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# Simulation for Significance of splitting (Jan. 2014)

Based on Jamie's notes [go to pdf](#)

## Setup

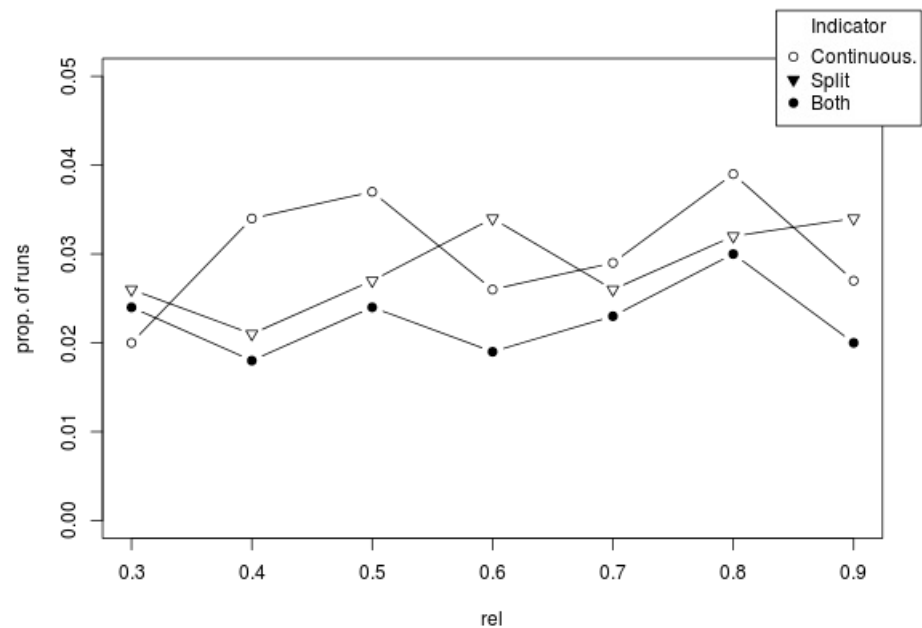
### Model

Two continuous latent variables ( $\eta$  and  $\zeta$ ) are created with  $N$  cases, sharing a correlation equal to  $\rho$ . A measure ( $x$ ) of  $\eta$  is created with reliability ( $rel$ ), and then is dichotomized accordingly to  $p$  ( $1-p$ ) into  $c$ . The correlations ( $r_{pe}=r(x,\eta)$ ) and ( $r_{pb}=r(c,\zeta)$ ) are computed, their  $p$ -value and significance (at .05) is recorded. ### Design

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N={20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140, 160, 180, 200}
rho={0}
rel={0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9}
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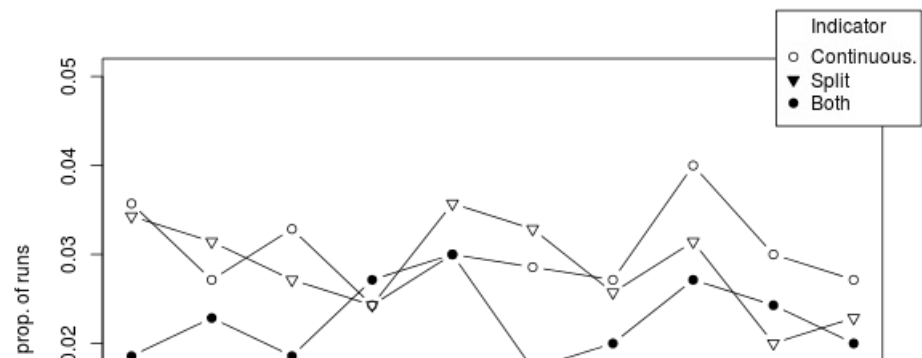
each combination of  $N$  and  $rho$  is repeated 100 times.

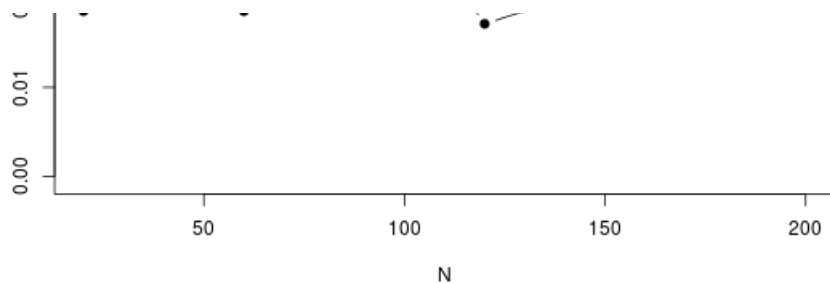
Proportions of samples where both correlations are significant (*both*), only the .biserial (*Split*), and only the Pearson (*continuous*) by reliability



plot of chunk unnamed-chunk-2

Proportion of significant results by N broken down by indicator type

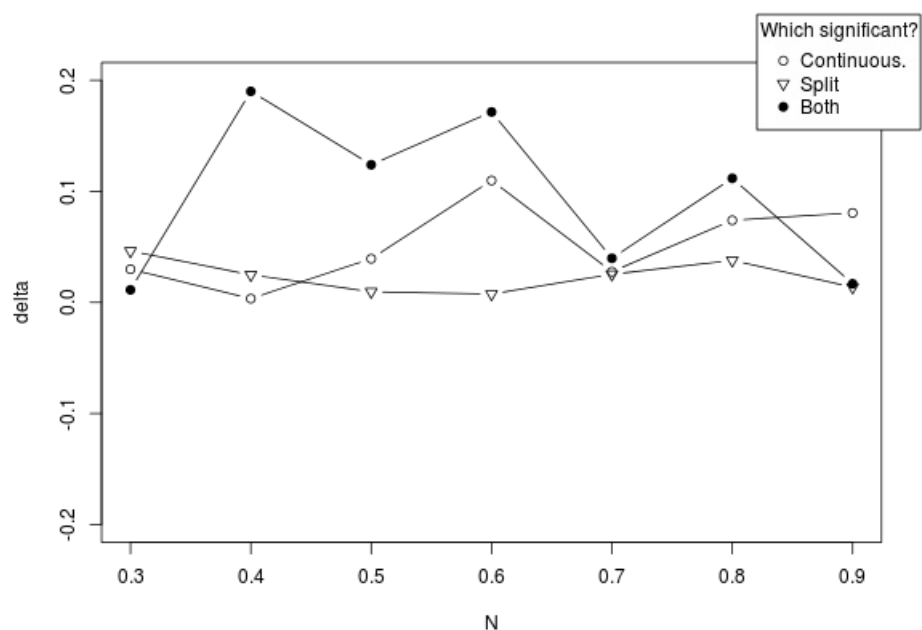




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**Mean abs distance between Pearson correlation and () results by reliability broken down by indicator significance**

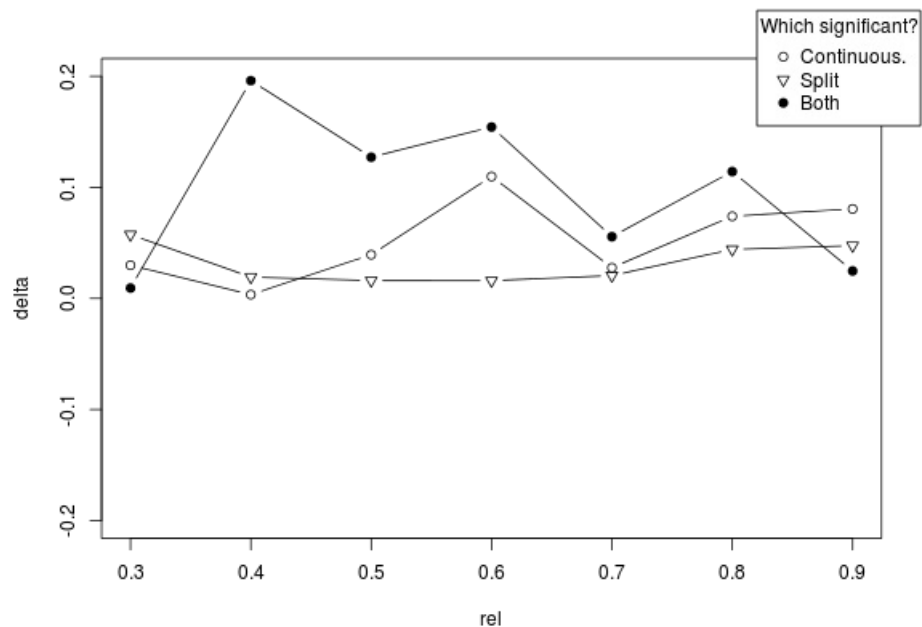
*in this case mean distance=effect size in terms of r*



plot of chunk unnamed-chunk-4

**Mean abs distance between .biserial correlation and () results by reliability broken down by indicator significance**

*in this case mean distance=effect size in terms of r*



plot of chunk unnamed-chunk-5

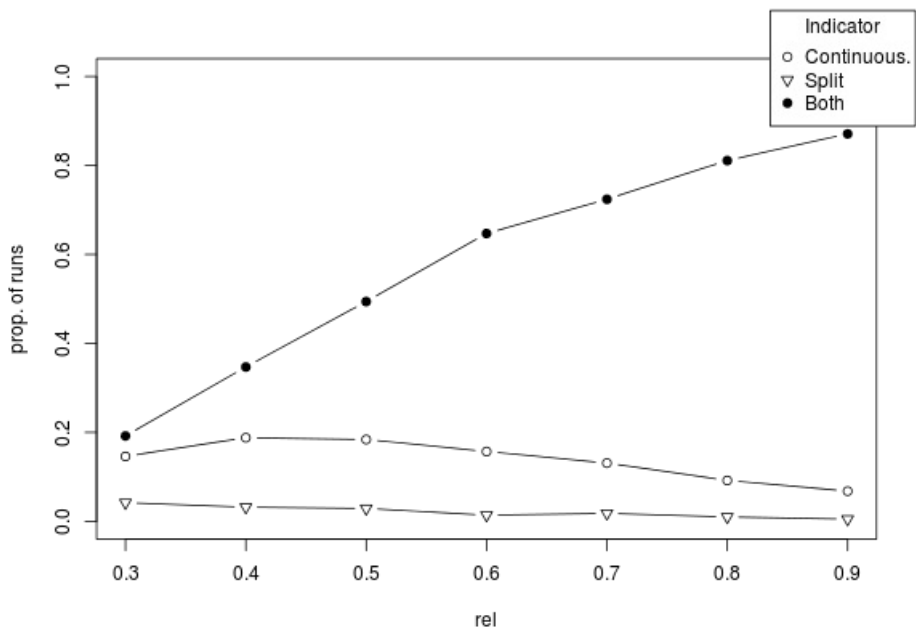
not null hypothesis

Design

$N=\{20, 40, 60, 80, 100, 120, 140, 160, 180, 200\}$   
 $\rho=\{0.5\}$   
 $rel=\{0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9\}$

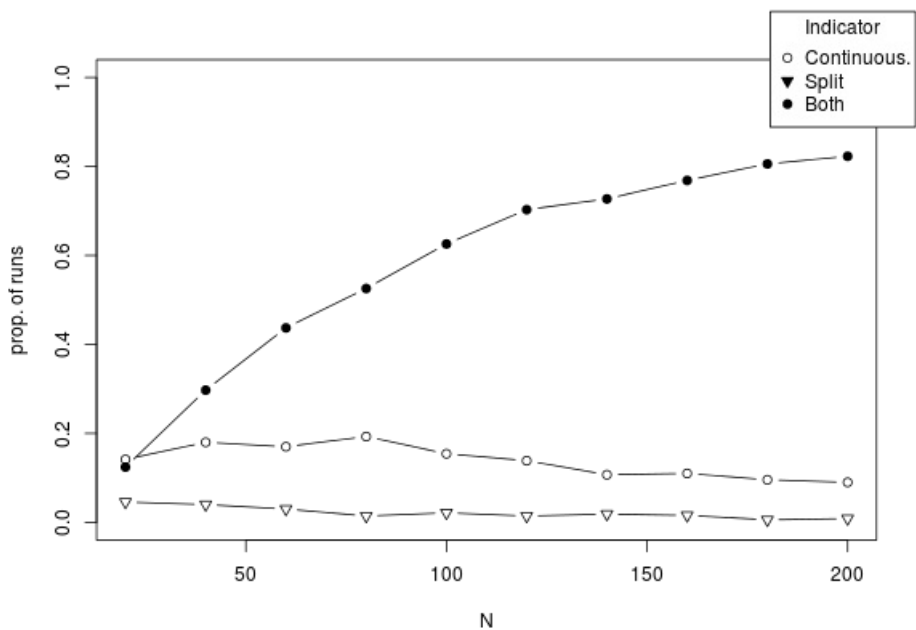
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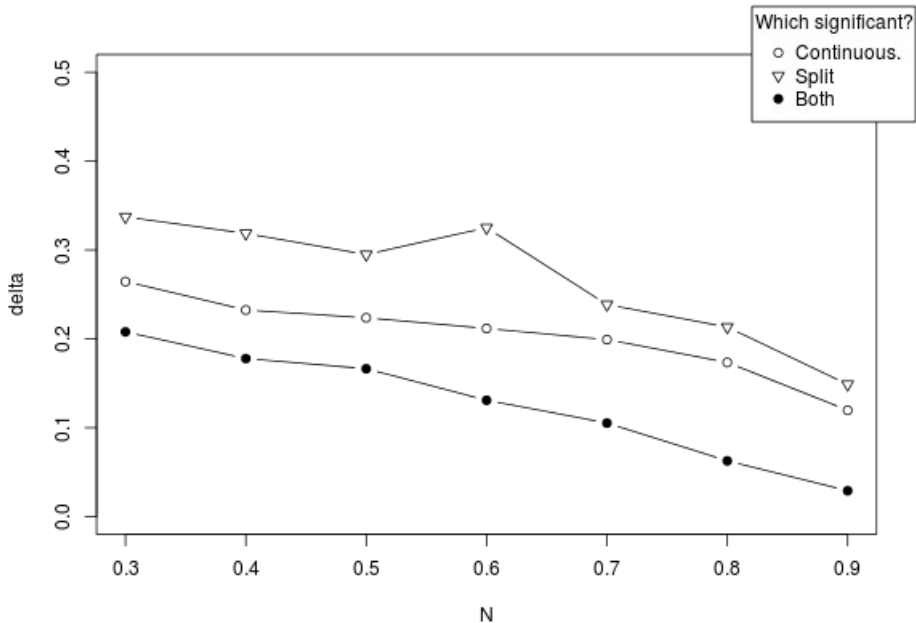
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Proportion of significant results by N broken down by which indicator is significant



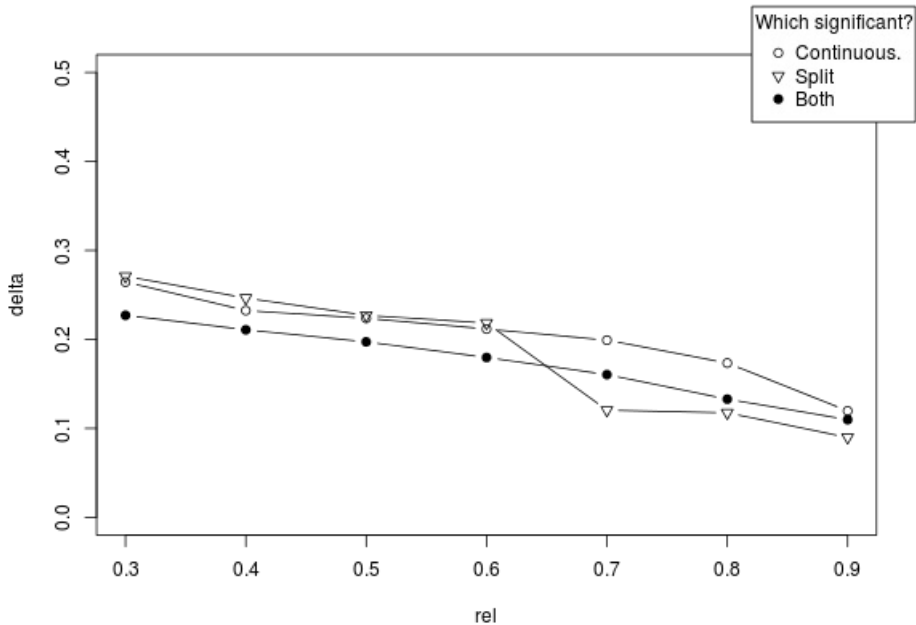
plot of chunk unnamed-chunk-7

Mean abs distance between Pearson correlation and () results by reliability broken down by indicator significance



plot of chunk unnamed-chunk-8

Mean abs distance between .biserial correlation and () results by reliability broken down by indicator significance



plot of chunk unnamed-chunk-9