

BIOSTAT 880 HW3 Solution, Fall 2024

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Consider a simple random sample of size n with r respondents and $m = n - r$ nonrespondents, and let \bar{y}_R and s_R^2 be the sample mean and variance of the respondents' data, and \bar{y}_{NR} and s_{NR}^2 be the sample mean and variance of the imputed data. Show that the mean and variance \bar{y}_* and s_*^2 of all the data can be written as

$$\bar{y}_* = \frac{(\bar{y}_R + m\bar{y}_{NR})}{n}$$

and

$$s_*^2 = \frac{(r-1)s_R^2 + (m-1)s_{NR}^2 + rm(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2/n}{n-1}.$$

$$\bar{y}_R = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^r y_{iR}}{r} \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{y}_{NR} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^m y_{iNR}}{m}$$

So,

$$\bar{y}_* = \frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}.$$

$$s_*^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_*)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m (y_{iNR} - \bar{y}_*)^2 \right]$$

Expanding,

$$s_*^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R + \bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_*)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m (y_{iNR} - \bar{y}_{NR} + \bar{y}_{NR} - \bar{y}_*)^2 \right]$$

$$s_*^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^m (y_{iNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 \right] + \frac{rm}{n}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2$$

Using $s_R^2 = \frac{1}{r-1} \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2$ and $s_{NR}^2 = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^m (y_{iNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2$,

$$s_*^2 = \frac{(r-1)s_R^2 + (m-1)s_{NR}^2 + \frac{rm}{n}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2}{n-1}$$

And,

$$\frac{rm}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{n-1} = \frac{rm}{n(n-1)}.$$

Therefore,

$$s_*^2 = \frac{(r-1)s_R^2 + (m-1)s_{NR}^2 + \frac{rm}{n}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2}{n-1}.$$

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(a)

$$\bar{y}_* = \frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}$$

So,

$$E[\bar{y}_*] = \frac{r}{n}E[\bar{y}_R] + \frac{m}{n}E[\bar{y}_{NR}]$$

$$E[\bar{y}_R] = E\left[\frac{1}{r}\sum_{i=1}^r y_{iR}\right]$$

$$E[\bar{y}_R] = \bar{Y}$$

So,

$$E[\bar{y}_*] = \frac{r}{n}\bar{Y}$$

Similarly,

$$E[\bar{y}_{NR}] = \bar{Y} \quad (\text{due to draw with replacement})$$

So,

$$E[\bar{y}_*] = \bar{Y}.$$

(b)

$$\text{Var}(y_{NR}|y_R) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{r}{n}y_R + \frac{m}{n}y_{NR}|y_R\right)$$

$$= \frac{m^2}{n^2}\text{Var}(y_{NR}|y_R)$$

$$= \frac{m}{n} \cdot \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^m y_{iNR}|y_R\right)$$

Where $y_{iNR} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} y_R$ with $P[y_{iNR} = y_{jR}] = \frac{1}{r}, j = 1, \dots, r$.

$$\text{Var}(y_{iNR}) = E[y_{iNR}^2] - E[y_{iNR}]^2$$

$$E[y_{iNR}] = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r P(y_{iNR} = y_R) y_{iR}$$

$$= \frac{r}{n} \sum_{i=1}^r y_{iR}$$

$$= \bar{y}_R \quad (\text{as expected})$$

$$P(y_{iNR} = \bar{y}_R) = \frac{r}{n}$$

So,

$$E[y_{iNR}^2] = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r y_{iR}^2$$

Thus,

$$\text{Var}(y_{iNR}) = E[y_{iNR}^2] - E[y_{iNR}]^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR}^2 - \bar{y}_R^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2$$

Therefore,

$$\text{Var}(y_{NR}|y_R) = \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2$$

Thus,

$$\text{Var}(y_{iR}|y_R) = \frac{(r-1)s_R^2}{r}$$

$$= \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)(\bar{y}_R - \bar{Y}_R)$$

$$= \frac{1}{r} \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2 + 2 \sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R) \cdot 0$$

$$= \frac{(r-1)}{r} s_R^2$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var}(y_{NR}|y_R) &= \text{Var}\left(\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R\right) \\
&= \frac{m^2}{n^2}\text{Var}(y_{NR}|y_R) \\
&= \frac{m}{n} \cdot \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^m y_{iNR}|y_R\right) \\
&= \frac{m}{n} \cdot \text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{m}\sum_{i=1}^m y_{iR}\right) \\
&= \frac{m}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{m}s_R^2(1-r^{-1})
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\boxed{\text{Var}(y_{NR}|y_R) = \frac{m}{n}s_R^2(1-r^{-1})}$$

Similarly:

$$\begin{aligned}
E[S_*^2|y_R] &= E\left(\frac{(r-1)s_R^2 + (m-1)s_{NR}^2 + \frac{rm}{n}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2}{n-1} \middle| y_R\right) \\
&= \frac{(r-1)}{n-1}s_R^2 + \frac{(m-1)}{n-1}E[s_{NR}^2|y_R] + \frac{rm}{n(n-1)}E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2|y_R]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E[s_{NR}^2|y_R] &= E\left(\frac{1}{m-1}\sum_{j=1}^m (y_{jNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 \middle| y_R\right) \\
&= \frac{1}{m-1}\sum_{j=1}^m E[(y_{jNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2|y_R]
\end{aligned}$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned}
E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2|y_R] &= E[\bar{y}_R|y_R] - E[\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R] \\
&= E[\bar{y}_R|y_R] - \frac{1}{r}\sum_{j=1}^r E[\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R] \\
&\Rightarrow E[\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR}] = 0
\end{aligned}$$

And,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\text{Var}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR}|y_R) \\
&= \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|y_R) + \text{Var}(\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R) - 2 \cdot \text{Cov}(\bar{y}_R, \bar{y}_{NR}|y_R)
\end{aligned}$$

$$= s_R^2(1 - r^{-1}) + \frac{1}{m}s_R^2(1 - r^{-1}) - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{m}s_R^2 \cdot \text{Cov}(\bar{y}_R, \bar{y}_{NR})$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_{NR}) = (1 - r^{-1})S_R^2 + \frac{1}{m}(1 - \frac{r}{n})S_R^2 - 2 \cdot \frac{1}{m}(1 - r^{-1})S_R^2$$

$$= (1 - r^{-1})S_R^2(1 - m^{-1})$$

$$\text{So } E((y_{jNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2) = \text{Var}[y_{jNR} - \bar{y}_{NR}] + E^2[y_{jNR} - \bar{y}_{NR}]$$

$$= (1 - r^{-1})S_R^2(1 - m^{-1})$$

$$\text{So } E[S_{NR}^2] = \frac{1}{m-1} \sum_{j=1}^m E[(y_{jNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2]$$

$$= \frac{m}{m-1}(1 - r^{-1})S_R^2 \left(\frac{m-1}{m} \right) = (1 - r^{-1})S_R^2 \quad (\text{unbiased estimator})$$

And the third term:

$$E((\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 | y_R)$$

$$= \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR} | y_R)$$

$$= \text{Var}(\bar{y}_{NR} | y_R)$$

$$= \frac{1}{m}(1 - r^{-1})S_R^2$$

So,

$$E[S_*^2 | y_R] = E \left[\frac{(r-1)S_R^2 + (m-1)S_{NR}^2 + \frac{rm}{n}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2}{n-1} | y_R \right]$$

$$= \frac{(r-1)}{n-1}S_R^2 + \frac{(m-1)}{n-1}E[S_{NR}^2 | y_R] + \frac{rm}{n(n-1)}E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 | y_R]$$

$$= \frac{(r-1)}{n-1}S_R^2 + \frac{(m-1)}{n-1}(1 - r^{-1})S_R^2 + \frac{rm}{n(n-1)} \cdot \frac{1}{m}(1 - r^{-1})S_R^2$$

$$= S_R^2(1 - r^{-1}) \left[\frac{r}{n-1} + \frac{m-1}{n-1} + \frac{r}{n(n-1)} \right]$$

$$= S_R^2(1 - r^{-1}) \left[\frac{r + (m-1)}{n-1} + \frac{r}{n(n-1)} \right]$$

Final expression boxed:

$$\boxed{S_R^2(1 - r^{-1}) \left(\frac{1}{n-1} + \frac{r}{n(n-1)} + \frac{m-1}{n-1} \right)}$$

$$(\chi) = \frac{nr + n(m-1) + r}{n(n-1)}$$

$$= \frac{nr + n(n-r) - n + r}{n(n-1)}$$

$$= \frac{nr + n^2 - nr - n + r}{n(n-1)}$$

$$= \frac{n^2 - n + r}{n(n-1)}$$

$$= 1 + \frac{r}{n(n-1)}$$

Therefore:

$$E[S_*^2|y_R] = S_R^2(1 - r^{-1}) \cdot \left(1 + \frac{r}{n(n-1)} \right)$$

(c)

Assume $N \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\bar{y}_* = \frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}.$$

So,

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r) = \text{Var}\left(\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}|n, r\right)$$

$$= \text{Var}\left(E\left[\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R, n, r\right]\right) \quad (\text{Term 1})$$

$$+ E\left[\text{Var}\left(\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R, n, r\right)\right]. \quad (\text{Term 2})$$

Term 1:

$$\text{Var}\left(E\left[\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R, n, r\right]\right)$$

$$= \text{Var}\left(\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}E[\bar{y}_{NR}|y_R, n, r]\right)$$

$$= \text{Var}\left(\frac{r}{n}\bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n}\bar{y}_R\right)$$

$$= \bar{y}_R^2.$$

Term 2:

$$E \left[\text{Var} \left(\frac{r}{n} \bar{y}_R + \frac{m}{n} \bar{y}_{NR} | y_R, n, r \right) \right]$$

$$= E \left[\frac{m}{n^2} (1 - r^{-1}) s_R^2 | n, r \right]$$

$$= \frac{m}{n^2} \left(1 - \frac{r}{n} \right) s_R^2 | n, r.$$

$$= \frac{m}{n^2} \left(1 - \frac{r}{n} \right) E \left[\sum_{i=1}^r (y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2 | n, r \right].$$

$$E[(y_{ik} - \bar{y}_{ik})^2 | n, r] = \frac{m}{n^2} \cdot \text{Var}(y_{iR} - \bar{y}_{iR} | n, r)$$

$$= \frac{m}{n^2} (\text{Var}(y_{iR}) + \text{Var}(\bar{y}_{iR}) - 2 \cdot \text{Cov}(y_{iR}, \bar{y}_{iR}))$$

$$\text{Var}(y_{iR}) = r \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_{iR})$$

$$= \frac{m}{n^2} (r + 1 - 2) \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_{iR})$$

$$m = n - r \Rightarrow \frac{(n - r)(r - 1)}{n^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_{iR})$$

$$\text{Thus } \text{Var}(\bar{y}_* | n, r) = \left(1 + \frac{(n - r)(r - 1)}{n^2} \right) \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R).$$

$$E[(y_{ik} | n, r)] = E \left[\frac{1}{n} S_*^2 | n, r \right]$$

$$= E \left[\frac{1}{n} \left((r - 1) S_R^2 + (m - 1) S_{NR}^2 + \frac{rm}{n} (\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 \right) \middle| n, r \right]$$

$$= \frac{r - 1}{n(n - 1)} E[S_R^2 | n, r] + \frac{m - 1}{n(n - 1)} E[S_{NR}^2 | n, r] + \frac{rm}{n^2(n - 1)} E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 | n, r].$$

Term 1:

$$E[S_R^2 | n, r]$$

$$= \frac{r}{r - 1} E[(y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R)^2 | n, r]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{r}{r-1} \text{Var}[y_{iR} - \bar{y}_R | n, r] \\
&= \frac{r}{r-1} (\text{Var}[y_{iR} | n, r] + \text{Var}[\bar{y}_R | n, r] - 2 \cdot \text{Cov}(y_{iR}, \bar{y}_R | n, r)) \\
&= \frac{r}{r-1} (r \cdot \text{Var}[\bar{y}_R] + \text{Var}[\bar{y}_{NR}] - 2 \cdot \text{Var}[\bar{y}_R]) \\
&= r \cdot \text{Var}[\bar{y}_R]
\end{aligned}$$

Term 2:

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[S_{NR}^2 | n, r] \\
&= E [E [S_{NR}^2 | y_R, n, r]] \\
&= E \left[E \left[\frac{m}{m-1} (y_{iNR} - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 | y_R, n, r \right] \right] \\
&= \frac{m}{m-1} E [\text{Var}(y_{iNR} - \bar{y}_{NR} | y_R, n, r)] \\
&= \frac{m}{m-1} E \left[\left(1 - \frac{r}{n}\right) S_R^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{m}\right) | n, r \right] \\
&= \frac{m}{m-1} E [(1 - r/n) S_R^2 (1 - 1/m) | n, r] \\
&= \frac{r-1}{r} \cdot r \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= (r-1) \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R)
\end{aligned}$$

Term 3:

$$\begin{aligned}
&E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 | n, r] \\
&= E [E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2 | y_R, n, r]] \\
&= E \left[\frac{1}{m} \left(1 - \frac{r}{n}\right) S_R^2 | n, r \right] \\
&= \frac{r-1}{mr} \cdot r \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E[(\bar{y}_R|n, r)] &= E\left[\frac{1}{n}S_*^2|n, r\right] \\
&= E\left[\frac{1}{n}\left((r-1)S_R^2 + (m-1)S_{NR}^2 + \frac{rm}{n}(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2\right)\middle|n, r\right] \\
&= \frac{r-1}{n(n-1)}E[S_R^2|n, r] + \frac{m-1}{n(n-1)}E[S_{NR}^2|n, r] + \frac{rm}{n^2(n-1)}E[(\bar{y}_R - \bar{y}_{NR})^2|n, r]. \\
&= \frac{r-1}{n(n-1)} \cdot r \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) + \frac{m-1}{n(n-1)} \cdot (1 - r/n) \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) + \frac{rm}{n^2(n-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \left[\frac{r-1}{n(n-1)} \cdot r + \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{n(n-1)} + \frac{rm}{n(n-1)}\right] \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{r-1}{n(n-1)}\left(r + (m-1)(n-1) + \frac{rm}{n}\right) \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(r-1)(n-1)(r+1)}{n(n-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= (r-1)\left[\frac{n-1}{n} + \frac{r}{n}\right] \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(r-1)(n^2+r)}{n^2(n-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(r-1)(n-1)+r}{n^2(n-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(r-1)(n^2-n+r)}{n^2(n-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(n-1)(n+r)}{n^2(n-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(n+r)(r-1)(n+r)}{n^2(r-1)} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R) \\
&= \frac{(n+r)(n+1)}{n^2} \cdot \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r) \geq E[(\bar{y}_R|n, r)]$$

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(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
E(B_*|y_R) &= \frac{1}{D-1} E \left(\sum_{d=1}^D \left(\bar{y}_*^{(d)} - \bar{y}_* \right)^2 \middle| y_R \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{D-1} E \left(\sum_{d=1}^D \bar{y}_*^{(d)2} - \frac{1}{D} \left(\sum_{d=1}^D \bar{y}_*^{(d)} \right)^2 \middle| y_R \right) \\
\forall d : E(\bar{y}_*^{(d)2}|y_R) &= E(\bar{y}_*^2|y_R) = \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|y_R) + E^2(\bar{y}_*|y_R) \\
&= (1 - r^{-1}) \frac{m}{n^2} S_R^2 + \bar{y}_R^2 \\
E \left(\sum_{d=1}^D \bar{y}_*^{(d)2} | y_R \right) &= D \cdot (1 - r^{-1}) \frac{m}{n^2} S_R^2 + D \cdot \bar{y}_R^2 \\
E \left(\left(\sum_{d=1}^D \bar{y}_*^{(d)} \right)^2 \middle| y_R \right) &= \frac{1}{n^2} E \left(\sum_{d=1}^D \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^{(d)} | y_R \right) = \frac{1}{n^2} E \left(D \cdot \sum_{i=1}^r y_{iR} + \sum_{j=1}^m y_{NR,j} \middle| y_R \right) \\
&= \frac{Dr^2}{n^2} \bar{y}_R^2 + \frac{2Dr}{n^2} \bar{y}_R E \left(\sum_{j=1}^m y_{NR,j} | y_R \right) + \frac{Dm^2}{n^2} \bar{y}_R^2 \\
&= \frac{D^2 r^2}{n^2} \bar{y}_R^2 + \frac{r-1}{r} \cdot \frac{Dm}{n} S_R^2 \\
E(B_*|y_R) &= \frac{1}{D-1} \left[D \cdot (1 - r^{-1}) \frac{m}{n^2} S_R^2 + D \bar{y}_R^2 - D \bar{y}_R^2 - \frac{r-1}{r} \cdot \frac{m}{n} S_R^2 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{D-1} \left[D \cdot (1 - r^{-1}) \frac{m}{n^2} S_R^2 + D \bar{y}_R^2 - \frac{r-1}{r} \cdot \frac{m}{n^2} S_R^2 \right] \\
&= (1 - r^{-1}) \frac{m}{n^2} S_R^2 = \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|y_R)
\end{aligned}$$

□

(b)

Let \mathcal{Y} denote the population value.

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) = E(\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|y_R) | n, r, \mathcal{Y}) + \text{Var}(E(\bar{y}_*|y_R) | n, r, \mathcal{Y})$$

$$E(\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|y_R) | n, r, \mathcal{Y}) = E \left(\frac{1}{D} \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*^{(d)}|y_R) | n, r, \mathcal{Y} \right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{D} \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) - \frac{1}{D} \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y})$$

$$\text{Var}(E(\bar{y}_*|y_R)|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) = \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y})$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) = \frac{1}{D} \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) - \frac{1}{D} \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) + \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y})$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) = \frac{1}{D} \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) + (1 - D^{-1}) \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y})$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) - \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y})$$

$$= (1 - D^{-1}) [\text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) - \text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y})]$$

$$= (1 - D^{-1}) \left[-\frac{1}{r} \left(1 - \frac{r}{n}\right) (1 - r^{-1}) \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) \right] < 0$$

$$\text{Var}(\bar{y}_*|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) - \text{Var}(\bar{y}_R|n, r, \mathcal{Y}) < 0$$

So \bar{y}_* is more efficient than \bar{y}_R