# INFERENCE BASED ON CONDITIONAL MOMENT INEQUALITIES

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### Introduction

- model:
  - true value  $\theta_0$  ( $\in \Theta \subset R^d$ ) satisfies conditional moment inequalities &/or equalities:

$$E_{F_0}(m_j(W_i, \theta_0) | X_i) \geq 0 \text{ a.s. } [F_{X,0}] \text{ for } j = 1, ..., p$$
  
$$E_{F_0}(m_j(W_i, \theta_0) | X_i) = 0 \text{ a.s. } [F_{X,0}] \text{ for } j = p+1, ..., p+v$$

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$$\{W_i: i \ge 1\}$$
 are i.i.d. w/ dist'n  $F_0$ 

- key feature: true value  $\theta_0$  is not (necessarily) identified
- we are interested in confidence sets for  $\theta_0$
- for simplicity, all formulae below take v = 0, i.e., no mom equalities

- some examples in econometrics:
  - game theory models w/ multiple equilibria: using necessary conditions for Nash equilibria,
     e.g., see Ciliberto & Tamer (2003), Andrews, Berry, & Jia (2004),
     Pakes, Porter, Ho, & Ishii (2004), & Bajari, Benkard, & Levin (2008)
  - sufficient conditions for Nash equilibria, e.g., see Ciliberto & Tamer (2003), Beresteanu & Molinari (2008)
  - data censoring, e.g., when continuous variable only observed to lie in interval, see Manski & Tamer (2002)

- missing data, see Imbens & Manski (2004)
- sign restrictions, see Moon & Schorfheide (2006)
- other industrial organization examples, see Pakes, Porter, Ishii, & Ho
   (2004) & Eisenberg (2008)

### Outline

- approach: transform cond'l moment inequalities/equalities into  $\infty$  number of uncond'l ones
  - do so w/ no loss of identification power
- construct CS's by inverting Cramér-von Mises-type or Kol-Smirn-type tests
- crit vals obtained by generalized moment selection (GMS), (estimated) least favorable dist'n, or subsampling
  - GMS crit vals are preferred

- show CS's have correct uniform asy cov prob's
  - new methods are required b/c  $\infty$ -dimensional nuisance parameter affects asy dist'ns
- show tests are consistent against all fixed alternatives
- show tests have power against some  $n^{-1/2}$ -local alternatives

- but not all such alternatives

- for computational purposes, extend results to allow truncated sums & simulated integrals for CvM tests
- extend results to allow preliminary est'n of add'l parameters  $\tau$  that are identified when true  $\theta$  is known
  - often arises w/ game theory models
  - arises in one model considered in simulations

- simulation results for 3 models:
  - quantile model w/ selection—quantile monotone IV
  - interval outcome reg'n model
  - entry game model w/ multiple equilibria
- simulation results yield suitable values for tuning parameters
- also, provide comparisons of different forms of test stats and crit vals

- summary of numerical work:
  - size properties are excellent in many cases, pretty good in all cases
  - CvM better than KS in terms of lower false cov probs
  - in some models, choice between Sum, QLR, & Max S function doesn't matter
    - \* when it matters, Max performs best
  - GMS crit vals better than least fav cv or subsampling in terms of false cov probs
  - asy GMS & bootstrap GMS crit vals perform fairly similarly
  - sentivitivity to tuning parameters is relatively low in most cases
     \* quite low in many cases

### Extensions

- separate paper 1: extend results to allow for  $\infty$  number, or finite but large number, of cond'l or uncond'l moment inequalities/equalities
  - allows one to cover complicated game theory models, tests of stochastic dominance, cond'l stoch dominance, cond'l treatment effects, ...
- separate paper 2: extend results to allow for **nonparametric** parameters of interest
  - allows for nonpar reg'n or nonpar quantile reg'n w/ sel'n
- in both papers,
  - obtain uniform asy size results
  - no loss of information—power agst all fixed alternatives
  - local power results

## **Related Literature**

- most work in literature is on uncond'l mom ineq's
  - e.g., Imbens & Manski (2004), Moon & Schorfheide (2006), Chernozhukov, Hong, & Tamer (2007), Andrews & Jia (2008), Beresteanu & Molinari (2008), Romano & Sheik (2008, 2010), Rosen (2008), Andrews & Guggenberger (2009), Andrews & Soares (2010), Bugni (2010), Canay (2010), Stoye (2010)
- cond'l mom ineq's can reduce size of identified set
- so, first-order difference between uncond'l & cond'l mom ineq's
  - different from situation w/ mom equalities
- re cond'l mom ineq's: Chernozhukov, Lee, & Rosen (2008), Fan (2008), Kim (2008)
- many moment condn's: Menzel (2008)

### **Confidence Sets**

• we are interested in confidence sets (CS's) for true value  $\theta_0$ 

- as opposed to CS for identified set

- we consider CS obtained by inverting test
- notation: nominal level  $\mathbf{1}-\alpha$  CS for  $\theta$  is

$$CS_n = \{\theta \in \Theta : T_n(\theta) \le c_{1-\alpha}(\theta)\}$$

where  $c_{1-\alpha}(\theta)$  is a data-dependent critical value

### Estimation

- re estimation: use CS with  $\alpha = .5$ 
  - yields half-median unbiased est'r asy'ly in unif'm sense
  - i.e., prob of including a bdy point of the identified set is  $\geq$  .5 asy'ly
  - solves inward-bias problem
  - circumvents need for somewhat arbitrary sequence  $\varepsilon_n \downarrow \mathbf{0}$
  - related to method in Chernozhukov, Lee, & Rozen (2008)

#### **Parameter Space**

- uniform results require precise parameter space  $\mathcal{F}$  for  $(\theta_0, F_0)$
- $\mathcal{F}$  is collection of  $(\theta, F)$  such that

(i) 
$$\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$
  
(ii)  $\{W_i : i \ge 1\}$  are i.i.d. under  $F$   
(iii)  $E_F(m_j(W_i, \theta) | X_i) \ge 0$  a.s.  $[F_X] \forall j \le p$   
(iv)  $0 < Var_F(m_j(W_i, \theta)) < \infty \forall j \le p$   
(v)  $E_F \left| m_j(W_i, \theta) / \sigma_{F,j}(\theta) \right|^{2+\delta} \le B \; \forall j \le p$ 

for some  $B<\infty$  &  $\delta>\mathbf{0}$ 

• identified set given  $F_0$ :  $\Theta_{F_0} = \{\theta : (\theta, F_0) \in \mathcal{F}\}$ 

#### **Conditional** $\rightarrow$ **Unconditional** Moment Conditions

$$E_{F_0}m_j(W_i,\theta)g_j(X_i) \ge 0, \ \forall j \le p \text{ for } g = (g_1,...,g_p)' \in \mathcal{G}$$
(1)

- where g = (g<sub>1</sub>, ..., g<sub>p</sub>)' are functions of X<sub>i</sub>
   G is infinite
- identified set, Θ<sub>F0</sub>(G), defined by these uncond'l mom ineq's:
   Θ<sub>F0</sub>(G) = {θ ∈ Θ : (1) holds & (θ, F0) satisfies (i), (ii), (iv), (v) of F}
- choose  $\mathcal G$  so that  $\Theta_{F_0}(\mathcal G)=\Theta_{F_0}$

# **Class of Test Statistics**

• notation:

$$\overline{m}_n(\theta, g) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \begin{pmatrix} m_1(W_i, \theta)g_1(X_i) \\ m_2(W_i, \theta)g_2(X_i) \\ \vdots \\ m_p(W_i, \theta)g_p(X_i) \end{pmatrix} \text{ for } g \in \mathcal{G}$$

• sample variance-covariance matrix of  $n^{1/2}\overline{m}_n(\theta,g)$ :

$$\widehat{\Sigma}_n(\theta,g) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( m(W_i,\theta,g) - \overline{m}_n(\theta,g) \right) \left( m(W_i,\theta,g) - \overline{m}_n(\theta,g) \right)'$$

• nonsingular adjustment:

$$\overline{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_n( heta,g) = \widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_n( heta,g) + arepsilon \cdot Diag(\widehat{\mathbf{\Sigma}}_n( heta,\mathbf{1}_p))$$

• in simulations, use  $\varepsilon=5/100$ 

• Cramér-von Mises-type (CvM) statistic:

$$T_n(\theta) = \int S(n^{1/2}\overline{m}_n(\theta,g), \overline{\Sigma}_n(\theta,g)) dQ(g)$$

- ${\cal S}$  is non-negative function
- Q is a probability measure on  $\mathcal{G}$  (weight function)
- integral is over  ${\cal G}$
- Kolmogorov-Smirnov-type (KS) statistic:

$$T_n(\theta) = \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}} S(n^{1/2}\overline{m}_n(\theta,g), \overline{\Sigma}_n(\theta,g))$$

• Examples: **Sum** test function

$$S_1(m, \Sigma) = \sum_{j=1}^p [m_j / \sigma_j]_-^2$$

**QLR** test function

$$S_2(m, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \inf_{t \in R^p_+} (m-t)' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1}(m-t)$$

Max test function

$$S_3(m, \Sigma) = \max\{[m_1/\sigma_1]^2_-, ..., [m_p/\sigma_p]^2_-\}$$

#### ${\bf S}$ Function

(a) S(m, Σ) is non-increasing in m
(b) S(m, Σ) = S(Dm, DΣD) ∀pd diagonal D ∈ R<sup>p×p</sup>
(c) S(m, Σ + Σ<sub>1</sub>) ≤ S(m, Σ) ∀p × p psd matrices Σ<sub>1</sub>
(d) S(am, Σ) = a<sup>χ</sup>S(m, Σ) for some χ > 0, ∀ scalars a > 0, ∀m, & ∀Σ
(e) S(m, Ω) ≥ 0
(f) S(m, Ω) > 0 iff m<sub>j</sub> < 0 for some j ≤ p</li>
(g) S(m, Σ) is uniformly continuous

### $\textbf{Collection} \ \mathcal{G}$

- G must satisfy 2 assumptions
- given  $(\theta, F)$ , let  $\mathcal{X}_F(\theta) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{d_x} : E_F(m_j(W_i, \theta) | X_i = x) < 0 \text{ for some } j \leq p\}$
- Assumption CI. For any θ ∈ Θ & F for which P<sub>F</sub>(X<sub>i</sub> ∈ X<sub>F</sub>(θ)) > 0 & E<sub>F</sub>||m(W<sub>i</sub>, θ)|| < ∞, there exists g ∈ G such that E<sub>F</sub>m<sub>j</sub>(W<sub>i</sub>, θ)g<sub>j</sub>(X<sub>i</sub>) < 0 for some j ≤ p</li>
- note  $(\theta, F)$  are not in  $\mathcal{F}$
- simple result: Assumption CI implies  $\Theta_F(\mathcal{G}) = \Theta_F$  for all Fw/  $\sup_{\theta \in \Theta} E_F ||m(W_i, \theta)|| < \infty$

- use "manageability" condition, **Assumption M**, on stoc processes  $\{g(X_{n,i}) : g \in \mathcal{G}, i \leq n, n \geq 1\}$ 
  - from Pollard (1990)
  - regulates complexity of  ${\mathcal G}$
  - ensures that  $\{n^{1/2}(\overline{m}_n(\theta,g) E_{F_n}\overline{m}_n(\theta,g)) : g \in \mathcal{G}\}$ satisfies FCLT under drifting sequences  $\{F_n : n \geq 1\}$

Collections G that satisfy Assumptions CI & M

- Example 1. (Countable Hypercubes).
  - transform regr's to  $[0,1]^{d_x}$

– let

$$\mathcal{G}_{c-cube} = \{g(x) : g(x) = \mathbf{1}(x \in C) \cdot \mathbf{1}_p \text{ for } C \in \mathcal{C}_{c-cube}\}$$

- $C_{c-cube}$  contains cubes in  $[0, 1]^{d_x}$  with side-lengths  $(2r)^{-1}$  for integers  $r = r_0, r_0 + 1, ...$
- this class is countable & countable center points

- Example 2 (Uncountable Boxes).
- Example 3 (Data-dependent Boxes).
- Example 4. (B-splines & Finite-Support Kernels).
- Example 5. (Continuous/Discrete Regressors)
- Result: Assumptions CI and M hold for  $\mathcal{G}_{c-cube}, \mathcal{G}_{box}, \mathcal{G}_{box,dd}, \mathcal{G}_{B-spline},$ and  $\mathcal{G}_{c/d}$

### Weight Function Q

- for test to have power against all fixed alternatives, Q cannot "ignore" any elements  $g\in \mathcal{G}$
- let  $\rho_X$  be  $L^2$  pseudo-metric on  $\mathcal{G}$ :

$$ho_X(g,g^*) = (E_{F_{X,0}}||g(X_i) - g^*(X_i)||^2)^{1/2}$$
 for  $g,g^* \in \mathcal{G}$ 

where  $F_{X,0}$  is distribution of  $X_i$  under  $F_0$ 

Assumption Q. Support of Q under pseudo-metric ρ<sub>X</sub> contains G.
 I.e., ∀δ > 0, Q(B<sub>ρ<sub>X</sub></sub>(g, δ)) > 0 ∀g ∈ G.

- Q for  $\mathcal{G}_{c-cube}$ 
  - ∃ 1-1 mapping  $\Pi_{c-cube}$  :  $\mathcal{G}_{c-cube} \to AR = \{(a, r) \in \{1, ..., 2r\}^{d_x} \times \{r_0, r_0 + 1, ...\}\}$
  - let  $Q_{AR}$  be a probability measure on  $AR \ {\rm w}/$  full support
  - e.g., uniform on  $a \in \{1, ..., 2r\}^{d_x}$  & dist'n for r with pmf  $\{w(r) : r = r_0, r_0 + 1, ...\}$
  - simulations use  $w(r) = (r^2 + 100)^{-1}$
  - then,  $Q = \Pi_{c-cube}^{-1} Q^*$  is probability measure on  $\mathcal{G}_{c-cube}$

 $\bullet$  for Q for  $\mathcal{G}_{c\text{-}cube},$  test statistic is

$$T_n(\theta) = \sum_{r=r_0}^{\infty} w(r) \sum_{a \in \{1,\dots,2r\}^{d_x}} (2r)^{-d_x} S(n^{1/2} \overline{m}_n(\theta, g_{a,r}), \overline{\Sigma}_n(\theta, g_{a,r}))$$

where  $g_{a,r}(x) = \mathbf{1}(x \in C_{a,r}) \cdot \mathbf{1}_k$  for  $C_{a,r} \in \mathcal{C}_{c-cube}$ 

## Computation

- test statistic  $T_n(\theta)$  involves  $\infty$  sum or integral wrt Q
- $\bullet\,$  analogous  $\infty\,$  sum or integral appear in defn's of crit vals
  - can't compute them exactly
- $\infty$  sums can be approx'd by truncation & integrals by simulation or quasi-Monte Carlo methods

• approx test stat for count hyper-cubes:

$$\overline{T}_n( heta) = \sum_{r=r_0}^{s_n} w(r) \sum_{a \in \{1,...,2r\}^{d_x}} (2r)^{-d_x} S(n^{1/2} \overline{m}_n( heta, g_{a,r}), \overline{\Sigma}_n( heta, g_{a,r}))$$
  
where  $g_{a,r}(x) = \mathbf{1}(x \in C_{a,r}) \cdot \mathbf{1}_k$  for  $C_{a,r} \in \mathcal{C}_{c-cube}$ 

- for simulated test stat, let  $\{g_1, ..., g_{s_n}\}$  be  $s_n$  i.i.d. functions drawn from  $\mathcal{G}$  according to the distribution Q
- simulated test statistic is

$$\widehat{T}_{n,s_n}(\theta) = s_n^{-1} \sum_{\ell=1}^{s_n} S(n^{1/2} \overline{m}_n(\theta, g_\ell), \overline{\Sigma}_n(\theta, g_\ell))$$

- we show if  $s_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$  uniform asymptotic validity of tests & CS's hold
  - main issue is uniformity
  - asymptotic power results under fixed alternatives hold
  - most results under  $n^{-1/2}$ -local alternatives hold

### **Pointwise Vs Uniform Asymptotics**

- asy distn's of  $T_n(\theta)$  are discont. in F
  - due to mom. ineq. slackness function
  - get different **pointwise** asy dist'n depending on

$$n^{1/2} E_F m_j(W_i, \theta) g(X_i) \begin{cases} = 0 \ \forall n \quad \text{if } E_F m_j(W_i, \theta) g(X_i) = 0 \\ \to \infty \quad \text{if } E_F m_j(W_i, \theta) g(X_i) > 0 \end{cases}$$

- this does not reflect finite-sample situation
  - \* no discont'y in finite samples
- pointwise asy dist'ns do not capture finite-sample behavior

- effect of asy discont'y greater w/ cond'l mom ineq's than uncond'l mom. ineq.s
  - in several respects
- e.g., if cond'l mean function  $\mu_j(x,\theta) = E_F m_j(W_i,\theta) | X_i = x$  is cont. in x, then at bdy pts  $\theta$  there are always points x for which  $\mu_j(x,\theta)$  is positive, but arbitrarily close to 0
- so, there is always a uniformity issue

• second, we want to show:

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} \inf_{(\theta, F) \in \mathcal{F}} P_F(\theta \in CS_n) = 1 - \alpha$$
(2)

- with finite # of uncond'l mom. ineq.s, it is sufficient to consider certain seq.s of drifting dist'ns, see Andrews & Guggenberger (2009) or Andrews, Cheng, & Guggenberger (2009)
- w/ cond'l mom ineq.s, this is not sufficient - b/c  $\infty$  dim'l nuisance par affects asy dist'n
- different method is required to show (2)

# Uniform Asymptotic Distribution of $T_n(\theta)$

• let

$$egin{aligned} & 
u_{n,F}( heta,g) \,=\, n^{1/2}[\overline{m}_n( heta,g) - E_F m(W_i, heta,g)] \ & h_{1,n,F}( heta,g) \,=\, n^{1/2}E_F m(W_i, heta,g) \ & h_{2,F}( heta,\cdots) \,=\, CovKernel ext{ of } \, 
u_{n,F}( heta,\cdot) ext{ under } F \end{aligned}$$

•  $h_{1,n,F}(\cdot)$  is function from  $\mathcal{G}$  to  $R^p_+$  that depends on slackness of moment inequalities & n

- let 
$$h_{n,F}(\theta,\cdot) = (h_{1,n,F}(\cdot), h_{2,F}(\theta,\cdot\cdot\cdot))'$$

• write test stat as

$$egin{aligned} T_n( heta) &= \int S\left(n^{1/2}\overline{m}_n( heta,g),\overline{\Sigma}_n( heta,g)
ight) dQ(g) \ &= \int S(
u_{n,F}( heta,g)+h_{1,n,F}( heta,g),h_{2,F}( heta,g,g)+arepsilon I_p+o_p(1)) dQ(g) \end{aligned}$$

let {ν<sub>h2</sub>(g) : g ∈ G} be mean zero R<sup>p</sup>-valued Gaussian process with cov kernel h<sub>2</sub>(·, ·) on G × G

– let  $\mathcal{H}_2$  be parameter space for  $h_2(\cdot, \cdot)$  in model given  $\mathcal{F}$ 

- let  $h_1(\cdot)$  be any function from  $\mathcal{G}$  to  $R^p_{+,\infty}$
- for  $h = (h_1, h_2)$ , let

$$T(h) = \int S(\nu_{h_2}(g) + h_1(g), h_2(g, g) + \varepsilon I_k) dQ(g)$$
Result: Under Assumptions M & S, ∀ compact subsets H<sub>2,cpt</sub> of H<sub>2</sub>, ∀ constants x<sub>h<sub>n,F</sub>(θ)</sub> ∈ R that may depend on h<sub>n,F</sub>(θ), & ∀δ > 0,

$$\limsup_{\substack{n \to \infty \\ h_{2,F}(\theta) \in \mathcal{H}_{2,cpt}}} \sup_{\substack{P_F(T_n(\theta) > x_{h_{n,F}(\theta)}) - P(T(h_{n,F}(\theta)) + \delta > x_{h_{n,F}(\theta)})]} \leq 0$$

$$\lim \inf_{n \to \infty} \inf_{\substack{(\theta, F) \in \mathcal{F}: \\ h_{2,F}(\theta) \in \mathcal{H}_{2,cpt}}} \left[ P_F(T_n(\theta) > x_{h_{n,F}(\theta)}) - P(T(h_{n,F}(\theta)) - \delta > x_{h_{n,F}(\theta)}) \right] \ge 0$$

### **Critical Values**

• denote  $1 - \alpha$  quantile of  $T(h_{n,F}(\theta))$  by

 $c_0(h_{1,n,F}(\theta),h_{2,F}(\theta),1-\alpha)$ 

- $h_{1,n,F}(\theta)$  &  $h_{2,F}(\theta)$  are not known
- replace  $h_{2,F}(\theta)$  by uniformly consistent estimator  $\hat{h}_{2,n}(\theta) (= \hat{h}_{2,n}(\theta, \cdot, \cdot))$
- $h_{1,n,F}(\theta) \ (= h_{1,n,F}(\theta, \cdot))$  cannot be consistently estimated
- can replace  $h_{1,n,F}(\theta)$  by zero function,  $0_{\mathcal{G}}$ , on  $\mathcal{G}$ 
  - least-favorable choice
  - or worse than least favorable
- poor power properties

- subsampling crit vals
  - usual definition
  - for uncond'l mom ineq's, Bugni (2010) & Andrews & Soares (2010) show that subsampling is dominated by generalized moment selection (GMS) crit values re asy size & power
- focus on generalized moment selection (GMS) crit vals

## **GMS Crit Values**

- replace  $h_{1,n,F}(\theta)$  by data-dependent function  $\varphi_n(\theta) (= \varphi_n(\theta, \cdot))$  on  $\mathcal{G}$ -  $\varphi_n(\theta, g)$  is constructed to be  $\leq h_{1,n}(\theta, g) \ \forall g \in \mathcal{G} \ w/ \ \text{prob} \to 1$
- GMS crit val is

$$c_0(\varphi_n(\theta), \hat{h}_{2,n}(\theta), 1 - \alpha + \eta) + \eta$$

for infinitessimal uniformity factor  $\eta > 0$ 

- bootstrap version: replace estimated Gaussian process  $\nu_{\hat{h}_{2,n}(\theta)}(\cdot)$  by bootstrap emp'l process  $\nu_n^*(\cdot)$  & replace estimated variance process  $\hat{h}_{2,n}(\theta)$  by bootstrap version
  - no higher-order improvements—test stat not asy'ly pivotal

• definition of  $\varphi_n(\theta, g)$ :

- measure of slackness of mom. ineq.:

$$\xi_n(\theta,g) = \kappa_n^{-1} \widehat{D}_n^{-1/2}(\theta) n^{1/2} \overline{m}_n(\theta,g)$$
$$\varphi_{n,j}(\theta,g) = \begin{cases} B_n & \text{if } \xi_{n,j}(\theta,g) > 1\\ 0 & \text{if } \xi_{n,j}(\theta,g) \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

– not "pure" moment selection b/c  $B_n < \infty$ 

- Assumption GMS.  $\kappa_n \zeta B_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$  for some  $\zeta > 1$
- in simulations, use  $\kappa_n = (0.3 \ln(n))^{1/2} \& B_n = (0.4 \ln(n) / \ln \ln(n))^{1/2}$

## **Uniform Asymptotic Coverage Probability Results**

Main Result: Under Assumptions M, S, & GMS, ∀ compact subset H<sub>2,cpt</sub> of H<sub>2</sub>, GMS confidence sets CS<sub>n</sub> satisfy

(a) 
$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} \inf_{\substack{(\theta, F) \in \mathcal{F}:\\h_{2,F}(\theta) \in \mathcal{H}_{2,cpt}}} P_F(\theta \in CS_n) \ge 1 - \alpha$$

(b) if Assumption GMS2 also holds,

$$\lim_{\eta \to 0} \liminf_{\substack{n \to \infty \\ h_{2,F}(\theta) \in \mathcal{F}:}} P_F(\theta \in CS_n) = 1 - \alpha$$

#### **Asymptotic Power Against Fixed Alternatives**

- show that power of GMS tests against ''all" fixed alternatives  $\rightarrow$  1 as  $n\rightarrow\infty$
- this implies that given fixed true  $F_0$  & any  $\theta_*$  not in identified set  $\Theta_{F_0}$ , GMS CS's do not include  $\theta_*$  with prob  $\rightarrow 1$
- here is where Assumptions CI (re G) & Q (re weight measure) are used

### **Asymptotic Local Power**

- show GMS tests have power against some, but not all,  $n^{-1/2}$ -local alternatives
  - depends on seq.  $\{(\theta_n, F_n) \in \mathcal{F} : n \ge 1\}$  from which perturbations are taken
  - where  $\theta_n$  is true par value

Assumption LA1.

(a)  $\theta_{n,*} = \theta_n + \lambda n^{-1/2} (1 + o(1))$  for some  $\lambda \in R^{d_\theta}, \theta_{n,*} \to \theta_0, \& F_n \to F_0$ for some  $(\theta_0, F_0) \in \mathcal{F}$ 

(b)  $n^{1/2}E_{F_n}m_j(W_i,\theta_n,g)/\sigma_{F_n,j}(\theta_n) \to h_{1,j}(g)$  for some  $h_{1,j}(g) \in R_{+,\infty}$  $\forall j \leq p \& g \in \mathcal{G}$ 

Assumption LA2. The  $p \times d$  matrix  $\Pi_F(\theta, g) = (\partial/\partial \theta')[D_F^{-1/2}(\theta)E_Fm(W_i, \theta, g)]$ exists & is cont. in nghd of  $(\theta_0, F_0) \forall g \in \mathcal{G}$ 

• for KS test:

Assumption LA3.

For some  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ ,  $h_{1,j}(g) < \infty \& \prod_{0,j}(g)'\lambda < 0$  for some  $j \leq p$ 

• for CvM test:

Assumption LA3'.

 $Q(\{g \in \mathcal{G} : h_{1,j}(g) < \infty \& \Pi_{0,j}(g)'\lambda < 0 \text{ for some } j \leq p) > 0$ 

Result: Suppose  $\lambda = \beta \lambda_0$  for  $\beta \in R \& \lambda_0 \in R^d$  fixed, then  $\lim_{\beta \to \infty} \lim_{n \to \infty} Power_{n,\beta}(GMS \text{ test}) = 1$ 

# **Simulation Results**

- 3 models: quantile sel'n, interval outcome reg'n, entry game
- quantile sel'n model:
- conditional  $\tau$ -quantile of a treatment response given value of covariate  $X_i$
- use *quantile* monotone instrumental variable (QMIV) condition
  - variant of Manski and Pepper's (2000) Monotone Instrumental Variable (MIV) condition
  - bounds on quantiles: Manski (1994), Lee & Melenberg (1998), &
     Blundell, Gosling, Ichimura, & Meghir (2007)
- model set-up is quite similar to that in Manski and Pepper (2000)

- obs are i.i.d. for i = 1, ..., n
- $y_i(t)$  is individual *i*'s "conjectured" response given treatment  $t \in \mathcal{T}$
- $T_i$  is realization of treatment for individual i
- observed outcome variable is  $Y_i = y_i(T_i)$
- $X_i$  is a covariate
- $\theta = \text{cond'l } \tau$ -quantile of  $y_i(t_0)$  given  $X_i = x_0$  for some  $t_0 \in \mathcal{T} \& x_0$ - denoted  $\theta = Q_{y_i(t_0)|X_i}(\tau|x_0)$

- examples: (i)  $y_i(t)$  is conjectured wages of individual i for t years of schooling
  - $T_i$  is realized years of schooling
  - $X_i$  is measured ability or wealth
- (ii) y<sub>i</sub>(t) is conjectured wages when individual i is employed, say t = 1
   X<sub>i</sub> is measured ability or wealth
  - selection occurs due to elastic labor supply
- (iii)  $y_i(t)$  is some health response of individual *i* given treatment *t* 
  - $T_i$  is the realized treatment—non-randomized or randomized but subj to imperfect compliance
  - $X_i$  is some characteristic of individual i, such as weight, blood pressure

• quantile monotone IV assumption is:

Assumption QMIV. If  $x_1 \leq x_2$ ,

$$Q_{y_i(t)|X_i}(\tau|x_1) \le Q_{y_i(t)|X_i}(\tau|x_2)$$

• for Monte Carlo simulations, DGP:

$$y_i(1) = \mu(X_i) + \sigma(X_i) u_i$$
, where  $\partial \mu(x) / \partial x \ge 0$  and  $\sigma(x) \ge 0$   
 $T_i = 1\{\varphi(X_i) + \varepsilon_i \ge 0\}$ , where  $\partial \varphi(x) / \partial x \ge 0$   
 $X_i \sim Unif[0, 2], (\varepsilon_i, u_i) \sim N(0, I_2), X_i \perp (\varepsilon_i, u_i)$   
 $Y_i = y_i(T_i), \& t = 1$ 

• consider the median,  $\tau = 0.5,$  &  $x_0 = 1.5$ 

• conditional moment inequalities:

$$\theta \geq \underline{\theta}(x) = \mu(x) + \sigma(x) \Phi^{-1} \left( 1 - [2\Phi(\varphi(x))]^{-1} \right), \ \forall x \leq 1.5$$
  
 
$$\theta \leq \overline{\theta}(x) = \mu(x) + \sigma(x) \Phi^{-1} \left( [2\Phi(\varphi(x))]^{-1} \right), \ \forall x \geq 1.5$$

• identified set for quantile selection model:

$$\sup_{x \le x_0} \underline{\theta}(x), \quad \inf_{x \ge x_0} \overline{\theta}(x) 
ight]$$

- shape of lower & upper bound functions depends on the shape of  $\varphi,\ \mu,$  and  $\sigma$  functions
- consider 2 specifications: flat bd functions & kinky bd function

- 0.1 sec for 2 tests using 5000 crit val reps
  - CvM/Max/GMS/Asy & CvM/Max/PA/Asy

	Table 1. Qualitile Sciection Model. Dascease comparisons							
		(a) (	Cov Prob	)S				
	Statistic:	CvM/	CvM/	CvM/	KS/	KS/	KS/	
		Sum	QLR	Max	Sum	QLR	Max	
DGP	Crit Val							
Flat Bd	PA/Asy	.979	.979	.976	.972	.972	.970	
	GMS/Asy	.953	.953	.951	.963	.963	.960	
Kinky Bd	PA/Asy	.999	.999	.999	.994	.994	.994	
	GMS/Asy	.983	.983	.983	.985	.985	.984	
		(b) Fals	se Cov P	robs				
Flat Bd	PA/Asy	.51	.50	.48	.68	.67	.66	
	GMS/Asy	.37	.37	.37	.60	.60	.59	
	, -							
Kinky Bd	PA/Asy	.65	.65	.62	.68	.68	.67	
-	GMS/Asy	.35	.35	.34	.53	.53	.52	

Table I. Quantile Selection Model: Basecase Comparisons

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		(a) Cov Prob's	(b) FCP's (CP cor)
	Statistic:	CvM/Max	CvM/Max
Case	Crit Val:	GMS/Asy	GMS/Asy
Basecase ( $n = 250, r_1$	= 7)	.951	.37
n = 100		.957	.40
n = 500		.954	.36
n = 1000		.948	.34
$r_1 = 5$		.949	.36
$r_1 = 9$		.951	.37
$r_1 = 11$		.951	.37
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 1/2(\kappa_{n,bc})$	$, B_{n,bc}$ )	.948	.38
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B)$	(n.bc)	.967	.38
arepsilon=1/100		.949	.37
lpha=.5		.518	.03
lpha= .5 & $n=$ 500		.513	.03

Table II. Quantile Selection Model w/ Flat Bound: Variations on Basecase

#### **Interval Outcome Regression Model**

- Manski & Tamer (2002)
- $Y_i^* = \theta_1 + X_i \theta_2 + U_i$ , where  $E(U_i | X_i) = 0$  a.s.
- observe  $Y_{Li}$  &  $Y_{Ui}$ , where  $Y_{Li} \leq Y_i^* \leq Y_{Ui}$
- inequalities:

$$E(\theta_1 + X_i\theta_2 - Y_{Li}|X_i) \ge 0 \text{ a.s.}$$
  
$$E(Y_{Ui} - \theta_1 - X_i\theta_2|X_i) \ge 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

- basecase:  $n = 250, r_1 = 7, \epsilon = 5/100$
- $U_i \sim N(0, 1), X_i \sim U[0, 1]$

- 0.1 sec for 2 tests using 5000 crit val reps
  - CvM/Max/GMS/Asy & CvM/Max/PA/Asy

Table IV. Interva	I Outcome Regressior	n Model: Basecase

(a) Coverage Probs							
	Stat:	CvM	CvM	CvM	KS	KS	KS
Crit.		Sum	QLR	Max	Sum	QLR	Max
Value:							
PA/Asy		.990	.993	.990	.989	.990	.989
GMS/Asy		.950	.950	.950	.963	.963	.963
(b) False Coverage Probs							
PA/Asy		.62	.66	.61	.78	.80	.78
GMS/Asy		.37	.37	.37	.61	.61	.61

Table VI. Interval Outcome Regression Model: Variations on the Basecase

		(a) Coverage	e Probabilities
	Statistic:	CvM/Max	KS/Max
Case	Crit Val:	GMS/Asy	GMS/Asy
Basecase $(n = 250, r_1 = 7,$	$\varepsilon = 5/100)$	.950	.963
n = 100	, ,	.949	.970
n = 500		.950	.956
n = 1000		.954	.955
$r_1 = 5$ (30 cubes)		.949	.961
$r_1 = 9$ (90 cubes)		.951	.965
$r_1 = 11$ (132 cubes)		.950	.968
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 1/2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B_{n,bc})$		.944	.961
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B_{n,bc})$		.958	.973
arepsilon=1/100		.946	.966
$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (1.0, 0.5)$		.999	.996
$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (1.5, 0.0)$		1.000	.996
$\alpha = .5$		.472	.481
$\alpha = .5 \& n = 500$		.478	.500

	(b) False Co	v Probs (CPcor)
Statistic:	CvM/Max	KS/Max
Case Crit Val:	GMS/Asy	GMS/Asy
$D_{restress} = (r_{rest}) - r_{rest} = r_{rest} = r_{rest} + r_{r_{rest}} = r_{rest} + r_{r$	27	61
Basecase $(n = 250, r_1 = 7, \epsilon = 5/100)$	.37	10.
n = 100	.39	.66
n = 500	.37	.60
n = 1000	.37	.60
$r_1 = 5$ (30 cubes)	.37	.59
$r_1 = 9$ (90 cubes)	.37	.63
$r_1 = 11$ (132 cubes)	.38	.64
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 1/2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B_{n,bc})$	.40	.62
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B_{n,bc})$	.39	.65
arepsilon=1/100	.39	.69
$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (1.0, 0.5)$	.91	.92
$(\theta_1, \theta_2) = (1.5, 0.0)$	.99	.97
$\alpha = .5$	.03	.08
lpha= .5 & $n=$ 500	.03	.07

# Entry Game Model w/ Multiple Equilibria

- complete information simultaneous game (entry model)
- two players & n i.i.d. plays of the game
- consider Nash equilibria in pure strategies
- due to possibility of multiple equilibria, model is incomplete
- 2 cond'l moment ineq's & 2 conditional moment equal's arise
- Andrews, Berry, & Jia (2004), Beresteanu, Molchanov, & Molinari (2009), Galichon & Henry (2009b), Ciliberto & Tamer (2009)

• player b's utility/profits are

 $X'_{i,b}\tau_b + U_{i,b}$  if other player does not enter  $X'_{i,b}\tau_b - \theta_b + U_{i,b}$  if other player enters

- $\theta_1 \in R$  indexes competitive effect on player 1 of entry by player 2
- $\theta_2$  likewise
- $U_{i,b} \sim N(0,1)$  is known to both players

- unobserved by econometrician

- econometrician observes  $X_{i,1} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ ,  $X_{i,2} \in \mathbb{R}^4$ ,  $Y_{i,1}$ , &  $Y_{i,2}$ -  $Y_{i,b} = 1$  if player b enters & 0 otherwise for b = 1, 2
- unknown parameters:  $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)' \in [0, \infty)^2$ , &  $\tau = (\tau_1', \tau_2')' \in R^8$

• 
$$X_{i,b} = (1, X_{i,b,2}, X_{i,b,3}, X_i^*)' \in R^4$$
  
-  $X_{i,b,2} \sim \text{Bern}(p), X_{i,b,3} \sim N(0,1), X_i^* \sim N(0,1)$ 

- equil'm selection rule (ESR) employed is maximum profit ESR
  - unknown to econometrician
  - i.e., if  $Y_i$  could be either (1,0) or (0,1) in equil'm, then  $Y_i = (1,0)$  if player 1's monopoly profit exceeds that of player 2 &  $Y_i = (0,1)$  otherwise
- provide some results for "player 1 first" ESR

• moment ineq. functions:

$$m_1(W_i, \theta, \tau) = P(X'_{i,1}\tau_1 + U_{i,1} \ge 0, \ X'_{i,2}\tau_2 - \theta_2 + U_{i,2} \le 0|X_i) -1(Y_i = (1, 0)) m_2(W_i, \theta, \tau) = P(X'_{i,1}\tau_1 - \theta_1 + U_{i,1} \le 0, \ X'_{i,2}\tau_2 + U_{i,2} \ge 0|X_i) -1(Y_i = (0, 1))$$

- 2 mom equalities ...
- model is identified by (0,0) & (1,1) outcomes
- moment ineq's provide additional info
- we estimate  $au_1$  &  $au_2$  given heta
- use mom ineq's with  $\hat{\tau}_{1n}(\theta)$  &  $\hat{\tau}_{2n}(\theta)$  plugged in

- use hypercubes in  $R^2$  for  $X'_{i,1}\hat{\tau}_{1n}(\theta) \& X'_{i,2}\hat{\tau}_{2n}(\theta)$
- transform variables to  $[0, 1]^2$ 
  - transform so sample covariance = 0, then apply std normal cdf
- side-edge lenghts  $(2r)^{-1}$  for  $r = 1, ..., r_1$
- basecase:  $r_1 = 3$  yields 56 cubes

– also,  $r_1=2 \Rightarrow 20$  cubes &  $r_1=3 \Rightarrow 120$  cubes

- n = 500; also, 250 & 1000
- 0.24 sec for 2 tests using 5000 crit val reps

– CvM/Max/GMS/Asy & CvM/Max/PA/Asy

(a) Coverage Probs							
Case	Stat:	CvM	CvM	CvM	KS	KS	KS
		Sum	QLR	Max	Sum	QLR	Max
$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(0,0)$		.979	.972	.980	.977	.975	.985
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(1,0)$		.961	.980	.965	.959	.983	.972
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(1,1)$		.961	.985	.961	.955	.985	.962
$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(2,0)$		.935	.982	.935	.944	.984	.952
$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(2,1)$		.943	.974	.940	.953	.987	.947
$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(3,0)$		.921	.975	.915	.938	.935	.984
$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(2,2)$		.928	.942	.913	.943	.972	.922

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$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(0,0)$	.76	.99	.59	.91	.99	.83
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(1,0)$	.60	.99	.42	.83	.66	.99
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(1,1)$	.62	.96	.41	.82	.99	.58
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(2,0)$	.51	.83	.35	.66	.96	.47
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(2,1)$	.57	.57	.38	.69	.82	.44
$( heta_1, heta_2)=(3,0)$	.49	.41	.36	.61	.43	.64
$(\theta_1,\theta_2)=(2,2)$	.59	.34	.39	.65	.42	.49

	(a) Coverage Probs		(b) False Cov Prob		
	CvM/Max	KS/Max	CvM/Max	KS/Max	
Case	GMS/Asy	GMS/Asy	GMS/Asy	GMS/Asy	
Basecase ( $n = 500$ ,					
$r_1 = 3; = 5/100)$	.961	.962	.41	.58	
n = 250	.948	.963	.39	.56	
n = 1000	.979	.968	.52	.65	
$r_1 = 2 \; (20 \; \text{cubes})$	.962	.956	.41	.55	
$r_1 = 4$ (120 cubes)	.962	.964	.42	.59	
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 1/2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B_{n,bc})$	.954	.959	.39	.57	
$(\kappa_n, B_n) = 2(\kappa_{n,bc}, B_{n,bc})$	.967	.962	.42	.58	
arepsilon=1/100	.926	.873	.32	.66	
Reg'r Variances = 2	.964	.968	.54	.71	
$\operatorname{Reg}'$ r Variances = 1/2	.963	.966	.29	.43	
Player 1 First Eq Sel Rule	.955	.957	.39	.57	
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lpha=.5	.610	.620	.05	.13	
lpha= .5 & $n=$ 1000	.695	.650	.06	.16	

## **Many Moment Inequalities**

- allow for infinite # mom ineq's by indexing  $m_j(W_i, \theta)$  by  $t \in \mathcal{T}$ - cond'l or uncond'l
- model is:  $\forall t \in \mathcal{T}$ ,

$$E_F(m_j(W_i, \theta, t) | X_i) \ge 0$$
 a.s.  $[F_X] \forall j \le p_t$ 

 $\bullet\,$  can use same functions  $g\in \mathcal{G}$  & measure Q as above

- specifiy weight function  $Q_{\mathcal{T}}$  on  $\mathcal{T}$
- test stat is

$$T_n(\theta) = \int \int S(n^{1/2}\overline{m}_n(\theta, t, g), \overline{\Sigma}_n(\theta, t, g)) dQ(g) dQ_{\mathcal{T}}(t)$$

where

$$\overline{m}_n(\theta, t, g) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \begin{array}{c} m_1(W_i, \theta, t) g_1(X_i) \\ \vdots \\ m_p(W_i, \theta, t) g_p(X_i) \end{array} \right)$$

- use emp'l process result for  $\nu_n(t,g) = n^{1/2}(\overline{m}_n(\theta,t,g) E_F \overline{m}_n(\theta,t,g))$
- show analogous results as above hold for GMS tests & CS's
  - unif asy validity, etc.

- note: results for infinite # mom ineq's cover tests w/ no par  $\theta$
- example 1. test of stoch dominance
  - related work: Linton, Maasoumi, & Whang (2005), Linton, Song, & Whang (2008)

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$$Y_{1,i} \sim G_1(\cdot) \& Y_{2,i} \sim G_2(\cdot)$$

$$- H_0: G_1(t) - G_2(t) \ge 0, \, \forall t \in R \ (= \mathcal{T})$$

- take  $m(W_i, \theta, t) = \mathbf{1}(Y_{1,i} \le t) \mathbf{1}(Y_{2,i} \le t)$
- no  $\theta$  appears; no functions  $g(X_i)$  needed
- get uniformity results for CvM & KS tests

- example 2. test of stoch dominance of cond'l dist'ns
  - related work: Lee & Whang (2008)

$$-Y_{1,i}|(X_i = x) \sim G_1(\cdot|x) \& Y_{2,i}|(X_i = x) \sim G_2(\cdot|x)$$

- $H_0: G_1(t, x) G_2(t, x) \ge 0, \forall t \in R (= \mathcal{T}), \forall x \in R^{d_x}$
- take  $m(W_i, \theta, t)$  as above, use functions  $g \in \mathcal{G}$

# Summary

- provide methods to construct CS's for parameters based on cond'l mom ineq's & equalites
- parameters need not be identified
- CS's based on CvM or KS-type statistics
  - allow for truncation of  $\infty$  sums & simulation of integrals
- combine w/ generalized mom selection critical values
- establish uniform asy validity
- show CS shrinks to identified set: no info loss
- $\bullet\,$  show tests have power against some  $n^{-1/2}\mbox{-alternatives}$
- simulation results show CvM/Max w/ GMS crit val performs well in terms of cov probs & false cov probs