

## Solutions for problem set 8

1. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 V_0 &= \text{avar} [\sqrt{n}\hat{m}(\beta_0)] \\
 &= E [n\hat{m}(\beta_0)\hat{m}'(\beta_0)] - \{E [\sqrt{n}\hat{m}(\beta_0)]\}^2 \\
 &= E [n\hat{m}(\beta_0)\hat{m}'(\beta_0)] \\
 &= E \left[ n \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n m_t(\beta_0) \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n m_t(\beta_0)' \right] \\
 &= E \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n m_t(\beta_0) m_t(\beta_0)' \right] \\
 &= E [m_t(\beta_0) m_t(\beta_0)']
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{Q}_n(\beta_0) &= -\hat{m}(\beta_0)' \hat{W}^{-1} \hat{m}(\beta_0) \\
 \frac{d\hat{Q}_n(\beta_0)}{d\beta_0} &= -2 \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\beta_0)}{d\beta_0} \hat{W}^{-1} \hat{m}(\beta_0) = 0 \\
 \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\beta_0)}{d\beta_0} \hat{W}^{-1} \hat{m}(\beta_0) &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} \sqrt{n}\hat{m}(\hat{\beta}) \\
 &= \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} \sqrt{n}\hat{m}(\beta_0) + \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}(\bar{\beta})}{d\beta} \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) \\
 \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) &= - \left[ \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}(\bar{\beta})}{d\beta} \right]^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} \sqrt{n}\hat{m}(\beta_0) \\
 \left[ \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}(\bar{\beta})}{d\beta} \right]^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}_n(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} \hat{W}^{-1} &\rightarrow A \quad \sqrt{n}\hat{m}(\beta_0) \rightarrow N(0, V) \\
 \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) &\rightarrow A \cdot N(0, V) \sim N(0, \Omega)
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 A &= (D'_0 W^{-1} D_0)^{-1} D'_0 W^{-1} \\
 \frac{d\hat{m}(\hat{\beta})}{d\beta} &\rightarrow D_0(\beta_0) \\
 \Omega &= (D'_0 W^{-1} D_0)^{-1} D'_0 W^{-1} V W^{-1} D_0 (D'_0 W^{-1} D_0)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

(d) The optimal choice of  $W$  is  $W = V$ . Define  $\Omega_0 = (D'_0 V^{-1} D_0)^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_0^{-1} - \Omega &= D'_0 V^{-1} D_0 - D'_0 W^{-1} D_0 (D'_0 W^{-1} V W^{-1} D_0)^{-1} D'_0 W^{-1} D_0 \\
&= D'_0 V^{-1/2} \left[ I - V^{-1/2} W^{-1} D_0 (D'_0 W^{-1} V W^{-1} D_0)^{-1} D'_0 W^{-1} V^{-1/2} \right] V^{-1/2} D_0 \\
&= D'_0 V^{-1/2} G V^{-1/2} D_0 \\
&= D'_0 V^{-1/2} G G V^{-1/2} D_0 \\
&= \left[ G V^{-1/2} D_0 \right]' G V^{-1/2} D_0 \\
&= A' A \sim p.s.d
\end{aligned}$$

2.

(a) suppose  $m_t(\beta) = Z_t(Y_t - X_t\beta)$ ,  $W = n^{-1} Z_t Z'_t$

$$\beta = \arg \min (Z'(Y - X\beta))' (Z_t Z'_t) (Z'(Y - X\beta))$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
(Z'X)'(ZZ)^{-1} (Z'(Y - X\hat{\beta})) &= 0 \\
\hat{\beta} &= \left( X'Z(Z'Z)^{-1} Z'X \right)^{-1} X'Z(Z'Z)^{-1} Z'Y = \hat{\beta}_{2sls}
\end{aligned}$$

(b) for anasymptotically optimal GMM,  $\Omega_0 = (D'_0 V_0^{-1} D_0)^{-1}$

for conditional homoskedasticity,  $\hat{\beta}_{2sls}$  and  $\hat{\beta}_{GMM}$  have same efficiency.

for conditional heteroskedasticity, from 8.1(d), we know  $\hat{\beta}_{GMM}$  is more efficient than  $\hat{\beta}_{2sls}$ .

3.

$$H_0 : g(\beta_0) = R\beta_0 - r = 0$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0) \rightarrow N(0, \Omega_0)$$

$$\sqrt{n}(R\hat{\beta} - R\beta_0) = \sqrt{n}(R\hat{\beta} - r) \rightarrow N(0, R\Omega_0 R')$$

$$n(R\hat{\beta} - r)' [R\Omega_0 R'] (R\hat{\beta} - r) \rightarrow \chi_J^2$$

4.

$$\hat{V} = n^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^n m_t(\hat{\beta}) m_t(\hat{\beta})'$$

by ULLN for  $\{m_t(\beta_0)\}$ , we have

$$\hat{V} \rightarrow E[m_t(\beta_0) m_t(\beta_0)'] = V_0$$

5.

$$\tilde{V} \rightarrow 0 \quad \hat{V} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \tilde{V}^{-1} - \hat{V}^{-1} \rightarrow 0 \\
& nm_t(\hat{\beta})\tilde{V}^{-1}m_t(\hat{\beta}) - nm_t(\hat{\beta})\hat{V}^{-1}m_t(\hat{\beta}) \\
& = nm_t(\hat{\beta})\left(\tilde{V}^{-1} - \hat{V}^{-1}\right)m_t(\hat{\beta}) \\
& \rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

6.

Yes. if  $\tilde{\beta}$  is consistent, then  $\tilde{V}$  is consistent.

So we can replace  $\hat{\beta}$  by  $\tilde{\beta}$ .