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Abstract

As an estimator of an estimable parameter, Toda and Yamato (2001) introduce Y-statistic which is a convex combination of U-statistics including V-statistic and LB-statistic. We give the Edgeworth expansions of studentized Y-statistic about the estimable parameter using a jackknife variance estimator, with remainder $o(n^{-1})$.

Key Words and Phrases: Edgeworth expansion, Convex combination of U-statistics, Studentization.

1. Introduction

Let $\theta(F)$ be an estimable parameter of an unknown distribution F. Let $g(x_1, ..., x_k)$ be the symmetric kernel of degree $k \geq 2$ for this parameter $\theta(F)$. In this paper, we assume that the kernel g is not degenerate. Let $X_1, ..., X_n$ be a random sample of size n from the distribution F. Let X be a random variable having the distribution F.

As an estimator of $\theta(F)$, a convex combination Y_n of U-statistics is introduced by Toda and Yamato (2001) as follows: Let $w(r_1, \ldots, r_j; k)$ be a nonnegative and symmetric function of positive integers r_1, \ldots, r_j such that $j = 1, \ldots, k$ and $r_1 + \cdots + r_j = k$, where k is the degree of the kernel g and fixed. We assume that at least one of $w(r_1, \ldots, r_j; k)$'s is positive. For $j = 1, \ldots, k$, let $g_{(j)}(x_1, \ldots, x_j)$ be the kernel given by

$$g_{(j)}(x_1, \dots, x_j) = \frac{1}{d(k, j)} \sum_{r_1 + \dots + r_j = k}^{+} w(r_1, \dots, r_j; k) g(\underbrace{x_1, \dots, x_1}_{r_1}, \dots, \underbrace{x_j, \dots, x_j}_{r_j}),$$
(1)

where the summation $\sum_{r_1+\cdots+r_j=k}^+$ is taken over all positive integers r_1, \ldots, r_j satisfying $r_1+\cdots+r_j=k$ with j and k fixed and $d(k,j)=\sum_{r_1+\cdots+r_j=k}^+w(r_1,\ldots,r_j;k)$ for $j=1,2,\ldots,k$. Let $U_n^{(j)}$ be the U-statistic associated with this kernel $g_{(j)}(x_1,\ldots,x_j)$

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for $j=1,\ldots,k$. The kernel $g_{(j)}(x_1,\ldots,x_j)$ is symmetric because of the symmetry of $w(r_1,\ldots,r_j;k)$. If d(k,j) is equal to zero for some j, then the associated $w(r_1,\ldots,r_j;k)$'s are equal to zero. In this case, we let the corresponding statistic $U_n^{(j)}$ be zero. The statistic Y_n is given by

$$Y_n = \frac{1}{D(n,k)} \sum_{j=1}^{k} d(k,j) \binom{n}{j} U_n^{(j)},$$
 (2)

where $D(n,k) = \sum_{j=1}^{k} d(k,j) {n \choose j}$. Since w's are nonnegative and at least one of them is positive, D(n,k) is positive. Note that $U_n^{(k)}$ is equal to the U-statistic U_n given below for $w(1,\ldots,1;k) > 0$, because of $g_{(k)} = g$.

Another type of a linear combination of U-statistics, L_n , is introduced by (3.3) of Sen (1977). While Y_n and L_n are both linear combination of U-statistics, Y_n is different from L_n in the mean that the weight function w's determines Y_n as an estimator of θ . Since the coefficients of $U_n^{(\cdot)}$ on the right-hand side of (1.2) are non-negative and their sum is equal to one, the linear combination given by (1.2) is also a convex combination.

For example, let w be the function given by $w(1,1,\ldots,1;k)=1$ and $w(r_1,\ldots,r_j;k)=0$ for positive integers r_1,\ldots,r_j such that $j=1,\ldots,k-1$ and $r_1+\cdots+r_j=k$. Then the corresponding statistic Y_n is equal to U-statistic U_n , which is given by $U_n=\binom{n}{k}^{-1}\sum_{1\leq j_1<\cdots< j_k\leq n}g(X_{j_1},\ldots,X_{j_k})$, where $\sum_{1\leq j_1<\cdots< j_k\leq n}$ denotes the summation over all integers j_1,\ldots,j_k satisfying $1\leq j_1<\cdots< j_k\leq n$.

Let w be the function given by $w(r_1,\ldots,r_j;k)=1$ for positive integers r_1,\ldots,r_j such that $j=1,\ldots,k$ and $r_1+\cdots+r_j=k$. Then the corresponding statistic Y_n is equal to the LB-statistic B_n given by $B_n=\binom{n+k-1}{k}^{-1}\sum_{r_1+\cdots+r_n=k}g(X_1,\ldots,X_1,\ldots,X_n,\ldots,X_n)$, where the numbers of X_1,\ldots,X_n are r_1,\ldots,r_n , respectively, and $\sum_{r_1+\cdots+r_n=k}$ denotes the summation over all non-negative integers r_1,\ldots,r_n satisfying $r_1+\cdots+r_n=k$.

Let w be the function given by $w(r_1, \ldots, r_j; k) = k!/(r_1! \cdots r_j!)$ for positive integers r_1, \ldots, r_j such that $j = 1, \ldots, k$ and $r_1 + \cdots + r_j = k$. Then the corresponding statistic Y_n is equal to the V-statistic V_n given by $V_n = n^{-k} \sum_{j_1=1}^n \cdots \sum_{j_k=1}^n g(X_{j_1}, \ldots, X_{j_k})$. (See Toda and Yamato (2001).)

Let w be the function given by $w(r_1, \ldots, r_j; k) = k!/(r_1 \cdots r_j)$ for positive integers r_1, \ldots, r_j such that $j = 1, \ldots, k$ and $r_1 + \cdots + r_j = k$. Then, for example, the corresponding statistic Y_n for the third central moment of the distribution F is given by $S_n = n(n^2 + 1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^3$, where \bar{X} is the sample mean of X_1, \ldots, X_n (see Nomachi et al. (2002)).

The Edgeworth expansion of the standardized Y-statistic Y_n about θ is obtained with remainder $o(n^{-1})$ by Yamato et al. (2003). It also gives the Edgeworth expansion of the studentized Y-statistic with remainder $o(n^{-1/2})$. For the studentization of Y-statistic Y_n given by (1.2), we use a jackknife variance estimator. That is, as a variance

estimator of $\sqrt{n}Y_n$, we use $\hat{\sigma}_n^2$ given by

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^2 = (n-1)\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_n^{(i)} - Y_n)^2 \tag{3}$$

where $Y_n^{(i)}$ is the Y-statistic given by (1.2) computed from a sample of size n-1 with X_i left out.

Our purpose is to get an Edgeworth expansion of the studentized statistic Y_n given by (1.2), using the jackknife variance estimator $\hat{\sigma}_n^2$ with remainder term $o(n^{-1})$. For the studentized U-statistic, Helmers (1991) and Maesono (1995) obtained its Edgeworth expansion using a jackknife variance estimator with remainder term $o(n^{-1/2})$. Maesono (1997) get an Edgeworth expansion using a jackknife variance estimator with remainder term $o(n^{-1})$. Maesono (1996) gave an Edgeworth expansion of $\sqrt{n}[L_n - E(L_n)]/\tilde{\sigma}_n$, where $\tilde{\sigma}_n^2$ is a jackknife variance estimator of $\sqrt{n}[L_n - E(L_n)]$.

In Section 2, we give an Edgeworth expansion of $\sqrt{n}[Y_n - E(Y_n)]/\hat{\sigma}_n$, following Maesono (1996). In Section 3, using the result of Section 2 we shall derive another Edgeworth expansion about parameter θ , that is, the expansion of $\sqrt{n}[Y_n - \theta]/\hat{\sigma}_n$. We give some examples in Section 4. In Section 5, we give supplementary propositions necessary for the previous sections.

2. Studentized Y-statistic about its expectation

In the following sections, we assume d(k,k) > 0. Then, with $\delta_k = kd(k,k-1)/d(k,k)$ it holds that

$$\frac{d(k,k)}{D(n,k)} \binom{n}{k} = 1 - \frac{\delta_k}{n} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right),\tag{4}$$

and

$$\frac{d(k,k-1)}{D(n,k)} \binom{n}{k-1} = \frac{\delta_k}{n} + O\left(\frac{1}{n^2}\right). \tag{5}$$

For the U-statistic U_n , $d(k,k)n^{(k)}/[D(n,k)k!]=1$ and $\delta_k=0$. For the V-statistic V_n and the S-statistic S_n , $\delta_k=k(k-1)/2$. For the LB-statistic B_n , $\delta_k=k(k-1)$ (see Nomachi et al. (2002)).

We put

$$\psi_c(x_1, \dots, x_c) = E[g(X_1, \dots, X_k) \mid X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_c = x_c], \quad c = 1, 2, 3$$

and

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \psi_1(x_1) - \theta,$$

for c = 2, 3

$$g^{(c)}(x_1, \dots, x_c) = \psi_c(x_1, \dots, x_c) - \sum_{i=1}^{c-1} \sum_{1 < l_1 < \dots < l_i < c} g^{(i)}(x_{l_1}, \dots, x_{l_i}) - \theta.$$

For the kernel $g_{(k-1)}(x_1,\ldots,x_{k-1})$, we put

$$\theta_{k-1} = Eg_{(j)}(X_1, \dots, X_{k-1}),$$

$$\psi_{(k-1),1}(x_1) = E[g_{(k-1)}(X_1, \dots, X_{k-1}) \mid X_1 = x_1],$$

and

$$g_{(k-1)}^{(1)}(x_1) = \psi_{(k-1),1}(x_1) - \theta_{k-1}.$$

We put

$$\begin{split} \sigma_1^2 &= E\big[\{g^{(1)}(X)\}^2\big], \quad \sigma_2^2 = (k-1)^2 E\big[\{g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)\}^2\big], \\ \nu &= \sigma_2^2 + \frac{2(k-1)\delta_k}{k} E[g^{(1)}(X)g^{(1)}_{(k-1)}(X)] - 2\delta_k \sigma_1^2, \\ f_1(x) &= \frac{1}{2}\big[\{g^{(1)}(x)\}^2 - \sigma_1^2\big] + (k-1) E\big[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(x, X_2)\big] \end{split}$$

and

$$f_{2}(x,y) = -g^{(1)}(x)g^{(1)}(y) + (k-1)\left\{g^{(2)}(x,y)[g_{1}(x) + g_{1}(y)] - E[g^{(2)}(x,X_{3})g^{(1)}(X_{3})] - E[g^{(2)}(y,X_{3})g^{(1)}(X_{3})]\right\} + (k-1)^{2}E[g^{(2)}(x,X_{3})g^{(2)}(y,X_{3})] + (k-1)(k-2)E[g^{(3)}(x,y,X_{3})g^{(1)}(X_{3})],$$

which satisfy the relations $Ef_1(X) = 0$ and $E[f_2(X_1, X_2)|X_1] = 0$ a.s. (almost surely), respectively. Furthermore we put

$$\tau = \frac{3E[f_1^2(X_1)]}{2\sigma_1^4} - \frac{\nu}{2\sigma_1^2};$$

$$\zeta = E[f_1(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_1)]$$

and

$$\begin{split} a_1(x) &= \frac{\delta_k}{k} \big[(k-1)g_{(k-1)}^{(1)}(x) - kg^{(1)}(x) \big] + \tau g^{(1)}(x) \\ &- \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} \bigg\{ \big[f_1(x)g^{(1)}(x) - \zeta \big] + \Big(E \big[f_2(x,X_2)g^{(1)}(X_2) \big] - \frac{3\zeta}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(x) \Big) \\ &+ (k-1)E \big[g^{(2)}(x,X_2)f_1(X_2) \big] \bigg\}, \\ a_2(x,y) &= (k-1)g^{(2)}(x,y) - \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} \big[f_1(x)g^{(1)}(y) + f_1(y)g^{(1)}(x) \big], \\ a_3(x,y,z) &= (k-1)(k-2)g^{(3)}(x,y,z) \\ &- \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} \bigg\{ (k-1) \big[f_1(x)g^{(2)}(y,z) + f_1(y)g^{(2)}(x,z) + f_1(z)g^{(1)}(x,y) \big] \\ &+ g^{(1)}(x) \big[f_2(y,z) - \frac{3}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(y)f_1(z) \big] + g^{(1)}(y) \big[f_2(x,z) - \frac{3}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(x)f_1(z) \big] \\ &+ g^{(1)}(z) \big[f_2(x,y) - \frac{3}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(x)f_1(y) \big] \bigg\}, \end{split}$$

which satisfy the relations $E[a_1(X)] = 0$, $E[a_2(X_1, X_2)|X_1] = E[a_2(X_1, X_2)|X_2] = 0$ and $E[a_3(X_1, X_2, X_3)|X_1, X_2] = 0$ a.s. because of $Ef_1(X) = 0$, $E[f_2(X_1, X_2)|X_1] = 0$ and $E[g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)|X_2] = 0$ a.s. We define

$$\begin{split} &\lambda_1 = E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^3, \\ &\lambda_2 = E[g^{(1)}(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)], \\ &\lambda_3 = E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^4, \\ &\lambda_4 = E[\left(g^{(1)}(X_1)\right)^2 g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)], \\ &\lambda_5 = E[g^{(1)}(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_3)g^{(2)}(X_2,X_3)], \\ &\lambda_6 = E[g^{(1)}(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(1)}(X_3)g^{(3)}(X_1,X_2,X_3)], \\ &\lambda_7 = E[g^{(1)}(X_1)a_1(X_1)], \\ &\kappa_3 = \sigma_1^{-3}(\lambda_1 + 3\lambda_2), \\ &\kappa_4 = \sigma_1^{-4}(\lambda_3 - 3\sigma_1^4 + 12\lambda_4 + 12\lambda_5 + 4\lambda_6) \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{split} Q_n(x) &= \Phi(x) - \phi(x) \bigg\{ \frac{\kappa_3}{6\sqrt{n}} (x^2 - 1) + \frac{\kappa_4}{24n} (x^3 - 3x) \\ &+ \frac{\kappa_3^2}{72n} (x^5 - 10x^3 + 15x) + \frac{x}{n\sigma_1^2} \Big(\lambda_7 + \frac{1}{4} E \big[a_2^2(X_1, X_2) \big] \Big) \bigg\}. \end{split}$$

LEMMA 2.1. (Maesono (1996)) If $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \le i_1 \le \cdots \le i_k \le k$, and $E|g(X_1,X_2,X_3,...,X_k)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ and $E|g(X_1,X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ for $\varepsilon > 0$, then we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^2 = k^2 \sigma_1^2 + \frac{2k^2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f_1(X_i) + \frac{2k^2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} f_2(X_i, X_j) + \frac{k^2 \nu}{n} + o_p^*(n^{-1})$$

and

$$k\sigma_1\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} = 1 - \frac{1}{n\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n f_1(X_i) - \frac{1}{n^2\sigma_1^2} \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} \left[f_2(X_i, X_j) - \frac{3}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(X_i) f_1(X_j) \right] + \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \frac{3E[f_1^2(X_1)]}{2\sigma_1^4} - \frac{\nu}{2\sigma_1^2} \right\} + o_p^*(n^{-1}) \quad (6)$$

where $o_p^*(n^{-1})$ is a quantity satisfying $P(|o_p^*(n^{-1})| \ge cn^{-1}(\log n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1})$ for a constant c > 0.

Thus by Maesono (1996) we have the following: Assume that $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \leq i_1 \leq \cdots \leq i_k \leq k$, $E|g(X_1,X_2,X_3,...,X_k)|^9 < \infty$ and $E|g(X_1,X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ for $\varepsilon > 0$. Then we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - E[Y_n]) = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma_1} U_n^* - \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{n} \sigma_1^3} + o_p^*(n^{-1}), \tag{7}$$

where

$$U_n^* = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ g^{(1)}(X_i) + \frac{a_1(X_i)}{n} \right\} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} a_2(X_i, X_j) + \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{1 \le i < j < l \le n} a_3(X_i, X_j, X_l).$$

For Edgeworth expansion of the statistic, we use the result of Lai and Wang (1993) which needs the following conditions.

Condition (C): $E \mid g^{(2)} \mid^r < \infty$ for some r > 2 and there exists K Borel functions $h_j : R \to R$ such that K(r-2) > 8(4r-5), $Eh_j^2(X_1) < \infty$ (j = 1, ..., K), and the covariance matrix of $(W_1, ..., W_K)$ is positive definite, where $W_j = (Lh_j)(X_1)$ and $(Lh)(x) = E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$.

In case of $k \geq 3$, the original condition of Lai and Wang (1993) contains the term $I_{[E|g^{(3)}(X_1,X_2,X_3)|>0]}$, which equals 1 since $g^{(3)}(X_1,X_2,X_3)$ is not zero a.s. under the assumption that the kernel g is not degenerate, that is, $\sigma_1^2>0$. It also contains $E\mid g^{(2)}\mid^r<\infty$ for some r>2. This condition is satisfied with r=4 under our condition $E[\mid \psi_3(X_1,X_2,X_3)\mid^4]<\infty$, which is necessary for the condition (A4) of Lai and Wang (1993).

Condition (D): There exist constants c_j and Borel functions $h_j: R \to R$ such that $Eh_j(X_1) = 0$, $E \mid h_j(X_1) \mid^r < \infty$ for some $r \ge 5$ and $a_2(X_1, X_2) = \sum_{j=1}^K c_j h_j(X_1) h_j(X_2)$ a.s.; moreover, for some $0 < \varepsilon < \min\{1, 2(1 - 11r^{-1}/3)\}$,

$$\limsup_{|t| \to \infty} \sup_{|s_1| + \dots + |s_K| \le |t|^{-\varepsilon}} \left| E \exp\left(it \left[g^{(1)}(X_1) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X_1) \right] \right) \right| < 1.$$
 (8)

The asymptotic expansion of the statistic $\sqrt{n}\sigma_1^{-1}U_n^*$ is given by the following.

LEMMA 2.2. (Maesono (1996)) Assume that $E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^4 < \infty$, $\sigma_1^2 > 0$, $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1, X_2, X_3)|^4] < \infty$ and $\limsup_{|t| \to \infty} |E[\exp\{itg^{(1)}(X_1)\}]| < 1$. If either condition (C) or (D) is satisfied, we have

$$\sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \left| P\left(\sqrt{n}\sigma_1^{-1} U_n^* \le x\right) - Q_n(x) \right| = o(n^{-1}). \tag{9}$$

For example, by Minkowski's inequality and Schwarz's one, one of the above conditions $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1, X_2, X_3)|^4] < \infty$ is satisfied if

$$E|g^{(1)}(X_1)|^{12} < \infty, \quad E|g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)|^{12} < \infty,$$

$$E|g^{(3)}(X_1, X_2, X_3)|^{12} < \infty, \quad E|g^{(1)}_{(k-1)}(X_1)|^3 < \infty.$$

We define

$$\begin{split} e_1 &= E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^3, \\ e_2 &= (k-1)E[g^{(1)}(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)], \\ e_3 &= E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^4, \\ e_4 &= (k-1)E[\left(g^{(1)}(X_1)\right)^2g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)], \\ e_5 &= (k-1)^2E[g^{(1)}(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_3)g^{(2)}(X_2,X_3)], \\ e_6 &= (k-1)(k-2)E[g^{(1)}(X_1)g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(1)}(X_3)g^{(3)}(X_1,X_2,X_3)], \\ v_1 &= \sigma_1^{-3}(2e_1+3e_2), \\ v_2 &= \sigma_1^{-3}(e_1+3e_2), \\ v_3 &= -\sigma_1^{-6}(2e_1+3e_2)^2, \\ v_4 &= 6\sigma_1^{-4}(e_3-6\sigma_1^4+12e_4+6e_5+4e_6)-2\sigma_1^{-6}(2e_1+3e_2)(2e_1+9e_2), \\ v_5 &= 3\sigma_1^{-6}(4e_1^2+12e_1e_2+3e_2^2)+18\sigma_1^{-4}(\sigma_1^2\sigma_2^2-e_3+2\sigma_1^4-4e_4-2e_5). \end{split}$$

Using $f_{12}(x) = E[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(x, X_2)]$ which appears in the second term of f_1 , we can write

$$e_2 = (k-1)E[g^{(1)}(X_1)f_{12}(X_1)], \quad e_4 = (k-1)E[\{g^{(1)}(X_1)\}^2f_{12}(X_1)],$$

$$e_5 = (k-1)^2E[\{f_{12}(X_1)\}^2].$$

Furthermore, we define

$$H_n(x) = \Phi(x) + \phi(x)\frac{1}{6\sqrt{n}}(v_1x^2 + v_2) + \phi(x)\frac{1}{72n}(v_3x^5 + v_4x^3 + v_5x).$$

Between Q_n and H_n , it holds that

$$Q_n \left(x + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{n}\sigma_1^3} \right) = H_n(x) + o(n^{-1}). \tag{10}$$

The asymptotic expansion of the statistic $\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1}\sqrt{n}(Y_n-EY_n)$ is given by the following.

LEMMA 2.3. (Maesono (1996)) Assume that $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \le i_1 \le \cdots \le i_k \le k$, $E|g(X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^9 < \infty$, $E|g(X_1,X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ for $\varepsilon > 0$, and $E[g^{(1)}(X_1))]^4 < \infty$, $\sigma_1^2 > 0$. Furthermore we assume that $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1,X_2,X_3)|^4] < \infty$ and $\lim\sup_{|t|\to\infty} |E\big[\exp\{itg^{(1)}(X_1)\}\big]| < 1$. If either condition (C) or (D) is satisfied, we have

$$\sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \left| P(\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - EY_n) \le x) - H_n(x) \right| = o(n^{-1}). \tag{11}$$

3. Studentized Y-statistic about θ

At first, we note that

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - \theta) = \hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - EY_n) + \hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (EY_n - \theta). \tag{12}$$

By Nomachi et al. (2002), (3.5), we have

$$\sqrt{n}(EY_n - \theta) = \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}} + O(n^{-3/2}) \tag{13}$$

where $\mu_k = \delta_k(\theta_{k-1} - \theta)$.

If we put $R_{2n} = o_p^*(n^{-1})$, then $\sqrt{n}(EY_n - \theta)R_{2n} = o_p^*(n^{-1})$. Because for a constant c > 0 we have $P(|\sqrt{n}(EY_n - \theta)R_{2n}| \ge cn^{-1}(\log n)^{-1}) \le P(|R_{2n}| \ge cn^{-1}(\log n)^{-1}) = o(n^{-1})$, since $\sqrt{n}(EY_n - \theta) \le 1$ for a large n. We multiply (2.3) by (3.2), and use this fact. Then, we get

$$k\sigma_1\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1}\sqrt{n}(EY_n - \theta) = \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}} \left\{ 1 - \frac{1}{n\sigma_1^2} \sum_{i=1}^n f_1(X_i) \right\} + R_n^* + o_p^*(n^{-1})$$
 (14)

where $E|R_n^*| = O(n^{-3/2})$. Thus from (2.4), (3.1) and (3.3) we get

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - \theta) = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma_1} U_n^{**} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left\{ -\frac{\zeta}{\sigma_1^3} + \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1} \right\} + R_n^* + o_p^*(n^{-1}), \tag{15}$$

where

$$U_n^{**} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ g^{(1)}(X_i) + \frac{a_1^*(X_i)}{n} \right\} + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} a_2(X_i, X_j) + \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{1 \le i < j < l \le n} a_3(X_i, X_j, X_l),$$
(16)

and

$$a_1^*(X_i) = a_1(X_i) - \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1^3} f_1(X_i).$$

We can also obtain the expansion (3.4) by multiplying (2.3) and the following (3.6). For the detail of this multiplication, see Appendix.

LEMMA 3.1. (Yamato et al. (2003)) Assume that d(k,k) > 0 and $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \le i_1 \le \cdots \le i_k \le k$. Then, we have

$$\sqrt{n}(Y_n - \theta) = Y_n^{**} + \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}} + R_n',$$
 (17)

where $E \mid R'_n \mid^2 = O(n^{-3})$ and

$$Y_n^{**} = k \left(1 - \frac{\delta_k}{n}\right) \frac{1}{n^{1/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n g^{(1)}(X_i) + (k-1)\delta_k \frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{i=1}^n g^{(1)}_{(k-1)}(X_i)$$

$$+ k(k-1) \frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \sum_{1 \le i \le j \le n} g^{(2)}(X_i, X_j) + k(k-1)(k-2) \frac{1}{n^{5/2}} \sum_{1 \le i \le j \le l \le n} g^{(3)}(X_i, X_j, X_l).$$

In the asymptotic evaluation of of $\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1}\sqrt{n}(Y_n-\theta)$ with remainder term $o(n^{-1})$, we can neglect at first the term $\sigma_p^*(n^{-1})$ of (3.4) by using the relation given by Lemma 5.3 and then the terms R_n^* of (3.4) by using the relation given by Lemma 5.2. Thus, we can get the following.

LEMMA 3.2. Assume that d(k,k) > 0, $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \le i_1 \le \cdots \le i_k \le k$, $E|g(X_1,X_2,X_3,...,X_k)|^9 < \infty$ and $E|g(X_1,X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ for $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, we have

$$\sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \left| P\left(\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - \theta) \le x\right) - P\left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sigma_1} U_n^{**} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left\{ -\frac{\zeta}{\sigma_1^3} + \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1} \right\} \le x \right) \right| = o(n^{-1}). \tag{18}$$

 U_n^{**} is different from U_n^* only in the term a_1^* . Thus the Edgeworth expansion of U_n^{**} is different from U_n^* in the term λ_7 . By Lemma 2.2, we get the following.

LEMMA 3.3. Assume that d(k,k) > 0. Furthermore, we assume that $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \le i_1 \le \cdots \le i_k \le k$, $E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^4 < \infty$, $\sigma_1^2 > 0$, $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1,X_2,X_3)|^4] < \infty$ and $\limsup_{|t|\to\infty} |E[\exp\{itg^{(1)}(X_1)\}]| < 1$. If either condition (C) or (D) is satisfied, we have

$$\sup_{-\infty \le x \le \infty} \left| P(\sqrt{n}\sigma_1^{-1}U_n^{**} \le x) - Q_n^*(x) \right| = o(n^{-1})$$
 (19)

where $Q_n^*(x)$ is obtained from $Q_n(x)$ by replacing λ_7 with

$$\lambda_7^* = \lambda_7 - \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_3^3} (\frac{1}{2}e_1 + e_2).$$

The last term of the above right-hand side is due to the bias of the Y-statistic. We also know that

$$Q_n^*(x) = Q_n(x) - \frac{\mu_k}{nk\sigma_0^5} \left(\frac{1}{2}e_1 + e_2\right) x\phi(x). \tag{20}$$

By (2.6), we have

$$Q_n\left(x + \frac{\zeta}{\sqrt{n}\sigma_1^3} - \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1}\right) = H_n\left(x - \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1}\right) + o(n^{-1})$$
(21)

and by Lemma 5.4

$$H_n\left(x - \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1}\right) = \Phi(x) + \phi(x)\frac{1}{6\sqrt{n}}\left(v_1x^2 + v_2 - 6\frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1}\right) + \phi(x)\frac{1}{72n}\left(v_3x^5 + \left(v_4 + 12\frac{v_1\mu_k}{k\sigma_1}\right)x^3 + \left[v_5 + 12\frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1}(v_2 - 2v_1)\right]x - 36\left(\frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1}\right)^2\right) + O(n^{-3/2}).$$
(22)

By (3.9), (3.10), (3.11) and Lemma 5.4, we can get

$$Q_n^* \left(x + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \left\{ \frac{\zeta}{\sigma_1^3} - \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1} \right\} \right) = H_n^*(x) + O(n^{-3/2}), \tag{23}$$

where

$$H_n^*(x) = \Phi(x) + \phi(x) \frac{1}{6\sqrt{n}} \left(v_1 x^2 + v_2 - \frac{6\mu_k}{k\sigma_1} \right) + \phi(x) \frac{1}{72n} \left\{ v_3 x^5 + \left(v_4 + \frac{v_1 \mu_k}{k\sigma_1} \right) x^3 + \left[v_5 + 12 \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1} (v_2 - 2v_1) - 72 \frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_5^5} \left(\frac{1}{2} e_1 + e_2 \right) \right] x - 36 \left(\frac{\mu_k}{k\sigma_1} \right)^2 \right\}.$$

Thus, by (3.7), (3.8), (3.11) and (3.12) we get the following.

Theorem 3.4. Assume that d(k,k) > 0, $E|g(X_{i_1},...,X_{i_k})|^2 < \infty$ for $1 \le i_1 \le \cdots \le i_k \le k$, $E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^4 < \infty$, $\sigma_1^2 > 0$, $E|g(X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^9 < \infty$, and $E|g(X_1,X_1,X_2,...,X_k)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ for $\varepsilon > 0$. Furthermore we assume that $\limsup_{|t|\to\infty} |E[\exp\{itg^{(1)}(X_1)\}]| < 1$ and $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1,X_2,X_3)|^4] < \infty$. If either condition (C) or (D) is satisfied, we have

$$\sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} \left| P(\hat{\sigma}_n^{-1} \sqrt{n} (Y_n - \theta) \le x) - H_n^*(x) \right| = o(n^{-1}). \tag{24}$$

As stated after Lemma 2.2, one of the conditions of Theorem 3.4 $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1, X_2, X_3)|^4] < \infty$ is satisfied if $E[g^{(1)}(X_1)|^{12} < \infty$, $E[g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)|^{12} < \infty$, and $E[g^{(3)}(X_1, X_2, X_3)|^{12} < \infty$, $E[g^{(1)}(X_1)|^3 < \infty$.

COROLLARY 3.5. Especially, let the degree k be 2. Assume that d(k,k) > 0, $E|g(X_1,X_1)|^{4+\varepsilon} < \infty$ for $\varepsilon > 0$, $E[g^{(1)}(X_1)]^4 < \infty$, $\sigma_1^2 > 0$, and $E|g(X_1,X_2)|^9 < \infty$. Furthermore we assume that $\limsup_{|t| \to \infty} |E[\exp\{itg^{(1)}(X_1)\}]| < 1$ and $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3 + |a_3(X_1,X_2,X_3)|^4] < \infty$. If either condition (C) or (D) is satisfied, we have (3.13).

In the case of k=2, the condition $E[|a_1(X_1)|^3+|a_3(X_1,X_2,X_3)|^4]<\infty$ is satisfied if $E|g^{(1)}(X_1)|^{12}<\infty$, $E|g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)|^{12}<\infty$, and $E|g^{(1)}_{(k-1)}(X_1)|^3<\infty$.

The difference of the Edgeworth expansions of the studentized Y-statistic about its expectation and θ is the following.

Corollary 3.6.

$$H_n^*(x) = H_n(x) - \phi(x) \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1} + \phi(x) \frac{1}{72n} \left\{ \frac{v_1 \mu_k}{k\sigma_1} x^3 + \left[12 \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1} (v_2 - 2v_1) - 72 \frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1^5} (\frac{1}{2}e_1 + 2_2) \right] x - 36 \left(\frac{\mu_k}{\sqrt{n}k\sigma_1} \right)^2 \right\}.$$
 (25)

Especially, if $\theta_{k-1} = \theta$ then $H_n^*(x) = H_n(x)$.

The condition $\theta_{k-1} = \theta$ above is equivalent to $Eg(X_1, X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_{k-1}) = Eg(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k)$. The difference between the Edgeworth expansions about its expectation and θ appears at the term related with μ_k which arise from the bias. The value of the difference depends on each Y-statistic. The values of μ_k for V-statistic, S-statistic and LB-statistic are as follows.

$$\mu_k = \delta_k(\theta_{k-1} - \theta), \quad \delta_k = \begin{cases} \frac{k(k-1)}{2} & (V, S - \text{statistic}) \\ k(k-1) & (LB - \text{statistic}). \end{cases}$$

By Remark 3 of Maesono (1996), $H_n(x)$ is equal to the Edgeworth expansion of studentized U-statistic using the jackknife variance estimator. Hence, if $\theta_{k-1} = \theta$, then the Edgeworth expansion of studentized Y-statistic about θ using the jackknife variance estimator is equal to the one of studentized U-statistic using the jackknife variance estimator. This is also read from (3.1) and (3.2).

4. Examples

We give examples of the Edgeworth expansion of the studentized Y-statistic about estimable parameter θ .

Example 4.1 We consider the third central moment $\theta = \int (x - \mu)^3 dF(x)$, where μ is the mean of F. Its kernel $g(x_1, x_2, x_3)$ is given by

$$\frac{1}{3}(x_1^3 + x_2^3 + x_3^3) - \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2x_2 + x_1^2x_3 + x_1x_2^2 + x_2^2x_3 + x_1x_3^2 + x_2x_3^2) + 2x_1x_2x_3.$$

For this kernel, we have $g_{(k-1)}(x_1, x_2) = g_{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = 0$ and $g_{(k-2)}(x_1) = g_{(1)}(x_1) = 0$ and so $\theta_{k-1}(=\theta_2) = 0$ $\theta_{k-2}(=\theta_1) = 0$. Therefore, we have

$$Y_n = \frac{d(k,k)}{D(n,k)} \binom{n}{k} U_n = \frac{d(3,3)n^2}{6D(n,3)} \sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})^3$$
 (26)

where $\bar{X} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} X_j/n$. We assume that the distribution F has a density. We also assume $E|X|^{27} < \infty$ and denote jth moment of X about the origin by m'_j (j=2,3,...,12). In order to study the statistical properties of Y_n , by (4.1) the mean μ is assumed to be zero, without loss of generality. Thus, in this case $\theta = m'_3$ and $\mu_k = -\delta_k m'_3$. We consider the two cases that the distribution F is symmetric or not.

Example 4.1.1 We assume that the distribution F is symmetric about zero. In this case, by the symmetry $m'_j = 0$ (j = 3, 5, ..., 11) and $\theta = 0$. Then, we have

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{3}(x_1^3 - 3x_1m'_2),$$

$$g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = \psi_2(x_1, x_2) - g^{(1)}(x_1) - g^{(1)}(x_2) - \theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(-x_1^2x_2 - x_1x_2^2 + x_1m'_2 + x_2m'_2),$$

$$g^{(3)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 2x_1x_2x_3.$$

By the computation based on these, we get

$$e_{1} = 0, \quad e_{2} = 0,$$

$$e_{3} = \frac{1}{81} (m'_{12} - 12m'_{10}m'_{2} + 54m'_{8}m'_{2}^{2} - 108m'_{6}m'_{2}^{3} + 81m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4}),$$

$$e_{4} = \frac{1}{27} (-m'_{8}m'_{4} + 3m'_{8}m'_{2}^{2} + 7m'_{6}m'_{4}m'_{2} - 21m'_{6}m'_{2}^{3} - 15m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} + 54m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} - 27m'_{2}^{6}),$$

$$e_{5} = \frac{1}{9} (m'_{4}^{3} - 7m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} + 15m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} - 9m'_{2}^{6}),$$

$$e_{6} = \frac{4}{27} (m'_{4}^{3} - 9m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} + 27m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} - 27m'_{2}^{6}).$$

Furthermore,

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{9}(m'_6 - 6m'_4m'_2 + 9m'_2^3), \quad \sigma_2^2 = 2(m'_4m'_2 - m'_2^3).$$

Thus we get

$$\begin{array}{lll} v_1 & = & 0, & v_2 = 0, & v_3 = 0, \\ v_4 & = & \frac{6}{(m'_6 - 6m'_4m'_2 + 9m'_2^3)^2} \\ & & \times \left\{ m'_{12} - 12m'_{10}m'_2 - 36m'_8m'_4 + 162m'_8m'_2^2 - 6m'_6^2 + 324m'_6m'_4m'_2 \right. \\ & & \left. - 972m'_6m'_2^3 + 102m'_4^3 - 1566m'_4^2m'_2^2 + 4779m'_4m'_2^4 - 3240m'_2^6 \right\}, \\ v_5 & = & \frac{18}{(m'_6 - 6m'_4m'_2 + 9m'_2^3)^2} \\ & & \times \left\{ -m'_{12} + 12m'_{10}m'_2 + 12m'_8m'_4 - 90m'_8m'_2^2 + 2m'_6^2 - 90m'_6m'_4m'_2 + 4378m'_6m'_2^3 - 18m'_4^3 + 270m'_4^2m'_2^2 - 945m'_4m'_2^4 + 486m'_2^6 \right\} \end{array}$$

and

$$E[g^{(1)}(X_1)f_1(X_1)] = \frac{1}{2}e_1 + e_2 = 0.$$

Now we check the condition (D): We can write $2g^{(2)}(x,y) = (x+y)(m'_2 - xy) = -(x^2 + x - m'_2)(y^2 + y - m'_2) + (x^2 - m'_2)(y^2 - m'_2) + xy$. We can also write

$$f_1(x)g^{(1)}(y) + f_1(y)g^{(1)}(x) = [f_1(x) + g^{(1)}(x)][f_1(y) + g^{(1)}(y)] - f_1(x)f_1(y) - g^{(1)}(x)g^{(1)}(y).$$

Thus we have $a_2(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^6 c_j h_j(x) h_j(y)$ where

$$h_1(x) = x^2 + x - m_2', \quad h_2(x) = x^2 - m_2', \quad h_3(x) = x,$$

 $h_4(x) = f_1(x) + g^{(1)}(x), \quad h_5(x) = f_1(x), \quad h_6(x) = g^{(1)}(x),$

and

$$c_1 = -\frac{1}{2}(k-1), \quad c_2 = \frac{1}{2}(k-1), \quad c_3 = \frac{1}{2}(k-1), \quad c_4 = -\frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}, \quad c_5 = c_6 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}.$$

In this example we can write f_1 as follows:

$$f_1(x) = \frac{1}{18} \left[(x^3 - 3xm_2')^2 - 9\sigma_1^2 + 6(m_4' - 3m_2')^2 (m_2' - x^2) \right].$$

Thus for any $s_1,...,s_K$ $(-\infty < s_1,...,s_K < \infty)$, $g^{(1)}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(x)$ is a polynomial of degree 6 with respect to x. Therefore the distribution of $g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X)$ has the density for any $s_1,...,s_K$ $(-\infty < s_1,...,s_K < \infty)$ and by Lemma 5.1 the condition (D) is satisfied. We note that the check of the condition (D) of the example (1) of 5 of Yamato et al. (2003) is corrected and may be done like as the above.

Under our assumption, $\mu_k = \delta_k(\theta_{k-1} - \theta) = 0$ and the Edgeworth expansion of the studentized Y-statistic about estimable parameter θ is given by

$$H_n^*(x) = \Phi(x) + \phi(x) \frac{1}{72n} \{ v_4 x^3 + v_5 x \}.$$

That is, there is no difference of the Edgeworth expansions of the studentized Y-statistic about its expectation and θ . Thus, if the distribution F is symmetric then there is no difference among the Edgeworth expansions of the studentized Y-statistic about its expectation and θ . By Remark 3 of Maesono (1996), this expansion $H_n^*(x)$ is also equal to the Edgeworth expansion of studentized U-statistic using a jackknife variance estimator.

Example 4.1.2 We assume that the distribution F is not symmetric about zero. In this case, $\theta = m_3'$ and $\mu_k = -\delta_k m_3'$. Now, we have

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{3}x_1^3 - m'_2x_1 - m'_3,$$

$$g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}(-x_1^2x_2 - x_1x_2^2 + x_1m'_2 + x_2m'_2),$$

$$g^{(3)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = 2x_1x_2x_3.$$

Thus, by the same reason as in Example 4.1.1, Condition (D) is satisfied. By the computation based on these functions, we get

$$e_{1} = \frac{1}{27}(m'_{9} - 9m'_{7}m'_{2} - 3m'_{6}m'_{3} + 27m'_{5}m'_{2}^{2} + 18m'_{4}m'_{3}m'_{2} + 2m'_{3}^{3} - 54m'_{3}m'_{2}^{3}),$$

$$e_{2} = \frac{2}{9}(-m'_{5}m'_{4} + 3m'_{5}m'_{2}^{2} + 4m'_{4}m'_{3}m'_{2} - 12m'_{3}m'_{2}^{3}),$$

$$e_{3} = \frac{1}{81}(m'_{12} - 12m'_{10}m'_{2} - 4m'_{9}m'_{3} + 54m'_{8}m'_{2}^{2} + 36m'_{7}m'_{3}m'_{2} + 6m'_{6}m'_{3}^{2} - 108m'_{6}m'_{2}^{3} - 108m'_{5}m'_{3}m'_{2}^{2} - 36m'_{4}m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2} + 81m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} - 3m'_{3}^{4} + 162m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2}^{3}),$$

$$e_{4} = \frac{1}{27}(-m'_{8}m'_{4} + 3m'_{8}m'_{2}^{2} - m'_{7}m'_{5} + 4m'_{7}m'_{3}m'_{2} + 7m'_{6}m'_{4}m'_{2} - 21m'_{6}m'_{2}^{4} + 6m'_{5}m'_{2} + 4m'_{5}m'_{4}m'_{3} - 45m'_{5}m'_{3}m'_{2}^{2} - 15m'_{4}m'_{2}^{2} - 16m'_{4}m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2} + 54m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} + 84m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2}^{3} - 27m'_{2}^{6}),$$

$$e_{5} = \frac{1}{9}(m'_{5}m'_{2} + 2m'_{5}m'_{4}m'_{3} - 14m'_{5}m'_{3}m'_{2}^{2} + m'_{4}^{3} - 7m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} - 8m'_{4}m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2} + 15m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} + 40m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2}^{3} - 9m'_{2}^{6}),$$

$$e_{6} = \frac{4}{27}(m'_{4}^{3} - 9m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} + 27m'_{4}m'_{4}^{4} - 27m'_{2}^{6})$$

Furthermore,

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{9} (m'_6 - 6m'_4 m'_2 - m'_3^2 + 9m'_2^3), \quad \sigma_2^2 = 2(m'_4 m'_2 + m'_3^2 - m'_2^3).$$

Thus we can get v_1 , v_2 , v_3 , v_4 , and v_5 , which are tedious and we omit to write them.

We also have

$$\frac{1}{2}e_1 + e_2 = \frac{1}{54}(m'_9 - 9m'_7m'_2 - 3m'_6m'_3 - 12m'_5m'_4 + 63m'_5m'_2^2 + 66m'_4m'_3m'_2 + 2m'_3^3 - 198m'_3m'_2^3).$$

The Edgeworth expansion $H_n^*(x)$ is given by (3.12) with

$$\mu_k = \begin{cases} -\frac{k(k-1)}{2}m_3' & (V, S - \text{statistic}) \\ -k(k-1)m_3' & (LB - \text{statistic}). \end{cases}$$

In the relation (3.14), $H_n^*(x)$ is different from $H_n(x)$ with this μ_k .

Example 4.2 We consider the kernel $g(x_1, x_2, ..., x_k) = x_1 x_2 \cdots x_k \ (k \ge 3)$. This kernel yields estimable parameter $\theta(F) = \mu^k$, where μ is the mean of the distribution F. We assume that the distribution F has the density. We also assume that F is symmetric about the mean μ (> 0), and $E|X|^9 < \infty$ in case of k = 3, 4 and $E|X^{2k+\varepsilon}| < \infty$ in case of $k \ge 5$. We shall denote the central moments about the mean by m_j (j = 2, 4). Now, we have

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \mu^{k-1}(x_1 - \mu),$$

$$g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = \mu^{k-2}(x_1 - \mu)(x_2 - \mu),$$

$$g^{(3)}(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \mu^{k-3}(x_1 - \mu)(x_2 - \mu)(x_3 - \mu).$$

The computation based on these values yields

$$e_1 = 0, \quad e_2 = (k-1)\mu^{3k-4}m_2^2, \quad e_3 = \mu^{4k-4}m_4, \quad e_4 = 0,$$

 $e_5 = (k-1)^2\mu^{4k-6}m_2^3, \quad e_6 = (k-1)(k-2)\mu^{4k-6}m_2^3.$

Furthermore,

$$\sigma_1^2 = \mu^{2k-2} m_2, \quad \sigma_2^2 = (k-1)^2 \mu^{2k-4} m_2^2.$$

Thus we get

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_1 & = & \frac{3(k-1)\sqrt{m_2}}{\mu}, & v_2 = \frac{3(k-1)\sqrt{m_2}}{\mu}, & v_3 = -\frac{9(k-1)^2m_2}{\mu^2}, \\ v_4 & = & 6\xi_1^{-4}(e_3-6\xi_1^4+12e_4+6e_5+4e_6)-2\xi_1^{-6}(2e_1+3e_2)(2e_1+9e_2) \\ & = & \frac{6\{\mu^2m_4-6\mu^2m_2^2+(k-1)(k-5)m_2^3\}}{\mu^2m_2^2}, \\ v_5 & = & 3\xi_1^{-6}(4e_1^2+12e_1e_2+3e_2^2)+18\xi_1^{-4}(\xi_1^2\xi_2^2-e_3+2\xi_1^4-4e_4-2e_5) \\ & = & -\frac{9\{2\mu^2m_4-4\mu^2m_2^2+(k-1)(2k-3)m_2^3\}}{\mu^2m_2^2}. \end{array}$$

Now we check the condition (D): By the relation derived in Example 4.1, we have $a_2(x,y) = \sum_{i=1}^4 c_j h_j(x) h_j(y)$ where

$$h_1(x) = x - \mu$$
, $h_2(x) = f_1(x) + g^{(1)}(x)$, $h_3(x) = f_1(x)$, $h_4(x) = g^{(1)}(x)$,

and

$$c_1 = -\frac{1}{2}\mu^{k-2}(k-1), \quad c_2 = -\frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}, \quad c_3 = c_4 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}.$$

In this example we can write f_1 as follows:

$$f_1(x) = \frac{1}{2}\mu^{2k-3} \left[\mu(x-\mu)^2 + 2(k-1)m_2(x-\mu) - \mu m_2 \right].$$

Thus for any $s_1,...,s_K$ $(-\infty < s_1,...,s_K < \infty)$, $g^{(1)}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(x)$ is a polynomial of degree 2 with respect to x. Therefore the distribution of $g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X)$ has the density for any $s_1,...,s_K$ $(-\infty < s_1,...,s_K < \infty)$ and by Lemma 5.1 the condition (D) is satisfied.

The values of μ_k for V-statistic, S-statistic and LB-statistic are

$$\mu_k = \begin{cases} \frac{k(k-1)}{2} (m_2^2 + \mu^2 - \mu^3) \mu^{k-3} & (V, S - \text{statistic}) \\ k(k-1) (m_2^2 + \mu^2 - \mu^3) \mu^{k-3} & (LB - \text{statistic}). \end{cases}$$

These values give the difference among the Edgeworth expansions $H_n^*(x)$. The Edgeworth expansions $H_n^*(x)$ are given by (3.14) with the above values.

Example 4.3 We consider the kernel

$$g(x_1, x_2, x_3) = \frac{1}{3} \{ I(x_1 > x_2 + x_3) + I(x_2 > x_1 + x_3) + I(x_3 > x_1 + x_2) \},$$
 (27)

where I(A) is the indicator function of an event A. This kernel yields the estimable parameter $\theta(F)=E\left[1-F(X_1+X_2)\right]$ which measures the degree to which a life distribution F has the NBU (new better than used) property. If X_1 and X_2 are random variables having the life distribution F, the NBU property is denoted by $P(X_1>x)\geq P(X_2>x+y|X_2>y)$ for x,y>0. (See, Hollander and Proschan (1972), and Lee (1990)). We note that

$$\psi_1(x) = \frac{1}{3}E[F(x - X_3)] + \frac{2}{3}E[1 - F(x + X_3)],$$

$$\psi_2(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{3}[F(|x_2 - x_1|) + 1 - F(x_1 + x_2)].$$

For the corresponding U-statistic, we shall derive Edgeworth expansion in cases that F are the uniform distribution U(0,1) and the exponential distribution e(1) with parameter 1. Since the kernel (4.2) is scale invariant, the Edgeworth expansion for the uniform distribution U(0,1) is equal to the one for the uniform distribution $U(0,\alpha)$, $\alpha > 0$. The Edgeworth expansion for the exponential distribution e(1) is also equal to the one for the exponential distribution e(1) is also equal to the one for

Example 4.3.1 We assume that F is the uniform distribution U(0,1). Then $\theta(F) =$

1/6, and

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{2}x_1^2 - \frac{2}{3}x_1 + \frac{1}{6} \quad (0 < x < 1),$$

$$g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{3} \left[|x_1 - x_2| - (x_1 + x_2) \right] - \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \frac{2}{3}(x_1 + x_2) - \frac{1}{6} \quad (0 < x_1 + x_2 < 1) \\ \frac{1}{3} |x_1 - x_2| - \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) + \frac{2}{3}(x_1 + x_2) - \frac{1}{2} \quad (x_1 + x_2 > 1). \end{cases}$$

By using the expression of $q^{(1)}$ and $q^{(2)}$ to

$$E[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)|X_1 = x_1] = \int_{0 < x_2 < 1, 0 < x_1 + x_2 < 1} g^{(1)}(x_2)g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2)dx_2 + \int_{0 < x_2 < 1, x_1 + x_2 > 1} g^{(1)}(x_2)g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2)dx_2,$$

we get

$$\begin{split} E[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)|X_1 &= x_1] \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \bigg\{ 2x_1 \int_0^{x_1} g^{(1)}(x_2) dx_2 - \int_0^{x_1} x_2 g^{(1)}(x_2) dx_2 + \int_{x_1}^1 x_2 g^{(1)}(x_2) dx_2 \bigg\} \\ &- \int_0^1 [g^{(1)}(x_2)]^2 dx_2 + \frac{1}{3} \bigg\{ (1-x_1) \int_0^{1-x_1} g^{(1)}(x_2) dx_2 - \int_0^{1-x_1} x_2 g^{(1)}(x_2) dx_2 \bigg\}. \end{split}$$

Thus we get

$$E[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)|X_1 = x_1] = \frac{1}{24}x_1^4 - \frac{5}{54}x_1^3 + \frac{1}{18}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{270}.$$

By the computation based on these functions using Mathematica ver. 4.0, we get

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{270} \doteq 0.0037, \quad \sigma_2^2 = \frac{1}{135} \doteq 0.0074$$

and

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{140} \doteq 0.00714, \quad e_2 \doteq -\frac{1}{4536} = -0.00022, \quad e_3 = \frac{1}{280} \doteq 0.00357,$$

 $e_4 = -\frac{19}{1360800} \doteq -0.00001, \quad e_5 = \frac{1}{72900} \doteq 0.000014.$

Since we can write

$$e_6 = (k-1)(k-2)E[g^{(1)}(X_1)h(X_1)]$$

where $h(x) = \int_{0 \le y+z \le x} g^{(1)}(y)g^{(1)}(z)dydz$, we have

$$e_6 = -\frac{1}{272160} \doteq -0.0000037.$$

Thus we get

$$v_1 = \frac{309\sqrt{30}}{28} \doteq 60.44510, \quad v_2 = \frac{21\sqrt{30}}{4} \doteq 28.7554, \quad v_3 = -\frac{1432215}{292} \doteq -4904.8459,$$
$$v_4 = -\frac{4878216261}{960400} \doteq -5079.35887, \quad v_5 = \frac{2495655}{392} \doteq 6366.4668.$$

Now we check the condition (C): We take $h(y) = y^l$ (0 < y < 1, l = 1, 2, ...) for $(Lh)(x) = E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$ (0 < x < 1). Since f_1 and $g^{(1)}$ are polynomials of degrees 4 and 2, respectively, the term related to f_1 and $g^{(1)}$ in $E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$ is a polynomial of degree 4. Among the terms of $g^{(2)}$, |x - y| yields the integral

$$\int_0^1 |x - y| y^l dy = \frac{2}{(l+1)(l+2)} x^{l+2} - \frac{1}{l+1} x + \frac{1}{l+2} \quad (0 < x < 1)$$

which is a polynomial of degree l+2. Among the terms of $g^{(2)}$, the other term yields a polynomial of degree 2. That is, (Lh)(x) (0 < x < 1) is a polynomial of degree l+2 for $h(y) = y^l$ (0 < y < 1, l = 2,3,...). Thus if we choose $h_j(y) = y^j$ for j=2,3,...,K, then $h_1(x_1),...,h_K(x_1)$ are linearly independent and the covariance matrix of $(h_1(X_1),...,h_K(X_1))$ is positive definite. Thus the condition (C) is satisfied.

The values of μ_k for V-statistic, S-statistic and LB-statistic are

$$\mu_k = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & (V, S - \text{statistic}) \\ \frac{1}{2} & (LB - \text{statistic}). \end{cases}$$

These values give the difference among the Edgeworth expansions $H_n^*(x)$. The Edgeworth expansions $H_n^*(x)$ are given by (3.14) with the above values.

Example 4.3.2 We assume that F is the exponential distribution e(1). Then $\theta(F) = 1/4$, and

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{12} - \frac{1}{3}x_1e^{-x_1}, \quad (x_1 > 0)$$

$$g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = -\frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{3}\left[x_1e^{-x_1} + x_2e^{-x_2} - e^{-|x_1 - x_2|} + e^{-(x_1 + x_2)}\right] \quad (x_1, x_2 > 0).$$

By using the expression of $g^{(1)}(x_1)$ and $g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2)$ to

$$E[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1, X_2)|X_1 = x_1]$$

$$= \int_0^{x_1} g^{(1)}(x_2)g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2)dx_2 + \int_{x_1}^{\infty} g^{(1)}(x_2)g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2)dx_2,$$

we get

$$E[g^{(1)}(X_2)g^{(2)}(X_1,X_2)|X_1=x_1] = -\frac{5}{3888} - \frac{8}{81}e^{-2x_1} + \frac{8}{81}e^{-x_1} - \frac{2}{27}x_1e^{-2x_1} - \frac{1}{36}x_1e^{-x_1}.$$

By the computation based on these functions using Mathematica ver. 4.0, we get

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{5}{3888} \doteq 0.001286, \quad \sigma_2^2 = \frac{251}{972} \doteq 0.25823$$

and

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{31104} \doteq 0.000032, \quad e_2 = -\frac{5}{69984} \doteq -0.000071, \quad e_3 = \frac{2171}{583200000} \doteq 0.0000037,$$

 $e_4 = \frac{-10127}{9447840000} \doteq -0.000001, \quad e_5 = \frac{2083}{157464000} \doteq 0.000013.$

By the method similar to Example 4.3.1, we have

$$e_6 = \frac{1}{1119744} \doteq 0.00000089.$$

Thus we get

$$v_1 = -\frac{21\sqrt{3}}{5\sqrt{5}} \doteq -3.253306, \quad v_2 = -\frac{51\sqrt{3}}{10\sqrt{5}} \doteq -3.95044, \quad v_3 = -\frac{1323}{125} \doteq -10.584,$$
$$v_4 = -\frac{787836542389301}{134369280000000} \doteq -5.86322, \quad v_5 = \frac{7274727}{78125} \doteq 93.11651.$$

Now we check the condition (C): We take $h(y) = e^{-ly}$ (y > 0, l = 1, 2, ...) for $(Lh)(x) = E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$ (x > 0). The terms related to f_1 and $g^{(1)}$ in $E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$ contain exponential functions e^{-x} or e^{-2x} . Among the terms of $g^{(2)}$, $e^{-|x-y|}$ yields the integral

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-|x-y|} e^{-ly} dy = \frac{1}{(l-1)} e^{-x} - \frac{2}{(l-1)(l+1)} e^{-lx} \quad (x > 0)$$

which contain exponents e^{-x} and e^{-lx} . Among the terms of $g^{(2)}$, the other terms are constant or contain a exponential function e^{-x} . That is, (Lh)(x) contains exponent e^{-x} , e^{-2x} and e^{-lx} for $h(y) = e^{-ly}$ (l = 2, 3, ...). Thus if we choose $h_j(y) = e^{-(j+1)y}$ (y > 0) for j = 1, 2, ..., K, then $h_1(x_1), ..., h_K(x_1)$ are linearly independent and the covariance matrix of $(h_1(X_1), ..., h_K(X_1))$ is positive definite. Thus the condition (C) is satisfied.

The values of μ_k for V-statistic, S-statistic and LB-statistic are

$$\mu_k = \begin{cases} -\frac{5}{12} & (V, S - \text{statistic}) \\ -\frac{5}{6} & (LB - \text{statistic}). \end{cases}$$

These values give the difference among the Edgeworth expansions $H_n^*(x)$. The Edgeworth expansions $H_n^*(x)$ are given by (3.14) with the above values.

Next, we consider about the kernel of degree 2.

Example 4.4 We consider the variance $\theta = \int (x - \mu)^2 dF(x)$. Its kernel $g(x_1, x_2)$ is given by

$$\frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 + x_2^2 - 2x_1x_2).$$

For this kernel, we have $g_{(k-1)}(x_1) = g_{(1)}(x_1) = 0$ and so $\theta_{k-1}(=\theta_1) = 0$. Therefore, we have

$$Y_n = \frac{d(k,k)}{D(n,k)} \binom{n}{k} U_n = \frac{d(2,2)n}{2D(n,2)} \sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})^2.$$
 (28)

We assume that the distribution F has a density. We also assume $E \mid X \mid^{18} < \infty$ and denote jth moment of X about the origin by m'_j (j=2,3,...,6). In order to study the statistical properties of Y_n , by (4.3) the mean μ is assumed to be zero, without loss of generality. Thus, in this case $\theta = m'_2$ and $\mu_k = -\delta_k m'_2$. We consider the two cases that the distribution F is symmetric or not.

Example 4.4.1 We assume that the distribution F is symmetric about zero. In this case, by the symmetry $m'_{j} = 0$ (j = 3, 5, 7). Then, we have

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - m'_2), \quad g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = -x_1 x_2, \quad f_{12}(x_1) = 0.$$

By the computation based on these, we get

$$e_{1} = \frac{1}{8}(m'_{6} - 3m'_{4}m'_{2} + 2m'_{2}^{3}),$$

$$e_{2} = 0,$$

$$e_{3} = \frac{1}{16}(m'_{8} - 4m'_{6}m'_{2} + 6m'_{4}m'_{2}^{2} - 3m'_{2}^{4}),$$

$$e_{4} = 0, \quad e_{5} = 0, \quad e_{6} = 0.$$

Furthermore,

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{4}(m'_4 - m'_2^2), \qquad \sigma_2^2 = m'_2^2.$$

Thus we get

$$v_{1} = \frac{2}{(m'_{4} - m'_{2}^{2})^{3/2}} \left\{ m'_{6} - 3m'_{4}m'_{2} + 2m'_{2}^{3} \right\},$$

$$v_{2} = \frac{1}{(m'_{4} - m'_{2}^{2})^{3/2}} \left\{ m'_{6} - 3m'_{4}m'_{2} + 2m'_{2}^{3} \right\},$$

$$v_{3} = -\frac{4}{(m'_{4} - m'_{2}^{2})^{3}} \left\{ m'_{6} - 3m'_{4}m'_{2} + 2m'_{2}^{3} \right\}^{2},$$

$$v_{4} = \frac{2}{(m'_{4} - m'_{2}^{2})^{3}} \left\{ 3m'_{8}m'_{4} - 3m'_{8}m'_{2}^{2} - 4m'_{6}^{2} + 12m'_{6}m'_{4}m'_{2} - 4m'_{6}m'_{2}^{3} - 18m'_{4}^{3} + 36m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} - 33m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} + 11m'_{2}^{6} \right\},$$

$$v_{5} = \frac{3}{(m'_{4} - m'_{2}^{2})^{3}} \left\{ -6m'_{8}m'_{4} + 6m'_{8}m'_{2}^{2} + 4m'_{6}^{2} - 8m'_{6}m'_{2}^{3} + 12m'_{4}^{3} - 12m'_{4}^{2}m'_{2}^{2} - 6m'_{4}m'_{2}^{4} + 10m'_{6}^{6} \right\}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}e_1 + e_2 = \frac{1}{16}(m'_6 - 3m'_4m'_2 + 2m'_2^3).$$

Now we check the condition (D): Since $g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = -x_1x_2$, by the same reason stated at the Example 4.1.1 we have $a_2(x,y) = \sum_{j=1}^6 c_j h_j(x) h_j(y)$ where

$$h_1(x) = x$$
, $h_2(x) = f_1(x) + g^{(1)}(x)$, $h_3(x) = f_1(x)$, $h_4(x) = g^{(1)}(x)$,

and

$$c_1 = -1$$
, $c_2 = -\frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}$, $c_3 = c_4 = \frac{1}{\sigma_1^2}$.

In this example we can write f_1 as follows:

$$f_1(x) = \frac{1}{8} \left\{ (x^2 - m'_2)^2 - (m'_4 - m'_2^2) \right\}$$

Thus for any $s_1,...,s_K$ $(-\infty < s_1,...,s_K < \infty),$ $g^{(1)}(x) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(x)$ is a polynomial of degree 4 with respect to x. Therefore the distribution of $g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X)$ has the density for any $s_1,...,s_K$ $(-\infty < s_1,...,s_K < \infty)$ and by Lemma 5.1 the condition (D) is satisfied.

Example 4.4.2 We assume that the distribution F is not symmetric about zero. Then, we have

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{2}(x_1^2 - m'_2), \quad g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = -x_1 x_2, \quad f_{12}(x_1) = -\frac{1}{2}m'_3 x_1.$$

By the computation based on these, we get

$$e_{1} = \frac{1}{8}(m'_{6} - 3m'_{4}m'_{2} + 2m'_{2}^{3}),$$

$$e_{2} = -\frac{1}{4}m'_{3}^{2},$$

$$e_{3} = \frac{1}{16}(m'_{8} - 4m'_{6}m'_{2} + 6m'_{4}m'_{2}^{2} - 3m'_{2}^{4}),$$

$$e_{4} = \frac{1}{8}(-m'_{5}m'_{3} + 2m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2}),$$

$$e_{5} = \frac{1}{4}m'_{3}^{2}m'_{2}, \quad e_{6} = 0.$$

Furthermore

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{4}(m'_4 - m'_2^2), \qquad \sigma_2^2 = m'_2^2.$$

Thus we get

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_1 & = & \frac{2}{(m'_4-m'_2^2)^{3/2}} \left\{ m'_6 - 3m'_4m'_2 - 3m'_3^2 + 2m'_2^3 \right\}, \\ v_2 & = & \frac{1}{(m'_4-m'_2^2)^{3/2}} \left\{ m'_6 - 3m'_4m'_2 - 6m'_3^2 + 2m'_2^3 \right\}, \\ v_3 & = & -\frac{4}{(m'_4-m'_2^2)^3} \left\{ m'_6 - 3m'_4m'_2 - 3m'_3^2 + 2m'_2^3 \right\}^2, \\ v_4 & = & \frac{2}{(m'_4-m'_2^2)^3} \\ & \times \left\{ 3m'_8m'_4 - 3m'_8m'_2^2 - 4m'_6^2 + 12m'_6m'_4m'_2 + 48m'_6m'_3^2 - 4m'_6m'_2^3 \right. \\ & \left. - 72m'_5m'_4m'_3 + 72m'_5m'_3m'_2^2 - 18m'_4^3 + 36m'_4^2m'_2^2 + 72m'_4m'_3^2m'_2 \right. \\ & \left. - 33m'_4m'_4^4 - 108m'_3^4 - 120m'_3^2m'_2^3 + 11m'_2^6 \right\}, \\ v_5 & = & \frac{3}{(m'_4-m'_2^2)^3} \\ & \times \left\{ -6m'_8m'_4 + 6m'_8m'_2^2 + 4m'_6^2 - 24m'_6m'_3^2 - 8m'_6m'_2^3 + 48m'_5m'_4m'_3 \right. \\ & \left. - 48m'_5m'_3m'_2^2 + 12m'_4^3 - 12m'_4^2m'_2^2 - 72m'_4m'_3^2m'_2 - 6m'_4m'_4^4 \right. \\ & \left. + 12m'_3^4 + 96m'_3^2m'_2^3 + 10m'_2^6 \right\} \end{array}$$

and

$$\frac{1}{2}e_1 + e_2 = \frac{1}{16}(m'_6 - 3m'_4m'_2 - 4m'_3^2 + 2m'_2^3).$$

Now we check the condition (D): Since

$$f_1(x) = \frac{1}{8} \left\{ (x^2 - m'_2)^2 - (m'_4 - m'_2)^2 \right\} - \frac{1}{2} m'_3 x,$$

by the same reason as Example 4.4.1, the condition (D) is satisfied.

Example 4.5 We consider the kernel $g(x_1, x_2) = x_1 x_2$. This kernel yields estimable parameter $\theta(F) = \mu^2$. We assume that the distribution F has the density. We also assume that F is symmetric about the mean μ (> 0) and $EX^9 < \infty$. The values e_2 , e_3 and e_5 are given by putting k = 2 in Example 4.2 and, $e_1 = e_4 = e_6 = 0$.

Example 4.6 We consider the kernel

$$g(x_1, x_2) = I(x_1 + x_2 > 0),$$

which appears in the Wilcoxon one-sample statistic. We assume that the distribution F has the density and symmetric about zero. Then the value of the estimable parameter θ is equal to $E[I(X_1 + X_2 > 0)] = 1/2$. We have also

$$g_{(1)}(x_1) = I(x_1 > 0), \quad \theta_1(=\theta_{k-1}) = EI(X_1 > 0) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Therefore $\mu_2(=\mu_k)=0$. We note that 1-F(-x)=F(x) and F(X) has the uniform distribution U(0,1). We have

$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = F(x_1) - \frac{1}{2}, \quad g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = I(x_1 + x_2 > 0) - F(x_1) - F(x_2) + \frac{1}{2},$$

and

$$f_1(x_1) = 0$$
, $f_{12}(x_1) = \frac{1}{2} \{ F(x_1) - F^2(x_1) - \frac{1}{6} \}$,

where we use the relation $E[F(X_2)I(x_1+X_2>0)]=\int_{-x_1}^{\infty}F(x_2)dF(x_2)=[1-F^2(-x_1)]/2=[2F(x_1)-F^2(x_1)]/2$. Furthermore, using the relation $E[F(X_2)I(X_1+X_2>0)]=E[2F(X_1)-F^2(X_1)]/2=1/3$, we get

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{12}, \quad \sigma_2^2 = \frac{1}{12}.$$

Thus we get

$$e_1 = e_2 = 0$$
, $e_3 = \frac{1}{80}$, $e_4 = -\frac{1}{360}$, $e_5 = \frac{1}{720}$, $e_6 = 0$

and

$$v_1 = v_2 = v_3 = 0$$
, $v_4 = -\frac{234}{5}$, $v_5 = \frac{216}{5}$.

Now we check the condition (C): We assume $E|g^{(2)}|^r < \infty$ (r > 2) and take K such that K > 8(4r-5)/(r-2). We take $h(y) = y^l$ (l = 1, 2, ..., K) for $(Lh)(x) = E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$. Under the condition that F has the K-th moment, $\int_{-x}^{\infty} y^l dF(y)$, l = 1, ..., K, are linearly independent. Since $a_2(x, y) = g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = I(x_1 + x_2 > 0) - F(x_1) - F(x_2) + \frac{1}{2}$, under the same condition, $(Lh_1)(x_1), ..., (Lh_K)(x_1)$ are linearly independent and the covariance matrix of $(Lh_1)(X_1), ..., (Lh_K)(X_1)$ is positive definite, where $h_l(y) = y^l, l = 1, ..., K$.

Example 4.7 We consider the kernel

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2} \max(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2} [x_1 I(x_1 \ge x_2) + x_2 I(x_1 < x_2)],$$

which gives the probability weighted moment

$$\theta = \beta_1 = \frac{1}{2} E[\max(X_1, X_2)] = E[XF(X)].$$

We assume that the distribution F has the uniform distribution U(0,1). Then we have $\beta_1 = 1/3$, $g_{(1)}(x_1) = x_1/2$, and $\theta_1 = 1/4$. Furthermore, we have

$$2\psi_1(x_1) = E[x_1 I(x_1 \ge X_2) + X_2 I(x_1 < X_2)] = \frac{1}{4}(1 + x_1^2),$$
$$g^{(1)}(x_1) = \frac{1}{4}x_1^2 - \frac{1}{12},$$
$$g^{(2)}(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{2}\max(x_1, x_2) - \frac{1}{4}(x_1^2 + x_2^2) - \frac{1}{6}$$

and

$$f_1(x_1) = \frac{1}{24}x_1^4 - \frac{1}{24}x_1^2 + \frac{1}{180}, \quad f_{12}(x_1) = \frac{1}{96}x_1^4 - \frac{1}{48}x_1^2 + \frac{7}{1440}.$$

Therefore we have

$$\sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{180}, \quad \sigma_2^2 = \frac{1}{360}.$$

Thus we get

$$e_1 = \frac{1}{3780}, \quad e_2 = -\frac{1}{3780}, \quad e_3 = \frac{1}{15120}, \quad e_4 = -\frac{1}{113400}, \quad e_5 = \frac{1}{75600}, \quad e_6 = 0$$

and

$$v_1 = -\frac{2\sqrt{5}}{7}$$
, $v_2 = -\frac{4\sqrt{5}}{7}$, $v_3 = -\frac{20}{49}$, $v_4 = -34$, $v_5 = \frac{267}{49} \doteq 5.45$.

Now we check the condition (C): We take $h(y) = y^{l+1}$ (l = 1, 2, ..., K) for $(Lh)(x) = E[a_2(x, X_2)h(X_2)]$ and a suitably large K(>56). Since $\int_0^1 y^{l+1} \max(x, y) dy$ is a polynomial of degree l + 3 in x, $(Lh_1)(x_1),..., (Lh_K)(x_1)$ are linearly independent. Hence the covariance matrix of $(Lh_1)(X_1),..., (Lh_K)(X_1)$ is positive definite.

5. Appendix

About the condition (D) by Lai and Wang (1993) for Edgeworth expansion, we give a sufficient condition.

LEMMA 5.1. We assume that the distribution of $g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^{K} s_j h_j(X)$ has the density for any $s_1, ..., s_K \ (-\infty < s_1, ..., s_K < \infty)$. Then, the relation (2.5) holds, provided the assumptions of Condition (D) preceding (2.5).

PROOF. Since the distribution of $g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^{K} s_j h_j(X)$ has the density for any $s_1, ..., s_K$, we get

$$E \exp\left(it\left[g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^{K} s_j h_j(X)\right]\right) \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad |t| \to \infty \quad \text{for } -\infty < s_1, ..., s_K < \infty.$$

Thus,

$$\sup_{|s_1|+\dots+|s_K|\leq 1} |E\exp\left(it\left[g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X)\right]\right)| \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad |t| \to \infty.$$

On the other hand, for a sufficiently large |t| satisfying $|t|^{-\varepsilon} < 1$ with ε given in Condition (D),

$$0 \le \sup_{|s_1| + \dots + |s_K| \le |t|^{-\varepsilon}} |E \exp\left(it \left[g^{(1)}(X) + \sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X)\right]\right)|$$

$$K$$

$$\leq \sup_{|s_1|+\cdots+|s_K|\leq 1} |E\exp\left(it[g^{(1)}(X)+\sum_{j=1}^K s_j h_j(X)]\right)|,$$

which converges to 0 as $|t| \to \infty$, because of the previous reason. Thus, (2.5) holds.

From the proof of Lemma 1.3 in p. 261 of Shorack (2000), we have the following.

Lemma 5.2. (Shorack (2000)) For any random variables W and Δ , it holds that

$$\sup_{x} \mid P(W + \Delta \le x) - P(W \le x) \mid \le 4(E \mid W\Delta \mid +E \mid \Delta \mid).$$

Lemma 1.7 of Petrov (1994) yields the following.

Lemma 3 of Maesono (1996)) Let H be a bounded function and δ be a positive constant. For any random variables W and Δ , it holds that

$$\sup_{x} |P(W + \Delta \le x) - H(x)| \le \sup_{x} |P(W \le x) - H(x)| + P(|\Delta| \ge \delta) + \sup_{x} |H(x + \delta) - H(x)|.$$

By the Taylor expansion, we can get the following lemma.

LEMMA 5.4. For a positive constant c, the following relations hold uniformly with respect to $x \in (-\infty, \infty)$.

$$\begin{split} \Phi(x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}) &= \Phi(x) - \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}\phi(x) - \frac{c^2}{2n}x\phi(x) + O(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}), \\ \phi(x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}) &= \phi(x) + \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}x\phi(x) + \frac{c^2}{2n}(x^2-1)\phi(x) + O(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}), \\ (x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}})\phi(x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}) &= x\phi(x) + \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}(x^2-1)\phi(x) + \frac{c^2}{2n}(x^3-3x)\phi(x) + O(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}), \\ (x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}})^2\phi(x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}) &= x^2\phi(x) + \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}(x^3-2x)\phi(x) + \frac{c^2}{2n}(x^4-5x^2+2)\phi(x) \\ &\quad + O(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}), \\ (x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}})^3\phi(x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}) &= x^3\phi(x) + \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}(x^4-3x^2)\phi(x) + \frac{c^2}{2n}(x^5-7x^3+6x)\phi(x) \\ &\quad + O(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}), \\ (x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}})^5\phi(x-\frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}) &= x^5\phi(x) + \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}}(x^6-5x^4)\phi(x) + \frac{c^2}{2n}(x^7-11x^5+20x^3)\phi(x) \\ &\quad + O(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}}). \end{split}$$

Multiplication of (2.3) and (3.6). The term associated with μ_k of (3.4) is obtained by multiplying the second term of (3.6) and the first term of (2.3). The last term of a_1^* is obtained by multiplying the second terms of (3.6) and (2.3). The terms of the expansion associated with $a_2(x,y)$, $a_3(x,y,z)$ are obtained directly by multiplication of the right-hand sides of (2.3) and (3.6). Next we consider the first three terms of $a_1(x)$, which are

$$\frac{\delta_k}{k} \left[(k-1)g_{(k-1)}^{(1)}(x) - kg^{(1)}(x) \right], \quad \tau g^{(1)}(x), \quad -\frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} \left[f_1(x)g^{(1)}(x) - \zeta \right].$$

The terms of the expansion associated with these are also obtained by the same method as the above. Since the third term of a_1 is subtracted the constant ζ , consequently the constant term associated with ζ appears in the second term of (3.4).

Now we consider the terms associated with the last two terms of $a_1(x)$ which are

$$-\frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} \Big(E \big[f_2(x, X_2) g^{(1)}(X_2) \big] - \frac{3\zeta}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(x) \Big), \quad -\frac{1}{\sigma_1^2} (k-1) E \big[g^{(2)}(x, X_2) f_1(X_2) \big].$$

These are obtained by taking the first terms of H-decompositions of

$$\frac{1}{n^{5/2}} \sum_{i < j} [g^{(1)}(X_i) + g^{(1)}(X_j)][f_2(X_i, X_j) - \frac{3}{\sigma_1^2} f_1(X_i) f_1(X_j)]$$
 (29)

and

$$\frac{1}{n^{5/2}} \sum_{i \le j} g^{(2)}(X_i, X_j) [f_1(X_i) + f_1(X_j)], \tag{30}$$

respectively. These (5.1) and (5.2) are obtained directly by multiplication of the right-hand sides of (2.3) and (3.6).

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