# **Power Analysis for Honesty Experiment**

```
suppressMessages({
  library(tidyverse)
  library(fixest)
  library(pwr)
})
set.seed(42)
hrounds <- read_csv(</pre>
  "../data/generated/honesty_rounds.csv",
  show_col_types = FALSE
) %>%
  mutate(
    experiment = factor(ifelse(
      experiment == "fhonesty",
      "Business Framing", "Neutral Framing"
    ), c("Neutral Framing", "Business Framing")),
    slack = reported_amount - true_amount,
    pct_slack_claimed = (reported_amount - true_amount)/(6000 - true_amount)
  )
hpart <- hrounds %>%
  group_by(experiment, session_code, player_id) %>%
  summarise(
    pct_slack_claimed = sum(reported_amount - true_amount)/sum(6000 - true_amount),
    .groups = "drop"
```

### Descriptive statistics of pretest data to standardize the power tests

```
pct true <- mean(hrounds$pct slack claimed == 0, na.rm = TRUE)</pre>
  sprintf("%% Truthful reporting: %.2f %%", 100*pct_true)
[1] "% Truthful reporting: 4.59 %"
  mn_pct_slack_claimed <- mean(hrounds$pct_slack_claimed, na.rm = T)
  sd_pct_slack_claimed <- sd(hrounds$pct_slack_claimed, na.rm = T)</pre>
  mn_pct_slack_claimed_lying <- mean(</pre>
    hrounds$pct_slack_claimed[hrounds$pct_slack_claimed > 0], na.rm = T
  mn_pct_slack_claimed_lying_start <- mean(</pre>
    hrounds$pct_slack_claimed[hrounds$pct_slack_claimed > 0 & hrounds$round == 1],
    na.rm = T
  sd_pct_slack_claimed_lying <- sd(</pre>
    hrounds$pct_slack_claimed[hrounds$pct_slack_claimed > 0], na.rm = T
  sprintf(
    "Mean \% Slack Claimed (SD): \%.2f \% (\%.2f \%)",
    100*mn_pct_slack_claimed, 100*sd_pct_slack_claimed
  )
[1] "Mean % Slack Claimed (SD): 56.68 % (38.49 %)"
  # Some pretest regressions to see how rounds affect our DV:
  table(hrounds$pct_slack_claimed == 0, hrounds$experiment)
        Neutral Framing Business Framing
 FALSE
  TRUE
                                        9
  smp_lying <- hrounds[hrounds$pct_slack_claimed > 0,]
  ols_rounds <- lm(pct_slack_claimed ~ round, data = smp_lying)</pre>
  summary(ols_rounds)
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = pct_slack_claimed ~ round, data = smp_lying)
Residuals:
    Min
              1Q
                  Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
-0.60889 -0.37200 -0.01129 0.36828 0.49464
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                     0.059233 8.204 3.84e-14 ***
(Intercept) 0.485924
           0.019439
                     0.009476
                                2.051 0.0416 *
round
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.3697 on 185 degrees of freedom
  (6 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.02224,
                             Adjusted R-squared: 0.01695
F-statistic: 4.208 on 1 and 185 DF, p-value: 0.04164
  summary(lm(pct_slack_claimed ~ round*experiment, data = smp_lying))
Call:
lm(formula = pct_slack_claimed ~ round * experiment, data = smp_lying)
Residuals:
                  Median
                                      Max
              1Q
                               3Q
-0.77438 -0.24423 -0.02152 0.22194 0.64514
Coefficients:
                               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                                round
                                0.02655
                                          0.01147
                                                    2.315 0.02172 *
experimentBusiness Framing
                               -0.27464
                                          0.10349 -2.654 0.00866 **
                                          0.01656 -0.955 0.34108
round:experimentBusiness Framing -0.01581
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.3227 on 183 degrees of freedom
  (6 observations deleted due to missingness)
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Multiple R-squared: 0.2629,
                            Adjusted R-squared: 0.2508
F-statistic: 21.76 on 3 and 183 DF, p-value: 4.26e-12
  fe_slack_claimed <- feols(</pre>
    pct_slack_claimed ~ experiment | round,
    cluster = c("round", "session_code^player_id"),
    data = smp_lying
  fe_slack_claimed
OLS estimation, Dep. Var.: pct_slack_claimed
Observations: 187
Fixed-effects: round: 10
Standard-errors: Clustered (round & session_code^player_id)
                         Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
RMSE: 0.318001
                 Adj. R2: 0.227251
               Within R2: 0.244609
  fixef(fe_slack_claimed)$round
0.6703858 0.7333554 0.6846882 0.7776819 0.7454507 0.8098408 0.7270063 0.7718935
0.8490925 0.8871210
```

## **Equation-based Power Analysis based on Pretest Data**

#### **Round Based Analysis**

```
es <- ES.h(pct_true, pct_true - 0.05)
pwr.2p.test(h = es, n = 1000)
```

Difference of proportion power calculation for binomial distribution (arcsine transform

```
h = NaN
              n = 1000
      sig.level = 0.05
          power = NaN
    alternative = two.sided
NOTE: same sample sizes
  pr \leftarrow pwr.2p.test(n = 1000, power = 0.8)
  phi_baseline_true_rate = 2*asin(sqrt(pct_true))
  phi_treated_true_rate = phi_baseline_true_rate - pr$h
  treatm_true_rate <- sin(phi_treated_true_rate/2)^2</pre>
  mde <- treatm_true_rate - pct_true</pre>
  sprintf("MDE Truthful Reporting: %.2f PP", 100*mde)
[1] "MDE Truthful Reporting: -2.26 PP"
  ssize_lying = round((1 - pct_true)*1000)
  pwr.t.test(
    ssize_lying, (0.1*mn_pct_slack_claimed_lying)/sd_pct_slack_claimed_lying
     Two-sample t test power calculation
              n = 954
              d = 0.1593087
      sig.level = 0.05
          power = 0.935447
    alternative = two.sided
NOTE: n is number in *each* group
  pwr.t.test(
    d = (0.1*mn_pct_slack_claimed_lying)/sd_pct_slack_claimed_lying, power = 0.8
```

```
Two-sample t test power calculation
              n = 619.4874
              d = 0.1593087
      sig.level = 0.05
          power = 0.8
    alternative = two.sided
NOTE: n is number in *each* group
  pr <- pwr.t.test(n = ssize_lying, power = 0.8)</pre>
  sprintf("MDE PP Slack Claimed: %.2f", 100*pr$d * sd_pct_slack_claimed_lying)
[1] "MDE PP Slack Claimed: 4.79"
Participant-based Analyis
  mn_pct_slack_claimed_part <- mean(hpart$pct_slack_claimed)</pre>
  sd_pct_slack_claimed_part <- sd(hpart$pct_slack_claimed)</pre>
  sprintf(
    "Mean %% of total part slack claimed (SD): %.2f %% (%.2f %%)",
    100*mn_pct_slack_claimed_part, 100*sd_pct_slack_claimed_part)
[1] "Mean % of total part slack claimed (SD): NA % (NA %)"
  pwr.t.test(100, (0.1*mn_pct_slack_claimed_part)/sd_pct_slack_claimed_part)
     Two-sample t test power calculation
              n = 100
              d = NA
      sig.level = 0.05
          power = NA
    alternative = two.sided
NOTE: n is number in *each* group
```

```
pr <- pwr.t.test(n = 100, power = 0.8)
sprintf(
   "MDE Part Slack claimed: %.2f %% (%.1f %% of mean)",
   100*pr$d * sd_pct_slack_claimed_part,
   100*(pr$d * sd_pct_slack_claimed_part)/mn_pct_slack_claimed_part))</pre>
[1] "MDE Part Slack claimed: NA % (NA % of mean)"
```

## Simulation for regression based tests

```
if (file.exists("../data/generated/honesty_sim_results.csv")) {
  honesty_sim_results <- read_csv(</pre>
    "../data/generated/honesty_sim_results.csv", show_col_types = F
} else {
  ta <- read_csv(
    "../data/generated/honesty_true_amounts.csv", show_col_types = F
  sim_data <- function(parms, runs = 100, rounds = 10) {</pre>
    cl <- function(val, vmin = 0, vmax = 1) {</pre>
      if (val > vmax) return(vmax)
      if (val < vmin) return(vmin)</pre>
      val
    }
    mb <- function(x) {</pre>
      steps \leftarrow seq(4000, 6000, by = 50)
      steps[which.min(abs(steps - x))][1]
    tr <- function(rd, exp, p, parms) {</pre>
      prob_true = ifelse(
        exp == "fhonesty",
        parms$prob_true + parms$prob_true_teffect,
        parms$prob_true
      pct_slack_claimed_lying_start = ifelse(
        exp == "fhonesty",
        parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_start +
          parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_start_teffect,
```

```
parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_start
  )
 pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate = ifelse(
    exp == "fhonesty",
    parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate +
      parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate_teffect,
    parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate
 tibble(
    experiment = factor(ifelse(
      exp == "fhonesty",
      "Business Framing", "Neutral Framing"
    ), c("Neutral Framing", "Business Framing")),
    player_id = p,
    round = rd,
    true_amount = ta$true_amount[ta$part == paste0("P",p) & ta$round == rd],
    reported_amount = ifelse(
      runif(1) < prob_true,</pre>
      true_amount,
     mb(true_amount +
      cl(pct_slack_claimed_lying_start +
        (rd-1)*pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate +
           rnorm(1, 0, parms$pct_slack_claimed_lying_evar))*
        (6000 - true_amount))
    ),
    pct_slack_claimed = (reported_amount - true_amount) /
      (6000 - true_amount)
  )
}
bind_rows(
  lapply(
    c("honesty", "fhonesty"),
    function(e) bind_rows(
      lapply(
        1:runs,
        function(p) bind_rows(lapply(1:rounds, tr, e, p, parms))
    )
 )
```

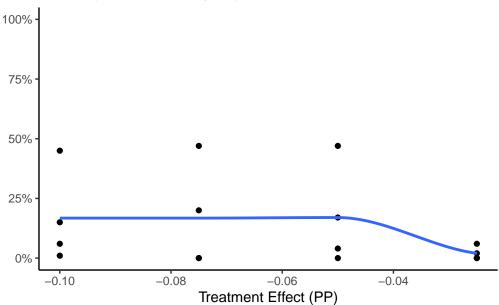
```
}
run_honesty_sim <- function(te) {</pre>
  parms <- tibble(</pre>
    prob_true = pct_true,
    prob true teffect = te$teffect true,
    pct slack claimed lying start = mn pct slack claimed lying start,
    pct_slack_claimed_lying_start_teffect = te$teffect_slack_claimed,
    pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate = coef(ols_rounds)[2],
    pct_slack_claimed_lying_grate_teffect = te$teffect_slack_claimed_round,
    pct_slack_claimed_lying_evar = sd_pct_slack_claimed_lying,
  smp <- sim_data(parms)</pre>
  true_table <- table(smp$reported_amount == smp$true_amount, smp$experiment)</pre>
  true_test <- prop.test(true_table[2,], colSums(true_table))</pre>
  # Neg. sign, ci needs to be flipped
  ci_true <- -true_test$conf.int[c(2,1)]</pre>
  ci_pct_slack_claimed_fe <- confint(feols(</pre>
      pct_slack_claimed ~ experiment | round,
      cluster = c("round", "player_id"),
      data = smp %>% filter(reported_amount != true_amount)
  ))
  ci_pct_slack_claimed_round_fe <- confint(feols())</pre>
    pct_slack_claimed ~ experiment*round, cluster = c("round", "player_id"),
    data = smp %>% filter(reported_amount != true_amount)
  ))
  tibble(
    true_teffect_lb = ci_true[1],
    true_teffect_ub = ci_true[2],
    slack_claimed_teffect_lb = pull(ci_pct_slack_claimed_fe[1]),
    slack_claimed_teffect_ub = pull(ci_pct_slack_claimed_fe[2]),
    slack_claimed_round_teffect_lb = ci_pct_slack_claimed_round_fe[4, 1],
    slack claimed round teffect ub = ci pct slack claimed round fe[4, 2]
  )
}
sim_power_honesty <- function(plan) {</pre>
  sim_results <- bind_rows(</pre>
    lapply(
      1:nrow(plan),
      function(x) {
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```
message(
            sprintf("Running honesty sim, plan row %d of %d...", x, nrow(plan)),
            appendLF = F
          rv <- bind_cols(plan[x,], run_honesty_sim(plan[x,]))</pre>
          message("")
          rv
        }
      )
    )
  }
  plan <- bind_rows(</pre>
    expand_grid(
      n = 1:100,
      teffect_true = c(-0.025, -0.05, -0.075, -0.1),
      teffect_slack_claimed = c(-0.025, -0.05, -0.075, -0.1),
      teffect_slack_claimed_round = 0
    ),
    expand_grid(
      n = 1:100,
      teffect true = 0,
      teffect_slack_claimed = 0,
      teffect_slack_claimed_round = c(0.01, 0.02, 0.03, 0.04, 0.05)
  )
  message(sprintf(
    "Starting honesty power simulations (%d runs): %s", nrow(plan), Sys.time()
  ))
  honesty_sim_results <- sim_power_honesty(plan)</pre>
  write_csv(honesty_sim_results, "../data/generated/honesty_sim_results.csv")
  message(sprintf("Done: %s", Sys.time()))
}
honesty_power <- honesty_sim_results %>%
  group_by(
    teffect_true, teffect_slack_claimed, teffect_slack_claimed_round
  ) %>%
  summarise(
```

```
power_true = mean(true_teffect_ub < 0),
    power_slack_claimed = mean(slack_claimed_teffect_ub < 0),
    power_slack_claimed_round = mean(slack_claimed_round_teffect_lb > 0),
        .groups = "drop"
)

ggplot(
    honesty_power %>% filter(teffect_slack_claimed_round == 0),
    aes(x = teffect_true, y = power_true)
) + geom_point() + geom_smooth(se = FALSE) +
    scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1), labels = scales::percent) +
    labs(title = "Power (Prob. True Report)", x = "Treatment Effect (PP)", y = "") +
    theme_classic()
```

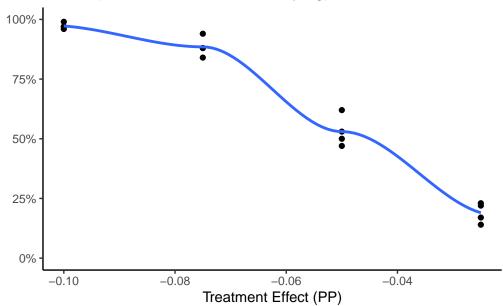
## Power (Prob. True Report)



```
ggplot(
  honesty_power %>% filter(teffect_slack_claimed_round == 0),
  aes(x = teffect_slack_claimed, y = power_slack_claimed)
) + geom_point() + geom_smooth(se = FALSE) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1), labels = scales::percent) +
  labs(
    title = "Power (% Slack Claimed when Lying)",
```

```
x = "Treatment Effect (PP)", y = ""
) +
theme_classic()
```

## Power (% Slack Claimed when Lying)



```
ggplot(
  honesty_power %>% filter(teffect_slack_claimed == 0),
  aes(x = teffect_slack_claimed_round, y = power_slack_claimed_round)
) + geom_point() + geom_smooth(se = FALSE) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(0, 1), labels = scales::percent) +
  labs(
    title = "Power (% Slack Claimed when Lying Round Effect)",
    x = "Treatment Effect (PP by Round)", y = ""
  ) +
  theme_classic()
```

