

Case 2: If  $u \in [F(a_{j-1}), F(a_j))$ , similar arguments as in Case 1 yields

$$\mathbb{P}(U \leq u) = (u - F\{a_{j-1}\} - \dots - F\{a_1\}) + (F\{a_1\} + \dots + F\{a_{j-1}\}) = u.$$

Case 3: If  $u \in [0, F(a_1))$ , obviously,

$$\mathbb{P}(U \leq u) = u.$$

Case 4: If  $u \in [F(a_J), 1]$ , obviously,

$$\mathbb{P}(U \leq u) = (u - F\{a_J\} - \dots - F\{a_1\}) + (F\{a_1\} + \dots + F\{a_J\}) = u.$$

Thus, it follows that  $U$  is uniformly distributed on  $[0, 1]$ .  $\square$

**Lemma A.2** *Under Assumptions 3.1 and 3.3,  $\mathcal{F} = \{x \mapsto 1\{q(x, \theta) \leq u\} : u \in [0, 1], \theta \in \Theta\}$  is a Donsker class of functions.*

**Proof of Lemma A.2:** From Lemma A.1, simply letting  $Y = q(X, \theta)$ , we have that  $1\{q(X, \theta) \leq u\} = 1\{U \leq F_\theta(u)\}$  for all  $u \in [0, 1]$ , i.e., we can exploit the quantile transformation and express each indicator function  $1\{q(X, \theta) \leq u\}$  through  $U$  via the time transformation  $F_\theta$ . In light of this quantile transformation, it suffices to study the class of functions  $\mathcal{F}_{cdf} = \{\bar{u} \mapsto 1\{\bar{u} \leq F_\theta(u)\} : u \in [0, 1], \theta \in \Theta\}$ .

Let  $N_{[]}(\bar{\epsilon}, \mathcal{F}_{cdf}, \mathcal{L}_2(\mathbb{P}))$  be the bracketing number of the class  $\mathcal{F}_{cdf}$  with respect to the underlying probability  $\mathbb{P}$ , which by definition is the minimal number of  $\bar{\epsilon}$ -brackets under  $\mathcal{L}_2(\mathbb{P})$  metric that cover  $\mathcal{F}_{cdf}$ . Henceforth, we define the underlying probability  $\mathbb{P}$  as the probability measure of  $U$ . By Theorem 2.5.6 in [van der Vaart and Wellner \(1996\)](#), the Donsker property is implied by

$$\int_0^\infty \sqrt{\log N_{[]}(\bar{\epsilon}, \mathcal{F}_{cdf}, \mathcal{L}_2(\mathbb{P}))} d\bar{\epsilon} < \infty.$$

To show that such entropy result hold, we follow similar steps as the proof of Lemma 1 in [Akritas and van Keilegom \(2001\)](#) and of Lemma A.4 in [Frazier et al. \(2018\)](#).

Let  $\bar{\epsilon} > 0$  be an arbitrarily small constant, and consider partitions  $\{\Theta_l\}_{l=1}^L$  of  $\Theta$ . Given that  $\Theta$  is compact, under Assumption 3.3, there exists a finite constant  $K \leq \text{diam}(\Theta/\bar{\epsilon})^k$  such that  $\text{diam}(\Theta_l) \leq \bar{\epsilon}$  for every  $l = 1, \dots, K$ . Fix  $l \in \{1, \dots, K\}$  and pick up some  $\theta_l \in \Theta_l$ . Then, for any fixed  $u \in [0, 1]$  and any  $\theta \in \Theta_l$ , it follows from the Lipschitz condition in Assumption 3.3 that

$$F_l^-(u) \leq F_\theta(u) \leq F_l^+(u), \tag{A.4}$$