Online Supplement to 'Specification Tests based on MCMC Output'

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The purpose of this online supplement is to prove Theorem 3.2 in Li, et al (2017), that is, to show under H_0 that \widetilde{BIMT} has the same asymptotic distribution as BIMT and that \widetilde{BMT} has the same asymptotic distribution as BMT. Based on Proposition 3.1, the relationship $\widetilde{BIMT} = \text{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/2})$ is enough to guarantee that \widetilde{BIMT} and BIMT have the same asymptotic distribution. Based on Theorem 3.1, $\tilde{J}_1 = J_1 + o_p(1)$ and $\tilde{J}_0 = J_0 + o_p(1)$ are enough to guarantee that \widetilde{BMT} and BMT will have the same asymptotic distribution. Therefore, what we try to find are an order condition for M to ensure $\widetilde{BIMT} = \text{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/2})$ and order conditions for M and M_L to ensure $\tilde{J}_1 = J_1 + o_p(1)$ and $\tilde{J}_0 = J_0 + o_p(1)$. Note that \widetilde{BIMT} and \tilde{J}_0 are based on MCMC output obtained from the null model while \tilde{J}_1 is based on MCMC output obtained from both the null model and the expanded model because $J_1 = \text{tr} \{C_E(\mathbf{y}, (\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0)) V_E(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L)\}.$

We organize this supplement as follows. In Section 1, we give an order condition for M to ensure that $\widetilde{BIMT} = \text{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/2})$. In Section 2, we give order conditions for M and M_L to ensure that $\tilde{J}_1 = J_1 + o_p(1)$. In Section 3, we give an order condition for M to ensure that $\tilde{J}_0 = J_0 + o_p(1)$. Section 4 proves Theorem 3.2. Throughout this supplement, the sample size n is assumed to go to infinity.

1 Order Condition for M to Ensure $\widetilde{BIMT} = \mathbf{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/2})$

Under H_0 , $\hat{\mathbf{J}}_n(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = O_p(1)$ and $nV(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = O_p(1)$. If $\hat{\mathbf{J}}_n(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - \hat{\mathbf{J}}_n(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ and $n\left(\tilde{V}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - V(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}})\right) = o_p(n^{-1/2})$, then we will have

$$\widetilde{BIMT} = n\mathbf{tr} \left\{ \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \right\} = \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) n\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \right\}$$
$$= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \left[\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \right] \left[n\left(\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \right) + nV\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \right] \right\}$$
$$= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \left[\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \right] \left[nV\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \right] \right\}$$
$$= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ n\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \right\} + \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) o_p(n^{-1/2}) \right\} + \mathbf{tr} \left\{ nV\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) o_p(n^{-1/2}) \right\}$$

= BIMT+
$$o_p(n^{-1/2})$$
 = IOS_A + $o_p(n^{-1/2})$ = $q \times IR + o_p(n^{-1/2})$.

Together with Proposition 3.1, this will ensure that \widetilde{BIMT} has the same asymptotic distribution as BIMT. In Section 1.1 we give an order condition for M to ensure $\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = o_p(n^{-1/2})$. In Section 1.2 we then give an order condition for M to ensure $n\left(\widetilde{V}(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - V(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}})\right) = o_p(n^{-1/2})$.

1.1 Order condition for *M* to ensure $\hat{\mathbf{J}}_n \left(\begin{array}{c} \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \end{array} \right) - \hat{\mathbf{J}}_n \left(\begin{array}{c} \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \end{array} \right) = o_p(n^{-1/2})$

Let us first assume $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is a scalar. Let σ_{1n}^2 be the long run variance of Markov chain, $\left\{\boldsymbol{\theta}_n^{(m)}\right\}_{m=1}^M$, i.e., $\sigma_{1n}^2 = Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_n^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right) + 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\gamma_n\left(k|\mathbf{y}\right)$ where $\gamma_{1n}\left(k|\mathbf{y}\right)$ is the k^{th} order autocovariance. Note that $Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_n^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right)$ is the posterior variance $V\left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)$. We can rewrite σ_{1n}^2 as

$$\sigma_{1n}^{2} = Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right) + 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\gamma_{1n}\left(k|\mathbf{y}\right) = 2\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\gamma_{1n}\left(k|\mathbf{y}\right) - Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right)$$
$$= \left(2\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\frac{\gamma_{1n}\left(k|\mathbf{y}\right)}{Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right)} - 1\right)Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right) = \left(2\sum_{k=0}^{\infty}\rho\left(k\right) - 1\right)Var\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(1)}|\mathbf{y}\right).$$

According to Jones (2004), under Assumption 13, as $M \to \infty$, we have

$$\sqrt{M}\sigma_{1n}^{-1}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \stackrel{d}{\to} N\left(0,1\right).$$
(1)

By the Taylor expansion and (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{J}}_{n}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) &= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}\left[s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{4}\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right]^{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} + \frac{2}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{4}\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + \frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}\left[h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{4}\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right]^{2} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{J}}_{n}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{1n}\right)\frac{2}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{4}\right)s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{M}\sigma_{1n}^{2}\right)\frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{4}\right)^{2} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{J}}_{n}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{1n}\right)O_{p}(1) + O\left(\frac{1}{M}\sigma_{1n}^{2}\right)O_{p}(1),\end{aligned}$$

where $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_4$ lies between $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ and $\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ and $\frac{2}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n h_t \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_4 \right) s_t \left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) = O_p(1)$ and $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n h_t \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_4 \right)^2 = O_p(1)$ by Assumptions 10-12.

To show

$$\hat{\mathbf{J}}_n\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) = \hat{\mathbf{J}}_n\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + o_p(n^{-1/2}),\tag{2}$$

it is enough to have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{1n} = o_p\left(n^{-1/2}\right),\tag{3}$$

which is equivalent to

$$M = O\left(n^{1+c_1^*} \sigma_{1n}^2\right), \text{ for any } c_1^* > 0.$$
(4)

The condition (3) is also used in Chen, Gao and Phillips (2017) to obtain the asymptotic normality of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ when $M \to \infty$ and $n \to \infty$.

In this paper, $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is a *q*-dimensional vector. That is why we require

$$M = n^{1+c_1^*} \sigma_{1n}^{2*},\tag{5}$$

with $\sigma_{1n}^{2*} = \max_{a \in \{1,...,q\}} \sigma_{1n,a}^2$ and $\sigma_{1n,a}^2$ being the long run variance of $\left\{ \boldsymbol{\theta}_a^{(m)} \right\}_{m=1}^M$ for $a=1,\ldots,q.$

Order condition for M to ensure $n\left[\widetilde{V}(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right] = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ 1.2

Again, let us first assume $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is a scalar. Let $\sigma_{2n}^2 = Var\left(\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_n^{(1)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^2 | \mathbf{y}\right) + 2\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \gamma'_{2n}\left(k | \mathbf{y}\right)$ be the long run variance of $\left\{ \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} \right\}_{m=1}^{M}$ where $\gamma_{2n}'(k|\mathbf{y})$ is the k^{th} order autocovariance of $\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_n^{(m)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^2$. Note that

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) &= \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} + \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} - \frac{2}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) + \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} - \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2}. \end{split}$$

Then we have

$$\sqrt{M}\left(\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} - \sqrt{M}V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) - \sqrt{M}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} \\
= \sqrt{M} \left(\frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{M} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2} - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right) - \sqrt{M}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2}.$$

Thus,

$$\sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)-V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right) = \sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{M}\sum_{m=1}^{M}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2}-V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right)-\sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2}.$$

By (1), $\sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^2 \xrightarrow{p} 0$ as $M \to \infty$. Note that

$$\sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{M}\sum_{m=1}^{M}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{n}^{(m)}-\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)^{2}-V\left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right)\overset{d}{\to}N\left(0,1\right),\tag{6}$$

by the central limit theorem for Markov chains (Jones, 2004) under Assumption 13. Hence, we have $\overline{(2, 2)} = (2, 2)$

$$\sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)-V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right)\overset{d}{\rightarrow}N\left(0,1\right),$$

by the Slusky Theorem. It can be shown that

$$n\left(\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right) = \frac{n}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{2n}\left[\sqrt{M}\sigma_{2n}^{-1}\left(\widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right)\right] = o_p(n^{-1/2}),\tag{7}$$

if

$$\frac{n}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{2n} = o(n^{-1/2}),\tag{8}$$

which is equivalent to

$$M = O\left(n^{3+c_2^*}\sigma_{2n}^2\right), \text{ for any } c_2^* > 0.$$
(9)

Since $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is q-dimensional, we require

$$M = n^{3+c_2^*} \sigma_{2n}^{2*},\tag{10}$$

with $\sigma_{2n}^{2*} = \max_{b \in \{1,...,r\}} \sigma_{2n,b}^2$ and $\sigma_{2n,b}^2$ being the long run variance of $\left\{ \boldsymbol{\vartheta}_b^{(m)} \right\}_{m=1}^M$ for $b = 1, \ldots, r$, where $\boldsymbol{\vartheta} = vech\left[\left(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \left(\boldsymbol{\theta} - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right)' \right]$.

2 Order Conditions for M and M_L to Ensure $\tilde{J}_1 - J_1 = o_p(1)$ Following Li, et al (2015), $\frac{1}{n}C(\mathbf{y}, (\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0)) = O_p(1)$ and $nV(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L) = O_p(1)$. If

$$\frac{1}{n} \left[C\left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \right) - C\left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \right) \right] = o_p(1), \tag{11}$$

and

$$n\left(\widetilde{V}(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L) - V(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L)\right) = o_p(1), \qquad (12)$$

we will have

$$\begin{split} \tilde{J}_{1} &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ C_{E} \left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E} = 0 \right) \right) \widetilde{V}_{E} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L} \right) \right\} \\ &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} C_{E} \left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E} = 0 \right) \right) n \widetilde{V}_{E} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L} \right) \right\} \\ &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \left[\frac{1}{n} C_{E} \left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E} = 0 \right) \right) + o_{p} \left(1 \right) \right] \left[n V_{E} \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L} \right) + o_{p} \left(1 \right) \right] \right\} \\ &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ C_{E} \left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E} = 0 \right) \right) V_{E} \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L} \right) \right\} + o_{p} \left(1 \right) \\ &= J_{1} + o_{p} \left(1 \right). \end{split}$$

Hence, for $\widetilde{BMT} = BMT + o_p(1)$, we need to obtain an order condition for M in the original model to ensure (11) and an order condition for M_L in the expanded model to ensure (12).

2.1 Order condition for *M* to ensure $\frac{1}{n} \left[C \left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \ \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \right) - C \left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \right) \right] = o_p(1)$

Let us first assume θ is a scalar. By the Taylor expansion, we have

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{n}C\left(\mathbf{y},\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\right)\\ &= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)'\\ &= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n}\left[s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)+h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\right]\times\\ &\sum_{t=1}^{n}\left[s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)+h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\right]'\\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}\left[s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)+h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\right]\times\\ &\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}\left[s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)+h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\right]'\\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\right)'\\ &+\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\right)'\\ &+\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}h_{t}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}s_{t}\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\mathbf{0}\right)'\right)', \end{split}$$

where $\tilde{\theta}_5$ lies between $\tilde{\theta}$ and $\bar{\theta}$. Under the null hypothesis, we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n} s_{t} \left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n} h_{t} \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right) \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0}\right)^{\prime}\right)^{\prime}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n} s_{t} \left(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right) \left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{t=1}^{n} h_{t} \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{5}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right) \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n} \left(\sqrt{M} \sigma_{1n}^{-1} \left(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0}\right)\right)\right)^{\prime}$$
$$= O_{p}\left(1\right) O_{p}\left(1\right) O\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n}\right) O_{p}(1) = O_{p}\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n}\right),$$

and

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}h_t\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_5, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0}\right)\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{t=1}^{n}h_t\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_5, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E=0\right)\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}-\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0}\right)\right)'$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} h_t \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_5, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \sqrt{n} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0} \right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} h_t \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_5, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \sqrt{n} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0} \right) \right)'$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} h_t \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_5, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n} \left(\sqrt{M} \sigma_{1n}^{-1} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0} \right) \right) \times$$

$$\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^{n} h_t \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_5, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0 \right) \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n} \left(\sqrt{M} \sigma_{1n}^{-1} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \mathbf{0} \right) \right) \right)'$$

$$= O_p \left(1 \right) O \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n} \right) O_p (1) O_p (1) O \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}} \sigma_{1n} \right) O_p (1) = O_p \left(\frac{n}{M} \sigma_{1n}^2 \right)$$

Hence, if $O\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{1n}\right) = o(1)$, that is,

$$M = O(n^{1+c_3^*} \sigma_{1n}^2), \text{ for any } c_3^* > 0,$$
(13)

then

$$\frac{1}{n}C_{E}\left(\mathbf{y},\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\right)=\frac{1}{n}C_{E}\left(\mathbf{y},\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}},\boldsymbol{\theta}_{E}=0\right)\right)+o_{p}\left(1\right)$$

Again, since $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is q-dimensional, we set

$$M = n^{1+c_3^*} \sigma_{1n}^{2*}, \text{ for any } c_3^* > 0.$$
(14)

2.2 Order condition for M_L to ensure $n\left(\widetilde{V}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L) - V(|\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L)\right) = o_p(1)$

Since $\left\{ \boldsymbol{\theta}_{Ln}^{(m)} \right\}_{m=1}^{M_L}$ is a geometrically ergodic Markov chain with stationary distribution as the posterior distribution of $\boldsymbol{\theta}_L$, the MCMC estimators of posterior mean $\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L$ and posterior variance $V(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L)$ can be given by

$$\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L} = \frac{1}{M_{L}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{L}} \boldsymbol{\theta}_{Ln}^{(m)}, \ \widetilde{V}\left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L}\right) = \frac{1}{M_{L}} \sum_{m=1}^{M_{L}} \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{Ln}^{(m)} - \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L}\right) \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{Ln}^{(m)} - \widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L}\right)'.$$

Let $\sigma_{Ln,b}^2$ be the long run variance of $\left\{ \boldsymbol{\vartheta}_{Ln,b}^{(m)} \right\}_{m=1}^{M_L}$ for $b = 1, 2, \cdots, r_L$ where $\boldsymbol{\vartheta}_L = vech\left[\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_L - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L \right) \left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_L - \bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L \right)' \right]$. If we choose

$$M_L = n^{2+c_5^*} \sigma_{Ln}^{2*}$$
, for any $c_5^* > 0$, (15)

with $\sigma_{Ln}^{2*} = \max_{b \in \{1,2,\dots,q_L(q_L+1)/2\}} \sigma_{Ln,b}^2$, then using the same proof as in Section 1.2, we can show that

$$n\left(\widetilde{V}(\widehat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L\right)\right) = o_p(n^{-1/2}),$$
$$n\left(\widetilde{V}(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_L\right)\right) = o_p(1).$$

3 Order Condition for M to Ensure $\tilde{J}_0 - J_0 = o_p(1)$

 $\widetilde{BIMT} = \operatorname{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/4})$ is a sufficient condition to ensure $\widetilde{J}_0 - J_0 = o_p(1)$. This is because if $\widetilde{BIMT} = \operatorname{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/4})$, then we have

$$\begin{split} \tilde{J}_0 &= \sqrt{n} \left(\widetilde{BIMT}/q - 1 \right)^2 \\ &= \sqrt{n} \left(\mathrm{BIMT}/q + o_p \left(n^{-1/4} \right)/q - 1 \right)^2 \\ &= \sqrt{n} (\mathrm{BIMT}/q - 1)^2 + \sqrt{n} o_p \left(n^{-1/2} \right) - 2\sqrt{n} (\mathrm{BIMT}/q - 1) o_p \left(n^{-1/4} \right)/q \\ &= J_0 + o_p \left(1 \right) + o_p \left(n^{-1/4} \right) = J_0 + o_p \left(1 \right). \end{split}$$

In Section 1, we have shown that under the null hypothesis, $\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = O_p(1)$ and $nV(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = O_p(1)$. If $\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) = o_p(n^{-1/4})$ and $n\left(\widetilde{V}(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - V(\bar{\boldsymbol{\theta}})\right) = o_p(n^{-1/4})$, then we have

$$\begin{split} \widetilde{BIMT} &= n \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \widetilde{V} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \right\} = \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) n \widetilde{V} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \right\} \\ &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \left[\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) + o_p(n^{-1/4}) \right] \left[n \left(\widetilde{V} \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) - V \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \right) + n V \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \right] \right\} \\ &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \left[\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) + o_p(n^{-1/4}) \right] \left[n V \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) + o_p(n^{-1/4}) \right] \right\} \\ &= \mathbf{tr} \left\{ n \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) V \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) \right\} + \mathbf{tr} \left\{ \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) o_p(n^{-1/4}) \right\} + \mathbf{tr} \left\{ n V \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \right) o_p(n^{-1/4}) \right\} + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \\ &= BIMT + o_p(n^{-1/4}) O_p(1) + o_p(n^{-1/4}) O_p(1) + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \\ &= BIMT + o_p(n^{-1/4}). \end{split}$$

According to (8) and (9), to ensure $n\left[\widetilde{V}(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) - V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}\right)\right] = o_p(n^{-1/4})$, we only need

$$\frac{n}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{2n}^* = o(n^{-1/4}),\tag{16}$$

which is equivalent to

$$M = O\left(n^{2.5 + c_4^*} \sigma_{2n}^{2*}\right), \text{ for any } c_4^* > 0.$$
(17)

This order condition is weaker than that specified in (10).

Furthermore, according to (3) and (4), to ensure $\mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\mathbf{\tilde{\theta}}\right) = \mathbf{\hat{J}}_n\left(\mathbf{\bar{\theta}}\right) + o_p(n^{-1/4})$, we only need

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}\sigma_{1n}^* = o\left(n^{-1/4}\right),\tag{18}$$

which is equivalent to

$$M = O\left(n^{0.5 + c_6^*} \sigma_{1n}^{2*}\right), \text{ for any } c_6^* > 0.$$
(19)

This order condition is weaker than that specified in (5).

4 Proof of Theorem 3.2

Combining the order conditions given by (5) and (10) provides the order condition for M_{BIMT} given by Equation (8) in Theorem 3.2 when BIMT is used.

Regarding BMT, according Section 2, if $M = n^{1+c_3^*} \sigma_{1n}^{2*}$ in the original model, then

$$\frac{1}{n}C_E\left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0\right)\right) = \frac{1}{n}C_E\left(\mathbf{y}, \left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}, \boldsymbol{\theta}_E = 0\right)\right) + o_p\left(1\right).$$

If $M_L = n^{2+c_5^*} \sigma_{Ln}^{2*}$ in the expanded model, then

$$n\left(\widetilde{V}(\widetilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L})-V\left(\overline{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{L}\right)\right)=o_{p}(1).$$

Under these two order conditions (one for M and one for M_L) we have $\tilde{J}_1 = J_1 + o_p(1)$.

According to Section 3, if $M = \max \{n^{0.5+c_6^*}\sigma_{1n}^{2*}, n^{2.5+c_4^*}\sigma_{2n}^{2*}\}$, we have $\tilde{J}_0 = J_0 + o_p(1)$. From Section 2, if $M = n^{1+c_3^*}\sigma_{1n}^{2*}$ and $M_L = n^{2+c_5^*}\sigma_{Ln}^{2*}$, we have $\tilde{J}_1 = J_1 + o_p(1)$. Hence, if we set the number of MCMC draws to

$$M_{BMT} = \max\left\{n^{0.5+c_6^*}\sigma_{1n}^{2*}, n^{1+c_3^*}\sigma_{1n}^{2*}, n^{2.5+c_4^*}\sigma_{2n}^{2*}\right\} = \max\left\{n^{1+c_3^*}\sigma_{1n}^{2*}, n^{2.5+c_4^*}\sigma_{2n}^{2*}\right\}$$

in the original model and to

$$M_L = n^{2+c_5^*} \sigma_{Ln}^{2*}$$

in the expanded model, then we have

$$\widetilde{BMT} = \widetilde{J}_1 + \widetilde{J}_0 = \mathrm{BMT} + o_p\left(1\right).$$

This proves the asymptotic equivalence of \widetilde{BMT} and BMT. Furthermore, under H_0 , \widetilde{BMT} converges to $\chi^2(q_E)$.

To derive the power property of \widetilde{BMT} , note that $\widetilde{BIMT} = \operatorname{BIMT} + o_p(n^{-1/4})$ also holds true for misspecified models when $M = \max\{n^{1+c_3^*}\sigma_{1n}^{2*}, n^{2.5+c_4^*}\sigma_{2n}^{2*}\}$. In addition, when the model is misspecified so that $q^* \neq q$, from Theorem 3.1, we can show that

$$\begin{split} \tilde{J}_0 &= \sqrt{n} \left(\widetilde{BIMT}/q - 1 \right)^2 \\ &= \sqrt{n} \left(\mathrm{BIMT}/q + o_p \left(n^{-1/4} \right)/q - 1 \right)^2 \\ &= \sqrt{n} (\mathrm{BIMT}/q - 1)^2 + \sqrt{n} o_p \left(n^{-1/2} \right) - 2\sqrt{n} (\mathrm{BIMT}/q - 1) o_p \left(n^{-1/4} \right)/q \\ &= J_0 + o_p \left(1 \right) + o_p \left(n^{-1/4} \right) = J_0 + o_p \left(1 \right) = O_p(\sqrt{n}). \end{split}$$

Hence, the order of the power of \widetilde{BMT} is no less than $O_p(\sqrt{n})$. This completes the proofs of Theorem 3.2.

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