

# Online Supplement for “Estimating smooth structural change in cointegrated system with mildly integrated regressors”

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The Online Supplement contains two additional Lemmas needed for the proofs of main theoretical results.

**Lemma S.1.** Consider the nearly integrated system as in Section 3. Let  $\mathbf{u}_t = (\mathbf{u}_{0t}^\top, \mathbf{u}_{xt}^\top)^\top$  be defined as in (6). Under Assumptions 1, 2, and 3, we have, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  :

- (i)  $n^{-1/2}\mathbf{X}_{\lfloor nr \rfloor} \Rightarrow \mathbf{K}_C(r), 0 < r \leq 1$ ;
- (ii)  $\sup_{t \in \bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)} \left\| \frac{\mathbf{X}_t - \mathbf{X}_{z_n}}{\sqrt{nh}} \right\| = O_p(1)$ , where  $\bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)$  is a set of integers in  $N_{nz_0}(h) = [\lfloor (z_0 - h)n \rfloor, \lfloor (z_0 + h)n \rfloor]$  and  $z_n = \lfloor n(z_0 - h) \rfloor, z_0 \in (0, 1)$ .

*Proof.* (i) is almost identical to Lemma 3.1(a) in Phillips 1988. However, since we have a different formulation for  $\mathbf{R}_n$ , the proofs are recollected here for completeness. Let  $\mathbf{S}_t^x = \sum_{j=1}^t \mathbf{u}_{xj}$  be the vector of partial sums. We construct

$$\mathbf{Z}_n(r) = n^{-1/2}\mathbf{S}_{\lfloor nr \rfloor}^x = n^{-1/2}\mathbf{S}_{j-1}^x, \quad \frac{j-1}{n} \leq r < \frac{j}{n},$$

where  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . As shown in Phillips 1987,  $\mathbf{Z}_n(r)$  obeys a functional central limit theorem:

$$\mathbf{Z}_n(r) \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}_X(r), \tag{1}$$

where  $\mathbf{B}_X(r)$  is a  $k$ -vector Brownian motion with covariance matrix  $\Omega_{xx}$ .

Based on the recursion

$$\mathbf{X}_t = \sum_{j=1}^t \mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} \mathbf{u}_{xj} + \mathbf{R}_n^t \mathbf{X}_0,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1/2} \mathbf{X}_{[nr]} &= \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \left( \mathbf{I}_k + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{n} \right)^{[nr]-j} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) + O_p(n^{-1/2}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} \left( \mathbf{I}_k + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{n} \right)^{[nr]-j} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) + O_p(n^{-1/2}) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} \left[ \left( \mathbf{I}_k + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{n} \right)^{[nr]-j} - e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} \right] d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) + O_p(n^{-1/2}) \\ &\leq \mathbf{T}_n \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) + \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) + O_p(n^{-1/2}), \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

where

$$\mathbf{T}_n := \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left\{ \sup_{\frac{j-1}{n} \leq s < \frac{j}{n}} \left\| \left( \mathbf{I}_k + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{n} \right)^{[nr]-j} - e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} \right\| \right\}.$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) &= \int_0^{[nr]/n} e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) \\ &= \int_0^r e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) + O_p(1/n) \\ &= \mathbf{Z}_n(r) + \mathbf{C} \int_0^r e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{Z}_n(s) ds + O_p(1/n). \end{aligned}$$

By (1) and the continuous mapping theorem (C.M.T.), we have

$$\mathbf{Z}_n(r) + \mathbf{C} \int_0^r e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{Z}_n(s) ds \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}_X(r) + \mathbf{C} \int_0^r e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{B}_X(s) ds.$$

This implies that  $\sum_{j=1}^{[nr]} \int_{\frac{j-1}{n}}^{\frac{j}{n}} e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} d\mathbf{Z}_n(s) \Rightarrow \mathbf{K}_C(r)$ , where  $\mathbf{K}_C(r) = \mathbf{B}_X(r) + \mathbf{C} \int_0^r e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}} \mathbf{B}_X(s) ds$ .

What remains is to show that  $\mathbf{T}_n = o_p(1)$ . Observe that both  $\mathbf{I}_k + \frac{\mathbf{C}}{n}$  and  $e^{(r-s)\mathbf{C}}$  are diagonal matrix. It is suffice to verify that, for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ,

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left\{ \sup_{\frac{j-1}{n} \leq s < \frac{j}{n}} \left| \left(1 + \frac{c_i}{n}\right)^{\lfloor nr \rfloor - j} - e^{c_i(r-s)} \right| \right\} = o(1).$$

We follow closely the steps in the proofs of Lemma 2.2 in Chan and Wei 1987. Define  $d_n^i = -\frac{n}{c_i} \log \left(1 + \frac{c_i}{n}\right)$ . Clearly, we have  $d_n^i \rightarrow -1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For  $\frac{j-1}{n} \leq s < \frac{j}{n}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \left(1 + \frac{c_i}{n}\right)^{\lfloor nr \rfloor - j} - e^{c_i(r-s)} \right| &= e^{c_i(r-\frac{j}{n})} \left| e^{(d_n^i+1)c_i(\frac{j}{n}-r)} - e^{c_i(\frac{j}{n}-s)} \right| \\ &\leq e^{|c_i|} \left\{ \left| e^{(d_n^i+1)c_i(\frac{j}{n}-r)} - 1 \right| + \left| 1 - e^{c_i(\frac{j}{n}-s)} \right| \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The proof is completed by noticing that

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \left| (d_n^i + 1)c_i \left(\frac{j}{n} - r\right) \right| \leq |c_i| |d_n^i + 1| \rightarrow 0,$$

and

$$\max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sup_{\frac{j-1}{n} \leq s < \frac{j}{n}} \left| 1 - e^{c_i(\frac{j}{n}-s)} \right| \leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \{e^{c_i/n} - 1, 1 - e^{c_i/n}\} \rightarrow 0,$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

For (ii), we first notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} (\mathbf{X}_t - \mathbf{X}_{z_n}) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=z_n+1}^t \mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} \mathbf{u}_{xj} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=1}^{z_n} (\mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n-j}) \mathbf{u}_{xj} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} (\mathbf{R}_n^t - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n}) \mathbf{X}_0. \end{aligned}$$

Define the localized partial-sum process

$$\mathbf{S}_n(r) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=z_n+1}^{z_n + \lfloor 2\lfloor nh \rfloor r \rfloor} \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n + \lfloor 2\lfloor nh \rfloor r \rfloor - j} \mathbf{u}_{xj}, \quad r \in [0, 1].$$

Then, for each  $t \in \bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)$  we may write

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=z_n+1}^t \mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} \mathbf{u}_{xj} = \mathbf{S}_n(r_t), \quad r_t := \frac{t - z_n}{2\lfloor nh \rfloor} \in [-1, 1].$$

Following the same arguments as in part (i), we have  $\mathbf{S}_n(\cdot) \Rightarrow \mathbf{K}_C(\cdot)$ . Since  $\mathbf{K}_C(\cdot)$  has continuous sample paths on the compact set  $[-1, 1]$ , the mapping  $f \mapsto \sup_{r \in [-1, 1]} \|f(r)\|$  is continuous. Hence, by C.M.T.,

$$\sup_{t \in \bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)} \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=z_n+1}^t \mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} \mathbf{u}_{xj} \right\| \Rightarrow \sup_{-1 \leq r \leq 1} \|\mathbf{K}_C(r)\|.$$

This implies that

$$\sup_{t \in \bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)} \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=z_n+1}^t \mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} \mathbf{u}_{xj} \right\| = O_p(1).$$

In addition, using the relation

$$\mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n-j} = \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n-j} (\mathbf{R}_n^{t-z_n} - \mathbf{I}_k), \quad 1 \leq j \leq z_n, \quad (3)$$

we have

$$\sup_{t \in \bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)} \max_{1 \leq j \leq z_n} \|\mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n-j}\| \leq O(1) \sup_{|m| \leq nh} \|\mathbf{R}_n^m - \mathbf{I}_k\| = O(h), \quad (4)$$

which follows from the fact that  $\sup_{0 \leq m \leq n} \|\mathbf{R}_n^m\| = O(1)$  and  $\sup_{|m| \leq nh} \|\mathbf{R}_n^m - \mathbf{I}_k\| = O(h)$ .

Moreover,  $\|\sum_{j=1}^{z_n} \mathbf{u}_{xj}\| = O_p(\sqrt{n})$ , so  $\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=1}^{z_n} \mathbf{u}_{xj} \right\| = O_p(1/\sqrt{h})$ . Therefore,

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=1}^{z_n} (\mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n-j}) \mathbf{u}_{xj} \right\| \leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq z_n} \|\mathbf{R}_n^{t-j} - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n-j}\| \left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \sum_{j=1}^{z_n} \mathbf{u}_{xj} \right\| = o_p(1),$$

uniformly over  $t \in \bar{N}_{nz_0}(h)$ . We also have

$$\left\| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} (\mathbf{R}_n^t - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n}) \mathbf{X}_0 \right\| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\lfloor nh \rfloor}} \|\mathbf{R}_n^t - \mathbf{R}_n^{z_n}\| \|\mathbf{X}_0\| = o_p(1)$$

This completes the proof of (ii).

□

**Lemma S.2.** Consider the mildly integrated system as in Section 4. Suppose that Assumptions 1, 2, and 3 are satisfied. Then, for any fixed  $z_0 \in (0, 1)$ , we have

- (i)  $\frac{1}{n^{1+\alpha/2}h} \sum_{t=1}^n \left\| K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) [(\mathbf{R}_n^{t-1} \mathbf{X}_0) \otimes \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_t] \right\| = o_p(1)$ ;
- (ii)  $\frac{1}{nh} \sum_{t=1}^n \left\| K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) [(\mathbf{R}_n^{t-1} \mathbf{X}_0) \otimes \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_t] \right\| = o_p(1)$ .

*Proof.* First, let  $\rho_{ni}$  be the  $i$ th element in  $\mathbf{R}_n$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . Since

$$(\rho_{ni})^{t-1} = \exp \left\{ (t-1) \log \left( 1 + \frac{c_i}{n^\alpha} \right) \right\} \leq \exp \left( (c-1) \frac{c_i}{n^\alpha} \right) \equiv \exp \left( -|c_i| \frac{t-1}{n^\alpha} \right),$$

this implies that

$$\|\mathbf{R}_n^{t-1}\|_{sp} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} |(\rho_{ni})^{t-1}| \leq \exp \left( -c^* \frac{t-1}{n^\alpha} \right),$$

where  $c^* := \min_{1 \leq i \leq k} |c_i|$ .

Let  $N_{nz_0}(h) = [\lfloor (z_0 - h)n \rfloor, \lfloor (z_0 + h)n \rfloor]$  and let  $z_n = \lfloor z_0 n \rfloor$ . We then have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{t=1}^n K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) \exp\left(-c^* \frac{t-1}{n^\alpha}\right) &= \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{t \in N_{nz_0}(h)} K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) \exp\left(-c^* \frac{t-1}{n^\alpha}\right) \\ &\leq \exp\left(-c^* \frac{\lfloor (z_0 - h)n \rfloor - 1}{n^\alpha}\right) \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{t \in N_{nz_0}(h)} K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) \\ &\leq O(1) \exp(-c_1 n^{1-\alpha}) = o(1), \end{aligned}$$

for some constant  $c_1 > 0$ . Then, Cauchy-Schwarz inequality gives

$$\begin{aligned} &\mathbb{E} \left( \frac{1}{n^{1+\alpha/2}h} \sum_{t=1}^n \left\| K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) [(\mathbf{R}_n^{t-1} \mathbf{X}_0) \otimes \tilde{\mathbf{u}}_t] \right\| \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n^{1+\alpha/2}h} \sum_{t=1}^n K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) \|\mathbf{R}_n^{t-1}\|_{sp} (\mathbb{E} \|\mathbf{X}_0\|^2)^{1/2} (\mathbb{E} \|\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_t\|^2)^{1/2} \\ &\leq \frac{O(1)}{n^{\alpha/2}} \left( \frac{1}{nh} \sum_{t=1}^n K\left(\frac{t-nz_0}{nh}\right) \exp\left(-c^* \frac{t-1}{n^\alpha}\right) \right) = o(1), \end{aligned}$$

which established (i). (ii) follows from the same argument as (i), and the details are omitted. □

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