

# ANOVAforMRMCLimitsofAgreement

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```
result.validMRMCVarEstimate.nReader
```

*Result of simulation study to validate and characterize the MRMC limits of agreement estimates*

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## Description

Result of simulation study to validate and characterize the MRMC limits of agreement estimates

## Usage

```
result.validMRMCVarEstimate.nReader
```

```
result.validMRMCVarEstimate.nCase
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```
result.validMRMCVarEstimate.parameter
```

## Format

A dataframe with the following columns:

**nReader** Number of Readers

**nCase** Number of Cases

**alpha\_R** Reader related parameter

**sigma\_C** Case related parameter

**WR\_var\_MCmean** Monte Carlo mean of variance estimation for the WRBM difference score

**WR\_var\_MCvar** Monte Carlo variance of variance estimation for the WRBM difference score

**True\_WR\_var** Theoretical value for WRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**WR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for WRBM variance

**WR\_CV** coefficient of variation for WRBM variance

**BR\_var\_MCmean** Monte Carlo mean of variance estimation for the BRBM difference score

**BR\_var\_MCvar** Monte Carlo variance of variance estimation for the BRBM difference score

**True\_BR\_var** Theoretical value for BRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**BR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for BRBM variance

**BR\_CV** coefficient of variation for BRBM variance

An object of class `data.frame` with 11 rows and 14 columns.

An object of class `data.frame` with 25 rows and 14 columns.

## Details

There are three parameter sets for this simulation:

**result.validMRMCVarEstimate.nReader** Different number of readers  $J = 3, 4, \dots, 10$ ,  $K = 100$ ,  $\alpha_R = 10$ ,  $\sigma_C^2 = 1$

**result.validMRMCVarEstimate.nCase** Different number of cases  $K = 50, 60, \dots, 150$ ,  $J = 5$ ,  $\alpha_R = 10$ ,  $\sigma_C^2 = 1$

**result.validMRMCVarEstimate.parameter** Different reader and case variabilities  $(\alpha_R, \sigma_C^2) \in \{3, 4, 6, 11, 21\} \times \{0.1, 0.2, 0.4, \frac{2}{3}, 1\}$ ,  $J = 5$ ,  $K = 100$

In all the parameter sets,  $\beta_R = \beta_{\tau R} = 1$ ,  $\alpha_R = \alpha_{\tau R}$ ,  $\sigma_C^2 = \sigma_{\tau C}^2$ . For each parameter setting, we simulate 1000 trials.

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result.validSimulation.alphaR

*Result of simulation study to verify the simulation is consistent with the derived theoretical values*

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## Description

Result of simulation study to verify the simulation is consistent with the derived theoretical values

## Usage

```
result.validSimulation.alphaR
```

```
result.validSimulation.sigmaC
```

## Format

A dataframe with the following column:

**sigma\_C** Case related parameter

**alpha\_R** Reader related parameter

**WR\_mean** Monte Carlo mean of the WRBM difference score

**WR\_var** Monte Carlo variance of the WRBM difference score

**BR\_mean** Monte Carlo mean of the BRBM difference score

**BR\_var** Monte Carlo variance of the BRBM difference score

**True\_WR\_var** Theoretical value for WRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**True\_BR\_var** Theoretical value for BRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**WR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for WRBM variance

**BR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for BRBM variance

An object of class data.frame with 20 rows and 10 columns.

## Details

There are two parameter sets for this simulation:

**result.validSimulation.alphaR** In this study, we fixed the case-related parameter but change the reader related fixed the case related parameters  $\sigma_C^2 = \sigma_{\tau C}^2 = 1$  and allowed the reader related parameter  $\alpha_R (= \alpha_{\tau R})$  to range from 2 to 20.

**result.validSimulation.sigmaC** In this study, we fixed the reader related parameters  $\alpha_R = \alpha_{\tau R} = 10$  and allowed the case related parameter  $\sigma_C^2 (= \sigma_{\tau C}^2)$  to range from 0.1 to 2, incrementing by 0.1.

In both parameter sets,  $\beta_R = \beta_{\tau R} = 1$ , so that the reader variability is only affected by  $\alpha_R$ . We simulated 100,000 trials with each trial having 4 measurements from 2 readers for a single case under 2 modalities. The Monte Carlo estimates of the variances are the sample variances of the 100,000 independent WRBM and BRBM differences.

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validateMRMCVarEstimation

*Validate and characterize the MRMC limits of agreement estimates*

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## Description

This function simulates MRMC study with `nReader` readers and `nCase` cases. From the output of `laWRBM.anova` and `laBRBM.anova`, we exact the variance estimations for WRBM and BRBM differences. It outputs the Monte Carlo mean of the variance estimation across all the simulation trials. The relative bias of the Monte Carlo mean comparing to the theoretical value of the variance and the coefficient of variation is also calculated.

## Usage

```
validateMRMCVarEstimation(
  nR.list,
  nC.list,
  alpha_R.list,
  sigma_C.list,
  nTrials = 1000
)
```

## Arguments

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <code>nR.list</code>      | A $r$ -dimension array for the number of readers in each MRMC study |
| <code>nC.list</code>      | A $c$ -dimension array for the number of cases in each MRMC study   |
| <code>alpha_R.list</code> | A $a$ -dimension array for the reader related parameter             |
| <code>sigma_C.list</code> | A $b$ -dimension array for the case related parameter               |
| <code>nTrials</code>      | Number of MRMC simulations. Default is 1000                         |

## Details

Let  $\hat{V}_{BR}^{12}$  denote the estimation of the variance for the BRBM difference for each simulated MRMC study, then the relative bias is defined as  $relativeBias(\hat{V}_{BR}^{12}) = (\sum \hat{V}_{BR}^{12} / nTrials - V_{BR}^{12}) / V_{BR}^{12}$ , and the coefficient of variation is defined as  $CV(\hat{V}_{BR}^{12}) = sd(\hat{V}_{BR}^{12}) / V_{BR}^{12}$ , where  $sd()$  denote sample standard deviation.

**Value**

A dataframe with  $r * c * a * b$  rows. Each column is as following:

**nReader** Number of Readers

**nCase** Number of Cases

**alpha\_R** Reader related parameter

**sigma\_C** Case related parameter

**WR\_var\_MCmean** Monte Carlo mean of variance estimation for the WRBM difference score

**WR\_var\_MCvar** Monte Carlo variance of variance estimation for the WRBM difference score

**True\_WR\_var** Theoretical value for WRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**WR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for WRBM variance

**WR\_CV** coefficient of variation for WRBM variance

**BR\_var\_MCmean** Monte Carlo mean of variance estimation for the BRBM difference score

**BR\_var\_MCvar** Monte Carlo variance of variance estimation for the BRBM difference score

**True\_BR\_var** Theoretical value for BRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**BR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for BRBM variance

**BR\_CV** coefficient of variation for BRBM variance

**Examples**

```
library(iMRMC)
nR.list <- c(5)
nC.list <- c(100)
sigma_C.list <- c(1)
alpha_R.list <- c(10)
#result <- validateMRMCVarEstimation(nR.list, nC.list, alpha_R.list, sigma_C.list)
```

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| validateSimulation | <i>Verify the simulation is consistent with the derived theoretical values</i> |
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**Description**

This function simulates independent WRBM and BRBM difference scores and outputs the Monte Carlo mean and variance across the trials for each parameter setting. The relative bias of the Monte Carlo variance comparing to the theoretical value of the variance is also calculated.

**Usage**

```
validateSimulation(alpha_R.list, sigma_C.list, nTrials = 1e+05)
```

**Arguments**

|              |   |
|--------------|---|
| alpha_R.list | A $a$ -dimension array for the reader related parameter |
| sigma_C.list | A $b$ -dimension array for the case related parameter   |
| nTrials      | Number of independent trials. Default is 100000         |

**Details**

Let  $\tilde{V}_{BR}^{12}$  denote the Monte Carlo variance of the BRBM difference, then the relative bias is defined as  $relativeBias(\tilde{V}_{BR}^{12}) = (\tilde{V}_{BR}^{12} - V_{BR}^{12})/V_{BR}^{12}$ .

**Value**

A dataframe with  $a * b$  rows. Each column is as following:

**sigma\_C** Case related parameter

**alpha\_R** Reader related parameter

**WR\_mean** Monte Carlo mean of the WRBM difference score

**WR\_var** Monte Carlo variance of the WRBM difference score

**BR\_mean** Monte Carlo mean of the BRBM difference score

**BR\_var** Monte Carlo variance of the BRBM difference score

**True\_WR\_var** Theoretical value for WRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**True\_BR\_var** Theoretical value for BRBM variance derived from the simulation model

**WR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for WRBM variance

**BR\_var\_relative\_bias** relative bias for BRBM variance

**Examples**

```
library(iMRMC)
sigma_C.list <- c(1)
alpha_R.list <- c(10)
#result <- validateSimulation(alpha_R.list, sigma_C.list)
```

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