

## A NOTE ON JIPS ESTIMATORS OF GHOSH AND GOMEZ

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### SUMMARY

In this paper the true bias and mean square error have been obtained for the JIPS estimators suggested by Ghosh and Gomez (1986) to the second degree approximation and some comments are given.

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### Introduction

Consider a population of  $N$  units with  $y$  as the variable of interest and  $x$  as an auxiliary variable. Denote the population totals of the variables  $x$  and  $y$  over  $N$  population units by  $X$  and  $Y$ . The population ratio  $R = Y/X$  is the unknown parameter of interest. We shall draw inference on  $R$  on the basis of  $k$  interpenetrating subsamples of size  $m$  each.

With notation as in Ghosh and Gomez [1] the two JIPS estimators proposed by them are

$$\hat{R}_3 = k \hat{R} - (k - 1) \hat{R}_{1(\cdot)}$$

$$\hat{R}_4 = m \hat{R}_2 - (m - 1) \hat{R}_{2(\cdot)}$$

The bias and mean square error of  $\hat{R}_3$  and  $\hat{R}_4$  are given in the following results.

**Result : 1**

If the subsamples are drawn independently then for any new sampling design  $\hat{R}_3$  is unbiased for  $R$  and  $B_3$  is

$$[m B_4^{(2)}/k X^2] - [(m - 1) B_4^{(1)}/k X^2]$$

for the second degree approximation.

**PROOF :**

For  $u = 1, 2, \dots, k; \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, k,$

taking  $\hat{Y}_{(u)} = Y(1 + e_{0u}), \hat{X}_{(u)} = X(1 + e_{1u}),$

$$\hat{Y}_t = Y(1 + e_{0t}), \hat{X}_t = X(1 + e_{1t}),$$

write

$$B_3 = k R \left\{ E \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k e_{1i}^2 / k^2 \right] - E \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k e_{0i} e_{1i} / k^2 \right] \right\} \\ - (k - 1) R \left\{ E \left[ \sum_{u=1}^k e_1^2 / k \right] - E \left[ \sum_{u=1}^k e_{0u} e_{1u} / k \right] \right\}$$

Since,

$$E \left[ \sum_{u=1}^k e_{1u}^2 \right] = E \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k e_{1i}^2 / (k - 1) \right]$$

$$\text{and } E \left[ \sum_{u=1}^k e_{0u} e_{1u} \right] = E \left[ \sum_{i=1}^k e_{0i} e_{1i} / (k - 1) \right]$$

we get  $B_3 = 0$

For  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k; \quad v = 1, 2, \dots, m,$  taking

$$\hat{Y}_{j(v)} = Y [1 + e_{0j(v)}], \hat{X}_{j(v)} = X [1 + e_{1j(v)}]$$

write

$$\begin{aligned}
 B_4 = m R \left\{ E \left[ \sum_{j=1}^k e_{1j}^2 / k \right] - E \left[ \sum_{j=1}^k e_{0j} e_{1j} / k \right] \right\} \\
 - (m - 1) R \left\{ E \left[ \sum_{v=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k e_{1j(v)}^2 / m R k \right] \right. \\
 \left. - E \left[ \sum_{v=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k e_{1j(v)} e_{a_j(v)} / m R k \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

and the required result, is obtained.

**Result : 2**

To the second degree approximation the mean square error of  $\hat{R}_3$  is  $(2k^2 - 4k + 3)R^2 \{ [v(\hat{Y})/Y^2] + [v(\hat{X})/X^2] - 2[\text{Cov}(\hat{X}, \hat{Y})/XY] \}$

Proof of the result is straightforward.

**Results : 3**

When the subsamples are drawn independently, under SRSWR and SRSWOR, to the second degree approximation, the mean square error of  $\hat{R}_4$  is

$$R^2 \{ [v(\hat{Y})/Y^2] + [v(\hat{X})/X^2] - [2 \text{Cov}(\hat{X}, \hat{Y})/XY] \}$$

**PROOF :**

In SRSWR and SRSWOR,

$$\hat{X}_j = N \left( \sum_{i=1}^m x_{ij} / m \right), \quad Y_j = N \left( \sum_{i=1}^m y_{ij} / m \right),$$

$$\hat{X}_{j(v)} = N \left[ \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ \neq v}}^m x_{ij} / (m - 1) \right], \quad \hat{Y}_{j(v)} = N \left[ \sum_{\substack{i=1 \\ \neq v}}^m y_{ij} / (m - 1) \right]$$

Since  $\sum_{v=1}^m \hat{X}_{j(v)} = m \hat{X}_j$  and  $\sum_{v=1}^m \hat{Y}_{j(v)} = m \hat{Y}_j$ , we have

$$me_{0j} = \sum_{v=1}^m e_{0j(v)} \text{ and } me_{1j} = \sum_{v=1}^m e_{1j(v)}$$

$$\text{Therefore } M(\hat{R}_4) = R^2 E \left[ \sum_{j=1}^k (e_{0j}^2 + e_{1j}^2 - 2 e_{0j} e_{1j}) / k^2 \right]$$

which gives the required result

#### REMARKS

1. From Result 1, it is inferred that, when the subsamples are drawn independently using any sampling design, to the second degree approximation,  $\hat{R}_3$  is always unbiased. Hence defining an estimate for  $B_3$  as suggested by Ghosh and Gomez seems to be not necessary.

2. For  $B_3$ , Ghosh and Gomez have proposed the estimator  $\hat{B}_3$  whose expected value is

$$(m - 1) [B_4^{(1)} - B_4^{(2)}] / kX^2,$$

while the true bias is

$$[m B_4^{(2)} - (m - 1) B_4^{(1)}] / kX^2$$

3. Since the mean square error of the conventional ratio estimator is

$$R^2 \{ [V(\hat{Y})/Y^2] + [V(\hat{X})/X^2] - [2 \text{Cov}(\hat{X}, \hat{Y})/XY] \},$$

it is noted that from the Results 2 and 3, for  $k \gg 1$ , the mean square error of  $\hat{R}_3$  is always larger than that of the conventional estimator and the mean square error of  $\hat{R}_4$  is same as that of the conventional estimator when samples are drawn by either SRSWR or SRSWOR.

It is concluded that the estimators  $\hat{R}_3$  and  $\hat{R}_4$  are in no way superior to the usual ratio estimator, when simple random sampling is adopted,

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