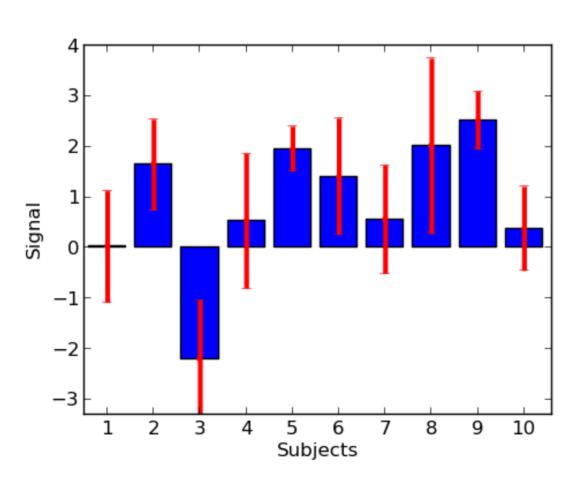
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We make observations of random variables $(\beta_i)_{i=1..n}$, that are assumed to be instances of unique random variable β . For each $i \in [1..n]$, let $\hat{\beta}_i$ and σ_i^2 be the empirical estimate and variance of β_i . What is the linear combination of these variables $\hat{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i \beta_i$ s.t. $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i = 1$ and $w_i > 0 \ \forall i \in [1..n]$ such that $\hat{\beta}$ has the minimal variance? What are the corresponding variance and effect estimates?

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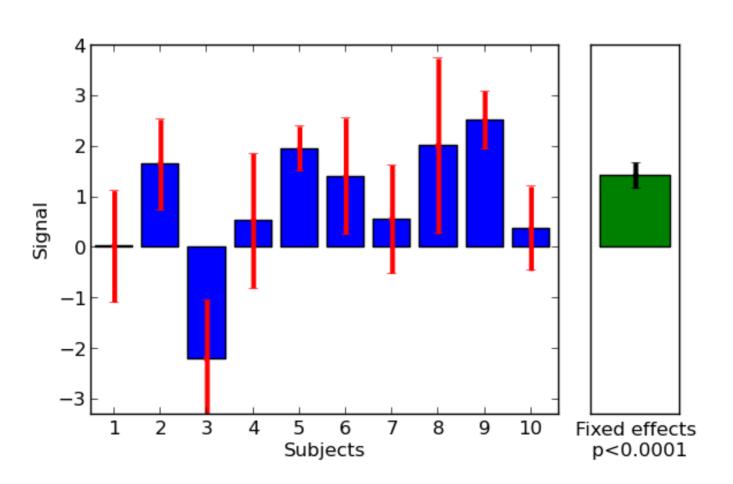
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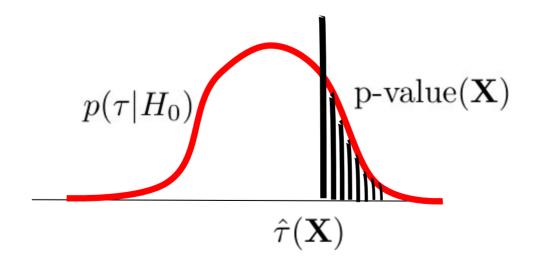
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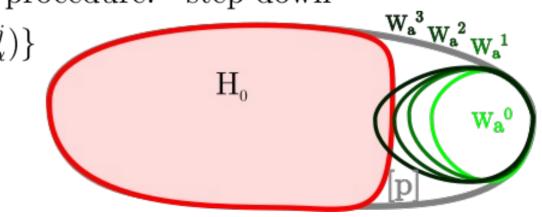
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Note: Generalization to multi-step procedure: "step-down"

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