# Random Weighting and Edgeworth Expansion for the Nonparametric Time-Dependent AUC Estimator

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## Supplementary Material

Let  $\tau < \sup\{u : S_X(u) > 0\}$  with  $S_X(u) = P(X > u)$  and  $\tau_0 = \inf\{u : P(T > u) < 1, u \in [\tau_0, \tau]\}$ . The second condition (A2: the cumulative hazard function  $\Lambda_C(t)$  of C is bounded for  $t \in [0, \tau]$ ) is further assumed throughout the rest of this paper. Some concise notations below are used to simplify the complicated mathematical expressions:  $U_{nt} = \sum_{i \neq j} H_{ijt}/[n(n-1)]$  with  $H_{ijt} = (S_C(t) - D_{it}^{*c})D_{jt}^{*c}(\phi_{ij} - \theta_t) - \eta_t S_C(t)\int_0^t dM_i(u)/S_X(u^-),$  $\nu_t = S_C^2(t)S_T(t))(1 - S_T(t))$ , and  $\eta_t$  being defined in Section 2.2.

# S1. Asymptotic Normality of $\hat{\theta}_t$

From (1.1), one has

$$n^{1/2}(\widehat{\theta}_t - \theta_t) = n^{1/2}(\frac{U_{nt}}{V_{nt}} + r_{1nt}),$$
(S1.1)

where  $V_{nt}$  is defined in Section 2.2 and

$$r_{1nt} = \frac{\eta_t S_C(t)}{V_{nt}} \left[ \int_0^t \frac{d\bar{M}_{\cdot}(u)}{S_X(u^-)} - \left(1 - \frac{\widehat{S}_C(t)}{S_C(t)}\right) \frac{\sum_{i \neq j} D_{jt}^{*c}(\phi_{ij} - \theta_t)}{n(n-1)\eta_t} \right].$$

By the boundedness of  $D_{it}^{*c}$ 's and the consistency of  $\widehat{S}_{C}(t)$  and a U-statistic, it follows that

$$V_{nt} \xrightarrow{p} \nu_t \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
 (S1.2)

Again, the consistency of a U-statistic and the martingale representation

$$n^{1/2}(\widehat{S}_C(t) - S_C(t)) = -n^{-1/2}S_C(t)\sum_{i=1}^n \int_0^t \frac{dM_i(u)}{S_X(u)} + o_p(1),$$
(S1.3)

where  $M_i(t) = I(X_i \le t)(1 - \delta_i) - \int_0^t I(X_i \ge u) d\Lambda_C(u)$ , entail that

$$n^{1/2}|r_{1nt}| \xrightarrow{p} 0. \tag{S1.4}$$

From (S1.2) and (S1.4), we get

$$n^{1/2}(\hat{\theta}_t - \theta_t) = \frac{n^{1/2}U_{nt}}{\nu_t} + o_p(1).$$
(S1.5)

It follows immediately from Hoeffding (1948) that

$$n^{1/2}U_{nt} = n^{-1/2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Psi_{it} + o_p(1) \text{ with } \Psi_{it} = E(H_{ijt} + H_{jit}|X_i, Y_i, \delta_i).$$
(S1.6)

Together with (S1.5),  $n^{1/2}(\hat{\theta}_t - \theta_t)$  is shown to converge weakly to a normal distribution with mean zero and variance  $\sigma_t^2 = \nu_t^{-2} E(\Psi_{it}^2)$ .

### S2. Normality Approximated Confidence Interval for $\theta_t$

The asymptotic normality of  $\hat{\theta}_t$  and the consistent estimator  $\hat{\sigma}_t^2$  of  $\sigma_t^2$  enable us to construct an approximated  $(1 - \alpha)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , confidence interval for  $\theta_t$  via

$$(\widehat{\theta}_t - n^{-1/2}\widehat{\sigma}_t z_{\alpha/2}, \widehat{\theta}_t + n^{-1/2}\widehat{\sigma}_t z_{\alpha/2}), \qquad (S2.1)$$

where  $z_p$  is the 100*p* percentile point of a standard normal distribution. It is naturally to estimate the asymptotic variance by

$$\widehat{\sigma}_t^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\Psi}_{it}^2}{n\widehat{\nu}_t^2} \tag{S2.2}$$

where  $\hat{\nu}_t = \hat{S}_C^2(t)\hat{S}_T(t)(1-\hat{S}_T(t))$  and  $\hat{\Psi}_{it} = n^{-1}\sum_{j\neq i}(\hat{H}_{ijt}+\hat{H}_{jit})$  with

$$\widehat{H}_{ijt} = (\widehat{S}_C(t) - D_{it}^{*c}) D_{jt}^{*c}(\phi_{ij} - \widehat{\theta}_t) - \widehat{\eta}_t \widehat{S}_C(t) \int_0^t \frac{d\widehat{M}_i(u)}{\widehat{S}_X(u)},$$
(S2.3)

 $\widehat{M}_{i}(t) = I(X_{i} \leq t)(1-\delta_{i}) - \int_{0}^{t} I(X_{i} \geq u) d\widehat{\Lambda}_{C}(u), \ \widehat{\Lambda}_{C}(t) = \widehat{S}_{X\delta}(t) \widehat{S}_{X}^{-1}(t), \ \widehat{S}_{X}(t) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} I(X_{i} > t), \ \text{and} \ \widehat{S}_{X\delta}(t) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} I(X_{i} > t)(1-\delta_{i}). \ \text{By the consistency of} \ \widehat{S}_{C}(t), \ \widehat{S}_{T}(t), \ \widehat{\theta}_{t}, \ \text{and} \ \widehat{\eta}_{t}, \ \text{and the uniform convergence of} \ \widehat{S}_{X}(t) \ \text{and} \ \widehat{S}_{X\delta}(t), \ \text{we have}$ 

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{t}^{2} = \frac{\sum_{i,j,k} (H_{ijt} + H_{jit}) (H_{ikt} + H_{kit})}{n^{3} \nu_{t}^{2}} + o_{p}(1).$$
(S2.4)

Finally, the consistency of a U-statistic ensures that the dominating term in (S2.4) converges to  $\nu_t^{-2}E((H_{ijt} + H_{jit})(H_{ikt} + H_{kit})) = \sigma_t^2$ .

#### S3. Proof of Main Results

**Proof of Theorem 2.1.** Let the corresponding random weighting analogues of  $U_{nt}$  and  $V_{nt}$  be separately denoted by  $U_{nt}^w$  and  $V_{nt}^w$ . Thus,  $(\hat{\theta}_t^w - \hat{\theta}_t)$  can be expressed as  $(U_{nt}^w - U_{nt})/V_{nt}^w - r_{1nt} + r_{2nt} + r_{3nt}$  with

$$r_{2nt} = U_{nt}(\frac{1}{V_{nt}^w} - \frac{1}{V_{nt}}), r_{3nt} = \frac{\eta_t S_C(t)}{V_{nt}^w} [\int_0^t \frac{dM_{\cdot}^w(u)}{S_X(u^-)} - (1 - \frac{\widehat{S}_C^w(t)}{S_C(t)}) \frac{\sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j D_{jt}^{*c}(\phi_{ij} - \theta_t)}{\eta_t}].$$

It is implied from  $P(n^{1/2}|r_{1nt}| > \varepsilon |D_n) = I(n^{1/2}|r_{1nt}| > \varepsilon)$  and (S1.4) that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{1nt}| > \varepsilon|D_n) \xrightarrow{p} 0.$$
(S3.1)

As for the convergence of  $V_{nt}^w$  to  $V_{nt}$  in  $r_{2nt}$  and  $r_{3nt}$ , a direct calculation first shows that

$$V_{nt}^{w} - V_{nt} = \sum_{i \neq j} (w_i w_j - \frac{1}{n(n-1)}) (\widehat{S}_C(t) - D_{it}^{*c}) D_{jt}^{*c} + (\widehat{S}_c^w(t) - \widehat{S}_c(t)) (\sum_i w_i D_{it}^{*c}).$$
(S3.2)

The convergence property of Hoeffding (1961) yields that

$$n(n-1)\sum_{i\neq j} (w_i w_j - \frac{1}{n(n-1)})^2 \xrightarrow{p} \rho^{-2}(\rho^{-2} + 2).$$
(S3.3)

Using the boundedness of  $(\hat{S}_C(t) - D_{it}^{*c})D_{jt}^{*c}$  and (S3.3), one has

$$\left|\sum_{i\neq j} (w_i w_j - \frac{1}{n(n-1)}) (\widehat{S}_C(t) - D_{it}^{*c}) D_{jt}^{*c}\right| \xrightarrow{p} 0.$$
(S3.4)

Thus, the properties of  $\widehat{S}_C^w(t) \xrightarrow{p} S_C(t), \sum_{i=1}^n w_i D_{it}^{*c} \xrightarrow{p} S_X(t)$ , and (S3.4) imply that

$$V_{nt}^{w} - V_{nt} \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.5)

It is entailed by the convergence of a U-statistic, (S3.5), and the Slutsky's theorem that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{2nt}| > \varepsilon |D_n) \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.6)

By Lemma S3.1, (S3.5), and  $\sum_{i \neq j} w_i w_j D_{jt}^{*c}(\phi_{ij} - \theta_t) \xrightarrow{p} \eta_t$ , we further derive that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{3nt}| > \varepsilon |D_n) \xrightarrow{p} 0.$$
(S3.7)

It is shown from (S3.1) and (S3.6)-(S3.7) that (2.2) is ascertained if

$$\sup_{x \in R} |P(\frac{n^{1/2}\rho(U_{nt}^w - U_{nt})}{V_{nt}^w} \le x|D_n) - P(\frac{n^{1/2}U_{nt}}{V_{nt}} \le x)| \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.8)

From the result of Janssen (1994), one can ensure that

$$\sup_{x \in R} |P(n^{1/2}\rho(U_{nt}^w - U_{nt}) \le x|D_n) - P(n^{1/2}U_{nt} \le x)| \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.9)

Together with (S1.2) and (S3.5), (S3.8) is derived by applying the Slutsky's theorem.

**Lemma S3.1.** Suppose that assumptions (A1)-(A2) are satisfied. Then, for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$P(n^{1/2}|1 - \frac{\widehat{S}_C^w(t)}{S_C(t)} - \int_0^t \frac{dM_{\cdot}^w(u)}{S_X(u^-)}| > \varepsilon |D_n) \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.10)

*Proof.* By the integration by parts and the right-continuity of  $\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(t)$ , one has

$$1 - \frac{\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(t)}{S_{C}(t)} = \int_{0}^{t} \frac{\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(u^{-})I(R_{\cdot}^{w}(u) > 0)}{S_{C}(u)R_{\cdot}^{w}(u)} dM_{\cdot}^{w}(u) - B^{w}(t),$$
(S3.11)

where  $B^w(t) = \int_0^t (\widehat{S}_C^w(u^-)/S_C(u)) I(R^w(u) = 0) d\Lambda_C(u)$ . Thus, the conditional probability in (S3.10) is shown to satisfy the following probability inequality:

$$P(n^{1/2}|1 - \frac{\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(t)}{S_{C}(t)} - \int_{0}^{t} \frac{dM_{\cdot}^{w}(u)}{S_{X}(u^{-})}| > \varepsilon |D_{n}) \le P(|n^{1/2}B^{w}(t)| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}|D_{n}) + P(|n^{1/2}\int_{0}^{t} [\frac{\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(u^{-})I(R_{\cdot}^{w}(u) > 0)}{S_{C}(u)R_{\cdot}^{w}(u)} - \frac{1}{S_{X}(u^{-})}]dM_{\cdot}^{w}(u)| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}|D_{n}).$$
(S3.12)

Paralleling the argument of Fleming and Harrington (1991), we can derive that

$$\sup_{0 \le u \le t} |n^{1/2} B^w(u)| \le n^{1/2} (1 - S_C(t)) I(R^w(t) = 0).$$
(S3.13)

It is further implied that

$$E(P(|n^{1/2}I(R^w_{\cdot}(t)=0)| > \varepsilon |D_n)) = (P(\xi_1=0)S_X(t))^n.$$
(S3.14)

Combining (S3.13)-(S3.14), we have

$$P(|n^{1/2}B^w(t)| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}|D_n) \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.15)

The Lenglart's inequality yields that for any  $\varepsilon_1$ ,  $\varepsilon_2 > 0$ ,

$$E(P(n^{1/2}\sup_{0\leq s\leq\tau}|\int_{0}^{s}[\frac{\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(u^{-})I(R_{\cdot}^{w}(u)>0)}{S_{C}(u)R_{\cdot}^{w}(u)} - \frac{1}{S_{X}(u^{-})}]dM_{\cdot}^{w}(u)| > \varepsilon_{1}|D_{n}))$$

$$<\frac{\varepsilon_{2}}{\varepsilon_{1}^{2}} + P(\Delta_{n}\int_{0}^{\tau}[\frac{\widehat{S}_{C}^{w}(u^{-})I(R_{\cdot}^{w}(u)>0)}{S_{C}(u)R_{\cdot}^{w}(u)} - \frac{1}{S_{X}(u^{-})}]^{2}d\Lambda_{C}(u) > \varepsilon_{2}), \qquad (S3.16)$$

where  $\Delta_n = n \sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2$ . By applying the uniform convergence of  $\widehat{S}_C(t)$  (Shorack and Wellner (1986)) and the uniform strong law of large numbers for  $R_{\cdot}(t)$  (Pollard (1990)) with respect to t to  $\widehat{S}_C^w(t)$  and  $R_{\cdot}^w(t)$ , we derive that

$$\Delta_n \int_0^\tau \left[\frac{\widehat{S}_C^w(u^-)I(R^w_{\cdot}(u)>0)}{S_C(u)R^w_{\cdot}(u)} - \frac{1}{S_X(u^-)}\right]^2 d\Lambda_C(u) \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.17)

From (S3.16)-(S3.17), it follows that

$$P(|n^{1/2} \int_0^t [\frac{\widehat{S}_C^w(u^-)I(R^w_{\cdot}(u)>0)}{S_C(u)R^w_{\cdot}(u)} - \frac{1}{S_X(u^-)}]dM^w_{\cdot}(u)| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}|D_n) \xrightarrow{p} 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.18)

Together with (S3.12) and (S3.15), the proof of (S3.10) is completed .  $\hfill \Box$ 

**Proof of Theorem 2.2.** From (2.6), an alternative expression of  $\hat{\theta}_t^{(s)}$  is derived to be

$$\widehat{\theta}_{t}^{(s)} = \frac{n^{1/2} (U_{nt}^{(s)} + 4n^{-1} S_{C}(t) E(h_{1t}^{(0)} h_{1t}^{(\eta)}) + \sum_{j=0}^{3} r_{jnt}^{(s)})}{\widehat{\sigma}_{nt}},$$
(S3.19)

where

$$r_{0nt}^{(s)} = \frac{\sum_{i \neq j} [2(H_{ijt}^{(km)}h_{it}^{(\eta)} + H_{ijt}^{(km)}h_{jt}^{(\eta)}) - 4S_C(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)})]}{n^2(n-1)}, r_{1nt}^{(s)} = r_{nt}^{(km)}U_{nt}^{(2)},$$

$$r_{2nt}^{(s)} = \frac{2\sum_{i \neq j \neq l} H_{ijt}^{(km)}h_{lt}^{(\eta)}}{n^2(n-1)}, r_{3nt}^{(s)} = U_{nt}^{(km)}\Psi_{nt}^{(\eta)} \text{ with } \Psi_{nt}^{(\eta)} = U_{nt}^{(2)} - 2\bar{h}_{.t}^{(\eta)} \text{ and } \bar{h}_{.t}^{(\eta)} = \frac{\sum_{l=1}^{n} h_{lt}^{\eta}}{n}.$$

It is entailed from  $E(r_{0nt}^{(s)2}) = O(n^{-3})$  that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{0nt}^{(s)}| \ge n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = O(n^{-2}\ln n)^2).$$
(S3.20)

Lemma S3.2 below and the boundedness of  $D_{1t}^{*c}$ ,  $\phi_{12}$ , and  $\theta_t$  ensure that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{1nt}^{(s)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.21)

Since the projection of a U-statistic  $r_{2nt}^{(s)}$  is 0 and  $E(r_{2nt}^{(s)2}) = O(n^{-2})$  (Hoeffding (1948)), we have

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{2nt}^{(s)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.22)

The probability inequality and  $P(n^{1/2}|U_{nt}^{(km)}| > (\ln n)^{1/2}) = o(n^{-1/2})$  (Malevich and Abdalimov (1979)) yield

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{3nt}^{(s)}| > (n\ln n)^{-1/2}) \le P(|\Psi_{nt}^{(\eta)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) + o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.23)

The Chebyshev's inequality and  $E(\Psi_{nt}^{(\eta)2}) = O(n^{-2})$  imply that  $P(|\Psi_{nt}^{(\eta)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1})$ =  $o(n^{-1/2})$  and, hence,

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{3nt}^{(s)}| > (n\ln n)^{-1/2}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.24)

From (S3.20)-(S3.22) and (S3.24), it follows that

$$P(|\widehat{\theta}_t^{(s)} - \frac{n^{1/2}(U_{nt}^{(s)} + 4n^{-1}S_C(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)}))}{\widehat{\sigma}_{nt}}| > (n\ln n)^{-1/2}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.25)

Similar to the proof steps for the approximation of the numerator term of  $\hat{\theta}_t^{(s)}$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_{nt}$  can be substituted via the square root of  $\sigma_{nt}^2 = 4(n-1)(n-2)^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|\sum_{j=1}^n H_{ijt}^{(s)}}{(n-1) - U_{nt}^{(s)}|^2}$ in (S3.25). A further application of Lemma 2 in Chang and Rao (1989) entails that

$$\sup_{x} |F_{n}^{(s)}(x) - \widehat{F}_{n}^{(s)}(x)| = \sup_{x} |P(\frac{n^{1/2}U_{nt}^{(s)} + 4n^{-1/2}S_{C}(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)})}{\sigma_{nt}} \le x) - \widehat{F}_{n}^{(s)}(x)| + o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.26)

It can be shown as Helmers (1991) that

$$\frac{2\sigma_t^{(s)}}{\sigma_{nt}} = 1 - \frac{\bar{f}_{\cdot t}}{8\sigma_t^{(s)2}} + R_{nt}^*,$$

where  $\bar{f}_{\cdot t}$  is the mean of  $f_{it} = 8E(h_{jt}^{(s)}(H_{ijt}^{(s)} - h_{it}^{(s)} - h_{jt}^{(s)})|X_i, \delta_i, Y_i) + 4(h_{it}^{(s)} - \sigma_t^{(s)2}), i = 1, \cdots, n,$ and  $R_{nt}^*$  satisfies  $P(|R_{nt}^*| \ge n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2})$ . Thus,  $n^{1/2}U^{(s)} + 4n^{-1/2}S_{c}(t)E(h^{(0)}h^{(\eta)}) = n^{1/2}U^{(s)} = \bar{f}_{\cdot} = 2n^{-1/2}S_{c}(t)E(h^{(0)}h^{(\eta)})$ 

$$\frac{n^{1/2}U_{nt}^{(s)} + 4n^{-1/2}S_C(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)})}{\sigma_{nt}} = \frac{n^{1/2}U_{nt}^{(s)}}{2\sigma_t^{(s)}}\left(1 - \frac{\bar{f}_{\cdot t}}{8\sigma_t^{(s)2}}\right) + \frac{2n^{-1/2}S_C(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)})}{\sigma_t^{(s)}} + R_{nt}^{**}$$
(S3.27)

with  $R_{nt}^{**} = -S_C(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)})\bar{f}_{t}/(4n^{1/2}\sigma_t^{(s)3}) + n^{1/2}R_{nt}^*U_{nt}^{(s)}/(2\sigma_t^{(s)})$  such that  $P(|R_{nt}^{**}| > (n\ln n)^{-1/2}) = o(n^{-1/2})$ . Similar to the proofs of Theorem 1 in Helmers (1991), one derives that

$$\sup_{x} |P(\frac{n^{1/2}U_{nt}^{(s)}}{2\sigma_{t}^{(s)}}(1 - \frac{\bar{f}_{\cdot t}}{8\sigma_{t}^{(s)2}}) + \frac{2n^{-1/2}S_{C}(t)E(h_{1t}^{(0)}h_{1t}^{(\eta)})}{\sigma_{t}^{(s)}} \le x) - \widehat{F}_{n}^{(s)}(x)| = o(n^{-1/2})$$
(S3.28)

as  $n \to \infty$ . Together with (S3.26), (2.7) is obtained.

Lemma S3.2. Suppose that assumptions (A1)-(A2) are satisfied. Then,

$$P(|n^{1/2}r_{nt}^{(km)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2}) \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$
(S3.29)

*Proof.* It was shown by Chang (1991) that

$$P(|cn^{1/2}r_{nt}^{(0)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2}) \text{ for any constant } c,$$
(S3.30)

where  $r_{nt}^{(0)} = (\widehat{\Lambda}_{C}(t) - \Lambda_{C}(t)) - (U_{nt}^{(0)} + 2n^{-1}\sigma_{0t}^{2})$ . The consistency of a *U*-statistic and (S3.30) imply that  $U_{nt}^{(0)} \xrightarrow{p} 0$  and  $r_{nt}^{(0)} \xrightarrow{p} 0$ . Taking the Taylor expansion with respect to  $\Lambda_{C}(t)$ , one has  $r_{nt}^{(km)} = O_{p}(\sum_{j=0}^{4} r_{nt}^{(j)})$ , where  $r_{nt}^{(1)} = \Psi_{nt}^{(0)}(\Psi_{nt}^{(0)} + 4\bar{h}_{\cdot t}^{(0)}), r_{nt}^{(2)} = U_{nt}^{(0)}(\sum_{i\neq j} h_{it}^{(0)}h_{jt}^{(0)})/[n(n-1)], r_{nt}^{(3)} = (\sum_{i=1}^{n} h_{it}^{(0)2}/n - \sigma_{0t}^{2})/n$ , and  $r_{nt}^{(4)} = (\Psi_{nt}^{(0)} + 2\bar{h}_{\cdot t}^{(0)})/n$  with  $\Psi_{nt}^{(0)} = U_{nt}^{(0)} - 2\bar{h}_{\cdot t}^{(0)}$  and  $\bar{h}_{\cdot t}^{(0)}$  being the sample mean of  $h_{it}^{(0)}$ 's. From the result of Malevich and Abdalimov (1979), it follows that

$$P(n^{1/2}|U_{nt}^{(0)}| > \sqrt{\ln n}) = o(n^{-1/2}) \text{ and } P(n^{1/2}|\Psi_{nt}^{(0)} + 4\bar{h}^{(0)}| > (\ln n)^{1/2}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
 (S3.31)

Using the probability inequality,  $E(\Psi_{nt}^{(0)2}) = O(n^{-2})$  (Hoeffding (1948)), and (S3.31), one has

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{nt}^{(1)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) \le P(|\Psi_{nt}^{(0)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-3/2}) + o(n^{-1/2}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.32)

Since the conditional expectation of  $\sum_{i \neq j} h_{it}^{(0)} h_{jt}^{(0)} / [n(n-1)]$  is zero, it can be derived in the same way as (S3.32) that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{nt}^{(1)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2}).$$
(S3.33)

By the Chebyshev's inequality, it is further implied that

$$P(n^{1/2}|r_{nt}^{(k)}| > n^{-1/2}(\ln n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1/2}), k = 3, 4.$$
(S3.34)

Finally, from (S3.30), (S3.31)-(S3.34), (S3.29) is obtained.

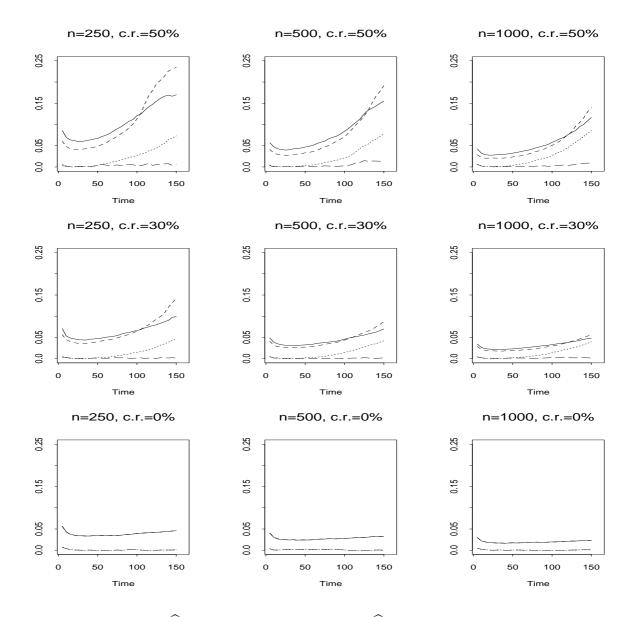


Figure 1: The biases of  $\hat{\theta}_t$  (dashed-dotted curve) and  $\hat{\theta}_{cdt}$  (dotted curve), and the standard errors of  $\hat{\theta}_t$  (solid curve) and  $\hat{\theta}_{cdt}$  (dashed curve) for the sample sizes (n) of 250, 500, and 1000, and the censoring rates (c.r.) of 0%, 30%, and 50%.