

High-Dimensional Consistencies of KOO Methods for Selection of Variables in Multivariate Linear Regression Models with Covariance Structures

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Abstract

In this paper, we consider high-dimensional consistencies of KOO methods for selection of variables in multivariate regression model with covariance structures. The covariance structures considered are (1) independent covariance structure with the same variance, (2) independent covariance structure with different variances, and (3) uniform covariance structure. Sufficient conditions for our KOO methods to be consistent are derived under a high-dimensional asymptotic framework such that the sample size n , the number p of response variables and the number k of explanatory variables are large as in the way $p/n \rightarrow c_1 \in (0, 1)$ and $k/n \rightarrow c_2 \in [0, 1)$, where $c_1 + c_2 < 1$.

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1. Introduction

We consider a multivariate linear regression of p response variables y_1, \dots, y_p on a subset of k explanatory variables x_1, \dots, x_k . Suppose that there are n observations on $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_p)'$ and $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_k)'$, and let $\mathbf{Y} : n \times p$ and $\mathbf{X} : n \times k$ be the observation matrices of \mathbf{y} and \mathbf{x} with the sample size n , respectively. The multivariate linear regression model including all the explanatory variables under normality is written as

$$\mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n \times p}(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\Theta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \otimes \mathbf{I}_n), \quad (1.1)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Theta}$ is a $k \times p$ unknown matrix of regression coefficients and $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is a $p \times p$ unknown covariance matrix. The notation $N_{n \times p}(\cdot, \cdot)$ means the matrix normal distribution such that the mean of \mathbf{Y} is $\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\Theta}$ and the covariance matrix of $\text{vec}(\mathbf{Y})$ is $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \otimes \mathbf{I}_n$, or equivalently, the rows of \mathbf{Y} are independently normal with the same covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$. Here, $\text{vec}(\mathbf{Y})$ be the $np \times 1$ column vector obtained by stacking the columns of \mathbf{Y} on top of one another. We assume that $\text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) = k$.

It is important to consider selection of regression variables in multivariate analysis. One of the approaches is to first consider variable selection models and then apply model selection criteria such as AIC, BIC, etc. Such a criterion for the full model (1.1) is expressed as

$$\text{GIC} = -2 \log L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\Xi}}) + dg, \quad (1.2)$$

where $L(\hat{\boldsymbol{\Xi}})$ is the maximum likelihood, $\boldsymbol{\Xi} = \{\boldsymbol{\Theta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}\}$, $d > 0$ is the penalty term, and g is the number of unknown parameters given by $\{kp + \frac{1}{2}p(p+1)\}$. For AIC and BIC, d is defined as 2 and $\log n$, respectively. In the selection of k variables x_1, \dots, x_k , we identify $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ with the index set $\{1, \dots, k\} \equiv \boldsymbol{\omega}$, and denote GIC for subset $\mathbf{j} \subset \boldsymbol{\omega}$ by $\text{GIC}_{\mathbf{j}}$. Then, the model selection based on GIC chooses the model

$$\tilde{\mathbf{j}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{j}} \text{GIC}_{\mathbf{j}}. \quad (1.3)$$

Here the minimum is usually taken for all subsets. It has been pointed that there are computational problems for the methods based on GIC, including AIC, BIC and C_p methods, since we need to compute $2^k - 1$ statistics for the selection of k variables. To avoid this computational problem, Nishii et al. (1988) proposed a method which is essentially due to Zhao et al. (1988). The method, which was named the knock-one-out (KOO) method by Bai et al. (2018), determines “selection” or “no selection” for each variable by comparing the model removing that variable and the full model. More precisely, the KOO method chooses the model or the set of variables given by

$$\hat{\mathbf{j}} = \{j \in \boldsymbol{\omega} \mid \text{GIC}_{\boldsymbol{\omega} \setminus j} > \text{GIC}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}}\}, \quad (1.4)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\omega} \setminus j$ is a short expression for $\boldsymbol{\omega} \setminus \{j\}$ which is the set obtained by removing element j from the set $\boldsymbol{\omega}$.

When $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ is unknown positive definite, it has been pointed (see, e.g., Yanagihara et al. (2015), Fujikoshi et al. (2014), etc.) that in a high-dimensional case, AIC and C_p have consistency properties, but BIC is not necessarily consistent. The KOO methods in multivariate regression model has been studied by Bai et al. (2018), Bai et al. (2022), Oda and Yanagihara (2020, 2021). The KOO method in discriminant analysis, see Fujikoshi and Sakurai (2019), Oda et al. (2020). For a review, see Fujikoshi (2022).

In this paper we assume that the covariance structure is one of three covariance structures; (1) an independent covariance structure with the same variance, (2) an independent covariance structure with different variances and (3) a uniform covariance structure. Sufficient conditions for the KOO method given by (1.4) to be consistent are derived under a high-dimensional asymptotic framework such that the sample size n , the number p of response variables and the number k of explanatory variables are large as in the way $p/n \rightarrow c_1 \in (0, 1)$ and $k/n \rightarrow c_2 \in [0, 1)$, where $c_1 + c_2 < 1$. Sakurai and Fujikoshi (2020) has considered similar problems under covariance structures (1), (3) and (4) an autoregressive covariance structure, but do not consider under (2). More over, in the study of asymptotic consistencies they assumed

that k is fixed, but in this paper k may tend to infinity such that $k/n \rightarrow c_2 \in [0, 1)$.

The present paper is organized as follows. In section 2, we present notations and preliminaries. In Section 3, we state KOO methods with covariance structures (1), (2) and (3) in terms of key statistics. Further, an approach for their consistencies is stated in Section 3. In Sections 4, 5 and 6 we discuss consistency properties of KOO methods under the covariance structures (1), (2) and (3). In Section 7, our conclusions are discussed.

2. Notations and Preliminaries

Suppose that \mathbf{j} denotes a subset of $\boldsymbol{\omega} = \{1, \dots, k\}$ containing k_j elements, and \mathbf{X}_j denotes the $n \times k_j$ matrix consisting the columns of \mathbf{X} indexed by the elements of \mathbf{j} . Then, $\mathbf{X}_\boldsymbol{\omega} = \mathbf{X}$. Further, we assume that the covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ have a covariance structure $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_c$. Then, we have a generic candidate model

$$M_{c,j} : \mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n \times p}(\mathbf{X}_j \boldsymbol{\Theta}_j, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{c,j} \otimes \mathbf{I}_n), \quad (2.1)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_j$ is a $k_j \times p$ unknown matrix of regression coefficients. We assume that $\text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) = k$.

When $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{c,j}$ is a $p \times p$ unknown covariance matrix, we can write the GIC in (1.2) as

$$\text{GIC}_{c,j} = n \log |\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_j| + np(\log 2\pi + 1) + d \left\{ k_j p + \frac{1}{2} p(p+1) \right\}, \quad (2.2)$$

where $n\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_j = \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_j)\mathbf{Y}$ and $\mathbf{P}_j = \mathbf{X}_j(\mathbf{X}'_j\mathbf{X}_j)^{-1}\mathbf{X}'_j$. When $\mathbf{j} = \boldsymbol{\omega}$, the model $M_{c,\boldsymbol{\omega}}$ is called the full model. Note that $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{c,\boldsymbol{\omega}}$ and $\mathbf{P}_\boldsymbol{\omega}$ are defined from $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}_{c,j}$ and \mathbf{P}_j as $\mathbf{j} = \boldsymbol{\omega}$, $k_\boldsymbol{\omega} = k$ and $\mathbf{X}_\boldsymbol{\omega} = \mathbf{X}$.

In this paper, we consider the cases that the covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_c$ belongs

to each of the following three structures;

- (1) Independent covariance structure with the same variance (ICSS);

$$\Sigma_v = \sigma_v^2 \mathbf{I}_p,$$

- (2) Independent covariance structure with different variances (ICSD);

$$\Sigma_b = \text{diag}(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2),$$

- (3) Uniform covariance structure (UCS);

$$\Sigma_u = \sigma_u^2 (\rho_u^{1-\delta_{ij}})_{1 \leq i, j \leq p}.$$

The models considered in this paper can be expressed as (2.1) with $\Sigma_{v,j}$, $\Sigma_{b,j}$, and $\Sigma_{u,j}$ for $\Sigma_{c,j}$. Let $f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta_j, \Sigma_{c,j})$ be the density of \mathbf{Y} in (2.1) with $\Sigma = \Sigma_{c,j}$. In the derivation of the GIC under the covariance structure $\Sigma = \Sigma_{c,j}$, we will use the following equality:

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log \max_{\Theta_j, \Sigma_{c,j}} f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta_j, \Sigma_{c,j}) &= np \log(2\pi) \\ &+ \min_{\Sigma_{c,j}} \{np \log |\Sigma_{c,j}| + \text{tr} \Sigma_{c,j}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_j) \mathbf{Y}\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

Let $\widehat{\Sigma}_{c,j}$ be the quantity minimizing the right side of (2.3). Then, in our model, it satisfies $\text{tr} \widehat{\Sigma}_{c,j}^{-1} \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_j) \mathbf{Y} = np$, and we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{GIC}_{c,j} &= -2 \log f(\mathbf{Y}; \widehat{\Theta}_j, \widehat{\Sigma}_c) + dm_{c,j} \\ &= np \log |\widehat{\Sigma}_{c,j}| + np(\log 2\pi + 1) + dm_{c,j}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

where $m_{c,j}$ is the number of independent unknown parameters under $M_{c,j}$, and d is a positive constant which may depend on n . For AIC and BIC, d is defined by 2 (Akaike (1973)) and $\log n$ (Schwarz (1978)), respectively.

3. Approach to Consistencies of KOO Methods

Our KOO method is based on

$$T_{c,j;d} = \text{GIC}_{c,\omega \setminus j} - \text{GIC}_{c,\omega}. \quad (3.1)$$

In fact, the KOO method chooses the model

$$\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{c;d} = \{j \mid T_{c,j;d} > 0\}. \quad (3.2)$$

Its consistency can be proved by showing the following two properties:

$$\text{Q1 : } [\text{F1}] \equiv \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(T_{c,j;d} \leq 0) \rightarrow 0, \quad (3.3)$$

$$\text{Q2 : } [\text{F2}] \equiv \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(T_{c,j;d} \geq 0) \rightarrow 0, \quad (3.4)$$

as in Fujikoshi (2022). The result can be shown by using the following inequality:

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr(\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{c;d} = \mathbf{j}_*) &= \Pr\left(\bigcap_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} "T_{c,j;d} > 0" \bigcap_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} "T_{c,j;d} < 0"\right) \\ &= 1 - \Pr\left(\bigcup_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} "T_{c,j;d} \leq 0" \bigcup_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} "T_{c,j;d} \geq 0"\right) \\ &\geq 1 - \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(T_{c,j;d} \leq 0) - \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(T_{c,j;d} \geq 0). \end{aligned}$$

Here, [F1] denotes the probability that the true variables are not selected, and [F2] denotes the probability that the non-true variables are selected. Such notations will be used for other variable selection methods. We call " x_j is included in the true set of variables" if $\theta_j \neq \mathbf{0}$.

Here we list some of our main assumptions:

A1: The set \mathbf{j}_* of the true explanatory variables is included in the full subset, i.e., $\mathbf{j}_* \subset \boldsymbol{\omega}$. and the set \mathbf{j}_* is finite.

A2: The high dimensional asymptotic framework:

$$p \rightarrow \infty, \quad n \rightarrow \infty, \quad k \rightarrow \infty, \quad p/n \rightarrow c_1 \in (0, 1), \quad k/n \rightarrow c_2 \in [0, 1),$$

where $0 < c_1 + c_2 < 1$.

It is said that a general model selection criterion $\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{c;d}$ is high-dimensional consistent if

$$\lim \Pr(\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{c;d} = \mathbf{j}_*) = 1,$$

under a high-dimensional asymptotic framework. Here, "lim" means the limit under A2.

4. Asymptotic Consistency under an Independent Covariance Structure

In this section we shall show an asymptotic consistency of KOO method based on a general information criterion under an independent covariance structure. A generic candidate model when the set of explanatory variables is \mathbf{j} can be expressed as

$$M_{v,\mathbf{j}} : \mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n \times p}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}}\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{v,\mathbf{j}} \otimes \mathbf{I}_n), \quad (4.1)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{v,\mathbf{j}} = \sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2 \mathbf{I}_p$ and $\sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2 > 0$. Let us denote the density of \mathbf{Y} under (4.1) by $f(\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}}, \sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}})$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log f(\mathbf{Y}; \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}}, \sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}}) &= np \log(2\pi) + np \log \sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}}\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}}\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it is easily seen that the maximum estimators of $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}}$ and $\sigma_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2$ under $M_{v,\mathbf{j}}$ are given as

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\Theta}}_{\mathbf{j}} = (\mathbf{X}'_{\mathbf{j}}\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'_{\mathbf{j}}\mathbf{Y}, \quad \widehat{\sigma}_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2 = \frac{1}{np} \text{tr}\mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{j}})\mathbf{Y}. \quad (4.2)$$

The general information criterion (2.4) is given by

$$\text{GIC}_{v,\mathbf{j}} = np \log \widehat{\sigma}_{v,\mathbf{j}}^2 + np(\log 2\pi + 1) + dm_{v,\mathbf{j}}, \quad (4.3)$$

where d is a positive constant and $m_{v,\mathbf{j}} = k_{\mathbf{j}}p + 1$. Using (3.1) and (4.3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_{v,\mathbf{j};d} &\equiv \text{GIC}_{v,\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus \mathbf{j}}} - \text{GIC}_{v,\boldsymbol{\omega}} \\ &= np \log(1 + U_{2\mathbf{j}}U_1^{-1}) - dp, \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

where

$$U_1 = \text{tr} \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega})\mathbf{Y} = \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{y}'_{\ell}(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega})\mathbf{y}_{\ell},$$

$$U_{2j} = \text{tr} \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j})\mathbf{Y} = \sum_{\ell=1}^p \mathbf{y}'_{\ell}(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j})\mathbf{y}_{\ell}.$$

It is seen that $U_1/\sigma_{v,j_*}^2$ and $U_{2j}/\sigma_{v,j_*}^2$ are independently distributed as a central chi-square distribution and a noncentral chi-square distribution, respectively. More precisely, assume that

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{X}_{j_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{j_*}, \quad (4.5)$$

and let $\sigma_{v,*}^2 = \sigma_{v,j_*}^2$. Then, using basic distributional properties (see, Fujikoshi et al. (2010)) on quadratic forms of normal variates and Wishart matrices, we have the following results:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & U_1/\sigma_{v,*}^2 \sim \chi_{(n-k)p}^2, \\ (2) \quad & U_{2j}/\sigma_{v,*}^2 \sim \chi_p^2(\delta_{v,j}^2), \\ (3) \quad & U_1 \perp U_{2j}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

where the noncentrality parameter $\tau_{v,j}^2$ is defined by

$$\delta_{v,j}^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_{v,*}^2} \text{tr}(\mathbf{X}_{j_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{j_*})'(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j})\mathbf{X}_{j_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{j_*}.$$

It may be noted that if $j \notin j_*$, $\delta_{v,j}^2 = 0$, and if $j \in j_*$, in general, $\tau_{v,j}^2 \neq 0$. For a sufficient condition for consistency of the KOO method based on $\text{GIC}_{v,j}$, we assume

$$\text{A3v} : \text{For any } j \in j_*, \delta_{v,j}^2 = O(np), \text{ and } \lim_{p/n \rightarrow c_1} \frac{1}{np} \delta_{v,j}^2 = \eta_{v,j}^2 > 0. \quad (4.7)$$

Now we consider high-dimensional asymptotic consistency of the KOO method based on $\text{GIC}_{v,j}$ in (4.3), whose selection method is given by $\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{v,j;d} = \{j \mid T_{v,j;d} > 0\}$. When $j \notin j_*$, from (4.4) we can write

$$T_{v,j;d} = np \log \{1 + \chi_p^2/\chi_m^2\} - dp, \quad m = (n - k)p.$$

Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned}
[\text{F2}] &= \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(np \log \{1 + \chi_p^2/\chi_m^2\} \geq dp) \\
&= (k - k_{\mathbf{j}_*}) \Pr(U \geq h) \\
&\leq (k - k_{\mathbf{j}_*}) \Pr(U \geq h_0),
\end{aligned} \tag{4.8}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
U &= \frac{\chi_p^2}{\chi_m^2} - \frac{p}{m-2}, \\
h &= e^{d/n} - 1 - \frac{p}{m-2}, \quad h_0 = \frac{d}{n} - \frac{p}{m-2}.
\end{aligned} \tag{4.9}$$

Note that $h_0 < h$. Then, under the assumption $h_0 > 0$ we have,

$$[\text{F2}] \leq (k - k_{\mathbf{j}_*}) h^{-2\ell} \mathbb{E}[U^{2\ell}] \leq (k - k_{\mathbf{j}_*}) h_0^{-2\ell} \mathbb{E}[U^{2\ell}]. \tag{4.10}$$

Related to the assumption $h_0 > 0$, we assume

$$\text{A4v} : d > \frac{np}{m-2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-c_2}, \text{ and } d = O(n^a), \quad 0 < a < 1. \tag{4.11}$$

The first part in A4v implies $h_0 > 0$. It is easy to see that

$$\mathbb{E}[U^2] = \frac{2p(m+p-2)}{(m-2)^2(m-4)} = O((n^2p)^{-1}).$$

Further, $h_0^{-2} = O(n^{2(1-a)})$. Therefore, from (4.10) with we have that $[\text{F2}] \rightarrow 0$.

When $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, we can write $T_{v,j;d} = np \log \{1 + \chi_p^2(\delta_{v,j}^2)/\chi_m^2\} - dp$. Therefore we can express have $[\text{F1}]$ as

$$[\text{F1}] = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(\tilde{T}_{v,j;d} \leq 0),$$

where

$$\tilde{T}_{v,j;d} = \frac{p}{n} \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{\chi_p^2(\delta_{v,j}^2)}{\chi_m^2} \right\} - \frac{d}{n}.$$

From the assumptions A3v and A4v it is easily seen that

$$\tilde{T}_{v,j;d} \rightarrow c_1 \log(1 + \eta_{v,j}^2) > 0.$$

This implies that $\Pr(\tilde{T}_{v,j;d} \leq 0) \rightarrow 0$.

These imply the following theorem.

Theorem 4.1. *Suppose that the assumptions A1, A2 A3v, and A4v are satisfied. Then, the KOO method based on general information criteria $\text{GIC}_{v,j}$ defined by (4.3) is asymptotically consistent.*

An alternative approach for "[F1] $\rightarrow 0$ ". When $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, we can write $T_{v,j;d} = np \log \{1 + \chi_p^2(\delta_{v,j}^2)/\chi_m^2\} - dp$. Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{F1}] &= \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(np \log \{1 + \chi_p^2(\delta_{v,j}^2)/\chi_m^2\} \leq dp) \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(\tilde{U}_j \leq \tilde{h}_j), \end{aligned}$$

where for $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$,

$$\tilde{U}_j = \frac{\chi_p^2(\delta_{v,j}^2)}{\chi_m^2} - \frac{p + \delta_{v,j}^2}{m - 2}, \quad \tilde{h}_j = e^{d/n} - 1 - \frac{p + \delta_{v,j}^2}{m - 2} = h - \frac{\delta_{v,j}^2}{m - 2}.$$

Then, under $d = O(n^a)$ ($0 < a < 1$), A3v in (4.7) and the assumption $\tilde{h}_j < 0$ (or equivalently $h < \delta_j^2/(m - 2)$) we have

$$[\text{F1}] \leq k_{j_*} \max_j |\tilde{h}_j|^{-2\ell} \mathbb{E}[\tilde{U}^{2\ell}].$$

It is easily seen that

$$\mathbb{E}[\tilde{U}_j^2] = \frac{2(p + 2\delta_{v,j}^2)(m + p - 2 + \delta_{v,j}^2)}{(m - 2)^2(m - 4)} = O((np)^{-1}),$$

and under $d = n^a$ ($0 < a < 1$) and A3v,

$$|\tilde{h}_j|^2 \rightarrow \frac{\eta_{v,j}^2}{c_1(1 - c_2)}.$$

These imply that $[\text{F1}] \rightarrow 0$. In this approach, it has been assumed that $\tilde{h}_j < 0$ (or equivalently $h < \delta_j^2/(m - 2)$).

5. Asymptotic Consistency under an Independent Covariance Structure with Different Variances

In this section we assume that the covariance matrix Σ has an independent covariance matrix with different variances, i.e., $\Sigma = \Sigma_b = \text{diag}(\sigma_{b1}^2, \dots, \sigma_{bp}^2)$. First, let us consider to derive a key statistic $T_{b,j;d} = \text{GIC}_{b,\omega \setminus j} - \text{GIC}_{b,\omega}$. Consider a candidate model with $E(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{X}\Theta$,

$$M_{b,\omega} : \mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n \times p}(\mathbf{X}\Theta, \Sigma_b \otimes \mathbf{I}_n). \quad (5.1)$$

Let the density in the full model express as $f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta, \Sigma_b)$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta, \Sigma_b) &= np \log(2\pi) \\ &+ \sum_{\ell=1}^p \left\{ n \log \sigma_{b\ell}^2 + \frac{1}{\sigma_{b\ell}^2} (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{X}\theta_\ell)' (\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathbf{X}\theta_\ell) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

It holds that

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log \max_{\Theta, \Sigma_b} f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta, \Sigma_b) &= np (\log 2\pi + 1) \\ &+ \sum_{\ell=1}^p n \log \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{y}'_\ell (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}\omega) \mathbf{y}_\ell. \end{aligned} \quad (5.2)$$

Next, consider the model removing the j th explanatory variable from the full model $M_{b,\omega}$, which is denoted by $M_{b,\omega \setminus j}$ or $M; b, \omega \setminus j$. Similarly, it is shown that

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log \max_{M; b, \omega \setminus j} f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta, \Sigma_b) &= np (\log 2\pi + 1) \\ &+ \sum_{\ell=1}^p n \log \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{y}'_\ell (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}\omega \setminus j) \mathbf{y}_\ell. \end{aligned} \quad (5.3)$$

Using (5.2) and (5.3), we can obtain a general information criterion (2.4) for two models $M_{b,\omega}$ and $M_{b,\omega \setminus j}$, and we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_{b,j;d} &\equiv \text{GIC}_{b,\omega \setminus j} - \text{GIC}_{b,\omega} \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^p n \log (1 + U_{2\ell} U_{1\ell}^{-1}) - dp, \end{aligned} \quad (5.4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} U_{1\ell} &= \mathbf{y}'_\ell(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega})\mathbf{y}_\ell, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p, \\ U_{2\ell} &= \mathbf{y}'_\ell(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j})\mathbf{y}_\ell, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p. \end{aligned}$$

Let us assume that

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{Y}) = \mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*}\boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}_*} \text{ and } \sigma_{b,*}^2 = \sigma_{b,\mathbf{j}_*}^2 \quad (5.5)$$

Then, similarly as in (4.6), we have the following results:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & U_{1\ell}/\sigma_{b,*}^2 \sim \chi_{n-k}^2, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p, \\ (2) \quad & U_{2\ell}/\sigma_{b,*}^2 \sim \chi_1^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2), \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p, \\ (3) \quad & U_{1\ell}, U_{2\ell}, (\ell = 1, \dots, p) \text{ are independent,} \end{aligned} \quad (5.6)$$

where the noncentral parameters $\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2$ are defined by

$$\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2 = \frac{1}{\sigma_{b,*}^2} (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*}\boldsymbol{\theta}_*^{(\ell)})'(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j})(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*}\boldsymbol{\theta}_*^{(\ell)}),$$

with $\boldsymbol{\Theta}_* = (\boldsymbol{\theta}_*^{(1)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\theta}_*^{(p)})$. It may be noted that if $j \notin \mathbf{j}_*$, $\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2 = 0$. and if $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, $\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2 \neq 0$. For a sufficient condition for consistency of the KOO method based on $\text{GIC}_{b,j}$, we assume

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A3b : For any } j \in \mathbf{j}_*, \quad & \lim(n-k)^{-1}\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2 = \eta_{b,j;\ell}^2 > 0, \text{ and} \\ & \lim \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{1}{n-k} \delta_{b,j;\ell}^2 \right\} \rightarrow \eta_{b,j}^2 > 0. \end{aligned} \quad (5.7)$$

Now we consider high-dimensional asymptotic consistency of the KOO method based on $T_{b,j;d}$ in (3.1), whose selection method is given by $\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{v,j;d} = \{j \mid T_{b,j;d} > 0\}$. When $j \notin \mathbf{j}_*$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{F2}] &= \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^p n \log \{1 + U_{2\ell} U_{1\ell}^{-1}\} \geq d \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \Pr(n \log \{1 + U_{2\ell} U_{1\ell}^{-1}\} \geq d). \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{F2}] &\leq p(k - k_{j_*}) \Pr(n \log \{1 + \chi_1^2/\chi_{n-k}^2\} \geq d) \\ &= p(k - k_{j_*}) \Pr(V \geq r), \end{aligned} \quad (5.8)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{\chi_1^2}{\chi_{n-k}^2} - \frac{1}{n-k-2}, \\ r &= e^{d/n} - 1 - \frac{1}{n-k-2}, \quad r_0 = \frac{d}{n} - \frac{1}{n-k-2}. \end{aligned} \quad (5.9)$$

Note that $r_0 < r$. Then, under the assumption $r_0 > 0$ we have,

$$[\text{F2}] \leq p(k - k_{j_*}) r^{-2\ell} \mathbb{E}[V^{2\ell}] \leq p(k - k_{j_*}) r_0^{-2\ell} \mathbb{E}[V^{2\ell}]. \quad (5.10)$$

Related to the assumption $r_0 > 0$, we assume

$$\text{A4b} : d > \frac{n}{n-k-2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-c_2}, \text{ and } d = O(n^a), \quad 0 < a < 1. \quad (5.11)$$

The first part in A4b implies $r_0 > 0$. It is easy to see that

$$\mathbb{E}[V^2] = \frac{2(n-k-1)}{(n-k-2)^2(n-k-4)} = O((n^2)^{-1}).$$

Further, $r_0^{-2} = O(n^{2(1-a)})$. Therefore, from (5.10) we have that $[\text{F2}] \rightarrow 0$.

When $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, we can write $T_{b,j;d} = n \sum_{\ell=1}^p \log\{1 + U_{2\ell} U_{1\ell}^{-1}\} - dp$. Therefore we can express $[\text{F1}]$ as

$$[\text{F1}] = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(\tilde{T}_{b,j;d} \leq 0),$$

where

$$\tilde{T}_{b,j;d} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{\chi_{1;\ell}^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)}{\chi_{n-k;\ell}^2} \right\} - \frac{d}{n}.$$

From the assumptions A3b and A4b it is easily seen that

$$\tilde{T}_{b,j;d} \rightarrow \eta_{b,j}^2 > 0.$$

This implies that $\Pr(\tilde{T}_{b,j;d} \leq 0) \rightarrow 0$.

These imply the following theorem.

Theorem 5.1. *Suppose that the assumptions A1, A2, A3b and A4b are satisfied. Then, the KOO method based on $T_{b,j;d}$ in (5.4) is asymptotically consistent.*

Let us consider an alternative approach for "[F1] $\rightarrow 0$ " as in the case of independent covariance structure. When $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{F1}] &= \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^p \left\{ n \log \left(1 + \frac{\chi_{1;\ell}^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)}{\chi_{n-k;\ell}^2} \right) - d \right\} \leq 0 \right) \\ &\leq \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \Pr \left(n \log \left(1 + \frac{\chi_{1;\ell}^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)}{\chi_{n-k;\ell}^2} \right) - d \leq 0 \right) \\ &= \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \Pr \left(\tilde{V}_{j,\ell} \leq \tilde{r}_{j,\ell} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Here, for $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$,

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{V}_{j,\ell} &= \frac{\chi_{1;\ell}^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)}{\chi_{n-k;\ell}^2} - \frac{1 + \delta_{b,j;\ell}^2}{n - k - 2}, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p, \\ \tilde{r}_{j,\ell} &= e^{d/n} - 1 - \frac{1 + \delta_{b,j;\ell}^2}{n - k - 2} = r - \frac{\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2}{n - k - 2}, \quad \ell = 1, \dots, p, \end{aligned}$$

where r is the same one as in (5.9). Note that $\chi_{1;\ell}^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)$, $\ell = 1, \dots, p$ are distributed as a noncentral distribution $\chi_1^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)$, and they are independent. Then, under the assumption $\tilde{r}_j < 0$ (or equivalently $r < \delta_{b,j;\ell}^2/(n - k - 2)$) we have

$$[\text{F1}] \leq k_{\mathbf{j}_*} \sum_{\ell=1}^p |\tilde{r}_{j,\ell}|^{-2s} \mathbb{E}[\tilde{V}_{j,\ell}^{2s}], \quad s = 1, 2, \dots \quad (5.12)$$

In the above upper bound, it holds that

$$|\tilde{r}_{j,\ell}| \sim \delta_{b,j;\ell}^2/(n - k) \rightarrow \eta_{b,j;\ell}^2. \quad (5.13)$$

Useful bounds will be obtained by giving the first few moments of $\tilde{V}_{j,\ell}$. For example, note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\tilde{V}_{j,\ell}^2] &= \frac{2(1 + 2\delta_{v,j;\ell}^2)(n - k - 1 + \delta_{v,j;\ell}^2)}{(n - k - 2)^2(n - k - 4)} = O(n^{-1}), \\ \mathbb{E}[\tilde{V}_{j,\ell}^4] &= O(n^{-2}). \end{aligned}$$

Then, the bound (5.12) with $s = 2$ can be asymptotically expressed as

$$k_{j*} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \eta_{b,j;\ell}^{-4} \mathbb{E}[\tilde{V}_{j,\ell}^4] = k_{j*} p \left(\frac{1}{p} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \eta_{b,j;\ell}^{-4} \right) \times O(n^{-2}).$$

The above expression shall be $O(n^{-1})$ under the assumption that $\frac{1}{p} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \eta_{b,j;\ell}^{-4}$ tends to a quantity.

6. Asymptotic Consistency under a Uniform Covariance Structure

In this section we shall show an asymptotic consistency of KOO method based on a general information criterion under a uniform covariance structure. First, following to Sakurai and Fujikoshi (2020), we shall derive a $\text{GIC}_{u,j}$ as in (2.2) and a key statistic $T_{u,j;d}$ as in (3.1). A uniform covariance structure is given by

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_u = \sigma_u^2 (\rho_u^{1-\delta_{ij}}) = \sigma_u^2 \{ (1 - \rho_u) \mathbf{I}_p + \rho_u \mathbf{1}_p \mathbf{1}_p' \}, \quad (6.1)$$

with Kronecker delta δ_{ij} . The covariance structure is expressed as

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_u = \alpha \left(\mathbf{I}_p - \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{G}_p \right) + \beta \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{G}_p,$$

where

$$\alpha = \sigma_u^2 (1 - \rho_u), \quad \beta = \sigma_u^2 \{ 1 + (p - 1) \rho_u \}, \quad \mathbf{G}_p = \mathbf{1}_p \mathbf{1}_p',$$

and $\mathbf{1}_p = (1, \dots, 1)'$. Noting that the matrices $\mathbf{I}_p - \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{G}_p$ and $\frac{1}{p} \mathbf{G}_p$ are orthogonal idempotent matrices, we have

$$|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_u| = \beta \alpha^{p-1}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_u^{-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha} \left(\mathbf{I}_p - \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{G}_p \right) + \frac{1}{\beta} \cdot \frac{1}{p} \mathbf{G}_p.$$

Now we consider the multivariate regression model $M_{u,j}$ given by

$$M_{u,j} : \mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n \times p}(\mathbf{X}_j \boldsymbol{\Theta}_j, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{u,j} \otimes \mathbf{I}_n), \quad (6.2)$$

where $\Sigma_{u,j} = \alpha_j (\mathbf{I}_p - p^{-1}\mathbf{G}_p) + \beta_j p^{-1}\mathbf{G}_p$. Let $\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{H}_2)$ be an orthogonal matrix where $\mathbf{h}_1 = p^{-1/2}\mathbf{1}_p$, and let

$$\mathbf{W}_j = \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_j)\mathbf{Y} \text{ and } \mathbf{U}_j = \mathbf{H}'\mathbf{W}_j\mathbf{H}.$$

Here, \mathbf{h}_1 is a characteristic vector of $\Sigma_{u,j}$, and each column vectors of \mathbf{H}_2 are the characteristic vectors of $\Sigma_{u,j}$. Let the density function of \mathbf{Y} under $M_{u,j}$ denote by $f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta_j, \alpha_j, \beta_j)$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} g(\alpha_j, \beta_j) &= -2 \log \max_{\Theta_j} f(\mathbf{Y}; \Theta_j, \alpha_j, \beta_j) \\ &= np \log(2\pi) + n(p-1) \log \alpha_j + n \log \beta_j + \text{tr} \Psi_j^{-1} \mathbf{U}_j, \end{aligned}$$

where $\Psi_j = \text{diag}(\beta_j, \alpha_j, \dots, \alpha_j)$. Therefore, the maximum likelihood estimators of α_j and β_j under $M_{u,j}$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_j &= \frac{1}{n(p-1)} \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_2' \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_j) \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H}_2, \\ \hat{\beta}_j &= \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{h}_1' \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_j) \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{h}_1. \end{aligned}$$

The number of independent parameters under $M_{u,j}$ is $m_j = k_j p + 2$. Noting that Ψ_j is diagonal, we can get the general information criterion GIC in (2.4) for \mathbf{Y} in (6.2) as

$$\text{GIC}_{u,j} = n(p-1) \log \hat{\alpha}_j + n \log \hat{\beta}_j + np(\log 2\pi + 1) + d(k_j p + 2). \quad (6.3)$$

Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_{u,j;d} &\equiv \text{GIC}_{u,\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j}} - \text{GIC}_{u,\boldsymbol{\omega}} \\ &= n(p-1) \log \left\{ \hat{\alpha}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j}} (\hat{\alpha}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}})^{-1} \right\} + n \log \left\{ \hat{\beta}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j}} (\hat{\beta}_{\boldsymbol{\omega}})^{-1} \right\} - dp \\ &= Z_{1j} + Z_{2j}. \end{aligned} \quad (6.4)$$

Here Z_{1j} and Z_{2j} are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Z_{1j} &= n(p-1) \log \left\{ 1 + V_{2j}^{(1)} \left(V_1^{(1)} \right)^{-1} \right\} - d(p-1), \\ Z_{2j} &= n \log \left\{ 1 + V_{2j}^{(2)} \left(V_1^{(2)} \right)^{-1} \right\} - d, \end{aligned} \quad (6.5)$$

using the following $V_1^{(i)}, V_{2j}^{(i)}, i = 1, 2$:

$$\begin{aligned} V_1^{(1)} &= \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_2' \mathbf{Y} (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_\omega) \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H}_2, & V_{2j}^{(1)} &= \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_2' \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{P}_\omega - \mathbf{P}_{\omega \setminus j}) \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{H}_2, \\ V_1^{(2)} &= \mathbf{h}_1' \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P}_\omega) \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{h}_1, & V_{2j}^{(2)} &= \mathbf{h}_1' \mathbf{Y}' (\mathbf{P}_\omega - \mathbf{P}_{\omega \setminus j}) \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{h}_1. \end{aligned}$$

Related to the distributional reductions of $Z_{1j}, Z_{2j}, j = 1, \dots, k$, we use the following Lemma frequently.

Lemma 6.1. *Let \mathbf{W} have a noncentral Whishart distribution $W_p(m, \Sigma; \Omega)$. Let the covariance matrix Σ be decomposed into the characteristic roots and vectors as*

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma &= \mathbf{H} \Lambda \mathbf{H}' \\ &= (\mathbf{H}_1, \dots, \mathbf{H}_h) \text{diag}(\lambda_1 \mathbf{I}_{q_1}, \dots, \lambda_h \mathbf{I}_{q_h}) (\mathbf{H}_1, \dots, \mathbf{H}_h)', \end{aligned}$$

where $\lambda_1 > \dots > \lambda_h > 0$ and \mathbf{H} is an orthogonal matrix. Then, $\text{tr} \mathbf{H}_j' \mathbf{W}_j \mathbf{H}_j, i = 1, \dots, h$, are independently distributed to noncentral chi-square distributions with mk_j degrees of freedom and noncentrality parameters $\delta_j^2 = \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_j' \Omega \mathbf{H}_j$.

Proof. The result may be proved by considering the characteristic function of $(\text{tr} \mathbf{H}_1' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{H}_1, \dots, \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_q' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{H}_q)$ which is expressed as (see, Fujikoshi et al. (2010, Theorem 2.1.2))

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{E} \left[e^{it_1 \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_1' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{H}_1 + \dots + it_h \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_h' \mathbf{W} \mathbf{H}_h} \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E} [\text{etr}(\mathbf{K})] \\ &= |\mathbf{I}_p - 2\Sigma \mathbf{K}|^{-m/2} \text{etr} \left\{ \Omega \mathbf{K} (\mathbf{I}_p - 2\Sigma \mathbf{K})^{-1} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbf{K} = it_1 \mathbf{H}_1 \mathbf{H}_1' + \dots + it_h \mathbf{H}_h \mathbf{H}_h'$. The result can easily be obtained by checking that the above last expression equals to

$$\prod_{j=1}^q (1 - 2it_j)^{-nk_j/2} \exp \left\{ \frac{it_j}{1 - 2it_j} \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_j' \Omega \mathbf{H}_j \right\}.$$

□

Assume that the true model is expressed as

$$M_{u, \mathbf{j}_*} : \mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n \times p}(\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}_*}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{u, *}) \otimes \mathbf{I}_n, \quad (6.6)$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{u, *} = \alpha_* (\mathbf{I}_p - p^{-1} \mathbf{G}_p) + \beta_* p^{-1} \mathbf{G}_p$. Using Lemma 6.1, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 6.2. *Under the true model (6.6), it holds that*

- (1) $V_1^{(1)}/\alpha_*$ and $V_{2j}^{(1)}/\alpha_*$ are independently distributed to a central chi-square distribution $\chi_{(p-1)(n-k)}^2$ and a noncentral chi-square distribution $\chi_{p-1}^2(\delta_{1j}^2)$, respectively.
- (2) $V_1^{(2)}/\beta_*$ and $V_{2j}^{(2)}/\beta_*$ are independently distributed to a central chi-square distribution χ_{n-k}^2 and a noncentral chi-square distribution $\chi_1^2(\delta_{2j}^2)$, respectively.
- (3) The noncentrality parameters δ_{1j}^2 and δ_{2j}^2 are defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{1j}^2 &= \frac{1}{\alpha_*} \text{tr} \mathbf{H}_2' (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}_*})' (\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j}) (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}_*}) \mathbf{H}_2 \\ \delta_{2j}^2 &= \frac{1}{\beta_*} \mathbf{h}_1' (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}_*})' (\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega} - \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\omega}_{\setminus j}) (\mathbf{X}_{\mathbf{j}_*} \boldsymbol{\Theta}_{\mathbf{j}_*}) \mathbf{h}_1. \end{aligned}$$

Here, if $j \notin \mathbf{j}_*$, then $\delta_{1j}^2 = 0$ and $\delta_{2j}^2 = 0$.

Now we consider high-dimensional asymptotic consistency of the KOO method based on $T_{b, j; d}$ in (5.4), whose selection method is given by $\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{v, j; d} = \{j \mid T_{b, j; d} > 0\}$. For a sufficient condition for consistency of $\hat{\mathbf{j}}_{v, j; d}$, we assume

A3u: For any $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, $\delta_{1j}^2 = O(np)$, $\delta_{2j}^2 = O(n)$ and

$$\lim_{np} \frac{1}{np} \delta_{1j}^2 = \eta_{1j}^2 > 0, \quad \lim_n \frac{1}{n} \delta_{2j}^2 = \eta_{2j}^2 > 0, \quad (6.7)$$

When $j \notin \mathbf{j}_*$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} [\text{F2}] &= \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \{\Pr(Z_{1j} + Z_{2j} \geq 0)\} \\ &\leq \sum_{j \notin \mathbf{j}_*} \{\Pr(Z_{1j} \geq 0) + \Pr(Z_{2j} \geq 0)\} \\ &= (k - k_{\mathbf{j}_*}) \left\{ \Pr(Z^{(1)} \geq s_0^{(1)}) + \Pr(Z^{(2)} \geq s_0^{(2)}) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Here,

$$\begin{aligned}
Z^{(1)} &= \frac{\chi_{p-1}^2}{\chi_{(p-1)(n-k)}^2} - \frac{p-1}{(p-1)(n-k)-2}, \\
s^{(1)} &= e^{d/n} - 1 - \frac{p-1}{(p-1)(n-k)-2}, \quad s_0^{(1)} = \frac{d}{n} - \frac{p-1}{(p-1)(n-k)-2}, \\
Z^{(2)} &= \frac{\chi_1^2}{\chi_{n-k}^2} - \frac{1}{n-k-2}, \\
s^{(2)} &= e^{d/n} - 1 - \frac{1}{n-k-2}, \quad s_0^{(2)} = \frac{d}{n} - \frac{1}{n-k-2}.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that $s_0^{(1)} < s^{(1)}$ and $s_0^{(2)} < s^{(2)}$. Then, under the assumption that $s_0^{(1)} > 0$ and $s_0^{(2)} > 0$ we have

$$[\text{F2}] \leq (k - k_{j_*}) \left[\left(s_0^{(1)} \right)^{-2\ell} \text{E} \left[(Z^{(1)})^{2\ell} \right] + \left(s_0^{(2)} \right)^{-2\ell} \text{E} \left[(Z^{(2)})^{2\ell} \right] \right]. \quad (6.8)$$

Related to the assumptions $s_0^{(1)} > 0$ and $s_0^{(2)} > 0$, we assume

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{A4u} : d &> \frac{n(p-1)}{(p-1)(n-k)-2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-c_2}, \quad d > \frac{n}{n-k-2} \rightarrow \frac{1}{1-c_2}, \\
&\text{and } d = O(n^a), \quad 0 < a < 1.
\end{aligned} \quad (6.9)$$

The first part in A4u implies $s_0^{(1)} > 0$ and $s_0^{(2)} > 0$. It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{E}[(Z^{(1)})^2] &= \frac{2(p-1)^2(n-k+1)}{\{(p-1)(n-k)-2\}^2\{(p-1)(n-k)-4\}} = O((n^3)^{-1}), \\
\text{E}[(Z^{(2)})^2] &= \frac{2(n-k-1)}{(n-k-2)^2(n-k-4)} = O((n^2)^{-1}).
\end{aligned}$$

Further, $(s_0^{(1)})^{-2} = O(n^{2(1-a)})$ and $(s_0^{(2)})^{-2} = O(n^{2(1-a)})$. Therefore, from (6.8) we have that $[\text{F2}] \rightarrow 0$.

When $j \in \mathbf{j}_*$, we can write $T_{b,j;d} = n \sum_{\ell=1}^p \log\{1 + U_{2\ell} U_{1\ell}^{-1}\} - dp$. Therefore we can express $[\text{F1}]$ as

$$[\text{F1}] = \sum_{j \in \mathbf{j}_*} \Pr(\tilde{T}_{b,j;d} \leq 0),$$

where

$$\tilde{T}_{b,j;d} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{\chi_{1;\ell}^2(\delta_{b,j;\ell}^2)}{\chi_{n-k;\ell}^2} \right\} - \frac{d}{n}.$$

From the assumptions A3b and A4b it is easily seen that

$$\tilde{T}_{v,j;d} \rightarrow \log(1 + \gamma_{v,j}^2) > 0.$$

This implies that $\Pr(\tilde{T}_{v,j;d} \leq 0) \rightarrow 0$, and [F1] $\rightarrow 0$.

These imply the following theorem.

Theorem 6.1. *Suppose that the assumptions A1, A2, A3u and A4u are satisfied. Then, the KOO method based on $T_{u,j;d}$ in (6.4) is asymptotically consistent.*

7. Concluding Remarks

In this paper, we consider to select regression variables in p variate regression model with one of three covariance structures; (1) ICSS (an independent covariance structure with the same variance), (2) ICSD (an independent covariance structure with different variances), (3) UCS (a uniform covariance structure). It was proposed to use a KOO method based on a general information criterion with a penalty term d . We point high-dimensional consistencies of the KOO methods with $d = O(n^a)$, $0 < a < 1$. In Sakurai and Fujikoshi (2020), they studied asymptotic consistencies of KOO methods in (1) and (3). However, in their approach, the number of explanatory variables was fixed, but in this paper the number of explanatory variables may be tend to infinity.

It may noted that KOO methods may be feasible in computation. The idear goes back to Nishii et al. (1988) and Zhao et. al. (1988). However, high

dimensional properties have been recently studied in Fujikoshi and Sakurai (2019), Oda and Yanagihara (2021, 2022), Fujikoshi (2022).

A high-dimensional study KOO method under AUTO (autoregressive covariance structure) is left. It is also left to extend our results to the case of non-normality.

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