

Supplemental materials for semiparametric inference for a two-stage outcome-auxiliary-dependent sampling design with continuous outcome

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1. FROM LIKELIHOOD TO ESTIMATED LOG-LIKELIHOOD

In this section, we intend to derive estimated log-likelihood from the likelihood function. It can be shown that the full likelihood based on all the observations under two-stage OADS design is proportional to

$$L_F(\beta) = \left[\prod_{k=0}^K \prod_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta)g(X_i|Z_i, W_i) \right] \left[\prod_{k=1}^K \prod_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} \int_{\mathcal{X}} f(Y_i|Z_i, x; \beta)dG(x|Z_i, W_i) \right]. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Let S denote the informative components of (Z, W) in the sense that $G(X|Z, W) = G(X|S)$ almost surely. Without loss of generality, assume S is continuous variable with dimension d . Note that

$$G(x|s) = \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k(s)G_k(x|s),$$

where $\pi_k(s) = \Pr((Y, W) \in \Delta_k|s)$ and $G_k(x|s) = G(x|s, (Y, W) \in \Delta_k)$. Then we estimate the $\pi_k(s)$ and $G_k(x|s)$ respectively by

$$\hat{\pi}_k(s) = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N I((Y_i, W_i) \in \Delta_k)\phi_{h_N}(S_i - s)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \phi_{h_N}(S_i - s)}$$

and

$$\hat{G}_k(x|s) = \frac{\sum_{i \in V_k} I(X_i \leq x)\phi_{h_N}(S_i - s)}{\sum_{i \in V_k} \phi_{h_N}(S_i - s)},$$

where $I(\cdot)$ is an indicator function and $\phi_{h_N}(\cdot) = \phi(\frac{\cdot}{h_N})$ is a d -dimensional kernel function with the bandwidth h_N . For simplicity, we suppress the subscript of h_N hereafter. Hence, $G(x|s)$ can be subsequently estimated by

$$\hat{G}(x|s) = \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{\pi}_k(s)\hat{G}_k(x|s),$$

which is a consistent estimator as shown below.

Hence, we obtain an estimated likelihood function by substituting $G(x|s)$ in (A.1) with $\hat{G}(x|s)$ and

denote it by

$$\widehat{L}_F(\beta) = \left[\prod_{k=0}^K \prod_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta) \widehat{g}(X_i|S_i) \right] \left[\prod_{k=1}^K \prod_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} \int_{\mathcal{X}} f(Y_i|Z_i, x; \beta) d\widehat{G}(x|S_i) \right]. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

Then the estimated log-likelihood function is

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{l}_F(\beta) &\equiv \log \widehat{L}_F(\beta) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} \log f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta) + \sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} \log \widehat{g}(X_i|S_i) + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \tilde{V}_k} \log \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \in V_k} \log f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta) + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \in V_k} \log \widehat{g}(X_i|S_i) + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \tilde{V}_k} \log \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \in V_k} \log f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta) + \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \tilde{V}_k} \log \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) + C, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) &= \int_{\mathcal{X}} f(Y_j|Z_j, x; \beta) d\widehat{G}(x|S_j) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^K \widehat{\pi}_r(S_j) \frac{\sum_{l \in V_r} f(Y_j|Z_j, X_l; \beta) \phi_h(S_l - S_j)}{\sum_{l \in V_r} \phi_h(S_l - S_j)}, \end{aligned}$$

and $C = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i \in V_k} \log \widehat{g}(X_i|S_i)$, which is not dependent on β .

2. REGULARITY CONDITIONS

The following conditions are imposed to investigate the asymptotic properties of the estimator $\widehat{\beta}$.

C1. $f(y|z, x; \beta)$ has the 2nd-order continuous derivatives with respect to β , for every $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, where \mathcal{B} is the parametric space, a compact subset in Euclidean space \mathcal{R}^q , containing β^0 as its interior point.

C2. When N goes to ∞ , $|V|/N \rightarrow \rho_V > 0$ and $n_k/|V| \rightarrow \rho_k \geq 0$ for $k = 0, \dots, K$. Let $\gamma_k = \Pr\{(Y, W) \in \Delta_k\}$.

C3. $\phi(\cdot)$ is a α th-order bounded and symmetric kernel function with bounded support and $\int \phi^2 < \infty$.

$Nh^{2\alpha} \rightarrow 0$ and $Nh^{4d} \rightarrow \infty$ as N converges to ∞ .

C4. The following expected value matrices are all finite and positive definite at β^0 :

$$E \left[\frac{\partial^2 \log(f(Y|Z, X; \beta^0))}{\partial \beta \partial \beta^T} \right], \quad E_k \left[\frac{\partial^2 \log(f(Y|Z, X; \beta^0))}{\partial \beta \partial \beta^T} \right], \quad E_k \left[\frac{\partial^2 \log(f(Y|Z, W; \beta^0))}{\partial \beta \partial \beta^T} \right].$$

3. A USEFUL LEMMA

LEMMA 1. Let $\xi(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x}; \beta)$ be a continuous function of $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$ for every $(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x})$, satisfying that:

(i). $|\xi(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x}; \beta)|$ is bounded, uniformly in β , by some function of $(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x})$, denoted by $\tilde{\xi}(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x})$;

(ii). For $k = 1, \dots, K$, $\left| \int_{\mathcal{X}} \tilde{\xi}(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x}) G(d\mathbf{x} | \underline{s}, (y, w) \in \Delta_k) \right| < \infty$, almost surely, given $(Y = y, W = w) \in \Delta_k$ and $S = \underline{s}$.

Then

$$\sup_{\beta \in \mathcal{B}} \left| \frac{\sum_{i \in V_k} \xi(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, X_i; \beta) \phi_h(S_i - \underline{s})}{\sum_{i \in V_k} \phi_h(S_i - \underline{s})} - \int_{\mathcal{X}} \xi(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{x}; \beta) G(d\mathbf{x} | \underline{s}, (y, w) \in \Delta_k) \right| = O_p(\eta_N),$$

where $\eta_N = (Nh^{2\alpha} + (Nh^{2d})^{-1})^{1/2}$.

Proof. Denote

$$\mu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}; \beta) = \frac{1}{(n_k + n_{0k})h^d} \sum_{i \in V_k} \xi(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, X_i; \beta) \phi_h(S_i - \underline{s})$$

and

$$\nu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}) = \frac{1}{(n_k + n_{0k})h^d} \sum_{i \in V_k} \phi_h(S_i - \underline{s}),$$

where $\underline{\mathcal{Q}}$ denotes $(\underline{y}, \underline{z}, \underline{w}, \underline{s})$ or its some suitable components. Under conditions (i) and (ii), noting that given $(Y, W) \in \Delta_k$, $(X_i, S_i; i \in V_k)$ are i.i.d., and then using the uniform strong law of large numbers

and Taylor expansion, we can show that

$$\mu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}; \beta) \rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{X}} \xi(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}, x; \beta) q(dx, \underline{s}|(y, w) \in \Delta_k),$$

almost surely, uniformly for all $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, where

$$q(x, s|(y, w) \in \Delta_k) = \frac{d^2 \Pr(X \leq x, S \leq s|(y, w) \in \Delta_k)}{dx ds}$$

is the joint density function of (X, S) given $(Y = y, W = w) \in \Delta_k$.

Specially taking $\xi \equiv 1$, we have

$$\nu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}) \rightarrow \int_{\mathcal{X}} q(dx, \underline{s}|(y, w) \in \Delta_k),$$

almost surely. Hence,

$$\sup_{\beta \in \mathcal{B}} \left| \frac{\mu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}; \beta)}{\nu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}})} - \int_{\mathcal{X}} \xi(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}, x; \beta) G(dx|\underline{s}, (y, w) \in \Delta_k) \right| \rightarrow 0, \quad a.s.$$

Using the Lemma 1 in Wang and Wang (2001) and standard kernel estimation theory, one can further derive that

$$\sup_{\beta \in \mathcal{B}} \left| \frac{\mu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}; \beta)}{\nu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}})} - \int_{\mathcal{X}} \xi(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}, x; \beta) G(dx|\underline{s}, (y, w) \in \Delta_k) \right| = O_p(\eta_N).$$

Thus we complete the proof.

Furthermore, it is straightforward to conclude that

$$\sup_{\beta \in \mathcal{B}} \left| \sum_{k=1}^K \hat{\pi}_k(\underline{s}) \frac{\mu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}; \beta)}{\nu_k(\underline{\mathcal{Q}})} - \int_{\mathcal{X}} \xi(\underline{\mathcal{Q}}, x; \beta) G(dx|\underline{s}) \right| = O_p(\eta_N).$$

4. USEFUL CONCLUSIONS

We introduce the following conclusions that are frequently used in the proving process and their derivations are based on Lemma 1.

(i). For $j \in \bar{V}_k$ and S_j fixed, $\widehat{G}(x|S_j) = G(x|S_j) + O_p(\eta_N)$.

(ii). Let $\frac{\partial^a}{\partial \beta^a} f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)$ be the a -th derivative of $f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)$ with respect to β , then for $j \in \bar{V}_k$

$$\frac{\partial^a}{\partial \beta^a} \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) = \frac{\partial^a}{\partial \beta^a} f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) + O_p(\eta_N).$$

(iii). For $j \in \bar{V}_k$,

$$\frac{f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{\widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)} = 1 + O_p(\eta_N),$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \bar{V}_k} \left\{ \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)} - \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{[f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)]^2} \widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta) \right\} \times \left\{ \frac{f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{\widehat{f}(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)} - 1 \right\} \\ &= O_p(\eta_N). \end{aligned}$$

Note that the first and second results are obvious from Lemma 1. The third result is followed from the Lemmas 3.7 and 3.8 in Weaver (2001).

5. PROOF OF THEOREM 1

Consistency

By selecting suitable function ξ in Lemma 1, it can be shown that

$$\frac{1}{N} \left[\frac{\partial \widehat{U}_F(\beta)}{\partial \beta^T} - \frac{\partial U_F(\beta)}{\partial \beta^T} \right] \rightarrow_p \mathbf{0},$$

uniformly over $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, as $N \rightarrow \infty$, where $U_F(\beta) = \frac{\partial \log L_F(\beta)}{\partial \beta}$.

On the other hand, it follows from the convergence of $-\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial U_F(\beta)}{\partial \beta^T}$ to $I(\beta)$ in probability, uniformly for $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, that

$$-\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial \widehat{U}_F(\beta)}{\partial \beta^T} \rightarrow_p I(\beta), \tag{A.3}$$

uniformly for $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, as $N \rightarrow \infty$.

It follows from Lemma 1 that

$$\frac{1}{N} \widehat{U}_F(\beta) - \frac{1}{N} U_F(\beta) \rightarrow_p 0,$$

uniformly over $\beta \in \mathcal{B}$, as $N \rightarrow \infty$. Furthermore, we can show that by strong law of large numbers

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{N} U_F(\beta) &= \rho_0 \rho_V E \left[\frac{\partial \log(f(Y|Z, X; \beta))}{\partial \beta} \right] + \sum_{k=1}^K \rho_k \rho_V E_k \left[\frac{\partial \log(f(Y|Z, X; \beta))}{\partial \beta} \right] \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^K [\gamma_k^0 (1 - \rho_0 \rho_V) - \rho_k \rho_V] E_k \left[\frac{\partial \log(f(Y|Z, W; \beta))}{\partial \beta} \right] + o_p(1), \end{aligned}$$

and then $\frac{1}{N} U_F(\beta^0) \rightarrow_p 0$ follows directly. Hence,

$$\frac{1}{N} \widehat{U}_F(\beta^0) \rightarrow_p 0. \tag{A.4}$$

Therefore, combining conditions C1, C4, and (A.3) and (A.4), the consistency of $\widehat{\beta}$ follows from Foutz (1977) and Weaver and Zhou (2005).

Asymptotic Normality

Firstly, we want to evaluate the difference, induced by kernel smother, between the estimated score

function $\widehat{U}_F(\beta)$ and score function $U_F(\beta)$. Using arguments in Pepe and Fleming (1991), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \widehat{U}_F(\beta) \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \bar{V}_k} \left\{ \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{\widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)} - \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)} \right\} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} U_F(\beta) \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \bar{V}_k} \left\{ \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)} - \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{[f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)]^2} \widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta) \right\} \\
&\quad \times \frac{f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{\widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} U_F(\beta) \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \bar{V}_k} \left\{ \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)} - \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{[f(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta)]^2} \widehat{f}(Y_j | Z_j, W_j; \beta) \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} U_F(\beta) + O_p(\eta_N) \\
&\equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} D_F(\beta) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} U_F(\beta) + O_p(\eta_N)
\end{aligned}$$

Secondly, we will establish the weak convergence of $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} D_F(\beta)$. We rewrite

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} D_F(\beta) \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \bar{V}_k} \sum_{r=1}^K \widehat{\pi}_r(S_j) \frac{\sum_{i \in V_r} M_{X_i, S_i}(Y_j, Z_j, W_j; \beta) \phi_h(S_i - S_j)}{\sum_{i \in V_r} \phi_h(S_i - S_j)} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=1}^K \sum_{i \in V_r} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \bar{V}_k} \frac{N_r(S_j)}{n_{V_r}(S_j)} \frac{n_{\bar{V}_k}(S_j)}{N(S_j)} \frac{M_{X_i, S_i}(Y_j, Z_j, W_j; \beta) \phi_h(S_i - S_j)}{n_{\bar{V}_k}(S_j)} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=1}^K \frac{\gamma_r^0}{\rho_r \rho_V + \gamma_r^0 \rho_0 \rho_V} \sum_{i \in V_r} \sum_{k=1}^K [\gamma_k^0 (1 - \rho_0 \rho_V) - \rho_k \rho_V] \pi_k(S_i) E_k(M_{X_i, S_i}(Y, Z, W; \beta) | S_i) \\
&\quad + o_p(1).
\end{aligned}$$

Using Liapounov's central limit theorem and the Cramér-Wold theorem as Weaver and Zhou (2005), we

can show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} D_F(\beta^0) \rightarrow_d \mathcal{N}(0, \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{(\gamma_k^0)^2}{\rho_k \rho_V + \gamma_k^0 \rho_0 \rho_V} \Sigma_k(\beta^0)). \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Thirdly,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}U_F(\beta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^K \sum_{i \in \tilde{V}_k} \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta)}{f(Y_i|Z_i, X_i; \beta)} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j \in \tilde{V}_k} \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)}{f(Y_j|Z_j, W_j; \beta)}, \quad (\text{A.6})$$

and from here, it is easy to show that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}U_F(\beta^0)$ converges weakly to a normal distribution with mean zero and variance $I(\beta^0)$. On the other hand, since $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}D_F(\beta^0)$ can be regarded as a function of $\{X_i, S_i; i \in V\}$ for large N , it is asymptotically independent of the second term at β^0 in (A.6), which are contributions from the nonvalidation data to the true score function. It can be also shown that $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}D_F(\beta^0)$ and the first term of (A.6) at β^0 are asymptotically uncorrelated and, since they are each asymptotically normal, independent. Hence, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}D_F(\beta^0)$ and $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}U_F(\beta^0)$ are asymptotically independent, and then combining (A.5), we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\hat{U}_F(\beta^0) \rightarrow_d \mathcal{N}(0, I(\beta^0) + \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{(\gamma_k^0)^2}{\rho_k \rho_V + \gamma_k^0 \rho_0 \rho_V} \Sigma_k(\beta^0)). \quad (\text{A.7})$$

Finally, using the first-order Taylor series expansion of the estimated score function around the true parameter β_0 , we have

$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0) = \left[-\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial \hat{U}_F(\beta^*)}{\partial \beta^T} \right]^{-1} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \hat{U}_F(\beta^0) \right], \quad (\text{A.8})$$

where β^* is on the line segment between $\hat{\beta}$ and β^0 . Using conditions C1 and C4, (A.3), and consistency of $\hat{\beta}$, it is obvious to conclude that as $N \rightarrow \infty$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial \hat{U}_F(\beta^*)}{\partial \beta^T} \right]^{-1} \rightarrow_p I^{-1}(\beta^0). \quad (\text{A.9})$$

Combining (A.7), (A.8), and (A.9), we have

$$\sqrt{N}(\hat{\beta} - \beta^0) \rightarrow_d \mathcal{N}(0, \Sigma(\beta^0)),$$

which is the desired result.

Additionally, with respect to the proof for Theorem 2, since it is obvious to show the consistency of $-\frac{1}{N} \frac{\partial \widehat{U}_F(\widehat{\beta})}{\partial \beta^T}$ for $I(\beta^0)$ from (A.9), it remains to show that $\widehat{\Sigma}_k(\widehat{\beta})$ is a consistent estimator for $\Sigma_k(\beta^0)$ for every k , which can be proved by using (A.5) and Lemma 1.

6. EFFICIENCY COMPARISONS ALONG THE INFORMATIVE STRENGTH

In this section, we want to investigate the effect of informative strength of W for X on the proposed estimates. Table A.1 listed below summarizes the similarity and difference among these estimators with special comments on each estimator. More specifically, the efficiency difference for methods β_{Y_1} , β_{Y_2} , β_{P_1} , and β_{P_2} should be attributed to the study design instead of estimating procedure. However, β_{P_2} and β_W are different estimating procedures under the same two-stage OADS design.

Table A. 1. Summary for different methods compared in simulation study

| Method | Design | Data structure | Stage of data used | Comment |
|---------------|----------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| | 1st/2nd | 1st/2nd | in inference | |
| β_E | SRS | $\{Y, X, Z\}/-$ | 1st | Least square estimate |
| β_W | SRS/OADS | $\{Y, Z, W\}/\{X (Y, W) \in \Delta_k\}$ | 2nd only | Inverse probability weight |
| β_{Y_1} | SRS/ODS | $\{Y\}/\{(X, Z) Y \in A_j\}$ | 1st and 2nd | Weaver and Zhou (2005) |
| β_{Y_2} | SRS/ODS | $\{Y, Z\}/\{X Y \in A_j\}$ | 1st and 2nd | Modified from β_{Y_1} |
| β_{P_1} | SRS/ODS | $\{Y, Z, W\}/\{X Y \in A_j\}$ | 1st and 2nd | Proposed method reduced from β_{P_2} |
| β_{P_2} | SRS/OADS | $\{Y, Z, W\}/\{X (Y, W) \in \Delta_k\}$ | 1st and 2nd | Proposed method |

Figure A.1 demonstrates the effect of the strength of W , represented by σ , on the efficiency of estimator $\widehat{\beta}_1$, under the methods considered. It displays the relative efficiency of $\widehat{\beta}_{P_1 1}$, $\widehat{\beta}_{P_2 1}$, $\widehat{\beta}_{Y_1 1}$, $\widehat{\beta}_{Y_2 1}$, $\widehat{\beta}_{W 1}$, and $\widehat{\beta}_{R 1}$ to $\widehat{\beta}_{E 1}$, under varying σ from 0 to 1.5 with *allocation*(120, 60) and cutpoints $(\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3})$. The other parametric settings remain to be as the same as Table 1. Note that among these estimators only $\widehat{\beta}_{P_1 1}$ and $\widehat{\beta}_{P_2 1}$ depend on σ . Clearly, the efficiency loss of both $\widehat{\beta}_{P_1 1}$ and $\widehat{\beta}_{P_2 1}$ increases when σ increases, that is, when W is less informative for X . However, the asymptotic relative efficiency $ARE(\widehat{\beta}_{P_2 1}|\widehat{\beta}_{E 1})$, is

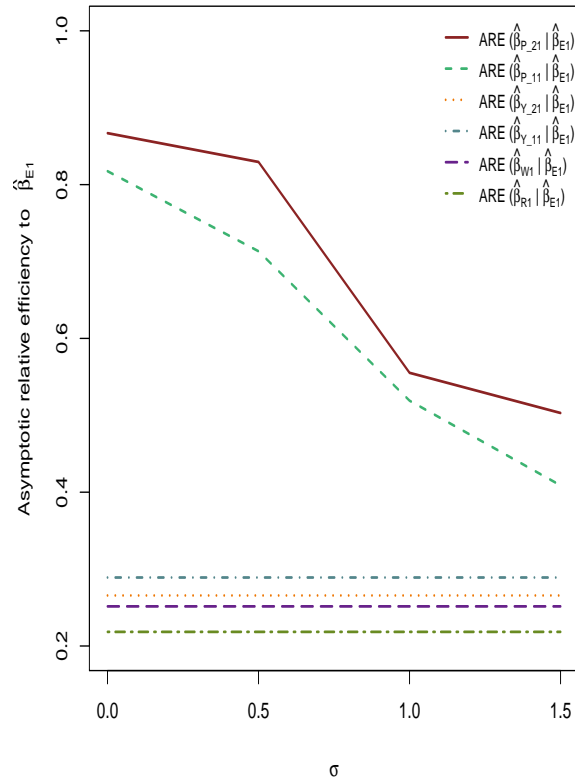


Fig. A.1. Efficiency comparisons of estimator $\hat{\beta}_1$ along with the informative strength of auxiliary W for covariate X . Y-axis denotes the asymptotic relative efficiency of $\hat{\beta}_{P_{21}}, \hat{\beta}_{P_{11}}, \hat{\beta}_{Y_{21}}, \hat{\beta}_{Y_{11}}, \hat{\beta}_{W1}$, and $\hat{\beta}_{R1}$ to $\hat{\beta}_{E1}$. $ARE(\hat{\beta}_{P_{21}} | \hat{\beta}_{E1})$ is defined as the ratio of $var(\hat{\beta}_{E1})$ over $var(\hat{\beta}_{P_{21}})$. X-axis denotes the informative strength σ . The larger σ represents weaker information strength of W for X .

always higher than that of the other estimators, which indicates that the proposed two-stage OADS design utilizes W better than the other designs, and that incorporating the auxiliary information into statistical inference can substantially improve the efficiency, especially when W is more informative about X .

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