



## TWO STAGE LIU REGRESSION ESTIMATOR

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### ABSTRACT

*This paper introduces a new estimator for multicollinearity and autocorrelated errors. We propose the Two Stages Liu estimator (TL) for the multiple linear regression model which suffers from autocorrelation AR(1) and multicollinearity problems. We use a mixed method to apply the two stages least squares procedure (TS) for deriving the TL estimator. Furthermore, a Monte Carlo study and a real data are carried out to investigate the performance of the proposed estimator over the others.*

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### 1. Introduction

Consider a multiple linear regression model of the form

$$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon, \varepsilon \sim (0, \sigma^2 I_n) \quad (1)$$

where  $Y$  is an  $n \times 1$  vector of observations on the dependent variable,  $X$  is an  $n \times p$  known design matrix of rank  $p$ ,  $\beta$  is an  $p \times 1$  vector of unknown parameters, and  $\varepsilon$  is an  $n \times 1$  vector of random errors with zero mean and variance  $\sigma^2 I_n$ , where  $I_n$  is an identity matrix of order  $n$ .

The ordinary least squares (OLS) estimator of  $\beta$  is defined as:

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'Y. \quad (2)$$

Both the OLS estimator and its covariance matrix heavily depend on the characteristics of the  $X'X$  matrix. If  $X'X$  is ill-conditioned, i.e. the column vectors of  $X$  are linearly dependent, the OLS estimators are sensitive to a number of errors. For example, some of the regression coefficients may be statistically insignificant or have the wrong sign, and they may result in wide confidence intervals for individual parameters. With ill conditioned  $X'X$  matrix, it is difficult to make valid statistical inferences about the regression parameters. One of the most popular estimator dealing with multicollinearity is the ordinary ridge regression (ORR) estimator proposed by Hoerl and Kennard (1970a) and is defined as

$$\hat{\beta}_k = (X'X + kI_p)^{-1}X'Y = (I_p + k(X'X)^{-1})^{-1}\hat{\beta}, \quad (3)$$

where the constant  $k > 0$  is known as the biasing parameter.

Another biased estimator is Stein (SLS) estimator which is given as (see, Stein (1956), James and Stein (1961)):

$$\hat{\beta}_s = c\hat{\beta}, \quad (4)$$

which it is a linear function of  $c$  and  $0 < c < 1$ , where  $c = (1 - \frac{a(Y - X\hat{\beta})'(Y - X\hat{\beta})}{n\hat{\beta}'X'X\hat{\beta}})$  and  $a \geq 0$

is the shrinkage factor.

The Liu estimator (LE) is defined, see for example Liu (1993), Akdeniz and Kaçiranlar (1995) and Kaçiranlar et. al. (1999), as follows

$$\hat{\beta}_d = (X'X + I_p)^{-1}(X'Y + d\hat{\beta}) = (X'X + I_p)^{-1}(X'X + dI_p)\hat{\beta} \quad (5)$$

where  $d$  is a constant, such that  $0 < d < 1$ .

The advantage of the LE estimator over the ORR estimator is that the LE estimator is a linear function of  $d$ , so it is easy to choose  $d$  than to choose  $k$  in the ORR estimator.

Since the matrix  $X'X$  is symmetric, it exists an orthogonal matrix  $U = [U_1, U_2, \dots, U_p]$ , such that  $U'(X'X)U = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_p) = \Lambda$ , where the  $\lambda_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  eigenvalue of  $X'X$ , and the columns of  $U$  are normalized eigenvectors associated with eigenvalues. Thus, the model  $Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$  can be written in the canonical form as:

$$Y = Z\alpha + \varepsilon, \quad (6)$$

where  $Z = XU$  and  $\alpha = U'\beta$ . The OLS, ORR, SLS and LE estimators for (6) are respectively given as:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha} &= \Lambda^{-1}Z'Y \\ \hat{\alpha}_k &= (I_p + k\Lambda^{-1})\hat{\alpha} \\ \hat{\alpha}_s &= c\hat{\alpha} \\ \hat{\alpha}_d &= (\Lambda + I_p)^{-1}(\Lambda + dI_p)\hat{\alpha} \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Let us consider the multiple linear regression model

$$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim (0, \sigma^2V). \quad (8)$$

Aitken (1935) derived the generalized least squares (GLS) estimator as:

$$\hat{\beta}_{GLS} = (X'V^{-1}X)^{-1}X'V^{-1}Y, \quad (9)$$

where  $V$  is a known positive definite (p.d.) matrix .

Trenkler (1984) proposed the ridge estimator of  $\beta$  in the general linear regression model (GRR) as:

$$\hat{\beta}_{GRR} = (X'V^{-1}X + kI_p)^{-1}X'V^{-1}Y. \quad (10)$$

He concluded that the Ridge Regression estimators which take the autocorrelation into account can perform better than the other methods when  $V$  matrix is known.

Stein (1975) proposed the Generalized Stein (GS) estimator of  $\beta$  in the general linear regression model as:

$$\hat{\beta}_{GS} = f\hat{\beta}_{GLS}, \quad (11)$$

which it is a linear function of  $0 < f < 1$ , where  $f = (1 - \frac{a(Y - X\hat{\beta}_{GLS})'V^{-1}(Y - X\hat{\beta}_{GLS})}{n\hat{\beta}_{GLS}'X'V^{-1}X\hat{\beta}_{GLS}})$ .

Kaçıranlar (2003) combined the Liu estimator of Equation (5) with the GLS of Equation (9) to obtain the Generalized Liu estimator (GLE) which is defined as:

$$\hat{\beta}_{GLE} = (X'V^{-1}X + I_p)^{-1}(X'V^{-1}X + dI_p)\hat{\beta}_{GLS}. \quad (12)$$

So, the problem of multicollinearity has also been discussed when the violation of the assumption of the autocorrelation of errors is also faced by many researchers, see for example, Gosling et al. (1982), Firinguetti (1989), Bayhan and Bayhan (1998), Kaçıranlar (2003), Özkale (2008), Alheety and Kibria (2009), Güler and Kaçıranlar (2009), Şiray et al. (2014) and Özkale (2014).

Using the canonical form, The GLS, GRR, GS and GLE are respectively given as:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\alpha}_{GLS} &= \Gamma^{-1}Q'XV^{-1}Y \\ \hat{\alpha}_{GRR} &= (I_p + k\Gamma^{-1})\hat{\alpha}_{GLS} \\ \hat{\alpha}_{GS} &= f\hat{\alpha}_{GLS} \\ \hat{\alpha}_{GLE} &= (\Gamma + I_p)^{-1}(\Gamma + dI_p)\hat{\alpha}_{GLS} \end{aligned}, \quad (13)$$

where  $Q'(X'V^{-1}X)Q = \text{diag}(\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_p) = \Gamma$ ,  $\gamma_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  eigenvalue of  $X'V^{-1}X$ .

In this paper, we introduce a new estimator which is called the Two Stages Liu estimator (TL) by mixing the Two Stages procedure (TS) with the LE estimator. So, we examine the multicollinearity and autocorrelation problems simultaneously, define the TL estimator in the linear regression model with  $AR(1)$  correlated errors, and find the characteristics of this estimator in Sect. 2. Then, in Sect. 3, some interesting transforms of the TL estimator will be discussed. Then, we give a simulation study in Sect. 4. Finally, we give an application of a real data in Sect. 5.

## 2. The Two Stages Liu Estimator (TL)

The model with first order autoregressive process  $AR(1)$  has the form:

$$\varepsilon_t = \rho \varepsilon_{t-1} + \eta_t, \quad t = 2, 3, \dots, n \quad (14)$$

where  $\rho$  is the autocorrelation parameter (coefficient) ( $|\rho| < 1$ ),  $\eta_t$  is a normal distributed random variable, which satisfies

$$\eta_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2), \quad E(\eta_t \eta_{t-s}) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2, & \text{if } s = 0 \\ 0, & \text{else.} \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

If  $V$  is an  $n \times n$  known p.d. symmetric matrix, the simplest solution to the estimated model (8) when plagued with the problems of multicollinearity and autocorrelation in errors, is the use of GLS as in (9), but  $V$  matrix is seldom known. If  $V$  matrix is unknown, it is common in practice to use the estimated matrix of  $V$  in order to find the estimated generalized least square estimator (EGLSE) or Two Stages method estimator that is more efficient than the GLSE.

So, let us reform the Two Stages procedure.

Using the matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  to transform the model in (8) yields

$$\mathbf{PY} = \mathbf{PX}\beta + \mathbf{P}\varepsilon,$$

which is equivalent to

$$Y^* = X^* \beta + \varepsilon^*, \tag{16}$$

where  $E(\varepsilon^*) = 0$  and  $Cov(\varepsilon^*) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n$ . Therefore, the OLS estimator for the model (16) is:

$$\hat{\beta}_{TS} = (X^{*'} X^*)^{-1} X^{*'} Y^* \tag{17}$$

where

$$Y^* := \mathbf{PY} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\rho^2} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\rho & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -\rho & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{pmatrix}$$

$$X^* := \mathbf{PX} = \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{1-\rho^2} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -\rho & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -\rho & 1 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & \cdots & 0 & -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & X_{11} & X_{12} & \cdots & X_{1p-1} \\ 1 & X_{21} & X_{22} & \cdots & X_{2p-1} \\ \vdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_{n1} & X_{n2} & \cdots & X_{np-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that  $X^{*'} X^* = X' \mathbf{P}' \mathbf{P} X = X' V^{-1} X$  and  $X^{*'} Y^* = X' \mathbf{P}' \mathbf{P} Y = X' V^{-1} Y$ , where

$$V^{-1} := \mathbf{P}'\mathbf{P} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -\rho & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ -\rho & 1+\rho^2 & -\rho & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & -\rho & 1+\rho^2 & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & 1+\rho^2 & -\rho \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -\rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad (18)$$

and  $\hat{V}^{-1}$  is the estimated matrix that is in (18) with  $\rho$  replaced by  $\hat{\rho}$ .

A number of  $\hat{\rho}$ 's alternatives have been used in the literature, Judge, et. al. (1985):

1. The sample correlation coefficient. In this case, the estimator is

$$r_1 = \frac{\sum_{t=2}^n \hat{\varepsilon}_t \hat{\varepsilon}_{t-1}}{\sum_{t=1}^n \hat{\varepsilon}_t^2}, \quad (19)$$

where the disturbances ( $\varepsilon_t$ 's), because they are unobservable, have been replaced by the OLS residuals  $\hat{\varepsilon}_t = Y_t - \hat{Y}_t = Y_t - x_t' \hat{\beta}$ ,  $t = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , where  $x_t'$  is the symbol of a  $(1 \times p)$  vector containing the  $t$ -th observation on  $p$  predictors.

2. The Durbin-Watson Statistic. This statistic,

$$d = \frac{\sum_{t=2}^n (\hat{\varepsilon}_t - \hat{\varepsilon}_{t-1})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^n \hat{\varepsilon}_t^2}. \quad (20)$$

is often used to test the existence of autocorrelation.

An estimator for  $\rho$  that is approximately equal to  $r_1$ , namely

$$\hat{\rho} = 1 - 0.5d. \quad (21)$$

So, after estimated  $\rho$  by  $\hat{\rho}$ , we can find  $\hat{V}^{-1}$ . And then, the TS is given as (Prais and Winsten (1954)):

$$\hat{\beta}_{TS} = (X'\hat{V}^{-1}X)^{-1}X'\hat{V}^{-1}Y. \quad (22)$$

Eledum and Zahri (2013) proposed the TR estimator of  $\beta$  in the general linear regression model as:

$$\hat{\beta}_{TR} = (X'\hat{V}^{-1}X + kI_p)^{-1}X'\hat{V}^{-1}Y. \quad (23)$$

Chaturvedi and Shukla (1990) proposed the Two Stages Stein (STS) estimator of  $\beta$  in the general linear regression model as:

$$\hat{\beta}_{STS} = \hat{f}\hat{\beta}_{TS}, \quad (24)$$

which it is a linear function of  $\hat{f}$  and  $0 < \hat{f} < 1$ , where  $\hat{f} = \left(1 - \frac{a}{n} \frac{(Y - X\hat{\beta}_{TS})'\hat{V}^{-1}(Y - X\hat{\beta}_{TS})}{\hat{\beta}_{TS}'X'\hat{V}^{-1}X\hat{\beta}_{TS}}\right)$ .

To estimate the linear model with both multicollinearity and autocorrelation  $AR(1)$  problems simultaneously, we propose the mixed estimator, which is developed by mixing Equation (5) with (22). Therefore, the TL estimator is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta}_{TL} &= (X^*X^* + I_p)^{-1}(X^*X^* + dI_p)\hat{\beta}_{TS} \\ &= (X'\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}X + I_p)^{-1}(X'\mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}X + dI_p)\hat{\beta}_{TS} \\ &= (X'\hat{V}^{-1}X + I_p)^{-1}(X'\hat{V}^{-1}X + dI_p)\hat{\beta}_{TS} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$



where  $0 < d < 1$  and  $\hat{V}^{-1}$  is the estimated  $V^{-1}$  matrix which it is defined in (18).

In order to compare the performance of any estimator with others, a criterion for measuring the goodness of an estimator is required. For this purpose, the matrix mean square error (MMSE) criterion is used to measure the goodness of an estimator. We note that for any estimator  $\tilde{\beta}$  of  $\beta$ , its MMSE is defined as

$$MSE(\tilde{\beta}) = E(\tilde{\beta} - \beta)(\tilde{\beta} - \beta)' = Cov(\tilde{\beta}) + Bias(\tilde{\beta})Bias(\tilde{\beta})' \quad (26)$$

and the scalar mean square error (mse) is obtained as follows

$$mse(\tilde{\beta}) = \text{tr}(MSE(\tilde{\beta})). \quad (27)$$

### 3. Some Interesting Transforms of the TL Estimator

In this section, we use some properties of the symmetrical matrices to improve the results above by using the eigenvalues and the eigenvectors. Recall that  $X'\hat{V}^{-1}X$  is a symmetric matrix (correlation form), therefore it exists an orthogonal matrix  $Q$  such that

$$Q'(X'\hat{V}^{-1}X)Q = \text{diag}(\hat{\gamma}_1, \hat{\gamma}_2, \dots, \hat{\gamma}_p) = \hat{\Gamma}, \quad (28)$$

where  $\hat{\gamma}_i$  is the  $i^{\text{th}}$  eigenvalue of the matrix  $X'\hat{V}^{-1}X$ , the columns of  $Q$  are normalized eigenvectors associated with the eigenvalues. Thus, Eledum and Zahri (2013) rewrote the TS estimator and the TR estimator respectively as follows:

$$\hat{\beta}_{TS} = Q\hat{\Gamma}^{-1}Q'r_{X*Y*} = \sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\gamma}_i^{-1} Q_j Q_j' r_{X*Y*}, \quad (29)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{TR} = Q(\hat{\Gamma} + kI_p)^{-1}Q'r_{X*Y*} = \sum_{i=1}^p (\hat{\gamma}_i + k)^{-1} Q_j Q_j' r_{X*Y*}, \quad (30)$$

where  $r_{X^*Y^*}$  is the correlation matrix between  $X^*$  and  $Y^*$  and  $Q_j$  represents the  $j^{\text{th}}$  column of the orthogonal matrix  $Q$ .

Thus, we can rewrite the STS estimator and the proposed TL estimator respectively as follows:

$$\hat{\beta}_{STS} = \hat{f} Q \hat{\Gamma}^{-1} Q' r_{X^*Y^*} = \hat{f} \sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\gamma}_i^{-1} Q_j Q_j' r_{X^*Y^*}, \quad (31)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{TL} = Q(\hat{\Gamma} + I_p)^{-1}(\hat{\Gamma} + dI_p)\hat{\Gamma}^{-1}Q'r_{X^*Y^*} = \sum_{i=1}^p (\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)^{-1}(\hat{\gamma}_i + d) \hat{\gamma}_i^{-1} Q_j Q_j' r_{X^*Y^*}. \quad (32)$$

Using canonical form:

$$Y^* = Z \alpha^* + \varepsilon^*, \quad (33)$$

where  $Z = X^* Q$  and  $\alpha^* = Q' \beta$ . Thus, Eledum and Zahri (2013) rewrote the TS estimator and the TR estimator respectively as follows:

$$\hat{\alpha}_{TS}^* = (Z'Z)^{-1}Z'Y^* = \hat{\Gamma}^{-1}Q'X'\hat{V}^{-1}Y, \quad (34)$$

$$\hat{\alpha}_{TR}^* = (\hat{\Gamma} + kI_p)^{-1}X'\hat{V}^{-1}Y = C_1Y. \quad (35)$$

The STS estimator rewrite as follows:

$$\hat{\alpha}_{STS}^* = \hat{f} \hat{\alpha}_{TS}^*. \quad (36)$$

Thus, we can rewrite the proposed TL estimator as follows:

$$\hat{\alpha}_{TL}^* = (\hat{\Gamma} + I_p)^{-1}(\hat{\Gamma} + dI_p)\hat{\alpha}_{TS}^*, \quad (37)$$

$$\hat{\alpha}_{TL}^* = (\hat{\Gamma} + I_p)^{-1}(\hat{\Gamma} + dI_p)\hat{\Gamma}^{-1}X'\hat{V}^{-1}Y = C_2Y. \quad (38)$$

For practical purposes, we have to replace these unknown parameters by some suitable estimates. Liu (1993) gave the estimates of  $d$  by analogy with the estimate of  $k$  in ridge estimators. Following the method of Liu (1993), some of these estimates are defined as

$$\hat{d}_{mm} = 1 - \hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{\hat{\gamma}_i (\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)} \bigg/ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}{(\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)^2} \right], \quad (39)$$

$$\hat{d}_{mmh} = 1 - h \hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{\hat{\gamma}_i (\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)} \bigg/ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}{(\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)^2} \right], \quad (40)$$

$$\hat{d}_{CL} = 1 - \hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{(\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)} \bigg/ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\hat{\gamma}_i \hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}{(\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)^2} \right], \quad (41)$$

$$\hat{d}_{CLh} = 1 - h \hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{1}{(\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)} \bigg/ \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\hat{\gamma}_i \hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}{(\hat{\gamma}_i + 1)^2} \right], \quad (42)$$

where  $h > 0$  and  $\hat{\alpha}_{TS}^*$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2$  are the TS estimates of  $\alpha$  and  $\sigma^2$ .

A very important issue in the study of ridge regression is how to find an appropriate parameter  $k$ . When  $k$  is estimated from the data the ridge estimator is called the operational ridge estimator. Hoerl and Kennard (1970 a, b), Hoerl, Kennard and Baldwin (1975) and Lawless and Wang (1976) suggested some of the operational ridge parameters. Following them, some of these estimates are defined as

$$\hat{k}_{HK} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}, \quad (43)$$

$$\hat{k}_{HKB} = \frac{p \hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}, \quad (44)$$

$$\hat{k}_{LW} = \frac{p \hat{\sigma}_{TS}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\gamma}_i \hat{\alpha}_{TSi}^{*2}}. \quad (45)$$

#### 4. The Monte Carlo Simulation Study

In this section, we will discuss the simulation study to compare the performances of the *OLS*, *TS*, *ORR*, *TR*, *SLS*, *STS*, *Liu* and *TL* estimators. *MATLAB* is used for the simulation experiment. Following McDonald and Galarneau (1975) and Kibria (2003), the explanatory variables are generated by

$$x_{ij} = (1 - \gamma^2)^{1/2} z_{ij} + \gamma z_{i,p+1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, p \quad (46)$$

where  $z_{ij}$  are independent standard normal pseudo-random numbers,  $\gamma$  is specified so that the correlation between any two explanatory variables is given by  $\gamma^2$ . Following Kibria (2003), three different sets of correlation are considered, corresponding to  $\gamma = 0.7, 0.8, 0.9$ . The explanatory variables are then standardized so that  $X'X$  is in the correlation form. The  $\hat{V}^{-1}$  matrix is the estimated  $V^{-1}$  matrix which is defined in (18). Using the second method of  $\rho$ 's estimation in *AR*(1), five values of Durbin-Watson statistic are taken as  $d = 0.2, 0.6, 1.0, 1.4, 1.8$ . So, the estimated five different values of  $\rho$  are  $\hat{\rho} = 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9$ . Following Şiray et al. (2014), we choose the  $\beta$  as the eigenvector corresponding to the largest and the smallest eigenvalue of the matrix  $X'\hat{V}^{-1}X$ . Observations on the dependent variable are determined by

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \varepsilon_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n \quad (47)$$

where  $\varepsilon_i$  are independent normal pseudo-random numbers with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2 \hat{V}$  and  $\beta_0$  is taken to be identically zero. Six values of  $\sigma$  are considered which are 0.1, 0.5, 1, 4, 9 and 20. Then the dependent variable is standardized so that  $X'y$  is the vector of correlations of the dependent variable with each explanatory variable. Where the biasing parameter  $k$  in *ORR* and *TR* estimators and the biasing parameter  $d$  in *Liu* and *TL* estimators are chosen as 0.001, 0.01, 0.05, 0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9 and 1. Moreover, the biasing parameters  $k$  and  $d$  are taking as given in equations 47-53. Also, the constant  $a$  in *SLS* and *STS* estimators is chosen as  $a = p - 3$  (see

Chaturvedi, et. al., 2001). In this study, we choose  $n = 20$  and  $60$  and  $p = 4$ . Then the experiment is replicated 5,000 times by generating new error terms.

We use the SMSE criterion to investigate the performance of the OLS, TS, ORR, TR, SLS, STS, Liu and TL estimators. The estimated SMSE for any estimator  $\hat{\beta}^*$  is calculated as follows:

$$mse = \frac{1}{MCN} \sum_{r=1}^{MCN} (\hat{\beta}_r^* - \beta)' (\hat{\beta}_r^* - \beta) \quad (48)$$

where  $\hat{\beta}_r^*$  is the computed value of  $\hat{\beta}^*$  for the  $r^{\text{th}}$  replication of the experiment and  $MCN$  is the number of replications, which is taken 5000 for this experiment.

The results of the simulation study are summarized in Tables 1–6. We have the following comments. Note that for each case we chose the best  $k$  in ORR and TR estimators and the best  $d$  in Liu and TL estimators among all suggested  $k$ 's and  $d$ 's which give the smallest SMSE. Firstly, we comment about  $\sigma$ . As  $\sigma$  increases, the estimated SMSEs of the mentioned estimators also increase as expected (e.g. for  $\hat{\rho} = 0.1, \gamma = 0.8, n = 20, 60$ , the SMSEs of the suggested estimators at  $\sigma = 1$  are larger than the SMSEs of the suggested estimators at  $\sigma = 0.1$ ). As  $\gamma$  increases, the estimated SMSEs of the mentioned estimators also increase as expected (e.g. for  $\hat{\rho} = 0.1, n = 20, 60, \sigma = 1$ , the SMSEs of the suggested estimators at  $\gamma = 0.8$  are larger than the SMSEs of the suggested estimators at  $\gamma = 0.7$ ). As  $n$  increases, the estimated SMSEs of the mentioned estimators decrease as expected (e.g. for  $\hat{\rho} = 0.1, \gamma = 0.7, \sigma = 1$ , the SMSEs of the suggested estimators at  $n = 60$  are smaller than the SMSEs of the suggested estimators at  $n = 20$ ). Now, we investigate the effect of  $\gamma$ , which designates the degree of multicollinearity. As multicollinearity becomes more serious, inflation in SMSE of the OLS and TS estimators is expected. An increase in  $\gamma$ , is an increase in the estimated SMSE of the OLS and TS estimators, expectedly. For  $\gamma = 0.7, 0.8, 0.9$ , while  $\hat{\rho}$  is increasing, the estimated SMSEs of the OLS, ORR, Stein and Liu estimators are increasing and the estimated SMSEs of the TS, TR, STS and TL estimators are decreasing. Also, when  $\gamma$  is increasing, the best model is the Liu estimator which its SMSE is decreasing rapidly rather than ORR estimator but when  $\gamma$  and  $\hat{\rho}$  are increasing simultaneously, the best model is the TL estimator which its SMSE is decreasing rapidly rather

than the TR estimator. So, we can say that the STS estimator gives closed or better results than the TL estimator according to SMSE values for larger values of  $\sigma$ .

## 5. The Real Life Data Study

To illustrate the performance of the estimators, we consider the famous Portland cement data originally due to Woods et al. (1932). This data have been analyzed by several researchers: Hald (1952, pp. 635–652), Hamaker (1962), Gorman and Toman (1966, pp. 35–36), Daniel and Wood (1980, pp. 89–91, 106–107), Nomura (1988, pp. 735), Piepel and Redgate (1998) and Kaçiranlar et al. (1999), Liu (2003), Sakallioğlu and Kaçiranlar (2008), and very recently, Muniz and Kibria (2009), among others. The data came from an experimental investigation of the heat evolved during the setting and hardening of Portland cement of varied composition and the dependence of this heat on the percentages of four compounds in the clinkers from which the cement was made. There are four explanatory variables:  $X_1$ : amount of tricalcium aluminate,  $X_2$ : amount of ticalcium silicate,  $X_3$ : amount of tetracalcium alumino ferrite, and  $X_4$ : amount of dicalcium silicate. The response variable is  $Y$ : heat evolved in calories per gram of cement.

Consider the following linear regression model:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 + \varepsilon, \quad (49)$$

where  $Y$  represents the dependent variable and  $X_i$  for  $i=1, 2, 3$  and  $4$  are the independent variables.

The fitted model is:

$$\hat{Y} = 62.4054 + 1.5511X_1 + 0.5102X_2 + 0.1019X_3 - 0.1441X_4. \quad (50)$$

**Table 7.** Output using original data

$\alpha$	$n$	$p$	$\hat{\sigma}^2$	$dl$	$du$	$DW$	$VIF_1$	$VIF_2$	$VIF_3$	$VIF_4$
0.05	13	4	5.983	0.574	2.094	2.053	38.496	254.423	46.868	282.513

where  $VIF_i$  for each  $i=1, 2, 3$  represents the Variance Inflation Factors.

Table 7 shows that  $dl < DW < du$ , that means, the test is inconclusive. So, we took the residuals of the estimated model and we created the model of the residuals by its lags such that the best model of residuals is  $AR(1)$  model with  $\hat{\rho} = -0.081$  or by using eq.(19). So, the model suffers from first order autoregressive scheme and since all  $VIFs > 4$ , the model also suffers from multicollinearity.

The  $X'X$  (correlation form) is:

$$r_{X'X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.229 & -0.824 & -0.245 \\ 0.229 & 1 & -0.139 & -0.973 \\ -0.824 & -0.139 & 1 & 0.030 \\ -0.245 & -0.973 & 0.030 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

**Table 8.** Output using transformed data

$VIF_1$	$VIF_2$	$VIF_3$	$VIF_4$
11.322	102.586	12.575	116.204

So, we solved the autocorrelated error using TS estimator, where the new  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = 5.923$  of a transformed data. Table 8 shows that all  $VIFs > 4$ , that means, the model still suffers from the multicollinearity problem.

The corresponding  $X'\hat{V}^{-1}X$  (correlation form) is:

$$r_{X^T V^{-1} X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.245 & -0.788 & -0.269 \\ 0.245 & 1 & -0.071 & -0.980 \\ -0.788 & -0.071 & 1 & -0.012 \\ -0.269 & -0.980 & -0.012 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Since the model still suffers from the multicollinearity problem. We will use the TR estimator and the proposed TL estimator as the alternatives to solve this problem

Table 9 summarizes the interesting comparisons for the estimators subject to this study. See Table 10 and 11 in Appendices for the complete comparisons.

**Table 9.** Comparison of Estimators

Estimator	Var	Bias <sup>2</sup>	mse	k or d
$\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$	4912.100	0.000000	4912.100000	-----
$\hat{\beta}_{TS}$	4647.422	0.000000	4647.422000	-----
$\hat{\beta}_k$	57.97370	3096.800	3154.774000	k = 0.01
$\hat{\beta}_{TR}$	59.44948	2321.100	2380.549000	k = 0.01
$\hat{\beta}_S$	4911.800	0.000004	4911.800004	-----
$\hat{\beta}_{STS}$	4649.600	0.000002	4649.600002	-----
$\hat{\beta}_d$	788.8650	1399.700	2188.565000	d = 0.4
$\hat{\beta}_{TL}$	746.4901	1059.600	1806.090000	d = 0.4

Table 9 shows that  $\hat{\beta}_{TS}$  is better than  $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$  because  $\hat{\beta}_{TS}$  gives smaller mse value than  $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$  which means, the correlation among errors is occurred. Also, the other biased estimators in general give better results in terms of the mse values than the  $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$  and  $\hat{\beta}_{TS}$  estimators which means, the data also suffers from multicollinearity problem as we mentioned above. Moreover, it shows clearly the good results of our improved estimator  $\hat{\beta}_{TL}$  which gives the smallest mse value among all the mentioned estimators especially when  $d = 0.4$ .



According to the Tables 10 and 11 in Appendices,  $\hat{\beta}_{TL}$  is better than the other estimators in general and it is better than  $\hat{\beta}_{TR}$  when  $d = 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6$  in terms of the mse criterion.

**Table 12.** Comparisons between the ORR and the TR estimators with different estimated biasing parameter  $k$

Estimator	The estimated			
	biasing parameter $k$	<i>Var</i>	<i>Bias</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>mse</i>
$\hat{\beta}_k$	$\hat{k}_{HK} = 0.0015$	961.4145	1211.70000	2173.11450000
	$\hat{k}_{HKB} = 0.0077$	92.18690	2902.80000	2994.98690000
	$\hat{k}_{LW} = 1.4889 \times 10^{-7}$	4910.90	0.00005821	4910.90005821
$\hat{\beta}_{TR}$	$\hat{k}_{HK} = 0.0020$	703.5970	1105.10000	1808.69700000
	$\hat{k}_{HKB} = 0.01$	59.37540	2329.20000	2388.57540000
	$\hat{k}_{LW} = 1.7136 \times 10^{-7}$	4648.600	0.00005355	4648.60005355

Table 12 shows that the mse values for the ORR and the TR estimator such that the mse values of the TR estimator are always smaller than the mse values of the ORR estimator for the three estimated biasing parameter  $k$ . (i.e. for  $\hat{k}_{HK}$ , the mse value of the TR estimator is smaller than the mse value of the ORR estimator and etc.)

**Table 13.** Comparisons between the Liu and the TL estimators with different estimated biasing parameter  $d$

Estimator	The estimated			
	biasing parameter $d$	<i>Var</i>	<i>Bias</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>mse</i>
$\hat{\beta}_d$	$\hat{d}_{mm} = 0.9939$	4852.100	0.14660	4852.2466

	$\hat{d}_{mm(h=4.5)} = 0.9724$	4644.700	2.96870	4647.6687
	$\hat{d}_{CL} = 0.8702$	3721.400	65.4625	3786.8625
	$\hat{d}_{CL(h=0.45)} = 0.4161$	853.4019	1325.60	2179.0019
	$\hat{d}_{mm} = 0.9920$	4575.800	0.18920	4575.9892
$\hat{\beta}_{TL}$	$\hat{d}_{mm(h=4.5)} = 0.9640$	4321.300	3.83120	4325.1312
	$\hat{d}_{CL} = 0.8303$	3207.300	85.0348	3292.3348
	$\hat{d}_{CL(h=4.5)} = 0.2364$	261.9467	1722.00	1983.000

Table 13 shows that the mse values for the Liu and the TL estimator such that the mse values of the TL estimator are always smaller than the mse values of the Liu estimator for the four estimated biasing parameter  $d$ . (i.e. for  $\hat{d}_{CL}$ , the mse value of the TL estimator is smaller than the mse value of the Liu estimator and etc.).

Finally, according to the Tables 9, 12, and 13, we see that the TL estimator is the best estimator which gives the smallest mse value when  $d = 0.4$  comparing to the other mentioned estimators and then the TR estimator when  $\hat{k}_{HK} = 0.0020$  and so on.

## Conclusions:

In this paper, we have examined the multicollinearity and autocorrelation problem simultaneously and defined the TL estimator in the linear regression model with  $AR(1)$  correlated errors. Also, the results of our simulation and real life dataset suggest us that the mse of the TL estimator is smaller than the mentioned estimators but when  $\sigma$  gets larger, the STS estimator gives closed or better results than the TL estimator according to mse values.

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## Appendices

**Table 1**

For  $\sigma = 0.1$

$\gamma$	$n$	$\rho$	OLS	TS	ORR	TR	SLS	STS	LIU	TL
<b>0.7</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.00400	0.00390	0.00390	0.00380	0.00400	0.00390	0.00390	<b>0.00380</b>
		0.3	0.00580	0.00380	0.00560	0.00380	0.00570	0.00380	0.00540	<b>0.00370</b>
		0.5	0.01230	0.00370	0.01200	0.00360	0.01230	0.00370	0.01090	<b>0.00340</b>
		0.7	0.04110	0.00330	0.04020	0.00320	0.04100	0.00330	0.03440	<b>0.00290</b>
		0.9	0.27280	0.00250	0.26660	0.00240	0.26860	0.00250	0.22090	<b>0.00220</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.00130	0.00120	0.00130	0.00120	0.00130	0.00120	0.00130	<b>0.00120</b>
		0.3	0.00190	0.00120	0.00190	0.00120	0.00190	0.00120	0.00180	<b>0.00110</b>
		0.5	0.00390	0.00100	0.00390	0.0010	0.00390	0.00100	0.00370	<b>0.00095</b>
		0.7	0.01380	0.00074	0.01370	0.00073	0.01380	0.00073	0.01290	<b>0.00072</b>
		0.9	0.16540	0.00052	0.16420	0.00052	0.16170	0.00052	0.15430	<b>0.00051</b>
<b>0.8</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.00550	0.00530	0.00530	0.00510	0.00550	0.00530	0.00450	<b>0.00430</b>
		0.3	0.00770	0.00520	0.00750	0.00510	0.00770	0.00520	0.00630	<b>0.00430</b>
		0.5	0.01650	0.00520	0.01600	0.00500	0.01650	0.00520	0.01310	<b>0.00410</b>
		0.7	0.05600	0.00470	0.05430	0.00450	0.05590	0.00470	0.04280	<b>0.00360</b>
		0.9	0.38170	0.00360	0.36940	0.00350	0.37670	0.00360	0.28400	<b>0.00290</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.00180	0.00170	0.00180	0.00170	0.00180	0.00170	0.00170	<b>0.00160</b>
		0.3	0.00260	0.00160	0.00260	0.00160	0.00260	0.00160	0.00240	<b>0.00150</b>
		0.5	0.00540	0.00130	0.00530	0.00130	0.00540	0.00130	0.00490	<b>0.00120</b>
		0.7	0.01890	0.00100	0.01870	0.00100	0.01890	0.00100	0.01710	<b>0.00095</b>
		0.9	0.22680	0.00072	0.22440	0.00071	0.22200	0.00070	0.20470	<b>0.00067</b>
<b>0.9</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.01000	0.00980	0.00930	0.00930	0.01000	0.00980	0.00600	<b>0.00580</b>
		0.3	0.01400	0.00970	0.01310	0.00920	0.01400	0.00970	0.00860	<b>0.00580</b>
		0.5	0.02980	0.00960	0.02800	0.00910	0.02980	0.00960	0.01830	<b>0.00570</b>
		0.7	0.10260	0.00910	0.09650	0.00850	0.10240	0.00910	0.06190	<b>0.00520</b>
		0.9	0.71580	0.00720	0.67290	0.00680	0.70810	0.00720	0.42210	<b>0.00430</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.00330	0.00310	0.00320	0.00310	0.00330	0.00310	0.00280	<b>0.00260</b>
		0.3	0.00480	0.00300	0.00470	0.00290	0.00480	0.00300	0.00400	<b>0.00250</b>
		0.5	0.01000	0.00250	0.00980	0.00240	0.01000	0.00250	0.00830	<b>0.00210</b>
		0.7	0.03500	0.00190	0.03430	0.00180	0.03500	0.00190	0.02890	<b>0.00160</b>
		0.9	0.42220	0.00130	0.41350	0.00130	0.41440	0.00130	0.34690	<b>0.00120</b>

**Table 2**For  $\sigma = 0.5$ 

$\gamma$	<b>n</b>	$\rho$	<b>OLS</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>ORR</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>SLS</b>	<b>STS</b>	<b>LIU</b>	<b>TL</b>
<b>0.7</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.10080	0.09690	0.09830	0.09450	0.10000	0.09620	0.08060	<b>0.07770</b>
		0.3	0.14380	0.09600	0.14030	0.09370	0.14220	0.09520	0.11590	<b>0.07700</b>
		0.5	0.30720	0.09310	0.30010	0.09080	0.30100	0.09230	0.24840	<b>0.07400</b>
		0.7	1.02760	0.08140	1.00410	0.07940	0.97840	0.08050	0.83050	<b>0.06480</b>
		0.9	6.82120	0.06200	6.66410	0.06060	6.20290	0.06080	5.49090	<b>0.05040</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.03260	0.03100	0.03230	0.03080	0.03250	0.03090	0.03040	<b>0.02890</b>
		0.3	0.04700	0.02920	0.04670	0.02900	0.04680	0.02910	0.04380	<b>0.02720</b>
		0.5	0.09780	0.02450	0.09700	0.02430	0.09690	0.02440	0.09110	<b>0.02290</b>
		0.7	0.34450	0.01860	0.34200	0.01850	0.33390	0.01850	0.32070	<b>0.01750</b>
		0.9	4.13540	0.01310	4.10560	0.01300	3.15710	0.01300	3.85520	<b>0.01240</b>
<b>0.8</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.13640	0.13150	0.13160	0.12690	0.13550	0.13060	0.09930	<b>0.09590</b>
		0.3	0.19300	0.13120	0.18650	0.12660	0.19130	0.13020	0.14250	<b>0.09580</b>
		0.5	0.41250	0.13040	0.39910	0.12560	0.40550	0.12920	0.30690	<b>0.09370</b>
		0.7	1.40120	0.11730	1.35620	0.11300	1.34180	0.11600	1.04390	<b>0.08420</b>
		0.9	9.54210	0.09080	9.23310	0.08780	8.72030	0.08920	7.06980	<b>0.06710</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.04480	0.04260	0.04430	0.04210	0.04460	0.04250	0.04050	<b>0.03850</b>
		0.3	0.06470	0.04010	0.06400	0.03970	0.06440	0.04000	0.05840	<b>0.03630</b>
		0.5	0.13460	0.03370	0.13320	0.03330	0.13360	0.03360	0.12160	<b>0.03060</b>
		0.7	0.47360	0.02550	0.46850	0.02530	0.46060	0.02540	0.42720	<b>0.02350</b>
		0.9	5.67070	0.01790	5.61040	0.01780	4.35760	0.01780	5.11600	<b>0.01670</b>
<b>0.9</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.24910	0.24590	0.23260	0.22860	0.24770	0.24390	0.14100	<b>0.13600</b>
		0.3	0.34920	0.24140	0.32710	0.22550	0.34650	0.23970	0.20260	<b>0.13600</b>
		0.5	0.74490	0.24060	0.69940	0.22480	0.73400	0.23910	0.43910	<b>0.13520</b>
		0.7	2.56580	0.22850	2.41240	0.21220	2.47080	0.22620	1.52110	<b>0.12460</b>
		0.9	17.8960	0.18060	16.8203	0.16880	16.44270	0.17760	10.5212	<b>0.10280</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.08270	0.07870	0.08110	0.07710	0.08260	0.07850	0.06830	<b>0.06490</b>
		0.3	0.11960	0.07410	0.11720	0.07260	0.11920	0.07390	0.09880	<b>0.06130</b>
		0.5	0.24890	0.06210	0.24390	0.06090	0.24730	0.06190	0.20550	<b>0.05200</b>
		0.7	0.87490	0.04690	0.85710	0.04610	0.85400	0.04680	0.72050	<b>0.04010</b>
		0.9	10.5552	0.03300	10.3373	0.03250	8.23070	0.03280	8.67260	<b>0.02890</b>

**Table 3**For  $\sigma = 1$ 

$\gamma$	<b>n</b>	$\rho$	<b>OLS</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>ORR</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>SLS</b>	<b>STS</b>	<b>LIU</b>	<b>TL</b>
<b>0.7</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.40310	0.38780	0.39300	0.37820	0.39110	0.37620	0.32020	<b>0.30850</b>
		0.3	0.57500	0.38410	0.56130	0.37470	0.55250	0.37220	0.46120	<b>0.30600</b>
		0.5	1.22890	0.37260	1.20050	0.36310	1.15100	0.35940	0.99070	<b>0.29440</b>
		0.7	4.11050	0.32580	4.01650	0.31760	3.70320	0.31120	3.31830	<b>0.25820</b>
		0.9	27.2847	0.24780	26.6562	0.24220	24.2084	0.23070	21.9590	<b>0.20090</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.13030	0.12390	0.12940	0.12300	0.12870	0.12250	0.12140	<b>0.11530</b>
		0.3	0.18810	0.11680	0.18670	0.11590	0.18490	0.11540	0.17520	<b>0.10870</b>
		0.5	0.39110	0.09800	0.38820	0.09740	0.37810	0.09680	0.36410	<b>0.09170</b>
		0.7	1.37810	0.07430	1.36790	0.07380	1.23580	0.07320	1.28240	<b>0.07000</b>
		0.9	16.5416	0.05230	16.4223	0.05200	11.7350	0.05110	15.4206	<b>0.04970</b>
<b>0.8</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.54570	0.52600	0.52630	0.50750	0.53110	0.51180	0.39550	<b>0.38210</b>
		0.3	0.77220	0.52470	0.74610	0.50640	0.74550	0.50970	0.56820	<b>0.38170</b>
		0.5	1.65020	0.52140	1.59640	0.50230	1.55590	0.50420	1.22510	<b>0.37380</b>
		0.7	5.60480	0.46930	5.42490	0.45200	5.07920	0.44930	4.17220	<b>0.33610</b>
		0.9	38.1682	0.36330	36.9321	0.35120	33.9684	0.33890	28.2746	<b>0.26780</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.17910	0.17030	0.17720	0.16850	0.17710	0.16860	0.16170	<b>0.15370</b>
		0.3	0.25870	0.16050	0.25600	0.15890	0.25490	0.15890	0.23370	<b>0.14510</b>
		0.5	0.53840	0.13470	0.53270	0.13340	0.52260	0.13320	0.48620	<b>0.12250</b>
		0.7	1.89430	0.10200	1.87410	0.10110	1.71750	0.10070	1.70880	<b>0.09380</b>
		0.9	22.6829	0.07180	22.4416	0.07120	15.9184	0.07020	20.4639	<b>0.06680</b>
<b>0.9</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	0.99660	0.98340	0.93020	0.91460	0.97330	0.95370	0.56280	<b>0.54610</b>
		0.3	1.39670	0.96540	1.30830	0.90200	1.35480	0.94040	0.80890	<b>0.54470</b>
		0.5	2.97940	0.96230	2.79760	0.89900	2.82820	0.93940	1.75390	<b>0.54000</b>
		0.7	10.2633	0.91410	9.64970	0.84890	9.35990	0.87800	6.08090	<b>0.49760</b>
		0.9	71.5838	0.72250	67.2808	0.67510	63.8998	0.67640	42.0796	<b>0.41080</b>
	<b>60</b>	0.1	0.33100	0.31480	0.32430	0.30840	0.32790	0.31200	0.27320	<b>0.25950</b>
		0.3	0.47830	0.29640	0.46860	0.29050	0.47220	0.29370	0.39500	<b>0.24520</b>
		0.5	0.99570	0.24820	0.97560	0.24360	0.97040	0.24590	0.82190	<b>0.20800</b>
		0.7	3.49970	0.18760	3.42830	0.18450	3.20820	0.18540	2.88210	<b>0.16040</b>
		0.9	42.2209	0.13180	41.3493	0.13000	29.5067	0.12920	34.6903	<b>0.11540</b>



**Table 4**For  $\sigma = 4$ 

$\gamma$	$n$	$\rho$	OLS	TS	ORR	TR	SLS	STS	LIU	TL
0.7	20	0.1	6.44980	6.20420	6.28790	6.05030	5.07820	<b>4.86230</b>	5.11030	4.92450
		0.3	9.20050	6.14540	8.98090	5.99500	7.36510	<b>4.77360</b>	7.36780	4.88810
		0.5	19.6632	5.96110	19.2077	5.80970	16.0776	<b>4.45090</b>	15.8372	4.70450
		0.7	65.7674	5.21270	64.2639	5.08190	55.5152	<b>3.51680</b>	53.0740	4.12640
		0.9	436.555	3.96500	426.498	3.87570	382.422	<b>2.17510</b>	351.316	3.21080
	60	0.1	2.08500	1.98280	2.06970	1.96810	1.78630	<b>1.70550</b>	1.94080	1.84440
		0.3	3.00990	1.86850	2.98770	1.85480	2.50190	<b>1.60480</b>	2.80180	1.73950
		0.5	6.25700	1.56860	6.21090	1.55770	4.88030	<b>1.32880</b>	5.82370	1.46650
		0.7	22.0498	1.18850	21.8867	1.18120	16.0425	<b>0.96750</b>	20.5168	1.11950
		0.9	264.665	0.83710	262.757	0.83280	181.628	<b>0.61470</b>	246.727	0.79570
0.8	20	0.1	8.73120	8.41550	8.42020	8.11950	6.31950	<b>6.10450</b>	6.93530	6.65150
		0.3	12.3546	8.39530	11.9375	8.10270	9.08270	<b>6.10050</b>	9.93780	6.58410
		0.5	26.4031	8.34310	25.5421	8.03710	19.5893	<b>5.97500</b>	21.7634	6.28810
		0.7	89.6762	7.50850	86.7975	7.23230	75.9630	<b>5.12120</b>	66.7379	5.37400
		0.9	610.691	5.81240	590.911	5.61840	536.198	<b>3.17970</b>	452.363	4.28200
	60	0.1	2.86490	2.72500	2.83470	2.69600	2.48270	<b>2.36980</b>	2.58670	2.45830
		0.3	4.13940	2.56860	4.09580	2.54180	3.47990	<b>2.23060</b>	3.73800	2.32120
		0.5	8.61410	2.15530	8.52330	2.13420	6.79570	<b>1.85200</b>	7.77750	1.96030
		0.7	30.3085	1.63180	29.9858	1.61760	22.0855	<b>1.34970</b>	27.3386	1.50020
		0.9	362.926	1.14830	359.064	1.13990	244.336	<b>0.83460</b>	327.421	1.06930
0.9	20	0.1	15.9454	15.7347	14.8830	14.6333	8.99870	<b>8.73250</b>	12.8012	12.3038
		0.3	22.3479	15.4469	20.9331	14.4320	12.9362	<b>8.70930</b>	18.0908	12.2405
		0.5	47.6711	15.3974	44.7620	14.3837	28.0504	<b>8.63590</b>	39.3592	12.0052
		0.7	164.213	14.6261	154.393	13.5825	97.2736	<b>7.95820</b>	139.464	10.1408
		0.9	1145.30	11.6000	1076.50	10.8000	673.200	<b>6.30000</b>	1007.40	6.60000
	60	0.1	5.29570	5.03690	5.18890	4.93460	4.37030	<b>4.15080</b>	4.65920	4.44610
		0.3	7.65220	4.74180	7.49830	4.64740	6.31850	<b>3.92320</b>	6.54520	4.18740
		0.5	15.9306	3.97130	15.6098	3.89780	13.1498	<b>3.32810</b>	12.6967	3.46200
		0.7	55.9950	3.00100	54.8532	2.95190	40.9063	<b>2.52570</b>	46.1132	2.56620
		0.9	675.533	2.10890	661.588	2.07980	446.404	<b>1.54280</b>	555.045	1.84640

**Table 5**For  $\sigma = 9$ 

$\gamma$	<b>n</b>	$\rho$	<b>OLS</b>	<b>TS</b>	<b>ORR</b>	<b>TR</b>	<b>SLS</b>	<b>STS</b>	<b>LIU</b>	<b>TL</b>
<b>0.7</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	32.6519	31.4087	31.8320	30.6295	23.6928	<b>22.6089</b>	25.8664	24.9259
		0.3	46.5776	31.1112	45.4661	30.3497	35.2403	<b>21.9844</b>	37.2981	24.7447
		0.5	99.5449	30.1780	97.2390	29.4116	79.4956	<b>20.0158</b>	80.1728	23.8155
		0.7	332.947	26.3891	325.335	25.7274	279.238	<b>15.1105</b>	268.681	20.8890
		0.9	2210.10	20.1000	2159.10	19.6000	1934.10	<b>11.3000</b>	1778.50	16.3000
	<b>60</b>	0.1	10.5553	10.0381	10.4777	9.96350	7.62080	<b>7.23800</b>	9.82540	9.33740
		0.3	15.2374	9.45920	15.1254	9.38980	10.9537	<b>6.66130</b>	14.1837	8.80600
		0.5	31.6760	7.94080	31.4428	7.88600	22.4672	<b>5.27050</b>	29.4819	7.42420
		0.7	111.627	6.01690	110.801	5.98010	78.6438	<b>3.53340</b>	103.865	5.66770
		0.9	1339.90	4.20000	1330.20	4.20000	918.300	<b>3.90000</b>	1249.10	4.00000
<b>0.8</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	44.2016	42.6034	42.6273	41.1049	32.1547	<b>30.7202</b>	31.9894	30.9010
		0.3	62.5453	42.5013	60.4340	41.0199	47.5176	<b>30.2846</b>	45.9803	30.8828
		0.5	133.665	42.2367	129.306	40.6881	107.076	<b>28.2925</b>	99.1680	30.2476
		0.7	453.986	38.0119	439.411	36.6134	382.370	<b>22.1694</b>	337.854	27.2052
		0.9	3091.60	29.4000	2991.50	28.4000	2711.90	<b>15.6000</b>	2290.10	21.7000
	<b>60</b>	0.1	14.5036	13.7951	14.3506	13.6484	10.5212	<b>9.97150</b>	13.0951	12.4447
		0.3	20.9558	13.0038	20.7351	12.8678	15.0803	<b>9.18420</b>	18.9235	11.7507
		0.5	43.6090	10.9113	43.1492	10.8046	31.1998	<b>7.31510</b>	39.3732	9.92420
		0.7	153.436	8.2608	151.803	8.18930	108.307	<b>4.77770</b>	138.401	7.59460
		0.9	1837.30	5.80000	1817.80	5.80000	1234.60	<b>0.00430</b>	1657.60	0.00540
<b>0.9</b>	<b>20</b>	0.1	80.7234	79.6567	75.3449	74.0813	45.5531	<b>44.2079</b>	58.9509	56.3124
		0.3	113.136	78.1999	105.974	73.0620	65.4888	<b>44.0888</b>	86.3287	56.0249
		0.5	241.335	77.9496	226.607	72.8176	142.001	<b>43.7186</b>	193.687	53.8833
		0.7	831.330	74.0447	781.614	68.7613	492.439	<b>40.2881</b>	701.149	43.3820
		0.9	5798.30	58.5000	5449.70	54.7000	5095.00	<b>29.4000</b>	3408.20	33.3000
	<b>60</b>	0.1	26.8097	25.4994	26.269	24.9812	19.6643	<b>18.6580</b>	22.1245	21.0134
		0.3	38.7390	24.0052	37.9601	23.5276	28.2216	<b>17.3363</b>	31.9868	19.8613
		0.5	80.6489	20.1048	79.0248	19.7324	57.4337	<b>13.5320</b>	66.5715	16.8483
		0.7	283.474	15.1926	277.694	14.9442	198.408	<b>8.69680</b>	233.448	12.9914
		0.9	3419.90	10.7000	3349.30	10.5000	2252.30	<b>5.50000</b>	2809.90	9.30000

**Table 6**For  $\sigma = 20$ 

$\gamma$	$n$	$\rho$	OLS	TS	ORR	TR	SLS	STS	LIU	TL
0.7	20	0.1	161.243	155.104	157.194	151.256	114.990	<b>109.370</b>	127.728	123.085
		0.3	230.012	153.635	224.524	149.875	171.387	<b>105.738</b>	184.189	122.196
		0.5	491.580	149.026	480.192	145.242	390.223	<b>95.2341</b>	395.914	117.607
		0.7	1644.20	130.300	1606.60	127.000	1377.10	<b>70.4000</b>	1326.80	103.200
		0.9	109140	99.0000	10662.0	97.0000	9549.00	<b>60.0000</b>	8783.00	80.0000
	60	0.1	52.1250	49.5707	51.7417	49.2026	34.9243	<b>32.7802</b>	48.5204	46.1108
		0.3	75.2466	46.7122	74.6933	46.3692	51.2379	<b>29.6174</b>	70.0422	43.4865
		0.5	156.424	39.2138	155.272	38.9433	107.975	<b>22.3779</b>	145.588	36.6631
		0.7	551.244	29.7132	547.167	29.5313	385.467	<b>15.5825</b>	512.915	27.9886
		0.9	6616.60	20.9000	6568.90	20.8000	4535.40	<b>11.6000</b>	6168.20	19.9000
0.8	20	0.1	218.279	210.387	210.505	202.987	156.396	<b>148.725</b>	157.967	152.593
		0.3	308.865	209.883	298.439	202.567	231.055	<b>144.947</b>	227.064	152.507
		0.5	660.078	208.576	638.552	200.928	525.454	<b>134.669</b>	489.716	149.371
		0.7	2241.90	187.700	2169.90	180.800	1883.70	<b>103.500</b>	1668.40	134.300
		0.9	152670	145.000	14773.0	140.000	13389.0	<b>87.0000</b>	11309.0	107.000
	60	0.1	71.6226	68.1240	70.8673	67.3994	48.0458	<b>45.2322</b>	64.6670	61.4549
		0.3	103.485	64.2161	102.395	63.5444	71.0831	<b>40.9048</b>	93.4495	58.0275
		0.5	215.353	53.8831	213.082	53.3562	149.000	<b>30.9069</b>	194.434	49.0085
		0.7	757.713	40.7939	749.645	40.4409	528.454	<b>21.2984</b>	683.460	37.5045
		0.9	9073.20	28.7000	8976.60	28.5000	6097.90	<b>17.5000</b>	8185.50	26.7000
0.9	20	0.1	398.634	393.400	372.073	365.800	224.949	<b>218.311</b>	286.237	271.932
		0.3	558.697	386.172	523.328	360.800	323.402	<b>217.719</b>	418.647	267.845
		0.5	1191.80	384.936	1119.00	359.592	701.200	<b>215.900</b>	950.700	257.000
		0.7	4105.30	365.700	3859.80	339.600	2431.80	<b>199.000</b>	3456.70	206.300
		0.9	286340	289.000	26912.0	270.000	16831.0	<b>164.000</b>	25154.0	172.000
	60	0.1	132.393	125.922	129.723	123.364	89.0723	<b>83.9173</b>	109.256	103.769
		0.3	191.303	118.544	187.457	116.185	130.846	<b>75.7438</b>	157.958	98.0806
		0.5	398.266	99.2828	390.246	97.4439	276.051	<b>57.2628</b>	328.749	83.2014
		0.7	1399.90	75.0000	1371.30	73.8000	975.000	<b>39.5000</b>	1152.80	64.2000
		0.9	168880	53.0000	16540.0	52.0000	11117.0	<b>113.000</b>	13876.0	46.0000

**Table 10**

<i>k</i>	$\hat{\beta}_k$			$\hat{\beta}_{TR}$		
	<i>Var</i>	<i>Bias</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>mse</i>	<i>Var</i>	<i>Bias</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>mse</i>
0	4912.100	0.000000	4912.100	4647.422	0.000000	4647.422
<b>0.01</b>	<b>57.97370</b>	<b>3096.800</b>	<b>3154.774</b>	<b>59.44948</b>	<b>2321.100</b>	<b>2380.549</b>
0.02	16.25220	3462.500	3478.752	16.74240	2607.500	2624.242
0.03	7.542900	3599.000	3606.543	7.781771	2714.900	2722.682
0.04	4.354700	3670.200	3674.555	4.495065	2771.100	2775.595
0.05	2.843200	3714.000	3716.843	2.935167	2805.600	2808.535
0.06	2.009700	3743.600	3745.610	2.074485	2829.000	2831.074
0.07	1.502000	3765.000	3766.502	1.549900	2845.900	2847.450
0.08	1.170000	3781.100	3782.270	1.206676	2858.600	2859.807
0.09	0.941000	3793.700	3794.641	0.969974	2868.600	2869.570
0.1	0.776500	3803.900	3804.677	0.799897	2876.700	2877.500
0.2	0.245000	3850.100	3850.345	0.250166	2913.200	2913.450
0.3	0.145300	3865.700	3865.845	0.146813	2925.600	2925.747
0.4	0.110100	3873.600	3873.710	0.110481	2931.800	2931.910
0.5	0.093700	3878.300	3878.394	0.093552	2935.500	2935.594
0.6	0.084800	3881.500	3881.585	0.084247	2938.000	2938.084
0.7	0.079300	3883.800	3883.879	0.078604	2939.900	2939.979
0.8	0.075800	3885.500	3885.576	0.074941	2941.200	2941.275
0.9	0.073300	3886.900	3886.973	0.072367	2942.300	2942.372
1	0.071500	3888.000	3888.072	0.070486	2943.200	2943.270

**Table 11**

$d$	$\hat{\beta}_d$			$\hat{\beta}_{TL}$		
	<i>Var</i>	<i>Bias</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>mse</i>	<i>Var</i>	<i>Bias</i> <sup>2</sup>	<i>mse</i>
0	0.07150	3888.00	3888.072	0.070486	2943.200	2943.270
0.01	0.68090	3810.60	3811.281	0.652193	2884.600	2885.252
0.02	2.27030	3734.00	3736.270	2.161108	2826.700	2828.861
0.03	4.83970	3658.20	3663.040	4.597032	2769.300	2773.897
0.04	8.38920	3583.20	3591.589	7.960065	2712.500	2720.460
0.05	12.9187	3508.90	3521.819	12.25030	2656.200	2668.450
0.06	18.4282	3435.40	3453.828	17.46755	2600.600	2618.068
0.07	24.9177	3362.70	3387.618	23.61201	2545.600	2569.212
0.08	32.3873	3290.80	3323.187	30.68358	2491.100	2521.784
0.09	40.8368	3219.70	3260.537	38.68225	2437.300	2475.982
0.1	50.2664	3149.30	3199.566	47.60803	2384.000	2431.608
0.2	198.463	2488.30	2686.763	187.8570	1883.600	<b>2071.457</b>
0.3	444.663	1905.10	2349.763	420.8171	1442.200	<b>1863.017</b>
<b>0.4</b>	<b>788.865</b>	<b>1399.70</b>	<b>2188.565</b>	<b>746.4901</b>	<b>1059.600</b>	<b>1806.090</b>
0.5	1231.10	972.000	2203.100	1164.900	735.8000	<b>1900.700</b>
0.6	1771.30	622.080	2393.380	1675.923	470.9120	<b>2146.835</b>
0.7	2409.50	349.920	2759.420	2279.806	264.8880	2544.694
0.8	3145.70	155.520	3301.220	2976.251	117.7280	3093.979
0.9	3979.90	38.8800	4018.780	3765.555	29.43200	3794.987
1	4912.10	0.00000	4912.100	4647.422	0.000000	4647.422