

**A more powerful subvector Anderson and Rubin test
in linear instrumental variables regression**

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Overview

- **Robust, powerful, computationally fast** inference on a **slope coefficient(s)** in a linear IV regression
- **"Robust"** means uniform control of null rejection probability over all "empirically relevant" parameter constellations
- **"Weak instruments"**
 - pervasive in applied research (Angrist and Krueger, 1991)
 - adverse effect on inference and estimation (Phillips, 1989; Dufour, 1997; Staiger and Stock, 1997): classical tests overreject true null hypothesis; estimators are biased.

- FIRST assume **cond homoskedasticity** (Guggenberger, Mavroeidis, and Kleibergen, 2019 QE; GKM from now on)
 - THEN: relax to general **Kronecker-Product** structure (KPS)
 - FINALLY: allow for arbitrary forms of **cond heteroskedasticity**
- Large literature on "robust inference" for the **full** parameter vector (Kleibergen, 2002, Moreira, 2003/9)

Here: Consider robust **subvector** inference in the linear IV model

Relevant!

- Regarding **power**

Cond Homoskedastic case

We focus on the **Anderson and Rubin (AR, 1949) subvector test statistic**

- **"History of critical values":**
- Projection of full vector AR test (Dufour and Taamouti, 2005)
- Guggenberger, Kleibergen, Mavroeidis, and Chen (2012, GKMC) provide power improvement:
Using $\chi_{k-m_W, 1-\alpha}^2$ as critical value, rather than $\chi_{k, 1-\alpha}^2$ still controls asymptotic size
"Worst case" (largest quantile) occurs under strong identification
- In GKM (2019) consider a **data-dependent critical value** that adapts to strength of identification

- GKM has uniformly **higher power** than method in GKMC; Implication: Test in GKMC is "inadmissible"

Cond Heteroskedastic case: use KPS AR subvector test or fully robust test depending on outcome of a "pretest" for KPS; suggested test has non-smaller power than certain other robust tests suggested in recent literature

- One additional main contribution : **computational ease**
- Two related projects: namely GKM (2020) about tests for KPS and GMZ (2020) about optimality properties of a new CLR test

Presentation

- Introduction: ✓
- finite sample case (cond homoskedasticity)
 - a) $m_W = 1$: motivation, correct size, uniform power improvement over GKMC
 - b) $m_W > 1$: correct size, uniform power improvement
- asymptotic case:
 - a) cond homoskedasticity

b) general Kronecker-Product structure

c) general case (arbitrary forms of cond heteroskedasticity)

Model and Objective (finite sample, cond homosk. case)

$$\begin{aligned}y &= Y\beta + W\gamma + \varepsilon, \\Y &= Z\Pi_Y + V_Y, \\W &= Z\Pi_W + V_W,\end{aligned}$$

$y \in R^n, Y \in R^{n \times m_Y}$ (end or ex), $W \in R^{n \times m_W}$ (end), $Z \in R^{n \times k}$ (IVs)

- **Reduced form:**

$$(y : Y : W) = Z (\Pi_Y : \Pi_W) \begin{pmatrix} \beta & I_{m_Y} & 0 \\ \gamma & 0 & I_{m_W} \end{pmatrix} + \underbrace{(v_y : V_Y : V_W)}_V,$$

where $v_y := \varepsilon + V_Y\beta + V_W\gamma$.

- **Objective:** test

$$H_0 : \beta = \beta_0 \text{ versus } H_1 : \beta \neq \beta_0.$$

s.t. size bounded by nominal size & "good" power

Parameter space:

1. $Z \in R^{n \times k}$ fixed, and $Z'Z > 0$ $k \times k$ matrix.

2. The reduced form error satisfies:

$$V_i \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \Omega), \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

for some $\Omega \in R^{(m+1) \times (m+1)}$ s.t. the variance matrix of $(\bar{Y}_{0i}, V'_{Wi})'$ for $\bar{Y}_{0i} = y_i - Y'_i \beta_0 = W'_i \gamma + \varepsilon_i$, namely

$$\Omega(\beta_0) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\beta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m_W} \end{pmatrix}' \Omega \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ -\beta_0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m_W} \end{pmatrix}$$

is known and positive definite.

- **Note:** no restrictions on reduced form parameters Π_Y and $\Pi_W \rightarrow$ allow for weak IV

Full vector inference

$$H_0 : \beta = \beta_0, \gamma = \gamma_0 \text{ vs } H_1 : \text{not } H_0$$

- Robust methods: e.g. AR (Anderson and Rubin, 1949), LM, and CLR tests, see Kleibergen (2002), Moreira (2003, 2009).
- **Optimality properties:** Andrews, Moreira, and Stock (2006), Andrews, Marmer, and Yu (2019), and Chernozhukov, Hansen, and Jansson (2009)
- Also: Guggenberger, Mavroeidis, Zhang (2020, working paper); derives optimality results of a new CLR test in a linear IV model with KPS

Subvector procedures

- **Projection:** "inf" test statistic over parameter not under test, same critical value → "computationally hard" and "uninformative"
- **Bonferroni and related techniques:** Staiger and Stock (1997), Chaudhuri and Zivot (2011), Zhu (2015), Andrews (2017), McCloskey (2018), Wang and Tchatoka (2018) ...; often computationally hard, power ranking with projection unclear
- **Plug-in approach:** Kleibergen (2004), Guggenberger and Smith (2005)...Requires strong identification of parameters not under test.

- GMM models: e.g. Andrews and Cheng (2012), Andrews, I. and Mikushcheva (2016), Andrews (2017), Han and McCloskey (2019)
- Models defined by moment inequalities: e.g. Gafarov (2016), Bugni, Canay, and Shi (2017), and Kaido, Molinari, and Stoye (2019)

The Anderson and Rubin (1949) test

- **AR test stat for full vector hypothesis**

$$H_0 : \beta = \beta_0, \gamma = \gamma_0 \text{ vs } H_1 : \text{not } H_0$$

- AR statistic exploits $EZ_i \varepsilon_i = 0$

- **AR test stat:**

$$AR_n(\beta_0, \gamma_0) = \frac{(y - Y\beta_0 - W\gamma_0)' P_Z (y - Y\beta_0 - W\gamma_0)}{\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & -\beta_0' & -\gamma_0' \end{pmatrix} \Omega \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{1} & -\beta_0' & -\gamma_0' \end{pmatrix}'}$$

- AR stat is distri. as χ_k^2 under null hypothesis; critical value $\chi_{k,1-\alpha}^2$

- **Subvector AR statistic** for testing H_0 is given by

$$AR_n(\beta_0) = \min_{\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{m_W}} \frac{(\bar{Y}_0 - W\gamma)' P_Z (\bar{Y}_0 - W\gamma)}{(\mathbf{1} : -\beta_0' : -\gamma') \Omega (\mathbf{1} : -\beta_0' : -\gamma)'},$$

where again $\bar{Y}_0 = y - Y\beta_0$.

- Alternative representation (using $\kappa_{\min}(A) = \min_{x, \|x\|=1} x'Ax$):

$$AR_n(\beta_0) = \hat{\kappa}_p,$$

where $\hat{\kappa}_i$ for $i = 1, \dots, p = 1 + m_W$ are roots of characteristic polynomial in κ

$$\left| \kappa I_p - \Omega(\beta_0)^{-1/2} (\bar{Y}_0 : W)' P_Z (\bar{Y}_0 : W) \Omega(\beta_0)^{-1/2} \right| = 0,$$

ordered non-increasingly

- For par space above, the roots $\hat{\kappa}_i$ solve

$$0 = \left| \hat{\kappa}_i I_{1+m_W} - \Xi' \Xi \right|, \quad i = 1, \dots, p = 1 + m_W,$$

where

$$\Xi \sim N(M, I_k \otimes I_p),$$

and M is a $k \times p$ matrix.

- Under H_0 , the noncentrality matrix becomes $M = (\mathbf{0}^k, \Theta_W)$, i.e. rank deficient, where

$$\Theta_W = (Z'Z)^{1/2} \Pi_W \Sigma_{V_W V_W \cdot \varepsilon}^{-1/2},$$

which measures the strength of the IVs

- **Summarizing:** AR statistic is the minimum eigenvalue of a non-central Wishart matrix

Under H_0 the $p \times p$ matrix

$$\Xi' \Xi \sim W(k, I_p, M' M),$$

has non-central Wishart with noncentrality matrix

$$M' M = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Theta'_W \Theta_W \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$AR_n(\beta_0) = \kappa_{\min}(\Xi' \Xi)$$

- The distribution of the eigenvalues of a noncentral Wishart matrix only depends on the eigenvalues of the noncentrality matrix $M' M$.

- Hence, distribution of $\hat{\kappa}_i$ only depends on the eigenvalues of $\Theta'_W \Theta_W$,

$$\kappa_i, \text{ say } i = 1, \dots, m_W.$$

- When $m_W = 1$, $\kappa_1 = \Theta'_W \Theta_W$ is a measure of strength of identification of γ ; one dimensional nuisance parameter

Theorem: (Perlman and Olkin, 1980). Suppose $m_W = 1$. Then, under the null hypothesis $H_0 : \beta = \beta_0$, the distribution function of the subvector AR statistic, $AR_n(\beta_0)$, is monotonically decreasing in the parameter κ_1 .

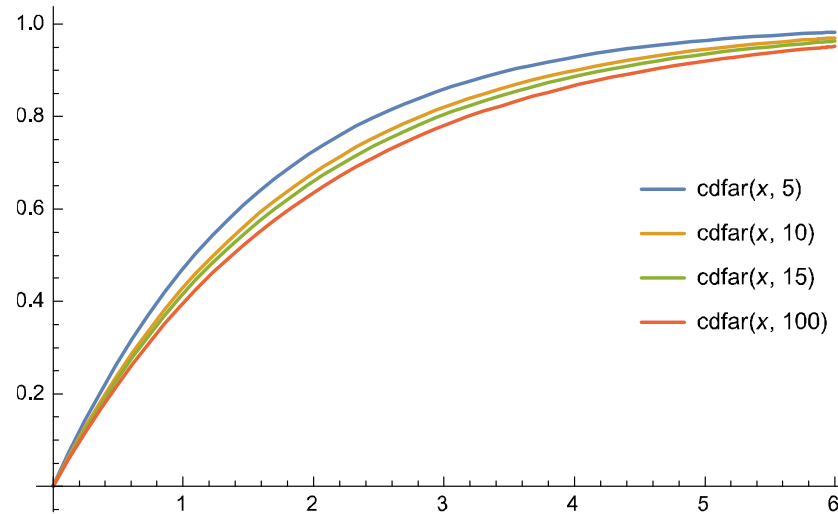


Figure 1: The cdf of the subset AR statistic with $k = 3$ instruments, for different values of $\kappa_1 = 5, 10, 15, 100$

New critical value for subvector Anderson and Rubin test: $m_W = 1$

- **Relevance:** If we knew κ_1 we could implement the subvector AR test with a smaller critical value than $\chi_{k-m_W, 1-\alpha}^2$ which is the critical value in the case when κ_1 is "large".
- Muirhead (1978): Under null, when κ_1 "is large", the larger root $\hat{\kappa}_1$ (which measures strength of identification) is a sufficient statistic for κ_1
- More precisely: the conditional density of $AR_n(\beta_0) = \hat{\kappa}_2$ given $\hat{\kappa}_1$ can be approximated by

$$f_{\hat{\kappa}_2|\hat{\kappa}_1}(x) \sim f_{\chi_{k-1}^2}(x) (\hat{\kappa}_1 - x)^{1/2} g(\hat{\kappa}_1),$$

where $f_{\chi_{k-1}^2}$ is the density of a χ_{k-1}^2 and g is a function that does not depend on κ_1 .

- Analytical formula for g ; confluent hypergeometric function.
- The **new critical value** for the subvector AR-test at significance level $1 - \alpha$ is given by

$1 - \alpha$ quantile of (approximation of AR_n given $\hat{\kappa}_1$)

- Denote cv by

$$c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k - m_W)$$

Depends only on α , $k - m_W$, and $\hat{\kappa}_1$

- Conditional quantiles can be computed by numerical integration
- Conditional critical values can be tabulated → implementation of new test is trivial and fast
- They are increasing in $\hat{\kappa}_1$ and converging to quantiles of χ_{k-1}^2
- We find, by simulations over fine grid of values of κ_1 , that new test

$$\mathbf{1}(AR_n(\beta_0) > c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k - m_W))$$

controls size

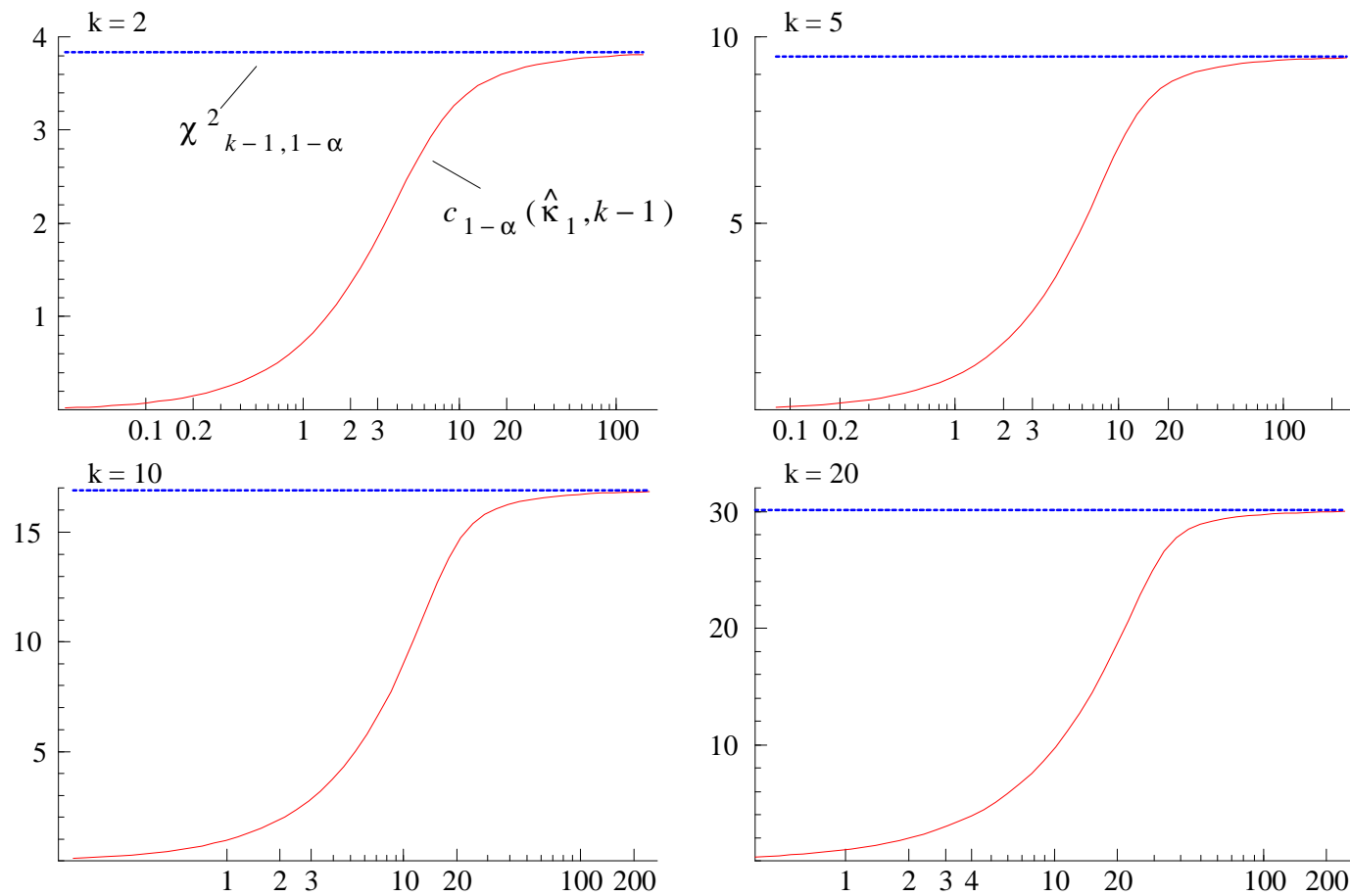
- It improves on the GKMC procedure in terms of power

- **Theorem (GKM):** Suppose $m_W = 1$. The new conditional subvector Anderson Rubin test has correct size under the assumptions above.
- Proof partly based on simulations; Verified for e.g. $\alpha \in \{1\%, 5\%, 10\%\}$ and $k - m_W \in \{1, \dots, 20\}$.
- **Summary** $m_W = 1$: the cond'l test rejects when

$$\hat{\kappa}_2 > c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k - 1),$$

where $(\hat{\kappa}_1, \hat{\kappa}_2)$ are the eigenvalues of 2×2 matrix $\Xi' \Xi \sim W(k, I_p, M' M)$;

Under the null $M' M$ is of rank 1; **test has size** α

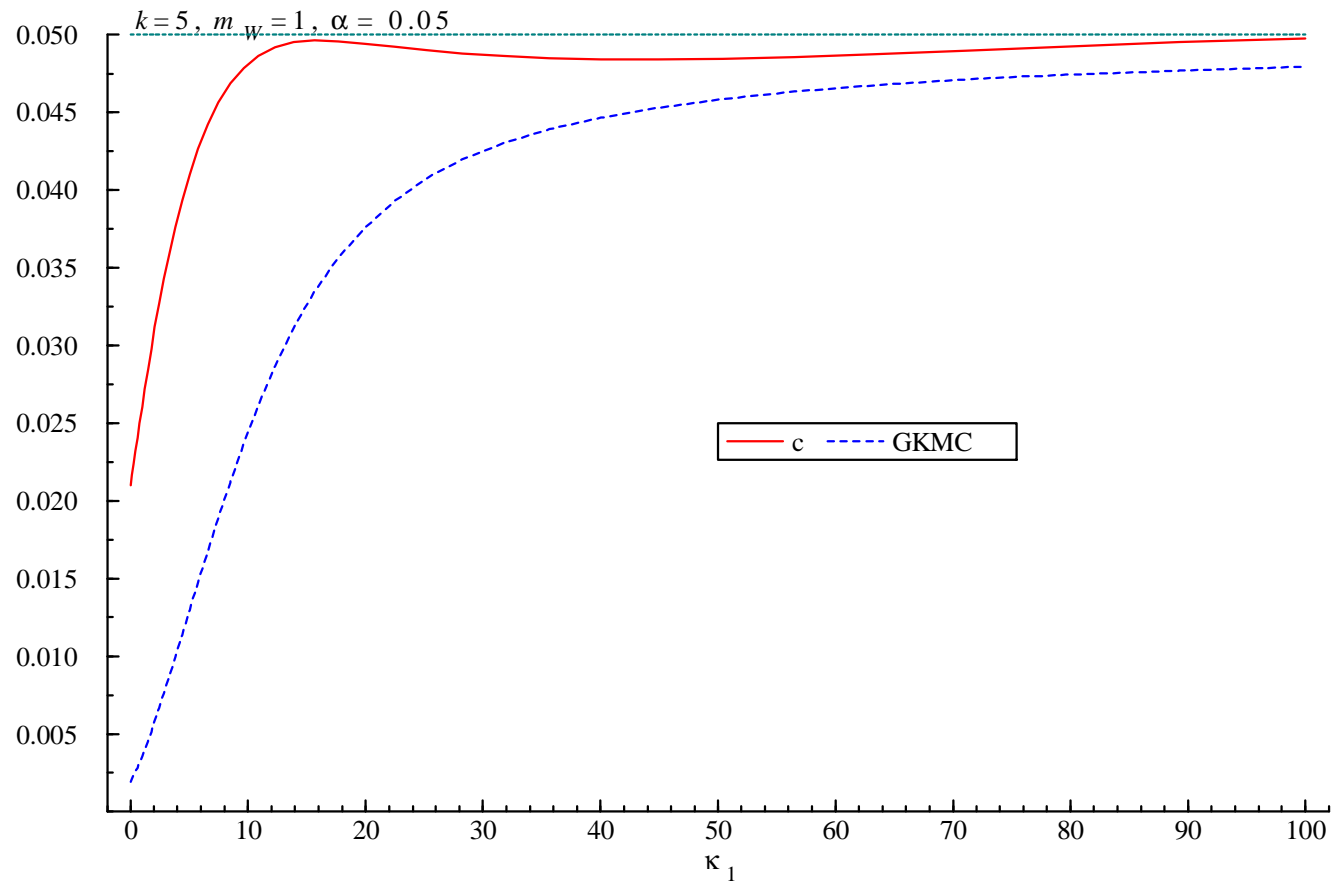


Critical value function $c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k-1)$ for $\alpha = 0.05$.

Table of conditional critical values $cv=c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k - m_W)$

$\alpha = 5\%, \quad k - m_W = 4$											
$\hat{\kappa}_1$	CV	$\hat{\kappa}_1$	CV	$\hat{\kappa}_1$	CV	$\hat{\kappa}_1$	CV	$\hat{\kappa}_1$	CV	$\hat{\kappa}_1$	CV
0.22	0.2	2.00	1.8	3.92	3.4	6.10	5.0	8.95	6.6	14.46	8.2
0.44	0.4	2.23	2.0	4.17	3.6	6.41	5.2	9.40	6.8	15.88	8.4
0.65	0.6	2.46	2.2	4.43	3.8	6.73	5.4	9.89	7.0	17.85	8.6
0.87	0.8	2.70	2.4	4.69	4.0	7.05	5.6	10.42	7.2	20.89	8.8
1.10	1.0	2.94	2.6	4.96	4.2	7.39	5.8	11.01	7.4	26.42	9.0
1.32	1.2	3.18	2.8	5.24	4.4	7.75	6.0	11.68	7.6	39.82	9.2
1.54	1.4	3.42	3.0	5.52	4.6	8.13	6.2	12.44	7.8	114.76	9.4
1.77	1.6	3.67	3.2	5.81	4.8	8.52	6.4	13.35	8.0	+.Inf	9.5

* For simplicity of implementation we suggest linear interpolation of tabulated cvs; we verify resulting test has correct size



Null rejection frequency of subset AR test based on conditional (red) and χ^2_{k-1} (blue) critical values, as function of κ_1 .

Extension to $m_W > 1$

We define a new subvector Anderson Rubin test that rejects when

$$AR_n(\beta_0) > c_{1-\alpha}(\kappa_{\max}(\Xi'\Xi), k - m_W).$$

Note: We condition on the LARGEST eigenvalue of the Wishart matrix.

Theorem (GKM): The test above has i) correct size and ii) has uniformly larger power than the test in GKMC.

Asymptotic case: a) cond homoskedasticity (GKM)

- Define **parameter space** \mathcal{F}_{HOM} under the null hypothesis $H_0 : \beta = \beta_0$.

Let $U_i := (\varepsilon_i + V'_{W,i}\gamma, V'_{W,i})'$ and F distribution of (U_i, V_{Yi}, Z_i) .

$$\mathcal{F}_{HOM} = \{(\gamma, \Pi_W, \Pi_Y, F) \text{ s.t.}$$

$$\gamma \in R^{m_W}, \Pi_W \in R^{k \times m_W}, \Pi_Y \in R^{k \times m_Y},$$

$$E_F(\|T_i\|^{2+\delta}) \leq M, \text{ for } T_i \in \{vec(Z_i U_i), Z_i, U_i\},$$

$$E_F(Z_i(\varepsilon_i, V'_{W,i}, V'_{Y,i})) = 0,$$

$$E_F(vec(Z_i U'_i)(vec(Z_i U'_i))') = (E_F(U_i U'_i) \otimes E_F(Z_i Z'_i)),$$

$$\kappa_{\min}(A) \geq \delta \text{ for } A \in \{E_F(Z_i Z'_i), E_F(U_i U'_i)\}$$

for some $\delta > 0$, $M < \infty$

- This particular KPS is slightly less restrictive than cond homoskedasticity

$$E_F(U_i U'_i | Z_i) \text{ does not depend on } Z_i$$

- Note: no restriction is imposed on the variance matrix of $vec(Z_i V_{Y_i}')$

- **subvector AR stat** equals smallest solution $\hat{\kappa}_p$ (slight abuse of notation) of

$$\left| \hat{\kappa} I_{1+m_W} - \left(\frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n-k} \right)^{-1/2} (\bar{Y}' P_Z \bar{Y}) \left(\frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n-k} \right)^{-1/2} \right| = 0,$$

where

$$\bar{Y} := (y - Y\beta_0 : W) \in R^{n \times (1+m_W)}$$

- **Note:** Same as in finite sample case with $\Omega(\beta_0)$ replaced by $\frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n-k}$.
- **critical value** is again

$$c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k - m_W)$$

where $\hat{\kappa}_1$ is largest solution of above eqn.

- **Theorem (GKM):** The new subvector AR test has correct asymptotic size for parameter space \mathcal{F}_{HOM} .
- Proof based on Andrews and Guggenberger (2017) and Andrews, Cheng, and Guggenberger (2020, JoE, forthcoming)
- As part of the proof relies on the corresponding finite sample result, this proof too is partly based on simulations.

Asymptotic case: b) general Kronecker Product Structure

- For $U_i := (\varepsilon_i + V'_{W,i}\gamma, V'_{W,i})'$, $p := 1 + m_W$, and $m := m_Y + m_W$ let

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{KP} = \{ & (\gamma, \Pi_W, \Pi_Y, F) : \gamma \in R^{m_W}, \Pi_W \in R^{k \times m_W}, \Pi_Y \in R^{k \times m_Y}, \\ & E_F(\|T_i\|^{2+\delta_1}) \leq B, \text{ for } T_i \in \{\text{vec}(Z_i U_i'), \text{vec}(Z_i Z_i')\}, \\ & E_F(Z_i V_i') = \mathbf{0}^{k \times (m+1)}, \mathbf{E}_F(\text{vec}(Z_i U_i')(\text{vec}(Z_i U_i'))') = \mathbf{G}_1 \otimes \mathbf{G}_2, \\ & \kappa_{\min}(A) \geq \delta_2 \text{ for } A \in \{E_F(Z_i Z_i'), G_1, G_2\} \} \end{aligned}$$

for pd $G_1 \in R^{p \times p}$ (whose upper left element is normalized to 1) and $G_2 \in R^{k \times k}$ and $\delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$, $B < \infty$

- Covers cond homoskedasticity, but also cases of cond heteroskedasticity; relevant enlargement of parameter space!

Example. Take $(\tilde{\varepsilon}_i, \tilde{V}'_{Wi})' \in R^p$ i.i.d. zero mean with pd variance matrix, independent of Z_i , and

$$(\varepsilon_i, V'_{Wi})' := f(Z_i)(\tilde{\varepsilon}_i, \tilde{V}'_{Wi})'$$

for some scalar valued function f of Z , e.g. $f(Z_i) = \|Z_i\|/k^{1/2}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & E_F(\text{vec}(Z_i U'_i)(\text{vec}(Z_i U'_i))') \\ &= E_F(U_i U'_i \otimes Z_i Z'_i) \\ &= E_F((\varepsilon_i + V'_{W,i}\gamma, V'_{W,i})'(\varepsilon_i + V'_{W,i}\gamma, V'_{W,i}) \otimes Z_i Z'_i) \\ &= E_F((\tilde{\varepsilon}_i + \tilde{V}'_{W,i}\gamma, \tilde{V}'_{W,i})'(\tilde{\varepsilon}_i + \tilde{V}'_{W,i}\gamma, \tilde{V}'_{W,i})) \otimes E_F(f(Z_i)^2 Z_i Z'_i) \end{aligned}$$

has KP structure even though

$$E_F(U_i U'_i | Z_i) = f(Z_i)^2 E_F(\tilde{\varepsilon}_i + \tilde{V}'_{W,i}\gamma, \tilde{V}'_{W,i})'(\tilde{\varepsilon}_i + \tilde{V}'_{W,i}\gamma, \tilde{V}'_{W,i})$$

depends on Z_i .

- **Modified AR subvector statistic.** Estimate $E_F(U_i U_i' \otimes Z_i Z_i')$ by

$$\hat{R}_n := n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n f_i f_i' \in R^{kp \times kp}, \text{ where}$$

$$f_i := ((M_Z(y - Y\beta_0))_i, (M_Z W)_i')' \otimes Z_i \in R^{kp}.$$

- Let

$$(\hat{G}_1, \hat{G}_2) = \arg \min \|\bar{G}_1 \otimes \bar{G}_2 - \hat{R}_n\|_F,$$

where the minimum is taken over (\bar{G}_1, \bar{G}_2) for $\bar{G}_1 \in R^{p \times p}$, $\bar{G}_2 \in R^{k \times k}$ being pd, symmetric matrices, normalized such that the upper left element of \bar{G}_1 equals 1. Estimators are unique and given in closed form.

- The subvector AR statistic, $AR_{KP,n}(\beta_0)$ is defined as the smallest root $\hat{\kappa}_{pn}$ of the roots $\hat{\kappa}_{in}$, $i = 1, \dots, p$ (ordered nonincreasingly) of the charac-

teristic polynomial

$$\left| \hat{\kappa} I_p - n^{-1} \hat{G}_1^{-1/2} (\bar{Y}_0, W)' Z \hat{G}_2^{-1} Z' (\bar{Y}_0, W) \hat{G}_1^{-1/2} \right| = 0.$$

- Note: Relative to previous definition,

$$\hat{G}_1 \text{ replaces } \frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n-k} \text{ and } \hat{G}_2 \text{ replaces } \frac{Z' Z}{n}.$$

- The conditional subvector AR_{KP} test, φ_{KP} say, rejects H_0 at nominal size α if

$$AR_{KP,n}(\beta_0) > c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_{1n}, k - m_W),$$

where $c_{1-\alpha}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is defined as above.

Theorem: The conditional subvector AR_{KP} test φ_{KP} implemented at nominal size α has asymptotic size, i.e.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{(\gamma, \Pi_W, \Pi_Y, F) \in \mathcal{F}_{KP}} \sup_{(\beta_0, \gamma, \Pi_W, \Pi_Y, F)} P_{(\beta_0, \gamma, \Pi_W, \Pi_Y, F)}(AR_{KP, n}(\beta_0) > c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_{1n}, k - m_W))$$

equal to α .

- In order to make the procedure invariant to transformations $Z_i \rightarrow AZ_i$ for nonrandom and nonsingular $A \in R^{k \times k}$ we implement the above procedure replacing Z_i by $(Z'Z)^{-1/2}Z_i$.
- Same disclaimer as above.

Asymptotic case: c) General forms of cond heteroskedasticity

- Let \mathcal{F}_{Het} be the parameter space \mathcal{F}_{KP} above without the condition $R_F = G_1 \otimes G_2$, where

$$R_F := E_F(\text{vec}(Z_i U_i') (\text{vec}(Z_i U_i'))')$$

- There are tests that have correct asymptotic size for that parameter space, see e.g. Andrews (2017); the objective is to improve on the power.
- **Idea:** use φ_{KP} if data suggests that KPS holds and use a test robust to general forms of cond heteroskedasticity, φ_{Rob} say, otherwise

- Implementation: For some sequence of constants c_n such that

$$c_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } c_n/n^{1/2} \rightarrow 0$$

define the **new suggested test** φ_{c_n} by

$$I(\widehat{K}_n > c_n)\varphi_{Rob} + I(\widehat{K}_n \leq c_n)\varphi_{KP},$$

where

$$\widehat{K}_n := n^{1/2} \|\widehat{R}_n^{-1/2}(\widehat{G}_1 \otimes \widehat{G}_2 - \widehat{R}_n)\widehat{R}_n^{-1/2}\|_F$$

- Note: we use transformation by $\widehat{R}_n^{-1/2}$ to make procedure invariant against nonsingular transformations of the IV vector
- "Pretesting" is akin to Andrews and Soares (2010); and used in many papers since

- **Asymptotic size?**

- Assume φ_{Rob} is a test has correct asymptotic size for the parameter space \mathcal{F}_{Het} and satisfies $P_{\lambda_n}(\varphi_{Rob} \leq \varphi_{KP}) \rightarrow 1$ where λ_n is a "local to KPS" sequence

- **Under the above assumptions, φ_{c_n} has correct asymptotic size**

- **Reasons:**

- Under sequences ("far from KPS") for which

$$n^{1/2} \min_{\overline{G}_1, \overline{G}_2} \|R_{F_n}^{-1/2}(\overline{G}_1 \otimes \overline{G}_2 - R_{F_n})R_{F_n}^{-1/2}\| \rightarrow \infty$$

one can show that $I(\widehat{K}_n > c_n) = 1$ wpa1. Thus φ_{Rob} is chosen wpa1 which has limiting null rejection probability bounded by α

– Under sequences ("local to KPS") for which

$$n^{1/2} \min_{\overline{G}_1, \overline{G}_2} \|R_{F_n}^{-1/2}(\overline{G}_1 \otimes \overline{G}_2 - R_{F_n})R_{F_n}^{-1/2}\| = O(1)$$

φ_{KP} has limiting null rejection probability bounded by α and given $P_{\lambda_n}(\varphi_{Rob} \leq \varphi_{KP}) \rightarrow 1$ the same is true for φ_{c_n}

- We take φ_{Rob} as a certain implementation of an AR/AR type test in Andrews (2017)
- We currently do finite sample experiments to determine good choices for c_n and compare power/size of new test to the ones in Andrews (2017).

- **Alternatively**, one could implement the test by GKM (2020) for KPS in the first stage.
- The role of c_n would then be played by $\beta = \beta_n$, the pretest nominal size.
- We can let $\beta_n = c/n^{1/2}$ and still prove correct asymptotic size of the two step procedure.
- Currently do finite sample experiments to determine which "pretest" performs better

THE END

Proof of correct size in finite sample case and general m_W

Lemma: Under the null $H_0 : \beta = \beta_0$, there exists a random matrix $O \in O(p)$, such that for

$$\tilde{\Xi} := \Xi O \in R^{k \times p}, \text{ and its upper left submatrix } \tilde{\Xi}_{11} \in R^{k-m_W+1 \times 2}$$

$\tilde{\Xi}'_{11} \tilde{\Xi}_{11}$ is a non-central Wishart 2×2 matrix of order $k - m_W + 1$ (cond'l on O), whose noncentrality matrix, $\tilde{M}'_1 \tilde{M}_1$ say, is of rank 1;

Proof of Theorem:

(i) Note that

$$\begin{aligned} AR_n(\beta_0) &= \kappa_{\min}(\Xi' \Xi) = \kappa_{\min}(\tilde{\Xi}' \tilde{\Xi}) \\ &\leq \kappa_{\min}(\tilde{\Xi}'_{11} \tilde{\Xi}_{11}) \leq \kappa_{\max}(\tilde{\Xi}'_{11} \tilde{\Xi}_{11}) \\ &\leq \kappa_{\max}(\tilde{\Xi}' \tilde{\Xi}) = \kappa_{\max}(\Xi' \Xi) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

by inclusion principle, and thus

$$\begin{aligned}
& P(AR_n(\beta_0) > c_{1-\alpha}(\kappa_{\max}(\Xi'\Xi), k - m_W)) \\
& \leq P(\kappa_{\min}(\tilde{\Xi}'_{11}\tilde{\Xi}_{11}) > c_{1-\alpha}(\kappa_{\max}(\tilde{\Xi}'_{11}\tilde{\Xi}_{11}), k - m_W)) \\
& = P(\kappa_2(\tilde{\Xi}'_{11}\tilde{\Xi}_{11}) > c_{1-\alpha}(\kappa_1(\tilde{\Xi}'_{11}\tilde{\Xi}_{11}), k - m_W)) \\
& \leq \alpha,
\end{aligned}$$

where first inequality follows from (1) and last inequality from correct size for $m_W = 1$ (by conditioning on O) and the lemma

Recall summary when $m_W = 1$: new test rejects when

$$\hat{\kappa}_2 > c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k - 1)$$

where $(\hat{\kappa}_1, \hat{\kappa}_2)$ are the eigenvalues of $\Xi'\Xi \sim W(k, I_2, M'M)$ and $M'M$ is of rank 1 under the null

(ii) new conditional test is uniformly more powerful than test in GKMC (because $c_{1-\alpha}(\cdot, k - m_W)$ is increasing and converging to $\chi_{k-m_W, 1-\alpha}^2$ as argument goes to infinity), i.e. the test in GKMC is inadmissible

Power analysis of tests based on $(\hat{\kappa}_1, \dots, \hat{\kappa}_p)$

- For $A = E [Z' (y - Y\beta_0 : W)] \in R^{k \times p}$, consider

$$H'_0 : \rho(A) \leq m_W \text{ versus } H'_1 : \rho(A) = p = m_W + 1$$

- $H_0 : \beta = \beta_0$ implies H'_0 but the converse is not true:

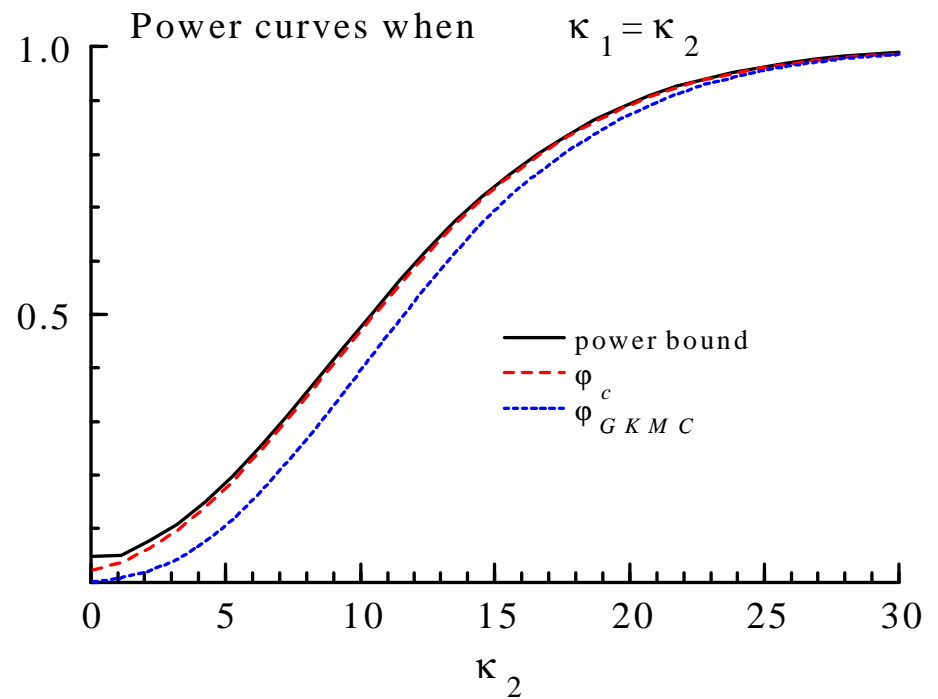
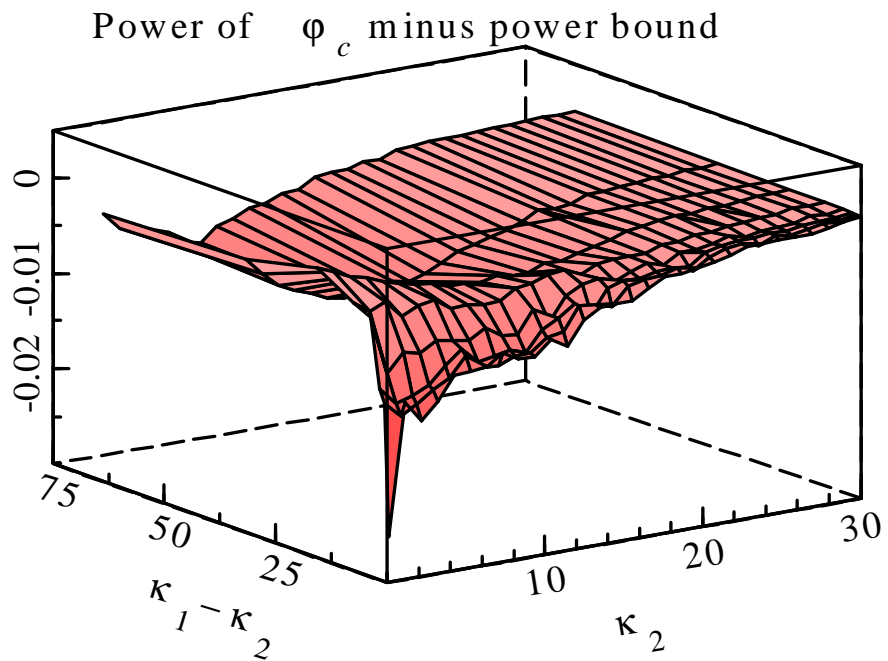
- H'_0 holds iff $[\rho(\Pi_W) < m_W \text{ or } \Pi_Y(\beta - \beta_0) \in \text{span}(\Pi_W)]$

- Under H'_0 , $(\hat{\kappa}_1, \dots, \hat{\kappa}_p)$ are distributed as eigenvalues of Wishart $W(k, I_p, M'M)$ with rank deficient noncentrality matrix - a distribution that appears also under H_0

- Thus, every test $\varphi(\hat{\kappa}_1, \dots, \hat{\kappa}_p) \in [0, 1]$ that has size α under H_0 must also have size α under H'_0 - so cannot have power exceeding size under alternatives $H'_0 \setminus H_0$.
- In other words, size α tests $\varphi(\hat{\kappa}_1, \dots, \hat{\kappa}_p)$ under H_0 can only have nontrivial power under alternatives $\rho(A) = p$.
- We use this insight to derive a power envelope for tests of H'_0 of the form $\varphi(\hat{\kappa}_1, \dots, \hat{\kappa}_p)$.

Power bounds

- Consider only the case $m_W = 1$.
- Can write hyp equivalently as: $H'_0 : \kappa_2 = 0, \kappa_1 \geq \kappa_2$ against $H'_1 : \kappa_2 > 0, \kappa_1 \geq \kappa_2$.
- Obtain point-optimal power bounds using approximately least favorable distribution Λ^{LF} over nuisance parameter κ_1 based on algorithm in Elliott, Müller, and Watson (2015)



Power of conditional subvector AR test $\varphi_c(\hat{\kappa}) = \mathbf{1}_{\{\hat{\kappa}_2 > c_{1-\alpha}(\hat{\kappa}_1, k-1)\}}$ relative to power bound (left) and power of φ_c , $\varphi_{GKMC}(\hat{\kappa}) = \mathbf{1}_{\{\hat{\kappa}_2 > \chi_{k-1, 1-\alpha}^2\}} = \mathbf{1}_{\{\hat{\kappa}_2 > c_{1-\alpha}(\infty, k-1)\}}$ and bound at $\kappa_1 = \kappa_2$ (right) for $k = 5$. Computed using 10000 MC replications.

- Little scope for power improvement over proposed test. But not no scope at all...:

e.g. **Refinement:** For the case $k = 5$, $m_W = 1$, and $\alpha = 5\%$, let φ_{adj} be the test that uses the critical values in Table above where the smallest 8 critical values are divided by 5. Then this test still has correct size.

Details on proof of asymptotic size result

- We use results in Andrews, Cheng, and Guggenberger (2019, JoE, forthcoming) that show that is enough to verify that the limiting null rejection probability of the test is bounded by α under certain drifting sequences $\lambda_{n,h}$

Specification of λ for subvector Anderson and Rubin test

- Given F let

$$W_F := (E_F Z_i Z_i')^{1/2} \text{ and } U_F := \Omega(\beta_0)^{-1/2}.$$

- Consider a singular value decomposition

$$C_F \Lambda_F B_F'$$

of

$$W_F(\Pi_W \gamma, \Pi_W) U_F$$

- i.e. B_F denote a $p \times p$ orthogonal matrix of eigenvectors of

$$U_F'(\Pi_W \gamma, \Pi_W)' W_F' W_F(\Pi_W \gamma, \Pi_W) U_F$$

and C_F denote a $k \times k$ orthogonal matrix of eigenvectors of

$$W_F(\Pi_W \gamma, \Pi_W) U_F U_F'(\Pi_W \gamma, \Pi_W)' W_F'$$

- Λ_F denotes a $k \times p$ diagonal matrix with singular values $(\tau_{1F}, \dots, \tau_{pF})$ on diagonal, ordered nonincreasingly

- Note $\tau_{pF} = 0$

- Define the elements of λ_F to be

$$\lambda_{1,F} := (\tau_{1F}, \dots, \tau_{pF})' \in R^p,$$

$$\lambda_{2,F} := B_F \in R^{p \times p},$$

$$\lambda_{3,F} := C_F \in R^{k \times k},$$

$$\lambda_{4,F} := W_F \in R^{k \times k},$$

$$\lambda_{5,F} := U_F \in R^{p \times p},$$

$$\lambda_{6,F} := F,$$

$$\lambda_F := (\lambda_{1,F}, \dots, \lambda_{9,F}).$$

- A sequence $\lambda_{n,h}$ denotes a sequence λ_{F_n} such that $(n^{1/2}\lambda_{1,F_n}, \dots, \lambda_{5,F_n}) \rightarrow h = (h_1, \dots, h_5)$

- Let $q = q_h \in \{0, \dots, p-1\}$ be such that

$$h_{1,j} = \infty \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq q_h \text{ and } h_{1,j} < \infty \text{ for } q_h + 1 \leq j \leq p-1$$

- Roughly speaking, need to compute asy null rej probs under seq's with (i) strong ident'n, (ii) semi-strong ident'n, (iii) std weak ident'n (all parameters weakly ident'd) & (iv) nonstd weak ident'n
- **strong identification:** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_{m_W, F_n} > 0$
- **semi-strong ident'n:** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_{m_W, F_n} = 0$ & $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/2} \tau_{m_W, F_n} = \infty$
- **weak ident'n:** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/2} \tau_{m_W, F_n} < \infty$
 - **standard** (of all parameters): $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/2} \tau_{1, F_n} < \infty$ as in Staiger & Stock (1997)
 - **nonstandard:** $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/2} \tau_{m_W, F_n} < \infty$ & $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{1/2} \tau_{1, F_n} = \infty$ includes some weakly/some strongly ident'd parameters, as in Stock & Wright (2000); also includes **joint weak ident'n**

Andrews and Guggenberger (2017): Limit distribution of eigenvalues of quadratic forms

- Consider a singular value decomposition $C_F \Lambda_F B'_F$ of $W_F D_F U_F$
- Define $\lambda_F, h, \lambda_{n,h} \dots$ as above

Let $\hat{\kappa}_{jn} \forall j = 1, \dots, p$ denote j th eigenval of

$$n \hat{U}'_n \hat{D}'_n \hat{W}'_n \hat{W}_n \hat{D}_n \hat{U}_n,$$

where under $\lambda_{n,h}$

$$\begin{aligned} n^{1/2}(\widehat{D}_n - D_{F_n}) &\rightarrow_d \overline{D}_h \in R^{k \times p}, \\ \widehat{W}_n - W_{F_n} &\rightarrow_p \mathbf{0}^{k \times k}, \\ \widehat{U}_n - U_{F_n} &\rightarrow_p \mathbf{0}^{p \times p}, \\ W_{F_n} &\rightarrow h_4, U_{F_n} \rightarrow h_5 \end{aligned}$$

with h_4, h_5 nonsingular

Theorem (AG): under $\{\lambda_{n,h} : n \geq 1\}$,

(a) $\widehat{\kappa}_{jn} \rightarrow_p \infty$ for all $j \leq q$

(b) vector of smallest $p-q$ eigenvals of $n\widehat{U}'_n \widehat{D}'_n \widehat{W}'_n \widehat{W}_n \widehat{D}_n \widehat{U}_n$, i.e., $(\widehat{\kappa}_{(q+1)n}, \dots, \widehat{\kappa}_{pn})'$, converges in dist'n to $p-q$ vector of eigenvals of random matrix $M(h, \overline{D}_h) \in R^{(p-q) \times (p-q)}$

- complicated proof;
 - eigenvalues can diverge at any rate or converge to any number
 - can become close to each other or close to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$

- We apply this result with

$$W_F = (E_F Z_i Z_i')^{1/2}, \widehat{W}_n = (n^{-1} \sum Z_i Z_i')^{1/2},$$

$$U_F = \Omega(\beta_0)^{-1/2}, \widehat{U}_n = \left(\frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n - k} \right)^{-1/2},$$

$$D_F = (\Pi_W \gamma, \Pi_W), \widehat{D}_n = (Z' Z)^{-1} Z' \bar{Y}$$

to obtain the joint limiting distribution of all eigenvalues

Joint asymptotic dist'n of eigenvalues

- Recall: test statistic and critical value are functions of $p = 1 + m_W$ roots of

$$\left| \hat{\kappa} I_{1+m_W} - \left(\frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n-k} \right)^{-1/2} (\bar{Y}' P_Z \bar{Y}) \left(\frac{\bar{Y}' M_Z \bar{Y}}{n-k} \right)^{-1/2} \right| = 0$$

- To obtain joint limiting distribution of eigenvalues, we use general result in AG about joint limiting distribution of eigenvalues of quadratic forms

Results:

- the joint limit depends only on localization parameters $h_{1,1}, \dots, h_{1,m_W}$

- asymptotic cases replicate finite sample, normal, fixed IV, known variance matrix setup
- together with above proposition, correct asymptotic size then follows from correct finite sample size

Statistical Lemma:

Recall that $\Xi \sim N(\mathcal{M}, I_{k(m_W+1)})$, with M nonstochastic and $\rho(\mathcal{M}) \leq m_W$ under the null.

Partition Ξ as

$$\Xi = \begin{pmatrix} \Xi_{11} & \Xi_{12} \\ \Xi_{21} & \Xi_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

where Ξ_{11} is $(k - m_W + 1) \times 2$, Ξ_{12} is $(k - m_W + 1) \times (m_W - 1)$, Ξ_{21} is $(m_W - 1) \times 2$, and Ξ_{22} is $(m_W - 1) \times (m_W - 1)$.

Partition M conformably with Ξ . Let μ_i , $i = 1, \dots, m_W$, denote the possibly nonzero singular values of M . We can set

$$\mathcal{M} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{M}_{11} & \mathbf{0}^{k-m_W+1 \times m_W-1} \\ \mathbf{0}^{m_W-1 \times 2} & \mathcal{M}_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

where

$$\mathcal{M}_{11} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}^{k-m_W \times 1} & \mathbf{0}^{k-m_W \times 1} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mu_{m_W} \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \mathcal{M}_{22} := \text{diag}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_{m_W-1}).$$

Finally, let

$$O := \begin{pmatrix} \left(I_2 + \Xi'_{21} \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21}' \right)^{-1/2} & \Xi'_{21} \Xi_{22}^{-1} \left(I_{m_W-1} + \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21} \Xi_{21}' \Xi_{22}^{-1} \right)^{-1/2} \\ -\Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21} \left(I_2 + \Xi'_{21} \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21}' \right)^{-1/2} & \left(I_{m_W-1} + \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21} \Xi_{21}' \Xi_{22}^{-1} \right)^{-1/2} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{M}_{11} &:= (\mathcal{M}_{11} - \mathcal{M}_{12} \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21}) \left(I_2 + \Xi'_{21} \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21}' \right)^{-1/2} \\ &= M_{11} \left(I_2 + \Xi'_{21} \Xi_{22}^{-1} \Xi_{21}' \right)^{-1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1 *Suppose that Assumption A holds with $m_W > 1$. Denote by $\tilde{\Xi}_{11} \in \mathfrak{R}^{k-m_W+1 \times 2}$ the upper left submatrix of $\tilde{\Xi} := \Xi O \in \mathfrak{R}^{k \times p}$. Then,*

under the null hypothesis $H_0 : \beta = \beta_0$

$$\tilde{\Xi}'_{11} \tilde{\Xi}_{11} | O \sim \mathcal{W}_2(k - m_W + 1, I_2, \tilde{\mathcal{M}}'_{11} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{11}),$$

where $\rho(\tilde{\mathcal{M}}'_{11} \tilde{\mathcal{M}}_{11}) \leq 1$.