

Web-based supplementary materials for “Estimation of stratified mark-specific proportional hazards models with missing marks” by Yanqing Sun and Peter Gilbert.

Web Appendix A

In this and the rest of Appendices, the references and equation numbers not defined in the Appendices refer to the expressions in the main paper.

The following Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 are extensions of Theorem 5.7 and Theorem 5.9 of van der Vaart (1998), respectively, and will be used to prove the uniform consistency of $\hat{\beta}(v)$.

Lemma 1. *Let $Q_n(v, \theta)$ be random functions and let $Q(v, \theta)$ be a fixed function of $(v, \theta) \in [a, b] \times \Theta$, $\Theta \subset R^p$. Let $\beta(v)$ be a fixed function of $v \in [a, b]$ taking values in Θ . Assume that $\sup_{v, \theta} |Q_n(v, \theta) - Q(v, \theta)| \xrightarrow{P} 0$ and that for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\eta > 0$ such that $\sup_{\|\theta - \beta(v)\| > \epsilon} Q(v, \theta) < Q(v, \beta(v)) - \eta$ for $v \in [a, b]$. Then for any sequence of estimators $\hat{\beta}(v)$, with $Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) > Q_n(v, \beta(v)) - o_p(1)$ uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$, we have $\hat{\beta}(v) \xrightarrow{P} \beta(v)$ uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$.*

PROOF. For every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a $\eta > 0$ such that

$$\{\sup_v \|\hat{\beta}(v) - \beta(v)\| > \epsilon\} \subset \cup_v \{\|\hat{\beta}(v) - \beta(v)\| > \epsilon\} \subset \cup_v \{Q(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) < Q(v, \beta(v)) - \eta\}.$$

Since $Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) > Q_n(v, \beta(v)) - o_p(1) \xrightarrow{P} Q(v, \beta(v))$, uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$, we have $Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) > Q(v, \beta(v)) - o_p(1)$, uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \cup_v \{Q(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) < Q(v, \beta(v)) - \eta\} &\subset \cup_v \{Q(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) < Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) - \eta + o_p(1)\} \\ &= \{\inf_v (Q(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) - Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v))) < -\eta + o_p(1)\} \\ &= \{\sup_v (Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) - Q(v, \hat{\beta}(v))) > \eta - o_p(1)\} \\ &\subset \{\sup_v |Q_n(v, \hat{\beta}(v)) - Q(v, \hat{\beta}(v))| > \eta - o_p(1)\}, \end{aligned}$$

whose probability goes to 0 by the uniform convergence of $Q_n(v, \theta)$ to $Q(v, \theta)$. Hence $P\{\sup_v \|\hat{\beta}(v) - \beta(v)\| > \epsilon\} \rightarrow 0$. \square

Lemma 2. *Let $\Psi_n(v, \theta)$ be random vector-valued functions and let $\Psi(v, \theta)$ be a fixed vector-valued function of $(v, \theta) \in [a, b] \times \Theta$, $\Theta \subset R^p$. Let $\beta(v)$ be a fixed function of $v \in [a, b]$ taking*

values in Θ . Assume that $\sup_{v,\theta} \|\Psi_n(v,\theta) - \Psi(v,\theta)\| \xrightarrow{P} 0$ and that for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\eta > 0$ such that $\inf_{\|\theta - \beta(v)\| > \epsilon} \|\Psi(v,\theta)\| > \|\Psi(v,\beta(v))\| + \eta = \eta$ for $v \in [a,b]$. Then for any sequence of estimators $\hat{\beta}(v)$, with $\|\Psi_n(v,\hat{\beta}(v))\| = o_p(1)$ uniformly in $v \in [a,b]$, we have $\hat{\beta}(v) \xrightarrow{P} \beta(v)$ uniformly in $v \in [a,b]$.

PROOF. Lemma 2 follows from applying Lemma 1 to the function $Q_n(v,\theta) = -\|\Psi_n(v,\theta)\|$ and $Q(v,\theta) = -\|\Psi(v,\theta)\|$. \square

Lemma 3. Suppose that $(W_i, X_i), i = 1, \dots, n$, are independent random variables satisfying $\sup_{1 \leq i \leq n} E(X_i^4) \leq M < \infty$, $\sup_{1 \leq i \leq n} E(g_n^4(W_i)) \rightarrow 0$, and $\sup_{i \neq j} E\{g_n(W_i)X_i g_n(W_j)X_j\} = o(n^{-1})$, where $g_n(\cdot)$ is a random function. Then

$$E \left\{ \left(n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n g_n(W_i)X_i \right)^2 \right\} \rightarrow 0.$$

PROOF OF LEMMA 3.

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left\{ \left(n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n g_n(W_i)X_i \right)^2 \right\} \\ &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n E \{g_n(W_i)X_i g_n(W_j)X_j\} \\ &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E \{(g_n(W_i)X_i)^2\} + o(1) \\ &= n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n E \{E[(g_n(W_i))^2 | W_i] E[(X_i)^2 | W_i]\} + o(1) \\ &\leq n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \{E[(g_n(W_i))^4]\}^{1/2} \{E[(X_i)^4]\}^{1/2} + o(1) \\ &= o(1). \end{aligned}$$

\square

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. Let ψ_{k0} be the true value of ψ_k such that $r_k(W_{ki}) = r_k(W_{ki}, \psi_{k0})$ under the correctly specified model for $r(W_{ki})$. Then $\hat{\psi}_k \xrightarrow{P} \psi_{k0}$. Let $\psi_0 = (\psi_{10}, \dots, \psi_{K0})$,

$$\eta_n(u, \theta, \hat{\psi}) = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^u \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \tilde{Z}_k(t, \theta, \hat{\psi}_k)) \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} N_{ki}(dt, du),$$

$$\xi_n(u, \theta, \psi_0) = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^u \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} N_{ki}(dt, du).$$

Under the conditions of Theorem 1, $\eta_n(v, \theta, \hat{\psi}) = \xi_n(v, \theta, \psi_0) + O_p(n^{-1/2})$, uniformly in $v \in [0, 1]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1} U_{ipw}(v, \theta, \hat{\psi}) &= \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \eta_n(du, \theta, \hat{\psi}) \\ &= \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \xi_n(du, \theta, \psi_0) + O_p(n^{-1/2} h^{-1}), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.1})$$

uniformly in $(v, \theta) \in [0, 1] \times [-M, M]$, for $M > 0$.

By application of the Glivenko–Cantelli and Donsker theorems, similar to the proofs of Lemma 2 and Theorem 1 of Sun *et al.* (2009), $\xi_n(v, \theta, \psi_0) = \xi(v, \theta, \psi_0) + O_p(n^{-1/2})$, uniformly in $(v, \theta) \in [0, 1] \times [-M, M]$, where

$$\begin{aligned} \xi(v, \theta, \psi_0) &= \sum_{k=1}^K p_k E \left[\int_0^v \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} N_{ki}(dt, du) \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K p_k \left\{ E \left[\int_0^v \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) N_{ki}(dt, du) \right] \right. \\ &\quad \left. - E \left[\int_0^v \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right) N_{ki}(dt, du) \right] \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.2})$$

The first expectation is zero under model (2) by Sun *et al.* (2009). Using the double expectation formula $E[\cdot] = E\{E[\cdot | V_{ki}, W_{ki}, \delta_{ki}]\}$ and the missing at random assumption (3), the second expectation is zero. Hence

$$n^{-1} U_{ipw}(v, \theta, \hat{\psi}) = \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \xi(du, \theta, \psi_0) + O_p(n^{-1/2} h^{-1}) = o_p(1),$$

uniformly in $(v, \theta) \in [a, b] \times [-M, M]$ for $M > 0$. By Lemma 2, $\hat{\beta}_{ipw}(v) \xrightarrow{P} \beta(v)$ uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$ as $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$. \square

PROOF OF THEOREM 2.

By a Taylor expansion, $U_{ipw}(v, \hat{\beta}(v), \hat{\psi}) - U_{ipw}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}) = U'_{ipw}(v, \beta^*(v), \hat{\psi}) (\hat{\beta}(v) - \beta(v))$, where $\beta^*(v)$ is on the line segment between $\hat{\beta}(v)$ and $\beta(v)$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{1/2} h^{1/2} (\hat{\beta}^{ipw}(v) - \beta(v)) &= -(U'_{ipw}(v, \beta^*(v), \hat{\psi})/n)^{-1} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{ipw}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}) \\ &= (\Sigma(v))^{-1} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{ipw}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}) + o_p(1), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.3})$$

where the last equality is obtained by the uniform consistency of $\hat{\beta}(v)$ on $v \in [a, b] \subset (0, 1)$, the uniform consistency $n^{-1}U'_{ipw}(v, \beta^*(v), \hat{\psi}) \xrightarrow{P} -\Sigma(v)$ in $v \in [a, b]$, and the convergence in distribution of $n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}U_{ipw}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi})$ to $N(0, \nu_0\Sigma^*(v))$ which we show next.

In the rest of the proof, we set $\beta = \beta(v)$ for simplicity. Under Condition A, using a second order Taylor expansion for $\lambda_k(t, u|Z_i(t))$ in the neighborhood of v , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & n^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)[Z_{ki}(t) - \tilde{Z}_k(t, \beta, \hat{\psi}_k)] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \\ & Y_{ki}(t)[\lambda_k(t, u|Z_{ki}(t)) - \lambda_k(t, v|Z_{ki}(t))] dt du \\ & = \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 n^{1/2}h^2\vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2}h^2), \end{aligned}$$

uniformly in $v \in [0, 1]$. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & n^{-1/2}U_{ipw}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}) \\ & = n^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)[Z_{ki}(t) - \tilde{Z}_k(t, \beta, \hat{\psi}_{k0})] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \\ & [N_{ki}(dt, du) - Y_{ki}(t)\lambda_k(t, v|Z_{ki}(t))] dt du \\ & = n^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)[Z_{ki}(t) - \tilde{Z}_k(t, \beta, \hat{\psi}_k)] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0})} \\ & [N_{ki}(dt, du) - Y_{ki}(t)\lambda_k(t, u|Z_{ki}(t))] dt du + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 n^{1/2}h^2\vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2}h^2), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.4})$$

uniformly in $v \in [0, 1]$.

Let

$$n^{-1/2}H_k(t, v) = n_k^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} M_{ki}(t, v). \quad (\text{W.5})$$

By the first order Taylor expansion in $\hat{\psi}_k$,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1/2}H_k(t, v) &= n_k^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0})} M_{ki}(t, v) \\ &\quad - \frac{R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0}))^2} \left(\frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0})}{\partial \hat{\psi}_k} \right)^T M_{ki}(t, v)(\hat{\psi}_k - \hat{\psi}_{k0}) + o_p(1) \\ &= n_k^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0})} M_{ki}(t, v) \\ &\quad - n_k^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \frac{R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0}))^2} \left(\frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0})}{\partial \hat{\psi}_k} \right)^T M_{ki}(t, v) \\ &\quad \times n_k^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (I_k^\psi)^{-1} S_{ki}^\psi + o_p(1), \end{aligned}$$

where S_{ki}^ψ and I_k^ψ are defined in (17) and (18). Following the proof of Lemma 2 in Sun *et al.* (2009), it is easy to show that $n_k^{-1/2}H_k(t, v)$ converges weakly to a mean-zero Gaussian process. By Condition A, $\|\tilde{S}_k^{(j)}(t, \beta, \hat{\psi}_k) - s_k^{(j)}(t, \beta)\| = o_p(n^{-1/2+\delta})$, uniformly in t for $j = 0, 1$, for $0 < \delta < 1/2$. Note that $h = n^{-\alpha}$ with $\alpha < 1/2$. We can choose $\delta > 0$ such that $\alpha + \delta < 1/2$. Thus $n^{-1/2+\delta}h^{-1/2} = o(h^{1/2})$. We have $h^{1/2}K_h(u - v)\|\tilde{S}_k^{(j)}(t, \beta, \hat{\psi}_k) - s_k^{(j)}(t, \beta)\|$ goes in probability to zero. Applying Lemma 2 of Gilbert *et al.* (2008),

$$\begin{aligned}
& n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}U_{ipw}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}) \\
&= n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u - v)[Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta)] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \\
&\quad [N_{ki}(dt, du) - Y_{ki}(t)\lambda_k(t, u|Z_{ki}(t))dtdu] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 n^{1/2}h^{5/2}\vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2}h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}) \\
&= n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u - v)[Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \\
&\quad [N_{ki}(dt, du) - Y_{ki}(t)\lambda_k(t, u|Z_{ki}(t))dtdu] \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 n^{1/2}h^{5/2}\vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2}h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}) \\
&= n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{A}_{ki} + h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K (n_k/n)^{1/2}\mathcal{D}_k\sqrt{n_k}(\hat{\psi}_k - \psi_{k0}) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 n^{1/2}h^{5/2}\vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2}h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}),
\end{aligned} \tag{W.6}$$

where \mathcal{A}_{ki} and \mathcal{D}_k is defined in (19). Note that $\hat{\psi}_k - \psi_{k0} = n_k^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (I_k^\psi)^{-1} S_{ki}^\psi + o_p(n_k^{-1/2})$.

We have

$$\begin{aligned}
& n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}U_{ipw}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}) \\
&= n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{A}_{ki} + n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{D}_k(I_k^\psi)^{-1} S_{ki}^\psi \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2}\mu_2 n^{1/2}h^{5/2}\vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2}h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}).
\end{aligned} \tag{W.7}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
& n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}U_{ipw}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}) \\
&= n^{-1/2}h^{1/2}\sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u - v)[Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \\
&\quad \left[\frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(t, Z_{ki}, \delta_{ki}A_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} M_{ki}^*(dt, du) + \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(t, Z_{ki}, \delta_{ki}A_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \lambda_{ki}^*(t, u)Y_{ki}(t) \right] dtdu
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \lambda_k(t, u | Z_{ki}(t)) Y_{ki}(t) dt du \Big] \\
& + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{D}_k(I_k^\psi)^{-1} S_{ki}^\psi + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}) \\
& = h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \tilde{W}_n(du) + h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \delta_n(du) \\
& + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{D}_k(I_k^\psi)^{-1} S_{ki}^\psi \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}) + o_p(1)
\end{aligned} \tag{W.8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{W}_n(v) &= n^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^v \int_0^\tau [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(t, Z_{ki}, \delta_{ki} A_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} M_{ki}^*(dt, du) \\
\delta_n(v) &= n^{-1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^v \int_0^\tau [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \\
&\quad \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(t, Z_{ki}, \delta_{ki} A_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \lambda_{ki}^*(t, u) - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \lambda_k(t, u | Z_{ki}(t)) \right\} Y_{ki}(t) dt du.
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that the third term in (W.8) is $O_p(h^{1/2})$. Now we check that the expectation of each term in the summand of $\delta_n(v)$ is zero. Applying double expectation $E(\cdot) = E[E(\cdot | Q_{ki}, Y_{ki}(t))]$, we have

$$E \left\{ [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \lambda_k(t, u | Z_{ki}(t)) Y_{ki}(t) \right\} = 0.$$

By (16), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left\{ [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(t, Z_{ki}, \delta_{ki} A_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \lambda_{ki}^*(t, u) Y_{ki}(t) \right\} dt du \\
& = E \left\{ [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(t, Z_{ki}, \delta_{ki} A_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} N_{ki}(dt, du) \right\} \\
& = E \left\{ [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(W_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} N_{ki}(dt, du) \right\} \\
& = E \left\{ [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] E \left[\frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(W_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \middle| W_{ki}, \delta_{ki} \right] N_{ki}(dt, du) \right\} \\
& = E \left\{ [Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] N_{ki}(dt, du) \right\} = 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{W.9}$$

By Lemma 1 of Sun & Wu (2005), the process $\delta_n(v)$, $0 \leq v \leq 1$, converges weakly to a mean-zero Gaussian process and consequently, the second term in (W.8) converges to zero in probability.

Following the proof of Theorem 1 of Sun & Wu (2005), $\tilde{W}_n(v) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} W(v)$, where $W(v)$ is a p -dimensional mean-zero Gaussian martingale with continuous sample path on $[0, 1]$. The covariance matrix of $W(v)$ is $\int_0^v \Sigma^*(u) du$.

By the almost sure representation theorem (Shorack & Wellner, 1986, p.47), there exist $\tilde{W}_n^*(v)$ and $W^*(v)$ on some probability space with the same distributions and sample paths as $\tilde{W}_n(v)$ and $W(v)$, respectively, such that $\tilde{W}_n^*(v) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} W^*(v)$ uniformly in $v \in [0, 1]$. Hence $\int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \tilde{W}_n^*(du) = \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) W^*(du) + O_p(n^{-1/2} h^{-1})$ by integration by parts since $K(\cdot)$ has bounded variation. It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \tilde{W}_n(du) &\stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \tilde{W}_n^*(du) \\ &= h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) W^*(du) + O_p(n^{-1/2} h^{-1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Since $W^*(v)$ is a Gaussian martingale with covariance matrix of $\int_0^v \Sigma^*(u) du$, $h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) W^*(du)$ is a mean zero Gaussian random vector with covariance matrix equal to $h \int_0^1 K_h^2(u-v) \Sigma^*(u) du \rightarrow \nu_0 \Sigma^*(v)$ as $h \rightarrow 0$. Hence, $h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \tilde{W}_n(du) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(0, \nu_0 \Sigma^*(v))$ as $h \rightarrow 0$, $nh \rightarrow \infty$. By the Slutsky theorem, $n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{ipw}(v, \beta, \psi_0) - \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v)$ converges weakly to $N(0, \nu_0 \Sigma^*(v))$ as $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$ and $nh^5 = O(1)$. It follows from (W.3) that $(nh)^{1/2} [\hat{\beta}_{ipw}(v) - \beta(v) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 h^2 \vartheta(v)] \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(0, \nu_0 \Sigma(v)^{-1} \Sigma^*(v) \Sigma(v)^{-1})$ as $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$ and $nh^5 = O(1)$. \square

PROOF OF THEOREM 3.

Suppose $\hat{g}_k(a|t, u, z) \xrightarrow{P} g_k^*(t, u, z)$ under the parametric model $g_k(a|t, u, z, \gamma_k)$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_k^*(v, w) &= \int_0^v \lambda_k(t, u|z) g_k^*(a|t, u, z) du / \int_0^1 \lambda_k(t, u|z) g_k^*(a|t, u, z) du, \\ \eta_n(u, \theta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) &= n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^u \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \theta)) \\ &\quad \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} N_{ki}(dt, dx) + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \right) N_{ki}^x(dt) d(\hat{\rho}_k^{ipw}(x, W_{ki})) \right\}, \end{aligned} \tag{W.10}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_n(u, \theta, \psi_0, \rho^*(\cdot)) &= n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^u \int_0^\tau \left(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta) \right) \\ &\quad \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} N_{ki}(dt, dx) + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right) N_{ki}^x(dt) d(\rho_k^*(x, W_{ki})) \right\}. \end{aligned} \tag{W.11}$$

By the conditions of Theorem 3, $\eta_n(v, \theta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) = \xi_n(v, \theta, \psi_0, \rho^*(\cdot)) + O_p(n^{-1/2})$, uniformly in $v \in [0, 1]$ and

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1}U_{aug}(v, \theta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) &= \int_0^1 K_h(u - v) \eta_n(du, \theta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) \\ &= \int_0^1 K_h(u - v) \xi_n(du, \theta, \psi_0, \rho^*(\cdot)) + O_p(n^{-1/2}h^{-1}), \end{aligned}$$

uniformly in $(v, \theta) \in [0, 1] \times [-M, M]$, for $M > 0$.

By application of the Glivenko–Cantelli and Donsker theorems, similar to the proofs of Lemma 2 and Theorem 1 of Sun *et al.* (2009), $\xi_n(v, \theta, \psi_0, \rho^*(\cdot)) = \xi(v, \theta, \psi_0, \rho^*(\cdot)) + O_p(n^{-1/2})$, uniformly in $(v, \theta) \in [0, 1] \times [-M, M]$, with

$$\begin{aligned} &\xi(v, \theta, \psi_0, \rho^*(\cdot)) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K p_k E \left[\int_0^v \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} N_{ki}(dt, du) + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}\right) N_{ki}^x(dt) d(\rho_k^*(u, W_{ki})) \right\} \right] \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K p_k \left[E \left\{ \int_0^v \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) N_{ki}(dt, du) \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - E \left\{ \int_0^v \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \theta)) \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}\right) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. N_{ki}^x(dt) [N_{ki}^v(du) - d(\rho_k^*(u, W_{ki}))] \right\} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{W.12}$$

The first expectation is zero under model (2) by Sun *et al.* (2009). Using the double expectation formula $E[\cdot] = E\{E[\cdot | V_{ki}, W_{ki}, \delta_{ki}]\}$ and the missing at random assumption (3), the second expectation is zero if $r_k(W_{ki}, \psi_k)$ or $g_k(a|t, v, z, \gamma_k)$ is correctly specified which leads to $\rho_k^*(v, w) = \rho_k(v, w)$. It follows that

$$n^{-1}U_{aug}(v, \theta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) = \int_0^1 K_h(u - v) \xi(du, \theta, \psi_0, \rho(\cdot)) + O_p(n^{-1/2}h^{-1}) = o_p(1),$$

uniformly in $(v, \theta) \in [a, b] \times [-M, M]$ for $M > 0$. By Lemma 2, $\hat{\beta}(v) \xrightarrow{P} \beta(v)$ uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$ as $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$. \square

PROOF OF THEOREM 4.

By a Taylor expansion, $U_{aug}(v, \hat{\beta}^{aug}(v), \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) - U_{aug}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) = U'_{aug}(v, \beta^*(v), \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) (\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v) - \beta(v))$, where $\beta^*(v)$ is on the line segment between $\hat{\beta}(v)$ and $\beta(v)$. Hence,

$$n^{1/2}h^{1/2}(\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v) - \beta(v))$$

$$= -(U'_{aug}(v, \beta^*(v), \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot))/n)^{-1} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta(v), \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)). \quad (\text{W.13})$$

By Condition A and the uniform consistency of $\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v)$ on $v \in [a, b] \subset (0, 1)$, $n^{-1} U'_{aug}(v, \beta^*(v), \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) = -\Sigma(v) + o_p(1)$, uniformly in $v \in [a, b]$.

Next we study the asymptotic property of $n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot))$. Let $g_n(W_{ki}, v) = \int_0^1 K_h(u - v) d(\hat{\rho}_k(u, W_{ki}) - \rho_k(W_{ki}, u))$ and

$$C = n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} g_n(W_{ki}, v) \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \right) N_{ki}^x(dt).$$

It follows that $g_n(W_{ki}, v) \xrightarrow{P} 0$ uniformly in W_{ki} for $v \in [a, b]$. By the Taylor expansion of $\hat{\psi}_k$ around ψ_{k0} ,

$$\begin{aligned} C &= n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} g_n(W_{ki}, v) \zeta_{ki} \\ &\quad + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} g_n(W_{ki}, v) \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) N_{ki}^x(dt) \\ &\quad \frac{R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0}))^2} \left(\frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}{\partial \psi_k} \right)^T (\hat{\psi}_k - \psi_{k0}) + o_p(1), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\zeta_{ki} = \int_0^\tau (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_{k0})} \right) N_{ki}^x(dt).$$

The first term of C is $o_p(h^{1/2})$ by Lemma 3. The second term of C is at the order of $o_p(h^{1/2})$ since $n_k^{1/2}(\hat{\psi}_k - \psi_{k0}) = O_p(1)$, and $g_n(W_{ki}, v) \xrightarrow{P} 0$ uniformly in W_{ki} . Hence $C = o_p(h^{1/2})$.

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} &n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) \\ &= n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u - v) (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} N_{ki}(dt, du) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \right) N_{ki}^x(dt) d(\hat{\rho}_k(u, W_{ki})) \right\} \\ &= n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u - v) (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} N_{ki}(dt, du) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \right) N_{ki}^x(dt) d(\rho_k(u, W_{ki})) \right\} + C \\ &= n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u - v) (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} M_{ki}(dt, du) \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \right) E\{M_{ki}(dt, du) | Q_{ki}\} \Big\} \\
& + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) Y_{ki}(t) \lambda_{ki}(t, u) dt du + C.
\end{aligned} \tag{W.14}$$

Since $h^{1/2} K_h(u-v)[\bar{Z}_k(t, \beta) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))] \xrightarrow{P} 0$ uniformly in $u \in [a, b]$, applying Lemma 2 of Gilbert et al. (2008), we can replace $\bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)$ with $\bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))$ in the first two integrations. Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
& n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) \\
& = n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))) \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} M_{ki}(dt, du) \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \hat{\psi}_k)} \right) E\{M_{ki}(dt, du) | Q_{ki}\} \right\} \\
& \quad + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) Y_{ki}(t) \lambda_{ki}(t, u) dt du + o_p(h^{1/2}) \\
& \equiv I + II + III + o_p(h^{1/2}). \tag{W.15}
\end{aligned}$$

By $\lambda_{ki}(t, u) = \lambda_{ki}(t, v) + (\lambda_{ki}(t, u) - \lambda_{ki}(t, v))$ and applying Taylor expansion, the third term is

$$\begin{aligned}
III & = n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{Z}_k(t, \beta)) Y_{ki}(t) \lambda_{ki}(t, u) dt du \\
& = \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Applying Taylor expansion at ψ_{k0} ,

$$\begin{aligned}
I + II & = n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}) \\
& \quad + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))) \\
& \quad \left\{ \frac{-R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0}))^2} \frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}{\partial \psi_k} M_{ki}(dt, du) \right. \\
& \quad \left. - \frac{-R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0}))^2} \frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}{\partial \psi_k} E\{M_{ki}(dt, du) | Q_{ki}\} \right\} (\hat{\psi}_k - \psi_{k0}) + o_p(h^{1/2}).
\end{aligned} \tag{W.16}$$

By the missing at random assumption (3), R_{ki} and $M_{ki}(t, v)$ are independent conditioning on Q_{ki} . It follows that

$$E \left\{ \frac{-R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0}))^2} \frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}{\partial \psi_k} M_{ki}(dt, du) \right\}$$

$$+ \frac{R_{ki}}{(\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0}))^2} \frac{\partial \pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}{\partial \psi_k} E\{M_{ki}(dt, du)|Q_{ki}\} \Big\} = 0.$$

By the central limit theorem, the last term in (W.16) is $o_p(h^{1/2})$. Hence

$$I + II = n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}) + o_p(h^{1/2}).$$

By (W.15) and (W.16), we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}) &= n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.17})$$

Since $n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{B}_{ki} = O_p(h^{1/2})$, it follows from (W.7) and (W.8) that

$$\begin{aligned} &n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}, \hat{\rho}^{ipw}(\cdot)) \\ &= h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \tilde{W}_n(du) + h^{1/2} \int_0^1 K_h(u-v) \delta_n(du) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v) + O_p(h^{1/2}) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.18})$$

By the Slutsky theorem, $n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{aug}(v, \beta, \psi_0) - \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v)$ converges weakly to $N(0, \nu_0 \Sigma^*(v))$ as $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$ and $nh^5 = O(1)$. It follows from (W.18) that $(nh)^{1/2} [\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v) - \beta(v) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 h^2 \Sigma^{-1}(v) \vartheta(v)] \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(0, \nu_0 \Sigma(v)^{-1} \Sigma^*(v) \Sigma(v)^{-1})$ as $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$ and $nh^5 = O(1)$.

We now show that $\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v)$ is more efficient than $\hat{\beta}^{ipw}(v)$. By (W.17), we have,

$$\begin{aligned} &(nh)^{1/2} [\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v) - \beta(v) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 h^2 \Sigma^{-1}(v) \vartheta(v)] \\ &= -(\Sigma(v))^{-1} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{W.19})$$

Let $\mathcal{O}_{ki} = \mathcal{D}_k(I_k^\psi)^{-1} S_{ki}^\psi$. Then by (W.7),

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} U_{ipw}(v, \beta, \hat{\psi}) &= n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{A}_{ki} + n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} \mathcal{O}_{ki} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 n^{1/2} h^{5/2} \vartheta(v) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(nh)^{1/2} [\hat{\beta}^{ipw}(v) - \beta(v) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 h^2 \Sigma^{-1}(v) \vartheta(v)]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -(\Sigma(v))^{-1} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} (\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{O}_{ki}) + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}) \\
&= -(\Sigma(v))^{-1} n^{-1/2} h^{1/2} \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_k} [(\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}) + (\mathcal{O}_{ki} - \mathcal{B}_{ki})] + o_p(n^{1/2} h^{5/2}) + o_p(h^{1/2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Next we show that $Cov\{\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}, \mathcal{O}_{ki} - \mathcal{B}_{ki}\} = 0$. This will be followed by

$$\begin{aligned}
&Cov\{(nh)^{1/2} [\hat{\beta}^{ipw}(v) - \beta(v) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 h^2 \Sigma^{-1}(v) \vartheta(v)]\} \\
&= Cov\{(nh)^{1/2} [\hat{\beta}^{aug}(v) - \beta(v) + \frac{1}{2} \mu_2 h^2 \Sigma^{-1}(v) \vartheta(v)]\} \\
&\quad + h \Sigma^{-1}(v) \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{n_k}{n} Cov\{\mathcal{O}_{k1} - \mathcal{B}_{k1}\} \Sigma^{-1}(v) + o_p(nh^5) + o_p(h).
\end{aligned}$$

By the missing at random assumption (3), conditional on Q_{ki} , R_{ki} and $M_{ki}(t, v)$ are independent. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
&Cov(\mathcal{A}_{ki}, \mathcal{B}_{ki}) \\
&= E \left\{ \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u_1 - v) K_h(u_2 - v) (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u_1)))(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u_2)))^T \right. \\
&\quad \left. \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right) M_{ki}(dt, du_1) E\{M_{ki}(dt, du_2) | Q_{ki}\} \right\} \\
&= E \left\{ \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u_1 - v) K_h(u_2 - v) (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u_1)))(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u_2)))^T \right. \\
&\quad \left. E \left[\frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right) \middle| Q_{ki} \right] E\{M_{ki}(dt, du_1) | Q_{ki}\} E\{M_{ki}(dt, du_2) | Q_{ki}\} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
&Cov(\mathcal{B}_{ki}, \mathcal{B}_{ki}) \\
&= E \left\{ \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau \int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u_1 - v) K_h(u_2 - v) (Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u_1)))(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u_2)))^T \right. \\
&\quad \left. E \left[\left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right)^2 \middle| Q_{ki} \right] E\{M_{ki}(dt, du_1) | Q_{ki}\} E\{M_{ki}(dt, du_2) | Q_{ki}\} \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$E \left[\frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right) \middle| Q_{ki} \right] = -E \left[\left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \right)^2 \middle| Q_{ki} \right]$$

we have $Cov(\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}, \mathcal{B}_{ki}) = 0$.

By the conditional independence between R_{ki} and V_{ki} given Q_{ki} ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{Cov}\{\mathcal{A}_{ki} + \mathcal{B}_{ki}, \mathcal{O}_{ki}\} \\
&= E\left[\int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))) \left\{ \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} M_{ki}(dt, du) \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}\right) E\{M_{ki}(dt, du)|Q_{ki}\} \right\} \mathcal{O}_{ki} \right] \\
&= E\left[\int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))) \left\{ E\left(\frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})} \mathcal{O}_{ki} \middle| Q_{ki}\right) E\{M_{ki}(dt, du)|Q_{ki}\} \right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + E\left(\left(1 - \frac{R_{ki}}{\pi_k(Q_{ki}, \psi_{k0})}\right) \mathcal{O}_{ki} \middle| Q_{ki}\right) E\{M_{ki}(dt, du)|Q_{ki}\} \right\} \right] \\
&= E\left[\int_0^1 \int_0^\tau K_h(u-v)(Z_{ki}(t) - \bar{z}_k(t, \beta(u))) E\{\mathcal{O}_{ki}|Q_{ki}\} E\{M_{ki}(dt, du)|Q_{ki}\} \right] \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

The equality holds since $E\{\mathcal{O}_{ki}|Q_{ki}\} = (n)^{-1/2} \mathcal{D}_k(I_k^\psi)^{-1} E\{S_{ki}^\psi|Q_{ki}\} = 0$. \square

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Web Appendix B

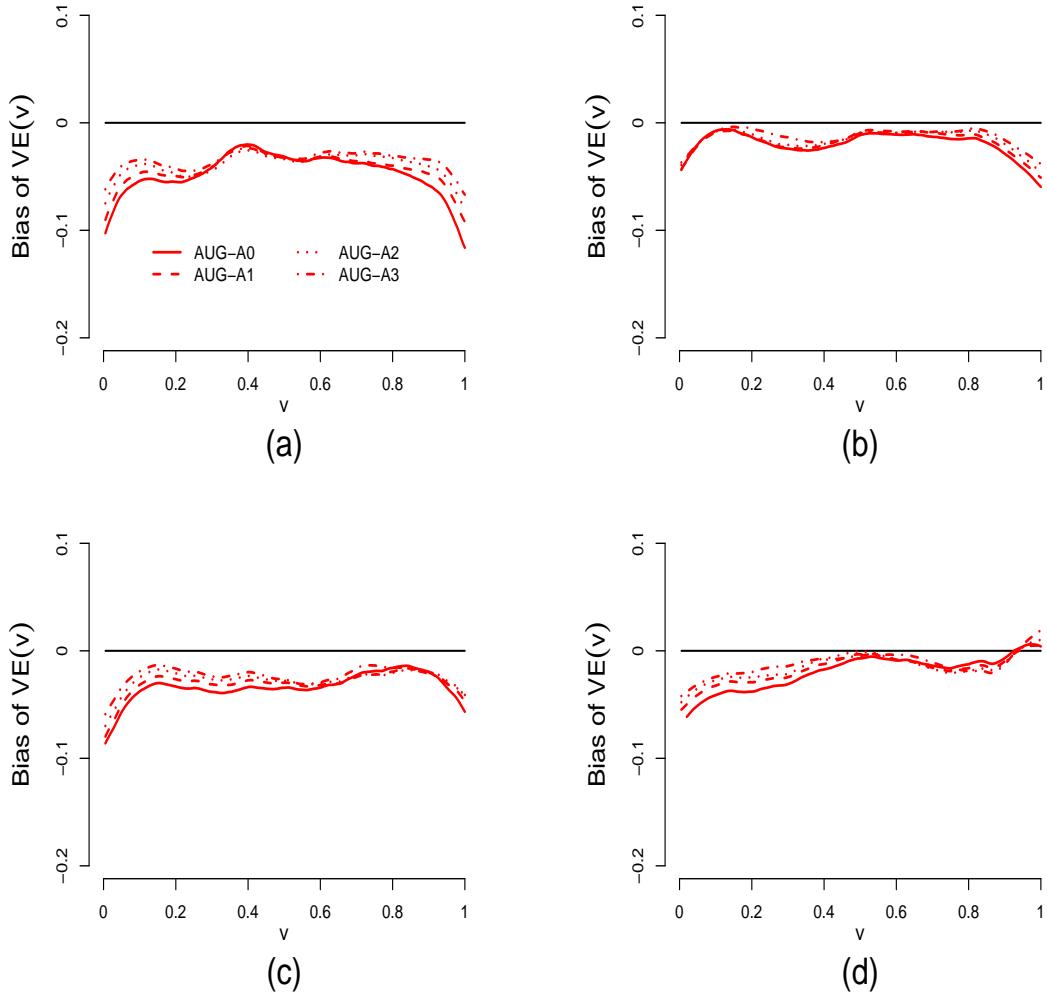


Figure 1: Bias of estimation of $VE(v)$ using the AUG procedure based on 500 simulations for $n = 500$, $b_1 = 0.1$ and $h = b_2 = 0.15$: (a) for model (M1), (b) for model (M2), (c) for model (M3) and (d) for model (M4). AUG-A0 is the AUG estimator corresponding to $\rho = 0$, AUG-A1 for $\rho \approx 0.78$, AUG-A2 for $\rho \approx 0.92$ and AUG-A3 for $\rho \approx 0.98$, where ρ is the correlation coefficient between A_{ki} and V_{ki} .

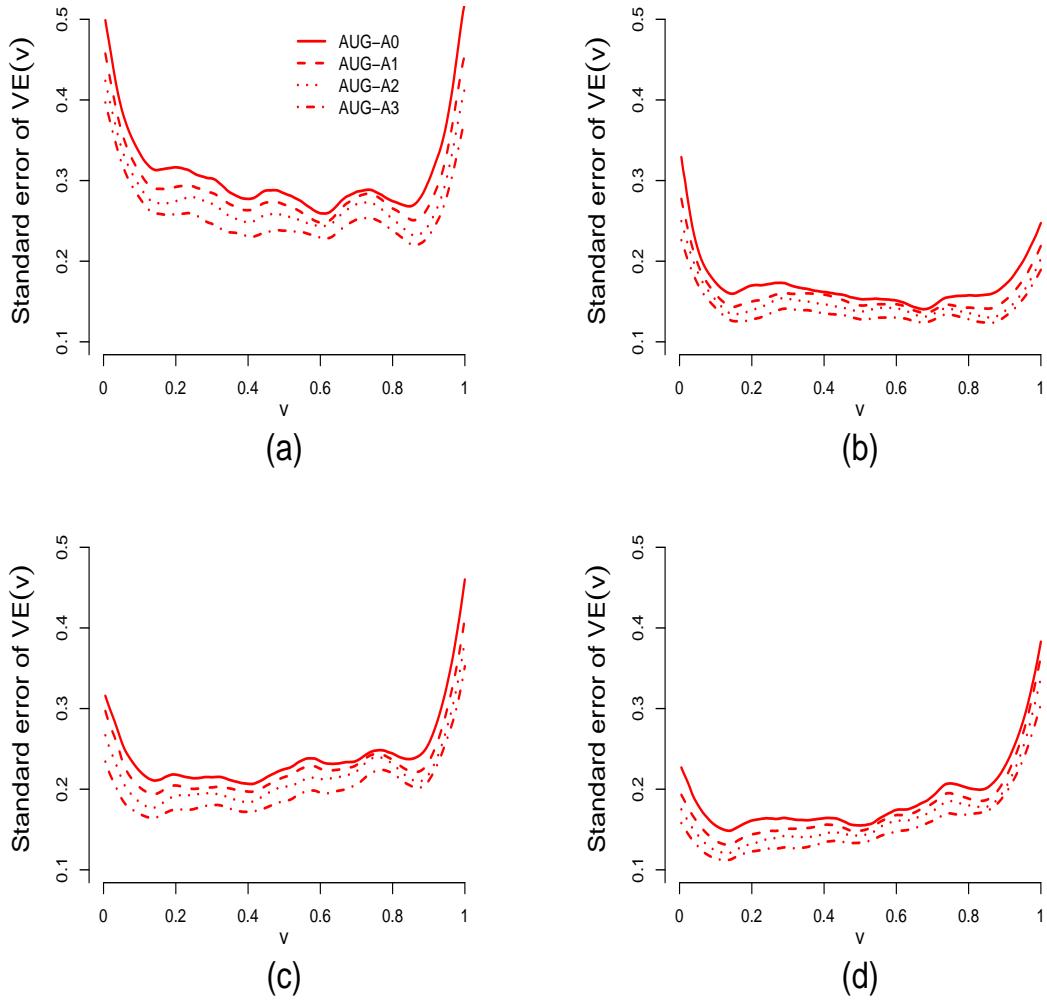


Figure 2: Average standard errors of the estimates for $VE(v)$ using the AUG procedure based on 500 simulations for $n = 500$, $b_1 = 0.1$ and $h = b_2 = 0.15$: (a) for model (M1), (b) for model (M2), (c) for model (M3) and (d) for model (M4). AUG-A0 is the AUG estimator corresponding to $\rho = 0$, AUG-A1 for $\rho \approx 0.78$, AUG-A2 for $\rho \approx 0.92$ and AUG-A3 for $\rho \approx 0.98$, where ρ is the correlation coefficient between A_{ki} and V_{ki} .

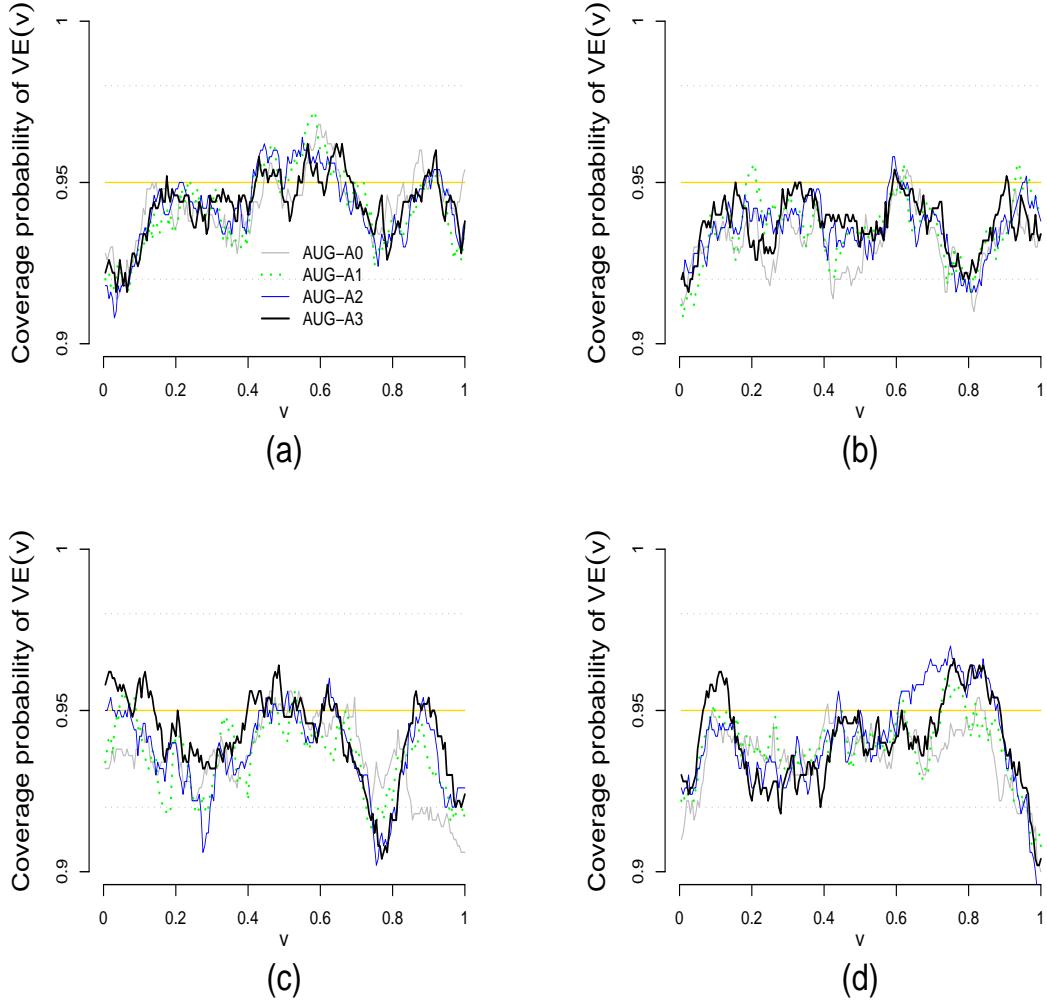


Figure 3: Estimated pointwise coverage probabilities of 95% confidence intervals for $\text{VE}(v)$ constructed using the AUG estimator based on 500 simulations for $n = 500$, $b_1 = 0.1$ and $h = b_2 = 0.15$: (a) for model (M1), (b) for model (M2), (c) for model (M3) and (d) for model (M4). AUG-A0 is the AUG estimator corresponding to $\rho = 0$, AUG-A1 for $\rho \approx 0.78$, AUG-A2 for $\rho \approx 0.92$ and AUG-A3 for $\rho \approx 0.98$, where ρ is the correlation coefficient between A_{ki} and V_{ki} .