# P8160 Simulation Project - Hierarchical Logistic Model for Mulit-Center Clinical Trial

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#### Introduction

multicenter clinical trial????

In this project, our objective is to design a simulation study that estimates the population-level probability of adverse events

We are interested in estimating the overall (population-level) probability of an adverse event, marginalizing over both X (across all patients) and the random effect distribution b (across all clinics)

#### Statistical Methods

overall description of what we did, the code in this section specifies functions

#### 1. Initialization and Function Definitions

We specified the clinic random effect (b) as  $b \sim t_5$  and the patient-level covariates (X) as  $X \sim \text{Gamma}(2, 1)$ .

#### 2. Sampling from Simple Monte Carlo (MC)

```
simpleMC <- function(N) {
    # Sample b from f(b)</pre>
```

```
b_samp <- r_b(N)
# Sample x from f(x)
x_samp <- r_x(N)

# Compute p_i = logistic(alpha + b_i + beta*x_i)
p_values <- logistic(alpha + b_samp + beta * x_samp)

# Simple MC estimate is the average of p_values
est <- mean(p_values)

return(list(est = est))
}</pre>
```

#### 3. Designing Control Variate (CV)

```
# 3.1 Define a control variate q(b, x)
      It should be correlated with the target function but have a known or easily
      approximated expectation. As an example, we use a probit-based function.
g_function <- function(b, x) {</pre>
  # Example: replace logistic with pnorm (probit)
  z <- alpha + 0.8 * b + 0.8 * x # 0.8 is a heuristic factor here
  return(pnorm(z))
}
# 3.2 Approximate E[q] using a large-scale MC, since we might not have a closed-form
approx_Eg <- function(N = 5e5) {</pre>
 b_{samp} \leftarrow r_b(N)
 x_{samp} \leftarrow r_x(N)
  mean(g_function(b_samp, x_samp))
}
# 3.3 Control variate MC estimate
cvMC <- function(N, Eg_true = NULL) {</pre>
  if(is.null(Eg_true)) {
    \# If not provided, approximate E[g] with a bigger MC sample
    Eg_true <- approx_Eg(N = 5e5)</pre>
  # Sample from original distributions
  b_{samp} \leftarrow r_b(N)
  x_{samp} \leftarrow r_x(N)
  # Target function p(b,x)
  p_vals <- logistic(alpha + b_samp + beta * x_samp)</pre>
  # Control variate g(b,x)
  g_vals <- g_function(b_samp, x_samp)</pre>
  # (1) Simple estimates of p and g
  p_mean <- mean(p_vals)</pre>
  g_mean <- mean(g_vals)</pre>
  # (2) Optimal gamma via covariance
  cov_pg <- cov(p_vals, g_vals)</pre>
```

```
var_g <- var(g_vals)
gamma_opt <- cov_pg / var_g

# (3) Construct CV estimator
p_cv <- p_mean - gamma_opt * (g_mean - Eg_true)

# This returns the CV estimate, gamma, and other useful metrics
return(list(est = p_cv))
}</pre>
```

#### 4. Importance Sampling (IS)

```
# 4.1 Define the auxiliary distribution h(b,x)
    Here we show an example of independent sampling from h(b)*h(x).
      We'll pick t_3 for b (heavier tail) and tweak Gamma parameters for x.
\# b \sim t_3
r_b_IS <- function(n) {
 rt(n, df = 3)
# PDF of b for t_3
d_b_IS <- function(b) {</pre>
 dt(b, df = 3)
}
\# x \sim Gamma(shape=2, rate=0.5)
r_x_IS <- function(n) {</pre>
 rgamma(n, shape = 2, rate = 0.5)
# PDF of x for Gamma(shape=2, rate=0.5)
d_x_IS <- function(x) {</pre>
  dgamma(x, shape = 2, rate = 0.5)
# 4.2 Implement Importance Sampling
IS_MC <- function(N) {</pre>
  # Sample from h(b,x)
  b_{samp} \leftarrow r_b_{IS}(N)
  x_{samp} \leftarrow r_x_{IS}(N)
  # Compute original PDF values f(b), f(x)
  fb_vals <- dt(b_samp, df = 5)
                                                # original t_5 for b
  fx_vals <- dgamma(x_samp, shape = 2, rate = 1) # original Gamma for x</pre>
  # Compute auxiliary PDF values h(b), h(x)
  hb_vals <- d_b_IS(b_samp)</pre>
  hx_vals <- d_x_IS(x_samp)</pre>
  # Weights w_i = [f(b_i)*f(x_i)] / [h(b_i)*h(x_i)]
  w <- (fb_vals * fx_vals) / (hb_vals * hx_vals)</pre>
  # Target function p(b,x)
  p_vals <- logistic(alpha + b_samp + beta * x_samp)</pre>
```

```
# IS estimate (unbiased if we average p*w)
est <- mean(p_vals * w)

# Rough variance estimate
#p_var <- mean((p_vals * w)^2) - p_hat^2
#se <- sqrt(p_var / N)

#return(list(est = est, se = se, w_mean = mean(w)))
return(list(est = est))
}</pre>
```

#### Results

5. Comparing Bias, Variance, and CPU Time for Simple MC, CV, and Importance Sampling

```
# 5.1. Obtain a "true value" via a large-scale Simple MC
set.seed(9999)
N_large <- 5e6
res_truth <- simpleMC(N_large)</pre>
true_value <- res_truth$est</pre>
# cat("Approx. True Value =", true_value, "\n")
# 5.2. Repeat simulations for smaller N and compare bias, variance
simulate_three_methods <- function(N, Eg_true) {</pre>
  # Simple MC
 res_mc <- simpleMC(N)</pre>
  # CV
  res_cv <- cvMC(N, Eg_true = Eg_true)</pre>
  # IS
 res_is <- IS_MC(N)
  c(mc = res_mc$est, cv = res_cv$est, is = res_is$est)
set.seed(1234)
N_reps <- 50
                     # number of repeated simulations
N_small <- 1e5
                   # sample size for each repeated run
# Pre-calculate Eg_true for CV (to avoid doing it multiple times)
Eg_val <- approx_Eg(N=5e5)</pre>
results_matrix <- replicate(N_reps, simulate_three_methods(N_small, Eg_true = Eg_val))
\# results_matrix is now 3 x N_reps, each column is one replicate
mc_est <- results_matrix["mc", ]</pre>
cv_est <- results_matrix["cv", ]</pre>
is_est <- results_matrix["is", ]</pre>
# Compute mean estimate, bias, variance
```

```
mc_mean <- mean(mc_est)</pre>
cv_mean <- mean(cv_est)</pre>
is_mean <- mean(is_est)</pre>
mc_bias <- mc_mean - true_value</pre>
cv_bias <- cv_mean - true_value</pre>
is_bias <- is_mean - true_value</pre>
mc_var <- var(mc_est)</pre>
cv_var <- var(cv_est)</pre>
is_var <- var(is_est)</pre>
df_comparison <- data.frame(</pre>
  method = c("MC", "CV", "IS", "True"),
  mean_est = c(mc_mean, cv_mean, is_mean, true_value),
  bias = c(mc_bias, cv_bias, is_bias, NA),
  variance = c(mc_var, cv_var, is_var, NA)
# 5.3 Compare CPU time
test_time <- microbenchmark(</pre>
  MC = { simpleMC(N_small) },
  CV = { cvMC(N_small, Eg_true = Eg_val) },
  IS = { IS MC(N small) },
  times = 10  # repeat each method 10 times
)
```

Table 1: Estimated model mean, bias, and variance for each method using 100,000 samples; 'True' value is the MC result with 6,000,000 samples

Method	Estimated Mean	Bias	Variance
MC	0.7857719	-0.000144669	4.420e-07
CV	0.7857767	-0.000139931	8.000e-09
IS	0.7855314	-0.000385163	3.016e-06
True	0.7859166	NA	NA

Table 2: CPU time statistics (ms) for each method

Method	Min.	Lower Quartile	Mean	Median	Upper Quartile	Max.	# Eval
MC	13.72758	13.86915	13.99927	14.00097	14.05886	14.34889	10
CV	16.63850	16.65084	16.86150	16.91703	16.99626	17.06584	10
IS	34.85221	35.14815	36.51008	35.43017	35.82031	41.48388	10

Monte Carlo (MC) is the fastest because it only generates random samples and computes the mean, with O(N) complexity and no additional calculations.

Control Variates (CV) is slightly slower due to the extra step of computing a regression coefficient to reduce variance, but it improves estimation accuracy.

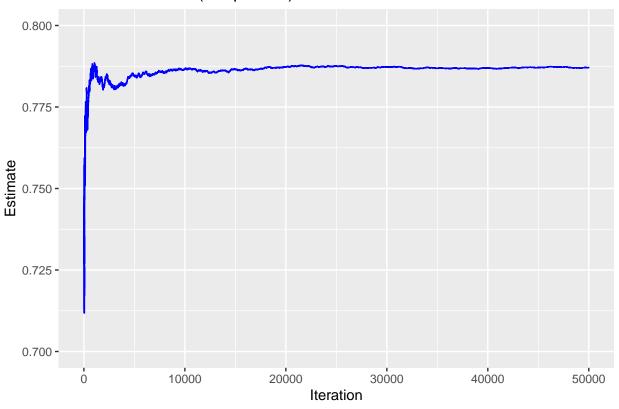
Importance Sampling (IS) is the slowest because it requires computing importance weights, normalizing them, and handling probability density functions, making it computationally more expensive (O(N log N) or higher).

#### 6. Cumulative Convergence Plots (Extra Credit)

#### Simple MC

```
# 6.1 Example of cumulative mean for Simple MC
cumulative_MC <- function(N) {</pre>
  b_{samp} \leftarrow r_b(N)
  x_{samp} \leftarrow r_x(N)
  p_vals <- logistic(alpha + b_samp + beta * x_samp)</pre>
  cum_mean <- cumsum(p_vals) / seq_len(N)</pre>
  return(cum_mean)
}
# 6.2 Plot cumulative mean
set.seed(999)
N <- 5e4
cm_mc <- cumulative_MC(N)</pre>
df_mc <- data.frame(</pre>
  iter = 1:N,
  mean_est = cm_mc
ggplot(df_mc, aes(x = iter, y = mean_est)) +
  geom_line(color = "blue") +
  labs(title = "Cumulative Mean (Simple MC)",
       x = "Iteration",
       y = "Estimate") +
  ylim(c(0.7, 0.8))
```

### Cumulative Mean (Simple MC)



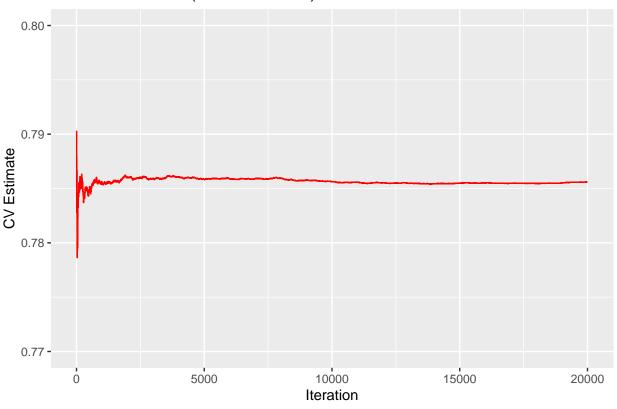
#### Control Variate Cumulative Mean

```
\# This function returns a vector of CV estimates for i from 1 to N.
cumulative_CV <- function(N, Eg_true = NULL, largeN_approx = 5e5) {</pre>
  if (is.null(Eg_true)) {
    # If E[g] is not provided, approximate with a larger MC
    Eg_true <- approx_Eg(N = largeN_approx)</pre>
  }
  # Sample from original distributions
  b_{samp} \leftarrow r_b(N)
  x_{samp} \leftarrow r_x(N)
  # Compute p(b,x) and g(b,x)
  p_vals <- logistic(alpha + b_samp + beta * x_samp)</pre>
  g_vals <- g_function(b_samp, x_samp)</pre>
  # We will keep track of partial sums to compute means, covariance, etc.
  cum_p <- cumsum(p_vals)</pre>
  cum_g <- cumsum(g_vals)</pre>
  cum_pg <- cumsum(p_vals * g_vals) # needed for Cov(p,g)</pre>
  cum_g2 <- cumsum(g_vals^2)</pre>
                                        # needed for Var(g)
  # Vector to store CV estimates at each iteration
  pCV_cum <- numeric(N)</pre>
```

```
# The first data point (i=1) does not allow us to compute a covariance
  # We can simply set pCV_cum[1] to p_vals[1], or NA, etc.
  pCV_cum[1] <- p_vals[1]</pre>
  # Loop over i = 2 to N
  for (i in 2:N) {
    # partial means
    p_bar_i <- cum_p[i] / i</pre>
    g_bar_i <- cum_g[i] / i</pre>
    \# Cov(p,q) = E[p*q] - E[p]*E[q]
    # partial estimate of E[p*g] = cum_pg[i] / i
    pg_bar_i <- cum_pg[i] / i
    cov_pg_i <- pg_bar_i - (p_bar_i * g_bar_i)</pre>
    \# Var(g) = E[g^2] - (E[g])^2
    g2_bar_i <- cum_g2[i] / i</pre>
    var_g_i <- g2_bar_i - (g_bar_i^2)</pre>
    # Optimal gamma
    gamma_i <- cov_pg_i / var_g_i</pre>
    # CV estimate at iteration i
    pCV_cum[i] <- p_bar_i - gamma_i * (g_bar_i - Eg_true)</pre>
  return(pCV_cum)
}
# Example usage and plotting:
set.seed(1234)
N <- 20000
cv_cum_values <- cumulative_CV(N)</pre>
df_cv <- data.frame(</pre>
  iter = 1:N,
  cv_est = cv_cum_values
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(df_cv, aes(x = iter, y = cv_est)) +
  geom_line(color = "red") +
  labs(title = "Cumulative Mean (Control Variate)",
       x = "Iteration",
       y = "CV Estimate") +
  ylim(c(0.77, 0.8))
```

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## (`geom\_line()`).

### Cumulative Mean (Control Variate)



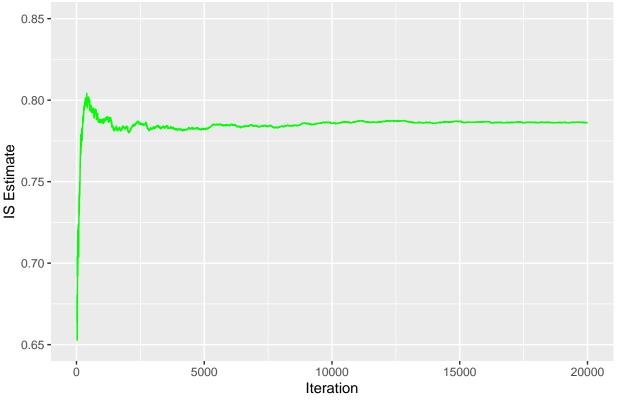
### Importance Sampling Cumulative Mean

```
cumulative_IS <- function(N) {</pre>
  # Sample from auxiliary distribution h(b,x)
  b_samp <- r_b_IS(N)</pre>
  x_{samp} \leftarrow r_x_{IS}(N)
  # Compute original PDF f(b), f(x)
  fb_vals <- dt(b_samp, df = 5)</pre>
                                              # original b \sim t_5
  fx_vals \leftarrow dgamma(x_samp, shape=2, rate=1) # original x \sim Gamma(2,1)
  # Compute auxiliary PDF h(b), h(x)
  hb_vals <- d_b_IS(b_samp)</pre>
  hx_vals <- d_x_IS(x_samp)</pre>
  # Weights
  w <- (fb_vals * fx_vals) / (hb_vals * hx_vals)</pre>
  # Target function p(b,x)
  p_vals <- logistic(alpha + b_samp + beta * x_samp)</pre>
  # Build cumulative sums
  cum_w <- cumsum(w)</pre>
  cum_pw <- cumsum(p_vals * w)</pre>
  \# IS estimate at iteration i: cum_pw[i] / cum_w[i]
```

```
pIS_cum <- cum_pw / cum_w
  return(pIS_cum)
}
## Example usage and plotting:
set.seed(5678)
N <- 20000
is_cum_values <- cumulative_IS(N)</pre>
df_is <- data.frame(</pre>
 iter = 1:N,
  is_est = is_cum_values
ggplot(df_is, aes(x = iter, y = is_est)) +
  geom_line(color = "green") +
  labs(title = "Cumulative Mean (Importance Sampling)",
       x = "Iteration",
       y = "IS Estimate") +
  ylim(c(0.65, 0.85))
```

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## Cumulative Mean (Importance Sampling)

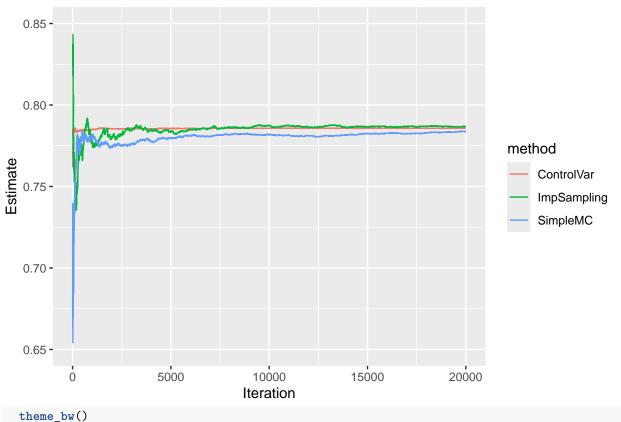


```
N <- 20000
set.seed(999)
```

```
# 1. Simple MC
cm_mc <- cumulative_MC(N)</pre>
df_mc <- data.frame(iter = 1:N, method = "SimpleMC", estimate = cm_mc)</pre>
# 2. CV
cm_cv <- cumulative_CV(N)</pre>
df_cv <- data.frame(iter = 1:N, method = "ControlVar", estimate = cm_cv)</pre>
# 3. IS
cm_is <- cumulative_IS(N)</pre>
df_is <- data.frame(iter = 1:N, method = "ImpSampling", estimate = cm_is)</pre>
# Combine
df_all <- rbind(df_mc, df_cv, df_is)</pre>
ggplot(df_all, aes(x = iter, y = estimate, color = method)) +
  geom_line() +
  labs(title = "Cumulative Mean Comparison",
       x = "Iteration",
       y = "Estimate") +
  ylim(c(0.65, 0.85))
```

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## (`geom\_line()`).

# Cumulative Mean Comparison



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    ..$ lineheight : NULL
    ..$ margin
                  : 'margin' num [1:4] Opoints 2.2points Opoints 2.2points
##
    .. ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 8
                   : NULL
    ..$ debug
##
    ..$ inherit.blank: logi TRUE
    ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_text" "element"
##
   $ axis.ticks
                                    :List of 6
##
    ..$ colour
                  : chr "grey20"
    ..$ linewidth : NULL
##
##
    ..$ linetype
                   : NULL
                   : NULL
    ..$ lineend
##
##
    ..$ arrow
                   : logi FALSE
##
    ..$ inherit.blank: logi TRUE
    ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_line" "element"
##
   $ axis.ticks.x
                                   : NULL
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.x.top
## $ axis.ticks.x.bottom
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.y
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.y.left
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.y.right
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.theta
                                  : NULL
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.r
                                 : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.x.top
## $ axis.minor.ticks.x.bottom
                                 : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.y.left
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.y.right
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.theta
                                  : NULL
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.r
## $ axis.ticks.length
                                   : 'simpleUnit' num 2.75points
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 8
##
## $ axis.ticks.length.x
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.x.top
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.x.bottom
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.y
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.y.left
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.y.right
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.theta
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.ticks.length.r
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length
                                  : 'rel' num 0.75
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.x
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.x.top : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.x.bottom: NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.y
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.y.left : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.y.right : NULL
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## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.theta
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.minor.ticks.length.r
                                    : NULL
## $ axis.line
                                    : list()
   ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_blank" "element"
##
## $ axis.line.x
                                   : NULL
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.line.x.top
## $ axis.line.x.bottom
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.line.y
                                   : NULL
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.line.y.left
                                  : NULL
## $ axis.line.y.right
## $ axis.line.theta
                                  : NULL
                                   : NULL
## $ axis.line.r
## $ legend.background
                                   :List of 5
##
   ..$ fill : NULL
##
    ..$ colour : logi NA
##
    ..$ linewidth
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ linetype
                   : NULL
    ..$ inherit.blank: logi TRUE
##
##
    ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_rect" "element"
## $ legend.margin
                                   : 'margin' num [1:4] 5.5points 5.5points 5.5points
##
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 8
## $ legend.spacing
                                    : 'simpleUnit' num 11points
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 8
##
   $ legend.spacing.x
                                    : NULL
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.spacing.y
## $ legend.key
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.key.size
                                    : 'simpleUnit' num 1.2lines
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 3
## $ legend.key.height
                                   : NULL
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.key.width
                                   : 'simpleUnit' num 5.5points
## $ legend.key.spacing
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 8
## $ legend.key.spacing.x
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.key.spacing.y
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.frame
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.ticks
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.ticks.length
                                  : 'rel' num 0.2
## $ legend.axis.line
                                   : NULL
                                   :List of 11
## $ legend.text
##
   ..$ family
                   : NULL
##
    ..$ face
                   : NULL
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ colour
##
    ..$ size
                    : 'rel' num 0.8
##
                   : NULL
    ..$ hjust
##
                    : NULL
    ..$ vjust
##
                    : NULL
    ..$ angle
                   : NULL
##
    ..$ lineheight
##
    ..$ margin
                   : NULL
##
    ..$ debug
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ inherit.blank: logi TRUE
    ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_text" "element"
##
## $ legend.text.position
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.title
                                   :List of 11
   ..$ family
##
                : NULL
```

```
..$ face
                   : NULL
##
##
    ..$ colour
                   : NULL
    ..$ size
                   : NULL
##
##
    ..$ hjust
                    : num 0
##
    ..$ vjust
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ angle
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ lineheight : NULL
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ margin
##
    ..$ debug
                    : NULL
##
    ..$ inherit.blank: logi TRUE
    ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_text" "element"
## $ legend.title.position
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.position
                                  : chr "right"
## $ legend.position.inside
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.direction
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.byrow
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.justification
                                  : chr "center"
## $ legend.justification.top
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.justification.bottom
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.justification.left
                                   : NULL
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.justification.right
## $ legend.justification.inside
                                  : NULL
## $ legend.location
                                    : NULL
## $ legend.box
                                   : NULL
                                   : NULL
## $ legend.box.just
## $ legend.box.margin
                                    : 'margin' num [1:4] Ocm Ocm Ocm Ocm
##
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 1
## $ legend.box.background
                                    : list()
   ..- attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "element_blank" "element"
##
                                    : 'simpleUnit' num 11points
## $ legend.box.spacing
   ..- attr(*, "unit")= int 8
##
##
    [list output truncated]
## - attr(*, "class")= chr [1:2] "theme" "gg"
## - attr(*, "complete")= logi TRUE
## - attr(*, "validate")= logi TRUE
```

# Discussion and Practical Implications

### Conclusion