# Bayesian Analysis in Moment Inequality Models Supplement Material

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#### Abstract

This is a supplement material of Liao and Jiang (2008). We consider the case when the identified region has no interior. We show that the posterior distribution converges to zero on any  $\delta$ contraction outside the identified region exponentially fast, and is bounded below by a polynomial rate on any neighborhood of element in a dense subset, defined by both exact moment conditions and strict moment inequalities. Hence the consistent estimation of the identified region can be constructed based on the log-posterior pdf.

## **1** Case When $int(\Omega)$ is Empty

When  $\Omega$  has no interior, moment inequality models may contain exact moment conditions.

$$Em_{1j}(X,\theta_0) \ge 0, j = 1, ..., r$$
  

$$Em_{2j}(X,\theta_0) = 0, j = 1, ..., p$$
(1.1)

Moon and Schorfheide (2006) have considered the estimation problem assuming  $\theta_0$  is point identified by the exact moment conditions. Let

$$m_1(X,\theta) = (m_{11}(X,\theta), ..., m_{1r}(X,\theta))^T, m_2(X,\theta) = (m_{21}(X,\theta), ..., m_{2p}(X,\theta))^T$$

If  $p \ge \dim(\theta_0)$ , and there doesn't exist a pair of moment functions  $(m_{2i}, m_{2j})$  such that  $\{\theta \in \Theta : Em_{2i}(X, \theta) = 0\} = \{\theta : Em_{2j}(X, \theta) = 0\}$ , then  $\theta_0$  is point identified by  $Em_2(X, \theta_0) = 0$ . Moon and Schorfheide (2006) show that by using the overidentifying information provided by  $Em_1(X, \theta_0) \ge 0$ , the empirical likelihood estimators reduce the asymptotic mean squared errors. In this section, we will relax this point identifying restriction, and allow  $\theta_0$  to be partially identified by model (4.1).

The identified region is defined by

$$\Omega = \{\theta : Em_1(X, \theta) \ge 0, Em_2(X, \theta) = 0\}$$

In our setting,  $\Omega$  shrinks to a lower dimension sub-manifold of  $\{\theta : Em_2(X, \theta) = 0\}$  with boundaries defined by linear or nonlinear hyperplanes  $\{\theta : Em_1(X, \theta) = 0\}$ . One of the problem one needs to take into account when considering the asymptotic behaviors of the posterior distribution is that  $\Omega$  has zero Lebesgue measure, due to the loss of dimensionality. Thus integrating over  $\Omega$  is always zero. The limit of posterior density is known as Dirac function:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} p(\theta | X^n) = \begin{cases} +\infty & \theta \in \Omega \\ 0, & \theta \notin \Omega \end{cases} a.s$$

Thus  $\lim_{n\to\infty} p(\theta|X^n)$  is not a real valued function of  $\theta$ .

However, it's still possible to study the large sample properties of the posterior distributions completely on  $\Theta$ . Like in  $int(\Omega) \neq \phi$  case, a dense subset in  $\Omega$  plays an important role in characterizing such behaviors. Define

$$\Xi = \{\theta \in \Omega : Em_1(X, \theta) > 0\}$$
(1.2)

We will assume  $\Xi$  is dense in  $\Omega$  and will study the large sample properties of the posterior around  $\Xi$ .

#### 1.1 Derivation for Limited Information Likelihood

Suppose  $X^n = \{X_1, ..., X_n\}$  is a stationary realization of X. Define  $\bar{m}_j(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n m_j(X_i, \theta)$ , for j = 1, 2. Like before, we introduce auxiliary parameter  $\lambda$  to moment inequalities and define

$$G(\theta, \lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{m}_1(\theta) - \lambda \\ \bar{m}_2(\theta) \end{pmatrix}, \theta \in \Theta, \lambda \in [0, \infty)^r$$

For any positive definite  $r \times r$  matrix V not depending on  $\theta$ , define limited information likelihood:

$$L(\theta) = \int_{[0,\infty)^r} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\frac{2\pi V}{n})}} e^{-\frac{n}{2}G(\theta,\lambda)^T V^{-1}G(\theta,\lambda)} p(\lambda) d\lambda$$

Write  $V^{-1}$  into subblocks

$$V^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 & \Sigma_3 \\ \Sigma_3^T & \Sigma_2 \end{pmatrix}, \Sigma_1 : r \times r, \Sigma_2 : p \times p$$

We still place an exponential prior on  $\lambda$ :

$$p(\lambda) = (\prod_{i=1}^{r} \psi_i) e^{-\psi^T \lambda}, \psi, \lambda \in [0, \infty)^r$$

then we have

$$\begin{split} L(\theta) &= \int_{[0,\infty)^r} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(\frac{2\pi V}{n})}} \exp\left(-\frac{n}{2}(\bar{m}_1(\theta) - \lambda, \bar{m}_2(\theta)) \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_1 & \Sigma_3\\ \Sigma_3^T & \Sigma_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{m}_1(\theta) - \lambda\\ \bar{m}_2(\theta) \end{pmatrix} \right) p(\lambda) d\lambda \\ &= \frac{\prod_{i=1}^r \psi_i}{\sqrt{\det(V_2)}} P(Z \ge 0) e^{\tau} \end{split}$$

where:

- Z follows multivariate normal distribution with mean  $\mu$ , variance covariance matrix  $\frac{\Sigma_1^{-1}}{n}$ ,  $\mu = \bar{m}_1(\theta) + \Sigma_1^{-1}\Sigma_3^T \bar{m}_2(\theta) \frac{1}{n}\Sigma_1^{-1}\psi$ .
- $V_2 = (\Sigma_2 \Sigma_3^T \Sigma_1^{-1} \Sigma_3)^{-1}$ . If  $V = Var(m_1, m_2)$ , then by the matrix inversion formula,  $V_2 = Var(m_2)$ .

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$$\tau = -\frac{n}{2}\bar{m}_2(\theta)^T V_2^{-1}\bar{m}_2(\theta) - \psi^T (\Sigma_1^{-1}\Sigma_3^T\bar{m}_2(\theta) + \bar{m}_1(\theta)) + \frac{1}{2n}\psi^T \Sigma_1^{-1}\psi$$

Roughly speaking, when  $\theta \notin \Omega$ , either  $Em_2(X, \theta) \neq 0$  or  $\exists Em_{1j}(X, \theta) < 0$ . When  $Em_2(X, \theta) \neq 0$ , since  $V_2^{-1}$  is also positive definite,  $e^{\tau} \to 0$ ; when  $Em_2(X, \theta) = 0$  but  $Em_{1j}(X, \theta) < 0$  for some

*j*, then for large *n*, the *j*th component of  $\mu < 0$ . Since the covariance matrix of *Z* has order  $O(n^{-1})$ ,  $P(Z \ge 0) \to 0$ . Therefore,  $L(\theta) \to 0$  outside  $\Omega$ .

When  $\theta \in \Omega$ , by central limit theorem,  $\bar{m}_2(\theta) = O_p(n^{-1/2})$ , hence  $e^{\tau} = O_p(1)$ . In addition, for large  $n, P(Z \ge 0) \approx 1$ . Thus  $L(\theta) = O_p(1)$ .

#### **1.2** Posterior Distribution

Let  $p(\theta)$  denote the prior on  $\theta$ , then  $p(\theta|X^n) \propto p(\theta)L(\theta)$ . We will look at the posterior distribution, especially the convergence rate on the dense subset  $\Xi$  and  $(\Omega^c)^{-\delta}$  for small enough  $\delta$ .

**Assumption 1.1.**  $\Xi$  defined in (1.2) is dense in  $\Omega$ .

This assumption states that if  $\theta_0$  satisfies  $Em_2(X, \theta_0) = 0$  and  $Em_{1j}(X, \theta_0) = 0$  for some j = 1, ..., r, then in any neighborhood of  $\theta_0$  we can find  $\theta_1$  such that  $Em_1(X, \theta_1) > 0$  and  $Em_2(X, \theta_1) = 0$ .

Suppose all the other components of  $Em_1(X, \theta_0)$  except for j are positive. By continuity of  $Em_1(X, .)$ , they remain to be positive in a small neighborhood of  $\theta_0$ . Suppose Assumption 4.1 doesn't hold, then within some neighborhood U of  $\theta_0$ ,  $Em_1(X, \theta) \leq 0$ . Since  $\Omega$  is connected, we argue that  $Em_{1j}(X, \theta) \equiv 0$  on  $U \cap \Omega$ . Hence intuitively, Assumption 4.1 says that for each i, hyperplane  $\{\theta : Em_{1i}(X, \theta) = 0\}$  has no part that overlaps with  $\{\theta : Em_2(X, \theta) = 0\}$ .

**Example 1.1.** This example shows Assumption 1.1 is satisfied by the interval regression model. Suppose we have moment inequalities  $E(Z_1Y_1) \le E(Z_1X^T)\theta \le E(Z_1Y_2)$  and exact moment condition  $EZ_2(Y_3 - X^T\theta) = 0$ , where  $Z_i$ , i = 1, 2 are  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  dimensional vectors of instrumental variables respectively, with each instrument being positive almost surely, and don't share same components.  $Y_i$  is scalar i = 1, 2, 3, and  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .  $Y_2 > Y_3 > Y_1$  a.s. Let  $W = (Z_1, Z_2, X, Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)$ , then

$$m_1(W,\theta) = \begin{pmatrix} Z_1(Y_2 - X^T\theta) \\ Z_1(X^T\theta - Y_1) \end{pmatrix}, m_2(W,\theta) = Z_2(Y_3 - X^T\theta)$$

We assume  $r_2 < d$  so that  $\theta$  can not be point identified by  $Em_2(W, \theta) = 0$ . Let's also assume  $\exists$  a unit vector  $\delta$  such that  $EZ_2X^T\delta = 0$  but  $EZ_{11}X^T\delta < 0$ , where  $Z_{11}$  denotes the first component of  $Z_1$ . In this interval instrumental variable regression model,

$$\Xi = \{\theta : E(Z_1Y_1) < E(Z_1X^T)\theta < E(Z_1Y_2); EZ_2Y_3 = EZ_2X^T\theta\}$$

We now show  $\Xi$  is dense.

Pick up  $\theta_0 \in \Omega \setminus \Xi$  such that  $EZ_2(Y_3 - X^T \theta_0) = 0$ ,  $EZ_{11}(Y_2 - X^T \theta_0) = 0$ . Let's assume  $Em_{1j}(W, \theta_0) > 0$  for j > 1 for simplicity. Then in a small neighborhood of  $\theta_0$ ,  $Em_{1j}(W, .) > 0$  for j > 1. For small enough  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\theta_1 = \theta_0 + \epsilon \delta$ , then

$$Em_2(W,\theta_1) = EZ_2(Y_3 - X^T\theta_0) - \epsilon EZ_2X^T\delta = 0$$
$$Em_{11}(W,\theta_1) = EZ_{11}(Y_2 - X^T\theta_0) - \epsilon EZ_{11}X^T\delta = -\epsilon EZ_{11}X^T\delta > 0$$

Therefore  $\theta_1 \in B(\theta_0, 2\epsilon) \cap \Xi$ .

**Assumption 1.2.** (i)  $Em_{1j}(X, \theta)$  is continuous on  $\Theta$  for each j.

(ii)  $Em_{2j}(X, \theta)$  is Lipschitz continuous on  $\Theta$  for each j.

**Assumption 1.3.** *w.p.a.1, for any*  $\beta_n \to \infty$ *,* 

$$\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} ||\bar{m}_2(\theta) - Em_2(X,\theta)||^2 \le \frac{\ln \beta_n}{n}$$

**Assumption 1.4.**  $p(\theta)$  is continuous, and bounded away from zero and infinity on  $\Omega$ .

Theorem 1.1. Under Assumption 2.1, 2.2 in Liao and Jiang (2008), and 1.1-1.4, then

1.  $\forall \delta > 0$ , for some  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$P(\theta \in (\Omega^c)^{-\delta} | X^n) = o_p(e^{-\alpha n})$$

2.  $\forall \omega \in \Xi, \exists R > 0, \forall \delta < R$ , for all  $\beta_n \to \infty$ , we have in probability

$$P(\theta \in B(\omega, \delta) | X^n) \succ \frac{1}{\beta_n} n^{-d/2}$$

where  $d = \dim(\omega)$ 

Like the case when  $int(\Omega) \neq \phi$ , let g(.) be a continuous real-valued function on  $\Theta$ , let  $F_g^{-1}(y)$  be the y-quantile of the posterior cdf of  $g(\theta)$ .

**Theorem 1.2.** Under Assumption 2.1-2.3 in Liao and Jiang (2008) and 1.1-1.3, if  $\{\pi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  is such that  $e^{-\alpha n} \prec \pi_n \prec n^{-\beta}$ , for any  $\alpha > 0$  and some  $\beta > \frac{d}{2}$ , then

$$d_H([F_g^{-1}(\pi_n), F_g^{-1}(1-\pi_n)], g(\Omega)) \to 0$$
 in probability.

## 2 Monte Carlo Experiments

We simulate an interval instrumental regression model with exact moment conditions.

Example 2.1 (Interval regression models with exact moment condition). We consider,

$$E(Z_1Y_1) \le E(Z_1X^T)\theta \le E(Z_1Y_2), \qquad E(Z_2X^T)\theta = E(Z_2Y_3)$$

We generate  $(X_1, X_2) \sim N_2((1, 1)^T, I_2)$ , and  $Z_1 = X_1 + X_2$ ,  $Z_2 = -2X_1 + 2X_2$ .  $(Y_1, Y_2)^T \sim N_2((3, 6)^T, 0.1I_2)$ , independent of X. Let  $Y_3 = Z_1 + 3$ . Then the identified region is given by

$$\Omega = \{(\theta_1, \theta_2) : \theta_1 = \theta_2, 2\theta_1 + \theta_2 \le 4\}$$

To estimate  $\Omega$ , we choose a positive definite weight matrix

$$V^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & \Sigma_3 \\ \Sigma_3^T & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\Sigma_3 = (1, 2)^T$ .

Figure 1 displays the identified region as well as 10,000 draws using Metropolis algorithm, with two choices of  $\psi^1 = (0.5, 0.5)^T$ , and  $\psi^2 = (0.01, 0.01)^T$  respectively.

We also estimate the identified interval of  $\theta_1$ , which is [1, 2] theoretically. Table 3 reports  $[F_e^{-1}(\pi_n), F_e^{-1}(1 - \pi_n)]$  based on the empirical cdf  $F_e$  of 5000 draws from the posterior distribution.

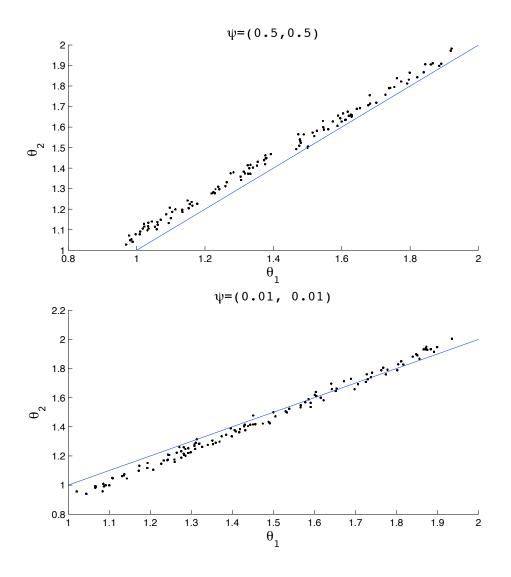


Figure 1: The identified set and MCMC draws

Table 1: Estimation of  $\Omega_1 = [1,2]$  based on the empirical cdf

$\pi_n$	$e^{-\sqrt{n}}$	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$	$\frac{1}{\ln n}$
n = 500	[1.1384, 2.0295]	[1.0068, 1.9331]	[1.0904, 1.6207]
n = 1000	[1.0809, 1.9425]	[0.9620, 1.8844]	[1.1183, 1.8874]
n = 5000	[1.1045, 1.8551]	[0.9944, 1.9575]	[1.1878, 1.9729]

### **3 Proofs**

Define  $A_{\delta} = \{\theta : Em_2(X, \theta)^T V_2^{-1} Em_2(X, \theta) > \delta\}$ , and

$$A_2 = \left\{ \theta : Em_2(X, \theta) = 0, \min_j Em_{1j}(X, \theta) < 0 \right\}$$

**Lemma 3.1.**  $\forall \delta > 0$ , for some a > 0

$$\int_{A_{\delta}\cup A_{2}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta = o_{p}(e^{-an})$$

Proof. Define  $\hat{A}_{\delta} = \{\theta : \bar{m}_2(\theta)^T V_2^{-1} \bar{m}_2(\theta) > \delta\},\$ 

$$\begin{split} \int_{A_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta &= \int_{A_{\delta} \cap \hat{A}_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta + \int_{A_{\delta} \cap \hat{A}_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \\ &\leq \int_{\hat{A}_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta + \int_{A_{\delta} \cap \hat{A}_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} A_{\delta} \cap \hat{A}_{\delta}^{c} &= \{\theta : Em_{2}(X,\theta)^{T}V_{2}^{-1}Em_{2}(X,\theta) > \delta\} \cap \{\theta : \bar{m}_{2}(\theta)^{T}V_{2}^{-1}\bar{m}_{2}(\theta) \leq \delta\} \to \phi \text{ w.p.a.1.} \\ \text{Hence for large } n, \mu(A_{\delta} \cap \hat{A}_{\delta}^{c}) = 0. \text{ Then } \exists N \text{, when } n > N \text{, w.p.a.1,} \end{split}$$

$$\int_{A_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \leq \int_{\hat{A}_{\delta}} p(\theta) \frac{\prod_{i} \psi_{i}}{\sqrt{\det(V_{2})}} e^{-\frac{n}{2}\bar{m}_{2}(\theta)^{T} V_{2}^{-1} \bar{m}_{2}(\theta) - \psi^{T} (\Sigma_{1}^{-1} \Sigma_{3}^{T} \bar{m}_{2}(\theta) + \bar{m}_{1}(\theta)) + \frac{1}{2n} \psi^{T} \Sigma_{1}^{-1} \psi} d\theta$$

For some  $\epsilon > 0$ , for large n,

$$e^{-\psi^{T}(\Sigma_{1}^{-1}\Sigma_{3}^{T}\bar{m}_{2}(\theta)+\bar{m}_{1}(\theta))+\frac{1}{2n}\psi^{T}\Sigma_{1}^{-1}\psi} \leq e^{\|\psi\|(\sup_{\theta\in\Theta}\|\Sigma_{1}^{-1}\Sigma_{3}^{T}Em_{2}(X,\theta)+Em_{1}(X,\theta)\|+\epsilon)+\epsilon} < \infty$$

Thus for some positive constant C, and large n,

$$\int_{A_{\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \le C \cdot \int_{\hat{A}_{\delta}} p(\theta) e^{-\frac{n}{2}\bar{m}_{2}(\theta)^{T} V_{2}^{-1} \bar{m}_{2}(\theta)} d\theta \le C \cdot e^{-\frac{\delta}{2}n}$$

In addition,  $\mu(A_2) = 0$  and  $p(\theta)L(\theta)$  is bounded on  $\Theta$ , hence

$$\int_{A_{\delta}\cup A_{2}} p(\theta)L(\theta)d\theta \leq \int_{A_{\delta}} p(\theta)L(\theta)d\theta + \int_{A_{2}} p(\theta)L(\theta)d\theta = O_{p}(e^{-\frac{\delta}{2}n})$$

**Lemma 3.2.**  $\forall \delta > 0$ , for some a > 0,

$$\int_{(\Omega^c)^{-\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta = o_p(e^{-an})$$

*Proof.* :  $\forall \theta \in (\Omega^c)^{-\delta}$ , then either  $\exists \delta(\theta) > 0, \theta \in A_{\delta(\theta)}$ , or  $\theta \in A_2$ , hence  $\theta \in A_{\delta(\theta)} \cup A_2$ . Thus  $(\Omega^c)^{-\delta} \subset \bigcup_{\theta \in (\Omega^c)^{-\delta}} [A_{\delta(\theta)} \cup A_2]$ . Note that  $(\Omega^c)^{-\delta} = \{\theta : d(\theta, \Omega) \ge \delta\}$  is compact, hence  $\exists \{A_{\delta 1} \cup A_2, ..., A_{\delta N} \cup A_2\} \subset \{A_{\delta(\theta)} \cup A_2 : \theta \in (\Omega^c)^{-\delta}\}$  such that

$$(\Omega^c)^{-\delta} \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^N [A_{\delta i} \cup A_2]$$

Let  $\delta^* = \min\{\delta_i, i = 1, ..., N\}$ . For a > b > 0,  $A_a \subset A_b$ , hence  $(\Omega^c)^{-\delta} \subset A_{\delta^*} \cup A_2$ . Therefore

$$\int_{(\Omega^c)^{-\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \le \int_{A_{\delta^*} \cup A_2} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta = o_p(a^{-an})$$

**Lemma 3.3.** If  $Z_{\theta}$  follows  $N_r(\bar{m}_1(\theta) + \Sigma_1^{-1}\Sigma_3^T \bar{m}_2(\theta) - \frac{1}{n}\Sigma_1^{-1}\psi, \frac{1}{n}\Sigma_1^{-1})$ , then  $\forall \omega \in \Xi, \exists R > 0$ , w.p.a.l,

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} \inf_{\theta \in B(\omega, R)} P(Z_{\theta} \ge 0) > 0$$

Proof. Let  $\xi_n(\theta) = \bar{m}_1(\theta) + \Sigma_1^{-1}\Sigma_3^T \bar{m}_2(\theta) - \frac{1}{n}\Sigma_1^{-1}\psi$ .  $\forall \omega \in \Xi$ ,  $Em_1(X, \omega) > 0$ . Since  $Em_1(X, \theta)$ is continuous on  $\Theta$ , there exist  $\epsilon > 0$ , and an open ball  $B(\omega, R_1)$ , such that  $\inf_{\theta \in B(\omega, R_1)} Em_1(X, \theta) > \epsilon$ , where the inequality is taken coordinately. Moreover,  $Em_2(X, \omega) = 0$ ; hence by the continuity of  $Em_2(X, .), \exists R < R_1$  such that  $\sup_{\theta \in B(\omega, R)} |\Sigma_1^{-1}\Sigma_3^T Em_2(X, \theta)| < \epsilon$ , where |.| denotes the absolute value, taken coordinately. Therefore,  $\inf_{\theta \in B(\omega, R)} (Em_1(X, \theta) + \Sigma_1^{-1}\Sigma_3^T Em_2(X, \theta)) > 0$ .  $\exists N$ , when n > N, w.p.a.1, coordinately.

$$\inf_{\theta \in B(\omega,R)} (\bar{m}_1(\theta) + \Sigma_1^{-1} \Sigma_3^T \bar{m}_2(\theta) - \frac{1}{n} \Sigma_1^{-1} \psi) = \inf_{\theta \in B(\omega,R)} \xi_n(\theta) > 0$$

Let  $\sigma_{1j}^2$  denote the *j*th diagonal element in  $\Sigma_1^{-1}$ , and  $\xi_{nj}(\theta)$  denote the *j*th element of  $\xi_n(\theta)$ . Then

$$\inf_{\theta \in B(\omega,R)} P(Z_{\theta} \ge 0) \ge 1 - r \cdot \Phi \left( -\sqrt{n} \inf_{\theta \in B(\omega,R)} \min_{j} \frac{\xi_{nj}(\theta)}{\sqrt{\sigma_{1j}^{2}}} \right)$$
$$\ge 1 - r \cdot \Phi \left( -\sqrt{n} \min_{j} \frac{\inf_{\theta \in B(\omega,R)} \xi_{nj}(\theta)}{\sqrt{\sigma_{1j}^{2}}} \right)$$
$$>_{n} 0$$

**Lemma 3.4.** For any  $\beta_n \to \infty$ ,  $\forall \omega \in \Xi$ ,  $\exists R > 0$ ,  $\forall \delta < R$ , w.p.a.1,

$$\int_{B(\omega,\delta)} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \succ \frac{1}{\beta_n} n^{-d/2}$$

where  $d = \dim(\omega)$ .

*Proof.*  $\forall \omega \in \Xi$ , it can be shown that (using lemma C.3),  $\exists R > 0$ , and a positive constant C, such that

$$\int_{B(\omega,R)} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \ge C \int_{B(\omega,R)} p(\theta) e^{-\frac{n}{2}\bar{m}_2(\theta)^T V_2^{-1} \bar{m}_2(\theta)} d\theta$$

For deterministic  $V_2^{-1}$ , and a vector  $\alpha$ , we write weighted norm  $\|\alpha\|_V^2 = \alpha^T V_2^{-1} \alpha$ . Then we have

$$\frac{1}{2} \|\bar{m}_2(\theta)\|_V^2 \le \|Em_2(X,\theta)\|_V^2 + \|\bar{m}_2(\theta) - Em_2(X,\theta)\|_V^2$$

By assumption 4.3, for any  $\beta_n \to \infty$ , choose  $\beta_n^{\|V^{-1}\|^{-1}}$ , so that

$$e^{-n\|\bar{m}_{2}(\theta)-Em_{2}(X,\theta)\|_{V}^{2}} \geq e^{-\ln\beta_{n}^{\|V^{-1}\|^{-1}}\|V^{-1}\|} = \beta_{n}^{-\|V^{-1}\|^{-1}\cdot\|V^{-1}\|} = \frac{1}{\beta_{n}}$$

For some constant  $\alpha > 1$ , let  $U = \{\theta : \|Em_2(X, \theta)\|_V^2 < \frac{\ln \alpha}{n}\}$ . By assumption 3.3,  $\exists R' < R$ , such that for any  $0 < \delta < R'$ ,  $\inf_{\theta \in B(\omega, \delta)} p(\theta) > 0$ . Then

$$\int_{B(\omega,\delta)} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \ge C \int_{B(\omega,\delta) \cap U} \frac{1}{\alpha \beta_n} p(\theta) d\theta \ge \frac{Const}{\beta_n} \mu(B(\omega,\delta) \cap U)$$

To derive a lower bound for the Lebesgue measure of  $B(\omega, \delta) \cap U$ , note that  $Em_2(X, \theta)$  is Lipschitz continuous, and  $Em_2(X, \omega) = 0$ ,  $\exists \lambda > 0$ , such that  $\forall \theta \in B(\omega, \delta)$ ,  $\|Em_2(X, \theta)\|^2 \le \lambda \|\theta - \omega\|^2$ . Then

$$\|Em_{2}(X,\theta)\|_{V}^{2} \leq \|Em_{2}(X,\theta)\|^{2} \cdot \|V^{-1}\|^{2}$$
  
 
$$\leq \lambda \|V^{-1}\|^{2} \cdot \|\theta - \omega\|^{2}$$
  
 
$$\leq \lambda \|V^{-1}\|^{2} |\theta - \omega|_{\infty}^{2}$$

where  $|\theta - \omega|_{\infty} = \max_{j} |\theta_{j} - \omega_{j}|$ . Hence  $\{\theta : |\theta - \omega|_{\infty}^{2} < \frac{\ln \alpha}{\lambda \|V^{-1}\|^{2}n}\} \subset U$ . Moreover, for large enough n,  $\{\theta : |\theta - \omega|_{\infty}^{2} < \frac{\ln \alpha}{\lambda \|V^{-1}\|^{2}n}\} \subset B(\omega, \delta)$ , thus  $\mu(B(\omega, \delta) \cap U) \ge \mu(\{\theta : |\theta - \omega|_{\infty}^{2} < \frac{\ln \alpha}{\lambda \|V^{-1}\|^{2}n}\}) = (2\sqrt{\frac{\ln \alpha}{\lambda \|V^{-1}\|^{2}}})^{d}n^{-d/2}$ . Hence  $\int_{B(\omega, \delta)} p(\theta)L(\theta)d\theta \succ \frac{1}{\beta_{n}}n^{-d/2}$ .

#### **Proof of Theorem 1.1**

*Proof.* 1. Let  $\beta_n = n^{d/2}$ . Lemma C.4 implies that  $\int_{\Theta} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta \succ n^{-d}$ . Thus by Lemma C.2, for some  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$P(\theta \in (\Omega^c)^{-\delta} | X^n) = \frac{\int_{(\Omega^c)^{-\delta}} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta}{\int_{\Theta} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta} \prec \frac{o_p(e^{-\alpha n})}{n^{-d}} = o_p(e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}n})$$

2. The result follows immediately from Lemma C.4 and that  $\int_{\Theta} p(\theta) L(\theta) d\theta$  is bounded.  $\Box$ 

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