

where:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} y_{1j} &= \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} (\mu_1 + \mathbf{x}_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 + e_{1j}) = \\ \mu_1 \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} + \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} \mathbf{x}_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} e_{1j} &= \\ \mu_1 + \left( \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} \mathbf{x}_j \right) \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} e_{1j} \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

and by developing ATE further using Eq. (11), we finally get the result in (10).

**Proposition 2.** *Formula of ATE( $\mathbf{x}_i$ ) with neighbourhood interactions.* Given assumptions 2 and 3 and the result in proposition 1, we have that:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i) &= \text{ATE} + (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \boldsymbol{\delta} + \\ &\quad \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x}_j) \gamma \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

where it is now easy to see that  $\text{ATE} = E_{\mathbf{x}}\{\text{ATE}(\mathbf{x})\}$ . The proof is in Appendix. See A2.

**Proposition 3.** *Baseline random-coefficient regression.* By substitution of equations (7) into the POM of Eq. (6), we obtain the following random-coefficient regression model (Wooldridge, 1997):

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &= \eta + w_i \cdot \text{ATE} + \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_0 + w_i (\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \boldsymbol{\delta} + \\ &\quad w_i \sum_{j=1}^N \omega_{ij} w_j (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \mathbf{x}_j) \gamma \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 + e_i \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

where,  $\eta = \mu_0 + \gamma \mu_1$   $\boldsymbol{\delta} = \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 - \boldsymbol{\beta}_0$

and

$$e_i = \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} e_{1j} + e_{0i} + w_i (e_{1i} - e_{0i}) - w_i \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} e_{1j}$$

The proof is in Appendix. See A3.

**Proposition 4.** *Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) consistency.* Under assumption 1 (CMI), 2 and 3, the error term of regression (14) has zero mean conditional on  $(w_i, \mathbf{x}_i)$ , i.e.:

$$\begin{aligned} E(e_i | w_i, \mathbf{x}_i) &= E \left( \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} e_{1j} + e_{0i} + w_i (e_{1i} - e_{0i}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. - w_i \gamma \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \omega_{ij} e_{1j} | w_i, \mathbf{x}_i \right) = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

thus implying that Eq. (14) is a regression model whose parameters can be *consistently* estimated by Ordinary Least Squares (OLS). The proof is in Appendix. See A4.

Once a consistent estimation of the parameters of (14) is obtained, we can estimate ATE directly from the regression, and  $\text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  by plugging the estimated parameters into formula (11). This is because  $\text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  becomes a function of consistent estimates, and thus consistent itself:

$$\text{plim } \text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i) = \text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

where  $\text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  is the plug-in estimator of  $\text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i)$ . Observe, however, that the (exogenous) weighting matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Omega} = [\omega_{ij}]$  needs to be provided in advance.

Once the formulas for ATE and  $\text{ATE}(\mathbf{x}_i)$  are available, it is also possible to recover the Average Treatment Effect on Treated (ATET) and on non-Treated (ATENT) as: