

SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Appendix: Proof of Theorem 1

Let $\mathbf{W}_i = (X_i, S_{1i}, S_{2i})$, where $\mathbf{W}_1, \dots, \mathbf{W}_n$ is a random sample from a probability distribution P on a measurable space $(\mathcal{W}, \mathcal{A})$ for $\mathcal{W} = \{0, 1\} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$. To arrive at the convergence in distribution result for $\hat{\theta}_{1r} - \hat{\theta}_{2r}$, we need to establish Hadamard differentiability of $\hat{\theta}_{1r} - \hat{\theta}_{2r}$. To do so, we use the fact that under Conditions 1 and 2, both $\hat{\theta}_{1r}$ and $\hat{\theta}_{2r}$ are Hadamard differentiable (Jiang & Zhao 2015). Hadamard differentiability of $\hat{\theta}_{1r} - \hat{\theta}_{2r}$ is implied by the definition of Hadamard differentiability (3.9.1, van der Vaart & Wellner (1996)).

The influence function associated with $\hat{\theta}_{jr}$ is $L_j(\mathbf{W}) = H_j$, where $H_j = (X - \Lambda_{jr})(A_{jr} - \theta_{jr})/\pi_+$ and $A_{jr} = \mathbf{I}(S_j > t_{jr})$, for $j = 1, 2$. Applying the chain rule for influence functions, we obtain the influence function for $\hat{\theta}_{1r} - \hat{\theta}_{2r}$ as $L(\mathbf{W}) = H_1 - H_2$. Consequently,

$$\sqrt{n} \left\{ (\hat{\theta}_{1r} - \hat{\theta}_{2r}) - (\theta_{1r} - \theta_{2r}) \right\} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \text{Var}(H_1 - H_2))$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. The required variance expression is obtained as $\text{Var}(H_1 - H_2) = \text{Var}(H_1) + \text{Var}(H_2) - 2\text{Cov}(H_1, H_2)$. Jiang & Zhao (2015) already obtained the expression for $\text{Var}(H_j)$ as

$$\frac{\theta_{jr}(1 - \theta_{jr})}{\pi_+} \left[1 - 2\Lambda_{jr} + \frac{\Lambda_{jr}^2(1 - r)r}{\pi_+\theta_{jr}(1 - \theta_{jr})} \right].$$

We now obtain $\text{Cov}(H_1, H_2)$. Using the law of total covariance, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Cov}((X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}), (X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r})) \\ &= E[\text{Cov}((X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}), (X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X)] \\ &+ \text{Cov}(E[(X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) \mid X], E[(X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X]). \end{aligned}$$

For the first term we have that:

$$\begin{aligned}
& E[Cov((X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}), (X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X)] \\
&= \pi_+ Cov((X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}), (X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X = 1) \\
&\quad + (1 - \pi_+) Cov((X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}), (X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X = 0) \\
&= \pi_+ (1 - \Lambda_{1r})(1 - \Lambda_{2r}) Cov(A_{1r}, A_{2r} \mid X = 1) + (1 - \pi_+) (\Lambda_{1r})(\Lambda_{2r}) Cov(A_{1r}, A_{2r} \mid X = 0) \\
&= \pi_+ (1 - \Lambda_{1r})(1 - \Lambda_{2r}) (\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r}) + (1 - \pi_+) (\Lambda_{1r})(\Lambda_{2r}) (\theta'_{12 \cdot r} - \theta'_{1r}\theta'_{2r}),
\end{aligned}$$

where $\theta'_{jr} = P(S_j > t_{jr} \mid -)$ for $j \in \{1, 2\}$ and $\theta'_{12 \cdot r} = P(S_1 > t_{1r}, S_2 > t_{2r} \mid -)$. For the second term we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
& Cov(E[(X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) \mid X], E[(X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X]) \\
&= E(E[(X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) \mid X] \cdot E[(X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X]) \\
&\quad - (E[E[(X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) \mid X]]) \cdot (E[E[(X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X]]) \\
&= (1 - \pi_+) \cdot E[(X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) \mid X = 0] \cdot E[(X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X = 0] \\
&\quad - (1 - \pi_+) E[(X - \Lambda_{1r})(A_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) \mid X = 0] \cdot (1 - \pi_+) E[(X - \Lambda_{2r})(A_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \mid X = 0] \\
&= (\pi_+) (1 - \pi_+) \Lambda_{1r} \Lambda_{2r} (\theta'_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) (\theta'_{2r} - \theta_{2r}).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
Cov(H_1, H_2) = \frac{1}{\pi_+^2} \Bigg\{ & \pi_+ (1 - \Lambda_{1r})(1 - \Lambda_{2r}) (\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r}) + (1 - \pi_+) (\Lambda_{1r})(\Lambda_{2r}) (\theta'_{12 \cdot r} - \theta'_{1r}\theta'_{2r}) \\
& + \pi_+ (1 - \pi_+) \Lambda_{1r} \Lambda_{2r} (\theta'_{1r} - \theta_{1r}) (\theta'_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \Bigg\}.
\end{aligned}$$

The expression in brackets can be expanded as a bivariate polynomial function of Λ_{1r} and Λ_{2r} :

$$\begin{aligned} & \pi_+(1 - \Lambda_{1r} - \Lambda_{2r})(\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r}) \\ & + (\Lambda_{1r}\Lambda_{2r}) \left\{ \pi_+(\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r}) + (1 - \pi_+)(\theta'_{12 \cdot r} - \theta'_{1r}\theta'_{2r}) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \pi_+(1 - \pi_+)(\theta'_{1r} - \theta_{1r})(\theta'_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The coefficient of $\Lambda_{1r}\Lambda_{2r}$ is complicated but noticing that:

$$E[Cov(A_{1r}, A_{2r}|X)] = \pi_+(\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r}) + (1 - \pi_+)(\theta'_{12 \cdot r} - \theta'_{1r}\theta'_{2r})$$

and that:

$$\begin{aligned} & Cov(E[A_{1r}|X], E[A_{2r}|X]) \\ & = E[E[A_{1r}|X] \cdot E[A_{2r}|X]] - E[E[A_{1r}|X]] \cdot E[E[A_{2r}|X]] \\ & = \pi_+\theta_{1r}\theta_{2r} + (1 - \pi_+)\theta'_{1r}\theta'_{2r} - (\pi_+\theta_{1r} + (1 - \pi_+)\theta'_{1r})(\pi_+\theta_{2r} + (1 - \pi_+)\theta'_{2r}) \\ & = \pi_+(1 - \pi_+)(\theta'_{1r} - \theta_{1r})(\theta'_{2r} - \theta_{2r}) \end{aligned}$$

implies that the coefficient of $\Lambda_{1r}\Lambda_{2r}$ is $E[Cov(A_{1r}, A_{2r}|X)] + Cov(E[A_{1r}|X], E[A_{2r}|X]) = Cov(A_{1r}, A_{2r}) = \gamma_{12 \cdot r} - r^2$.

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} & Cov(H_1, H_2) \\ & = \frac{1}{\pi_+} (\pi_+(\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r})(1 - \Lambda_{1r} - \Lambda_{2r}) + (\gamma_{12 \cdot r} - r^2) \Lambda_{1r}\Lambda_{2r}) \\ & = \frac{(\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r})}{\pi_+} \left\{ (1 - \Lambda_{1r} - \Lambda_{2r}) + \frac{(\gamma_{12 \cdot r} - r^2) \Lambda_{1r}\Lambda_{2r}}{\pi_+(\theta_{12 \cdot r} - \theta_{1r}\theta_{2r})} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

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