

Online Appendix A. Proof of Theorem 1

To prove Theorem 1, we assume that $w_i(t; \alpha)$ is a function of $(\Delta_i, T_i, \bar{A}_i, V_i, \bar{L}_i)$ for each $i = 1, \dots, n$ and $(\hat{\beta}', \hat{\alpha}', \hat{\alpha}^c)'$ as well as $S_w^{(0)}(t; \beta, \alpha)$, $S_w^{(1)}(t; \beta, \alpha)$, $S_w^{(0)}(t; \hat{\beta}, \hat{\alpha})$, $S_w^{(1)}(t; \hat{\beta}, \hat{\alpha})$ and $w_i(t; \hat{\alpha})$ are functions of the random variables $(\Delta_i, T_i, \bar{A}_i, V_i, \bar{L}_i)_{i=1}^n$. We will denote with $Y_i(t) = 1 - C_i(t)$, if an individual is still under observation. We further assume the following regularity conditions:

(A) $\int_0^\infty \tilde{\lambda}_0(t) dt < \infty$

(B) There exists a neighborhood U of $(\beta', \alpha')'$ such that for each $j = 0, 1, 2$:

$$\sup_{t \in (0, \infty), (\beta^*, \alpha^*) \in U} \|S_w^{(j)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*) - s_w^{(j)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*)\| \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

(C) There exists a neighborhood U of $(\beta', \alpha')'$ such that for $(\beta^{*'}, \alpha^{*'})' \in U$ and $t \in (0, \infty)$:

$$\nabla_\beta s_w^{(0)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*) = s_w^{(1)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*),$$

$$\nabla_\beta s_w^{(1)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*)' = s_w^{(2)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*),$$

$s_w^{(0)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*)$, $s_w^{(1)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*)$, $s_w^{(2)}(t; \beta^*, \alpha^*)$ are continuous functions of $(\beta^{*'}, \alpha^{*'})' \in U$, uniformly in $t \in (0, \infty)$, $s_w^{(0)}$, $s_w^{(1)}$ and $s_w^{(2)}$ are bounded on $U \times (0, \infty)$ and $s_w^{(0)}$ is bounded away from zero on $U \times (0, \infty)$,

(D) There exists a neighborhood U of $(\beta', \alpha')'$ such that for all $(\beta^{*'}, \alpha^{*'})' \in U$:

– $\mathbb{E}(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} u_{w,1}(\beta^*, \alpha^*)')$, $\mathbb{E}(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{a*})u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{a*})')$, $\mathbb{E}(\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} u_{w,i}(\beta^*, \alpha^*)')$ and $\mathbb{E}(u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{c*})u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{c*})')$ exist and $\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E}(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} u_{w,1}(\beta^*, \alpha^*)')$, $\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E}(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{a*})u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{a*})')$, $\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} \mathbb{E}(\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} u_{w,i}(\beta^*, \alpha^*)')$ and $\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} \mathbb{E}(u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{c*})u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{c*})')$ are bounded.

– $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})'$, $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})'$, $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})'$ and $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})'$ exist and $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})')$, $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})')$, $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')$ and $\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')$ are bounded.

(E) Differentiation with respect to $\alpha^{(a)}$ and $\alpha^{(c)}$ is exchangeable with integration as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E}(u_{w,i}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})') &= \int \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} (u_{w,i}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' f(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i)) d(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i) \\ \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} \mathbb{E}(u_{w,i}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})') &= \int \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} (u_{w,i}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' f(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i)) d(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i) \\ \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E}(u_{\alpha^{(a)},i}(\alpha^{(a)})') &= \int \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} (u_{\alpha^{(a)},i}(\alpha^{(a)})' f(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i)) d(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i) \\ \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} \mathbb{E}(u_{\alpha^{(c)},i}(\alpha^{(c)})') &= \int \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} (u_{\alpha^{(c)},i}(\alpha^{(c)})' f(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i)) d(\delta_i, t_i, \bar{a}_i, v_i, \bar{l}_i) \end{aligned}$$

Proof.

The proof is based on the proof of Ali et al. [1] of the variance formula for known IPT weights and the proof of Robins et al. [2] of the variance of estimators resulting from IPC weighted generalized estimating equations.

We set $\eta = (\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})$ and rewrite $U(\eta) = (U_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})', U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{(a)})', U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{(c)})')'$. Applying the mean value

theorem yields

$$0 = U(\hat{\eta}) = U(\eta) + (\nabla_{\eta} U(\eta^*))' (\hat{\eta} - \eta) \quad (\text{A1})$$

with $\eta^* = (\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})$ on the line segment between $\hat{\eta}$ and η . Since $\nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})'$, $\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})'$ and $\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})'$ are symmetric matrices, it follows that

$$(\nabla_{\eta} U(\eta^*))' = \begin{pmatrix} \nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})' & (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')' & (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')' \\ 0 & \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})' & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})' \end{pmatrix}.$$

Equation (A1) is then equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= U_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + \nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})'(\hat{\beta} - \beta) + (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')'(\hat{\alpha}^{(a)} - \alpha^{(a)}) \\ &\quad + (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')'(\hat{\alpha}^{(c)} - \alpha^{(c)}), \\ 0 &= U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{(a)}) + \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})'(\hat{\alpha}^{(a)} - \alpha^{(a)}) \text{ and} \\ 0 &= U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{(c)}) + \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})'(\hat{\alpha}^{(c)} - \alpha^{(c)}) \end{aligned}$$

which can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta} - \beta &= -(\nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')^{-1} U_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \\ &\quad - (\nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')^{-1} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')'(\hat{\alpha}^{(a)} - \alpha^{(a)}) \\ &\quad - (\nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')^{-1} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')'(\hat{\alpha}^{(c)} - \alpha^{(c)}), \\ \hat{\alpha}^{(a)} - \alpha^{(a)} &= -(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})')^{-1} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{(a)}) \text{ and} \\ \hat{\alpha}^{(c)} - \alpha^{(c)} &= -(\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})')^{-1} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{(c)}), \end{aligned}$$

respectively. Inserting the last two equations into the first one and multiplying by \sqrt{n} leads to

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) &= \left(\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})' \right)^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} U_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{n} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')' \left(\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})' \right)^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{(a)}) + \right. \\ &\quad \left. \frac{1}{n} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')' \left(\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})' \right)^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{(c)}) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A2})$$

Using the same arguments as in Lin et al. [3] and the definition of $\tilde{U}_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})$ in (13), we may replace $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} U_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})$ by $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \tilde{U}_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + o_p(1)$, with $o_p(1)$ denoting a random variable converging to zero in probability. Analogously to Andersen and Gill [4], using regularity assumptions (A)-(C), $\left(\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\beta} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})' \right)$ converges in probability to $H_{\beta\beta}$. By the law of large numbers and regularity assumption (D), $\left(\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{a*})' \right)$ converges in probability to $H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}} = \mathbb{E}(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} u_{1,\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{(a)})')$, $\left(\frac{1}{n} \nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{c*})' \right)$ converges in probability to $H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}} = \mathbb{E}(\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} u_{1,\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{(c)})')$, $\frac{1}{n} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')'$ converges in probability to $H_{\beta\alpha^a}$ and $\frac{1}{n} (\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} U_w(\beta^*, \alpha^{a*}, \alpha^{c*})')'$

converges in probability to $H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}}$. Then, (A2) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) &= H_{\beta\beta}^{-1} \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \tilde{U}_w(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} U_{\alpha^{(a)}}(\alpha^{(a)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} U_{\alpha^{(c)}}(\alpha^{(c)}) \right) + o_p(1) \\ &= H_{\beta\beta}^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n -\tilde{u}_{w,i}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} u_{\alpha^{(a)},i}(\alpha^{(a)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} u_{\alpha^{(c)},i}(\alpha^{(c)}) \right) + o_p(1).\end{aligned}$$

Due to the central limit theorem, it holds that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n -\tilde{u}_{w,i}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} u_{\alpha^{(a)},i}(\alpha^{(a)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} u_{\alpha^{(c)},i}(\alpha^{(c)})$$

converges in distribution to a mean zero Gaussian variable B with variance

$$\begin{aligned}Var(B) &= \mathbb{E} \left(\left(-\tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) + H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)}) \right)^{\otimes 2} \right) \\ &= \mathbb{E} \left(\tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' \right) \\ &\quad + H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right) H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} \\ &\quad + H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right) H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} \\ &\quad - 2\mathbb{E} \left(\tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right) H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} \\ &\quad - 2\mathbb{E} \left(\tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right) H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} \\ &\quad + 2H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right) H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}},\end{aligned} \tag{A3}$$

whereby we use the standard notation $v^{\otimes 2} = vv'$. Thus, to prove the theorem, it remains to show that

$$Var(B) = F_{\beta} - H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} F_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} - H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} F_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}}.$$

We will first show that $H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} = \mathbb{E} (u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})')$.

Following the argumentation outlined in Lawless et al. [5, chapter 7.1.3], it can be shown that $\mathbb{E}(U_w(\beta, \alpha))$ and thus $\mathbb{E}(u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}))$ as a function of the true parameter value is always zero. Therefore

$$\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E} (u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})') = 0. \tag{A4}$$

Furthermore, the joint density of $(\Delta_1, T_1, \bar{A}_1, V_1, \bar{L}_1)$ depends on $\alpha^{(a)}$ only through the conditional densities $Pr(A_1(k) = a_1(k) | Y_1(k) = 1, \bar{A}_1(k-1) = \bar{a}_1(k-1), V_1 = v_1, \bar{L}_1(k) = \bar{l}_1(k); \alpha^{(a)})$, $k = 1, \dots, K$. Using (1) of the main document, we may write the joint density of $(\Delta_1, Y_1, \bar{A}_1, \bar{L}_1)$ as

$$\begin{aligned}&f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \\ &= Pr(\bar{A}_1 = \bar{a}_1 | \Delta_1 = \delta_1, T_1 = t_1, V_1 = v_1, \bar{L}_1 = \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \times f(\delta_1, t_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(c)}) \\ &= \prod_{k=1}^K Pr(A_1(k) = a_1(k) | Y_1(k) = 1, \bar{A}_1(k-1) = \bar{a}_1(k-1), V_1 = v_1, \bar{L}_1(k) = \bar{l}_1(k); \alpha^{(a)}) \\ &\quad \times f(\delta_1, t_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(c)}).\end{aligned}$$

The derivative of $f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})$ is then calculated as

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \\ &= \left(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \prod_{k=1}^K \Pr(A_1(k) = a_1(k) | Y_1(k) = 1, \bar{A}_1(k-1) = \bar{a}_1(k-1), V_1 = v_1, \bar{L}_1(k) = \bar{l}_1(k); \alpha^{(a)}) \right) \\ & \times f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(c)}). \end{aligned}$$

Applying the product rule for derivatives, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \\ &= \left(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \log \prod_{k=1}^K \Pr(A_1(k) = a_1(k) | Y_1(k) = 1, \bar{A}_1(k-1) = \bar{a}_1(k-1), V_1 = v_1, \bar{L}_1(k) = \bar{l}_1(k); \alpha^{(a)}) \right) \\ & \times \prod_{k=1}^K \Pr(A_1(k) = a_1(k) | Y_1(k) = 1, \bar{A}_1(k-1) = \bar{a}_1(k-1), V_1 = v_1, \bar{L}_1(k) = \bar{l}_1(k); \alpha^{(a)}) \\ & \times f(\delta_1, t_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(c)}). \end{aligned}$$

Since the first factor is by definition equal to $u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})$ in (4) of the main document and the two other factors simplify to $f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})$, we get

$$\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) = u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1; \beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \quad (\text{A5})$$

Finally, under regularity assumption (E), (A4) can be expressed using (A5) as

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' \right) \\ &= \int \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} \left(u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1) \right) d(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1) \\ &= \int \nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1) d(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1) \\ &+ \int u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' f(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1) d(\delta_1, t_1, \bar{a}_1, v_1, \bar{l}_1) \end{aligned}$$

and thus

$$H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} = \mathbb{E} \left(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' \right) = -\mathbb{E} \left(u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right). \quad (\text{A6})$$

Analogously,

$$H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} = -\mathbb{E} \left(u_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right), \quad (\text{A7})$$

$$H_{\alpha^{(a)}\alpha^{(a)}} = \mathbb{E} \left(\nabla_{\alpha^{(a)}} u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right) = -\mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right) \quad (\text{A8})$$

and

$$H_{\alpha^{(c)}\alpha^{(c)}} = -\mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right). \quad (\text{A9})$$

Furthermore, since $u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})$ does not depend on α_c ,

$$\mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right) = \mathbb{E} \left(\nabla_{\alpha^{(c)}} u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) \right) = \mathbb{E}(0) = 0. \quad (\text{A10})$$

Plugging (A6), (A7), (A8), (A9) and (A10) into (A3) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(B) &= \mathbb{E} \left(\tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)}) \tilde{u}_{w,1}(\beta, \alpha^{(a)}, \alpha^{(c)})' \right) \\ &\quad + H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right)^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} \\ &\quad + H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right)^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} \\ &\quad - 2H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)}) u_{\alpha^{(a)},1}(\alpha^{(a)})' \right)^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} \\ &\quad - 2H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} \mathbb{E} \left(u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)}) u_{\alpha^{(c)},1}(\alpha^{(c)})' \right)^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}}, \end{aligned}$$

This simplifies to

$$\text{Var}(B) = F_\beta - H_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} F_{\alpha^{(a)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(a)}} - H_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}} F_{\alpha^{(c)}}^{-1} H'_{\beta\alpha^{(c)}},$$

which completes the proof.

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