

Online Supplemental Appendix for “Empirical Likelihood Ratio Tests of Conditional Moment Restrictions with Unknown Functions”

C Proof of Theorem 3.2.

Note that we still have

$$SCELR2 = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \left\{ 1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right\} = \hat{D} + o_p(1)$$

under H_{1n} . Moreover, similar as the proof of Lemma E.3 and Lemma E.5, we have $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_1 = o_p(1)$. For the second term $\hat{D}_2$, by the same argument in the proof of Lemma E.4, we have $\hat{D}_2 = b_n^{-s} \{qR(K)vol(S_*) + o_p(1)\}$ under H_{1n} . Moreover, by the same argument in Lemma E.5, we have $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_3 = o_p(1)$.

Next, we focus on $\hat{D}_4$ term. The bandwidth $b_n = n^{-\alpha}$ for $0 < \alpha < \min \frac{1}{2s}(1 - \frac{4}{p})$ by Assumption A.3 (iii). We show that $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_4 \rightarrow N(\mu, 2qK^{**}vol(\mathcal{X}_n))$ under H_{1n} , where $\mu = \mathbb{E}[1\{x \in S_*\}\eta'(x) \times V^{-1}(x_1, \alpha_0)\eta(x)]$. Let $\varepsilon_n = n^{-1/2}b_n^{-s/4}$. The argument is similar as the proof of Lemma E.6. We write

$$\hat{D}_4 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0^n) \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_l, \alpha_0^n) e_{il} + o_p(1)$$

under H_{1n} . Let $d_n(z_i, \alpha) = \rho(z_i, \alpha) - \varepsilon_n \eta(x_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{D}_4 &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} d_n(z_j, \alpha_0^n)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} d_n(z_l, \alpha_0^n) K_{il} \\ &\quad + \frac{\varepsilon_n^2}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \eta(x_i)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \eta'(x_i) K_{il} + o_p(1) \\ &\equiv \hat{D}_{4a} + \hat{D}_{4b} + o_p(1). \end{aligned}$$

First, note that $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4a} = o_p(1)$ by the consistency of kernel estimator and the consistency of

$\hat{\alpha}_n$. Second,

$$\begin{aligned} b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4b} &= \frac{\varepsilon_n^2}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \eta(x_i)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \eta(x_i) K_{il} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^s} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \eta(x_i)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{ \eta(x_i) f(x_i) + r_{1i} \} \end{aligned}$$

where $r_{1i} = o_p(1)$ and the second equality follows from the definition of ε_n and the consistency of kernel estimators and (E.11). Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4b} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \eta(x_i)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \eta(x_i) f^2(x_i) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} r'_{2i} \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \eta(x_i) f(x_i) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\{ \frac{1}{n b_n^s} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n K_{ij} \eta(x_j)' \right\} \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} r_{1i} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \eta(x_i)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \eta(x_i) f^2(x_i) + o_p(1) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \eta(x_i)' V(x_i, \alpha_0^n)^{-1} \eta(x_i) \\ &= \mu + o_p(1), \end{aligned}$$

where the second equality follows from the facts that r_{1i} and r_{2i} are asymptotically negligible element by element, the third equality follows from the consistency of $\hat{\alpha}_n$ to α_0^n and the last equality follows from the weak law of large numbers. Therefore, $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_4 \xrightarrow{d} N(\mu, 2qK^{**} \text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n))$ and the desired result follows.

D Bootstrap Consistency

One may also be interested in a bootstrap version of SCEL R_n , which is defined as

$$\text{SCEL}R1^* \equiv -2 \{ \mathcal{L}_n^* (\bar{\alpha}_n^*) - \mathcal{L}_n^* (\hat{\alpha}_n^*) \},$$

where $\bar{\alpha}_n^* \equiv (\bar{\theta}_n^*, \bar{h}_n^*) \equiv \arg \max_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n^{\hat{r}}} \mathcal{L}_n^*(\alpha)$, $\hat{\alpha}_n^* \equiv (\hat{\theta}_n^*, \hat{h}_n^*) \equiv \arg \max_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n} \mathcal{L}_n^*(\alpha)$, and $\mathcal{A}_n^{\hat{r}} \equiv \{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n : \mathcal{R}(\alpha) = \hat{r}\}$. A weighted bootstrap scheme draws bootstrap weights from an i.i.d sample of positive weights that satisfy $E[W_i] = 1$, $Var(W_i) = w_0$ and are independent of $\{(Y_i', X_i')_{i=1}^n\}$. We can obtain the convergence rate of the bootstrap estimators $\bar{\alpha}_n^*$ and $\hat{\alpha}_n^*$, respectively, and show that SCELR1* converges to chi-square distribution as well. To implement the bootstrap procedure, the confidence intervals are defined as

$$\mathcal{C}_n = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} : \text{SCELR1} \leq \hat{c}_{n,1-\tau}\},$$

where $\hat{c}_{n,1-\tau}$ is the $(1 - \tau)$ quantile using the weighted bootstrap with variance 1. To simulate the critical value, for $b = 1, \dots, B_n$, let

$$\hat{c}_{n,1-\tau} = \inf \left\{ t : \frac{1}{B_n} \sum_{b=1}^{B_n} \mathbf{1} \{ \text{SCELR1}_b^* \leq t \} \geq 1 - \tau \right\},$$

where $\text{SCELR1}_b^*(\hat{r})$ is the b th bootstrap likelihood ratio statistic SCELR1^* .

We highlight the consistency of bootstrap procedure as follows. Without loss of generality, we assume that $\mathcal{R}_l(\alpha)$ are linearly independent, i.e., $L = b$. Otherwise, we can always conduct a linear transformation for the hypothesis by the Gram-Schmidt orthogonalization. Let

$$l_n^*(\alpha) = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n W_i \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \log(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha)).$$

Define $\ddot{\alpha}^* = \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \sum_{l=1}^L \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle \tilde{v}_{nl} / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2$ and $\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^* = \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \sum_{l=1}^L \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2$, where $\hat{\alpha}_n^*$ is the maximizer of $l_n^*(\alpha)$ over $\mathcal{A}_n$. The following steps are similar to the proof of Theorem 2.1. Note that the chain rule and Taylor expansion yield

$$l_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) = \frac{dl_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*] + \frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 l_n^*(\ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*, \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*], \quad (\text{D.1})$$

where $\tilde{\alpha}_n^*$ is a point in between $\hat{\alpha}_n^*$ and $\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*$.

$$-\frac{dl_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha}[\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*] = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{i,n} W_i \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*]}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{d^2 l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*, \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*] \\ = & \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{i,n} W_i \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*]' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*]}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}. \end{aligned}$$

One can show that $\frac{dl_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*] = \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle^2}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} + o_{p^*}(n^{-1})$, and $\frac{d^2 l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*, \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*] = - \left(\sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 + o_p(1)$. Therefore,

$$l_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 + o_{p^*}(n^{-1}).$$

Next, define $\ddot{\alpha}^* = \bar{\alpha}_n^* + \sum_{l=1}^L \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_l \rangle \tilde{v}_{nl} / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2$ and

$$\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^* = \bar{\alpha}_n^* + \sum_{l=1}^L \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle \Psi_n \tilde{v}_l / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2.$$

Following similar steps, we obtain

$$l_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*) - l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 + o_{p^*}(n^{-1}).$$

Since $\hat{\alpha}_n$ is a maximizer,

$$\begin{aligned} l_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - l_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*) & \geq l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) - l_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 + o_{p^*}(n^{-1}) \\ & = l_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) + o_{p^*}(n^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$l_n^*(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*) \geq l_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*) + o_{p^*}(n^{-1}).$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\mathcal{L}_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - \mathcal{L}_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*)) &\leq 2(\mathcal{L}_n(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - \mathcal{L}_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*(t))) + o_p(1) \\ &= 2n(l_n(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - l_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*(t))) + o_p(1) \\ &= w_0 \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\sqrt{n} \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\sqrt{w_0} \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 + o_{p^*}(1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\mathcal{L}_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - \mathcal{L}_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*)) &\geq 2(\mathcal{L}_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}^*(t)) - \mathcal{L}_n(\bar{\alpha}_n^*)) + o_p(1) \\ &= w_0 \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\sqrt{n} \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\sqrt{w_0} \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 + o_p(1) \end{aligned}$$

Since $\sqrt{n} \langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\| \rangle \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$, $\sqrt{n} \langle \hat{\alpha}_n^* - \hat{\alpha}_n, \tilde{v}_{nl} / \sqrt{w_0} \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\| \rangle \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$, where $w_0 = \text{Var}(W - 1) = \text{Var}(W)$.

$$2(\mathcal{L}_n^*(\hat{\alpha}_n^*) - \mathcal{L}_n^*(\bar{\alpha}_n^*)) \xrightarrow{d} w_0 \chi_{(b)}^2$$

where b is the maximum number of linearly independent constraints. $\square$

E Useful Lemmas

In this section, we present some lemmas that are useful to prove the results in Section B.

Lemma E.1. *Suppose Assumptions in Theorem 2.1 hold, then*

(i)

$$\frac{dl_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] = \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle^2}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} + o_p(n^{-1}),$$

(ii)

$$\frac{d^2 l_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}, \hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle^2}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} + o_p(n^{-1}).$$

Proof of E.1. (i) By the first order condition of (2.5), for all $\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}$ w.p.a.1, we have

$$0 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}, \quad (\text{E.1})$$

A straightforward calculation shows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{dl_n(\Psi \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi \ddot{\alpha}] \\ &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{i,n} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \\ &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{i,n} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})'}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \right) \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}), \quad (\text{E.2}) \end{aligned}$$

where the first equality follows from the first order condition and chain rule and the second equality follows from a straightforward calculation. Furthermore, by the definition of $\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}$, $\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}$. Thus, respectively, Lemma B.4 (ii) and (iii) in Otsu (2011) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \hat{V}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{i,n} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})'}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \right) \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) = o_p(n^{-1}).$$

Hence, (E.2) can be simplified as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{dl_n(\Psi\ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi\ddot{\alpha}] \\
= & -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \hat{V}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
= & -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \frac{dm(x_i, \alpha_0)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
= & -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \hat{m}(x_i, \alpha_0)' V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \frac{dm(x_i, \alpha_0)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \\
& -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \{ \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) - \hat{m}(x_i, \alpha_0) \}' V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \frac{dm(x_i, \alpha_0)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
= & -\sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} \times \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \rho(z_i, \alpha_0)' V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \frac{dm(x_i, \alpha_0)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right. \\
& \left. + \langle \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle + o_p(n^{-1}) \right) \\
= & -\sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} \times (-\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle + o_p(n^{-1})) \\
= & \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle^2}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} + o_p(n^{-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

where the second equality follows from Lemma (iv) in Otsu (2011), forth equality follows from the definition of $\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}$ and Lemma B.4 (v) in Otsu (2011), and the fifth equality follows from the property that $\langle \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} - \tilde{v}_{nl}, \tilde{v}_{nl} / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\| \rangle = o_p(1)$ by assumptions in Theorem 2.1.

(ii) Next, we decompose the second-order term as

$$\frac{d^2 l_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}, \hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] = A_1 + A_2 + A_3,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
A_1 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \left\{ \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right)^2}, \\
A_2 &= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})},
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
A_3 &= - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij}}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \\
&\quad \times \sum_{k=1}^{d_\rho} \left\{ \frac{d^2 \rho^{(k)}(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}, \hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\} \hat{\lambda}^{(k)}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}).
\end{aligned}$$

The desired result follows by the following steps.

First, we show that $\sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} |A_1(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})|$ is $o_p(n^{-1})$. We write

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} |A_1(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})| \\
&= \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \left\{ \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right)^2} \right) \right|,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \max_{1 \leq l \leq L} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \left\{ \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right)^2} \right| \\
&\leq \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \max_{1 \leq l \leq L} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \left\{ \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\} \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right| \times O_{as}(1)
\end{aligned}$$

where the inequality follows because $\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \left| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha) \right| = o_{as}(1)$. Thus,

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} |A_1(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})| \\
& \leq O_{as}(1) \times \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \times \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\|_E \\
& \quad \times \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\|_E \\
& \quad + O_{as}(1) \times \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E^2 \\
& \quad \times \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \left\{ \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\}' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\|_E.
\end{aligned}$$

It implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} |A_1(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})| \\
& \leq O_{as}(1) \times \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_l \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \times \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\|_E \\
& \quad \times \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left\| \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ji} \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right) \right\|_E \\
& \quad + O_{as}(1) \times \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right\|_E^2 \\
& \quad \times \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left\| \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_l \rangle^2}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \left\{ \frac{d\rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\}' \frac{d\rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right) \right\|_E \\
& \leq O_p(n^{-1}) \times o_p(n^{-1/4}) \sup_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_n} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} c_1(z_j) c_2(z_j) \right\|_E + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \times O_p(n^{-1}) \sup_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_n} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} c_2(z_j)^2 \right\|_E \\
& = o_p(n^{-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality follows from the fact that for each $l = 1, \dots, L$, $\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\| =$

$$O_p(n^{-1/2}), \sup_{\tilde{\alpha}_n \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \tilde{\alpha}_n) \right\|_E^2 = o_p(n^{-1/2}),$$

$$\sup_{\tilde{\alpha}_n \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \tilde{\alpha}_n)' \times \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \tilde{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\|_E = o_p(n^{-1/4})$$

and Assumptions A.2 and A.8, where $c_1(z_j)$ and $c_2(z_j)$ are envelope functions for $\rho(z_j, \tilde{\alpha}_n)$ and $\frac{d\rho(z_j, \tilde{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}]$, respectively. And the last equality follows from the uniform convergence of kernel estimators.

Next, we show that $\sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} |A_3(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})| = o_p(n^{-1})$. Similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\hat{\alpha}_n \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} |A_3(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})| \\ \leq & \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \right| \times \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \max_{1 \leq k \leq d_\rho} \lambda_k(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right\|_E \\ & \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left\| \sum_{l=1}^L \left\{ \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_l \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \sum_{k=1}^{d_\rho} \frac{d^2 \rho_k(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}, \tilde{v}_{nl}] \right\} \right\|_E \\ \leq & O_{as}(1) \times O_p(n^{-1}) \times O_p(n^{-1/2}) \times \sup_{\hat{\alpha}_n \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \max_{1 \leq k \leq d_\rho} \lambda_k(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right\|_E \times \sup_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_n} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ji} c_3(z_j) \right\|_E \\ = & o_p(n^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality is by direct calculation, the second inequality follows from the fact that for each $l = 1, \dots, L$, $\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle / \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\| = O_p(n^{-1/2})$, $\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}} \left| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha) \right| = o_{as}(1)$ by Lemma D.2 in Kitamura *et al.* (2004) and Assumption A.8, where $c_3(z_j)$ is an envelope function for $\frac{d^2 \rho_k(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}, \tilde{v}_{nl}]$, and the last equality follows from the uniform convergence of kernel estimators and the fact that $\sup_{\hat{\alpha}_n \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|\lambda(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)\|_E = o_p(n^{-1/4})$.

Next, we prove that $A_2 = -\frac{1}{2n} \sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \Psi_n \tilde{v}_l \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_l\|} \right)^2 + o_p(1)$. Note that by equation (E.1)

$$\begin{aligned}
0 &= \frac{d}{d\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \right) [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right)} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})'}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right)^2} \times \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]'}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right)^2} \times \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \\
&\equiv B_1 - B_2 - B_3,
\end{aligned} \tag{E.3}$$

Similarly, some algebra shows that

$$\begin{aligned}
B_3 &\leq \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ji} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]'}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right)^2} \right) \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right| \\
&\leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right)^2} \right| \\
&\quad \times \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E \times \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right\|_E \\
&\leq O_p(n^{-1/2}) \times O_{as}(1) \times \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E \left\| \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E \\
&\quad \times O_p(1) = O_p(n^{-1/2}) \times o_p(n^{-1/2}) = o_p(n^{-1}),
\end{aligned} \tag{E.4}$$

where the last equality follows because

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E \left\| \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E \\
& \leq \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n C^{-1} \left\| \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E^2} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\| \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E^2} \\
& \simeq \sup_{(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\| \hat{m}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E^2 = o_p(n^{-1/4}),
\end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality follows from Cauchy-Schwartz and the fact that $\|\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)\|_E \leq C^{-1} \|\hat{m}(x_i, \alpha)\|_E$ for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}$, and the second equality follows from similar argument in Lemma E.7. Next, we show that

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1}). \quad (\text{E.5})$$

The argument is as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \left(\frac{e_{ji} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})'}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})\right)^2} \right) \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right| \\
& - \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right| \\
& \leq \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \left(\frac{e_{ji} \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})'}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})\right)^2} \right) - V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\} \right. \\
& \quad \left. \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right| \times O_p(n^{-1/2}) \\
& \leq O_p(n^{-1/2}) \times O_p(1) \\
& \quad \times \sup_{\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha} \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\| \hat{V}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) - V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \right\|_E \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right| \\
& = O_p(n^{-1/2}) \times O_p(1) \times o_p(n^{-1/4}) \times o_p(n^{-1/4}) = o_p(n^{-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

By combining results in equations (E.3), (E.4) and (E.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
B_1 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ji} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})\right)} = B_2 + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \\
&= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}) \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1/2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \\
&= V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \frac{e_{ji} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})\right)} \right\} + o_p(n^{-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we obtain the result that

$$\begin{aligned}
&A_2 \\
&= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \frac{d\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]' \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{i,n} e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \\
&= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \frac{e_{ji} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{\left(1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})\right)} \right\} V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})^{-1} \\
&\quad \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{i,n} e_{ij} \frac{d\rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}]}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})' \rho(z_j, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})} \right\} + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
&= -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{d\hat{m}(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] \right)' V(x_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})^{-1} \frac{d\hat{m}(z_i, \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
&= -\sum_{l=1}^L \left\{ \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} \right)^2 \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{dm(z_i, \alpha_0)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right)' V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \frac{dm(z_i, \alpha_0)}{d\alpha} [\tilde{v}_{nl}] \right] \right\} + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
&= -\sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|} \right)^2 \times \{ \|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2 + o_P(n^{-1/2}) \} + o_p(n^{-1}) \\
&= -\sum_{l=1}^L \left(\frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} \right)^2 + o_p(n^{-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

where the third equation follows from the fact that $\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \alpha) \times \mathcal{X}} \left| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha) \right| =$

$o_{as}(1)$, the forth equation follows from Lemma B.2 (ii) and (iii) in Otsu (2011), and the fifth equation follows from the definition of $\hat{\Psi}_n \ddot{\alpha}$. Hence, the result

$$\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 l_n(\Psi_n \ddot{\alpha})}{d\alpha d\alpha} [\hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}, \hat{\alpha}_n - \Psi_n \ddot{\alpha}] = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{l=1}^L \frac{\langle \hat{\alpha}_n - \alpha_0, \tilde{v}_{nl} \rangle}{\|\tilde{v}_{nl}\|^2} + o_p(n^{-1}) \quad (\text{E.6})$$

follows. $\square$

Lemma E.2. *Suppose that Assumptions A.1-A.9 hold. Then*

$$\sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha) \left(\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha) \right)^2}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha)} \right| = o_p(n^{-1/2}).$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha) \left(\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha) \right)^2}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha)} \right| \\ & \leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{1 + \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha)} \right| \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^2 \right| \\ & \quad \times \sup_{(x_i, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} \|\rho(z_j, \alpha)\|^3 \right| \\ & \leq O_p(1) \sup_{x_i \in \mathcal{X}_n} \left| \sum_{j=1}^n e_{ij} c_1(z_j)^3 \right| \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^2 \right| = o_p(n^{-1/2}), \end{aligned}$$

where the second inequality follows from the fact that $\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{(x_i, \alpha)} \left| \hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)' \rho(z_j, \alpha) \right| = o_{as}(1)$, Assumption A.2 ($c_1(z_j)$ is an envelope function for $\rho(z_j, \alpha)$) and the last equality follows from Lemma B.3 (vii) in Otsu (2011), the uniform convergence of kernel estimators and Lemma D.4 of Kitamura *et al.* (2004). $\square$

Lemma E.3. *Suppose that Assumptions A.1-A.9 hold. Then $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_1 = o_p(1)$ under H_0 .*

Proof. Recall that $\hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) = \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \hat{f}^2(x_i)$ and $\hat{f}(x_i) = \sum_{u=1}^n K_{iu} / nb_n^s$. By the uniform

consistency of kernel estimators, it is well-known that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} |\hat{f}^2(x) - f^2(x)| = O_p \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nb_n^s}} + b_n^2 \right). \quad (\text{E.7})$$

Also, by Lemma B.2 in Otsu (2011), we have

$$\sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \|\hat{V}(x_i, \alpha) - V(x_i, \alpha)\|_E = O_p(\varrho_n) = o_p(n^{-1/4}), \quad (\text{E.8})$$

Let $\inf_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} |f(x)| = b$ and $\sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \|V(x_i, \alpha)\| = B$, for constants b and B satisfying $0 < b, B < \infty$. By some algebra,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \left\| \hat{H}(x, \alpha) - H(x, \alpha) \right\| \\ &= \sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \left\| \frac{\hat{V}(x, \alpha)}{\hat{f}^2(x)} - \frac{V(x, \alpha)}{f^2(x)} \right\| \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E.9})$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \leq b^{-1} \sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \left\| \hat{V}(x, \alpha) - V(x, \alpha) \right\| + \frac{B(1 + 2/b)}{b^2} \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} \left| \hat{f}^2(x) - f^2(x) \right| \\ & \quad + (1 + 2/b) / b^2 \sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \left\| \hat{V}(x, \alpha) - V(x, \alpha) \right\| \times \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} \left| \hat{f}^2(x) - f^2(x) \right| \end{aligned} \quad (\text{E.10})$$

Thus, (E.7)-(E.10) imply that

$$\sup_{(x, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} \left\| \hat{H}(x, \alpha) - H(x, \alpha) \right\| = O_p \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nb_n^s}} + b_n^2 + \varrho_n \right). \quad (\text{E.11})$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} b_n^{s/2} \left| \hat{D}_1 \right| &= \sup_{(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} b_n^{s/2} \left| K^2(0) \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \frac{\rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)}{\{\sum_{u=1}^n K_{iu}\}^2} \right| \\ &= \sup_{(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} b_n^{s/2} \left| \frac{K^2(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \right| \\ &\leq K^2(0) \sup_{(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} b_n^{s/2} \left\| \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \right\| \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n c_1(z_i)^2 \\ &= O_p(n^{-1} b_n^{-3s/2}). \end{aligned}$$

We have $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_1 = o_p(1)$ by Assumption A.3. □

Lemma E.4. *Suppose that Assumptions A.1-A.9 hold. Then $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_2 = b_n^{-s/2} qR(K) \text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n) + o_p(1)$ under H_0 .*

Proof. Recall that $e_{ij} = K_{ij} / \sum_{j=1}^n K_{ij}$. We decompose

$$\hat{D}_2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij}^2 \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)$$

as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{D}_2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij}^2 \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij}^2 \{ \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \}' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{ \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij}^2 \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{ \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij}^2 \{ \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \}' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \\ &\equiv \hat{D}_{2a} + \hat{D}_{2b} + \hat{D}_{2c} + \hat{D}_{2d}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us look at each term of $\hat{D}_2$ one by one. First,

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{D}_{2a} &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \text{tr} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \left\{ \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} - H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \right\} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \text{tr} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \equiv \hat{D}_{2a}^{(1)} + \hat{D}_{2a}^{(2)}. \end{aligned}$$

First, by similar argument in Lemma E.3, one can show that $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{2a}^{(1)} = o_p(b_n^{-s/2} n^{-1/4}) = o_p(1)$.

Next, for the second term, note that

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{D}_{2a}^{(2)} &= \frac{1}{nb_n^s} \text{tr} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \{R(K)V(x_i, \alpha_0)f(x_i) + R_a(x_i)\} H^{-1}(x_i, \alpha_0) \\ &= \frac{qR(K)}{nb_n^s} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in}}{f(x_i)} + O_p\left(\frac{\zeta_n}{b_n^s}\right),\end{aligned}$$

where q is the number of moments $\rho(x_i, \alpha_0)$, $R(K) = \int_{[-1,1]^s} K^2(u)du$, $\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} \|R_a(x_i)\| = O_p(\zeta_n)$, $\zeta_n = \sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nb_n^s}} + b_n^2$ follows by the uniform consistency of kernel estimators and the second equation holds because $\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} \|H^{-1}(x_i, \alpha_0)\| < \infty$. Furthermore, $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in}}{f(x_i)} = \text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n) + o_p(1)$ by the central limit theorem, which implies that $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{2a}^{(1)} = b_n^{-s/2} qR(K)\text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n) + o_p(1)$.

Next, note that $\sup_{(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \|\rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)\| = O_p(\varrho_{sn})$ by Assumption 2.1 and Assumption A.2, then

$$\hat{D}_{2b} \leq \frac{1}{nb_n^s} \text{tr} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \left\{ \frac{1}{nb_n^s} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n K_{ij}^2 \varrho_{sn}^2 \right\} \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} = O_p(\varrho_{sn}^2 b_n^{-s}).$$

Thus, $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{2b} = o_p(1)$ by consistency of kernel estimator, consistency of $\hat{\alpha}_n$ and Assumption A.3. Similarly, we have $\hat{D}_{2c} = o_p(b_n^{-s/2})$ and $\hat{D}_{2d} = o_p(b_n^{-s/2})$, which implies, in summary, $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_2 = b_n^{-s/2} qR(K)\text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n) + o_p(1)$. $\square$

Lemma E.5. *Suppose Assumption A.1-A.9 hold. Then $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_3 = o_p(1)$.*

Proof. First, we rewrite $\hat{D}_3$ as the following terms:

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{2}\hat{D}_3 &= K(0) \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \frac{\rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) e_{ij}}{\sum_{u=1}^n K_{iu}} \\
&= \frac{K(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) \\
&= \frac{K(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_i, \alpha_0)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \\
&\quad + \frac{2K(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_i, \alpha_0)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{\rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)\} \\
&\quad + \frac{K(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \{\rho(z_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_i, \alpha_0)\}' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{\rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)\} \\
&\equiv \hat{D}_{3a} + \hat{D}_{3b} + \hat{D}_{3c}.
\end{aligned}$$

Let $\hat{\psi}^{(st)}(x_i)$ be the $(st)^{th}$ element of $\hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1}$ and $\psi^{(st)}$ be the $(st)^{th}$ element of $H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1}$.

We write the first term as

$$\begin{aligned}
&\hat{D}_{3a} \\
&= \frac{K(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_i, \alpha_0)' \hat{H}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \\
&= \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \frac{K(0)}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho^{(s)}(z_i, \alpha_0) \hat{\psi}^{(st)}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho^{(t)}(z_j, \alpha_0) \\
&= \frac{K(0)}{n^{1/2} b_n^s} \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \left\{ \frac{1}{n^{3/2} b_n^s} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho^{(s)}(z_i, \alpha_0) \left[\hat{\psi}^{(st)}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} - \psi^{(st)}(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \right] \rho^{(t)}(z_j, \alpha_0) \right\} \\
&\quad + \frac{K(0)}{n^{1/2} b_n^s} \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \left\{ \frac{1}{n^{3/2} b_n^s} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho^{(s)}(z_i, \alpha_0) \psi^{(st)}(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \rho^{(t)}(z_j, \alpha_0) \right\} \\
&\equiv \frac{K(0)}{n^{1/2} b_n^s} \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \left(\hat{D}_{3a}^{(1)} + \hat{D}_{3a}^{(2)} \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Because $\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{n b_n^s} \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \rho^{(t)}(z_j, \alpha_0) K_{ij} \right)^2 = O(b_n^{-s})$ by the fact that $K_{ij} \rho^{(s)}(z_i, \alpha_0)$ and

$K_{ik}\rho^{(t)}(Z_j, \alpha_0)$ are uncorrelated for $i \neq j \neq k$ and

$$\sup_{(x_i, \alpha_n) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{N}_{0n}} \left| \hat{\psi}^{(st)}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \psi^{(st)}(x_i, \alpha_0) \right|^2 = O_p(\log n / nb_n^s) + o_p(n^{-1/2})$$

by (E.11) in Lemma E.3, we have $\left(\hat{D}_{3a}^{(1)} \right)^2 = \left(O_p(\log n / nb_n^s) + o_p(n^{-1/2}) \right) O_p(b_n^{-s})$ and then

$$\frac{K(0)}{n^{1/2}b_n^s} \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \hat{D}_{3a}^{(1)} = \left(O_p\left(\sqrt{\log n / nb_n^s}\right) + o_p(n^{-1/4}) \right) O_p\left(1/\sqrt{nb_n^{3s}}\right) = o_p(1).$$

Moreover, because $\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho^{(s)}(z_i, \alpha_0) \psi^{(st)}(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \rho^{(t)}(z_i, \alpha_0)$ and $\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ik} \rho^{(s)}(z_i, \alpha_0) \psi^{(st)}(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \rho^{(t)}(z_k, \alpha_0)$ are uncorrelated for $i \neq j \neq k$, and for large enough n , $\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} \psi^{(st)}(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} < \infty$, then

$$\sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \hat{D}_{3a}^{(2)} = O_p\left(\sqrt{1/nb_n^s}\right) \text{ so}$$

$$\frac{K(0)}{n^{1/2}b_n^s} \sum_{s=1}^q \sum_{t=1}^q \hat{D}_{3a}^{(2)} = O_p\left(\sqrt{1/nb_n^s}\right) \times O_p\left(\sqrt{1/nb_n^s}\right) = O_p(1/nb_n^s) = o_p(1).$$

Therefore, $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{3a} = o_p(1)$. By similar argument for $\hat{D}_{3b}$, (E.11) in Lemma E.3 and the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, we have $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{3b} = o_p(1)$ and $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{3c} = o_p(1)$. $\square$

Lemma E.6. *Suppose Assumption A.1-A.9 hold. Then $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_4 \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 2qK^{**} \text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n))$ under H_0 .*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{D}_4 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n)' \hat{V}^{-1}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n) \rho(z_l, \hat{\alpha}_n) e_{il} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) e_{il} \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{ \rho(z_l, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) \} e_{il} \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \{ \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \}' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) e_{il} \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \{ \rho(z_j, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) \}' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{ \rho(z_l, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) \} e_{il} \\
&\equiv \hat{D}_{4a} + \hat{D}_{4b} + \hat{D}_{4c} + \hat{D}_{4d}.
\end{aligned}$$

We write

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{D}_{4a} &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) K_{il} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \left[\hat{H}(x_i, \alpha_0) - H(x_i, \alpha_0) \right] \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) K_{il} \\
&\equiv \hat{D}_{4a}^{(1)} + \hat{D}_{4a}^{(2)}.
\end{aligned}$$

For the first term $\hat{D}_{4a}^{(1)}$, let $A_{tj} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} K_{it}$ and $W_{tj} = 2\rho(z_t, \alpha_0)' A_{tj} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)$, then $\hat{D}_{4a}^{(1)} = \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=t+1}^n W_{tj}$. As in Tripathi and Kitamura (2003), let

$$\begin{aligned}
G_I &= \sum_{t=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=t+1}^n E W_{tj}^4 \\
G_{II} &= \sum_{t=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=t+1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^n (E W_{tj}^2 W_{tk}^2 + E W_{jt}^2 W_{jk}^2 + E W_{kt}^2 W_{kj}^2)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$G_{IV} = \sum_{t=1}^{n-3} \sum_{j=t+1}^{n-2} \sum_{k=j+1}^{n-1} \sum_{l=k+1}^n E(W_{tj}W_{tk}W_{lj}W_{lk}) + E(W_{tj}W_{tl}W_{kj}W_{kl}) + E(W_{tk}W_{tl}W_{jk}W_{jl}).$$

Then following similar argument in Lemma A.6 of Tripathi and Kitamura (2003), one can show that $G_I = O(n^4)$, $G_{II} = O(n^5)$ and $G_{IV} = O(n^6)$. Then by the central limit theorem for generalized quadratic forms in de Jong (1987) (Proposition 3.2), we have $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4a}^{(1)} \rightarrow N(0, 2qK^{**} \text{vol}(\mathcal{X}_n))$.

Next, we show that $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4a}^{(2)} = o_p(1)$. Let $\delta_n(x_i) = \hat{H}(x_i, \alpha_0) - H(x_i, \alpha_0)$. Note that by the uniform consistency of kernel estimators, $\sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}_n} |\delta_n(x)| = O_p(\sqrt{\log n / nb_n^s} + b_n^2)$. After changing the order of summation, we write

$$\begin{aligned} b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4a}^{(2)} &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{3s/2}} \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \delta_n(x_i) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) K_{il}, \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{3s/2}} \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' B_{jl}(\delta_n) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{3s/2}} A(\delta_n), \end{aligned} \tag{E.12}$$

where $B_{jl}(\delta_n) \equiv \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \delta_n(x_i) K_{il}$ and $A(\delta_n) \equiv \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' B_{jl}(\delta_n) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)$.

Define $B_{jl}^*(\gamma) = \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \gamma K_{il}$, and $A^*(\gamma) = \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \rho(z_j, \alpha_0) B_{jl}^* \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)$. We can see that

$$\{E[A^*(1)]\}^2 \leq E\{A^*(1)\}^2 = 2 \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n E\{\rho(z_j, \alpha_0) B_{jl}^*(1) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)\}^2.$$

And we have

$$\begin{aligned} E\{\rho(z_j, \alpha_0) B_{jl}^*(1) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)\}^2 &= \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l} E\{\mathbf{1}_{in} [\rho(z_j, \alpha_0)]^2 [\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)]^2 K_{ij}^2 K_{il}^2\} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l} \sum_{s=1, s \neq i \neq j \neq l} E\{\mathbf{1}_{in} [\rho(z_j, \alpha_0)]^2 [\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)]^2 K_{ij} K_{il} K_{sj} K_{sl}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$E\{\mathbf{1}_{in}[\rho(z_j, \alpha_0)]^2[\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)]^2 K_{ij}^2 K_{il}^2\} = O(b_n^{2s}),$$

and

$$E\{\mathbf{1}_{in}[\rho(z_j, \alpha_0)]^2[\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)]^2 K_{ij} K_{il} K_{sj} K_{sl}\} = O(b_n^{3s}).$$

Therefore, we have

$$E\{\rho(z_j, \alpha_0) B_{jl}^*(1) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)\}^2 = O(n^2 b_n^{3s}).$$

Hence $E|A^*(1)| = O(n^2 b_n^{3s/2})$. Thus, $A(\delta_n) = o_p(n^2 b_n^{3s/2})$ because $\delta_n = o_p(1)$ and $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4a}^{(2)} = o_p(1)$ by combining with (E.12).

Now let us look at $\hat{D}_{4b}$,

$$\hat{D}_{4b} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} e_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' \hat{V}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)^{-1} \{\rho(z_l, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)\} e_{il}.$$

Let $\Gamma(z_l) = \{\rho(z_l, \hat{\alpha}_n) - \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)\}$ for $l = 1, \dots, n$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{D}_{4b} &= \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{l=1, l \neq j \neq i}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} \rho(z_j, \alpha_0)' H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \Gamma_n(z_l) K_{il} + o_p(1) \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' U_{lj} \Gamma_n(z_j) + o_p(1) \\ &\equiv \frac{1}{n^2 b_n^{2s}} \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(\Gamma_n) + o_p(1), \end{aligned}$$

where $U_{lj} = \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} H_n(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} K_{il}$ and $V_{lj}(\Gamma_n) = \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' U_{lj} \Gamma_n(z_j)$. We have $E\{V_{lj} V_{jl}\} = 0$ if $l \neq j$ and $E\{V_{lj} V_{mu}\} = 0$ if $u \neq j$. To show $b_n^{s/2} \hat{D}_{4b} = o_p(1)$, it suffices to show that $\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(\Gamma_n) = o_p(n^2 b_n^{3s/2})$. Note that since

$$\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' U_{lj} \Gamma_n(z_j) = \sum_{u=1}^q \sum_{v=1}^q \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)^{(u)} U_{lj}^{(uv)} \Gamma_n^{(v)}(z_j),$$

it suffice to consider $\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)^{(u)} U_{lj}^{(uv)} \Gamma_n^{(v)}(z_j)$. We already know that $\sup_{(x_i, \alpha) \in \mathcal{X}_n \times \mathcal{A}_n} |\Gamma_n(z_i)| =$

$O_p(\varrho_{s,n})$ by Assumption A.2 (on smoothness of ρ) and Assumption 2.1. Consider $V_{lj}^*(\varsigma) = \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' U_{lj} \varsigma$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} E\{\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' U_{lj} \varsigma\}^2 &= E\{\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' A_{lj} \varsigma \varsigma' U_{lj} \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)\} \\ &= E \text{tr} \{A_{lj} \varsigma \varsigma' U_{lj} \rho(z_l, \alpha_0) \rho(z_l, \alpha_0)'\} = \text{tr} E \{A_{lj} \varsigma \varsigma' U_{lj} V(x_l, \alpha_0)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned} & A_{lj} \varsigma \varsigma' U_{lj} V(x_l, \alpha_0) \\ &= \left\{ \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l} \mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij} H(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma' K_{il} \right\} \times \left\{ \sum_{s=1, s \neq j \neq l}^n \mathbf{1}_{sn} K_{sj} H(x_s, \alpha_0)^{-1} V(x_l, \alpha_0) K_{sl} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$E\{\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)' U_{lj} \varsigma\}^2 \equiv \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l}^n \text{tr}(F_1) + \sum_{i=1, i \neq j \neq l}^n \sum_{s=1, s \neq i \neq j \neq l} \text{tr}(F_2),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} I &= E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 K_{il}^2 V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma' V(x_i, \alpha_0) V(x_l, \alpha_0)}{f^4(x_i)} \right\}, \\ II &= E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} \mathbf{1}_{sn} K_{ij} K_{il} K_{sj} K_{sl} V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma' V(x_s, \alpha_0) V(x_l, \alpha_0)}{f^2(x_i) f^2(x_s)} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$E[K_{il}^2 V(x_l, \alpha_0) | x_i] = b_n^s R(K) V(x_i, \alpha_0) f(x_i) + o_p(b_n^{s+2}).$$

By iterated expectations and the independence of observations

$$\begin{aligned} F_1 &= E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma' V(x_i, \alpha_0)}{h^4(x_i)} E[K_{il}^2 V(x_l, \alpha_0) | x_i] \right\} \\ &= b_n^s R(K) E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma'}{h^3(x_i)} \right\} + b_n^{s+2} E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma' V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} R^{(3)}(x_i)}{h^4(x_i)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

As $E[K_{ij}^2 | x_i] = b_n^s R(K) f(x_i) + o_p(b_n^{s+2})$,

$$E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} K_{ij}^2 V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma'}{h^3(x_i)} \right\} = b_n^s R(K) E \left(\frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} \varsigma \varsigma'}{h^2(x_i)} \right) + b_n^{s+2} E \left\{ \frac{\mathbf{1}_{in} V(x_i, \alpha_0)^{-1} R^{(4)}(x_i)}{h^3(x_i)} \right\},$$

we have $E\{\rho(z_l, \alpha_0)'U_{lj}\varsigma\}^2 = O(n^2b_n^{3s})$. The iterated expectations imply that

$$E\{V_{lj}^*(\varsigma)V_{mj}^*(\varsigma)\} = O(n^2b_n^{4s}).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr\left\{\left|\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(\tau_n^{-1/2}\Gamma_n)\right| > M_\varepsilon\right\} &\leq \Pr\left\{\left|\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(1)\right| > M_\varepsilon\right\} \\ &\leq E\left|\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(1)\right| / M_\varepsilon + o(1), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left\{E\left|\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(1)\right|\right\}^2 \leq 2 \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n EV_{lj}(1)^2 + \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n \sum_{m=1, m \neq j \neq l}^n EV_{lj}(1)V_{mj}(1).$$

Because $EV_{lj}(1)^2 = O(n^2b_n^{3s})$ and $E\{V_{lj}V_{mj}\} = O(n^2b_n^{4s})$, we get $\left\{E\left|\sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq l}^n V_{lj}(1)\right|\right\}^2 = O(n^5b_n^{4s})$. Then $E\{b_n^{s/2}\hat{D}_{4b}\}^2 = \frac{\varrho_{s,n}^2}{n^4b_n^{3s}}O(n^5b_n^{4s}) = O(\varrho_{s,n}^2nb_n^s) = o(1)$ by conditions in Assumption A.3 (iii). $\square$

Lemma E.7. Let $\eta_n = n^{-\tau}$ with $\tau \in (0, 1/4]$ and $\mathcal{B}(\eta_n) \equiv \{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n : \|\alpha - \alpha_0\| \leq o(\eta_n)\}$.

Suppose that Assumptions A.1-A.9 hold. Then

$$\sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \hat{\alpha}_n)\|_E^3 = o_p(\eta_n^3).$$

Proof. First, we show that

$$\sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3 = o_p(\eta_n^3). \quad (\text{E.13})$$

The argument is similar to that of Corollary A.2 (ii) in Ai and Chen (2003). Because $\mathbf{1}_{in} \leq 1$

and the triangle inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3 \\ & \leq \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3 - E\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3] \right| + \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} E [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3]. \end{aligned}$$

Because of Theorem 2.5.6 in van der Vaart and Wellner (1996), by Assumption A.2 and A.6, $\{\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3 : \alpha \in \mathcal{A}_n\}$ is a subset of $\Lambda_c^\gamma(\mathcal{X})$. Thus, it is a Donsker class. Moreover, $m(x_i, \alpha_0) = 0$ and Assumption A.2 implies that as $\|\alpha - \alpha_0\| \rightarrow 0$,

$$E [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^6 - E\|m(x_i, \alpha_0)\|_E^6] = E [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^6] \leq \text{const.} \times \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|^6 \rightarrow 0. \quad (\text{E.14})$$

Then $\sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^6 - E\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^6] \right| = o_p(n^{-1/2})$ implied by Lemma 1 of Chen *et al.* (2003). Furthermore, by (E.14)

$$\sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} E [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3] \leq \sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \sqrt{E [\|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^6]} \leq o(\eta_n^3),$$

we have $\sup_{\alpha \in \mathcal{B}(\eta_n)} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{in} \|m(x_i, \alpha)\|_E^3 = o_p(\eta_n^3)$. Because $\|\hat{\lambda}(x_i, \alpha)\|_E \leq C^{-1} \|\hat{m}(x_i, \alpha)\|_E$ for some constant $C > 0$ by Lemma B.3 (i) in Otsu (2011), the conclusion in (E.13) follows. $\square$

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