

**A supplementary note on the paper
“Asymptotic expansion and asymptotic robustness
of the normal-theory estimators in the random regression model”**

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This note is to supplement Ogasawara (2007), and gives (1) the matrix expressions of the partial derivatives of the parameter estimators with respect to sample variances and covariances, and (2) the direct proof of Theorem 1 using cumulants.

1. Matrix expressions of the partial derivatives

1.1 The regression coefficients

(a) The first partial derivatives

Let $\mathbf{s}_X = v(\mathbf{S}_{XX})$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} &= \frac{\partial (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \\ &= -(\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \frac{\partial \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} = -\{(\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}\} \mathbf{D}_p, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A1.1})$$

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} = \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1},$$

where for $v(\cdot)$, $\text{vec}(\cdot)$, \otimes and \mathbf{D}_p see Section 4 of Ogasawara (2007).

(b) The nonzero second partial derivatives

Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{C} be $u \times v$ and $p \times q$ matrices, respectively. Then, the commutation matrix \mathbf{K}_{uv} is defined as $\text{vec}(\mathbf{A}') = \mathbf{K}_{uv} \text{vec}(\mathbf{A})$ with $\mathbf{K}_u \equiv \mathbf{K}_{uu}$, which yields

$$\text{vec}(\mathbf{A} \otimes \mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{I}_v \otimes \mathbf{K}_{qu} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) (\text{vec} \mathbf{A} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{C}), \quad (\text{A1.2})$$

(Magnus & Neudecker, 1999, p.47), where \mathbf{I}_v is the $v \times v$ identity matrix.

Let $\mathbf{A}^{<k>} = \mathbf{A} \otimes \cdots \otimes \mathbf{A}$ (k times) and $\text{vec} \mathbf{A} \otimes \cdots = (\text{vec} \mathbf{A}) \otimes \cdots$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' &= -(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \frac{\partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \\
&= -(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \frac{\partial}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} (\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \\
&= (\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \\
&\quad \times \{(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p)\}, \\
\partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' &= -(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \frac{\partial \text{vec}\{(\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}\}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} \\
&= -(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \left\{ \frac{\partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \right\} \\
&= -(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}).
\end{aligned} \tag{A1.3}$$

(c) The nonzero third partial derivatives

Let $p^* = p(p+1)/2$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
\partial \text{vec} \left\{ \partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \right\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' &= \partial \text{vec} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{(\partial \mathbf{s}_X')^{<2>}} \right\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \\
&= [\mathbf{I}_{p^*} \otimes \{(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{s}_{XY}')(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p)\} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p] \\
&\quad \times \partial \text{vec}\{(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p)\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_X',
\end{aligned} \tag{A1.4}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
&\partial \text{vec}\{(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p)\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \\
&= \partial [\text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{K}_{p^*, p^2} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2}) \{\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p)\}] / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \\
&= \partial [\{(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2}) \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>}\} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + (\mathbf{K}_{p^*, p^2} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2}) \\
&\quad \times \{\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \{(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2}) \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>}\}\}] / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \\
&= \partial [\{(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)(\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})\} \\
&\quad \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + (\mathbf{K}_{p^*, p^2} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2}) \{\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \{(\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2}) \\
&\quad \times (\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)(\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})\}\}] / \partial \mathbf{s}_X'
\end{aligned} \tag{A1.5}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= -[(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)\{(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \\
&\quad + \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p)\}] \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \\
&- \{(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)(\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})^{<2>}\} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \\
&- (\mathbf{K}_{p^*,p^2} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})[(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \{(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \\
&\quad \times (\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})^{<2>}\}] \\
&- (\mathbf{K}_{p^*,p^2} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})[\text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \{(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^2})(\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \\
&\quad \times ((\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>} \mathbf{D}_p))\}],
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\partial \text{vec} \left\{ \partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \text{'}} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X \text{'}} \right\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{'}} = \partial \text{vec} \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}}{(\partial \mathbf{s}_X \text{'})^{<2>}} \right\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{'}} \\
&= ([\{(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>}) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} + \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes (\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>})\} \\
&\quad \times (\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)] \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p^*,p}) \partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{'}} \tag{A1.6}
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
&\partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{'}} \\
&= \partial (\mathbf{I}_{p^2} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{p^2,p^*} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \{ \text{vec}(\mathbf{D}_p \text{'}) \otimes \text{vec}(\mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{' } \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \} / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{'}} \\
&= (\mathbf{I}_{p^2} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{p^2,p^*} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) [\text{vec}(\mathbf{D}_p \text{'}) \otimes \{ (\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{'}) \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{I}_p \}] \\
&= (\mathbf{I}_{p^2} \otimes \mathbf{K}_{p^2,p^*} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \{ \text{vec}(\mathbf{D}_p \text{'}) \otimes \mathbf{I}_p \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{I}_p \}. \tag{A1.7}
\end{aligned}$$

1.2 The partial derivatives of the residual variance

(a) The first partial derivatives

$$\frac{\partial \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X} = \mathbf{D}_p \text{' } (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY})^{<2>}, \quad \frac{\partial \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}} = -2 \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}. \tag{A1.8}$$

(b) The nonzero second partial derivatives

Using (A1.1),

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_X} &= \mathbf{D}_p \text{' } [\{ \partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X \text{'}} \} \otimes \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \\
&\quad + \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes \{ \partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X \text{'}} \}] \\
&= -\mathbf{D}_p \text{' } [\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{' } \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p \} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \\
&\quad + (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes \{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \text{' } \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p \text{' }]. \tag{A1.9}
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} &= -2 \frac{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X} = 2 \mathbf{D}_p \{ (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} &= -2 \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}.\end{aligned}\tag{A1.10}$$

(c) The nonzero third partial derivatives

From (A1.9),

$$\begin{aligned}\partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' &= \partial \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{(\partial \mathbf{s}_X)^{\langle 2 \rangle}} \right\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \\ &= -(\mathbf{I}_{p^*} \otimes \mathbf{D}_p) \\ &\times [\{ \partial \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \} \otimes \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \\ &\quad + \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \{ \partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' \} \\ &\quad + (K_{p^*,p} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \{ (\partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X') \\ &\quad \quad \otimes (\text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p)) \\ &\quad \quad + \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes (\partial \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X') \}].\end{aligned}\tag{A1.11}$$

In (A1.11), let \mathbf{U}^* and \mathbf{V}^* be defined as follows:

$$\partial \text{vec}(\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' = -\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p \equiv -\mathbf{U}^*\tag{A1.12}$$

used before, and

$$\begin{aligned}&\frac{\partial \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p)}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \\ &= (\mathbf{D}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \frac{\partial \text{vec}\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \\ &= -(\mathbf{D}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) [\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \\ &\quad + (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1 \langle 2 \rangle} \mathbf{D}_p)] \equiv -\mathbf{V}^*.\end{aligned}\tag{A1.13}$$

Using (A1.12) and (A1.13), (A1.11) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}\partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' &= (\mathbf{I}_{p^*} \otimes \mathbf{D}_p) [\mathbf{V}^* \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) + (\text{vec} \mathbf{U}^*) \otimes \mathbf{U}^* \\ &\quad + (K_{p^*,p} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \{ \mathbf{U}^* \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{U}^* + (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes \mathbf{V}^* \}].\end{aligned}\tag{A1.14}$$

Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' = \partial \left\{ \frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{(\partial \mathbf{s}_X)^{<2>}} \right\} / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \\
& = -(\mathbf{I}_{p^*} \otimes \mathbf{D}_p') \\
& \times [\{ \partial (\{ \text{vec}(\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \\
& \quad + \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \{ \partial (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \} \\
& \quad + (\mathbf{K}_{p^*,p} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \{ (\partial (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}') \otimes (\text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p)) \\
& \quad + (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes (\partial \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}') \}]. \tag{A1.15}
\end{aligned}$$

Using

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial \text{vec}[\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p] / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \\
& = (\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \frac{\partial \text{vec} \{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} \\
& = (\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}), \tag{A1.16}
\end{aligned}$$

(A1.15) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_X'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \\
& = -(\mathbf{I}_{p^*} \otimes \mathbf{D}_p') [\{ (\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \} \otimes (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \\
& \quad + \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \\
& \quad + (\mathbf{K}_{p^*,p} \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \{ \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec}(\{ (\mathbf{s}_{XY}' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1}) \otimes \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \} \mathbf{D}_p) \\
& \quad + (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{XY}) \otimes ((\mathbf{D}_p' \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) (\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1})) \}]. \tag{A1.17}
\end{aligned}$$

From (A1.10),

$$\begin{aligned}
& \partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_X \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}' \\
& = 2 \{ \mathbf{I}_p \otimes (\mathbf{D}_p' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>}) \} (\mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) \left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{I}_p \right) \\
& = 2 \{ \mathbf{I}_p \otimes (\mathbf{D}_p' \mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1<2>}) \} (\mathbf{K}_p \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) (\mathbf{I}_p \otimes \text{vec} \mathbf{I}_p), \tag{A1.18}
\end{aligned}$$

which becomes, when the order of derivatives is changed,

$$\partial \text{vec} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \hat{\psi}}{\partial \mathbf{s}_{XY} \partial \mathbf{s}_{XY}'} \right) / \partial \mathbf{s}_X' = 2\mathbf{S}_{XX}^{-1 \langle 2 \rangle} \mathbf{D}_p. \quad (\text{A1.19})$$

2. The direct proof of Theorem 1

(a) Asymptotic robustness of $\text{avar}_{\text{NT}}(\hat{\beta}_i)$

It is known that

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{\Omega})_{ab,cd} &= \kappa_{abcd} + (\mathbf{\Omega}_{\text{NT}})_{ab,cd} = \kappa_{abcd} + \omega_{\text{NT}ab,cd}, \\ (p+1 \geq a \geq b \geq 1; p+1 \geq c \geq d \geq 1), \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A2.1})$$

(see e.g., Stuart & Ort, 1994, Equation (13.44)). As was derived in (4.2), we have

$$n \text{avar}(\hat{\beta}_i) = \sum_U \sum_V \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_U} (\mathbf{\Omega})_{U,V} \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_V}, \quad (i = 1, \dots, p), \quad (\text{A2.2})$$

where \sum_U and \sum_V denote the summations over the ranges:

$$U \in \{(a, b), (e, Y); p \geq a \geq b \geq 1, e = 1, \dots, p\},$$

$$V \in \{(c, d), (g, Y); p \geq c \geq d \geq 1, g = 1, \dots, p\},$$

respectively. Using (A2.1), (A2.2) becomes

$$= - \sum_{a,b=1}^p \sum_V \beta_a \sigma^{bi} (\kappa_{abV} + \omega_{\text{NT}ab,V}) \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_V} + \sum_{e=1}^p \sum_V \sigma^{ei} (\kappa_{YeV} + \omega_{\text{NT}Ye,V}) \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_V}. \quad (\text{A2.3})$$

In (A2.3), κ_{YeV} is the multivariate cumulant of Y, x_e and the two variables in V , say v_1 and v_2 , which is equivalent to that of $\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{x}, x_e, v_1$ and v_2 due to the property of cumulants and the assumption of the independence of \mathbf{x} and $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$. That is, using the notation $\mu(\cdot, \dots, \cdot)$ for the multivariate central moment of the argument variables,

$$\begin{aligned}
\kappa_{YeV} &= \mu\left(\sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k x_k, x_e, v_1, v_2\right) - \mu\left(\sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k x_k, x_e\right) \mu(v_1, v_2) \\
&\quad - \mu\left(\sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k x_k, v_1\right) \mu(x_e, v_2) - \mu\left(\sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k x_k, v_2\right) \mu(x_e, v_1) \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k \{ \mu(x_k, x_e, v_1, v_2) - \mu(x_k, x_e) \mu(v_1, v_2) \\
&\quad - \mu(x_k, v_1) \mu(x_e, v_2) - \mu(x_k, v_2) \mu(x_e, v_1) \} \\
&= \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k \kappa_{keV}.
\end{aligned} \tag{A2.4}$$

Using (A2.3) and (A2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
n \operatorname{avar}(\hat{\beta}_i) &= - \sum_{a,b=1}^p \sum_V \beta_a \sigma^{bi} \omega_{NTab,V} \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_V} + \sum_{e=1}^p \sum_V \sigma^{ei} \omega_{NTYe,V} \frac{\partial \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_V} \\
&= n \operatorname{avar}_{NT}(\hat{\beta}_i), \quad (i=1, \dots, p).
\end{aligned} \tag{A2.5}$$

(b) Asymptotic robustness of $\operatorname{abis}_{NT}(\hat{\beta}_i)$

In a similar manner, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
n \operatorname{abis}(\hat{\beta}_i) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_U \sum_V \frac{\partial^2 \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_U \partial \sigma_V} (\mathbf{\Omega})_{U,V} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p \geq a \geq b \geq 1} \sum_{p \geq c \geq d \geq 1} \frac{\partial^2 \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_{ab} \partial \sigma_{cd}} (\mathbf{\Omega})_{ab,cd} + \sum_{p \geq c \geq d \geq 1} \sum_{e=1}^p \frac{\partial^2 \beta_i}{\partial \sigma_{ab} \partial \sigma_{Ye}} (\mathbf{\Omega})_{ab,Ye} \\
&= \sum_{a,b,c,d=1}^p \beta_c \sigma^{da} \sigma^{bi} (\kappa_{abcd} + \omega_{NTab,cd}) - \sum_{a,b,e=1}^p \sigma^{ea} \sigma^{bi} (\kappa_{abeY} + \omega_{NTab,eY}), \\
&\quad (i=1, \dots, p).
\end{aligned} \tag{A2.6}$$

Since $\kappa_{abeY} = \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_k \kappa_{abek}$ (see (A2.4)), (A2.6) becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{a,b,c,d=1}^p \beta_c \sigma^{da} \sigma^{bi} \omega_{NTab,cd} - \sum_{a,b,e=1}^p \sigma^{ea} \sigma^{bi} \omega_{NTab,eY} \\
&= n \operatorname{abis}_{NT}(\hat{\beta}_i) = 0.
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Asymptotic robustness of $\operatorname{abis}_{NT}(\hat{\psi})$

Noting that s_{YY} in $\hat{\psi}$ does not contribute to the asymptotic/exact bias of

$\hat{\psi}$, we can use the same ranges of U and V as before:

$$\begin{aligned}
n \text{ abis}(\hat{\psi}) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_U \sum_V \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \sigma_U \partial \sigma_V}(\boldsymbol{\Omega})_{U,V} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{p \geq a \geq b \geq 1} \sum_{p \geq c \geq d \geq 1} \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \sigma_{ab} \partial \sigma_{cd}}(\boldsymbol{\Omega})_{ab,cd} + \sum_{p \geq c \geq d \geq 1} \sum_{e=1}^p \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \sigma_{ab} \partial \sigma_{Ye}}(\boldsymbol{\Omega})_{ab,Ye} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{e,f=1}^p \frac{\partial^2 \psi}{\partial \sigma_{Ye} \partial \sigma_{Yf}}(\boldsymbol{\Omega})_{Ye,Yf} \\
&= - \sum_{a,b,c,d=1}^p \beta_c \sigma^{da} \beta_b (\kappa_{abcd} + \omega_{NTab,cd}) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{a,b,e=1}^p \sigma^{ea} \beta_b (\kappa_{abYe} + \omega_{NTab,Ye}) - \sum_{e,f=1}^p \sigma^{ef} (\kappa_{YeYf} + \omega_{NTYe,Yf}) \\
&= n \text{ abis}_{NT}(\hat{\psi}),
\end{aligned} \tag{A2.7}$$

where $\kappa_{YeYf} = \sum_{l,m=1}^p \beta_l \kappa_{lemf} \beta_m$ is used. Q. E. D.

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