

# Web-based Supplementary Materials for Adaptive Semi-Supervised Inference for Optimal Treatment Decisions with Electronic Medical Record Data

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## 1 Web Appendix

**Proof of Theorem 1.** Let  $\widehat{C}(\mathbf{x}) = \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{x}, 1) - \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{x}, 0)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (\widehat{\beta}_{np} - \beta) &= \Lambda_N^{-1} \left[ N^{-1} \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+N} \mathbf{X}_j \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{X}_j) - \beta' \widetilde{\mathbf{X}}_j \right\} \right] \\ &= \Lambda_N^{-1} \left[ N^{-1} \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+N} \mathbf{X}_j \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{X}_j) - C(\mathbf{X}_j) \right\} \right] + \Lambda_N^{-1} \left[ N^{-1} \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+N} \mathbf{X}_j \left\{ C(\mathbf{X}_j) - \beta' \widetilde{\mathbf{X}}_j \right\} \right] \\ &= \Lambda^{-1} E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{X}) - C(\mathbf{X}) \right\} \right] + O_p(N^{-1/2}). \end{aligned}$$

The first step follows from the normal equations. The last step is due to the fact  $\Lambda_N^{-1} \left[ N^{-1} \sum_{j=n+1}^{n+N} \mathbf{X}_j \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{X}_j) - C(\mathbf{X}_j) \right\} \right] = \Lambda^{-1} E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{X}) - C(\mathbf{X}) \right\} \right] + o_p(1)$  by standard arguments involving the weak law of large numbers. According to the central limit theorem  $N^{-1/2} \left[ N^{-1/2} \sum_{j=n+1}^N \Lambda_n^{-1} \left\{ C(\mathbf{X})_j - \beta' \widetilde{\mathbf{X}}_j \right\} \right] = O_p(N^{-1/2})$ . Multiplying both sides by  $n^{1/2}$  we have,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{1/2} (\widehat{\beta}_{np} - \beta) &= n^{1/2} \Lambda^{-1} E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{x}) - C(\mathbf{X}) \right\} \right] + O_p \left( (n/N)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \\ &= n^{1/2} \Lambda^{-1} E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) \right\} \right] \\ &\quad - n^{1/2} \Lambda^{-1} E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 0) - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 0) \right\} \right] + O_p \left( (n/N)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $n/N \rightarrow 0$  implying  $O_p \left( (n/N)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \equiv o_p(1)$ . Next, let  $\tau(\mathbf{X}) = \pi(\mathbf{X})f(\mathbf{X})$  and  $\widehat{\tau}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{nh^p} \sum_{i=1}^n A_i W_h(\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X})$ , where  $W_h(\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}) = W(\frac{\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}}{h})$ . Let's rewrite  $E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) \right\} \right]$  as,

$$= E \left\{ \frac{\frac{1}{nh^p} \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \mathbf{X} W_h(\mathbf{X}_i - \mathbf{X}) \{Y_i - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1)\}}{\tau(\mathbf{X})} \right\} \quad (1.1)$$

$$+ E \left\{ \mathbf{X} \left( \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) \right) \left\{ \frac{\tau(\mathbf{X}) - \widehat{\tau}(\mathbf{X})}{\tau(\mathbf{X})} \right\} \right\} = H_{n,1}^{(1)} + H_{n,2}^{(1)}. \quad (1.2)$$

Then  $H_{n,1}^{(1)}$  is equivalent to:

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{1}{nh^p} \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \int \mathbf{X} \left\{ Y_i - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) \right\} \frac{W_h(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_i)}{\tau(\mathbf{X})} f(\mathbf{X}) d\mathbf{X} \\ &= \frac{1}{nh^p} \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \int \mathbf{X} \left\{ Y_i - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) \right\} \frac{W_h(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_i)}{\pi(\mathbf{X})} d\mathbf{X} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n A_i \int (\mathbf{X}_i + h\mathbf{t}_i) \left\{ Y_i - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}_i + h\mathbf{t}_i, 1) \right\} \frac{W(\mathbf{t}_i)}{\pi(\mathbf{X}_i + h\mathbf{t}_i)} d\mathbf{t}_i \end{aligned}$$

By *assumptions* (1) and (2), Taylor expansion in  $h\mathbf{t}_i$  for sufficiently small  $h$  leads to,

$$H_{n,1}^{(1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{A_i}{\pi(\mathbf{X}_i)} \mathbf{X}_i \left\{ Y_i - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}_i, 1) \right\} + O_p(h^r).$$

Since  $n^{1/2}h^r \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$n^{1/2} \Lambda H_{n,1}^{(1)} = \widetilde{H}_{n,1}^{(1)} = n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{A_i}{\pi(\mathbf{X}_i)} \Lambda \mathbf{X}_i \left\{ Y_i - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}_i, 1) \right\} + o_p(1). \quad (1.3)$$

Let  $q(\mathbf{X}) = \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) - Q^{(1)}(\mathbf{X}, 1)$ ,  $l(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\tau(\mathbf{X}) - \widehat{\tau}(\mathbf{X})}{\tau(\mathbf{X})} = 1 - \frac{\widehat{\tau}(\mathbf{X})}{\tau(\mathbf{X})}$ , and  $Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 1) = \alpha(\mathbf{X})/\tau(\mathbf{X})$ , where  $\alpha(\mathbf{X})$  is the numerator in Equation 1.1. It follows that  $H_{n,2}^{(1)} = E \{ \mathbf{X} q(\mathbf{X}) l(\mathbf{X}) \}$  and,

$$E \{ \mathbf{X} q(\mathbf{X}) l(\mathbf{X}) \} \leq \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} \{ \|\mathbf{X}\| |q(\mathbf{X})| |l(\mathbf{X})| \} = o_p(1). \quad (1.4)$$

Equation 1.4 requires that  $\mathbf{X}$  is bounded,  $\sqrt{\frac{\ln n}{nh^p}} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , as well as *assumptions* (3) and (5). It follows by similar argument of *Lemma B.1* in Newey (1994) combined with Taylor series expansion that  $\sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} |\widehat{\tau}(\mathbf{X}) - \tau(\mathbf{X})| = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} |\widehat{\alpha}(\mathbf{X}) - \alpha(\mathbf{X})| = o_p(1)$ . Afterwards, it holds that  $\sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{X}} |q(\mathbf{X})| = o_p(1)$  through similar reasoning given by *Theorem 8* of Hansen (2008). The same technique proves,

$$n^{1/2} \Lambda E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{Q}^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 0) - Q^{(np)}(\mathbf{X}, 0) \right\} \right] = \widetilde{H}_{n,1}^{(0)} + o_p(1).$$

This leaves us with,

$$n^{1/2} \Lambda^{-1} E \left[ \mathbf{X} \left\{ \widehat{C}(\mathbf{x}) - C(\mathbf{X}) \right\} \right] = \widetilde{H}_{n,1}^{(1)} - \widetilde{H}_{n,1}^{(0)} + o_p(1) = n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^n \Psi_{np}(\mathbf{O}_i) + o_p(1).$$

Since  $\Psi_{np}(\mathbf{O})$  is the influence function for  $\hat{\beta}_{np}$  with  $E[\Psi_{np}(\mathbf{O})] = 0$  and variance  $V_{\beta_{np}} = E[\Psi_{np}(\mathbf{O})\Psi_{np}'(\mathbf{O})]$ , the *CLT* states it will converge to  $\mathcal{N}_{p+1}(0, V_{\beta_{np}})$ .  $\square$

***Proof of Theorem 2.*** The proof of Theorem 2 follows similar logic to the proof of *Theorem 3.2* from Chakraborty et al. (2018).  $\square$

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