

# Correcting for Measurement Error in Time-Varying Covariates in Marginal Structural Models

## Web Table 1: Description of indirect/direct approaches for applying SIMEX to MSMs in single time interval setting

$\lambda$  = A vector of values used to control artificial error, e.g. {0.5, 1.0, 1.5, 2.0}

$X$  = A binary indicator variable of exposure status

$Y$  = A continuous response variable

$L$  = An error-free (“true”) continuous time-varying covariate

$L^*$  = An error-prone (“observed”) continuous time-varying covariate, i.e.  $L^* = L + \text{error}$

$\varepsilon$  = Random error

$\sigma_\delta^2$  = Variance of measurement error

Treatment model:  $\text{logit}\left(P\left(X = 1 \mid L^*\right)\right) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 L^*$

Outcome model:  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$

Note: We describe a single time interval setting; the same general SIMEX approach is appropriate given two or more intervals.

### *i. Direct Approach*

- 1) Add additional (artificial) error to time-varying covariate  $L^*$  from normal distribution with mean of zero and variance  $\lambda \times \sigma_\delta^2$ .  
Compute IPT-weighted estimates using  $L^*$  with additional error. Estimate the MSM parameter  $\hat{\beta}$ .
- 2) Repeat step (1) a total of  $B$  times, and then average all  $B$  estimates to obtain  $\overline{\hat{\beta}}(\lambda)$ .
- 3) Repeat steps (1) and (2) for all values of  $\lambda$ .
- 4) Fit chosen regression function  $f(\hat{\beta}(\lambda))$ , then extrapolate back to  $\lambda = -1$  to obtain corrected  $\overline{\hat{\beta}}^{SIMEX}(\lambda = -1)$ .

### *ii. Indirect Approach*

- 1) Add additional error to  $L^*$  from normal distribution with  $\mu = 0$  and variance =  $\lambda \times \sigma_\delta^2$ . Estimate treatment model parameter  $\hat{\alpha}$ .
- 2) Repeat step (1)  $B$  times, and average all  $B$  estimates to obtain  $\overline{\hat{\alpha}}(\lambda)$ .
- 3) Repeat steps (1) and (2) for all values of  $\lambda$ . Compute  $\overline{\hat{\alpha}}(\lambda)$  and obtain  $\overline{\hat{\alpha}}^{SIMEX}(\lambda = -1)$ .
- 4) Fit chosen regression function  $f(\hat{\alpha}(\lambda))$ , then extrapolate back to  $\lambda = -1$  to obtain corrected  $\overline{\hat{\alpha}}^{SIMEX}(\lambda = -1)$ .
- 5) Use the corrected treatment parameter estimates obtained in step 4, to compute  $\hat{w}^{SIMEX}$  as  $\text{logit}^{-1}\left(\overline{\hat{\alpha}}_0^{SIMEX} + \overline{\hat{\alpha}}_1^{SIMEX} L^*\right)$  for the treated, and  $\left(1 - \text{logit}\left(\overline{\hat{\alpha}}_0^{SIMEX} + \overline{\hat{\alpha}}_1^{SIMEX} L^*\right)\right)^{-1}$  for the untreated (stabilizing if desired).
- 6) Use  $\hat{w}^{SIMEX}$  as the weights in a regression model to obtain MSM parameter estimates.

### Data-generating model for primary studies

<i>i. One-interval study (corresponds to Figure 1a)</i>		<i>ii. Two-interval study (corresponds to Figure 1b)<sup>‡</sup></i>	
$L$	$\sim \text{Uniform}[-2, 3]$	$L_1$	$\sim \text{Uniform}[-2, 3]$
$L^*$	$\sim L + \text{Norm}(0, \sigma_\delta^2)$	$L_1^*$	$\sim L_1 + \text{Norm}(0, \sigma_\delta^2)$
$X$	$\sim \text{Bern} < \text{logit}^{-1}(0.25 + \alpha_1 L)$ where $\alpha_1 \in \{0.25, 0.50, 0.75\}$	$X_1$	$\sim \text{Bern} < \text{logit}^{-1}(0.25 + \alpha_1 L_1)$ where $\alpha_1 \in \{0.50, 0.75\}$
$Y$	$\sim 0 + 1.0X + 1.25L + \text{Norm}(0, 1)$	$L_2$	$\sim 0.3L_1 + 1.25X_1 + \text{Norm}(0, 1)$
		$L_2^*$	$\sim L_2 + \text{Norm}(0, \sigma_\delta^2)$
		$X_2$	$\sim \text{Bern} < \text{logit}^{-1}(0.25 + \alpha_1 L_2 - 1.25X_1)$ where $\alpha_1 \in \{0.50, 0.75\}$
		$Y$	$\sim 0 + 1.0X_1 + 1.25X_2 + 0.8L_1 + 0.3L_2 + \text{Norm}(0, 1)$

### Summary of fitted models

<i>i. One-interval study</i>		<i>First interval model for X</i>	
Treatment (denominator)		$\text{logit}(P(X = 1 L^*)) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 L^*$	
Treatment (numerator)		1	
Outcome		$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon, \varepsilon \sim N(0,1)$	

<i>ii. Two-interval study<sup>‡</sup></i>		<i>First interval model for X<sub>1</sub></i>		<i>Second interval model for X<sub>2</sub></i>	
Treatment (denominator)		$\text{logit}(P(X_1 = 1 L_1^*)) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 L_1^*$		$\text{logit}(P(X_2 = 1 X_1 + L_2^*)) =$ $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X_1 + \alpha_2 L_2^*$	
Treatment (numerator)		$P(X_1 = 1) = \text{Mean}(X_1)$		$\text{logit}(P(X_2 = 1 X_1)) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X_1^*$	
Outcome		$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \eta, \eta \sim N(0,1)$			

<sup>‡</sup> For the secondary study (scenario corresponding to Figure 1c) in which exposure depends upon the error-prone covariate,  $X_1$  was generated using  $L_1^*$  (instead of  $L_1$ ), and  $X_2$  depended on  $L_2^*$  (instead of  $L_2$ ).

## Web Appendix 1: Reasoning for extrapolation to $\lambda = -1$

In the presence of additive error, the variance of the observed covariate  $L^*$  is equivalent to the sum of the variances of the true covariate  $L$  and its measurement error. The expression below illustrates this relationship (measurement error denoted by  $\delta$ ):

$$\text{Var}(L^*) = \sigma_L^2 + \sigma_\delta^2 + (\lambda \times \sigma_\delta^2)$$

It can be seen that this introduces bias most plainly in the linear regression setting, where the estimator is available in closed form.

Consider, for example, a simple linear regression of  $Y$  on  $L^*$ ; the unbiased regression parameter estimates are given by  $\theta = \text{Cov}(Y, L) / \text{Var}(L)$  but, in the presence of measurement error, estimated by the empirical covariance of  $Y$  and  $L^*$  (which is consistent for  $\text{Cov}(Y, L)$ ) divided by the empirical variance of  $L^*$ , which is larger than the variance of  $L$  (by exactly  $\sigma_\delta^2$ ). Thus, substituting  $-1$  for the value of  $\lambda$  will cancel out the two measurement error variance terms, and the variance of the error-prone covariate is now equivalent to that of the true (unobserved) covariate.

Consequently, extrapolating  $f(\lambda)$  to  $-1$  yields the SIMEX estimator for the covariate in the absence of measurement error. While this result cannot be shown in closed form for estimators outside a linear regression setting, SIMEX has been used extensively in a variety of other applications (1-5).

## Web Appendix 2: R code for direct and indirect SIMEX correction

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# Generate B datasets for SIMEX adjustment in apply_simex function
# (requires foreach package)

simex_data <- foreach(i = sqrt(lambda)) %do% replicate(B,
  transform(indata, Lstar1 = Lstar1 + rnorm(n = nrow(indata),
    mean = 0, sd = i * specerr), Lstar2 = Lstar2 +
    rnorm(n = nrow(indata), mean = 0, sd = i * specerr)))

# Apply both direct and indirect SIMEX methods to address measurement error
# N.B. Implementation of the indirect SIMEX using R's simex package is far
# more convenient; however, we wished to obtain direct SIMEX results,
# while reducing the execution time. For reference, our code is included
# below.

apply_simex <- function (simex_data, lambda, B)
{
  numlam <- length(lambda)
  outcome_model_params <- replicate(numlam, list(matrix(data = NA,
    ncol = B, nrow = 3)))
  treatment_t1_params <- replicate(numlam, list(matrix(data = NA,
    ncol = B, nrow = 2)))
  treatment_t2_params <- replicate(numlam, list(matrix(data = NA,
    ncol = B, nrow = 3)))
  y_x1mat <- simex_data[[1]][["X1", 1]]
  y_x2mat <- simex_data[[1]][["X2", 1]]
  y_yamat <- simex_data[[1]][["Y", 1]]
  x_x <- cbind(1, X1 = simex_data[[1]][["X1", 1]], X2 = simex_data[[1]][["X2", 1]])
  for (i in 1:numlam) {
    for (j in 1:B) {
      x_lstar1 <- cbind(1, Lstar1 = simex_data[[i]][[c("Lstar1"),
        j]])
      x_lstar2n <- cbind(1, X1 = simex_data[[i]][["X1",
        j]])
      x_lstar2 <- cbind(1, X1 = simex_data[[i]][["X1",
        j]], Lstar2 = simex_data[[i]][["Lstar2", j]])
      model_err1 <- glm.fit(x = x_lstar1, y = y_x1mat,
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    family = binomial())
  pred.model_err1 <- ifelse(y_x1mat == 1, model_err1$fitted.values,
    1 - model_err1$fitted.values)
  mod_werr1 <- (ifelse(simex_data[[i]][["X1", j]] ==
    1, (mean(simex_data[[i]][["X1", j]] == 1))/(pred.model_err1),
    (1 - mean(simex_data[[i]][["X1", j]] == 1))/(pred.model_err1)))
  model_err2n <- glm.fit(x = x_lstar2n, y = y_x2mat,
    family = binomial())
  model_err2 <- glm.fit(x = x_lstar2, y = y_x2mat,
    family = binomial())
  pred.model_err2n <- ifelse(y_x2mat == 1, model_err2n$fitted.values,
    1 - model_err2n$fitted.values)
  pred.model_err2 <- ifelse(y_x2mat == 1, model_err2$fitted.values,
    1 - model_err2$fitted.values)
  mod_werr2 <- (pred.model_err2n/(pred.model_err2))
  comb_werr <- mod_werr1 * mod_werr2
  model_werr <- lm.wfit(x = x_x, y = y_y, w = comb_werr)
  outcome_model_params[[i]][, j] <- model_werr$coeff
  treatment_t1_params[[i]][, j] <- model_err1$coeff
  treatment_t2_params[[i]][, j] <- model_err2$coeff
}
}
lambda_matrix <- cbind(1, lambda + 1, ((lambda + 1)^2))
simex_dir_coefs_list <- lapply(outcome_model_params, rowMeans)
simex_dir_coefs_mat <- do.call(rbind, simex_dir_coefs_list)
simex_dir_int <- simex_dir_coefs_mat[, 1]
simex_dir_x1 <- simex_dir_coefs_mat[, 2]
simex_dir_x2 <- simex_dir_coefs_mat[, 3]
simex_dir_int_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_dir_int)
simex_dir_x1_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_dir_x1)
simex_dir_x2_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_dir_x2)
simex_ind_t1_coefs_list <- lapply(treatment_t1_params, rowMeans)
simex_ind_t1_coefs_mat <- do.call(rbind, simex_ind_t1_coefs_list)
simex_ind_t1_int <- simex_ind_t1_coefs_mat[, 1]
simex_ind_t1_Lstar1 <- simex_ind_t1_coefs_mat[, 2]
simex_ind_t2_coefs_list <- lapply(treatment_t2_params, rowMeans)
simex_ind_t2_coefs_mat <- do.call(rbind, simex_ind_t2_coefs_list)
simex_ind_t2_int <- simex_ind_t2_coefs_mat[, 1]

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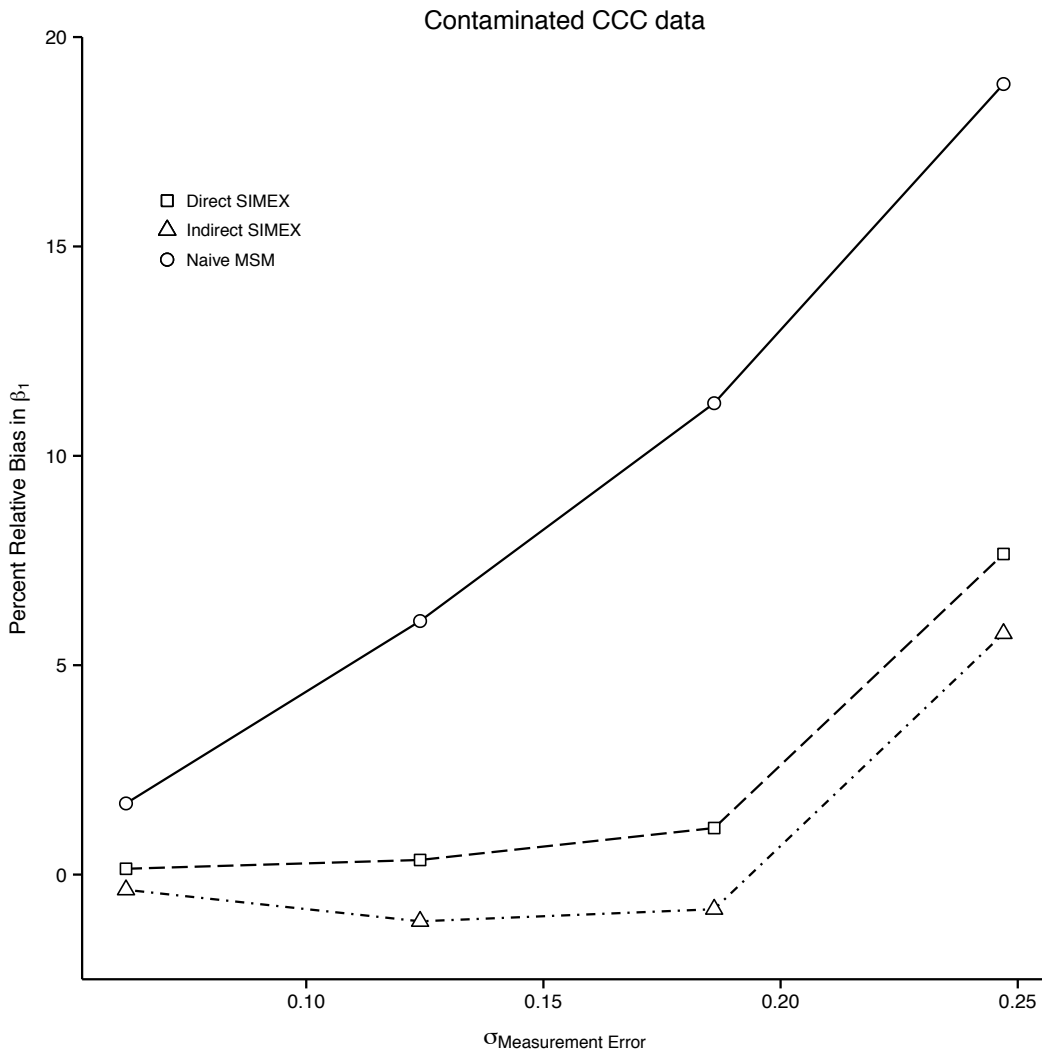
simex_ind_t2_x1 <- simex_ind_t2_coefs_mat[, 2]
simex_ind_t2_Lstar2 <- simex_ind_t2_coefs_mat[, 3]
simex_ind_t1_int_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_ind_t1_int)
simex_ind_t1_Lstar1_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_ind_t1_Lstar1)
simex_ind_t2_int_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_ind_t2_int)
simex_ind_t2_x1_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_ind_t2_x1)
simex_ind_t2_Lstar2_adj <- lm.fit(x = lambda_matrix, y = simex_ind_t2_Lstar2)
x_lstar1 <- cbind(1, Lstar1 = simex_data[[1]][["Lstar1"],
  1]))
x_lstar2 <- cbind(1, X1 = simex_data[[1]][["X1", 1]], Lstar2 =
simex_data[[1]][["Lstar2",
  1]))
x_lstar2n <- cbind(1, X1 = simex_data[[1]][["X1", 1]])
corrected.wts1 <- ifelse(y_x1mat == 1, (mean(simex_data[[1]][["X1",
  1]] == 1))/inv.logit(x_lstar1 %*% rbind(simex_ind_t1_int_adj$coeff[1],
  simex_ind_t1_Lstar1_adj$coeff[1])), (1 - mean(simex_data[[1]][["X1",
  1]] == 1))/(1 - inv.logit(x_lstar1 %*% rbind(simex_ind_t1_int_adj$coeff[1],
  simex_ind_t1_Lstar1_adj$coeff[1]))))
cw2.numerator <- ifelse(y_x2mat == 1, model_err2n$fitted.values,
  1 - model_err2n$fitted.values)
cw2.denominator <- ifelse(y_x2mat == 1, inv.logit(x_lstar2 %*%
  rbind(simex_ind_t2_int_adj$coeff[1], simex_ind_t2_x1_adj$coeff[1],
  simex_ind_t2_Lstar2_adj$coeff[1])), 1 - (inv.logit(x_lstar2 %*%
  rbind(simex_ind_t2_int_adj$coeff[1], simex_ind_t2_x1_adj$coeff[1],
  simex_ind_t2_Lstar2_adj$coeff[1]))))
corrected.wts2 <- cw2.numerator/cw2.denominator
comb_werr <- corrected.wts1 * corrected.wts2
ind_msm <- lm.wfit(x = x_x, y = y_ymat, w = comb_werr)
return(list(int_dir = simex_dir_int_adj$coeff[1], x1_dir =
simex_dir_x1_adj$coeff[1],
  x2_dir = simex_dir_x2_adj$coeff[1], int_ind = ind_msm$coeff[1],
  x1_ind = ind_msm$coeff[2], x2_ind = ind_msm$coeff[3]))
}

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### Web Appendix 3: Additional analyses comparing direct and indirect SIMEX

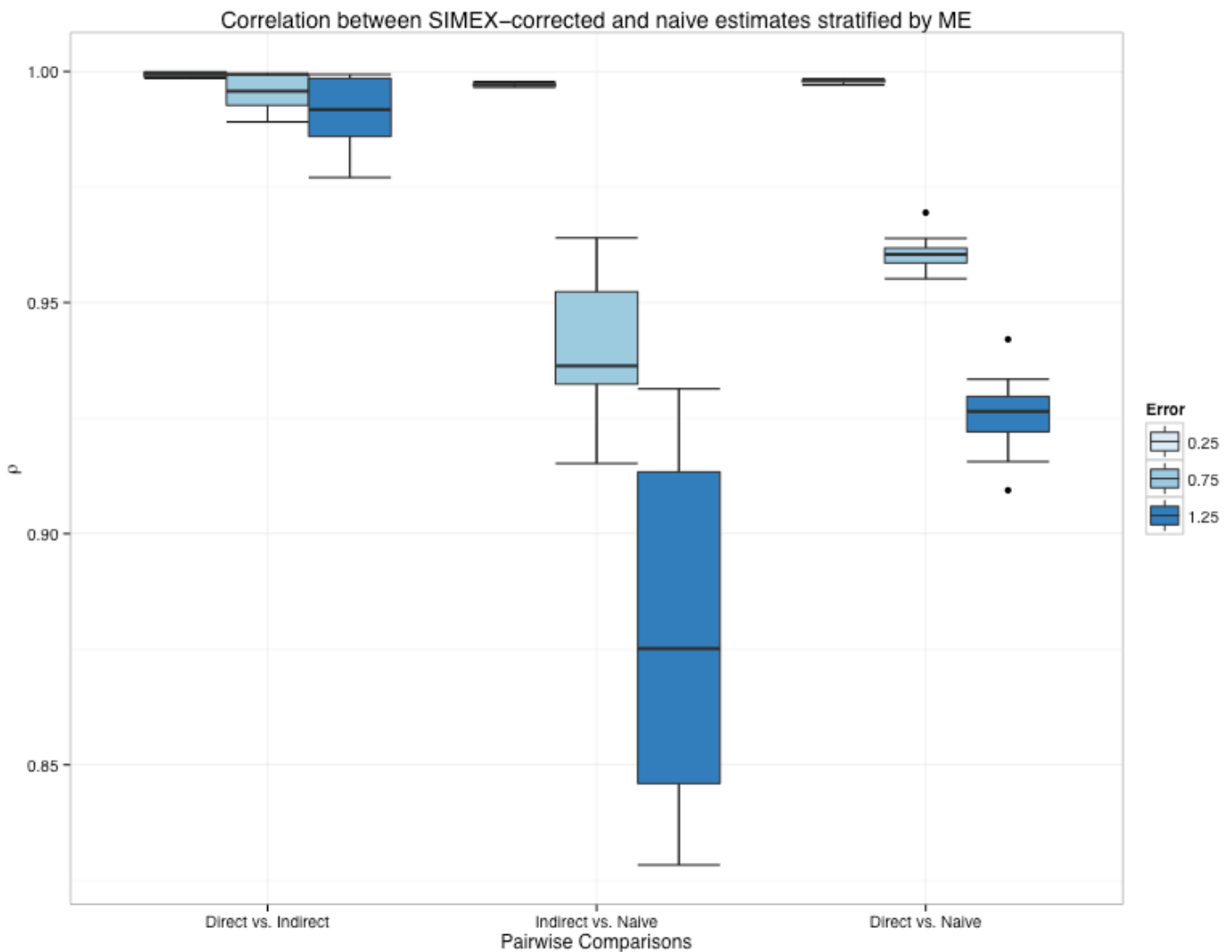
Because there is no closed form solution for MSM estimators found using a SIMEX correction, whether direct or indirect, a theoretical proof of unbiasedness is infeasible. This is the case for adaptations of SIMEX to generalized linear models (3), non-linear regression models (2), quantile regression models (5), accelerated failure time models (9), and generalized linear mixed models (1). We describe additional analyses we conducted to explore and compare performance of both SIMEX approaches (Web Figures 1 and 2), and our choice of extrapolant function (Web Figure 3).

**Web Figure 1: Simulations using Canadian Co-infection Cohort data (2003-2014).** We explored the impact of increasing measurement error on the performance of the two approaches using simulations based on a real dataset, which we also used in the case study. Here we assume that the naïve model from that analysis is the “true” model, and contaminate the measures of GGT with random error drawn from an  $N(0, \sigma_\delta)$  distribution, with standard deviations  $\sigma_\delta$  equal to 0.25x, 0.5x, 0.75x and 1 x 0.247, the measurement error of GGT applied in our previous analysis. Estimates are based on 300 datasets for each specified measurement error variance.



Given the figure above, the results for the two SIMEX approaches remain nearly unbiased when the ratio of the specified versus original measurement error variance is less than 1.0, while the naïve MSM exhibits up to 20% bias relative to the “true” model.

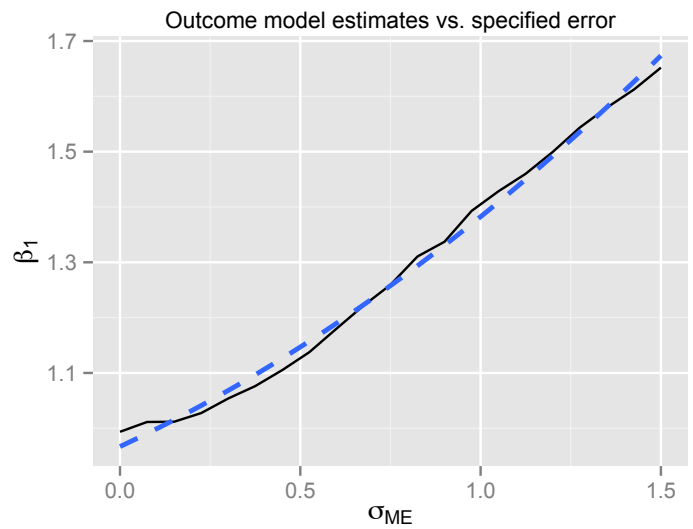
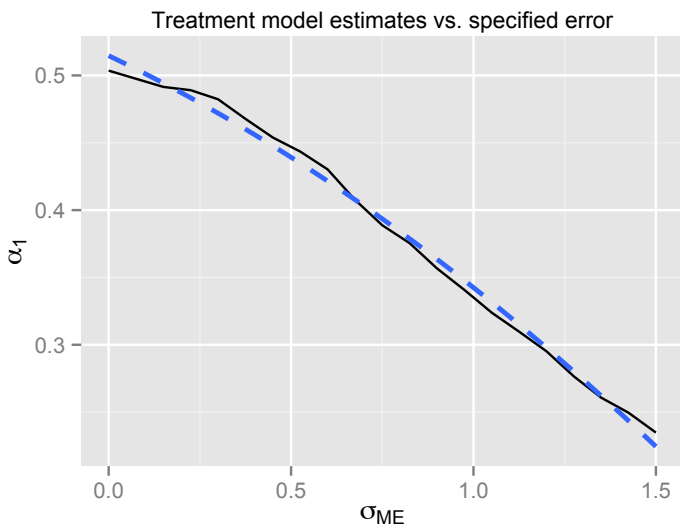
**Web Figure 2: Pairwise correlations between SIMEX and naïve estimates.** We computed pairwise correlations for the direct and indirect SIMEX, indirect SIMEX and naïve MSM, and direct SIMEX and naïve MSM across all 27 scenarios described in Table 1 and Supplementary Table 1c. As seen in the figure below, correlation between direct and indirect SIMEX estimates remained consistently high ( $\rho \geq 0.95$ ) regardless of the degree of specified measurement error.





**Web Figure 3: Evaluating the accuracy of the quadratic extrapolation.** To better understand the impact of measurement error on estimates from the naïve model (without any SIMEX correction), we modeled the functional relationship between  $\beta(\lambda)$  and  $\lambda$  for the direct SIMEX, and  $\alpha(\lambda)$  and  $\lambda$  for the indirect SIMEX. Given 21 gradually decreasing values of measurement error standard deviation (ranging from 1.50 to 0.00), we produced plots for  $\beta(\lambda)$  from the outcome model and  $\alpha(\lambda)$  from the treatment model versus  $\lambda$ . For each round of simulations, we generated 100 datasets containing 5000 observations each, with  $\alpha_0 = 0.25$ , and  $\alpha_1 = 0.50$ .

The dotted line on each plot shows the fit provided by a quadratic smoother. A comparison of the two fitted lines suggests that while the quadratic extrapolant may not provide a perfect fit, it offers a reasonable approximation to the observed relationship.



**Web Table 2: Single time interval simulation results for error-free  $L$  and error-prone  $L^*$**

Scenario	Model using error-free $L$							Model using error-prone $L^*$			
	$N$	Values $\alpha_1$	$\sigma_\delta$	Bias $\beta_1$	MSE	MCSE	95% Boot Cov.	Bias $\beta_1$	MSE	MCSE	95% Boot Cov.
A	100	0.25	0.25	-0.003	0.042	0.206	0.953	0.012	0.048	0.219	0.950
B			0.75					0.127	0.089	0.271	0.930
C			1.25					0.267	0.173	0.319	0.883
D	500		0.25	0.008	0.009	0.095	0.930	0.026	0.010	0.099	0.937
E			0.75					0.145	0.036	0.123	0.800
F			1.25					0.286	0.104	0.149	0.453
G	1000		0.25	0.003	0.005	0.071	0.923	0.020	0.006	0.075	0.927
H			0.75					0.135	0.027	0.092	0.623
I			1.25					0.272	0.085	0.106	0.223
J	100	0.50	0.25	-0.006	0.057	0.239	0.953	0.029	0.062	0.248	0.957
K			0.75					0.253	0.148	0.290	0.890
L			1.25					0.528	0.387	0.330	0.667
M	500		0.25	0.006	0.013	0.113	0.920	0.039	0.015	0.116	0.917
N			0.75					0.260	0.085	0.134	0.457
O			1.25					0.534	0.309	0.153	0.077
P	1000		0.25	-0.001	0.006	0.08	0.920	0.031	0.008	0.084	0.917
Q			0.75					0.250	0.073	0.099	0.217
R			1.25					0.524	0.287	0.112	0.003
S	100	0.75	0.25	0.022	0.105	0.323	0.923	0.071	0.111	0.326	0.920
T			0.75					0.383	0.274	0.357	0.763
U			1.25					0.778	0.741	0.370	0.443
V	500		0.25	0.002	0.020	0.14	0.930	0.044	0.022	0.143	0.887
W			0.75					0.355	0.151	0.156	0.343
X			1.25					0.754	0.597	0.167	0.017
Y	1000		0.25	0.003	0.009	0.096	0.940	0.045	0.012	0.099	0.907
Z			0.75					0.354	0.137	0.111	0.113
AA			1.25					0.751	0.578	0.120	0.000

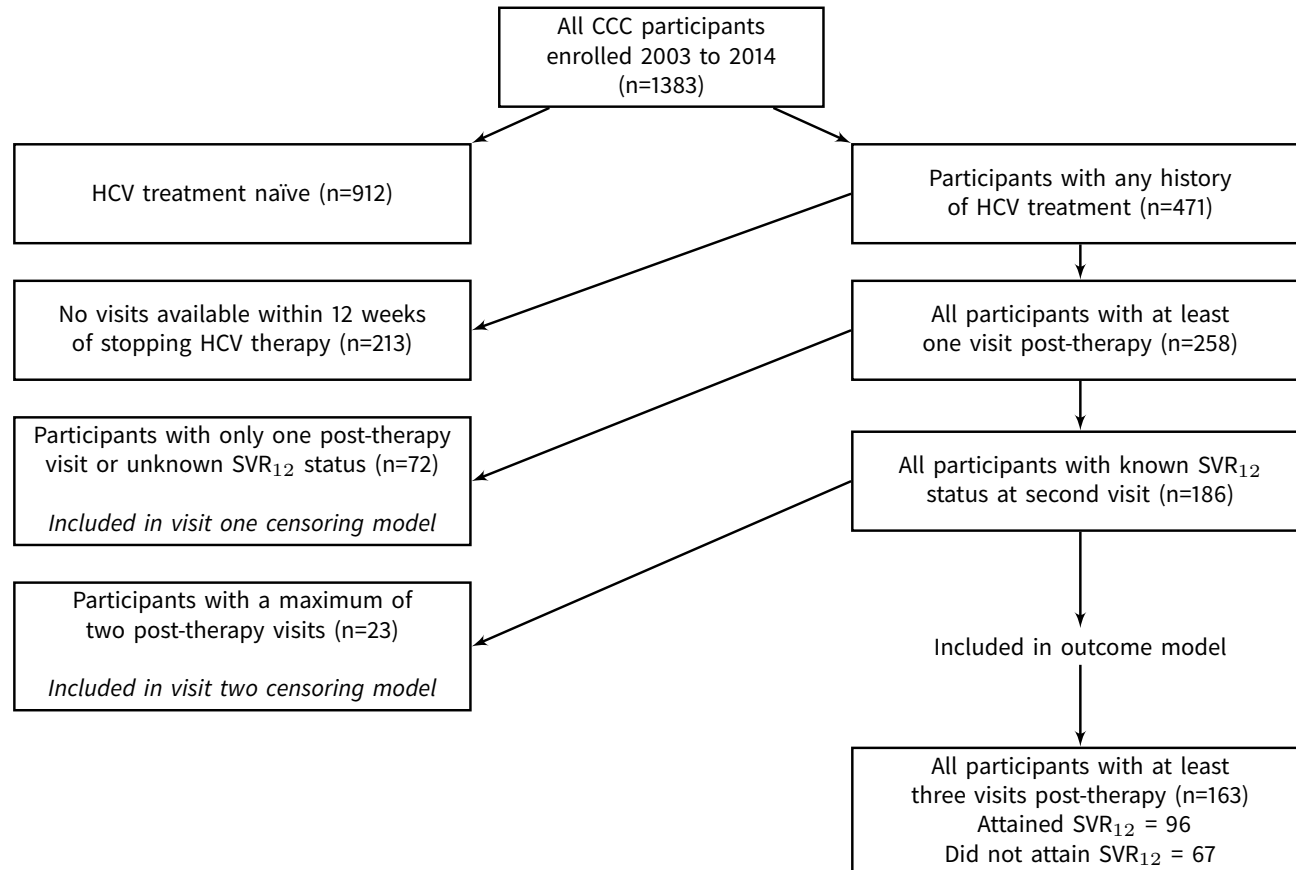
**Web Table 3:** Summary of two-interval simulation study results for four scenarios (rows), varying the coefficient for the confounder  $L$  ( $\alpha_1$ ), and the standard deviation of measurement error  $\sigma_\delta$  for models including an error-free  $L$  and uncorrected error-prone  $L^*$ . Bootstrap coverage was obtained using the percentiles approach. Mean squared error abbreviated as MSE, Monte Carlo standard error abbreviated as MCSE. Sample size of  $N = 1000$  used for all simulations.

Scenario	Model using error-free $L_1, L_2$									Model using error-prone $L_1^*, L_2^*$						
	Values		Bias		MSE		MCSE		95% Bootstrap Coverage	Bias		MSE		MCSE		95% Bootstrap Coverage
	$\alpha_1$	$\sigma_\delta$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\beta_1, \beta_2$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\beta_1$	$\beta_2$	$\beta_1, \beta_2$
1	0.50	0.25	-0.004	0.009	0.009	0.011	0.094	0.106	0.910, 0.973	0.025	0.03	0.009	0.012	0.094	0.106	0.917, 0.957
2		1.25	-0.004	0.009	0.009	0.011	0.094	0.106	0.907, 0.970	0.411	0.238	0.179	0.067	0.097	0.103	0.010, 0.400
3	0.75	0.25	0.006	0.013	0.014	0.018	0.12	0.135	0.930, 0.927	0.045	0.044	0.016	0.02	0.121	0.133	0.903, 0.927
4		1.25	0.001	-0.001	0.014	0.019	0.118	0.138	0.940, 0.947	0.561	0.319	0.325	0.115	0.098	0.116	0.000, 0.233

#### Web Appendix 4: Additional details related to case study analyses of CCC data

We consulted trace line plots to assess convergence of imputation models, given 10 iterations and 30 imputations per iteration; we specified these values based on advice provided by Bodner (6). We imputed missing values for continuous variables using predictive mean matching, and applied logistic regression to impute missing indicators of treatment status, as suggested by van Buuren et al. (7, 8). Censoring models included all time-varying covariates except for GGT, which did not strongly predict censoring.

**Web Figure 4: Participant flow diagram for Case Study using Canadian Co-infection Cohort Study data**



**Web Table 4:** Characteristics of 186 participants in the Canadian Co-infection Cohort Study (2003-2014) with at least one visit following hepatitis C virus (HCV) therapy and known sustained virologic response status at second visit

Variable	SVR attained at 12 weeks		P value <sup>†</sup>
	Yes (n = 111)	No (n = 75)	
Age in years (mean (SD))	45.85 (8.72)	47.27 (7.90)	0.25
Female (%)	18 (16)	10 (13)	0.59
Duration of HCV infection in years (mean (SD))	16.52 (11.10)	19.79 (10.52)	0.04
HCV genotype of 2/3/4 (%)	42 (38)	18 (24)	0.048

<sup>†</sup> Computed from *t*-test for continuous variables, and chi-square test for categorical variables.

## Baseline characteristics and standardized differences prior to and subsequent to weighting

**Web Table 5:** Comparison of baseline characteristics between those attaining or not attaining SVR12 prior to weighting, and subsequent to weighting using naïve model with quadratic terms for GGT and HIV RNA levels.

Variable	Prior to weighting			Weighted using naïve weights, with quadratic $\log_{10}(\text{GGT})$ , $\log_{10}(\text{HIV RNA})$ terms		
	No N=75	SVR <sub>12</sub> Yes N=111	Standardized difference	No N=181.63	SVR <sub>12</sub> Yes N=188.79	Standardized difference
$\log_{10}(\text{GGT})$	1.94 (0.36)	1.58 (0.35)	1.01	1.74 (0.39)	1.73 (0.40)	<0.01
BMI	24.84 (3.63)	25.83 (6.85)	0.18	24.79 (3.41)	25.17 (5.83)	0.08
$\log_{10}(\text{HIV RNA})$	2.03 (0.99)	1.87 (0.80)	0.18	1.96 (1.40)	2.14 (1.43)	0.09
Time since stopping HCV therapy	125.41 (146.57)	106.44 (123.56)	0.14	101.10 (10.06)	106.92 (10.34)	0.05
IDU in past 6 months	14 (19%)	15 (20%)	0.14	24.41 (13%)	26.57 (14%)	0.02
Any alcohol use in past 6 months	36 (48%)	62 (56%)	0.16	79.51 (44%)	97.79 (52%)	0.16
Currently receiving HIV anti-retroviral therapy	67 (89%)	101 (91%)	0.06	157.72 (87%)	160.93 (85%)	0.05

*N.B. Mean (standard deviation) reported for continuous variables, while N (%) is reported for dichotomous variables.*

**Web Table 6:** *Distribution of missingness prior to imputation. Percentages based on N of uncensored individuals at each visit.*

	HCV genotype	$\gamma$ -glutamyl transferase		BMI		HIV RNA		Any IDU in past 6 months		Any alcohol use in past 6 months		Currently on anti-retroviral therapy		APRI
		Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 1	Visit 2	
Missing (%)	22 (9%)	22 (9%)	57 (31%)	25 (10%)	60 (32%)	11 (4%)	43 (23%)	2 (1%)	35 (19%)	6 (2%)	43 (23%)	0 (0%)	34 (18%)	7 (4%)

*N.B. We did not impute SVR<sub>12</sub> for reference, the number of participants with missing SVR status is available in Web Figure 4 above.*

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