# Estimating Variance of Simple Defined Variable Main and Low-Order Interaction Effects

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knitr::opts_chunk$set(fig.width=14, fig.height=8)

library(Matrix)
library(tidyverse)
library(ggplot2)
library(ggpubr)
library(ranger)
library(MixMatrix)
library(mvtnorm)
library(stringr)
library(parallel)
source('C:/Users/feix_/iCloudDrive/Studium Master/CQM - Thesis Internship/Thesis-VariableEffects/Baseli:
# cores <- detectCores()
# clust <- makeCluster(cores-1)
# parallel::clusterEvalQ(clust,
# expr = {source('C:/Users/feix_/iCloudDrive/Studium Master/CQM - Thesis Interns</pre>
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## Simulation

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n \leftarrow c(400, 4000); num.trees \leftarrow 2000; repeats \leftarrow 200; cor \leftarrow c(0, 0.8)
k \leftarrow c(0.2, 1); node_size \leftarrow 5
formulas <- c("2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4")
scenarios <- data.frame(expand.grid(n, num.trees, formulas, repeats,</pre>
                                        cor, k, node_size))
colnames(scenarios) = c("N", "N_Trees", "Formula", "Repeats",
                          "Correlation", "k", "Node_Size")
scenarios[,"Formula"] <- as.character(scenarios[,"Formula"]) ### Formula became Factor</pre>
scenarios <- split(scenarios, seq(nrow(scenarios)))</pre>
system.time(result <- lapply(X = scenarios, FUN = sim_multi))</pre>
##
               system elapsed
       user
## 27287.22 1088.61 7400.47
#Run Simulation
# system.time(result <- parLapply(cl = clust,
                                     X = scenarios,
                                     fun = sim multi)
#stopCluster(clust)
```

#### print\_results(result)

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## Setting 1: N = 400 ; k = 0.2 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0 ; Minimum Node Size = 5 ;
            Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
     1.866874 4.368406 -0.30355 2.231225
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
   2.004825 4.001511 -0.5009547 2.199257
## True Variable Effect(s):
    2 4 -0.5 2.2
##
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.9434505 1.412226 0.2848474 1.016713 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.9664579 1.600096 0.2992765 1.069307 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
##
   9 0 47 9
##
## Setting 2: N = 4000 ; k = 0.2 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0 ; Minimum Node Size = 5 ;
            Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
     2.06926 4.416613 -0.3941406 2.382714
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
    2.000248 3.999514 -0.5007153 2.200665
## True Variable Effect(s):
    2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.8535174 1.034873 0.3556811 0.8948765 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.8111324 1.09211 0.5008294 0.9661676 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    50 28 49 29
##
## Setting 3: N = 400; k = 0.2 N Trees = 2000; Correlation = 0.8; Minimum Node Size = 5;
##
           Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
    1.784883 4.041052 -0.03981188 2.082522
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
    2.006854 4.000957 -0.5047086 2.197311
## True Variable Effect(s):
    24 - 0.52.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.9544331 1.206937 0.3595162 0.9162381 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.9821396 1.306016 0.4031362 1.020449 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    1 0 16 0
##
##
## Setting 4: N = 4000 ; k = 0.2 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0.8 ; Minimum Node Size = 5 ;
           Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
    1.983109 3.977771 -0.2982558 2.199619
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
    2.000511 3.997801 -0.5015595 2.202556
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## True Variable Effect(s):
   2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.8689132 0.9375509 0.3422117 0.8998986 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.9605602 1.017817 0.4609828 0.9685559 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    14 26 47 21
##
##
## Setting 5: N = 400 ; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0 ; Minimum Node Size = 5 ;
           Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
    1.803698 3.91215 -0.290887 1.980237
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
    2.003057 4.003963 -0.5004176 2.197447
## True Variable Effect(s):
    2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.2792475 0.3287363 0.1328027 0.2821532 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.3109121 0.371659 0.1488752 0.3280302 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    1 0 25 0
##
## Setting 6: N = 4000 ; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0 ; Minimum Node Size = 5 ;
           Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4 ; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
    1.952386 3.965611 -0.3942233 2.136422
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
   2.000791 3.998983 -0.5001806 2.198781
## True Variable Effect(s):
   2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.2116108 0.2204729 0.144868 0.2199292 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.2450483 0.2401344 0.1732931 0.2220997 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
##
    26 23 42 30
##
## Setting 7: N = 400; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000; Correlation = 0.8; Minimum Node Size = 5;
           Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
    1.681723 3.738946 0.04964862 1.889897
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
    2.005528 3.998527 -0.5067161 2.198432
## True Variable Effect(s):
    2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.2466799 0.2842898 0.1512438 0.2815353 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
    0.3050421 0.3387647 0.1599544 0.3073377 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
##
    2 1 12 1
##
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## Setting 8: N = 4000; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000; Correlation = 0.8; Minimum Node Size = 5;
##
            Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
     1.779114 3.892531 -0.2251415 2.017318
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
     1.997328 3.998003 -0.4992711 2.202116
##
## True Variable Effect(s):
     2 4 -0.5 2.2
##
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
     0.2216304 0.217767 0.1347205 0.2252413 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
     0.2345328 0.248022 0.1478816 0.2219522 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
     19 19 47 27
##
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#### effect\_plots <- plot\_effects(result)</pre>

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## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'N', 'cor', 'k', 'num.trees', 'node_size'. ## You can override using the '.groups' argument.
```

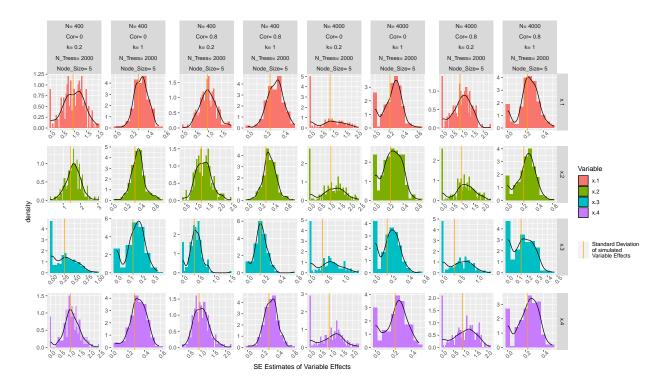
```
se_plot <- plot_se(result)</pre>
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## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'N', 'cor', 'k', 'num.trees', 'node_size'.
## You can override using the '.groups' argument.
```

### effect\_plots



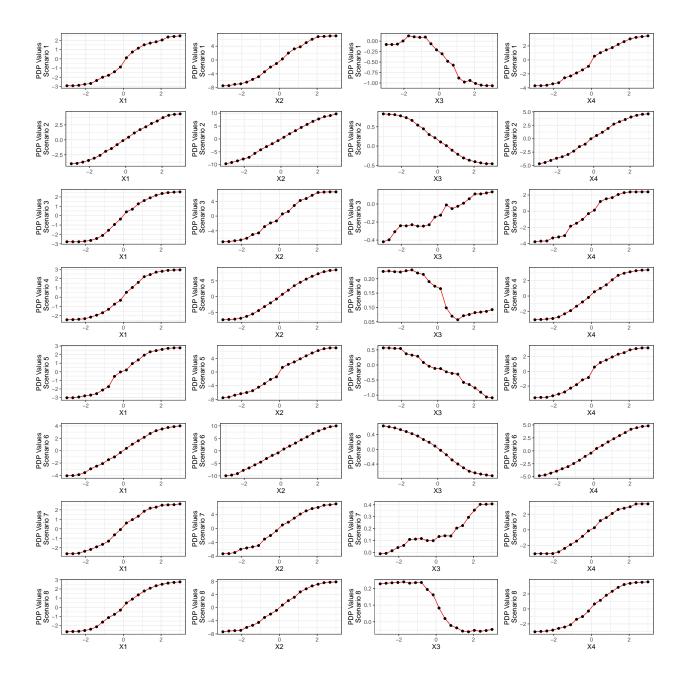
## se\_plot



## plot\_pdps(result)

## Warning: 'aes\_string()' was deprecated in ggplot2 3.0.0.

## i Please use tidy evaluation ideoms with 'aes()'



```
n \leftarrow c(400); num.trees \leftarrow 2000; repeats \leftarrow 200; cor \leftarrow c(0)
k \leftarrow c(1); node_size \leftarrow c(1, 5, 100)
formulas <- c("2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4")
scenarios <- data.frame(expand.grid(n, num.trees, formulas, repeats,</pre>
                                     cor, k, node_size))
colnames(scenarios) = c("N", "N_Trees", "Formula", "Repeats",
                         "Correlation", "k", "Node_Size")
scenarios[,"Formula"] <- as.character(scenarios[,"Formula"]) ### Formula became Factor</pre>
scenarios <- split(scenarios, seq(nrow(scenarios)))</pre>
system.time(result <- lapply(X = scenarios, FUN = sim_multi))</pre>
      user system elapsed
## 1013.22
           36.88 320.28
#Run Simulation
# system.time(result <- parLapply(cl = clust,
                                   X = scenarios,
                                   fun = sim_multi))
#stopCluster(clust)
print_results(result)
## Setting 1: N = 400; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000; Correlation = 0; Minimum Node Size = 1;
            Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
## 1.82291 3.894038 -0.2924567 2.02035
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
## 2.007268 4.005154 -0.5037806 2.203316
## True Variable Effect(s):
    2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
    0.2856286 0.3624526 0.1352331 0.3004344 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
   0.3222181 0.3917451 0.163792 0.3307528 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    1 0 16 4
##
## Setting 2: N = 400 ; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0 ; Minimum Node Size = 5 ;
            Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
     1.760606 3.875843 -0.2953254 2.014947
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
## 2.001734 4.004083 -0.4992996 2.200433
## True Variable Effect(s):
   2 4 -0.5 2.2
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
   0.2810826 0.3196873 0.1429669 0.2769429 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
## 0.3239505 0.383674 0.1504479 0.3235231 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    0 0 25 0
##
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##

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## Setting 3: N = 400 ; k = 1 N_Trees = 2000 ; Correlation = 0 ; Minimum Node Size = 100 ;
##
           Formula = 2*x.1+4*x.2-0.5*x.3+2.2*x.4; N_Trees = 2000
## Mean(s) of simulated RF Variable Effect(s):
     1.246611 3.528612 -0.08369733 1.508565
## Mean(s) of simulated LM Variable Effect(s):
     2.00052 4.000157 -0.5017892 2.193928
##
## True Variable Effect(s):
     2 4 -0.5 2.2
##
## Standard Error of simulated Variable Effects (RF):
     0.222309 0.3629937 0.04338138 0.2480373 .
## Mean of Standard Errors Estimates of Variable Effects (RF):
     0.244281 0.3910674 0.04646482 0.2694188 .
## Number of Smaller Nulls:
    9 0 48 8
##
```

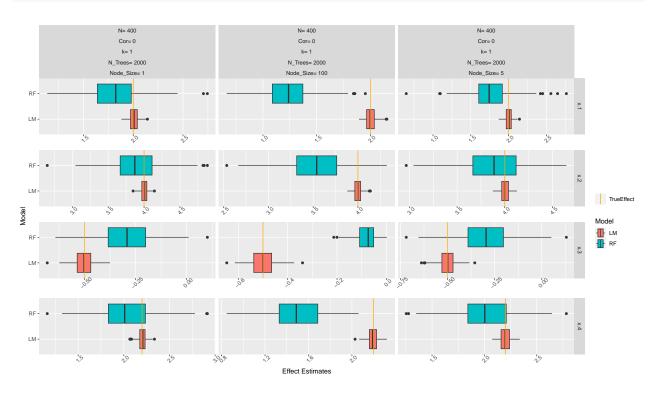
#### effect\_plots <- plot\_effects(result)</pre>

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## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'N', 'cor', 'k', 'num.trees', 'node_size'. ## You can override using the '.groups' argument.
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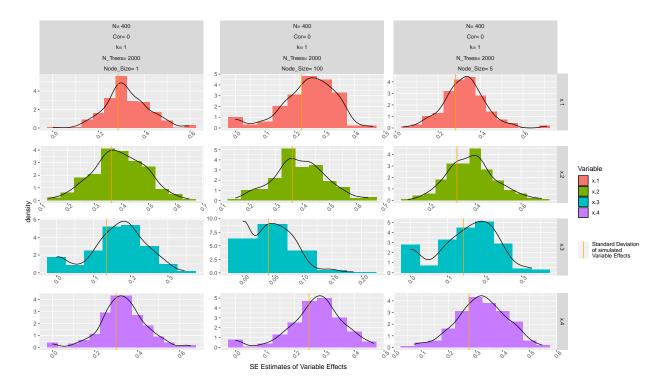
```
se_plot <- plot_se(result)</pre>
```

```
## 'summarise()' has grouped output by 'N', 'cor', 'k', 'num.trees', 'node_size'.
## You can override using the '.groups' argument.
```

### effect\_plots



## se\_plot



plot\_pdps(result)

