

Supplementary material to “Simultaneous inference for Berkson errors-in-variables regression under fixed design”

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This paper contains supplementary material for the main document *Simultaneous inference for Berkson errors-in-variables regression under fixed design*, which was omitted therein for the sake of brevity. For better reference, we briefly recall the framework and give the relevant assumptions. All numbers in references to equations, lemmas or assumptions coincide with those given in the main document, except inequalities (S1), (S2) and (S3).

The Berkson errors-in-variables model with fixed design that we shall consider is given by

$$Y_j = g(w_j + \Delta_j) + \varepsilon_j, \quad (3)$$

where $w_j = j/(na_n)$, $j = -n, \dots, n$, are the design points on a regular grid, a_n is a design parameter that satisfies $a_n \rightarrow 0$, $na_n \rightarrow \infty$, and Δ_j and ε_j are unobserved centered, independent and identically distributed errors for which $\text{Var}[\varepsilon_1] = \sigma^2 > 0$ and $\mathbb{E}|\varepsilon_1|^M < \infty$ for some $M > 2$. The density f_Δ of the errors Δ_j is assumed to be known. Identification of g on a given interval requires an infinitely supported design density if the error density is of infinite support. This corresponds to our assumption that asymptotically, the fixed design exhausts the whole real line. If we define γ as the convolution of g and $f_\Delta(\cdot)$, that is, $\gamma(w) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(z) f_\Delta(z - w) dz$, then $\mathbb{E}[Y_j] = \gamma(w_j)$, and the calibrated regression model (Carroll et al., 2006) associated with (3) is given by

$$Y_j = \gamma(w_j) + \eta_j, \quad \eta_j = g(w_j + \Delta_j) - \gamma(w_j) + \varepsilon_j. \quad (4)$$

Here the errors η_j are independent and centered as well but no longer identically distributed since their variances $v^2(w_j) = \mathbb{E}[\eta_j^2]$ depend on the design points. To be precise, we have that

$$v^2(w_j) = \int (g(w_j + \delta) - \gamma(w_j))^2 f_\Delta(\delta) d\delta + \sigma^2 \geq \sigma^2 > 0. \quad (5)$$

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Assumption 1. The functions g and f_Δ satisfy

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- (i) $g \in \mathcal{W}^m(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^r(\mathbb{R})$ for all $r \leq M$ and for some $m > 5/2$.
- (ii) f_Δ is a bounded, continuous, square-integrable density.
- (iii) The function γ decays sufficiently fast in the following sense:

$$\int_{|z| > 1/a_n} \langle z \rangle^s |\gamma(z)|^2 dz < \infty,$$

for some $s > 1/2$, where s may depend on n .

Assumption 2. Let $\Phi_k \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$ be symmetric, $\Phi_k(t) \equiv 1$ for all $t \in [-D, D]$, $0 < D < 1$, $|\Phi_k(t)| \leq 1$ and $\Phi_k(t) = 0$, $|t| > 1$.

Lemma 5. Let Assumptions 1 and 2 be satisfied. Further assume that $h/a_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

- (i) Then for bias, we have that

$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] - g(x)| = O\left(h^{m-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{na_n h^{\beta+\frac{3}{2}}}\right) + \begin{cases} o(a_n^{s+1/2} h^{1-\beta}), & \text{Ass. 3, (S),} \\ o(a_n^{s+1/2} h^{-\beta}), & \text{Ass. 5, (W).} \end{cases}$$

- (ii) a) For the variance if Assumption 5, (W) holds and $na_n h^{1+\beta} \rightarrow \infty$, then we have that

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{2C\pi} (1 + O(a_n)) \leq na_n h^{1+2\beta} \text{Var}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] \leq \frac{2^\beta \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} v^2(x)}{c\pi}.$$

- (ii) b) If actually Assumption 3, (S) holds and $na_n h^{1+\beta} \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\frac{v^2(x)}{C\pi} (1 + O(a_n)) \leq na_n h^{1+2\beta} \text{Var}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] \leq \frac{v^2(x)}{c\pi} (1 + O(h/a_n)),$$

Here c, C and β are the constants from Assumption 5 respectively 3.

Proof of Lemma 5 in the main document

- (i) We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] &= \frac{1}{na_n h} \sum_{j=-n}^n \gamma(w_j) K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \gamma(w_j) K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right) dz \\ &= \int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{na_n}} \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z - x}{h}; h\right) dz + R_{n,1}(x) + R_{n,2}(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_{n,1}(x) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \frac{d}{du} \left(\gamma(u) K \left(\frac{u-x}{h}; h \right) \right) \Big|_{u=z} (w_j - z) dz$$

and

$$R_{n,2}(x) = \frac{1}{2h} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(\gamma(u) K \left(\frac{u-x}{h}; h \right) \right) \Big|_{u=\tilde{w}_j(z)} (w_j - z)^2 dz.$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{n,1}(x) &= \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \gamma'(z) K \left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h \right) (w_j - z) dz \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \gamma(z) K' \left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h \right) (w_j - z) dz \\ &=: R_{n,1,1}(x) + R_{n,1,2}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$na_n h |R_{n,1,1}(x)| \leq \int_{-\frac{1}{an}}^{\frac{1}{an}} \left| \gamma'(z) K \left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h \right) \right| dz \leq \|\gamma'\|_2 \left\| K \left(\frac{\cdot - x}{h}; h \right) \right\|_2 = O \left(\frac{1}{h^{-\frac{1}{2} + \beta}} \right).$$

Analogously,

$$|R_{n,1,2}(x)| = O \left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}} \right).$$

Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,2}(x)| &\leq \left[\frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 h} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \left| \gamma''(\tilde{w}_j(z)) K \left(\frac{\tilde{w}_j(z) - x}{h}; h \right) \right| dz \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{2}{n^2 a_n^2 h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \left| \gamma'(\tilde{w}_j(z)) K' \left(\frac{\tilde{w}_j(z) - x}{h}; h \right) \right| dz \right] \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 h^3} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{na_n}} \left| \gamma(\tilde{w}_j(z)) K'' \left(\frac{\tilde{w}_j(z) - x}{h}; h \right) \right| dz \\ &=: [R_{n,2,1}(x)] + R_{n,2,2}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Then, $R_{n,2,1}(x) = O \left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_n^3 h^{2+\beta}} + \frac{1}{n^2 a_n^3 h^{2+\beta}} \right) = o \left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}} \right)$, since $h/a_n \rightarrow 0$. By Assumption 1

(iii) $\mathcal{F}\gamma \in \mathcal{W}^s$, $s > \frac{1}{2}$, therefore $\gamma \in L^1(\mathbb{R})$ and hence

$$\begin{aligned} R_{n,2,2} &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{h^{3+\beta} (na_n)^2} \left(\|\gamma\|_1 + \frac{1}{na_n^2} \right) = O \left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 h^{3+\beta}} + \frac{1}{n^3 a_n^4 h^{3+\beta}} \right) \\ &= O \left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}} \left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2}}} + \frac{1}{n^2 a_n^3 h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}} \right) \right) = o \left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}} \right), \end{aligned}$$

where we used again that $h/a_n \rightarrow 0$. Hence, in total we find

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x; h)] = \frac{1}{h} \int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n}} \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) dz + O\left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}}\right).$$

Next, we enlarge the domain of integration and estimate the remainder as follows. By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z| > \frac{1}{a_n}} \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) dz &\leq \left(\int_{|z| > \frac{1}{a_n}} |\gamma(z)|^2 dz \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_{|z| > \frac{1}{a_n}} \left| K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right|^2 dz \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

By Assumption 1 (iii)

$$\int_{|z| > \frac{1}{a_n}} |\gamma(z)|^2 dz \leq \int_{|z| > \frac{1}{a_n}} \frac{(1+z^2)^s}{(1+\frac{1}{a_n^2})^s} |\gamma(z)|^2 dz \leq \mathcal{C} a_n^{2s}.$$

By Lemma 4

$$\int_{\{|z| > \frac{1}{a_n}\}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz \leq \mathcal{C} a_n \left\{ \begin{array}{l} h^{-2\beta}, \quad (\text{W}) \\ h^{-2\beta+2}, \quad (\text{S}) \end{array} \right\} = O(a_n \|K(\cdot; h)\|_2^2).$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x; h)] &= \frac{1}{h} \int \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) dz + o\left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{\frac{3}{2} + \beta}}\right) \\ &\quad + \begin{cases} O\left(a_n^{s+1/2} h^{1-\beta}\right), & \text{Ass. 3, (S),} \\ O\left(a_n^{s+1/2} h^{-\beta}\right), & \text{Ass. 5, (W).} \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, by Plancherel's equality and the convolution theorem,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h} \int \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) dz &= \frac{1}{h} \int \gamma(z) \tilde{K}\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi h} \int \overline{\Phi_\gamma(z)} \Phi_{\tilde{K}(\cdot; h)}(z) dz = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \overline{\Phi_\gamma(z)} \Phi_{\tilde{K}(\cdot; h)}(zh) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \overline{\Phi_{f_\Delta}(z)} \Phi_g(z) \frac{\Phi_k(hz)}{\Phi_{f_\Delta}(-z)} dz = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \Phi_g(-z) \Phi_k(hz) dz. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{h} \int \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \Phi_g(-z) dz + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \Phi_g(-z) (\Phi_k(hz) - 1) dz \\ &= g(x) + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \Phi_g(z) (\Phi_k(hz) - 1) dz = g(x) + R(x; h), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R(x;h) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int \exp(ixz) \Phi_g(z) (\Phi_k(hz) - 1) dz.$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} |R_n(x)| &\leq \mathcal{C} \int_{|z|>D/h} |\Phi_g(z)| dz \leq \left(\int_{|z|>D/h} \left(\frac{1}{1+z^2} \right)^m dz \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_{|z|>D/h} |\langle z \rangle^{2m} |\Phi_g(z)|^2 dz \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

which yields the estimate $R(x;h) = O(h^{m-\frac{1}{2}})$, uniformly with respect to x

(ii) In the situation of both, (ii)a) and (ii)b), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] &= \frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n v^2(w_j) \left| K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right) \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n a_n h^2} \int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{n a_n}} v^2(z) \left(K\left(\frac{z - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz + R_n(x), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_n(x) = \frac{1}{n a_n h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{n a_n}} \left[v^2(w_j) \left(K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 - v^2(z) \left(K\left(\frac{z - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \right] dz.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} R_n(x) &= \frac{1}{n a_n h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{n a_n}} v^2(w_j) \left[\left(K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 - \left(K\left(\frac{z - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \right] dz \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n a_n h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_j + \frac{1}{n a_n}} \left(K\left(\frac{z - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 [v^2(w_j) - v^2(z)] dz \\ &=: R_{n,1}(x) + R_{n,2}(x). \end{aligned}$$

By uniform Lipschitz continuity of v^2 (see Lemma 3 (ii)), it is immediate that

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,2}(x)| &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{n^2 a_n^2 h^2} \int \left(K\left(\frac{z - x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{n^2 a_n^2 h} \|K(\cdot, h)\|^2 \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 h^{1+2\beta}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Next, we consider the term $R_{n,1}$ for which we will use a Taylor expansion of $K^2(\cdot; h)$. To this end, notice first from (7) that for any l

$$K^{(l)}(w; h) = \frac{(-1)^l}{2\pi} \int \frac{e^{-itw} \Phi_k(t) \cdot t^l}{\Phi_{f_\Delta(-t/h)}} dt,$$

where the functions $F_l : t \mapsto \Phi_k(t) \cdot t^l$ is uniformly bounded by 1 and twice continuously differentiable by Assumption 2 for any $l \in \mathbb{N}$. It follows that $K^2(\cdot; h)$ is smooth with integrable derivatives of all orders $l \in \mathbb{N}$, since

$$(K^2)^{(l)}(w; h) = (K \cdot K)^{(l)}(w; h) = \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} K^{(l-k)}(w; h) K^{(k)}(w; h),$$

by the general Leibniz rule. This yields

$$\begin{aligned} \int \left| (K^2)^{(l)}(w; h) \right| dw &\leq \sum_{k=0}^l \binom{l}{k} \left(\int |K^{(l-k)}(w; h)|^2 dw \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int |K^{(k)}(w; h)|^2 dw \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{h^{2\beta}}, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1})$$

by Lemma 4 and the previous discussion. Let $M \in \mathbb{N}$ be such that $M \geq \frac{2}{\beta} - 1$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,1}(x)| &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{na_n h^2} \left(\sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+\frac{1}{na_n}}} \left[\sum_{l=1}^M \left| (K^2)^{(l)}\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right| \left(\frac{1}{na_n h}\right)^l \right] dz \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(\frac{1}{na_n h}\right)^{M+1} \cdot \frac{1}{a_n h^{2\beta}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By (S1), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,1}(x)| &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{na_n h^{1+2\beta}} \left(\frac{1}{na_n h} + \frac{1}{ha_n} \left(\frac{1}{na_n h}\right)^{M+1} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{na_n h^{1+2\beta}} \left(\frac{1}{na_n h} + \left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{1+\frac{2}{M+1}}}\right)^{M+1} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $M \geq \frac{2}{\beta} - 1$, we finally obtain

$$|R_{n,1}(x)| = o\left(\frac{1}{na_n h^{1+2\beta}}\right).$$

An application of Plancherel's theorem and Assumption 5 give

$$\frac{1}{\pi C h^{2\beta}} \leq \|K(\cdot; h)\|_2^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left\| \frac{\Phi_k}{\Phi_{f_\Delta}(\cdot/h)} \right\|_2^2 \leq \frac{1}{\pi c} \left(1 + \frac{1}{h^2}\right)^\beta. \quad (\text{S2})$$

Now, if (S) holds, an application of Lemma 4 yields

$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} \left| \int_{\frac{1}{an}}^{\infty} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz \right| = O\left(\frac{a_n h^2}{h^{2\beta}}\right) = O(a_n h^2 \|K(\cdot; h)\|_2^2).$$

Thus,

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{na_n}} v^2(z) \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz = h v^2(x) \|K(\cdot; h)\|_2^2 (1 + O(ha_n)) + R_{n,3}(x),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,3}(x)| &:= \left| \int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{na_n}} (v^2(z) - v^2(x)) \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz \right| \\ &\leq \mathcal{C} h \int_{-\frac{2}{a_n h}}^{\frac{2}{a_n h}} |v^2(zh-x) - v^2(x)| (K(z; h))^2 dz \\ &\leq \mathcal{C} h \int_{-\frac{2}{a_n h}}^{\frac{2}{a_n h}} |zh| (K(z; h))^2 dz. \end{aligned}$$

By (24) we have $|z \cdot K(z; h)| \leq \mathcal{C}/h^\beta$ and

$$|R_{n,3}(x)| \leq \mathcal{C} h^{2-\beta} \int_{-\frac{2}{a_n h}}^{\frac{2}{a_n h}} |K(z; h)| dz = O\left(\frac{h^2 \ln(n)}{h^{2\beta}}\right),$$

since, by (24) and (25) in the proof of Lemma 4 and (S),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\frac{2}{a_n h}}^{\frac{2}{a_n h}} |K(z; h)| dz &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{h^\beta} + \int_{1 \leq |z| \leq \frac{2}{a_n h}} |K(z; h)| dz \\ &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{h^\beta} \left(1 + \int_{1 \leq |z| \leq \frac{2}{a_n h}} \frac{1}{|z|} dz \right) \leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{h^\beta} (1 + \ln(2/a_n h)) = O(\ln(n)/h^\beta). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S3})$$

Assertion (ii)b) now follows.

(ii)a) Under (W)

$$\int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{na_n}} v^2(z) \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz \leq \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}} v^2(y) h \int |K(z; h)|^2 dz,$$

and the second inequality of (ii)a) follows by (S2). Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{na_n}} v^2(z) \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz &\geq \sigma^2 \int_{-\frac{1}{a_n}}^{\frac{1}{a_n} + \frac{1}{na_n}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 dz \\ &\geq \frac{h\sigma^2}{2} \|K(\cdot; h)\|_2^2, \end{aligned}$$

for sufficiently large n by Lemma 4. Now, the first inequality of (ii)a) follows by (S2), which concludes the proof of this lemma. \square

II More general design

For ease of notation, we considered an equally spaced design in the main document. However, this can be relaxed to more general designs. In this section, we restate the main results (Theorem 1, Theorem 2, Lemma 5) and adjust their proofs to the case where the design is generated by a known positive design density $f_{D,n}$ on $[0, \infty)$ as follows

$$\frac{j}{n+1} = \int_0^{w_j} f_{D,n}(z) dz, \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

and $w_j = -w_{-j}$. Note that, given the latter definition, we have $f_{D,n}(z) = (n+1)/na_n I_{[0,1/a_n]}(z)$. Furthermore, we require the following regularity assumptions.

Assumption 3.

1. The density $f_{D,n}$ is continuously differentiable, $f_{D,n} \in C^1(\text{supp}(f_{D,n}))$.
2. There exist constants c_D and C_D such that $c_D a_n \leq f_{D,n} \leq C_D a_n$.
3. The derivative $f'_{D,n}$ is uniformly bounded, $|f'_{D,n}| \leq a_n C_{D'}$.

Regarding our estimator, we need to make the following adjustment to accommodate the more general design

$$\hat{g}_n(x; h) = \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{j=-n}^n \frac{Y_j}{f_{D,n}(w_j)} K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right).$$

This yields the following adjusted Lemma 5 and adjusted proof.

Lemma 6. Let Assumptions 1 and 2 be satisfied. Further assume that $h/a_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

- (i) Then for bias, we have that

$$\sup_{x \in [0,1]} |\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x; h)] - g(x)| = O\left(h^{m-\frac{1}{2}} + \frac{1}{na_n h^{\beta+\frac{3}{2}}}\right) + \begin{cases} o(a_n^{s+1/2} h^{1-\beta}), & \text{Ass. 3, (S),} \\ o(a_n^{s+1/2} h^{-\beta}), & \text{Ass. 5, (W).} \end{cases}$$

- (ii) a) For the variance if Assumption 5, (W) holds and $na_n h^{1+\beta} \rightarrow \infty$, then we have that

$$\frac{1}{c_D} \cdot \frac{\sigma^2}{2C\pi} (1 + O(a_n)) \leq na_n h^{1+2\beta} \text{Var}[\hat{g}_n(x; h)] \leq \frac{2^\beta \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} v^2(x)}{c\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{c_D}.$$

- (ii) b) If actually Assumption 3, (S) holds and $na_n h^{1+\beta} \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\frac{1}{f_{D,n}(x)} \cdot \frac{v^2(x)}{C\pi} (1 + O(a_n)) \leq na_n h^{1+2\beta} \text{Var}[\hat{g}_n(x; h)] \leq \frac{v^2(x)}{c\pi} (1 + O(h/a_n)) \cdot \frac{1}{f_{D,n}(x)},$$

Here c, C and β are the constants from Assumption 5 respectively 3.

Proof of Lemma 6. (i) We have that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] &= \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{j=-n}^n \frac{\gamma(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)} K\left(\frac{w_j-x}{h};h\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \frac{\gamma(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)(w_{j+1}-w_j)} K\left(\frac{w_j-x}{h};h\right) dz.\end{aligned}$$

Next, observe

$$\begin{aligned}f_{D,n}(w_j)(w_{j+1}-w_j) &= F_{D,n}(w_{j+1}) - F_{D,n}(w_j) - \frac{1}{2}f'_{D,n}(w_j^*)(w_{j+1}-w_j)^2, \\ &= \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{2}f'_{D,n}(w_j^*)(w_{j+1}-w_j)^2,\end{aligned}$$

where $F_{D,n}$ is the primitive of $f_{D,n}$. This yields

$$\left| f_{D,n}(w_j)(w_{j+1}-w_j) - \frac{1}{n} \right| \leq \frac{1}{n^2} + \frac{1}{2}C_{D'} \frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 c_D}$$

and thus

$$\frac{1}{f_{D,n}(w_j)(w_{j+1}-w_j)} = n \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{na_n^2}\right) \right). \quad (\text{S4})$$

Replacement of $1/f_{D,n}(w_j)(w_{j+1}-w_j)$ by the latter estimate now yields

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] = \frac{1}{h} \int_{-\frac{1}{an}}^{\frac{1}{an}} \gamma(z) K\left(\frac{z-x}{h};h\right) dz \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{na_n^2}\right) \right) + R_{n,1}(x) + R_{n,2}(x),$$

where

$$R_{n,1}(x) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \frac{d}{du} \left(\gamma(u) K\left(\frac{u-x}{h};h\right) \right) \Big|_{u=z} (w_j - z) dz$$

and

$$R_{n,2}(x) = \frac{1}{2h} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \frac{d^2}{du^2} \left(\gamma(u) K\left(\frac{u-x}{h};h\right) \right) \Big|_{u=\tilde{w}_j(z)} (w_j - z)^2 dz.$$

For $z \in [w_j, w_{j+1}]$ we obtain the following estimates by Assumption 3:

$$|w_j - z| \leq |w_j - w_{j+1}| \leq 1/(na_n c_D)$$

. Therefore, the rest of the proof of claim (i) follows along the lines of the proof of Lemma 5 (i).

(ii) In the situation of both, (ii)a) and (ii)b), we have

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[\hat{g}_n(x;h)] &= \frac{1}{n^2 h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \frac{v^2(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)^2} \left| K\left(\frac{w_j-x}{h};h\right) \right|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{nh^2} \int_{-\frac{1}{an}}^{\frac{1}{an}} \frac{v^2(z)}{f_{D,n}(z)} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h};h\right) \right)^2 dz \cdot \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{na_n^2}\right) \right) + R_n(x),\end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_n(x) = \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \left[\frac{v^2(w_j)}{nf_{D,n}(w_j)^2(w_{j+1}-w_j)} \left(K\left(\frac{w_j-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 - \frac{v^2(z)}{f_{D,n}(z)} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \right] dz.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} R_n(x) &= \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \frac{v^2(w_j)}{nf_{D,n}(w_j)^2(w_{j+1}-w_j)} \left[\left(K\left(\frac{w_j-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 - \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \right] dz \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^n \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \left[\frac{v^2(w_j)}{nf_{D,n}(w_j)^2(w_{j+1}-w_j)} - \frac{v^2(z)}{f_{D,n}(z)} \right] dz. \end{aligned}$$

Using (S4), we further obtain

$$\begin{aligned} R_n(x) &= \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \frac{v^2(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)} \left[\left(K\left(\frac{w_j-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 - \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \right] dz \cdot \left(1 + O\left(\frac{1}{na_n}\right) \right) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \left[\frac{v^2(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)} - \frac{v^2(z)}{f_{D,n}(z)} \right] dz \\ &\quad + \frac{\mathcal{C}}{n^2 a_n h^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \frac{v^2(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)} dz =: R_{n,1}(x) + R_{n,2}(x) + R_{n,3}(x). \end{aligned}$$

It holds that

$$|R_{n,3}(x)| \leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{n^2 a_n^2 h} \|K(\cdot, h)\|_2^2 = O\left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_n h^{2\beta+1}}\right).$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{n,2}(x) &= \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 v^2(z) \frac{f_{D,n}(z) - f_{D,n}(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(z) f_{D,n}(w_j)} dz \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=-n}^{n-1} \int_{w_j}^{w_{j+1}} \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \left[\frac{v^2(w_j)}{f_{D,n}(w_j)} - \frac{v^2(z)}{f_{D,n}(z)} \right] dz \end{aligned}$$

By uniform Lipschitz continuity of v^2 (see Lemma 3 (ii)) and $f_{D,n}$ (by Assumption 3), it is immediate that

$$\begin{aligned} |R_{n,2}(x)| &\leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{n^2 a_n^2 h^2} \int \left(K\left(\frac{z-x}{h}; h\right) \right)^2 \leq \frac{\mathcal{C}}{n^2 a_n^2 h} \|K(\cdot, h)\|_2^2 \\ &= O\left(\frac{1}{n^2 a_n^2 h^{1+2\beta}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Using again that $|w_j - z| \leq |w_j - w_{j+1}| \leq 1/(na_n c_D)$, the rest of the proof of claim (ii) follows along the lines of the proof of Lemma 5 (ii). \square

III Role of the hyperparameters

In this section, we discuss the setting presented in Example 1 of the main document in more detail, in order to shed some light on the role of the parameters a_n and h , as well as on the assumptions made for our theoretical considerations. In particular, we show that, in a typical setting, the conditions listed in Assumption 4 are satisfied if the bandwidth h is chosen to be of rate $h \sim h^*/\log(n)$, where $h^* \sim \left(\frac{\ln(n)}{na_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2(\beta+m)}}$ balances bias and standard deviation of $\hat{g}_n(\cdot; h)$. As a specific example, we consider the case of a function $g \in \mathcal{W}^m(\mathbb{R})$, $m > 5/2$, of bounded support, $[-1, 1]$, say, f_Δ as in Definition (8) in the main document with $a = 1$, i.e.,

$$f_\Delta(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|x|} \quad \text{with} \quad \Phi_{f_\Delta}(t) = \langle t \rangle^{-2},$$

and $\mathbb{E}[\varepsilon_1^4] < \infty$, i.e., $M = 4$. Here, the parameter β , which gives the degree of ill-posedness of the problem and which is defined in Assumption 3 in the main document is given by $\beta = 2$. The design parameter a_n ensures that asymptotically, observations on the whole real line are available. This is necessary since the function γ will typically be of unbounded support, even if the function g itself is of bounded support as it is the case in this example. To give some more intuition, we now provide some computations for our specific example, for which it will turn out that Assumption 1 (iii) is met for any $s = O(1/(\ln \ln(n)a_n))$. We find

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \langle z \rangle^{2s} (\gamma(z))^2 dz &= \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \langle z \rangle^{2s} \left(\int g(t) f_\Delta(t-z) dt \right)^2 dz \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \langle z \rangle^{2s} \left(\int g(t) \exp(-|t-z|) dt \right)^2 dz \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \langle z \rangle^{2s} \left(\int_{|t|\leq 1} g(t) \exp(-|t-z|) dt \right)^2 dz. \end{aligned}$$

If $z > 1/a_n$ in the outer integral, we have $t < z$ in the inner integral, implying $\exp(-|t-z|) = \exp(-z+t)$ and thus

$$\int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) \langle z \rangle^{2s} \left(\int_{|t|\leq 1} g(t) \exp(t) dt \right)^2 dz = \mathcal{C} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) \langle z \rangle^{2s} dz.$$

Integration by parts yields

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) \langle z \rangle^{2s} dz &= \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{a_n^2} \right)^s \exp\left(-\frac{2}{a_n}\right) + \frac{s}{2} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) z (1+z^2)^{s-1} dz \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{a_n^2} \right)^s \exp\left(-\frac{2}{a_n}\right) + \frac{sa_n}{2} \int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) (1+z^2)^s dz. \end{aligned}$$

The latter estimate implies

$$\int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) \langle z \rangle^{2s} dz \leq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\left(1 + \frac{1}{a_n^2}\right)^s}{1 - sa_n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{2}{a_n}\right).$$

If $s = O(1/(\ln \ln(n)a_n))$, we find that

$$\int_{|z|>1/a_n} \exp(-2z) \langle z \rangle^{2s} dz \leq \mathcal{C} \left(1 + \frac{1}{a_n^2}\right)^s \exp\left(-\frac{2}{a_n}\right). \quad (1)$$

for sufficiently large n . Taking the logarithm on the right hand side of (1) gives

$$\frac{1}{a_n} [a_n \ln(\mathcal{C}) + sa_n \ln(1 + 1/a_n^2) - 2],$$

which tends to $-\infty$ if $s = O(1/(\ln \ln(n)a_n))$, implying that $\left(1 + \frac{1}{a_n^2}\right)^s \exp\left(-\frac{2}{a_n}\right) \rightarrow 0$. Analogously,

$$\int_{z < -1/a_n} \exp(2z) \langle z \rangle^{2s} \left(\int_{|t| \leq 1} g(t) \exp(-t) dt \right)^2 dz \rightarrow 0,$$

if $s = O(1/(\ln \ln(n)a_n))$. If we choose an undersmoothing bandwidth of order $h \sim h^*/\ln(n)$ and $a_n \sim s_n \sim 1/\ln(n)$, Assumption 4 (ii) becomes

$$\ln(n)^{1-2m-2\beta} + o\left(\ln(n)^{1-2m-2\beta}\right) = o(1),$$

which is satisfied since $m > 5/2$ and $\beta > 0$.

IV Extensions: Details

Our theoretical developments for the procedure in Section 5 in the main document actually involve a sample splitting. To this end, let $(d_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence of natural numbers, $d_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $d_n = o(n)$, $1/d_n = o(1/\ln(n)^2)$ and let $\mathcal{J}_n := \{-n, \dots, n\} \setminus \{-n + k \cdot d_n \mid 1 \leq k \leq 2n/d_n\}$, i.e., we remove each d_n -th data point from our original sample. Now, set $\mathcal{Y}_1 := \{Y_j \mid j \in \mathcal{J}_n\}$ as well as $\mathcal{Y}_2 := \{Y_j \mid j \in \{-n, \dots, n\} \setminus \mathcal{J}_n\}$. This way, the asymptotic properties of the estimator based on the main part of the sample, \mathcal{Y}_1 , remain the same. Let further, for $j \in \mathcal{J}_n$, Δ_j denote the difference of ω_j and its left neighbor, that is, $\Delta_j = 1/(na_n)$ if $j-1 \in \mathcal{J}_n$ and $\Delta_j = 2/(na_n)$ else. Define the estimator \tilde{g}_n , based on \mathcal{Y}_1 by

$$\tilde{g}_n(x; h) = \frac{1}{h} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_n} Y_j \Delta_j K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right).$$

We now formulate an analog of Theorem 1 under Assumption 5.

Theorem 1. Let Assumptions 2, 4 (i) and 5 be satisfied. Let further \tilde{v}_n be a nonparametric estimator of the standard deviation in model (4) based on \mathcal{Y}_2 such that for some sequence of positive numbers $b_n \rightarrow 0$ for which $a_n/b_n = o(1/\ln(n))$ we have that

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |\tilde{v}_n(\omega_j) - v(\omega_j)| \right] = o(1/(\ln(n) \ln \ln(n))) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{v}_n > \tilde{\sigma} > 0 \quad (S7)$$

for some constant $\tilde{\sigma} > 0$.

1. There exists a sequence of independent standard normally distributed random variables $(Z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$, independent of \tilde{v}_n , such that for

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{na_n h^{1+2\beta}}}{\tilde{v}_n(x)} (\tilde{g}_n(x; h) - \mathbb{E}[\tilde{g}_n(x; h)]), \\ \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n(x) &= \frac{\sqrt{na_n h^{1+2\beta}}}{h \tilde{v}_n(x)} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_n, |j| \leq nb_n} \tilde{v}_n(\omega_j) \Delta_j Z_j K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right),\end{aligned}\quad (\text{S8})$$

we have that

$$\forall \alpha \in (0, 1) : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(\|\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n\| \leq q_{\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|}(\alpha)) = \alpha,$$

where $q_{\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|}(\alpha)$ denotes the α -quantile of $\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|$.

2. If, in addition, $\sqrt{na_n h^{2m+2\beta}} + \sqrt{na_n^{2s+1}} + 1/\sqrt{na_n h^2} = o(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)})$. and if Assumption 1 is satisfied, $\mathbb{E}[\tilde{g}_n(x; h)]$ in (11) can be replaced by $g(x)$.

Proof of Theorem 1. We require that

$$\|\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| = o_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}), \quad (\text{Step 1})$$

as well as

$$\mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|] = O_{\mathbb{P}}(\sqrt{\ln(n)}). \quad (\text{Step 2})$$

Step 1 a: Gaussian Approximation

Lemmas 7 and 8 are in preparation for the Gaussian approximation where the target process $\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n$ is first approximated by processes $\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n}$ and $\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}$.

Lemma 7. We shall show that

$$\|\mathbf{v} \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \tilde{v}_n \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| = o_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}), \quad (2)$$

where

$$\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} := \frac{\sqrt{na_n h^{1+2\beta}}}{h \mathbf{v}(x)} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}_n, |j| \leq nb_n} \mathbf{v}(\omega_j) \Delta_j Z_j K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right).$$

Proof. Let $\mathcal{Z} := \{Z_{-n}, \dots, Z_n\}$ be iid standard Gaussian random variables as in the proof of Theorem 1, and $c_n := 1/\ln(n) \ln \ln(n)$.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z}_2}(\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| > \delta/\sqrt{\ln(n)}) &\leq \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z}_2}\left(\sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |\mathbf{v}(w_j) - \tilde{v}_n(w_j)| > c_n\right) \\ &+ \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z}_2}\left(\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| > \delta/\sqrt{\ln(n)}; \sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |\mathbf{v}(w_j) - \tilde{v}_n(w_j)| \leq c_n\right) = P_{n,1} + P_{n,2}.\end{aligned}$$

By assumption, $P_{n,1} = o(1)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{n,2} &\leq \mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}_2} \left(\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|_{I_{\{\sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |v(w_j) - \tilde{v}_n(w_j)| \leq c_n\}}} > \delta / \sqrt{\ln(n)} \right) \\
&= \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}_2} \left[\mathbb{P}_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}_2} \left(\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|_{I_{\{\sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |v(w_j) - \tilde{v}_n(w_j)| \leq c_n\}}} > \delta / \sqrt{\ln(n)} \mid \mathcal{Y}_2 \right) \right] \\
&\leq \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}_2} \left[\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}_2} \left(\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|_{I_{\{\sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |v(w_j) - \tilde{v}_n(w_j)| \leq c_n\}}} \mid \mathcal{Y}_2 \right) \right] \cdot \frac{\sqrt{\ln(n)}}{\delta},
\end{aligned}$$

by the conditional Markov inequality. Set

$$R_n(x) := \left(\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n}(x) - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n(x) \right) I_{\{\sup_{|j| \leq b_n n} |v(w_j) - \tilde{v}_n(w_j)| \leq c_n\}}$$

and

$$\tilde{R}_n(x) := \frac{2h^\beta c_n}{\sqrt{na_n h}} \sum_{|j| \leq b_n n} Z_j K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right).$$

Since $d_{R_n}(s, t) \leq d_{\tilde{R}_n}(s, t)$ for all $s, t \in [0, 1]$ and for all samples \mathcal{Y}_2 and $\mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{R}_n\| \mid \mathcal{Y}_2] = \mathbb{E}\|\tilde{R}_n\| = O(c_n \sqrt{\ln(n)}) = o(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)})$, it follows by Lemma 7 that $\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{Y}_2}[\|R_n\| \mid \mathcal{Y}_2] \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{R}_n\|]$ for all samples. Therefore, $P_{n,2} = o(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)})$ and the claim follows. \square

Lemma 8. We have that

$$\|v\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - v\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}\| = o_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}).$$

where

$$\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}(x) := \frac{h^\beta}{v(x)\sqrt{na_n h}} \sum_{\substack{j \in \mathcal{J}_n \\ nb_n < |j| \leq n}} v(w_j) \Delta_j Z_j K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right). \quad (\text{S9})$$

Proof. Let

$$R_n(x) := v\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - v\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0} = \frac{\sqrt{na_n h^{1+2\beta}}}{h} \sum_{\substack{j \in \mathcal{J}_n \\ nb_n < |j| \leq n}} v(w_j) \Delta_j Z_j K\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right).$$

Then, since $\Delta_j^2 \leq 4/(n^2 a_n^2)$ and $\mathcal{J}_n \subset \{-n, \dots, n\}$,

$$\text{Var}[R_n(x)] \leq \frac{4h^{2\beta}}{na_n h} \sum_{nb_n < |j| \leq n} v^2(w_j) K^2\left(\frac{w_j - x}{h}; h\right).$$

From the proof of Lemma 5 we deduce

$$\text{Var}[R_n(x)] \leq \mathcal{C} \left(\frac{ha_n}{b_n} + \frac{1}{na_n h} \right) = o\left(\frac{1}{\ln(n)^2}\right).$$

An application of the following Lemma 9 concludes this proof.

Lemma 9. Let $(\mathbb{X}_n(t), t \in T)$ be an almost surely bounded Gaussian process on a compact index set T with $\sigma_{T,n}^2 := \|\text{Var}(\mathbb{X}_n)\| = o(1/\ln(n)^2)$ such that $N(T, \delta, d_{\mathbb{X}_n}) \leq (n/\delta)^a$ for all $\delta \leq \sigma_{T,n}$ and some $a \in (0, \infty)$. Then

$$\|\mathbb{X}_n\| = o_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}).$$

Proof of Lemma 9. Fix $\delta > 0$. An application of Theorem 4.1.2 in [Adler and Taylor \(2007\)](#) yields, for large enough $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and a universal constant K

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\|\mathbb{X}_n\|_T > \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{\ln(n)}}\right) \leq 2\left(\frac{Kn\delta}{2\sqrt{\ln(n)}\sigma_{T,n}^2}\right)^a \cdot \frac{2\sqrt{\ln(n)}\sigma_{T,n}}{\sqrt{2\pi}\delta} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{\delta^2}{8\ln(n)\sigma_{T,n}^2}\right).$$

Now

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\|\mathbb{X}_n\|_T > \frac{\delta}{\sqrt{\ln(n)}}\right) \leq \mathcal{C}n^{a+1}\delta^{a-1}\sigma_{n,T}^{-2a+1}\exp\left(-\sigma_{T,n}^{-1}\right)\left(\exp\left(-\sigma_{T,n}^{-1}\right)\right)^{\frac{\delta^2}{o(1)}-1}.$$

Since $\sigma_{n,T}^{-2a+1}\exp\left(-\sigma_{T,n}^{-1}\right) \rightarrow 0$ as $\sigma_{n,T} \rightarrow 0$ and $\left(\exp\left(-\sigma_{T,n}^{-1}\right)\right)^{\frac{\delta^2}{o(1)}-1} = o(n^{-b})$ for any fixed $b \in (0, \infty)$, the claim of the lemma now follows. \square

Lemma 10. We have that

$$\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n - \tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n\| = o_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}).$$

Proof of Lemma 10. Since by assumption (S7), \tilde{v}_n is bounded away from zero, it suffices to show that

$$\|\tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n - \tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n\| = o_{\mathbb{P}}(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}).$$

We estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n - \tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n\| &\leq \|\tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n - \mathbf{v}\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}^{b_n} - \mathbf{v}\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0}\| + \|\mathbf{v}\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0} - \tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n\| \\ &= o_{\mathbb{P}}\left(1/\sqrt{\ln(n)}\right) + \|\mathbf{v}\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_{n,0} - \tilde{v}_n\tilde{\mathbb{D}}_n\| \end{aligned}$$

The claim now follows along the lines of the Gaussian approximation in the proof of Theorem 1. \square

Step 2: Expectation of the maximum

Lemma 11.

$$\mathbb{E}\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| = O(\sqrt{\ln(n)}).$$

Proof. Write $\mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| \mid \mathcal{Y}_2]]$ and define

$$\mathbb{X}_n(t) := \frac{2M_n h^{\beta-1/2}}{\sqrt{na_n \tilde{\sigma}}} \sum_{j=-n}^n Z_j v(w_j) K\left(\frac{w_j - t}{h}; h\right),$$

where $M_n := \sqrt{\max_{|j| \leq nb_n} |\tilde{v}^2(w_j) - v^2(w_j)| \frac{1}{\sigma^2} + 1}$. Conditionally on \mathcal{Y}_2 , $(\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n(t), t \in [0, 1])$ is a Gaussian process and we find for $s, t \in [0, 1]$ and for all possible samples \mathcal{Y}_2 the following set of inequalities hold

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n(s) - \tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n(t)\|^2 \mid \mathcal{Y}_2] &\leq \frac{na_n h^{2\beta-1}}{\tilde{\sigma}^2} \sum_{|j| \leq nb_n} \tilde{v}^2(w_j) \Delta_j^2 \left| K\left(\frac{w_j - s}{h}; h\right) - K\left(\frac{w_j - t}{h}; h\right) \right|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{4h^{2\beta-1}}{na_n \tilde{\sigma}^2} \sum_{|j| \leq nb_n} \left[|\tilde{v}^2(w_j) - v^2(w_j)| \frac{v^2(w_j)}{\sigma^2} + v^2(w_j) \right] \left| K\left(\frac{w_j - s}{h}; h\right) - K\left(\frac{w_j - t}{h}; h\right) \right|^2 \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbb{X}_n(s) - \mathbb{X}_n(t)\|^2 \mid \mathcal{Y}_2]. \end{aligned}$$

An application of Lemma 7 yields, for all samples, $\mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\| \mid \mathcal{Y}_2] \leq \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbb{X}_n\| \mid \mathcal{Y}_2]$. Therefore, $\mathbb{E}[\|\tilde{\mathbb{G}}_n\|] \leq \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[\|\mathbb{X}_n\| \mid \mathcal{Y}_2]] \leq \mathcal{C} \mathbb{E}[\|\mathbb{G}_n\|] \cdot \mathbb{E}M_n$.

An application of Jensen's inequality and (S7) yield $\mathbb{E}M_n \leq 2$ for sufficiently large $n \in \mathbb{N}$. \square

Step 3: Anti-Concentration

Following the arguments given in the proof of Theorem 1 concludes the proof of this theorem. \square

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