

**JOINT BAYESIAN VARIABLE AND DAG SELECTION CONSISTENCY  
FOR HIGH-DIMENSIONAL REGRESSION MODELS  
WITH NETWORK-STRUCTURED COVARIATES**

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**Supplementary Material**

**S1 Proofs**

In this section, we provide proofs for Lemma 1, Theorems 1 to 5, and Corollary 1.

*Proof of Lemma 1.* It follows from the hierarchical models in (3.1) to (3.6), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D} | Y, X) \\ &= \int \pi(Y | \gamma, \beta_\gamma) \prod_{i=1}^n \pi(X_i | (L, D)) \pi_{U, \alpha(\mathcal{D})}^{\Theta, \mathcal{D}}((L, D)) \\ & \quad \times \pi(\beta_\gamma | \gamma) \pi(\gamma) \pi(\mathcal{D}) d\beta_\gamma d(L, D) \\ &= \pi(\gamma) \pi(\mathcal{D}) \int \pi(Y | \gamma, \beta_\gamma) \pi(\beta_\gamma | \gamma) d\beta_\gamma \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \int \prod_{i=1}^n \pi(X_i|(L, D)) \pi_{U, \alpha(\mathcal{D})}^{\Theta_{\mathcal{D}}}((L, D)) d(L, D). \quad (\text{S1.1})$$

First, note that by the conjugacy of the DAG–Wishart distribution, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \prod_{i=1}^n \pi(X_i|(L, D)) \pi_{U, \alpha(\mathcal{D})}^{\Theta_{\mathcal{D}}}((L, D)) d(L, D) \\ &= \frac{z_{\mathcal{D}}(U + X^T X, n + \alpha(\mathcal{D}))}{z_{\mathcal{D}}(U, \alpha(\mathcal{D}))}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $z_{\mathcal{D}}(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the normalized constant for the DAG–Wishart distribution.

Next, note that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int \pi(Y|\gamma, \beta_{\gamma}) \pi(\beta_{\gamma}|\gamma) d\beta_{\gamma} \\ & \propto \int (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (Y - X_{\gamma} \beta_{\gamma})^T (Y - X_{\gamma} \beta_{\gamma}) \right\} \\ & \quad \times (\tau^2 \sigma^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}|\gamma|} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\tau^2 \sigma^2} \beta_{\gamma}^T \beta_{\gamma} \right\} d\beta_{\gamma} \\ & \propto (\tau^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}|\gamma|} (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \beta_{\gamma}^T \left( X_{\gamma}^T X_{\gamma} + \frac{1}{\tau^2} I \right) \beta_{\gamma} - 2\beta_{\gamma}^T X_{\gamma}^T Y \right) \right\} d\beta_{\gamma} \\ & \quad \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} Y^T Y \right\} \\ & \propto (\tau^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}|\gamma|} (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( Y^T Y - Y^T X_{\gamma} \left( X_{\gamma}^T X_{\gamma} + \frac{1}{\tau^2} I \right)^{-1} X_{\gamma}^T Y \right) \right\} \\ & \quad \times \int \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \beta_{\gamma} - \left( X_{\gamma}^T X_{\gamma} + \frac{1}{\tau^2} I \right)^{-1} X_{\gamma}^T Y \right)^T \left( X_{\gamma}^T X_{\gamma} + \frac{1}{\tau^2} I \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. \times \left( \beta_{\gamma} - \left( X_{\gamma}^T X_{\gamma} + \frac{1}{\tau^2} I \right)^{-1} X_{\gamma}^T Y \right) \right\} d\beta_{\gamma} \end{aligned}$$

$$\propto (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} \det(\tau^2 X_\gamma^T X_\gamma + I)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I_n + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\},$$

(S1.2)

where the last term follows from the Woodbury matrix identity. Therefore, by (S1.1), under the proposed hierarchical model and known  $\sigma^2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D} | Y, X) \\ & \propto \pi(\gamma | \mathcal{D}) \pi(\mathcal{D}) \frac{z_{\mathcal{D}}(U + X^T X, n + \alpha(\mathcal{D}))}{z_{\mathcal{D}}(U, \alpha(\mathcal{D}))} \\ & \quad \times \det(\tau^2 X_\gamma^T X_\gamma + I_{|\gamma|})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I_n + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}, \end{aligned}$$

(S1.3)

where  $z_{\mathcal{D}}(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the normalized constant in the DAG–Wishart distribution. □

*Proof of Theorem 1.* It follows from Assumption 2, Assumption 3 and model (3.6) that, for large enough  $n > N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0 | \mathcal{D})}{\pi(\gamma_0 | \mathcal{D}_0)} &= \exp(b\gamma_0^T (G - G_0)\gamma_0) \\ &\leq \exp(b|\gamma_0|^2) \leq \exp(o(\log p/d^4)). \end{aligned}$$

(S1.4)

Let  $S = \frac{1}{n} X^T X$  denote the sample covariance matrix of  $X$ . It follows from (3.7), (S1.4), and Lemma 5.1 in Cao et al. (2019b) that

$$\frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D} | Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0 | Y, X)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \prod_{i=1}^p M \exp(o(\log p/d^4)) \left(\frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1}\right)^{\frac{d}{2}} n^{2c} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\delta_2}{n}} \frac{q}{1-q}\right)^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}\right)^{\frac{n+c_i(\mathcal{D}_0)-3}{2}}}{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}\right)^{\frac{n+c_i(\mathcal{D})-3}{2}}} \\
 &\triangleq \prod_{i=1}^q PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0), \tag{S1.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_i(\mathcal{D}) = \alpha_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $c_i(\mathcal{D}_0) = \alpha_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ ,  $\tilde{S} = S + \frac{U}{n}$ ,  $\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} = \tilde{S}_{ii} - (\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D},i}^{\geq})^T (\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D},i}^{\geq})^{-1} \tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D},i}^{\geq}$ , and  $M$  is some large enough constant.

Define the event  $E_n$  as

$$E_n = \left\{ \|S - \Sigma_0\|_{\max} \geq c' \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}} \right\}. \tag{S1.6}$$

It follows from Lemma A.3 of Bickel and Levina (2008), Hanson-Wright inequality from Rudelson and Vershynin (2013) and the union-sum inequality, there exists constants  $c'$ ,  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$ , such that

$$\bar{P} \left( \| \tilde{S} - \Sigma_0 \|_{\max} \geq c' \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}} \right) \leq m_1 p^{2-m_2(c')^2/4} \rightarrow 0. \tag{S1.7}$$

For all the following analyses, we will restrict ourselves to the event  $E_n^c$ .

We now analyze the behavior of  $PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0)$  under different scenarios in a sequence of three lemmas (Lemmas 1-3). Recall that our goal is to find an upper bound (independent of  $\mathcal{D}$  and  $i$ ) for  $PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0)$ , such that the upper bound converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Lemma 1.** *If  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \supset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , then there exists  $N_1$  (not depending on  $i$  or  $\mathcal{D}$ ) such that for  $n \geq N_1$  we have  $PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \leq (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}(\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0))}$ ,*

for any constant  $\kappa > 1$ .

*Proof of Lemma 1.* Since  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \supset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , we can write  $|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}| = |\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}| |R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}|$ . Here  $R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}$  is the Schur complement of  $\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}$ , defined by  $R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}} = D - B^T \left( \tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i} \right)^{-1} B$ , for appropriate sub matrices  $B$  and  $D$  of  $\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}$ . Since  $\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i} \geq \left(\frac{U}{n}\right)^{\geq i}$  and  $R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1}$  is a principal submatrix of  $\left(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}\right)^{-1}$ , the largest eigenvalue of  $R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1}$  is bounded above by  $\frac{n}{\delta_2}$ . Therefore,

$$\left( \frac{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}|}{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}|} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = |R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1}|^{1/2} \leq \left( \sqrt{\frac{n}{\delta_2}} \right)^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}. \quad (\text{S1.8})$$

Denote  $S_{j|\mathcal{D}_j} = S_{jj} - (S_{\mathcal{D},j}^>)^T (S_{\mathcal{D}}^>)^{-1} S_{\mathcal{D},j}^>$ . It immediately follows that

$$\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} \geq S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}. \quad (\text{S1.9})$$

Since we are restricting ourselves to the event  $E_n^c$ , it follows from (S1.6)

that

$$\|S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i} - (\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}\|_{(2,2)} \leq (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) + 1) c' \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \| (S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} \|_{(2,2)} \\ &= \| (S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} \|_{(2,2)} \| S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i} - (\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i} \|_{(2,2)} \| ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} \|_{(2,2)} \\ &\leq (\| (S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} \|_{(2,2)} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0}) (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) + 1) c' \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.10})$$

<sup>1</sup>For matrices  $A$  and  $B$ , we say  $A \geq B$  if  $A - B$  is positive semi-definite

Recall  $d = \max_{1 \leq i \leq p-1} \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . By the assumption that  $d\sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}} \rightarrow 0$  and (S1.10), for large enough  $n$ , we have

$$\|(S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \leq \frac{4c\ell}{\epsilon_0} d\sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}} = o(1) \quad (\text{S1.11})$$

and

$$\frac{1}{S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}} = [(S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}]_{ii} \geq \frac{\epsilon_0}{2}. \quad (\text{S1.12})$$

Note that for any  $\mathcal{D}$ ,  $\|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i} - S_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}\|_{\max} \leq \frac{\delta_2}{n}$  gives us  $\|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i} - S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}\|_{(2,2)} \leq (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) + 1)\frac{\delta_2}{n}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - (S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \\ &= \|(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i} - S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}\|_{(2,2)} \|(S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \\ &\leq (\|(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - (S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} + \|(S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_0}) \times (\frac{1}{\epsilon_0} + o(1)) \\ &\quad \times (pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) + 1)\frac{\delta_2}{n}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.13})$$

Following from (S1.11), (S1.12), and  $\frac{d}{n} \rightarrow 0$ , for large enough  $n$ , (S1.13)

yields

$$\|(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - (S_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \leq \frac{8\delta_2}{\epsilon_0^2} \frac{d}{n} \text{ and } \frac{1}{\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}} = [(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i})^{-1}]_{ii} \geq \frac{\epsilon_0}{4}. \quad (\text{S1.14})$$

Hence, it follow from (S1.14) and (S1.12) that,

$$\left| \frac{1}{S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}} - \frac{1}{\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}} \right| \leq \frac{8\delta_2}{\epsilon_0^2} \frac{d}{n} \quad (\text{S1.15})$$

and

$$|S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} - \tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}| \leq c_1 \frac{d}{n}, \quad (\text{S1.16})$$

where  $c_1 = 64\delta_2/\epsilon_0^4$  is a constant.

Further note that when  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} \sim \chi_{n-\nu_i(\mathcal{D})}^2$  and  $n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} \stackrel{d}{=} n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} \oplus \chi_{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}^2$  under the true model.

By Lemma 4.1 in (Cao et al., 2019a), we get

$$P \left[ \left| n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} - (n - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})) \right| > \sqrt{(n - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})) \log p} \right] \leq 2p^{-\frac{1}{8}} \rightarrow 0, \quad (\text{S1.17})$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & P \left[ \left| n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{j|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} - n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} - (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)) \right| \right. \\ & \quad \left. > \sqrt{(\nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)) \log p} \right] \\ & \leq 2p^{-\frac{1}{8}} \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.18})$$

Following from (S1.8), (S1.9), (S1.14), (S1.16), (S1.17), (S1.18), and Assumption 4, for larger enough  $n > N_1$  and some constant  $M'$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \\ & \leq M' \exp(o(\log p/d^4)) \left( \frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}} n^{2c} (2p^{-\alpha_1})^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} \\ & \times \left( 1 + \frac{n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{j|pa_i(\mathcal{D})} - n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} + c_1 \frac{d}{(D_0)_{ii}}}{n(D_0)_{ii}^{-1}S_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}} \right)^{\frac{n+c-3}{2}} \\ & \leq M' \exp(o(\log p/d^4)) \left( \frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1} \right)^{\frac{d}{2}} n^{2c} (2p^{-\alpha_1})^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} \\ & \times \exp \left\{ \frac{\nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) + \sqrt{(\nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)) \log p} + c_1 \frac{d}{(D_0)_{ii}} n + c - 3}{n - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \sqrt{(n - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})) \log p}} \frac{2}{2} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}(\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0))}, \text{ for any constant } \kappa > 1. \quad (\text{S1.19})$$

The second inequality follows from  $\frac{d}{\log p} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\frac{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})}{n} \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$\frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \leq (D_0)_{ii} \leq \frac{2}{\epsilon_0}. \quad \square$$

**Lemma 2.** *If  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , then there exists  $N_2$  (not depending on  $i$  or  $\mathcal{D}$ ) such that for  $n \geq N_1$  we have  $PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \leq p^{-\frac{2\alpha_1}{\kappa}d}$ .*

*Proof of Lemma 2.* Now we move to discuss the scenario when  $pa_i(\mathcal{D})$  is a subset of  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , i.e.,  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Since  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \supset pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ , we can write  $|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}| = |\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}| |R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}|$ , where  $R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}$  denotes the Schur complement of  $\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}$ , defined by  $R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}} = \tilde{D} - \tilde{B}^T (\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i})^{-1} \tilde{B}$  for appropriate sub matrices  $\tilde{B}$  and  $\tilde{D}$  of  $\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}$ .

It follows by (S1.10) that if restrict to  $E_n^c$ , we have  $\|(\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} - ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \leq \frac{4c'}{\epsilon_0} d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}$  and  $\|R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1} - R_{(\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1}\|_{(2,2)} \leq \frac{4c'}{\epsilon_0} d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}$ , for  $n > N_2'$ , where  $R_{(\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}$  represents the Schur complement of  $(\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}$  defined by  $R_{(\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}} = \bar{D} - \bar{B}^T ((\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i})^{-1} \bar{B}$  for appropriate sub matrices  $\bar{B}$  and  $\bar{D}$  of  $(\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}$ . Hence, there exists  $N_2''$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}|}{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}|} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{1}{|R_{\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1}|^{1/2}} \leq \frac{1}{\left( \lambda_{\min} \left( R_{(\Sigma_0)_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}}^{-1} \right) - K \frac{d}{\epsilon_0^3} \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}} \right)^{\frac{\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})}{2}}} \\ &\leq \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_0/2} \right)^{\frac{\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})}{2}} \text{ for } n > N_2'. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.20})$$



Since  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , we get  $\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} \leq \tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}$ .

Let  $K_1 = 4c'/\epsilon_0^3$ . By (S1.5) and  $2 < c_i(\mathcal{D}), c_i(\mathcal{D}_0) < c$ , it follows that there exists  $N_2'''$  such that for  $n \geq N_2'''$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \\
& \leq M' \exp(o(\log p/d^4)) \left(\frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1}\right)^{\frac{d}{2}} n^{2c} \left(\sqrt{\frac{2n}{\delta_2 \epsilon_0}} q^{-1}\right)^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})} \left(\frac{\frac{1}{(\Sigma_0)_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}} + K_1 d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}{\frac{1}{(\Sigma_0)_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}} - K_1 d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}\right)^{\frac{n+2-3}{2}} \\
& \leq \left(\exp\left\{\frac{2 \log M' + o(\log p/d^4) + d \log\left(\frac{2\delta_2}{\epsilon_0 \delta_1}\right) + 4c \log n}{n-1} + \frac{2 \log(q^{-1} \sqrt{n}) (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}))}{n-1}\right\}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \\
& \quad \times \left(1 + \frac{\left(\frac{1}{(\Sigma_0)_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}} - \frac{1}{(\Sigma_0)_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}\right) - 2K_1 d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}{\frac{1}{(\Sigma_0)_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}} + K_1 d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}\right)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}} \tag{S1.21}
\end{aligned}$$

It then follows from Proposition 5.2 in Cao et al. (2019b) that,

$$\begin{aligned}
& PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \\
& \leq \left(\exp\left\{\frac{2 \log M' + o(\log p/d^4) + d \log\left(\frac{2\delta_2}{\epsilon_0 \delta_1}\right) + 4c \log n}{n-1} + \frac{2 \log(p^{\alpha_1} \sqrt{n}) (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}))}{n-1}\right\}\right)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \\
& \quad \times \left(1 + \frac{\epsilon_0 s_n^2 (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})) - 2K_1 d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}{2/\epsilon_0}\right)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}. \tag{S1.22}
\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\frac{d \log p + d \log n}{ns_n^2} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\frac{d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}{s_n^2} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $e^x \leq 1 + 2x$

for  $x < \frac{1}{2}$ , there exists  $N_2''''$  such that for  $n \geq N_2''''$ ,

$$\frac{\epsilon_0 s_n^2 (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D})) - 2K_1 d \sqrt{\frac{\log p}{n}}}{2/\epsilon_0} \geq \frac{\epsilon_0 s_n^2}{2},$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \exp \left\{ \frac{2 \log M' + o(\log p/d^4) + d \log \left( \frac{2\delta_2}{\epsilon_0 \delta_1} \right) + 4c \log n}{n-1} + \frac{2 \log(p^{\alpha_1} \sqrt{n}) (\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}))}{n-1} \right\} \\ & \leq 1 + \frac{\epsilon_0^2 s_n^2}{8}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows by (S1.21) and the above arguments that

$$PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \leq \left( \frac{1 + \frac{\epsilon_0^2}{8} s_n^2}{1 + \frac{\epsilon_0^2}{4} s_n^2} \right)^{\frac{n-1}{2}}$$

for  $n \geq \max(N_2', N_2'', N_2''', N_2'''' )$ . Since there exist a  $(L_0)_{ji}$  such that  $s_n^2 \leq$

$(L_0)_{ji}^2 \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \left( \frac{[(L_0)_{ji}]^2}{(D_0)_{ii}} \right) \leq \frac{(\Omega_0)_{jj}}{\epsilon_0} \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_0^2}$  and  $\epsilon_0^2 s_n^2 \leq 1$ , it follows that there exists

$N_2 = \max(N_2', N_2'', N_2''', N_2'''' )$  such that for  $n \geq N_2$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) & \leq \left( 1 - \frac{\frac{\epsilon_0^2}{8} s_n^2}{1 + \frac{\epsilon_0^2}{4} s_n^2} \right)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \leq \exp \left\{ - \left( \frac{\frac{\epsilon_0^2}{8} s_n^2}{1 + \frac{\epsilon_0^2}{4} s_n^2} \right) \left( \frac{n-1}{2} \right) \right\} \\ & \leq e^{-\frac{1}{10} \epsilon_0^2 s_n^2 \left( \frac{n-1}{2} \right)} \leq p^{-\frac{2\alpha_1}{\kappa} d}. \quad (\text{S1.23}) \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality follows from  $\frac{d \log p}{n s_n^2} \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.** *If  $pa_i(\mathcal{D})$  is not necessarily a superset or a subset of  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , i.e.  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \neq pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \not\subseteq pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ , and  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \not\supseteq pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ , then there exists  $N_3$  (not depending on  $i$  or  $\mathcal{D}$ ) such that for  $n \geq N_3$  we have  $PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \leq (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa} \nu_i(\mathcal{D})}$ .*

*Proof of Lemma 3.* Next consider the scenario when  $pa_i(\mathcal{D})$  is not necessarily a superset or a subset of  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , i.e.  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \neq pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ ,  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \not\subseteq$

$pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ , and  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0) \not\subseteq pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ . Let  $\mathcal{D}^*$  be an arbitrary DAG with  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*) = pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \cap pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . Immediately we get  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$  and  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ . It follows from (S1.5) that

$$\begin{aligned}
& PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}_0) \\
& \leq M \exp(o(\log p/d^4)) \left(\frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1}\right)^{\frac{d}{2}} n^{2c} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\delta_2}{n}} \frac{q}{1-q}\right)^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}^*)} \frac{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}^*}^{\geq i}|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*)}\right)^{\frac{n+c_i(\mathcal{D}^*)-3}{2}}}{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\geq i}|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D})}\right)^{\frac{n+c_i(\mathcal{D})-3}{2}}} \\
& \quad \times \left(\frac{\delta_2}{\delta_1}\right)^{\frac{d}{2}} n^{2c} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\delta_2}{n}} \frac{q}{1-q}\right)^{\nu_i(\mathcal{D}^*)-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}_0}^{\geq i}|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)}\right)^{\frac{n+c_i(\mathcal{D}_0)-3}{2}}}{|\tilde{S}_{\mathcal{D}^*}^{\geq i}|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\tilde{S}_{i|pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*)}\right)^{\frac{n+c_i(\mathcal{D}^*)-3}{2}}} \\
& \leq PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^*) \times PR_i(\mathcal{D}^*, \mathcal{D}_0). \tag{S1.24}
\end{aligned}$$

Note that  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D})$ . It follows from (S1.19) that

$$PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^*) \leq (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}(\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}^*))}, \text{ for any constant } \kappa > 1 \text{ and } n \geq N_1. \tag{S1.25}$$

Following from (S1.23) and the fact that  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}^*) \subset pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ , we have

$$PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^*) \leq p^{-\frac{2\alpha_1}{\kappa}d}, \text{ for } n \geq N_2. \tag{S1.26}$$

By (S1.24) and  $\nu_i(\mathcal{D}^*) < d$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
PR_i(\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}^*) & \leq (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}(\nu_i(\mathcal{D})-\nu_i(\mathcal{D}^*))} p^{-\frac{2\alpha_1}{\kappa}d} \\
& < (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}\nu_i(\mathcal{D})}, \text{ for } n > N_3 = \max\{N_1, N_2\}. \tag{S1.27}
\end{aligned}$$

□

The proof of Theorem 1 immediately follows after these three lemmas. For any  $\mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0$ , there exists at least one  $1 \leq i \leq p-1$ , such that  $pa_i(\mathcal{D}) \neq pa_i(\mathcal{D}_0)$ . It follows from Lemmas 1-3 that, for large enough  $n > N_3$ , under the true variable indicator  $\gamma_0$ ,

$$\max_{\mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \xrightarrow{\bar{P}} 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (\text{S1.28})$$

□

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Now for the fixed  $\mathcal{D}$  case, it follows from Lemma 1 and model (3.6) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\ &= \frac{\exp(-a1^T\gamma + b\gamma^T G\gamma) \det(\tau^2 X_\gamma^T X_\gamma + I_{|\gamma|})^{-\frac{1}{2}}}{\exp(-a1^T\gamma_0 + b\gamma_0^T G\gamma_0) \det(\tau^2 X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0} + I_{|\gamma_0|})^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \\ & \quad \times \frac{\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}{\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S1.29})$$

For any model  $\gamma$  presenting the variable space, denote  $Q_\gamma = \det(\tau^2 X_\gamma^T X_\gamma + I_{|\gamma|})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $P_\gamma = X_\gamma(X_\gamma^T X_\gamma)^{-1} X_\gamma^T$ ,

$$R_\gamma^* = Y^T (I_n + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y \text{ and } R_\gamma = Y^T (I_n - P_\gamma) Y.$$

Our method of proving variable selection consistency involves utilizing properties of  $R_\gamma$  and approximating  $R_\gamma^*$  and  $R_{\gamma_0}^*$  with  $R_\gamma$  and  $R_{\gamma_0}$  respectively.

Using the Woodbury matrix identity, we have

$$R_{\gamma_0}^* = Y^T (I_n + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y = Y^T \left( I_n - X_{\gamma_0} (I_n/\tau^2 + X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0})^{-1} X_{\gamma_0}^T \right) Y.$$

Note that for  $1 \leq i \leq p$ ,

$$R_{\gamma_0}^* = Y^T (I_n + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y = Y^T \left( I_n - X_{\gamma_0} (I_n/\tau^2 + X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0})^{-1} X_{\gamma_0}^T \right) Y$$

and  $R_{\gamma_0} = Y^T \left( I_n - X_{\gamma_0} (X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0})^{-1} X_{\gamma_0}^T \right) Y$ . It follows that

$$R_{\gamma_0}^* - R_{\gamma_0} \geq 0 \tag{S1.30}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & R_{\gamma_0}^* - R_{\gamma_0} \\ &= Y^T X_{\gamma_0} (X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( I_n - (I_n + (X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0})^{-1}/\tau^2)^{-1} \right) (X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0})^{-\frac{1}{2}} X_{\gamma_0}^T Y \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} Y^T P_{\gamma_0} Y. \end{aligned} \tag{S1.31}$$

Note that  $\frac{R_{\gamma_0}}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-|\gamma_0|}^2$  and  $\frac{Y^T P_{\gamma_0} Y}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{|\gamma_0|}^2 \left( \frac{\beta_0^T X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0} \beta_0}{\sigma^2} \right)$ . Here we denote  $\chi_m^2$  as the centered chi-squared distribution with degrees of freedom  $m > 0$  and  $\chi_m^2(\lambda)$  as the noncentral chi-squared distribution with noncentral parameter  $\lambda$ . It follows from Lemmas 4.1 and 4.2 in Cao et al. (2019a), and Assumption 2 that

$$P \left[ \left| \frac{R_{\gamma_0}}{\sigma^2} - (n - |\gamma_0|) \right| > \sqrt{(n - |\gamma_0|) \log p} \right] \leq 2p^{-\frac{1}{8}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \tag{S1.32}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P \left[ \frac{Y^T P_{\gamma_0} Y}{\sigma^2} - \left( |\gamma_0| + \frac{\beta_0^T X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0} \beta_0}{\sigma^2} \right) > n \log p - |\gamma_0| - \frac{\beta_0^T X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0} \beta_0}{\sigma^2} \right] \\
 & \leq \exp \left\{ -\frac{|\gamma_0|}{2} \left\{ \frac{n \log p}{\frac{\beta_0^T X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0} \beta_0}{\sigma^2}} - \log \left( 1 + \frac{n \log p}{\frac{\beta_0^T X_{\gamma_0}^T X_{\gamma_0} \beta_0}{\sigma^2}} \right) \right\} \right\} \\
 & \leq \exp \left\{ -\frac{|\gamma_0|}{4} \left\{ \frac{\log p}{1 + \frac{\epsilon_0}{2\sigma^2} \beta_0^T \beta_0} \right\} \right\} \leq \exp \left\{ -c' \sqrt{\log p} \right\} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1.33}$$

Further note that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_\gamma^* - R_\gamma &= Y^T X_\gamma (X_\gamma^T X_\gamma)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( I_n - (I_n + (X_\gamma^T X_\gamma)^{-1} / \tau^2)^{-1} \right) (X_\gamma^T X_\gamma)^{-\frac{1}{2}} X_\gamma^T Y \\
 &\geq \frac{\epsilon_0}{\epsilon_0 + 2n\tau^2} Y^T P_\gamma Y.
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1.34}$$

In the case when all the active elements of the true model  $\gamma_0$  are contained in model  $\gamma$ , it follows that  $\frac{R_{\gamma_0} - R_\gamma}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|}^2$ . Again, by Lemma 4.1 in Cao et al. (2019a), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P \left[ \left| \frac{Y^T (P_\gamma - P_{\gamma_0}) Y}{\sigma^2} - (|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \right| > \sqrt{(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \log p} \right] \\
 & \leq 2p^{-\frac{1}{8}} \rightarrow 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1.35}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P \left[ \left| \frac{R_{\gamma_0} - R_\gamma}{\sigma^2} - (|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \right| > \sqrt{(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \log p} \right] \\
 & \leq 2p^{-\frac{1}{8}} \rightarrow 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1.36}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence, by (S1.29), (S1.31), (S1.33), (S1.36) and  $R_\gamma^* - R_\gamma \geq 0$ ,

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y \right) \right\}}{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y \right) \right\}} \\
&= \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (R_{\gamma_0}^* - R_\gamma^*) \right\} \\
&\leq \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( \left( R_{\gamma_0} + \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} Y^T P_{\gamma_0} Y \right) - R_\gamma \right) \right\} \\
&\leq \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( |\gamma| - |\gamma_0| + \sqrt{(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \log p} + \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} n \log p \right) \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{S1.37}$$

Next, note that it follows from  $\gamma \supset \gamma_0$ , Assumption 2 and the arguments leading up to (S1.8) that for large enough  $n$  (not depending on  $\gamma, \mathcal{D}$ ),

$$\frac{Q_\gamma}{Q_{\gamma_0}} \leq n^{-\frac{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|}{2}} (n\tau^2)^{\frac{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|}{2}}.$$

Therefore, it follows from Assumption 3,  $\gamma \supset \gamma_0$ , (S1.29) and (S1.37)

that, for large enough  $n \geq N_4$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D} | Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D} | Y, X)} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-a1^T \gamma + b\gamma^T G \gamma)}{\exp(-a1^T \gamma_0 + b\gamma_0^T G \gamma_0)} \frac{Q_\gamma}{Q_{\gamma_0}} \frac{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y \right) \right\}}{\exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y \right) \right\}} \\
&\leq \exp \left\{ -a(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) + bR_n^2 \right\} (\tau^2)^{\frac{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|}{2}} \\
&\quad \times \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left( |\gamma| - |\gamma_0| + \sqrt{(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \log p} + \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} n \log p \right) \right\} \\
&\leq \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa} (|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \log p \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{S1.38}$$

Next, when  $\gamma \subset \gamma_0$ , Let  $Z$  be a standard normal distribution. When  $\gamma \subset \gamma_0$ , it follows from Lemma L.1 in Cao et al. (2019a), Assumption 2 and the relation between noncentral chi-squared and normal distribution that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P\left(\frac{R_\gamma - R_{\gamma_0}}{\sigma^2} < 4|\gamma_0| \log n \log p\right) \\
 & < P\left((Z - \sqrt{\lambda})^2 < 4|\gamma_0| \log n \log p\right) \\
 & < e^{-\frac{n\epsilon_0|\gamma_0|\rho_1^2}{4\sigma^2}} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1.39}$$

where  $\rho_1 = \min_{j \in \gamma_0} |\beta_{0j}|$  and  $\lambda = \frac{\beta_0^T (X_{\gamma_0}^T P_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}) \beta_0}{\sigma^2} > \frac{n\epsilon_0|\gamma_0|\rho_1^2}{\sigma^2}$ . it again follows from (S1.29), (S1.31), (S1.39) and  $R_\gamma^* - R_\gamma \geq 0$ , with probability tending to 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}{\exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}} \\
 & = \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (R_\gamma^* - R_{\gamma_0}^*)\right\} \\
 & \leq \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(R_\gamma - \left(R_{\gamma_0} + \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} Y^T P_{\gamma_0} Y\right)\right)\right\} \\
 & \leq \exp\left\{-4|\gamma_0| \log n \log p + \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} n \log p\right\}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{S1.40}$$

Next, note that it follows from  $\gamma \subset \gamma_0$ , Assumption 2 and the arguments leading up to (S1.20) that for large enough  $n$  (not depending on  $\gamma$ ,  $\mathcal{D}$ ),  $\frac{Q_\gamma}{Q_{\gamma_0}} \leq n^{-\frac{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0/2}\right)^{\frac{|\gamma_0| - |\gamma|}{2}}$ . Therefore, it follows from  $\tau^2 \sim \sqrt{\log p}$ ,  $a \sim \log p$ ,  $\gamma \subset \gamma_0$ , (S1.29) and (S1.40) that, for large enough  $n \geq N_5$ , with



probability tending to 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-a1^T\gamma + b\gamma^T G\gamma) Q_\gamma \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}{\exp(-a1^T\gamma_0 + b\gamma_0^T G\gamma_0) Q_{\gamma_0} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}} \\
&\leq \exp\{a|\gamma_0|\} n^{\frac{|\gamma_0| - |\gamma|}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon_0/2}\right)^{\frac{|\gamma_0| - |\gamma|}{2}} \\
&\quad \times \exp\left\{-4|\gamma_0| \log n \log p + \frac{1}{1 + n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} n \log p\right\} \\
&\leq \exp\{-2|\gamma_0| \log p\}. \tag{S1.41}
\end{aligned}$$

Next, consider the scenario when  $\gamma \not\subseteq \gamma_0$  and  $\gamma \not\supseteq \gamma_0$ . Denote  $\gamma' = \gamma \cap \gamma_0$ .

It follows from (S1.29) that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
&= \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X) \pi(\gamma', \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma', \mathcal{D}|Y, X) \pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
&= \frac{\pi(\gamma|\mathcal{D}) Q_\gamma \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}{\pi(\gamma'|\mathcal{D}) Q_{\gamma'} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma'} X_{\gamma'}^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}} \\
&\quad \times \frac{\pi(\gamma'|\mathcal{D}) Q_{\gamma'} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma'} X_{\gamma'}^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}{\pi(\gamma_0|\mathcal{D}) Q_{\gamma_0} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y\right)\right\}}. \tag{S1.42}
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\gamma' \subset \gamma$  and  $\gamma' \subset \gamma_0$ , following the same arguments leading up to (S1.38) and (S1.41), we have for large enough  $n > \max\{N_4, N_5\}$ , with probability tending to 1,

$$\frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa} (|\gamma| - |\gamma'|) \log p \right\} \exp \{-2|\gamma_0| \log p\} \\
 &\leq \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa} (|\gamma| - |\gamma'|) \log p - 2|\gamma_0| \log p \right\}. \tag{S1.43}
 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2 immediately follows after (S1.38), (S1.41) and (S1.43). For any  $\gamma \neq \gamma_0$ , for large enough  $n > \max\{N_4, N_5\}$ , we have

$$\max_{(\gamma, \mathcal{D}) \neq (\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \xrightarrow{\bar{P}} 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{S1.44}$$

□

*Proof of Theorem 4.* We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1 - \pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
 &= \sum_{(\gamma, \mathcal{D}) \neq (\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \\
 &= \sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} + \sum_{\mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} + \sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0, \mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}. \tag{S1.45}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that it follows from the proof of Theorem 2 that for large enough constant  $N > \max\{N_4, N_5\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \\
 &\leq \sum_{\gamma \subset \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} + \sum_{\gamma \supset \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} + \sum_{\gamma \not\subset \gamma_0, \gamma \not\supset \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \\
 &\leq \sum_{|\gamma|=1}^{|\gamma_0|} \binom{|\gamma_0|}{|\gamma|} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa} |\gamma_0| \log p \right\} + \sum_{|\gamma|=|\gamma_0|+1}^{R_n} \binom{p - |\gamma_0|}{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|} \exp \{-2(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) \log p\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \sum_{|\gamma|=1}^{R_n} \binom{p}{|\gamma|} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa} (|\gamma| - |\gamma'|) \log p - 2|\gamma_0| \log p \right\}.$$

Further note that the upper bound of the binomial coefficient satisfies  $\binom{p}{k} \leq p^k$ , for any  $1 \leq k \leq p$ . It follows that when  $\alpha_1 > 2\kappa$  for some  $\kappa > 1$ ,

$$\sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (\text{S1.46})$$

Next, it follows from Lemmas 1-3 that if we restrict to  $E_n^c$ , then for large enough constant  $N > N_3$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{\mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \sum_{pa_j(\mathcal{D}) \neq pa_j(\mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \left( \sum_{pa_j(\mathcal{D}) \subset pa_j(\mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} + \sum_{pa_j(\mathcal{D}) \supset pa_j(\mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{pa_j(\mathcal{D}) \not\subset, \not\supset pa_j(\mathcal{D}_0)} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \right) \\ & \leq \sum_{j=1}^{p-1} \left( \sum_{\nu_j(\mathcal{D})=1}^{\nu_j(\mathcal{D}_0)-1} \binom{\nu_j(\mathcal{D}_0)}{|Z_j|} p^{-\frac{2\alpha_1}{\kappa}d} + \sum_{\nu_j(\mathcal{D})=\nu_j(\mathcal{D}_0)+1}^{R_n} \binom{p - \nu_j(\mathcal{D}_0)}{\nu_j(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_j(\mathcal{D}_0)} (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}(\nu_i(\mathcal{D}) - \nu_i(\mathcal{D}_0))} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sum_{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})=1}^{R_n} \binom{p}{\nu_i(\mathcal{D})} (2p)^{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}\nu_i(\mathcal{D})} \right). \quad (\text{S1.47}) \end{aligned}$$

Again it follows from  $\binom{p}{k} \leq p^k$ , for any  $1 \leq k \leq p$  that when  $\alpha_1 > 2\kappa$  for some  $\kappa > 1$ ,

$$\sum_{\mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (\text{S1.48})$$

Finally, by (S1.46) and (S1.48), note that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0, \mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} &\leq \sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \sum_{\mathcal{D} \neq \mathcal{D}_0} \frac{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \\ &\rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \tag{S1.49}$$

Therefore, following from (S1.45), (S1.46), (S1.48) and (S1.49), we have  $\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y) \rightarrow 1$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , which completes our proof of the strong model selection result in Theorem 4.  $\square$

*Proof of Corollary 1.* Note that with the extra layer of inverse gamma distribution on  $\sigma^2$ , by integrating out  $\sigma^2$  in the proof of Lemma 1, the (marginal) joint posterior distribution is given by

$$\begin{aligned} &\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X) \\ &= \int \pi(Y|\gamma, \beta_\gamma) \prod_{i=1}^n \pi(X_i|(L, D)) \pi_{U, \alpha(\mathcal{D})}^{\Theta_{\mathcal{D}}}(L, D) \\ &\quad \times \pi(\beta_\gamma|\gamma) \pi(\gamma) \pi(\mathcal{D}) \pi(\sigma^2) d\beta_\gamma d(L, D) d(\sigma^2) \\ &\propto \pi(\gamma|\mathcal{D}) \pi(\mathcal{D}) \frac{z_{\mathcal{D}}(U + X^T X, n + \alpha(\mathcal{D}))}{z_{\mathcal{D}}(U, \alpha(\mathcal{D}))} Q_\gamma \\ &\quad \times \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( Y^T (I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y \right) + b_0 \right)^{-\left(\frac{n}{2} + a_0\right)}, \end{aligned} \tag{S1.50}$$

where  $Q_\gamma = \det(\tau^2 X_\gamma^T X_\gamma + I_{|\gamma|})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ . The proofs for Lemmas 1-3 will go through with the new posterior. For the variable selection consistency, it

follows from (S1.50) that,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-a1^T\gamma + b\gamma^T G\gamma) Q_\gamma}{\exp(-a1^T\gamma_0 + b\gamma_0^T G\gamma_0) Q_{\gamma_0}} \\
& \quad \times \frac{\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(Y^T(I + \tau^2 X_\gamma X_\gamma^T)^{-1} Y\right) + b_0\right)^{-\left(\frac{n}{2} + a_0\right)}}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\left(Y^T(I + \tau^2 X_{\gamma_0} X_{\gamma_0}^T)^{-1} Y\right) + b_0\right)^{-\left(\frac{n}{2} + a_0\right)}} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-a1^T\gamma + b\gamma^T G\gamma) Q_\gamma}{\exp(-a1^T\gamma_0 + b\gamma_0^T G\gamma_0) Q_{\gamma_0}} \left(\frac{R_\gamma^* + 2b_0}{R_{\gamma_0}^* + 2b_0}\right)^{-\left(\frac{n}{2} + a_0\right)}. \tag{S1.51}
\end{aligned}$$

It follows from the arguments leading up to (S1.41) and  $1 + x \leq e^x$  that

when  $\gamma \supset \gamma_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
& \leq \exp\{-a(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) + bR_n^2\} (n\tau^2\epsilon_0)^{\frac{1}{2}|\gamma_0|} \times \left(1 + \frac{R_{\gamma_0}^* - R_\gamma^*}{R_\gamma^* + 2a_0}\right)^{\frac{n}{2} + b_0} \\
& \leq \exp\{-a(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|) + bR_n^2\} (\tau^2)^{\frac{|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|}{2}} \\
& \quad \times \exp\left\{\frac{\left(\frac{n}{2} + a_0\right)\left(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0| + \sqrt{(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|)\log p + \frac{1}{1+n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2}n\log p}\right)}{n - |\gamma| - \sqrt{(n - |\gamma|)\log p} + 2b_0}\right\} \\
& \leq \exp\left\{-\frac{\alpha_1}{\kappa}(|\gamma| - |\gamma_0|)\log p\right\}. \tag{S1.52}
\end{aligned}$$

Next, when  $\gamma \subset \gamma_0$ , it follows by the arguments leading up to (S1.41) and

$1 - x \leq e^{-x}$  that,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\pi(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)}{\pi(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)} \\
&= \frac{\exp(-a1^T\gamma + b\gamma^T G\gamma)}{\exp(-a1^T\gamma_0 + b\gamma_0^T G\gamma_0)} (n\tau^2\epsilon_0)^{\frac{1}{2}|\gamma_0|} \left(1 - \frac{R_\gamma^* - R_{\gamma_0}^*}{R_\gamma^* + 2b_0}\right)^{\frac{n}{2} + a_0}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \exp \{a|\gamma_0|\} n^{\frac{|\gamma_0|}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon_0/2} \right)^{\frac{|\gamma_0| - |\gamma|}{2}} \\
 &\quad \times \exp \left\{ \frac{\left(\frac{n}{2} + a_0\right) \left(-4|\gamma_0| \log p + \frac{1}{1+n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} n \log p\right)}{n - |\gamma| + \sqrt{(n - |\gamma|) \log p} + \frac{1}{1+n\epsilon_0\tau^2/2} Y^T P_\gamma Y + 2b_0} \right\} \\
 &\leq \exp \{(-2|\gamma_0| \log p)\}. \tag{S1.53}
 \end{aligned}$$

When  $\gamma \not\subseteq \gamma_0$  and  $\gamma \not\supseteq \gamma_0$ , the exact same results as the previous case without the inverse gamma prior can be obtained by following the arguments leading up to (S1.43). Similarly, Corollary 1 can be acquired from the same arguments leading up to (S1.49).  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 5.* We start proving Theorem 5 by considering the ratio between posterior ratios under two settings corresponding to  $b > 0$  and  $b = 0$  respectively. Specifically, let  $\pi_1(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)$  represent the posterior probability under  $b > 0$  and  $\pi_2(\gamma, \mathcal{D}|Y, X)$  represent the posterior probability under  $b = 0$ . It follows from (S1.29) that

$$\frac{\frac{\pi_1(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}}{\frac{\pi_2(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}} = \exp \{ \gamma^T G_0 \gamma - \gamma_0^T G_0 \gamma_0 \}. \tag{S1.54}$$

Note that by Condition 1, for any  $\gamma$ ,  $\gamma^T G_0 \gamma = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq p} (G_0)_{ij} \gamma_i \gamma_j$  will be maximized at  $\gamma = \gamma_0$ . Therefore, for any  $\gamma$ , we have

$$\frac{\pi_1(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} \leq \frac{\pi_2(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}. \tag{S1.55}$$

In addition, over all possible scenarios of  $\gamma$ , there exists at least one  $\gamma \neq$

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$\gamma_0$  such that  $\gamma^T G_0 \gamma < \gamma_0^T G_0 \gamma_0$  and  $\frac{\pi_1(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}$  is strictly smaller than  $\frac{\pi_2(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}$ . Hence, it follows from (S1.55) that

$$\sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0} \frac{\pi_1(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} < \sum_{\gamma \neq \gamma_0} \frac{\pi_2(\gamma, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}, \quad (\text{S1.56})$$

which is equivalent to

$$\frac{1 - \pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)} < \frac{1 - \pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}{\pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X)}. \quad (\text{S1.57})$$

Therefore, we have

$$\pi_1(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X) > \pi_2(\gamma_0, \mathcal{D}_0|Y, X).$$

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