

# Inference methods of high dimensional variance estimator report

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## 1 Motivation

## 2 Subsampling method: Jackknife

### 2.1 Jackknife Vairance

$S(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  is a statistic of interest, define

$$S_{(i)} = S(X_1, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n)$$

as the delete-1 result of  $S$ . If we delete each observation, then we will get  $n$   $S_{(i)}$ . We could use those  $n$  subsample to estimate the variance of  $S$  on original  $n$  dataset as following,

$$\widehat{VAR} S(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_i^n (S_{(i)} - S_{(.)})^2$$

, where  $S_{(.)} = \frac{\sum_i^n S_{(i)}}{n}$ . The variance estimation actually can be considered into a two-step process

1. Estimate the variance of  $S$  with  $n-1$  sample:

$$\widehat{VAR} S(X_1, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n) := \widehat{VAR} S(X_1, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n) = \sum_i^n (S_{(i)} - S_{(.)})^2,$$

which could be considered as an modification of the variance estimation corresponding to the dependency of the  $n$  delete-1 subsamples. That is originally we need a coefficient  $\frac{1}{n-1}$  for sample variance if the samples are indepedent. But the delete-1 subsamples are high dependent to each other, so intuitively

the sample variance will underestimate the variance. In order to alleviate the underestimation, it seems that we multiply  $n - 1$ .

$$n - 1 \cdot \frac{1}{n - 1} \cdot \sum_i^n (S_{(i)} - S_{(\cdot)})^2 = \sum_i^n (S_{(i)} - S_{(\cdot)})^2.$$

However, by doing this, the result become overestimated and that will be discussed in the following sections.

2. Modification the variance of  $n - 1$  samples to  $n$  samples by:

$$\widehat{VAR} S(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \frac{n - 1}{n} \widetilde{VAR} S(X_1, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n).$$

## 2.2 Bias of Variance estimation

In the Efron 1981's paper, it shows that

$$E \left[ \widetilde{VAR} S(X_1, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n) \right] \geq VAR S(X_1, X_{i-1}, X_{i+1}, \dots, X_n).$$

The details of proof could be found by (Efron and Stein 1981), the idea of the proof is the ANOVA decomposition:

$$\begin{aligned} S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) &= \mu + \sum_i A_i(X_i) + \sum_{i < i'} B_{ii'}(X_i, X_{i'}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i < i' < i''} C_{iii''}(X_i, X_{i'}, X_{i''}) + \dots + H(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) \end{aligned}$$

, where  $\mu = E(S)$ ,  $A_i(x_i) = E\{S|X_i = x_i\} - \mu$  and  $B_{ii'}(x_i, x_{i'}) = E\{S|X_i = x_i, X_{i'} = x_{i'}\} - E\{S|X_i = x_i\} - E\{S|X_{i'} = x_{i'}\} + \mu$ .  $A$  is the analogy of main effect and  $B$  is for the two-term interaction effects. Note that after the ANOVA decomposition, all the terms has mean  $\mathbf{0}$  and correlation  $\mathbf{0}$ . Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) &= \mu + \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \alpha_i + \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{i < i'} \beta_{ii} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{i < i' < i''} \gamma_{iii''} + \dots + \frac{1}{n^n} \eta_{1,2,3,\dots,n} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha_i \equiv \alpha(X_i) \equiv nA(X_i)$ ,  $\beta_{ii} = \beta(X_i, X_i) \equiv n^2B(X_i, X_i)$ . Then since all of them are uncorrelated,  $\gamma_{iii''} = \gamma(X_i, X_{i'}, X_{i''}) = n^3C(X_i, X_{i'}, X_{i''})$ ,  $\dots$ . we could take the variance on both side and have

$$Var S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n) = \frac{\sigma_a^2}{n} + \binom{n-1}{1} \frac{\sigma_\beta^2}{2n^3} + \binom{n-1}{2} \frac{\sigma_\gamma^2}{3n^5} + \dots + \frac{\sigma_n^2}{n^{2n}}.$$

It can also shown that

$$\begin{aligned} E \left( \widetilde{VAR} S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}) \right) &= \frac{\sigma_\alpha^2}{n-1} \\ &\quad + \binom{n-2}{1} \frac{\sigma_\beta^2}{(n-1)^2} + \binom{n-2}{2} \frac{\sigma_r^2}{(n-1)^3} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

, so we have

$$\begin{aligned} E \left( \widetilde{VAR} S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}) \right) &- Var S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{n-1}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \binom{n-2}{1} \frac{\sigma_N^2}{(n-1)^3} + \frac{2}{3} \binom{n-2}{2} \frac{\sigma_r^2}{(n-1)^s} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

. Note that bias of the variance comes from the variance of high order interactions. If  $S$  is a **linear** functional the empirical cumulative density function, the bias is 0. However, if it is not, then there will be a non-zero bias. Although Efron suggested a bias correction method, but it is not very practical which I will mention in the next section.

For certain types of  $S$ , the bias of the variance will be reduced by increasing of  $n$ .

$$E\hat{Var} = Var^{(n)} + \left\{ \frac{n-1}{n} Var^{(n-1)} - Var^{(n)} \right\} + O(1/n^3),$$

### 2.2.1 Functionals of empirical distribution function

## 2.3 Bias correction

### 2.3.1 Using delete-1-2 method

If we assume the  $S$  is a smooth functions of empirical CDF, especially a **quadratic** functions, then it can be shown the leading terms of  $E(\hat{Var}(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))) \geq Var(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))$  is a quadratic term in expectation. Therefore we could try to estimate the quadratic term and correct the bias for the jackknife variance estimation.

Define  $Q_{ii'} \equiv nS - (n-1)(S_i + S_{i'}) + (n-2)S_{(ii')}$ , then the correction will be

$$\hat{Var}^{corr}(S(X_1, \dots, X_n)) = \hat{Var}(S(X_1, \dots, X_n)) - \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < i'} (Q_{ii'} - \bar{Q})^2$$

where  $\bar{Q} = \sum_{i < i'} (Q_{ii'}) / (n(n-1)/2)$

1. One potential issue of this method is that it cannot guarantee the corrected variance is positive. In other words, some times the bias correction is overestimating the bias so that ending a negative variance. This issue is not unexpected, because the correction is based only on the quadratic form.
2. Another issue is the computational time. To calculate the variance correction, one needs to do  $\binom{n}{2}$  times iteration, which will be time consuming for large  $n$ .

### 2.3.2 Delete-d method

The delete-d jackknife method is proposed In (Shao, Wu, and others 1989), The delete-d jackknife variance estimator is

$$\mathcal{V}_{J(d)} = \frac{n-d}{d} \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_S (\hat{\theta}_S - \hat{\theta}_{S.})$$

, where  $N = \binom{n}{d}$  and  $S$  is subset of  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  with size  $n-d$ . Note that delete-1 jackknife will be a special case of delete-d case variance estimation:

$$\mathcal{V}_{J(1)} = \frac{n-1}{1} \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_S (\hat{\theta}_S - \hat{\theta}_{S.})$$

where  $N = \binom{n}{1} = n$ . But how could we explain the 2-steps estimation in Efron's 1989 paper?

Note that  $S$  could a very large value, so in the following simulation, only  $S = 1000$  is used. In Jun Shao's another paper, he proposed an approximation of the delete-d variance estimation. That is just select  $m$  from  $S = \binom{n}{d}$  sub-samples and in that paper it recommended  $m = n^{1.5}$ .

### 2.3.2.1 An example of delete-d and delete-1: median

$S_n = F_n^{-1}(1/2)$  The simulation setup is following

| n   | MSE  | est_var | est_mean | NA_main | median_main_jack | median_v_jack | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var | d   |
|-----|------|---------|----------|---------|------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|
| 50  | 0.03 | 0.03    | -0.01    | 0       | 0.42             | 0.03          | 0.11           | 0.01               | 0.5 |
| 75  | 0.02 | 0.02    | 0.00     | 0       | 1.15             | 0.02          | 0.02           | 0.01               | 0.5 |
| 100 | 0.02 | 0.02    | 0.00     | 0       | 0.46             | 0.02          | 0.04           | 0.00               | 0.5 |
| 150 | 0.01 | 0.01    | 0.00     | 0       | -0.48            | 0.01          | 0.04           | 0.00               | 0.5 |
| 200 | 0.01 | 0.01    | 0.00     | 0       | 2.34             | 0.01          | 0.03           | 0.00               | 0.5 |
| 50  | 0.03 | 0.03    | -0.01    | 0       | -0.01            | 0.07          | 1.17           | 1.05               | 1.0 |
| 75  | 0.02 | 0.02    | 0.00     | 0       | 0.05             | 0.03          | 0.41           | 0.09               | 1.0 |
| 100 | 0.02 | 0.02    | 0.00     | 0       | 0.00             | 0.03          | 0.79           | 0.20               | 1.0 |
| 150 | 0.01 | 0.01    | 0.00     | 0       | 0.00             | 0.02          | 0.76           | 0.13               | 1.0 |
| 200 | 0.01 | 0.01    | 0.00     | 0       | 0.00             | 0.02          | 1.01           | 0.18               | 1.0 |

## 2.4 functional of distribution functions

## 2.5 Jackknife variance estimation on high dimension signal estimation

Different methods have their own

### 2.5.1 Jackknife variance estimation's bias and sample size n

#### 2.5.1.1 setup

- Independent
- Normal
- $p = \{100, 1000\}$
- $n = \{50, 75, 100, 150, 200, 500, 750, 1000, 1500\}$
- $d = \{0.5, 0.75\} \times n$  or  $d = 25$
- $n_{repeat} = n^{1.5}$  for delete d jackknife and  $n_{repeat} = n$  for delete 1 jackknife
- main effect:  $Var(X^T \beta) = 8$

#### 2.5.1.2 result

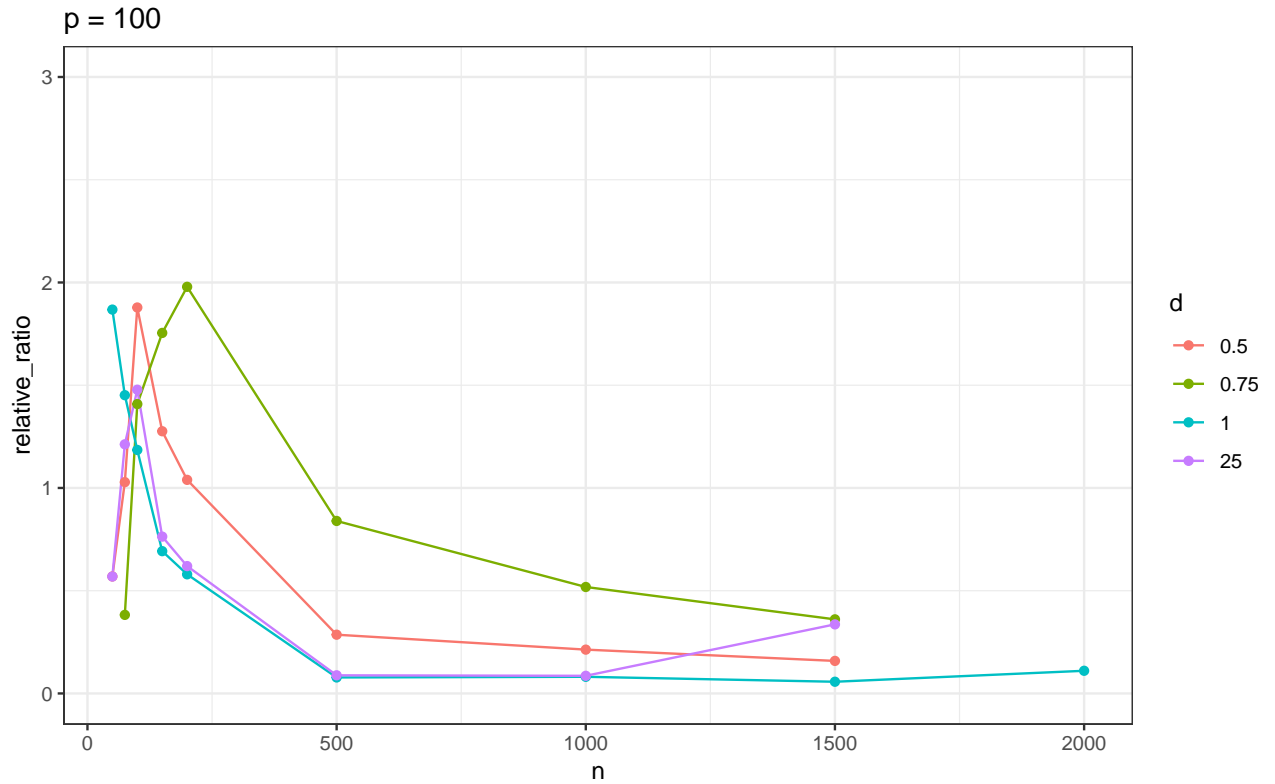
Based on the previous simulation results, we find there is a bias among all the jackknife variance estimation. Based on the Efron's result, the overestimation is because the statistics  $S$  is not a smooth function of the distribution function, so that the correct coefficient actually inflate the variance estimation.

The following result is trying to see the relation between the bias and the sample size n

Note: 1. For delete-1 jackknife, the variance estimation becomes better when the sample size is increasing 1. However, for delete-d, it does not show the similar pattern, the relative ratio becomes worse when n is large, which is what we expected. One factor could be the number of covariates, that is when  $p$  is large then it will be hard to make the jackknife work well??

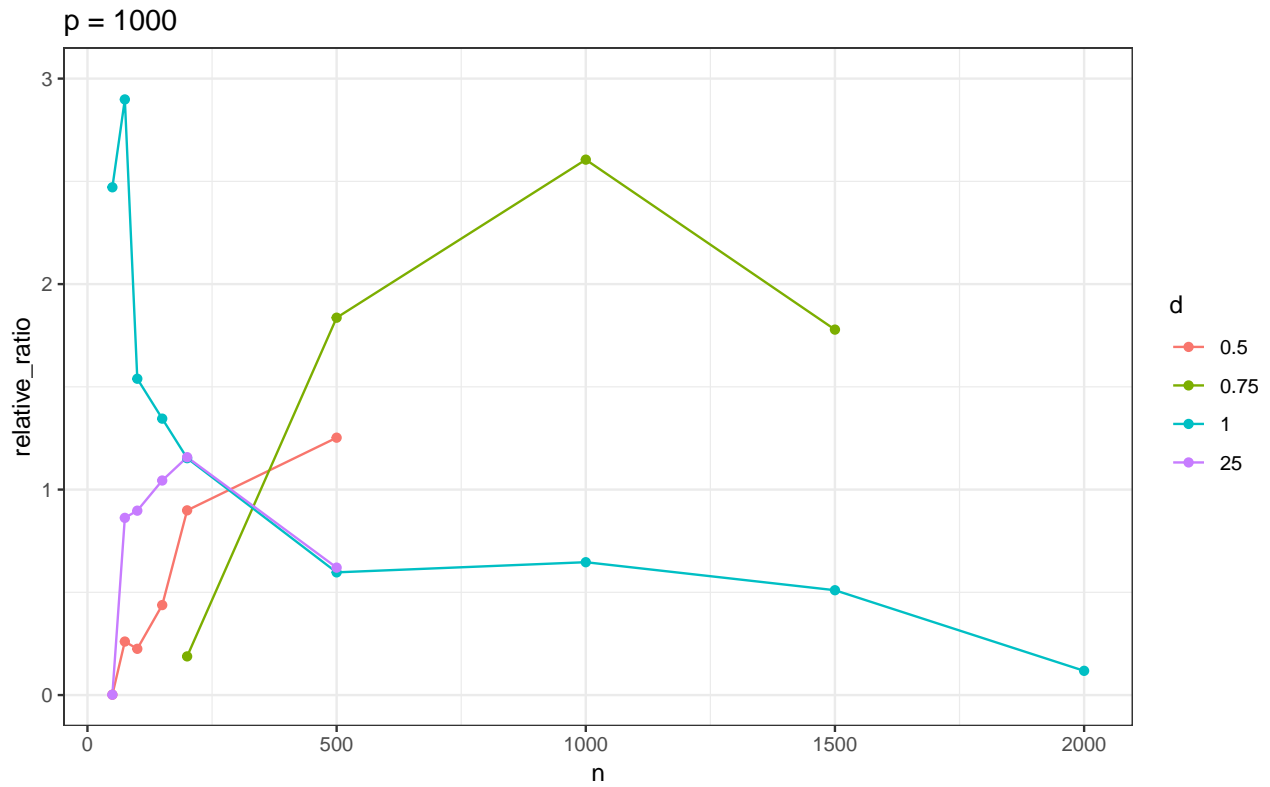
#### 2.5.1.3 GCTA with $p = 100$

| n    | MSE   | est_var | est_mean | NA_main | GCTA_rr_main_jack | GCTA_rr_v_jack | GCTA_rr_v_jack_var | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var | N   | d     |
|------|-------|---------|----------|---------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 50   | 25.58 | 25.84   | 8.0      | 0       | 35.2              | 40.54          | 363.40             | 0.57           | 14.07              | 100 | 0.50  |
| 75   | 13.18 | 13.10   | 7.5      | 0       | -120.5            | 26.57          | 100.83             | 1.03           | 7.70               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 100  | 6.25  | 6.29    | 7.8      | 0       | -257.6            | 18.09          | 38.63              | 1.88           | 6.14               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 150  | 4.07  | 4.09    | 8.1      | 0       | -17.0             | 9.31           | 7.11               | 1.28           | 1.74               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 200  | 2.48  | 2.49    | 7.9      | 0       | 76.2              | 5.08           | 1.31               | 1.04           | 0.53               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 500  | 0.83  | 0.83    | 8.1      | 0       | 4.9               | 1.06           | 0.03               | 0.29           | 0.04               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 1000 | 0.33  | 0.32    | 8.1      | 0       | 95.6              | 0.39           | 0.00               | 0.21           | 0.01               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 1500 | 0.21  | 0.20    | 8.1      | 0       | 85.9              | 0.23           | 0.00               | 0.16           | 0.00               | 99  | 0.50  |
| 50   | 25.58 | 25.84   | 8.0      | 0       | 53.8              | 21.44          | 75.63              | -0.17          | 2.93               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 75   | 13.18 | 13.10   | 7.5      | 0       | -154.6            | 18.11          | 39.61              | 0.38           | 3.02               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 100  | 6.25  | 6.29    | 7.8      | 0       | -403.7            | 15.14          | 20.26              | 1.41           | 3.22               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 150  | 4.07  | 4.09    | 8.1      | 0       | -342.2            | 11.27          | 8.25               | 1.75           | 2.02               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 200  | 2.48  | 2.49    | 7.9      | 0       | -243.4            | 7.41           | 2.18               | 1.98           | 0.88               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 500  | 0.83  | 0.83    | 8.1      | 0       | -98.3             | 1.52           | 0.05               | 0.84           | 0.06               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1000 | 0.33  | 0.32    | 8.1      | 0       | 246.4             | 0.49           | 0.00               | 0.52           | 0.01               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1500 | 0.21  | 0.20    | 8.1      | 0       | 128.3             | 0.28           | 0.00               | 0.36           | 0.00               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 50   | 25.58 | 25.84   | 8.0      | 0       | 8.5               | 74.10          | 8378.63            | 1.87           | 324.31             | 100 | 1.00  |
| 75   | 13.18 | 13.10   | 7.5      | 0       | 7.5               | 32.11          | 685.27             | 1.45           | 52.32              | 100 | 1.00  |
| 100  | 6.25  | 6.29    | 7.8      | 0       | 7.5               | 13.74          | 102.20             | 1.18           | 16.26              | 100 | 1.00  |
| 150  | 4.07  | 4.09    | 8.1      | 0       | 8.1               | 6.92           | 8.46               | 0.69           | 2.07               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 200  | 2.48  | 2.49    | 7.9      | 0       | 7.9               | 3.93           | 1.32               | 0.58           | 0.53               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 500  | 0.83  | 0.83    | 8.1      | 0       | 8.1               | 0.89           | 0.02               | 0.08           | 0.03               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 1000 | 0.33  | 0.32    | 8.1      | 0       | 8.1               | 0.35           | 0.00               | 0.08           | 0.00               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 1500 | 0.21  | 0.20    | 8.1      | 0       | 8.1               | 0.22           | 0.00               | 0.06           | 0.00               | 99  | 1.00  |
| 2000 | 0.14  | 0.14    | 8.0      | 0       | 8.1               | 0.15           | 0.00               | 0.11           | 0.00               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 50   | 25.58 | 25.84   | 8.0      | 0       | 35.2              | 40.54          | 363.40             | 0.57           | 14.07              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 75   | 13.18 | 13.10   | 7.5      | 0       | -60.2             | 28.98          | 185.76             | 1.21           | 14.18              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 100  | 6.25  | 6.29    | 7.8      | 0       | -98.7             | 15.58          | 52.81              | 1.48           | 8.40               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 150  | 4.07  | 4.09    | 8.1      | 0       | 3.1               | 7.21           | 7.25               | 0.76           | 1.77               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 200  | 2.48  | 2.49    | 7.9      | 0       | 26.6              | 4.03           | 1.29               | 0.62           | 0.52               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 500  | 0.83  | 0.83    | 8.1      | 0       | 6.6               | 0.90           | 0.03               | 0.09           | 0.03               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 1000 | 0.33  | 0.32    | 8.1      | 0       | 8.7               | 0.35           | 0.00               | 0.09           | 0.00               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 1500 | 0.15  | 0.16    | 8.0      | 0       | 11.4              | 0.21           | 0.00               | 0.34           | 0.00               | 20  | 25.00 |



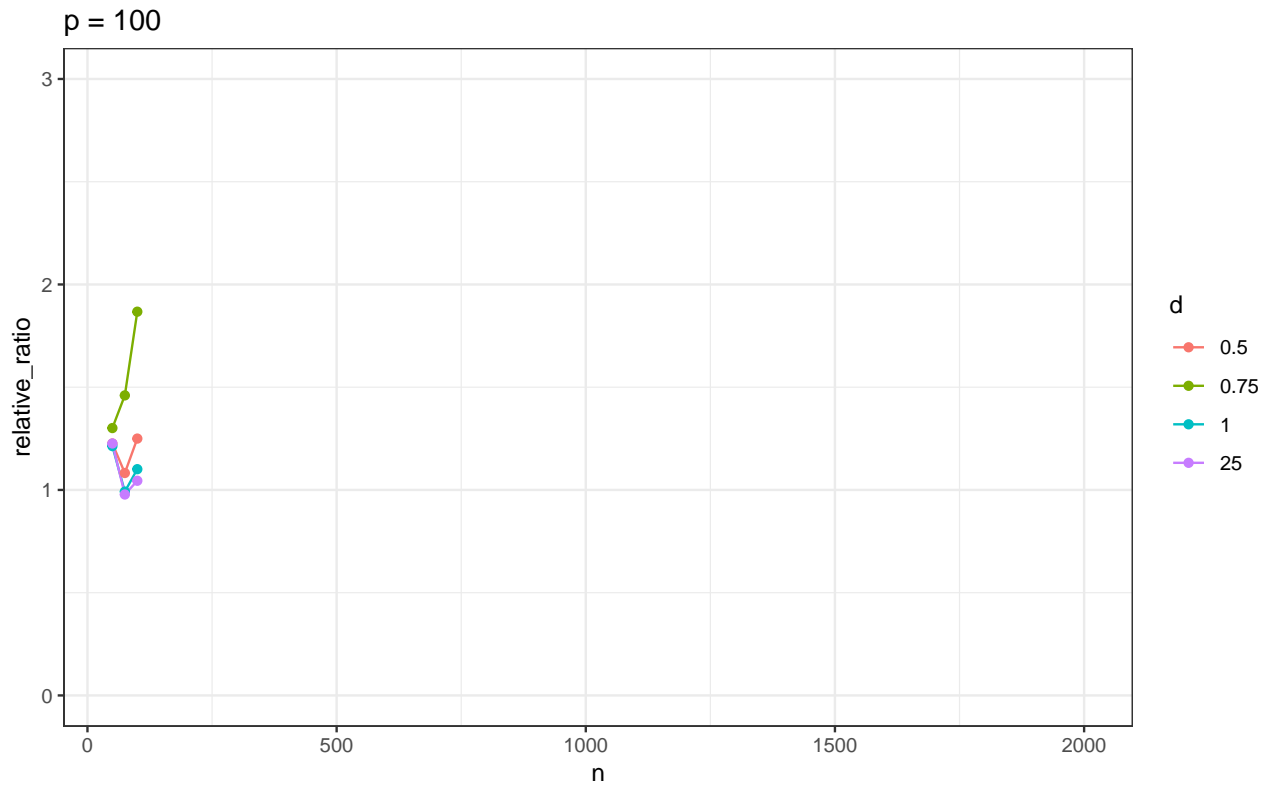
#### 2.5.1.4 GCTA with p = 1000

| n    | MSE   | est_var | est_mean | NA_main | GCTA_rr_main_jack | GCTA_rr_v_jack | GCTA_rr_v_jack_var | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var | N   | d     |
|------|-------|---------|----------|---------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 50   | 55.85 | 55.27   | 9.1      | 0       | 136.6             | 55.37          | 518.78             | 0.00           | 9.39               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 75   | 34.53 | 34.17   | 7.2      | 0       | -289.0            | 43.07          | 340.53             | 0.26           | 9.96               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 100  | 32.50 | 32.08   | 7.1      | 0       | -268.2            | 39.29          | 243.29             | 0.23           | 7.58               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 150  | 21.94 | 21.72   | 7.3      | 0       | -267.1            | 31.23          | 67.58              | 0.44           | 3.11               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 200  | 13.23 | 13.25   | 7.7      | 0       | -340.4            | 25.15          | 39.00              | 0.90           | 2.94               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 500  | 2.88  | 2.91    | 8.0      | 0       | -1102.5           | 6.56           | 1.05               | 1.25           | 0.36               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 50   | 55.85 | 55.27   | 9.1      | 0       | 263.1             | 25.39          | 109.31             | -0.54          | 1.98               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 75   | 34.53 | 34.17   | 7.2      | 0       | -345.6            | 21.20          | 63.47              | -0.38          | 1.86               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 100  | 32.50 | 32.08   | 7.1      | 0       | -464.3            | 19.65          | 36.61              | -0.39          | 1.14               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 150  | 21.94 | 21.72   | 7.3      | 0       | -579.1            | 17.45          | 14.49              | -0.20          | 0.67               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 200  | 13.23 | 13.25   | 7.7      | 0       | -637.8            | 15.74          | 9.71               | 0.19           | 0.73               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 500  | 2.88  | 2.91    | 8.0      | 0       | -1993.2           | 8.26           | 1.24               | 1.84           | 0.43               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1000 | 0.77  | 0.78    | 8.0      | 0       | 1213.7            | 2.80           | 0.09               | 2.61           | 0.11               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1500 | 0.46  | 0.46    | 8.0      | 0       | 178.8             | 1.27           | 0.01               | 1.78           | 0.02               | 81  | 0.75  |
| 50   | 55.85 | 55.27   | 9.1      | 0       | 8.2               | 191.85         | 61399.17           | 2.47           | 1110.88            | 100 | 1.00  |
| 75   | 34.53 | 34.17   | 7.2      | 0       | 6.8               | 133.23         | 13844.25           | 2.90           | 405.13             | 100 | 1.00  |
| 100  | 32.50 | 32.08   | 7.1      | 0       | 6.6               | 81.45          | 4350.37            | 1.54           | 135.63             | 100 | 1.00  |
| 150  | 21.94 | 21.72   | 7.3      | 0       | 7.5               | 50.94          | 759.61             | 1.35           | 34.97              | 100 | 1.00  |
| 200  | 13.23 | 13.25   | 7.7      | 0       | 7.5               | 28.52          | 121.00             | 1.15           | 9.14               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 500  | 2.88  | 2.91    | 8.0      | 0       | 7.8               | 4.65           | 1.08               | 0.60           | 0.37               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 1000 | 0.77  | 0.78    | 7.9      | 0       | 8.0               | 1.28           | 0.04               | 0.65           | 0.05               | 99  | 1.00  |
| 1500 | 0.41  | 0.41    | 8.0      | 0       | 8.0               | 0.62           | 0.00               | 0.51           | 0.01               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 2000 | 0.33  | 0.34    | 8.0      | 0       | 8.1               | 0.38           | 0.00               | 0.12           | 0.00               | 62  | 1.00  |
| 50   | 55.85 | 55.27   | 9.1      | 0       | 136.6             | 55.37          | 518.78             | 0.00           | 9.39               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 75   | 34.53 | 34.17   | 7.2      | 0       | -205.2            | 63.64          | 1084.96            | 0.86           | 31.75              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 100  | 32.50 | 32.08   | 7.1      | 0       | -104.4            | 60.86          | 1277.26            | 0.90           | 39.82              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 150  | 21.94 | 21.72   | 7.3      | 0       | -30.2             | 44.40          | 377.52             | 1.04           | 17.38              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 200  | 13.23 | 13.25   | 7.7      | 0       | -47.3             | 28.58          | 101.25             | 1.16           | 7.64               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 500  | 2.88  | 2.91    | 8.0      | 0       | -90.7             | 4.72           | 1.02               | 0.62           | 0.35               | 100 | 25.00 |



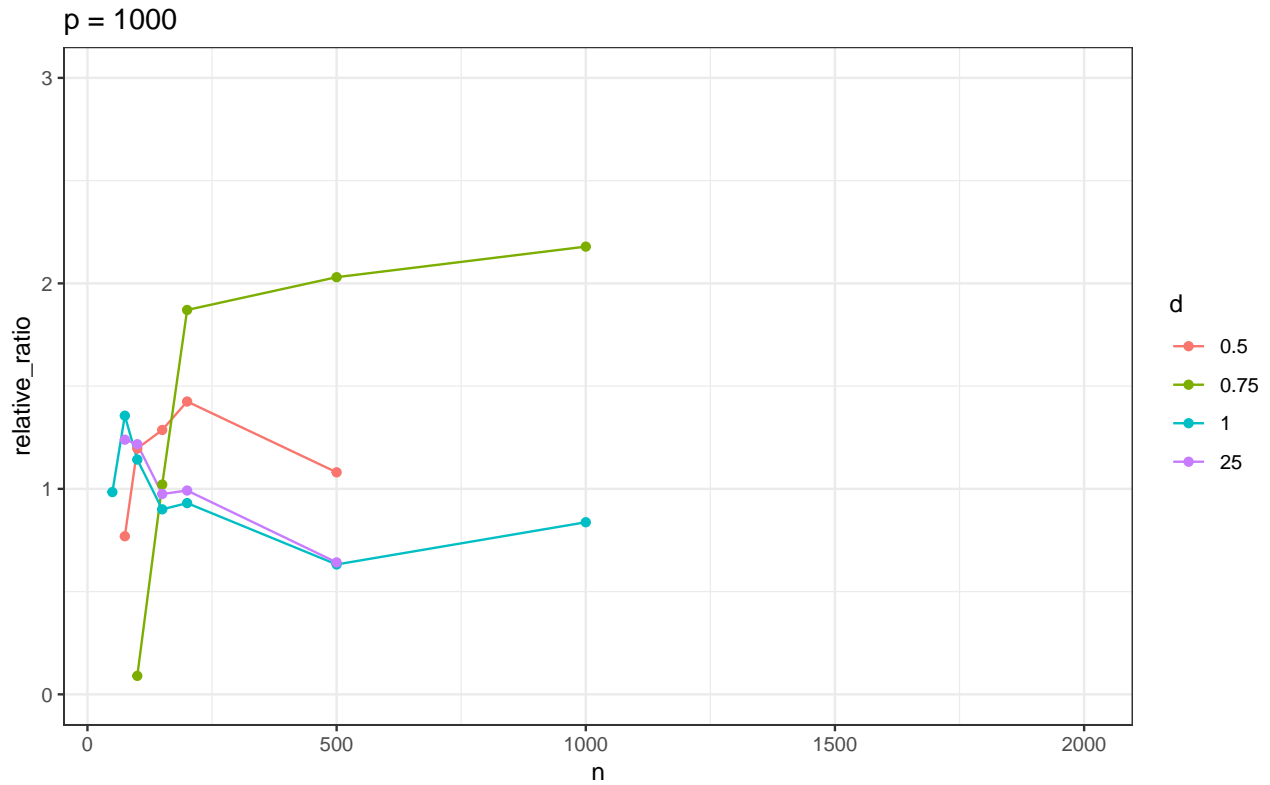
### 2.5.1.5 Eg with p = 100

| n    | MSE  | est_mean | est_var_m | est_var | NA_main | EigenPrism_main_jack | EigenPrism_v_jack | EigenPrism_v_jack_var | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var | N   | d     |
|------|------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 50   | 21.6 | 8.4      | 33        | 21.7    | 0       | -366.9               | 48.4              | 463.04                | 1.23           | 21.3               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 75   | 12.2 | 7.9      | 17        | 12.3    | 0       | -463.3               | 25.6              | 77.41                 | 1.08           | 6.3                | 100 | 0.50  |
| 100  | 7.1  | 8.0      | 12        | 7.2     | 0       | -710.9               | 16.2              | 33.41                 | 1.25           | 4.6                | 100 | 0.50  |
| 150  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | 8.4               | 4.89                  | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.50  |
| 200  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | 5.0               | 0.95                  | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.50  |
| 500  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.50  |
| 1000 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.50  |
| 1500 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 99      | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 99  | 0.50  |
| 50   | 21.6 | 8.4      | 33        | 21.7    | 0       | -1085.6              | 50.0              | 577.93                | 1.30           | 26.6               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 75   | 12.2 | 7.9      | 17        | 12.3    | 0       | -1300.7              | 30.3              | 119.81                | 1.46           | 9.7                | 100 | 0.75  |
| 100  | 7.1  | 8.0      | 12        | 7.2     | 0       | -1968.3              | 20.6              | 58.55                 | 1.87           | 8.1                | 100 | 0.75  |
| 150  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | 11.2              | 9.62                  | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.75  |
| 200  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | 6.6               | 1.81                  | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.75  |
| 500  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1000 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1500 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 0.75  |
| 50   | 21.6 | 8.4      | 33        | 21.7    | 0       | 7.6                  | 48.1              | 454.15                | 1.21           | 20.9               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 75   | 12.2 | 7.9      | 17        | 12.3    | 0       | 7.3                  | 24.5              | 95.00                 | 0.99           | 7.7                | 100 | 1.00  |
| 100  | 7.1  | 8.0      | 12        | 7.2     | 0       | 7.1                  | 15.1              | 40.84                 | 1.10           | 5.7                | 100 | 1.00  |
| 150  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 1.00  |
| 200  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 1.00  |
| 500  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 1.00  |
| 1000 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 1.00  |
| 1500 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 99      | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 99  | 1.00  |
| 2000 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 1.00  |
| 50   | 21.6 | 8.4      | 33        | 21.7    | 0       | -366.9               | 48.4              | 463.04                | 1.23           | 21.3               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 75   | 12.2 | 7.9      | 17        | 12.3    | 0       | -213.1               | 24.3              | 71.89                 | 0.98           | 5.8                | 100 | 25.00 |
| 100  | 7.1  | 8.0      | 12        | 7.2     | 0       | -255.6               | 14.7              | 30.17                 | 1.04           | 4.2                | 100 | 25.00 |
| 150  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 25.00 |
| 200  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 25.00 |
| 500  | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 25.00 |
| 1000 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 25.00 |
| 1500 | NaN  | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 20      | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 20  | 25.00 |



#### 2.5.1.6 Eg with p = 1000

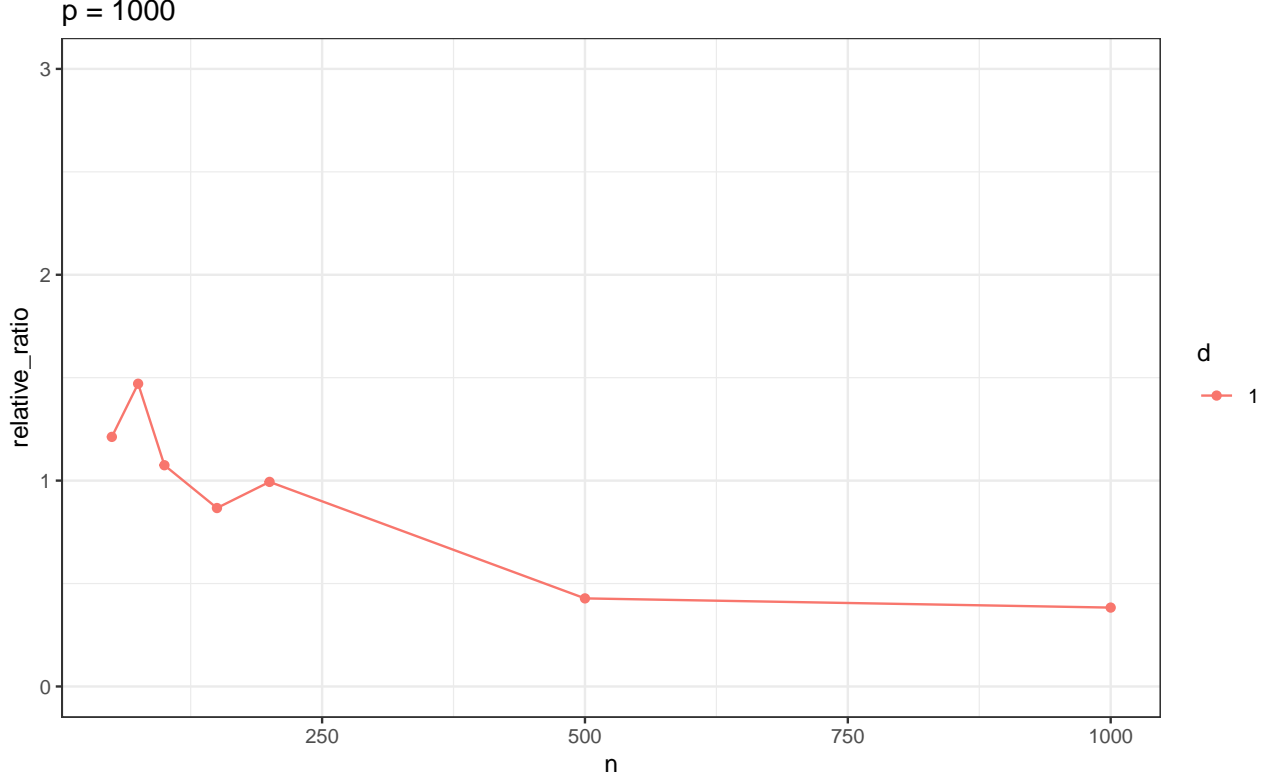
| n    | MSE   | est_mean | est_var_m | est_var | NA_main | EigenPrism_main_jack | EigenPrism_v_jack | EigenPrism_v_jack_var | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var | N   | d     |
|------|-------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 50   | 139.7 | 12.0     | 161.9     | 125.05  | 0       | -784.3               | 113.0             | 3039.25               | -0.10          | 24.30              | 100 | 0.50  |
| 75   | 57.4  | 8.7      | 77.1      | 57.44   | 0       | -1435.4              | 101.6             | 2347.86               | 0.77           | 40.87              | 100 | 0.50  |
| 100  | 39.0  | 7.7      | 49.3      | 39.36   | 0       | -1558.8              | 86.5              | 853.63                | 1.20           | 21.69              | 100 | 0.50  |
| 150  | 20.9  | 7.9      | 24.3      | 21.06   | 0       | -1415.7              | 48.2              | 142.18                | 1.29           | 6.75               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 200  | 12.4  | 7.9      | 15.0      | 12.56   | 0       | -2090.4              | 30.4              | 49.02                 | 1.43           | 3.90               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 500  | 3.0   | 8.0      | 3.2       | 2.99    | 0       | -3215.4              | 6.2               | 0.86                  | 1.08           | 0.29               | 100 | 0.50  |
| 50   | 139.7 | 12.0     | 161.9     | 125.05  | 0       | -1330.9              | 29.0              | 203.55                | -0.77          | 1.63               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 75   | 57.4  | 8.7      | 77.1      | 57.44   | 0       | -3181.2              | 37.7              | 298.49                | -0.34          | 5.20               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 100  | 39.0  | 7.7      | 49.3      | 39.36   | 0       | -4683.8              | 42.9              | 178.16                | 0.09           | 4.53               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 150  | 20.9  | 7.9      | 24.3      | 21.06   | 0       | -5285.8              | 42.6              | 102.62                | 1.02           | 4.87               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 200  | 12.4  | 7.9      | 15.0      | 12.56   | 0       | -6109.9              | 36.0              | 66.79                 | 1.87           | 5.32               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 500  | 3.0   | 8.0      | 3.2       | 2.99    | 0       | -9625.8              | 9.1               | 1.70                  | 2.03           | 0.57               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1000 | 0.8   | 8.0      | 1.1       | 0.81    | 0       | -5670.4              | 2.6               | 0.07                  | 2.18           | 0.08               | 100 | 0.75  |
| 1500 | NaN   | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 81      | NaN                  | 1.2               | 0.01                  | NA             | NA                 | 81  | 0.75  |
| 50   | 139.7 | 12.0     | 161.9     | 125.05  | 0       | 9.3                  | 248.1             | 18031.74              | 0.98           | 144.19             | 100 | 1.00  |
| 75   | 57.4  | 8.7      | 77.1      | 57.44   | 0       | 6.9                  | 135.3             | 4335.86               | 1.36           | 75.48              | 100 | 1.00  |
| 100  | 39.0  | 7.7      | 49.3      | 39.36   | 0       | 6.1                  | 84.3              | 954.62                | 1.14           | 24.25              | 100 | 1.00  |
| 150  | 20.9  | 7.9      | 24.3      | 21.06   | 0       | 7.3                  | 40.0              | 120.60                | 0.90           | 5.73               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 200  | 12.4  | 7.9      | 15.0      | 12.56   | 0       | 7.2                  | 24.2              | 39.43                 | 0.93           | 3.14               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 500  | 3.0   | 8.0      | 3.2       | 2.99    | 0       | 7.7                  | 4.9               | 0.83                  | 0.63           | 0.28               | 100 | 1.00  |
| 1000 | 0.8   | 8.0      | 1.1       | 0.81    | 0       | 8.0                  | 1.5               | 0.03                  | 0.84           | 0.04               | 99  | 1.00  |
| 1500 | NaN   | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 100     | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 100 | 1.00  |
| 2000 | NaN   | NaN      | NaN       | NA      | 62      | NaN                  | NaN               | NA                    | NA             | NA                 | 62  | 1.00  |
| 50   | 139.7 | 12.0     | 161.9     | 125.05  | 0       | -784.3               | 113.0             | 3039.25               | -0.10          | 24.30              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 75   | 57.4  | 8.7      | 77.1      | 57.44   | 0       | -613.1               | 128.6             | 4033.63               | 1.24           | 70.22              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 100  | 39.0  | 7.7      | 49.3      | 39.36   | 0       | -487.3               | 87.3              | 895.86                | 1.22           | 22.76              | 100 | 25.00 |
| 150  | 20.9  | 7.9      | 24.3      | 21.06   | 0       | -258.1               | 41.6              | 119.32                | 0.97           | 5.67               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 200  | 12.4  | 7.9      | 15.0      | 12.56   | 0       | -288.7               | 25.0              | 42.04                 | 0.99           | 3.35               | 100 | 25.00 |
| 500  | 3.0   | 8.0      | 3.2       | 2.99    | 0       | -175.6               | 4.9               | 0.80                  | 0.64           | 0.27               | 100 | 25.00 |



### 2.5.1.7 Dicker 2013 with p = 1000

| n    | MSE   | est_mean | est_var_m | est_var | NA_main | Dicker_main_jack | Dicker_v_jack | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var | d |
|------|-------|----------|-----------|---------|---------|------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|---|
| 50   | 214.7 | 7.0      | 250.5     | 215.8   | 0       | 13.3             | 477.5         | 1.21           | 285.16             | 1 |
| 75   | 81.5  | 5.7      | 98.1      | 77.1    | 0       | 8.2              | 190.5         | 1.47           | 116.05             | 1 |
| 100  | 59.7  | 5.4      | 57.7      | 53.3    | 0       | 7.0              | 110.6         | 1.07           | 35.10              | 1 |
| 150  | 26.7  | 6.6      | 27.0      | 25.0    | 0       | 7.2              | 46.6          | 0.87           | 8.50               | 1 |
| 200  | 14.4  | 7.2      | 16.5      | 14.0    | 0       | 7.6              | 27.9          | 0.99           | 4.20               | 1 |
| 500  | 4.0   | 8.1      | 3.6       | 4.0     | 0       | 8.2              | 5.7           | 0.43           | 0.39               | 1 |
| 1000 | 1.3   | 7.8      | 1.3       | 1.3     | 0       | 7.8              | 1.7           | 0.38           | 0.06               | 1 |





### 3 Subsampling method: bootstrap

#### 3.1 non-parameteric bootstrap

#### 3.2 Parametric bootstrap

As the previous section mentioned, the non-parametric bootstrap may not work well for the total signal estimation. A parametric bootstrap method was proposed for CI estimation of the Heritability. Details at (Schweiger et al. 2016). The main idea of the parametric is following: If we assume the mixed effect model, then we have

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{s} + \mathbf{e}$$

where  $\mathbf{X}$  is the fixed covariate and coefficient, and  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{s}$  are for the random effect,  $\mathbf{s} \sim N(\mathbf{0}_m, \sigma_g^2 \mathbf{I}_m/m)$  and  $\mathbf{e} \sim N(\mathbf{0}_n, \sigma_e^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$ . Note in here we assume that  $\mathbf{Z}$  is fixed with columns' mean 0 and variance 1.

$$\mathbf{y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma_g^2 \mathbf{K} + \sigma_e^2 \mathbf{I}_n),$$

where  $\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{Z}^T/m$ . Let  $h^2$  as the narrow-sense of heritability

$$h^2 = \frac{\sigma_g^2}{\sigma_g^2 + \sigma_e^2},$$

then we will have

$$\mathbf{y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma_p^2 (h^2 \mathbf{K} + (1 - h^2) \mathbf{I}_n)).$$

In the paper, the author showed that the distribution  $\hat{h}^2$  only depends on  $h^2$ , i.e.  $h^2 = H^2$ . Therefore, we could just fix  $\sigma_p^2 = 1$  and  $\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{0}_p$ . So we have the distribution of  $\mathbf{y}$  as

$$N(\mathbf{0}_n, h^2 \mathbf{K} + (1 - h^2) \mathbf{I}_n)$$

. So the direct parametric bootstrap will be

1. Random sampling: draw  $N$  (e.g. , 10,000) phenotype vectors  $\mathbf{y}_1^*, \dots, \mathbf{y}_N^*$  from the multivariate normal distribution  $N(\mathbf{0}_n, h^2 \mathbf{K} + (1 - h^2) \mathbf{I}_n)$
2. REML estimation: calculate the REML estimates  $\hat{h}^2(\mathbf{y}_1^*), \dots, \hat{h}^2(\mathbf{y}_N^*)$  for each of these phenotype vectors by using a software package such as GCTA (Genome-wide Complex Trait Analysis)
3. Density estimation: for each one of the bins above, count the proportion of estimates  $\hat{h}^2(\mathbf{y}_i^*)$  that fall in that bin; similarly, compute the fraction of estimates equal to a boundary estimate  $\hat{h}^2(\mathbf{y}_i^*) = 0$  or 1. Use these fractions as an estimate of the density of  $\hat{h}^2$  for this value of  $h^2$ .

Based on our context, we have  $Y = X\beta + \epsilon$  and under certain conditions ,  $Var(X\beta) = \sum \beta_i^2$  we have

$$Y \sim N(0, \sum \beta_i^2 + \sigma_\epsilon^2)$$

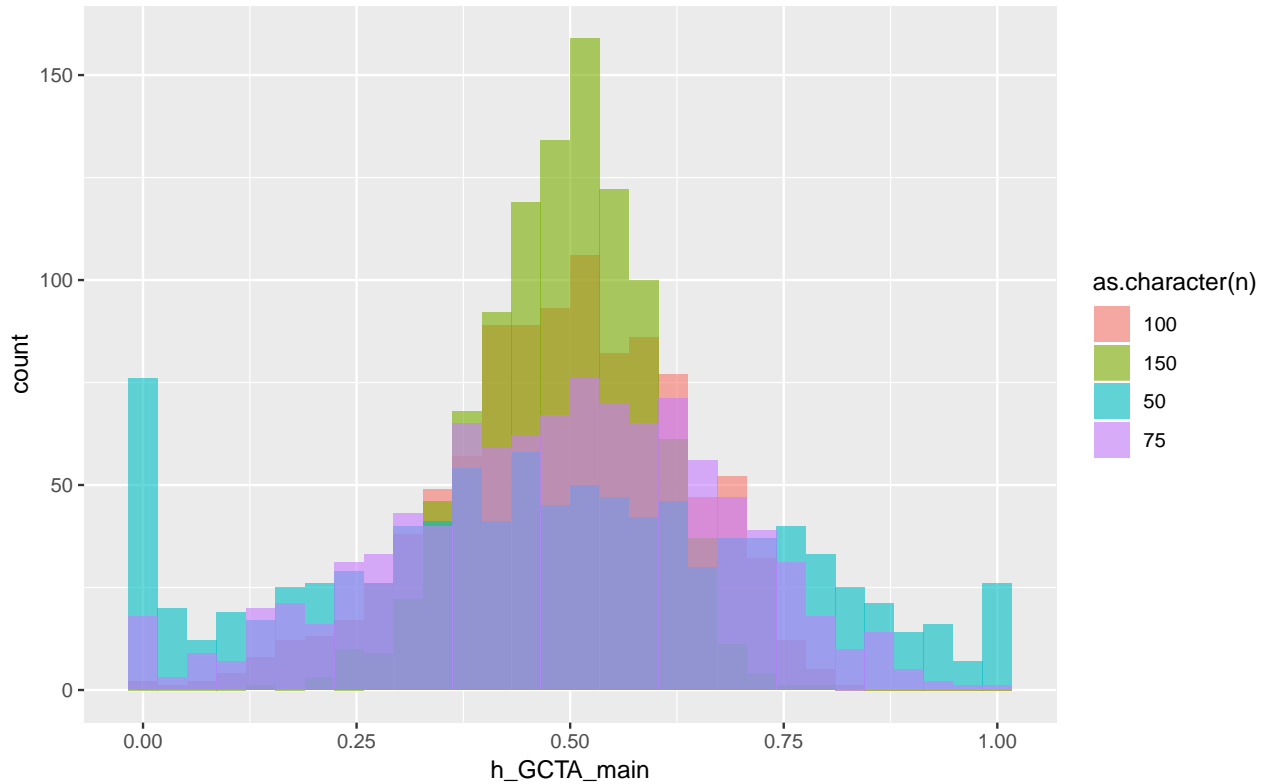
so the extend the parametric bootstrap in our simulation setup, we may need try

$$Y^* \sim N(0, var(X\beta) + \hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2)$$

For GCTA, we could use the Delta thoery to find the estimator's variance of its asymptotic distribution. However, simulation results suggest that in most of the case the  $\hat{h}^2$  will have a skew distribution with many values around 0,1. Therefore, the Delta method may not give us an accurate variance esitimation of the estimations.

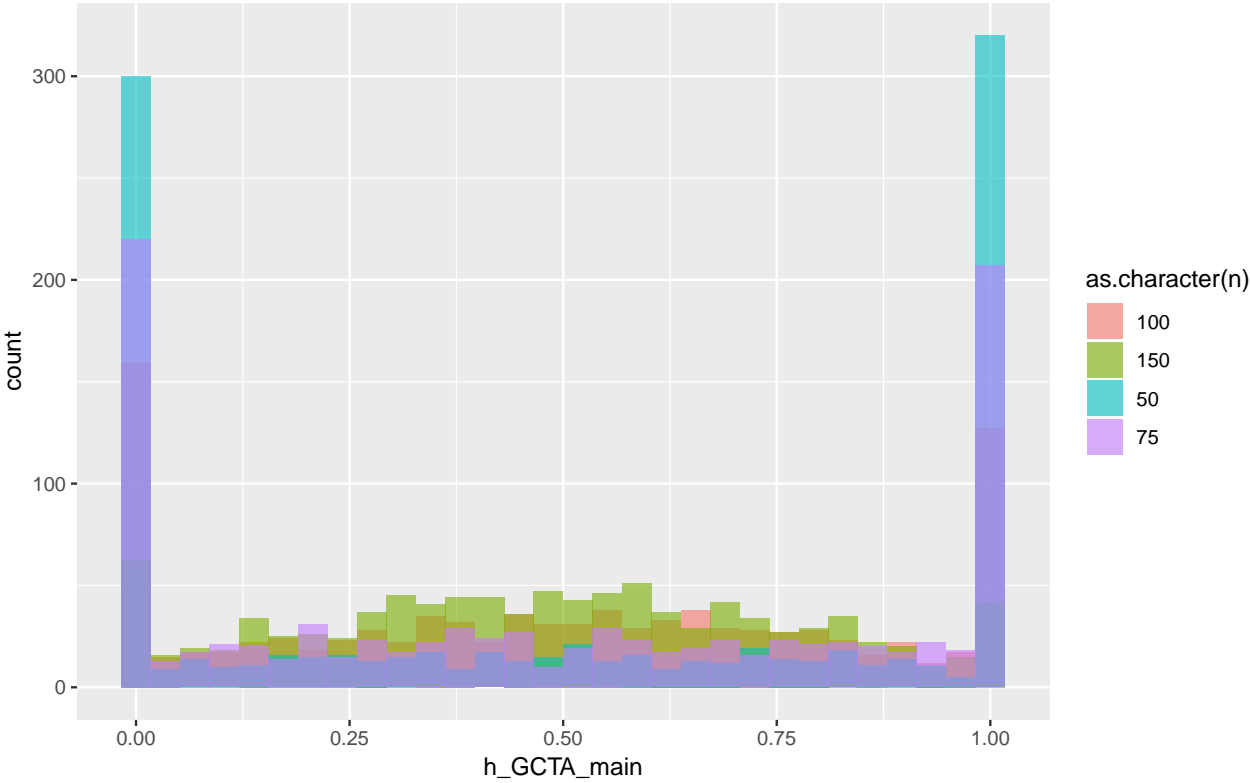
### 3.2.1 simulation result

#### 3.2.1.1 p = 100



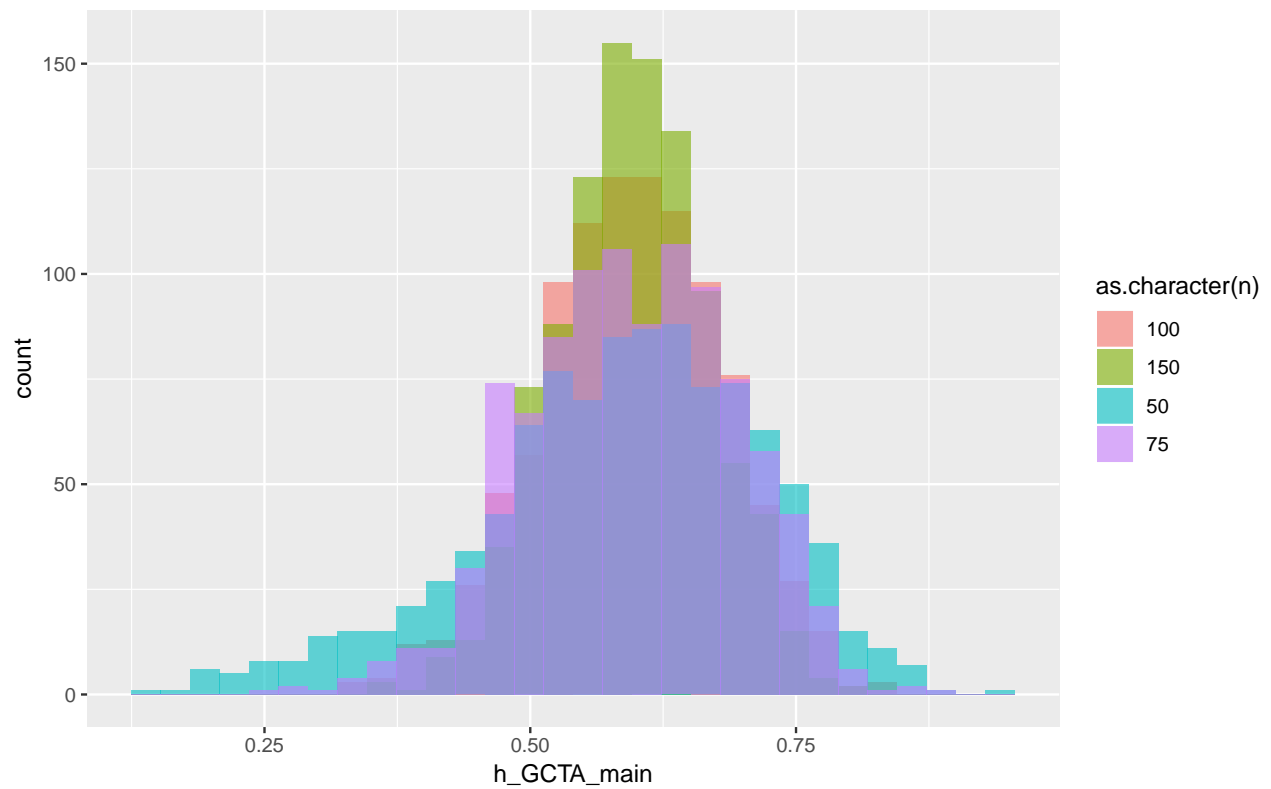
| n   | MSE  | est_h2_var | est_h2 | NA_main | est_h2_bs | est_h2_var_bs | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var |
|-----|------|------------|--------|---------|-----------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 50  | 0.07 | 0.07       | 0.47   | 0       | 0.48      | 0.06          | -0.18          | 0.01               |
| 75  | 0.04 | 0.04       | 0.49   | 0       | 0.48      | 0.03          | -0.14          | 0.00               |
| 100 | 0.02 | 0.02       | 0.49   | 0       | 0.48      | 0.02          | -0.02          | 0.00               |
| 150 | 0.01 | 0.01       | 0.49   | 0       | 0.49      | 0.01          | 0.09           | 0.00               |

3.2.1.2  $p = 1000$



| n   | MSE  | est_h2_var | est_h2 | NA_main | est_h2_bs | est_h2_var_bs | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var |
|-----|------|------------|--------|---------|-----------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 50  | 0.18 | 0.18       | 0.55   | 0       | 0.53      | 0.16          | -0.09          | 0.00               |
| 75  | 0.14 | 0.14       | 0.46   | 0       | 0.48      | 0.12          | -0.12          | 0.00               |
| 100 | 0.12 | 0.12       | 0.45   | 0       | 0.47      | 0.09          | -0.19          | 0.01               |
| 150 | 0.08 | 0.08       | 0.46   | 0       | 0.46      | 0.06          | -0.21          | 0.00               |

3.2.1.3  $un, p = 21$



| n   | MSE  | est_h2_var | est_h2 | NA_main | est_h2_bs | est_h2_var_bs | relative_ratio | relative_ratio_var |
|-----|------|------------|--------|---------|-----------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| 50  | 0.02 | 0.02       | 0.59   | 0       | 0.54      | 0.04          | 1.1            | 0.01               |
| 75  | 0.02 | 0.01       | 0.59   | 0       | 0.55      | 0.03          | 1.9            | 0.01               |
| 100 | 0.02 | 0.01       | 0.59   | 0       | 0.56      | 0.02          | 2.1            | 0.00               |
| 150 | 0.01 | 0.01       | 0.60   | 0       | 0.56      | 0.02          | 2.6            | 0.00               |

## Delta method

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