Supplement of ”Outcome Regression-based Estimation of Conditional Average Treatment Effect”

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1 Theoretical Results

Give some notations first.

(1) $C$ and $M$ stand for two generic bounded constants, $\Xi$ is the $\sigma$-field generated by $X_{11}, \ldots, X_{1n}$.

(2) $\epsilon_{ti} = Y_{i} - E[Y(t) | X_{1i}]$, $\tau_{t}(x_{1}) = E[E[Y | D = t, X] | X_{1} = x_{1}]$, $Z^{t} = \beta^{T}X$ for $t = 0, 1$ and $i = 1, \ldots, n$.

(3) Write $K_{1} \left( \frac{X_{1i} - X_{1j}}{h_{1}} \right)$ as $K_{1h}(X_{1i})$; $K_{2} \left( \frac{X_{1i} - X_{1j}}{h_{2}} \right)$ as $K_{2h}(X_{i} - X_{j})$, and $K_{4h}(Z_{i} - Z_{j})$ as $K_{4h} \left( \frac{Z_{i} - Z_{j}}{h_{4}} \right)$.

In the two-step estimation procedure for CATE, the second step involves, for $i = 1, \ldots, n$, the quantities:

$$\hat{K}_{1h}(X_{1i}) = \sum_{j : j \neq i} w_{ij} K_{1h}(X_{1j}).$$

We call it the estimator of $K_{1h}(X_{1i})$. In different circumstances, $w_{ij}$ can be different. Take OR-N as an example, and write $w_{ij}$ as $w_{ij}^{N}$:

$$w_{ij}^{N} = \frac{1}{nh_{2}^{2}} \frac{K_{2h}(X_{i} - X_{j})}{\frac{1}{nh_{2}^{2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_{i} - X_{j}) \mathbb{1}(D_{i} = 1)}.$$

that depends on $X_{1}, \ldots, X_{n}$ only.

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Lemma 1 Given assumptions (C1) - (C4) in Subsection 2.1 and (A1) - (A4) in Subsections 2.2.2-3, |
\[ w_{ij}^N - w_{ji}^N = \frac{O_p(h_2)}{n h_2^2} |K_{2h}(X_i - X_j)|, \] 
(1)

Proof of Lemma 1. By assumption (A2), \( w_{ij}^N = w_{ji}^N = 0 \) for \( ||X_j - X_i||_\infty > h_2 \) (Abrevaya, Hsu and Lieli 2015). Suppose that \( ||X_j - X_i||_\infty \leq h_2 \). For all \( j \), we define
\[ \hat{f}(X_j) = \frac{1}{n h_2^2} \sum_{i \neq j} K_{2h}(X_i - X_j). \]

It is clear that
\[ w_{ij}^N = \frac{1}{n h_2^2} K_{2h}(X_i - X_j) \frac{1}{\hat{p}(X_j)} \frac{1}{f(X_j)} f(X_i) \]
\[ \leq \frac{1}{n h_2^2} |K_{2h}(X_i - X_j)| \left\{ \frac{1}{\hat{p}(X_j)} \frac{f(X_j)}{f(X_i)} - \frac{1}{p(X_j)} f(X_i) \right\} \]
\[ \leq \frac{1}{n h_2^2} |K_{2h}(X_i - X_j)| \left\{ \frac{\hat{p}(X_j)}{\hat{p}(X_i)} f(X_j) + \frac{p(X_j)}{\hat{p}(X_i)} f(X_j) \right\} \]
\[ \leq \frac{1}{n h_2^2} |K_{2h}(X_i - X_j)| \left\{ \frac{\hat{p}(X_j)}{\hat{p}(X_i)} f(X_j) + \frac{p(X_j)}{\hat{p}(X_i)} f(X_j) \right\}. \]

Under conditions (C1)-(C4) and (A1)-(A4) for nonparametric estimation,
\[ \sup_i |\hat{f}(X_i) - f(X_i)| = O_p \left( h_2^{s_2} + h_2^{s_2} \right), \]
\[ \sup_i |\hat{p}(X_i) - p(X_i)| = O_p \left( h_2^{s_2} + h_2^{s_2} \right). \]

Since \( s_2 \geq p \geq 2 \), assumption (A3) implies that \( \sup_i |\hat{f}(X_i) - f(X_i)| = o_p(h_2) \) and \( \sup_i |\hat{p}(X_i) - p(X_i)| = o_p(h_2) \). By the mean value theorem,
\[ \sup_j \left| \frac{\hat{p}(X_j) \hat{f}(X_j) - p(X_j) f(X_j)}{\hat{p}(X_j) f(X_j)} f(X_j) \right| \leq \sup_j \frac{1}{\hat{p}(X_j) f^2(X_j)} \sup_j \left| \frac{\hat{p}(X_j) \hat{f}(X_j) - p(X_j) f(X_j)}{\hat{p}(X_j) f(X_j)} \right|, \]
where \( \tilde{p}(X_j) \) is a quantity between \( p(X_j) \) and \( p(X_j) \), similarly, \( \tilde{f}(X_j) \) is also a quantity between \( f(X_j) \) and \( f(X_j) \). Owing to that \( f \) and \( p \) are bounded away from zero, \( \sup_j \tilde{f}_j^2 f_j^{-2} = O_p(1) \). After a simple calculation, we have

\[
\sup_j \left| \tilde{p}(X_j) \tilde{f}(X_j) - p(X_j) f(X_j) \right| = O_p(h_2^2 + \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n h_2^2}}) = o_p(h_2).
\]

Therefore,

\[
\sup_j \left| \frac{\tilde{p}(X_j) \tilde{f}(X_j) - p(X_j) f(X_j)}{\tilde{p}(X_j) p(X_j) f(X_j) f(X_j)} \right| = o_p(h_2), \quad \sup_j \left| \frac{\tilde{p}(X_j) \tilde{f}(X_j) - p(X_j) f(X_j)}{\tilde{p}(X_j) p(X_j) f(X_j) f(X_j)} \right| = o_p(h_2).
\]

As for the last term in (3), noticing that \( f \) and \( p \) are continuously differentiable on its compact support and bounded away from zero, we have

\[
\left| \frac{1}{f(x)} - \frac{1}{f(x)} \right| = O(h_2). \text{ Combining all results yields (1).} \]

**Proof of Theorem 2.** We can rewrite \( \tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau(x_i) \) as \( \{ \tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau(x_i) \} - \{ \tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i) \} \). Then based on (2.2),

\[
\sqrt{n h_1^2 (\tilde{\tau}(x_i) - \tau(x_i))} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) \{ [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau(x_i)] - [\tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i)] \} \]

\[
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) \{ [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau(x_i)] - [\tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i)] \} \]

\[
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) \{ [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau(x_i)] - [\tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i)] \} \]

\[
\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) \] as

\[
\sup_{x_1} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) - f(x) \right| = o_p(1).
\]

First, deal with \( \{ \tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i) \} \) in (4). It is clear that

\[
\sqrt{n h_1^2} \frac{1}{n h_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)]
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - m_1(X_i)] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h_1}(X_{1i}) [m_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)] \right\} \]

\[
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} (I_{n,1} + I_{n,2}).
\]

A simple calculation yields that

\[
\left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_1^2}} I_{n,1} \right| \leq \sup_{x} |\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - m_1(X_i)| \frac{1}{n h_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |K_{h_1}(X_{1i})|.
\]
As $h_1 \to 0$ and $\frac{1}{nh_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |K_{1h}(X_{1i})| = O_p(1)$, we then have $\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} I_{n,1} = O_p(\sqrt{h_1^2}) = o_p(1)$. Thus, equation (5) becomes

$$\sqrt{nh_1^4} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [m_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)] + o_p(1).$$

Similarly,

$$\sqrt{nh_1^4} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [m_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i)] + o_p(1).$$

Altogether, the asymptotically linear representation of $\tilde{T}(x_1)$ is

$$\sqrt{nh_1^4} \{\tilde{T}(x_1) - \tau(x_1)\} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left\{m_1(X_i) - m_0(X_i) - \tau(x_1)\right\} f(x_1) + 1 + o_p(1)$$

Thus, equation (5) becomes

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [m_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)] + o_p(1).$$

The second equation is due to the asymptotic finiteness of the leading term that is asymptotically normal shown below. As it is the sum of independent variables, the asymptotic normality is easy to derive. Specifically, noticing that the random variables

$${K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [m_1(X_i) - m_0(X_i) - \tau(x_1)]}_{i=1}^{n}$$

are i.i.d., then we can apply Lyapunov’s central limit theorem to obtain the asymptotic distribution shown in Theorem 2. Under the assumptions (C1)-(C4) and (A1), we derive that

$$\sqrt{nh_1^4} \{\tilde{T}(x_1) - \tau(x_1)\} \overset{d}{\to} N \left(0, \frac{||K_{1h}||^2 \sigma^2_{\tilde{T}}(x_1)}{f(x_1)}\right),$$

we now give the formula of $\sigma^2_{\tilde{T}}(x_1)$. It is easy to see that when $n \to \infty$, the variance of

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left\{m_1(X_i) - m_0(X_i) - \tau(x_1)\right\} f(x_1)$$

converges to

$$\sigma^2_{\tilde{T}}(x_1) := E[(m_1(X) - m_0(X) - \tau(x_1))^2] X_1 = x_1].$$

The proof of Theorem 2 is finished.

**PROOF OF THEOREM 3.** First, we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_i)] = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^4}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [\tilde{m}_0(X_i) - \tau_0(x_i)].$$

(6)
where
\[ \hat{m}_1(X_i) = \frac{\frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) Y_{ij} \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1)}{\frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1)}. \]
\[ \hat{m}_0(X_i) = \frac{\frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) Y_{0j} \mathbb{1}(D_j = 0)}{\frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{1}(D_j = 0)}. \]

Similarly as the proof for Theorem 2, we have the following decomposition:
\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [m_1(X_i) - \tau_1(x_1)]
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{1i} \mathbb{1}(D_i = 1) K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \frac{1}{p(X_i)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [E[Y_{1i}|X_i] - \tau_1(x_1)]
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{1i} \mathbb{1}(D_i = 1) \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) (w_{ij}^N - w_{ij}^X)
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{1i} \mathbb{1}(D_i = 1) \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ij}^N - K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \right]
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left[ \frac{1}{nh^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1) EY_{1j}|X_j
- EY_{1j}|X_i \right]
= I_{n,3} + I_{n,4} + I_{n,5} + I_{n,6} + I_{n,7},
\]
where
\[ w_{ij}^N = \frac{1}{nh^2} K_{2h}(X_i - X_j), \quad \epsilon_{1i} = Y_i - E(Y_{1i}|X_i). \]
Note that \( I_{n,3} \) and \( I_{n,4} \) in equation (7) yield the final expression in Theorem 3. Therefore, we need to show that \( I_{n,5}, I_{n,6} \) and \( I_{n,7} \) in equation (7) are all \( o_p(1) \).

First show that \( I_{n,5} = o_p(1) \). From Lemma 1,
\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{h_i}} \sup \left| \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) (w_{ij}^N - w_{ij}^X) \right| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{h_i}} \sup \left| \sum_{j:j \neq i} (w_{ij}^N - w_{ij}^X) [K_{1h}(X_{1j})] \right|
\leq MC \sqrt{\frac{h_2}{h_1}} \times \sup \left| \sum_{j:j \neq i} \frac{1}{nh^2} |K_{2h}(X_i - X_j)| \right| = O_p(1) \times o_p(1) \times o_p(1) = o_p(1),
\]
Further, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_i \mathbb{1}(D_i = 1)$ has finite limit and thus, is bounded by $O_p(1)$ and then $I_{n,5} = o_p(1)$.

Deal with $I_{n,6}$. As

$$\sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^N = \frac{1}{n \mathcal{h}_2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \frac{1}{n \mathcal{h}_2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) K_{1h}(X_{1j})$$

we can then regard $\sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^N$ as an estimator of $\frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)}$. Consider

$$\left[ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^N - \frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)} \right]$$

which is the bias of $\frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)}$ to $\frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)}$. Write $X = (X_1, X_2)$ and

$$K_{2h}(X - X_j) = K_{21} \left( \frac{X_1 - X_j}{h_2} \right) K_{22} \left( \frac{X_2 - X_j}{h_2} \right).$$

Since $\hat{f} - f = o_p(1)$, and the kernel function is $s^* (\geq s_2)$ times continuously differentiable, we have

\[
E \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^N \mid X_i \right\} = 1 + o_p(1) \left[ \frac{\int K_{21} \left( \frac{u_{1j} - X_j}{h_2} \right) K_{22} \left( \frac{u_{2j} - X_j}{h_2} \right) K_{1h}(u_{1j}) f(u_{1j}) du}{f(X_i) p(X_i)} \right] \]

\[
= 1 + o_p(1) \left[ \frac{\int K_{21}(v_1) K_{22}(v_2) K_{1h}(X_{11}) f(X_i + h_2 v) dv}{f(X_i) p(X_i)} \right] \]

\[
= \frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)} + O_p \left( \frac{h^2}{h_i^2} \right).
\]

Note that

\[
\hat{K}_{1h}(X_{1i}) - \frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)} = \frac{1}{p(X_i)} - \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \left\{ \hat{K}_{1h}(X_{1i}) - K_{1h}(X_{11}) + K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \right\}
\]

\[- \frac{K_{1h}(X_{11})}{p(X_i)} = \left\{ \frac{1}{p(X_i)} - \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \right\} \left\{ \hat{K}_{1h}(X_{1i}) - K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \right\}
\]

\[+ \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \left\{ \hat{K}_{1h}(X_{1i}) - K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \right\} + \left\{ \frac{1}{p(X_i)} - \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \right\} K_{1h}(X_{1i})
\]

\[= O_p \left( \frac{h^2}{h_i^2} \right) + h^2 \frac{\sum_{j=1}^{n} \epsilon_i \mathbb{1}(D_i = 1)}{n \mathcal{h}_2} = O_p \left( \frac{h^2}{h_i^2} \right).
\]
Thus, sup
\[
\sup_i \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{ij}) w_{ij}^N - \frac{K_{ih}(X_{i1})}{p(X_i)} \right| = O_p \left( \frac{h_{\alpha}^2}{n^2} \right).
\]
Owing to assumption (A4) that \( \frac{h_{\alpha}^2}{n} \to 0 \), we have
\[
\sup_i \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{n h_i^2}} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{ij}) w_{ij}^N - \frac{K_{ih}(X_{i1})}{p(X_i)} \right] \right| = O_p \left( \frac{h_{\alpha}^2}{n h_i^2} \right) = o_p(1).
\]
Since \( \epsilon_{ij} = Y_i - E(Y_{(1)}|X_i) \) are mutually independent, we have \( I_{n,6} = o_p(1) \) in equation (7). Finally, to show that \( I_{n,7} = o_p(1) \) of equation (7). Note that
\[
\frac{1}{n h_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{I}(D_j = 1) E(Y_{(1)}|X_j) = \frac{1}{n h_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{I}(D_j = 1) - \frac{1}{n h_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i),
\]
which can be viewed as an estimator of \( \frac{E(1(D=1)Y_{(1)}|X_i)}{p(X_i)} \). Denote \( A(X_i) = E(1(D=1)Y_{(1)}|X_i) \). We can derive easily that
\[
\frac{\hat{A}(X_i)}{p(X_i)} = A(X_i)
- \left\{ \hat{A}(X_i) - A(X_i) \right\} \left\{ \frac{1}{p(X_i)} - \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \right\} + A(X_i) \left\{ \frac{1}{p(X_i)} - \frac{1}{p(X_i)} \right\}
+ \left\{ \hat{A}(X_i) - A(X_i) \right\} \frac{1}{p(X_i)} = O_p \left( \frac{h_{\alpha}^2}{n h_i^2} + \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n h_i^2}} \right).
\]
Thus
\[
\sup_i \left| \frac{1}{n h_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{I}(D_j = 1) E(Y_{(1)}|X_j) - EY_{(1)}|X_i \right| = O_p \left( \frac{h_{\alpha}^2}{n h_i^2} + \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{n h_i^2}} \right).
\]
Hence, we get the asymptotic linear representation of \( \hat{\tau}(x) \) as follows:

\[
|I_{n,7}| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \frac{1}{\hat{\nu}_1^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1)EY_{(1)}|X_j - X_i| - EY_{(1)}|X_1| \right]
\]

\[
\leq \sqrt{nh_n^2} \sup_i \left| \frac{1}{\hat{\nu}_1^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1)EY_{(1)}|X_j - X_i| - EY_{(1)}|X_1| \right| \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |K_{1h}(X_{i1})| \\
= \sqrt{nh_n^2} O_p \left( k_n^2 + \log n \right) O_p(1) = o_p(1) - o_p(1) = o_p(1),
\]

where assumption (A4) is used for the second equation. Thus, together with \( I_{n,5} = o_p(1), I_{n,6} = o_p(1) \) and \( I_{n,7} = o_p(1) \), equation (7) becomes

\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{i1}) \left[ \frac{1}{\hat{\nu}_1^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) Y_{i1} \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1) - \tau_1(x_1) \right]
\]

\[
= I_{n,3} + I_{n,4} + o_p(1).
\]

Similarly, we can also deal with \( \hat{\theta}_{0i}(X_i) - \theta_0(x_1) \) of (6) to have

\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{i1}) \left[ \frac{1}{\hat{\nu}_1^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(X_j - X_i) Y_{i2} \mathbb{1}(D_j = 0) - \tau_1(x_1) \right]
\]

\[
:= I_{n,8} + I_{n,9} + o_p(1),
\]

where

\[
I_{n,8} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{0i} \mathbb{1}(D_i = 0) K_{1h}(X_{i1}) / p(X_i), \quad I_{n,9} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{i1}) EY_{(0)}|X_i|
\]

\[
\epsilon_{0i} = Y_i - EY_{(0)}|X_i|
\]

Hence, we get the asymptotic linear representation of \( \hat{\tau}(x) \) as

\[
\sqrt{nh_n^2} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1) \} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n^2}} \frac{1}{f(x_1)} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \{ \Psi_1(X_i, Y_i, D_i) - \tau(x_1) \} K_{1h}(X_{i1}) + o_p(1),
\]

which can be asymptotically normal. Again, we compute its asymptotic variance. Similarly as the proof for Theorem 2, we have

\[
\text{Var} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) \} = \frac{1}{nh_n^2} \frac{||K_1||^2 \| \delta_n^2(x_1) \} + o \left( \frac{1}{nh_n^2} \right).
\]

Then by assumptions (C1)–(C4) and (A1)–(A4) for some \( s^* \geq s_2 \geq p \), we can derive that

\[
\sqrt{nh_n^2} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1) \} \overset{d}{\to} N \left( 0, \frac{||K_1||^2 \| \delta_n^2(x_1) \} f(x_1) \right),
\]
where

\[\sigma_N^2(x_1) \equiv E[(\Psi_1(X,Y,D) - \tau(x_1))^2 | X_1 = x_1].\]

The proof is concluded. \[\square\]

**Proof of Theorem 4.** Inspired by the proof of Theorem 2 of Luo, Zhu and Ghosh (2017), we have

\[
\sqrt{nh_1^2} (\widehat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \widehat{m}_1(\widehat{\beta}_1^T X) - \tau_1(x_1) \right] - \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \widehat{m}_0(\widehat{\beta}_0^T X) - \tau_0(x_1) \right] \\
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \widehat{m}_1(\widehat{\beta}_1^T X) - \tau_1(x_1) \right] - \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \widehat{m}_0(\widehat{\beta}_0^T X) - \tau_0(x_1) \right] \\
+ O_p(\sqrt{nh_1^2}||\widehat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1|| + \sqrt{nh_1^2}||\widehat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0||),
\]

where

\[
\widehat{m}_1(\widehat{\beta}_1^T X) = \frac{1}{nh_4^4} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{4h} \left( \widehat{Z}_j^1 - \bar{Z}_j^1 \right) Y_{1j} \mathbb{1}(D_j = 1), \quad \bar{Z}_j^1 = \widehat{\beta}_1^T X, \]

\[
\widehat{m}_0(\widehat{\beta}_0^T X) = \frac{1}{nh_4^4} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{4h} \left( \widehat{Z}_j^0 - \bar{Z}_j^0 \right) Y_{0j} \mathbb{1}(D_j = 0), \quad \bar{Z}_j^0 = \widehat{\beta}_0^T X.
\]

Under assumptions (A8), \(O_p(\sqrt{nh_1^2}||\widehat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1|| + \sqrt{nh_1^2}||\widehat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0||) = O_p(\sqrt{h_1^2}) = o_p(1)\) as \(h_1 \to 0\). Therefore, equation (9) becomes

\[
\sqrt{nh_1^2} (\widehat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \widehat{m}_1(\widehat{\beta}_1^T X) - \tau_1(x_1) \right] - \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{i1}) \left[ \widehat{m}_0(\widehat{\beta}_0^T X) - \tau_0(x_1) \right] \\
+ o_p(1).
\]
Similarly as the proof for Theorem 3, we have

\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left[ \hat{m}_1(\beta_i^* X) - \tau_1(x_1) \right] \\
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [EY(1)|X_i - \tau_1(x_1)] + \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{1i} I(D_i = 1) \sum_{j=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1j}) (w_{ij}^{S_1} - w_{ij}^{S_2}) \\
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{1i} I(D_i = 1) \sum_{j=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ij}^{S_1} \\
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left[ \frac{1}{n^{K_4}} \sum_{j=1}^n K_{4h} \left( Z_j^1 - Z_j^0 \right) I(D_j = 1) EY(1)|X_j \\
- \frac{1}{n^{K_4}} \sum_{j=1}^n K_{4h} \left( Z_j^1 - Z_j^0 \right) I(D_j = 0) EY(1)|X_j \right] \\
= I_{n,10} + I_{n,11} + I_{n,12} + I_{n,13},
\]

where

\[
w_{ij}^{S_1} = \frac{1}{n^{K_4}} K_{4h} \left( Z_i^1 - Z_i^0 \right), \quad \epsilon_{1i} = Y_i - EY(1)|X_i.
\]

Similarly, we can decompose \(\hat{m}_0(\beta_0^* X) - \tau_0(x_1)\) as

\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left[ \hat{m}_0(\beta_i^* X) - \tau_0(x_1) \right] \\
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1i}) [EY(0)|X_i - \tau_0(x_1)] + \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{0i} I(D_i = 0) \sum_{j=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1j}) (w_{ij}^{S_2} - w_{ij}^{S_3}) \\
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{0i} I(D_i = 0) \sum_{j=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ij}^{S_2} \\
+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_i^*}} \sum_{i=1}^n K_{1h}(X_{1i}) \left[ \frac{1}{n^{K_4}} \sum_{j=1}^n K_{4h} \left( Z_j^0 - Z_j^0 \right) I(D_j = 0) EY(0)|X_j \\
- \frac{1}{n^{K_4}} \sum_{j=1}^n K_{4h} \left( Z_j^0 - Z_j^0 \right) I(D_j = 0) EY(0)|X_j \right] \\
= I_{n,10} + I_{n,11}' + I_{n,12}' + I_{n,13}',
\]

where

\[
w_{ij}^{S_2} = \frac{1}{n^{K_4}} K_{4h} \left( Z_i^0 - Z_i^0 \right), \quad \epsilon_{0i} = Y_i - EY(0)|X_i.
\]

It is easy to show that \(I_{n,11}, I_{n,11}', I_{n,13} \) and \(I_{n,13}'\) are \(o_p(1)\) following the same arguments for proving that \(I_{n,5} = o_p(1)\) and \(I_{n,7} = o_p(1)\) for Theorem 3. The details are omitted here. We now deal with \(I_{n,12}\) and \(I_{n,12}'\).
Lemma 2 Suppose assumptions (C1) – (C4), (A1) and (A5) – (A7) are satisfied. Then, for each point $x_1$ in the support of $X_1$, (1) If $X_1 \subset k^{-q} \beta_1^X$ and $X_1 \subset k^{-q} \beta_0^X$ with $s_4(2-k/q) + k > 0$ and $0 < q \leq k$, we have

$$I_{n,12} = o_p(1), \quad I_{n,12}' = o_p(1).$$

The corresponding asymptotically linear representation is then

$$\sqrt{nh_1^k} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1) \} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \frac{1}{f(x_1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \{ m_1(X_i) - m_0(X_i) - \tau(x_1) \} K_{1h}(X_i) + o_p(1).$$

(2) If $X_1 \subset \beta_1^X$ and $X_1 \subset k^{-q} \beta_0^X$ with $s_4(2-k/q) + k > 0$ and $0 < q \leq k$, we have

$$I_{n,12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{1i} \mathbb{I}(D_i = 1) \frac{K_{1h}(X_i)}{p(X_i)} + o_p(1), \quad I_{n,12}' = o_p(1).$$

Then we have

$$\sqrt{nh_1^k} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1) \} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \frac{1}{f(x_1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \{ \psi_2(X_i, Y_i, D_i) - \tau(x_1) \} K_{1h}(X_i) + o_p(1).$$

(3) If $X_1 \subset k^{-q} \beta_1^X$ and $X_1 \subset \beta_0^X$ with $s_4(2-k/q) + k > 0$ and $0 < q \leq k$, we have

$$I_{n,12} = o_p(1), \quad I_{n,12}' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{0i} \mathbb{I}(D_i = 0) \frac{K_{1h}(X_i)}{p(X_i)} + o_p(1).$$

The corresponding asymptotically linear representation is

$$\sqrt{nh_1^k} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1) \} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \frac{1}{f(x_1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \{ \psi_3(X_i, Y_i, D_i) - \tau(x_1) \} K_{1h}(X_i) + o_p(1).$$

(4) If $X_1 \subset \beta_1^X$ and $X_1 \subset \beta_0^X$, we have

$$I_{n,12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{1i} \mathbb{I}(D_i = 1) \frac{K_{1h}(X_i)}{p(X_i)} + o_p(1), \quad I_{n,12}' = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_{0i} \mathbb{I}(D_i = 0) \frac{K_{1h}(X_i)}{p(X_i)} + o_p(1).$$

We have

$$\sqrt{nh_1^k} \{ \hat{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1) \} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^k}} \frac{1}{f(x_1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \{ \psi_4(X_i, Y_i, D_i) - \tau(x_1) \} K_{1h}(X_i) + o_p(1).$$

Proof of Lemma 2. We need to show that $I_{n,12} = o_p(1)$ if $X_1 \subset k^{-q} \beta_1^X$ with $s_4(2-k/q) + k > 0$ and $0 < q \leq k$. Let $X_1 = v_1, \beta_1^X = v_2$, and denote $(\frac{v_1 - v_2}{k_4}, \frac{v_1 - v_2}{k_4})$ as
\((t_1, t_2)\). We have

\[
E \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^{(o)} \mid X_1 \right\} \\
= \frac{1 + o_p(1)}{h_4^{(1)} f(v_2)p(v_2)} \int K_4 \left( \frac{v_2j - \beta_1^T X_i}{h_4} \right) K_3 \left( \frac{v_1j - X_i}{h_1} \right) f(v_1)dv
\]

\[
= h_4 \frac{1 + o_p(1)}{f(v_2)p(v_2)} \int K_4(t_2) K_4 \left( \frac{v_1j - X_i}{h_1} \right) f(v_1)dv
\]

\[
= h_4^2 K_4 \left( \frac{v_1j - X_i}{h_1} \right) f(v_2)p(v_2) \int K_4(t_2)dt_1dt_2
\]

\[
+ h_4^2 h_1 \left( \frac{v_1j - X_i}{h_1} \right) f(v_2)p(v_2) \int t_1 K_4(t_2)dt_1dt_2 + o_p \left( \frac{h_4^2}{h_1^2} \right)
\]

where \(f_1(x_1, v_2)\) is the joint density function of \((X_1, \beta_1^T X)\). Under assumptions (A5) – (A7), we have

\[
E \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^{(o)} \mid X_1 \right\} = C_2 h_4^2 K_{1h}(X_{1j}) f_1(X_{1j}, \beta_1^T X_i) f(X_1)p(\beta_1^T X_i) + o_p \left( \frac{h_4^2}{h_1^2} \right).
\]

Hence, under assumptions (A6), (A7), \(n_4/(2-k/q)+k > 0\) and \(0 < q \leq k\),

\[
\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_4^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{1i} h(D_i = 1) \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) w_{ji}^{(o)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{1i} h(D_i = 1) O_p \left( \frac{h_4^2}{h_1^2} \right) + o_p(1).
\]

Analogously, we get \(I_{n,12}' = o_p(1)\) if \(X_1 \subset \beta_1^T X\). Next, we prove that

\[
I_{n,12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_4^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{1i} h(D_i = 1) K_{1h}(X_{1j}) p(\beta_1^T X_i) + o_p(1),
\]

if \(X_1 \subset \beta_1^T X\). As that case that \(X_1 \subset \beta_1^T X\) is similar to that \(X_1 \subset X\) in nonparametric case, then parallelling to derive equation (8), we get the desired result. Similarly, we have \(I_{n,12} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_4^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{0i} h(D_i = 0) K_{1h}(X_{1j}) p(\beta_1^T X_i) + o_p(1)\) if \(X_1 \subset \beta_1^T X\). The proof for Lemma 2 is concluded.

**Proof of Corollary 2.** Consider the case where \(X_1 \not\subset \tilde{X} \in \mathbb{R}^d\). Similarly as before, we derive that

\[
\sqrt{nh_4^2}(\tilde{\tau}(x_1) - \tau(x_1))
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_4^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) \left[ \tilde{m}_{1}(\tilde{X}_i) - \tau_1(x_1) \right] - \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_4^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{1h}(X_{1j}) \left[ \tilde{m}_{0}(\tilde{X}_i) - \tau_0(x_1) \right]
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{nh_4^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h} \left( \tilde{X}_j - \tilde{X}_i \right) Y_{1j} h(D_j = 1) - \frac{1}{nh_4^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h} \left( \tilde{X}_j - \tilde{X}_i \right) Y_{0j} h(D_j = 0)
\]

\[
= \frac{1}{nh_4^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h} \left( \tilde{X}_j - \tilde{X}_i \right) Y_{1j} h(D_j = 1) - \frac{1}{nh_4^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h} \left( \tilde{X}_j - \tilde{X}_i \right) Y_{0j} h(D_j = 0).
\]
Some similar calculations lead to $\tilde{m}_1(\tilde{X}_i) - \tau_1(x_1)$.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{1i}) \left[ \tilde{m}_1(\tilde{X}_i) - \tau_1(x_1) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{1i}) \left[ EY_{(1)}|X_i - \tau_1(x_1) \right] + \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{i}\mathbb{I}(D_i = 1) \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{1j}) (w_{ij}^{N_1} - w_{ij}^{N_1})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_{i}\mathbb{I}(D_i = 1) \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{1j}) w_{ij}^{N_1}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_1^2}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{1i}) \left[ \frac{1}{nh_2^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(\tilde{X}_j - \tilde{X}_i) \mathbb{I}(D_j = 1) \frac{EY_{(1)}|X_j}{nh_2^2} \right]$$

$$=: I_{n,14} + I_{n,15} + I_{n,16} + I_{n,17}$$

where

$$w_{ij}^{N_1} = \frac{1}{nh_2^2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{2h}(\tilde{X}_j - \tilde{X}_i)$$

Then we can prove that $I_{n,15}$ and $I_{n,17}$ are $o_p(1)$ by the same arguments as those used to handle $I_{n,5}$ and $I_{n,7}$ for proving Theorem 3. Owing to $X_1 \not\subset \tilde{X}$, similar arguments for proving Lemma 2 implies that $I_{n,16} = o_p(1)$. The proof for Corollary 1 is concluded. □

**Proof of Corollary 3.** From the proof for Theorem 3, we can see that

$$E \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{n} K_{ih}(X_{1j}) w_{ij}^{N_1} \right| X_i \right\} = O_P \left( \frac{h_2^{p+2} +\sqrt{\log(n)/nh_1^2}}{h_1^2} \right),$$

by the condition $\sqrt{nh_1^2} \left( h_1^{p} +\sqrt{\log(n)/nh_1^2} \right) = o(1)$. Then OR-N shares the same asymptotic distribution as OR-P. For OR-S, we can use similar arguments to show the same result. The proof is finished. □

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