

## Comparison among Ordinary Least Squares, Ridge, Lasso, and Elastic Net Estimators in the Presence of Outliers: Simulation and Application

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### Abstract

In linear regression models, multicollinearity often results in unstable and unreliable parameter estimates. Ridge regression, a biased estimation technique, is commonly used to mitigate this issue and produce more reliable estimates of regression coefficients. Several estimators have been developed to select the optimal ridge parameter. This study focuses on the top 16 estimators from the 366 evaluated by Mermi et al. (2024), along with seven additional estimators introduced over time. These 23 estimators were compared to Ordinary Least Squares (OLS), Elastic-Net (EN), Lasso, and generalized ridge (GR) regression, to evaluate their performance across different levels of multicollinearity in multiple regression settings. Simulated data, both with and without outliers, and various parametric conditions were used for the comparisons. The results indicated that certain ridge regression estimators perform reliably with small sample sizes and high correlations (around 0.95) in the absence of outliers. However, when outliers were present, some estimators performed better due to small sample sizes and increased variance. Furthermore, GR, EN, and Lasso exhibited robustness with large datasets, except in cases with substantial outliers and high variance.

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### 1. Introduction

Linear regression is a frequently utilized methodology for analyzing data to construct a model depicting the relationship between the dependent variable and one or more independent variables (Herawati et al., 2024). During this type of analysis, it is common to encounter specific issues and hypotheses regarding the model. One important assumption in regression analysis is the absence of multicollinearity, as violating this assumption can render the model unreliable for estimating population parameters (Damodar N. Gujarati, 2013, Herawati et al., 2018). In multiple regression analysis, multicollinearity occurs when one independent variable is correlated with another independent variable. This can result in inaccurate estimates of the regression coefficients,

increased standard errors, reduced partial t-tests, statistically insignificant p-values, and diminished predictability of the model (Gujarati, 2013).

Addressing high multicollinearity is crucial as it can lead to inaccurate decisions and an increased likelihood of accepting the wrong hypothesis. It is essential to find the most suitable method to deal with multicollinearity (Gibbons, 1981). One effective approach to overcome this issue is by using the shrinkage method to reduce the estimated coefficients, also known as regularization. Common regularization methods include Ridge Regression, Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (Lasso), and Elastic-Net (EN) (Herawati et al., 2024). Ridge Regression stabilizes the regression coefficient in the presence of multicollinearity issues by introducing a level of bias to the regression estimate (Li et al., 2010). This reduces the standard error and provides a more precise estimation of the regression coefficient compared to the Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) method (Kibria & Lukman, 2020). On the other hand, Lasso and EN address multicollinearity problems by shrinking the regression coefficients of highly correlated or perfectly correlated independent variables toward zero (Emmert-Streib & Dehmer, 2019; Liu & Li, 2017).

Hoerl and Kennard (1970) were the first to propose the concept of ridge regression to address the issue of multicollinearity in engineering data. They discovered that there exists a non-zero value of  $k$  (ridge parameter) for which the MSE of the ridge regression estimator is smaller than the variance of the OLS estimator (Hoerl & Kennard, 1970). Over the years, numerous researchers have delved into this area of study, devising and suggesting various estimators for  $k$ . To cite a few, Dempster et al., 1977; Gibbons, 1981; Hoerl et al., 1975; Hoerl & Kennard, 1970; J. F. & P, 1976; Khalaf & Shukur, 2005; Kibria, 2003; Kibria et al., 2012a; Månnsson et al., 2010; McDonald & Galarneau, 1975; McDonald & Schwing, 1973; Muniz & Kibria, 2009; Walker & Birch, 1988 and very recently Arashi & Valizadeh, 2015a, 2015b; Aslam, 2014a, 2014b; Ayinde & Lukman, 2016; A. V. Dorugade, 2014; Emmert-Streib & Dehmer, 2019; Golam Kibria & Lukman, 2020; Hefnawy & Farag, 2014; Herawati et al., 2018, 2024; Kibria, 2023; Lukman et al., 2018, 2019; Lukman & Ayindez, 2017; Melkumova & Shatskikh, 2017; Mermi et al., 2024; Yüzbaşı et al., 2020 Hoque & Golam Kibria, 2023; Hoque & Kibria, 2024, among others.

Mermi et al. (2024) compared 366 different ridge parameter estimators that were proposed at different times in terms of the number of independent variables ( $p$ ), sample size ( $n$ ), the correlation coefficient between independent variables ( $\rho$ ), and standard deviation of errors ( $\sigma$ ) (Mermi et al., 2024). Here, we have incorporated a total of 16 best estimators out of 366, with the exclusion of the robust estimator. Furthermore, we have applied seven estimators recommended by Kibria et al. (2003, 2023) tailored for asymmetric populations.

The objective of this paper is to provide a thorough analysis to compare 23 ridge parameter estimators with OLS, Lasso, EN, and GR. Our analysis not only focused on MSE but also examined how the models behaved in the presence of multicollinearity and outliers. Our goal is to contribute to the existing literature on ridge regression by providing a comprehensive analysis of estimator performance, particularly in simulation scenarios where outliers have a significant impact on model estimates. Additionally, we presented real-life examples to validate the simulation results. The R programming language is utilized for the purpose of data analysis.

The organization of the paper is as follows: The statistical methodology is described in Section 2. A simulation study for comparing the performance of the estimators is presented in Section 3. Two real-life datasets are analyzed in Section 4. The paper ends with some concluding remarks in Section 5.

## 2. Statistical Methodology

### 2.1 Ordinary least squares method

Consider the following multiple linear regression model,

$$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon,$$

where  $Y$  is a column vector representing the dependent variable;  $X$  is a matrix of independent variables, and  $\beta$  is a parameter vector. The  $\varepsilon$  column vector represents the error terms. The ordinary least squares estimator of  $\beta$  is obtained as,

$$\hat{\beta}_{OLS} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

### 2.2 Ridge Regression Method

Hoerl and Kennard (1970) first introduced the ridge regression estimator as a solution to the multicollinearity issue. This approach minimizes the sum of squared residuals while applying a constraint on the total sum of the coefficient squares,

$$\hat{\beta}_{Ridge} = \underbrace{\arg\min_{\beta}}_{\beta} (Y - X\beta)^T (Y - X\beta) + k \|\beta\|^2$$

where  $\|\beta\|^2 = \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i^2$ . Taking the above equation and finding its derivative with respect to  $\beta$  and setting the outcome to zero, we get

$$\hat{\beta}_{Ridge} = (X^T X + kI)^{-1} X^T Y, k \geq 0$$

where  $k$  is known as ridge or shrinkage estimator and need to be estimated from observed data. The MSE of  $\hat{\beta}_{Ridge}$  is obtained as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}_{Ridge}) &= \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_{Ridge}) + [\text{Bias}(\hat{\beta}_{Ridge})]^2 \\ &= \sigma^2 \text{tr}\{(X^T X + kI)^{-2} X^T X\} + k^2 \beta^T (X^T X + kI)^{-2} \beta \\ &= \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\lambda_j}{(\lambda_i + k)^2} + k^2 \beta' (X^T X + kI_p)^{-2} \beta \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_p$  are eigenvalues of  $X^T X$  matrix.

### 2.3 Generalized Ridge (GR) Regression

Yang and Emura (2017) proposed GR regression by changing from uniform shrinkage to non-uniform shrinkage that replaced the identity matrix  $I_p$  with the diagonal matrix  $\widehat{M}(\Delta)$  (Yang & Emura, 2017). The following is the proposed GR method.

$$\hat{\beta}_{GR} = \{X^T X + k\widehat{M}(\Delta)\}^{-1} X^T y$$

where  $\Delta \geq 0$  is the threshold parameter and  $k > 0$  is the shrinkage parameter. The diagonal components of  $\widehat{M}(\Delta) = \text{diag}\{\widehat{m}_1(\Delta), \dots, \widehat{m}_p(\Delta)\}$ , where (Emura et al., 2024)

$$\widehat{m}_i(\Delta) = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{if } z_i \geq \Delta \\ 1 & \text{if } z_i < \Delta \end{cases}$$

where  $z_i = \hat{\beta}_i^0 / \text{SD}(\hat{\beta}^0)$ , and  $\text{SD}(\hat{\beta}^0) = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p (\hat{\beta}_i^0 - \sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\beta}_i^0 / p)^2 / (p-1) \right\}^{1/2}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, p$ , and  $\hat{\beta}^0 = (\hat{\beta}_1^0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p^0)^T$ , defined as  $\hat{\beta}_i^0 = X_i^T y / X_i^T X_i$ , where  $X_i$  is the  $i$ -th column of  $X$ . And  $\hat{\beta}^0$  is a compound covariate estimator (Chen & Emura, 2017).

## 2.4 Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator (Lasso)

LASSO (Tibshirani, 1996) is a regression analysis technique in statistics and machine learning that performs both variable selection and regularization to improve the predictive accuracy and interpretability of the statistical model it produces. In LASSO, most of the coefficients of irrelevant variables are set to zero, while the other coefficients are shrunk. Lasso estimators, which include only the best subset of regressors in their final model, have been used by many researchers to address the issue of multicollinearity (Fu & Knight, 2000; Lounici, 2008; Yuan & Lin, 2007). The process for estimating Lasso follows a similar procedure as the ridge estimator, but the difference is that the squared  $\ell_2$  norm ( $\|\beta\|_2^2$ ) in the ridge has been replaced by  $\ell_1$  norm ( $\|\beta\|_1$ ). The Lasso technique seeks to minimize the sum of the squared residuals while imposing a constraint on the total absolute value of the coefficients, ensuring that it remains below a specified constant.

$$\hat{\beta}_{\text{Lasso}} = \underbrace{\arg\min_{\beta}}_{\beta} (Y - X\beta)^T (Y - X\beta) + \lambda \|\beta\|_1$$

## 2.5 Elastic net (EN)

Introduced by Zou and Hastie (2005), the EN extends the Lasso and addresses limitations, particularly in variable selection (Zou & Hastie, 2005). It creates regression model that undergoes penalty from both the ridge ( $L_2$  norm) and the Lasso ( $L_1$  norm). The coefficients are effectively reduced, similar to ridge regression, and some are forced to zero, similar to Lasso regression. The  $L_1$  norm produces a sparse model, reducing certain coefficients to zero, while the  $L_2$  norm removes the constraint on the number of selected variables (Park & Konishi, 2016). Liu and Li (2017) utilized an effective EN with regression coefficients technique to identify significant variables within the spectrum data (Liu & Li, 2017). When this happens, Lasso cannot select more than the specified number of predictors, whereas the EN has the ability to do so. (Emmert-Streib & Dehmer, 2019). The loss function is minimized by EN, and the estimated parameter vector is derived accordingly.

$$\hat{\beta}_{\text{EN}} = \arg\min \left[ \sum_{l=1}^n \left( y_l - \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i X_{li} \right)^2 + \lambda \left[ (1-\alpha) \sum_{i=1}^p \beta_i^2 + \alpha \sum_{i=1}^p |\beta_i| \right] \right]$$

where  $\lambda$  = tuning parameter and  $\alpha$  = weight that should be used to determine the allocation for Lasso or ridge such that  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ , where  $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_{\text{EN}}$  becomes  $\hat{\beta}_{\text{Ridge}}$  and where  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_{\text{EN}}$  becomes  $\hat{\beta}_{\text{Lasso}}$ .

The MSE for Lasso and EN was calculated by comparing the estimated coefficients of each model with the true coefficient (assumed  $\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{I}_p$ ), and then averaging the results over all simulations to determine the model's performance.

## 2.6 Ridge parameters

There are numerous ridge estimators available in the literature for different types of models, mostly mentioned in the introduction, to estimate the ridge parameter  $k$ . A study compared 80 ridge estimators using Monte Carlo simulation techniques (Mermi et al., 2021). In a recent study, Mermi et al. (2024) conducted a comparison of 366 different ridge parameter estimators that were proposed at different times. For our study, we selected the top 16 estimators from Mermi et al. (2024), excluding the robust estimator. These selected estimators are  $k_1$  through  $k_4$  and  $k_{10}$  through  $k_{21}$  (Table 2.1). Additionally, we utilized seven estimators, which are  $k_5$  through  $k_9$  proposed by Kibria (2023) and  $k_{22}$  and  $k_{23}$  by Kibria and Lukman (2020), specifically tailored for asymmetric populations. The 23 ridge parameters used in our study, including both simulation-based and empirical examples, are presented in Table 2.1.

**Table 2.1:** Existing best estimators based on the Monte Carlo Simulation

Estimators	Citation
$k_1 : \max\left(\frac{1}{q_i}\right)$	(Alkhamisi & Shukur, 2007)
$k_2 : \max\left(\frac{s^2}{\hat{\beta}_i^2}\right)$	(Alkhamisi et al., 2006)
$k_3 : \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\min(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\alpha}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i})}$	(Dorugade, 2014)
$k_4 : \sqrt{p \sum_{i=1}^p \left( \frac{\max(\lambda_i)\hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p)\hat{\sigma}^2 + \max(\lambda_i)\hat{\alpha}_i^2} \right)}$	(Lukman & Ayindez, 2017)
$k_5 : \text{median}\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\beta}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i}\right)$	(Kibria, 2023)
$k_6 : \max\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\beta}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i}\right)$	(Kibria, 2023)
$k_7 : \min\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\beta}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i}\right)$	(Kibria, 2023)
$k_8 : \text{geometric. mean}\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\beta}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i}\right)$	(Kibria, 2023)
$k_9 : \text{harmonic. mean}\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\beta}_i^2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_i}\right)$	(Kibria, 2023)
$k_{10} : \text{median}\left(\frac{\max(\lambda_i)\hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p)\hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i\hat{\alpha}_i^2}\right)$	(Lukman & Ayindez, 2017)
$k_{11} : \max\left(\frac{\max(\lambda_i)\hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p)\hat{\sigma}^2 + \max(\lambda_i)\hat{\alpha}_i^2}\right)$	(Lukman et al., 2018)
$k_{12} : \sqrt{p \sum_{i=1}^p \left( \frac{\lambda_i\hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p)\hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i\hat{\alpha}_i^2} \right)}$	(Lukman & Ayindez, 2017)

Estimators	Citation
$k_{13}: \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\max(\lambda_i) \hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p) \hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i \hat{\alpha}_i^2}$	(Alkhamisi et al., 2006)
$k_{14}: \max\left(\frac{1}{\frac{\lambda_i \hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p) \hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i \hat{\alpha}_i^2}}\right)$	(Muniz et al., 2012)
$k_{15}: \left(\prod_{i=1}^p \frac{\max(\lambda_i) \hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p) \hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i \hat{\alpha}_i^2}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$	(Muniz et al., 2012)
$k_{16}: \max\left(1/\sqrt{\frac{\lambda_i \hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p) \hat{\sigma}^2 + [\max(\lambda_i)] \hat{\alpha}_i^2}}\right)$	(Lukman et al., 2018)
$k_{17}: \max\left(1/\frac{\lambda_i \hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p) \hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i \max(\hat{\alpha}_i^2)}\right)$	(Lukman et al., 2018)
$k_{18}: \prod_{i=0}^p \left(\frac{1}{q_i}\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$	(Kibria et al., 2012)
$k_{19}: \max\left(1/\frac{\lambda_i \hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-p) \hat{\sigma}^2 + \lambda_i (\max(\hat{\alpha}_i))^2}\right)$	(Lukman et al., 2018)
$k_{20}: \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{2 \hat{\sigma}^2}{\max(\lambda_i) \max(\hat{\alpha}_i^2)}}}$	(Ayinde & Lukman, 2016)
$k_{21}: \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{2 p \hat{\sigma}^2}{\max(\lambda_i) \sum_{i=1}^p \hat{\alpha}_i^2}}}$	(Ayinde & Lukman, 2016)
$k_{22}: \hat{\sigma} p^{(1+\frac{p}{n})}$	(Kibria & Lukman, 2020)
$k_{23}: \hat{\sigma} \times \max\left(p^{(1+\frac{p}{n})}, p^{(1+\frac{1}{p})}\right)$	(Kibria & Lukman, 2020)

### 3. Simulation study

As the theoretical comparison is not feasible, we conducted a Monte Carlo simulation study using the R program in this section.

#### 3.1 Simulation Technique

The data generation process for the models was carried out according to a widely used method as described below (Gibbons, 1981).

$$x_{li} = (1 - \rho^2)^{1/2} u_{li} + \rho u_{l,p+1}, l = 1, 2, \dots, n; i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

where  $\rho$  denotes the correlation coefficient between any two explanatory variables,  $u_{jli}$  denotes the independent pseudo-random variable obtained from standard normal distribution and  $p$  denotes the number of explanatory variables. Moreover, the dependent variable  $Y$  was obtained through the following equation.

$$Y_l = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{l1} + \beta_2 X_{l2} + \cdots + \beta_p X_{lp} + \varepsilon_l, l = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where,  $\varepsilon_l$  is the error term, i.e.  $\varepsilon_l \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ .

For modelling, two different values of explanatory variables,  $p = 5$  and  $10$ , three different values of the correlation coefficients between the explanatory variables,  $= 0.9, 0.95$ , and,  $0.99$ , four different values of the sample sizes,  $n = 20, 30, 50$ , and  $100$ , and two different values of the error variance  $\sigma^2 = 1$  and  $5$  were taken. The data generation process of the explanatory variables was carried out with the help of the values determined for  $p$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $n$ , and  $\sigma$ . The experiment was repeated,  $N = 5000$  times.

The MSE was calculated by comparing the estimated coefficients of each model with the true coefficients (assumed  $\beta = I_p$ ) and averaged MSE was calculated based on the following formula over all simulations.

$$AMSE(\hat{\beta}_i^*) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^P (\hat{\beta}_i - \beta)' (\hat{\beta}_i - \beta)$$

where  $\hat{\beta}_i^*$  is any of the OLE, Ridge, Lasso, or EN estimators,  $\beta$  is the true parameter (assumed  $\beta = I_p$ ), and  $p$  is the number of predictors.

### 3.2 Results and Discussion

In this section, we thoroughly examined a simulation study comparing the performance of current best estimators with traditional OLS, EN, Lasso, and GR. In section 3.2.1, the simulation results in the absence of outliers in the data are discussed, where Tables 3.1.1 to 3.1.3 represent the MSE scenario of the estimators in the presence of the correlation coefficients  $0.90, 0.95$ , and  $0.99$ , respectively. Section 3.2.2 discusses the simulation results in the presence of  $10\%$  and  $25\%$  outliers in the dataset. The simulation results, showcased in Tables 3.2.1 to 3.2.6, present outcomes for various correlation coefficients, numbers of independent variables, variance numbers, and sample sizes in the presence of outliers of  $10\%$  and  $25\%$ .

#### 3.2.1 Without Outlier

Table 3.1.1 reveals that, for a correlation coefficient of  $0.90$  and no outliers, the MSE of the estimators behaves differently based on sample size, number of predictors, and variance. In smaller samples (e.g.,  $20$  or  $30$  observations) with five predictors and low variance, estimators such as  $k_3, k_{10}, k_{11}, k_{13}, k_{15}$ , and GR tend to show relatively low MSE. However, as the number of predictors or variance increases, the MSE also rises. Specifically, with higher variance and a fixed number of predictors, the MSE escalates, and a similar trend is observed when the number of predictors grows. For small samples (e.g.,  $20$  or  $30$  observations) with high variance, estimators like  $k_4, k_{12}$ , and  $k_{21}$  are more effective when the number of predictors is unchanged. When both the variance is high and the number of predictors is large, estimators  $k_4, k_9, k_{12}$ , and  $k_{20}$  are recommended. In contrast, for larger samples, regardless of the variance level, methods such as Lasso, EN, and GR are generally preferred due to their efficiency, particularly in the presence of a correlation of  $0.90$ . It's important to note that OLS does not perform well when collinearity is present among the independent variables. Figure 3.1 illustrates how estimator performance varies with changes in sample size, number of predictors, and variance.

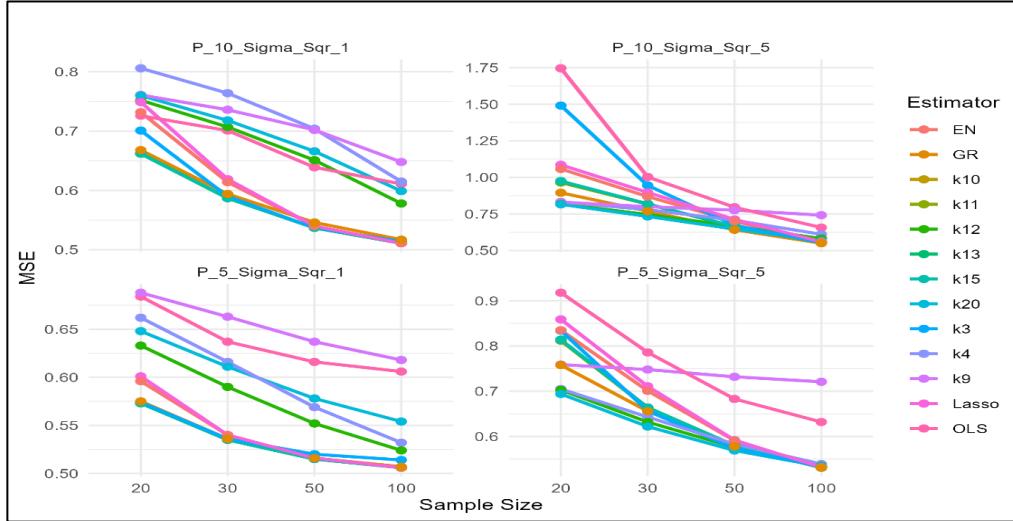
Figure 3.1: MSE of the Estimators when  $\rho = 0.9$  and no outlier

Table 3.1.1: MSE values of the estimators with correlation = 0.9

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$			P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$			P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$			P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$		
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	0.684	0.637	0.616	0.606	0.918	0.786	0.683	0.632	0.726	0.701	0.639	0.611
k <sub>1</sub>	0.798	0.851	0.910	0.960	0.902	0.944	0.972	0.989	0.806	0.807	0.843	0.917
k <sub>2</sub>	0.806	0.841	0.884	0.935	0.943	0.969	0.986	0.995	0.853	0.852	0.868	0.915
k <sub>3</sub>	0.574	0.536	0.520	0.514	0.834	0.657	0.573	0.533	0.701	0.590	0.537	0.514
k <sub>4</sub>	0.662	0.616	0.569	0.532	0.705	0.643	0.583	0.539	0.806	0.764	0.704	0.615
k <sub>5</sub>	0.704	0.670	0.640	0.619	0.782	0.766	0.742	0.726	0.793	0.768	0.729	0.653
k <sub>6</sub>	0.640	0.617	0.600	0.591	0.726	0.695	0.675	0.672	0.692	0.653	0.627	0.594
k <sub>7</sub>	0.813	0.768	0.710	0.662	0.913	0.893	0.854	0.803	0.925	0.885	0.833	0.764
k <sub>8</sub>	0.712	0.678	0.645	0.621	0.804	0.788	0.759	0.732	0.805	0.771	0.726	0.661
k <sub>9</sub>	0.688	0.663	0.637	0.618	0.759	0.748	0.732	0.721	0.761	0.736	0.702	0.648
k <sub>10</sub>	0.573	0.535	0.515	0.506	0.812	0.664	0.580	0.531	0.663	0.587	0.537	0.511
k <sub>11</sub>	0.573	0.535	0.515	0.506	0.812	0.663	0.580	0.531	0.662	0.587	0.537	0.511
k <sub>12</sub>	0.633	0.590	0.552	0.524	0.703	0.632	0.576	0.535	0.752	0.707	0.651	0.578
k <sub>13</sub>	0.573	0.535	0.515	0.506	0.814	0.664	0.580	0.531	0.662	0.587	0.537	0.511
k <sub>14</sub>	0.961	0.972	0.978	0.986	0.953	0.965	0.973	0.982	0.969	0.980	0.989	0.993
k <sub>15</sub>	0.573	0.535	0.515	0.506	0.814	0.664	0.580	0.531	0.662	0.587	0.537	0.511
k <sub>16</sub>	0.821	0.830	0.836	0.856	0.801	0.806	0.807	0.826	0.881	0.871	0.876	0.885
k <sub>17</sub>	0.962	0.973	0.979	0.986	0.953	0.965	0.973	0.982	0.969	0.980	0.989	0.993
k <sub>18</sub>	0.785	0.846	0.909	0.960	0.896	0.942	0.972	0.989	0.761	0.788	0.837	0.916
k <sub>19</sub>	0.962	0.973	0.979	0.986	0.953	0.965	0.973	0.982	0.969	0.980	0.989	0.993
k <sub>20</sub>	0.648	0.611	0.578	0.554	0.694	0.622	0.569	0.534	0.760	0.718	0.666	0.599
k <sub>21</sub>	0.628	0.595	0.567	0.547	0.710	0.623	0.567	0.531	0.724	0.685	0.640	0.585
k <sub>22</sub>	0.785	0.779	0.775	0.772	0.842	0.841	0.839	0.840	0.904	0.879	0.855	0.827
k <sub>23</sub>	0.785	0.773	0.755	0.739	0.842	0.836	0.821	0.812	0.904	0.879	0.855	0.827
Lasso	0.601	0.540	0.516	0.506	0.859	0.711	0.592	0.532	0.749	0.619	0.540	0.511
EN	0.596	0.540	0.516	0.506	0.835	0.701	0.591	0.532	0.732	0.614	0.540	0.511
GR	0.575	0.536	0.516	0.507	0.758	0.656	0.578	0.531	0.668	0.594	0.546	0.517

Table 3.1.2 shows that the performance of OLS deteriorates significantly as the correlation coefficient rises from 0.90 to 0.95. Consistent with the findings in Table 3.1.1, for small samples with low variance and five predictors, estimators such as k<sub>10</sub>, k<sub>11</sub>, k<sub>13</sub>, k<sub>15</sub>, and GR exhibit relatively low MSE. While an increase in the number of predictors leads to higher MSE, these estimators maintain stable performance for small sample sizes. Additionally, for small samples with high

variance and a correlation coefficient of 0.95, estimators  $k_4$ ,  $k_{12}$ , and  $k_{20}$  are recommended. For larger samples, regardless of variance, Lasso, EN, and GR remain the preferred choices due to their operational efficiency.

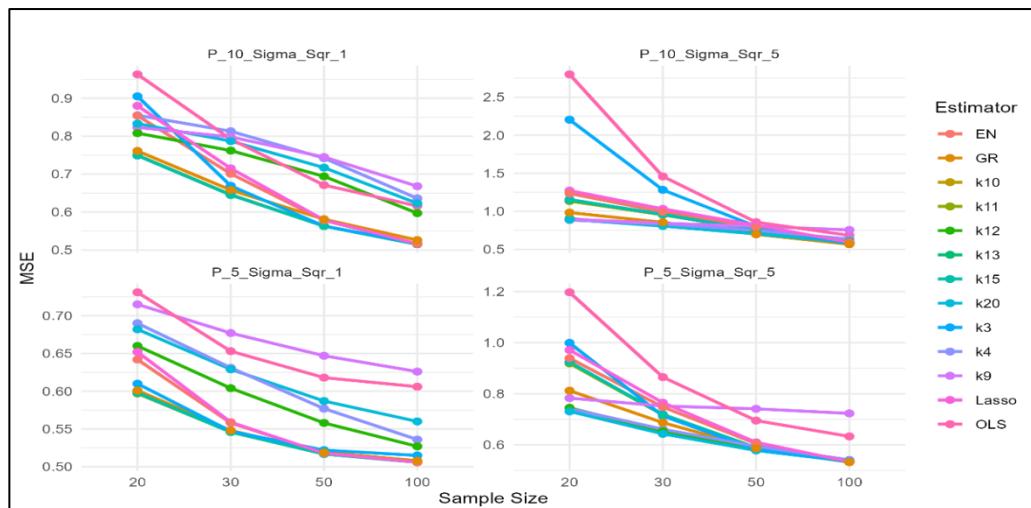
**Table 3.1.2:** MSE values of the estimators with correlation = 0.95

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	0.731	0.653	0.618	0.606	1.197	0.865	0.695	0.633	0.963	0.792	0.671	0.616	2.799	1.458	0.857	0.684
$k_1$	0.808	0.845	0.908	0.959	0.900	0.937	0.971	0.988	0.863	0.844	0.847	0.911	0.912	0.903	0.933	0.974
$k_2$	0.816	0.836	0.884	0.938	0.938	0.964	0.986	0.995	0.884	0.874	0.870	0.908	0.938	0.944	0.969	0.991
$k_3$	0.610	0.547	0.522	0.515	0.999	0.713	0.582	0.535	0.905	0.669	0.563	0.517	2.203	1.281	0.802	0.574
$k_4$	0.690	0.631	0.577	0.536	0.742	0.661	0.594	0.541	0.855	0.813	0.742	0.636	0.886	0.832	0.749	0.634
$k_5$	0.741	0.687	0.649	0.626	0.811	0.776	0.753	0.727	0.860	0.838	0.789	0.674	0.893	0.869	0.840	0.774
$k_6$	0.663	0.628	0.607	0.597	0.767	0.702	0.684	0.673	0.765	0.711	0.667	0.609	1.036	0.831	0.733	0.680
$k_7$	0.867	0.808	0.736	0.677	0.926	0.905	0.863	0.806	0.951	0.933	0.891	0.822	0.957	0.963	0.962	0.906
$k_8$	0.752	0.700	0.657	0.630	0.826	0.797	0.769	0.734	0.867	0.840	0.781	0.689	0.895	0.876	0.852	0.786
$k_9$	0.715	0.677	0.647	0.626	0.783	0.752	0.741	0.723	0.823	0.798	0.745	0.668	0.897	0.843	0.804	0.755
$k_{10}$	0.598	0.546	0.517	0.506	0.919	0.718	0.589	0.533	0.750	0.646	0.563	0.515	1.135	0.955	0.751	0.577
$k_{11}$	0.597	0.546	0.517	0.506	0.919	0.718	0.589	0.533	0.749	0.645	0.563	0.515	1.135	0.955	0.751	0.577
$k_{12}$	0.660	0.604	0.558	0.527	0.745	0.653	0.584	0.536	0.808	0.762	0.694	0.597	0.904	0.811	0.712	0.603
$k_{13}$	0.598	0.546	0.517	0.506	0.924	0.719	0.589	0.533	0.749	0.645	0.563	0.515	1.150	0.959	0.752	0.577
$k_{14}$	0.975	0.979	0.982	0.987	0.970	0.974	0.977	0.983	0.977	0.987	0.993	0.996	0.974	0.986	0.992	0.995
$k_{15}$	0.598	0.546	0.517	0.506	0.924	0.719	0.589	0.533	0.749	0.645	0.563	0.515	1.155	0.959	0.752	0.577
$k_{16}$	0.853	0.849	0.850	0.864	0.837	0.823	0.823	0.832	0.915	0.903	0.900	0.906	0.910	0.896	0.892	0.896
$k_{17}$	0.975	0.980	0.982	0.987	0.970	0.974	0.977	0.983	0.977	0.987	0.993	0.996	0.974	0.986	0.993	0.995
$k_{18}$	0.794	0.839	0.906	0.959	0.893	0.935	0.971	0.988	0.816	0.823	0.839	0.910	0.894	0.891	0.929	0.974
$k_{19}$	0.975	0.980	0.982	0.987	0.970	0.974	0.977	0.983	0.977	0.987	0.993	0.996	0.974	0.986	0.993	0.995
$k_{20}$	0.682	0.629	0.587	0.560	0.731	0.643	0.578	0.535	0.833	0.787	0.717	0.623	0.893	0.806	0.703	0.591
$k_{21}$	0.661	0.612	0.575	0.552	0.750	0.648	0.575	0.533	0.801	0.753	0.690	0.606	0.935	0.807	0.684	0.577
$k_{22}$	0.798	0.780	0.778	0.777	0.849	0.836	0.843	0.841	0.919	0.893	0.861	0.829	0.935	0.921	0.907	0.888
$k_{23}$	0.798	0.775	0.759	0.745	0.849	0.831	0.825	0.813	0.919	0.893	0.861	0.829	0.935	0.921	0.907	0.888
Lasso	0.652	0.559	0.518	0.506	0.971	0.765	0.610	0.534	0.880	0.715	0.579	0.516	1.272	1.032	0.816	0.593
EN	0.642	0.558	0.518	0.506	0.939	0.748	0.605	0.533	0.854	0.701	0.578	0.516	1.234	0.991	0.790	0.588
GR	0.601	0.548	0.519	0.508	0.812	0.687	0.586	0.532	0.761	0.658	0.581	0.526	0.983	0.855	0.698	0.567

**Table 3.1.3:** MSE values of the estimators with correlation = 0.99

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	0.941	0.700	0.623	0.607	2.771	0.979	0.715	0.635	2.687	1.436	0.827	0.640	11.705	5.223	2.178	0.806
$k_1$	0.827	0.846	0.907	0.957	0.909	0.937	0.970	0.988	0.986	0.925	0.872	0.912	0.983	0.942	0.936	0.972
$k_2$	0.830	0.834	0.885	0.934	0.942	0.965	0.986	0.995	0.988	0.931	0.892	0.910	0.985	0.959	0.968	0.989
$k_3$	0.816	0.582	0.525	0.515	1.609	0.819	0.596	0.537	2.304	1.283	0.772	0.533	7.544	3.469	1.613	0.656
$k_4$	0.732	0.658	0.593	0.538	0.792	0.688	0.603	0.545	0.987	0.919	0.810	0.669	1.082	0.947	0.819	0.665
$k_5$	0.797	0.717	0.665	0.627	0.856	0.798	0.764	0.736	0.983	0.933	0.897	0.710	1.022	0.941	0.905	0.807
$k_6$	0.708	0.651	0.619	0.597	0.826	0.721	0.688	0.683	1.033	0.867	0.762	0.640	2.073	1.107	0.808	0.691
$k_7$	0.943	0.886	0.772	0.686	0.953	0.929	0.876	0.814	0.976	0.971	0.969	0.933	0.978	0.973	0.975	0.957
$k_8$	0.817	0.741	0.677	0.632	0.859	0.820	0.780	0.743	0.984	0.930	0.875	0.742	1.022	0.939	0.894	0.825
$k_9$	0.755	0.702	0.663	0.628	0.815	0.769	0.749	0.732	0.983	0.914	0.818	0.701	1.202	0.952	0.841	0.772
$k_{10}$	0.665	0.572	0.521	0.507	1.085	0.789	0.605	0.534	0.985	0.839	0.677	0.532	1.810	1.342	1.028	0.647
$k_{11}$	0.664	0.572	0.521	0.507	1.084	0.788	0.605	0.534	0.987	0.839	0.677	0.532	1.840	1.346	1.028	0.647
$k_{12}$	0.709	0.632	0.571	0.528	0.804	0.680	0.593	0.540	0.974	0.899	0.785	0.632	1.283	0.973	0.804	0.636
$k_{13}$	0.666	0.572	0.521	0.507	1.105	0.790	0.605	0.534	0.990	0.839	0.677	0.532	1.880	1.364	1.033	0.647
$k_{14}$	0.993	0.990	0.986	0.988	0.991	0.987	0.982	0.985	0.989	0.996	0.999	0.999	0.988	0.996	0.998	0.999
$k_{15}$	0.667	0.572	0.521	0.507	1.111	0.790	0.605	0.534	0.994	0.840	0.677	0.532	1.929	1.371	1.034	0.647
$k_{16}$	0.908	0.891	0.866	0.867	0.898	0.871	0.841	0.842	0.971	0.949	0.945	0.949	0.977	0.947	0.937	0.940
$k_{17}$	0.993	0.990	0.986	0.988	0.991	0.987	0.982	0.985	0.989	0.996	0.999	0.999	0.988	0.996	0.998	0.999
$k_{18}$	0.807	0.839	0.905	0.957	0.898	0.935	0.970	0.988	0.978	0.920	0.860	0.910	1.015	0.936	0.928	0.971
$k_{19}$	0.993	0.990	0.986	0.988	0.991	0.987	0.982	0.985	0.989	0.996	0.999	0.999	0.988	0.996	0.998	0.999
$k_{20}$	0.737	0.661	0.605	0.563	0.780	0.672	0.587	0.539	0.987	0.918	0.808	0.663	1.064	0.948	0.811	0.634
$k_{21}$	0.718	0.642	0.591	0.555	0.794	0.674	0.583	0.535	0.979	0.907	0.789	0.643	1.149	0.964	0.800	0.616
$k_{22}$	0.813	0.789	0.786	0.775	0.862	0.845	0.846	0.845	0.979	0.930	0.879	0.838	0.979	0.943	0.912	0.888
$k_{23}$	0.813	0.784	0.767	0.744	0.862	0.841	0.829	0.817	0.979	0.930	0.879	0.838	0.979	0.943	0.912	0.888
Lasso	0.857	0.615	0.524	0.507	1.504	0.866	0.629	0.536	1.322	1.037	0.806	0.545	2.586	1.644	1.175	0.699
EN	0.822	0.607	0.524	0.507	1.453	0.841	0.621	0.535	1.251	0.985	0.					

From Table 3.1.3, it is evident that conventional methods exhibit lower performance as the correlation among predictors increases (from 0.90 to 0.95 to 0.99). Notably, with the same number of predictors, an increase in variance results in higher MSE. For example, when number of predictors is five and error variance is one for small samples, the models  $k_{10}$ ,  $k_{11}$ ,  $k_{13}$ , and  $k_{15}$  demonstrate low MSE; however, their performance diminishes as the number of predictors and variance increases. Conversely, with small predictors and high variance, models  $k_4$ ,  $k_{12}$ ,  $k_{20}$ , and  $k_{21}$  outperform others, while for high variance and a high number of predictors, models  $k_7$ ,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  are recommended. Furthermore, for small samples and low variance, the robust performance of  $k_{10}$ ,  $k_{11}$ ,  $k_{13}$ , and  $k_{15}$  is noticeable, especially when the correlation coefficient is around 0.99. In the case of large samples, traditional models such as Lasso, EN, and GR are preferred due to their ease of use. Figure 3.2 illustrates the performance of the top estimators as the sample size, predictors, and variance increase.



**Figure 3.2:** MSE of the Estimators when  $\rho = 0.99$  and no outlier

### 3.2.2 With outlier

It is noted from Table 3.2.1 is that the MSE of the estimators is reported for correlated predictors at 0.90 and a 10% outlier present in the data. The addition of outliers is seen to result in an elevated MSE in comparison to the values outlined in Table 3.1.1. It is noteworthy that an increase in variance leads to a higher MSE when the number of predictors remains constant. Notably, in the case of small sample sizes and low variance, it is evident that  $k_{20}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  demonstrate low MSE. However, as the number of predictors and variance increase,  $k_{22}$  and  $k_{23}$  perform well. Furthermore, for small predictors and high variance, the estimators  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  demonstrate better performance. For high variance and a high number of predictors,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  are recommended. Additionally, in the case of large samples, traditional models such as Lasso, EN, and GR are recommended due to their ease of operation. Figure 3.3 illustrates the behavior of the top-performing estimators when the sample size, predictors, and variance increase in the presence of a 10% outlier. With an increase in sample size, predictors, and variance, Figure 3.3 portrays the situation for the best-performing estimators.

**Table 3.2.1:** MSE values of the estimators with correlation = 0.90 and 10% outlier

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	1.635	1.048	0.856	0.706	1.951	1.178	0.908	0.824	3.548	1.804	1.030	0.887	4.435	2.225	1.159	0.925
k <sub>1</sub>	0.829	0.831	0.878	0.935	0.893	0.927	0.962	0.984	0.893	0.862	0.847	0.896	0.911	0.902	0.925	0.969
k <sub>2</sub>	0.852	0.817	0.829	0.877	0.911	0.948	0.976	0.990	0.924	0.879	0.857	0.877	0.939	0.943	0.961	0.986
k <sub>3</sub>	1.496	0.996	0.736	0.596	1.610	1.075	0.778	0.610	3.231	1.700	0.998	0.676	3.582	1.963	1.097	0.710
k <sub>4</sub>	0.928	0.784	0.678	0.588	0.986	0.837	0.707	0.601	0.966	0.845	0.745	0.639	0.992	0.878	0.760	0.650
k <sub>5</sub>	0.878	0.762	0.687	0.617	0.871	0.798	0.745	0.694	1.011	0.847	0.765	0.674	1.015	0.870	0.800	0.741
k <sub>6</sub>	1.072	0.820	0.684	0.598	1.088	0.842	0.711	0.639	1.832	1.116	0.788	0.635	1.828	1.130	0.789	0.667
k <sub>7</sub>	0.871	0.840	0.801	0.712	0.903	0.901	0.891	0.838	0.927	0.914	0.901	0.856	0.948	0.948	0.953	0.937
k <sub>8</sub>	0.867	0.766	0.699	0.627	0.866	0.809	0.770	0.717	0.993	0.845	0.769	0.686	0.988	0.871	0.818	0.770
k <sub>9</sub>	0.918	0.768	0.682	0.613	0.913	0.794	0.729	0.683	1.179	0.882	0.749	0.657	1.163	0.900	0.779	0.719
k <sub>10</sub>	1.419	1.000	0.748	0.605	1.654	1.123	0.800	0.623	1.864	1.357	0.956	0.680	2.120	1.642	1.067	0.718
k <sub>11</sub>	1.407	0.999	0.748	0.605	1.650	1.122	0.800	0.623	1.808	1.351	0.956	0.680	2.102	1.640	1.067	0.718
k <sub>12</sub>	0.995	0.811	0.686	0.589	1.083	0.878	0.719	0.603	1.106	0.887	0.745	0.630	1.174	0.955	0.773	0.647
k <sub>13</sub>	1.430	1.002	0.748	0.605	1.662	1.123	0.800	0.623	1.921	1.376	0.958	0.680	2.175	1.653	1.068	0.718
k <sub>14</sub>	0.946	0.955	0.965	0.976	0.940	0.951	0.962	0.973	0.963	0.975	0.984	0.990	0.962	0.973	0.983	0.989
k <sub>15</sub>	1.438	1.003	0.748	0.605	1.664	1.123	0.800	0.623	1.996	1.384	0.959	0.680	2.202	1.655	1.068	0.718
k <sub>16</sub>	0.829	0.799	0.792	0.795	0.830	0.797	0.782	0.781	0.904	0.878	0.858	0.854	0.909	0.873	0.850	0.845
k <sub>17</sub>	0.948	0.956	0.966	0.976	0.940	0.951	0.963	0.974	0.965	0.975	0.984	0.990	0.962	0.974	0.983	0.989
k <sub>18</sub>	0.812	0.814	0.871	0.934	0.882	0.923	0.961	0.983	0.911	0.836	0.826	0.891	0.904	0.886	0.920	0.969
k <sub>19</sub>	0.948	0.956	0.966	0.976	0.940	0.951	0.963	0.974	0.965	0.975	0.984	0.990	0.962	0.974	0.983	0.989
k <sub>20</sub>	0.814	0.734	0.660	0.587	0.977	0.832	0.702	0.596	0.897	0.829	0.744	0.646	1.043	0.908	0.762	0.643
k <sub>21</sub>	0.858	0.756	0.664	0.584	1.092	0.891	0.724	0.601	0.953	0.846	0.736	0.631	1.236	1.016	0.801	0.652
k <sub>22</sub>	0.816	0.765	0.738	0.709	0.841	0.820	0.812	0.796	0.905	0.875	0.837	0.793	0.929	0.912	0.888	0.864
k <sub>23</sub>	0.816	0.762	0.724	0.681	0.841	0.816	0.795	0.766	0.905	0.875	0.837	0.793	0.929	0.912	0.888	0.864
Lasso	1.033	0.885	0.749	0.613	1.151	0.963	0.804	0.636	1.201	1.046	0.879	0.688	1.417	1.153	0.935	0.726
EN	1.008	0.864	0.743	0.612	1.127	0.941	0.790	0.634	1.173	1.013	0.854	0.679	1.367	1.101	0.905	0.714
GR	0.891	0.797	0.699	0.598	0.993	0.852	0.736	0.614	1.000	0.897	0.772	0.640	1.091	0.983	0.807	0.663

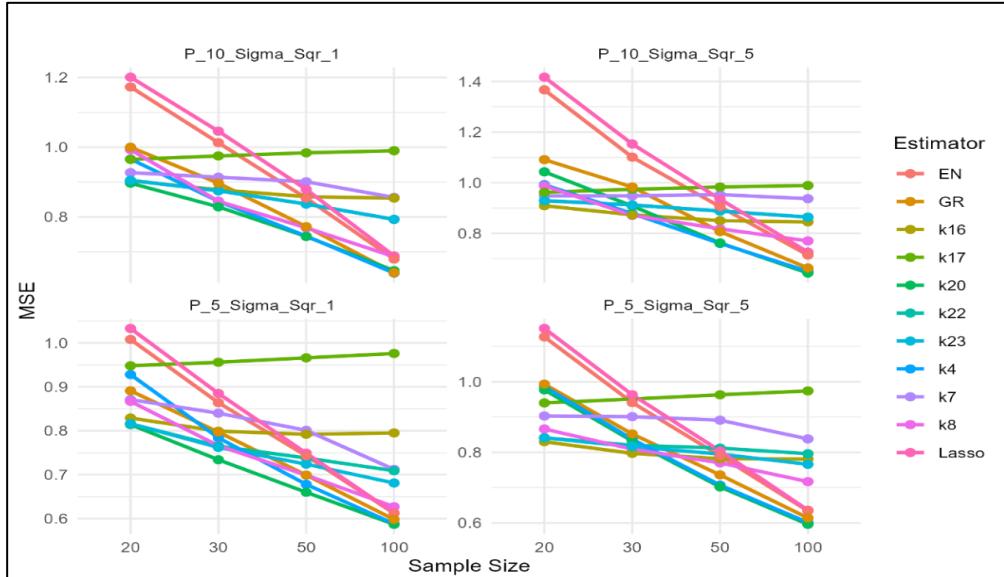
**Figure 3.3:** MSE of the Estimators when  $\rho = 0.90$  and 10% outlier

Table 3.2.2 illustrates the MSE of the estimators when there is a 0.95 correlation among predictors and a 10% outlier in the data. It is evident that the introduction of outliers leads to a higher MSE compared to the findings in Table 3.1.2. In scenarios with the number of predictors is five and error variance is one in small samples, it is observed that k<sub>18</sub>, k<sub>20</sub>, k<sub>22</sub>, and k<sub>23</sub> yield low MSE, but

$k_{18}$  is noted to be an inconsistent estimator. However, as the number of predictors and variance increases,  $k_{22}$  and  $k_{23}$  exhibit strong performance. As variance increases with the same number of predictors, the MSE also increases. In situations with fewer predictors and high variance,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  show superior performance. Similarly, in scenarios with high variance and a high number of predictors,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  are recommended. In cases of small samples and low variance,  $k_{20}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  demonstrate robust performance when the correlation coefficient is approximately 0.95. For large samples, traditional models such as Lasso, EN, and GR are recommended due to their user-friendly operation.

**Table 3.2.2:** MSE values of the estimators when correlation = 0.95 and 10% outlier

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	2.335	1.204	0.806	0.710	2.943	1.484	0.967	0.834	6.649	2.966	1.467	0.871	8.349	3.740	1.766	0.837
$k_1$	0.852	0.840	0.873	0.935	0.903	0.926	0.959	0.983	0.932	0.903	0.864	0.894	0.936	0.923	0.927	0.968
$k_2$	0.873	0.826	0.823	0.879	0.927	0.945	0.973	0.990	0.971	0.913	0.870	0.879	0.951	0.949	0.960	0.986
$k_3$	2.077	1.125	0.778	0.601	2.159	1.277	0.822	0.619	5.939	2.711	1.385	0.753	6.210	3.051	1.559	0.807
$k_4$	1.009	0.806	0.687	0.591	1.079	0.893	0.726	0.607	1.108	0.919	0.795	0.665	1.137	0.957	0.816	0.679
$k_5$	0.920	0.780	0.691	0.624	0.927	0.822	0.745	0.702	1.111	0.903	0.816	0.706	1.136	0.924	0.839	0.770
$k_6$	1.246	0.857	0.693	0.602	1.279	0.910	0.720	0.644	2.756	1.442	0.902	0.663	2.826	1.450	0.903	0.692
$k_7$	0.888	0.858	0.809	0.728	0.918	0.907	0.889	0.850	0.947	0.934	0.920	0.890	0.955	0.952	0.954	0.949
$k_8$	0.901	0.780	0.701	0.636	0.914	0.823	0.769	0.728	1.088	0.906	0.814	0.717	1.103	0.922	0.847	0.794
$k_9$	0.991	0.787	0.684	0.620	0.995	0.825	0.729	0.690	1.459	0.986	0.802	0.682	1.479	0.997	0.824	0.738
$k_{10}$	1.795	1.110	0.792	0.609	2.179	1.354	0.854	0.632	2.420	1.711	1.224	0.754	2.864	2.138	1.448	0.817
$k_{11}$	1.776	1.108	0.792	0.609	2.167	1.352	0.854	0.632	2.388	1.709	1.223	0.753	2.847	2.136	1.448	0.817
$k_{12}$	1.112	0.841	0.698	0.592	1.220	0.955	0.743	0.610	1.386	1.002	0.809	0.656	1.505	1.087	0.848	0.678
$k_{13}$	1.823	1.114	0.793	0.609	2.204	1.356	0.854	0.632	2.524	1.762	1.233	0.754	2.985	2.170	1.452	0.817
$k_{14}$	0.965	0.969	0.971	0.978	0.962	0.966	0.967	0.976	0.974	0.985	0.991	0.994	0.971	0.984	0.990	0.994
$k_{15}$	1.848	1.115	0.793	0.609	2.212	1.356	0.854	0.632	2.720	1.792	1.235	0.754	3.065	2.179	1.452	0.817
$k_{16}$	0.860	0.827	0.802	0.804	0.865	0.825	0.790	0.791	0.936	0.917	0.889	0.881	0.938	0.912	0.884	0.877
$k_{17}$	0.967	0.970	0.971	0.978	0.962	0.966	0.967	0.976	0.975	0.985	0.991	0.994	0.971	0.984	0.990	0.994
$k_{18}$	0.837	0.821	0.865	0.934	0.891	0.921	0.958	0.983	0.979	0.889	0.840	0.887	0.947	0.910	0.920	0.967
$k_{19}$	0.967	0.970	0.971	0.978	0.962	0.966	0.967	0.976	0.975	0.985	0.991	0.994	0.971	0.984	0.990	0.994
$k_{20}$	0.848	0.752	0.665	0.592	1.006	0.877	0.718	0.602	0.950	0.888	0.795	0.676	1.105	0.967	0.818	0.672
$k_{21}$	0.897	0.772	0.670	0.588	1.135	0.950	0.745	0.607	1.014	0.906	0.789	0.658	1.345	1.085	0.866	0.684
$k_{22}$	0.844	0.779	0.737	0.714	0.863	0.831	0.808	0.800	0.933	0.903	0.851	0.801	0.938	0.924	0.896	0.869
$k_{23}$	0.844	0.777	0.723	0.687	0.863	0.827	0.792	0.771	0.933	0.903	0.851	0.801	0.938	0.924	0.896	0.869
Lasso	1.162	0.932	0.781	0.619	1.330	1.048	0.826	0.646	1.553	1.202	1.003	0.747	1.863	1.400	1.076	0.793
EN	1.122	0.903	0.770	0.615	1.290	1.005	0.810	0.643	1.445	1.132	0.966	0.733	1.724	1.339	1.039	0.775
GR	0.968	0.825	0.713	0.602	1.073	0.913	0.746	0.623	1.129	0.985	0.849	0.674	1.277	1.103	0.906	0.702

Table 3.2.3 illustrates the MSE of the estimators in the presence of a high predictor correlation (0.99) and a 10% outlier. Compared to Table 3.1.3, the introduction of outliers resulted in increased MSE. Notably, when the number of predictors (p) is five and the error variance is one for small samples,  $k_{18}$ ,  $k_{20}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  demonstrate low MSE. However,  $k_{18}$  is an inconsistent estimator. On the contrary,  $k_{22}$  and  $k_{23}$  show good performance as both the number of predictors and variance increase. Additionally, an increase in variance with a constant number of predictors leads to an increase in MSE. For small predictors and high variance,  $k_7$ ,  $k_8$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  perform well, while for high variance and a high number of predictors,  $k_7$ ,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  are recommended. When dealing with small sample sizes and low variance,  $k_{20}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  prove to be robust when the correlation coefficient is approximately 0.99. Lastly, for large samples, traditional models such as Lasso, EN, and GR are recommended due to their user-friendly operation.

**Table 3.2.3:** MSE values of the estimators when correlation = 0.99 and 10% outlier

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
<b>OLS</b>	6.527	1.885	0.863	0.718	8.745	2.370	0.981	0.745	28.97	12.31	4.705	1.182	39.34	16.38	6.127	1.339
<b>k<sub>1</sub></b>	0.894	0.853	0.872	0.933	0.924	0.928	0.958	0.983	0.984	0.953	0.908	0.897	0.984	0.963	0.942	0.965
<b>k<sub>2</sub></b>	0.949	0.838	0.826	0.876	0.968	0.945	0.972	0.990	1.057	0.964	0.904	0.883	0.988	0.969	0.965	0.984
<b>k<sub>3</sub></b>	5.328	1.684	0.827	0.607	4.926	1.745	0.887	0.627	25.35	10.79	4.096	1.101	26.06	10.68	4.084	1.159
<b>k<sub>4</sub></b>	1.145	0.865	0.704	0.595	1.220	0.948	0.743	0.612	1.839	1.094	0.872	0.701	1.814	1.126	0.892	0.713
<b>k<sub>5</sub></b>	1.003	0.819	0.707	0.627	1.015	0.853	0.760	0.704	1.257	0.970	0.892	0.741	1.336	0.984	0.900	0.793
<b>k<sub>6</sub></b>	1.563	0.966	0.713	0.605	1.705	0.997	0.738	0.647	7.771	2.853	1.130	0.713	8.729	2.869	1.129	0.724
<b>k<sub>7</sub></b>	0.938	0.893	0.827	0.735	0.943	0.922	0.899	0.854	0.979	0.965	0.957	0.941	0.985	0.972	0.964	0.964
<b>k<sub>8</sub></b>	0.946	0.812	0.718	0.639	0.961	0.847	0.781	0.730	1.257	0.982	0.875	0.756	1.322	0.997	0.889	0.812
<b>k<sub>9</sub></b>	1.112	0.839	0.700	0.622	1.155	0.867	0.741	0.692	2.804	1.261	0.887	0.711	2.953	1.274	0.896	0.749
<b>k<sub>10</sub></b>	2.788	1.471	0.838	0.616	3.235	1.776	0.944	0.643	4.704	2.773	1.934	1.023	5.448	3.407	2.480	1.150
<b>k<sub>11</sub></b>	2.824	1.460	0.838	0.616	3.239	1.772	0.944	0.643	5.738	2.957	1.944	1.022	5.995	3.492	2.485	1.150
<b>k<sub>12</sub></b>	1.311	0.922	0.717	0.596	1.438	1.030	0.766	0.615	3.056	1.353	0.904	0.699	3.242	1.406	0.937	0.721
<b>k<sub>13</sub></b>	2.875	1.489	0.839	0.616	3.391	1.791	0.944	0.643	4.997	3.015	2.033	1.026	5.898	3.606	2.540	1.151
<b>k<sub>14</sub></b>	0.989	0.984	0.976	0.980	0.988	0.983	0.974	0.978	0.987	0.995	0.998	0.999	0.987	0.995	0.998	0.998
<b>k<sub>15</sub></b>	3.154	1.500	0.839	0.616	3.536	1.794	0.944	0.643	5.970	3.312	2.077	1.026	6.482	3.734	2.552	1.151
<b>k<sub>16</sub></b>	0.920	0.869	0.820	0.810	0.913	0.865	0.812	0.798	0.978	0.961	0.943	0.931	0.989	0.961	0.933	0.925
<b>k<sub>17</sub></b>	0.989	0.985	0.977	0.980	0.988	0.983	0.974	0.978	0.988	0.995	0.998	0.999	0.988	0.995	0.998	0.998
<b>k<sub>18</sub></b>	0.882	0.831	0.863	0.931	0.911	0.921	0.957	0.983	1.078	0.967	0.878	0.886	1.049	0.962	0.927	0.964
<b>k<sub>19</sub></b>	0.989	0.985	0.977	0.980	0.988	0.983	0.974	0.978	0.988	0.995	0.998	0.999	0.988	0.995	0.998	0.998
<b>k<sub>20</sub></b>	0.897	0.781	0.681	0.596	1.037	0.897	0.731	0.606	1.048	0.966	0.862	0.717	1.213	1.029	0.882	0.710
<b>k<sub>21</sub></b>	0.935	0.803	0.686	0.591	1.148	0.975	0.763	0.612	1.129	0.993	0.862	0.700	1.491	1.112	0.906	0.724
<b>k<sub>22</sub></b>	0.900	0.799	0.746	0.715	0.901	0.842	0.815	0.801	1.030	0.957	0.880	0.810	1.005	0.960	0.909	0.869
<b>k<sub>23</sub></b>	0.900	0.797	0.734	0.688	0.901	0.839	0.800	0.772	1.030	0.957	0.880	0.810	1.005	0.960	0.909	0.869
<b>Lasso</b>	1.687	1.122	0.815	0.625	2.330	1.235	0.873	0.657	3.134	2.118	1.437	0.915	4.359	2.689	1.613	0.952
<b>EN</b>	1.598	1.107	0.801	0.622	2.226	1.200	0.856	0.652	3.256	2.036	1.363	0.878	4.400	2.618	1.551	0.915
<b>GR</b>	1.081	0.920	0.739	0.606	1.272	1.008	0.780	0.628	1.616	1.266	0.972	0.737	1.826	1.431	1.047	0.765

Table 3.2.4 presents the MSE of the estimators when there is a 0.90 correlation among predictors and a 25% outlier in the data. A comparison with Table 3.2.1 indicates that as the proportion of outliers in the data set increases, the MSE also increases. Specifically, when the number of predictors (p) is five and the variance is one for small sample sizes, estimators k<sub>7</sub>, k<sub>16</sub>, k<sub>22</sub>, and k<sub>23</sub> display small MSE. However, some estimators, such as k<sub>1</sub>, k<sub>14</sub>, k<sub>18</sub>, and k<sub>19</sub> show inconsistency under similar conditions. Additionally, it is observed that the MSE of k<sub>22</sub> and k<sub>23</sub> increase as the variance and number of predictors increase. Importantly, with an increase in variance, the MSE grows while the number of predictors remains constant. The performance of k<sub>7</sub>, k<sub>16</sub>, k<sub>22</sub>, and k<sub>23</sub> are found to be better for small sample sizes and high variance. Furthermore, for a high number of predictors and high variance, these estimators are recommended. However, for large sample sizes, traditional models such as Lasso, EN, and GR are suggested due to their ease of use. From Table 3.2.5, the MSE of the estimators is presented for predictors with a correlation of 0.95 and a 25% outlier in the data. A comparison to Table 3.2.2 reveals that as the outlier in the dataset increased, the MSE also increased. Among the estimators, k<sub>7</sub>, k<sub>20</sub>, k<sub>22</sub>, and k<sub>23</sub> demonstrate low MSE for the lower number of predictors and lower error variance in small samples. However, some estimators, such as k<sub>1</sub>, k<sub>14</sub>, k<sub>16</sub>, k<sub>17</sub>, and k<sub>19</sub>, exhibit low MSE for small samples but lack consistency. With an increase in variance and an unchanged number of predictors, the MSE also increases. Notably, for small predictors and high variance, k<sub>7</sub>, k<sub>22</sub>, and k<sub>23</sub> exhibit favourable performance. Furthermore, for high variance and a high number of predictors, k<sub>7</sub>, k<sub>16</sub>, k<sub>22</sub>, and k<sub>23</sub> are recommended. It is observed that traditional regularization methods result in lower MSE when dealing with outliers in

large samples. From Table 3.2.6, the MSE of the estimators is presented, with predictors exhibiting a high correlation of 0.99 and a 25% outlier in the data. A comparison to Table 3.2.3 indicates that an increase in the outlier in the dataset led to a corresponding increase in the MSE. Notably, for a lower number of predictors (e.g. five) and reduced error variance (e.g. one) in small samples, estimators  $k_7$ ,  $k_{20}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  demonstrate a minimal MSE. However, unlike the consistent estimators such as  $k_1$ ,  $k_{17}$ , and  $k_{19}$  shown in Table 2.8, these estimators are not consistent. Moreover, as variance increases, the MSE also increases for consistent estimators. In scenarios with a low number of predictors and high variance,  $k_7$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  perform better. Similarly, for high variance and a high number of predictors,  $k_7$ ,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  are recommended. Traditional regularization methods are observed to perform poorly when outliers are present in the data, especially for large samples. For situations with a high number of predictors and high variance,  $k_5$ ,  $k_9$ , and  $k_{20}$  are recommended. As the sample size, number of predictors, and variance increase, Figure 3.4 visually represents the performance of the most effective estimators. The analysis reveals that  $k_7$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  exhibit enhanced performance in the presence of heightened correlation, increased variance, and a greater number of outliers.

**Table 3.2.4:** MSE values of the estimators when correlation = 0.90 and 25% outlier

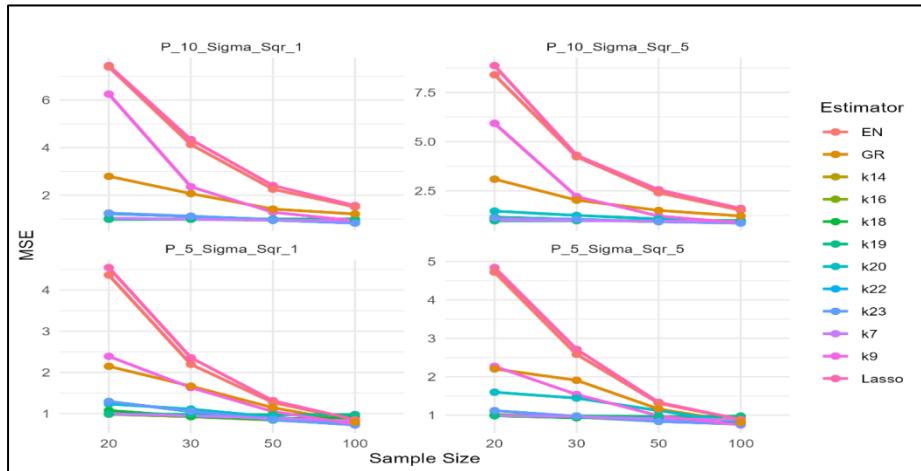
Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	3.243	2.104	1.281	0.913	3.699	2.256	1.336	0.947	7.119	3.515	1.818	1.057	8.134	3.881	2.022	1.117
$k_1$	0.910	0.877	0.865	0.915	0.921	0.926	0.950	0.978	0.953	0.931	0.880	0.886	0.954	0.932	0.925	0.963
$k_2$	1.046	0.992	0.842	0.834	0.996	0.962	0.954	0.983	1.082	0.983	0.896	0.861	0.968	0.949	0.949	0.979
$k_3$	2.985	1.984	1.232	0.798	3.046	1.966	1.255	0.822	6.547	3.315	1.753	1.040	6.445	3.395	1.893	1.092
$k_4$	1.675	1.389	1.029	0.754	1.799	1.436	1.068	0.781	1.447	1.170	0.970	0.806	1.389	1.194	1.004	0.829
$k_5$	1.424	1.193	0.904	0.710	1.394	1.100	0.863	0.730	1.588	1.148	0.920	0.772	1.493	1.115	0.908	0.782
$k_6$	2.148	1.542	1.033	0.733	2.180	1.480	0.994	0.731	3.913	2.224	1.297	0.874	3.641	2.054	1.235	0.844
$k_7$	1.020	0.948	0.866	0.791	1.002	0.943	0.900	0.872	0.985	0.954	0.916	0.889	0.981	0.959	0.946	0.947
$k_8$	1.371	1.139	0.879	0.710	1.295	1.049	0.848	0.746	1.522	1.142	0.919	0.771	1.402	1.085	0.901	0.796
$k_9$	1.633	1.282	0.926	0.709	1.607	1.189	0.881	0.720	2.158	1.412	1.009	0.787	1.971	1.312	0.965	0.780
$k_{10}$	2.875	2.011	1.264	0.811	3.242	2.150	1.319	0.844	3.896	2.705	1.686	1.045	4.065	2.980	1.868	1.103
$k_{11}$	2.849	2.005	1.263	0.811	3.230	2.148	1.318	0.844	3.692	2.679	1.684	1.045	3.998	2.973	1.868	1.103
$k_{12}$	1.893	1.500	1.071	0.764	2.068	1.571	1.115	0.792	1.920	1.418	1.073	0.845	1.905	1.478	1.132	0.877
$k_{13}$	2.898	2.016	1.264	0.811	3.261	2.152	1.319	0.844	4.016	2.756	1.692	1.045	4.201	3.008	1.870	1.104
$k_{14}$	0.942	0.945	0.952	0.966	0.943	0.945	0.950	0.964	0.963	0.971	0.979	0.986	0.964	0.969	0.978	0.986
$k_{15}$	2.923	2.018	1.264	0.811	3.267	2.153	1.319	0.844	4.279	2.787	1.693	1.045	4.291	3.015	1.871	1.104
$k_{16}$	0.947	0.891	0.804	0.769	1.030	0.918	0.808	0.764	0.960	0.932	0.878	0.841	0.996	0.948	0.879	0.839
$k_{17}$	0.945	0.948	0.953	0.967	0.944	0.946	0.950	0.964	0.965	0.972	0.979	0.986	0.964	0.969	0.979	0.986
$k_{18}$	0.958	0.877	0.854	0.913	0.918	0.920	0.948	0.978	1.112	0.979	0.868	0.876	1.002	0.934	0.917	0.962
$k_{19}$	0.945	0.948	0.953	0.967	0.944	0.946	0.950	0.964	0.965	0.972	0.979	0.986	0.964	0.969	0.979	0.986
$k_{20}$	1.149	1.054	0.866	0.698	1.589	1.339	1.019	0.761	1.071	1.005	0.897	0.766	1.362	1.229	1.035	0.838
$k_{21}$	1.315	1.180	0.932	0.719	1.880	1.510	1.097	0.784	1.249	1.124	0.964	0.800	1.776	1.504	1.183	0.904
$k_{22}$	1.040	0.944	0.799	0.711	0.962	0.892	0.816	0.776	0.963	0.935	0.869	0.795	0.952	0.932	0.894	0.854
$k_{23}$	1.040	0.951	0.804	0.700	0.962	0.895	0.810	0.753	0.963	0.935	0.869	0.795	0.952	0.932	0.894	0.854
Lasso	1.635	1.374	1.068	0.804	1.776	1.374	1.095	0.828	1.875	1.433	1.191	0.932	2.005	1.514	1.229	0.959
EN	1.539	1.327	1.031	0.795	1.686	1.325	1.066	0.817	1.759	1.362	1.150	0.915	2.001	1.468	1.179	0.944
GR	1.324	1.191	0.943	0.745	1.435	1.175	0.970	0.761	1.392	1.176	1.027	0.838	1.500	1.260	1.051	0.862

**Table 3.2.5:** MSE values of the estimators when correlation = 0.95 and 25% outlier

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	4.718	2.750	1.461	0.945	5.482	2.995	1.532	0.969	13.045	6.190	2.821	1.337	15.111	6.664	3.113	1.385
k <sub>1</sub>	0.943	0.900	0.871	0.915	0.936	0.927	0.948	0.978	0.985	0.966	0.911	0.890	0.979	0.957	0.934	0.958
k <sub>2</sub>	1.058	1.009	0.881	0.897	0.991	0.997	0.993	0.982	1.146	1.032	0.952	0.872	0.995	0.966	0.954	0.974
k <sub>3</sub>	4.275	2.554	1.403	0.826	4.119	2.467	1.397	0.840	11.875	5.723	2.651	1.298	11.289	5.347	2.728	1.322
k <sub>4</sub>	1.965	1.581	1.116	0.773	1.995	1.598	1.141	0.795	1.857	1.347	1.049	0.864	1.751	1.305	1.085	0.875
k <sub>5</sub>	1.588	1.304	0.957	0.718	1.492	1.164	0.889	0.740	1.803	1.208	0.957	0.813	1.763	1.163	0.952	0.800
k <sub>6</sub>	2.707	1.847	1.133	0.749	2.662	1.734	1.069	0.744	6.338	3.263	1.616	0.986	5.962	2.835	1.496	0.913
k <sub>7</sub>	1.037	0.977	0.882	0.794	1.029	0.954	0.897	0.874	1.018	0.975	0.932	0.898	1.010	0.974	0.952	0.944
k <sub>8</sub>	1.515	1.240	0.920	0.719	1.402	1.103	0.866	0.757	1.743	1.228	0.969	0.809	1.674	1.155	0.950	0.808
k <sub>9</sub>	1.924	1.449	0.991	0.720	1.811	1.310	0.918	0.729	2.931	1.704	1.114	0.843	2.721	1.504	1.056	0.806
k <sub>10</sub>	3.832	2.559	1.435	0.843	4.276	2.754	1.502	0.866	5.469	3.820	2.360	1.303	5.583	4.006	2.612	1.349
k <sub>11</sub>	3.793	2.548	1.434	0.843	4.255	2.750	1.501	0.866	5.335	3.796	2.355	1.302	5.566	4.003	2.610	1.349
k <sub>12</sub>	2.296	1.750	1.175	0.785	2.375	1.799	1.209	0.808	2.731	1.745	1.196	0.927	2.668	1.709	1.259	0.946
k <sub>13</sub>	3.892	2.571	1.436	0.843	4.336	2.761	1.502	0.866	5.632	3.965	2.385	1.303	5.873	4.091	2.621	1.349
k <sub>14</sub>	0.961	0.962	0.960	0.970	0.960	0.959	0.957	0.968	0.978	0.981	0.989	0.992	0.976	0.980	0.988	0.991
k <sub>15</sub>	3.970	2.577	1.436	0.843	4.362	2.762	1.502	0.866	6.288	4.085	2.393	1.303	6.135	4.122	2.622	1.349
k <sub>16</sub>	0.979	0.917	0.824	0.778	1.043	0.929	0.822	0.775	0.990	0.963	0.913	0.872	1.020	0.977	0.913	0.862
k <sub>17</sub>	0.963	0.964	0.962	0.970	0.960	0.959	0.957	0.968	0.979	0.982	0.989	0.992	0.976	0.980	0.988	0.991
k <sub>18</sub>	1.026	0.907	0.859	0.912	0.940	0.920	0.946	0.977	1.195	1.047	0.907	0.878	1.066	0.976	0.926	0.957
k <sub>19</sub>	0.963	0.964	0.962	0.970	0.960	0.959	0.957	0.968	0.979	0.982	0.989	0.992	0.976	0.980	0.988	0.991
k <sub>20</sub>	1.214	1.103	0.901	0.707	1.613	1.401	1.067	0.771	1.123	1.058	0.942	0.805	1.416	1.239	1.077	0.876
k <sub>21</sub>	1.406	1.230	0.980	0.730	1.929	1.619	1.166	0.797	1.321	1.175	1.008	0.847	1.895	1.512	1.239	0.963
k <sub>22</sub>	1.146	1.003	0.826	0.717	1.016	0.916	0.825	0.782	1.032	0.991	0.906	0.815	0.988	0.961	0.915	0.855
k <sub>23</sub>	1.146	1.013	0.835	0.706	1.016	0.920	0.820	0.760	1.032	0.991	0.906	0.815	0.988	0.961	0.915	0.855
Lasso	1.995	1.611	1.154	0.829	2.212	1.741	1.182	0.846	2.601	1.819	1.402	1.074	2.877	1.898	1.463	1.093
EN	1.868	1.566	1.118	0.815	2.093	1.652	1.142	0.836	2.478	1.726	1.343	1.038	2.682	1.784	1.398	1.063
GR	1.531	1.351	1.018	0.762	1.682	1.405	1.039	0.776	1.699	1.426	1.156	0.947	1.708	1.446	1.206	0.946

**Table 3.2.6:** MSE values of the estimators when correlation = 0.99 and 25% outlier

Estimator	P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 5, $\sigma^2 = 5$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 1$				P = 10, $\sigma^2 = 5$			
	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100	20	30	50	100
OLS	14.38	4.801	1.746	0.986	16.59	5.654	1.874	1.235	60.99	26.21	9.718	2.594	69.70	30.19	11.00	2.743
k <sub>1</sub>	0.979	0.917	0.876	0.916	0.966	0.940	0.948	0.977	1.019	0.99	0.942	0.901	1.015	0.995	0.955	0.961
k <sub>2</sub>	1.015	0.999	0.868	0.841	0.993	0.972	0.953	0.982	1.233	1.075	0.964	0.883	1.041	1.000	0.964	0.976
k <sub>3</sub>	12.34	4.353	1.647	0.866	10.01	4.122	1.656	0.897	54.62	23.64	8.644	2.406	49.08	21.19	7.657	2.255
k <sub>4</sub>	2.520	1.800	1.192	0.800	2.393	1.859	1.256	0.836	3.969	1.734	1.183	0.948	3.267	1.664	1.189	0.959
k <sub>5</sub>	1.824	1.428	1.000	0.737	1.678	1.318	0.936	0.754	1.893	1.151	0.961	0.865	1.877	1.170	0.967	0.844
k <sub>6</sub>	3.940	2.280	1.237	0.775	3.854	2.256	1.193	0.772	19.09	7.188	2.316	1.212	18.68	6.908	2.159	1.096
k <sub>7</sub>	0.993	0.944	0.885	0.812	0.994	0.961	0.904	0.884	1.038	0.996	0.954	0.926	1.034	1.000	0.964	0.948
k <sub>8</sub>	1.528	1.276	0.958	0.735	1.461	1.195	0.904	0.768	1.939	1.223	1.001	0.844	1.905	1.225	0.994	0.841
k <sub>9</sub>	2.390	1.630	1.047	0.739	2.273	1.540	0.985	0.745	6.256	2.359	1.285	0.931	5.932	2.216	1.225	0.876
k <sub>10</sub>	7.553	3.943	1.690	0.883	7.237	4.433	1.815	0.931	11.56	6.689	4.403	2.258	11.03	7.397	4.969	2.373
k <sub>11</sub>	7.374	3.872	1.688	0.883	7.228	4.410	1.814	0.931	14.73	7.439	4.450	2.254	12.46	7.632	4.989	2.372
k <sub>12</sub>	3.185	2.085	1.275	0.814	3.028	2.186	1.355	0.853	7.229	2.772	1.381	1.053	6.53	2.566	1.398	1.068
k <sub>13</sub>	7.496	3.983	1.692	0.883	7.575	4.486	1.816	0.931	11.82	7.385	4.720	2.268	11.99	7.985	5.138	2.376
k <sub>14</sub>	0.986	0.980	0.968	0.973	0.987	0.981	0.966	0.971	0.991	0.994	0.997	0.998	0.990	0.994	0.997	0.998
k <sub>15</sub>	8.491	4.049	1.693	0.883	8.000	4.508	1.816	0.931	15.19	8.530	4.919	2.270	13.64	8.488	5.184	2.376
k <sub>16</sub>	0.982	0.922	0.839	0.791	1.020	0.950	0.842	0.785	1.013	0.989	0.950	0.921	1.047	1.013	0.948	0.918
k <sub>17</sub>	0.987	0.981	0.969	0.973	0.987	0.981	0.966	0.971	0.991	0.994	0.997	0.998	0.990	0.994	0.997	0.998
k <sub>18</sub>	1.074	0.928	0.863	0.913	0.987	0.933	0.945	0.977	1.233	1.111	0.948	0.882	1.168	1.059	0.945	0.958
k <sub>19</sub>	0.987	0.981	0.969	0.973	0.987	0.981	0.966	0.971	0.991	0.994	0.997	0.998	0.990	0.994	0.997	0.998
k <sub>20</sub>	1.231	1.108	0.917	0.723	1.599	1.445	1.120	0.803	1.222	1.120	0.982	0.840	1.478	1.259	1.081	0.918
k <sub>21</sub>	1.406	1.259	1.003	0.749	1.895	1.693	1.251	0.836	1.396	1.209	1.042	0.887	1.954	1.443	1.189	1.024
k <sub>22</sub>	1.292	1.046	0.843	0.730	1.119	0.967	0.840	0.787	1.250	1.119	0.958	0.832	1.125	1.057	0.945	0.870
k <sub>23</sub>	1.292	1.057	0.854	0.720	1.119	0.973	0.838	0.766	1.250	1.119	0.958	0.832	1.125	1.057	0.945	0.870
Lasso	4.547	2.357	1.312	0.852	4.842	2.715	1.335	0.891	7.452	4.343	2.412	1.569	8.863	4.312	2.563	1.613
EN	4.365	2.196	1.266	0.840	4.724	2.584	1.311	0.882	7.398	4.136	2.255	1.509	8.396	4.235	2.407	1.521
GR	2.147	1.665	1.													



**Figure 3.4:** MSE of the Estimators when  $\rho = 0.99$  and 25% outlier

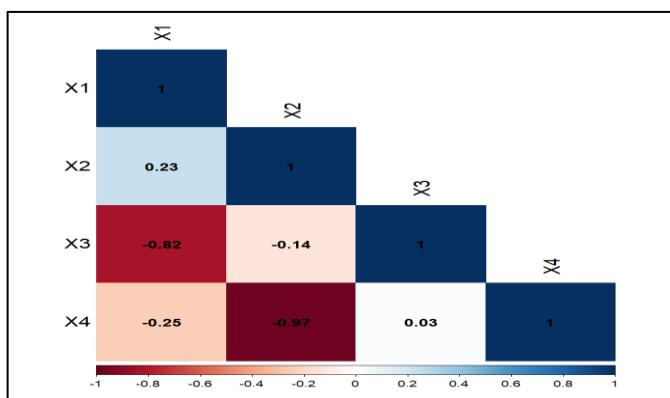
#### 4. Applications

To illustrate the findings of this paper, we will analyze two real-life datasets in this section.

##### 4.1 Example 1: Portland Cement Data

The initial numerical illustration utilized in this investigation pertains to the Portland cement dataset, which has been extensively referenced in previous scholarly works (Dorugade, 2016; Hadi & Ling, 1998; Lukman et al., 2019; Trenkler & Toutenburg, 1990). The dataset includes 13 data points and four predictors. The independent variables examined are the clinker compounds. The outcome variable (Y) is the heat released after 180 days of curing, measured in calories per gram of cement with 40% water at  $35^0\text{C}$ . The independent variables under consideration are the clinker compounds. Figure 4.1 represents the correlation matrix of the following independent variables.

- $X_1$ : Tricalcium aluminate
- $X_2$ : Tricalcium silicate
- $X_3$ : Tetracalcium aluminoferrite
- $X_4$ : Dicalcium silicate



**Figure 4.1:** Correlation Matrix of Portland Cement Data

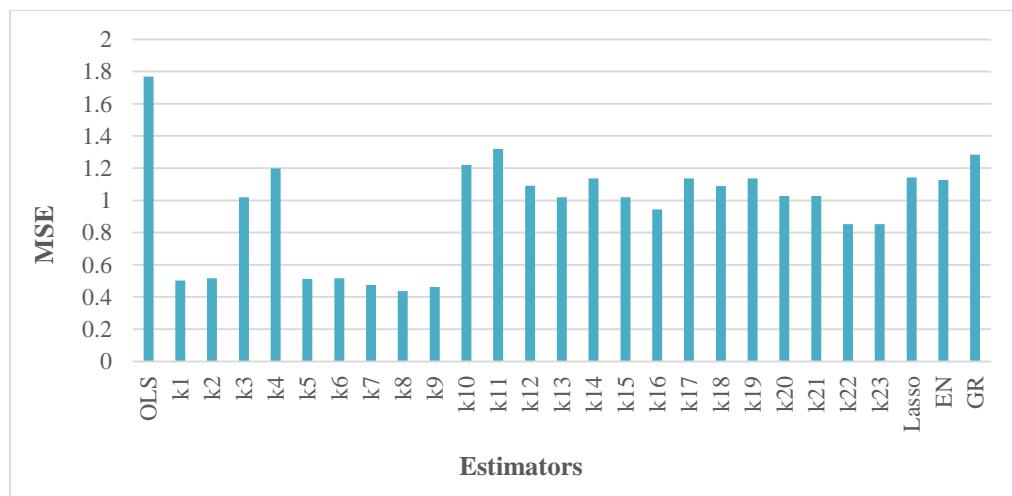
In Table 4.1, the Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) of the predictors for the Portland cement data is presented. A VIF value exceeding 10 indicates high multicollinearity. It is noteworthy that all predictors exhibit exceptionally high VIF values, with particular concern surrounding  $X_2$  and  $X_4$ , which both exceed a VIF of 250. These findings suggest a high degree of correlation among the variables, resulting in inflated variances due to multicollinearity. Consequently, this scenario may lead to unstable coefficient estimates within the regression model, rendering it challenging to discern the individual predictors' effects.

Moreover, the observed condition number of 423.73 indicates that strong multicollinearity exists among the regressors. However, it is essential to note that the extremely high VIF values for individual variables imply that the overall condition number may not entirely capture the seriousness of the multicollinearity present in specific predictors.

**Table 4.1:** VIF of the predictors of Portland Cement Data

Predictors	VIF
$X_1$	38.496
$X_2$	254.423
$X_3$	46.868
$X_4$	282.513

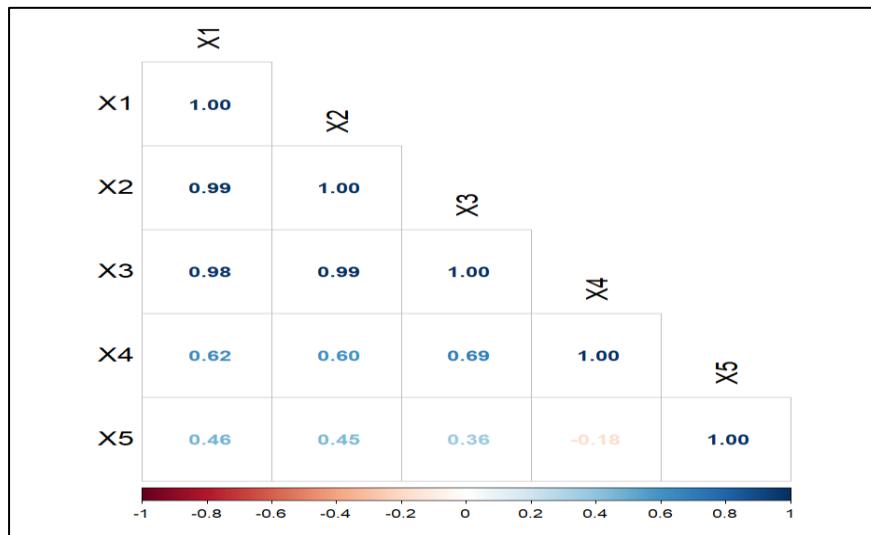
Upon examining the dataset, it is evident that there is a moderate level of multicollinearity present. In Figure 4.2, the bar plot displays the estimated MSE of the estimators specifically for the Portland Cement Data. Notably, among the estimators,  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ ,  $k_5$ ,  $k_6$ ,  $k_7$ ,  $k_8$ , and  $k_9$  exhibit smaller MSE values. Furthermore, it is worth mentioning that  $k_{22}$  and  $k_{23}$  outperform Lasso, EN, and GR, which aligns with the findings from the simulation study. Moreover, upon closer inspection, it is apparent that OLS performs significantly worse in terms of MSE, further confirming the outcomes observed in the simulation study.



**Figure 4.2:** MSE of the Estimators for Portland Cement Data

#### 4.2 Example 2: Longley data

We also examined the Longley data to forecast the total derived employment, which depends on a linear combination of several factors: the gross national product implicit price deflator, gross national product, unemployment rate, size of the armed forces, and the non-institutional population 14 years of age. This dataset has been utilized in various studies (Longley, 1967; McDonald & Schwing, 1973; Walker & Birch, 1988; Yousif et al., 2012; Yüzbaşı et al., 2020). The following figure 4.3 represents multicollinearity among the predictors.



**Figure 4.3:** Correlation Matrix of Longley Data

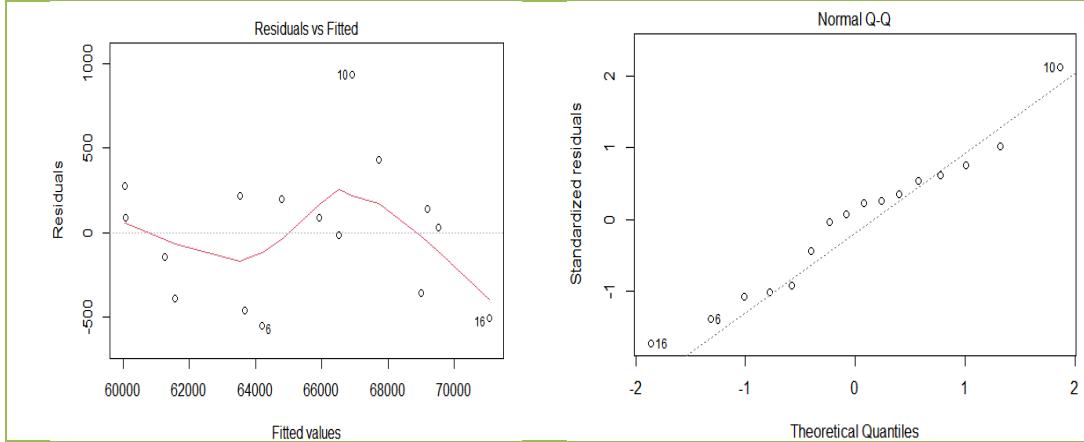
Table 4.2 displays the VIF of the predictors for the Longley data. The predictors  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ , and  $X_3$  demonstrate extremely high VIF values (all well over 100), indicating a high degree of collinearity with other predictors in the model. This can lead to unstable coefficient estimates and make it challenging to determine the individual effect of these predictors. A VIF of 10.787 for  $X_4$  suggests moderate multicollinearity, while a VIF of 2.506 for  $X_5$  indicates relatively low multicollinearity with the other predictors.

This dataset demonstrates extremely severe multicollinearity, as indicated by a condition number of 293682.548. This condition number implies that the design matrix (the set of predictors) is nearly singular, suggesting strong linear dependence among the predictors. Consequently, this could result in significant numerical instability in any regression model applied to this data.

**Table 4.2:** VIF of the predictors of Longley Data

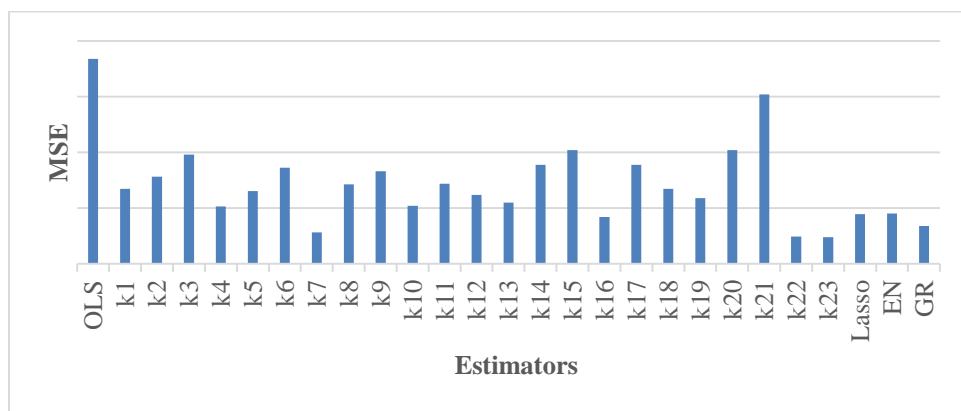
Predictors	VIF
$X_1$	130.829
$X_2$	639.049
$X_3$	339.012
$X_4$	10.787
$X_5$	2.506

In Figure 4.4, the analysis revealed the presence of outliers in the Longley data. Specifically, the residual versus fitted plot highlighted data points 6, 16, and 10 as outliers, and this was further corroborated by the normal Q-Q plot, which also identified the same data points as outliers. Out of 16 observations, 3 of them were outliers, which means 18.75% outliers are present in the data.



**Figure 4.4:** Presence of Outlier in Longley Data

Upon conducting a thorough analysis of the Longley dataset, it has become clear that there is a high degree of multicollinearity present, as well as the presence of outliers, accounting for 18.75% of the data points. In Figure 4.5, the bar plot depicts the MSE values for the estimators for the Longley Data. It is noteworthy that among the estimators,  $k_4$ ,  $k_5$ ,  $k_7$ ,  $k_{10}$ ,  $k_{12}$ ,  $k_{13}$ ,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  exhibit comparatively smaller MSE values. Additionally, it is pertinent to highlight that  $k_7$ ,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  outperform all other estimators, which corroborates the findings from the simulation study. Furthermore, upon closer examination, it is evident that the OLS method exhibits notably inferior performance in terms of MSE, as do the traditional Lasso, EN, and GR methods when outliers are present along with severe multicollinearity in terms of small samples. These observations further validate the outcomes identified in the simulation study.



**Figure 4.5:** MSE of the Estimators for Longley Data

## 5. Concluding Remarks

In our study, we conducted a comprehensive evaluation of multiple linear regression models in the presence of multicollinearity. We employed ridge regression as a biased estimation technique to obtain more precise estimates of the regression coefficients. From the 366 proposed estimators for the ridge parameter, we focused on the top 16, along with seven estimators suggested by other researchers, and compared their performance against traditional OLS and modern regularization techniques such as Elastic Net (EN), Lasso, and Generalized Ridge (GR) regression. To simulate real-world conditions, we introduced outliers at 10% and 25% levels to assess their impact on estimator performance. The primary comparison criterion was the mean squared error (MSE), a standard metric for evaluating estimator accuracy.

Our findings revealed nuanced insights into the selection of ridge parameter estimators under various parametric conditions. Specifically, with small sample sizes and a high degree of multicollinearity (correlation close to 0.95) in the absence of outliers, the estimators  $k_{10}$ ,  $k_{11}$ ,  $k_{13}$ , and  $k_{15}$  proved to be reliable, balancing bias and variance to produce lower MSEs. However, in the presence of outliers, particularly with small sample sizes and high variance, the estimators  $k_7$ ,  $k_{16}$ ,  $k_{22}$ , and  $k_{23}$  performed better, making them the preferred choices in such situations. We also analyzed two real-world cases, which further supported the simulation results.

For larger sample sizes, the performance dynamics shifted, with GR, EN, and Lasso emerging as robust options. These methods consistently delivered lower MSEs across different levels of multicollinearity, except in cases where significant outliers combined with large variances. Under such challenging conditions, even these robust methods saw performance declines, indicating the need for careful estimator selection in the presence of extreme outliers.

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