

## A REMARK ON ASYMPTOTIC SUFFICIENCY UP TO HIGHER ORDERS IN MULTI-DIMENSIONAL PARAMETER CASE

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**1. Introduction.** Suppose that  $n$ -dimensional random vector  $z_n = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$  is distributed according to a probability measure  $P_{\theta, n}$  parameterized by  $\theta \in \Theta \subset \mathbf{R}^p$ , and each component  $x_i$  is independently and identically distributed. In Suzuki [3] it was shown that when  $p=1$  a statistic  $t_n^* = (\hat{\theta}_n, \Phi_n^{(1)}(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n), \dots, \Phi_n^{(k)}(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n))$  is asymptotically sufficient up to order  $o(n^{-(k-1)/2})$  in the following sense: For each  $n$   $t_n^*$  is sufficient for a family  $\{Q_{\theta, n}; \theta \in \Theta\}$  of probability measures and that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{(k-1)/2} \|P_{\theta, n} - Q_{\theta, n}\| = 0$$

uniformly on any compact subset of  $\Theta$  (where  $\|\cdot\|$  means the total variation norm of a signed measure). Here  $\hat{\theta}_n$  is some reasonable estimator of  $\theta$  and  $\Phi_n^{(i)}(z_n, \theta)$  means the  $i$ -th logarithmic derivative relative to  $\theta$  of the density of  $P_{\theta, n}$ . In this paper we show that the result can be extended to the case where underlying distribution  $P_{\theta, n}$  has multi-dimensional parameter  $\theta$ . Exact form of  $t_n^*$  would be found in the statement of the theorem in Section 3. In Michel [2] a similar result was obtained with order of sufficiency  $o(n^{-(k-2)/2})$ , and hence ours is more accurate one.

**2. Notations and assumptions.** Let  $\Theta (\neq \emptyset)$  be an open subset of  $p$ -dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbf{R}^p$ . Suppose that for each  $\theta \in \Theta$  there corresponds a probability measure  $P_\theta$  defined on a measurable space  $(X, \mathcal{A})$ . For each  $n \in N = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  let  $(X^{(n)}, \mathcal{A}^{(n)})$  be the cartesian product of  $n$  copies of  $(X, \mathcal{A})$ , and  $P_{\theta, n}$  the product measure of  $n$  copies of  $P_\theta$ . For a signed measure  $\tilde{\lambda}$  on  $(X^{(n)}, \mathcal{A}^{(n)})$ ,  $\|\tilde{\lambda}\|$  means the total variation norm of  $\tilde{\lambda}$  over  $\mathcal{A}^{(n)}$ . For a function  $h$  and a probability  $P$ ,  $E[h; P]$  stands for the expectation of  $h$  under  $P$ . In the following it will be assumed that the map:  $\theta \rightarrow P_\theta$  is one to one, and that for each  $\theta \in \Theta$   $P_\theta$  has a density  $f(x, \theta)$  relative to a sigma-finite measure  $\mu$  on  $(X, \mathcal{A})$ . We assume that  $f(x, \theta) > 0$  for every  $x \in X$  and every  $\theta \in \Theta$ . We denote by  $\mu_n$  the product measure of  $n$  copies of the same com-

ponent  $\mu$ . We define  $\Phi(x, \theta) = \log f(x, \theta)$  for each  $x \in X$  and  $\theta \in \Theta$ , and  $\Phi_n(z_n, \theta) = \sum_{v=1}^n \Phi(x_v, \theta)$  for each  $n \in N$ , each  $z_n = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in X^{(n)}$  and  $\theta \in \Theta$ . For a vector  $u \in \mathbf{R}^p$ ,  $\|u\|$  denotes the usual Eculidean norm of  $u$ . For  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $a \in \mathbf{R}^p$  we define  $U(a; \varepsilon) = \{u \in \mathbf{R}^p; \|u - a\| < \varepsilon\}$  and  $V(a; \varepsilon) = \{u \in \mathbf{R}^p; \|u - a\| \leq \varepsilon\}$ . Let  $k$  be a fixed positive integer.

Condition R. (1) For every  $x \in X$   $\Phi(x, \theta)$  is  $(k+2)$ -times continuously differentiable with respect to  $\theta$  in  $\Theta$ . For  $m \in N$  define  $J_m = \{(i_1, \dots, i_m); i_j = 1, \dots, p (j=1, \dots, m)\}$ . For each  $m (1 \leq m \leq k+2)$  and each  $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m) \in J_m$  define

$$\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_m}(x, \theta) = \partial^m \Phi(x, \theta) / \partial \theta_{i_1} \dots \partial \theta_{i_m},$$

and

$$\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_m}(z_n, \theta) = \sum_{v=1}^n \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_m}(x_v, \theta).$$

(2) For every  $a = (a_1, \dots, a_p) \in \mathbf{R}^p (a \neq 0)$  and every  $\theta \in \Theta$  we have

$$P_\theta \left( \sum_{i=1}^p a_i \Phi^i(x, \theta) \neq 0 \right) > 0.$$

(3) For every  $\theta \in \Theta$ , there exists a positive number  $\varepsilon$  such that

- a.  $\sup_{\tau \in V(\theta; \varepsilon)} E \left[ \sup_{\sigma \in V(\theta; \varepsilon)} \{\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+2}}(x, \sigma)\}^2; P_\tau \right] < \infty$  for every  $(i_1, \dots, i_{k+2}) \in J_{k+2}$
- b.  $\sup_{\tau \in V(\theta; \varepsilon)} E \left[ |\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau)| \cdot u_\varepsilon^i(x, \tau); P_\tau \right] < \infty$  and  $E[u_\varepsilon^i(x, \theta)] < \infty$  for every  $(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}$  and every  $i (1 \leq i \leq p)$ , where  $u_\varepsilon^i(x, \tau) = \sup_{\sigma \in V(\tau; \varepsilon)} [ |(\partial f(x, \theta) / \partial \theta_i)_{\theta=\sigma}| / f(x, \tau) ]$ .
- c.  $0 < \inf_{\tau \in V(\theta; \varepsilon)} \text{Var}(\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau) \leq \sup_{\tau \in V(\theta; \varepsilon)} \text{Var}(\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau) < \infty$

for every  $(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}$ .

We define for each  $\varepsilon' > 0$ ,  $\sigma \in \Theta$  and  $(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}$

$$\bar{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; \varepsilon', \sigma) = \sup \{ \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau) - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]; \tau \in V(\sigma; \varepsilon') \cap \Theta \}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; \varepsilon', \sigma) &= -\inf \{ \Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau) \\ &\quad - E[(\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]; \tau \in V(\sigma; \varepsilon') \cap \Theta \} \end{aligned}$$

(4) For each  $\theta \in \Theta$  there exist positive numbers  $\eta$  and  $\rho$  such that for every  $(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}$  and every  $(t, \varepsilon') \in (-\rho, \rho) \times (0, \eta]$  the moment generating functions (m.g.f.'s) of  $\bar{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; \varepsilon', \sigma)$  and  $\underline{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; \varepsilon', \sigma)$  converge uniformly in  $\sigma \in U(\theta; \eta)$ .

**3. Asymptotic sufficient statistics up to higher orders.** An esti-

mator of  $\theta$  depending on  $z_n=(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in X^{(n)}$  is an  $A^{(n)}$ -measurable function from  $X^{(n)}$  to  $R^p$ . Such estimator will be called strict if its range is a subset of  $\Theta$ . For each  $\delta(0 < \delta < 1/2)$  we denote by  $C_k(\delta)$  the class of all sequences of strict estimators  $\hat{\theta}_n$  of  $\theta$  such that for every compact subset  $K$  of  $\Theta$

$$\sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta,n}(n^{1/2} \|\hat{\theta}_n(z_n) - \theta\| > n^\delta) = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}).$$

Here the notation  $o(a_n)$  means that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} o(a_n)/a_n = 0$ . In Pfanzagl [1] it was shown that under Condition  $R$  for any  $\delta$  satisfying  $0 < \delta < 1/2$   $C_k(\delta)$  does not empty. Let  $\delta_0 = 1/[2(k+2)]$  and  $C_k = \bigcup_{0 < \delta < \delta_0} C_k(\delta)$ . We have the following result which is an extension of Theorem 2 in Suzuki [3] to a multi-dimensional parameter case. Since the proof is much analogous to the one in [3] we shall only sketch the outlines and details will be omitted (see [3] for precise arguments).

**Theorem.** *Suppose that Condition  $R$  is satisfied, and that  $\{\hat{\theta}_n\} \in C_k$  then there exists a sequence  $\{Q_{\theta,n}; \theta \in \Theta\}, n \in N$ , of families of probability measures on  $(X^{(n)}, A^{(n)})$  with the following properties: (1) For each  $n \in N$ , the statistic  $t_n^* = (\hat{\theta}_n, \Phi_n^i(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) (i=1, \dots, p), \Phi_n^{i,j}(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) ((i,j) \in J_2), \dots, \Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_k}(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) ((i_1, \dots, i_k) \in J_k))$  is sufficient for  $\{Q_{\theta,n}; \theta \in \Theta\}$ . (2) For every compact subset  $K$  of  $\Theta$*

$$\sup_{\theta \in K} \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}\| = o(n^{-(k-1)/2})$$

Proof. Suppose that Condition  $R$  is satisfied, and that  $\{\hat{\theta}_n\} \in C_k(\delta_1)$  where  $\delta_1$  satisfies  $0 < \delta_1 < \delta_0$ . Let  $\delta$  and  $\gamma$  be two numbers satisfying  $\delta_1 < \delta < \delta_0$  and  $\delta < \gamma < (1/2) - (k+1)\delta$ , and let  $\varepsilon_n = n^{\delta - (1/2)}$   $\varepsilon'_n = n^{\gamma - (1/2)}$ . Define

$$W_n^1 = \{z_n \in X^{(n)}; \|\theta - \hat{\theta}_n(z_n)\| \leq \varepsilon_n \text{ and } [\theta: \hat{\theta}_n] \subset \Theta\}$$

$$W_n^2 = \{z_n \in X^{(n)}; \gamma_n(z_n) \leq \varepsilon'_n\}$$

where

$$[\theta: \hat{\theta}_n] = \{t\theta + (1-t)\hat{\theta}_n; 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$$

and

$$\gamma_n(z_n) = \max_{(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}} \sup_{\tau \in V(\hat{\theta}_n: 2\varepsilon_n) \cap \Theta} \{|\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(z_n, \tau)/n - E[\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]|\};$$

By a Taylor expansion of  $\Phi_n(z_n, \theta)$  around  $\theta = \hat{\theta}_n$  we have

$$(3.1) \quad \Phi_n(z_n, \theta) = \Phi_n(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) + \Psi_n(t_n^*, \theta) + R_n(z_n, \theta)$$

where denoting by  $\hat{\theta}_{n,i}$  the  $i$ -th components of  $\hat{\theta}_n$

$$\Psi_n(t_n^*, \theta) = \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{i_1=1}^p \dots \sum_{i_m=1}^p \prod_{j=1}^m (\theta_{i_j} - \hat{\theta}_{n,i_j}) \cdot \Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_m}(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) / m! + s'_n(\theta_n, \theta),$$

$$s'_n(\hat{\theta}_n, \theta) = n \sum_{i_1=1}^p \cdots \sum_{i_{k+1}=1}^p \prod_{j=1}^{k+1} (\theta_{i_j} - \hat{\theta}_{n,i_j}) E[\Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+1}}(x, \theta); P_\theta] / (k+1)!$$

$$R_n(Z_n, \theta) = \begin{cases} \Phi_n(z_n, \theta) - \Phi_n(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) - \Psi_n(t_n^*, \theta) & \text{(if } [\theta: \hat{\theta}_n] \in \Theta), \\ n \sum_{i_1=1}^p \cdots \sum_{i_{k+1}=1}^p \prod_{j=1}^{k+1} (\theta_{i_j} - \hat{\theta}_{n,i_j}) \left[ \int_0^1 (1-\lambda)^k \{ \Phi_n^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+1}}(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n + \lambda(\theta - \hat{\theta}_n)) / n \right. \\ \left. - E[\Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+1}}(x, \theta); P_\theta] \right] d\lambda / k! & \text{(if } [\theta: \hat{\theta}_n] \in \Theta^c). \end{cases}$$

Define

$$(3.2) \quad q_n^*(z_n, \theta) = I_{W_n^1}(z_n) \cdot I_{W_n^2}(z_n) \cdot \exp \{ \Phi_n(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) + \Psi_n(t_n^*, \theta) \} \\ = r_n^*(t_n^*, \theta) \cdot s_n^*(z_n) \geq 0,$$

where

$$r_n^*(t_n^*, \theta) = I_{W_n^1}(z_n) \exp \{ \Psi_n(t_n^*, \theta) \}, \\ s_n^*(z_n) = I_{W_n^2}(z_n) \cdot \exp \{ \Phi_n(z_n, \hat{\theta}_n) \}$$

and  $I_{W_n^i}(z_n)$  mean the indicator functions of  $W_n^i$ . The integrability of  $q_n^*(\cdot, \theta)$  follows from (3.4). Let  $Q_{\theta,n}^*$  be a measure on  $(X^{(n)}, \mathcal{A}^{(n)})$  defined by

$$Q_{\theta,n}^*(A) = \int_A q_n^*(z_n, \theta) d\mu_n(A \in \mathcal{A}^{(n)}).$$

By (3.1) and (3.2) we have

$$(3.3) \quad \int_{X^{(n)}} |p_n(z_n, \theta) - q_n^*(z_n, \theta)| d\mu_n = T_n^1(\theta) + T_n^2(\theta) + T_n^3(\theta)$$

where

$$p_n(z_n, \theta) = \prod_{v=1}^n f(x_v, \theta), \\ T_n^1(\theta) = \int_{W_n^1 \cap W_n^2} |1 - \exp \{ -R_n(z_n, \theta) \}| p_n(z_n, \theta) d\mu_n, \\ T_n^2(\theta) = P_{\theta,n}((W_n^1)^c) \quad \text{and} \\ T_n^3(\theta) = P_{\theta,n}(W_n^1 \cap (W_n^2)^c).$$

Let  $\theta_0$  be an arbitrarily fixed point of  $\Theta$ , and let  $K$  be a compact subset of  $\Theta$ . We assume without loss of generality that  $K$  contains  $\theta_0$ . From Condition R it follows that there exist positive numbers  $\varepsilon^*$ ,  $\rho^*$  and  $\eta^*$  depending only on  $K$  but not depending on  $\theta$  in  $K$  such that

$$M_1 = \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_{k+2}) \in J_{k+2}} \sup_{\theta \in K} \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: \varepsilon^*)} E[ \sup_{\sigma \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: \varepsilon^*)} \{ \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+2}}(x, \sigma) \}^2; P_\tau] < \infty \\ M_2 = \max_{(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}} \sum_{j=1}^p \sup_{\theta \in K} E[ | \Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+1}}(x, \theta) | \cdot u_{i_j}^j(x, \theta); P_\theta] < \infty \\ 0 < \inf_{\tau \in K} \text{Var}(\Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau) \\ \leq \sup_{\tau \in K} \text{Var}(\Phi^{i_1 \cdots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau) < \infty \quad \text{(for every } (i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1})$$

and that for every  $\theta \in K$  and every  $(t, \varepsilon', \sigma) \in (-\rho^*, \rho^*) \times (0, \eta^*] \times U(\theta: \eta^*)$  the m.g.f.'s of  $\bar{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; \varepsilon', \sigma)$  and  $\underline{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; \varepsilon', \sigma)$  exist and converge uniformly in  $\sigma \in U(\theta: \eta^*)$ . Hence there exists a number  $n_1$  such that for every  $n \geq n_1$ ,  $\theta \in K$ ,  $(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}$  and every  $z_n \in W_n^1 \cap W_n^2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: \varepsilon_n)} |\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(z_n, \tau)/n - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \theta); P_\theta]| \\ & \leq \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: \varepsilon_n)} |\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(z_n, \tau)/n - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]| \\ & + \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: \varepsilon_n)} |E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau] - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \theta); P_\theta]| \\ & \leq \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}_n: 2\varepsilon_n)} |\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(z_n, \tau)/n - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]| + [M_1^{1/2} + M_2] \cdot \varepsilon_n \\ & \leq \gamma_n(z_n) + \varepsilon'_n \\ & \leq 2\varepsilon'_n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\theta \in K} T_n^1(\theta) & \leq \sup_{\theta \in K} \int_{X^{(n)}} |R_n(z_n, \theta)| \cdot \exp(|R_n|) dP_{\theta, n} \\ & \leq 4 \cdot n^{-(k-1)/2} n^{(k+1)\delta + \gamma - (1/2)} / (k+1)! \end{aligned}$$

for sufficiently large  $n$ . Therefore

$$(3.4) \quad \sup_{\theta \in K} T_n^1(\theta) = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}).$$

By the definition of  $C_k(\delta_1)$  we have easily

$$(3.5) \quad \sup_{\theta \in K} T_n^2(\theta) = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}).$$

Next we evaluate the third term  $T_n^3(\theta)$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} (3.6) \quad \sup_{\theta \in K} T_n^3(\theta) & = \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta, n}(\|\theta - \hat{\theta}_n(z_n)\| \leq \varepsilon_n, [\theta: \hat{\theta}_n] \subset \Theta, \gamma_n(z_n) > \varepsilon'_n) \\ & \leq \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta, n}(\max_{(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}} \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: 3\varepsilon_n)} |\Phi_n^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(z_n, \tau)/n \\ & \quad - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]| > \varepsilon'_n) \\ & \leq \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}} \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta, n}(\sum_{\nu=1}^n \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: 3\varepsilon_n)} \{\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x_\nu, \tau) \\ & \quad - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]\} > n\varepsilon'_n) \\ & + \sum_{(i_1, \dots, i_{k+1}) \in J_{k+1}} \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta, n}(\sum_{\nu=1}^n \inf_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\hat{\theta}: 3\varepsilon_n)} \{\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x_\nu, \tau) \\ & \quad - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_\tau]\} < -n\varepsilon'_n). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $a(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon/[4 \cdot M_1^{1/2} + 2M_2]$  and let  $Z_\nu(\varepsilon, \theta) = \bar{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x_\nu; a(\varepsilon), \theta)$  ( $\nu = 1, \dots, n$ ). According to the lemma in Suzuki [3] there exist constants  $\beta > 0$  and  $\varepsilon^{**} > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta,n}(\sum_{\nu=1}^n Z_{\nu}(\varepsilon, \theta) \geq n\varepsilon) \geq (1 - \beta\varepsilon^2)^n$$

for every  $n \in N$  and every  $\varepsilon$  satisfying  $0 < \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon^{**}$ . Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} (3.7) \quad & \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta,n}(\sum_{\nu=1}^n \sup_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\theta: 3\varepsilon_n)} \{\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x_{\nu}, \tau) - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_{\tau}]\} > n\varepsilon'_n) \\ & \leq \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta,n}(\sum_{\nu=1}^n Z_{\nu}(\varepsilon'_n, \theta) \geq n\varepsilon'_n) \\ & = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}). \end{aligned}$$

Considering the random variable  $Z^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; a(\varepsilon), \theta)$  instead of  $\bar{Z}^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x; a(\varepsilon), \theta)$  we obtain by a similar method to (3.7) that

$$\begin{aligned} (3.8) \quad & \sup_{\theta \in K} P_{\theta,n}(\sum_{\nu=1}^n \inf_{\tau \in \mathcal{V}(\theta: 3\varepsilon_n)} \{\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x_{\nu}, \tau) - E[\Phi^{i_1 \dots i_{k+1}}(x, \tau); P_{\tau}]\} < -n\varepsilon'_n) \\ & = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}). \end{aligned}$$

From (3.6), (3.7) and (3.8) we have

$$(3.9) \quad \sup_{\theta \in K} T_n^3(\theta) = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}).$$

From (3.3), (3.4), (3.5) and (3.9) we have

$$(3.10) \quad \sup_{\theta \in K} \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}^*\| = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}).$$

Since  $\theta_0$  is contained in  $K$  it follows from (3.10) that there exists a number  $n_0^*$  such that for every  $n$  satisfying  $n \geq n_0^*$

$$\|P_{\theta_0,n} - Q_{\theta_0,n}^*\| < 1/2.$$

Hence particularly for every  $n \geq n_0^*$  we have

$$(3.11) \quad \int_{X^{(n)}} q_n^*(z_n, \theta_0) d\mu_n > 0.$$

Define  $\Theta_n = \{\theta \in \Theta; \int_{X^{(n)}} q_n^*(z_n, \theta) d\mu_n > 0\}$ ,  $c_n(\theta) = [\int_{X^{(n)}} q_n^*(z_n, \theta) d\mu_n]^{-1}$  for  $\theta \in \Theta_n$  and  $c_n(\theta) = 0$  for  $\theta \notin \Theta_n$ . From (3.11)  $n \geq n_0^*$  implies  $\theta_0 \in \Theta_n$ . Let  $d_n(\theta)$  be the indicator function of  $\Theta_n$  i.e.,  $d_n(\theta) = 1$  if  $\theta \in \Theta_n$  and  $d_n(\theta) = 0$  if  $\theta \notin \Theta_n$ . We define a 'sufficient density'  $q_n(z_n, \theta)$  as follows:  $q_n(z_n, \theta) = [c_n(\theta)r_n^*(t_n^*, \theta) + c_n(\theta_0)(1 - d_n(\theta))r_n^*(t_n^*, \theta_0)]s_n^*(z_n)$  for each  $n \geq n_0^*$ ,  $= p_n(z_n, \theta_0)$  for each  $n$  satisfying  $1 \leq n \leq n_0^* - 1$  where  $z_n \in X^{(n)}$  and  $\theta \in \Theta$ . It can be easily seen that for every  $n \in N$  and every  $\theta \in \Theta$

$$\int_{X^{(n)}} q_n(z_n, \theta) d\mu_n = 1.$$

Let  $Q_{\theta,n}$  be a probability measure on  $(X^{(n)}, \mathcal{A}^{(n)})$  defined by

$$Q_{\theta,n}(A) = \int_A q_n(z_n, \theta) d\mu_n \quad (A \in \mathcal{A}^{(n)}).$$

We note that the density  $q_n(z_n, \theta)$  has the following form:

$$q_n(z_n, \theta) = r_n(t_n^*, \theta) \cdot s_n(z_n)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} r_n(t_n^*, \theta) &= c_n(\theta)r_n^*(t_n^*, \theta) + c_n(\theta_0)(1-d_n(\theta))r_n^*(t_n^*, \theta_0) & \text{for } n \geq n_0^* \\ &= 1 & \text{for } n \leq n_0^* - 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} s_n(z_n) &= s_n^*(z_n) & \text{for } n \geq n_0^* \\ &= p_n(z_n, \theta_0) & \text{for } n \leq n_0^* - 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence according to the factorization theorem  $t_n^*$  is sufficient for the family  $\{Q_{\theta,n}; \theta \in \Theta\}$  for each  $n \in N$ .

By (3.10) there exists a number  $n_1^*$  such that for every  $n \geq n_1^*$  we have

$$\sup_{\theta \in K} \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}^*\| < 1/2.$$

Hence  $n \geq n_1^*$  implies  $K \subset \Theta_n$ . Thus if  $n \geq n_2^* = \max(n_0^*, n_1^*)$  then for every  $\theta \in K$

$$q_n(z_n, \theta) = c_n(\theta) \cdot q_n^*(z_n, \theta).$$

From this we have for every  $n \geq n_2^*$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \cdot \|Q_{\theta,n}^* - Q_{\theta,n}\| &= |1 - c_n^{-1}(\theta)| = |P_{\theta,n}(X^{(n)}) - Q_{\theta,n}^*(X^{(n)})| \\ &\leq \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}^*\|, \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\sup \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}\| \leq \sup_{\theta \in K} \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}^*\| + \sup_{\theta \in K} \|Q_{\theta,n}^* - Q_{\theta,n}\| \leq 2 \cdot \sup_{\theta \in K} \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}^*\|.$$

Thus by (3.10) we obtain

$$\sup_{\theta \in K} \|P_{\theta,n} - Q_{\theta,n}\| = o(n^{-(k-1)/2}).$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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