Local Identification of Nonparametric and Semiparametric Models*

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In parametric models a sufficient condition for local identification is that the vector of moment conditions is differentiable at the true parameter with full rank derivative matrix. We show that additional conditions are often needed in nonlinear, nonparametric models to avoid nonlinearities overwhelming linear effects. We give restrictions on a neighborhood of the true value that are sufficient for local identification. We apply these results to obtain new, primitive identification conditions in several important models, including nonseparable quantile instrumental variable (IV) models, single-index IV models, and semiparametric consumption-based asset pricing models.

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1 Introduction

There are many important models that give rise to conditional moment restrictions. These restrictions often take the form

$$\mathbb{E}[\rho(Y, X, \alpha_0)|W] = 0,$$

where \(\rho(Y, X, \alpha)\) has a known functional form but \(\alpha_0\) is unknown. Parametric models (i.e., models when \(\alpha_0\) is finite dimensional) of this form are well known from the work of Hansen (1982), Chamberlain (1987), and others. Nonparametric versions (i.e., models when \(\alpha_0\) is infinite dimensional) are motivated by the desire to relax functional form restrictions. Identification and estimation of linear nonparametric conditional moment models have been studied by Newey and Powell (2003), Hall and Horowitz (2005), Blundell, Chen, and Kristensen (2007), Darolles, Fan, Florens, and Renault (2011), and others.

The purpose of this paper is to derive identification conditions for \(\alpha_0\) when \(\rho\) may be nonlinear in \(\alpha\) and for other nonlinear nonparametric models. Nonlinear models are important. They include models with conditional quantile restrictions, as discussed in Chernozhukov and Hansen (2005) and Chernozhukov, Imbens, and Newey (2007), and various economic structural and semiparametric models, as further discussed below. In this paper we focus on conditions for local identification of these models. It may be possible to extend these results to provide global identification conditions.

In parametric models there are easily interpretable rank conditions for local identification, as shown in Fisher (1966) and Rothenberg (1971). We give a pair of conditions that are sufficient for parametric local identification from solving a set of equations. They are a) pointwise differentiability at the true value, and b) the rank of the derivative matrix is equal to the dimension of the parameter \(\alpha_0\). We find that the nonparametric case is different. Differentiability and the nonparametric version of the rank condition may not be sufficient for local identification. We suggest a restriction on the neighborhood that does give local identification, via a link between curvature and an identification set. We also give more primitive conditions for Hilbert spaces, that include interesting econometric examples. In addition we consider semiparametric models, providing conditions for identification of a finite dimensional Euclidean parameter. These
conditions are based on "partialling out" the nonparametric part and allow for identification of the parametric part even when the nonparametric part is not identified.

The usefulness of these conditions is illustrated by three examples. One example gives primitive conditions for local identification of the nonparametric endogenous quantile models of Chernozhukov and Hansen (2005) and Chernozhukov, Imbens, and Newey (2007), where primitive identification conditions had only been given previously for a binary regressor. Another example gives conditions for local identification of a semiparametric index model with endogeneity. There we give conditions for identification of parametric components when nonparametric components are not identified. The third example gives sufficient conditions for local identification of a semiparametric consumption capital asset pricing model.

In relation to previous literature, in some cases the nonparametric rank condition is a local version of identification conditions for linear conditional moment restriction models that were considered in Newey and Powell (2003). Chernozhukov, Imbens, and Newey (2007) also suggested differentiability and a rank condition for local identification but did not recognize the need for additional restrictions on the neighborhood. Florens and Sbai (2010) recently gave local identification conditions for games but their conditions do not apply to the kind of conditional moment restrictions that arise in instrumental variable settings and are a primary subject of this paper.

Section 2 presents general nonparametric local identification results and relates them to sufficient conditions for identification in parametric models. Section 3 gives more primitive conditions for Hilbert spaces and applies them to the nonparametric endogenous quantile model. Section 4 provides conditions for identification in semiparametric models and applies these to the endogenous index model. Section 5 discusses the semiparametric asset pricing example and Section 6 briefly concludes. The Appendix contains additional lemmas and all the proofs.

2 Nonparametric Models

To help explain the nonparametric results and give them context we give a brief description of sufficient conditions for local identification in parametric models. Let $\alpha$ be a $p \times 1$ vector of parameters and $m(\alpha)$ a $J \times 1$ vector of functions with $m(\alpha_0) = 0$ for the true value $\alpha_0$. Also
let $|\cdot|$ denote the Euclidean norm in either $\mathbb{R}^p$ or $\mathbb{R}^q$ depending on the context. We say that $\alpha_0$ is locally identified if there is a neighborhood of $\alpha_0$ such that $m(\alpha) \neq 0$ for all $\alpha \neq \alpha_0$ in the neighborhood. Let $m'$ denote the derivative of $m(\alpha)$ at $\alpha_0$ when it exists. Sufficient conditions for local identification can be stated as follows:

*If $m(\alpha)$ is differentiable at $\alpha_0$ and $\text{rank}(m') = p$ then $\alpha_0$ is locally identified.*

This statement is proved in the Appendix. Here the sufficient conditions for parametric local identification are pointwise differentiability at the true value $\alpha_0$ and the rank of the derivative equal to the number of parameters.

In order to extend these conditions to the nonparametric case we need to modify the notation and introduce structure for infinite dimensional spaces. Let $\alpha$ denote a function with true value $\alpha_0$ and $m(\alpha)$ a function of $\alpha$, with $m(\alpha_0) = 0$. Conditional moment restrictions are an important example where $\rho(Y, X, \alpha)$ is a finite dimensional residual vector depending on an unknown function $\alpha$ and $m(\alpha) = \mathbb{E}[\rho(Y, X, \alpha)|W]$. We impose some mathematical structure by assuming that $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$, a Banach space with norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{A}}$ and $m(\alpha) \in \mathcal{B}$, a Banach space with a norm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}}$, i.e. $m : \mathcal{A} \mapsto \mathcal{B}$. The restriction of the model is that $\|m(\alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}} = 0$. The notion of local identification we consider is:

**Definition:** $\alpha_0$ is locally identified on $\mathcal{N} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$ if $\|m(\alpha)\|_{\mathcal{B}} > 0$ for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}$ with $\alpha \neq \alpha_0$.

This local identification concept is more general than the one introduced by Chernozhukov, Imbens and Newey (2007). Note that local identification is defined on a set $\mathcal{N}$ in $\mathcal{A}$. Often there exists an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\mathcal{N}$ is a subset of an open ball

$$\mathcal{N}_\varepsilon = \{\alpha \in \mathcal{A} : \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_{\mathcal{A}} < \varepsilon\}.$$ 

It turns out that it may be necessary for $\mathcal{N}$ to be strictly smaller than an open ball $\mathcal{N}_\varepsilon$ in $\mathcal{A}$, as discussed below.

The nonparametric version of the derivative will be a continuous linear map $m' : \mathcal{A} \mapsto \mathcal{B}$. Under the conditions we give, $m'$ will be a Gâteaux derivative at $\alpha_0$, that can be calculated as

$$m'h = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} m(\alpha_0 + th)|_{t=0}$$

(2.1)
for $h \in A$ and $t$ a scalar. Sometimes we also require that for any $\delta > 0$ there is $\varepsilon > 0$ with
\[
\frac{\|m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B}{\|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_A} < \delta.
\]
for all $\alpha \in N$. This is Fréchet differentiability of $m(\alpha)$ at $\alpha_0$ (which implies that the linear map $m' : A \to B$ is continuous). Fréchet differentiability of estimators that are functionals of the empirical distribution is known to be too strong, but is typically satisfied in local identification analysis, as shown by our examples.

In parametric models the rank condition is equivalent to the null space of the derivative matrix being zero. The analogous nonparametric condition is that the null space of the linear map $m'$ is zero, as follows:

**Assumption 1 (Rank Condition):** There is a set $N' \subset \mathcal{N}$ such that $\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B > 0$ for all $\alpha \in N'$ with $\alpha \neq \alpha_0$.

This condition is familiar from identification of a linear conditional moment model where $Y = \alpha_0(X) + U$ and $E[U|W] = 0$. Let $\rho(Y, X, \alpha) = Y - \alpha(X)$. Here $m(\alpha) = E[Y - \alpha(X)|W]$ so that $m'h = -E[h(X)|W]$. In this case Assumption 1 requires that $E[\alpha(X) - \alpha_0(X)|W] \neq 0$ for any $\alpha \in N'$ with $\alpha - \alpha_0 \neq 0$. For $N' = A$ this is the completeness condition discussed in Newey and Powell (2003). Andrews (2011) has recently shown that if $X$ and $W$ are continuously distributed, there are at least as many instruments in $W$ as regressors in $X$, and the conditional distribution of $X$ given $W$ is unrestricted (except for a mild regularity condition), then the completeness condition holds generically, in a sense defined in that paper. In Section 3 we also give a genericity result for a different range of models. For this reason we think of Assumption 1 with $N' = A$ as a weak condition when there are as many continuous instruments $W$ as the endogenous regressors $X$, just as it is in a parametric linear instrumental variables model with unrestricted reduced form. It is also an even weaker condition if some conditions are imposed on the deviations, so in the statement of Assumption 1 we allow it to hold only on $N' \subset A$. For example, if we restrict $\alpha - \alpha_0$ to be a bounded function of $X$, then in linear conditional moment restriction models Assumption 1 only requires that the conditional distribution of $X$ given $W$ be bounded complete, which is known to hold for even more distributions than does
completeness. This makes Assumption 1 even more plausible in models where $\alpha_0$ is restricted to be bounded, such as in Blundell, Chen and Kristensen (2007). See, for example, Mattner (1993), Chernozhukov and Hansen (2005), D’Haultfoeuille (2011), and Andrews (2011) for discussions of completeness and bounded completeness.

Fréchet differentiability and the rank condition are not sufficient for local identification in an open ball $N_{\varepsilon}$ around $\alpha_0$, as we further explain below. One condition that can be added to obtain local identification is that $m': A \mapsto B$ is onto.

**Theorem 1:** If $m(\alpha)$ is Fréchet differentiable at $\alpha_0$, the rank condition is satisfied on $N' = N_{\varepsilon}$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$, and $m': A \mapsto B$ is onto, then $\alpha_0$ is locally identified on $N_{\varepsilon}$ for some $\tilde{\varepsilon}$ with $0 < \tilde{\varepsilon} \leq \varepsilon$.

This result extends previous nonparametric local identification results by only requiring pointwise Fréchet differentiability at $\alpha_0$, rather than continuous Fréchet differentiability in a neighborhood of $\alpha_0$. This extension may be helpful for showing local identification in nonparametric models, because conditions for pointwise Fréchet differentiability are simpler than for continuous differentiability in nonparametric models.

Unfortunately, the assumption that $m'$ is onto is too strong for many econometric models, including many nonparametric conditional moment restrictions. An onto $m'$ implies that $m'$ has a continuous inverse, by the Banach Inverse Theorem (Luenberger, 1969, p. 149). The inverse of $m'$ is may not be continuous for nonparametric conditional moment restrictions, as discussed in Newey and Powell (2003). Indeed, the discontinuity of the inverse of $m'$ is a now well known ill-posed inverse problem that has received much attention in the econometrics literature, e.g. see the survey of Carrasco, Florens, and Renault (2007). Thus, in many important econometric models Theorem 1 cannot be applied to obtain local identification.

It turns out that $\alpha_0$ may not be locally identified on any open ball in ill-posed inverse problems, as we show in an example below. The problem is that for infinite dimensional spaces $m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)$ may be small when $\alpha - \alpha_0$ is large. Consequently, the effect of nonlinearity, that is related to the size of $\alpha - \alpha_0$, may overwhelm the identifying effect of nonzero $m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)$, resulting in $m(\alpha)$ being zero for $\alpha$ close to $\alpha_0$. 

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We approach this problem by restricting the deviations \( \alpha - \alpha_0 \) to be small when \( m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \) is small. The restrictions on the deviations will be related to the nonlinearity of \( m(\alpha) \) via the following condition:

**Assumption 2:** There are \( L \geq 0, r \geq 1 \) and a set \( \mathcal{N}'' \) such that for all \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'' \),

\[
\| m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \|_B \leq L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r.
\]

This condition is general. It includes the linear case where \( \mathcal{N}'' = \mathcal{A} \) and \( L = 0 \). It also includes Fréchet differentiability, where \( r = 1, L \) is any positive number and \( \mathcal{N}'' = \mathcal{N}_\varepsilon \) for any sufficiently small \( \varepsilon > 0 \). Cases with \( r > 1 \), are analogous to Hölder continuity of the derivative in finite dimensional spaces, with \( r = 2 \) corresponding to twice continuous Fréchet differentiability. We would only have \( r > 2 \) when the second derivative is zero. This condition applies to many interesting examples, as we will show in the rest of the paper. The term \( L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r \) represents a magnitude of nonlinearity that is allowed for \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'' \). The following result uses Assumption 2 to specify restrictions on \( \alpha \) that are sufficient for local identification.

**Theorem 2:** If Assumption 2 is satisfied then \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified on \( \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}'' \cap \mathcal{N}''' \) with \( \mathcal{N}''' = \{ \alpha : \| m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \|_B > L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r \} \).

The strict inequality in \( \mathcal{N}''' \) is important for the result. It does exclude \( \alpha_0 \) from \( \mathcal{N} \), but that works because local identification specifies what happens when \( \alpha \neq \alpha_0 \). This result includes the linear case, where \( L = 0, \mathcal{N}'' = \mathcal{A} \), and \( \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}''' \). It also includes nonlinear cases where only Fréchet differentiability is imposed, with \( r = 1 \) and \( L \) equal to any positive constant. In that case \( \mathcal{N}''' = \mathcal{N}_\varepsilon \) for some \( \varepsilon \) small enough and \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}''' \) restricts \( \alpha - \alpha_0 \) to a set where the inverse of \( m' \) is continuous by requiring that \( \| m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \|_B > L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r \). In general, by \( L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r \geq 0 \), we have \( \mathcal{N}''' \subseteq \mathcal{N}'' \) for \( \mathcal{N}'' \) from Assumption 1, so the rank condition is imposed by restricting attention to the \( \mathcal{N} \) of Theorem 2. Here the rank condition is still important, since if it is not satisfied on some interesting set \( \mathcal{N}' \), Theorem 2 cannot give local identification on an interesting set \( \mathcal{N} \).

Theorem 2 forges a link between the curvature of \( m(\alpha) \) as in Assumption 2 and the identification set \( \mathcal{N} \). An example is a scalar \( \alpha \) and twice continuously differentiable \( m(\alpha) \) with bounded...
second derivative. Here Assumption 2 will be satisfied with \( r = 2 \), \( L = \sup_\alpha |d^2 m(\alpha)/d\alpha^2|/2 \), and \( \mathcal{N}'' \) equal to the real line, where \( |\cdot| \) denotes the absolute value. Assumption 1 will be satisfied with \( \mathcal{N}' \) equal to the real line as long as \( m' = dm(\alpha_0)/d\alpha \) is nonzero. Then \( \mathcal{N}''' = \{ \alpha : |\alpha - \alpha_0| < L^{-1} |m'| \} \). Here \( L^{-1} |m'| \) is the minimum distance \( \alpha \) must go from \( \alpha_0 \) before \( m(\alpha) \) can "bend back" to zero. In nonparametric models \( \mathcal{N}''' \) will be an analogous set.

When \( r = 1 \) the set \( \mathcal{N}''' \) will be a linear cone with vertex at \( \alpha_0 \), which means that if \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}''' \) then so is \( \lambda \alpha + (1 - \lambda)\alpha_0 \) for \( \lambda > 0 \). In general, \( \mathcal{N}''' \) is not convex, so it is not a convex cone. For \( r > 1 \) the set \( \mathcal{N}''' \) is not a cone although it is star shaped around \( \alpha_0 \), meaning that for any \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}''' \) we have \( \lambda \alpha + (1 - \lambda)\alpha_0 \in \mathcal{N}''' \) for \( 0 < \lambda \leq 1 \).

Also, if \( r > 1 \) then for any \( L > 0 \) and \( 1 \leq r' < r \) there is \( \delta > 0 \) such that

\[
\mathcal{N}_\delta \cap \{ \alpha : \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B > L \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_A \} \subseteq \mathcal{N}_\delta \cap \mathcal{N}'''.
\]

In this sense \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}''' \) as assumed in Theorem 2 is less restrictive the larger is \( r \), i.e. the local identification neighborhoods of Theorem 2 are "richer" the larger is \( r \).

Restricting the set of \( \alpha \) to be smaller than an open ball can be necessary for local identification in nonparametric models, as we now show in an example. Suppose \( \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots) \) is a sequence of real numbers. Let \((p_1, p_2, \ldots) \) be probabilities, \( p_j > 0 \), \( \sum_{j=1}^\infty p_j = 1 \). Let \( f(x) \) be a twice continuously differentiable function of a scalar \( x \) that is bounded with bounded second derivative. Suppose \( f(x) = 0 \) if and only if \( x \in \{0, 1\} \) and \( df(0)/dx = 1 \). Let \( m(\alpha) = (f(\alpha_1), f(\alpha_2), \ldots) \) also be a sequence with \( \|m(\alpha)\|_B = (\sum_{j=1}^\infty p_j f(\alpha_j)^2)^{1/2} \). Then for \( \|\alpha\|_A = (\sum_{j=1}^\infty p_j \alpha_j^4)^{1/4} \) the function \( m(\alpha) \) will be Fréchet differentiable at \( \alpha_0 = 0 \), with \( m'h = h \). A fourth moment norm for \( \alpha \), rather than a second moment norm, is needed to make \( m(\alpha) \) Fréchet differentiable under the second moment norm for \( m(\alpha) \). Here the map \( m' \) is not onto, even though it is the identity, because the norm on \( \mathcal{A} \) is stronger than the norm on \( \mathcal{B} \).

In this example the value \( \alpha_0 = 0 \) is not locally identified by the equation \( m(\alpha) = 0 \) on any open ball in the norm \( \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_A \). To show this result consider \( \alpha^k \) which has zeros in the first \( k \) positions and a one everywhere else, i.e., \( \alpha^k = (0, \ldots, 0, 1, 1, \ldots) \). Then \( m(\alpha^k) = 0 \) and for \( \Delta^k = \sum_{j=k+1}^\infty p_j \rightarrow 0 \) we have \( \alpha^k - \alpha_0 = (\sum_{j=1}^\infty p_j (\alpha_j^k)^4)^{1/4} = (\Delta^k)^{1/4} \rightarrow 0 \). Thus, we have constructed a sequence of \( \alpha^k \) not equal to \( \alpha_0 \) such that \( m(\alpha^k) = 0 \) and \( \|\alpha^k - \alpha_0\|_A \rightarrow 0 \).

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We can easily describe the set \( \mathcal{N} \) of Theorem 2 in this example, on which \( \alpha_0 = 0 \) will be locally identified. By the second derivative of \( f \) being bounded, Assumption 2 is satisfied with \( N'' = \mathcal{A}, r = 2, \) and \( L = \sup_\alpha |\partial^2 f(\alpha)/\partial a^2|/2, \) where \( L \geq 1 \) by the fact that \( f'(0) = 1 \) and \( f(0) = f(1) = 0 \) (an expansion gives \( 0 = f(1) = 1 + 2^{-1}\partial^2 f(\bar{a})/\partial a^2 \) for \( 0 \leq \bar{a} \leq 1 \)). Then,

\[
N = \left\{ \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots) : \left( \sum_{j=1}^\infty p_j \alpha_j^2 \right)^{1/2} > L \left( \sum_{j=1}^\infty p_j \alpha_j^4 \right)^{1/2} \right\}.
\]

The sequence \( (\alpha^k)_{k=1}^\infty \) given above will not be included in this set because \( L \geq 1 \). A subset of \( \mathcal{N} \) (on which \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified) is \( \{ \alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots) : |\alpha_j| < L^{-1}, (j = 1, 2, \ldots) \} \).

It is important to note that Theorems 1 and 2 provide sufficient, and not necessary, conditions for local identification. The conditions of Theorems 1 and 2 are sufficient for

\[
\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \neq \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \tag{2.2}
\]

that implies \( m(\alpha) \neq 0 \), to hold on \( \mathcal{N} \). The set where (2.2) may be larger than the \( \mathcal{N} \) of Theorem 1 or 2. We have focused on the \( \mathcal{N} \) of Theorem 1 or 2 because those conditions and the associated locally identified set \( \mathcal{N} \) are relatively easy to interpret.

Assumption 1 may not be needed for identification in nonlinear models, although local identification is complicated in the absence of Assumption 1. Conditions may involve nonzero higher order derivatives. Such results for parametric models are discussed by, e.g., Sargan (1983). Here we focus on models where Assumption 1 is satisfied.

### 3 Local Identification in Hilbert Spaces

The restrictions imposed on \( \alpha \) in Theorem 2 are not very transparent. In Hilbert spaces it is possible to give more interpretable conditions based on a lower bound for \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B^2 \). Let \( \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle \) denote the inner product for a Hilbert space.

**Assumption 3:** \( (\mathcal{A}, \|\cdot\|_\mathcal{A}) \) and \( (\mathcal{B}, \|\cdot\|_\mathcal{B}) \) are separable Hilbert spaces and either a) there is a set \( \mathcal{N}' \), an orthonormal basis \( \{\phi_1, \phi_2, \ldots\} \subseteq \mathcal{A} \), and a bounded, positive sequence \( (\mu_1, \mu_2, \ldots) \) such that for all \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}' \),

\[
\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B^2 \geq \sum_{j=1}^\infty \mu_j^2 \langle \alpha - \alpha_0, \phi_j \rangle^2;
\]
or b) \( m' \) is a compact linear operator with positive singular values \((\mu_1, \mu_2, \ldots)\).

The hypothesis in b) that \( m' \) is a compact operator is a mild one when \( m' \) is a conditional expectation. Recall that an operator \( m : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \) is compact if and only if it is continuous and maps bounded sets in \( \mathcal{A} \) into relatively compact sets in \( \mathcal{B} \). Under very mild conditions, \( m(\alpha) = E[\alpha(X)|W] \) is compact: See Zimmer (1990, chapter 3), Kress (1999, section 2.4) and Carrasco, Florens, and Renault (2007) for a variety of sufficient conditions. When \( m' \) in b) is compact there is an orthonormal basis \( \{\phi_j : j = 1, \ldots\} \) for \( \mathcal{A} \) with

\[
\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|^2_B = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu_j^2(\alpha - \alpha_0, \phi_j)^2,
\]

where \( \mu_j^2 \) are the eigenvalues and \( \phi_j \) the eigenfunctions of the operator \( m'^*m' \), so that condition a) is satisfied, where \( m'^* \) denotes the adjoint of \( m' \). The assumption that the singular values are all positive implies the rank condition for \( \mathcal{N}' = \mathcal{A} \). Part a) differs from part b) by imposing a lower bound on \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|^2_B \) only over a subset \( \mathcal{N}' \) of \( \mathcal{A} \) and by allowing the basis \( \{\phi_j\} \) to be different from the eigenfunction basis of the operator \( m'^*m' \). In principle this allows us to impose restrictions on \( \alpha - \alpha_0 \), like boundedness and smoothness, which could help Assumption 3 a) to hold. For similar assumptions in estimation context, see, e.g., Chen and Reiß (2011) and Chen and Pouzo (2012).

It turns out that there is a precise sense in which the rank condition is satisfied for most data generating processes, if it is satisfied for one, in the Hilbert space environment here. In this sense the rank condition turns out to be generic. Let \( \mathcal{A} \) and \( \mathcal{B} \) be separable Hilbert spaces, and \( \mathcal{N}' \subseteq \mathcal{A} \). Suppose that there exists at least one compact linear operator: \( K : \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \) which is injective , i.e. \( K\delta = 0 \) for \( \delta \in \mathcal{A} \) if and only if \( \delta = 0 \). This is an infinite-dimensional analog of the order condition, that for example rules out \( \mathcal{B} \) having smaller finite dimension than \( \mathcal{A} \) (e.g. having fewer instruments than right-hand side endogenous variables in a linear regression model). The operator \( m' : \mathcal{N}' \rightarrow \mathcal{B} \) is generated by nature as follows:

1. The nature selects a countable orthonormal basis \( \{\phi_j\} \) of cardinality \( N \leq \infty \) in \( \mathcal{A} \) and an orthonormal set \( \{\varphi_j\} \) of equal cardinality in \( \mathcal{B} \).
2. The nature samples a bounded sequence of real numbers \( \{\lambda_j\} \) according to a probability measure \( \eta \) whose each marginal is dominated by the Lebesgue measure on \( \mathbb{R} \), namely 
\[
\text{Leb}(A) = 0 \implies \eta(\{\lambda_j \in A\}) = 0 \quad \text{for any measurable } A \subset \mathbb{R} \text{ for each } j.
\]

Then nature sets, for some scalar number \( \kappa > 0 \), and every \( \delta \in \mathcal{N} \)
\[
m\delta = \kappa \left( \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_j \langle \phi_j, \delta \rangle \phi_j \right). \tag{3.3}
\]
This operator is properly defined on \( \mathcal{N} := \{\delta \in \mathcal{A} : m'\delta \in \mathcal{B}\} \).

**Lemma 3**

(1) In the absence of further restrictions on \( m' \), the algorithms obeying conditions 1 and 2 exist. (2) If \( m' \) is generated by any algorithm that obeys conditions 1 and 2, then probability that \( m' \) is not injective over \( \mathcal{N}' \) is zero, namely \( \Pr(\exists \delta \in \mathcal{N}' : \delta \neq 0 \text{ and } m'\delta = 0) = 0 \). Moreover, Assumption 3 holds with \( \mu_j = |\kappa \lambda_j| \) with probability one under \( \eta \).

In Appendix B we provide examples for the case \( \mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B} = L^2[0,1] \) that highlight the range of algorithms permitted by conditions 1 and 2 above, including cases where various restrictions on \( m' \) are imposed: boundedness, compactness, weak positivity, and density restrictions. Genericity arguments use the idea of randomization, and are often employed in economic theory, functional analysis, and probability theory, see, e.g., Anderson and Zame (2000), Marcus and Pisier (1981), Ledoux and Talagrand (2011). Andrews (2011) previously used a related notion of genericity, called prevalence within bounded sets, to argue that rich classes of operators induced by densities in nonparametric IV are \( L^2 \)-complete. The result above uses a somewhat different notion of genericity than prevalence. We also note that while this construction implies identification with probability one, it does not regulate in any way the strength of identification, and hence has no bearing on the choice of an inferential method.

In what follows let \( b_j = \langle \alpha - \alpha_0, \phi_j \rangle \), \( j = 1, 2, \ldots \) denote the Fourier coefficients for \( \alpha - \alpha_0 \), so that \( \alpha = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j \phi_j \). Under Assumptions 2 and 3 we can characterize an identified set in terms of the Fourier coefficients.

**Theorem 4**: If Assumptions 2 and 3 are satisfied then \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified on \( \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}' \cap \)
When \( r = 1 \) it is necessary for \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}^{''} \) that the Fourier coefficients \( b_j \) where \( \mu_j^2 \) is small not be too large relative to the Fourier coefficients where \( \mu_j^2 \) is large. In particular, when \( r = 1 \) any \( \alpha \neq \alpha_0 \) with \( b_j = 0 \) for all \( j \) with \( \mu_j > L \) will not be an element of \( \mathcal{N}^{''} \). When \( r > 1 \) we can use the H"older inequality to obtain a sufficient condition for \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}^{''} \) that is easier to interpret.

**Corollary 5:** If Assumptions 2 and 3 are satisfied, with \( L > 0, r > 1 \), then \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified on \( \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N}^{''} \cap \mathcal{N}^{'''} \) where \( \mathcal{N}^{''} = \{ \alpha = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j \phi_j : \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu_j^2 b_j^2 > L^2 (\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j^2)^r \} \).

For \( \alpha \) to be in the \( \mathcal{N}^{''} \) of Corollary 5 the Fourier coefficients \( b_j \) must vanish faster than \( \mu_j^{1/(r-1)} \) as \( j \) grows. In particular, a sufficient condition for \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}^{''} \) is that \( |b_j| < (\mu_j/L)^{1/(r-1)} c_j \) for any positive sequence \( c_j \) with \( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} c_j^2 = 1 \). These bounds on \( b_j \) correspond to a hyperrectangle while the \( \mathcal{N}^{''} \) in Corollary 5 corresponds to an ellipsoid. The bounds on \( b_j \) shrink as \( L \) increases, corresponding to a smaller local identification set when more nonlinearity is allowed.

Also, it is well known that, at least in certain environments, imposing bounds on Fourier coefficients corresponds to imposing smoothness conditions, like existence of derivatives; see for example Kress (Chapter 8, 1999). In that sense the identification set in Corollary 5 imposes smoothness conditions on the deviations \( \alpha - \alpha_0 \) from the truth.

The bound imposed in \( \mathcal{N}^{''} \) of Corollary 5 is a "source condition" under Assumption 3 b) and is similar to conditions used by Florens, Johannes and Van Bellegem (2011) and others. Under Assumption 3 a) it is similar to norms in generalized Hilbert scales, for example, see Engl, Hanke, and Neubauer (1996) and Chen and Reiß (2011). Our Assumption 3 a) or 3 b) are imposed on deviations \( \alpha - \alpha_0 \), while the above references all impose on true function \( \alpha_0 \) itself as well as on the parameter space hence on the deviations.

To illustrate the results of this Section we consider an endogenous quantile example where \( 0 < \tau < 1 \) is a scalar,

\[
\rho(Y, X, \alpha) = 1(Y \leq \alpha(X)) - \tau,
\]
\( \mathcal{A} = \{ \alpha(\cdot) : \mathbb{E}[\alpha(X)^2] < \infty \} \), and \( \mathcal{B} = \{ a(\cdot) : \mathbb{E}[a(W)^2] < \infty \} \), with the usual Hilbert spaces of mean-square integrable random variables. Here we have

\[
m(\alpha) = \mathbb{E}[1(Y \leq \alpha(X))|W] - \tau.
\]

Let \( f_Y(y|X, W) \) denote the conditional probability density function (pdf) of \( Y \) given \( X \) and \( W \), \( f_X(x|W) \) the conditional pdf of \( X \) given \( W \), and \( f(x) \) the marginal pdf of \( X \).

**Theorem 6:** If \( f_Y(y|X, W) \) is continuously differentiable in \( y \) with \( |df_Y(y|X, W)/dy| \leq L_1 \), \( f_X(x|W) \leq L_2 f(x) \), and \( m'h = \mathbb{E}[f_Y(\alpha_0(X)|X, W)h(X)|W] \) satisfies Assumption 3, then \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified on

\[
\mathcal{N} = \{ \alpha = \alpha_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j \phi_j \in \mathcal{A} : \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j^2/\mu_j^2 < (L_1L_2)^{-2} \}.
\]

This result gives a precise link between a neighborhood on which \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified and the bounds \( L_1 \) and \( L_2 \). Assumption 3 b) will hold under primitive conditions for \( m' \) to be complete, that are given by Chernozhukov, Imbens, and Newey (2007). Theorem 6 corrects Theorem 3.2 of Chernozhukov, Imbens, and Newey (2007) by adding the bound on \( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_j^2/\mu_j^2 \).

It also gives primitive conditions for local identification for general \( X \) while Chernozhukov and Hansen (2005) only gave primitive conditions for identification when \( X \) is binary. Horowitz and Lee (2007) impose analogous conditions in their paper on convergence rates of nonparametric endogenous quantile estimators but assumed identification.

## 4 Semiparametric Models

### 4.1 General Theory

In this section, we consider local identification in possibly nonlinear semiparametric models, where \( \alpha \) can be decomposed into a \( p \times 1 \) dimensional parameter vector \( \beta \) and nonparametric component \( g \), so that \( \alpha = (\beta, g) \). Let \( \| \cdot \| \) denote the Euclidean norm for \( \beta \) and assume \( g \in \mathcal{G} \) where \( \mathcal{G} \) is a Banach space with norm \( \| \cdot \|_\mathcal{G} \), such as a Hilbert space. We focus here on a conditional moment restriction model

\[
\mathbb{E}[\rho(Y, X, \beta_0, g_0)|W] = 0,
\]
where $\rho(y, x, \beta, g)$ is a $J \times 1$ vector of residuals. Here $m(\alpha) = \mathbb{E}[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]$ will be considered as an element of the Hilbert space $\mathcal{B}$ of $J \times 1$ random vectors with inner product

$$\langle a, b \rangle = \mathbb{E}[a(W)^T b(W)].$$

The differential $m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)$ can be expressed as

$$m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) = m'_\beta(\beta - \beta_0) + m'_g(g - g_0),$$

where $m'_\beta$ is the derivative of $m(\beta, g_0) = \mathbb{E}[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g_0)|W]$ with respect to $\beta$ at $\beta_0$ and $m'_g$ is the Gâteaux derivative of $m(\beta_0, g)$ with respect to $g$ at $g_0$. To give conditions for local identification of $\beta_0$ in the presence of the nonparametric component $g$ it is helpful to partial out $g$. Let $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$ be the closure of the linear span $\mathcal{M}$ of $m'_g(g - g_0)$ for $g \in \mathcal{N}'_g$ where $\mathcal{N}'_g$ will be specified below. In general $\overline{\mathcal{M}} \neq \mathcal{M}$ because the linear operator $m'_g$ need not have closed range (like $m'$ onto, a closed range would also imply a continuous inverse, by the Banach inverse theorem). For the $k^{th}$ unit vector $e_k, (k = 1, \ldots, p)$, let

$$\zeta^*_k = \arg \min_{\zeta \in \overline{\mathcal{M}}} \mathbb{E}\{(m'_\beta(W)e_k - \zeta(W))^T (m'_\beta(W)e_k - \zeta(W))\},$$

which exists and is unique by standard Hilbert space results; e.g. see Luenberger (1969). Define $\Pi$ to be the $p \times p$ matrix with

$$\Pi_{jk} := \mathbb{E}\left[\{m'_\beta(W)e_j - \zeta^*_j(W)\}^T \{m'_\beta(W)e_k - \zeta^*_k(W)\}\right], \quad (j, k = 1, \ldots, p).$$

The following condition is important for local identification of $\beta_0$.

**Assumption 4:** The mapping $m': \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathcal{N}'_g \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is continuous and $\Pi$ is nonsingular.

This assumption is similar to those first used by Chamberlain (1992) to establish the possibility of estimating parametric components at root-$n$ rate in semi-parametric moment condition problems; see also Ai and Chen (2003) and Chen and Pouzo (2009). In the local identification analysis considered here it leads to local identification of $\beta_0$ without identification of $g$ when $m(\beta, g)$ is linear in $g$. It allows us to separate conditions for identification of $\beta_0$ from conditions for identification of $g$. Note that the parameter $\beta$ may be identified even when $\Pi$ is singular,
but that case is more complicated, as discussed at the end of Section 2, and we do not analyze this case.

The following condition controls the behavior of the derivative with respect to $\beta$:

**Assumption 5:** For every $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a neighborhood $B$ of $\beta_0$ and a set $\mathcal{N}_g^3$ such that for all $g \in \mathcal{N}_g^3$ with probability one $E[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]$ is continuously differentiable in $\beta$ on $B$ and

$$\sup_{g \in \mathcal{N}_g^3} \sqrt{E[\sup_{\beta \in B} |\partial E[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]|/\partial \beta - \partial E[\rho(Y, X, \beta_0, g_0)|W]|/\partial \beta|^2]} < \varepsilon.$$  

It turns out that Assumptions 4 and 5 will be sufficient for local identification of $\beta_0$ when $m(\beta_0, g)$ is linear in $g$, i.e. for $m(\beta, g) = 0$ to imply $\beta = \beta_0$ when $(\beta, g)$ is in some neighborhood of $(\beta_0, g_0)$. This works because Assumption 4 partials out the effect of unknown $g$ on local identification of $\beta_0$.

**Theorem 7:** If Assumptions 4 and 5 are satisfied and $m(\beta_0, g)$ is linear in $g$ then there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for $B$ and $\mathcal{N}_g^3$ from Assumption 5 and $\mathcal{N}_g'$ from Assumption 4, $\beta_0$ is locally identified for $N = B \times (\mathcal{N}_g' \cap \mathcal{N}_g^3)$. If, in addition, Assumption 1 is satisfied for $m'_g$ and $\mathcal{N}_g' \cap \mathcal{N}_g^3$ replacing $m'$ and $\mathcal{N}'$, then $\alpha_0 = (\beta_0, g_0)$ is locally identified for $N$.

This result is more general than Florens, Johannes, and Van Bellegem (2012) and Santos (2011) since it allows for nonlinearities in $\beta$, and dependence on $g$ of the partial derivatives $\partial E[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]/\partial \beta$. When the partial derivatives $\partial E[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]/\partial \beta$ do not depend on $g$, then Assumption 5 could be satisfied with $\mathcal{N}_g' = \mathcal{G}$, and Theorem 7 could then imply local identification of $\beta_0$ in some neighborhood of $\beta_0$ only.

For semiparametric models that are nonlinear in $g$ we can give local identification results based on Theorem 2 or the more specific conditions of Theorem 4 and Corollary 5. For brevity we give just a result based on Theorem 2.

**Theorem 8:** If Assumptions 4 and 5 are satisfied and $m(\beta_0, g)$ satisfies Assumption 2 with $\mathcal{N}'' = \mathcal{N}_g''$, then there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for $B$ and $\mathcal{N}_g^3$ from Assumption 5, $\mathcal{N}_g'$ from Assumption 4, and

$$\mathcal{N}_g'' = \{g : \|m'_g(g - g_0)\|_B > \varepsilon^{-1}L \|g - g_0\|_A\}$$
it is the case that $\alpha_0 = (\beta_0, g_0)$ is locally identified for $\mathcal{N} = B \times (\mathcal{N}_g^0 \cap \mathcal{N}_g'' \cap \mathcal{N}_g^m)$.

### 4.2 A Single Index IV Example

Econometric applications often have too many covariates for fully nonparametric estimation to be practical, i.e. they suffer from the curse of dimensionality. Econometric practice thus motivates interest in models with reduced dimension. An important such model is the single index model. Here we consider a single index model with endogeneity, given by

$$Y = g_0(X_1 + X_2^T \beta_0) + U, \quad \mathbb{E}[U|W] = 0, \quad (4.4)$$

where $\beta_0$ is a vector of unknown parameters, $g_0(\cdot)$ is an unknown function, and $W$ are instrumental variables. Here the nonparametric part is just one dimensional rather than having the same dimension as $X$. This model is nonlinear in Euclidean parameters, and so is an example where our results apply. Our results add to the literature on dimension reduction with endogeneity, by showing how identification of an index model requires fewer instrumental variables than a fully nonparametric IV model. We could generalize the results to multiple indices but focus on a single index for simplicity.

The location and scale of the parametric part are not identified separately from $g_0$, and hence, we normalize the constant to zero and the coefficient of $X_1$ to 1. Here

$$m(\alpha)(W) = \mathbb{E}[Y - g(X_1 + X_2^T \beta)|W].$$

Let $V = X_1 + X_2^T \beta_0$ and for differentiable $g_0(V)$ let

$$m'_\beta = -\mathbb{E}[g'_0(V)X_2^T|W].$$

Let $\zeta_j^*$ denote the projection of $m'_\beta e_j = -\mathbb{E}[g'_0(V)X_{2j}|W]$ on the mean-square closure of the set \{E[h(V)|W] : E[h(V)^2] < \infty\} and $\Pi$ the matrix with $\Pi_{jk} = \mathbb{E}[(m'_\beta e_j - \zeta_j^*)(m'_\beta e_k - \zeta_k^*)]$.

**Theorem 9:** Consider the model of equation (4.4). If a) $g_0(V)$ is continuously differentiable with bounded derivative $g'_0(V)$ satisfying $|g'_0(V)| \leq C_g |\hat{V} - V|$ for some $C_g > 0$, b) $E[|X_2|^4] < \infty$, and c) $\Pi$ is nonsingular, then there is a neighborhood $B$ of $\beta_0$ and $\delta > 0$ such that for

$$\mathcal{N}_g^\delta = \{g : g(v) is continuously differentiable and \sup_v |g'(v) - g'_0(v)| \leq \delta\}$$

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\( \beta_0 \) is locally identified for \( \mathcal{N} = B \times \mathcal{N}_g^\delta \). Furthermore, if there is \( \mathcal{N}_g^\gamma \) such that \( \mathbb{E}[g(V) - g_0(V)|W] \) is bounded complete on the set \( \{g(V) - g_0(V) : g \in \mathcal{N}_g^\gamma\} \) then \( (\beta_0, g_0) \) is locally identified for \( \mathcal{N} = B \times (\mathcal{N}_g^\delta \cap \mathcal{N}_g^\gamma) \).

Since this model includes as a special case the linear simultaneous equations model the usual rank and order conditions are still necessary for \( \Pi \) to be nonsingular for all possible models, and hence are necessary for identification. Relative to the linear nonparametric IV model in Newey and Powell (2003) the index structure lowers the requirements for identification by requiring that \( m'_g h = -\mathbb{E}[h(V)|W] \) be complete on \( \mathcal{N}_g^\gamma \) rather than completeness of the conditional expectation of functions of \( X \) given \( W \). For example, it may be possible to identify \( \beta_0 \) and \( g_0 \) with only two instrumental variables, one of which is used to identify \( g_0 \) and functions of the other being used to identify \( \beta_0 \).

To further explain we can give more primitive conditions for nonsingularity of \( \Pi \). The following result gives a necessary condition for \( \Pi \) to be nonzero (and hence nonsingular) as well as a sufficient condition for nonsingularity of \( \Pi \).

**Theorem 10:** Consider the model of (4.4). If \( \Pi \) is nonsingular then the conditional distribution of \( W \) given \( V \) is not complete. Also, if there is a measurable function \( T(W) \) such that the conditional distribution of \( V \) given \( W \) depends only on \( T(W) \) and for every \( p \times 1 \) vector \( \lambda \neq 0 \), \( \mathbb{E}[g'_0(V)\lambda^T X_2|W] \) is not measurable with respect to \( T(W) \), then \( \Pi \) is nonsingular.

To explain the conditions of this result note that if there is only one variable in \( W \) then the completeness condition (of \( W \) given \( V \)) can hold and hence \( \Pi \) can be singular. If there is more than one variable in \( W \) then generally completeness (of \( W \) given \( V \)) will not hold, because completeness would be like identifying a function of more than one variable (i.e. \( W \)) with one instrument (i.e. \( V \)). If \( W \) and \( V \) are joint Gaussian and \( V \) and \( W \) are correlated then completeness holds (and hence \( \Pi \) is singular) when \( W \) is one dimensional but not otherwise. In this sense having more than one instrument in \( W \) is a necessary condition for nonsingularity of \( \Pi \). Intuitively, one instrument is needed for identification of the one dimensional function \( g_0(V) \) so that more than one instrument is needed for identification of \( \beta \).
The sufficient condition for nonsingularity of $\Pi$ is stronger than noncompleteness. It is essentially an exclusion restriction, where $E[g_0'(V)X_2|W]$ depends on $W$ in a different way than the conditional distribution of $V$ depends on $W$. This condition can be shown to hold if $W$ and $V$ are Gaussian, $W$ is two dimensional, and $E[g_0'(V)X_2|W]$ depends on all of $W$.

5 Semiparametric CCAPM

Consumption capital asset pricing models (CCAPM) provide interesting examples of nonparametric and semiparametric moment restrictions; see Gallant and Tauchen (1989), Newey and Powell (1988), Hansen, Heaton, Lee, and Roussanov (2007), Chen and Ludvigson (2009), and others. In this section, we apply our general theorems to develop new results on identification of a particular semiparametric specification of marginal utility of consumption. Our results could easily be extended to other specifications, and so are of independent interest.

To describe the model let $C_t$ denote consumption level at time $t$ and $c_t \equiv C_t/C_{t-1}$ be consumption growth. Suppose that the marginal utility of consumption at time $t$ is given by

$$MU_t = C_t^{-\gamma_0}g_0(C_t/C_{t-1}) = C_t^{-\gamma_0}g_0(c_t),$$

where $g_0(c)$ is an unknown positive function. For this model the intertemporal marginal rate of substitution is

$$\delta_0 MU_{t+1}/MU_t = \delta_0 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0}g_0(c_{t+1})/g_0(c_t),$$

where $0 < \delta_0 < 1$ is the rate of time preference. Let $R_{t+1} = (R_{t+1,1}, ..., R_{t+1,J})^T$ be a $J \times 1$ vector of gross asset returns. A semiparametric CCAPM equation is then given by

$$E[R_{t+1}\delta_0 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0}\{g_0(c_{t+1})/g_0(c_t)\}|W_t] = e,$$  \hspace{1cm} (5.5)

where $W_t \equiv (Z_t, c_t)$ is a vector of variables observed by the agent at time $t$, and $e$ is a $J \times 1$ vector of ones. This corresponds to an external habit formation model with only one lag as considered in Chen and Ludvigson (2009). As emphasized in Cochrane (2005), habit formation models can help explain the high risk premia embedded in asset prices. We focus here on consumption growth $c_t = C_t/C_{t-1}$ to circumvent the potential nonstationarity of the level of consumption, see Hall (1978), as has long been done in this literature, e.g. Hansen and Singleton (1982).
From economic theory it is known that under complete markets there is a unique intertemporal marginal rate of substitution that solves equation (5.5), when $R_t$ is allowed to vary over all possible vectors of asset returns. Of course that does not guarantee a unique solution for a fixed vector of returns $R_t$. Note though that the semiparametric model does impose restrictions on the marginal rate of substitution that should be helpful for identification. We show how these restrictions lead to local identification of this model via the results of Section 4.

This model can be formulated as a semiparametric conditional moment restriction by letting $\mathbf{Y} = (R_{t+1}^T, c_{t+1}, c_t)^T$, $\mathbf{W} = (Z_t^T, c_t)^T$, and

$$\rho(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{g}) = R_{t+1} \delta c_{t+1}^{-\gamma} g(c_{t+1}) - g(c_t) e. \tag{5.6}$$

Then multiplying equation (5.5) through by $g_0(c_t)$ gives the conditional moment restriction $E[\rho(\mathbf{Y}, \mathbf{W}, \mathbf{g}) | W] = 0$. Let $A_t = R_{t+1} \delta_0 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0}$. The nonparametric rank condition (Assumption 1 for $g$) will be uniqueness, up to scale, of the solution $g_0$ of

$$E[A_t g(c_{t+1}) | W_t] = g(c_t) e. \tag{5.7}$$

This equation differs from the linear nonparametric IV restriction where the function $g_0(X)$ would solve $E[Y | W] = E[g(X) | W]$. That equation is an integral equation of the first kind while equation (5.7) is a homogeneous integral equation of the second kind. The rank condition for this second kind equation is that the null space of the operator $E[A_t g(c_{t+1}) | W_t] - g(c_t) e$ is one-dimensional, which is different than the completeness condition for first kind equations. This example illustrates that the rank condition of Assumption 1 need not be equivalent to completeness of a conditional expectation. Escanciano and Hoderlein (2010) and Lewbel, Linton, and Srisuma (2012) have previously shown how homogenous integral equations of the second kind arise in CCAPM models, though their models and identification results are different than those given here, as further discussed below.

Let $X_t = (1/\delta_0, -\ln(c_{t+1}))^T$. Then differentiating inside the integral, as allowed under regularity conditions given below, and applying the Gateaux derivative calculation gives

$$m'_{\beta}(W) = E[A_t g_0(c_{t+1}) X_t^T | W_t], \quad m'_g = E[A_t g(c_{t+1}) | W_t] - g(c_t) e.$$
When $E[A_t g(c_{t+1})|W_t]$ is a compact operator, as holds under conditions described below, it follows from the theory of integral equations of the second kind (e.g. Kress, 1999, Theorem 3.2) that the set of nonparametric directions $\mathcal{M}$ will be closed, i.e.

$$\overline{\mathcal{M}} = \mathcal{M} = \{E[A_t g(c_{t+1})|W_t] - g(c_t)\varepsilon : \|g\|_G < \infty\},$$

where we will specify $\|g\|_G$ below. Let $\Pi$ be the two-dimensional second moment matrix $\Pi$ of the residuals from the projection of each column of $m'_g$ on $\overline{\mathcal{M}}$, as described in Section 4. Then nonsingularity of $\Pi$ leads to local identification of $\beta_0$ via Theorem 7.

To give a precise result let $\Delta$ be any positive number,

$$D_t = (1 + |R_{t+1}|)[2 + \ln(c_{t+1})]^2 \sup_{\gamma \in [\gamma_0 - \Delta, \gamma_0 + \Delta]} c_{t+1}^{-\gamma},$$

$$\|g\|_G = \sqrt{E[D_t|W_t]g(c_{t+1})^2}.$$ 

The following assumption imposes some regularity conditions.

**Assumption 6:** $(R_t, c_t, W_t)$ is strictly stationary, $E[D_t^2] < \infty$, and $\|g_0\|_G < \infty$.

The following result applies Theorem 7 to this CCAPM.

**Theorem 11:** Suppose that Assumption 6 is satisfied. Then the mapping $m' : \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$ is continuous and if $\Pi$ is nonsingular there is a neighborhood $B$ of $\beta_0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for $N^3_g = \{g : \|g - g_0\|_G < \varepsilon\}$, $\beta_0$ is locally identified for $N = B \times N^3_g$. If in addition $m'_g(g - g_0) \neq 0$ for all $g \neq g_0$ and $g \in N^3_g$ then $(\beta_0, g_0)$ is locally identified for $N = B \times N^3_g$.

Primitive conditions for nonsingularity of $\Pi$ and for $m'_g(g - g_0) \neq 0$ when $g \neq g_0$ are needed to make this result interesting. It turns out that some completeness conditions suffice, as shown by the following result. Let $f_{c,\hat{W}}(c, \hat{w})$ denote the joint pdf of $(c_{t+1}, \hat{W}_t)$, and $f_c(c)$ and $f_{\hat{W}}(\hat{w})$ the marginal pdfs of $c_{t+1}$ and $\hat{W}_t$ respectively.

**Theorem 12:** Suppose Assumption 6 is satisfied, $\Pr(g_0(c_t) = 0) = 0$, for some $w(Z_t)$ and $\hat{W}_t = (w(Z_t), c_t)$, $(c_{t+1}, \hat{W}_t)$ is continuously distributed and there is some $j$ and corresponding $A_{tj} = \delta_0 R_{t+1,j} c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0}$ satisfying

$$E[A_{tj}^2 f_c(c_{t+1})^{-1} f_{\hat{W}}(\hat{W}_t)^{-1} f_{c,\hat{W}}(c_{t+1}, \hat{W}_t)] < \infty.$$ 

(5.8)
Then (a) if \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} h(c_{t+1}, c_t) | \tilde{W}_t] = 0 \) implies \( h(c_{t+1}, c_t) = 0 \), then \( \Pi \) is nonsingular; (b) if for some \( \bar{c} \) with \( g_0(\bar{c}) \neq 0 \), \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} h(c_{t+1}) | w(Z_t), c_t = \bar{c}] = 0 \) implies \( h(c_{t+1}) = 0 \), then \( g_0 \) is the unique solution to \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} g(c_{t+1}) | W_t] = g(c_t) \) up to scale.

Equation (5.8) implies \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} g(c_{t+1}) | \tilde{W}_t] \) is a Hilbert-Schmidt integral operator and hence compact. Analogous conditions could be imposed to ensure that \( \mathcal{M} \) is closed. The sufficient conditions for nonsingularity of \( \Pi \) involve completeness of the conditional expectation \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} h(c_{t+1}) | \tilde{W}_t] \). As previously noted, sufficient conditions for completeness can be found in Newey and Powell (2003) and Andrews (2011) and completeness is generic in the sense of Andrews (2011) and Lemma 3.

Condition b) is weaker than condition a). Condition (b) turns out to imply global identification of \( \beta_0 \) and \( g_0 \) (up to scale) if \( g_0(c) \) is bounded, and bounded away from zero. Because we focus on applying the results of Section 4, we reserve this result to Theorem A.3 in the Appendix. Even with global identification the result of Theorem 12 (a) is of interest, because nonsingularity of \( \Pi \) will be necessary for \( \gamma_0 \) to be estimable at a root-n rate. The identification result for \( \gamma_0 \) in Theorem A.3 involves large and small values of consumption growth, and so amounts to identification at infinity, that generally does not lead to root-n consistent estimation, e.g. see Chamberlain (1986).

A different approach to the nonparametric rank condition, that does not require any instrument \( w(Z_t) \) in addition to \( c_t \), can be based on positivity of \( g_0(c) \). The linear operator \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} g(c_{t+1}) | c_t] \) and \( g(c) \) will be infinite dimensional (functional) analogs of a positive matrix and a positive eigenvector respectively, by equation (5.7). The Perron-Frobenius Theorem says that there is a unique positive eigenvalue and eigenvector (up to scale) pair for a positive matrix. A functional analog, based on Krein and Rutman (1950), gives uniqueness of \( g_0(c) \), as well as of the discount factor \( \delta_0 \). To describe this result let \( r(c, s) = \mathbb{E}[R_{t+1} | c_{t+1} = s, c_t = c] \), \( f(s, c) \) be the joint pdf of \( (c_{t+1}, c_t) \), \( f(c) \) the marginal pdf of \( c_t \) at \( c \) and \( K(c, s) = r(c, s)s^{-\gamma_0} f(s, c) /[f(s)f(c)] \). Then the equation \( \mathbb{E}[A_{ij} g(c_{t+1}) | c_t] = g(c_t) \) can be written as

\[
\delta \int K(c, s) g(s) f(s) ds = g(c). \tag{5.9}
\]

for \( \delta = \delta_0 \). Here the matrix analogy is clear, with \( K(c, s)f(s) \) being like a positive matrix, \( g(c) \)
an eigenvector, and $\delta^{-1}$ an eigenvalue.

**Theorem 13:** Suppose that $(R_{t+1}, c_t)$ is strictly stationary, $f(c, s) > 0$ and $r(c, s) > 0$ almost everywhere, and $\int \int K(c, s)^2 f(c) f(s) dc ds < \infty$. Then equation (5.9) has a unique nonnegative solution $(\delta_0, g_0)$, with $\delta_0 > 0$, $g_0 > 0$ almost everywhere, and $E[g_0(c_t)^2] = 1$.

The conditions of this result include $r(c, s) > 0$, that will hold if $R_{t+1}$ is a positive risk free rate. Under square-integrability of $K$, we obtain global identification of the pair $(\delta_0, g_0)$. The uniqueness of $g_0(c)$ in the conclusion of this result implies the nonparametric rank condition. Note that by iterated expectation and inclusion of $R_{t+1}$ in $R_{t+1}$ any solution to equation (5.7) must also satisfy equation (5.9). Thus Theorem 13 implies that $g_0$ is the unique solution to (5.7). Theorem 13 actually gives more, identification of the discount factor given identification of $\gamma_0$.

Previously Escanciano and Hoderlein (2010) and Lewbel, Linton and Sriwuma (2012) had considered nonparametric identification of marginal utility in consumption level, $MU(C_t)$, by solving the homogeneous integral equation of the second kind:

$$E[R_{t+1} \delta_0 MU(C_{t+1})|C_t] = MU(C_t).$$

In particular, Escanciano and Hoderlein (2010) previously gave an identification result based on positive marginal utility assuming $C_t$ has compact support and $R_{t+1}$ is a risk-free rate. Lewbel, Linton and Sriwuma (2012) previously use a genericity argument for identification of $MU(C_t)$. In comparison, we also use positivity, but identify $g(c)$ rather than the marginal utility, and base the result on a functional version of the Perron-Frobenius theorem.

The models considered here will generally be highly overidentified. We have analyzed identification using only a single asset return $R_{t+1, j}$. The presence of more asset returns in equation (5.5) provides overidentifying restrictions. Also, in Theorem 12 we only use a function $w(Z_t)$ of the available instrumental variables $Z_t$ in addition to $c_t$. The additional information in $Z_t$ may provide overidentifying restrictions. These sources of overidentification are familiar in CCAPM models. See, e.g., Hansen and Singleton (1982) and Chen and Ludvigson (2009).
6 Conclusion

We provide sufficient conditions for local identification for a general class of semiparametric and nonparametric conditional moment restriction models. We give new identification conditions for several important models that illustrate the usefulness of our general results. In particular, we provide primitive conditions for local identification in nonseparable quantile IV models, single-index IV models, and semiparametric consumption-based asset pricing models.

Appendix

7 Proofs for Section 2

7.1 Proof of Parametric Result

By \( \text{rank}(m') = p \), the nonnegative square root \( \eta \) of the smallest eigenvalue \( \eta^2 \) of \((m')^Tm'\) is positive and \( |m'h| \geq \eta|h| \) for \( h \in \mathbb{R}^p \). Also, by the definition of the derivative there is \( \varepsilon > 0 \) such that \( |m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)| / |\alpha - \alpha_0| < \eta \) for all \( |\alpha - \alpha_0| < \varepsilon \) with \( \alpha \neq \alpha_0 \). Then

\[
\frac{|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)|}{m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)} = \frac{|m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)|}{|\alpha - \alpha_0|} \cdot \frac{|\alpha - \alpha_0|}{|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)|} < \frac{\eta}{\eta} = 1. \tag{7.10}
\]

This inequality implies \( m(\alpha) \neq 0 \), so \( \alpha_0 \) is locally identified on \( \{\alpha : |\alpha - \alpha_0| < \varepsilon\} \). Q.E.D.

7.2 Proof of Theorem 1

If \( m'h = m'h \) for \( h \neq \bar{h} \) then for any \( \lambda > 0 \) we have \( m'\bar{h} = 0 \) for \( \bar{h} = \lambda(h - \bar{h}) \neq 0 \). For \( \lambda \) small enough \( \bar{h} \) would be in any open ball around zero. Therefore, Assumption 1 holding on an open ball containing \( \alpha_0 \) implies that \( m' \) is invertible. By \( m' \) onto and the Banach Inverse Theorem (Luenberger, 1969, p. 149) it follows that \( (m')^{-1} \) is continuous. Since any continuous linear map is bounded, it follows that there exists \( \eta > 0 \) such that \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \geq \eta \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_A \) for all \( \alpha \in A \).

Next, by Fréchet differentiability at \( \alpha_0 \) there exists an open ball \( N_\varepsilon \) centered at \( \alpha_0 \) such that for all \( \alpha \in N_\varepsilon, \alpha \neq \alpha_0 \),

\[
\frac{\|m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B}{\|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_A} < \eta. \tag{7.11}
\]
Therefore, at all such $\alpha \neq \alpha_0$,
\[
\frac{\|m(\alpha) - m'\alpha - \alpha_0\|_{\mathcal{B}}}{\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}} = \frac{\|m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}} \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_{\mathcal{A}}}{\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}} < \eta/\eta = 1.
\]

Therefore, as in the proof of the parametric result above, $m(\alpha) \neq 0$. Q.E.D.

### 7.3 Proof of Theorem 2

Consider $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}$ with $\alpha_0 = 0$. Then
\[
\frac{\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}}{\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}} = \frac{\|m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}}{\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}} \leq \frac{L \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|_{\mathcal{A}}}{\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_{\mathcal{B}}} < 1.
\]

The conclusion follows as in the proof of Theorem 1. Q.E.D.

### 8 Proofs for Section 3

#### 8.1 An Example for Lemma 3

It is useful to give explicit examples of the randomization algorithms obeying conditions 1 and 2 listed in Section 2. Suppose $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{B} = L^2[0,1]$, and that $m'$ is an integral operator
\[
m'\delta = \int K(,t)\delta(t)dt.
\]

The kernel $K$ of this operator is generated as follows. The nature performs step 1 by selecting two, possibly different, orthonormal bases $\{\phi_j\}$ and $\{\varphi_j\}$ in $L^2[0,1]$. The nature performs step 2 by first selecting a bounded sequence $0 < \sigma_j < \sigma$ for $j = 0,1,...$, sampling $u_j$ as i.i.d. $U[-1,1]$, and then setting $\lambda_j = u_j\sigma_j$. Finally, for some scalar $\kappa > 0$ it sets
\[
K = \kappa(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \lambda_j \phi_j \varphi_j).
\]

The operator defined in this way is well-defined over $\mathcal{A}$ and is bounded, but it need not be compact. If compactness is required, we impose $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sigma_j^2 < \infty$ in the construction. If $K \geq 0$ is required, we can impose $\phi_0 = 1, \varphi_0 = 1$, $|\varphi_j| \leq c$ and $|\phi_j| \leq c$, for all $j$, where $c > 1$ is a constant, and $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sigma_j < \infty$, and define instead $\lambda_0$ as $c\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j + |u_0|\sigma_0$. If in addition to positivity, $\int K(z,t)dt = 1$ is required, for example if $K(z,t) = f(t|z)$ is a conditional density,
then we select $\kappa > 0$ so that $\kappa \lambda_0 = 1$. This algorithm for generating $m'$ trivially obeys conditions 1 and 2 stated above. Furthermore, $u_j$ need not be i.i.d. Take the extreme, opposite example, and set $u_j = U[-1, 1]$ for all $j$, that is $u_j$’s are perfectly dependent. The resulting algorithm for generating $m'$ still trivially obeys conditions 1 and 2.

### 8.2 Proof of Lemma 3

By assumptions there exists a compact, injective operator $\mathcal{K} : \mathcal{A} \mapsto \mathcal{B}$. By Theorem 15.16 in Kress (1999) $\mathcal{K}$ admits a singular value decomposition:

$$\mathcal{K}\delta = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \mu_j \langle \phi_j, \delta \rangle \varphi_j,$$

where $\{\phi_j\}$ is an orthonormal subset of $\mathcal{A}$, either finite or countably infinite, with cardinality $N \leq \infty$, $\{\varphi_j\}$ is an orthonormal subset of $\mathcal{B}$ of equal cardinality, and $(\mu_j)_{j=1}^{\infty}$ is bounded. Since $\|\mathcal{K}\delta\|_B^2 = \sum_{j=0}^{N} \mu_j^2 \langle \phi_j, \delta \rangle^2$, injectivity of $\mathcal{K}$ requires that $\{\phi_j\}$ must be an orthonormal basis in $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mu_j \neq 0$ for all $j$. Therefore, step 1 is always feasible by using these $\{\phi_j\}$ and $\{\varphi_j\}$ in the construction. The order of eigenvectors in these sets need not be preserved and could be arbitrary. Step 2 is also feasible by using a product of Lebesgue- dominated measures on a bounded subset of $\mathbb{R}$ to define a measure over $\mathbb{R}^N$, or, more generally, using any construction of measure on $\mathbb{R}^N$ from finite-dimensional measures obeying Kolmogorov’s consistency conditions (e.g. Dudley, 1989) and the additional condition that $\eta\{\lambda_{j_1} \in A, \lambda_{j_2} \in \mathbb{R}, \ldots, \lambda_{j_k} \in \mathbb{R}\} = 0$ if $\text{Leb}(A) = 0$, for any finite subset $\{j_1, \ldots, j_k\} \subset \{0, \ldots, N\}$. This verifies claim 1.

To verify claim 2, by Bessel’s inequality we have that

$$\|m'\delta\|_B \geq \sum_{j=0}^{N} \lambda_j^2 \kappa^2 \langle \phi_j, \delta \rangle^2.$$ 

$m'$ is not injective iff $\lambda_j^2 \kappa^2 = 0$ for some $j$. By countable additivity and by $\text{Leb}(\{0\}) = 0 \implies \eta(\{\lambda_j = 0\}) = 0$ holding by assumption,

$$\Pr_\eta(\exists j \in \{0, 1, \ldots, N\} : \lambda_j = 0) \leq \sum_{j=0}^{N} \eta(\{\lambda_j = 0\}) = 0.$$

The final claim follows from the penultimate display. Q.E.D.
8.3 Proof of Theorem 4

By Assumption 3, for any \( \alpha \neq \alpha_0 \) and \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}^m \) with Fourier coefficients \( b_j \) we have

\[
\| m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \|_B \geq \left( \sum_j \mu_j^2 b_j^2 \right)^{1/2} > L \left( \sum_j b_j^2 \right)^{r/2} = L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r,
\]

so the conclusion follows by Theorem 2. Q.E.D.

8.4 Proof of Corollary 5

Consider \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}^m \). Then

\[
\sum_j \mu_j^{-2/(r-1)} b_j^2 < L^{-2/(r-1)}
\]

(8.12)

For \( b_j = (\alpha - \alpha_0, \phi_j) \) note that \( \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A = (\sum_j b_j^2)^{1/2} \) by \( \phi_1, \phi_2, \ldots \) being an orthonormal basis. Then

\[
(\sum_j b_j^2)^{1/2} = \left( \sum_j \mu_j^{-2/r} \mu_j^2 b_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \left( \sum_j \mu_j^{-2/(r-1)} b_j^2 \right)^{(r-1)/2r} \left( \sum_j \mu_j^2 b_j^2 \right)^{1/2r}
\]

\[
< L^{-1/r} \left( \sum_j \mu_j^2 b_j^2 \right)^{1/2r} \leq L^{-1/r} \left( \| m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \|_B \right)^{1/r},
\]

where the first inequality holds by the Hölder inequality, the second by eq. (8.12), and the third by Assumption 3. Raising both sides to the \( r \)th power and multiplying through by \( L \) gives

\[
L \| \alpha - \alpha_0 \|_A^r < \| m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \|_B.
\]

(8.13)

The conclusion then follows by Theorem 4. Q.E.D.

8.5 Proof of Theorem 6

Let \( F(y|X, W) = \Pr(Y \leq y|X, W), \) \( m(\alpha) = E [1(Y \leq \alpha(X))|W] - \tau, \) and

\[
m'h = E [f_Y(\alpha_0(X)|X, W)h(X)|W],
\]

so that by iterated expectations,

\[
m(\alpha) = E [F(\alpha(X)|X, W)|W] - \tau.
\]
Then by a mean value expansion, and by $f_Y(y|X,W)$ continuously differentiable

$$|F(\alpha(X)|X,W) - F(\alpha_0(X)|X,W) - f_Y(\alpha_0(X)|X,W)\alpha(X) - \alpha_0(X))|$$

$$= |[f_Y(\bar{\alpha}(X)|X,W) - f_Y(\alpha_0(X)|X,W)] [\alpha(X) - \alpha_0(X)]| \leq L_1 [\alpha(X) - \alpha_0(X)]^2,$$

where $\bar{\alpha}(X)$ is the mean value that lies between $\alpha(X)$ and $\alpha_0(X)$. Then for $L_1L_2 = L$,

$$|m(\alpha)(W) - m(\alpha_0)(W) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)(W)| \leq L_1E [\{\alpha(X) - \alpha_0(X)\}^2|W] \leq LE(\{\alpha(X) - \alpha_0(X)\}^2) = L \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|^2_A.$$ 

Therefore,

$$\|m(\alpha) - m(\alpha_0) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \leq L \|\alpha - \alpha_0\|^2_A,$$

so that Assumption 2 is satisfied with $r = 2$ and $\mathcal{N}'' = \mathcal{A}$. The conclusion then follows from Corollary 5. Q.E.D.

9 Proofs for Section 4

9.1 Useful Results on Projections on Linear Subspaces

Before proving the next theorem we give two useful intermediate result. Let $\text{Proj}(b|\mathcal{M})$ denote the orthogonal projection of an element $b$ of a Hilbert space on a closed linear subset $\mathcal{M}$ of that space.

**Lemma A1:** If a) $\mathcal{M}$ is a closed linear subspace of a Hilbert space $\mathcal{H}$; b) $b_j \in \mathcal{H} (j = 1, \ldots, p)$; c) the $p \times p$ matrix $\Pi$ with $\Pi_{jk} = \langle b_j - \text{Proj}(b_j|\mathcal{M}), b_k - \text{Proj}(b_k|\mathcal{M}) \rangle$ is nonsingular, then for $b = (b_1, \ldots, b_p)^T$ there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for all $a \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and $\zeta \in \mathcal{M}$,

$$\|b^T a + \zeta\| \geq \varepsilon (|a| + \|\zeta\|).$$

**Proof:** Let $\tilde{b}_j = \text{Proj}(b_j|\mathcal{M})$, $\tilde{b}_j = b_j - \tilde{b}_j$, $\tilde{b} = (\tilde{b}_1, \ldots, \tilde{b}_p)^T$, and $\tilde{b} = (\tilde{b}_1, \ldots, \tilde{b}_p)^T$. Note that for $\varepsilon_1 = \sqrt{\lambda_{\text{min}}(\Pi)/2}$,

$$\|\tilde{b}^T a + \zeta\| = \sqrt{\|\tilde{b}^T a + \zeta + \tilde{b}^T a\|^2} = \sqrt{\|\tilde{b}^T a\|^2 + \|\zeta + \tilde{b}^T a\|^2} \geq (\|\tilde{b}^T a\| + \|\zeta + \tilde{b}^T a\|)/\sqrt{2} = (\sqrt{\lambda_{\text{min}}(\Pi) a} + \|\zeta + \tilde{b}^T a\|)/\sqrt{2} \geq \varepsilon_1 |a| + \|\zeta + \tilde{b}^T a\|/\sqrt{2}.$$
Also note that for any $C^* \geq \sqrt{\sum_j \|b_j\|^2}$ it follows by the triangle and Cauchy-Schwartz inequalities that

$$\|b^Ta\| \leq \sum_j \|b_j\| |a_j| \leq C^* |a|.$$ 

Choose $C^*$ big enough that $\varepsilon / \sqrt{2} C^* \leq 1$. Then by the triangle inequality,

$$\|\zeta + b^Ta\| / \sqrt{2} \geq (\varepsilon / \sqrt{2} C^*) \|\zeta + b^Ta\| / \sqrt{2} = \varepsilon_1 \|\zeta + b^Ta\| / 2C^*$$

$$\geq \varepsilon_1 (\|\zeta\| - \|b^Ta\|) / 2C^* \geq \varepsilon_1 (\|\zeta\| - C^* |a|) / 2C^*$$

$$= (\varepsilon_1 / 2C^*) \|\zeta\| - \varepsilon_1 |a| / 2.$$

Then combining the inequalities, for $\varepsilon = \min\{\varepsilon_1 / 2, \varepsilon_1 / 2C^*\}$,

$$\|b^Ta + \zeta\| \geq \varepsilon_1 |a| + (\varepsilon_1 / 2C^*) \|\zeta\| - \varepsilon_1 |a| / 2$$

$$= (\varepsilon_1 / 2) |a| + (\varepsilon_1 / 2C^*) \|\zeta\| \geq \varepsilon (|a| + \|\zeta\|). Q.E.D.$$

**Lemma A2:** If Assumption 4 is satisfied then there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such that for all $(\beta, g) \in \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathcal{N}^\gamma_g$,

$$\varepsilon(\|m'_\gamma g - m'_\gamma g_0\|_B) \leq \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B.$$ 

Proof: Apply Lemma A1 with $\mathcal{H}$ there equal to Hilbert space $\mathcal{B}$ described in Section 4, $\mathcal{M}$ in Lemma A1 equal to the closed linear span of $\mathcal{M}=\{m'_\gamma(g - g_0) : g \in \mathcal{N}^\gamma_g\}$, $b_j = m'_\gamma e_j$ for the $j^{th}$ unit vector $e_j$, and $a = \beta - \beta_0$. Then for all $(\beta, g) \in \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathcal{N}^\gamma_g$ we have

$$m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) = b^Ta + \zeta, \ b^Ta = m'_\gamma(\beta - \beta_0), \ \zeta = m'_\gamma(g - g_0) \in \mathcal{M}.$$ 

The conclusion then follows by the conclusion of Lemma A1. Q.E.D.

**9.2 Proof of Theorem 7**

Since Assumption 4 is satisfied the conclusion of Lemma A2 holds. Let $\varepsilon$ be from the conclusion of Lemma A2. Also let $\mathcal{N}_g = \mathcal{N}^\gamma_g \cap \mathcal{N}_{\beta}^\gamma$ for $\mathcal{N}_g^\gamma$ from Assumption 4 and $\mathcal{N}_g^\beta$ from Assumption 5. In addition let $B$ be from Assumption 5 with

$$\sup_{g \in \mathcal{N}_g^\gamma} \sup_{\beta \in B} E[\partial E[\rho(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]/\partial \beta - \partial E[\rho(Y, X, \beta_0, g_0)|W]/\partial \beta]^2] < \varepsilon^2.$$

[27]
Then by $m(\beta_0, g)$ linear in $g$ and expanding each element of $m(\beta, g)(W) = E[p(Y, X, \beta, g)|W]$ in $\beta$, it follows that for each $(\beta, g) \in B \times N_g$, if $\beta \neq \beta_0$,

$$
\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B = \|m(\beta, g) - m(\beta_0, g) - m'_\beta(\beta - \beta_0)\|_B
$$

$$
= \left\| \frac{\partial m(\bar{\beta}, g)}{\partial \beta} - m'_\beta \right\|_B \leq \left\| m'(\bar{\beta}, g) - m'_\beta \right\|_B |\beta - \beta_0| < \varepsilon |\beta - \beta_0| \leq \varepsilon (|\beta - \beta_0| + \|m'(g - g_0)\|_B) \leq \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B,
$$

where $\bar{\beta}$ is a mean value depending on $W$ that actually differs from row to row of

$$
m'_\beta(\bar{\beta}, g) = \frac{\partial E[p(Y, X, \bar{\beta}, g)|W]/\partial \beta}.
$$

Thus, $\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B < \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B$, implying $m(\alpha) \neq 0$, giving the first conclusion.

To show the second conclusion, consider $(\beta, g) \in \mathcal{N}$. If $\beta \neq \beta_0$ then it follows as above that $m(\alpha) \neq 0$. If $\beta = \beta_0$ and $g \neq g_0$ then by linearity in $g$ we have $\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B = 0$ while $\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B = \|m'_g(g - g_0)\|_B > 0$, so $m(\alpha) \neq 0$ follows as in the proof of Theorem 1. Q.E.D.

### 9.3 Proof of Theorem 8

Since Assumption 4 is satisfied the conclusion of Lemma A2 holds. Let $\varepsilon$ be from the conclusion of Lemma A2. Define $B$ as in the proof of Theorem 7. By Assumption 2, for $g \in N''_g$,

$$
\|m(\beta_0, g) - m'_g(g - g_0)\|_B \leq L \|g - g_0\|_A.\]

Then similarly to the proof of Theorem 7 for all $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}$ with $\alpha \neq \alpha_0$,

$$
\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B
\leq \|m(\beta, g) - m(\beta_0, g) - m'_\beta(\beta - \beta_0)\|_B + \|m(\beta_0, g) - m'_g(g - g_0)\|_B
$$

$$
< \varepsilon |\beta - \beta_0| + L \|g - g_0\|_A \leq \varepsilon |\beta - \beta_0| + \varepsilon \|m'(g - g_0)\|_B
$$

$$
\leq \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B.
$$

The conclusion follows as in the conclusion of Theorem 1. Q.E.D.
9.4 Proof of Theorem 9

The proof will proceed by verifying the conditions of Theorem 7. Note that Assumption 4 is satisfied. We now check Assumption 5. Note that for any \( \delta > 0 \) and \( g \in \mathcal{N}_g^\delta \), \( g(X_1 + X_2^T \beta) \) is continuously differentiable in \( \beta \) with \( \partial g(X_1 + X_2^T \beta) / \partial \beta = g'(X_1 + X_2^T \beta)X_2 \). Also, for \( \Delta \) a \( p \times 1 \) vector and \( \bar{B} \) a neighborhood of zero it follows by boundedness of \( g'_0 \) and the specification of \( \mathcal{N}_g^\delta \) that for some \( C > 0 \),

\[
E[\sup_{\Delta \in \bar{B}} |g'(X_1 + X_2^T (\beta + \Delta))X_2| |W|] \leq CE[|X_2| |W|] < \infty \text{ a.s.}
\]

Therefore, by the dominated convergence theorem \( m(\alpha)(W) = E[Y - g(X_1 + X_2^T \beta)|W] \) is continuously differentiable in \( \beta \) a.s. with

\[
\partial m(\alpha)(W)/\partial \beta = -E[g'(X_1 + X_2^T \beta)X_2|W].
\]

Next consider any \( \varepsilon > 0 \) and let \( B \) and \( \delta \) satisfy

\[
B = \{ \beta : |\beta - \beta_0|^2 < \varepsilon^2/4C_g^2E[|X_2|^4] \} \text{ and } \delta^2 < \varepsilon^2/4E[|X_2|^2].
\]

Then for \( g \in \mathcal{N}_g^\delta \) we have, for \( v(X, \beta) = X_1 + X_2^T \beta \),

\[
E[\sup_{\beta \in B} |\partial m(\alpha)(W)/\partial \beta - m'_\beta(W)|^2]
\]

\[
= E[\sup_{\beta \in B} E[|g'(v(X, \beta)) - g'_0(V)|X_2|W|^2] \leq E[|X_2|^2 \sup_{\beta \in B} |g'(v(X, \beta)) - g'_0(V)|^2]
\]

\[
\leq 2E[|X_2|^2 \sup_{\beta \in B} |g'(v(X, \beta)) - g'_0(v(X, \beta))|^2] + 2E[|X_2|^2 \sup_{\beta \in B} |g'_0(v(X, \beta)) - g'_0(V)|^2]
\]

\[
\leq 2\delta^2E[|X_2|^2] + 2C_g^2E[|X_2|^4] \sup_{\beta \in B} |\beta - \beta_0|^2 < \varepsilon^2.
\]

Thus Assumption 5 is satisfied so the first conclusion follows by the first conclusion of Theorem 7. Also, \( m'_g(g - g_0) = E[g'(V) - g_0(V)|W] \) the rank condition for \( m'_g \) follows by the the last bounded completeness on \( \mathcal{N}_g^0 \), so that the final conclusion follows by the final conclusion of Theorem 7. Q.E.D.

9.5 Proof of Theorem 10

Suppose first that the conditional distribution of \( W \) given \( V \) is complete. Note that by the projection definition, for all \( h(V) \) with finite mean-square we have

\[
0 = E[\{-E[g'_0(V)X_2|W] - \zeta'_j(W)\}E[h(V)|W]] = E[\{-E[g'_0(V)X_2|W] - \zeta'_j(W)\}h(V)].
\]
Therefore,
\[ E[-E[g'_j(V)X_{2j}|W] - \zeta^*_j(W)|V] = 0. \]
Completeness of the conditional distribution of \( W \) given \( V \) then implies that \( -E[g'_j(V)X_{2j}|W] - \zeta^*_j(W) = 0 \), and hence \( \Pi_{jj} = 0 \). Since this is true for each \( j \) we have \( \Pi = 0 \), \( \Pi \) is singular.

Next, consider the second hypothesis and \( \lambda \neq 0 \). Let \( \zeta^*_\lambda(W) \) denote the projection of \( -E[g'_0(V)\lambda^TX_2|W] \) on \( \mathcal{M} \). Since \( E[h(V)|W] = E[h(V)|T(W)] \) it follows that \( \zeta^*_\lambda(W) \) is measurable with respect to \( T(W) \). Since \( E[g'_0(V)\lambda^TX_2|W] \) is not measurable with respect to \( T(W) \), we have \( -E[g'_0(V)\lambda^TX_2|W] - \zeta^*_\lambda(W) \neq 0 \), so that
\[ \lambda^T\Pi\lambda = E[\{-E[g'_0(V)\lambda^TX_2|W] - \zeta^*_\lambda(W)\}^2] > 0. \]
Since this is true for all \( \lambda \neq 0 \), it follows that \( \Pi \) is positive definite, and hence nonsingular.

**Q.E.D.**

## 10 Proofs for Section 5

### 10.1 Proof of Theorem 11

The proof will proceed by verifying the conditions of Theorem 7 for \( \rho(Y, \beta, g) \) from eq. (5.7). Note that \( E[D_t^2|W_t] \) and \( E[D_t|W_t] \) exist with probability one by \( E[D_t^2] < \infty \) and that \( |A_t|^2 \leq CD_t^2 \). Then by the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, for any \( g \in \mathcal{G} \) we have by \( D_t \geq 1 \), and hence \( E[D_t^2|W_t] \geq 1 \).

\[
\|E[A_tg(c_{t+1})|W_t] - g(c_t)\|_B^2 \leq CE[E[A_t^Tg(c_{t+1})|W_t]E[A_tg(c_{t+1})|W_t] + g(c_t)^2]
\]
\[
\leq CE[E[D_t^2|W_t]E[g(c_{t+1})^2|W_t] + CE[E[D_t^2|W_{t-1}]g(c_t)^2] \leq C \|g\|_G^2.
\]

Next, let \( H_t(\beta, g) = \delta R_{t+1}G_t(c_{t+1})g(c_{t+1}) \) and \( B = [\delta_0 - \Delta, \delta_0 + \Delta] \times [\gamma_0 - \Delta, \gamma_0 + \Delta] \). Note that \( H_t(\beta, g) \) is twice continuously differentiable in \( \beta \) and by construction of \( D_t \) that
\[
\sup_{\beta \in B} \left| \frac{\partial H_t(\beta, g)}{\partial \beta} \right| \leq D_t g(c_{t+1}), \quad \sup_{\beta \in B} \left| \frac{\partial^2 H_t(\beta, g)}{\partial \beta_j \partial \beta} \right| \leq D_t g(c_{t+1}), \quad (j = 1, 2).
\]
Therefore by standard results \( E[\rho(Y, \beta, g)|W] = E[H_t(\beta, g)|W_t] - g(c_t) \) is twice continuously differentiable in \( \beta \) on \( B \), \( \partial E[\rho(Y, \beta, g)|W]/\partial \beta = E[\partial H_t(\beta, g)/\partial \beta|W_t] \), and
\[
m'_\beta(W) = E[\partial H_t(\beta, g)|W_t] = E[A_tg_0(c_{t+1})X_t^T|W_t].
\]

[30]
Also, noting that \(|m_\beta'(W)| \leq E[D_t g_0(c_{t+1})|W_t]|\), the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality gives

\[
E[|m_\beta'(W)|^2] \leq E[E[D_t^2|W_t]E[g_0(c_{t+1})^2|W_t]] \leq \|g_0\|^2_\mathcal{G} < \infty.
\]

Therefore it follows that \(m' : \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}\) is continuous, i.e. the first condition of Assumption 4 is satisfied with \(\mathcal{N}_g' = \mathcal{G}\).

Turning now to Assumption 5, we have

\[
|E[\partial H_{t+1}(\beta, g)/\partial \beta - \partial H_{t+1}(\beta, g_0)/\partial \beta|W_t]|^2 \leq E[D_t^2|W_t]|E[(g(c_{t+1}) - g_0(c_{t+1}))^2|W_t],
\]

\[
|E[\partial H_{t+1}(\beta, g_0)/\partial \beta - \partial H_{t+1}(\beta_0, g_0)/\partial \beta|W_t]|^2 \leq E[D_t^2|W_t]|E[g_0(c_{t+1})^2|W_t]|\beta - \beta_0|^2.
\]

Therefore we have

\[
\frac{|\partial E[\rho(Y, \beta, g)|W]|}{|\partial \beta} - \frac{|\partial E[\rho(Y, \beta_0, g_0)|W]|}{|\partial \beta|^2} = |E[\partial H_{t+1}(\beta, g)/\partial \beta - \partial H_{t+1}(\beta_0, g_0)/\partial \beta|W_t]|^2
\leq 2E[D_t^2|W_t]|E[(g(c_{t+1}) - g_0(c_{t+1}))^2|W_t] + E[g_0(c_{t+1})^2|W_t]|\beta - \beta_0|^2).
\]

Note that by iterated expectations,

\[
E[E[D_t^2|W_t]E[(g(c_{t+1}) - g_0(c_{t+1}))^2|W_t]] = \|g - g_0\|^2_\mathcal{G},
\]

\[
E[E[D_t^2|W_t]E[g_0(c_{t+1})^2|W_t]] = \|g_0\|^2_\mathcal{G}.
\]

Consider any \(\varepsilon > 0\). Let

\[\mathcal{N}_g^\beta = \{g : \|g - g_0\|_\mathcal{G} \leq \varepsilon/2\}\] and \(\tilde{B} = B \cap \{\beta : |\beta - \beta_0| < \varepsilon/(2\|g_0\|_\mathcal{G})\}.
\]

Then for \(g \in \mathcal{N}_g^\beta\) we have

\[
E[\sup_{\beta \in \tilde{B}} |\partial m(\alpha)(W)/\partial \beta - m_\beta'(W)|^2] \leq 2\|g - g_0\|^2_\mathcal{G} + 2\|g_0\|^2_\mathcal{G} \sup_{\beta \in \tilde{B}} |\beta - \beta_0|^2 < \varepsilon^2.
\]

Therefore Assumption 5 holds with \(B\) there equal to \(\tilde{B}\) here. The conclusion then follows by Theorem 7. Q.E.D.
10.2 Proof of Theorem 12

Let $\bar{a}(c_{t+1}, \tilde{W}_t) = E[A_{tj}|c_{t+1}, \tilde{W}_t]$ and $\bar{d}(c_{t+1}) = E[E[D_{tj}^2|\tilde{W}_t]|c_{t+1}]$. Let $\tilde{\mathcal{B}} = \{b(\tilde{W}_t) : E[b(\tilde{W}_t)^2] < \infty \}$ and operator $L : \mathcal{G} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathcal{B}}$ given by

\[
Lg = E[A_{tj}g(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] = \int \bar{a}(c, \tilde{W}_t)g(c) \frac{f_{c\tilde{W}}(c, \tilde{W}_t)}{f_{\tilde{W}}(\tilde{W}_t)} dc
\]

\[
= \int g(c)K(c, \tilde{W}_t)f_c(c)d(c)dc, \quad K(c, \tilde{W}_t) = \frac{\bar{a}(c, \tilde{W}_t)f_{c\tilde{W}}(c, \tilde{W}_t)}{f_{\tilde{W}}(\tilde{W}_t)f_c(c)d(c)}.
\]

Note that $\bar{d}(c) \geq 1$ by $D_{tj}^2 \geq 1$. Therefore,

\[
\int K(c, w)^2\bar{d}(c)f_c(c)f_{\tilde{W}}(w)dcdw = \int \frac{\bar{a}(c, w)^2f_{c\tilde{W}}(c, w)}{f_{\tilde{W}}(w)f_c(c)d(c)f_{c\tilde{W}}(c, w)dcdw} \leq \int \frac{\bar{a}(c, w)^2f_{c\tilde{W}}(c, w)}{f_{\tilde{W}}(w)f_c(c)}f_{c\tilde{W}}(c, w)dcdw
\]

\[
= E[E[A_{tj}|c_{t+1}, \tilde{W}_t]^2f_{c\tilde{W}}(c_{t+1}, \tilde{W}_t)]f_c(c_{t+1})f_{\tilde{W}}(\tilde{W}_t) \leq E[A_{tj}^2f_c(c_{t+1})^{-1}f_{\tilde{W}}(\tilde{W}_t)^{-1}f_{c\tilde{W}}(c_{t+1}, \tilde{W}_t)] < \infty.
\]

It therefore follows by standard results that $L$ is Hilbert-Schmidt and thus compact. Furthermore, it follows exactly as in the proof of Theorem 3.2 of Kress (1999), that

\[
\tilde{\mathcal{M}} = \{E[A_{tj}g(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] - g(c_t) : g \in \mathcal{G}\}
\]

is closed.

Next let $b = (b_1, b_2)^T$ be a constant vector and $\Delta(c) = b_1c_0 - b_2\ln(c)$. Suppose $b^T\Pi b = 0$. Then by the definition of $\Pi$ there is $g_k \in \mathcal{G}$ such that

\[
E[A_{tj}g_k(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] - g_k(c_t) \rightarrow E[A_{tj}g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t]
\]

in mean square as $k \rightarrow \infty$. It follows that

\[
E[A_{tj}g_k(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] - g_k(c_t) \rightarrow E[A_{tj}g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t]
\]

in mean square. By $\tilde{\mathcal{M}}$ a closed set there exists $g^*(c)$ such that

\[
E[A_{tj}g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] = E[A_{tj}g^*(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] - g^*(c_t).
\]

[32]
If \( g^*(c_{t+1}) = 0 \) then \( \mathbb{E}[A_{tj}g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] = 0 \) and by completeness of \( \mathbb{E}[A_{tj}h(c_{t+1}, c_t)|\tilde{W}_t] \) it follows that \( g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1}) = 0 \). Then by \( \mathbb{P}(g_0(c_{t+1}) \neq 0) = 1 \), we have \( \Delta(c_{t+1}) = 0 \).

Next, suppose \( \mathbb{P}(g^*(c_t) \neq 0) > 0 \). Then \( \mathbb{P}(\min\{|g^*(c_t)|, g_0(c_t)\} > 0) > 0 \), so for small enough \( \varepsilon > 0 \), \( \mathbb{P}(\min\{|g^*(c_t)|, g_0(c_t)\} \geq \varepsilon) > 0 \). Let \( 1^\varepsilon_t = \min\{|g^*(c_t)|, g_0(c_t)\} \geq \varepsilon \). Then multiplying through

\[
\mathbb{E}[A_{tj}1^\varepsilon_t g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1}) - g^*(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] = 1^\varepsilon_t.
\]

By eq. (5.5) we also have

\[
\mathbb{E}[A_{tj}1^\varepsilon_t \left\{ \frac{g_0(c_{t+1})}{g_0(c_t)} \right\} |\tilde{W}_t] = 1^\varepsilon_t.
\]

By completeness it then follows that

\[
1^\varepsilon_t \frac{g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1}) - g^*(c_{t+1})}{-g^*(c_t)} = 1^\varepsilon_t \frac{g_0(c_{t+1})}{g_0(c_t)}.
\]

Holding \( c_t \) fixed at any \( \bar{c} \) it follows that \( g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1}) - g^*(c_{t+1}) = Cg_0(c_{t+1}) \) for some nonzero constant \( C \). Then taking conditional expectations of both sides it follows that \( g^*(c_t) = Cg_0(c_t) \).

Then taking conditional expectations again,

\[
\mathbb{E}[A_{tj}g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] = \mathbb{E}[A_{tj}g^*(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] - g^*(c_t) = C\{\mathbb{E}[A_{tj}g_0(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] - g_0(c_t)\} = 0.
\]

By completeness it follows that \( g_0(c_{t+1})\Delta(c_{t+1}) = 0 \) so \( \Delta(c_{t+1}) = 0 \) follows by \( \mathbb{P}(g_0(c_t) = 0) = 0 \). Therefore, we find that \( b^T\Pi b = 0 \) implies \( \Delta(c_{t+1}) = 0 \). But we know that for \( b \neq 0 \) it is the case that \( \Delta(c_{t+1}) \neq 0 \). Therefore, \( b \neq 0 \) implies \( b^T\Pi b > 0 \), i.e. \( \Pi \) is nonsingular.

Next, under the last condition of Theorem 12, if \( \mathbb{E}[A_{tj}g(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] = g(c_t) \), it follows that for \( \bar{c} \) as given there,

\[
\mathbb{E}[A_{tj} \frac{g(c_{t+1})}{g(\bar{c})} |w(Z_t), c_t = \bar{c}] = 1 = \mathbb{E}[A_{tj} \frac{g_0(c_{t+1})}{g_0(\bar{c})} |w(Z_t), c_t = \bar{c}].
\]

Then by completeness of \( \mathbb{E}[A_{tj}g(c_{t+1})|\tilde{W}_t] \) it follows that \( g(c_{t+1})/g(\bar{c}) = g_0(c_{t+1})/g_0(\bar{c}) \), i.e.

\[
g(c_{t+1}) = g_0(c_{t+1})g(\bar{c})/g_0(\bar{c}),
\]

so \( g \) is equal to \( g_0 \) up to scale. \textit{Q.E.D.}
10.3 Completeness and Global Identification in the CCAPM

Theorem A.3. If \((R_t, c_t)\) is strictly stationary, \(c_t\) is continuously distributed with support \([0, \infty)\), \(g_0(c) \geq 0\) is bounded and bounded away from zero, \(E[R_{t+1}^2 c_t^{-2\gamma_0}] < \infty\), and there is \(\bar{c}\) such that \(E[R_{t+1} h(c_{t+1})|w(Z_t), \bar{c}] = 0\) and \(E[R_{t+1}^2 h(c_{t+1})^2] < \infty\) implies \(h(c_{t+1}) = 0\) then \((\delta_0, \gamma_0, g_0)\) is identified \((g_0\) up to scale) among all \((\delta, \gamma, g)\) with \(g(c) \geq 0, g(c)\) bounded and bounded away from zero, and \(E[R_{t+1}^2 c_t^{-2\gamma}] < \infty\).

Proof: Consider any two solutions \((\beta_0, g_0)\) and \((\beta_1, g_1)\) to equation (5.5) satisfying the conditions of Theorem A.3. Then by iterated expectations,

\[
E \left[ R_{t+1} \delta_0 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0} \frac{g_0(c_{t+1})}{g_0(\bar{c})} | w(Z_t), \bar{c} \right] = 1 = E \left[ R_{t+1} \delta_1 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_1} \frac{g_1(c_{t+1})}{g_1(\bar{c})} | w(Z_t), \bar{c} \right].
\]

By completeness with \(h(c_{t+1}) = \delta_0 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0} \frac{g_0(c_{t+1})}{g_0(\bar{c})} - \delta_1 c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_1} \frac{g_1(c_{t+1})}{g_1(\bar{c})}\) it follows by multiplying and dividing that

\[
c_{t+1}^{-\gamma_0} = \frac{g_1(c_{t+1})}{g_0(c_{t+1})} \left[ \frac{\delta_1 g_0(\bar{c})}{\delta_0 g_1(\bar{c})} \right].
\]

Since the object on the right is bounded and bounded away from zero and the support of \(c_{t+1}\) is \(I = [0, \infty)\) it follows that \(\gamma_0 = \gamma_1\). Then we have

\[
g_0(c_{t+1}) = g_1(c_{t+1}) \left[ \frac{\delta_1 g_0(\bar{c})}{\delta_0 g_1(\bar{c})} \right] \text{ a.e. in } I^2,
\]

so that there is a constant \(D > 0\) such that \(g_0(c_{t+1}) = D g_1(c_{t+1})\) a.e. in \(I\). We can also assume that \(g_0(\bar{c}) = D g_1(\bar{c})\) since \(c_t\) is continuously distributed. Substituting then gives \(D = (\delta_1/\delta_0)D\), implying \(\delta_1 = \delta_0\). Q.E.D.

Previously Chen and Ludvigson (2009) show global identification of \((\delta_0, \gamma_0, g_0)\) under different conditions. In their results \(E[R_{t+1} h(c_{t+1}, c_t)|w(Z_t), c_t]\) is assumed to be complete, which is stronger than completeness at \(c_t = \bar{c}\), but \(g(c)\) is not assumed to be bounded or bounded away from zero and the support of \(c_t\) need not be \([0, \infty)\).

10.4 A Useful Result on Uniqueness and Existence of Positive Eigenfunctions

The following result and its proof in part rely on the fundamental results of Krein and Rutman (1950), specifically their Theorem 6.2 and example \(\beta'\). Krein and Rutman (1950) extended the
Perron-Frobenius theory of positive matrices to the case of operators leaving invariant a cone in a Banach space.

Let $I$ be a Borel subset of $\mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mu$ be a $\sigma$-finite measure with support $I$. Consider the space $L^2(\mu)$, equipped with the standard norm $\| \cdot \|$. We consider the following conditions on the kernel $K$:

1. $K(s, t)$ is a non-negative, measurable kernel such that $\int \int K^2(s, t)d\mu(t)d\mu(s) < \infty$.

2. $K(s, t) = 0$ on a set of points $(t, s)$ of measure zero under $\mu \times \mu$.

Consider an integral operator $L$ from $L^2(\mu)$ to $L^2(\mu)$ defined by:

$$L\varphi := \int K(\cdot, t)\varphi(t)d\mu(t),$$

and its adjoint operator

$$L^*\psi := \int K(t, \cdot)\psi(t)d\mu(t).$$

It is known that these operators are compact under condition 1. The lemma given below shows that under these assumptions we have existence and global uniqueness of the positive eigenpair $(\rho, \varphi)$ such that $L\varphi = \rho\varphi$, in the sense that is stated below. This lemma extends example $\beta'$ outlined in Krein and Rutman (1950) that looked at the complex Hilbert space $L^2[a, b], 0 < a < b < \infty$, an extension which we were not able to track easily in the literature, so we simply derived it; we also provided an additional step (3), not given in the outline, to fully verify uniqueness. Note that we removed the complex analysis based arguments, since they are not needed here.

Lemma A.4. Under conditions 1 and 2, there exists a unique eigenpair $(\rho, \varphi)$, consisting of an eigenvalue $\rho$ and eigenfunction $\varphi$ such that $L\varphi = \rho\varphi$ and $\rho > 0$, $\|\varphi\| = 1, \varphi \geq 0$; moreover, $\varphi > 0$ $\mu$-a.e.

Proof. The proof is divided in five steps.

(1) Let $C^\circ$ be the cone of nonnegative functions in $A = L^2(\mu)$. In the proof we shall use the following result on the existence of non-negative eigenpair from Krein and Rutman (1950, Theorem 6.2).
Consider a cone $C^o$ in a Banach space $A$ such that the closure of the linear hull of $C^o$ is $A$. Consider a linear, compact operator $L : A \rightarrow A$ such that $LC^o \subset C^o$, and such that there exist $v \in C^0$ with $\|v\| = 1$ and $\delta > 0$ such that $Av - \delta v \in C^o$. Then it has a positive eigenvalue $\rho$, not less in modulus than every other eigenvalues, and to this eigenvalue there corresponds at least one eigenvector $\varphi \in C^0$ of the operator $L$ ($L\varphi = \rho \varphi$) and at least one characteristic vector $\psi \neq 0$ of the dual operator $L^*$ ($L^* \psi = \rho \psi$).

The theorem requires that the closure of the linear hull of the cone is $A$. This is true in our case for $A = L^2(\mu)$ and the cone $C^0$ of the non-negative functions in $A$, since $C^0 - C^o$ is dense in $A$. Moreover, since $\sigma = \int K(s, t)d\mu(s)d\mu(t) > 0$, we have that $Av \geq \sigma v$ for $v = 1$. Therefore, application of the theorem quoted above implies that there exists $\rho > 0$ and $\varphi$ and $\psi$ s.t. $\mu$-a.e.

$$\varphi(s) = \rho^{-1} \int K(s, t)\varphi(t)d\mu(t), \quad \varphi \geq 0, \|\varphi\| = 1, \rho > 0; \quad (10.14)$$

$$\psi(s) = \rho^{-1} \int K(t, s)\psi(t)d\mu(t), \quad \|\psi\| = 1. \quad (10.15)$$

(2) We would like to prove that any eigenvalue $\rho > 0$ associated to a nonnegative eigenfunction $\varphi \geq 0$ must be a simple eigenvalue, i.e. $\varphi$ is the only eigenfunction in $L^2(\mu)$ associated with $\rho$. For this purpose we shall use the following standard fact on linear compact operators, e.g. stated in Krein and Rutman (1950) and specialized to our context: An eigenvalue $\rho$ of $L$ is simple if and only if the equations $L\varphi = \rho \varphi$ and $L^* \psi = \rho \psi$ have no solutions orthogonal to each other, i.e. satisfying $\varphi \neq 0$, $\psi \neq 0$, $\int \psi(s)\varphi(s)d\mu(s) = 0$. So for this purpose we will show in steps (4) and (5) below that $\psi$ is of constant sign $\mu$-a.e. and $\varphi$ and $\psi$ only vanish on a set of measure 0 under $\mu$. Since $\varphi \geq 0$, this implies

$$\int \psi(s)\varphi(s)d\mu(s) \neq 0,$$

and we conclude from the quoted fact that $\rho$ is a simple eigenvalue.

(3) To assert the uniqueness of the nonnegative eigenpair $(\rho, \varphi)$ (meaning that $L\varphi = \rho \varphi$, $\rho > 0$, $\varphi \geq 0$, $\|\varphi\| = 1$), suppose to the contrary that there is another nonnegative eigenpair $(\sigma, \varphi)$ . Then $\sigma$ is also an eigenvalue of $L^*$ by the Fredholm theorem (Kress, 1999, Theorem [36]
4.14), which implies by definition of the eigenvalue that there exists a dual eigenfunction \( \eta \neq 0 \) such that \( L^* \eta = r \eta \) and \( \| \eta \| = 1 \).

By step (4) below we must have \( \zeta > 0, \varphi > 0 \) \( \mu \)-a.e. Hence by step (5) the dual eigenfunctions \( \eta \) and \( \psi \) are non-vanishing and of constant sign \( \mu \)-a.e., which implies \( \int \eta(s) \varphi(s) d\mu(s) \neq 0 \). Therefore, \( r = \rho \) follows from the equality:

\[
r \int \eta(s) \varphi(s) d\mu(s) = \int \int K(t, s) \eta(t) d\mu(t) \varphi(s) d\mu(s) = \rho \int \eta(t) \varphi(t) d\mu(t).
\]

(4) Let us prove that any eigenfunction \( \varphi \geq 0 \) of \( \mathcal{L} \) associated with an eigenvalue \( \rho > 0 \) must be \( \mu \)-a.e. positive. Let \( S \) denote the set of zeros of \( \varphi \). Evidently, \( \mu(S) < \mu(I) \). If \( s \in S \), then

\[
\int K(s, t) \varphi(t) d\mu(t) = 0.
\]

Therefore \( K(s, t) \) vanishes almost everywhere on \( (s, t) \in S \times (I \setminus S) \). However the set of zeroes of \( K(s, t) \) is of measure zero under \( \mu \times \mu \), so \( \mu(S) \times \mu(I \setminus S) = 0 \), implying \( \mu(S) = 0 \).

(5) Here we show that any eigen-triple \( (\rho, \varphi, \psi) \) solving (10.15) and (10.14) obeys:

\[
\text{sign}(\psi(s)) = 1 \quad \text{\( \mu \)-a.e.} \quad \text{or} \quad \text{sign}(\psi(s)) = -1 \quad \text{\( \mu \)-a.e.} \quad (10.16)
\]

From equation (10.15) it follows that \( \mu \)-a.e.

\[
|\psi(s)| \leq \rho^{-1} \int K(t, s)|\psi(t)|d\mu(t).
\]

Multiplying both sides by \( \varphi(s) \), integrating and applying (10.14) yields

\[
\int |\psi(s)| \varphi(s) d\mu(s) \leq \rho^{-1} \int \int K(t, s) \varphi(s) |\psi(t)| d\mu(t) d\mu(s) = \int |\psi(t)| \varphi(t) d\mu(t).
\]

It follows that \( \mu \)-a.e.

\[
|\psi(s)| = \rho^{-1} \int K(t, s)|\psi(t)|d\mu(t),
\]

i.e. \( |\psi| \) is an eigenfunction of \( L^* \).

Next, equation \( |\psi(s)| = \psi(s) \text{sign}(\psi(s)) \) implies that \( \mu \)-a.e.

\[
\rho^{-1} \int K(t, s)|\psi(t)|d\mu(t) = \rho^{-1} \int K(t, s)\psi(t)d\mu(t) \text{sign}(\psi(s)).
\]
It follows that for a.e. \((t, s)\) under \(\mu \times \mu\)

\[ |\psi(t)| = \psi(t) \text{sign}(\psi(s)). \]

By the positivity condition on \(K\), \(|\psi| > 0\) \(\mu\)-a.e. by the same reasoning as given in step (4). Thus, (10.16) follows. \(Q.E.D.\)

10.5 Proof of Theorem 13.

Note that \(K(c, s) = r(c, s)s^{-\gamma_0}f(s, c)/[f(s)f(c)] > 0\) almost everywhere by \(r(c, s) > 0\) and \(f(s, c) > 0\) almost everywhere. Therefore the conclusion follows from Lemma A.4 with \(f(s)ds = d\mu(s)\). \(Q.E.D.\)

11 Tangential Cone Conditions

In this Appendix we discuss some inequalities that are related to identification of \(\alpha_0\). Throughout this Appendix we maintain that \(m(\alpha_0) = 0\). Define

\[
\mathcal{N} = \{\alpha : m(\alpha) \neq 0\}, \quad \mathcal{N}' = \{\alpha : m'(\alpha - \alpha_0) \neq 0\},
\]

\[
\mathcal{N}'_\eta = \{\alpha : \|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \leq \eta \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B\}, \eta > 0,
\]

\[
\mathcal{N}_\eta = \{\alpha : \|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \leq \eta \|m(\alpha)\|_B\}, \quad \eta > 0.
\]

Here \(\mathcal{N}\) can be interpreted as the identified set and \(\mathcal{N}'\) as the set where the rank condition holds. The set \(\mathcal{N}'_\eta\) is a set on which an inequality version of equation (2.2) holds. The inequality used to define \(\mathcal{N}_\eta\) is similar to the tangential cone condition from the literature on computation in nonlinear ill-posed inverse problems, e.g. Hanke, M., A. Neubauer, and O. Scherzer (1995) and Dunker et. al. (2011).

The following results gives some relations among these sets:

**Lemma A.5**: For any \(\eta > 0\),

\[
\mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{N}, \quad \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{N}'.
\]

If \(0 < \eta < 1\) then

\[
\mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{N}', \quad \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' \subset \mathcal{N}.
\]
Proof: Note that \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}_\eta \) and the triangle inequality gives

\[-\|m(\alpha)\|_B + \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \leq \eta \|m(\alpha)\|_B\]

so that \( \|m(\alpha)\|_B \geq (1 + \eta)^{-1} \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \). Therefore if \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' \) we have \( \|m(\alpha)\|_B > 0 \), i.e. \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N} \), giving the first conclusion. Also, if \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \) we have

\[-\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B + \|m(\alpha)\|_B \leq \eta \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B\]

so that \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \geq (1+\eta)^{-1} \|m(\alpha)\|_B \). Therefore, if \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N} \) we have \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B > 0 \), giving the second conclusion.

Next, for \( 0 < \eta < 1 \), we have

\[\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B - \|m(\alpha)\|_B \leq \eta \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B\]

so that \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \geq (1-\eta) \|m(\alpha)\|_B \). Therefore, if \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N} \) we have \( \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B > 0 \), giving the third conclusion. Similarly, for \( 0 < \eta < 1 \) we have

\[\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B - \|m(\alpha)\|_B \leq \eta \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B\]

so that \( \|m(\alpha)\|_B \geq (1 - \eta) \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \). Therefore if \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' \) we have \( \|m(\alpha)\|_B > 0 \), giving the fourth conclusion. Q.E.D.

The first conclusion shows that when the tangential cone condition is satisfied the set on which the rank condition holds is a subset of the identified set. The second condition is less interesting, but does show that the rank condition is necessary for identification when \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \). The third conclusion shows that the rank condition is also necessary for identification under the tangential cone condition for \( 0 < \eta < 1 \). The last conclusion shows that when \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \) with \( 0 < \eta < 1 \) the rank condition is sufficient for identification.

When the side condition that \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}_\eta \) or \( \alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \) are imposed for \( 0 < \eta < 1 \), the rank condition is necessary and sufficient for identification.

**Corollary A.6:** If \( 0 < \eta < 1 \) then

\[\mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' = \mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}, \quad \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' = \mathcal{N}'_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}.\]
Proof: By intersecting both sides of the first conclusion of Lemma A.5 with $\mathcal{N}_\eta$ we find that $\mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' \subset \mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}$. For $\eta < 1$ it follows similarly from the third conclusion of Lemma that $\mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N} \subset \mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}'$, implying $\mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}' = \mathcal{N}_\eta \cap \mathcal{N}$, the first conclusion. The second conclusion follows similarly. Q.E.D.

The equalities in the conclusion of this result show that the rank condition (i.e. $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}'$) is necessary and sufficient for identification (i.e. $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}$) under either of the side conditions that

$$\alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_\eta \text{ or } \alpha \in \mathcal{N}_\eta, 0 < \eta < 1.$$ 

In parametric models Rothenberg (1971) showed that when the Jacobian has constant rank in a neighborhood of the true parameter the rank condition is necessary and sufficient for local identification. These conditions fill an analogous role here, in the sense that when $\alpha$ is restricted to either set, the rank condition is necessary and sufficient for identification.

The sets $\mathcal{N}_\eta$ and $\mathcal{N}'_\eta$ are related to each other in the way shown in the following result.

**Lemma A.7.** If $0 < \eta < 1$ then $\mathcal{N}_\eta \subset \mathcal{N}'_{\eta/(1-\eta)}$ and $\mathcal{N}'_\eta \subset \mathcal{N}_{\eta/(1-\eta)}$.

Proof: By the triangle inequality

$$\|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \leq \|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B + \|m(\alpha)\|_B,$$

$$\|m(\alpha)\|_B \leq \|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B + \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B.$$ 

Therefore, for $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}_\eta,$

$$\|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B \leq \eta \|m(\alpha) - m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B + \eta \|m'(\alpha - \alpha_0)\|_B.$$ 

Subtracting from both sides and dividing by $1 - \eta$ gives $\alpha \in \mathcal{N}'_{\eta/(1-\eta)}$. The second conclusion follows similarly. Q.E.D.

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