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Almon-KL estimator for the distributed lag model

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ABSTRACT

The Almon technique is widely used to estimate the parameters of the distributed lag model (DLM). The technique suffers a setback from the challenge of multicollinearity because the explanatory variables and their lagged values are often correlated. The Almon-Ridge estimator (A-RE) and Almon-Liu estimator (A-LE) were introduced as alternative estimators for efficient modelling. We developed a new method of estimating the coefficients of the DLM using the Almon-KL estimator (A-KLE). A-KLE dominates the other estimators considered in this study via theoretical findings, simulation design and two numerical examples. The estimators' performance was compared using the mean squared error.

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1. Introduction

Distributed lag model (DLM) is a model that is commonly adopted to predict the current values of a response variable based on both the current values of a regressor (explanatory variable) and its lagged values (Cromwell, Hannan, Labys, & Terraza, 1994; Judge, Griffiths, Hill, & Lee, 1980). For instance, the effect of public investment such as road and highways construction on growth in the gross national product (GNP) will show up with a lag, and this effect will likely linger on for some years (Maddala, 1974). Under certain assumptions, the ordinary least squares estimator (OLSE) is the easiest method of estimating the distributed lags' parameters. The assumptions include assuming a fixed maximum lag; the error should be normally distributed and unrestricted relationship among the lagged explanators. However, multicollinearity arises from the relationship between the explanatory variables and their lagged explanators, resulting in a large variance of the coefficient estimates. The OLSE becomes inefficient when there is multicollinearity. Also, the method suffers a breakdown when the number of observations does not sufficiently exceed the number of lags (Almon, 1965; Fisher, 1937; Frost, 1975; Maddala, 1974). Almon technique proposed by Almon (Fisher, 1937) is widely used to estimate the parameters of DLM because the methods reduced the effect of multicollinearity (Fair & Jaffee, 1971; Majid, Aslam, Altaf, & Amanullah, 2019). The assumption under the Almon lag model is that there must be a finite lag length and the lag weight approximated by a polynomial of suitable degree.

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The Almon estimator (AE) is the best linear unbiased estimator (BLUE) for the DLMs (Vinod & Ullah, 1981). Therefore, this estimator has widespread usage in applied econometrics due to its ease of estimation. However, the estimator still suffers a breakdown when there is a high correlation among the explanatory variables. Biased estimators were developed as alternatives to the OLS estimator in the linear regression model (LRM) (Baye & Parker, 1984; Hoerl & Kennard, 1970; Kaçıranlar & Sakallıoğlu, 2001; Kibria & Lukman, 2020; Li & Yang, 2012; Liu, 1993; Lukman, Ayinde, Kibria, & Adewuyi, 2020; Massy, 1965; Swindel, 1976). Some of these estimators have been adapted to AE to mitigate the effect of multicollinearity.

The ridge estimator was suggested as an alternative to the AE (Chanda & Maddala, 1984; Lindley & Smith, 1972; Lukman, Ayinde, Binuomote, & Onate, 2019; Maddala, 1974; Vinod & Ullah, 1981; Yeo & Trivedi, 2009). The limitation of the ridge regression estimator for the DLMs was pointed out in the following study (Lindley & Smith, 1972; Maddala, 1974; Yeo & Trivedi, 2009). According to Maddala (1974) and Yeo and Trivedi (2009), the empirical findings do not fulfil

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expectations despite adopting different ridge parameters, k. Alternative estimators include the Almon modified ridge and Liu estimators (Gültay & Kaçı ranlar, 2015). Özbay & Kaçıranlar (2017) introduced the Almon two-parameter estimator to deal with the problem of multicollinearity for the DLM. The estimator extends the two-parameter estimation procedure by Ozkale and Kaçıranlar (2007) to the DLM. The Almon two-parameter ridge was also developed to handle multicollinearity in DLM (Lipovetsky, 2006; Lipovetsky & Conklin, 2005; Ozbay, 2019). Kibria and Lukman (2020) developed the Kibria–Lukman estimator (KLE) to cushion the effect of multicollinearity in the LRM. The estimator gain advantage over the ridge and the Liu estimator. Thus, the focus of this study is to develop the Almon-KL estimator (A-KLE) based on KLE.

The other part of the article is structured as follows: we introduced the DLM, its estimation methods, and the proposed estimator in Section 2. Section 3 deals with the theoretical comparisons and the choice of biasing parameters. We examined the estimators' performance using a simulation study and two examples in Sections 4 and 5, respectively. Finally, we provide a concluding remark.

2. Distributed lag model (DLM) and method of estimation

The finite DLM is defined as

$$y_{t} = \beta_{0}x_{t} + \beta_{1}x_{t-1} + \beta_{2}x_{t-2} + \dots + \beta_{p}x_{t-p} + u_{t}$$

= $\sum_{i=0}^{p}\beta_{i}x_{t-i} + u_{t}, t = p + 1, \dots, T,$ (2.1)

where β_i are the current and lagged coefficients of x_t , y_t denotes the *t*-th observation on the response variable *y*, x_{t-p} denotes the (*t-p*)th observation on the explanatory variable *x*, u_t is the disturbance term corresponding to the *t*-th observation and is assumed to be $IN(0, \sigma^2)$ and *p* denotes the lag length. Model (2.1) can be written in matrix form as

$$y = X\beta + u, \tag{2.2}$$

where

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{p+1} & x_p & \cdots & x_1 \\ x_{p+2} & x_{p+1} & \cdots & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_T & x_{T-1} & \cdots & x_{T-p} \end{bmatrix},$$
$$y = \begin{pmatrix} y_{p+1} \\ y_{p+2} \\ \vdots \\ y_T \end{pmatrix}, \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } u = \begin{pmatrix} u_{p+1} \\ u_{p+2} \\ \vdots \\ u_T \end{pmatrix}.$$

The OLSE of β is

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\boldsymbol{X}'\boldsymbol{X})^{-1}\boldsymbol{X}'\boldsymbol{y}.$$
(2.3)

The OLS estimator of β is BLUE when there is no violation of the model assumptions (Lukman et al., 2019). As earlier mentioned, there is high tendency of multicollinearity among the regressors since lags of the same explanatory variable appear in the model (Güler, Gültay, & Kaçiranlar, 2015; Gültay & Kaçıranlar, 2015). It becomes difficult to estimate with the conventional OLS when the lag length (*p*) is known and large (Güler et al., 2015; Gültay & Kaçıranlar, 2015; Ozbay, 2019; Özbay & Kaçıranlar, 2017). The Almon polynomial lag distribution was recommended as a replacement to the OLS estimator (Almon, 1965). The Almon polynomial lag is defined as

$$\beta_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 i + \alpha_2 i^2 + \ldots + \alpha_s i^s, \quad p \ge s \ge 0.$$
 (2.4)

The above equation can simply be written as

$$\beta = A\alpha$$
, (2.5)

where
$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_0 \\ \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_s \end{bmatrix}$$
 and $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 2^2 & \cdots & 2^s \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & p & p^2 & \vdots & p^s \end{bmatrix}$

are α : $(s + 1) \times 1$ vector and A: $(p + 1) \times (r + 1)$ matrix, respectively. The ranks of matrices X and Aare assumed to be (p + 1) < (T-p) and (s + 1) < (p + 1), respectively. If s < p then the rank of A is s + 1. We substitute (2.5) into (2.2) and obtained the new equation as,

$$y = XA\alpha + u = Z\alpha + u, \tag{2.6}$$

where Z = XA. The OLS estimator of (2.6) becomes the AE in (2.7):

$$\hat{\alpha}_A = (Z'Z)^{-1}Z'y, \qquad (2.7)$$

such that

$$\hat{\beta}_A = A\hat{\alpha}_A.$$
 (2.8)

Equation (2.8) is referred to as AE of β which is still BLUE. A notable problem with this technique centered on the choice of lag length and the degree of the polynomial, respectively because the two are unknown in practice. One of the suggested means of selecting the lag length is to select a reasonable lag and check if it fit the model (2.1) using any of the following criteria: Akaike information criterion (AIC), Bayesian information criterion (BIC) and adjusted coefficient of determination (\overline{R}^2) (Davidson & MacKinnon, 1993). The ridge estimator was suggested as an alternative approach due to the limitation of the AE. The Almon-Ridge estimator (A-RE) of β is defined as

$$\hat{\beta}_{A}^{k} = A\hat{\alpha}^{k}, \quad k > 0 \tag{2.9}$$

where $\hat{\alpha}^k = (Z'Z + kI)^{-1}Z'y$. Özbay and Toker (2021) examined the predictive performance of A-RE.

According to Gültay & Kaçıranlar (2015), the Almon-Liu estimator (A-LE) is defined as:

$$\hat{\beta}_A^d = A\hat{\alpha}^d, \quad (0 < d < 1)$$
 (2.10)

where $\hat{\alpha}^d = (Z'Z + I)^{-1}(Z'Z + dI)\hat{\alpha}_A$.

The Liu estimator overcomes the limitation in the ridge estimator for the LRM. Recently, Kibria and Lukman (2020) developed the KL estimator (KLE) to mitigate multicollinearity in the LRM. The estimator is a modification of the Liu estimator; it gained an advantage over the Liu estimator using the mean squared error. The bias of KLE is two times lower than the bias of the ridge estimator. Thus, the KL estimator performs better than the ridge and the Liu estimator is adapted to the AE to handle multicollinearity in this study. The A-KLE is defined as

$$\hat{\beta}_{A}^{L} = A\hat{\alpha}^{KL}, \qquad (2.11)$$

where $\hat{\alpha}^{KL} = (Z'Z + kI)^{-1}(Z'Z - kI)\hat{\alpha}_A$.

Suppose Z = XQ, $\alpha = Q'\beta$, and $Z'Z = Q'X'XQ = E = diag(e_1, ..., e_{s+1})$ such that $e_1 \ge e_2 \ge ... \ge e_{s+1}$ are the ordered eigenvalues of Z'Z and Q is the matrix whose columns are the eigenvectors of Z'Z. and the canonical form of the estimators are as follows:

$$\hat{\alpha}_A = E^{-1} Z' y, \qquad (2.12)$$

$$\hat{\alpha}^{k} = (E + kI)^{-1} Z' y,$$
 (2.13)

$$\hat{\alpha}^{d} = (E+I)^{-1}(E+dI)\hat{\alpha}_{A},$$
 (2.14)

$$\hat{\alpha}^{KL} = (E + kI)^{-1} (E - kI) \hat{\alpha}_A.$$
 (2.15)

The statistical properties of A-KLE are as follows: The bias of the A-KLE is defined as:

$$B(\hat{\alpha}^{KL}) = -2kE^k\alpha, \qquad (2.16)$$

where $E^k = (E + kI)^{-1}$. The variance of the A-KLE is defined as:

$$D(\hat{\alpha}^{KL}) = \sigma^{2} E^{k} (E - kI) E^{-1} E^{k} (E - kI).$$
 (2.17)

Therefore, the mean square error matrix (MSEM) and the scalar mean square error (SMSE) of A-KLE, respectively, are

$$MSEM(\hat{\alpha}^{KL}) = \sigma^2 E^k (E - kI) E^{-1} E^k (E - kI) + 4k^2 E^k E^k \alpha \alpha',$$
(2.18)

and

$$SMSE(\hat{\alpha}^{KL}) = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^{s+1} \left(\frac{(e_i - k)^2}{e_i(e_i + k)^2} \right) + 4k^2 \sum_{i=1}^{s+1} \left(\frac{\alpha_i^2}{(e_i + k)^2} \right).$$
(2.19)

3. Theoretical comparisons among the estimators

In this section, we adopted Lemma 3.1 to evaluate the estimators' performance.

Lemma 3.1. Let $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_2$ be two linear estimators of β . The difference in the covariance of the two estimators D is positive definite if and only if $bias(\hat{\beta}_2)' \left[\sigma^2 D + bias(\hat{\beta}_1)bias(\hat{\beta}_1)'\right]$ $bias(\hat{\beta}_2) < 1$. Consequently,

$$\begin{split} \text{MSEM}(\hat{\beta}_1) - \text{MSEM}(\hat{\beta}_2) &= \sigma^2 D + bias(\hat{\beta}_1) bias(\hat{\beta}_1)' \\ - bias(\hat{\beta}_2) bias(\hat{\beta}_1)' > 0 \end{split}$$

(R Core Team, 2020; Trenkler & Toutenburg, 1990).

3.1. Comparison between $\hat{\alpha}_A$ and $\hat{\alpha}^{KL}$

Theorem 3.1. The estimator $\hat{\alpha}^{KL}$ is preferred to $\hat{\alpha}_A$ in the MSEM sense, if and only if, $b'[\sigma^2(E^{-1}-E^k(E-kI))E^{-1}E^k(E-kI))]^{-1}b<1$ where $b = -2kE^k\alpha$.

Proof.

$$D(\hat{\tilde{\alpha}}_{A}) - D(\hat{\alpha}^{KL}) = \left[\sigma^{2}E^{-1} - \sigma^{2}E^{k}(E - kI)E^{-1}E^{k}(E - kI)\right]$$
$$= \sigma^{2}diag\left\{\frac{1}{e_{i}} - \frac{(e_{i} - k)^{2}}{e_{i}(e_{i} + k)^{2}}\right\}_{i=1}^{s+1}.$$
(3.1)

It is noted that $E^{-1}-E^k(E-kI)E^{-1}E^k(E-kI)$ is nonnegative (nn) because $e_i + k > e_i - k$ for k > 0.

3.2. Comparison between $\hat{\alpha}^{k}$ and $\hat{\alpha}^{kL}$

Theorem 3.2. The estimator $\hat{\alpha}^{kL}$ is preferred to $\hat{\alpha}^k$ in the MSEM sense, if and only if, $b'[\sigma^2(E^k E E^k - E^k(E - kI)) E^{-1}E^k(E - kI)) + \tilde{b'}_1b_1]^{-1}b < 1$ where $b = -2kE^k\alpha$ and $b_1 = kE^k\alpha$.

Proof.

$$D(\hat{\alpha}^{k}) - D(\hat{\alpha}^{kL}) = \left[\sigma^{2} \left(E^{k} E E^{k} - E^{k} (E - kI) E^{-1} E^{k} (E - kI) \right) \right]$$

= $\sigma^{2} diag \left\{ \frac{e_{i}}{\left(e_{i} + k\right)^{2}} - \frac{\left(e_{i} - k\right)^{2}}{e_{i} \left(e_{i} + k\right)^{2}} \right\}_{i=1}^{s+1}.$
(3.2)

It is noted that $E^k E E^k - E^k (E - kI) E^{-1} E^k (E - kI)$ is non-negative because $e_i^2 - (e_i - k)^2 > 0$ for $k < 2e_i$.

3.3. Comparison between $\hat{\alpha}^{d}$ and $\hat{\alpha}^{KL}$

Theorem 3.3. The estimator $\hat{\alpha}^{kL}$ is preferred to $\hat{\alpha}^{d}$ in MSEM sense if and only if, $b'[\sigma^{2}(E_{d}E^{-1}E'_{d}-E^{k}(E-kl)) E^{-1}E^{k}(E-kl)) + b'_{2}b_{2}]^{-1}b < 1$ where $b = -2kE^{k}\alpha$ and $\tilde{b}_{2} = -(1-d)(E+l)^{-1}\alpha$.

Proof.

$$D(\hat{\alpha}^{d}) - D(\hat{\alpha}^{KL}) = \left[\sigma^{2} \left(E_{d} E^{-1} E'_{d} - E^{k} (E - kI) E^{-1} E^{k} (E - kI)\right)\right]$$
$$= \sigma^{2} diag \left\{\frac{(e_{i} + d)^{2}}{e_{i}(e_{i} + 1)^{2}} - \frac{(e_{i} - k)^{2}}{e_{i}(e_{i} + k)^{2}}\right\}_{i=1}^{s+1}.$$
(3.3)

| | | | 5 5 | | | | | | |
|-------|-----|----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| τ | n | α _A | $\hat{\alpha}^k$ | $\hat{\alpha}^d$ | ά ^{KL} | α _A | $\hat{\alpha}^k$ | $\hat{\alpha}^d$ | â ^{KL} |
| | | | σ = | = 1 | | | σ | = 3 | |
| 0.8 | 60 | 0.1674 | 0.1602 | 0.1650 | 0.1592 | 0.6916 | 0.4321 | 0.6715 | 0.4218 |
| | 100 | 0.0868 | 0.0822 | 0.0859 | 0.0817 | 0.3625 | 0.2501 | 0.3570 | 0.2471 |
| 0.9 | 60 | 0.2100 | 0.1839 | 0.2026 | 0.1803 | 1.1223 | 0.5994 | 1.0569 | 0.5656 |
| | 100 | 0.1150 | 0.1040 | 0.1126 | 0.1026 | 0.5820 | 0.3468 | 0.5644 | 0.3376 |
| 0.99 | 60 | 0.9213 | 0.5185 | 0.6491 | 0.4089 | 7.8423 | 3.2830 | 5.2921 | 2.1330 |
| | 100 | 0.5481 | 0.3218 | 0.4303 | 0.2708 | 4.5558 | 1.9046 | 3.4994 | 1.4332 |
| 0.999 | 60 | 8.1325 | 3.2601 | 2.2957 | 1.8764 | 72.8119 | 27.1628 | 19.4490 | 13.1906 |
| | 100 | 4.7814 | 1.9103 | 1.5831 | 1.1510 | 42.8105 | 15.4087 | 13.5760 | 7.4965 |
| | | | σ= | = 5 | | | σ = | = 10 | |
| 0.8 | 60 | 1.7403 | 0.9165 | 1.6845 | 0.8882 | 6.6563 | 3.1017 | 6.4333 | 2.9896 |
| | 100 | 0.9136 | 0.5319 | 0.8989 | 0.5244 | 3.4961 | 1.7298 | 3.4387 | 1.7015 |
| 0.9 | 60 | 2.9472 | 1.3722 | 2.7656 | 1.2797 | 11.5020 | 4.9011 | 10.7757 | 4.5334 |
| | 100 | 1.5155 | 0.7646 | 1.4678 | 0.7408 | 5.8904 | 2.5921 | 5.7016 | 2.5005 |
| 0.99 | 60 | 21.6850 | 8.6932 | 14.5764 | 5.4667 | 86.5740 | 34.0261 | 58.0927 | 21.0607 |
| | 100 | 12.5698 | 4.9479 | 9.6402 | 3.6427 | 50.1325 | 19.1852 | 38.4314 | 13.9808 |
| 0.999 | 60 | 202.1728 | 74.9526 | 53.7505 | 35.7999 | 808.5568 | 298.9995 | 214.5284 | 141.7912 |
| | 100 | 118.8650 | 42.3641 | 37.5870 | 20.1206 | 475.3627 | 168.7284 | 150.1936 | 79.2424 |

Table 1. Estimated MSE's when lag length is 8.

It is noted that $E_d E^{-1} E'_d - E^k (E - kI) E^{-1} E^k (E - kI)$ is nonnegative since $(e_i + k)^2 (e_i + d)^2 - (e_i - k)^2 (e_i + 1)^2 > 0$ for $k > \frac{e_i(1-d)}{d+e_i+1}$ and $d > \frac{e_i(1-k)-k}{e_i+k}$.

4. Monte Carlo simulation study

We conducted a simulation study for DLM to explore the estimators' performance. The dependent variable and explanatory variables are generated according to the following study (Güler et al., 2015; Özbay & Kaçıranlar, 2017; Özbay & Toker, 2021).

*X*₁

$$y_t = \beta_0 x_t + \beta_1 x_{t-1} + \dots \beta_p x_{t-p} + u_t, \qquad (4.1)$$

$$= v_1,$$
 (4.2)

$$x_t = \tau x_{t-1} + \sqrt{1 - \tau^2} v_t \,\forall t \ge 2,$$
 (4.3)

where τ denotes the correlation between the regressors and its values are chosen as follows: 0.8, 0.9, 0.99, and 0.999. The MSE is minimized subject to the constraint $\beta'\beta = 1$ (Güler et al., 2015; Özbay & Kaçı ranlar, 2017; Ozbay & Toker, 2021). u_t and v_t are generated such that $u_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ and $v_t \sim N(0, 1)$, respectively. The choices of σ^2 are 1, 5 and 10. The data for each replication are determined in accordance with the following studies (Güler et al., 2015; Özbay & Kaçıranlar, 2017; Özbay & Toker, 2021). An observation of T-p = 60 and 100 with the lag length of 8 and 16 was evaluated. The experiment is repeated 2000 times using the RStudio programming language (R Core Team, 2020). The model (4.1) is transformed back to the Almon model (2.6) after generating the observations. The mean squared error is obtained as follows:

$$MSE(\hat{\beta}) = \frac{1}{2000} \sum_{j=1}^{2000} \left(\hat{\beta}_{ij} - \beta_i \right)' \left(\hat{\beta}_{ij} - \beta_i \right)$$
(4.4)

where β_{ij} denotes the estimate of the *i*th parameter in *j*th replication and β_i is the true parameter values. The simulated MSE values are presented in Tables 1 and 2 for lag length are 8 and 16, respectively. From Tables 1 and 2, we observed the following trend about the mean squared error. The mean squared error increases as the following increases: level of multicollinearity, lag length, and the error variance. The mean squared error decreases as the sample size increase. This trend is more feasible considering Figure 1. The results show that AE suffers setback when the regressors are correlated. The biased estimators provide a more consistent estimate when there is multicollinearity. However, the A-KLE produces the best result by producing smaller mean squared error among all the estimators under study.

5. Applications

To illustrate the theoretical findings of the paper, we consider the two real datasets.

5.1. Application example I

The Almon dataset is employed to illustrate the performances of each of the estimators (Almon, 1965). These data are quarterly data that spanned from 1953 to 1967 with expenditures as the response variable and appropriations as the independent variable. Following Güler et al. (2015), the lag length is taken to be 8 and the lag weight approximated by a polynomial of order 2. The eigenvalues of Z'Zare computed to be 2.388929e + 13, 1.628323e + 09, 4.312742e + 07, and 4.782067e + 00, respectively. The condition index of $Cl = \sqrt{\max(e_i)/\min(e_i)}$ is determined to be 2235083, which revealed the presence of severe multicollinearity among the explanatory variable and its lagged variables. The library dLagM in RStudio is used to analyse the data. The biasing parameter for A-RE and A-KLE is computed using:

$$\hat{k} = \frac{(s+1)\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{s+1}\hat{\alpha}_i^2}.$$
(5.1)

The biasing parameter for the A-LE is obtained using the following:

Table 2. Estimated MSE's when lag length is 16.

| τ | n | α _A | $\hat{\alpha}^k$ | $\hat{\alpha}^{d}$ | $\hat{\alpha}^{KL}$ | α _A | $\hat{\alpha}^k$ | $\hat{\alpha}^d$ | â ^{KL} |
|-------|-----|----------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| | | | σ : | = 1 | | | σ = | = 3 | |
| 0.8 | 60 | 0.2962 | 0.2972 | 0.2958 | 0.2871 | 0.4960 | 0.4843 | 0.4944 | 0.4837 |
| | 100 | 0.2683 | 0.2671 | 0.2681 | 0.2670 | 0.4060 | 0.3863 | 0.4053 | 0.3859 |
| 0.9 | 60 | 0.3338 | 0.3369 | 0.3331 | 0.3268 | 0.6413 | 0.5913 | 0.6381 | 0.5900 |
| | 100 | 0.2507 | 0.2491 | 0.2503 | 0.2489 | 0.4353 | 0.4002 | 0.4338 | 0.3996 |
| 0.99 | 60 | 0.4506 | 0.4575 | 0.4395 | 0.4450 | 2.1966 | 1.4400 | 2.1064 | 1.3956 |
| | 100 | 0.3460 | 0.3434 | 0.3391 | 0.3415 | 1.4811 | 0.9597 | 1.4310 | 0.9361 |
| 0.999 | 60 | 2.1662 | 1.3504 | 1.6118 | 1.1542 | 17.7419 | 8.5903 | 12.5604 | 6.3731 |
| | 100 | 1.4091 | 0.8720 | 1.0823 | 0.7644 | 11.2974 | 5.0830 | 8.3108 | 3.8912 |
| | | | σ | = 5 | | | σ = | = 10 | |
| 0.8 | 60 | 0.9555 | 0.7870 | 0.9515 | 0.7852 | 3.1094 | 2.0455 | 3.0941 | 2.0384 |
| | 100 | 0.6810 | 0.5604 | 0.6793 | 0.5595 | 1.9695 | 1.2798 | 1.9630 | 1.2768 |
| 0.9 | 60 | 1.2570 | 0.9576 | 1.2487 | 0.9537 | 4.1441 | 2.5555 | 4.1120 | 2.5402 |
| | 100 | 0.8040 | 0.6159 | 0.8003 | 0.6141 | 2.5310 | 1.5152 | 2.5171 | 1.5086 |
| 0.99 | 60 | 5.6904 | 3.2553 | 5.4411 | 3.1313 | 22.0723 | 11.6831 | 21.0737 | 11.1863 |
| | 100 | 3.7503 | 2.0627 | 3.6143 | 1.9984 | 14.3853 | 7.1859 | 13.8470 | 6.9328 |
| 0.999 | 60 | 48.8983 | 23.0546 | 34.4455 | 16.7950 | 194.9542 | 90.8715 | 137.0058 | 65.6459 |
| | 100 | 31.0719 | 13.4201 | 22.7715 | 10.0711 | 123.7601 | 52.4691 | 90.5636 | 39.0175 |

Lag length=8, Sigma=1, Rho=0.80

n=60, Lag length=8, Sigma=1





n=100, Lag length=16, Rho=0.90

n=60, Rho=0.80, Sigma=1

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Figure 1. Graphical illustration of the simulation result.



| Coeff. | Estimate | Std. Error | t value | P(> t) |
|----------------|----------|------------|---------|------------|
| βο | 0.0962 | 0.0168 | 5.71 | 9.04E — 07 |
| β | 0.123 | 0.0067 | 18.4 | 3.02E – 22 |
| β ₂ | 0.14 | 0.00552 | 25.3 | 7.47E — 28 |
| β3 | 0.146 | 0.00906 | 16.1 | 4.83E – 20 |
| β ₄ | 0.142 | 0.0103 | 13.7 | 1.80E — 17 |
| β ₅ | 0.127 | 0.00876 | 14.5 | 2.29E — 18 |
| β ₆ | 0.102 | 0.00541 | 18.9 | 9.77E — 23 |
| β ₇ | 0.0669 | 0.00817 | 8.19 | 2.15E — 10 |
| β ₈ | 0.0214 | 0.0189 | 1.13 | 2.64E - 01 |

0.28

0.24

0.20

0.16

8

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MSE

Table 4. Estimates for the Almon coefficients.

| Coeff. | âΑ | $\hat{\alpha}^k$ | $\hat{\alpha}^d$ | α ^{KL} |
|--------------------|---------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| $\tilde{\alpha}_0$ | 73.1 | 1.02E — 05 | 1.02E — 05 | 1.02E - 05 |
| $\tilde{\alpha}_1$ | 0.0962 | 1.05E — 01 | 1.05E — 01 | 1.05E — 01 |
| $\tilde{\alpha}_2$ | 0.0320 | 0.02607 | 0.02605 | 0.02608 |
| $\tilde{\alpha}_3$ | -0.0052 | -4.396E - 03 | -4.394E - 03 | -4.397E - 03 |
| MSE | 3397.92 | 194.34 | 232.54 | 145.33 |

Table 5. Estimates and *t*-tests for beta coefficients.

| Coeff. | Estimate | Std. Error | t value | P(> t) |
|----------------|----------|------------|---------|---------|
| βο | 1.6 | 1.01 | 1.58 | 0.114 |
| β | 0.521 | 0.569 | 0.915 | 0.36 |
| β ₂ | -0.491 | 0.67 | -0.733 | 0.464 |
| β ₃ | -1.43 | 0.569 | -2.52 | 0.0119 |
| β ₄ | -2.31 | 1.01 | -2.28 | 0.0229 |

Table 6. Estimates for the Almon coefficients.

| Coeff. | â | $\hat{\alpha}^k$ | $\hat{\alpha}^{d}$ | $\hat{\alpha}^{KL}$ |
|--------------------|---------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Intercept | 0.0134 | 0.0133 | 0.0134 | 0.0133 |
| ão | 1.6010 | 0.6354 | 1.4540 | 0.5567 |
| $\tilde{\alpha}_1$ | -1.1149 | -0.1201 | -0.9409 | -0.0412 |
| $\tilde{\alpha}_2$ | 0.0345 | -0.1782 | -0.0044 | -0.1949 |
| MSE | 2.6410 | 0.3690 | 2.0740 | 0.3146 |

$$\hat{d} = \min\left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\alpha}_i^2 + \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{e_i}}\right).$$
(5.2)

The regression parameter before transformation is presented in Table 3 as follows:

By canonical transformation, the 4×4 matrix \hat{Q} is the matrix of the eigenvectors, E is a 4×4 diagonal matrix of eigenvalues of Z'Z such that Z'Z = QEQ'. The Almon-estimators of α are presented in Table 4. The result in Table 4 supports the fact that the Almon-estimator suffers set back when there is multicollinearity. The regression coefficient of the biased estimators appears very similar. The A-KLEr has the lowest mean squared error followed by the A-RE.

5.2. Application example II

This dataset is composed of monthly global mean sea level (GMSL) (compared to 1993-2008 average) series by CSIRO, land ocean temperature anomalies (1951-1980 as a baseline period) by GISS, NASA, and monthly Southern Oscillation Index (SOI) by Australian Government Bureau of Meteorology (BOM) between July 1885 and June 2013 (Church & White, 2011; Demirhan, 2020). In this study, the response and the explanatory variables were chosen to be GMSL and land ocean temperature anomalies, respectively. The dataset is available in the R package data (seaLevelTempSOI). More detail on the data description is available in the study of Demirhan (2020). The lag length is taken to be 4 and the lag weight approximated by a polynomial of order 2 (Demirhan, 2020). The eigenvalues of Z'Z are computed to be 6607.86, 1590.99, 67.12 and 6.96, respectively. The condition number is 948.82 which shows that the explanatory variable and its lagged variables are correlated. The regression parameter before canonical transformation is presented in Table 5.

By canonical transformation, the Almon-estimators of α are in Table 6. From Table 6, the Almon-estimator for the second lag has a positive sign as opposed a negative sign by other estimators. As mentioned earlier, one of the effects of multicollinearity on the AE is that the coefficients can occasionally exhibit a wrong sign. The results show that the new estimator has the lowest mean squared error. This result agrees with the theoretical and simulation result.

6. Some concluding remarks

The DLM is often adopted to predict the current values of a response variable based on both the current values of a regressor and its lagged values. Multicollinearity arises from the relationship between the regressors and their lagged explanators. The AE is popularly used to estimate the parameters of the models. However, the estimator suffers a setback when there is multicollinearity. The A-RE and A-LE estimators were suggested as alternative techniques. In this study, we developed the A-KLE to mitigate the threat of multicollinearity for the DLM. We theoretically proved that A-KLE dominates AE, A-RE and A-LE. The theoretical findings were supported by the results of the simulation study and two numerical examples.

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