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Abstract

This paper, using the Bewley (1979) transformation of the autoregressive distributed lag model, proposes a novel pooled Bewley (PB) estimator of long-run coefficients for dynamic panels with heterogeneous short-run dynamics, in the same setting as the widely used Pooled Mean Group (PMG) estimator. Asymptotic normality of the PB estimator is established, and Monte Carlo simulations reveal a good small sample performance of PB compared with existing estimators in the literature, namely PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS. This paper also considers application of two bias-correction methods and a bootstrapping of critical values to conduct inference robust to cross-sectional dependence of errors. An empirical application to the aggregate consumption function taken from the original PMG paper illustrates the importance of the choice of individual estimators in practice.

Keywords: Heterogeneous dynamic panels, I(1) regressors, pooled mean group estimator (PMG), Autoregression-Distributed Lag model (ARDL), Bewley transform, PDOLS, FMOLS, bias correction, robust inference, cross-sectional dependence.

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1 Introduction

Estimation of cointegrating relationships in panels with heterogeneous short-run dynamics is important for empirical research in open economy macroeconomics as well as in other fields in economics. Existing single-equation panel estimators in the literature are panel Fully Modified OLS (FMOLS) by Pedroni (1996, 2001a, 2001b), panel Dynamic OLS (PDOLS) by Mark and Sul (2003), and the likelihood based Pooled Mean Group (PMG) estimator by Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999).^{1,2} In this paper, we propose a pooled Bewley (PB) estimator of long-run relationships, relying on the Bewley transform of an autoregressive distributed lag (ARDL) model (Bewley, 1979).³

Our setting is the same as that of Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). Under this setting, any short-run feedbacks between the outcome variable (y) and regressors (x) are allowed, but the direction of the long run causality is assumed go from x to y. Hence, same as in the case of the PMG estimator, PB allows for heterogeneous short-run feedbacks, but restricts the direction of long run causality. PB estimator is computed analytically, and it does not rely on numerical maximization of the complex likelihood function of PMG estimator. In contrast to PMG, we also adopt robust equal weighting in pooling of the long-run coefficients. We derive the asymptotic distribution of the PB estimator when the cross-section dimension (n) and the time dimension (T) diverge to infinity jointly such that $\sup_{n,T} \sqrt{n}/T^{1-\epsilon} < K$, for some small $\epsilon > 0$ and a fixed positive constant, K, which allows for the relevant empirical setting where both n and T are large and of similar order of magnitude, whilst it excludes panels where T is short relative to n. We allow joint asymptotics for (n, T), whereas PMG together with PDOLS and FMOLS all assume n is fixed and $T \to \infty$. Although the asymptotic theory is more difficult to establish in the former case, we think it is the more relevant case to consider. How well individual estimators work in samples of interest in practice where n and/or T are often less than 50 is a different matter, which we shed light on using Monte Carlo experiments.

Monte Carlo evidence shows PB estimator can be superior to PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS, in terms of its overall precision as measured by the Root Mean Square Error (RMSE), and in terms of accuracy of inference as measured by size distortions. These experiments reveal PB is a useful

¹Multi-equation (system) approach by Breitung (2005), and the related system PMG approach by Chudik, Pesaran, and Smith (2022) are another contributions in the literature on estimating cointegrating vectors in a panel context.

²There are numerous applications in the literature adopting these estimators. Literature review of these applications is outside the scope of this paper.

 $^{^3}$ See Wickens and Breusch (1988) for a discussion of the Bewley transform.

addition to the literature.

Monte Carlo evidence also shows that the time dimension is very important for the performance of these estimators, and that all of the four estimators suffer from the same two drawbacks: size distortions and a small bias. Although the size distortions are found to be the smallest for the PB estimator in our experiments, all four estimators exhibit notable over-rejections in sample sizes relevant in practice. In addition, all four estimators (perhaps unsurprisingly) suffer from a bias in finite samples, albeit a rather small one. Both drawbacks diminish with an increase in T. Nevertheless, we consider adopting existing approaches in the literature to improve on the performance of all four estimators in small samples.

To improve accuracy of inference, and, importantly, to be able to conduct valid inference regardless of the degree of cross-sectional dependence of errors, we adopt the Wild bootstrap procedure used by Herwartz and Walle (2018). We found this procedure to be remarkably effective for all four estimators, regardless of cross-sectional dependence of errors, and we therefore recommend using it in empirical research. Regarding the small sample bias, we consider application of two bias-correction methods taken from the literature, relying either on split-panel jackknife (Dhaene and Jochmans, 2015) or stochastic simulations approaches.⁴ We find both of these approaches can be helpful in reducing the bias (for all four estimators). However, given that the bias is small to begin with, the value of bias correction methods is more limited.

The relevance of choosing a particular estimation approach is illustrated in the context of a consumption function application for OECD economies taken from Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). This application shows quite a different conclusion would be reached when using PB estimator, which does not reject the zero long-run coefficient on inflation, in line with the long-run neutrality of monetary policy, whereas the original PMG estimates suggest a large, highly statistically significant negative long-run coefficient. Estimates of the long-run coefficient on output are less diverse across estimators, but the inference on whether a unit long-run coefficient on output (as suggested by balanced growth path models in the literature) can be rejected or not depends on the choice of a particular estimator. This empirical illustration highlights the importance of the PB estimator complementing the existing estimators in the literature.

⁴In contrast to split-panel approaches in panels without stochastic trends, as, for instance, considered by of Dhaene and Jochmans (2015) or Chudik, Pesaran, and Yang (2018), in this paper we need to combine the full sample and half-panel subsamples using different weighting due to the fact that the rate of convergence of the estimators of long run coefficients is faster, at $\sqrt{n}T$, as opposed to the usual rate of $\sqrt{n}T$.

The remainder of this paper is organized as follows. Section 2 presents the model and assumptions, introduces the PB estimator, and provides asymptotic results. Application of bias correction methods and bootstrapping critical values are also discussed in Section 2. Section 3 presents Monte Carlo evidence. Section 4 revisits the aggregate consumption function empirical application in Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). Section 5 concludes. Mathematical derivations and proofs, and additional Monte Carlo results are provided in an Appendix.

2 Pooled Bewley estimator of long-run relationships

We adopt the same setting as Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). Consider the following illustrative model

$$\Delta y_{it} = c_i - \alpha_i \left(y_{i,t-1} - \beta x_{i,t-1} \right) + u_{y,it} \tag{1}$$

$$\Delta x_{it} = u_{x,it}, \tag{2}$$

for i = 1, 2, ..., n, and t = 1, 2, ..., T. For expositional clarity and notational simplicity, we focus on a single regressor and one lag, but it is understood that the developed approach is applicable to multiple lags of $\Delta \mathbf{z}_{it} = (\Delta y_{it}, \Delta x_{it})'$ entering both equations (1)-(2), and the approach is also applicable to multiple regressors. The following assumptions are postulated.

Assumption 1 (Coefficients) There exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\epsilon < \alpha_i < 1$ for all i.

Assumption 2 (Innovations) $u_{x,it} \sim IID(0, \sigma_{xi}^2)$, and $u_{y,it}$ is given by

$$u_{u,it} = \delta_i u_{x,it} + v_{it},\tag{3}$$

for all i and t, where $v_{it} \sim IID\left(0, \sigma_{vi}^2\right)$, and $u_{x,it}$ is independently distributed of $v_{i't'}$ for all i,i',t, and t'. In addition, $\sup_{i,t} E |v_{it}|^{16} < K$ and $\sup_{i,t} E |u_{x,it}|^8 < K$, and $\lim_{n\to\infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 = \sigma_x^2$ and $\lim_{n\to\infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 \sigma_{vi}^2 / \left(6\alpha_i^2\right) = \omega_v^2$ exist.

Assumption 3 (Initial values and deterministic terms) $\mathbf{z}_{i,0} = (y_{i,0}, x_{i,0})'$ is given by

$$\mathbf{z}_{i0} = \boldsymbol{\mu}_i + \mathbf{C}_i^* \left(L \right) \mathbf{u}_0, \tag{4}$$

for all i and t, and $c_i = \alpha_i \mu_{i,1} - \alpha_i \beta \mu_{i,2}$ for all i, where $\mathbf{u}_0 = (u_{y,i,0}, u_{x,i,0})'$, $\boldsymbol{\mu}_i = (\mu_{i,1}, \mu_{i,2})'$, $\|\boldsymbol{\mu}_i\| < K$, and $\mathbf{C}_i^*(L)$ is defined in Section A.1 in Appendix.

Remark 1 Assumption 1 rules out zero as a limit point of $\{\alpha_i, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$, where we use \mathbb{N} to denote the set of natural numbers. Assumption 2 allows for $u_{x,it}$ to be correlated with $u_{y,it}$. Cross-section dependence of \mathbf{u}_{it} is ruled out. Assumption 3 (together with the remaining assumptions) ensure $\Delta \mathbf{z}_{it}$ and $(y_{it} - \beta x_{it})$ are covariance stationary.

Substituting first (3) for $u_{y,it}$ in (1), and then substituting $u_{x,it} = \Delta x_{it}$, we obtain the following ARDL representation for y_{it}

$$\Delta y_{it} = c_i - \alpha_i \left(y_{i,t-1} - \beta x_{i,t-1} \right) + \delta_i \Delta x_{it} + v_{it}. \tag{5}$$

The pooled Bewley estimator takes advantage of the Bewley transform (Bewley, 1979). Subtracting $(1 - \alpha_i) y_{it}$ from both sides of (5) and re-arranging, we have

$$\alpha_i y_{it} = c_i - (1 - \alpha_i) \Delta y_{it} + \alpha_i \beta x_{it} + \delta_i \Delta x_{it} + v_{it}, \tag{6}$$

or (noting that $\alpha_i > 0$ for all i and multiplying the equation above by α_i^{-1})

$$y_{it} = \alpha_i^{-1} c_i + \beta x_{it} + \psi_i' \Delta \mathbf{z}_{it} + \alpha_i^{-1} v_{it}, \tag{7}$$

where $\Delta \mathbf{z}_{it} = (\Delta y_{it}, \Delta x_{it})'$, and $\boldsymbol{\psi}_i = \left(-\frac{1-\alpha_i}{\alpha_i}, \frac{\delta_i}{\alpha_i}\right)'$. Further, stacking (7) for t = 1, 2, ..., T, we have

$$\mathbf{y}_i = \alpha_i^{-1} c_i \boldsymbol{\tau}_T + \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta} + \Delta \mathbf{Z}_i \boldsymbol{\psi}_i + \alpha_i^{-1} \mathbf{v}_i, \tag{8}$$

where $\mathbf{y}_i = (y_{i1}, y_{i2}, ..., y_{iT})'$, $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, ..., x_{iT})'$, $\Delta \mathbf{Z}_i = \left(\Delta \mathbf{z}'_{i,1}, \Delta \mathbf{z}'_{i,2}, ..., \Delta \mathbf{z}'_{i,T}\right)'$, $\mathbf{v}_i = (v_{i,1}, v_{i,2}, ..., v_{i,T})'$, and $\boldsymbol{\tau}_T$ is $T \times 1$ vector of ones. Define projection matrix $\mathbf{M}_{\tau} = \mathbf{I}_T - \boldsymbol{\tau}_T \boldsymbol{\tau}'_T$. This projection matrix subtracts the period average. Let $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i = (\tilde{y}_{i1}, \tilde{y}_{i2}, ..., \tilde{y}_{iT})' = \mathbf{M}_{\tau} \mathbf{y}_i$, and similarly $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = (\tilde{x}_{i1}, \tilde{x}_{i2}, ..., \tilde{x}_{iT})' = \mathbf{M}_{\tau} \mathbf{x}_i$, $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i = \mathbf{M}_{\tau} \Delta \mathbf{Z}_i$, and $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i = \mathbf{M}_{\tau} \mathbf{v}_i$. Multiplying (8) by \mathbf{M}_{τ} , we have

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i \beta + \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i \boldsymbol{\psi}_i + \alpha_i^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i,$$

Consider the matrix of instruments

$$\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i = (\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_{i,-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i,-1}) = \mathbf{M}_{\tau} \mathbf{H}_i, \, \mathbf{H}_i = (\mathbf{y}_{i,-1}, \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_{i,-1}),$$
(9)

where $\mathbf{y}_{i,-1} = (y_{i,1}, y_{i,1}, ..., y_{i,T-1})'$ is the data vector on the first lag of y_{it} , similarly $\mathbf{x}_{i,-1} = (x_{i,1}, x_{i,1}, ..., x_{i,T-1})'$. The PB estimator of β is given by

$$\hat{\beta} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{M}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}\right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{M}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_{i}\right), \tag{10}$$

where

$$\mathbf{M}_{i} = \mathbf{P}_{i} - \mathbf{P}_{i} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i} \left(\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{P}_{i} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i} \right)^{-1} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{P}_{i}, \tag{11}$$

and

$$\mathbf{P}_{i} = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i} \left(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i} \right)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}' \tag{12}$$

is the projection matrix associated with $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i$.

In addition to Assumptions 1-3, we also require the following high-level conditions to hold in the derivations of the asymptotic distribution of the PB estimator under the joint asymptotics $n, T \to \infty$.

Assumption 4 There exists $T_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that the following conditions are satisfied:

- (i) $\sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}, T > T_0} E\left[\lambda_{\min}^{-2}\left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}\right)\right] < K$, where $\mathbf{B}_{iT} = \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i / T$, \mathbf{P}_i is given by (12), and $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i$ is defined below (8).
- (ii) $\sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}, T > T_0} E\left[\lambda_{\min}^{-2}\left(\mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \mathbf{A}_T\right)\right] < K$, where

$$\mathbf{A}_{T} = \begin{pmatrix} T^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & T^{-1/2} \end{pmatrix}, \ \mathbf{H}_{i}^{*} = \left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}, \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}\right), \tag{13}$$

 $\begin{aligned} & \boldsymbol{\tilde{\xi}}_{i,-1} = \left(\tilde{\xi}_{i,0}, \tilde{\xi}_{i,1}, ..., \tilde{\xi}_{i,T-1}\right)', \ \tilde{\xi}_{i,t-1} = \tilde{y}_{i,t-1} - \beta \tilde{x}_{i,t-1}, \ \tilde{y}_{it} \ and \ \tilde{x}_{it} \ are \ defined \ below \ (8), \\ & \boldsymbol{\tilde{x}}_i = \left(\tilde{x}_{i1}, \tilde{x}_{i2}, ..., \tilde{x}_{iT}\right)', \ and \ \Delta \boldsymbol{\tilde{x}}_i = \left(\Delta \tilde{x}_{i1}, \Delta \tilde{x}_{i2}, ..., \Delta \tilde{x}_{iT}\right)'. \end{aligned}$

Remark 2 Under Assumptions 1-3 (and without Assumption 4), we have $\operatorname{plim}_{T\to\infty} \mathbf{B}_{i,T} = \mathbf{B}_i$, where \mathbf{B}_i is nonsingular (see Lemma A.7 in Appendix). Similarly, it can be shown that Assumptions

1-3 are sufficient for $\lim_{T\to\infty} \mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \mathbf{A}_T$ to exist and to be nonsingular. However, these results are not sufficient for the moments of $\|\mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\|$ and $\|(\mathbf{A}_T \mathbf{H}_i^{*\prime} \mathbf{H}_i^* \mathbf{A}_T)^{-1}\|$ to exist, which we require for the derivations of the asymptotic distribution of the PB estimator. This is ensured by Assumption 4.

2.1 Asymptotic results

The following theorem establishes the asymptotic distribution of $\hat{\beta}$.

Theorem 1 Let (y_{it}, x_{it}) be generated by model (1)-(2) and suppose Assumptions 1-4 hold. Consider the PB estimator $\hat{\beta}$ given by (10). Then,

$$T\sqrt{n}\left(\hat{\beta}-\beta\right) \to_d N\left(0,\Omega\right), \ \Omega=\omega_x^{-4}\omega_v^2,$$
 (14)

 $as \ n, T \to \infty \ such \ that \ \sup_{n,T} \sqrt{n}/T^{1-\epsilon} < K, \ for \ some \ \epsilon > 0, \ where \ \omega_x^2 = \sigma_x^2/6, \ \sigma_x^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 \sigma_{xi}^2 / \left(6\alpha_i^2\right).$ and $\omega_v^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 \sigma_{vi}^2 / \left(6\alpha_i^2\right).$

All proofs are provided in Appendix.

Remark 3 Like the PMG estimator in Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999), the PB estimator will also work when variables are integrated of order 0 (the I(0) case), which is not pursued in this paper. In the I(0) case, the PB estimator converges at rate \sqrt{nT} .

To conduct inference, let

$$\hat{\omega}_x^2 = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mathbf{x}_i' \mathbf{M}_i \mathbf{x}_i}{T^2},\tag{15}$$

and

$$\hat{\omega}_v^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\mathbf{x}_i' \mathbf{M}_i \hat{\mathbf{v}}_i^*}{T} \right)^2, \tag{16}$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_i^*$ is the vector of residuals from (8), namely

$$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_{i}^{*} = \mathbf{M}_{i} \left(\mathbf{y}_{i} - \hat{\beta} \mathbf{x}_{i} \right). \tag{17}$$

We propose the following estimator of Ω :

$$\hat{\Omega} = \hat{\omega}_r^{-4} \hat{\omega}_v^2. \tag{18}$$

2.2 Bias mitigation and bootstrapping critical values for robust inference

When n is not sufficiently small relative to T, specifically when $\sqrt{n}/T \to K > 0$, then $\sqrt{n}T \left(\hat{\beta} - \beta\right)$ is no longer asymptotically distributed with zero mean. The asymptotic bias is due nonzero mean of $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'\mathbf{M}_i\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i$, and it can be of some relevance for finite sample performance, as the Monte Carlo evidence in Section 3 illustrates. Monte Carlo evidence also reveals that the inference based on PB and other existing estimators in the literature can suffer from serious size distortions in finite samples. To deal with these problems, we consider bootstrapping critical values using Wild bootstrap by Herwartz and Walle (2018) for more accurate and more robust inference that allows for arbitrary cross-sectional dependence of errors. In addition, we also implement two bias-mitigation approaches - a simulation based and split-panel jackknife methods.⁵

We describe these methods next for the PB estimator. The same methods are also implemented for the remaining estimators in this paper (PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS), described in the online supplement.

2.2.1 Simulation-based bias reduction

Once an estimate of the bias of $\hat{\beta}$ is available, denoted as \hat{b} , then the bias-corrected PB estimator is given by

$$\tilde{\beta} = \hat{\beta} - \hat{b}. \tag{19}$$

One possibility of estimating the bias in the literature is by stochastic simulation. We adopt the following Wild bootstrap algorithm for generating simulated data.

- 1. Compute $\hat{\beta}$. Given $\hat{\beta}$, estimate the remaining unknown coefficients of elements of (1)-(2) by least squares, and compute residuals $\hat{u}_{y,it}, \hat{u}_{x,it}$.
- 2. For each r = 1, 2, ..., R, generate new draws for $\hat{u}_{y,it}^{(r)} = a_t^{(r)} \hat{u}_{y,it}$, and $\hat{u}_{x,it}^{(r)} = a_t^{(r)} \hat{u}_{x,it}$, where $a_t^{(r)}$ is randomly drawn from Rademacher distribution (Liu, 1988),

$$a_t^{(r)} = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{with probability } 1/2\\ 1, & \text{with probability } 1/2 \end{cases}.$$

⁵There are numerous approaches that could be considered for bias reduction, besides the two methods considered in this paper. Comprehensive comparison of different bias-reduction methods is outside the scope of this paper.

Given the estimated parameters of (1)-(2) from Step 1, and initial values y_{i1}, x_{i1} generate simulated data $y_{it}^{(r)}, x_{it}^{(r)}$ for t = 2, 3, ..., T and i = 1, 2, ..., n. Using the generated data compute $\hat{\beta}^{(r)}$.

Using simulated data with R chosen to be large,⁶ we compute an estimate of the bias $\hat{b}_R = \left[R^{-1}\sum_{r=1}^R \hat{\beta}^{(r)} - \hat{\beta}\right]$. This procedure can be iterated by using the bias-corrected estimator, $\tilde{\beta}$, in Step 1. This is not considered in this paper.

We compute the α percent critical values using the $1-\alpha$ percent quantile of $\{|t^{(r)}|\}_{r=1}^R$, where $t^{(r)} = \tilde{\beta}^{(r)}/se\left(\tilde{\beta}^{(r)}\right)$, $\tilde{\beta}^{(r)} = \hat{\beta}^{(r)} - \hat{b}$ is the bias-corrected estimate of β using the r-th draw of the simulated data, $se\left(\tilde{\beta}^{(r)}\right) = T^{-1}n^{-1/2}\hat{\Omega}^{(r)}$ is the corresponding standard error estimate, and $\hat{\Omega}^{(r)}$ is computed in the same way as $\hat{\Omega}$ in (18) but using the simulated data.

2.2.2 Jackknife bias reduction

We also consider half-panel jackknife bias correction method, which can be written as

$$\tilde{\beta}_{jk} = \tilde{\beta}_{jk} (\kappa) = \hat{\beta} - \kappa \left(\frac{\hat{\beta}_a + \hat{\beta}_b}{2} - \hat{\beta} \right), \tag{20}$$

where $\hat{\beta}$ is the full sample PB estimator, $\hat{\beta}_a$ and $\hat{\beta}_b$ are the first and the second half sub-sample PB estimators, and κ is a suitably chosen weighting parameter. In stationary setting, where the bias is of order $O\left(T^{-1}\right)$, κ is chosen to be one, so that $\frac{K}{T} - \kappa \cdot \left(\frac{K}{T/2} - \frac{K}{T}\right) = 0$ for any arbitrary K.

In general, when the bias is of order $O\left(T^{-\epsilon}\right)$ for some $\epsilon > 0$, then κ can be chosen to solve $\frac{K}{T^{\epsilon}} - \kappa \cdot \left(\frac{K}{(T/2)^{\epsilon}} - \frac{K}{T^{\epsilon}}\right) = 0$, which yields $\kappa = 1/\left(2^{\epsilon} - 1\right)$. Under our setup with I(1) variables, we need to correct $\hat{\beta}$ for its $O\left(T^{-2}\right)$ bias, namely $\epsilon = 2$, which yields $\kappa = 1/3$.

Inference using $\tilde{\beta}^{jk}$ can be conducted based on (18) but with $\hat{\omega}_v^2$ replaced by

$$\tilde{\omega}_v^2 = \hat{\omega}_v^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\left[(1+\kappa) \mathbf{x}_i' \mathbf{M}_i - 2\kappa \mathbf{x}_{ab,i}' \mathbf{M}_{ab,i} \right] \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i^*}{T} \right)^2, \tag{21}$$

⁶We set R = 10,000 in this paper.

⁷For other panel applications of split-panel jackknife methods, see for example Dhaene and Jochmans (2015) and Chudik, Pesaran, and Yang (2018).

where $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}^{*} = \mathbf{M}_{i} \left(\mathbf{y}_{i} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^{jk} \mathbf{x}_{i} \right),$

$$\mathbf{x}_{ab,i}' = \left(egin{array}{c} \mathbf{x}_{a,i}' \ \mathbf{x}_{b,i}' \end{array}
ight), \, \mathbf{M}_{ab,i} = \left(egin{array}{c} \mathbf{M}_{a,i} \ \mathbf{M}_{b,i} \end{array}
ight),$$

 $\mathbf{x}'_{a,i}$ ($\mathbf{x}'_{b,i}$) and $\mathbf{M}_{a,i}$ ($\mathbf{M}_{b,i}$) are defined in the same way as \mathbf{x}_i , and \mathbf{M}_i but using only the first (second) half of the sample.

We compute bootstrapped critical values to conduct more accurate and robust small sample inference. Specifically, the α percent critical value is computed as the $1-\alpha$ percent quantile of $\left\{\left|t_{jk}^{(r)}\right|\right\}_{r=1}^{R}$, where $t_{jk}^{(r)} = \tilde{\beta}_{jk}^{(r)}/se\left(\tilde{\beta}_{jk}^{(r)}\right)$, $\tilde{\beta}_{jk}^{(r)}$ is the jackknife estimate of β using the r-th draw of the simulated data generated using the algorithm described in Subsection 2.2.1, $se\left(\tilde{\beta}_{jk}^{(r)}\right)$ is the corresponding standard error estimate, namely $se\left(\tilde{\beta}_{jk}^{(r)}\right) = T^{-1}n^{-1/2}\hat{\Omega}_{jk}^{(r)}$, $\hat{\Omega}_{jk}^{(r)} = \hat{\omega}_{x,(r)}^{-4}\tilde{\omega}_{v,(r)}^{2}$, in which $\tilde{\omega}_{v,(r)}$ and $\hat{\omega}_{x,(r)}^{2}$ are computed using the simulated data, based on expressions (21) and (15), respectively.

3 Monte Carlo Evidence

3.1 Design

The Data Generating Process (DGP) is given by (1)-(2), for i = 1, 2, ..., n, T = 1, 2, ..., T, with starting values satisfying Assumption 3 with $\mu_i \sim IIDN$ (τ_2, \mathbf{I}_2), and $c_i = \alpha_i \mu_{i,1} - \alpha_i \beta \mu_{i,2}$. We generate $\alpha_i \sim IIDU$ [0.2, 0.3]. We consider two DGPs based on the cross-sectional dependence of errors. In the cross-sectionally independent DGP, we generate $u_{y,it} = \sigma_{y,i} e_{y,it}$, $u_{x,it} = \sigma_{x,i} e_{x,it}$, $\sigma_{y,i}^2, \sigma_{x,i}^2 \sim IIDU$ [0.8, 1.2],

$$\begin{pmatrix} e_{y,it} \\ e_{x,it} \end{pmatrix} \sim IIDN\left(\mathbf{0}_{2}, \mathbf{\Sigma}_{e}\right), \; \mathbf{\Sigma}_{e} \sim \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho_{i} \\ \rho_{i} & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } \rho_{i} \sim IIDU\left[0.3, 0.7\right].$$

In the DGP with cross-sectionally dependent errors, we generate $e_{y,it}$ to contain a factor structure with strong, semi-strong and weak factors,

$$e_{y,it} = \varkappa_i \left(\varepsilon_{y,it} + \sum_{\ell=1}^m \gamma_{i\ell} f_{\ell t} \right),$$

where $\varepsilon_{y,it} \sim IIDN$ (0,1), $f_{\ell,t} \sim IIDN$ (0,1), $\gamma_{\ell} \sim IIDU$ [0, $\gamma_{\max,\ell}$], for $\ell = 1, 2, ..., m$. We choose m = 5 factors and $\gamma_{\max,\ell} = 2n^{\alpha_{\ell}-1}$ with $\alpha_{\ell} = 1, 0.9, 0.8, 0.7, 0.6$, for $\ell = 1, 2, ..., 5$, respectively. Scaling constant \varkappa_i is set to ensure $E\left(e_{y,it}^2\right) = 1$, namely $\varkappa_i = \left(1 + \sum_{\ell=1}^m \gamma_{i\ell}^2\right)^{-1/2}$. We generate $e_{x,it}$ to ensure unit variance and $cov\left(e_{y,it},e_{x,it}\right) = \rho_i$. Specifically, $e_{x,it} = \rho_i e_{y,it} + \sqrt{1 - \rho_i^2} \varepsilon_{x,it}$, $\varepsilon_{x,it} \sim IIDN$ (0,1). Both designs features heteroskedastic (over i) and correlated (over i) we consider equations) errors, namely $E\left(u_{y,it}^2\right) = \sigma_{y,i}^2$, $E\left(u_{x,it}^2\right) = \sigma_{x,i}^2$, and $corr\left(u_{y,it},u_{x,it}\right) = \rho_i$. We consider n, T = 20, 30, 40, 50 and compute $R_{MC} = 2000$ Monte Carlo replications.

3.2 Objectives

We report bias, root mean square error (RMSE), size ($H_0: \beta = 1$, 5% nominal level) and power ($H_1: \beta = 0.9$, 5% nominal level) findings for the PB estimator $\hat{\beta}$ given by (10), with variance estimated using (18). Moreover, we also report findings for the two bias corrected versions of PB estimator as described in Subsection 2.2 with bootstrapped critical values for inference robust to cross-sectional dependence of errors. We compare the performance of PB estimators with the PMG estimator by Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999), panel dynamic OLS (PDOLS) estimator by Mark and Sul (2003), and the group-mean fully modified OLS (FMOLS) estimator by Pedroni (1996, 2001b). Similarly to PB estimator, we also consider jackknife and simulation based bias-corrected versions of the PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimators with cross-sectionally robust bootstrapped critical values, described in the online supplement.⁸

3.3 Findings

Table 1 report findings for the original (bias-uncorrected) estimators. PB estimator stands out as the most precise estimator in terms of having the lowest RMSE values among the four estimators. The second best is PMG estimator with RMSE values 1 to 21 percent larger compared with PB estimator, the third is PDOLS with RMSE values 23 to 66 percent larger compared with PB, and the FMOLS comes last with RMSE values 95 to 180 percent larger compared with PB. In terms of the bias alone, the ordering of the estimators is slightly different with PMG and PB switching their places. For T = 20, the bias of PMG estimator is -0.016 to -0.020, the bias of PB estimator is in the range -0.034 to -0.037, the bias of the PDOLS estimator is in the range -0.052 to -0.056

⁸We use $R_b = 10000$ replications (within each MC replication) for simulation-based bias correction and for computation of robust and more accurate bootstrapped critical values.

and the bias of the FMOLS estimator is in the range -0.104 to -0.110. For such a small values of T, the bias is not very large, and, as expected, it declines with an increase in T.

All four estimators suffer from varying degrees of size distortions. The inference based on PB estimator is the most accurate. Specifically, the size distortions for the PB estimator are lowest among the four estimators - with reported size in the range between 9.9 and 25.2 percent, exceeding the chosen nominal value of 5 percent. Size distortions diminish with an increase in T.

Table 1: MC findings for the estimation of long-run coefficient β in experiments with cross-sectionally independent errors.

Estimators without bias correction and inference conducted using standard critical values.

	E	Bias (× 100))	RM	1SE ((× 10	0)	S	ize (5	% leve	1)	P	Power (5% level)					
$n\backslash T$	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50			
	РВ																		
20	-3.69	-1.75	-1.07	-0.73	6.43	4.12	3.04	2.45	18.40	13.35	11.80	11.40	34.00	68.30	89.95	97.70			
30	-3.39	-1.79	-1.04	-0.74	5.55	3.54	2.58	2.03	19.40	14.50	11.95	10.10	43.70	81.50	96.50	99.60			
40	-3.56	-1.87	-1.06	-0.74	5.18	3.25	2.33	1.81	21.25	15.55	12.30	10.45	45.90	87.35	99.05	99.95			
50	-3.58	-1.90	-1.09	-0.74	4.96	3.05	2.18	1.66	25.20	15.55	13.40	9.95	54.05	93.25	99.65	100.00			
	PMG																		
20	-1.97	-0.89	-0.51	-0.32	7.77	4.79	3.40	2.57	39.45	28.15	21.40	17.85	63.40	82.20	93.75	98.95			
30	-1.56	-0.97	-0.41	-0.33	6.32	3.99	2.78	2.08	41.10	28.45	22.50	16.55	71.20	89.60	98.10	99.85			
40	-1.64	-0.86	-0.44	-0.31	5.71	3.44	2.47	1.85	43.10	29.25	23.05	18.10	77.25	95.15	99.60	100.00			
50	-1.70	-0.93	-0.48	-0.31	5.23	3.10	2.26	1.67	42.25	28.60	23.75	16.85	81.00	97.00	99.80	100.00			
	PDOL	S																	
20	-5.60	-3.64	-2.82	-2.32	7.93	5.28	4.02	3.31	21.75	19.10	17.30	19.30	17.35	43.15	72.95	90.15			
30	-5.25	-3.60	-2.75	-2.26	7.05	4.81	3.64	2.96	24.10	23.10	23.10	24.20	21.40	55.90	84.85	97.30			
40	-5.47	-3.77	-2.84	-2.31	6.78	4.69	3.53	2.86	29.90	30.60	28.30	30.10	21.70	62.60	91.35	99.10			
50	-5.46	-3.78	-2.88	-2.30	6.57	4.52	3.45	2.75	35.10	34.30	34.40	36.45	25.25	72.40	95.85	99.85			
	FMOL	S																	
20	-11.01	-7.16	-5.45	-4.25	12.56	8.44	6.55	5.18	89.25	78.25	69.90	64.15	45.00	56.60	79.05	92.60			
30	-10.44	-7.06	-5.30	-4.17	11.58	7.99	6.09	4.83	93.80	86.15	77.90	71.95	44.90	63.20	88.75	98.20			
40	-10.78	-7.31	-5.50	-4.26	11.59	8.00	6.08	4.77	97.45	92.95	85.65	82.20	44.60	67.85	92.70	99.20			
50	-10.76	-7.35	-5.50	-4.22	11.44	7.91	5.98	4.65	98.70	96.25	91.35	86.85	46.10	73.70	95.35	99.85			

Notes: DGP is given by $\Delta y_{it} = c_i - \alpha_i \left(y_{i,t-1} - \beta x_{i,t-1} \right) + u_{y,it}$ and $\Delta x_{it} = u_{x,it}$, for i = 1, 2, ..., n, T = 1, 2, ..., T, with $\beta = 1$ and $\alpha_i \sim IIDU$ [0.2, 0.3]. Errors $u_{y,it}$, $u_{x,it}$ are cross-sectionally independent, heteroskedastic over i, and correlated over y & x equations. See Section 3.1 for complete description of the DGP. The pooled Bewley estimator is given by (10), with variance estimated using (18). PMG is the Pooled Mean Group estimator proposed by Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). PDOLS is panel dynamic OLS estimator by Mark and Sul (2003). FMOLS is the group-mean fully modified OLS estimator by Pedroni (1996, 2001b). The size and power findings are computed using 5% nominal level and the reported power is the rejection frequency for testing the hypothesis $\beta = 0.9$.

Table 2: MC findings for the estimation of long-run coefficient β in experiments with cross-sectionally independent errors.

Bias corrected estimators and inference conducted using bootstrapped critical values.

	Bias (× 100)					ISE ((× 10	0)	Si	ze (5%	6 level	.)	P	Power (5% level)				
$n \backslash T$	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50		
	Jackkı	nife l	oias-c	orrecte	d estima	ators												
	PB																	
20	-1.60 -	-0.52	-0.25	-0.14	6.27	4.18	3.10	2.52	5.95	5.15	5.40	5.30	25.10	56.75	82.95	94.30		
30	-1.34 -	-0.55	-0.25	-0.18	5.24	3.45	2.58	2.06	6.70	5.05	5.10	5.00	37.45	73.70	93.10	99.05		
40	-1.45 -	-0.60	-0.24	-0.15	4.59	3.03	2.29	1.81	5.85	5.05	4.50	4.90	42.80	84.10	98.15	99.85		
50	-1.53 -	-0.62	-0.26	-0.15	4.23	2.72	2.07	1.61	6.20	4.60	5.65	4.25	51.10	90.80	99.55	100.00		
	PMG																	
20	-0.55 -	-0.20	-0.05	0.01	9.26	5.59	3.78	2.86	14.90	11.05	9.10	7.20	33.45	57.15	83.05	95.60		
30	-0.10 -	-0.30	0.02	-0.04	7.35	4.48	3.09	2.28	14.00	10.95	8.50	7.35	45.60	72.05	93.10	99.30		
40	-0.27 -	0.13	-0.01	-0.01	6.73	3.83	2.72	2.06	15.40	9.30	8.90	8.05	48.90	82.95	97.10	99.75		
50	-0.42 -	-0.21	-0.06	0.00	6.13	3.43	2.47	1.83	16.45	9.65	9.40	7.55	57.55	88.55	98.85	100.00		
	PDOLS	S																
20	-4.22 -	-2.56	-1.97	-1.59	8.00	5.05	3.77	3.04	8.40	5.80	5.40	4.75	8.70	27.50	55.25	77.90		
30	-3.91 -	-2.55	-1.92	-1.56	6.89	4.42	3.30	2.64	8.70	5.75	5.95	4.70	10.15	37.30	69.75	91.00		
40	-4.09 -	-2.69	-1.98	-1.60	6.35	4.17	3.08	2.47	7.70	5.80	4.90	4.05	10.05	41.10	75.20	94.95		
50	-4.11 -	-2.70	-2.02	-1.58	6.01	3.91	2.93	2.30	7.90	5.90	4.55	3.55	11.30	45.75	83.75	97.60		
	FMOL	S																
20	-8.70 -	-5.07	-3.70	-2.76	11.19	7.19	5.52	4.33	10.85	5.95	4.55	4.00	1.05	1.40	8.10	25.75		
30	-8.17 -	-5.02	-3.60	-2.73	10.02	6.60	4.94	3.86	9.95	5.00	4.65	3.00	0.50	1.65	10.20	35.20		
40	-8.49 -	-5.22	-3.78	-2.78	9.84	6.40	4.79	3.68	9.20	5.00	3.45	3.25	0.15	0.75	8.85	38.70		
50	-8.50 -	-5.28	-3.78	-2.74	9.61	6.26	4.62	3.50	10.65	5.00	3.75	2.85	0.10	0.95	10.55	45.75		
	Stocha	astic	simul	lation b	oias-corr	ected	d esti	mato	rs									
	PB																	
	-1.28 -						2.93		7.25	6.20		5.75		67.60		96.95		
	-0.98 -						2.43		7.75	6.35		5.80		84.00		99.55		
	-1.07 -						2.15		7.00	6.55		5.10		91.35		99.95		
50	-1.09 -	-0.44	-0.15	-0.10	3.89	2.56	1.96	1.52	8.95	6.25	6.45	5.55	69.40	95.50	99.90	100.00		
	PMG																	
	-1.28 -						3.41			10.45	7.90			63.40		97.30		
	-0.88 -						2.79			10.75	8.25			77.75		99.65		
	-0.96 -						2.47		14.95	9.05		6.90		87.60		99.85		
	-1.02 -		-0.19	-0.10	5.20	3.06	2.24	1.66	15.15	9.85	9.05	6.95	60.90	91.65	99.30	100.00		
	PDOLS		0.50	0.40	0.75	4.01	0.10	0.55	10.05	7.00	7.05	7.05	20.70	01.15	00.05	05.05		
	-2.19 -						3.12		10.35	7.80	7.25			64.45		95.85		
	-1.89 -						2.63		10.75	8.90		7.15		77.10		99.30		
	-2.00 -						2.34		10.05	8.65		7.35		85.75		99.95		
	-2.00 -		-0.64	-0.40	4.61	2.93	2.14	1.65	10.70	9.40	8.65	0.80	52.85	91.55	99.50	100.00		
	FMOL		1.90	0.80	0.04	E CO	4.00	9.40	17.10	10.00	0.00	7.40	90.90	41.10	62.00	01.70		
	-4.59 -						4.28			10.90	9.20			41.10		81.70		
	-4.19 -						3.61			10.90	9.15			51.60		93.15		
	-4.36 -						3.22			12.05	9.80			60.40		96.80		
===	-4.41 -	-2.22	-1.35	-0.78	6.56	4.10	2.98	2.29	23.80	14.35	10.50	8.90	30.45	69.45	92.05	99.20		

Notes: See the notes to Table 1. Bias-corrected versions of the PB estimator are described in Subsection 2.2. Bias-corrected versions of the PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimator are described in the online supplement. Inference is conducted using bootstrapped critical values.

We consider next the bias-corrected versions of the four estimators with inference computed using robust bootstrap critical values. Upper panel of Table 2 reports findings for estimators corrected for bias using the jackknife procedure, and the bottom panel reports on simulation-based bias corrected estimators. Bias correction did not change the overall ranking of estimators – PB continues to be the most precise (lowest RMSE). Both bias correction approaches are quite effective in reducing the bias. The bias of PB and PMG estimators for any of the two bias corrections are very low. Bias correction did not only resulted in better bias, but notably in many cases it improved RMSE values, which is quite a good news. In the case of PB estimator, using simulation based bias correction resulted in improved RMSE performance for all choices of n, T - by about 2 to 23 percent. Results in Table 2 also show notable improvement to inference comes from using bootstrapped critical values - with PB having virtually no size distortions and size distortions of the remaining estimators are relatively minor.

Last but not least, we consider the DGP with cross-sectionally correlated errors. The corresponding results, reported in Tables S1 and S2 in the online supplement, reveal the same ranking of estimator, and, importantly, the bootstrapped critical values continue to deliver correct size, showing the robustness to cross-sectional dependence of errors.

We conclude that PB estimator can perform better (in terms of overall precision as measured by RMSE, and in terms of accuracy of inference) than existing estimators (PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS) in finite sample sizes of interest, regardless if bias corrections are considered or not. Bias corrections and bootstrapping critical values are helpful for all four estimators - resulting not only in reduced bias, but sometimes also in better RMSE, and in all cases in more accurate inference robust to cross-sectional dependence of errors, which is important in practice. We consider PB to be useful addition to the existing literature as a complement of the PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS estimators.

4 Empirical Application

This section revisits consumption function empirical application undertaken by Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999), hereafter PSS. The long-run consumption function is assumed to be given by

$$c_{it} = d_i + \beta_1 y_{it}^d + \beta_2 \pi_{it} + \vartheta_{it},$$

for country i = 1, 2, ..., n, where c_{it} is the logarithm of real consumption per capita, y_{it}^d is the logarithm of real per capita disposable income, π_{it} is the rate of inflation, and ϑ_{it} is an I(0) process. We take the dataset from PSS, which consists of N = 24 countries and a slightly unbalanced time period covering 1960-1993. PSS assume all variables are I(1) and cointegrated; and they estimate the coefficients β_1 and β_2 using an ARDL(1,1,1) specification, which can be written as the following error-correcting equation

$$\Delta c_{it} = -\alpha_i \left(c_{i,t-1} - d_i - \beta_1 y_{i,t-1}^d - \beta_2 \pi_{i,t-1} \right) + \delta_{i1} \Delta y_{it}^d + \delta_{i2} \Delta \pi_{it} + v_{it}, \tag{22}$$

where all coefficients, except the long-run coefficients β_1 and β_2 are country-specific.

Table 3 presents alternative estimates of the long-run coefficients. The upper panel presents findings for estimators without bias correction and standard confidence intervals. The middle and lower panels present jackknife and simulation based bias-corrected estimates with confidence intervals based on bootstrapped critical values. Results are quite heterogenous across different approaches to estimation and inference. According to the bias-corrected PB estimated (the most preferred estimator based on the MC experiments), the long-run coefficient on GDP (β_1) is estimated at 0.921 and 0.926, depending on the type of bias correction, and the long-run coefficient on inflation (β_2) is estimated at -0.120 and -0.125. Unit coefficient on GDP cannot be rejected at 5% nominal level, whereas zero coefficient on inflation cannot be rejected, either. From an economic perspective, unit GDP long-run elasticity and no long-run effects of inflation on consumption are both quite plausible - the former hypothesis in line with balanced growth path models, and the latter in line with monetary policy neutrality in the long-run. Quite a different conclusion would be reached according to PMG estimates - namely both the unit coefficients on GDP and zero coefficient on inflation would be rejected. PDOLS estimates and the corresponding inference are both similar to PB estimates and inference (not rejecting unit GDP and zero inflation long run coefficients). FMOLS estimator was the least preferred according to MC evidence. FMOLS estimates of β_1 are largest among the four types of estimators, and the unit coefficient cannot be rejected. FMOLS estimates of β_2 are also quite large – close to PMG estimates and about twice the magnitude of PB and PDOLS estimates. The choice of individual estimators clearly matters in this empirical illus-

⁹We have downloaded data at http://www.econ.cam.ac.uk/people-files/emeritus/mhp1/pmge_prog.zip. Codes for empirical application in this paper is available from authors' websites.

tration. Last but not least, it is also worth highlighting that the bootstrapped robust confidence intervals of the bias-corrected estimators in the middle and bottom sections of Table 3 are larger compared with the conventional confidence intervals in the upper section. According to MC evidence, the difference could be due to a combination of two factors – poor small sample performance of the asymptotic confidence intervals even in the ideal case of independently distributed errors across cross section, and possible error cross sectional dependence. In particular, the conventional confidence intervals in Table 3 are likely conveying a false sense of statistical precision.

Table 3: Estimated consumption function coefficients for OECD countries

	β_1 : Income	95% Conf. Int.	β_2 : Inflation	95% Conf. Int.										
	Estimator without bias correction													
PB	.912	[.845,.980]	134	[260,008]										
PMG	.904	[.889, .919]	466	[566,365]										
PDOLS	.923	[.798, 1.047]	187	[407,.033]										
FMOLS	.951	[.942, .959]	336	[408,265]										
	Jackknife bias-corrected estimators													
PB	.926	[.835,1.017]	120	[345,.105]										
PMG	.915	[.880, .949]	403	[-616.,190]										
PDOLS	.940	[.737, 1.143]	184	[530, .161]										
FMOLS	.983	[.912, 1.053]	397	[-1.370, .576]										
	Stochastic si	mulation bias-cor	rected estimato	rs										
PB	.921	[.830,1.012]	125	[314,.065]										
PMG	.905	[.875, .936]	477	[657,297]										
PDOLS	.932	[.746, 1.118]	183	[499,.133]										
FMOLS	.985	[.941, 1.028]	438	[-1.047,.171]										

Notes: This table revisits empirical application in Table 1 of Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999), reporting estimates of long-run income elasticity (β_1) and inflation effect (β_2) coefficients and their 95% confidence intervals in the ARDL(1,1,1) consumption functions (22) for OECD countries using the dataset from Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). PB stands for pooled Bewley estimator developed in this paper. PMG is the Pooled Mean Group estimator proposed by Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). PDOLS is panel dynamic OLS estimator by Mark and Sul (2003). FMOLS is the group-mean fully modified OLS estimator by Pedroni (1996, 2001b). Description of bias correction methods is provided in Subsection 2.2 for PB estimator and in the online supplement for PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimators. Inference in the case of original estimators uncorrected for bias is conducted using the standard asymptotic critical values, and it is valid only when errors are not cross-sectionally dependent. Inference in the case of bias-corrected estimators is conducted using bootstrapped critical values following Chudik, Pesaran, and Smith (2022), and it is robust to cross-section dependence of errors.

5 Conclusion

This paper proposed pooled Bewley (PB) estimator of long-run relationships in heterogeneous dynamic panels. Compared with other existing estimators in the literature – namely PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS – Monte Carlo evidence reveals that PB can perform well in small samples. While we developed the asymptotic theory of PB estimator under a similar setting as PMG estimator, notably we assumed cross-sectionally independent errors, we have also considered bootstrapping of critical values for inference when errors are arbitrarily cross-sectionally correlated. This makes PB suited for applications where cross-sectional independence cannot be assumed.

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A Appendix

This Appendix is organized in four sections. Section A.1 introduces some notations and definitions. Section A.2 presents lemmas and proofs needed for the proof of Theorem 1. Section A.3 presents proof of Theorem 1.

A.1 Notations and definitions

Let $\mathbf{z}_{it} = (y_{it}, x_{it})'$, and define $\mathbf{C}_i(L) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{C}_{i\ell} L^{\ell}$ and $\mathbf{C}_i^*(L) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{C}_{i\ell}^* L^{\ell}$, where

$$\mathbf{C}_{i0} = \mathbf{I}_{2},$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{i\ell} = (\mathbf{\Phi}_{i} - \mathbf{I}_{2}) \mathbf{\Phi}_{i}^{\ell-1}, \ \ell = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{i} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 - \alpha_{i} & \alpha_{i}\beta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{i}(1) = \mathbf{C}_{i0} + \mathbf{C}_{i1} + \dots = \lim_{\ell \to \infty} \mathbf{\Phi}_{i}^{\ell} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \beta \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
(A.1)

and

$$\mathbf{C}_{i0}^{*} = \mathbf{C}_{i0} - \mathbf{C}_{i}(1) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\beta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_{i\ell}^{*} = \mathbf{C}_{i,\ell-1}^{*} + \mathbf{C}_{i\ell} = \begin{pmatrix} (1-\alpha_{i})^{\ell} & -(1-\alpha_{i})^{\ell}\beta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ for } \ell = 1, 2, \dots$$

Model (1)-(2) can be equivalently written as

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{i}\left(L\right)\mathbf{z}_{it}=\mathbf{c}_{i}+\mathbf{u}_{it},$$

for i = 1, 2, ..., n and t = 1, 2, ..., T, where $\mathbf{c}_i = (c_i, 0)'$,

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{i}\left(L\right) = \mathbf{I}_{2} - \mathbf{\Phi}_{i}L,\tag{A.2}$$

and \mathbf{I}_2 is a 2 × 2 identity matrix. The lag polynomial $\Phi_i(L)$ can be re-written in the following (error correcting) form

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{i}\left(L\right) = -\Pi_{i}L + (1 - L)\mathbf{I}_{2},\tag{A.3}$$

where

$$\Pi_i = -(\mathbf{I}_2 - \mathbf{\Phi}_i) = \begin{pmatrix} -\alpha_i & \alpha_i \beta \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \tag{A.4}$$

The VAR model (A.5) can be also rewritten in the following form

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_{i}\left(L\right)\left(\mathbf{z}_{it}-\boldsymbol{\mu}_{i}\right)=\mathbf{u}_{it},\tag{A.5}$$

where $\mathbf{c}_i = -\Pi_i \boldsymbol{\mu}_i = (c_i, 0)'$, namely $c_i = \alpha_i \mu_{i,1} - \alpha_i \beta \mu_{i,2}$.

Using Granger representation theorem, the process \mathbf{z}_{it} under the assumptions 1-3 has representation

$$y_{it} = \mu_{yi} + \beta s_{it} + \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} (u_{y,i,t-\ell} - \beta u_{x,i,t-\ell}), \qquad (A.6)$$

$$x_{it} = \mu_{xi} + s_{it}, \tag{A.7}$$

where

$$s_{it} = \sum_{\ell=1}^{t} u_{x,it},\tag{A.8}$$

is the stochastic trend.

A.2 Lemmas: Statements and proofs

Lemma A.1 Suppose Assumptions 2 and 3 hold, and consider $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = (\tilde{x}_{i,1}, \tilde{x}_{i,2}, ..., \tilde{x}_{i,T})'$, where $\tilde{x}_{it} = x_{it} - \bar{x}_i$, $x_{it} = \sum_{s=1}^t u_{x,it}$, and $\bar{x}_i = T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^T x_{it}$. Then

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T^{2}} \to_{p} \omega_{x}^{2} = \frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}}{6}, \text{ as } n, T \to \infty,$$
(A.9)

where $\sigma_x^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2$.

Proof. Recall $\mathbf{M}_{\tau} = \mathbf{I}_{T} - \boldsymbol{\tau}_{T}\boldsymbol{\tau}_{T}'$, where \mathbf{I}_{T} is $T \times T$ identity matrix and $\boldsymbol{\tau}_{T}$ is $T \times 1$ vector of ones. Since $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} = \mathbf{M}_{\tau}\mathbf{x}_{i}$, and \mathbf{M}_{τ} is symmetric and idempotent $(\mathbf{M}_{\tau}'\mathbf{M}_{\tau} = \mathbf{M}_{\tau} = \mathbf{M}_{\tau}')$ we can write $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}$ as $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} = \mathbf{x}_{i}'\mathbf{M}_{\tau}'\mathbf{M}_{\tau}\mathbf{x}_{i} = \mathbf{x}_{i}'\mathbf{M}_{\tau}'\mathbf{x}_{i} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\mathbf{x}_{i}$. Denote $S_{i,T} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\mathbf{x}_{i}/T^{2}$. We have

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T^{2}} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} S_{i,T} = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E(S_{i,T}) + n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} [S_{i,T} - E(S_{i,T})].$$
 (A.10)

Consider $E(S_{i,T})$ first. Noting that $\tilde{x}_{it} = \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,it} - \bar{x}_i$, $\bar{x}_i = T^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^{T} (T-s+1) u_{st}$, and $x_{it} = \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,it}$, $S_{i,T}$ can be written as

$$S_{i,T} = \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{x}_{it} x_{it}$$

$$= \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \left[\left(\sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is} \right)^2 - \bar{x}_i \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \left[\left(\sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is} \right)^2 - \sum_{s=1}^{t} \frac{T-s+1}{T} u_{x,is} \cdot \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is} \right]$$

Taking expectations, we obtain

$$E(S_{i,T}) = \frac{\sigma_{xi}^2}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \left[t - \sum_{s=1}^{t} \frac{T-s+1}{T} \right].$$

Using $\sum_{s=1}^{t} \frac{T-s+1}{T} = \sum_{s=1}^{t} (1-s/T+1/T) = t - (t+1)t/(2T) + t/T$, we have

$$E\left(S_{i,T}\right) = \frac{\sigma_{xi}^{2}}{T^{2}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \left[t - t + \frac{\left(t+1\right)t}{2T} - \frac{t}{T} \right] = \frac{\sigma_{xi}^{2}}{T^{2}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{\left(t+1\right)t}{2T} - \frac{t}{T}.$$

Finally, noting that $\sum_{t=1}^{T} (t+1) t = (T+2) (T+1) T/3$, and $\sum_{t=1}^{T} t = (T+1) T/2$, we obtain

$$E(S_{i,T}) = \sigma_{xi}^2 \varkappa_T < K < \infty, \tag{A.11}$$

for all T > 0, where

$$\varkappa_{T} = \left[\frac{(T+2)(T+1)T}{6T^{3}} - \frac{(T+1)T}{2T^{3}} \right]. \tag{A.12}$$

In addition, $\varkappa_T \to 1/6$, as $T \to \infty$, and

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}E\left(S_{i,T}\right)=\varkappa_{T}\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\sigma_{xi}^{2}\rightarrow\frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}}{6},$$

as $n, T \to \infty$. This establishes the limit of the first term on the right side of (A.10). Consider the second term next. Since $E[S_{i,T} - E(S_{i,T})] = 0$, and $S_{i,T}$ is independent over i, we have

$$E\left\{n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[S_{i,T}-E\left(S_{i,T}\right)\right]\right\}^{2}=\frac{1}{n^{2}}\sum_{i=1}^{n}E\left(S_{i,T}^{2}\right)-\frac{1}{n^{2}}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left[E\left(S_{i,T}\right)\right]^{2}.$$

But it follows from (A.11) that there exist finite positive constant $K_1 < \infty$ (which does not depend on n, T) such that $[E(S_{i,T})]^2 < K_1$. In addition, due to existence of uniformly bounded fourth moments of $u_{x,it}$, it also can be shown that $E(S_{i,T}^2) < K_2 < \infty$. Hence, $E\{n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^n [S_{i,T} - E(S_{i,T})]\}^2 = O(n^{-1})$, which implies $n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^n [S_{i,T} - E(S_{i,T})] \to_p 0$, as $n, T \to \infty$. This completes the proof.

Lemma A.2 Suppose Assumptions 1-2 hold. Then there exists finite positive constant K that does not depend on i and/or T such that

$$E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T} u_{x,it}\tilde{x}_{it}\right)^{\varrho} < K,\tag{A.13}$$

and

$$E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\Delta y_{it}\tilde{x}_{it}\right)^{\varrho} < K,\tag{A.14}$$

for $\varrho = 4$, where $\tilde{x}_{it} = x_{it} - \bar{x}_i$, $x_{it} = \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,it}$, $\bar{x}_i = T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} x_{it}$, and $\Delta y_{it} = \delta_i u_{x,it} + v_{it} - \alpha_i \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell-1} [v_{i,t-\ell} + (\delta_i - \beta) u_{x,i,t-\ell}]$.

Proof. Consider $\sum_{t=1}^{T} u_{it} \tilde{x}_{it} / T$ and $\varrho = 2$ first, and note that $\tilde{x}_{it} = \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is} - \bar{x}_i$, where $\bar{x}_i = T^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^{T} (T-s+1) u_{x,is}$. We have

$$\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T}u_{x,it}\tilde{x}_{it}\right)^{2} = \frac{1}{T^{2}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\sum_{t'=1}^{T}u_{x,it}u_{x,it'}\tilde{x}_{it'}$$

$$= \frac{1}{T^{2}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\sum_{t'=1}^{T}u_{it}u_{it'}\left(\sum_{s=1}^{t}u_{x,is} - \bar{x}_{i}\right)\left(\sum_{s=1}^{t'}u_{x,is} - \bar{x}_{i}\right)$$

$$= A_{i,T,1} + A_{i,T,2} - A_{i,T,3} - A_{i,T,4},$$

where

$$A_{i,T,1} = \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{t'=1}^{T} u_{x,it} u_{x,it'} \left(\sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is}\right) \left(\sum_{s=1}^{t'} u_{x,is}\right)$$

$$A_{i,T,2} = \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{t'=1}^{T} u_{x,it} u_{x,it'} \bar{x}_i^2,$$

$$A_{i,T,3} = \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{t'=1}^{T} u_{x,it} u_{x,it'} \bar{x}_i \sum_{s=1}^{t} u_{x,is},$$

$$A_{i,T,4} = \frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{t'=1}^{T} u_{x,it} u_{x,it'} \bar{x}_i \sum_{s=1}^{t'} u_{x,is}.$$

Taking expectations and noting that $u_{x,it}$ is independent of $u_{x,it'}$ for any $t \neq t'$, we have

$$E\left(A_{i,T,1}\right) = \frac{1}{T^2} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{t'=1}^{t-1} \sigma_{ix}^2 + \sum_{t=1}^{T} E\left(u_{x,it}^4\right) + \sum_{t=1}^{T} \sum_{t'=1}^{t-1} \sigma_{ix}^2 \right).$$

Under Assumption 2, there exists a finite constant K that does not depend on i and/or t, such that $\sigma_{ix}^2 < K$ and $E\left(u_{x,it}^4\right) < K$. Hence $|E\left(A_{i,T,1}\right)| < K$. Similarly, we can bound the remaining elements, $|E\left(A_{i,T,j}\right)| < K$, for j=2,3,4. It now follows that $E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T}u_{x,it}\tilde{x}_{it}\right)^2 < K$, where the upper bound K does not depend on i or T. This establishes (A.13) hold for $\varrho=2$. Sufficient condition for (A.13) to hold for $\varrho=4$ are: $E\left(A_{i,T,j}^2\right) < K$ for j=1,2,3,4. These conditions follow from uniformly bounded eights moments of $u_{x,it}$. This completes the proof of (A.13). Result (A.14) can be established in the same way by using the first difference of representation (A.6).

Lemma A.3 Suppose Assumptions 1-4 hold, and consider s_{iT} given by

$$s_{iT} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i \left(\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i \right)^{-1} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tag{A.15}$$

where \mathbf{P}_i is given by (12), and $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ and $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i$ are defined below (8). Then,

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{s_{iT}}{T^2} \to_p 0, \text{ as } n, T \to \infty.$$
 (A.16)

Proof. Consider $s_{i,T}/T$, which can be written as

$$\frac{s_{iT}}{T} \le \mathbf{a}_{iT}' \mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} \mathbf{a}_{iT},\tag{A.17}$$

where

$$\mathbf{a}_{iT} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T} = \frac{\Delta \mathbf{Z}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T},\tag{A.18}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B}_{iT} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}' \mathbf{P}_{i} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}}{T}.$$
 (A.19)

¹⁰ For the cross-product terms, note that $|E(A_{i,T,j}A_{i,T,s})| \leq \sqrt{E(A_{i,T,j}^2)} \sqrt{E(A_{i,T,s}^2)}$. Hence, $E(A_{i,T,j}^2) < K$, for j = 1, 2, 3, 4, is sufficient.

Using these notations, we have

$$E\left|\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{s_{iT}}{T^{2}}\right| \leq \frac{1}{nT}\sum_{i=1}^{n}E\left|\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1}\mathbf{a}_{iT}\right|.$$

Using $\left|\mathbf{a}_{iT}^{\prime}\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1}\mathbf{a}_{iT}\right| \leq \lambda_{\min}^{-1}\left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}\right)\mathbf{a}_{iT}^{\prime}\mathbf{a}_{iT}$, and Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain

$$E\left|\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{s_{iT}}{T^{2}}\right| \leq \frac{1}{nT}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\sqrt{E\left[\left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{a}_{iT}\right)^{2}\right]}\sqrt{E\left[\lambda_{\min}^{-2}\left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}\right)\right]}.$$

Lemma A.2 implies the fourth moments of the individual elements of $\mathbf{a}_{i,T}$ are uniformly bounded in i and T, which is sufficient for $E\left[\left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{a}_{iT}\right)^{2}\right] < K$. In addition, $E\left[\lambda_{\min}^{-2}\left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}\right)\right] < K$ by Assumption 4. Hence, there exists $K < \infty$, which does not depend on (n,T) such that

$$E\left|n^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\frac{s_{iT}}{T^{2}}\right| < \frac{K}{T},\tag{A.20}$$

and result (A.16) follows.

Lemma A.4 Suppose Assumptions 1-4 hold. Then

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{M}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T^{2}} \to_{p} \omega_{x}^{2} = \frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}}{6}, \text{ as } n, T \to \infty,$$
(A.21)

where $\sigma_x^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2$, \mathbf{M}_i is defined in (11) and $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ is defined below (8).

Proof. Noting that $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ is one of the column vectors of \mathbf{H}_i , we have $\mathbf{P}_i\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$, and $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'\mathbf{M}_i\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ can be written as

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\mathbf{M}_{i}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} - s_{i,T},\tag{A.22}$$

where $s_{i,T}$ is given by (A.15). Sufficient conditions for result (A.21) are:

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T^{2}} \to_{p} \omega_{x}^{2} = \frac{\sigma_{x}^{2}}{6}, \text{ as } n, T \to \infty,$$
(A.23)

and

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{s_{i,T}}{T^2} \to_p 0$$
, as $n, T \to \infty$. (A.24)

Condition (A.23) is established by Lemma A.1, and condition (A.24) is established by Lemma A.3.

Lemma A.5 Let Assumptions 1-3 hold. Then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{T \alpha_{i}} \to_{d} N\left(0, \omega_{v}^{2}\right), \text{ as } n, T \to \infty,$$
(A.25)

where $\omega_v^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 \sigma_{vi}^2 / (6\alpha_i^2)$, and $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i$ are defined below (8).

Proof. Recall $\mathbf{M}_{\tau} = \mathbf{I}_{T} - \boldsymbol{\tau}_{T} \boldsymbol{\tau}_{T}'$, where \mathbf{I}_{T} is $T \times T$ identity matrix and $\boldsymbol{\tau}_{T}$ is $T \times 1$ vector of ones. Since $\mathbf{M}_{\tau}' \mathbf{M}_{\tau} = \mathbf{M}_{\tau}'$, we have

$$\mathbf{ ilde{x}}_i'\mathbf{ ilde{v}}_i=\mathbf{x}_i'\mathbf{M}_{ au}'\mathbf{M}_{ au}\mathbf{v}_i=\mathbf{x}_i'\mathbf{M}_{ au}'\mathbf{v}_i=\mathbf{ ilde{x}}_i'\mathbf{v}_i$$

Let $C_i = \frac{\sigma_{xi}\sigma_{vi}}{\alpha_i}$ and $Q_{i,T} = C_i^{-1}\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'\mathbf{v}_i}{T\alpha_i}$. We have $E\left(Q_{i,T}\right) = 0$, and (under independence of v_{it} over t and independence of v_{it} and $u_{x,it'}$ for any t,t')

$$E\left[\left(\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\mathbf{v}_{i}}{T\alpha_{i}}\right)^{2}\right] = \frac{1}{T^{2}\alpha_{i}^{2}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}E\left(\tilde{x}_{it}^{2}\right)E\left(v_{it}^{2}\right),$$

where $E\left(v_{it}^2\right) = \sigma_{vi}^2$. In addition, (A.11) established that $\frac{1}{T^2} \sum_{t=1}^T E\left(\tilde{x}_{it}^2\right) = \sigma_{xi}^2 \varkappa_T$, where \varkappa_T is given by (A.12). Hence,

$$E\left[\left(\frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'\mathbf{v}_i}{T\alpha_i}\right)^2\right] = \frac{\sigma_{vi}^2\sigma_{xi}^2}{\alpha_i^2}\varkappa_T = C_i^2\varkappa_T.$$

It follows that

$$E\left(Q_{i,T}^2\right) = \varkappa_T$$

where $\varkappa_T \to 1/6 < \infty$. Finite fourth moments of $u_{x,it}$ and v_{it} imply $Q_{i,T}^4$ is uniformly bounded in T, and therefore $Q_{i,T}^2$ is uniformly integrable in T. We can apply Theorem 3 of Phillips and Moon (1999) to obtain

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{i} Q_{i,T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{v}_{i}}{T \alpha_{i}} \to_{d} N\left(0, \omega_{v}^{2}\right), \text{ as } n, T \to \infty$$

where $\omega_v^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} C_i^2 \varkappa_T = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 \sigma_{vi}^2 / (6\alpha_i^2)$.

Lemma A.6 Suppose Assumptions 1-4 hold, and consider $\mathbf{q}_{iT} = \alpha_i^{-1} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i / \sqrt{T}$. Then,

$$E \|\mathbf{q}_{iT}\|_{2}^{4} < K, \tag{A.26}$$

and

$$|E\left(\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right)| < \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}}.\tag{A.27}$$

Proof. Denote the individual elements of 2×1 vector \mathbf{q}_{iT} as $q_{iT,j}$, j = 1, 2. Sufficient conditions for (A.26) to hold are

$$E(q_{iT,j})^4 < K$$
, for $j = 1, 2$. (A.28)

We establish (A.26) for j = 1 first. We have

$$q_{iT,1} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}},$$

where $\Delta \mathbf{y}_i$ can be written as

$$\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i = -\alpha_i \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1} + \delta_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i + \mathbf{v}_i, \tag{A.29}$$

where $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1} = \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_{i,-1} - \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i,-1}$. Note that $\mathbf{P}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i \left(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i \right)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i'$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i = (\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_{i,-1}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i,-1})$. Hence $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i = \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'$ and $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}' \mathbf{P}_i = \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}'$, since $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ and $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}$ can be both obtained as a linear combinations of the column

vectors of $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i$. Hence

$$q_{iT,1} = -\frac{\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}'_{i,-1}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\sqrt{T}} + \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} + \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{v}}'_i \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} \equiv \varsigma_{a,iT} + \varsigma_{b,iT} + \varsigma_{c,iT}, \tag{A.30}$$

where we simplified notations by introducing $\zeta_{a,iT} = -\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}'_{i,-1}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i/\sqrt{T}$, $\zeta_{b,iT} = \alpha_i^{-1}\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i/\sqrt{T}$ and $\zeta_{c,iT} = \alpha_i^{-1}\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{v}}'_i\mathbf{P}_i\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i/\sqrt{T}$ to denote the individual terms in the expression (A.30) for $q_{iT,1}$. Sufficient conditions for $E\left(q_{iT,1}^4\right) < K$ are $E\left(\zeta_{s,iT}^4\right) < K$ for $s \in \{a,b,c\}$.

For s = a, we have

$$\varsigma_{a,iT} = -\frac{\tilde{\xi}'_{i,-1}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\sqrt{T}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{i=1}^{T} \left(\xi_{i,t-1} - \bar{\xi}_{i,-1}\right) (v_{it} - \bar{v}_i) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{i=1}^{T} \xi_{i,t-1}v_{it} + \sqrt{T}\bar{\xi}_{i,-1}\bar{v}_i,$$

where $\bar{\xi}_{i,-1} = T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \xi_{i,t-1}$, and

$$\xi_{it} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} (u_{y,i,t-\ell} - \beta u_{x,i,t-\ell})$$
$$= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} (\delta_i - \beta) u_{x,i,t-\ell} + \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} v_{it}.$$

Noting that $\sup_i (1 - \alpha_i) < 1$ under Assumption 1, and fourth moments of $u_{x,i,t}$ and eights moments of v_{it} are bounded, we obtain

$$E\left[\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{i=1}^T \xi_{i,t-1} v_{it}\right)^4\right] \le K,$$

and

$$T^2 \cdot E\left(\bar{\xi}_{i,-1}^4 \bar{v}_i^4\right) \le K,$$

which are sufficient conditions for $E\left(\varsigma_{a,iT}^4\right) \leq K$.

For s = b, we have

$$\varsigma_{b,iT} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} = \frac{1}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^T \left(u_{x,it} - \bar{u}_{x,i} \right) \left(v_{it} - \bar{v}_i \right) = \frac{1}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^T u_{x,it} v_{it} - \frac{\sqrt{T}}{\alpha_i} \bar{u}_{x,i} \bar{v}_i.$$

Using Assumption 2, we obtain the following upper bound

$$E\left(\varsigma_{b,iT}^{4}\right) \leq \left|\alpha_{i}^{-4}\right| \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} E\left(u_{x,it}^{4}\right) E\left(v_{it}^{4}\right) + \left|\alpha_{i}^{-4}\right| T E\left(\bar{u}_{x,i}^{4}\right) E\left(\bar{v}_{i}^{4}\right) \leq K,\tag{A.31}$$

where $\left|\alpha_{i}^{-4}\right| < K$, $E\left(u_{x,it}^{4}\right) < K$, $E\left(v_{it}^{4}\right) < K$, $E\left(\bar{u}_{x,i}^{4}\right) < K/T^{2}$, and $E\left(\bar{v}_{i}^{4}\right) < K/T^{2}$.

For s = c, we have

$$\varsigma_{c,iT} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}' \mathbf{P}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} \sqrt{T}} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i} \left(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}\right)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} \sqrt{T}}$$

Consider $\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* = \left(\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}\right)$ and note that

$$ilde{\mathbf{H}}_i = (ilde{\mathbf{y}}_{i,-1}, ilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, ilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i,-1}) = \mathbf{B}^* ilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^*$$

where

$$\mathbf{B}^* = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} -\beta & \beta & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$

is nonsingular (for any β). Hence $\mathbf{P}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i \left(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i \right)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i' = \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \left(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \right)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime}$, and we can write $\varsigma_{c,iT}$ as

$$\varsigma_{c,iT} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \left(\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \right)^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}}.$$

Consider the scaling matrix

$$\mathbf{A}_T = \begin{pmatrix} T^{-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & T^{-1/2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & T^{-1/2} \end{pmatrix}. \tag{A.32}$$

We have

$$\varsigma_{c,iT} = \frac{1}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \mathbf{A}_T \left(\mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \mathbf{A}_T \right)^{-1} \mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i \ge 0.$$

Using the inequality $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{x} \leq \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{A}) \|\mathbf{x}\|^2$, we have

$$0 \le \varsigma_{c,iT} \le \frac{1}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} \lambda_{\min}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^* \mathbf{A}_T \right) \left\| \mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i \right\|_2^2.$$

Using Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain

$$E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}^{4}\right) \leq \frac{1}{\alpha_{i}^{4}T^{2}} \sqrt{E\left[\lambda_{\min}^{-4}\left(\mathbf{A}_{T}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}^{*'}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}^{*}\mathbf{A}_{T}\right)\right]} \sqrt{E\left\|\mathbf{A}_{T}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}^{*'}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}\right\|_{2}^{8}}.$$

But $\alpha_i^{-4} < K$ under Assumption 1, and $E\left[\lambda_{\min}^{-4}\left(\mathbf{A}_T\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime}\tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^*\mathbf{A}_T\right)\right] < K$ under Assumption 4. It follows

$$E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}^{4}\right) \leq \frac{K}{T^{2}} \sqrt{E \left\|\mathbf{A}_{T} \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_{i}^{*} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i} \right\|_{2}^{8}}.$$

Let $\mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i \equiv \mathbf{h}_{viT}$ and consider the individual elements of \mathbf{h}_{viT} , denoted as $h_{viT,j}$ for j=1,2,3,3,4

$$\mathbf{h}_{viT} = \mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*\prime} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i = \begin{pmatrix} h_{viT,1} \\ h_{viT,2} \\ h_{viT,3} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{x}_{it} \tilde{v}_{it} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^T \tilde{u}_{it} \tilde{v}_{it} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^T \bar{\xi}_{i,t-1} \tilde{v}_{it} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Under Assumption 2, it can be shown that

$$E(h_{viT,j}^8) < K$$
, for $j = 1, 2, 3$,

which is sufficient for $E \left\| \mathbf{A}_T \tilde{\mathbf{H}}_i^{*} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i \right\|_2^8 < K$. It follows that

$$E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}^4\right) < \frac{K}{T^2}.\tag{A.33}$$

This completes the proof of (A.26) for j = 1.

Consider next (A.26) for j = 2, and note $q_{iT,2}$ is the same as $\varsigma_{b,iT}$, namely

$$q_{iT,2} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}} = \varsigma_{b,iT}.$$

But $E\left(\varsigma_{b,iT}^4\right) < K$, see (A.31). This completes the proof of (A.26).

We establish (A.27) next. As before we consider the individual elements of 2×1 vector \mathbf{q}_{iT} , denoted as $q_{iT,s}$ for s = 1, 2, separately. For s = 1 we have (using the individual terms in expression (A.30))

$$|E\left(q_{iT,1}\right)| = \left|E\left(-\frac{\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}'\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\sqrt{T}} + \frac{\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i}\sqrt{T}} + \frac{\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}'\mathbf{P}_{i}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i}\sqrt{T}}\right)\right| \leq |E\left(\varsigma_{a,iT}\right)| + |E\left(\varsigma_{b,iT}\right)| + |E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}\right)|. \tag{A.34}$$

For the first term in (A.34), we obtain

$$|E(\varsigma_{a,iT})| = \left| E\left[-\frac{\tilde{\xi}'_{i,-1}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\sqrt{T}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{i=1}^{T} \left(\xi_{i,t-1} - \bar{\xi}_{i,-1} \right) (v_{it} - \bar{v}_i) \right] \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{i=1}^{T} \left| E\left(\xi_{i,t-1}v_{it} \right) \right| + \sqrt{T} E\left| \bar{\xi}_{i,-1}\bar{v}_i \right|.$$

But $E\left(\xi_{i,t-1}v_{it}\right)=0$ and $E\left|\bar{\xi}_{i,-1}\bar{v}_i\right|< K/T$ under Assumptions 1-2. Hence,

$$|E\left(\varsigma_{a,iT}\right)| \le \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}}.$$

For the second term in (A.34), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |E\left(\varsigma_{b,iT}\right)| &= \left| E\left(\frac{1}{\alpha_{i}\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}u_{x,it}v_{it} - \frac{\sqrt{T}}{\alpha_{i}}\bar{u}_{x,i}\bar{v}_{i}\right) \right| \\ &\leq K\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}|E\left(u_{x,it}v_{it}\right)| + K\sqrt{T}\left|E\left(\bar{u}_{x,i}\bar{v}_{i}\right)\right|. \end{aligned}$$

But $E(u_{x,i}tv_{it}) = 0$ and $E(\bar{u}_{x,i}\bar{v}_i) = 0$ under Assumption 2. Hence

$$|E\left(\zeta_{b,iT}\right)| = 0.$$

Finally, for the last term we note that

$$|E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}\right)| \le E\left|\varsigma_{c,iT}\right| \le \sqrt{E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}^2\right)},$$

and using result (A.33), we obtain

$$|E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}\right)| < \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}}.$$

It now follows that $|E(q_{iT,1})| < K/\sqrt{T}$, as desired.

Consider $|E(q_{iT,s})|$ for s=2 next. We have

$$|E(q_{iT,2})| = |E(\varsigma_{b,iT})| = 0.$$

This completes the proof of result (A.27).

Lemma A.7 Let Assumptions 1-4 hold, and consider \mathbf{B}_{iT} defined by (A.19). Then we have

$$T^{\alpha/2} \| \mathbf{B}_{iT} - \mathbf{B}_i \| \to_p 0 \text{ as } T \to \infty, \text{ for any } \alpha < 1/2,$$
 (A.35)

where

$$\mathbf{B}_{i} = \lim_{T \to \infty} \mathbf{B}_{iT} = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_{i}^{2} E\left(\xi_{it}^{2}\right) + \delta_{i}^{2} \sigma_{xi}^{2} & \delta_{i} \sigma_{xi}^{2} \\ \delta_{i} \sigma_{xi}^{2} & \sigma_{xi}^{2} \end{pmatrix}, \tag{A.36}$$

and $\xi_{it} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} (u_{y,i,t-\ell} - \beta u_{x,i,t-\ell}).$

Proof. We have

$$\mathbf{B}_{iT} = \frac{\Delta \mathbf{\tilde{Z}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{Z}}_i}{T} = \frac{1}{T} \begin{pmatrix} \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{y}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{y}}_i & \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{y}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{x}}_i \\ \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{x}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{y}}_i & \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{x}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \mathbf{\tilde{x}}_i \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b_{iT,11} & b_{iT,12} \\ b_{iT,21} & b_{iT,22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consider the element $b_{iT,22}$ first. Since $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i = \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'$, and $\Delta \tilde{x}_{it} = u_{x,it} - \bar{u}_{x,i}$, we have

$$b_{iT,12} = \left(\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} u_{x,it}^2\right) - \bar{u}_{x,i}^2.$$

Under Assumption 2, $u_{x,it} \sim IID\left(0, \sigma_{xi}^2\right)$ with finite fourth order moments, and therefore

$$T^{\alpha}\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T}u_{x,it}^{2}-\sigma_{xi}^{2}\right) \stackrel{p}{\rightarrow} 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$.

In addition, $E\left(\bar{u}_{x,i}^2\right) < K/T$, which implies $T^{\alpha}\bar{u}_{x,i}^2 \xrightarrow{p} 0$, for any $\alpha < 1/2$. It follows

$$T^{\alpha} \left(b_{iT,22} - \sigma_{xi}^2 \right) \xrightarrow{p} 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$. (A.37)

Consider the element $b_{iT,11}$ next. We will use similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma A.6. In particular, $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i$ can be written as in (A.29), and, since $\mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1} = \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}$ and $\mathbf{P}_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$, we have

$$b_{i,T,11} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i}{T} = \zeta_{aa,iT} + \zeta_{bb,iT} + \zeta_{cc,iT} + 2\zeta_{ab,iT} + 2\zeta_{ac,iT} + 2\zeta_{bc,iT}, \tag{A.38}$$

where

$$\begin{split} \zeta_{aa,iT} &= \alpha_i^2 \frac{\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}' \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}}{T}, \\ \zeta_{bb,iT} &= \delta_i^2 \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i}{T}, \\ \zeta_{cc,iT} &= \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i' P_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{T} \end{split}$$

and the cross-product terms are

$$\begin{split} \zeta_{ab,iT} &= \alpha_i \delta_i \frac{\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}' \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i}{T} \\ \zeta_{ac,iT} &= \alpha_i \frac{\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,-1}' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{T}, \text{ and} \\ \zeta_{bc,iT} &= \delta_i \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{T}. \end{split}$$

We consider these individual terms ζ next. Note that

$$\xi_{it} = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} (u_{y,i,t-\ell} - \beta u_{x,i,t-\ell})$$

$$= \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} v_{i,t-\ell} + (\delta_i - \beta) \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell} u_{x,i,t-\ell},$$

where $\sup_i (1 - \alpha_i) < 1$ under Assumption 1, and innovations v_{it} and u_{xit} have finite fourth order moments under Assumption 2. Hence, $T^{\alpha} \left[T^{-1} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \xi_{i,t-1}^2 - E\left(\xi_{i,t-1}^2\right) \right] \to_p 0$, $E\left(\bar{\xi}_{i,-1}^2\right) < K/T$, and we obtain

$$T^{\alpha} \left[\zeta_{aa,iT} - \alpha_i^2 E\left(\bar{\xi}_{i,-1}^2\right) \right] \to_p 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$. (A.39)

Noting that $\zeta_{bb,iT} = \delta_i^2 b_{i,T,12}$, and using result (A.37), we have

$$T^{\alpha} \left[\zeta_{bb,iT} - \delta_i^2 \sigma_{xi}^2 \right] \to_p 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$. (A.40)

Consider $\zeta_{cc,iT}$ and note that $\zeta_{cc,iT} = \frac{\alpha_i}{\sqrt{T}} \zeta_{c,iT}$, where $\zeta_{c,iT} = \alpha_i^{-1} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i / \sqrt{T}$ was introduced in (A.30) in proof of Lemma A.6. But $E\left(\zeta_{c,iT}^2\right) < \frac{K}{T}$ by (A.33), and it follows

$$T^{\alpha}\zeta_{cc,iT} \to_p 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$. (A.41)

Using similar arguments, we obtain for the cross-product terms,

$$T^{\alpha}\zeta_{ab,iT} \to_p 0, T^{\alpha}\zeta_{ac,iT} \to_p 0, \text{ and } T^{\alpha}\zeta_{bc,iT} \to_p 0, \text{ for any } \alpha < 1/2, \text{ as } T \to \infty.$$
 (A.42)

Using (A.39)-(A.42) in (A.38), we obtain

$$T^{\alpha}\left(b_{i,T,11} - \alpha_i^2 E\left(\xi_{it}^2\right) - \delta_i^2 \sigma_{xi}^2\right) \stackrel{p}{\to} 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$. (A.43)

Using the same arguments for the last term $b_{i,T,12} = b_{i,T,21}$, we obtain

$$T^{\alpha}\left(b_{i,T,12} - \delta_i \sigma_{xi}^2\right) \xrightarrow{p} 0$$
, for any $\alpha < 1/2$.

This completes the proof of (A.35).

Lemma A.8 Let Assumptions 1-4 hold, and consider \mathbf{B}_{iT} defined by (A.19) and $\mathbf{B}_i = \operatorname{plim}_{T \to \infty} \mathbf{B}_{iT}$ defined by (A.36). Then we have

$$T^{\alpha/2} \left\| \mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \right\| \rightarrow_{p} 0 \text{ as } T \rightarrow \infty, \text{ for any } \alpha < 1/2. \tag{A.44}$$

Proof. This proof closely follows proof of Lemma A.8 in Chudik and Pesaran (2013). Let $p = \|\mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\|$, $q = \|\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\|$, and $r = \|\mathbf{B}_{iT} - \mathbf{B}_i\|$. We suppressed subscripts i, T to simplify the notations, but it is understood that the terms p, q, r depend on (i, T). Using the triangle inequality and the submultiplicative

property of matrix norm $\|.\|$, we have

$$q = \|\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} (\mathbf{B}_i - \mathbf{B}_{iT}) \mathbf{B}_i^{-1} \|,$$

$$\leq \|\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} \| rp,$$

$$\leq \|(\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_i^{-1}) + \mathbf{B}_i^{-1} \| rp,$$

$$\leq (p+q) rp.$$

Subtracting rpq from both sides and multiplying by $T^{\alpha/2}$, we have, for any $\alpha < 1/2$,

$$(1 - rp) \left(T^{\alpha/2} q \right) \le p^2 \left(T^{\alpha/2} r \right). \tag{A.45}$$

Note that $T^{\alpha/2}r \stackrel{p}{\to} 0$ by Lemma A.7, and |p| < K since \mathbf{B}_i is invertible and $\lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{B}_i)$ is bounded away from zero¹¹. It follows

$$(1 - rp) \xrightarrow{p} 1, \tag{A.46}$$

and

$$p^2 \left(T^{\alpha/2} r \right) \xrightarrow{p} 0.$$
 (A.47)

(A.45)-(A.47) imply $T^{\alpha/2}q \xrightarrow{p} 0$. This establishes result (A.44).

Lemma A.9 Let Assumptions 1-4 hold, and consider ξ_{iT} defined by

$$\xi_{iT} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i}{T} \left(\frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i}{T} \right)^{-1} \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}}.$$

where \mathbf{P}_i is given by (12), and $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ and $\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i$ are defined below (8). Then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{iT} \to_{p} 0, \tag{A.48}$$

 $as \ n, T \to \infty \ such \ that \ \sup_{n,T} \sqrt{n}/T^{1-\epsilon} < K \ for \ some \ \epsilon > 0.$

Proof. Term ξ_{iT} can be written as

$$\xi_{iT} = \mathbf{a}_{iT}^{\prime} \mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} \mathbf{q}_{iT}, \tag{A.49}$$

where \mathbf{a}_{iT} is given by (A.18), \mathbf{B}_{iT} is given by (A.19), and

$$\mathbf{q}_{iT} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}' \mathbf{P}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} \sqrt{T}}.$$
(A.50)

We have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i,T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{a}'_{iT} \left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{q}_{iT} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{a}'_{iT} \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \mathbf{q}_{iT}.$$
(A.51)

Consider the two terms on the right side of (A.51) in turn. Lemma A.2 established fourth moments of \mathbf{a}_{iT} are bounded, which is sufficient for $\|\mathbf{a}_{iT}\| = O_p(1)$. Result (A.26) of Lemma A.6 established second moments of individual elements of \mathbf{q}_{iT} are bounded, which is sufficient for $\|\mathbf{q}_{iT}\| = O_p(1)$. In addition, Lemma A.8

This follows from observing that both σ_{xi}^2 and $E(\xi_{it}^2)$ as well as α_i^2 in (A.36) are bounded away from zero.

established

$$T^{\alpha/2} \| \mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \| \to_p 0 \text{ as } T \to \infty, \text{ for any } \alpha < 1/2.$$

Let $\epsilon = (1 - \alpha)/2$ so that $1 - \epsilon = 1/2 + \alpha/2$. Then we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{a}'_{iT} \left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \right) \mathbf{q}_{iT} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{T}} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha/2}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{a}'_{iT} \left[T^{\alpha/2} \left(\mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \right) \right] \mathbf{q}_{iT} \\
\leq \frac{\sqrt{n}}{T^{1-\epsilon}} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \| \mathbf{a}_{iT} \| \left(T^{\alpha/2} \| \mathbf{B}_{iT}^{-1} - \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \| \right) \| \mathbf{q}_{iT} \| \right) \to_{p} 0 \quad (A.52)$$

as $n, T \to \infty$ such that $\sup_{n,T} \frac{\sqrt{n}}{T^{1-\epsilon}} < K$ for some $\epsilon > 0$.

Consider next the second term on the right side of (A.51). Let $\mu_{iT}^* = E\left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right)$, and consider the variance of $(nT)^{-1/2}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}$. By independence of $\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}$ across i,

$$Var\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right) = \frac{1}{nT}\sum_{i=1}^{n}Var\left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{nT}\sum_{i=1}^{n}E\left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right)^{2}.$$
(A.53)

Denoting individual elements of \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} as $b_{i,sj}^{-}$, individual elements of \mathbf{a}_{iT} as $a_{iT,j}$, and individual elements of \mathbf{q}_{iT} as $q_{iT,s}$, for s, j = 1, 2, we have

$$\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT} = \sum_{s=1}^{2} \sum_{j=1}^{2} b_{i,sj}^{-} a_{iT,s} q_{iT,j}$$

$$= b_{i,11}^{-} a_{iT,1} q_{iT,1} + b_{i,21}^{-} a_{iT,2} q_{iT,1} + b_{i,12}^{-} a_{iT,1} q_{iT,2} + b_{i,22}^{-} a_{iT,2} q_{iT,2}, \qquad (A.54)$$

where

$$a_{iT,1} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{x}_{it} \Delta \tilde{y}_{it} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i) \Delta y_{it}, \tag{A.55}$$

$$a_{iT,2} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \tilde{x}_{it} \Delta \tilde{x}_{it} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i) u_{x,it}, \tag{A.56}$$

$$q_{iT,1} = \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i}{\alpha_i \sqrt{T}},\tag{A.57}$$

and

$$q_{iT,2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{\tilde{u}_{x,it}\tilde{v}_{it}}{\alpha_i}.$$
(A.58)

Note that $\sup_i \|\mathbf{B}_i^{-1}\| < K$, ¹² and therefore $\left| \left(b_{i,sj}^- \right)^2 \right| < K$. Using this result and Cauchy-Schwarz inequality for the individual summands on the right side of (A.54), we obtain

$$E\left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}^{\prime}\mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right)^{2} \leq K\sum_{s=1}^{2}\sum_{i=1}^{2}\sqrt{E\left(a_{iT,s}^{4}\right)}\sqrt{E\left(q_{iT,j}^{4}\right)} < K,\tag{A.59}$$

 $^{^{-12}\}mathbf{B}_i$ is invertible and $\inf_i \lambda_{\min}(\mathbf{B}_i)$ is bounded away from zero. This follows from observing that both σ_{xi}^2 and $E\left(\xi_{it}^2\right)$ as well as α_i^2 in (A.36) are bounded away from zero.

where $E\left(a_{iT,s}^4\right) < K$ by Lemma A.2, and $E\left(q_{iT,j}^4\right) < K$ by result (A.26) of Lemma A.6. Using (A.59) in (A.53), it follows that

$$Var\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}}\sum_{i=1}^{n}\mathbf{a}_{iT}'\mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1}\mathbf{q}_{iT}\right) < \frac{K}{T},$$

and therefore

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\mathbf{a}_{iT}^{\prime} \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \mathbf{q}_{iT} - \mu_{iT}^{*} \right) \rightarrow_{q.m.} 0 \text{ as } n, T \rightarrow \infty.$$
(A.60)

We establish an upper bound for $|\mu_{iT}^*|$ next. We have (using (A.54) and noting that $|b_{i,sj}^-| < K$)

$$|\mu_{iT}^*| < K \cdot \sum_{s=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 |E(a_{iT,s}q_{iT,j})|.$$

It follows that if we can show that

$$|E\left(a_{iT,s}q_{iT,j}\right)| < \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}},\tag{A.61}$$

holds for all s, j = 1, 2, then

$$|\mu_{iT}^*| < \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}},\tag{A.62}$$

hold. We establish (A.61) for s = j = 2, first, which is the most convenient case to consider. We have

$$E(a_{iT,2}q_{iT,2}) = E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i) u_{x,it} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{u_{x,it}v_{it}}{\alpha_i}\right) = 0,$$
(A.63)

since v_{it} is independently distributed of $u_{x,it'}$ for any t,t'. Consider next s=1, j=2. We have

$$E(a_{iT,1}q_{iT,2}) = E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i) \Delta y_{it} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{u_{x,it}v_{it}}{\alpha_i}\right),$$
(A.64)

where (first-differencing (A.6) and substituting (3))

$$\Delta y_{it} = \delta_i u_{x,it} + v_{it} - \alpha_i \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell-1} \left[v_{i,t-\ell} + (\delta_i - \beta) u_{x,i,t-\ell} \right],$$

$$= \eta_{u,it} + \eta_{v,it}, \tag{A.65}$$

in which

$$\eta_{u,it} = \delta_i u_{x,it} - \alpha_i \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell-1} (\delta_i - \beta) u_{x,i,t-\ell},$$
(A.66)

and

$$\eta_{v,it} = v_{it} - \alpha_i \sum_{\ell=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_i)^{\ell-1} v_{i,t-\ell}.$$
 (A.67)

Hence, $E(a_{iT,1}q_{iT,2})$ can be written as

$$E(a_{iT,1}q_{iT,2}) = E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i) \eta_{u,it} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{u_{x,it}v_{it}}{\alpha_i}\right) + E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i) \eta_{v,it} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{u_{x,it}v_{it}}{\alpha_i}\right).$$

The first term is equal to 0, since v_{it} is independently distributed of $u_{x,it'}$ for any t,t'. Consider the second term. Noting that $E\left[\left(x_{it}-\bar{x}_i\right)u_{x,is}\right] < K$ and $\left|\alpha_i^{-1}\right| < K$ for any i,t,s, we obtain

$$E\left(\frac{1}{T}\sum_{t=1}^{T}(x_{it}-\bar{x}_{i})\eta_{v,it}\cdot\frac{1}{\sqrt{T}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\frac{u_{x,it}v_{it}}{\alpha_{i}}\right) = \frac{1}{T^{3/2}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\sum_{s=1}^{T}\alpha_{i}^{-1}E\left[(x_{it}-\bar{x}_{i})u_{x,is}\right]E\left(\eta_{v,is}v_{it}\right),$$

$$\leq \frac{K}{T^{3/2}}\sum_{t=1}^{T}\sum_{s=1}^{T}E\left(\eta_{v,is}v_{it}\right).$$

But

$$E\left(\eta_{v,is}v_{it}\right) = \begin{cases} 0, \text{ for } s < t, \\ \sigma_{vi}^2 < K, \text{ for } s = t, \\ \le K\rho^{s-t}, \text{ for } s > t, \end{cases}$$

where $\rho \equiv \sup_{i} (1 - \alpha_i) < 1$ by Assumption 1. Hence $\left| \sum_{s=1}^{T} E\left(\eta_{v,is} v_{it} \right) \right| < K$ for any t = 1, 2, ...T, and

$$\left| E\left(\frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \left(x_{it} - \bar{x}_i\right) \eta_{v,it} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{T}} \sum_{t=1}^{T} \frac{u_{x,it} v_{it}}{\alpha_i} \right) \right| \le \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}},\tag{A.68}$$

as desired. This establish (A.61) hold for s = 1, j = 2.

Consider next (A.61) for $s \in \{1, 2\}$ and j = 1. Using expression (A.30), we can write $a_{iT,s}q_{iT,1}$, for s = 1, 2, as

$$a_{iT,s}q_{iT,1} = a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{a,iT} + a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{b,iT} + a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{c,iT}, \tag{A.69}$$

where as in the proof of Lemma A.6 $\varsigma_{a,iT} = -\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}'_{i,-1}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i/\sqrt{T}$, $\varsigma_{b,iT} = \alpha_i^{-1}\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{x}}'_i\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i/\sqrt{T}$ and $\varsigma_{c,iT} = \alpha_i^{-1}\Delta\tilde{\mathbf{v}}'_i\mathbf{P}_i\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i/\sqrt{T}$. Using similar arguments as in establishing (A.68), we obtain

$$|E\left(a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{a,iT}\right)| < \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}}, \text{ for } s = 1, 2.$$

Noting next that $\zeta_{b,iT} = \alpha_i^{-1} q_{i,T,2}$, it directly follows from results (A.63) and (A.68) that

$$|E\left(a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{b,iT}\right)| < \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}}, \text{ for } s = 1, 2.$$

Consider the last term, $a_{i,T,s}\varsigma_{c,iT}$, for s=1,2. Using Cauchy-Schwarz inequality we have

$$|E\left(a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{c,iT}\right)| \le \sqrt{E\left(a_{iT,s}^2\right)}\sqrt{E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}^2\right)}, \text{ for } s = 1, 2.$$

But $E\left(a_{iT,s}^2\right) < K$, for s = 1, 2 by Lemma A.2, and $E\left(\varsigma_{c,iT}^2\right) < K/T$ is implied by (A.33). Hence

$$|E\left(a_{iT,s}\varsigma_{c,iT}\right)| \leq \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}}, \text{ for } s = 1, 2.$$

This completes the proof of (A.61) for all s, j = 1, 2, and therefore (A.62) holds. Using (A.62), we

$$\left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{iT}^{*} \right| \le \frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |\mu_{iT}^{*}| < \frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{K}{\sqrt{T}} = K \frac{\sqrt{n}}{T} \to 0, \tag{A.70}$$

as $n, T \to \infty$ such that $\sqrt{n}/T \to 0$. Results (A.60) and (A.70) imply

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{a}_{iT}' \mathbf{B}_{i}^{-1} \mathbf{q}_{iT} \to_{p} 0, \tag{A.71}$$

as $n, T \to \infty$ such that $\sqrt{n}/T \to 0$. Finally, using (A.52) and (A.71) in (A.51), we obtain (A.60), as desired.

A.3 Proof of Theorem

Proof of Theorem 1. Substituting $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i \beta + \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i \psi_i + \alpha_i^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_i$ in (10), and using $\mathbf{M}_i \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$, and $\mathbf{M}_i \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_i = \mathbf{0}$, we have

$$T\sqrt{n}\left(\hat{\beta} - \beta\right) = \left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\mathbf{M}_{i}\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T^{2}}\right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}'\mathbf{M}_{i}\tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{T\alpha_{i}}\right). \tag{A.72}$$

Consider the first term on the right side of (A.72) first. Lemma A.4 establishes

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{M}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}}{T^{2}} \to_{p} \omega_{x}^{2} > 0, \text{ as } n, T \to \infty,$$
(A.73)

where $\omega_x^2 = \sigma_x^2/6$, $\sigma_x^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2$. Consider the second term on the right side of (A.72). Noting that $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i' \mathbf{P}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i'$, we have

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{M}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} T} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} T} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{nT}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \xi_{i,T}, \tag{A.74}$$

where

$$\xi_{iT} = \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}}{T} \left(\frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}' \mathbf{P}_{i} \Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}}{T} \right)^{-1} \frac{\Delta \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{i}' \mathbf{P}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} \sqrt{T}}.$$
 (A.75)

Using Lemma A.5 (for the first term on the right side of (A.74)), and Lemma A.9 (for the second term on the right side of (A.74)), we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}' \mathbf{M}_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{v}}_{i}}{\alpha_{i} T} \to_{d} N\left(0, \omega_{v}^{2}\right), \tag{A.76}$$

as $n, T \to \infty$ and $\sup_{n,T} \sqrt{n}/T^{1-\epsilon} < K$, for some $\epsilon > 0$, where $\omega_v^2 = \lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \sigma_{xi}^2 \sigma_{vi}^2 / \left(6\alpha_i^2\right)$. Using (A.73) and (A.76) in (A.72) establishes (14).

Online Supplement to "Pooled Bewley Estimator of Long Run Relationships in Dynamic Heterogenous Panels"

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This online supplement describes implementation of the Pooled Mean Group (PMG) estimator, which we compute iteratively, in Section S-1. Section S-2 discusses implementation of biascorrection methods and bootstrapping of critical values for the PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimators. Section S-3 provides tables with Monte Carlo findings for experiments with cross-sectionally dependent errors.

S-1 Computation of PMG estimator

Consider the same illustrative panel ARDL model as in the paper, namely the model given by equations (1)-(2). PMG estimator of the long-run coefficient β , as originally proposed by Pesaran, Shin and Smith (1999), is computed by solving the following equations iteratively:

$$\hat{\beta}_{PMG} = -\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\hat{\phi}_{i}^{2}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i}^{2}} \mathbf{x}_{i}' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \mathbf{x}_{i}\right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\hat{\phi}_{i}^{2}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i}^{2}} \mathbf{x}_{i}' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \left(\Delta \mathbf{y}_{i} - \hat{\phi}_{i} \mathbf{y}_{i,-1}\right), \tag{S.1}$$

$$\hat{\phi}_i = \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i\right)^{-1} \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \Delta \mathbf{y}_i, \ i = 1, 2, ..., n,$$
(S.2)

and

$$\hat{\sigma}_i^2 = T^{-1} \left(\Delta \mathbf{y}_i - \hat{\phi}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i \right)' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \left(\Delta \mathbf{y}_i - \hat{\phi}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i \right), i = 1, 2, ..., n,$$
 (S.3)

where
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_i = \mathbf{y}_{i,-1} - \mathbf{x}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{PMG}$$
, $\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i,1}, x_{i,2}, ..., x_{i,T})'$, $\Delta \mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{y}_{i,-1}$, $\mathbf{y}_i = (y_{i,1}, y_{i,2}, ..., y_{i,T})'$, $\mathbf{y}_{i,-1} = (y_{i,0}, y_{i,1}, ..., y_{i,T-1})'$, $\mathbf{H}_{x,i} = \mathbf{I}_T - \Delta \mathbf{x}_i (\Delta \mathbf{x}_i' \Delta \mathbf{x}_i)^{-1} \Delta \mathbf{x}_i'$, $\Delta \mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_{i,-1}$, and $\mathbf{x}_{i,-1} = (x_{i,0}, x_{i,1}, ..., x_{i,T-1})'$. To solve (S.1)-(S.3) iteratively, we set $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{PMG,(0)}$ to the pooled Engle-Granger estimator, and given the initial estimate $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{PMG,(0)}$, we compute $\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,(0)} = \mathbf{y}_{i,-1} - \mathbf{x}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{PMG,(0)}$, $\hat{\boldsymbol{\phi}}_{i,(0)}$ and $\hat{\sigma}_{i,(0)}^2$, for

i=1,2,...,n using (S.2)-(S.3). Next we compute $\hat{\beta}_{PMG,(1)}$ using (S.1) and given values $\hat{\phi}_{i,(0)}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2_{i,(0)}$. Then we iterate - for a given value of $\hat{\beta}_{PMG,(\ell)}$ we compute $\hat{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{i,(\ell)}$, $\hat{\phi}_{i,(\ell)}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2_{i,(\ell)}$; and for given values of $\hat{\phi}_{i,(\ell)}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2_{i,(\ell)}$ we compute $\hat{\beta}_{PMG,(\ell+1)}$. If convergence is not achieved, we increase ℓ by one and repeat. We define convergence by $|\hat{\beta}_{PMG,(\ell+1)} - \hat{\beta}_{PMG,(\ell)}| < 10^{-4}$.

Inference is conducted using equation (17) of Pesaran, Shin and Smith (1999). In particular,

$$T\sqrt{n}\left(\hat{\beta}_{PMG}-\beta_{0}\right)\sim N\left(0,\Omega_{PMG}\right),$$

where

$$\Omega_{PMG} = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\phi_{i,0}}{\sigma_{i,0}^{2}} r_{x_{i},x_{i}}\right)^{-1}, \text{ and } r_{x_{i},x_{i}} = plim_{T \to \infty} T^{-2} \mathbf{x}_{i}' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \mathbf{x}_{i}.$$

Standard error of $\hat{\beta}_{PMG}$, denoted as $se\left(\hat{\beta}_{PMG}\right)$, is estimated as

$$\widehat{se}\left(\widehat{\beta}_{PMG}\right) = T^{-1}n^{-1/2}\widehat{\Omega}_{PMG},$$

where

$$\hat{\Omega}_{PMG} = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\hat{\phi}_{i,0}}{\hat{\sigma}_{i,0}^{2}} \hat{r}_{x_{i},x_{i}}\right)^{-1} \text{ and } \hat{r}_{x_{i},x_{i}} = T^{-2} \mathbf{x}_{i}' \mathbf{H}_{x,i} \mathbf{x}_{i}.$$
 (S.4)

S-2 Simulation-based bias-corrected PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimators, and bootstrapping critical values

Similarly to the simulation-based bias-corrected PB estimator, we consider the following bias-corrected PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimators. Let the original (uncorrected) estimators be denoted as $\hat{\beta}_e$ for e = PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS, respectively. Simulation-based bias corrected version of these estimators is given by

$$\tilde{\beta}_e = \hat{\beta}_e - \hat{b}_e, \tag{S.1}$$

for e = PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS, where \hat{b}_e an estimate of the bias obtained by the following stochastic simulation algorithm, which resembles the algorithm in Subsection 2.2.1. For e = PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS:

- 1. Compute $\hat{\beta}_e$. Given $\hat{\beta}_e$, estimate the remaining unknown coefficients of (1)-(2) by least squares, and compute residuals $\hat{u}_{y,it}^e$, $\hat{u}_{x,it}^e$.
- 2. For each r = 1, 2, ..., R, generate new draws for $\hat{u}_{y,it}^{e,(r)} = a_t^{(r)} \hat{u}_{y,it}^e$, and $\hat{u}_{x,it}^{e,(r)} = a_t^{(r)} \hat{u}_{x,it}^e$, where

¹³If convergence does not occur within the first 500 iterations, we stop and report potential divergence. This event did not happen in any of the simulations in this paper. Convergence of the PMG procedure above is typically fast.

 $a_t^{(r)}$ are randomly drawn from Rademacher distribution (Liu, 1988) namely

$$a_t^{(r)} = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{with probability } 1/2\\ 1, & \text{with probability } 1/2 \end{cases}.$$

Given the estimated parameters of (1)-(2) from Step 1, and initial values y_{i1}, x_{i1} generate simulated data $y_{it}^{e,(r)}, x_{it}^{e,(r)}$ for t = 2, 3, ..., T and i = 1, 2, ..., n. Using the generated data compute $\hat{\beta}_e^{(r)}$.

3. Compute
$$\hat{b}_e = \left[R^{-1} \sum_{r=1}^{R} \hat{\beta}_e^{(r)} - \hat{\beta}_e \right].$$

Possibility of iterating the algorithm above by using the bias-corrected estimate $\tilde{\beta}_e$ in Step 1 is not considered in this paper.

We conduct inference by using the $1-\alpha$ confidence interval $C_{1-\alpha}\left(\tilde{\beta}_e\right)=\tilde{\beta}_e\pm\hat{k}_e\hat{se}\left(\hat{\beta}_e\right)=\tilde{\beta}_e\pm T^{-1}n^{-1/2}\hat{k}_e\hat{\Omega}_e$, where \hat{k}_e is computed by stochastic simulation. In particular, \hat{k}_e is the $1-\alpha$ percent quantile of $\left\{\left|t_e^{(r)}\right|\right\}_{r=1}^R$, where $t_e^{(r)}=\tilde{\beta}_e^{(r)}/\hat{se}\left(\hat{\beta}_e^{(r)}\right)=T^{-1}n^{-1/2}\tilde{\beta}_e^{(r)}/\hat{\Omega}_e^{(r)}, \ \tilde{\beta}_e^{(r)}=\hat{\beta}_e^{(r)}-\hat{b}_e$ is the bias-corrected PMG estimate of β in the r-th draw of the simulated data in the algorithm above, and $\hat{\Omega}_e^{(r)}$ is estimated standard error using the simulated data.

S-2.1 Jackknife bias-corrections

We consider similar jackknife bias correction for PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimator as for the PB estimator in Section 2.2. In particular,

$$\widetilde{eta}_{jk,e} = \widetilde{eta}_{jk,e}\left(\kappa
ight) = \widehat{eta}_e - \kappa \left(rac{\widehat{eta}_{e,a} + \widehat{eta}_{e,b}}{2} - \widehat{eta}_e
ight),$$

for e=PMG, PDOLS, and FMOLS, where $\hat{\beta}_e$ is the full sample estimator, $\hat{\beta}_{e,a}$ and $\hat{\beta}_{e,b}$ are the first and the second half sub-sample estimators, and $\kappa=1/3$ is the same weighting parameter as in Section 2.2

We conduct inference by using the $1-\alpha$ confidence interval $C_{1-\alpha}\left(\tilde{\beta}_{jk,e}\right) = \tilde{\beta}_{jk,e} \pm \hat{k}_{jk,e} \hat{se}\left(\hat{\beta}_{e}\right) = \tilde{\beta}_{jk,e} \pm \hat{k}_{jk,e} T^{-1} n^{-1/2} \hat{\Omega}_{e}$, where $\hat{k}_{jk,e}$ is computed by stochastic simulation. In particular, \hat{k}_{jk} is the $1-\alpha$ percent quantile of $\left\{\left|t_{jk,e}^{(r)}\right|\right\}_{r=1}^{R}$, where $t_{jk,e}^{(r)} = \tilde{\beta}_{jk,e}^{(r)}/\hat{se}\left(\hat{\beta}_{e}^{(r)}\right) = T^{-1}n^{-1/2}\tilde{\beta}_{jk,e}^{(r)}/\hat{\Omega}_{e}^{(r)}$, $\tilde{\beta}_{jk,e}^{(r)}$ is the jackknife bias-corrected estimate of β using the r-th draw of the simulated data generated using the same algorithm as in Subsection S-2, and $\hat{\Omega}_{e}^{(r)}$ is estimated standard error using the simulated data.

S-3 Monte Carlo results for experiments with cross-sectionally dependent errors

Table S1: MC findings for the estimation of long-run coefficient β in experiments with cross-sectionally dependent errors.

Estimators without bias correction and inference conducted using standard critical values.

	Е	RM	ISE ((× 10	0)		S	ize (59	% leve	1)	P	Power (5% level)					
$n \backslash T$	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	_	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50
	PB																
20	-3.83	-1.93	-1.01	-0.66	7.58	4.92	3.57	2.78	2	28.00	21.95	17.55	16.80	37.30	64.50	86.90	96.85
30	-3.57	-1.98	-1.17	-0.69	6.67	4.43	3.32	2.46	2	28.95	23.55	22.10	18.80	45.10	75.25	92.70	99.00
40	-3.94	-2.04	-1.10	-0.74	6.58	4.20	3.08	2.37	3	33.60	27.25	23.75	22.90	46.60	82.00	96.70	99.65
50	-3.88	-1.99	-1.10	-0.76	6.35	4.01	2.89	2.23	3	38.30	29.55	25.30	23.30	50.70	85.60	97.75	99.95
	PMG																
20	-1.96	-0.90	-0.40	-0.26	9.05	5.49	3.86	3.00	4	15.75	34.00	26.30	23.90	62.45	78.50	92.45	98.15
30	-1.60	-1.05	-0.56	-0.31	7.76	4.83	3.54	2.58	4	16.35	37.25	32.75	27.35	70.50	85.25	95.60	99.65
40	-1.79	-1.02	-0.50	-0.32	7.07	4.51	3.27	2.44	4	19.40	40.80	35.00	29.90	73.05	90.25	97.65	99.85
50	-1.76	-0.89	-0.46	-0.32	6.70	4.21	3.00	2.28	5	54.30	42.95	34.20	31.55	76.40	93.90	98.90	100.00
	PDOL	S															
20	-6.20	-4.10	-3.08	-2.40	9.50	6.31	4.67	3.67	3	31.40	27.30	25.70	26.30	22.35	39.95	65.20	85.80
30	-5.76	-4.15	-3.08	-2.37	8.65	5.89	4.39	3.41	3	34.85	33.45	32.15	33.35	27.95	48.60	77.05	93.55
40	-6.29	-4.24	-3.12	-2.44	8.67	5.82	4.27	3.35	4	42.95	41.85	38.60	38.80	26.95	52.35	82.15	97.05
50	-6.12	-4.19	-3.09	-2.47	8.46	5.62	4.16	3.27	4	17.90	45.45	45.15	45.05	31.50	59.55	88.25	98.65
	FMOL	S															
20	-10.89	-7.25	-5.42	-4.20	13.27	9.09	6.79	5.37	8	35.10	76.30	68.35	63.05	54.40	54.40	73.30	88.35
30	-10.32	-7.26	-5.29	-4.06	12.28	8.70	6.45	5.04	8	88.60	82.70	76.00	71.35	57.00	60.70	82.20	95.25
40	-10.94	-7.60	-5.45	-4.29	12.57	8.76	6.41	5.10	6	91.90	88.20	82.85	77.50	60.10	61.75	84.95	96.65
50	-10.72	-7.42	-5.38	-4.30	12.26	8.52	6.28	5.00	6	93.50	89.15	85.40	82.35	63.55	68.15	89.30	98.80

Notes: DGP is given by $\Delta y_{it} = c_i - \alpha_i (y_{i,t-1} - \beta x_{i,t-1}) + u_{y,it}$ and $\Delta x_{it} = u_{x,it}$, for i = 1, 2, ..., n, T = 1, 2, ..., T, with $\beta = 1$ and $\alpha_i \sim IIDU$ [0.2, 0.3]. Errors $u_{y,it}$, $u_{x,it}$ are cross-sectionally dependent, heteroskedastic over i, and also correlated over y & x equations. See Section 3.1 for complete description of the DGP. The pooled Bewley estimator is given by (10), with variance estimated using (18). PMG is the Pooled Mean Group estimator proposed by Pesaran, Shin, and Smith (1999). PDOLS is panel dynamic OLS estimator by Mark and Sul (2003). FMOLS is the group-mean fully modified OLS estimator by Pedroni (1996, 2001b). The size and power findings are computed using 5% nominal level and the reported power is the rejection frequency for testing the hypothesis $\beta = 0.9$.

Table S2: MC findings for the estimation of long-run coefficient β in experiments with cross-sectionally dependent errors.

Bias corrected estimators and inference conducted using bootstrapped critical values.

	I	Bias (× 100)	RM	ISE ((× 10	00)	Si	ze (5%	% level	1)	Po	wer (5% lev	el)
$n \backslash T$	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50	20	30	40	50
	Jackl	knife	bias-c	orrect	ed estim	ators										
	ΡВ															
20	-1.57	-0.54	-0.11	-0.01	7.83	5.24	3.92	3.04	7.65	6.55	5.55	4.65	20.55	41.35	65.35	83.50
30	-1.29	-0.67	-0.34	-0.05	6.76	4.63	3.59	2.72	6.30	6.60	6.40	5.25	25.80	51.35	73.90	91.45
40	-1.67	-0.62	-0.20	-0.06	6.48	4.35	3.36	2.58	6.75	6.15	6.20	5.40	25.55	54.30	80.25	94.45
50	-1.54	-0.58	-0.21	-0.09	6.16	4.12	3.15	2.43	6.80	6.20	5.85	4.65	27.65	59.40	84.95	96.70
	PMG															
20	-0.54	-0.15	0.02	0.06	10.66	6.26	4.45	3.44	16.05	10.80	8.55	7.90	29.10	45.05	69.15	84.75
30	-0.25	-0.39	-0.19	0.03	9.10	5.50	4.02	2.94	14.80	10.40	9.05	6.90	36.30	53.85	76.40	93.40
40	-0.57	-0.27	-0.08	0.03	8.25	5.13	3.78	2.78	14.10	10.50	9.15	7.80	35.10	59.50	81.25	95.55
50	-0.41	-0.10	-0.06	0.03	7.81	4.81	3.44	2.63	14.85	11.05	8.65	7.65	39.55	64.65	85.90	97.15
	PDOLS 20 -4.61 -2.84 -2.06 -1.54															
20	-4.61	-2.84	-2.06	-1.54	9.89	6.23	4.51	3.51	8.75	7.50	6.45	4.95	10.05	21.55	39.00	63.80
30	-4.09	-2.96	-2.15	-1.55	8.86	5.72	4.21	3.20	8.70	7.30	6.55	5.40	12.20	24.05	46.10	73.10
40	-4.66	-2.94	-2.13	-1.57	8.62	5.53	4.00	3.06	8.80	6.55	6.45	4.55		23.90		
50	-4.41		-2.11	-1.63	8.30	5.29	3.84	2.95	9.85	6.50	6.25	5.10	11.95	24.40	52.10	80.80
	FMO															
	-8.65				12.18				11.25	5.65	4.20		2.00	4.55		25.50
	-8.06				11.00				9.65	6.85	5.20		2.10		12.65	
	-8.65				11.08				11.50	6.50	4.55		1.45		12.25	
50	-8.44				10.72				12.45	6.70	4.55	3.40	1.75	4.40	13.70	34.30
		nastic	simu	lation	bias-cori	ected	l esti	imato	rs							
	РВ															
	-1.26					4.80			10.10	7.95	6.45			52.15		
	-1.04					4.21			10.20	7.35	7.20			64.30		
	-1.31					3.93			10.15	7.50	6.75			69.80		
	-1.26		-0.12	-0.09	5.78	3.72	2.78	2.17	10.20	7.85	7.05	6.00	42.90	75.25	93.50	99.20
	PMG		0.00	0.00	0.04	1	0.01	0.00	10.00	10.50	7.00	0.70	01.05	F1 00	70.10	
	-1.23					5.54				10.50	7.60			51.80		
	-0.92					4.84			14.70	9.95	8.45			60.85		
	-1.10					4.51				10.00	8.90			67.05		
	-1.06		-0.16	-0.10	0.77	4.23	3.02	2.29	14.90	10.45	8.25	0.00	44.90	71.40	91.75	99.15
	PDOI		0.66	0.27	0.72	E 46	2.02	2.05	19.05	10.05	7 75	6.00	22.40	45.05	71.20	97.75
	-2.34					5.46			12.05		7.75			45.25		
	-2.03					4.85			12.15	8.60	8.45			51.50		
	-2.46 -2.32					4.68 4.41				10.20	9.05			55.55		
	-2.32 FMO		-0.08	-0.44	1.28	4.41	J.15	∠.39	15.00	9.60	8.40	1.40	30.13	59.85	00.40	30.00
20			1 94	0.77	10.37	6 79	1 0 5	3 09	10 15	10.00	7 90	6 95	17 90	31 7F	50.55	70.75
	-4.39					6.02				10.90	7.80			31.75		
	-4.00 -4.46					5.67				12.00 12.10	9.60 9.60			37.25 38.50		
											10.10					
===	-4.30	-4.21	-1.22	-0.00	0.48	5.41	5.92	J.UZ	21.20	19.90	10.10	1.00	22.00	44.85	12.20	90.40

Notes: See the notes to Table S1. Bias-corrected versions of the PB estimator are described in Subsection 2.2. Bias-corrected versions of the PMG, PDOLS and FMOLS estimator are described in the online supplement. Inference is conducted using bootstrapped critical values.

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