# Supplementary materials for $Small\ sample\ methods\ for$ $cluster\ robust\ variance\ estimation\ and\ hypothesis\ testing\ in$ $fixed\ effects\ models$

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### S1 Proof of Theorem 1

The Moore-Penrose inverse of  $\mathbf{B}_i$  can be computed from its eigen-decomposition. Let  $b \leq n_i$  denote the rank of  $\mathbf{B}_i$ . Let  $\Lambda$  be the  $b \times b$  diagonal matrix of the positive eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{B}_i$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  be the  $n_i \times b$  matrix of corresponding eigen-vectors, so that  $\mathbf{B}_i = \mathbf{V}\Lambda\mathbf{V}'$ . Then  $\mathbf{B}_i^+ = \mathbf{V}\Lambda^{-1}\mathbf{V}'$  and  $\mathbf{B}_i^{+1/2} = \mathbf{V}\Lambda^{-1/2}\mathbf{V}'$ . Now, observe that

$$\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{A}_{i}\left(\mathbf{I}-\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}}\right)_{i}\boldsymbol{\Phi}\left(\mathbf{I}-\mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}}\right)_{i}'\mathbf{A}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i} = \ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{D}_{i}\mathbf{B}_{i}^{+1/2}\mathbf{B}_{i}\mathbf{B}_{i}^{+1/2}\mathbf{D}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i} = \ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{D}_{i}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}'\mathbf{D}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}.$$

$$(1)$$

Because  $\mathbf{D}_i$ , and  $\mathbf{\Phi}$  are positive definite and  $\mathbf{B}_i$  is symmetric, the eigen-vectors  $\mathbf{V}$  define an orthonormal basis for the column span of  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}})_i$ . We now show that  $\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i$  is in the column space of  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}})_i$ . Let  $\mathbf{Z}_i$  be an  $n_i \times (r+s)$  matrix of zeros. Let  $\mathbf{Z}_k = -\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_k \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}}^{-1}$ , for  $k \neq i$  and take  $\mathbf{Z} = (\mathbf{Z}_1', ..., \mathbf{Z}_m')'$ . Now observe that  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{T}}) \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{Z}$ . It follows that

$$\begin{split} \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}}\right)_{i} \mathbf{Z} &= \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}}\right)_{i} \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{T}}\right) \mathbf{Z} = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}}\right)_{i} \mathbf{Z} \\ &= \mathbf{Z}_{i} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \sum_{k=1}^{m} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{k}' \mathbf{W}_{k} \mathbf{Z}_{k} \\ &= \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \left(\sum_{k \neq i} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{k}' \mathbf{W}_{k} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\right) \mathbf{L}^{-1} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}}^{-1} = \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i}. \end{split}$$

Thus, there exists an  $N \times (r+s)$  matrix  $\mathbf{Z}$  such that  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{X}}})_i \mathbf{Z} = \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i$ , i.e.,  $\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i$  is in the column span of  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}})_i$ . Because  $\mathbf{D}_i \mathbf{W}_i$  is positive definite and  $\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_i$  is a sub-matrix of  $\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i$ ,  $\mathbf{D}_i \mathbf{W}_i \ddot{\mathbf{R}}_i$  is also in the column span of  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}})_i$ . It follows that

$$\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{D}_{i}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^{\prime}\mathbf{D}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{W}_{i}\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i} = \ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}^{\prime}\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{\Phi}_{i}\mathbf{W}_{i}\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}. \tag{2}$$

Substituting (2) into (1) demonstrates that  $\mathbf{A}_i$  satisfies the generalized BRL criterion (Eq. 6 of the main paper).

Under the working model, the residuals from cluster i have mean  $\mathbf{0}$  and variance

$$\operatorname{Var}\left(\ddot{\mathbf{e}}_{i}\right) = \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}}\right)_{i} \mathbf{\Phi} \left(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}}\right)_{i}',$$

It follows that

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{E}\left(\mathbf{V}^{CR2}\right) &= \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{\ddot{R}}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \mathbf{\ddot{R}}_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{W}_{i} \mathbf{A}_{i} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}} \right)_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{\Phi} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{X}} \right)_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{A}_{i} \mathbf{W}_{i} \mathbf{\ddot{R}}_{i} \right] \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{\ddot{R}}} \\ &= \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{\ddot{R}}} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \mathbf{\ddot{R}}_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{W}_{i} \mathbf{\Phi}_{i} \mathbf{W}_{i} \mathbf{\ddot{R}}_{i} \right] \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{\ddot{R}}} \\ &= \mathrm{Var}\left( \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \right) \end{split}$$

#### S2 Proof of Theorem 2

From the fact that  $\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{T}_{i}=\mathbf{0}$  for i=1,...,m, it follows that

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{B}_{i} &= \mathbf{D}_{i} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \right)_{i} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{T}} \right) \mathbf{\Phi} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{T}} \right)' \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \right)'_{i} \mathbf{D}'_{i} \\ &= \mathbf{D}_{i} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{T}} \right)_{i} \mathbf{\Phi} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} - \mathbf{H}_{\mathbf{T}} \right)'_{i} \mathbf{D}'_{i} \\ &= \mathbf{D}_{i} \left( \mathbf{\Phi}_{i} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}'_{i} - \mathbf{T}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{T}'_{i} \right) \mathbf{D}'_{i} \end{split}$$

and

$$\mathbf{B}_{i}^{+} = (\mathbf{D}_{i}^{\prime})^{-1} \left( \mathbf{\Phi}_{i} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i}^{\prime} - \mathbf{T}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{T}_{i}^{\prime} \right)^{+} \mathbf{D}_{i}^{-1}.$$
(3)

Let  $\Psi_i = \left(\Phi_i - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i'\right)^+$ . Using a generalized Woodbury identity (Henderson and Searle, 1981),

$$\mathbf{\Psi}_i = \mathbf{W}_i + \mathbf{W}_i \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \left( \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} - \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i' \mathbf{W}_i \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} 
ight)^+ \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i' \mathbf{W}_i.$$

It follows that  $\Psi_i \mathbf{T}_i = \mathbf{W}_i \mathbf{T}_i$ . Another application of the generalized Woodbury identity gives

$$\begin{split} \left(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_{i} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}}\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i}' - \mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}'\right)^{+} &= \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{i} + \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{i}\mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\left(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}} - \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}_{i}\mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\right)^{+}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}_{i} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{i} + \mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\left(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}} - \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\right)^{+}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{i} \end{split}$$

The last equality follows from the fact that

$$\mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}(\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}} - \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}'\mathbf{W}_{i}\mathbf{T}_{i}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}})^{-}\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{T}_{i}' = \mathbf{0}$$

because the fixed effects are nested within clusters. Substituting into (3), we then have that  $\mathbf{B}_i^+ = (\mathbf{D}_i')^{-1} \mathbf{\Psi}_i \mathbf{D}_i^{-1}$ . But

$$\mathbf{\tilde{B}}_{i} = \mathbf{D}_{i} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \right)_{i}^{} \mathbf{\Phi} \left( \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \right)_{i}^{\prime} \mathbf{D}_{i}^{\prime} = \mathbf{D}_{i} \left( \mathbf{\Phi}_{i} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{i}^{\prime} \right) \mathbf{D}_{i}^{\prime} = \mathbf{D}_{i} \mathbf{\Psi}_{i}^{+} \mathbf{D}_{i}^{\prime},$$

and so  $\mathbf{B}_{i}^{+} = \tilde{\mathbf{B}}_{i}^{+}$ . It follows that  $\mathbf{A}_{i} = \tilde{\mathbf{A}}_{i}$  for i = 1, ..., m.

# S3 Basic difference-in-differences example

Consider a simple difference-in-differences design with m clusters and n=2 time periods. Suppose that the first  $m_0$  clusters remain untreated in the second time period and the remaining  $m_1 = m - m_0$  clusters are treated in the second time period. The basic difference-in-differences model for this design is then

$$y_{it} = \alpha_i + \beta_t + \delta T_{it} + e_{it}, \tag{4}$$

where  $T_{i1} = 1$  for  $i = m_0 + 1, ..., m$ ,  $T_{it} = 0$  otherwise, and  $\delta$  is the average treatment effect.

Estimating  $\delta$  by OLS is exactly equivalent to taking first differences and then calculating the mean difference between treated and untreated clusters. Let  $d_i = y_{i1} - y_{i0}$  for i = 1, ..., m,  $\bar{d}_0 = \sum_{i=1}^{m_0} d_i/m_0$ , and  $\bar{d}_1 = \sum_{i=m_0+1}^m d_i/m_1$ . Then  $\hat{\delta} = \bar{d}_1 - \bar{d}_0$ . In this simplified representation of the model, it is clear that the null hypothesis  $\delta = 0$  may be tested using a simple two-sample t-test on the difference scores, while allowing for unequal variances. The sampling variance of  $\hat{\delta}$  can be estimated from the difference scores as

$$V_{\Delta} = \frac{1}{m_0(m_0 - 1)} \sum_{i=1}^{m_0} \left( d_i - \bar{d}_0 \right)^2 + \frac{1}{m_1(m_1 - 1)} \sum_{i=m_0 + 1}^{m} \left( d_i - \bar{d}_1 \right)^2.$$

Under a "working homosked asticity" model, the degrees of freedom corresponding to  $V_{\Delta}$  are

$$\nu_{\Delta} = \frac{m^2(m_0 - 1)(m_1 - 1)}{m_0^2(m_0 - 1) + m_1^2(m_1 - 1)}$$

(Imbens and Kolesar, 2015).

We shall now consider the variance estimator and degrees of freedom generated by the CR2 correction as applied to the full difference-in-differences model (4), while estimating  $\delta$  after absorbing the cluster- and period-specific effects. We use the "working independence" model for deriving the CR2 adjustment matrices and degrees of freedom. Following the notation of the main paper, this design has

$$\mathbf{R}_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ T_{i1} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{S}_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \mathbf{T}_i = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} I(i=1) & I(i=2) & \cdots & I(i=m) \end{bmatrix}$$

After absorption,  $\ddot{\mathbf{R}}_i = \left(T_{i1} - m_1/m\right)/2 \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}'$ ,  $\mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{R}}} = 2m/(m_0m_1)$ , and

$$\mathbf{e}_{i} = \frac{d_{i} - \bar{d}_{0}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 for  $i = 1, ..., m_{0},$   $\mathbf{e}_{i} = \frac{d_{i} - \bar{d}_{1}}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ , for  $i = m_{0} + 1, ..., m$ .

If the CR2 adjustment matrices are calculated based on the absorbed model only, then

$$\mathbf{A}_{i} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{i} - \ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i} \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{R}}} \ddot{\mathbf{R}}_{i}' \end{pmatrix}^{+1/2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + a_{i} & -a_{i} \\ -a_{i} & 1 + a_{i} \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$a_i = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{m_0 m}{m_0 m - m_1}} - 1 \right) \qquad i = 1, ..., m_0$$

$$a_i = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{m_1 m}{m_1 m - m_0}} - 1 \right) \qquad i = m_0 + 1, ..., m.$$

Using these adjustment matrices yields the variance estimator

$$V_{\mathbf{\ddot{R}}} = \frac{1}{m_0(m_0 - m_1/m)} \sum_{i=1}^{m_0} \left( d_i - \bar{d}_0 \right)^2 + \frac{1}{m_1(m_1 - m_0/m)} \sum_{i=m_0+1}^{m} \left( d_i - \bar{d}_1 \right)^2,$$

which will be slightly smaller than  $V_{\Delta}$ , with Satterthwaite degrees of freedom

$$\nu_{\ddot{\mathbf{R}}} = \frac{\left(\frac{m_0 - 1}{m_0(m_0 - m_1/m)} + \frac{m_1 - 1}{m_1(m_1 - m_0/m)}\right)^2}{\frac{1}{m_0(m_0 - m_1/m)} + \frac{1}{m_1(m_1 - m_0/m)}},$$

which will be slightly larger than  $\nu_{\Delta}$ 

Now consider calculating the adjustment matrices using the full design matrix, as recommended in the paper. Theorem 2 implies that the adjustment matrices can be calculated from  $\ddot{\mathbf{U}}$ , ignoring the cluster-specific effects. We then have

$$\mathbf{A}_i = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}_i - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i \mathbf{M}_{\ddot{\mathbf{U}}} \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_i' \end{pmatrix}^{+1/2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 + b_i & -b_i \\ -b_i & 1 + b_i \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$b_i = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{m_0}{m_0 - 1}} - 1 \right) \qquad i = 1, ..., m_0$$

$$b_i = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sqrt{\frac{m_1}{m_1 - 1}} - 1 \right) \qquad i = m_0 + 1, ..., m.$$

It can be verified that using these adjustment matrices yields a variance estimator that is exactly equivalent to  $V_{\Delta}$ , with degrees of freedom equal to  $\nu_{\Delta}$ .

## S4 Details of simulation study

This section provides further details regarding the design of the simulations reported in Section 4 of the main text. The simulations examined six distinct study designs. Outcomes are measured for n units (which may be individuals, as in a cluster-randomized or block-randomized design, or time-points, as in a difference-indifferences panel) in each of m clusters under one of three treatment conditions. Suppose that there are G sets of clusters, each of size  $m_g$ , where the clusters in each set have a distinct configuration of treatment assignments. Let  $n_{ghi}$  denote the number of units at which cluster i in configuration g is observed under condition h, for i = 1, ..., m, g = 1, ..., G, and h = 1, 2, 3. Table 1 summarizes the cluster-level sample sizes and unit-level patterns of treatment allocation for each of the six designs. The simulated designs included the following:

- 1. A balanced, block-randomized design, with an un-equal allocation within each block. In the balanced design, the treatment allocation is identical for each block, so G = 1.
- 2. An unbalanced, block-randomized design, with two different patterns of treatment allocation (G=2).
- 3. A balanced, cluster-randomized design, in which units are nested within clusters and an equal number of clusters are assigned to each treatment condition.
- 4. An unbalanced, cluster-randomized design, in which units are nested within clusters but the number of clusters assigned to each condition is not equal.
- 5. A balanced difference-in-differences design with two patterns of treatment allocation (G = 2), in which half of the clusters are observed under the first treatment condition only and the remaining half are observed under all three conditions.
- 6. An unbalanced difference-in-differences design, again with two patterns of treatment allocation (G = 2), but where 2/3 of the clusters are observed under the first treatment condition only and the remaining 1/3 of clusters are observed under all three conditions.

Table 1: Study designs used for simulation

Study design	Balance	Configuration	Clusters	Treatment allocation
Randomized Block	Balanced	1	$m_1 = m$	$n_{11i} = n/2, n_{12i} = n/3, n_{13i} = n/6$
Randomized Block	Unbalanced	1	$m_1 = m/2$	$n_{11i} = n/2, n_{12i} = n/3, n_{13i} = n/6$
		2	$m_2 = m/2$	$n_{21i} = n/3, n_{22i} = 5n/9, n_{23i} = n/9$
Cluster-Randomized	Balanced	1	$m_1 = m/3$	$n_{11i} = n$
		2	$m_2 = m/3$	$n_{22i} = n$
		3	$m_3 = m/3$	$n_{33i} = n$
Cluster-Randomized	Unbalanced	1	$m_1 = m/2$	$n_{11i} = n$
		2	$m_2 = 3m/10$	$n_{22i} = n$
		3	$m_3 = m/5$	$n_{33i} = n$
Difference-in-Differences	Balanced	1	$m_1 = m/2$	$n_{11i} = n$
		2	$m_2 = m/2$	$n_{21i} = n/2, n_{22i} = n/3, n_{23i} = n/6$
Difference-in-Differences	Unbalanced	1	$m_1 = 2m/3$	$n_{11i} = n$
		2	$m_2 = m/3$	$n_{21i} = n/2, n_{22i} = n/3, n_{23i} = n/6$
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## S5 Additional simulation results

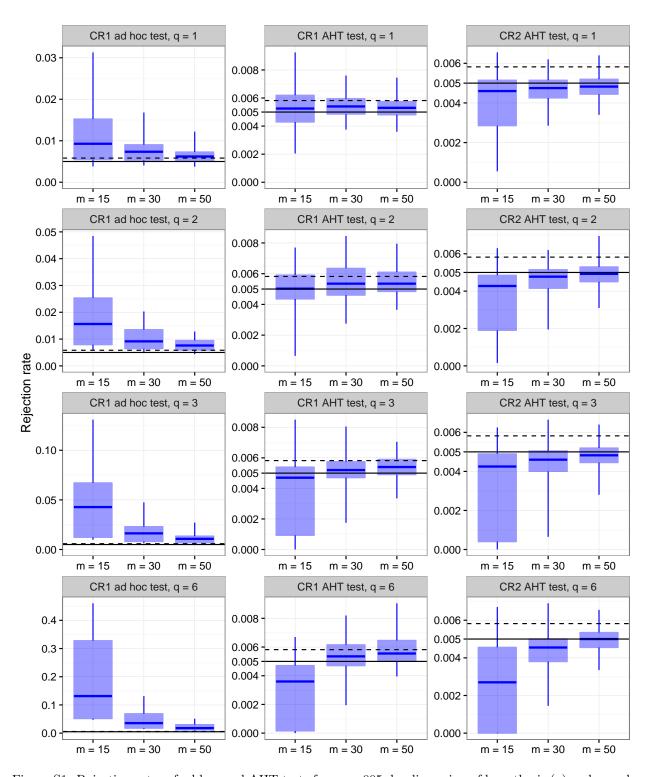


Figure S1: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests for  $\alpha = .005$ , by dimension of hypothesis (q) and sample size (m).

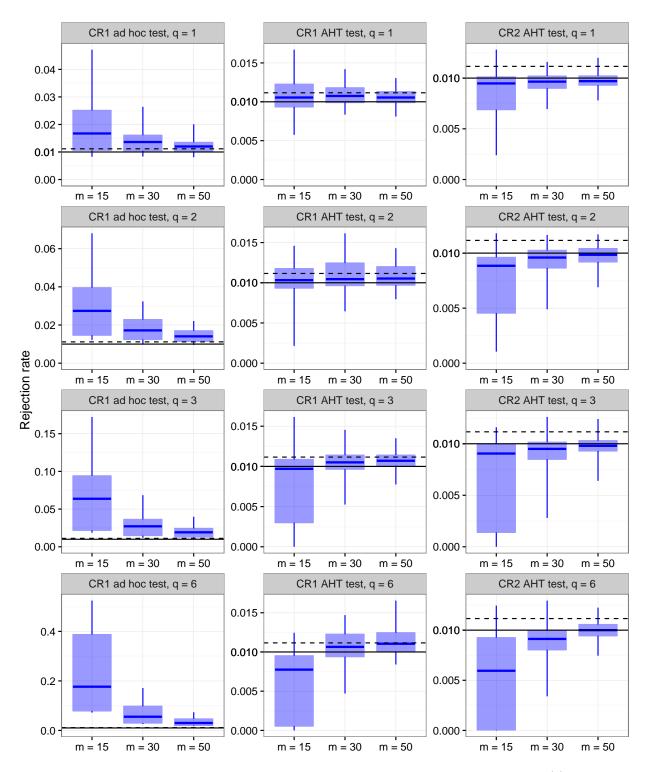


Figure S2: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests for  $\alpha = .01$ , by dimension of hypothesis (q) and sample size (m).

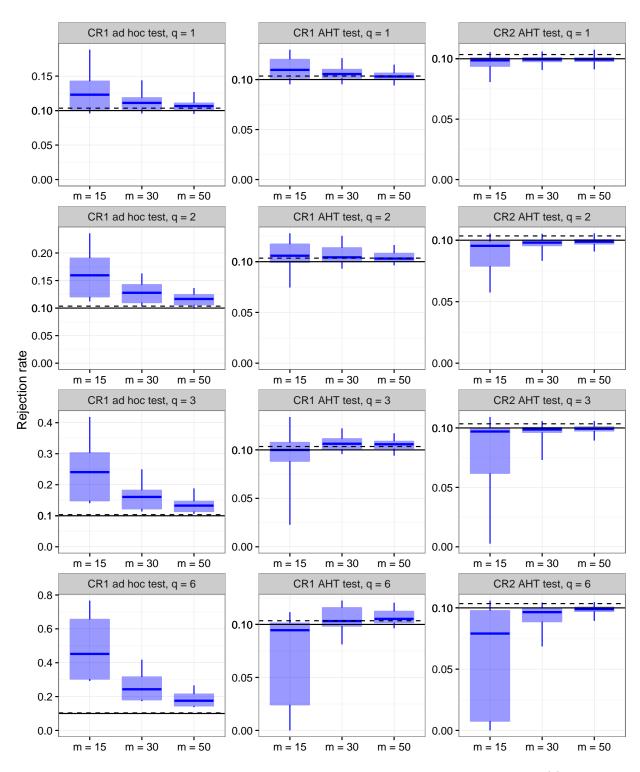


Figure S3: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests for  $\alpha = .10$ , by dimension of hypothesis (q) and sample size (m).

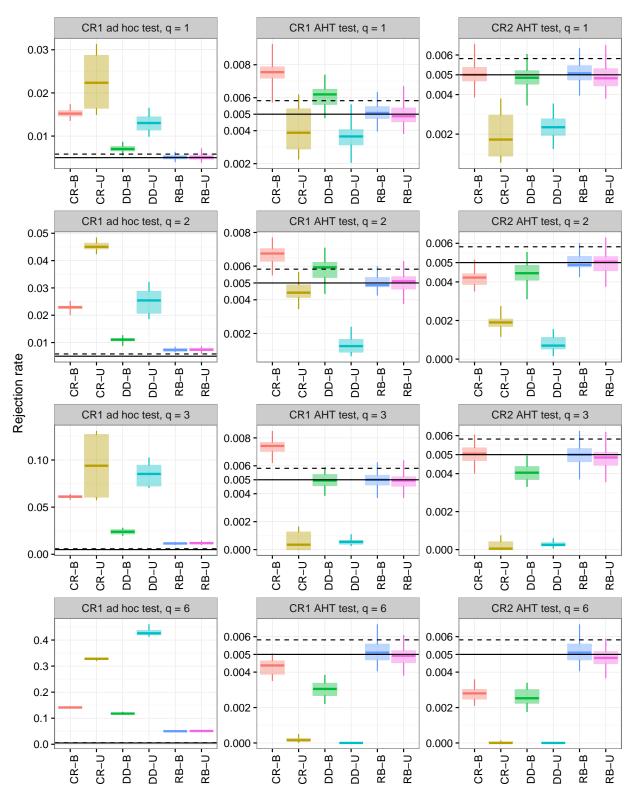


Figure S4: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .005$  and m = 15. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

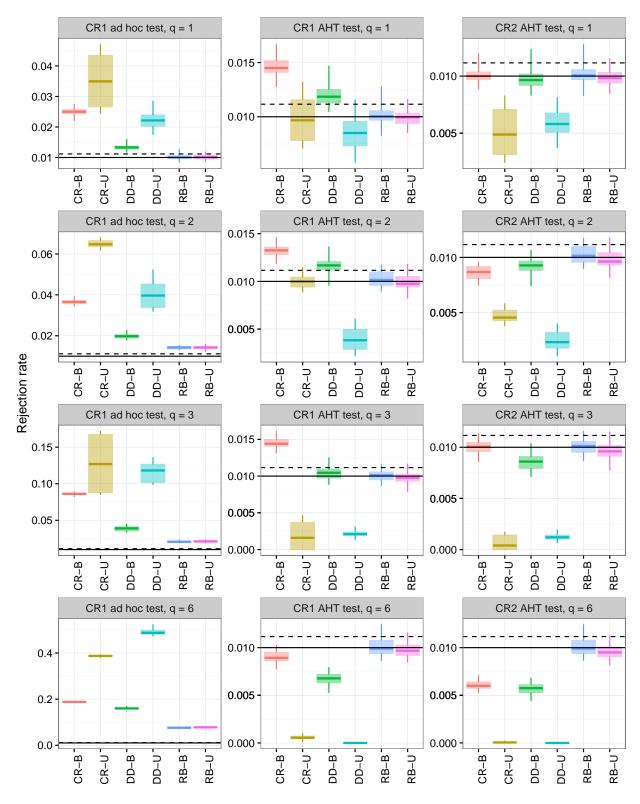


Figure S5: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .01$  and m = 15. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

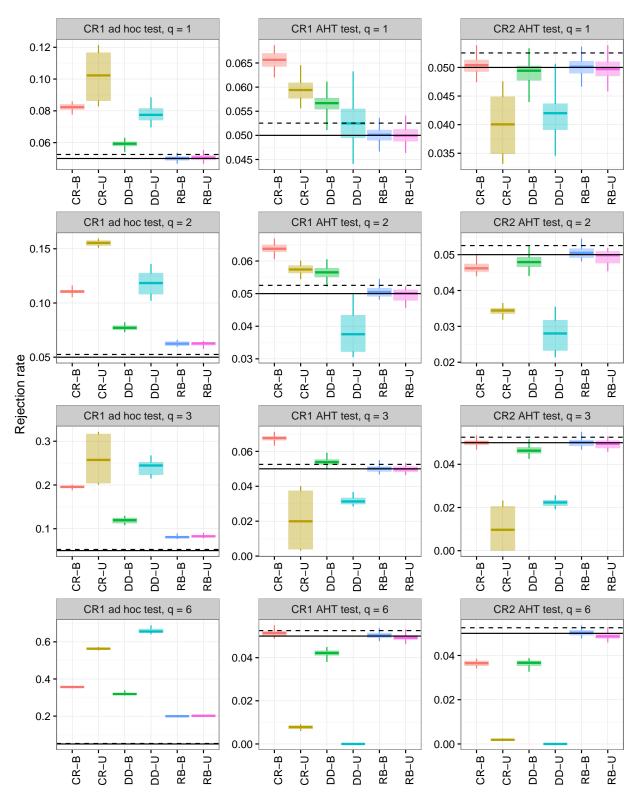


Figure S6: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .05$  and m = 15. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

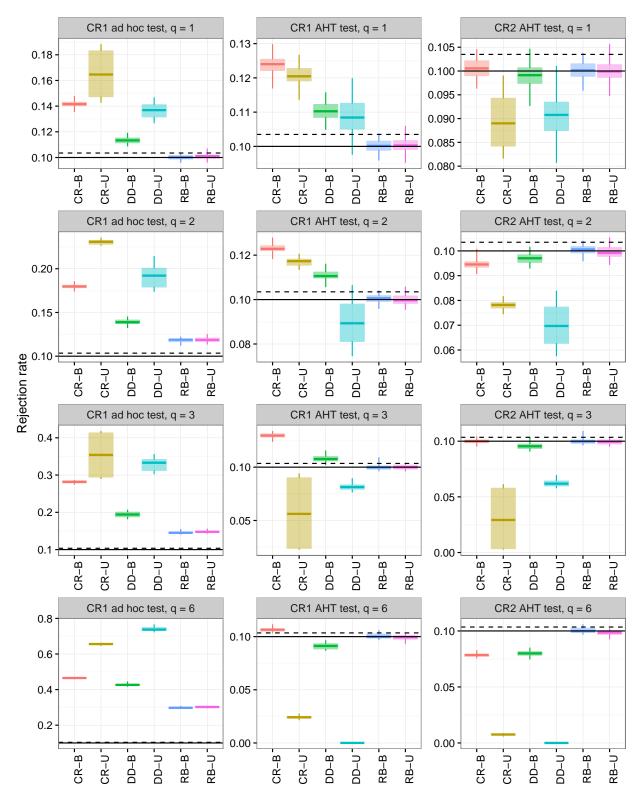


Figure S7: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .10$  and m = 15. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

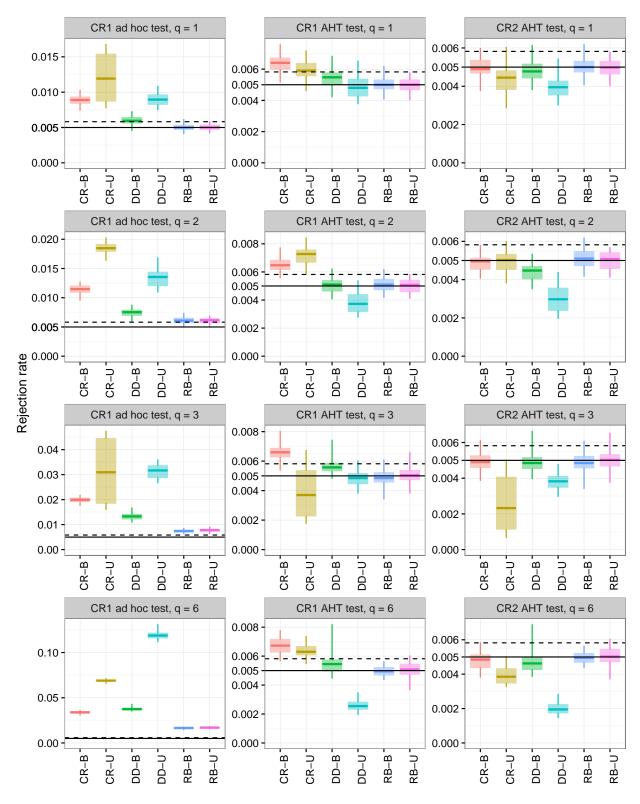


Figure S8: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .005$  and m = 30. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

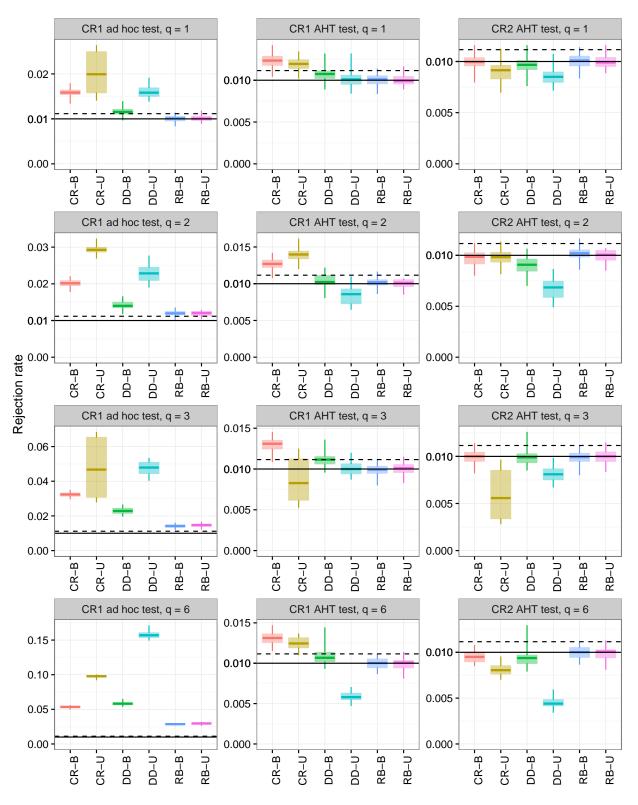


Figure S9: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .01$  and m = 30. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

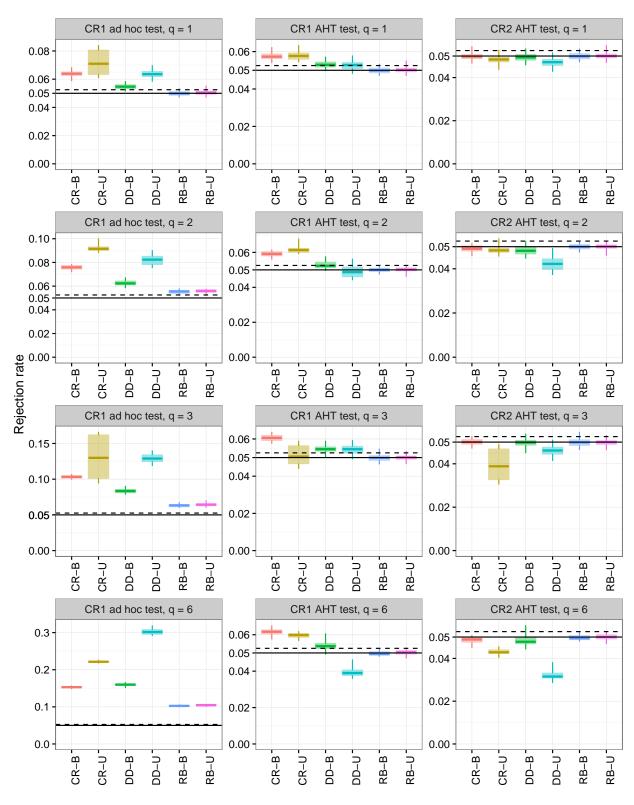


Figure S10: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .05$  and m = 30. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

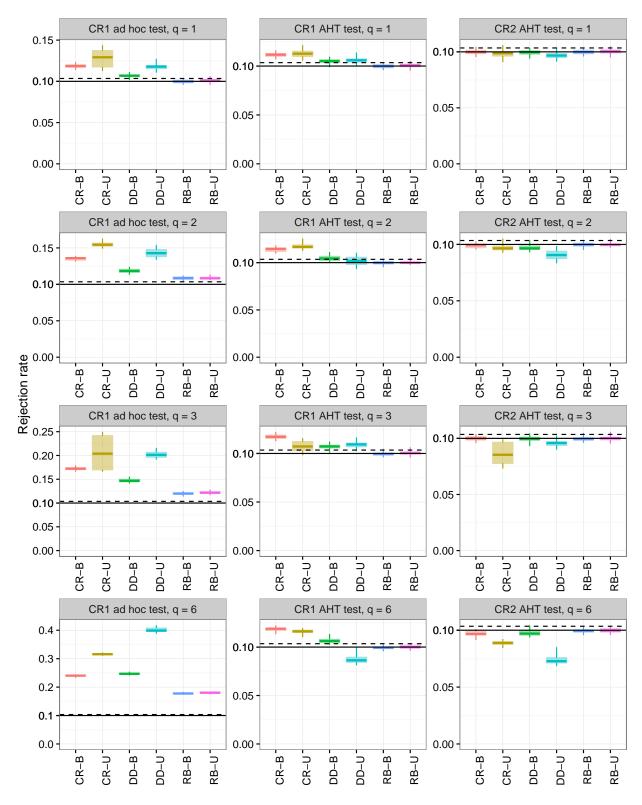


Figure S11: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .10$  and m = 30. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

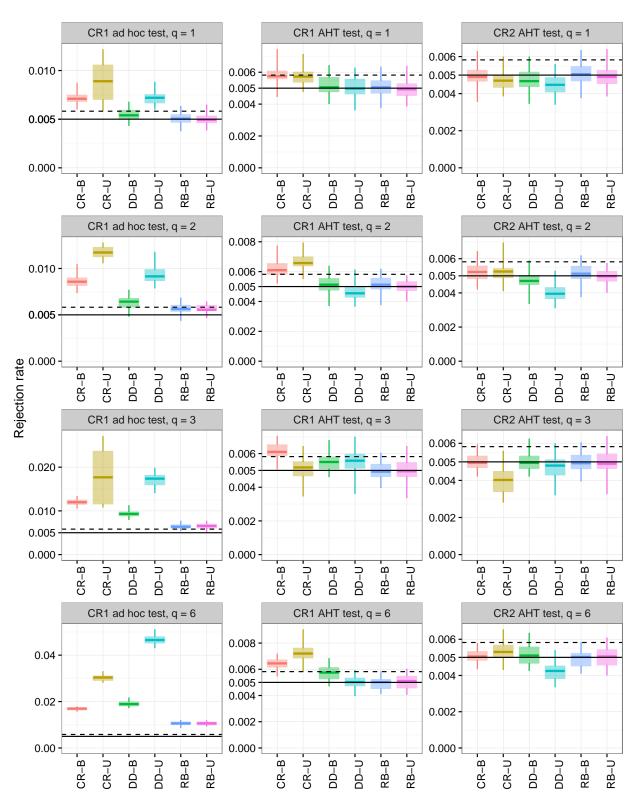


Figure S12: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .005$  and m = 50. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

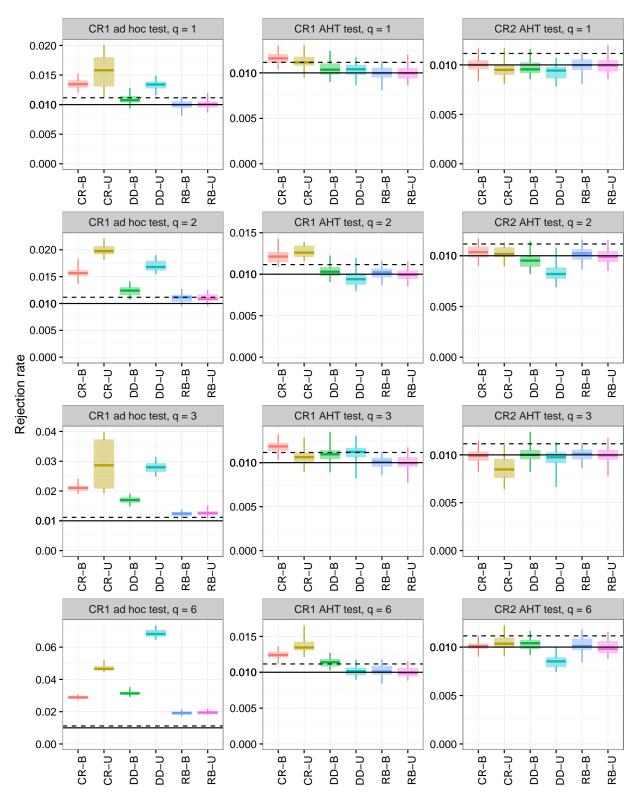


Figure S13: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .01$  and m = 50. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

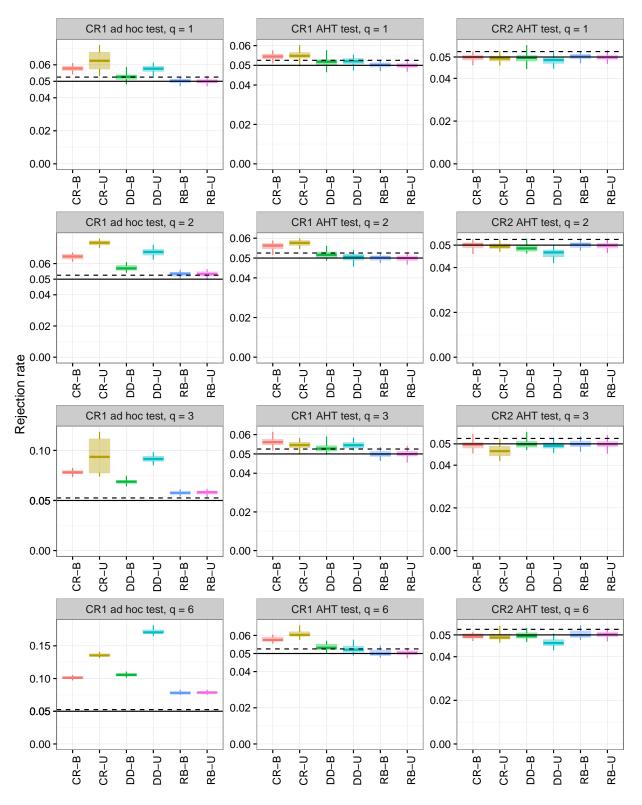


Figure S14: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .05$  and m = 50. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

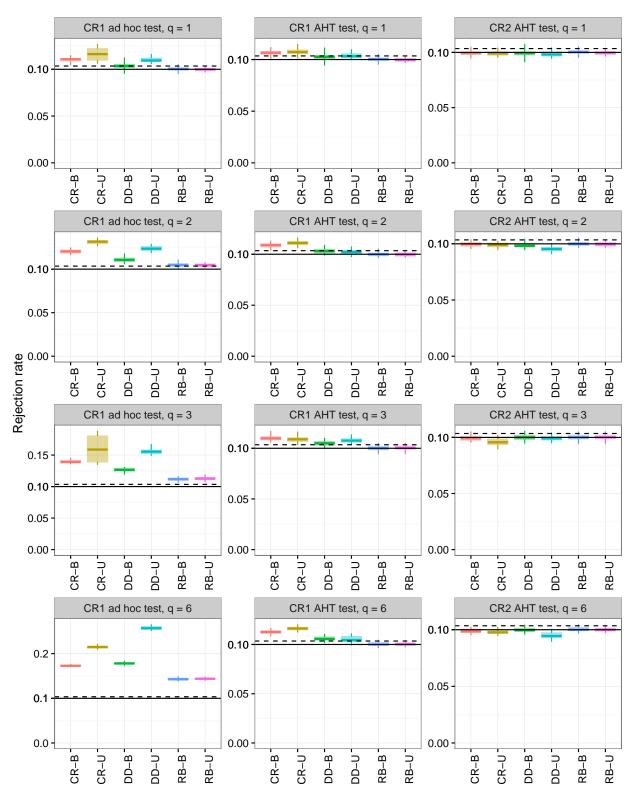


Figure S15: Rejection rates of ad hoc and AHT tests, by study design and dimension of hypothesis (q) for  $\alpha = .10$  and m = 50. CR = cluster-randomized design; DD = difference-in-differences design; RB = randomized block design; B = balanced; U = unbalanced.

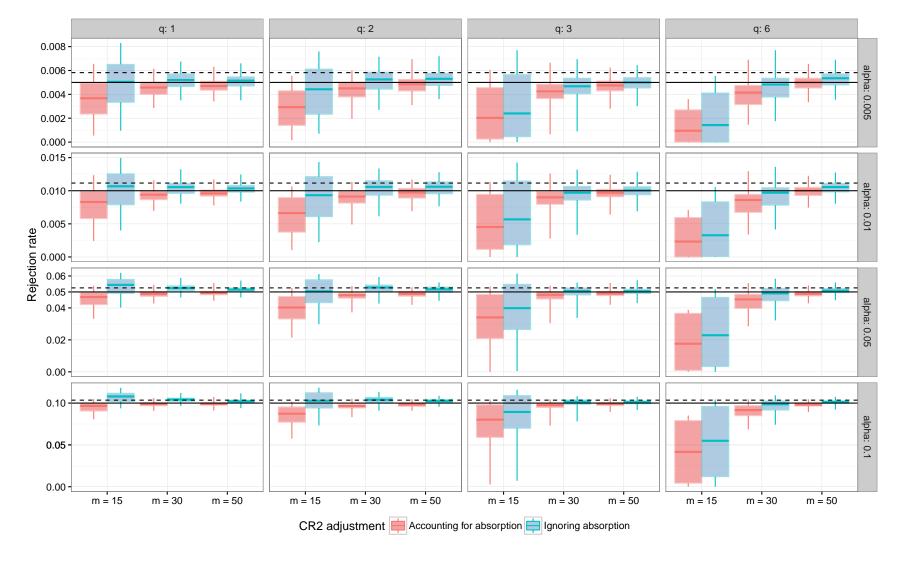


Figure S16: Rejection rates of AHT test using CR2, calculated with and without accounting for absorption of fixed effects, by sample size (m), dimension of hypothesis (q), and  $\alpha$ -level. Results for the balanced and unbalanced randomized block designs are excluded because accounting for absorption of fixed effects has no consequence for these designs.

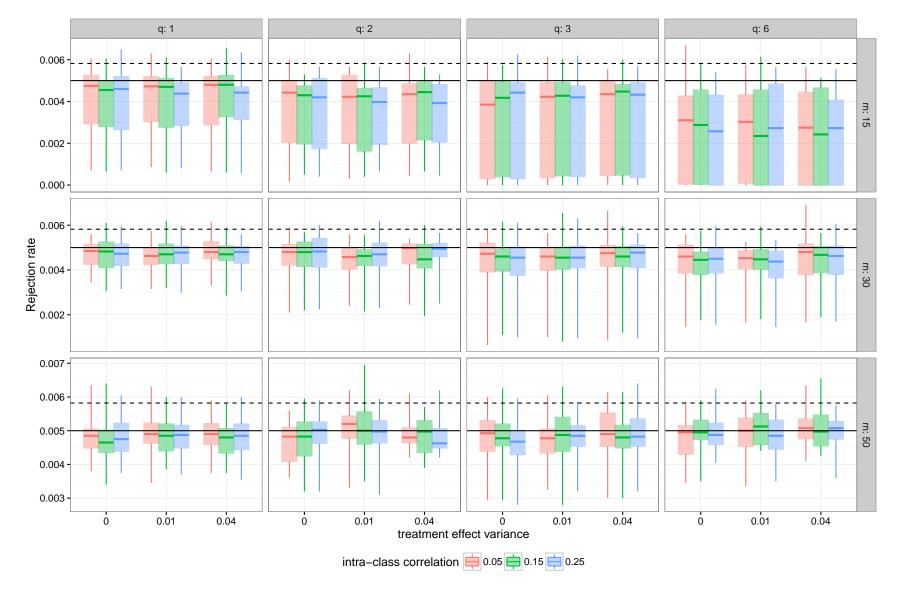


Figure S17: Rejection rates of CR2 AHT test, by treatment effect variance and intra-class correlation for  $\alpha = .005$ .

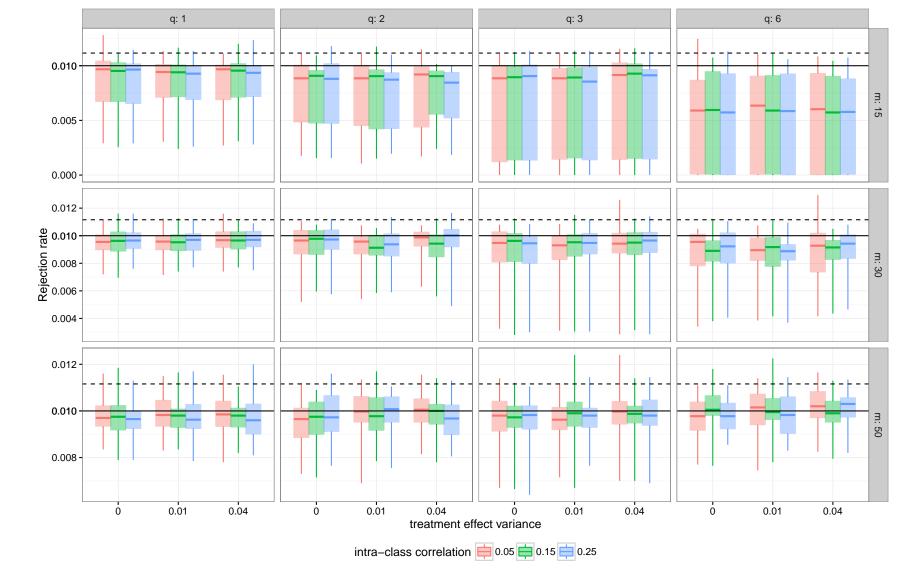


Figure S18: Rejection rates of CR2 AHT test, by treatment effect variance and intra-class correlation for  $\alpha = .01$ .

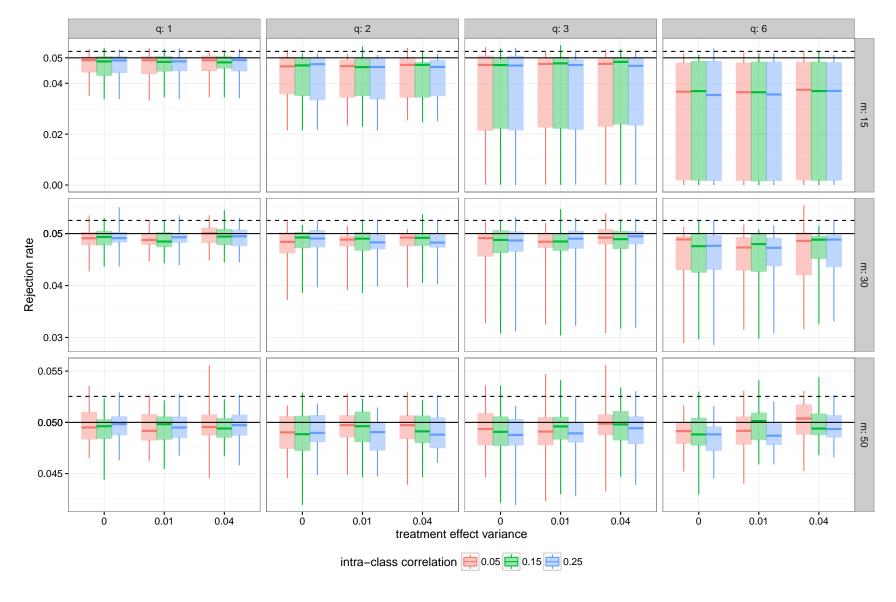


Figure S19: Rejection rates of CR2 AHT test, by treatment effect variance and intra-class correlation for  $\alpha = .05$ .

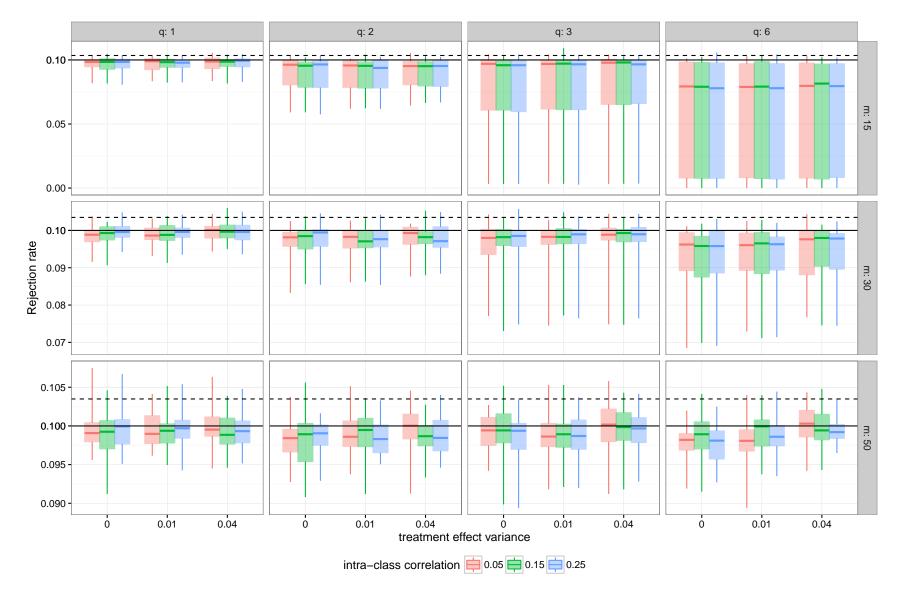


Figure S20: Rejection rates of CR2 AHT test, by treatment effect variance and intra-class correlation for  $\alpha = .10$ .

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