

Supplementary Materials for “Variable Screening for Ultrahigh Dimensional Censored Quantile Regression”

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In this document, we provide some useful lemmas and detailed proofs for Theorems 1-2. Subsequently, some additional simulation results are presented in Section 2.

1. Technical proofs

Lemma 1 (Hoeffding’s inequality, [2]). *For independent random variables $X_1, \dots, X_n$ which satisfy that $P(X_i \in [a_i, b_i]) = 1$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, where a_i and b_i are some constants. Then for any $\epsilon > 0$, we have*

$$P(|\bar{X} - E(\bar{X})| \geq \epsilon) \leq 2 \exp \left\{ - \frac{2\epsilon^2 n^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (b_i - a_i)^2} \right\},$$

where $\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i/n$ and $E(\bar{X})$ is the expected value of $\bar{X}$.

Lemma 2. *Let $\mathcal{F}$ be a class of distribution functions whose support is the same as that of F , and let $\mathcal{T}$ be the support of T . For any $\epsilon > 0$, define $\mathcal{H}(\epsilon) = \{F^* \in \mathcal{F} : \|F^* - F\|_\infty \equiv \sup_{t \in \mathcal{T}} |F^*(t) - F(t)| \leq \epsilon \text{ and } |Q_\tau(T^*) - Q_\tau(T)| \leq \epsilon\}$, where T^* follows the distribution F^* . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} |I\{Y < Q_\tau(T^*)\} - I\{Y < Q_\tau(T)\}| \\ & \leq I\{Q_\tau(T) - \epsilon \leq T < Q_\tau(T) + \epsilon\} + 3I\{Q_\tau(T) - \epsilon \leq C < Q_\tau(T) + \epsilon\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof of Lemma 2. Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} I\{Y < Q_\tau(T)\} &= I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T), T < Q_\tau(T)\} + I\{C < Q_\tau(T), T \leq C\} \\ &\quad + I\{C < Q_\tau(T), T > C\}, \end{aligned}$$

thus

$$\sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} |I\{Y < Q_\tau(T^*)\} - I\{Y < Q_\tau(T)\}| \leq \sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} (S_1 + S_2 + S_3),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= |I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T^*), T < Q_\tau(T^*)\} - I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T), T < Q_\tau(T)\}|, \\ S_2 &= |I\{C < Q_\tau(T^*), T \leq C\} - I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T), T \leq C\}|, \\ S_3 &= |I\{C < Q_\tau(T^*), T > C\} - I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T), T > C\}|. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that $\sup_{t': |t-t'| \leq \epsilon} |I\{T < t'\} - I\{T < t\}| \leq I\{t - \epsilon \leq T < t + \epsilon\}$, for any $\epsilon > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} S_1 &\leq \sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} |I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T^*)\} - I\{C \geq Q_\tau(T)\}| + |I\{T < Q_\tau(T^*)\} - I\{T < Q_\tau(T)\}| \\ &\leq I\{Q_\tau(T) - \epsilon \leq C < Q_\tau(T) + \epsilon\} + I\{Q_\tau(T) - \epsilon \leq T < Q_\tau(T) + \epsilon\}, \\ \sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} S_2 &\leq I\{Q_\tau(T) - \epsilon \leq C < Q_\tau(T) + \epsilon\}, \\ \sup_{\mathcal{H}(\epsilon)} S_3 &\leq I\{Q_\tau(T) - \epsilon \leq C < Q_\tau(T) + \epsilon\}. \end{aligned}$$

As a result, the conclusion of Lemma 2 holds. $\square$

Lemma 3 (Lemma B.1, [1]). *Under Condition (C2), if $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$ and $h \rightarrow 0$, then the local Kaplan-Meier estimator $\hat{G}(t|x)$ satisfies:*

- (1) $\sup_s \sup_x |\hat{G}(s|x) - G(s|x)| = O(\{\log(n)/(nh)\}^{1/2} + h^2) \text{ a.s.};$
- (2)

$$\frac{1}{\hat{G}(s|x)} - \frac{1}{G(s|x)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{B_{nj}(x) \xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, s, x)}{G^2(s|x)} + R_n(s, x),$$

where

$$\xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, s, x) = G(s|x) \left[- \int_0^{\min(Y_j, s)} \frac{dG(u|x)}{\{1 - F(u|x)\} G^2(u|x)} + \frac{I(Y_j \leq 0, \Delta_j = 0)}{\{1 - F(Y_j|x)\} G(Y_j|x)} \right],$$

and $\sup_s \sup_x |R_n(s, x)| = O(\{\log(n)/(nh)\}^{3/4} + h^2) \text{ a.s.}$, for $s \in [0, t_1]$ such that $\inf_x \{1 - F(s|x)\} G(s|x) > 0$;

- (3) $\sup_s \sup_x \left| \frac{1}{\hat{G}(s|x)} - \frac{1}{G(s|x)} \right| = O(\{\log(n)/(nh)\}^{1/2} + h^2) \text{ a.s..}$

Lemma 4 (Bernstein's inequality for U-statistics, [2]). *Let $U_n^2(g)$ denote the second-order U-statistics with kernel function $g(x_1, x_2)$ based on the independent random variables $X_1, \dots, X_n$. Assume that the function g is bounded: $a < g < b$ for some finite constants a and b . If $E[g(X_i, X_j)] = 0$ when $i \neq j$, then for any $t > 0$, we have*

$$P(|U^2(g)| > t) \leq 2 \exp \left\{ - \frac{2kt^2}{(b-a)^2} \right\},$$

where k denotes the integer part of $n/2$.

Proof of Theorem 1. To start with, denote $\omega_k^* = \sqrt{\tau - \tau^2} \omega_k$, and $\hat{\omega}_k^* = \sqrt{\tau - \tau^2} \hat{\omega}_k$, for all $1 \leq k \leq p$, we have

$$P \{ |\hat{\omega}_k - \omega_k| \geq cn^{-\alpha} \} = P \{ |\hat{\omega}_k^* - \omega_k^*| \geq c^* n^{-\alpha} \},$$

where $c^* = \sqrt{\tau - \tau^2} c$. Note that

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\omega}_k^* - \omega_k^*| &= \tau \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ik} - EX_k \right| + \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\hat{G}(Y_i|X_{ik})} - \frac{1}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right) I\{Y_i < \hat{Q}_\tau(T)\} \Delta_i X_{ik} \right| \\ &+ \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[I\{Y_i < \hat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \right] \frac{\Delta_i}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} X_{ik} \right| \\ &+ \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\Delta_i}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} X_{ik} - E \left[\frac{\Delta}{G(Y|X_k)} I\{Y < Q_\tau(T)\} X_k \right] \right| \\ &\triangleq |I_1| + |I_2| + |I_3| + |I_4|. \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

For I_1 , by Condition (C1) and Hoeffding's inequality in Lemma 1, we have

$$P \left(|I_1| \geq \frac{c^*}{4} n^{-\alpha} \right) \leq 2 \exp \left\{ -\frac{(c^*)^2 n^{1-2\alpha}}{32\tau^2 M^2} \right\} = 2 \exp \{-c_1 n^{1-2\alpha}\}, \quad (2)$$

where $c_1 = (c^*)^2 / 32\tau^2 M^2$.

For I_2 , notice that

$$\begin{aligned} I_2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\hat{G}(Y_i|X_{ik})} - \frac{1}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right) \left[I\{Y_i < \hat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \right] \Delta_i X_{ik} \\ &+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\hat{G}(Y_i|X_{ik})} - \frac{1}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right) I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \Delta_i X_{ik} \triangleq I_{21} + I_{22}. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

We first deal with the term I_{21} . According to Lemma 3, we know that

$$\sup_s \sup_x \left| \frac{1}{\hat{G}(s|x)} - \frac{1}{G(s|x)} \right| = O \left(\{\log n / (nh)\}^{1/2} + h^2 \right) = o(1),$$

if $nh^2 \rightarrow \infty$, $h \rightarrow 0$. Thus for sufficiently large n , we have

$$P \left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \frac{1}{\hat{G}(Y_i|X_{ik})} - \frac{1}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right| \geq 1 \right) = 0.$$

Therefore, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
& P\left(|I_{21}| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
& \leq P\left(\max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \left| \frac{1}{\widehat{G}(Y_i|X_{ik})} - \frac{1}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right| \cdot \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left[I\{Y_i < \widehat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \right] \Delta_i X_{ik} \right| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
& \leq P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left[I\{Y_i < \widehat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \right] \Delta_i X_{ik} \right| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
& \leq P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| I\{Y_i < \widehat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \right| \geq c_2 n^{-\alpha}\right), \tag{4}
\end{aligned}$$

where $c_2 = c^*/8M$. Under Condition (C2) and (C3), we have $\|\widehat{F}_{\text{KM}} - F\| = O(n^{-1/2}(\log n)^{1/2})$ and $|\widehat{F}_{\text{KM}}^{-1}(\tau) - Q_\tau(Y)| = O(n^{-1/2}(\log n)^{1/2})$ almost surely [3]. Let $c_3 = 1 + 16f(Q_\tau(T))$ and $\mu_1 = E[I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1} \leq T < Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}\}]$, where $f(t)$ is the distribution function of T . Applying Taylor's expansion, we can obtain that $\mu_1 = 2f(Q_\tau(T))c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1} + [f'(Q_\tau^*(T)) - f'(Q_\tau^{**}(T))]c_2^2 n^{-2\alpha} c_3^{-2}/2$, where both $Q_\tau^*(T)$ and $Q_\tau^{**}(T)$ lie in $[Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}, Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}]$. Under Condition (C3), we can choose c_4 and n such that $|f'(Q_\tau^*(T)) - f'(Q_\tau^{**}(T))| \leq c_4$ and $2c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_4 \leq c_3$. Then we have

$$\frac{c_2}{4}n^{-\alpha} - \mu_1 \geq 2f(Q_\tau(T))c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}.$$

On the event $\{|\widehat{Q}_\tau(T) - Q_\tau(T)| \leq c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}\}$, we further have

$$\begin{aligned}
& P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1} \leq T_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}\} \geq \frac{c_2}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
& \leq P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1} \leq T_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}\} - \mu_1 \geq 2f(Q_\tau(T))c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_3^{-1}\right) \\
& \leq \exp\{-8f^2(Q_\tau(T))c_2^2 n^{1-2\alpha} c_3^{-2}\}. \tag{5}
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly on the event $\{|\widehat{Q}_\tau(T) - Q_\tau(T)| \leq c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1}\}$, under Condition (C3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1} \leq C_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1}\} \geq \frac{c_2}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
& \leq P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1} \leq C_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1}\} - \mu_2 \geq 2g(Q_\tau(T))c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1}\right) \\
& \leq \exp\{-8g^2(Q_\tau(T))c_2^2 n^{1-2\alpha} c_5^{-2}\}, \tag{6}
\end{aligned}$$

where $c_5 = 1 + 16g(Q_\tau(T))$, $\mu_2 = E[I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1} \leq C < Q_\tau(T) + c_2 n^{-\alpha} c_5^{-1}\}]$ and $g(t)$ is the distribution function of C . Combining (4), (5) and (6) together with

Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(|I_{21}| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) &\leq P\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2n^{-\alpha}c_3^{-1} \leq T_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_2n^{-\alpha}c_3^{-1}\} \geq \frac{c_2}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&+ P\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_2n^{-\alpha}c_5^{-1} \leq C_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_2n^{-\alpha}c_5^{-1}\} \geq \frac{c_2}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&\leq \exp\{-8f^2(Q_\tau(T))c_2^2n^{1-2\alpha}c_3^{-2}\} + \exp\{-8g^2(Q_\tau(T))c_2^2n^{1-2\alpha}c_5^{-2}\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Next, we will consider the term I_{22} . By Lemma 3, we know that I_{22} can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{22} &= \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{B_{nj}(X_{ik})\xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, Y_i, X_{ik})}{G^2(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right) I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\}\Delta_i X_{ik} \\
&+ \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n R_n(Y_i, X_{ik})\Delta_i X_{ik} \triangleq J_1 + J_2,
\end{aligned}$$

where ξ and R_n are defined in Lemma 3.

Noting that $J_2 = O(\{\log(n)/(nh)\}^{3/4} + h^2) = o(n^{-\alpha})$ almost surely under Condition (C5) and $B_{nj}(X_{ik})\xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, Y_i, X_{ik})G^{-2}(Y_i|X_{ik})I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\}\Delta_i X_{ik}$ are independent bounded random variables under Condition (C1) and (C2), then we can rewrite J_1 as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
J_1 &= \frac{1}{n^2}\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{B_{nj}(X_{ik})\xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, Y_i, X_{ik})I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\}\Delta_i X_{ik}}{G^2(Y_i|X_{ik})} + O(n^{-1}) \\
&\triangleq \frac{n(n-1)}{n^2} \cdot \frac{1}{C_n^2} \sum_{i \neq j} \frac{1}{2}\psi_{ij} + O(n^{-1}),
\end{aligned}$$

where ψ_{ij} is the symmetric kernel of U-statistic. Since $\xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, t, s)$ are random variables with mean zero and finite variances for any given t and s , by Bernstein's inequality in Lemma 4, for sufficiently large n , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(|I_{22}| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) &\leq P\left(|J_1| \geq \frac{c^*}{16}n^{-\alpha}\right) + P\left(|J_2| \geq \frac{c^*}{16}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&\leq P\left(\left|\frac{2}{n(n-1)}\sum_{i \neq j} \frac{B_{nj}(X_{ik})\xi(Y_j, \Delta_j, Y_i, X_{ik})I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\}\Delta_i X_{ik}}{G^2(Y_i|X_{ik})}\right| \geq \frac{c^*}{16}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&\leq 2\exp\{-c_6n^{1-2\alpha}\},
\end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

where c_6 is a positive constant. Combining (3), (5) and (8), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(|I_2| \geq \frac{c^*}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) &\leq P\left(|I_{21}| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) + P\left(|I_{22}| \geq \frac{c^*}{8}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&\leq 4\exp\{-c_7n^{1-2\alpha}\},
\end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where $c_7 = \min\{8f^2(Q_\tau(T))c_2^2c_3^{-2}, 8g^2(Q_\tau(T))c_2^2c_5^{-2}, c_6\}$.

For I_3 , by the same technique for the term I_{21} , taking $c_8 = \frac{c^*\delta}{4M}$, we can obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(|I_3| \geq \frac{c^*}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) &\leq P\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n \left|I\{Y_i < \widehat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\}\right| \geq c_8n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&\leq P\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_8n^{-\alpha}c_3^{-1} \leq T_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_8n^{-\alpha}c_3^{-1}\} \geq \frac{c_8}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&+ P\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n I\{Q_\tau(T) - c_8n^{-\alpha}c_5^{-1} \leq C_i < Q_\tau(T) + c_8n^{-\alpha}c_5^{-1}\} \geq \frac{c_8}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \\
&\leq \exp\{-8f^2(Q_\tau(T))c_8^2n^{1-2\alpha}c_3^{-2}\} + \exp\{-8g^2(Q_\tau(T))c_8^2n^{1-2\alpha}c_5^{-2}\} \\
&\leq 2\exp\{-c_9n^{1-2\alpha}\}, \tag{10}
\end{aligned}$$

where $c_9 = \min\{8f^2(Q_\tau(T))c_8^2c_3^{-2}, 8g^2(Q_\tau(T))c_8^2c_5^{-2}\}$.

For I_4 , by Condition (C1) and (C2) together with Hoeffding's inequality, we have

$$P\left(|I_4| \geq \frac{c^*}{4}n^{-\alpha}\right) \leq 2\exp\left\{-\frac{\delta^2c^{*2}n^{1-2\alpha}}{32}M^2\right\} \leq 2\exp\{-c_{10}n^{1-2\alpha}\}, \tag{11}$$

where $c_{10} = \frac{(\delta c^*)^2 M^2}{32}$. Therefore, the equations (1)-(2) and (9)-(11) together can imply that

$$P\left\{\max_{1 \leq k \leq p} |\widehat{\omega}_k - \omega_k| \geq cn^{-\alpha}\right\} \leq \sum_{k=1}^p P(|\widehat{\omega}_k^* - \omega_k^*| \geq c^*n^{-\alpha}) \leq O(p \exp\{\eta n^{1-2\alpha}\}),$$

where η is a positive constant depending on c_1, c_7, c_9 and c_{10} .

As for the second part of Theorem 1, if $\mathcal{A}_\tau$ is not the subset of $\widehat{\mathcal{A}}_\tau$, we obtain that there exist some $k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau$ such that $|\widehat{\omega}_k| < c_0n^{-\alpha} \leq cn^{-\alpha}$ for some $k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau$. Combining with the assumption that $\min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\omega_k| \geq 2cn^{-\alpha}$, it follows that

$$\{\mathcal{A}_\tau \not\subseteq \widehat{\mathcal{A}}_\tau\} \subseteq \left\{\max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\widehat{\omega}_k - \omega_k| > cn^{-\alpha}\right\}.$$

Therefore,

$$P\left\{\mathcal{A}_\tau \subset \widehat{\mathcal{A}}_\tau\right\} \geq 1 - O(s_n \exp\{-\eta n^{1-2\alpha}\}),$$

where s_n is the cardinality of $\mathcal{A}_\tau$. Here we complete the proof of Theorem 1. $\square$

Proof of Theorem 2. By Condition (C6), we have $\min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\omega_k| > \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\omega_k|$ holds uniformly in n . Then for large n , there exists some $\delta \in (0, 1]$ such that $\min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\omega_k| - \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\omega_k| \geq \delta$, because $0 \leq |\omega_k| \leq 1$ for $1 \leq k \leq p$. Therefore,

we can obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\hat{\omega}_k| \leq \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\hat{\omega}_k|\right) &\leq P\left(\min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\hat{\omega}_k| + \delta \leq \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\hat{\omega}_k| + \min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\omega_k| - \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\omega_k|\right) \\ &\leq P\left(\max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\hat{\omega}_k - \omega_k| + \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\hat{\omega}_k - \omega_k| \geq \delta\right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^p P(|\hat{\omega}_k - \omega_k| \geq \frac{\delta}{2}). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we denote $\omega_k^* = \sqrt{\tau - \tau^2} \omega_k$ and $\hat{\omega}_k^* = \sqrt{\tau - \tau^2} \hat{\omega}_k$. According to (1), we similarly decompose $|\hat{\omega}_k^* - \omega_k^*|$ as

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{\omega}_k^* - \omega_k^*| &= \tau \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_{ik} - EX_k \right| + \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{\hat{G}(Y_i|X_{ik})} - \frac{1}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} \right) I\{Y_i < \hat{Q}_\tau(T)\} \Delta_i X_{ik} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[I\{Y_i < \hat{Q}_\tau(T)\} - I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} \right] \frac{\Delta_i}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} X_{ik} \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\Delta_i}{G(Y_i|X_{ik})} I\{Y_i < Q_\tau(T)\} X_{ik} - E \left[\frac{\Delta}{G(Y|X_k)} I\{Y < Q_\tau(T)\} X_k \right] \right| \\ &\triangleq |I_1| + |I_2| + |I_3| + |I_4|. \end{aligned}$$

By the same technique as the proof of Theorem 1, there exists some constant $a > 0$ such that

$$P\left(|\hat{\omega}_k^* - \omega_k^*| \geq \frac{\delta'}{2}\right) \leq O(\exp(-an)),$$

where $\delta' = \delta \sqrt{\tau^2 - \tau}$. For $p = o\{\exp(an)\}$, we can obtain

$$P\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\hat{\omega}_k| - \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\hat{\omega}_k| \right\} \leq 0\right) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\hat{\omega}_k| \leq \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\hat{\omega}_k|\right) = 0.$$

That is

$$P\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \min_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau} |\hat{\omega}_k| - \max_{k \in \mathcal{A}_\tau^c} |\hat{\omega}_k| \right\} > 0\right) = 1.$$

□

2. Additional simulation results

In the Example 1 of the simulation studies, we further set $n = 100$ and $p = 1000, 2000, 3000$ to examine the performance of these method under different dimension. Table 1 and 2 summarize the corresponding results about the quantiles of the minimum model size $\mathcal{M}$ and the selection proportion $\mathcal{P}_k$ and $\mathcal{P}_a$ for a given model size d , respectively.

Table 1. The quantiles of the minimum model size $\mathcal{M}$ for Example 1 with two different random errors

		Case (1): $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1)$					Case (2): $\epsilon \sim t(1)$				
τ	Method	5%	25%	50%	75%	95%	5%	25%	50%	75%	95%
Scenario 1: ($n = 100, p = 1000$)											
0.3	QaSISc	8.0	20.0	42.0	76.0	182.1	16.0	42.0	75.5	153.5	521.3
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	12.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	10.0	57.0
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	34.1
0.5	QaSISc	11.0	23.0	45.5	86.5	345.7	17.0	43.8	96.5	179.3	712.1
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	23.2
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	16.1
0.7	QaSISc	22.8	68.3	139.0	279.0	721.6	37.9	96.5	227.0	529.5	940.2
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	10.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	10.0	73.2
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	33.3
Scenario 2: ($n = 100, p = 2000$)											
0.3	QaSISc	14.0	34.0	70.0	127.8	431.3	44.0	110.8	192.0	303.8	689.1
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	12.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	16.3	179.1
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.1	5.0	5.0	6.0	10.0	100.4
0.5	QaSISc	20.0	48.8	122.5	219.0	513.3	30.0	99.5	186.5	376.8	1230.1
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	11.0	49.2
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	20.0
0.7	QaSISc	34.0	89.8	234.0	554.3	1440.8	70.0	188.0	487.5	1078.5	1878.1
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	14.3	93.8
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.1	5.0	5.0	5.0	9.0	50.2
Scenario 3: ($n = 100, p = 3000$)											
0.3	QaSISc	14.0	47.0	92.0	186.8	480.2	55.0	141.3	268.0	434.0	960.1
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	8.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	21.0	226.4
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	13.3	124.6
0.5	QaSISc	21.0	49.8	129.0	280.5	626.7	49.9	144.5	279.5	512.3	1718.6
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	8.1	5.0	5.0	6.0	11.0	70.2
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	36.4
0.7	QaSISc	46.0	128.3	312.5	727.0	2091.0	77.5	241.0	601.0	1742.8	2669.5
	Q-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	8.1	5.0	5.0	8.0	26.0	217.4
	QC-SISc	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	7.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	13.0	97.8

Table 2. The proportions $\mathcal{P}_k$ corresponding to $X_1 - X_5$ and $\mathcal{P}_a$ for Example 1 with a given model size $d = \lceil n/\log(n) \rceil$

		Case (1): $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1)$						Case (2): $\epsilon \sim t(1)$					
τ	Method	$\mathcal{P}_1$	$\mathcal{P}_2$	$\mathcal{P}_3$	$\mathcal{P}_4$	$\mathcal{P}_5$	$\mathcal{P}_a$	$\mathcal{P}_1$	$\mathcal{P}_2$	$\mathcal{P}_3$	$\mathcal{P}_4$	$\mathcal{P}_5$	$\mathcal{P}_a$
Scenario 1: ($n = 100, p = 1000$)													
0.3	QaSISc	0.91	0.94	0.88	0.68	0.40	0.28	0.62	0.67	0.64	0.44	0.26	0.09
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.88	0.87
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.92	0.91
0.5	QaSISc	0.86	0.91	0.86	0.68	0.39	0.25	0.61	0.69	0.64	0.44	0.30	0.10
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.95	0.95
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.95	0.96
0.7	QaSISc	0.63	0.74	0.63	0.50	0.30	0.05	0.45	0.48	0.55	0.32	0.22	0.04
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.98	0.98	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.96	0.87	0.87
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.97	0.94	0.92
Scenario 2: ($n = 100, p = 2000$)													
0.3	QaSISc	0.77	0.92	0.81	0.59	0.33	0.14	0.44	0.50	0.46	0.30	0.19	0.02
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.98	0.98	0.99	1.00	0.99	0.94	0.82	0.79
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.97	0.87	0.86
0.5	QaSISc	0.69	0.84	0.73	0.46	0.25	0.09	0.45	0.57	0.40	0.29	0.22	0.03
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.89	0.89
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.96	0.96
0.7	QaSISc	0.54	0.59	0.54	0.38	0.23	0.02	0.30	0.41	0.30	0.22	0.15	0.00
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.97	0.82	0.81
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.87	0.87
Scenario 3: ($n = 100, p = 3000$)													
0.3	QaSISc	0.70	0.85	0.78	0.56	0.33	0.14	0.41	0.46	0.36	0.24	0.14	0.01
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.99	0.94	0.97	0.77
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.97	0.85	0.84
0.5	QaSISc	0.64	0.75	0.65	0.46	0.26	0.06	0.35	0.47	0.36	0.23	0.15	0.01
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.98	0.84	0.83
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.93	0.93
0.7	QaSISc	0.41	0.59	0.49	0.33	0.14	0.02	0.28	0.28	0.32	0.26	0.13	0.02
	Q-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.98	0.92	0.76	0.72
	QC-SISc	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.98	1.00	0.99	0.96	0.84	0.83

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