# 9. Appendices

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## Appendix A: List of Abbreviations

#### Appendix B: Simulation Code

#### Generating Data and Models

The data generating model used was from Appendix 3 of Bowden et al<sup>1</sup>; the relevant section describing their model is reproduced below:

"

$$U_i = \sum_{j=1}^{J} \phi_j G_{ij} + \epsilon_i^U \tag{1}$$

$$X_i = \sum_{j=1}^J \gamma_j G_{ij} + U_i + \epsilon_i^X \tag{2}$$

$$Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^{J} \alpha_j G_{ij} + \beta X_i + U_i + \epsilon_i^Y$$
(3)

for participants indexed by i = 1, ..., N, and genetic instruments indexed by j = 1, ..., J.

The error terms  $\epsilon_i^U$ ,  $\epsilon_i^X$  and  $\epsilon_i^Y$  were each drawn independently from standard normal distributions. The genetic effects on the exposure j are drawn from a uniform distribution between 0.03 and 0.1. Pleiotropic effects  $\alpha_j$  and  $\phi_j$  were set to zero if the genetic instrument was a valid instrumental variable. Otherwise (with probability 0.1, 0.2, or 0.3):

- 1. In Scenario 1 (balanced pleiotropy, InSIDE satisfied), the  $\alpha_j$  parameter was drawn from a uniform distribution between -0.2 and 0.2.
- 2. In Scenario 2 (directional pleiotropy, InSIDE satisfied), the  $\alpha_j$  parameter was drawn from a uniform distribution between 0 and 0.2.
- 3. In Scenario 3 (directional pleiotropy, InSIDE not satisfied), the  $\phi_j$  parameter was drawn from a uniform distribution between -0.2 and 0.2.

The causal effect of the exposure on the outcome was either  $\beta X=0$  (null causal effect) or  $\beta X=0.1$  (positive causal effect). A total of 10 000 simulated datasets were generated for sample sizes of N=10 000 and 20 [sic] participants. Only the summary data, that is genetic associations with the exposure and with the outcome and their standard errors as estimated by univariate regression on the genetic instruments in turn, were used by the analysis methods. In the two-sample setting, data were generated on 2N participants, and genetic associations with the exposure were estimated in the first N participants, and genetic associations with the outcome in the second N participants."

To reproduce this model, code was written in R to generate the relevant participant level data. First, a function (simulate\_MR\_data) was written which included parameters specified by Bowden et al, and also to allow testing of data simulation:

```
rand_error = TRUE,
                                                        # remove random errors, for testing
                              two_sample = TRUE,
                                                         # 1- or 2-sample MR toggle, for testing
                              beta_val = 0.1,
                                                         # size of causal effect
                              allele_freq_min = 0.01, # frequency of effect allele
                              allele_freq_max = 0.99,
                              gamma_min = 0.03,
                                                        # size of pleiotropic effects on exposure
                              gamma_max = 0.1,
                              alpha_min = -0.2,
                                                       # size of pleiotropic effects on outcome
                              alpha_max = 0.2,
                                                        # size of additional pleiotropic effects
                              phi_min = -0.2,
                              phi_max = 0.2){
                                                        # when InSIDE not satisfied
# Initialise blank lists to receive datasets for
# each of:
      U (vector: unmeasured confounding exposures per participant),
      X (vector: exposure:outcome associations estimated per participant)
      Y (vector: gene:outcome association estimated per participant),
      G (Matrices: Genotype data)
      gamma (vector: pleiotropic effects of each instrument on exposure)
      alpha (vector: pleiotropic effects of each instrument on outcome)
      phi\ (\textit{vector: additional pleiotropic effects of each instrument when } \textit{InSIDE}
      assumption not satisfied)
U list <- list()</pre>
X list <- list()</pre>
Y_list <- list()</pre>
G_X_list <- list()</pre>
G_Y_list <- list()</pre>
gamma_list <- list()</pre>
alpha_list <- list()</pre>
phi_list <- list()</pre>
beta_list <- list()</pre>
#prop_invalid_list <- list()</pre>
n_participants_list <- list()</pre>
n_instruments_list <- list()</pre>
n_datasets_list <- list()</pre>
prop_invalid_list <- list()</pre>
causal_effect_list <- list()</pre>
balanced_pleio_list <- list()</pre>
InSIDE satisfied list <- list()</pre>
rand_error_list <- list()</pre>
two sample list <- list()</pre>
beta_val_list <- list()</pre>
allele_freq_min_list <- list()</pre>
allele_freq_max_list <- list()</pre>
gamma_min_list <- list()</pre>
gamma_max_list <- list()</pre>
alpha_min_list <- list()</pre>
alpha_max_list <- list()</pre>
```

```
phi_min_list <- list()</pre>
phi_max_list <- list()</pre>
# --- Assign features common to all datasets --- #
beta <- if_else(causal_effect == TRUE, # size of causal effect
                beta_val,
                0)
# create vector of participant indices for 1st n participants
# i.e. participants used for estimating gene:exposure coefficient
sample_1_ref <- 1:n_participants</pre>
# Default is to estimate gene:outcome coefficient from different sample
# to gene:exposure coefficient (i.e. simulating 2-sample MR)
# two_sample == FALSE toggles to single sample for testing simulation
ifelse(two_sample == FALSE,
       sample_2_ref <- sample_1_ref, # 1 sample MR</pre>
       sample_2_ref <- (n_participants+1):(2*n_participants)) # 2 sample MR</pre>
# --- Create separate datasets --- #
# Create N datasets by simulating genotype matrices with
# 1 row per participant, 1 column per genetic instrument
# Use these to estimate U, X + Y
for(n in 1:n_datasets){
  # Create error terms for U, X + Y per participant,
  # each drawn from standard normal distribution
  # unless random error turned off (for testing)
  ifelse(rand_error == TRUE,
         U_epsilon_vect <- rnorm(n = 2 * n_participants),</pre>
         U_epsilon_vect <- rep(0, 2 * n_participants))</pre>
  ifelse(rand error == TRUE,
         X_epsilon_vect <- rnorm(n = n_participants),</pre>
         X_epsilon_vect <- rep(0, n_participants))</pre>
  ifelse(rand error == TRUE,
         Y_epsilon_vect <- rnorm(n = n_participants),</pre>
         Y_epsilon_vect <- rep(0, n_participants))</pre>
  # --- Create matrix of genotypes --- #
  # 0 = reference, i.e. zero effect alleles,
  # 1 = 1 effect allele, 2 = 2 effect alleles
```

```
# Probability of effect allele set per dataset
# for each instrument, default value set at
# random between 0.01-0.99 (i.e. both effect +
# reference are common alleles)
allele_freq_vect <- runif(n = n_instruments,</pre>
                          min = allele freq min,
                          max = allele_freq_max)
# Assign genotypes by sampling from binomial distribution
# twice (as two alleles) per participant with probability
# equal to frequency of effect allele
# Create twice as many genotypes as participants in sample
# to simulate 2 sample MR, i.e. first half used to estimate
# Gene: Exposure, second half used to estimate Gene: Outcome
# Matrix where columns are instruments, rows are participants
# Values 0, 1 or 2
G_mat <- matrix(rbinom(n = 2 * n_participants * n_instruments,</pre>
                       size = 2,
                       prob = rep(allele_freq_vect, 2 * n_participants)),
                nrow = 2 * n_participants,
                ncol = n_instruments,
                byrow = TRUE)
# --- Set characteristics for each genetic instrument --- #
# Set which instruments invalid, O = valid, 1 = invalid
invalid_instrument_vect <- rbinom(n = n_instruments,</pre>
                                   size = 1,
                                   prob = prop_invalid)
# Set genetic effects of each instrument on the exposure,
# drawn from uniform distribution, min/max as per Bowden
# et al
gamma_vect <- runif(n = n_instruments,</pre>
                    min = gamma_min,
                    max = gamma_max)
# Set pleiotropic effects on outcome, Scenarios and
# min/max from Bowden et al
alpha_vect <- double() # Pleiotropic effects of instruments on outcome</pre>
phi_vect <- double() # Pleiotropic effects of confounders on outcome</pre>
for(j in 1:n_instruments){
  ifelse(invalid_instrument_vect[j] == 0, # alpha = 0 if valid
         alpha_vect[j] <- 0,</pre>
         ifelse(balanced_pleio == TRUE,
```

```
alpha_vect[j] <- runif(n = n_instruments, # balanced</pre>
                                         min = alpha_min,
                                         max = alpha_max),
                 alpha_vect[j] <- runif(n = n_instruments, # directional</pre>
                                         min = 0,
                                         max = alpha_max)
         )
  )
  # Assign default phi = 0 unless directional pleiotropy &
  # InSIDE assumption not satisfied & genetic instrument invalid
  if(balanced_pleio == FALSE & InSIDE_satisfied == FALSE){
    ifelse(invalid instrument vect[j] == 0,
           phi_vect[j] <- 0,</pre>
           phi_vect[j] <- runif(n = 1,</pre>
                                  min = phi_min,
                                  max = phi_max)
    )
  }
  else{
    phi_vect[j] <- 0</pre>
}
# --- Combine Gene matrix/parameters to recreate model --- #
# Create vectors of estimates for U, X and Y per individual,
\# i.e. Ui, Xi and Yi. Uses matrix inner product operator " \%*\%"
# https://stackoverflow.com/questions/22060515/the-r-operator
# http://matrixmultiplication.xyz/
Ui_vect <- G_mat %*% phi_vect + U_epsilon_vect</pre>
Xi_vect <- G_mat[sample_1_ref, ] %*% gamma_vect +</pre>
  Ui_vect[sample_1_ref, ] +
  X_epsilon_vect
Yi_vect <- G_mat[sample_2_ref, ] %*% alpha_vect +
  beta * Xi vect +
  Ui_vect[sample_2_ref, ] +
  Y_epsilon_vect
# Add vectors of estimates from this dataset to lists of
# estimates from all datasets
U_list[[n]] <- Ui_vect</pre>
X_list[[n]] <- Xi_vect</pre>
Y_list[[n]] <- Yi_vect</pre>
```

```
G_X_list[[n]] <- G_mat[sample_1_ref, ]</pre>
  G_Y_list[[n]] <- G_mat[sample_2_ref, ]</pre>
  # Include actual parameters used in simulation for testing
  alpha_list[[n]] <- alpha_vect</pre>
  gamma_list[[n]] <- gamma_vect</pre>
  phi_list[[n]] <- phi_vect</pre>
  beta_list[[n]] <- beta</pre>
  #prop_invalid_list[[n]] <- prop_invalid</pre>
  n\_participants\_list[[n]] \begin{tabular}{ll} <- n\_participants \\ \end{tabular}
  n_instruments_list[[n]] <- n_instruments</pre>
  n_datasets_list[[n]] <- n_datasets</pre>
  prop_invalid_list[[n]] <- prop_invalid</pre>
  causal_effect_list[[n]] <- causal_effect</pre>
  balanced_pleio_list[[n]] <- balanced_pleio</pre>
  InSIDE_satisfied_list[[n]] <- InSIDE_satisfied</pre>
  rand_error_list[[n]] <- rand_error</pre>
  two_sample_list[[n]] <- two_sample</pre>
  beta_val_list[[n]] <- beta_val</pre>
  allele_freq_min_list[[n]] <- allele_freq_min</pre>
  allele_freq_max_list[[n]] <- allele_freq_max</pre>
  gamma_min_list[[n]] <- gamma_min</pre>
  gamma_max_list[[n]] <- gamma_max</pre>
  alpha_min_list[[n]] <- alpha_min</pre>
  alpha_max_list[[n]] <- alpha_max</pre>
  phi_min_list[[n]] <- phi_min</pre>
  phi_max_list[[n]] <- phi_max</pre>
}
#
      U (vector: unmeasured confounding exposures per participant),
      X (vector: exposure:outcome associations estimated per participant)
      Y (vector: gene:outcome association estimated per participant)
# --- Combine all outputs to return --- #
combined_list <- list(U = U_list,</pre>
                                              # Estimates
                        X = X_{list}
                         Y = Y_list,
                         G_X = G_X_{list}
                                             # Genotypes of 1st sample
                         G_Y = G_Y_{list}
                                              # Genotypes of 2nd sample
                         alpha = alpha_list, # Actual values for validating simulation
                         gamma = gamma_list,
```

```
phi = phi_list,
                        \#beta = beta\_list,
                        #prop_invalid = prop_invalid_list,
                        n_participants = n_participants_list, # Inputs
                        n_instruments = n_instruments_list,
                        n_datasets = n_datasets_list,
                        prop_invalid = prop_invalid_list,
                        causal_effect = causal_effect_list,
                        balanced_pleio = balanced_pleio_list,
                        InSIDE_satisfied = InSIDE_satisfied_list,
                        rand_error = rand_error_list,
                        two_sample = two_sample_list,
                        beta_val = beta_val_list,
                        allele_freq_min = allele_freq_min_list,
                        allele_freq_max = allele_freq_max_list,
                        gamma_min = gamma_min_list,
                        gamma_max = gamma_max_list,
                        alpha_min = alpha_min_list,
                        alpha_max = alpha_max_list,
                        phi_min = phi_min_list,
                        phi_max = phi_max_list
  )
  return(combined_list)
}
```

This initial simulation function generated data in the following format:

```
## List of 26
## $ U
                     :List of 2
    ..$: num [1:2000, 1] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
##
    ..$: num [1:2000, 1] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
## $ X
                     :List of 2
   ..$: num [1:1000, 1] 1.12 1.59 1.76 1.49 1.56 ...
    ..$: num [1:1000, 1] 1.84 1.7 1.6 1.66 1.5 ...
##
## $ Y
                     :List of 2
## ..$: num [1:1000, 1] -0.24 -0.311 -0.393 -0.227 -0.1 ...
    ..$ : num [1:1000, 1] -0.872 -0.901 -0.772 -0.999 -0.477 ...
## $ G_X
                     :List of 2
```

```
..$: int [1:1000, 1:25] 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 ...
##
    ..$: int [1:1000, 1:25] 1 2 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
##
    $ G Y
                      :List of 2
     ..$: int [1:1000, 1:25] 0 1 1 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 ...
##
##
     ..$: int [1:1000, 1:25] 2 2 2 2 1 2 1 1 2 1 ...
##
   $ alpha
                      :List of 2
    ..$: num [1:25] -0.106 0 -0.121 0 0 ...
     ..$ : num [1:25] 0 0 -0.0786 0 0 ...
##
##
    $ gamma
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$ : num [1:25] 0.0902 0.0878 0.08 0.0832 0.084 ...
     ..$ : num [1:25] 0.0374 0.0721 0.0975 0.085 0.0322 ...
##
    $ phi
                      :List of 2
    ..$: num [1:25] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
##
##
    ..$: num [1:25] 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
    $ n_participants :List of 2
##
    ..$ : num 1000
##
    ..$ : num 1000
   $ n instruments
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$: num 25
##
     ..$: num 25
##
  $ n_datasets
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$ : num 2
     ..$ : num 2
##
##
    $ prop_invalid
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$ : num 0.3
     ..$ : num 0.3
##
  $ causal_effect
                      :List of 2
    ..$ : logi TRUE
##
##
    ..$ : logi TRUE
    $ balanced_pleio
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$ : logi TRUE
##
    ..$ : logi TRUE
##
  $ InSIDE_satisfied:List of 2
    ..$ : logi TRUE
##
##
    ..$ : logi TRUE
## $ rand_error
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$ : logi FALSE
##
     ..$ : logi FALSE
##
    $ two_sample
                      :List of 2
##
    ..$: logi TRUE
     ..$ : logi TRUE
##
  $ beta_val
                      :List of 2
    ..$ : num 0.1
##
##
     ..$ : num 0.1
   $ allele_freq_min :List of 2
    ..$ : num 0.01
##
##
    ..$ : num 0.01
##
  $ allele_freq_max :List of 2
##
    ..$ : num 0.99
##
     ..$ : num 0.99
## $ gamma_min
                      :List of 2
   ..$ : num 0.03
##
##
   ..$ : num 0.03
## $ gamma max
                      :List of 2
```

```
##
     ..$ : num 0.1
##
    ..$ : num 0.1
## $ alpha min
                     :List of 2
    ..$ : num -0.2
##
##
    ..$ : num -0.2
## $ alpha max
                     :List of 2
    ..$ : num 0.2
    ..$ : num 0.2
##
##
   $ phi_min
                     :List of 2
##
   ..$ : num -0.2
    ..$ : num -0.2
                     :List of 2
## $ phi_max
##
   ..$ : num 0.2
     ..$ : num 0.2
##
```

A function (extract\_models) was then written to create linear models from each dataset generated as per Bowden et al:

```
# Create plotting tibble with Mean/SD X + Y grouped by
# Dataset + instrument
extract_models <- function(sim){</pre>
  output_list <- list()</pre>
  # Create linear models per dataset to get coefficients
  # for gene:exposure association (coeff_G_X) and gene:outcome
  # association (coeff_G_Y)
  for(dataset in 1:length(sim$X)){
    X <- sim$X[[dataset]]</pre>
    Y <- sim$Y[[dataset]]
    Instruments_X <- sim$G_X[[dataset]]</pre>
    Instruments_Y <- sim$G_Y[[dataset]]</pre>
    alpha <- sim$alpha[[dataset]]</pre>
    gamma <- sim$gamma[[dataset]]</pre>
    phi <- sim$phi[[dataset]]</pre>
    beta <- sim$beta_val[[dataset]]</pre>
    prop_invalid <- sim$prop_invalid[[dataset]]</pre>
    n_instruments <- sim$n_instruments[[dataset]]</pre>
    n_participants<- sim$n_participants[[dataset]]</pre>
    # Model for gene:exposure
    #X_lm <- lm(X ~ Instruments_X)</pre>
    X_lm <- lm(X ~ 0 + Instruments_X)</pre>
    coeff_G_X_vect <- coef(summary(X_lm))[1:(ncol(Instruments_X)), 1]</pre>
    SE_coeff_G_X_vect <- coef(summary(X_lm))[1:(ncol(Instruments_X)), 2]</pre>
    R2_stat <- summary(lm(X ~ Instruments_X))$r.squared
    \#R2\_stat \leftarrow summary(X\_lm)\$r.squared
    # Model for gene:outcome
    #Y_lm <- lm(Y ~ Instruments_Y)</pre>
```

```
Y_lm <- lm(Y ~ 0 + Instruments_Y)
  coeff_G_Y_vect <- coef(summary(Y_lm))[1:(ncol(Instruments_Y)), 1]</pre>
 SE_coeff_G_Y_vect <- coef(summary(Y_lm))[1:(ncol(Instruments_Y)), 2]</pre>
  output_list[[dataset]] <- as_tibble(list(dataset = dataset,</pre>
                                             Instrument = c(1:ncol(Instruments X)),
                                             coeff_G_X = coeff_G_X_vect,
                                             coeff G X SE = SE coeff G X vect,
                                             gamma = gamma,
                                             R2_{stat} = R2_{stat}
                                             coeff_G_Y = coeff_G_Y_vect,
                                             coeff_G_Y_SE = SE_coeff_G_Y_vect,
                                             alpha = alpha,
                                             phi = phi,
                                             beta = beta,
                                             prop_invalid = prop_invalid,
                                             n_instruments = n_instruments,
                                             n_participants = n_participants),
                                        .name_repair = "unique")
}
return(output_list)
```

These models generated estimates of the coefficient of gene:exposure association (coeff\_G\_X), coefficient of gene:outcome association (coeff\_G\_Y), and the relevant standard errors of these estimates. The values of parameters inputted were also returned to aid in further testing of data/model generation, i.e. actual gene:exposure associations (gamma), pleiotropic effects of invalid instruments (alpha), additional pleiotropic effects when InSIDE assumption not satisfied (phi), causal effect of exposure on outcome (beta) and the proportion of invalid genetic instruments with pleiotropic effects on the outcome (prop\_invalid).

```
test_extract_model <- extract_models(test_data_sim)
summary(test_extract_model[[1]])</pre>
```

```
##
       dataset
                  Instrument
                                coeff_G_X
                                                 coeff_G_X_SE
##
    Min.
           : 1
                Min.
                       : 1
                            Min.
                                     :0.03006
                                                Min.
                                                        :1.591e-16
##
    1st Qu.:1
                1st Qu.: 7
                             1st Qu.:0.03791
                                                1st Qu.:1.702e-16
##
   Median:1
                Median:13
                             Median :0.05578
                                                Median :1.847e-16
##
   Mean
           :1
                Mean
                       :13
                              Mean
                                     :0.06018
                                                Mean
                                                        :2.346e-16
                3rd Qu.:19
##
    3rd Qu.:1
                              3rd Qu.:0.07998
                                                3rd Qu.:2.441e-16
##
                Max.
                       :25
                              Max.
                                     :0.09140
                                                        :7.259e-16
    Max.
           :1
                                                {\tt Max.}
##
                        coeff_G_Y
                                             coeff_G_Y_SE
                                                                     alpha
        gamma
           :0.03006
                              :-0.1188256
##
   Min.
                      Min.
                                            Min.
                                                   :0.0009824
                                                                 Min.
                                                                        :-0.120669
##
    1st Qu.:0.03791
                      1st Qu.: 0.0006676
                                            1st Qu.:0.0010520
                                                                 1st Qu.: 0.000000
##
   Median :0.05578
                      Median : 0.0031161
                                            Median :0.0011837
                                                                 Median: 0.000000
           :0.06018
                             :-0.0047291
                                                   :0.0014576
                                                                 Mean
                                                                         :-0.008692
    Mean
                      Mean
                                            Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:0.07998
                      3rd Qu.: 0.0068099
                                            3rd Qu.:0.0015114
                                                                 3rd Qu.: 0.000000
           :0.09140
                      Max.
                              : 0.1356693
                                            Max.
                                                   :0.0040567
                                                                 Max.
                                                                         : 0.133513
##
    Max.
##
         phi
                     beta
                                prop_invalid
##
   Min.
           :0
                Min.
                       :0.1
                              Min.
                                      :0.3
    1st Qu.:0
                1st Qu.:0.1
                               1st Qu.:0.3
```

```
## Median :0
               Median:0.1
                            Median:0.3
##
         :0
              Mean :0.1
                                   :0.3
  Mean
                            Mean
##
  3rd Qu.:0
               3rd Qu.:0.1
                            3rd Qu.:0.3
##
  Max.
          :0
               Max.
                      :0.1
                            Max.
                                   :0.3
```

#### Testing Generation of Data and Models

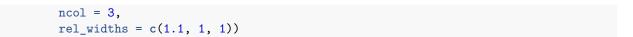
A series of test plots were used to verify that data were simulated as intended under the various conditions specified by input parameters. Test plots were not created for the parameters n\_participants, n\_instruments or n\_datasets, as the functioning of these parameters could be readily inferred from the structure of the datasets outputted, as above.

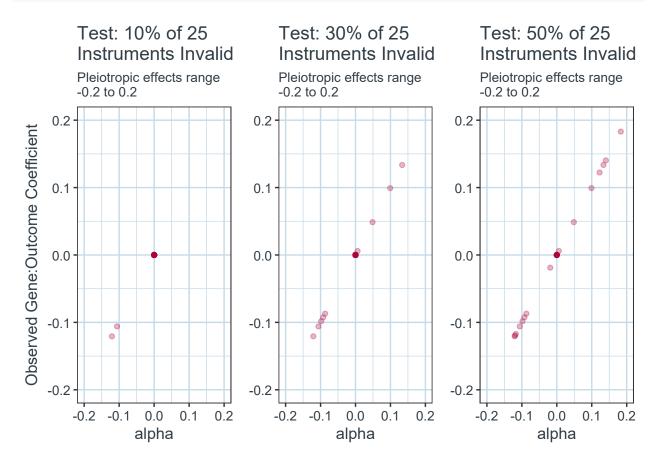
The prop\_invalid parameter specifies the proportion of invalid genetic instruments simulated, i.e. the proportion of genetic instruments affecting the outcome via direct/pleiotropic effects, and thus not solely via the exposure of interest. If simulated correctly, increasing the value of prop\_invalid should increase the number of instruments with pleiotropic effects, i.e. instruments with alpha =/= 0. With random error terms set to 0 and no causal effect present (i.e. rand\_error = FALSE and causal\_effect = FALSE), the estimated gene:outcome coefficient estimated using any given instrument will equal the pleiotropic effects of that instrument (i.e.  $coeff_G_Y = alpha$ ), and therefore will only be non-zero for invalid instruments with non-zero pleiotropic effects on the outcome . Plotting  $coeff_G_Y$  against alpha for simulated data with no causal effect or random error should therefore yield a graph where

- For valid instruments: gene:outcome coefficient = alpha = 0
- For invalid instruments: gene:outcome coefficient = alpha =/= 0, with values spread uniformly between alpha\_min and alpha\_max

```
# Check altering proportion of invalid instruments alters
# proportion of instruments displaying pleiotropic effects
\# N.B. cluster around alpha = 0 represents valid instruments with
# no pleiotropic effects
# 10% of instruments invalid
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_inval_0.1 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 1000,</pre>
                                             n_{instruments} = 25,
                                             n_{datasets} = 1,
                                             prop_invalid = 0.1,
                                             rand_error = FALSE,
                                             causal effect = FALSE,
                                             alpha_min = -0.2,
                                             alpha max = 0.2)
# 30% of instruments invalid
set.seed(1701)
sim test data inval 0.3 <- simulate MR data(n participants = 1000,
                                             n instruments = 25,
                                             n_{datasets} = 1,
                                             prop_invalid = 0.3,
                                             rand_error = FALSE,
                                             causal_effect = FALSE,
                                             alpha_max = 0.2)
# 50% of instruments invalid
```

```
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_inval_0.5 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 1000,</pre>
                                             n_{instruments} = 25,
                                             n_{datasets} = 1,
                                             prop_invalid = 0.5,
                                             rand error = FALSE,
                                             causal_effect = FALSE,
                                             alpha_min = -0.2,
                                             alpha_max = 0.2)
test_plot_tib_inval_0.1 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_inval_0.1)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_tib_inval_0.3 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_inval_0.3)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_tib_inval_0.5 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_inval_0.5)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_inval_0.1 <- test_plot_tib_inval_0.1 %>%
  select(alpha, coeff_G_Y) %>%
  plot_template() +
  geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
  aes(x = alpha, y = coeff_G_Y) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(-0.2, 0.2)) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-0.2, 0.2)) +
  labs(y = "Observed Gene:Outcome Coefficient",
       title = "Test: 10% of 25 \nInstruments Invalid",
       subtitle = "Pleiotropic effects range \n-0.2 to 0.2")
test_plot_inval_0.3 <- test_plot_tib_inval_0.3 %>%
  select(alpha, coeff_G_Y) %>%
  plot_template() +
  geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
  aes(x = alpha, y = coeff_G_Y) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(-0.2, 0.2)) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-0.2, 0.2)) +
  labs(y = "Observed Gene:Outcome Coefficient",
       title = "Test: 30% of 25 \nInstruments Invalid",
       subtitle = "Pleiotropic effects range \n-0.2 to 0.2") +
  theme(axis.title.y = element_blank())
test_plot_inval_0.5 <- test_plot_tib_inval_0.5 %>%
  select(alpha, coeff G Y) %>%
  plot_template() +
  geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
  aes(x = alpha, y = coeff_G_Y) +
  scale_y_continuous(limits = c(-0.2, 0.2)) +
  scale_x_continuous(limits = c(-0.2, 0.2)) +
  labs(y = "Observed Gene:Outcome Coefficient",
       title = "Test: 50% of 25 \nInstruments Invalid",
       subtitle = "Pleiotropic effects range \n-0.2 to 0.2") +
  theme(axis.title.y = element_blank())
plot_grid(test_plot_inval_0.1,
          test_plot_inval_0.3,
          test_plot_inval_0.5,
```



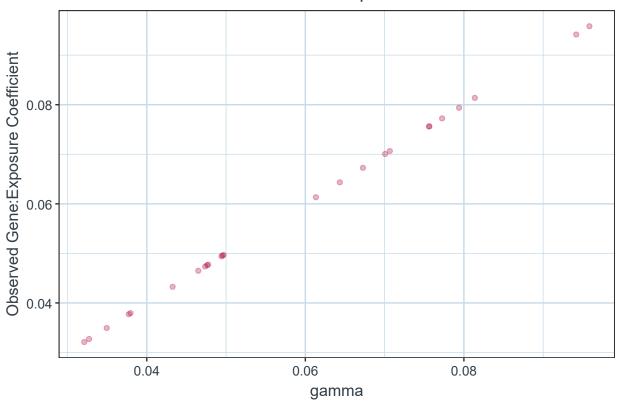


Similarly, with random error terms set to 0 (rand\_error = FALSE) and no causal effect present (causal\_effect = FALSE), gene:exposure coefficients estimated for each instrument should exactly match the actual values simulated, i.e. coeff\_G\_X = gamma for all instruments:

```
# Check observed gene: exposure coefficients for each instrument
# (coeff_G_X) approximate true values (gamma) when a causal effect
# is present & a large number of participants are included
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_gamma_1 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 100,</pre>
                                            n_{instruments} = 25,
                                            n_{datasets} = 1,
                                            prop invalid = 0.1,
                                            causal_effect = FALSE,
                                            rand_error = FALSE,
                                            balanced_pleio = TRUE,
                                            InSIDE_satisfied = TRUE)
test_plot_tib_gamma_1 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_gamma_1)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_tib_gamma_1 %>%
  select(gamma, coeff_G_X) %>%
 plot_template() +
```

```
geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
aes(x = gamma, y = coeff_G_X ) +
labs(y = "Observed Gene:Exposure Coefficient",
    title = "Test: Actual and Estimated Gene:Exposure Coefficients Match")
```

### Test: Actual and Estimated Gene: Exposure Coefficients Match



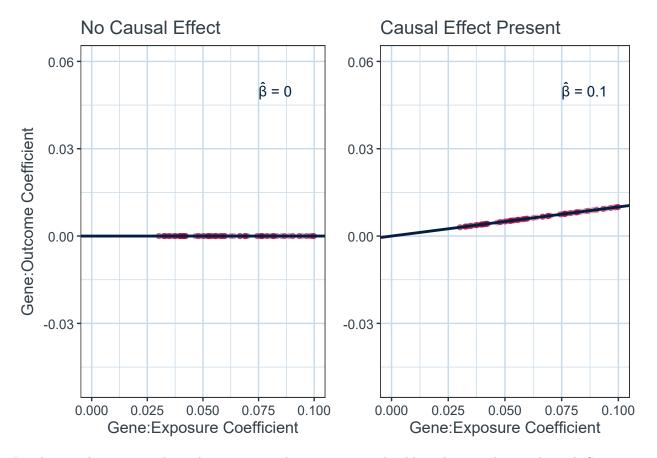
For the next phase of testing, a function (plot\_GY\_GX) was written to plot the coefficients for gene:exposure versus gene:outcome as estimated using the previously created linear models:

```
plot_GY_GX <- function(model_tib,</pre>
                        plot_title = as.character(NA),
                        x_{min} = 0,
                                                        # set x-axis limits
                        x_max = 0.1,
                        y_{min} = -0.05,
                                                        \# set x-axis limits
                        y_max = 0.06,
                        beta x = 0.075,
                                                        # set beta-hat position
                        beta_y = 0.05,
                        hat_offset = 0.003
)
{
  model_tib %>%
    mutate(Gradient = round(coefficients(lm(coeff_G_Y ~ 0 + coeff_G_X)[1], 5), digits = 2)) %>%
    plot_template() +
    aes(x = coeff_G_X, y = coeff_G_Y) +
    geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
    geom_abline(aes(intercept = 0,
```

```
slope = Gradient),
                size = 1,
                colour = edin_uni_blue_hex) +
    geom_text(aes(label = paste0("\U03B2 = ", as.character(Gradient))), #beta
              x = beta_x, # labels with gradient (causal effect estimate)
              y = beta_y,
              colour = edin_uni_blue_hex,
              hjust = 0,
              data = . %>% slice head()# prevent over-printing
    annotate("text",
                             # add hat to beta
             x = beta_x,
             y = beta_y + hat_offset,
             label = paste("\U02C6"),
             colour = edin_uni_blue_hex,
             hjust = -0.4,
             vjust = 0.9
   ) +
   labs(title = plot_title,
         x = "Gene: Exposure Coefficient",
         y = "Gene:Outcome Coefficient") +
   xlim(x_min, x_max) +
   ylim(y_min, y_max)
}
```

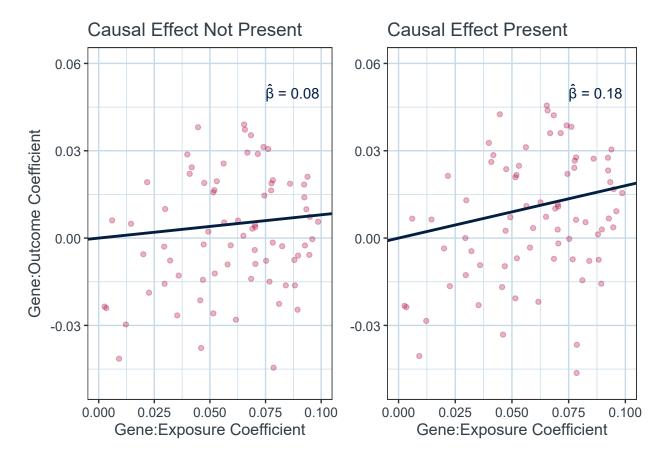
With random error terms set to 0 and no causal effect present, a graph of gene:exposure coefficients versus gene:outcome coefficients should be a straight line through the origin with gradient = 0; causal effect of  $\beta$  = 0.1 present (beta\_val = 0.1, causal\_effect = TRUE), the slope of a graph of gene:exposure coefficients versus gene:outcome coefficients from the same sample should be a straight line through the origin with gradient = 0.1:

```
# No causal effect present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_0 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                             n_{instruments} = 100,
                                             n datasets = 1,
                                             prop invalid = 0,
                                             causal_effect = FALSE,
                                             rand error = FALSE)
test_plot_tib_causal_0 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_0)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_causal_0 <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_0, plot_title = "No Causal Effect")</pre>
# Causal effect present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_1 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                             n_instruments = 100,
                                             n_{datasets} = 1,
                                             prop_invalid = 0,
                                             beta_val = 0.1,
                                              causal_effect = TRUE,
```



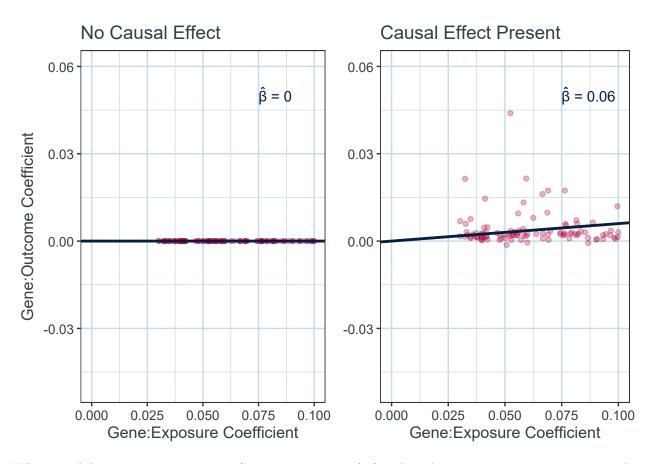
Re-plotting the same graphs with non-zero random error terms should produce similar graphs with Gaussian spread around lines passing through the origin with gradients of 0 and 0.1 for no causal effect and causal effect, respectively:

```
test_plot_tib_causal_0_errors <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_0_errors)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_causal_0_errors <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_0_errors,</pre>
                                          plot title = "Causal Effect Not Present")
# Causal effect present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_1_errors <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                                    n instruments = 100,
                                                    n_{datasets} = 1,
                                                    prop_invalid = 0,
                                                     causal_effect = TRUE,
                                                    rand_error = TRUE,
                                                    two_sample = FALSE)
test_plot_tib_causal_1_errors <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_1_errors)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_causal_1_errors <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_1_errors,</pre>
                                           plot_title = "Causal Effect Present") +
  theme(axis.title.y = element blank())
plot_grid(test_plot_causal_0_errors,
          test_plot_causal_1_errors,
          ncol = 2,
          rel_widths = c(1.05, 1)
```



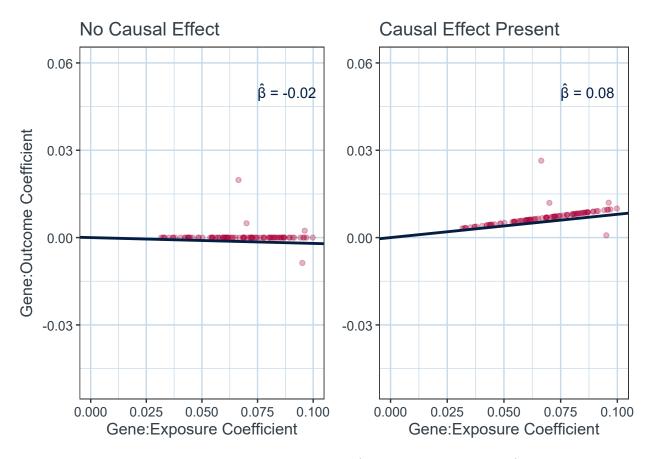
Where gene:exposure coefficients and gene:outcome coefficients are estimated from two separate samples rather than one (i.e. simulating 2 sample MR), even with random error terms set to zero, error will be introduced into causal effect estimation through random sampling of different combinations of effect alleles. However, where a causal effect is not present, the effect estimated will consistently be zero regardless of the combinations of alleles sampled, so random error should not be introducted:

```
# Causal effect not present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_0_2SMR <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                                  n_{instruments} = 100,
                                                  n_{datasets} = 1,
                                                  prop_invalid = 0,
                                                  causal effect = FALSE,
                                                  rand_error = FALSE,
                                                  two_sample = TRUE)
test_plot_tib_causal_0_2SMR <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_0_2SMR)[[1]]
test_plot_causal_0_2SMR <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_0_2SMR,</pre>
                                       plot title = "No Causal Effect")
# Causal effect present
set.seed(1701)
sim test data causal 1 2SMR <- simulate MR data(n participants = 10000,
                                                  n instruments = 100,
                                                  n datasets = 1,
                                                  prop_invalid = 0,
                                                  causal_effect = TRUE,
                                                  rand_error = FALSE,
                                                  two_sample = TRUE)
test_plot_tib_causal_1_2SMR <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_1_2SMR)[[1]]
test_plot_causal_1_2SMR <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_1_2SMR,</pre>
                                       plot_title = "Causal Effect Present") +
  theme(axis.title.y = element blank())
plot_grid(test_plot_causal_0_2SMR,
          test_plot_causal_1_2SMR,
          ncol = 2,
          rel_widths = c(1.05, 1)
```



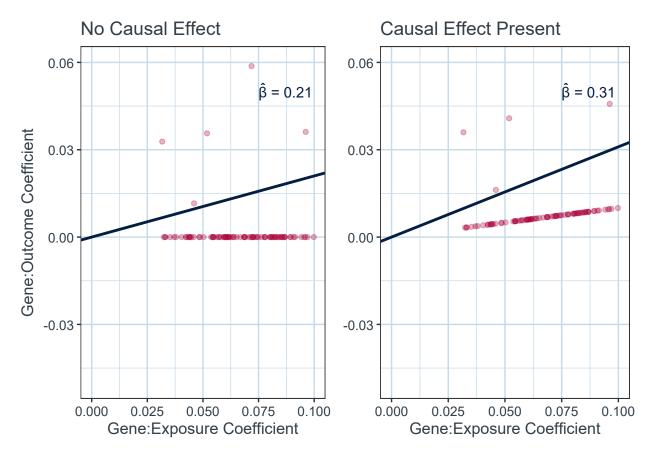
Where invalid instruments are present (i.e.  $prop_invalid \neq 0$ ) and random error terms are set to 0, graphs of gene:exposure coefficients versus gene:outcome coefficients should be straight lines through the origin and all points representing valid instruments; the invalid instruments should appear as outliers to this line:

```
# Causal effect not present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_0_inval <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                                    n_{instruments} = 100,
                                                    n_{datasets} = 1,
                                                    prop_invalid = 0.1,
                                                    causal_effect = FALSE,
                                                    rand error = FALSE,
                                                    two_sample = FALSE)
test_plot_tib_causal_0_inval <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_0_inval)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_causal_0_inval <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_0_inval, plot_title = "No Causal Effect")</pre>
# Causal effect present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_1_inval <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                                    n_{instruments} = 100,
                                                    n_{datasets} = 1,
                                                    prop_invalid = 0.1,
                                                    causal_effect = TRUE,
                                                    rand_error = FALSE,
```



Replotting the above with unbalanced pleiotropy present (balanced\_pleio = FALSE), the invalid instruments should all appear as outliers in the positive direction, i.e. steepening the line of best fit and leading to overestimation of the causal effect:

```
test_plot_tib_causal_0_unbal <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_0_unbal)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_causal_0_unbal <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_0_unbal, plot_title = "No Causal Effect")</pre>
# Causal effect present
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_causal_1_unbal <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                                   n instruments = 100,
                                                   n_{datasets} = 1,
                                                   prop_invalid = 0.2,
                                                   causal_effect = TRUE,
                                                   rand_error = FALSE,
                                                   balanced_pleio = FALSE,
                                                   two_sample = FALSE)
test_plot_tib_causal_1_unbal <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_1_unbal)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_causal_1_unbal <- plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_1_unbal, plot_title = "Causal Effect Presen
  theme(axis.title.y = element_blank())
plot_grid(test_plot_causal_0_unbal,
          test_plot_causal_1_unbal,
          ncol = 2,
          rel_widths = c(1.05, 1)
```



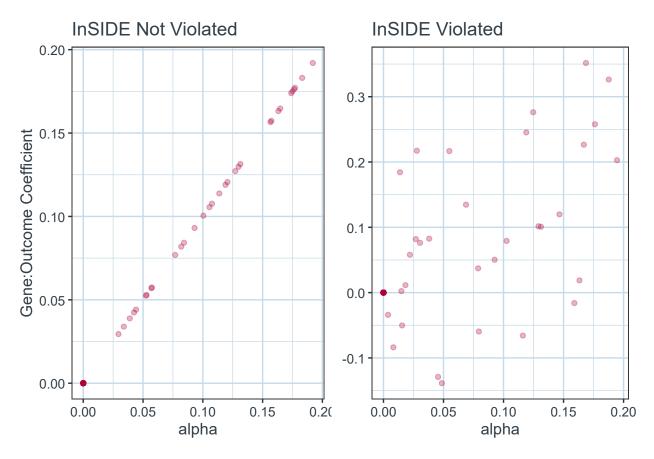
The variable phi represents additional pleiotropic effects of each invalid instrument when the InSIDE assumption (INstrument Strength Independent of Direct Effect) is not satisfied. The InSIDE assumption states that the gene:exposure association is not correlated with the pleiotropic path gene:outcome path of any invalid genetic instruments. This assumption can be violated if e.g.:

- several invalid genetic instruments influence the outcome via the same pleiotropic path
- several invalid genetic instruments are related to the same (unmeasured) confounders of the exposure:outcome relationship, aka correlated pleiotropy.

As such, when the InSIDE assumption is violated, even "strong" instruments (i.e. those with a strong gene:exposure relationship) may not allow accurate estimation of the true causal effect, as pleiotropic effects may scale with instrument strength. If pleiotropic effects are balanced, InSIDE assumption violation may lead to greater imprecision in causal effect estimation; if pleiotropic effects are directional, InSIDE assumption violation may lead to bias.

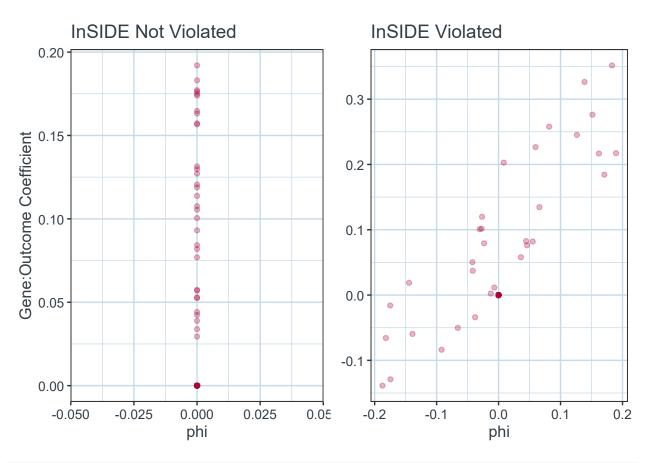
Bowden et al<sup>1</sup> modeled phi as the pleiotropic effects of unmeasured genetic confounders of the exposure:outcome relationship. Phi adds additional error to causal effect estimation in scenarios with directional pleiotropic effects (0 < alpha < 0.2) and InSIDE assumption violation. As such, switching InSIDE\_satisfied from TRUE to FALSE should add scatter to the linear association expected when plotting alpha versus gene:outcome coefficients with random error terms set to zero:

```
# Check violating InSIDE assumption results in distorted
# estimation of pleiotropic effects
# N.B. cluster around alpha = 0 represents valid instruments with
# no pleiotropic effects
set.seed(1701)
sim test data phi 0 <- simulate MR data(n participants = 100000,
                                         n instruments = 100,
                                         n datasets = 1,
                                         prop_invalid = 0.3,
                                         causal_effect = FALSE,
                                         rand_error = FALSE,
                                         balanced_pleio = FALSE,
                                          InSIDE_satisfied = TRUE)
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_phi_1 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 100000,</pre>
                                         n_instruments = 100,
                                         n datasets = 1,
                                         prop_invalid = 0.3,
                                         causal_effect = FALSE,
                                         rand error = FALSE,
                                         balanced pleio = FALSE,
                                          InSIDE satisfied = FALSE)
test_plot_tib_phi_0 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_phi_0)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_tib_phi_1 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_phi_1)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_phi_0 <- test_plot_tib_phi_0 %>%
 plot_template() +
```



Setting InSIDE\_satisfied = TRUE should mean phi = 0; InSIDE\_satisfied = FALSE should result in phi  $\propto$  gene:outcome coefficient, with scatter only in the positive direction of gene:outcome coefficients given the model also requires directional pleiotropy before phi is used:

```
# Check violating InSIDE assumption results in distorted
# estimation of pleiotropic effects
# N.B. cluster around alpha = 0 represents valid instruments with
# no pleiotropic effects
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_phi_0 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 100000,</pre>
                                         n_instruments = 100,
                                         n_{datasets} = 1,
                                         prop_invalid = 0.3,
                                         causal effect = FALSE,
                                         rand_error = FALSE,
                                         balanced pleio = FALSE,
                                         InSIDE_satisfied = TRUE)
set.seed(1701)
sim_test_data_phi_1 <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 100000,</pre>
                                         n_instruments = 100,
                                         n_{datasets} = 1,
                                         prop_invalid = 0.3,
                                         causal_effect = FALSE,
                                         rand_error = FALSE,
                                         balanced_pleio = FALSE,
                                         InSIDE_satisfied = FALSE)
test_plot_tib_phi_0 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_phi_0)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_tib_phi_1 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_phi_1)[[1]]</pre>
test_plot_phi_0 <- test_plot_tib_phi_0 %>%
  plot_template() +
    aes(x = phi, y = coeff_G_Y) +
    geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
labs(title = "InSIDE Not Violated",
         y = "Gene:Outcome Coefficient")
test_plot_phi_1 <- test_plot_tib_phi_1 %>%
  plot_template() +
    aes(x = phi, y = coeff_G_Y) +
    geom_point(colour = edin_bright_red_hex, alpha = 0.3) +
labs(title = "InSIDE Violated",
         y = "Gene:Outcome Coefficient") +
  theme(axis.title.y = element_blank())
plot_grid(test_plot_phi_0,
          test_plot_phi_1,
          ncol = 2,
          rel_widths = c(1.05, 1)
```



#### #phi on y, not alpha

```
# Run local copy of MR-Hevo functions
# Not using full package due to conflicts with Windows
source(here("MSc_Thesis_Split", "Script", "Hevo", "functions.mrhevo.R"))
# Standard set-up for RStan
options(mc.cores = parallel::detectCores())
rstan_options(auto_write = TRUE, save_dso = TRUE)
# Compile model for MR-Hevo
mr.stanmodel <- stan_model(file= here("MSc_Thesis_Split", "Script", "Hevo", "MRHevo_summarystats.stan")
                           model_name="MRHevo.summarystats", verbose=FALSE)
# --- Need to comment out model.dir in Hevo_results --- #
get_summary_MR_tib_row <- function(model_list){</pre>
# get_summary_MR_tib_row <- function(n_participants = 1000,</pre>
                                                                      # update to 10,000 for final
                                      n instruments = 25,
#
                                      n_{datasets} = 100,
                                                                       # update to 10,000 for final
#
                                      prop invalid = 0.1,
                                      causal\_effect = TRUE,
#
                                      balanced_pleio = TRUE,
```

```
#
                                       InSIDE_satisfied = TRUE,
#
                                       rand_error = TRUE,
#
                                       two_sample = TRUE,
#
                                       beta_val = 0.1,
#
                                       allele_freq_min = 0.01,
#
                                       allele_freq_max = 0.99,
#
                                       gamma_min = 0.03,
#
                                       gamma_max = 0.1,
#
                                       alpha_min = -0.2,
#
                                       alpha max = 0.2,
#
                                       phi_min = -0.2,
#
                                       phi_max = 0.2){
  # Generate data as per Bowden models with helper function
  \# dataset_list \leftarrow simulate\_MR\_data(n\_participants = n\_participants,
                                       n_instruments = n_instruments,
  #
                                       n_{datasets} = n_{datasets},
  #
                                       prop_invalid = prop_invalid,
                                       causal_effect = causal_effect,
                                       balanced_pleio = balanced_pleio,
  #
                                       InSIDE_satisfied = InSIDE_satisfied,
                                       rand_error = rand_error,
                                       two_sample = two_sample,
  #
                                       beta_val = beta_val,
  #
                                       allele_freq_min = allele_freq_min,
  #
                                       allele freq max = allele freq max,
                                       gamma_min = gamma_min,
                                       gamma_max = gamma_max,
  #
                                       alpha_min = alpha_min,
                                       alpha_max = alpha_max,
  #
                                       phi_min = phi_min,
                                       phi_max = phi_max)
  # Use data to create model per dataset
  # model_list <- extract_models(dataset_list)</pre>
  # Create output tibble in same format as Table 2/3 from
  # Bowden et al
  output_tib_row <- tibble(N = as.integer(),</pre>
                            Prop_Invalid = as.double(),
                            F stat = as.double(),
                            R2_stat = as.double(),
                            WME_Av = as.double(),
                            WME_SE = as.double(),
                            WME_Pos_Rate = as.double(),
                            Hevo_Av = as.double(),
                            Hevo_SE = as.double(),
                            Hevo_Pos_Rate = as.double())
  n_datasets <- length(model_list)</pre>
```

```
output_tib_row$N <- n_datasets</pre>
# Create blank tibble to receive results of Weighted
# Median Estimator function from MR-Base
results_tib <- tibble(WME_est = as.double(),</pre>
                        WME_se = as.double(),
                        WME pval = as.double(),
                        WME Q = as.double(),
                        WME_Q_df = as.double(),
                        WME_Q_pval = as.double(),
                        WME_nsnp = as.integer(),
                        Hevo_est = as.double(),
                        Hevo_se = as.double(),
                        Hevo_sd = as.double(),
                        Hevo_2.5 = as.double(),
                        Hevo_25 = as.double(),
                        Hevo_50 = as.double(),
                        Hevo_75 = as.double(),
                        Hevo_97.5 = as.double(),
                        Hevo_n_eff = as.double(),
                        Hevo_n_Rhat = as.double(),
                        Hevo z stat = as.double(),
                        Hevo_pval = as.double(),
                        Hevo_causal_detected = as.logical()
)
# Run WME and MR-Hevo for each dataset
for(dataset in 1:n_datasets){
  # Stored as individual vectors for MR-Hevo/RStan - not
  # Tidyverse compatible
  coeff_G_X_vect <- model_list[[dataset]]$coeff_G_X</pre>
  coeff_G_Y_vect <- model_list[[dataset]]$coeff_G_Y</pre>
  coeff_G_X_SE_vect <- model_list[[dataset]]$coeff_G_X_SE</pre>
  coeff_G_Y_SE_vect <- model_list[[dataset]]$coeff_G_Y_SE</pre>
 prop invalid <- min(model list[[dataset]]$prop invalid)</pre>
 R2_stat <- min(model_list[[dataset]]$R2_stat)</pre>
 n_instruments <- max(model_list[[dataset]]$Instrument)</pre>
 n_participants <- min(model_list[[dataset]]$n_participants)</pre>
  # N.B. MR-Hevo terminology vs WME paper/other code:
  # alpha = effects of instruments on exposure, i.e. <math>coeff_G_X
  # beta = pleiotropic effects of instruments on outcome, i.e. alpha in WME
  # gamma = effects of instruments on outcome, i.e. <math>coeff_G_Y
  # theta = causal effect X on Y, i.e. b
  # Results from weighted median estimator method
 WME_results <- mr_weighted_median(b_exp = coeff_G_X_vect,</pre>
                                      b_out = coeff_G_Y_vect,
                                      se_exp = coeff_G_X_SE_vect,
```

```
se_out = coeff_G_Y_SE_vect,
                                     parameters = list(nboot = 1000))
  # Results from MR-Hevo method
 Hevo_results<- run_mrhevo.sstats(alpha_hat = coeff_G_X_vect,</pre>
                                    se.alpha_hat = coeff_G_X_SE_vect,
                                    gamma_hat = coeff_G_Y_vect,
                                    se.gamma_hat = coeff_G_Y_SE_vect
 ) %>%
    summary()
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_est <- WME_results$b</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_se <- WME_results$se</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_pval <- WME_results$pval</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_Q <- WME_results$Q</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_Q_df <- WME_results$Q_df</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_Q_pval <- WME_results$Q_pval</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$WME_nsnp <- WME_results$nsnp</pre>
  # Extract MR-Hevo Results
 results_tib[dataset, ] $Hevo_est <- Hevo_results$summary["theta", "mean"]
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_se <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","se_mean"]
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_sd <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","sd"]</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_2.5 <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","2.5%"]
 results tib[dataset, ] $Hevo 25 <- Hevo results $summary["theta", "25%"]
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_50 <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","50%"]
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_75 <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","75%"]</pre>
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_97.5 <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","97.5%"]
 results_tib[dataset, ]$Hevo_n_eff <- Hevo_results$summary["theta","n_eff"]
 results_tib[dataset, ] $Hevo_n_Rhat <- Hevo_results$summary["theta", "Rhat"]
}
results_tib <- results_tib %>%
  mutate(Hevo_causal_detected = !(Hevo_2.5 < 0 & Hevo_97.5 > 0))
# https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC10616660/
# https://mr-dictionary.mrcieu.ac.uk/term/r-squared/#:~:text=The%20R%2Dsquared%20can%20also,and%20sam
output_tib_row <- results_tib %>%
  summarise(N = n_datasets,
            Prop_Invalid = prop_invalid,
            F_Stat = R2_stat * n_participants / n_instruments,
            R2_stat = R2_stat,
            WME_Av = mean(WME_est),
            WME_SE = mean(WME_se),
            WME_Pos_Rate = length(WME_pval[WME_pval < 0.05]) / n_datasets,</pre>
            Hevo_Av = mean(Hevo_est),
            Hevo_SE = mean(Hevo_se),
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Hevo_Pos_Rate = sum(Hevo_causal_detected) / n_datasets#[Hevo_pval < (0.05/n_datasets)])</pre>
               \#Hevo\_Pos\_Rate = length(Hevo\_pval[Hevo\_pval < (0.05/n\_datasets)]) / n\_datasets
    ) %>%
    mutate(across(where(is.double), round, 3))
  return(output_tib_row)
  #return(results_tib)
}
set.seed(14101583)
test_tib_summ_MR_data <- simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 10000,</pre>
                                             n_{instruments} = 25,
                                             n_{datasets} = 5,
                                             prop_invalid = 0.1,
                                             beta_val = 0.1,
                                             causal_effect = TRUE,
                                             rand_error = TRUE,
                                             two_sample = TRUE,
                                             balanced_pleio = TRUE,
                                             InSIDE_satisfied = TRUE)
test_tib_summ_MR_models <- extract_models(test_tib_summ_MR_data)</pre>
# first element of each list element
# map(test_tib_summ_MR_data, first) %>%
# map(., first)
\#test\_tib\_summ\_MR\_models[[1]]
#test_tib_summ_MR_row <- qet_summary_MR_tib_row(test_tib_summ_MR_models)</pre>
# # Causal effect present
# set.seed(14101583)
\# sim_test_data_causal_2 < - simulate_MR_data(n_participants = 100000,
                                               n_instruments = 25,
#
                                               n_{datasets} = 1,
#
                                               prop_invalid = 0.3,
#
                                               beta_val = 1,
                                                                               # size of causal effect
#
                                               causal_effect = TRUE,
```

rand\_error = FALSE,

 $two\_sample = FALSE$ ,

 $gamma_min = 0.03$ ,

 $gamma_max = 0.1$ ,  $alpha_min = -0.2$ ,

balanced\_pleio = TRUE,

InSIDE\_satisfied = TRUE,

 $allele\_freq\_min = 0.01$ ,

 $allele_freq_max = 0.99,$ 

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# alpha_max = 0.2,
phi_min = 0,
phi_max = 0)
#
# #sim_test_data_causal_2
#
# test_plot_tib_causal_2 <- extract_models(sim_test_data_causal_2)[[1]]
#
# plot_GY_GX(test_plot_tib_causal_2, plot_title = "Causal Effect Present", x_max = 0.3, y_max = 0.3)
# test_tib_summ_MR
#
#test_tib_summ_MR_row</pre>
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### Appendix C: Citation Search Strategy

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