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## Abstract

In this paper we will discuss asymptotic properties of a kernel estimator of excess distribution function (*EDF*). The excess distribution function takes an important role in extreme value analysis, survival analysis, and so on. The excess distribution function is a conditional distribution function  $H_u(x) = P(X - u \leq x | X > u)$  ( $x > 0$ ). Thus it is a ratio of the functions which relate to the distribution function  $X$ . If we can assume a parametric model, we can get an estimator of *EDF*. Also, using the empirical distribution function, a nonparametric estimator of *EDF* is obtained. Since the empirical distribution is not smooth, we propose a kernel type estimator of *EDF*, which gives us a smooth estimate, and discuss its mean squared errors, theoretically.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be independently and identically distributed random variables with a density and distribution function  $f(x)$ ,  $F(x)$ . From the definition of the conditional probability, we have the excess distribution function (*EDF*) as follows: for  $x > 0$

$$H_u(x) = P(X_1 - u \leq x | X > u) = \frac{F(x + u) - F(u)}{1 - F(u)}.$$

The above *EDF* is a distribution function of residual time after survive until  $u$ . If we can assume some parametric model, it is possible to obtain a smooth estimator of *EDF*. Using the empirical distribution function, a nonparametric estimator is given by

$$\tilde{H}_u(x) = \frac{F_n(x + u) - F_n(u)}{1 - F_n(u)}$$

where for the indicator function  $I(\cdot)$

$$F_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i \leq x).$$

Since  $F_n(\cdot)$  is a discrete function, the estimator  $\tilde{H}_u(x)$  is not smooth enough. On the other hand, the kernel estimator of the distribution function is smooth. In this

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paper we study a kernel estimator of  $H_u(x)$  and obtain mean squared errors. Let us consider a kernel function  $k(\cdot)$  which satisfies

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} k(v)dv = 1.$$

Using this kernel function, we get a kernel estimator of the distribution function  $F(x)$

$$\widehat{F}(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n K\left(\frac{x - X_i}{h}\right)$$

where  $K(\cdot)$  is an integral of the kernel function  $k(\cdot)$ , that is

$$K(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t k(v)dv.$$

For the sake of simplicity, we assume that the support of the kernel is  $[-1, 1]$ . Then we will discuss mean squared errors of a kernel excess distribution function estimator

$$\widehat{H}_u(x) = \frac{\widehat{F}(x+u) - \widehat{F}(u)}{1 - \widehat{F}(u)} \quad (x > 0). \quad (1)$$

For this kernel estimator  $\widehat{H}_u(x)$ , we get an asymptotic bias, variance and mean squared error.

**THEOREM 1.1.** *Assume that  $f^{(j)}(x)$  ( $j = 1, \dots, 4$ ) exists and is bounded around the neighborhood of  $u$ .*

$$\int z^j k(z)dz < \infty \quad (j = 1, 2, 3, 4).$$

Then we have the bias, variance and mean squared error as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & Bias[\widehat{H}_u(x)] \\ &= \left\{ \frac{\beta_2(x; u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1 - F(u))^2} \right\} h^2 \\ &+ \left\{ \frac{\beta_4(x; u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\alpha_2(u)\beta_2(x; u) + \alpha_4(u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1 - F(u))^2} + \frac{\alpha_2^2(u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1 - F(u))^3} \right\} h^4 \\ &+ o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\ & Var[\widehat{H}_{n,u}(x)] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \frac{(F(x+u) - F(u))(1 - F(x+u))}{(1 - F(u))^3} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\ & AMSE[\widehat{H}_{n,u}(x)] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \frac{(F(x+u) - F(u))(1 - F(x+u))}{(1 - F(u))^3} \\ &+ \left\{ \frac{\beta_2(x; u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1 - F(u))^2} \right\}^2 h^4 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

wehere for  $j = 1, \dots, 4$

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha_j(u) &= \frac{1}{j!} f^{(j-1)}(u) \int y^j k(y) dy, \\ \beta_j(x; u) &= \alpha_j(x+u) - \alpha_j(u)\end{aligned}$$

and  $\Delta_u(x) = F(x+u) - F(u)$ .

PROOF. See the appendix.

## 2. Simulation

In this section, we will compare the obtained asymptotic mean squared errors and the mean squared errors by simulation. For fix zs, we draw the asymptotic mean squared errors

$$\begin{aligned}& E \left[ (\widehat{H}_{n,u}(x) - H_u(x))^2 \right] \\ & \approx \frac{(F(x+u) - F(u))(1 - F(x+u))}{n(1 - F(u))^3} + \left\{ \frac{\beta_2(x; u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1 - F(u))^2} \right\}^2 h^4 \quad (2)\end{aligned}$$

and simulated mean squared errors

$$(\widehat{H}_{n,u}^N(x) - H_u(x))^2. \quad (3)$$

Using the Epanechnikov kernel

$$k(u) = \frac{3}{4}(1 - u^2)I(|u| \leq 1),$$

we simulate the mean squared error. The Epanechnikov kernel satisfies

$$\int z^j k(z) dz < \infty \quad (j = 1, 2, 3, 4).$$

In these simulations, we put the bandwidth  $h = n^{-1/4}$  and repetition number 10,000. The vertical line represents both mean squared errors and the horizontal line represents  $x > 0$ . Here we consider the underlying distributions are  $t$ -distribution with 3-degrees of freedom and double-exponential. The upper line is the asymptotic mean squared errors (2) and the lower line is the estimated values of the equation (3).It follows from the simulation results that when  $n$  goes to infinity the estimated values are closer to the asymptotic mean squared errors. This supports that our derivations are correct.

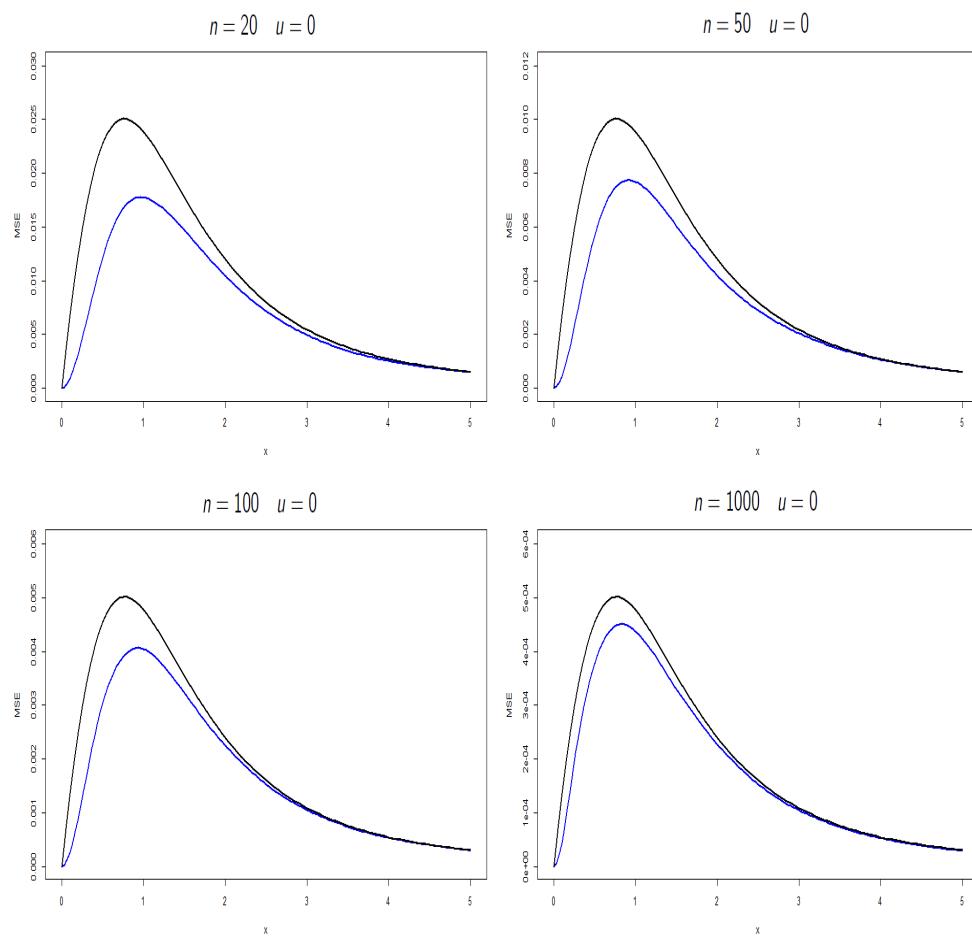


Figure 1:  $t$ -distribution with 3-degrees of freedom.

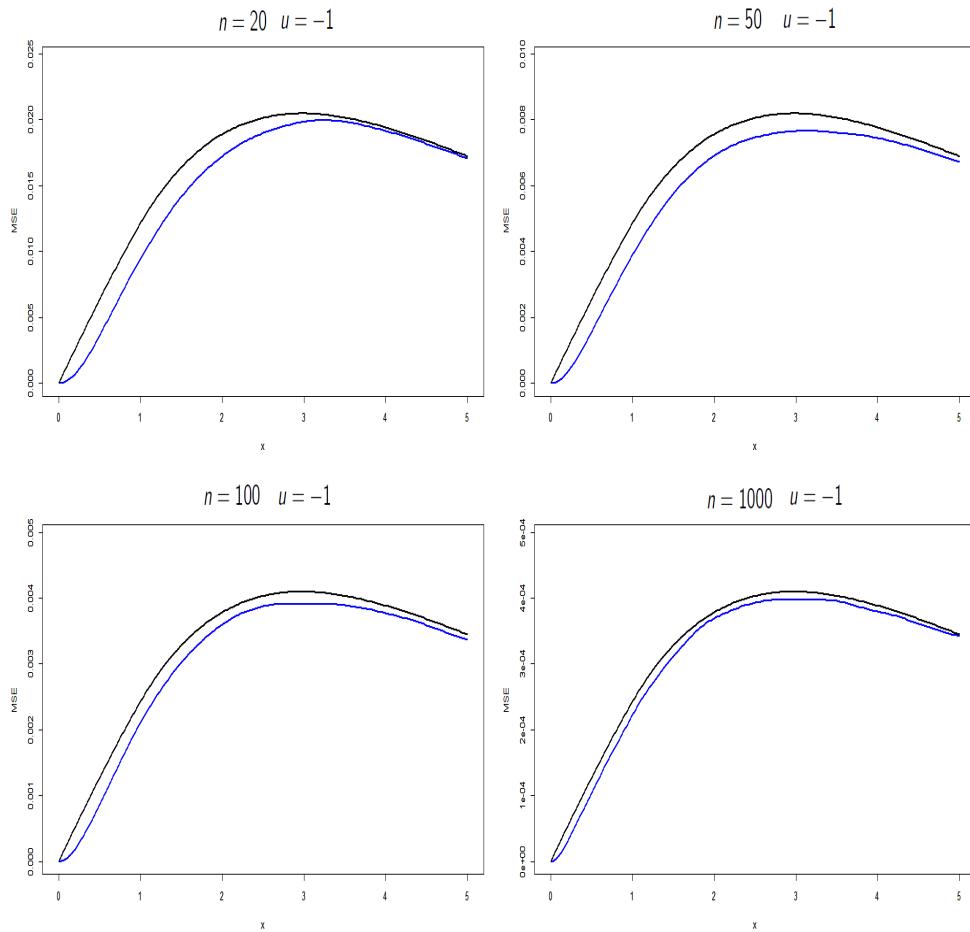


Figure 2: Double exponential distribution

### 3. Appendix

Let us obtain moment evaluations of the kernel estimator of the distribution function. Motoyama and Maesono (2018) obtain the following evaluation.

LEMMA 3.1. *Assume that (i)  $f'(u)$  exists and  $|f'(u)| \leq M$  for  $M > 0$  and  $u \in \mathbf{R}$ , (ii)  $k(\cdot)$  is a symmetric around the origin 0 and satisfies  $\int u^2 k(u) du < \infty$ . Then for  $p \geq 2$  we have*

$$E\{|\widehat{F}(x) - F(x)|^p\} = O(h^{2p}) + O\left(\frac{1}{n^{p/2}}\right).$$

PROOF. See Motoyama and Maesono (2018).

Using the Taylor expansion of  $(1-x)^{-1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{n,u}(x) &\approx \frac{1}{1-F(u)}(\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)) \\ &+ \frac{1}{(1-F(u))^2}(\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u))(\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)) \\ &+ \frac{1}{(1-F(u))^3}(\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u))^2(\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)). \end{aligned}$$

In order to get approximations of the moments of

$$\begin{aligned} &E\left[\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)\right], \\ &E\left[(\widehat{F}_n(x) - F(u))(\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u))\right], \\ &E\left[(\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u))^2(\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u))\right], \end{aligned}$$

we prepare the following lemma.

LEMMA 3.2. *Under the same assumptions of Theorem 1.1, we have the followings:*

(1) *For  $m \geq 2$ , we have*

$$E\left[K^m\left(\frac{u-X_1}{h}\right)\right] = F(u) + \sum_{j=1}^5 \alpha_{m,j}(u)h^j + O(h^6) \quad (4)$$

where

$$\alpha_{\ell,j}(u) = \frac{(-1)^j \ell}{j!} f^{(j-1)}(u) \int_{-1}^1 y^j K^{\ell-1}(y) k(y) dy.$$

(2) *For  $e_K(u) = K\left(\frac{u-X_1}{h}\right) - E\left[K\left(\frac{u-X_1}{h}\right)\right]$ , we have*

$$E[e_K^2(u)] = F(u)(1-F(u)) + o(1), \quad (5)$$

$$E[e_K^m(u)] = O(1) \quad (m = 3, 4). \quad (6)$$

PROOF. (1) Using the integration by parts and the Taylor expansion, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ K^m \left( \frac{u - X_1}{h} \right) \right] \\
&= \int K^m \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) f(z) dz \\
&= \left[ K^m \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) F(z) \right]_{z=-\infty}^{z=\infty} + \frac{m}{h} \int K^{m-1} \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) k \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) F(z) dz \\
&= m \int K^{m-1}(y) k(y) F(u - hy) dy \\
&= mF(u) \int_{-1}^1 K^{m-1}(y) k(y) dy \\
&\quad + m \sum_{j=1}^5 \frac{(-1)^j h^j}{j!} f^{(j-1)}(u) \int_{-1}^1 y^j K^{m-1}(y) k(y) dy + O(h^6) \\
&= F(u) [K^m(y)]_{-1}^1 + \sum_{j=1}^5 \alpha_{m,j}(u) h^j + O(h^6) \\
&= F(u) + \sum_{j=1}^5 \alpha_{m,j}(u) h^j + O(h^6).
\end{aligned}$$

(2) It follows from the above result (1) that

$$\begin{aligned}
& E [e_K^2(u)] \\
&= E \left[ K^2 \left( \frac{u - X_1}{h} \right) \right] - \left( E \left[ K \left( \frac{u - X_1}{h} \right) \right] \right)^2 \\
&= F(u) + \sum_{j=1}^5 \alpha_{2,j}(u) h^j + O(h^6) \\
&\quad - \{ F^2(u) + 2F(u)\alpha_2(u)h^2 + (\alpha_2^2(u) + 2F(u)\alpha_4(u)) h^4 \} \\
&= F(u)(1 - F(u)) + \sum_{j=1}^5 c_j(u) h^j + O(h^6) \\
&= F(u)(1 - F(u)) + o(1)
\end{aligned}$$

where  $c_j$ s are coefficient of  $h^j$  and do not depend on  $n$ .

### Proof of Theorem 1.1.

Using Lemma 3.2, we will obtain approximations of the following expectations:

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n^i(u) \right] \quad (i = 1, 2, 3, 4), \\
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n^j(u) \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \quad (j = 1, 2, 3), \\
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n^j(u) \widehat{F}_n^2(x+u) \right] \quad (j = 1, 2).
\end{aligned}$$

It is easy to show that

$$\begin{aligned}
E[\widehat{F}_n(u)] &= F(u) + \alpha_2(u)h^2 + \alpha_4(u)h^4 + O(h^6), \\
E[\widehat{F}_n^2(u)] &= E\left[\left(\widehat{F}_n(u) - E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^2\right] + \left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n}E[e_K^2(u)] + \left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^2 \\
&= F^2(u) + 2F(u)\alpha_2(u)h^2 + (\alpha_2^2(u) + 2F(u)\alpha_4(u))h^4 \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{n}F(u)(1 - F(u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\
E[\widehat{F}_n^3(u)] &= E\left[\left(\widehat{F}_n(u) - E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^3\right] + 3E[\widehat{F}_n^2(u)]E[\widehat{F}_n(u)] \\
&\quad - 3E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^2 + \left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^3 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2}E[e_K^3(u)] + 3E[\widehat{F}_n^2(u)]E[\widehat{F}_n(u)] - 2\left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^3 \\
&= F^3(u) + 3F^2(u)\alpha_2(u)h^2 + 3F(u)(\alpha_2^2(u) + \alpha_4(u)F(u))h^4 \\
&\quad + \frac{3}{n}F^2(u)(1 - F(u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
E[\widehat{F}_n^4(u)] &= E\left[\left(\widehat{F}_n(u) - E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^4\right] + 4E[\widehat{F}_n^3(u)]E[\widehat{F}_n(u)] \\
&\quad - 6E[\widehat{F}_n^2(u)]\left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^2 + 3\left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^4 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^3}E[e_K^4(u)] + 4E[\widehat{F}_n^3(u)]E[\widehat{F}_n(u)] \\
&\quad - 6E[\widehat{F}_n^2(u)]\left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^2 + 3\left(E[\widehat{F}_n(u)]\right)^4 \\
&= F^4(u) + 4F^3(u)\alpha_2(u)h^2 + 2F^2(u)(3\alpha_2^2(u) + 2\alpha_4(u)F(u))h^4 \\
&\quad + \frac{6}{n}F^3(u)(1 - F(u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4).
\end{aligned}$$

In order to get approximations of  $E[\widehat{F}_n^j(u)\widehat{F}_n(x+u)]$  ( $j = 1, 2, 3$ ), let us consider

$$E\left[K\left(\frac{u-X_1}{h}\right)K\left(\frac{x+u-X_1}{h}\right)\right].$$

Using the integration by parts, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ K \left( \frac{u - X_1}{h} \right) K \left( \frac{x + u - X_1}{h} \right) \right] \\
&= \int K \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) K \left( \frac{x + u - z}{h} \right) f(z) dz \\
&= \left[ K \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) K \left( \frac{x + u - z}{h} \right) F(z) \right]_{z=-\infty}^{z=\infty} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{h} \int k \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) K \left( \frac{x + u - z}{h} \right) F(z) dz \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{h} \int K \left( \frac{u - z}{h} \right) k \left( \frac{x + u - z}{h} \right) F(z) dz \\
&= \int_{-1}^1 k(y) K \left( y + \frac{x}{h} \right) F(u - hy) dy \\
&\quad + \int_{-1}^1 K \left( y - \frac{x}{h} \right) k(y) F(x + u - hy) dy.
\end{aligned}$$

Since the support of the kernel  $k(\cdot)$  is  $[-1, 1]$  and  $h \rightarrow 0$ , for a fix  $x > 0$  and  $y \in [-1, 1]$  we have

$$1 \leq y + \frac{x}{h_n},$$

and then

$$K \left( y + \frac{x}{h} \right) = 1.$$

Thus we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{-1}^1 k(y) K \left( y + \frac{x}{h} \right) F(u - hy) dy \\
&= \int_{-1}^1 k(y) F(u - hy) dy \\
&= F(u) + \alpha_2(u)h^2 + \alpha_4(u)h^4 + O(h^6).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly for the fix  $x > 0$  and  $y \in [-1, 1]$ , we get

$$-1 \geq y - \frac{x}{h_n}$$

and

$$K \left( y - \frac{x}{h} \right) = 0.$$

Therefore, we have

$$\int_{-1}^1 K \left( y - \frac{x}{h} \right) k(y) F(x + u - hy) dy = 0.$$

Using these evaluations, we can show that

$$E \left[ K \left( \frac{u - X_1}{h} \right) K \left( \frac{x + u - X_1}{h} \right) \right] = F(u) + \alpha_2(u)h^2 + \alpha_4(u)h^4 + O(h^6)$$

and

$$E [e_K(u)e_K(x + u)] = F(u)(1 - F(x + u)) + o(1).$$

Then for the fix  $x > 0$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(u) \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \\
= & E \left[ \left( \widehat{F}_n(u) - E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(u) \right] \right) \left( \widehat{F}_n(x+u) - E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \right) \right] \\
& + E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(u) \right] E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \\
= & \frac{1}{n} E[e_K(u)e_K(x+u)] + E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(u) \right] E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \\
= & F(u)F(x+u) + \frac{1}{n} F(u)(1-F(x+u)) + (\alpha_2(u)F(x+u) + \alpha_2(x+u)F(u))h^2 \\
& +(F(u)\alpha_4(x+u) + \alpha_2(u)\alpha_2(x+u) + \alpha_4(u)F(x+u))h^4 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4).
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n^2(u) \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \\
= & F^2(u)F(x+u) + (2F(u)F(x+u)\alpha_2(u) + F^2(u)\alpha_2(x+u))h^2 \\
& + \left\{ F^2(u)\alpha_4(x+u) + 2F(u)\alpha_2(u)\alpha_2(x+u) \right. \\
& \left. + F(x+u)\alpha_2^2(u) + 2F(u)F(x+u)\alpha_4(u) \right\} h^4 \\
& + \frac{1}{n} F(u)(F(x+u) + 2F(u) - 3F(u)F(x+u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n^3(u) \widehat{F}_n(x+u) \right] \\
= & F^3(u)F(x+u) + (3F^2(u)F(x+u)\alpha_2(u) + F^3(u)\alpha_2(x+u))h^2 \\
& + \left\{ F^3(u)\alpha_4(x+u) + 3F^2(u)\alpha_2(u)\alpha_2(x+u) \right. \\
& \left. + 3F(u)F(x+u)\alpha_2^2(u) + 3F^2(u)F(x+u)\alpha_4(u) \right\} h^4 \\
& + \frac{3}{n} F^2(u)(F(x+u) + F(u) - 2F(u)F(x+u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(u) \widehat{F}_n^2(x+u) \right] \\
= & F(u)F^2(x+u) + (2F(u)F(x+u)\alpha_2(x+u) + F^2(x+u)\alpha_2(u))h^2 \\
& + \left\{ F^2(x+u)\alpha_4(u) + F(u)\alpha_2^2(x+u) \right. \\
& \left. + 2F(x+u)\alpha_2(x+u)\alpha_2(u) + 2F(u)F(x+u)\alpha_4(x+u) \right\} h^4 \\
& + \frac{3}{n} F(u)F(x+u)(1-F(x+u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n^2(u) \widehat{F}_n^2(x+u) \right] \\
= & F^2(u) F^2(x+u) + 2F(u)F(x+u)(F(x+u)\alpha_2(u) + F(u)\alpha_2(x+u))h^2 \\
& + \left\{ 2\alpha_4(x+u)F^2(u)F(x+u) + 4F(u)F(x+u)\alpha_2(u)\alpha_2(x+u) \right. \\
& \left. + F^2(u)\alpha_2^2(x+u) + F^2(x+u)\alpha_2^2(u) + 2F^2(x+u)F(u)\alpha_4(u) \right\} h^4 \\
& + \frac{1}{n} F(u)F(x+u)(F(x+u) + 5F(u) - 6F(u)F(x+u)) \\
& + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4).
\end{aligned}$$

Using these evaluations, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u) \right] \\
= & F(x+u) - F(u) + \beta_2(x;u)h^2 + \beta_4(x;u)h^4 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\
& E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)) (\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u)) \right] \\
= & -\frac{1}{n} F(u)\Delta_u(x) + \Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)h^2 \\
& + (\alpha_2(u)\beta_2(x;u) + \alpha_4(u)\Delta_u(x))h^4 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\
& E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)) (\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u))^2 \right] \\
= & \alpha_2^2(u)\Delta_u(x)h^4 + \frac{1}{n} F(u)\Delta_u(x)(1 - F(u)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_j(x;u) &= \alpha_j(x+u) - \alpha_j(u) \\
\Delta_u(x) &= F(x+u) - F(u).
\end{aligned}$$

Combining the above evaluations, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{H}_{n,u}(x) \right] \\
\approx & \frac{1}{1 - F(u)} E \left[ \widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u) \right] \\
& + \frac{1}{(1 - F(u))^2} E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)) (\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u)) \right] \\
& + \frac{1}{(1 - F(u))^3} E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u)) (\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u))^2 \right] \\
= & H_u(x) + \left\{ \frac{\beta_2(x;u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1 - F(u))^2} \right\} h^2 \\
& + \left\{ \frac{\beta_4(x;u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\alpha_2(u)\beta_2(x;u) + \alpha_4(u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1 - F(u))^2} + \frac{\alpha_2^2(u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1 - F(u))^3} \right\} h^4 \\
& + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4).
\end{aligned}$$

Then we have the bias of  $\hat{H}_{n,u}(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} & Bias \left[ \hat{H}_{n,u}(x) \right] \\ & \approx \left\{ \frac{\beta_2(x; u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1 - F(u))^2} \right\} h^2 \\ & \quad + \left\{ \frac{\beta_4(x; u)}{1 - F(u)} + \frac{\alpha_2(u)\beta_2(x; u) + \alpha_4(u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1 - F(u))^2} + \frac{\alpha_2^2(u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1 - F(u))^3} \right\} h^4 \\ & \quad + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4). \end{aligned}$$

Next we will study the variance of  $\hat{H}_{n,u}(x)$ . Using the approximation of the ratio statistic, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \hat{H}_{n,u}^2(x) \\ & \approx \frac{1}{(1 - F(u))^2} \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \\ & \quad + \frac{2}{(1 - F(u))^3} \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \left( \hat{F}_n(u) - F(u) \right) \\ & \quad + \frac{3}{(1 - F(u))^4} \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \left( \hat{F}_n(u) - F(u) \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

In order to obtain an expectation of  $\hat{H}_{n,u}^2(x)$ , we need approximations of the following expectations:

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[ \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \right], \\ & E \left[ \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \left( \hat{F}_n(u) - F(u) \right) \right], \\ & E \left[ \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \left( \hat{F}_n(u) - F(u) \right)^2 \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Using the previous evaluations, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[ \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \right] \\ & = \Delta_u^2(x) + 2\Delta_u(x)\beta_2(x; u)h^2 + (\beta_2^2(x; u) + 2\beta_4(x; u)\Delta_u(x))h^4 \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{n}\Delta_u(x)(1 - \Delta_u(x)) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4), \\ & E \left[ \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \left( \hat{F}_n(u) - F(u) \right) \right] \\ & = \Delta_u^2(x)\alpha_2(u)h^2 + (\alpha_4(u)\Delta_u^2(x) + 2\alpha_2(u)\Delta_u(x)\beta_2(x; u))h^4 \\ & \quad - \frac{2}{n}F(u)\Delta_u^2(x) + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & E \left[ \left( \hat{F}_n(x + u) - \hat{F}_n(u) \right)^2 \left( \hat{F}_n(u) - F(u) \right)^2 \right] \\ & = \frac{1}{n}F(u)(1 - F(u))\Delta_u^2(x) + \alpha_2^2(u)\Delta_u^2(x)h^4 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& E \left[ \widehat{H}_{n,u}^2(x) \right] \\
& \approx \frac{1}{(1-F(u))^2} E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u))^2 \right] \\
& \quad + \frac{2}{(1-F(u))^3} E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u))^2 (\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u)) \right] \\
& \quad + \frac{3}{(1-F(u))^4} E \left[ (\widehat{F}_n(x+u) - \widehat{F}_n(u))^2 (\widehat{F}_n(u) - F(u))^2 \right] \\
= & H_u^2(x) + 2 \left\{ \frac{\Delta_u(x)\beta_2(x;u)}{(1-F(u))^2} + \frac{\Delta_u^2(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1-F(u))^3} \right\} h^2 + \left( \sum_{i=1}^3 \gamma_i(x;u) \right) h^4 \\
& + \frac{1}{n} \frac{(F(x+u) - F(u))(1-F(x+u))}{(1-F(u))^3} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4)
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\gamma_1(x;u) &= \frac{\beta_2^2(x;u) + 2\Delta_u(x)\beta_4(x;u)}{(1-F(u))^2}, \\
\gamma_2(x;u) &= \frac{2\alpha_4(u)\Delta_u^2(x) + 4\alpha_2(u)\beta_2(x;u)\Delta_u(x)}{(1-F(u))^3} \\
\gamma_3(x;u) &= \frac{3\alpha_2^2(u)\Delta_u^2(x)}{(1-F(u))^4}.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& Var \left[ \widehat{H}_{n,u}(x) \right] \\
= & E \left[ \widehat{H}_{n,u}^2(x) \right] - \left( E \left[ \widehat{H}_{n,u}(x) \right] \right)^2 \\
\approx & \frac{1}{n} \frac{(F(x+u) - F(u))(1-F(x+u))}{(1-F(u))^3} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4)
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& MSE \left[ \widehat{H}_{n,u}(x) \right] \\
\approx & \frac{1}{n} \frac{(F(x+u) - F(u))(1-F(x+u))}{(1-F(u))^3} \\
& + \left\{ \frac{\beta_2(x;u)}{1-F(u)} + \frac{\Delta_u(x)\alpha_2(u)}{(1-F(u))^2} \right\}^2 h^4 + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) + o(h^4).
\end{aligned}$$

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