

Preliminary analysis

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## libraries
library(dplyr)

##
## Attache Paket: 'dplyr'
## Die folgenden Objekte sind maskiert von 'package:stats':
##
##     filter, lag
## Die folgenden Objekte sind maskiert von 'package:base':
##
##     intersect, setdiff, setequal, union

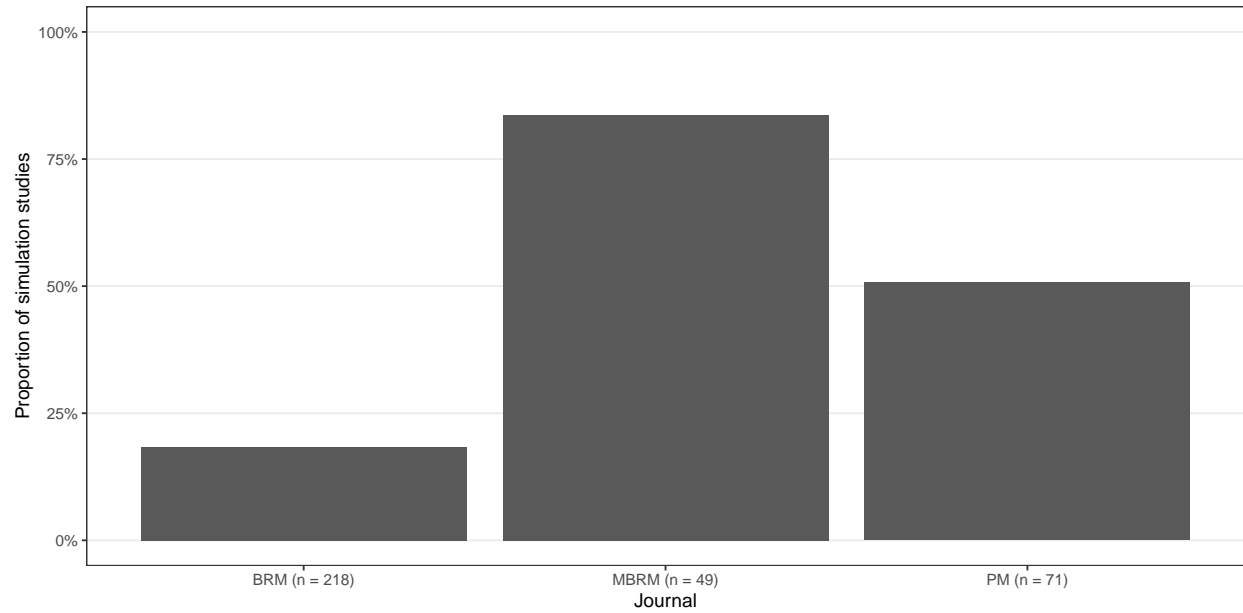
library(tidyr)
library(ggplot2)
library(colorspace)
library(ggpubr)
library(stringr)
library(forcats)
theme_set(theme_bw() +
            theme(legend.position = "top",
                  panel.grid.minor = element_blank()))
pal <- "Dark 2" # change palette here

## data
sim_res_fac_full <- readRDS(file = "data/sim_res_fac.RDS")
sim_res_num_full <- readRDS(file = "data/sim_res_num.RDS")

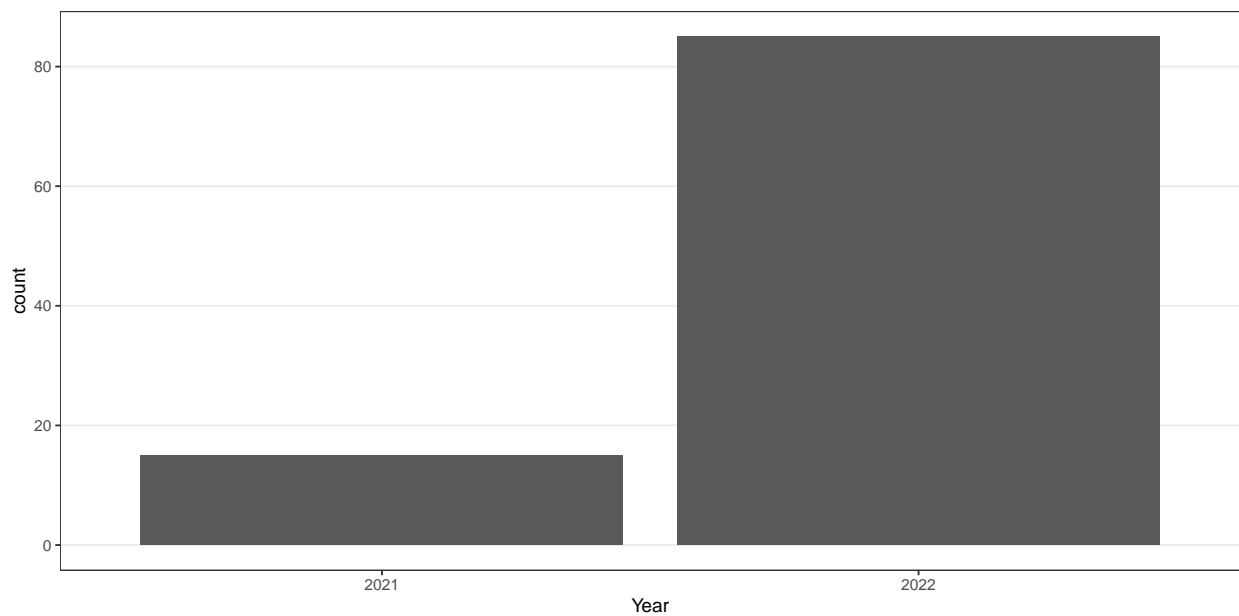
# subset assessment only
sim_res_fac <- sim_res_fac_full %>%
  filter(simstudy_q1 == "yes",
         coding_type == "assessment")
sim_res_num <- sim_res_num_full %>%
  filter(simstudy_q1 == "yes",
         coding_type == "assessment")

## proportion of simulation studies by journal
sim_res_fac_full %>%
  group_by(journal) %>%
  summarize(propSim = mean(simstudy_q1 == "yes"),
            n = n()) %>%
  mutate(journalLab = paste0(journal, " (n = ", n, ")")) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = journalLab, y = propSim)) +
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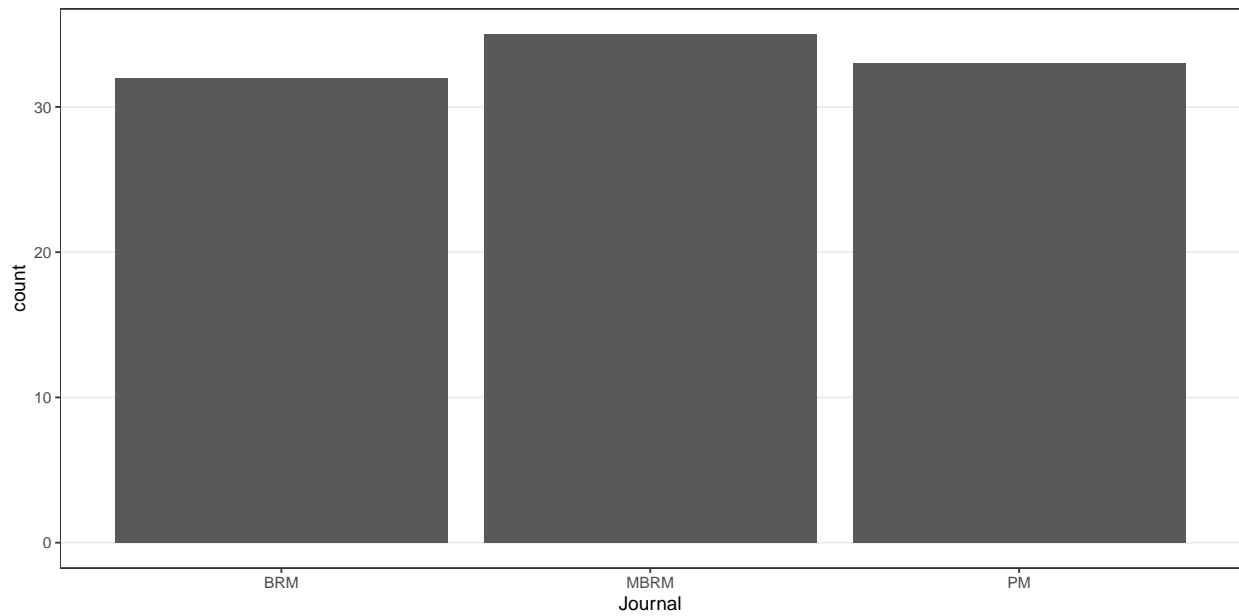
```
geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
scale_y_continuous(labels = scales::percent, limits = c(0, 1)) +
labs(x = "Journal", y = "Proportion of simulation studies") +
theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



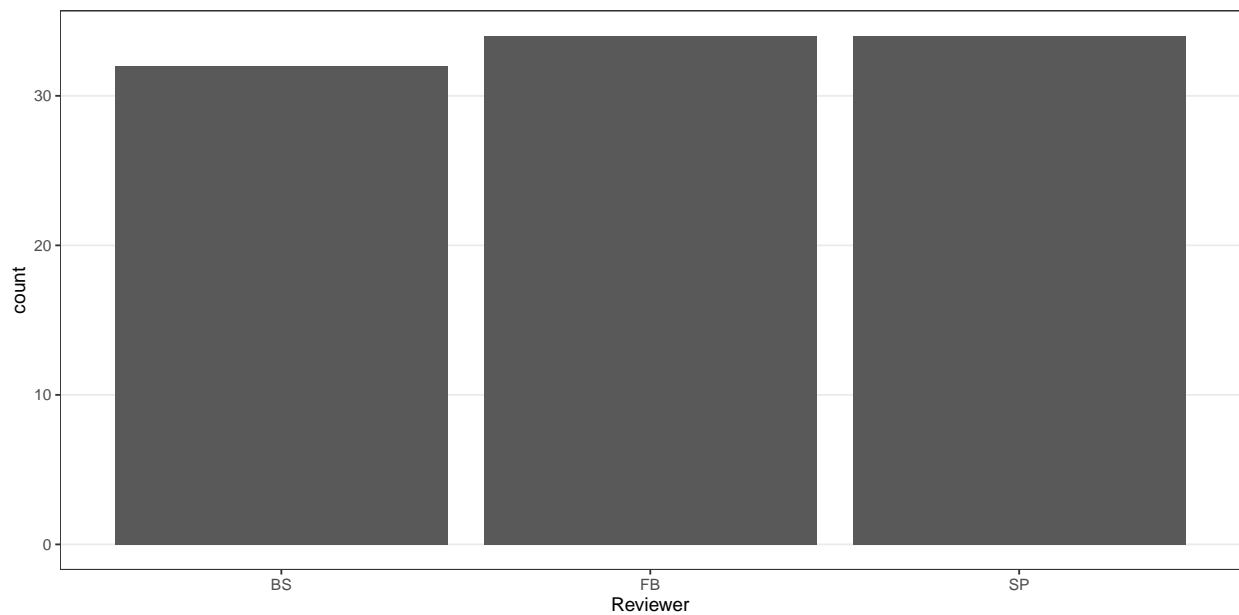
```
## year
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = factor(year))) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Year") +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



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## journal
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Journal") +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```

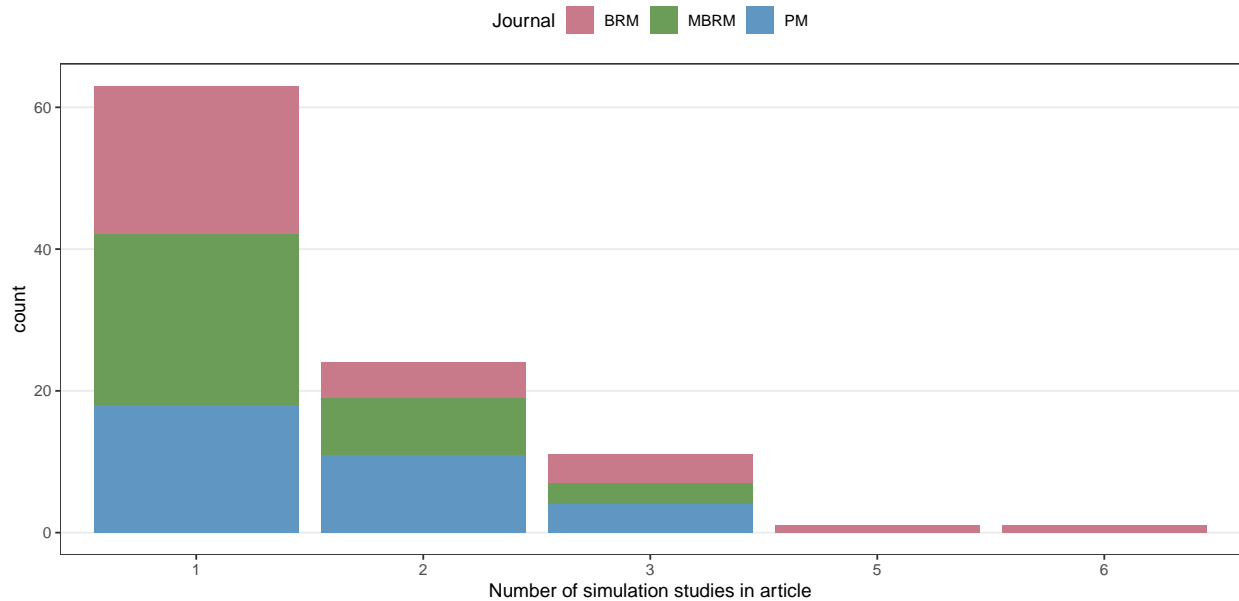


```
## reviewer
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = reviewer)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Reviewer") +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



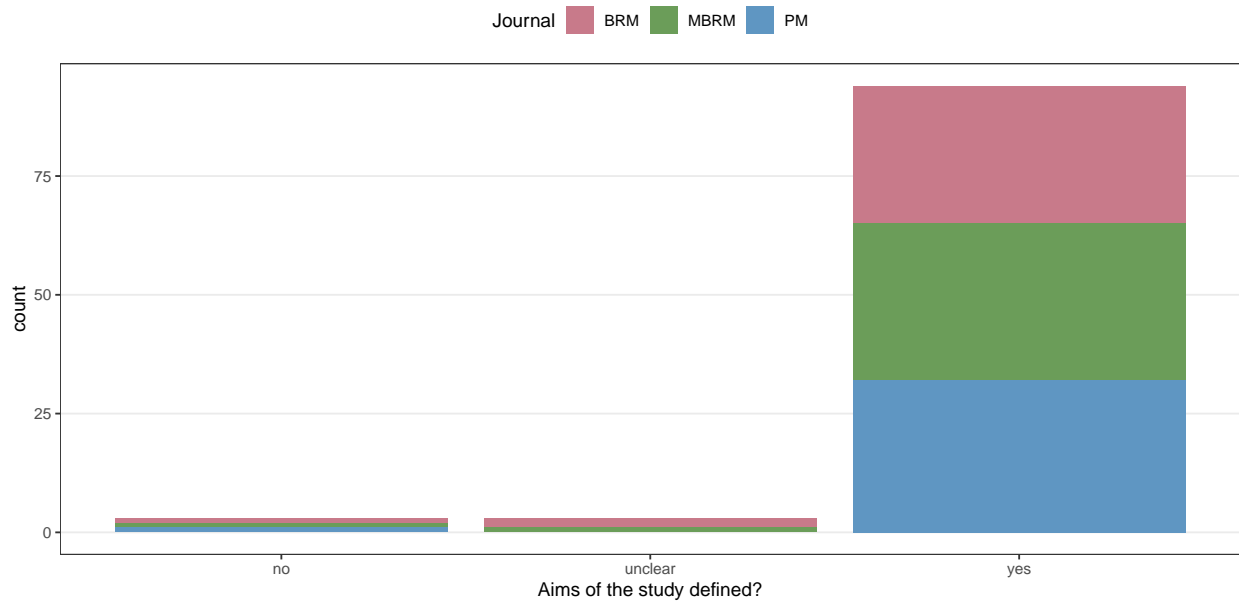
```
## Q2 number of simulation studies
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```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = nsimstudies_q2, fill = journal)) +  
  geom_bar() +  
  labs(x = "Number of simulation studies in article", fill = "Journal") +  
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +  
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



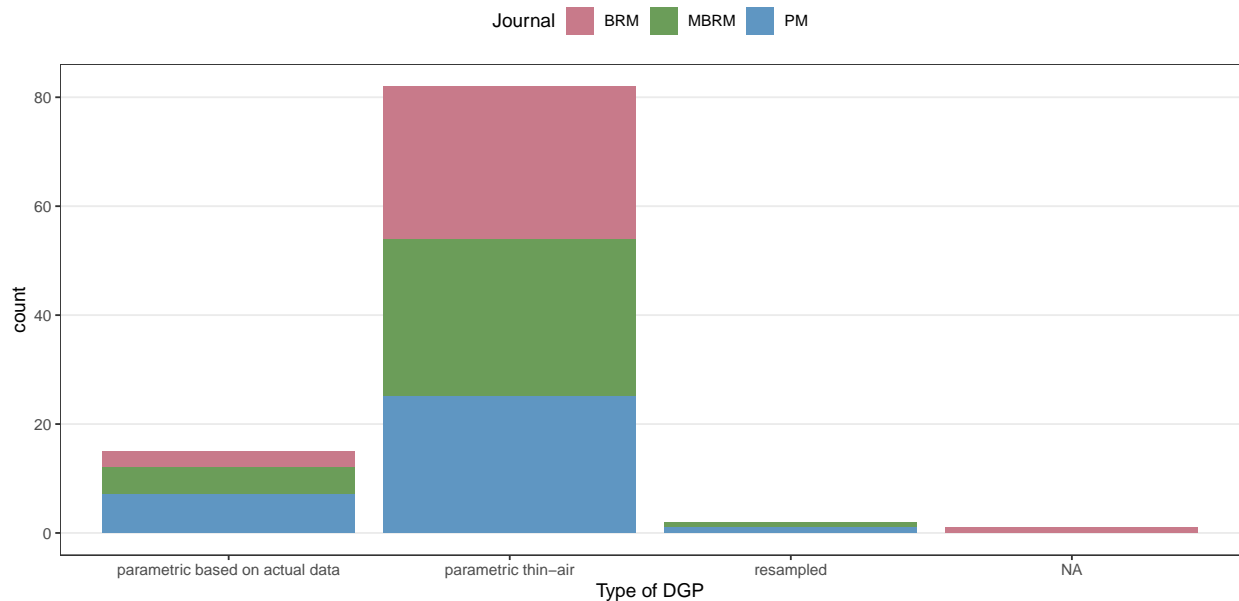
```
## Q3 are the aims of the study defined
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```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = aimsdefined_q3, fill = journal)) +  
  geom_bar() +  
  labs(x = "Aims of the study defined?", fill = "Journal") +  
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +  
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



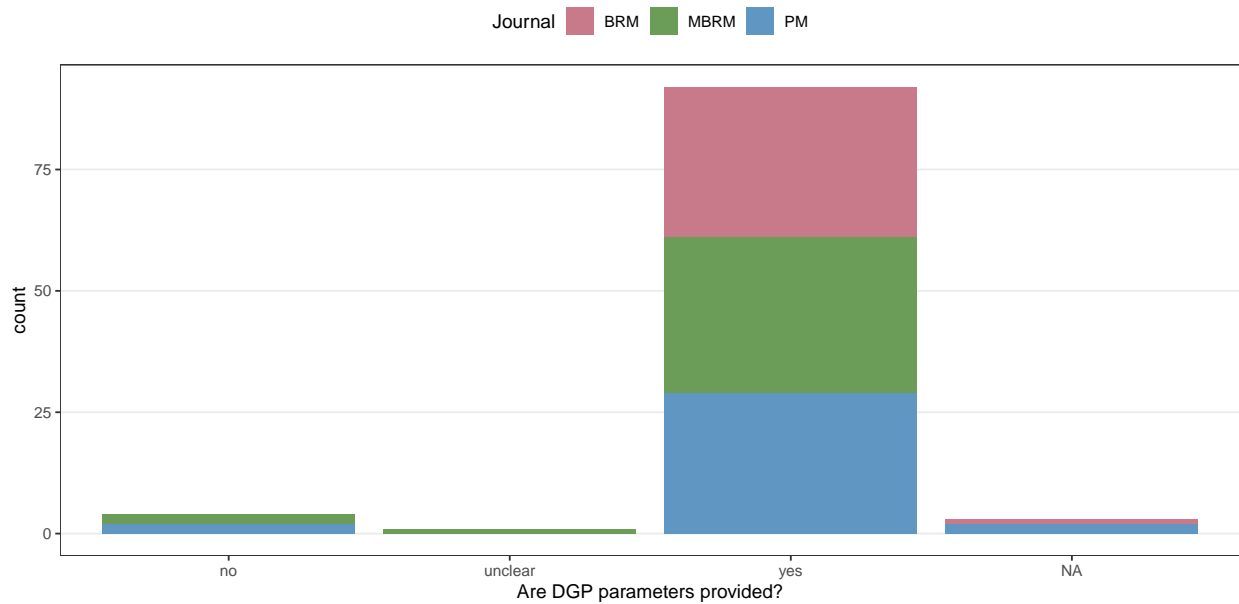
Q4 type of DGP

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = dgptype_q4, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Type of DGP", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



Q5 DGP parameters provided?

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = dgpparameters_q5, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Are DGP parameters provided?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



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## Q6 How many conditions?
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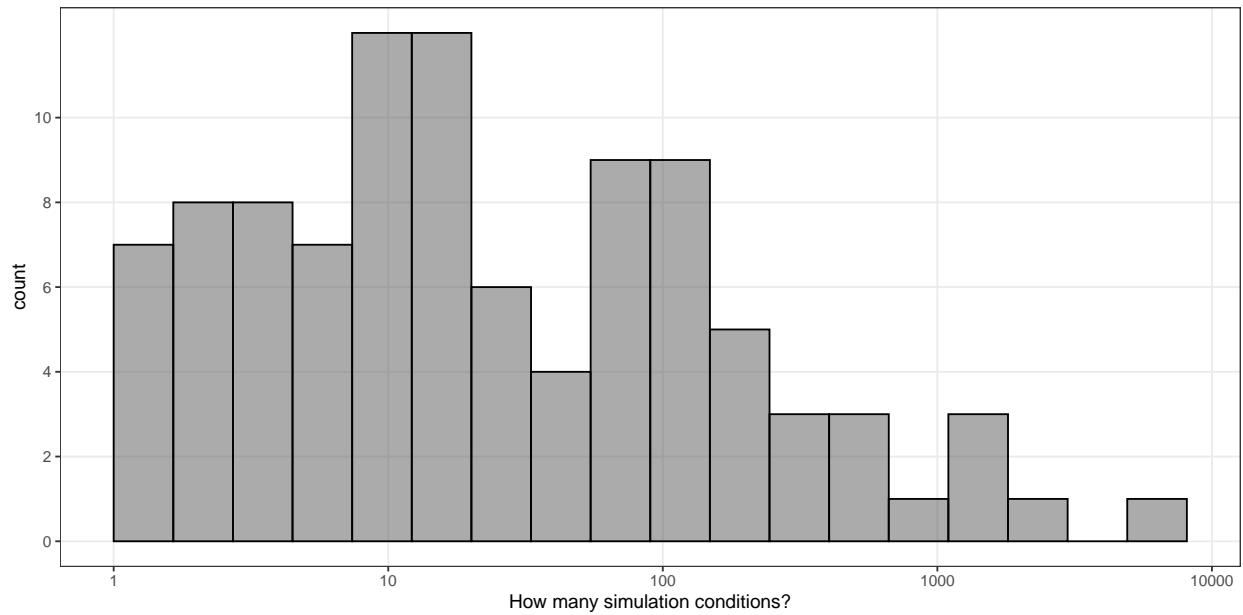
```
summary(sim_res_num$nconds_q6)
```

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##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.     NA's
##       1.0     5.0     16.0   185.8   96.0   6000.0         1
```

```
breaks <- c(1, 10, 100, 1000, 10000)
```

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_num, aes(x = log(nconds_q6))) +
  geom_histogram(breaks = seq(0, log(10000), 0.5), col = 1, alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = log(breaks), labels = breaks) +
  scale_y_continuous(breaks = seq(0, 10, 2)) +
  labs(x = "How many simulation conditions?", fill = "Journal")
```

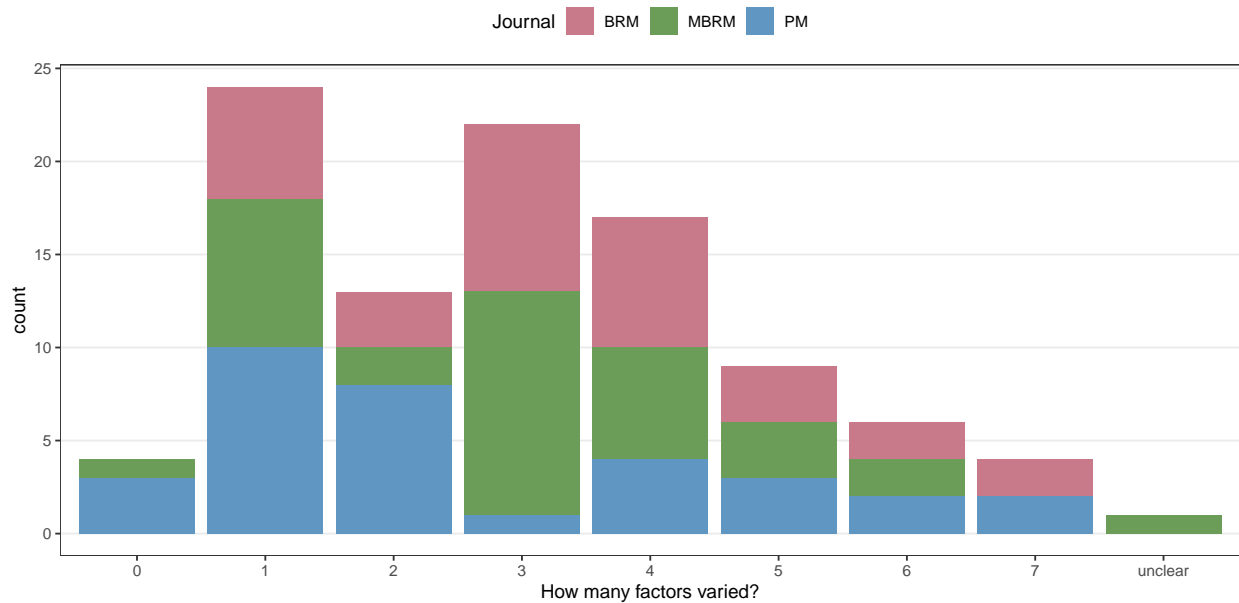
```
## Warning: Removed 1 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_bin()`).
```



Q7 How many factors?

```
sim_res_num %>%
  mutate(factorsvaried_q7_fac = ifelse(is.na(factorsvaried_q7),
                                       "unclear", factorsvaried_q7)) %>%

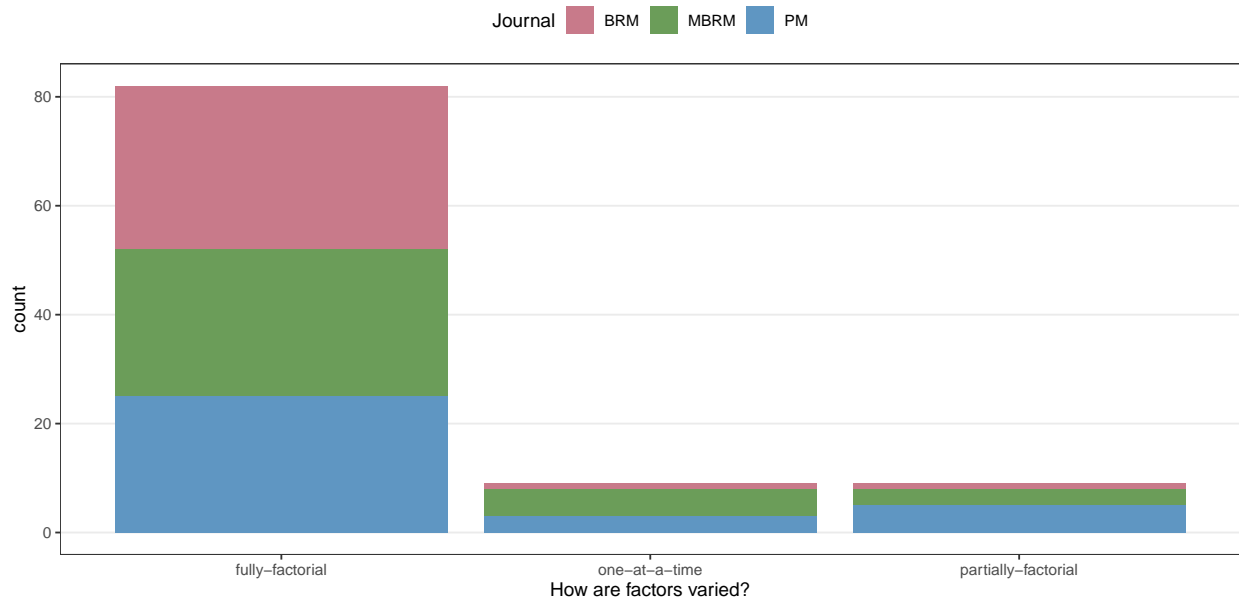
  ggplot(aes(x = factorsvaried_q7_fac, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "How many factors varied?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



Q7 Fully factorial?

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = dgmfactorial_q7, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
```

```
labs(x = "How are factors varied?", fill = "Journal") +
scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```

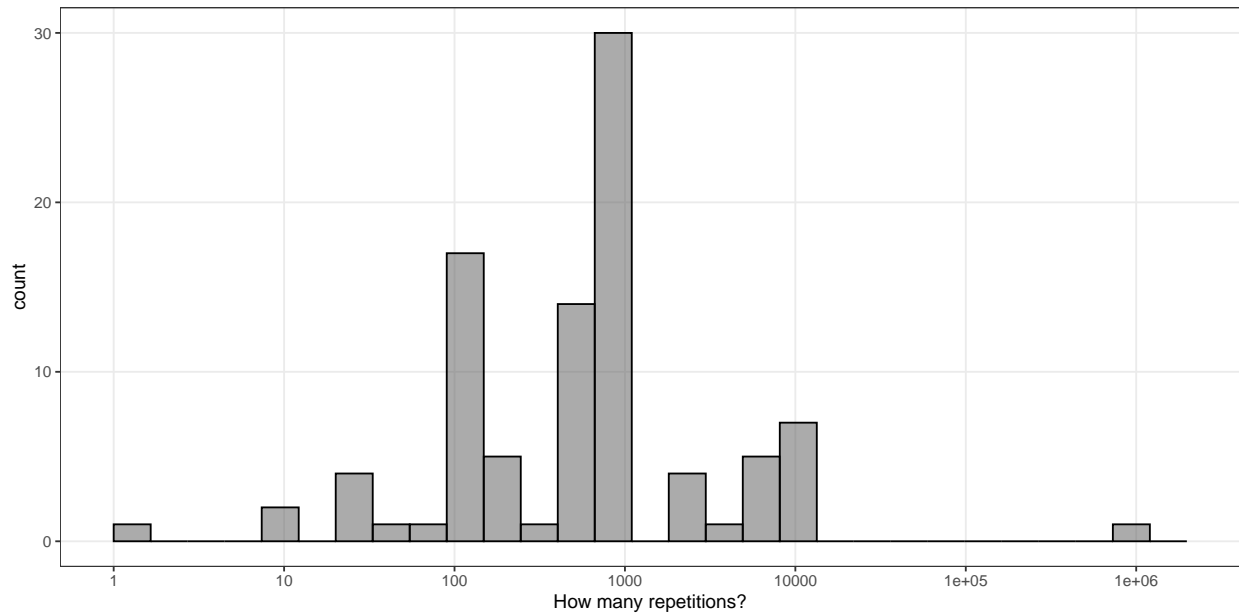


```
## Q8 How many repetitions?
summary(sim_res_num$nsim_q8)
```

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##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.     NA's
##         1     100     900   12198    1000 1000000         6
```

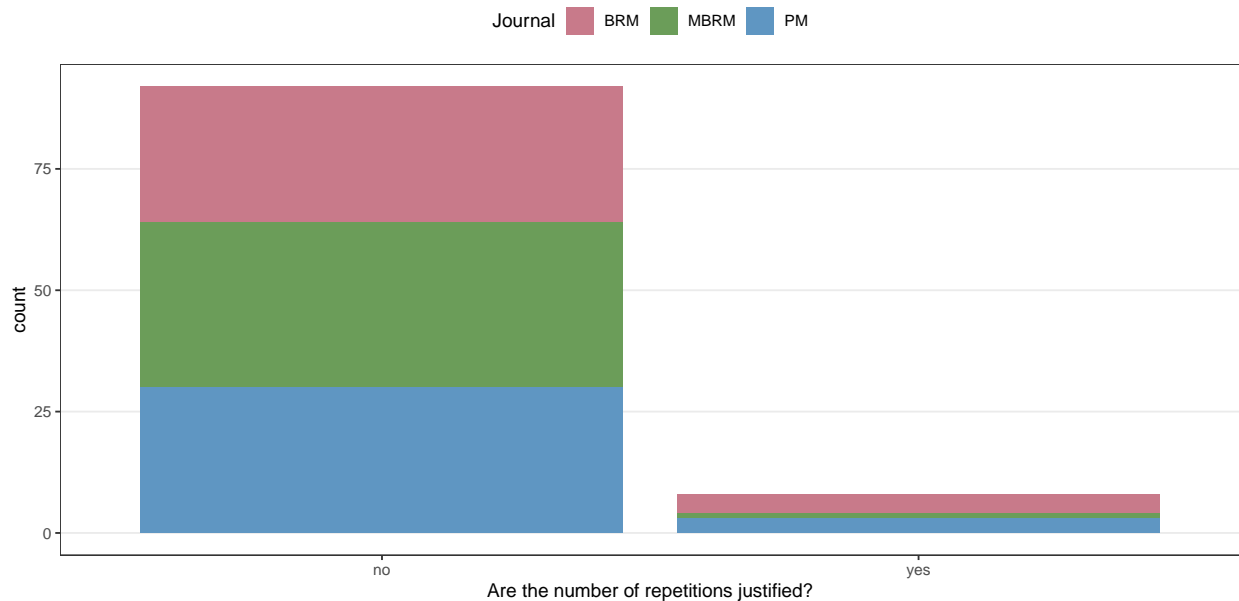
```
breaks <- c(1, 10, 100, 1000, 10000, 100000, 1000000)
ggplot(data = sim_res_num, aes(x = log(nsim_q8))) +
  geom_histogram(breaks = seq(0, log(2000000), 0.5), col = 1, alpha = 0.5) +
  labs(x = "How many repetitions?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = log(breaks), labels = breaks)
```

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## Warning: Removed 6 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_bin()`).
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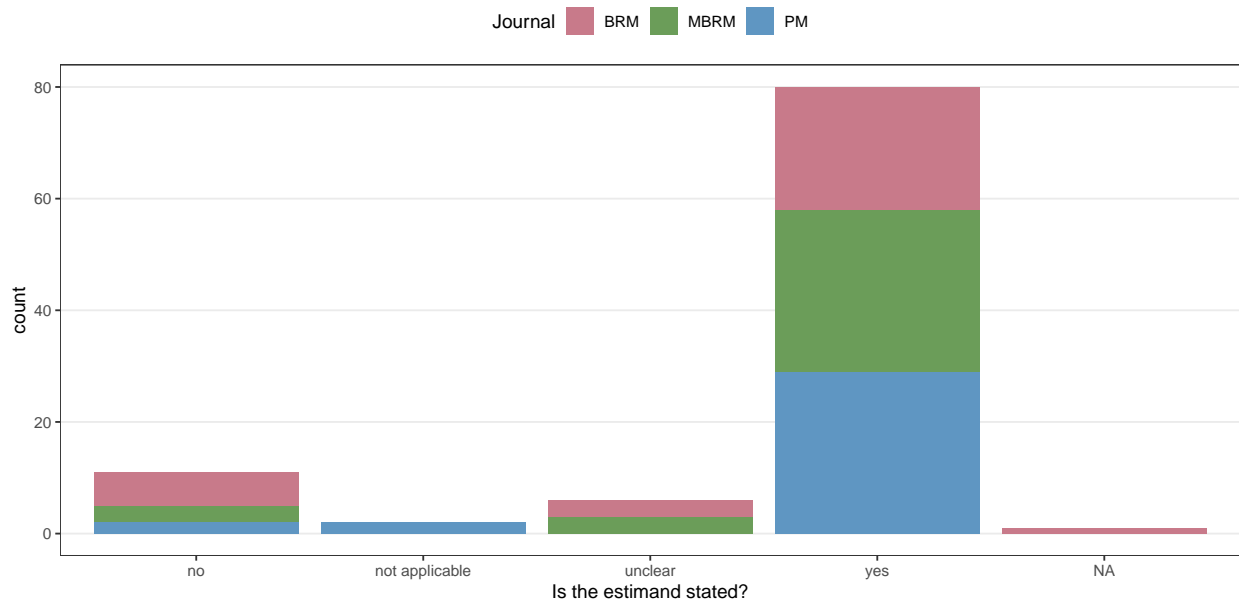
Q9 Are the number of repetitions justified?

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = nsimjustified_q9, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Are the number of repetitions justified?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



Q10 Is the estimand stated?

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = estimandstated_q10, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Is the estimand stated?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



Q11 How many estimands?

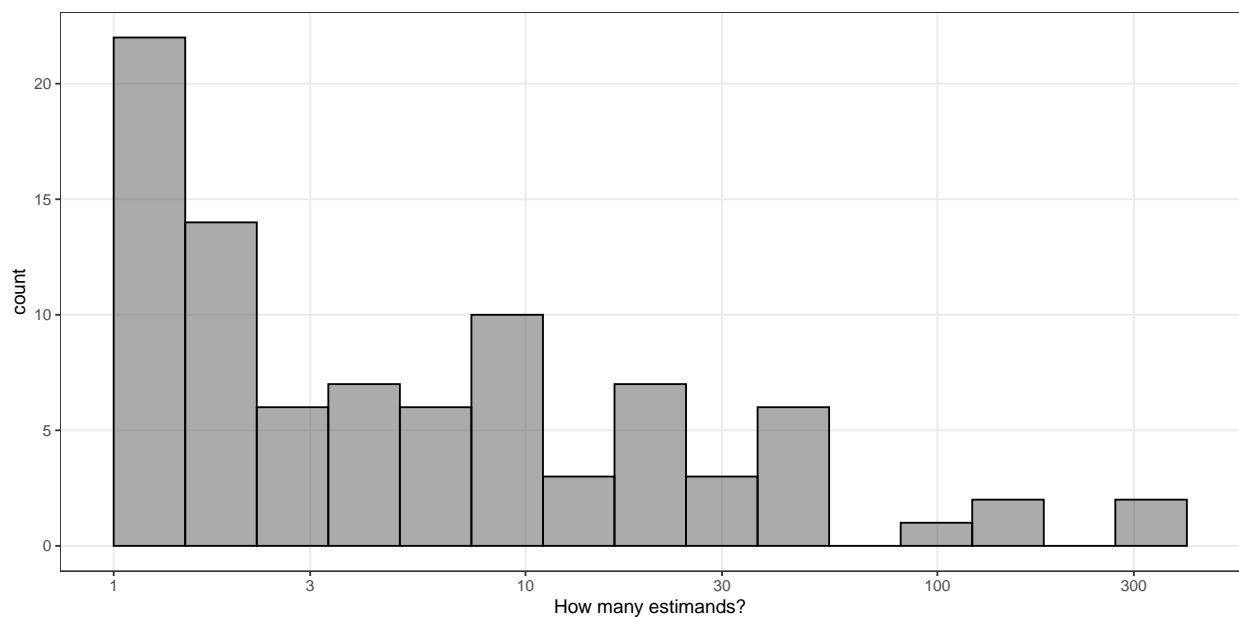
```
summary(sim_res_num$nestimands_q11)
```

```
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.   NA's
##      1.00   2.00   4.00  20.11  15.00  384.00    11
```

```
breaks <- c(1, 3, 10, 30, 100, 300)
```

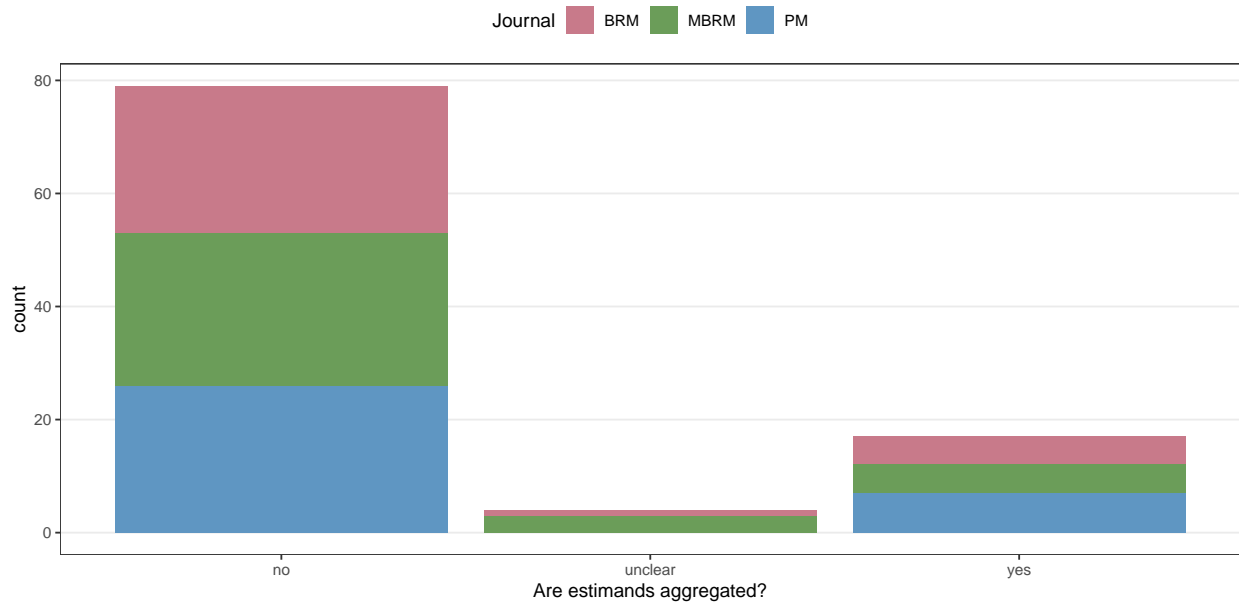
```
ggplot(data = sim_res_num, aes(x = log(nestimands_q11))) +
  geom_histogram(breaks = seq(0, log(500), 0.4), col = 1, alpha = 0.5) +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = log(breaks), labels = breaks) +
  labs(x = "How many estimands?", fill = "Journal")
```

Warning: Removed 11 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_bin()`).



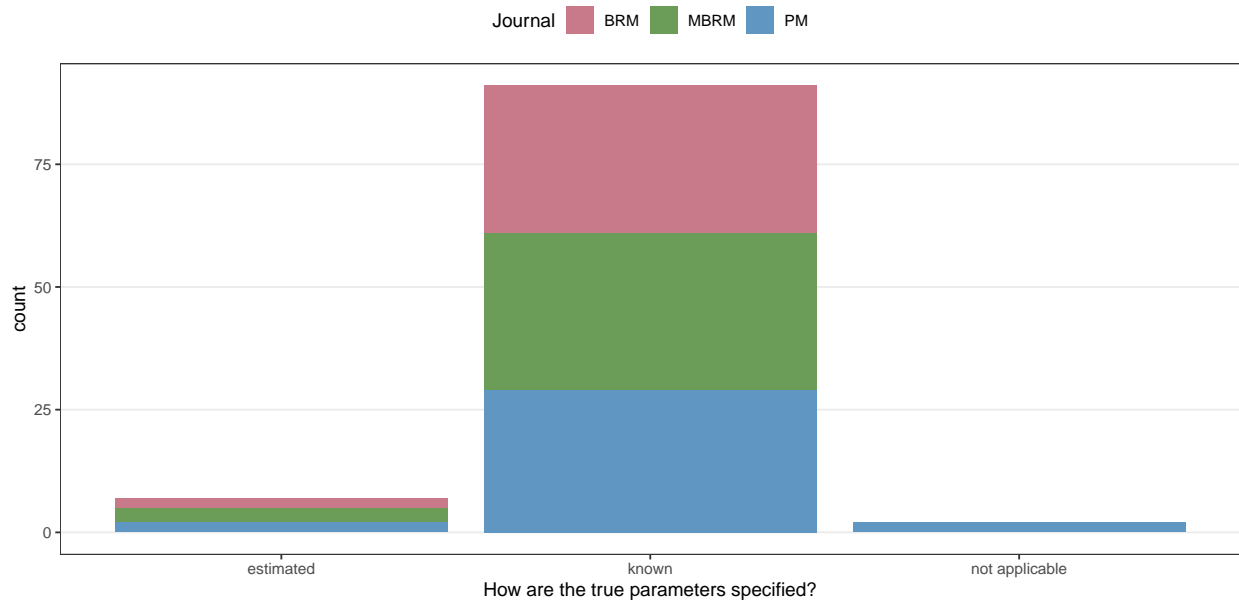
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## Q12 Are estimands aggregated?
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```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = estimandsagg_q12, fill = journal)) +  
  geom_bar() +  
  labs(x = "Are estimands aggregated?", fill = "Journal") +  
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +  
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



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## Q13 How are the true parameters specified?
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```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = truetheta_q13, fill = journal)) +  
  geom_bar() +  
  labs(x = "How are the true parameters specified?", fill = "Journal") +  
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +  
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



```
## Q14 How many methods are included?
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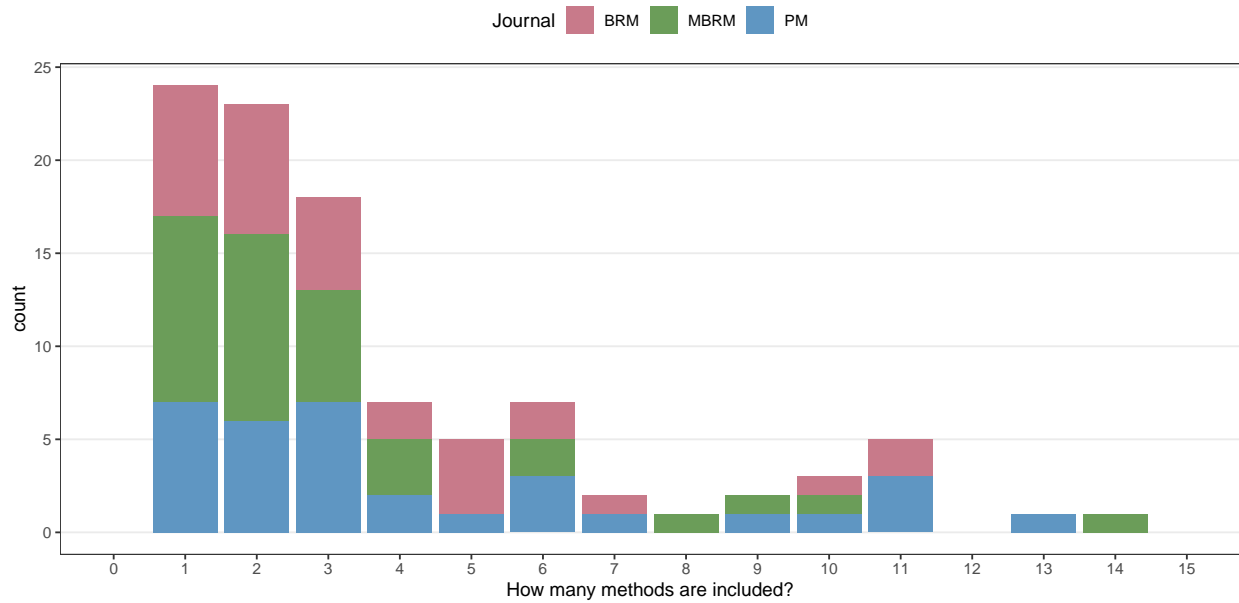
```
summary(sim_res_num$nmethods_q14)
```

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##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
##      1.00   2.00   3.00   5.63   5.00  192.00
```

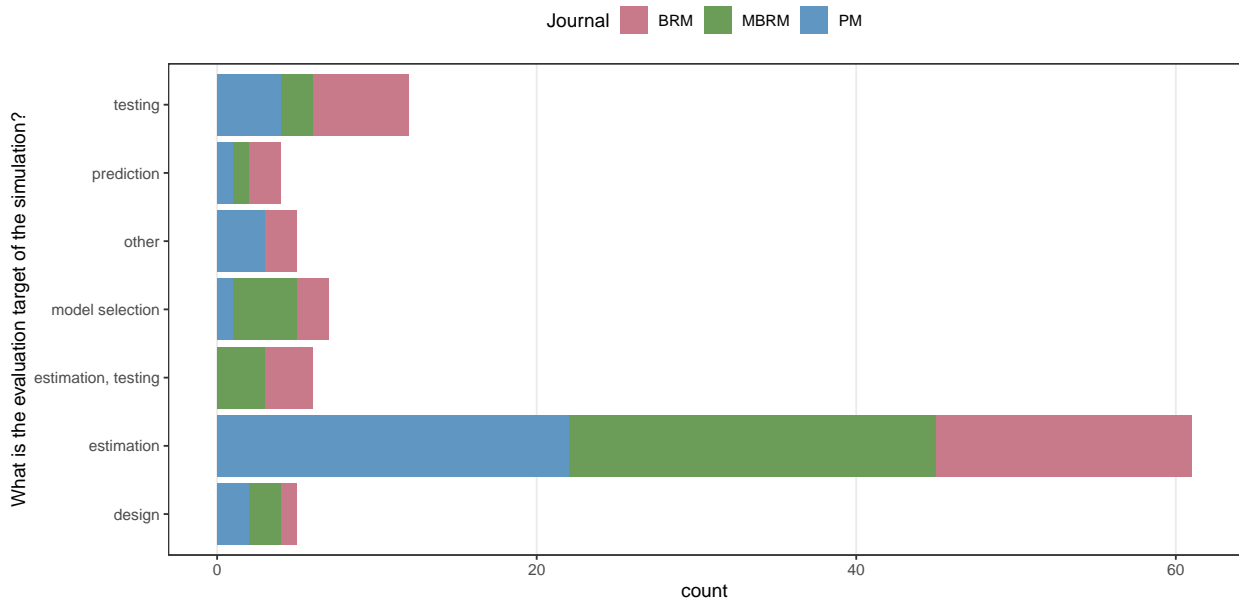
```
# HACK there is one study with 192 methods, let's exclude it for a moment
```

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_num, aes(x = nmethods_q14, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(0, 15), limits = c(0, 15)) +
  labs(x = "How many methods are included?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```

```
## Warning: Removed 1 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_count()`).
```



```
## Q15 What is the evaluation target of the simulation?
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = target_q15, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "What is the evaluation target of the simulation?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.y = element_blank()) +
  coord_flip()
```



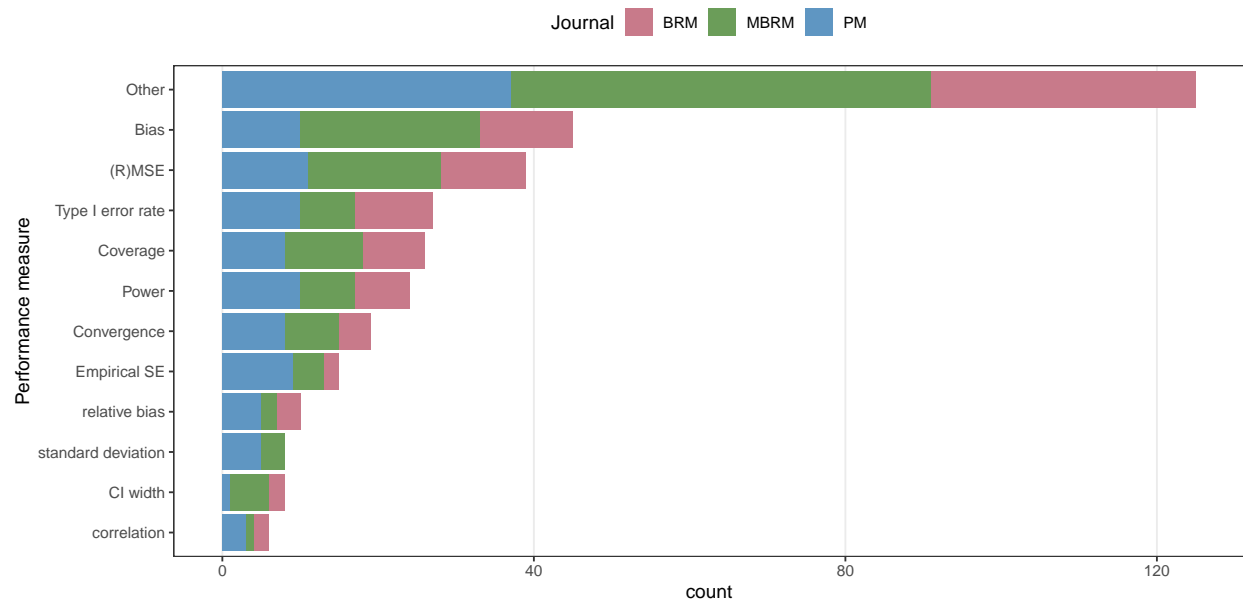
```
## Q15 Which performance measures were used?
# Spread "Other" apart
# TODO add to the visualization after deciding on treatment of bias
q15_other <- sim_res_fac %>%
  separate_wider_delim(pmother_q15,
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        delim = ",",
        names_sep = "_",
        too_few = "align_start") %>%
pivot_longer(cols = contains("pmother"),
              names_to = NULL,
              values_to = "pmother",
              values_drop_na = TRUE) %>%
select(pmother, journal) %>%
# remove whitespace
mutate(pmother = str_trim(pmother)) %>%
mutate(pmother = str_replace(pmother, ".*correlation.*", "correlation")) %>%
mutate(pmother = str_replace(pmother, ".*standard deviation.*", "standard deviation")) %>%
mutate(pmother = as.factor(pmother)) %>%
mutate(pmother = forcats::fct_lump_n(pmother, 3)) %>%
group_by(journal) %>%
count(pmother) %>%
rename(PM = pmother,
       count = n)

# Visualize
sim_res_fac %>%
group_by(journal) %>%
summarise("Convergence" = sum(pmconvergence_q15 == "yes"),
          "Bias" = sum(pmbias_q15 == "yes"),
          "Empirical SE" = sum(pmempse_q15 == "yes"),
          "(R)MSE" = sum(pm_r_mse_q15 == "yes"),
          "Coverage" = sum(pmcover_q15 == "yes"),
          "Type I error rate" = sum(pmtypeierror_q15 == "yes"),
          "Power" = sum(pmpower_q15 == "yes"),
          "CI width" = sum(pmcwidth_q15 == "yes"),
          "Other" = sum(!is.na(pmother_q15))) %>%
gather(key = "PM", value = "count", "Convergence", "Bias", "(R)MSE",
       "Empirical SE", "Coverage", "Type I error rate",
       "Power", "CI width", "Other") %>%
bind_rows(q15_other) %>%
mutate(PM = as.factor(PM)) %>%
mutate(PM = reorder(PM, count, sum)) %>%
ggplot(aes(x = PM, y = count, fill = journal)) +
geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
labs(x = "Performance measure", fill = "Journal") +
scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
theme(panel.grid.major.y = element_blank()) +
coord_flip()

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Double check if absolute/relative bias ever occur with bias rated as "no"

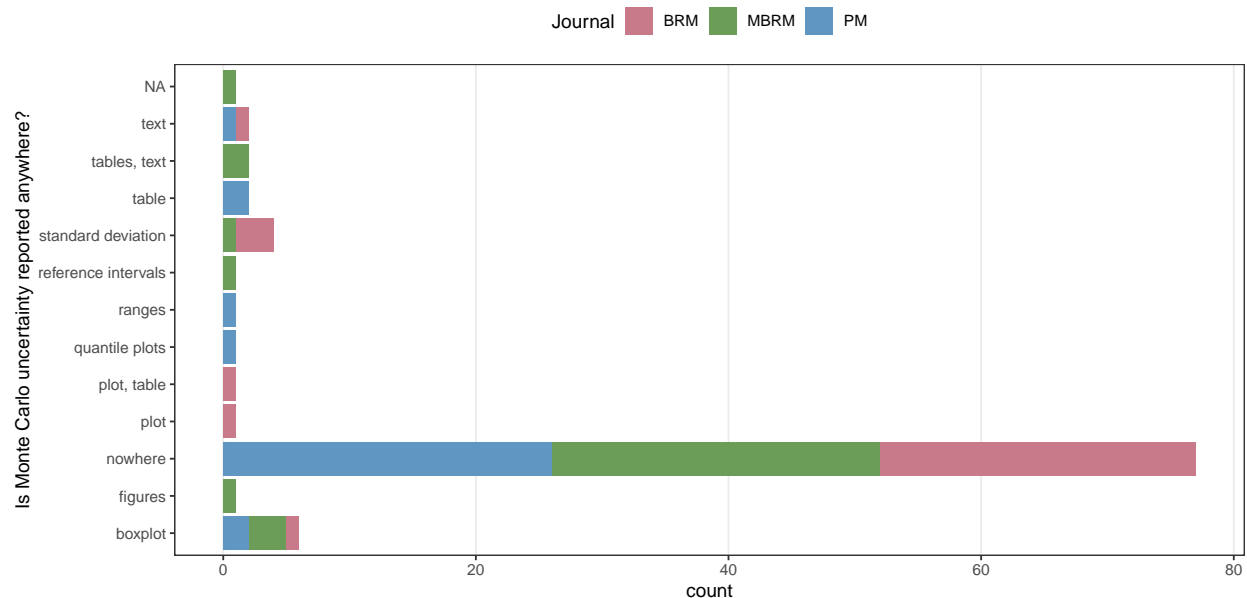
```
sim_res_fac %>%
  separate_wider_delim(pmother_q15,
    delim = ",",
    names_sep = "_",
    too_few = "align_start") %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = contains("pmother"),
    names_to = NULL,
    values_to = "pmother",
    values_drop_na = TRUE) %>%
  mutate(pmother = str_trim(pmother)) %>%
  # mutate(pmother = str_replace(pmother, ".*bias.*", "bias")) %>%
  filter(grepl("bias", pmother)) %>%
  select(reviewer, pmbias_q15, pmother)
```

```
## # A tibble: 18 x 3
##   reviewer pmbias_q15 pmother
##   <fct>    <fct>      <chr>
## 1 FB      yes      absolute bias
## 2 FB      yes      relative bias
## 3 FB      yes      relative bias
## 4 FB      no       absolute bias
## 5 FB      yes      bias of standard errors
## 6 FB      no       relative bias
## 7 FB      yes      relative bias
## 8 FB      no       relative bias
## 9 FB      no       relative bias of standard errors
## 10 FB     no       relative bias
## 11 FB     no       relative bias
## 12 FB     no       relative bias
## 13 FB     no       relative bias of se
## 14 FB     no       relative bias
## 15 FB     no       absolute relative bias
## 16 FB     yes      relative bias of se
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## 17 FB      no      relative bias
## 18 BS      yes     SD of SE bias (as uncertainty)
```

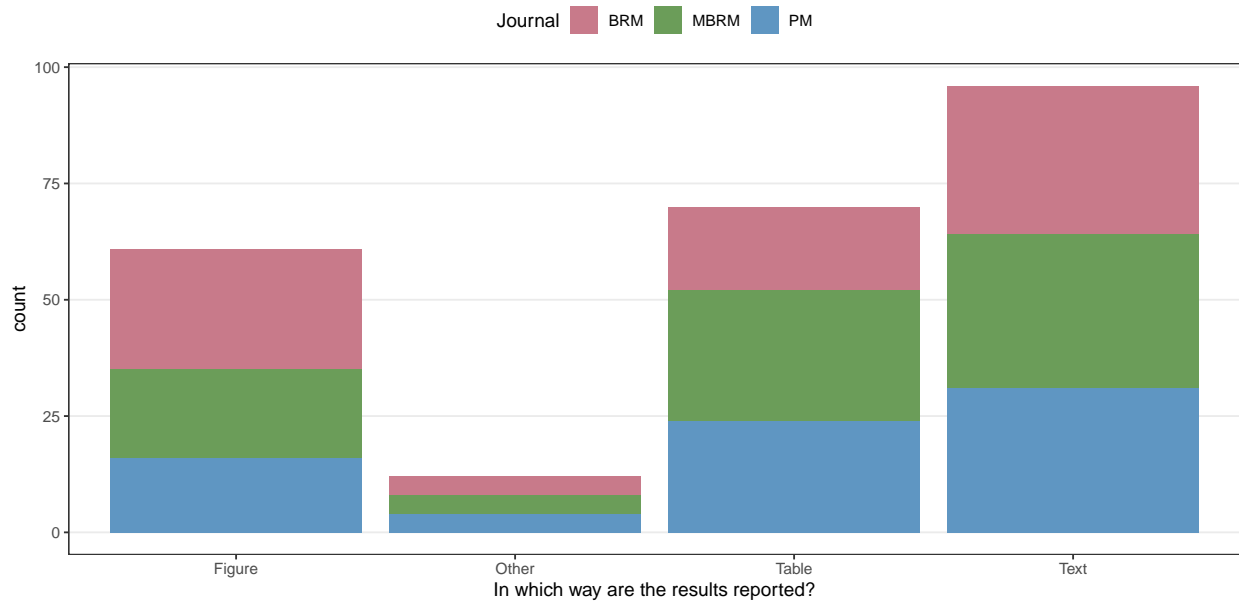
```
## Q16 Is Monte Carlo uncertainty reported anywhere?
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```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = merrors_q16, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Is Monte Carlo uncertainty reported anywhere?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.y = element_blank()) +
  coord_flip()
```

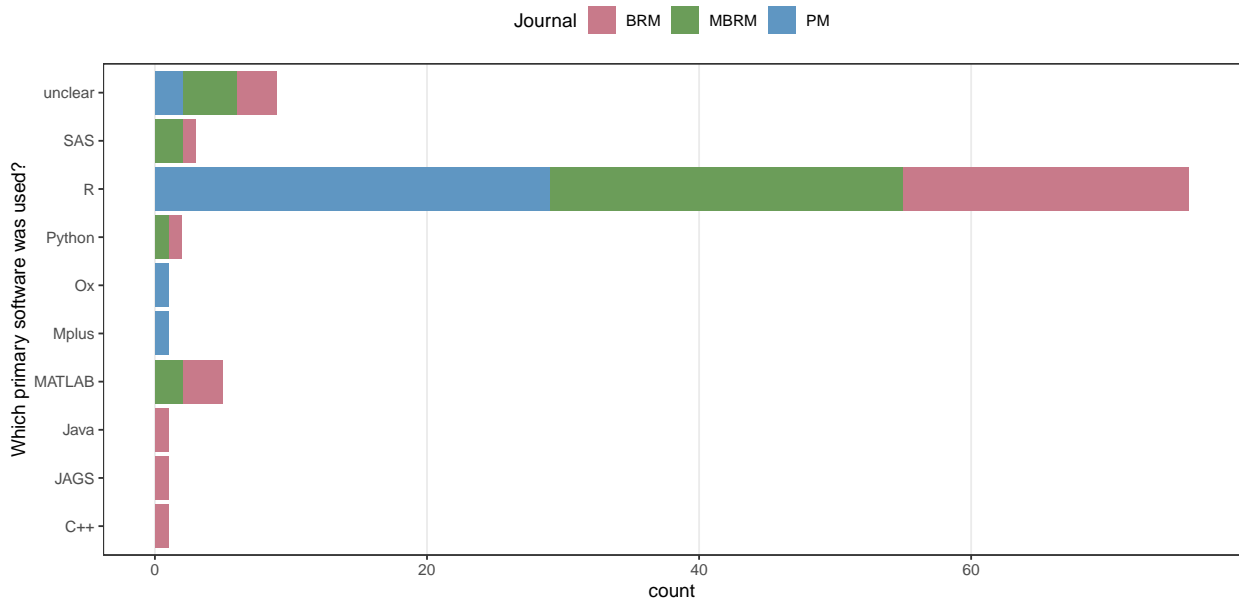


```
## Q17 In which way are the results reported?
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```
sim_res_fac %>%
  group_by(journal) %>%
  summarise("Figure" = sum(resultsfigure_q17 == "yes"),
            "Table" = sum(resultstable_q17 == "yes"),
            "Text" = sum(resultstext_q17 == "yes"),
            "Other" = sum(resultsother_q17 == "yes")) %>%
  gather(key = "Type", value = "count", "Figure", "Table", "Text", "Other") %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = Type, y = count, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar(stat = "identity") +
  labs(x = "In which way are the results reported?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```

```
## Q18 Which software was used to conduct the simulation?
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = software_1_q18, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Which primary software was used?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.y = element_blank()) +
  coord_flip()
```

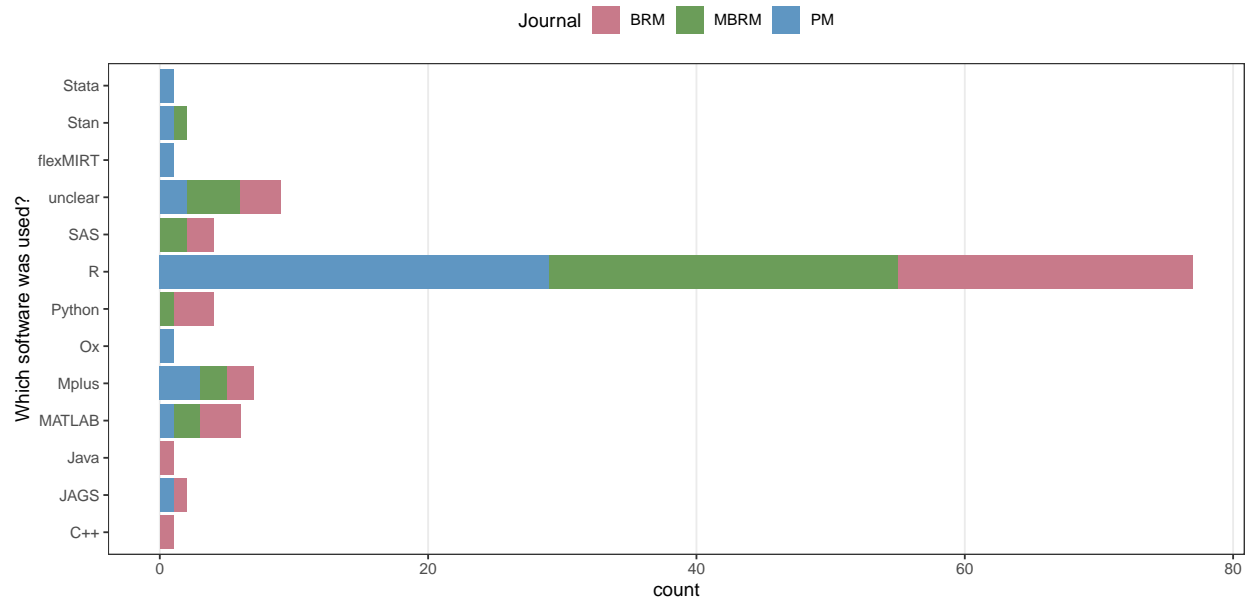


```
# add information from software_2_q18 and software_3_q18
sim_res_fac %>%
  select(starts_with("software"), journal) %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = starts_with("software"),
    names_to = NULL,
```

```

    values_to = "software",
    values_drop_na = TRUE) %>%
ggplot(aes(x = software, fill = journal)) +
geom_bar() +
labs(x = "Which software was used?", fill = "Journal") +
scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
theme(panel.grid.major.y = element_blank()) +
coord_flip()

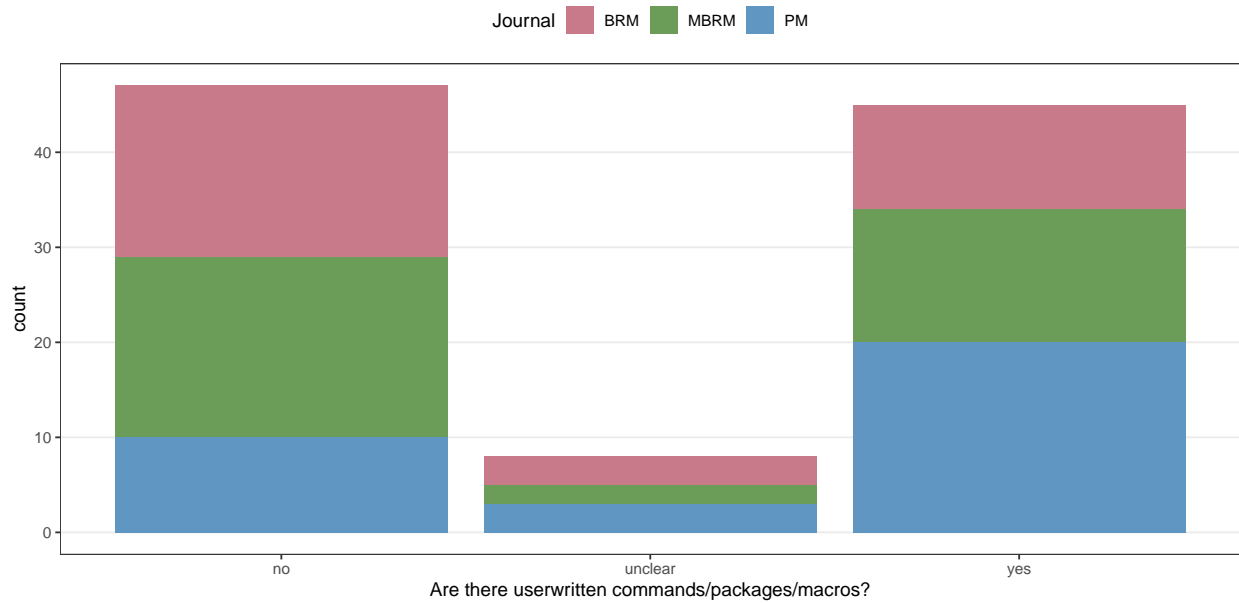
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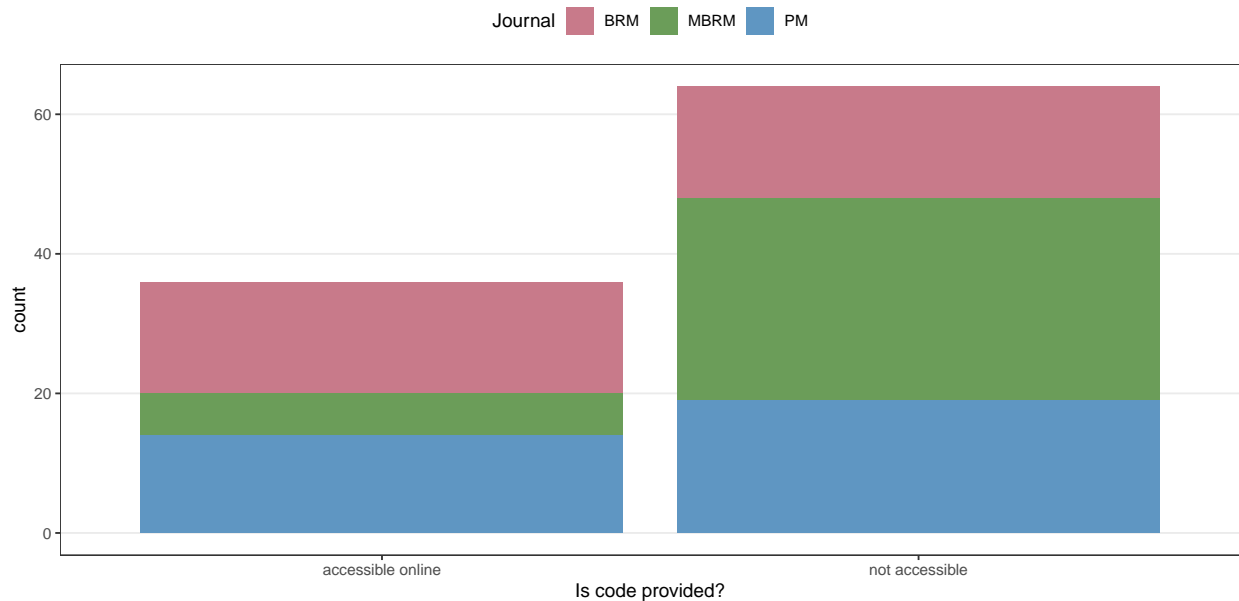
## Q19 Are there userwritten commands/packages/macros?
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = userwritten_q19, fill = journal)) +
geom_bar() +
labs(x = "Are there userwritten commands/packages/macros?", fill = "Journal") +
scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())

```



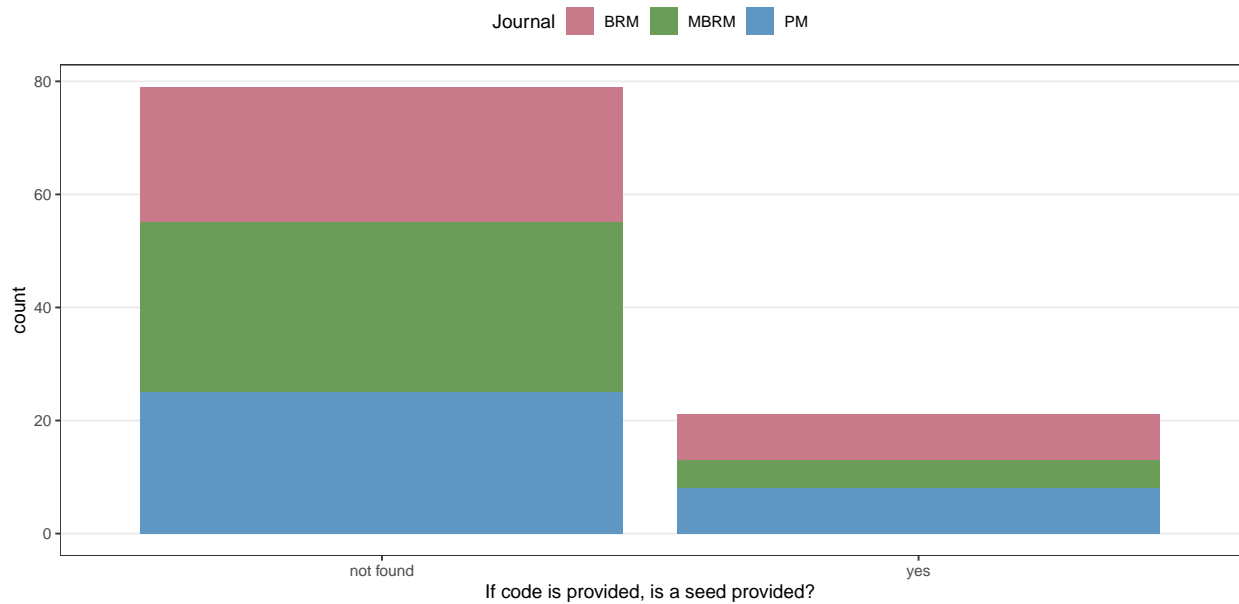
Q20 Is code provided?

```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = codeprovided_q20, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Is code provided?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```

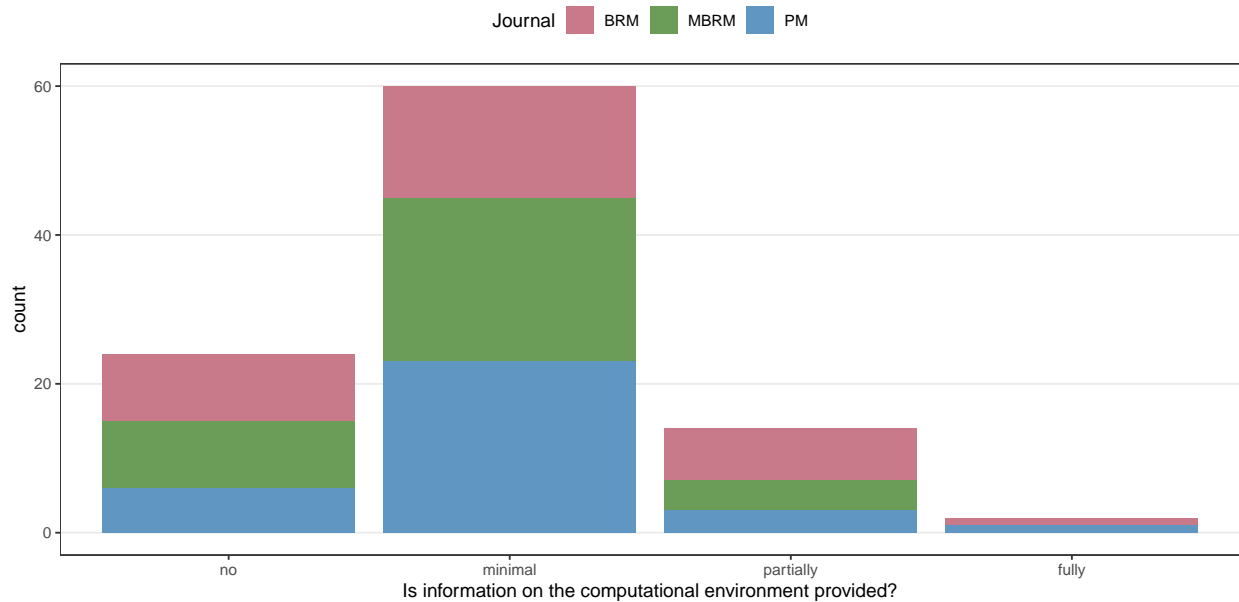


Q21 If code is provided, is a seed provided?

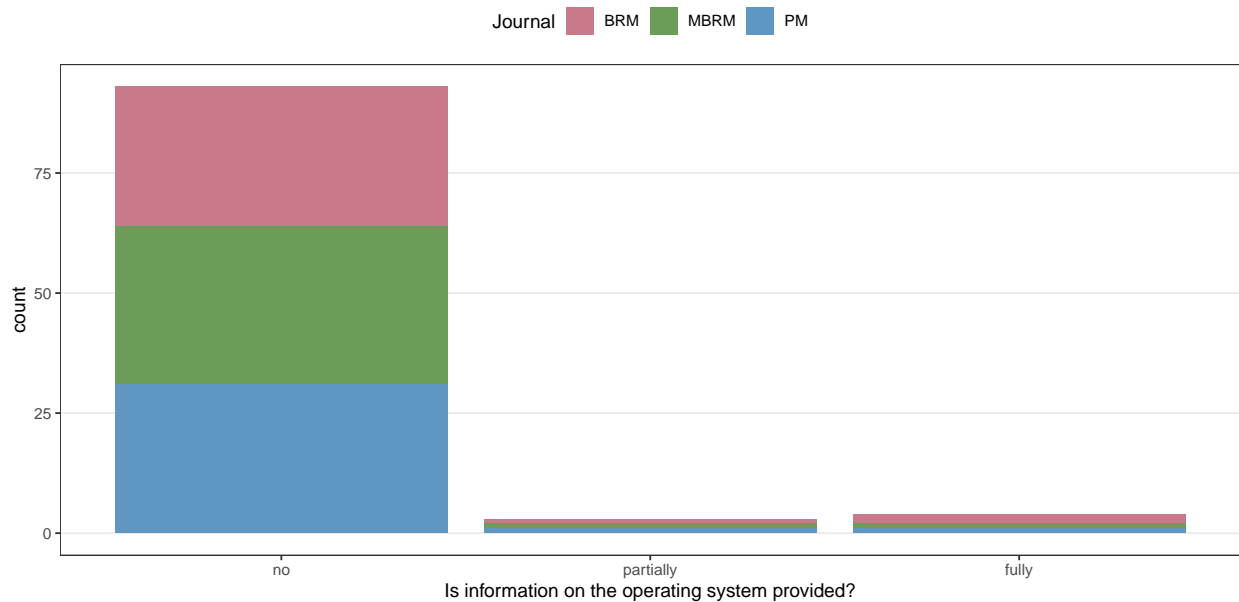
```
ggplot(data = sim_res_fac, aes(x = seedprovided_q21, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "If code is provided, is a seed provided?", fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



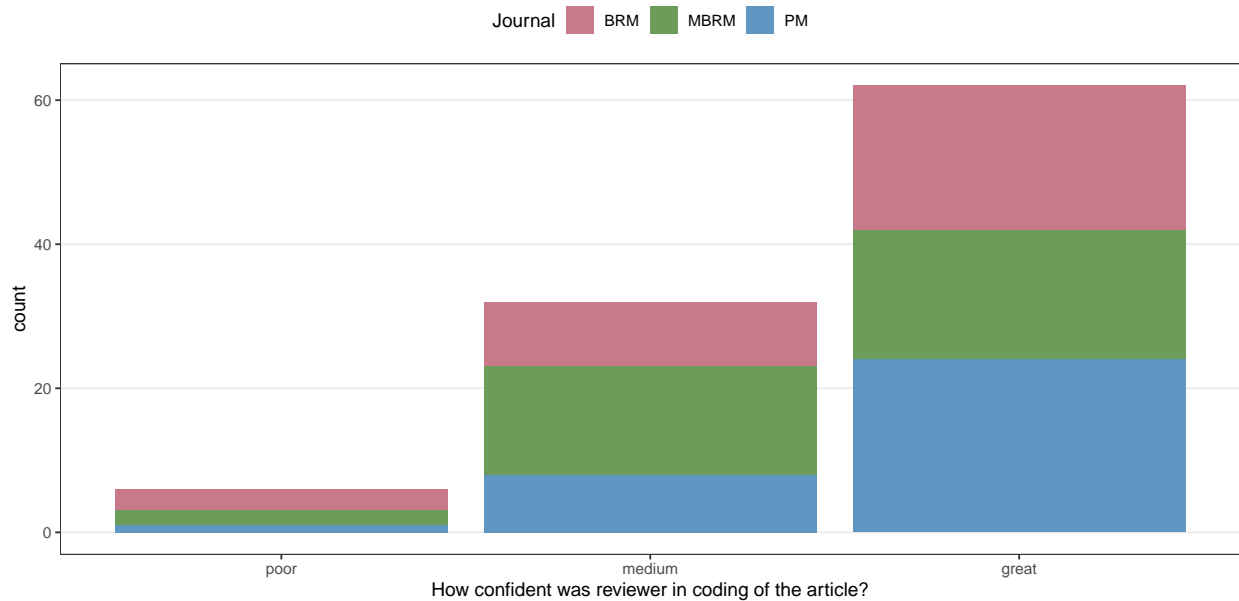
```
## Q22 Is information on the computational environment provided?
sim_res_fac %>%
  mutate(compenvironment_q22 = factor(compenvironment_q22,
                                     levels = c("no", "minimal", "partially", "fully"))) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = compenvironment_q22, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Is information on the computational environment provided?",
       fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



```
## Q23 Is information on the operating system provided?
sim_res_fac %>%
  mutate(compos_q23 = factor(compos_q23,
                             levels = c("no", "partially", "fully"))) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = compos_q23, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "Is information on the operating system provided?",
       fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



```
## Q24 How confident was reviewer in coding of the article?
sim_res_fac %>%
  mutate(coding_confidence = factor(coding_confidence,
                                     levels = c("poor", "medium", "great"))) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x = coding_confidence, fill = journal)) +
  geom_bar() +
  labs(x = "How confident was reviewer in coding of the article?",
       fill = "Journal") +
  scale_fill_discrete_qualitative(palette = pal) +
  theme(panel.grid.major.x = element_blank())
```



sessionInfo()

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## R version 4.3.1 (2023-06-16 ucrt)
## Platform: x86_64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)
## Running under: Windows 11 x64 (build 22621)
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## Matrix products: default
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## locale:
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## [3] LC_MONETARY=German_Germany.utf8 LC_NUMERIC=C
## [5] LC_TIME=German_Germany.utf8
##
## time zone: Europe/Berlin
## tzcode source: internal
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods   base
##
## other attached packages:
## [1] forcats_1.0.0 stringr_1.5.0 ggpubr_0.6.0 colorspace_2.1-0
## [5] ggplot2_3.4.2 tidyr_1.3.0 dplyr_1.1.2
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
## [1] gtable_0.3.3 compiler_4.3.1 ggsignif_0.6.4 tidysselect_1.2.0
## [5] scales_1.2.1 yaml_2.3.7 fastmap_1.1.1 R6_2.5.1
## [9] labeling_0.4.2 generics_0.1.3 knitr_1.43 backports_1.4.1
## [13] tibble_3.2.1 car_3.1-2 munsell_0.5.0 pillar_1.9.0
## [17] rlang_1.1.1 utf8_1.2.3 stringi_1.7.12 broom_1.0.5
## [21] xfun_0.39 cli_3.6.1 withr_2.5.0 magrittr_2.0.3
## [25] digest_0.6.33 grid_4.3.1 rstudioapi_0.15.0 lifecycle_1.0.3
## [29] vctrs_0.6.3 rstatix_0.7.2 evaluate_0.21 glue_1.6.2
## [33] farver_2.1.1 abind_1.4-5 carData_3.0-5 fansi_1.0.4
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## [37] rmarkdown_2.23    purrr_1.0.1      tools_4.3.1      pkgconfig_2.0.3
## [41] htmltools_0.5.5
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