Appendix

Throughout the appendix, we assume that h = h(n) is a sequence such that as $n \to \infty$, $h \to 0$, and $nh \to \infty$. We also assume that z is an interior point of the support of Z. We assume the following regularity conditions:

i) $\theta(\cdot)$ and $f_Z(\cdot)$ satisfy the smoothness assumptions of Fan, et. al. (1995);

ii) The estimating functions in the right hand side of naive kernel estimating equations, IPW kernel estimating equations, and AIPW kernel estimating equations are twice continuously differentiable with respect to α at a target point z, and the second derivatives are uniformly bounded.

A.1 Sketch of the Proof of Theorem 1

If $\mu^{(1)}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{naive}(z)\} \neq 0$, simple calculations show that the solution of equation (7) for $\widetilde{\theta}_{naive}(z)$ is $\mu\{\widetilde{\theta}_{naive}(z)\} = E(RY|Z=z)/E(R|Z=z)$, which is equal to $cov(R,Y|Z=z)/E(R|Z=z) + \mu\{\theta(z)\}$. This gives the expression for $\widetilde{\theta}_{naive}(z)$ stated in the theorem.

Next study the expression of $\theta_{IPW}(z)$. The left hand side of (8) is equal to

$$E\left[\frac{E(R|Y,Z,\boldsymbol{U})}{\widetilde{\pi}}\mu^{(1)}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)\}V^{-1}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z);\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}\}\left[Y-\mu\{\widetilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)\}\right]\right|Z=z\right]$$

by taking a double expectation given Y, Z and U. If model (3) of π is correctly specified, then $\tilde{\pi} = E(R|Z, U)$. Also under MAR, E(R|Y, Z, U) = E(R|Z, U). Therefore the above quantity equals to $E[\mu^{(1)}\{\tilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)\} \times V^{-1}\{\tilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z); \tilde{\zeta}\}[Y - \mu\{\tilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)\}]|Z = z]$. If $\mu^{(1)}\{\tilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)\} \neq 0$, solving for $\tilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)$ yields $\mu\{\tilde{\theta}_{IPW}(z)\} = E[Y|Z = z] = \mu\{\theta(z)\}$. Therefore, $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}(z)$ is a consistent estimator of $\theta(z)$ when model (3) of π is correctly specified or π_0 is known by design.

Now study the expression of $\theta_{AIPW}(z)$ from (9). Under the MAR assumption (2), the left hand side of (9) can be rewritten as

$$E\left[\mu^{(1)}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)\}V^{-1}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z);\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}\}\left[Y-\mu\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)\}\right]|Z=z\right]$$

+
$$E\left[\left(\frac{R}{\widetilde{\pi}}-1\right)\mu^{(1)}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)\}V^{-1}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z);\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}\}\left[Y-\widetilde{\delta}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})\}\right]|Z=z\right]=0. (A.1)$$

If model (3) for π is correctly specified, i.e., $\tilde{\pi} = E(R|Z, U)$, or model (6) for $\delta(\cdot)$ is correctly specified, i.e., $\tilde{\delta}(Z, U) = E(Y|Z, U)$, one can easily see that the second term of (A.1) is 0. Hence (A.1) is equal to

$$E\left[\mu^{(1)}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)\}V^{-1}\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z);\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\zeta}}\}\left[Y-\mu\{\widetilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)\}\right]|Z=z\right]=0.$$

It follows that if $\mu^{(1)}\{\tilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)\}\neq 0$, we have $\tilde{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)=\theta(z)$, i.e., $\hat{\theta}_{AIPW}(z)$ is a consistent estimator of $\theta(z)$.

A.2 Proof of Theorem 2: Asymptotic Bias and Variance of the IPW Estimator

We first assume that π_0 is known by design and prove that the asymptotic distribution of $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}(z)$ is given in (10). We also assume that the variance parameter $\boldsymbol{\zeta}$ in the working variance V is known. We will then extend the results when π and $\boldsymbol{\zeta}$ are estimated. For any interior point z, reparameterize $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ as $\{\theta(z), h\theta'(z)\}^T$ and denote by $\theta_0(z)$ the true value of $\theta(z), \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0 = \{\theta_0(z), h\theta'_0(z)\}^T$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{IPW}(z)$ the solution of the local linear IPW kernel estimating equations. A Taylor expansion of the local linear IPW kernel estimating equations gives

$$\sqrt{nh}\{oldsymbol{lpha}_{IPW}(z)-oldsymbol{lpha}_0\}=-\sqrt{nh}\,\{oldsymbol{\Gamma}_n(oldsymbol{lpha}_*)\}^{-1}\,oldsymbol{\Lambda}_n(oldsymbol{lpha}_0)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_*$ is between $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{IPW}(z)$ and $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0$, and

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} R_{i} \pi_{i0}^{-1}(Z_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}) K_{h}(Z_{i}-z) \mu_{i}^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) V_{i}^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z) [Y_{i} - \mu \{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z)^{T} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \}],$$

where $\mu_i^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \mu^{(1)} \{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z)^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \}$ and $V_i(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) = V[\mu \{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z)^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \}; \boldsymbol{\zeta}_0]$, $\boldsymbol{\Gamma}_n(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \partial \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_n(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) / \partial \boldsymbol{\alpha}^T$.

Using the results in Appendix A.1, we have $\hat{\alpha}_{IPW}(z) \rightarrow \alpha_0$ in probability. Therefore, $\alpha_* \xrightarrow{P} \alpha_0$. Under the MAR assumption (2), simple calculations show that

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma}_{n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{*}) = -E \left[K_{h}(Z-z) \left\{ \mu^{(1)}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) \right\}^{2} V^{-1}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z-z) \boldsymbol{G}(Z-z)^{T} \right] + o_{p}(1)$$

$$= -f_{Z}(z) \left(\mu^{(1)}\{\theta(z)\} \right)^{2} V^{-1}\{\theta(z)\} \boldsymbol{D}(K) + o_{p}(1)$$

where D(K) is a 2 × 2 matrix with the (j,k)th element $c_{j+k-2}(K) \times h^{(j+k-2)}$, and $c_r(K) = \int s^r K(s) ds$. It follows that

$$\sqrt{nh}\{\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{IPW}(z) - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0\} = \left\{ f_Z(z) \left[\mu^{(1)}\{\theta(z)\} \right]^2 V^{-1}\{\theta(z)\} \boldsymbol{D}(K) \right\}^{-1} \sqrt{nh} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_n(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) + o_p(1).$$
(A.2)

Now write $\mathbf{\Lambda}_n(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) = \mathbf{\Lambda}_{1n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) + \mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{\Lambda}_{1n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} R_{i} \pi_{i0}^{-1}(Z_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}) K_{h}(Z_{i}-z) \mu_{i}^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) V_{i}^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z) [Y_{i}-\mu\{\theta(Z_{i})\}] \\ \mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} R_{i} \pi_{i0}^{-1}(Z_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}) K_{h}(Z_{i}-z) \mu_{i}^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) V_{i}^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z) [\mu\{\theta(Z_{i})\} - \mu\{\boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z)^{T}\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}\}]. \end{aligned}$$

One can easily show that Λ_{1n} (α_0) is asymptotically normal with mean zero and asymptotic variance

$$var\{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{1n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0})\} = \frac{1}{n}E\left[K_{h}^{2}(Z-z)\left\{\mu^{(1)}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0})\right\}^{2}V^{-2}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0})\left(\frac{R\left[Y-\mu\left\{\theta(Z)\right\}\right]}{\pi_{0}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}\right)^{2}\boldsymbol{G}(Z-z)\boldsymbol{G}(Z-z)^{T}\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{nh}f_{Z}(z)\left(\mu^{(1)}\left\{\theta(z)\right\}\right)^{2}V^{-2}\left\{\theta(z)\right\}E\left[\left(\frac{R\left[Y-\mu\left\{\theta(Z)\right\}\right]}{\pi_{0}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}\right)^{2}\middle|Z=z\right]\boldsymbol{D}(K^{2})+\boldsymbol{o}(\frac{1}{nh}),$$

where $D(K^2)$ is defined similarly to D(K) with K replaced by K^2 .

Now study Λ_{2n} , which contributes to the leading bias term. One can easily show under MAR, we have

$$bias \{ \mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) \} = E \left\{ K_h(Z-z)\mu^{(1)}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)V^{-1}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) \left[\mu \{ \boldsymbol{\theta}(Z) \} - \mu \left\{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z-z)^T \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0 \right\} \right] \boldsymbol{G}(Z-z) \right\} + o_p(1)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\theta}''(z) \left[\mu^{(1)}\{ \boldsymbol{\theta}(z) \} \right]^2 V^{-1}\{ \boldsymbol{\theta}(z) \} f_Z(z) \boldsymbol{H}(K) + o(h^2),$$
(A.3)

where $\boldsymbol{H}(K)$ is a 2×1 vector with the *k*th element $c_{k+1}(K) \times h^{(k+1)}$. Note that the asymptotic variance of $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{2n}$ is of order $\boldsymbol{o}(1/nh)$ and is asymptotically negligible compared to $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{1n}$, and the asymptotic covariance of $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{1n}$ and $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{2n}$ is **0**. Applying these results to (A.2), simple calculations show that the asymptotic distribution of the IPW estimator $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}(z;\pi)$, the first element of $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{IPW}$, is given in (10).

We next study the distribution of $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z; \pi(\hat{\tau})\}$ when π_0 is estimated consistently at the \sqrt{n} -rate, i.e. $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau}-\tau_0) = O_p(1)$, where τ_0 is the true value of τ . Suppose under some regularity conditions, $\partial \hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z; \pi(\tau)\}/\partial \tau^T$ is bounded in the neighborhood of the τ_0 , *i.e.*,

$$\partial \hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z; \pi(\boldsymbol{\tau})\} / \partial \boldsymbol{\tau}^T|_{\boldsymbol{\tau} \in \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\tau}_0)} = O_p(1),$$

where $\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\tau}_0) \supset \{\boldsymbol{\tau} : ||\boldsymbol{\tau} - \boldsymbol{\tau}_0|| < ||\hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}} - \boldsymbol{\tau}_0||\}$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{nh}[\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z;\pi(\hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}})\}-\theta(z)] \\ &=\sqrt{nh}[\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z;\pi(\hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}})\}-\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z;\pi(\tau_0)\}]+\sqrt{nh}[\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z;\pi(\tau_0)\}-\theta(z)] \\ &=\sqrt{h}\left[\frac{\partial\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z;\pi(\boldsymbol{\tau})\}}{\partial\boldsymbol{\tau}^T}|_{\boldsymbol{\tau}^*}\right]\sqrt{n}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\tau}}-\boldsymbol{\tau}_0)+\sqrt{nh}[\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z;\pi(\tau_0)\}-\theta(z)] \end{aligned} \tag{A.4}$$

for some $\tau^* \in \{\tau : ||\tau - \tau_0|| < ||\hat{\tau} - \tau_0||\}$. Note $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\tau} - \tau_0) = O_p(1)$, $\partial \hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z; \pi(\tau)\} / \partial \tau^T|_{\tau^*} = O_p(1)$, and $h \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$, the first term in (A.4) is $o_p(1)$. Therefore, the asymptotic distribution of $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z; \pi(\hat{\tau})\}$ when τ is estimated consistently at \sqrt{n} -rate is the same as that of $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}(z; \pi_0)$ when π_0 is known. Similar argument shows that the asymptotic distribution of $\hat{\theta}_{IPW}\{z\}$ remains the same if $\boldsymbol{\zeta}$ is estimated at the \sqrt{n} -rate.

A.3 Proof of Theorem 3: Asymptotic Bias and Asymptotic Variance of AIPW estimator

Following similar arguments as those in Appendix A.2, the asymptotic results hold when the parameters (τ, η) in π and δ are estimated at the \sqrt{n} -rate, or the probability limit of $(\hat{\tau}, \hat{\eta})$ is used in the AIPW kernel estimating equations (4). Denote by $(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\eta})$ the probability limit of $(\hat{\tau}, \hat{\eta})$, and let $\tilde{\pi}(Z_i, U_i) = \pi(Z_i, U_i; \tilde{\tau})$, $\tilde{\delta}(Z_i, U_i) = \delta(Z_i, U_i; \tilde{\eta})$. We focus our proof on assuming that $(\tilde{\tau}, \tilde{\eta})$ are known. By a linear Taylor expansion of the AIPW estimating function (4) about α_0 , the AIPW kernel estimator satisfies

$$\sqrt{nh}\{\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{AIPW}(z) - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0\} = -\sqrt{nh}\left\{\boldsymbol{\Gamma}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_*)\right\}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0),$$

where $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_*$ is between $\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{AIPW}(z)$ and $\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0$,

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ R_{i} \widetilde{\pi}^{-1}(Z_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}) K_{h}(Z_{i}-z) \mu_{i}^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) V_{i}^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z) \left[Y_{i} - \mu \left\{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z)^{T} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \right\} \right] \\ &- \left\{ R_{i} \widetilde{\pi}^{-1}(Z_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}) - 1 \right\} K_{h}(Z_{i}-z) \mu_{i}^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) V_{i}^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z) \left[\widetilde{\delta}(Z_{i}, \boldsymbol{U}_{i}) - \mu \left\{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z)^{T} \boldsymbol{\alpha} \right\} \right] \right\}, \end{split}$$

and $\Gamma_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = \partial \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) / \partial \boldsymbol{\alpha}^T$.

We consider the following two situations:

(1) When model (3) for the selection probability π_{i0} is correctly specified, i.e. $\tilde{\pi}(Z_i, U_i) = \pi_{i0}(Z_i, U_i);$

(2) When model (6) for E(Y|Z, U) is correctly specified, i.e. $\delta(Z_i, U_i) = E(Y_i|Z_i, U_i)$. As shown in Appendix A.1, $\hat{\alpha}_{AIPW}(z)$ converges to α_0 when either of the above conditions holds. Therefore, $\alpha_* \xrightarrow{P} \alpha_0$. We first show that under either of the above situations, we have

$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_*) \xrightarrow{P} -f_Z(z) \left[\mu^{(1)} \{ \theta(z) \} \right]^2 V^{-1} \{ \theta(z) \} \boldsymbol{D}(K).$$
(A.5)

First consider situation (1), i.e., when $\tilde{\pi}(Z_i, U_i) = \pi_{i0}(Z_i, U_i)$. The second term of $\Lambda_{n,\delta}(\alpha)$, i.e. the augmentation term, has mean 0 under MAR. It follows that $\Lambda_{n,\delta}(\alpha_*) = \Lambda_n(\alpha_0) + o_p(1)$, where Λ_n is defined in Appendix A.2. Hence $\Gamma_{n,\delta}(\alpha_*) = \Gamma_n(\alpha_0) + o_p(1)$. Therefore $\Gamma_{n,\delta}(\alpha_*)$ has the same probability limit as $\Gamma_n(\alpha_*)$. As shown in Appendix A.2, the probability of limit of $\Gamma_n(\alpha_*)$ is exactly the right hand side of (A.5), and thus (A.5) holds for $\Gamma_{n,\delta}(\alpha_*)$ as well.

Next consider situation (2), i.e., when $\widetilde{\delta}(Z_i, U_i) = E(Y_i | Z_i, U_i)$. Rewrite $\Lambda_{n,\delta}(\alpha)$ as

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left\{ R_i \widetilde{\pi}^{-1}(Z_i, \boldsymbol{U}_i) K_h(Z_i - z) \mu_i^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) V_i^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z) \left[Y_i - \widetilde{\delta}(Z_i, \boldsymbol{U}_i) \right] + K_h(Z_i - z) \mu_i^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) V_i^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z) \left[\widetilde{\delta}(Z_i, \boldsymbol{U}_i) - \mu \left\{ \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z)^T \boldsymbol{\alpha} \right\} \right] \right\}.$$

One can easily see the first term on the right hand side has mean 0. It follows that

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{*}) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} K_{h}(Z_{i}-z) \mu_{i}^{(1)}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}) V_{i}^{-1}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}) \boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z) \left[E\left(Y_{i}|Z_{i},\boldsymbol{U}_{i}\right) - \mu\left\{\boldsymbol{G}(Z_{i}-z)^{T} \boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0}\right\} \right] + \boldsymbol{o}_{p}(1).$$

Differentiating it with respect to $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ shows that $\Gamma_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_*) = \Gamma_n(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) + \boldsymbol{o}_p(1)$. Therefore, (A.5) still holds in this situation.

Therefore, when either the π or δ model is correctly specified, we have

$$\sqrt{nh}\{\hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}}_{AIPW}(z) - \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0\} = \left\{ f_Z(z) \left[\mu^{(1)}\{\theta(z)\} \right]^2 V^{-1}\{\theta(z)\} \boldsymbol{D}(K) \right\}^{-1} \sqrt{nh} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) + o_p(1).$$
(A.6)

Write $\mathbf{\Lambda}_{n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) = \mathbf{\Lambda}_{1n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) - \mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) + \mathbf{\Lambda}_{3n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$, where

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{1n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n R_i \widetilde{\pi}^{-1}(Z_i, \boldsymbol{U}_i) K_h(Z_i - z) \mu_i^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) V_i^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) \left[Y_i - \mu\{\theta(Z_i)\}\right] \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z),$$

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \{R_i \widetilde{\pi}^{-1}(Z_i, \boldsymbol{U}_i) - 1\} K_h(Z_i - z) \mu_i^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) V_i^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) \left[\widetilde{\delta}(Z_i, \boldsymbol{U}_i) - \mu\{\theta(Z_i)\} \right] \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z),$$

and

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_{3n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n K_h(Z_i - z) \mu_i^{(1)}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) V_i^{-1}(z, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) \left[\mu\{\theta(Z_i)\} - \mu\{\boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z)^T \boldsymbol{\alpha}_0\} \right] \boldsymbol{G}(Z_i - z).$$

One can easily see that $\Lambda_{1n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$ and $\Lambda_{2n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$ have mean 0 when either π or δ is correctly specified. The third term $\Lambda_{3n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$ is the leading bias term. When π_i or δ_i is correctly specified, simple calculations show that $E[\Lambda_{3n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)]$ is equal to (A.3). It follows that

$$bias\{\hat{\alpha}_{AIPW}(z)\} = \frac{1}{2}h^2\theta''(z)c_2(K) + o(h^2).$$

Now study $\Lambda_{1n,\delta} - \Lambda_{2n,\delta}$, which contributes to the leading variance and asymptotic normality. Note that the variance of $\Lambda_{3n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$ is of order o(1/nh), and hence can be ignored asymptotically. Under MAR, we have $E[R|Y, Z, \boldsymbol{U}] = E[R|Z, \boldsymbol{U}] = \pi_0(Z, \boldsymbol{U})$, the true conditional mean of $[R|Z, \boldsymbol{U}]$. It follows that when either π or δ is correctly specified, $\Lambda_{1n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) - \Lambda_{2n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)$ is asymptotically normal with mean 0 and variance

$$var\left\{\mathbf{\Lambda}_{1n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) - \mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)\right\} = \frac{1}{n} \left[var\left\{\mathbf{\Lambda}_{1,2,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)\right\}\right],$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{\Lambda}_{1,2,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0) &= K_h(Z-z)\mu^{(1)}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)V^{-1}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_0)\boldsymbol{G}(Z-z) \\ &\times \left(\frac{R}{\widetilde{\pi}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}\left[Y-\mu\{\theta(Z)\}\right] - \left\{\frac{R}{\widetilde{\pi}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}-1\right\}\left[\widetilde{\delta}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})-\mu\{\theta(Z)\}\right]\right) \end{aligned}$$

Further calculations show that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n}var\left\{\Lambda_{1,2,\delta}(\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0})\right\} &= \frac{1}{n}E\left[K_{h}^{2}(Z-z)\left\{\mu^{(1)}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0})\right\}^{2}V^{-2}(z,\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{0})\boldsymbol{G}(Z-z)\boldsymbol{G}(Z-z)^{T}\right.\\ &\times\left(\frac{R}{\tilde{\pi}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}\left[Y-\mu\{\theta(Z)\}\right]-\left\{\frac{R}{\tilde{\pi}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}-1\right\}\left[\tilde{\delta}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})-\mu\{\theta(Z)\}\right]\right)^{2}\right]\\ &=\left.\frac{1}{nh}f_{Z}(z)\left[\mu^{(1)}\{\theta(z)\}\right]^{2}V^{-2}\{\theta(z)\}E\left[\left(\frac{R}{\tilde{\pi}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}\left[Y-\mu\{\theta(Z)\}\right]\right)\\ &-\left\{\frac{R}{\tilde{\pi}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})}-1\right\}\left[\tilde{\delta}(Z,\boldsymbol{U})-\mu\{\theta(Z)\}\right]\right)^{2}|Z=z\right]\boldsymbol{D}(K^{2})+\boldsymbol{o}(\frac{1}{nh})\end{aligned}$$

Applying these results to (A.6) and Theorem 3 follows.