

Web-based Supplementary Materials for
Exact Confidence Intervals for the Relative Risk and the Odds Ratio

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS

0.1 PROOFS

Proof of Lemma 2. Note two facts: i) $(N_{11}, N_{21}, N_{12}) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, p_{11}, p_{21}, p_{12})$; and

$$\text{ii) } P(L(N_{11}, N_{12}, N_{21}) \leq \theta_{p_r} = \frac{p_{11} + p_{12}}{p_{11} + p_{21}}) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall (p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}) \in H_p.$$

Then

$$P(L(N_{11}, N_{21}, N_{12}) \leq \frac{p_{11} + p_{21}}{p_{11} + p_{12}}) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall (p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}) \in H_p.$$

This implies that

$$P(\theta_{p_r} = \frac{p_{11} + p_{12}}{p_{11} + p_{21}} \leq \frac{1}{L(N_{11}, N_{21}, N_{12})}) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall (p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}) \in H_p,$$

which establishes the first claim of the lemma. The second half is trivial. \square

Proof of Lemma 3. Following Theorem 4 in Wang (2010), $L(0, n, 0)$ is equal to the smallest solution of

$$f(\theta_{p_r}) = 1 - \sup_{(p_{11}, p_{21}) \in D(\theta_{p_r})} p_{12}^n = 1 - \alpha,$$

where p_{12} and $D_{p_r}(\theta_{p_r})$ are given in (8) and (9), respectively. Note that $D_{p_r}(\theta_{p_r})$, in the $p_{11} - p_{21}$ plane, is a triangle when $\theta_{p_r} \geq 1$ and the intersection of two triangles when $\theta_{p_r} < 1$. Then the largest value of p_{12} , as a linear function of p_{11} and p_{21} , on set $D_{p_r}(\theta_{p_r})$ occurs at $(p_{11}, p_{21}) = (0, 1/(1 + \theta_{p_r}))$, the top vertex of $D_{p_r}(\theta_{p_r})$ (see Figure S1). Thus, at this point, $p_{12} = \theta_{p_r}/(1 + \theta_{p_r})$ and

$$f(\theta_{p_r}) = 1 - \left(\frac{\theta_{p_r}}{1 + \theta_{p_r}}\right)^n.$$

The claim (17) is established by solving $f(\theta_{p_r}) = 1 - \alpha$. \square

Proof of Lemma 4 Note two facts: i) $(N_{11}, N_{21}, N_{12}) \sim \text{Multinomial}(n, p_{11}, p_{21}, p_{12})$, and

$$\text{ii) } P(L(N_{11}, N_{21}, N_{12}) \leq \frac{(p_{11} + p_{21})(p_{21} + p_{22})}{(p_{11} + p_{12})(p_{12} + p_{22})} = 1/\theta_{p_o}) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall (p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}) \in H_p.$$

Then

$$P(\theta_{p_o} \leq \frac{1}{L(N_{11}, N_{21}, N_{12})}) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall (p_{11}, p_{12}, p_{21}) \in H_p,$$

which establishes the first claim of the lemma. The second claim is trivial. \square

Proof of Lemma 5. The first half of the lemma follows

$$P(\theta_{i_r} = \frac{p_1}{p_2} \leq U(X, Y)) = P\left(\frac{p_2}{p_1} \geq L_{n_2, n_1}(Y, X)\right) \geq 1 - \alpha, \forall (p_1, p_2) \in H_i.$$

The second half is trivial. \square

0.2 FIGURES

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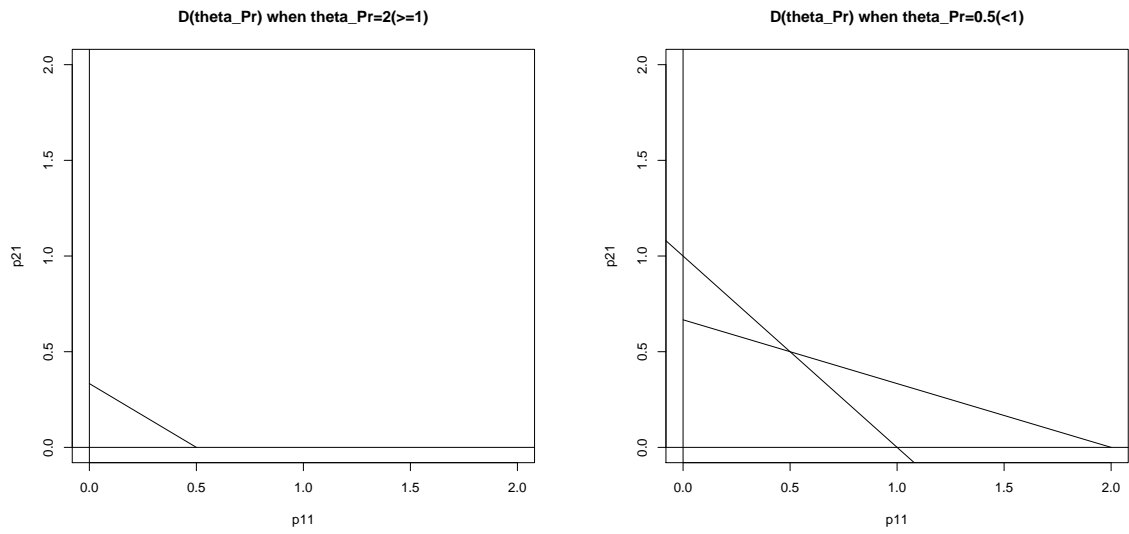


Figure S1. Set $D_{p_r}(\theta_{p_r})$ is a triangle (left) when $\theta_{p_r}(= 2) \geq 1$, and is the intersection of two right triangles (right) when $\theta_{p_r}(= 0.5) < 1$.

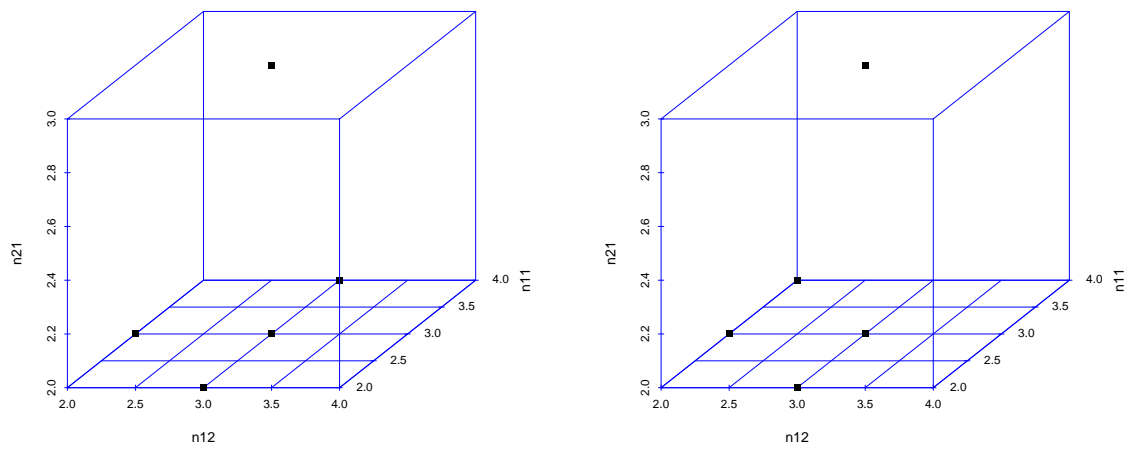


Figure S2. Points $\underline{x}_p = (3, 3, 2)$, A, B, C and D (left). Points \underline{x}_p, B, C, D and E (right).

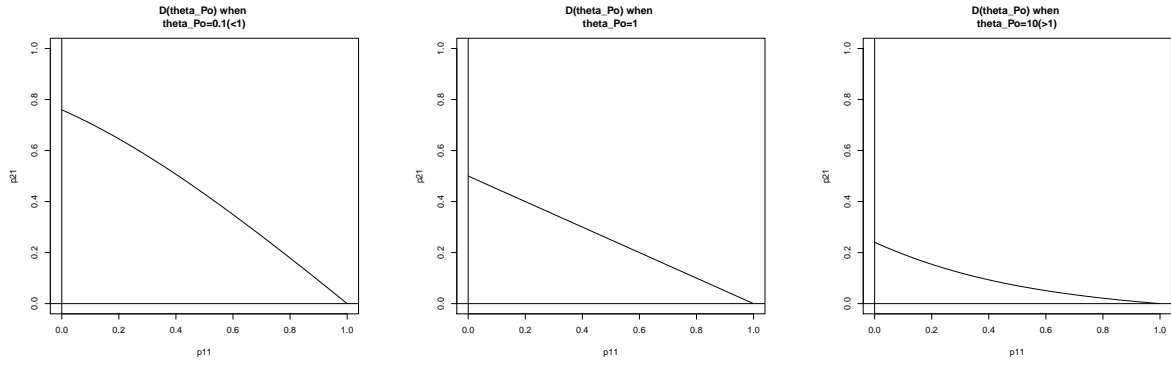


Figure S3. Set $D_{p_o}(\theta_{p_o})$, a right curved triangle with $(p_{11}, p_{21}) = (0, 0)$ as one of its vertices for $\theta_{p_o} = 0.1 < 1$ (left), $= 1$ (middle), $= 10 > 1$ (right).

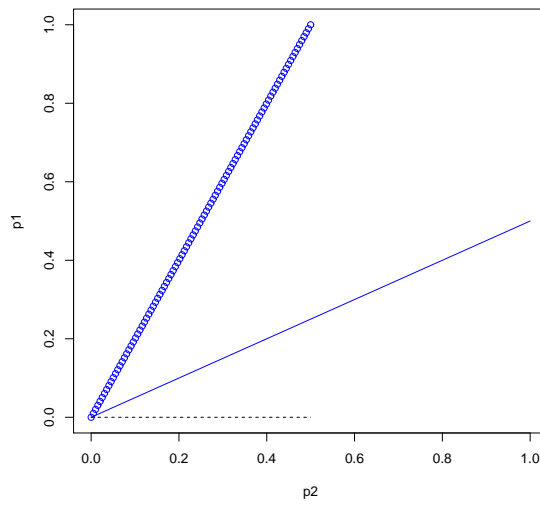


Figure S4. The parameter space H_{i_r} (the unit square), the sets of $\theta_{i_r} = 0.5$ (the solid line) and $\theta_{i_r} = 2$ (the circle line), and $D_{i_r}(2) = [0, 0.5]$ on the p_2 -axis (the dashed line). Note $\theta_{i_r} \in [0, +\infty)$ and $p_2 \in D_{i_r}(\theta_{i_r})$.