x), \mathbf{E}_{2,4}\rangle - \mathbf{Ker}(x,\mathbf{X})\left(\frac{\eta_2\mu L}{\eta_1 m}\mathcal{I} + \mathbf{H}_L^\infty\right)^{-1}\mathbf{y}\right\|_2^2 \\
\leq\ & \mathcal{O}\left(\omega\log\left(\frac{L}{\delta}\right)\right) + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{L^{20/3}\omega^{4/3}}{m^{1/3}}n^{\frac{8d}{6d-3}}\log(m)\right) \\
& + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{\omega\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{L}\right) + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{n\omega^2\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}}{L\lambda_0}\right) + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\frac{L^2}{m}\omega\cdot n^{-\frac{4d-3}{2d-1}}\right) \\
& + \mathcal{O}\left(\omega^{7/3}L^{20/3}n^{\frac{8d}{6d-3}}\frac{\log(m)}{m^{1/3}\delta^{2/3}}\right) + \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(\big(1-\eta_2\mu\big)^{2k}\right) \\
\leq\ & \mathcal{O}_{\mathbb{P}}\left(n^{-\frac{d}{2d-1}}\right).
\end{aligned}
$$

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