Model Fit - Monte Carlo simulations of Negative Binomial Distribution

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1 Description

Although, the Poisson distribution for MOI is justified, still it can fail in practice. An alternative for the Poisson distribution is the negative binomial distribution. Unlike the Poisson distribution, variance of the negative binomial distribution differs from its mean. It is especially useful for data whose sample variance exceeds the sample mean. In the model violation we also condition on infected samples. Therefore, we considered the conditional negative binomial distribution (CNB). Since the negative binomial distribution has one more parameter than the Poisson, the second parameter can be used to adjust the variance independently of the mean. In order to derive the range of values for parameters of CNB, we did as follows: while the mean of the distributions agree, we considered various levels of dispersion from the mean for CNB, i.e.,

$$\mu^{(CNB)} = \mu^{(CPD)} \tag{1}$$

$$\sigma^{2(CNB)} = \alpha \ \sigma^{2(CPD)} \tag{2}$$

where α is the level of dispersion. We solved 1 for (r,q) (the CNB parameters) for different values of λ (the CPD parameter) and α , namely $\lambda = 0.1, 0.15, \ldots, 1.95, 2$ and $\alpha = 1.05, 1.1, \ldots, 1.95, 2$. We generated S = 10,000 datasets under alternative model for each set of values, and repeated the procedure described above.



2 Bias of $\hat{\lambda}$

2.1 Different Levels of Dispersion α

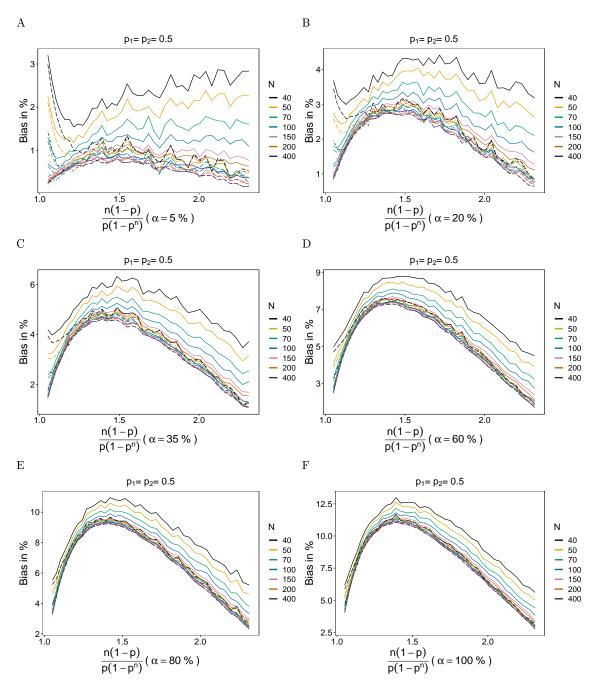


Figure 1: Bias of bias-corrected MLE under conditional negative binomial model. The figure shows the bias in % of different versions of Bias-corrected MLE of mean MOI parameter along with MLE of $\psi = \frac{\lambda}{1-e^{-\lambda}}$ for different lineage frequency distributions under conditional negative binomial model. The simulated data is from conditional negative binomial model whereas the estimations are from conditional Poisson model. Each plot carries different levels of dispersion determined by α , i.e., the data is generated with $\sigma^{2(CNB)} = (1 + \alpha/100)\mu^{(CNB)}$. Different colors correspond to different sample sizes N. The solid, long-dashed and dot-dashed lines correspond to MLE, TBCMLE (theoretical bias-corrected MLE) and HBCMLE (heuristic bias-corrected MLE), respectively.

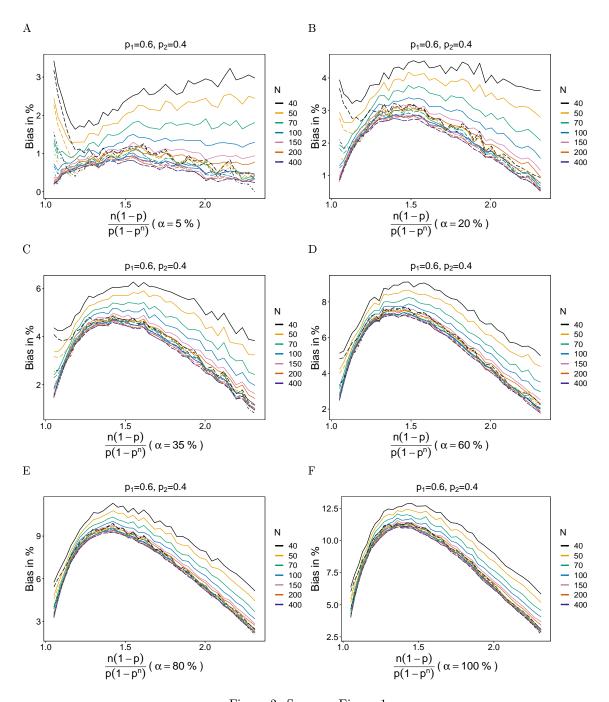


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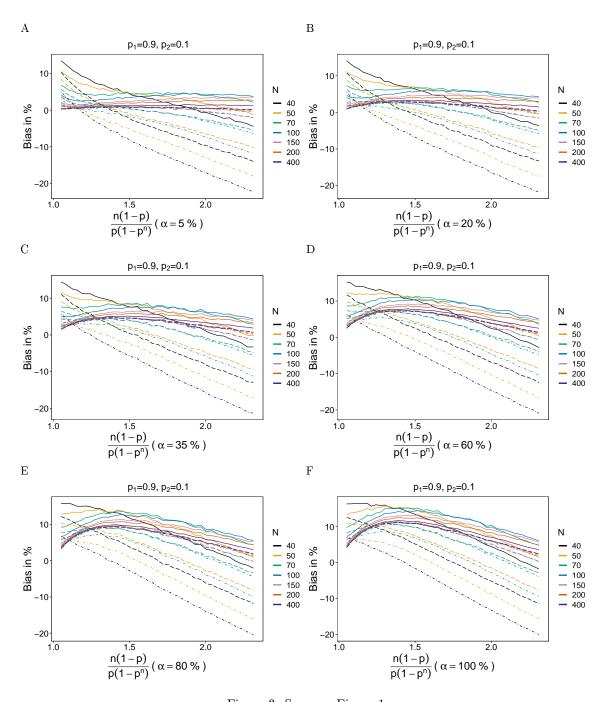


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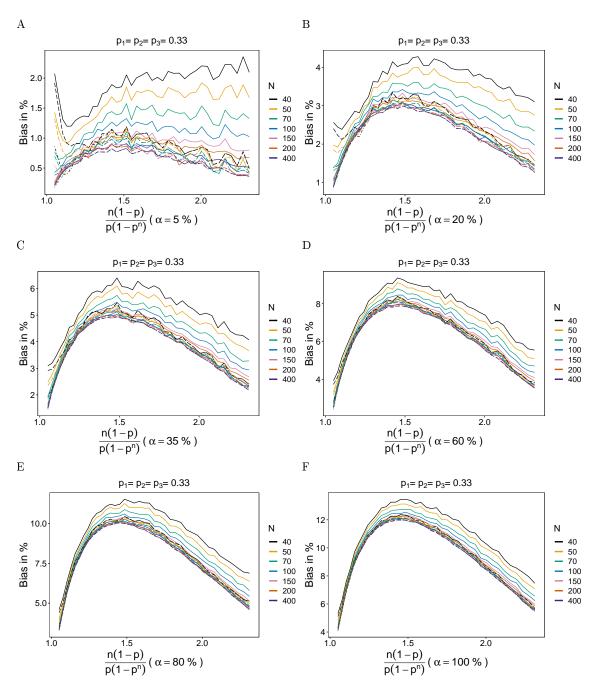


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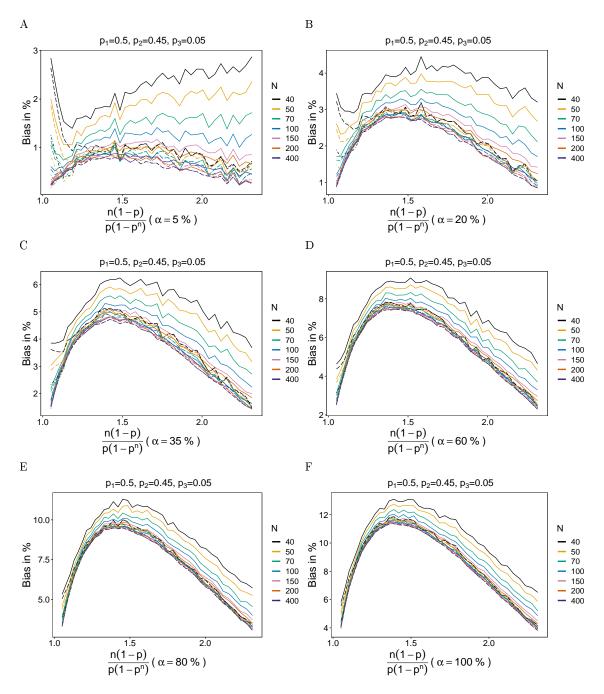


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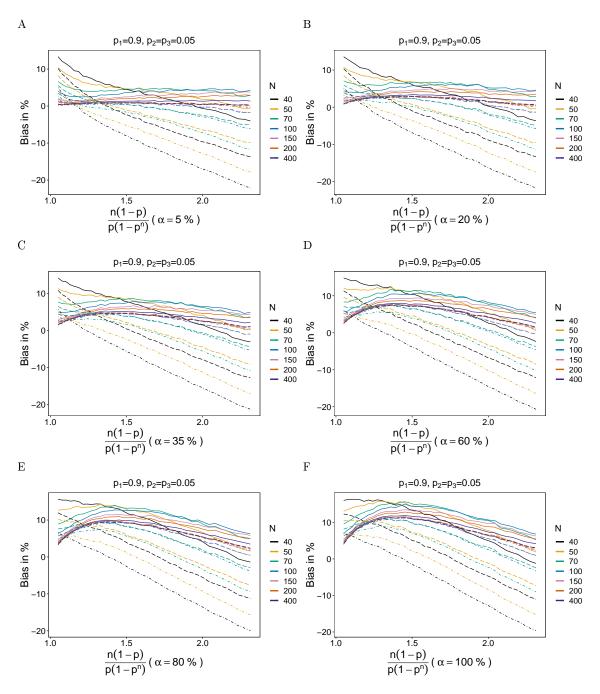


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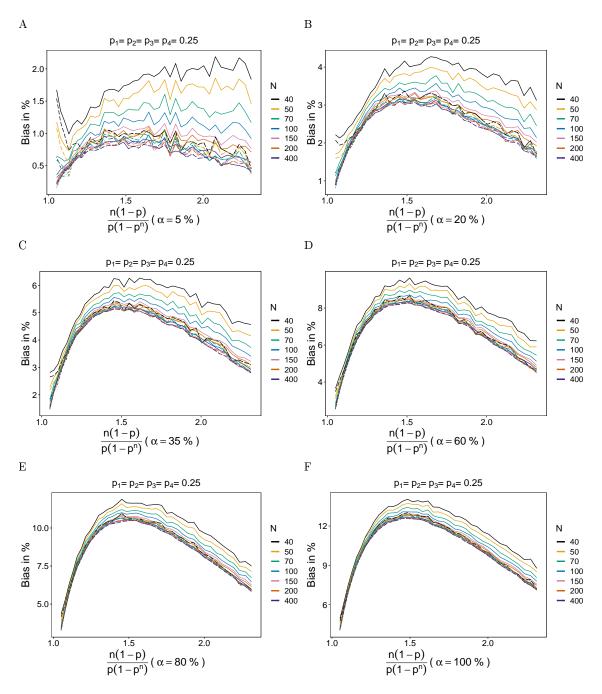


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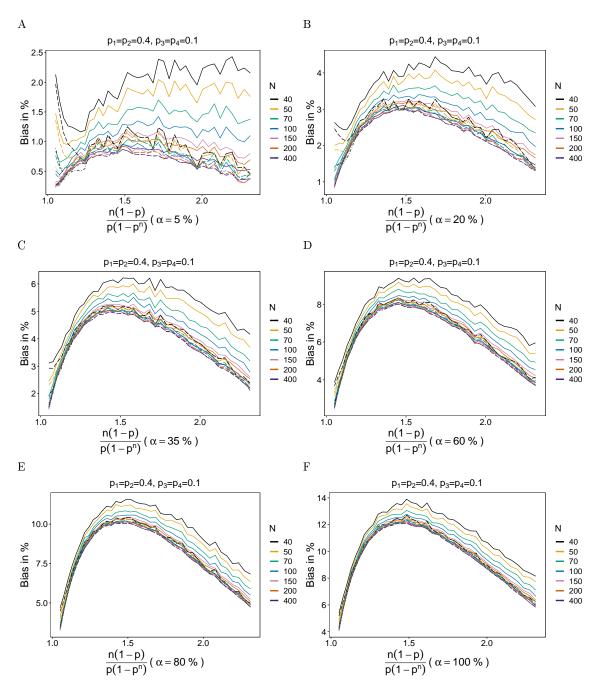


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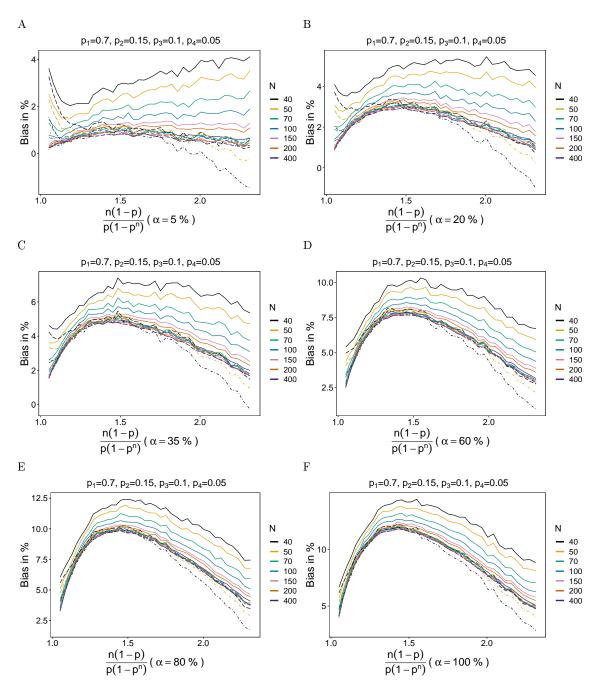


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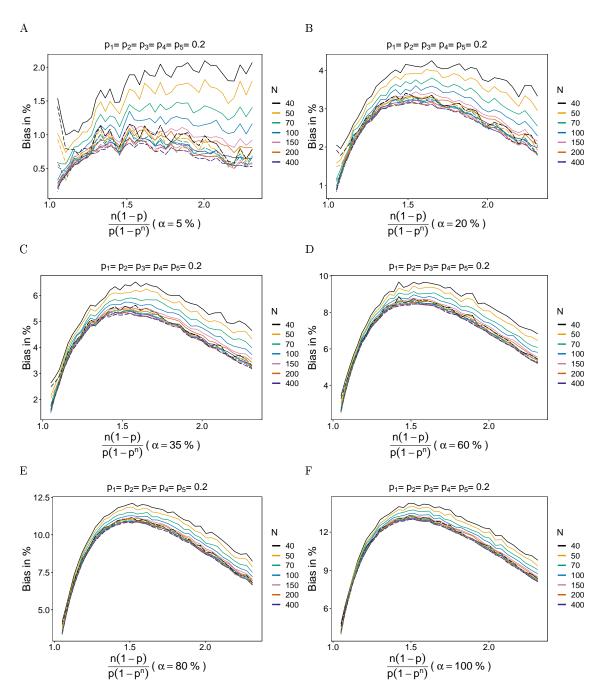


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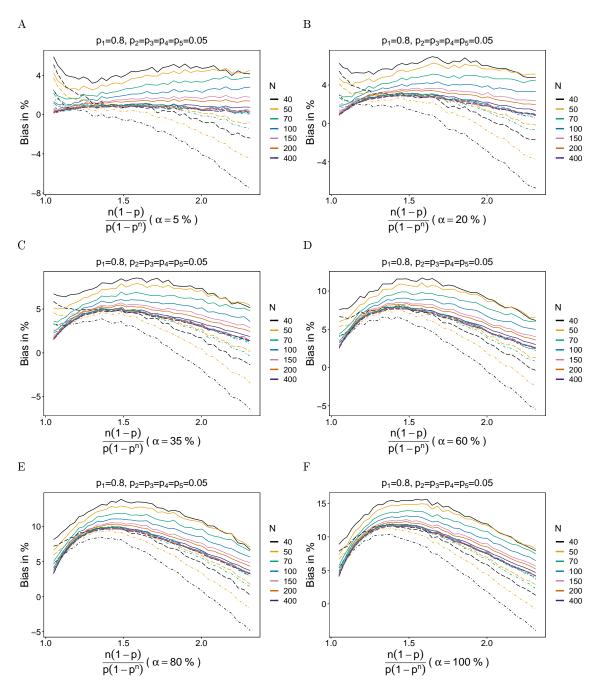


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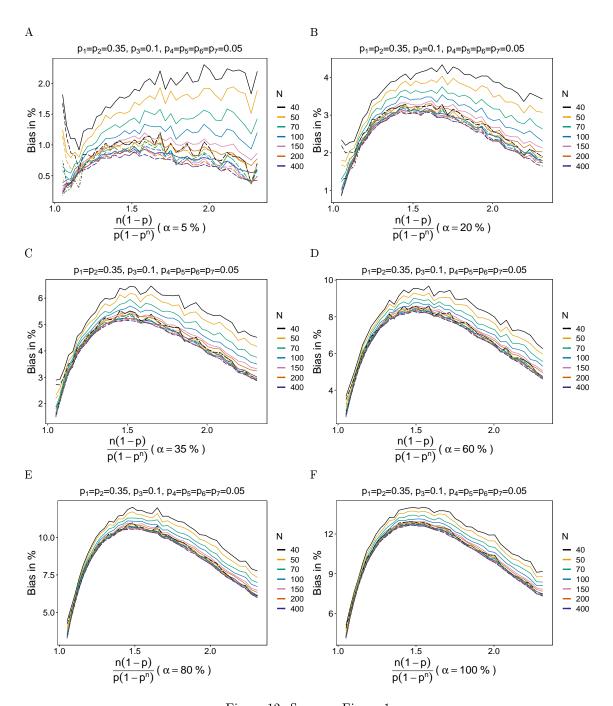


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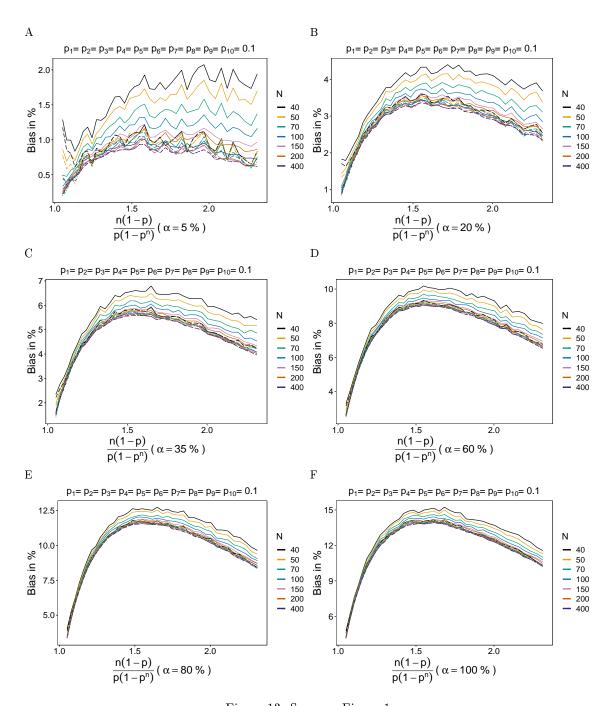


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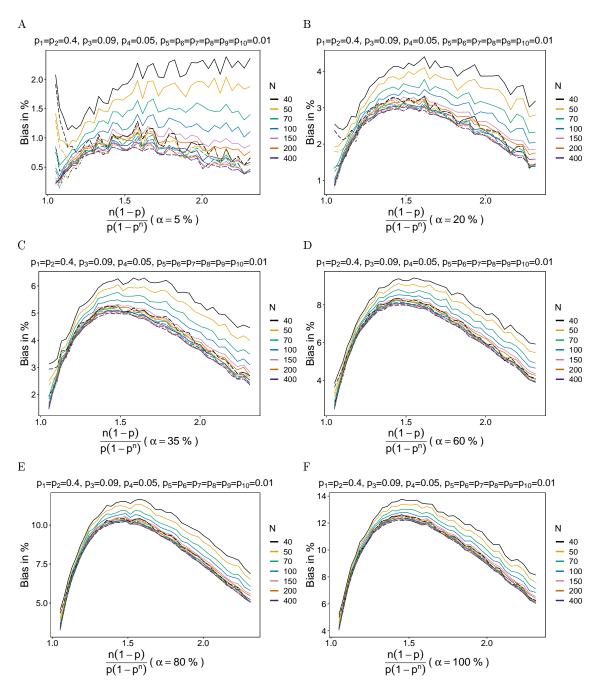


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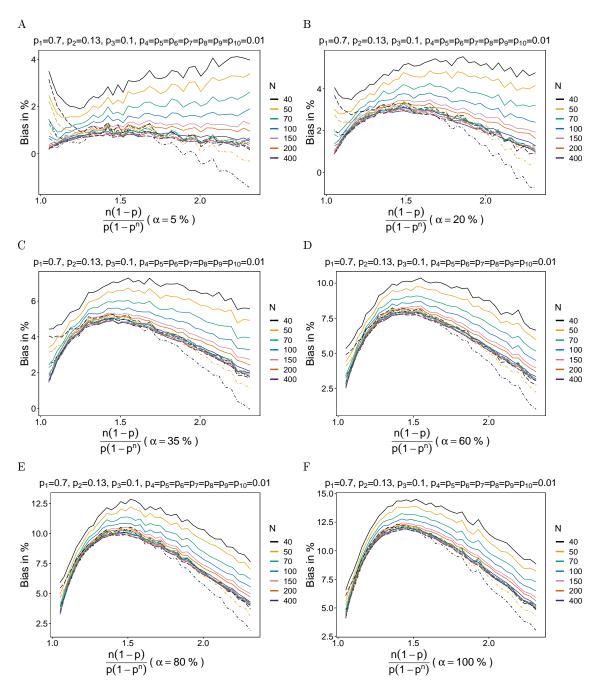


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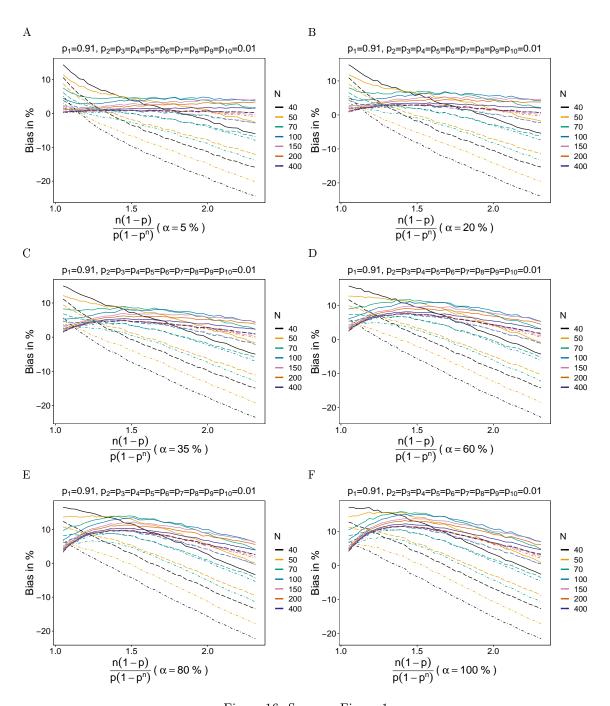


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2.2 Different Sample Sizes N

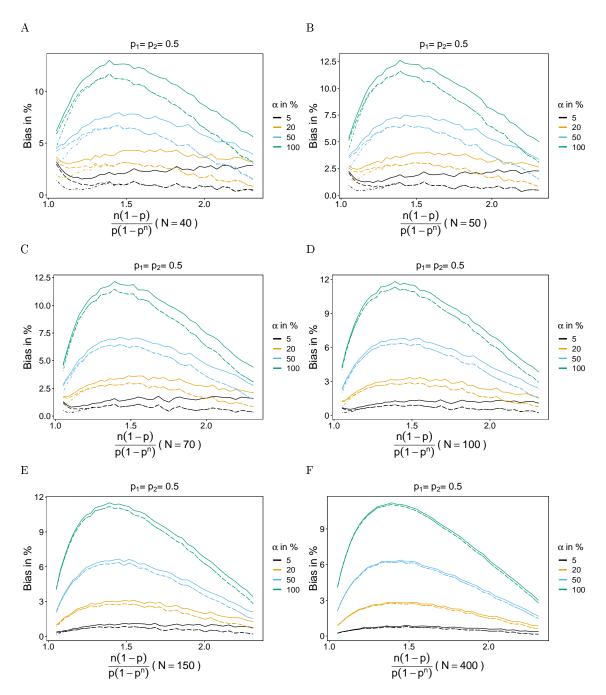


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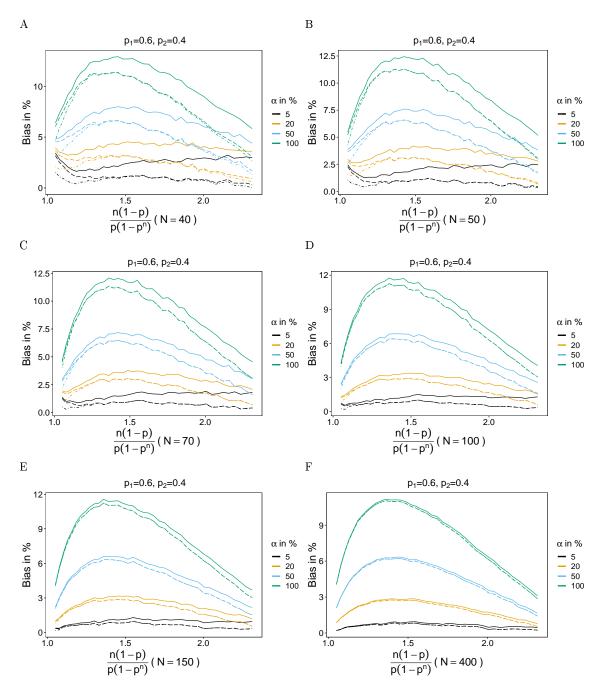


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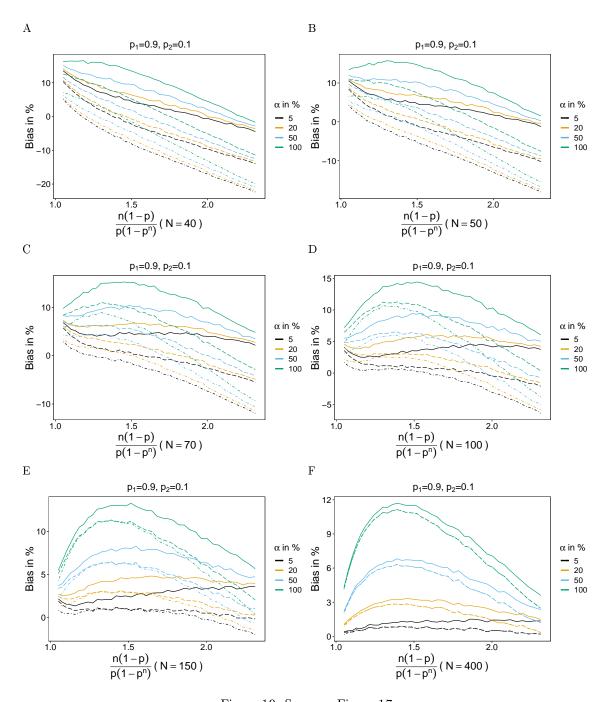


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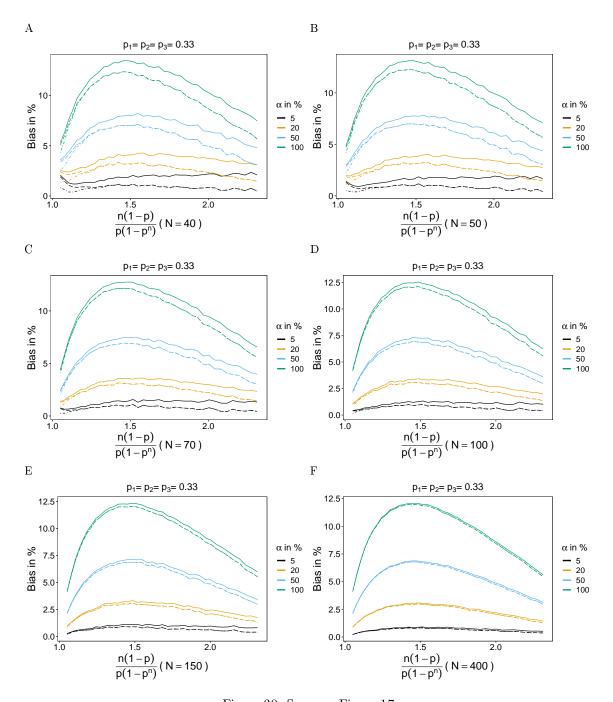


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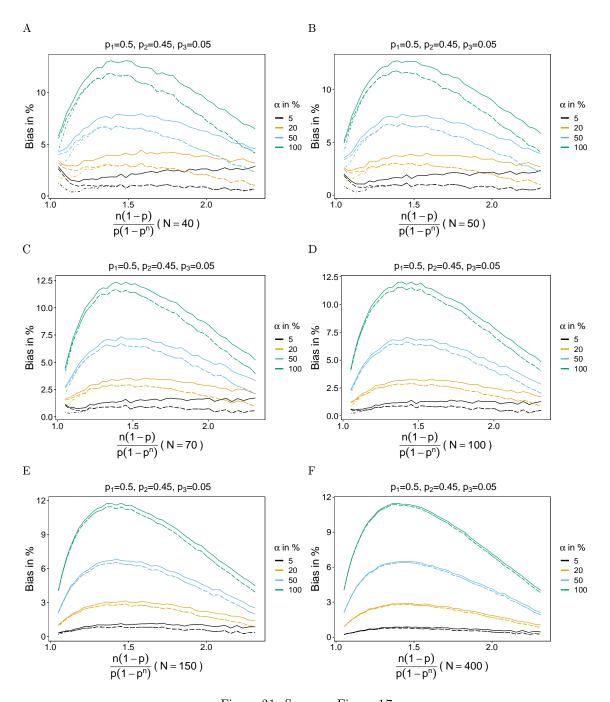


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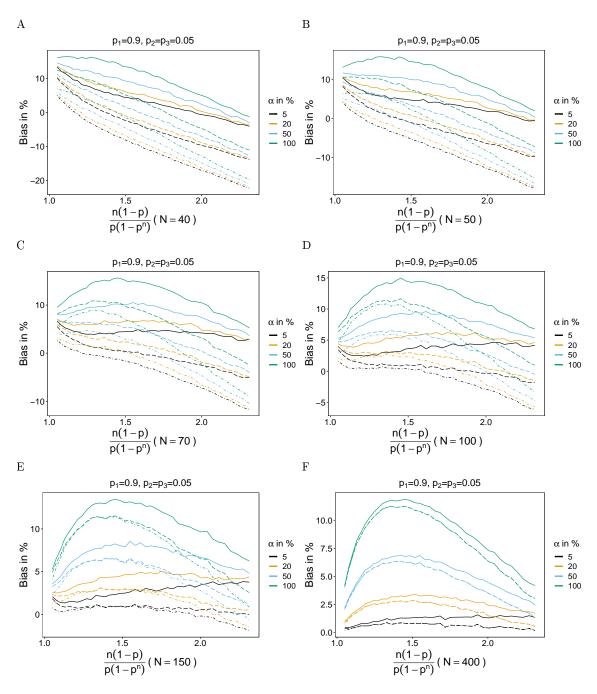


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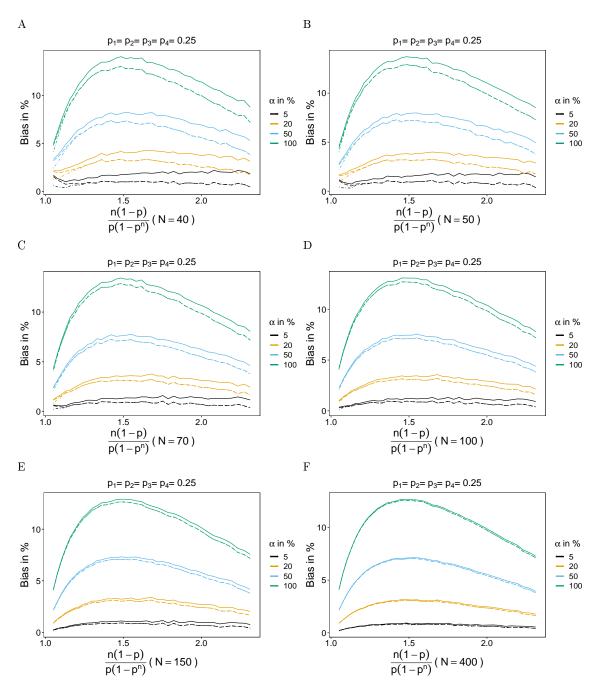


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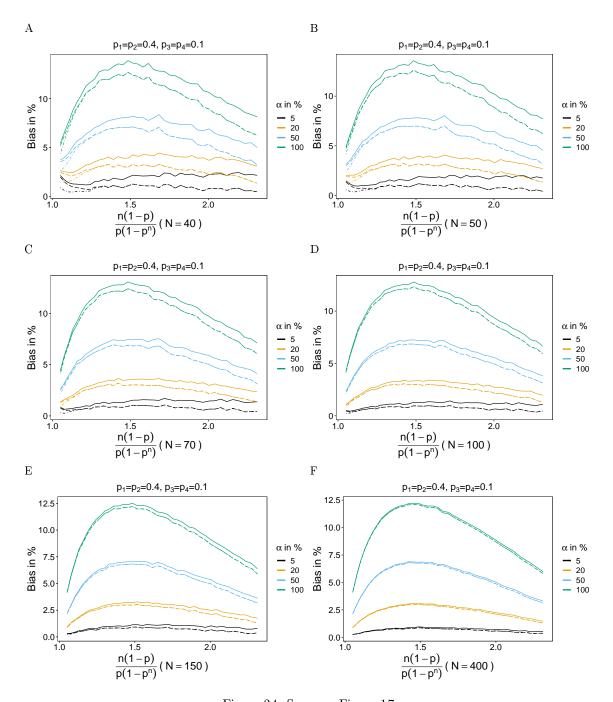


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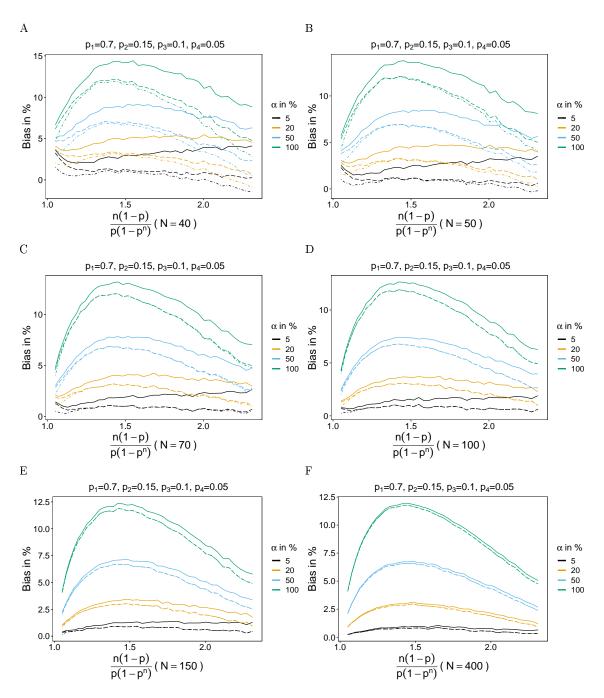


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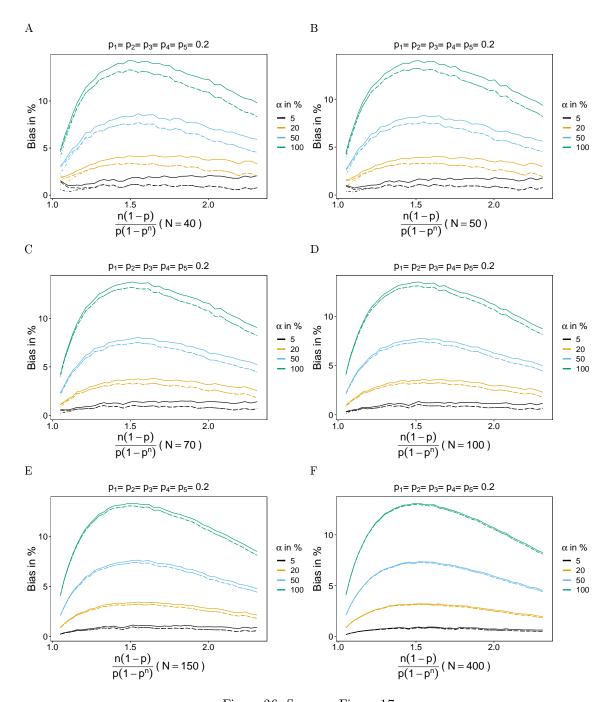


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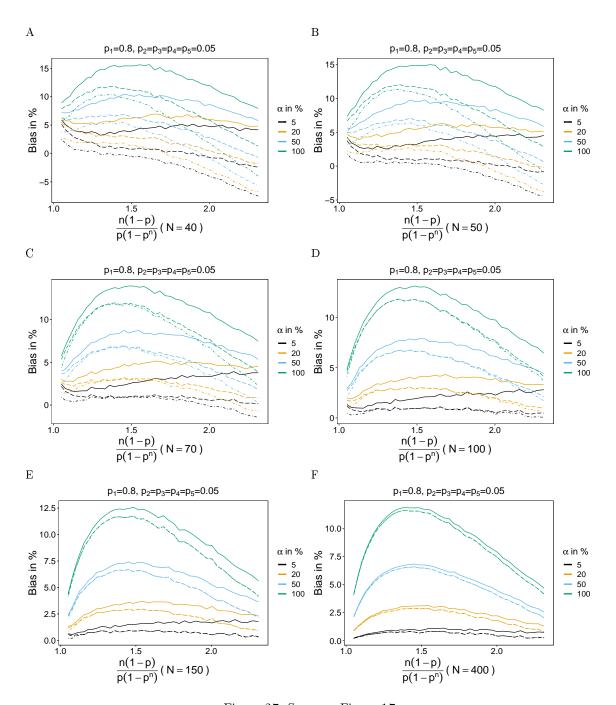


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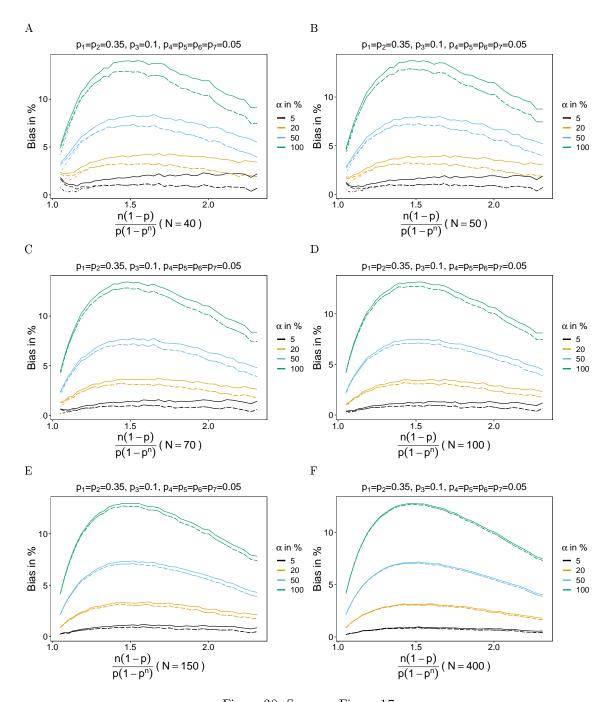


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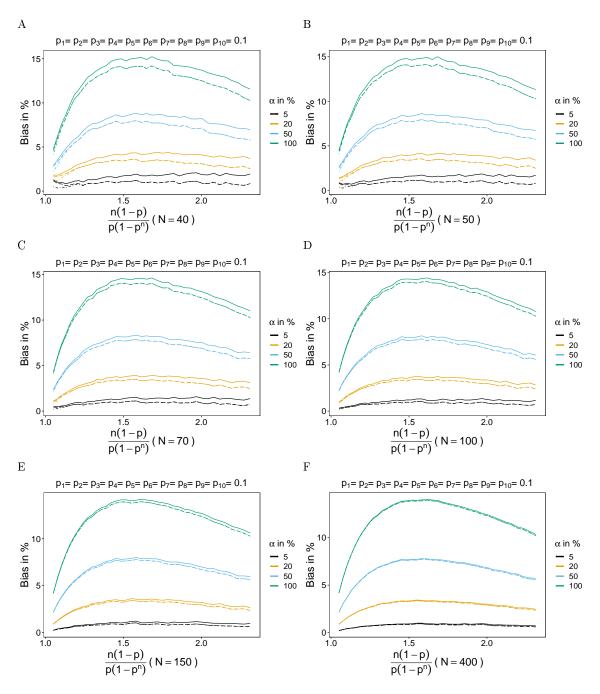


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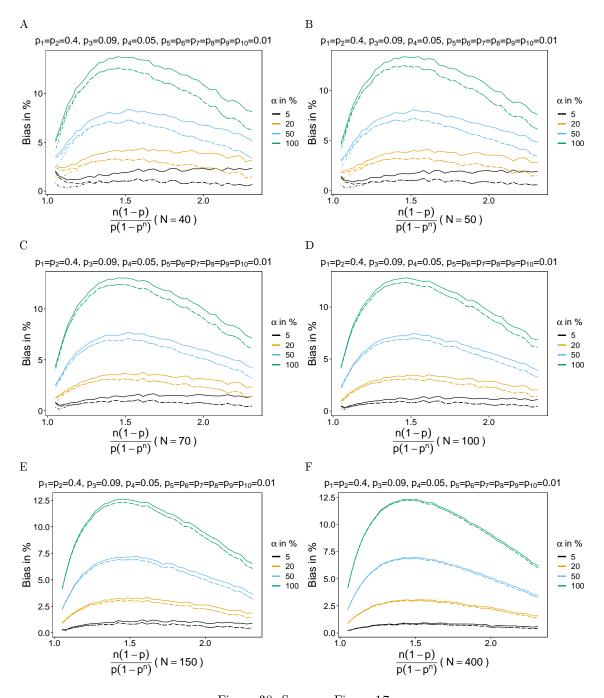


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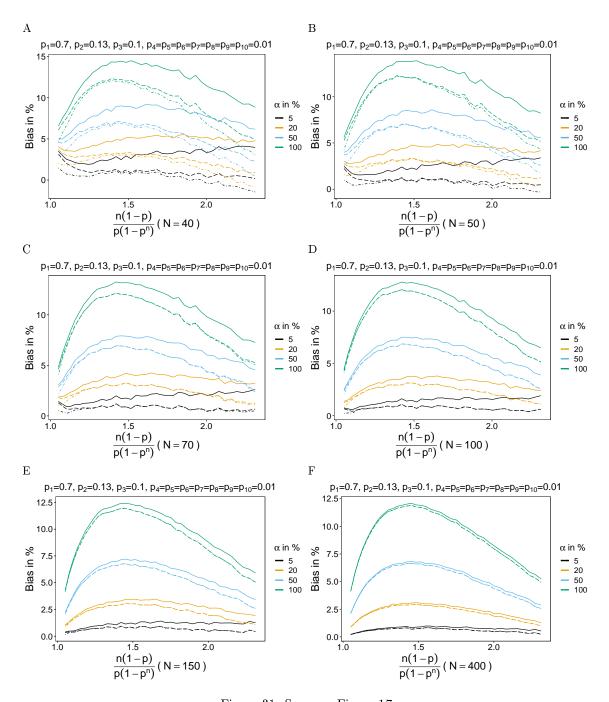


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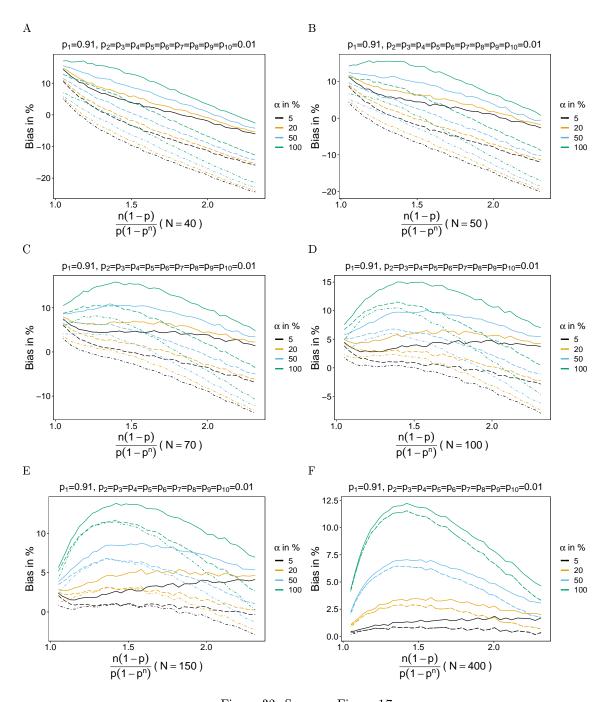


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3 CV

3.1 Different levels of Dispersion α

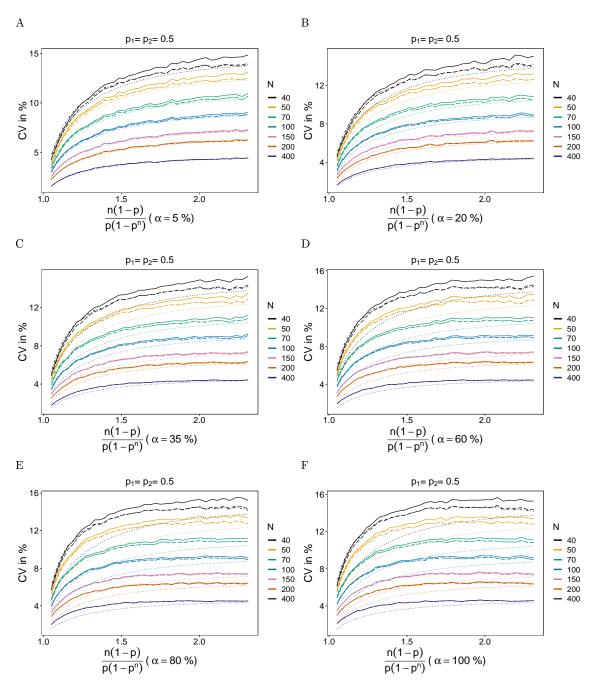


Figure 33: Coefficient of variation in % of bias-corrected MLE under conditional negative binomial model. Same as Figure 1 but for CV. The dotted lines are the Cramér Rao lower bounds.

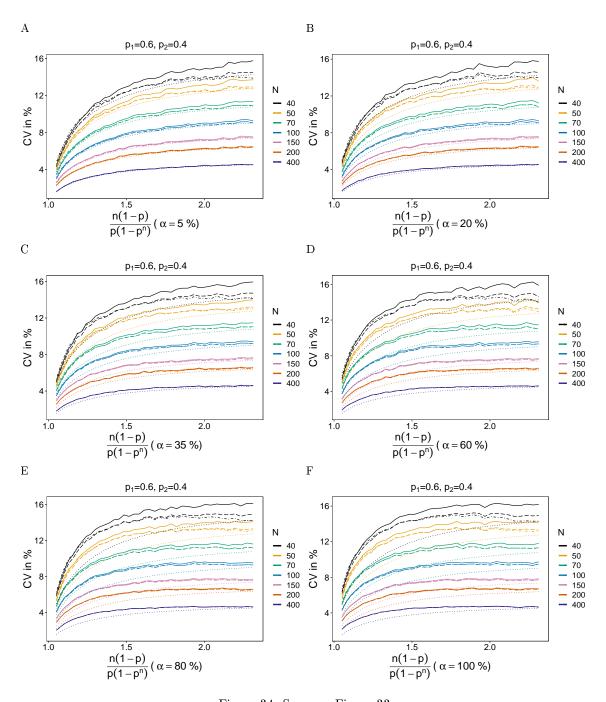


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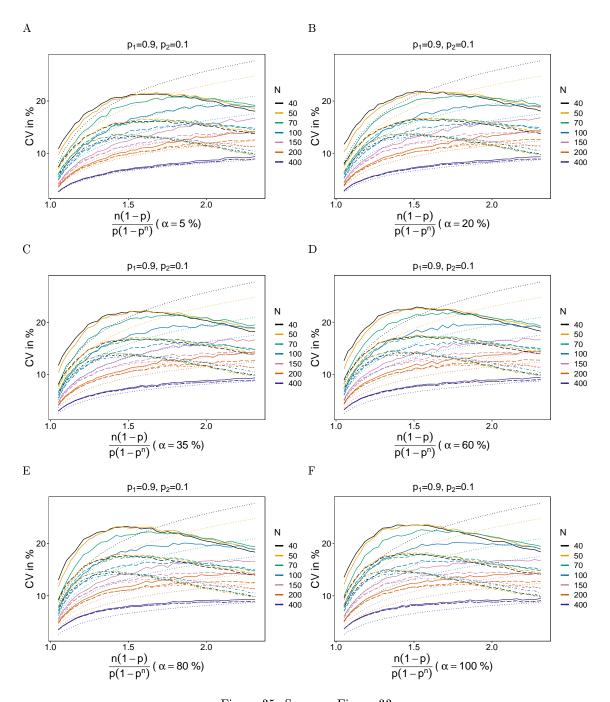


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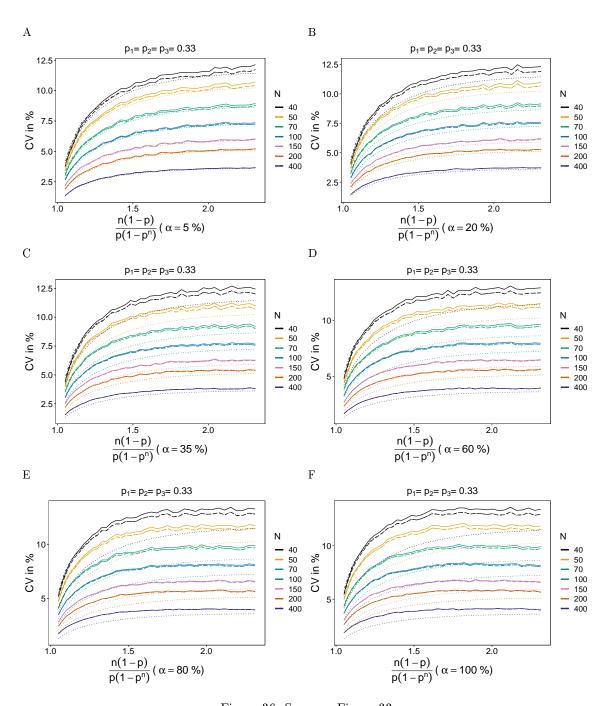


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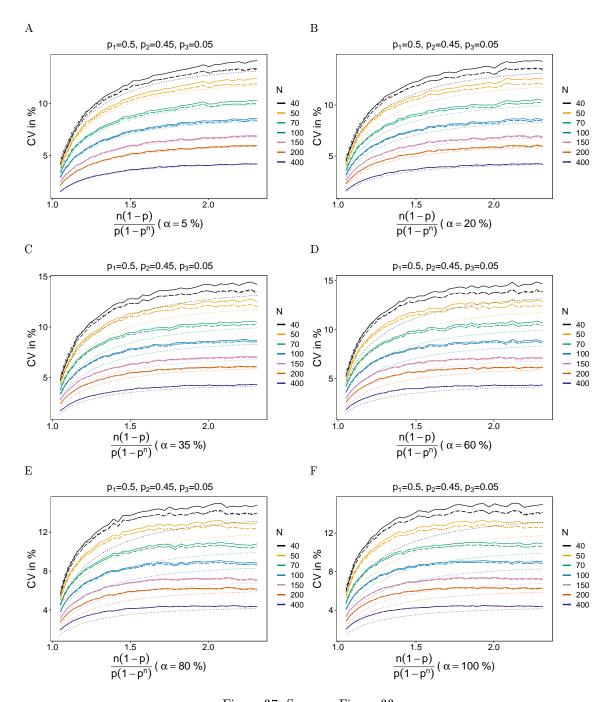


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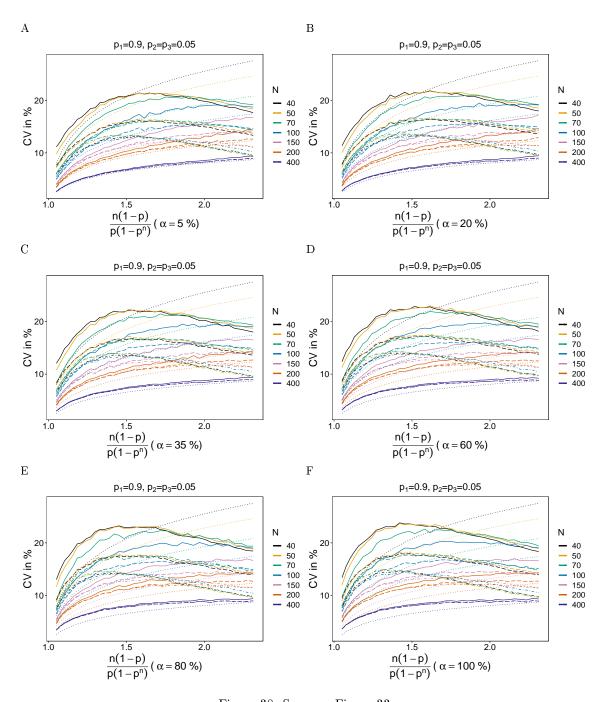


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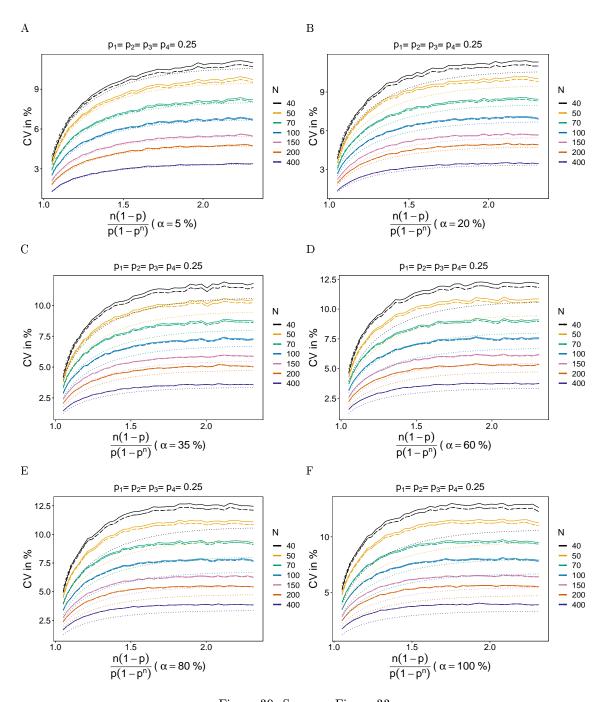


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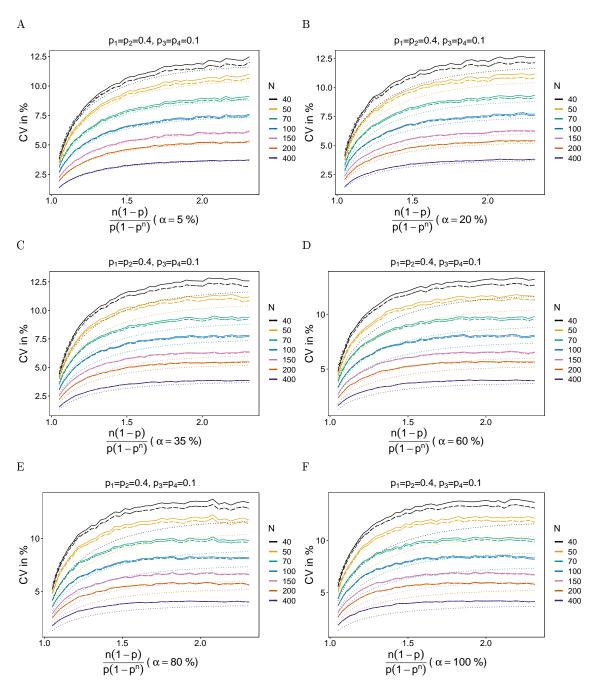


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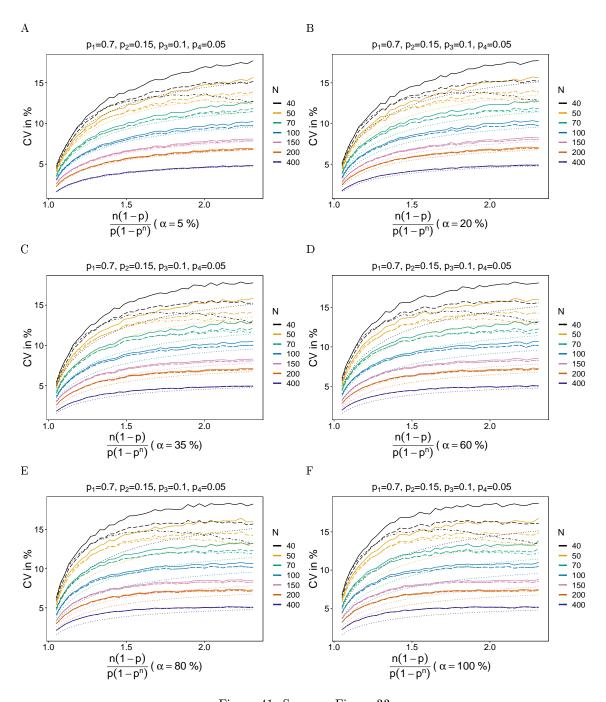


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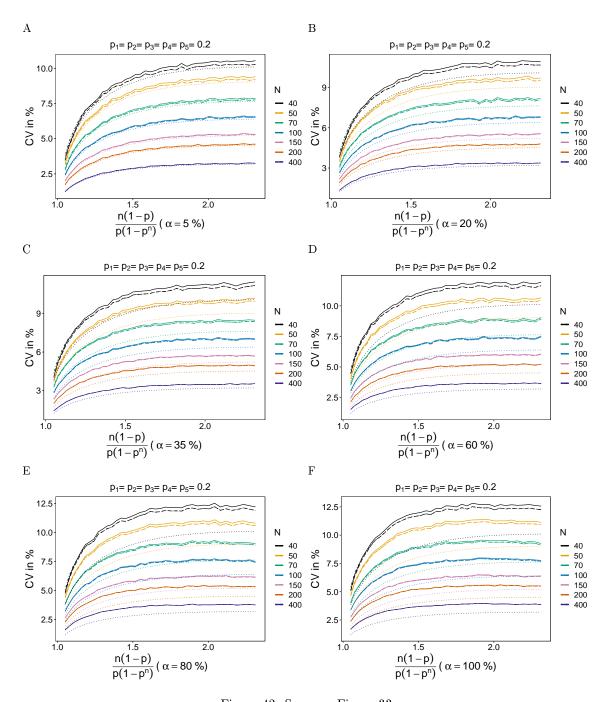


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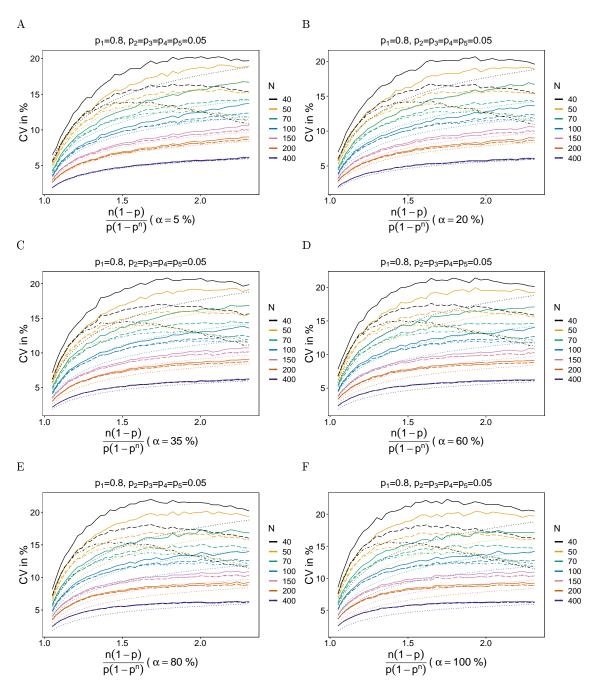


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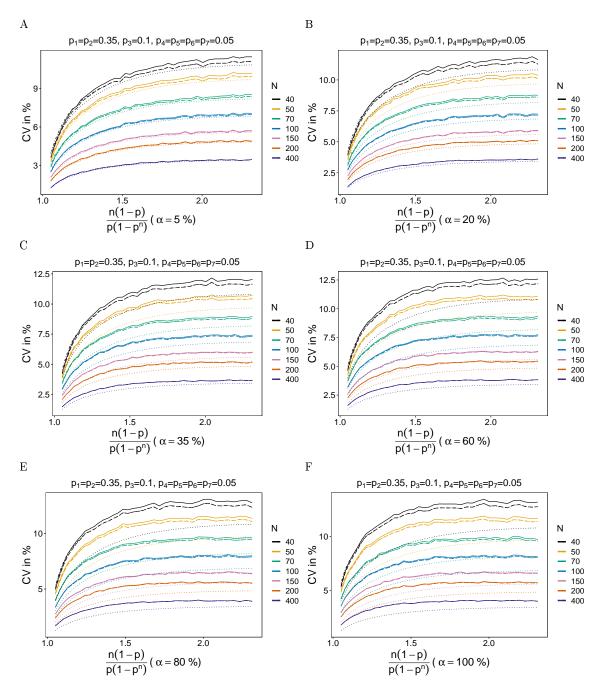


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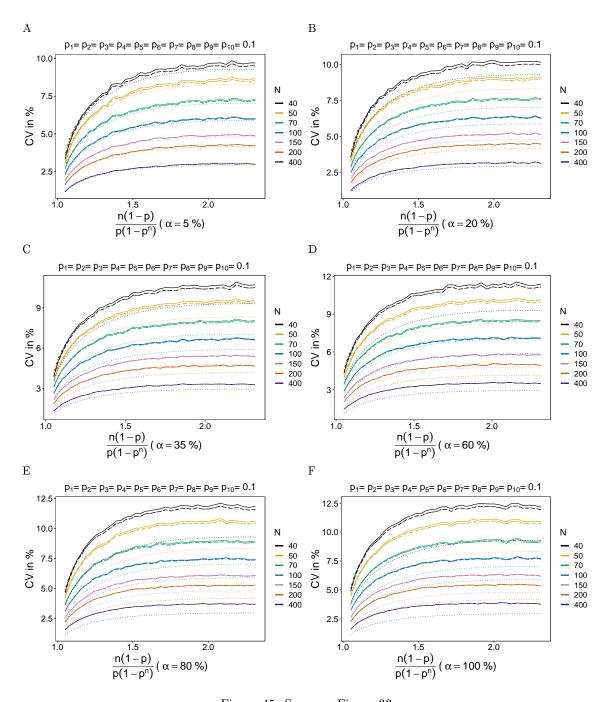


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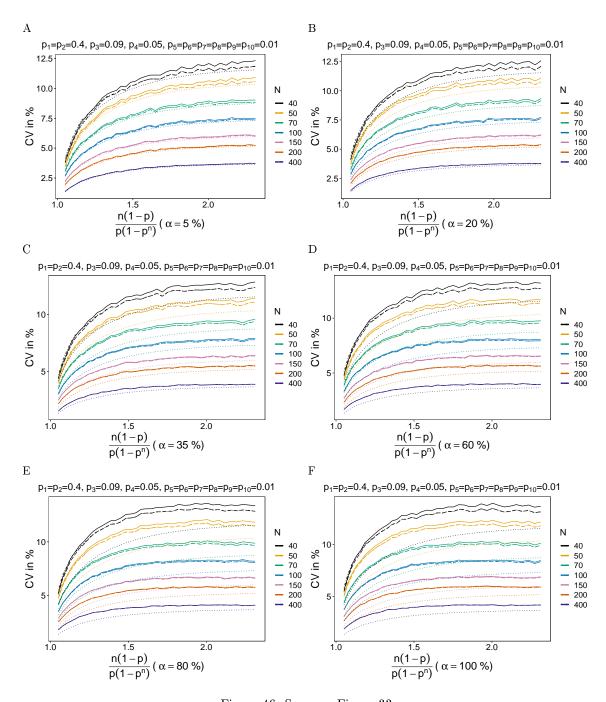


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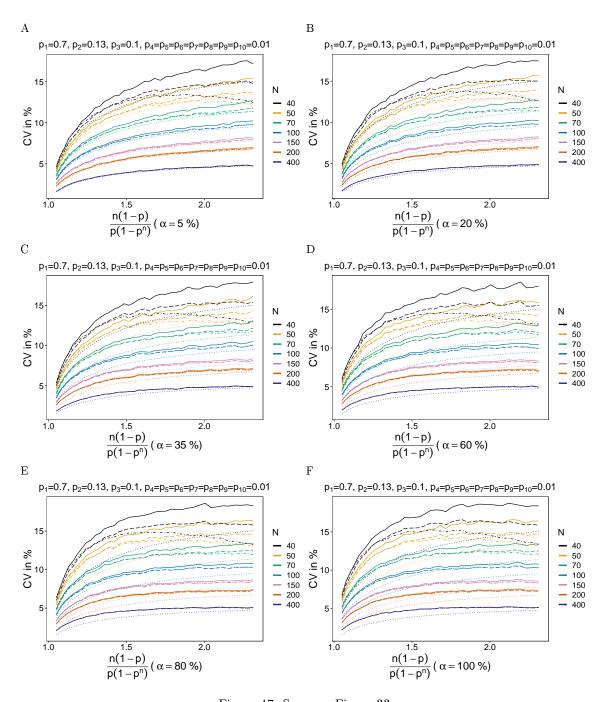


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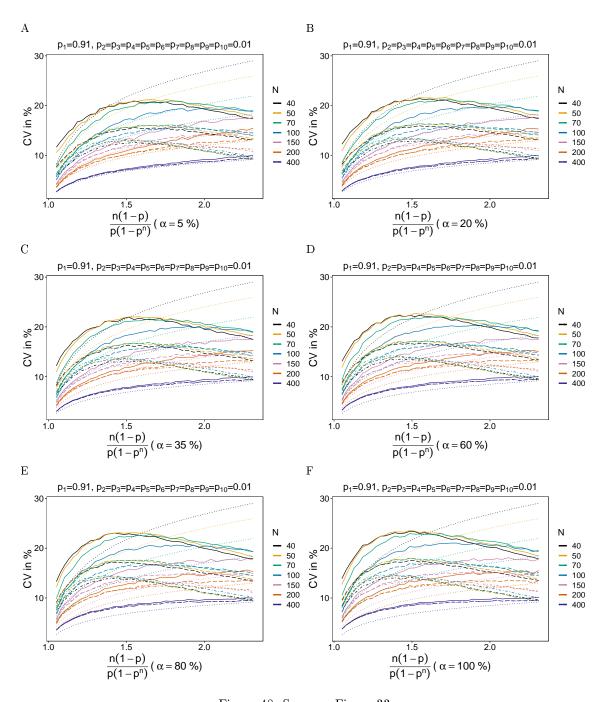


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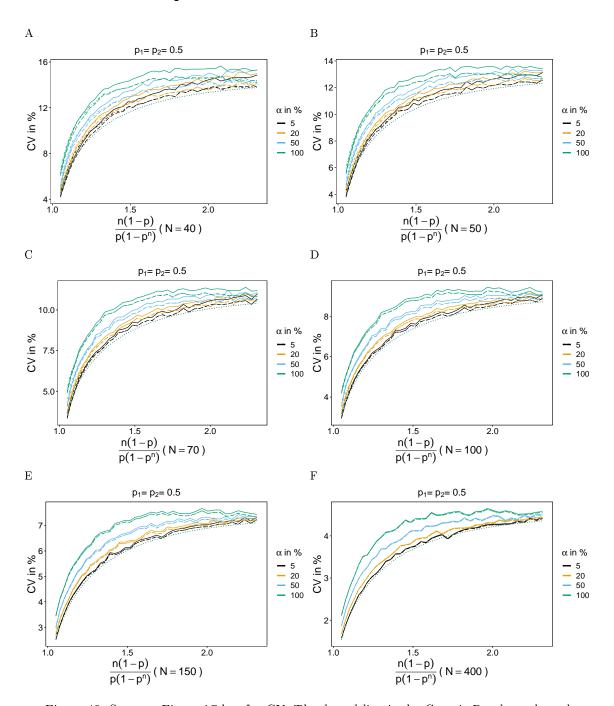


Figure 49: Same as Figure 17 but for CV. The dotted line is the Cramér Rao lower bound.

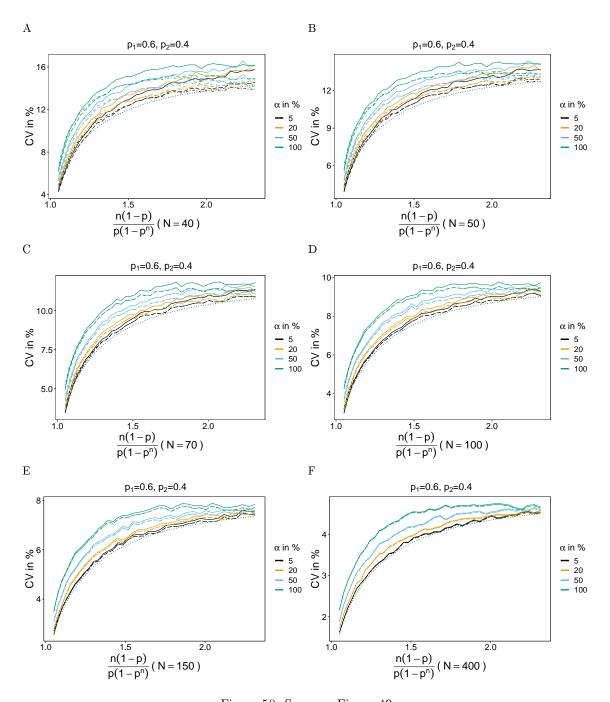


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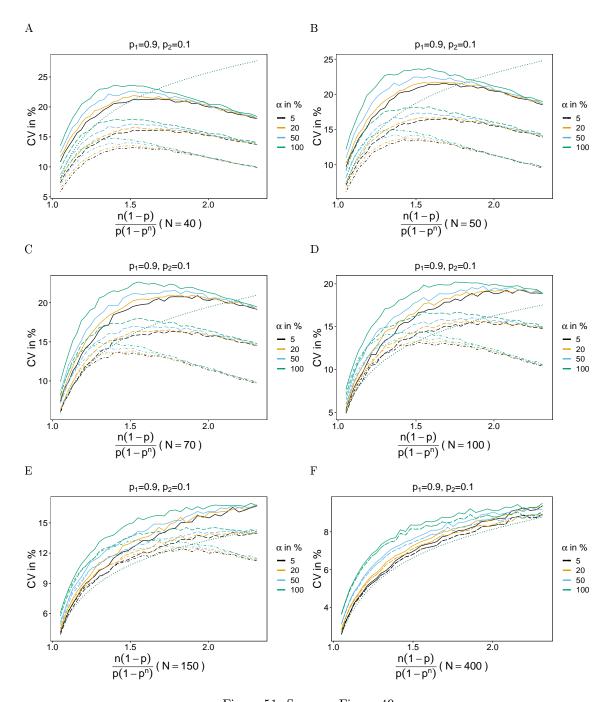


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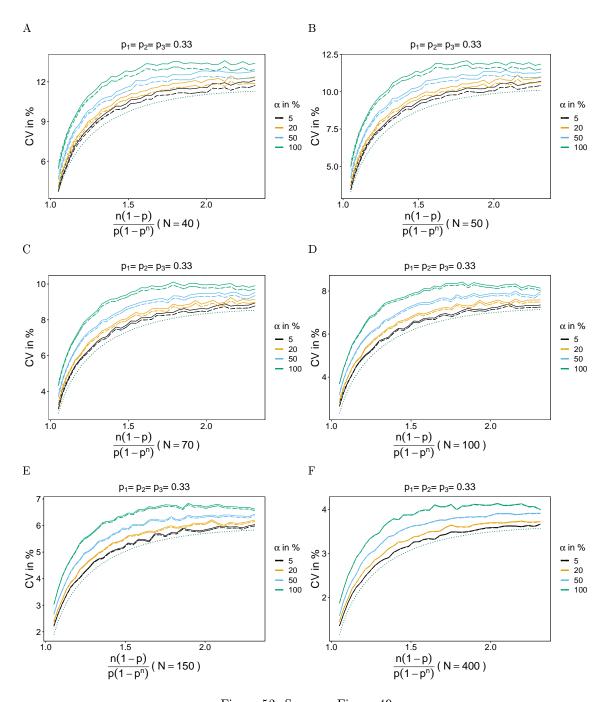


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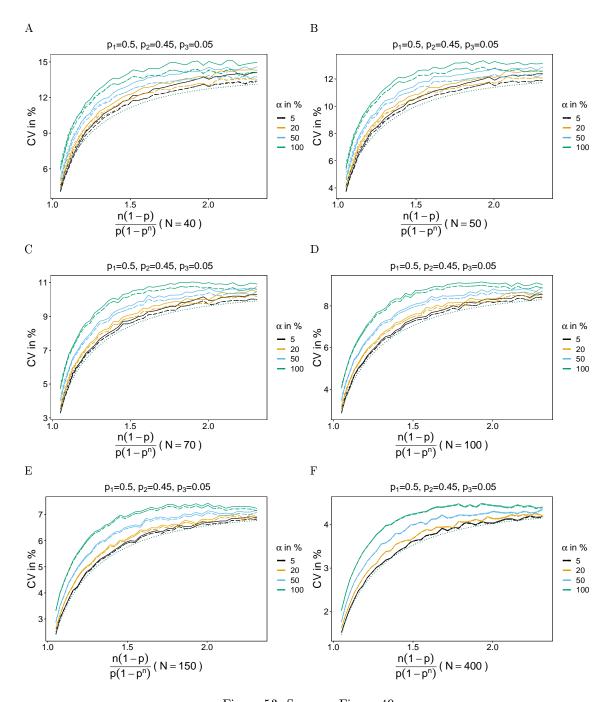


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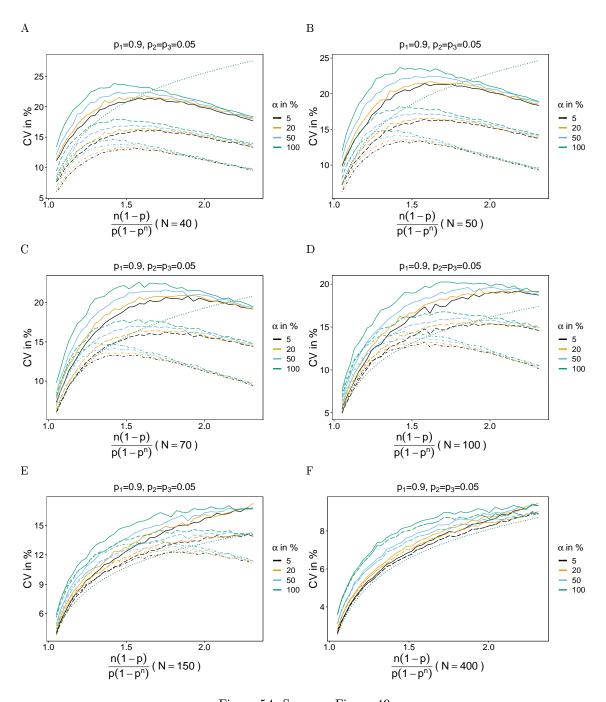


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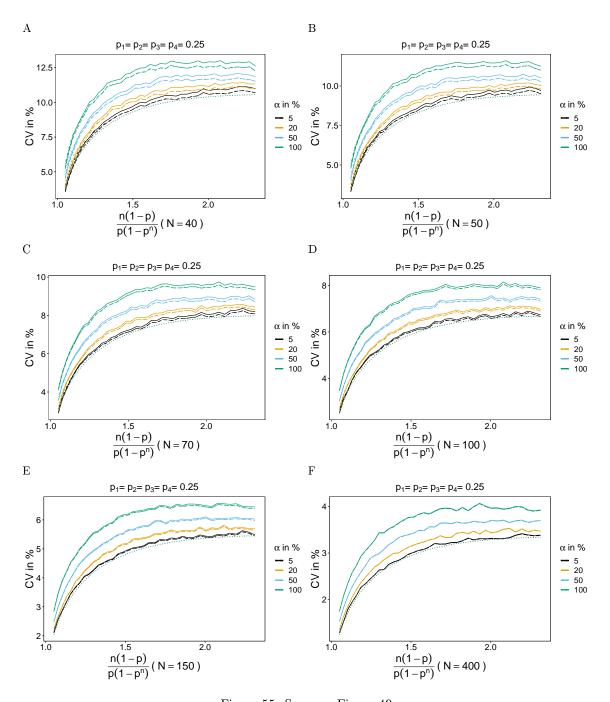


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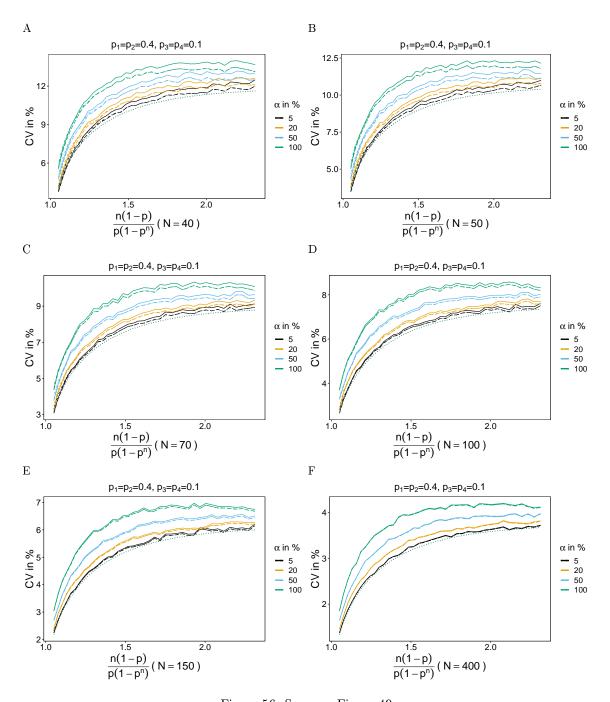


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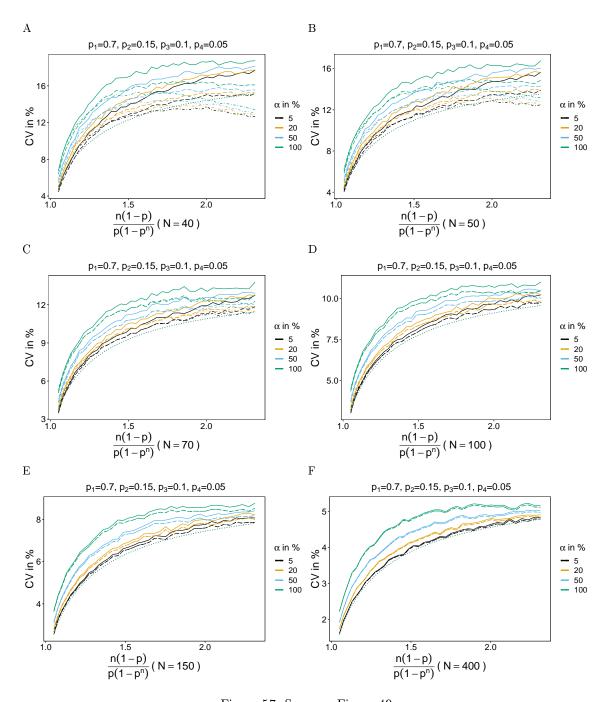


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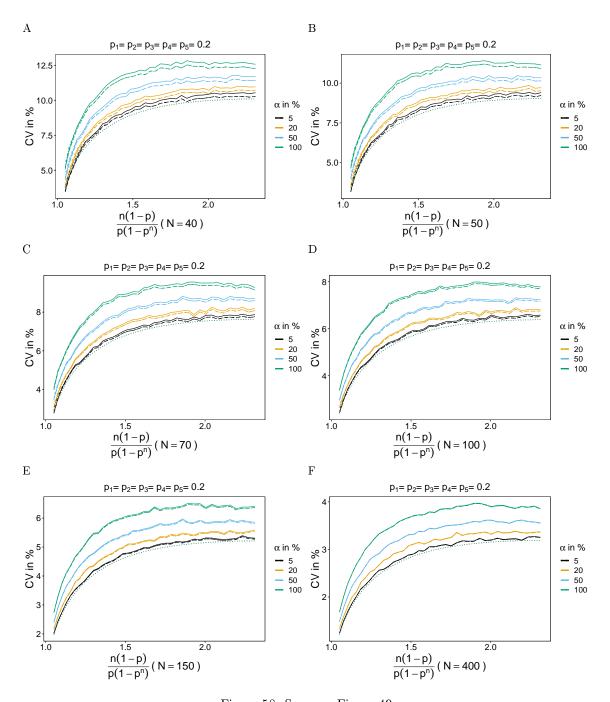


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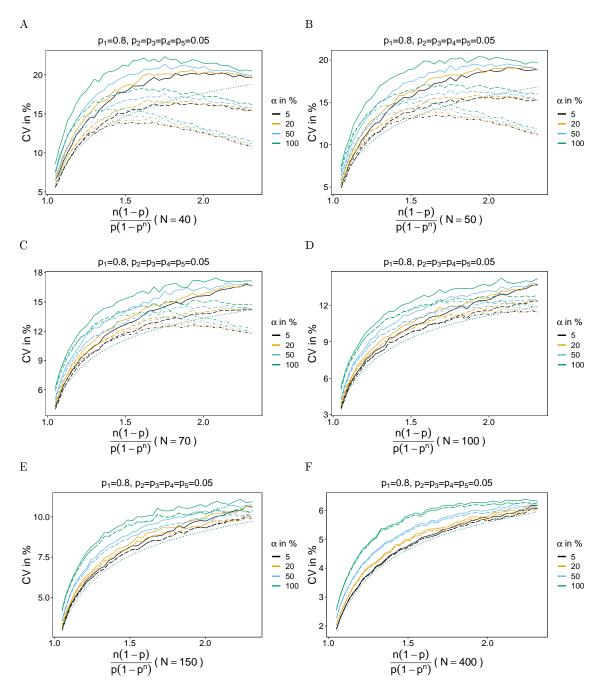


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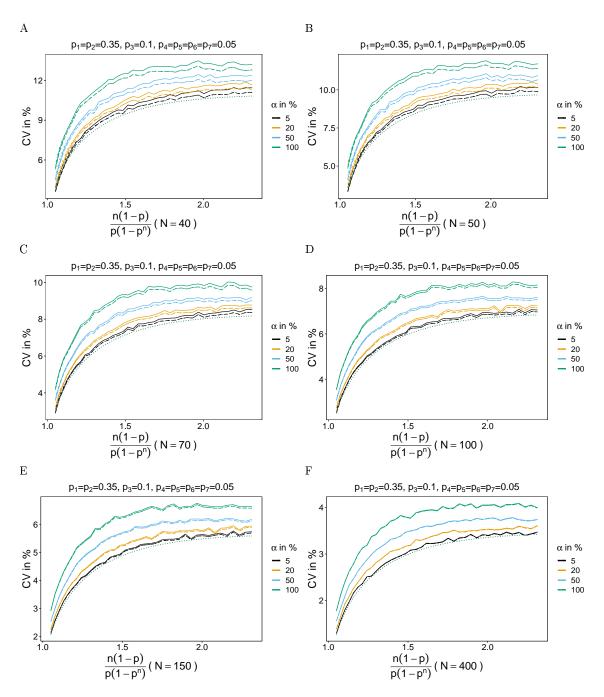


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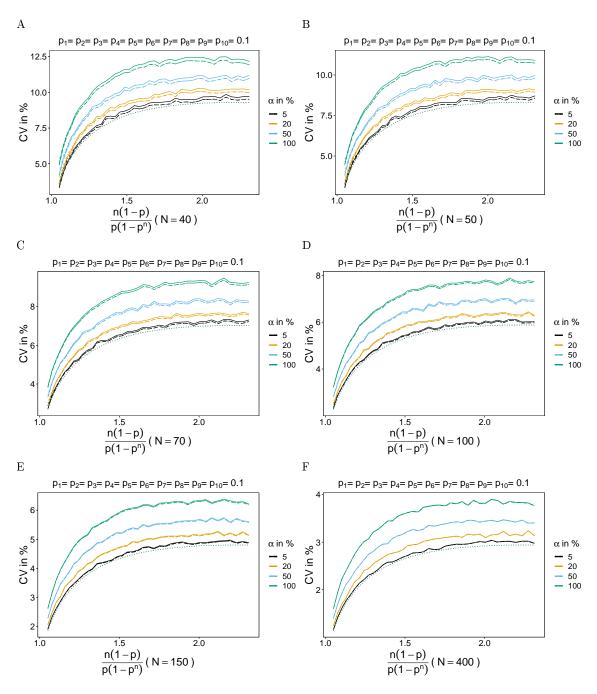


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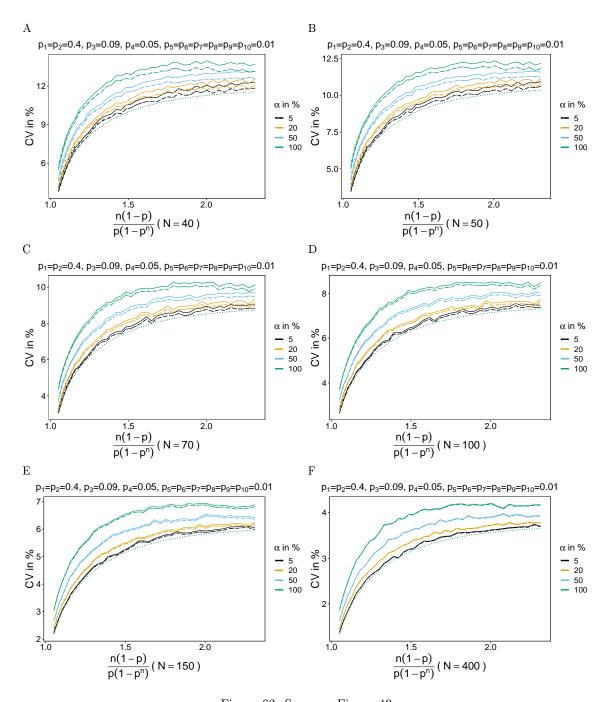


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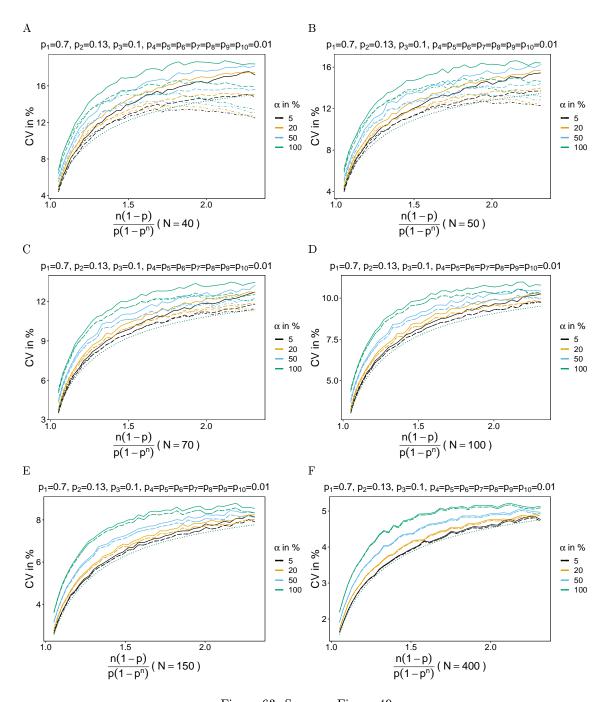


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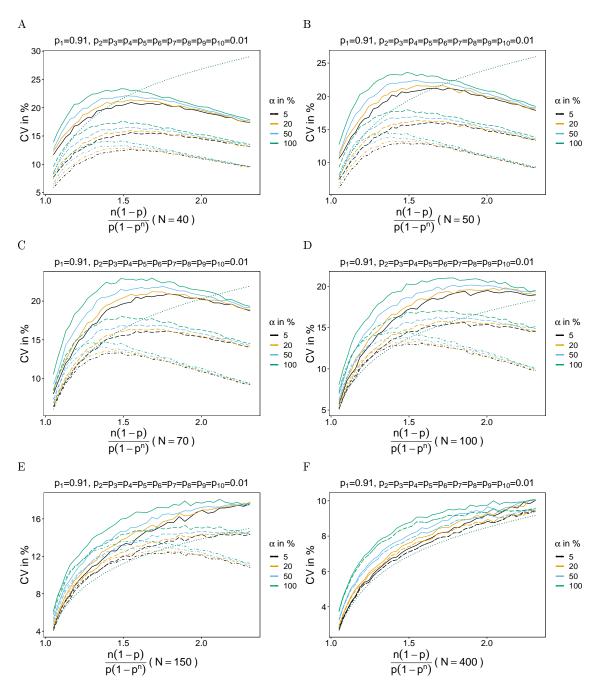


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