

ON SOME IMPROVED ESTIMATOR FOR ESTIMATION OF POPULATION VARIANCE USING AUXILIARY INFORMATION

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Abstract: The purpose of this paper is to use auxiliary data to estimate the population variance of the study variable. A estimator for estimating population variance has been proposed to the first order of approximation and bias and mean squared error are produced. The efficiency of the suggested estimator is proven to be higher than that of the usual unbiased estimator. The present study is supported by an empirical study also.

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1. Introduction

It is commonly known fact that using auxiliary data in sample surveys significantly improves the accuracy of estimators of population parameters like mean, variance and coefficient of variation of the study variable. When auxiliary information is available, researchers want to use it in the estimation process to provide improved estimator of the parameter under study. Das et al (1978), Isaki (1983), Kadilar C. and Cingi H. (2007), Yadav and Kadilar (2013) and Singh , H. P. et al.(2014) Misra and Singh (2014), Misra (2015) and many others have examined the issue of estimating the population variance.

Let,

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N Y_i \quad , \quad \bar{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$$

$$\mu_{rs} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - \bar{X})^r (Y_i - \bar{Y})^s$$

Also

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2, C_Y = \frac{\sigma_Y}{\bar{Y}}, C_X = \frac{\sigma_X}{\bar{X}} \text{ and}$$

$$\sigma_{XY} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) \text{ Also } \rho = \frac{\rho_{XY}}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}, B = \frac{\sigma_{xy}}{\sigma_x^2}$$

Also, let

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i, \quad \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$s_y^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2, \quad s_x^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

$$s_{xy} = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}), \quad b = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_x^2}$$

where y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n are the observations on y and x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are the observations on auxiliary variable x for a simple random sample of size n .

For estimating population variance, An improved estimator is proposed as

$$s_Y^2 = \hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = s_Y^2 \exp\left\{k_1 \left(\frac{s_x^2}{C_X^2} - \bar{x}^2\right)\right\} \exp\left\{k_2 \left(\frac{s_y^2}{C_Y^2} - \bar{y}^2\right)\right\} \quad (1.1)$$

2. Bias and Mean Square Error

$$\text{Let, } \bar{y} = \bar{Y}(1 + e_0)$$

$$\bar{x} = \bar{X}(1 + e_1)$$

$$s_y^2 = \sigma_y^2(1 + e_2)$$

$$s_x^2 = \sigma_x^2(1 + e_3)$$

$$s_{xy} = \sigma_{xy}(1 + e_4)$$

So that $E(e_0) = E(e_1) = E(e_2) = E(e_3) = 0$

$$E(e_0^2) = \frac{C_Y^2}{n}, E(e_1^2) = \frac{C_X^2}{n} \quad (2.2)$$

$$E(e_2^2) = \frac{\beta_2(y) - 1}{n} = \frac{A_Y}{n}, \text{ where } A_Y = \beta_2(y) - 1 \quad (2.3)$$

$$E(e_0 e_1) = \frac{\rho C_X C_Y}{n} \quad (2.4)$$

$$E(e_0 e_2) = \frac{\mu_{03}}{n \sigma_Y^2 \bar{Y}} \text{ and } E(e_1 e_2) = \frac{\mu_{12}}{n \sigma_Y^2 \bar{X}} \quad (2.5)$$

$$E(e_1 e_3) = \frac{\mu_{30}}{n \sigma_X^2 \bar{X}} \quad (2.6)$$

$$E(e_3^2) = \frac{\beta_2(X) - 1}{n} = \frac{A_X}{n}, \text{ where } A_X = \beta_2(x) - 1 \quad (2.7)$$

$$E(e_0 e_3) = \frac{\mu_{21}}{n \sigma_X^2 \bar{Y}} \quad (2.8)$$

$$E(e_2 e_3) = \frac{1}{n \sigma_X^2 \sigma_Y^2} (\mu_{22} - \mu_{20} \mu_{02}) = \frac{\delta - 1}{n}, \text{ Where } \delta = \frac{\mu_{22}}{\mu_{20} \mu_{02}} \quad (2.9)$$

Now Expression (1) in terms of e_i 's, we have

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = \sigma_Y^2(1 + e_2) \exp \left[k_1 \left\{ \frac{\sigma_X^2(1 + e_3)}{\left(\frac{\sigma_X^2}{\bar{X}^2} \right)} - \bar{X}^2(1 + e_1)^2 \right\} \right] \exp \left[k_2 \left\{ \frac{\sigma_Y^2(1 + e_2)}{\left(\frac{\sigma_Y^2}{\bar{Y}^2} \right)} - \bar{Y}^2(1 + e_0)^2 \right\} \right]. \quad (2.10)$$

Or

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = (\sigma_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2 e_2) \exp \{ k_1 \bar{X}^2 (1 + e_3 - 1 - e_1^2 - 2e_1) \} \exp \{ k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (1 + e_2 - 1 - e_0^2 - 2e_0) \}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = (\sigma_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2 e_2) \exp \{ k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_3 - 2e_1 - e_1^2) \} \exp \{ k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 - 2e_0 - e_0^2) \} \quad (2.11)$$

Or

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = (\sigma_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2 e_2) \left\{ 1 + k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_3 - 2e_1 - e_1^2) + \frac{1}{2} k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 (e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1 e_3) \right\}$$

$$\left\{ 1 + k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 - 2e_0 - e_0^2) + \frac{1}{2} k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 (e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_0 e_2) \right\} \quad (2.12)$$

Or

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = (\sigma_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2 e_2) \left\{ 1 + k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 - 2e_0 - e_0^2) + \frac{1}{2} k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 (e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_0 e_2) \right.$$

$$\left. + k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_3 - 2e_1 - e_1^2) + k_1 k_2 \bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 e_3 - 2e_0 e_3 - 2e_1 e_2 + 4e_0 e_1) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1}{2} k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 (e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1 e_3) \right\}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = (\sigma_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2 e_2) \left\{ 1 + k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_3 - 2e_1 - e_1^2) + k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 - 2e_0 - e_0^2) + \frac{1}{2} k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 (e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1 e_3) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1}{2} k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 (e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_0 e_2) + k_1 k_2 \bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 e_3 - 2e_0 e_3 - 2e_1 e_2 + 4e_0 e_1) \right\}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 = \sigma_Y^2 + \sigma_Y^2 \left\{ k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_3 - 2e_1 - e_1^2) + k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 - 2e_0 - e_0^2) + \frac{1}{2} k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 (e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1 e_3) \right.$$

$$\left. + \frac{1}{2} k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 (e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_0 e_2) + k_1 k_2 \bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 e_3 - 2e_0 e_3 - 2e_1 e_2 + 4e_0 e_1) \right\}$$

$$+ \sigma_Y^2 e_2 + \sigma_Y^2 \{k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_2 e_3 - 2e_1 e_2) + k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2^2 - 2e_0 e_2)\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\sigma}_Y^2 - \sigma_Y^2 &= \sigma_Y^2 (e_2 + \bar{X}^2 k_1 e_3 - 2\bar{X}^2 k_1 e_1 + \bar{Y}^2 k_2 e_2 - 2\bar{Y}^2 k_2 e_0) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sigma_Y^2 \{k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 (e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1 e_3) + k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 (e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_0 e_2) - 2k_1 \bar{X}^2 (e_1^2 - e_2 e_3 + 2e_1 e_2) \\ &- 2k_2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_0^2 + 2e_0 e_2 - e_2^2) + 2k_1 k_2 \bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2 (e_2 e_3 - 2e_0 e_3 - 2e_1 e_2 + 4e_0 e_1)\} \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

In the first order of approximation, the bias $\hat{\sigma}_Y^2$ is given by considering the expectation on both sides of (2.1).

$$Bias(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2) = E(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 - \sigma_Y^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Bias(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2) &= \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{2} \left[k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 \left\{ \frac{A_X}{n} + 4 \frac{C_X^2}{n} - 4 \frac{\mu_{30}}{n \sigma_X^2 \bar{X}} \right\} + k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 \left\{ \frac{A_Y}{n} + 4 \frac{C_Y^2}{n} - 4 \frac{\mu_{03}}{n \sigma_Y^2 \bar{Y}} \right\} \right] \\ &- 2k_1 \bar{X}^2 \left\{ \frac{C_X^2}{n} - \frac{(\delta-1)}{n} + 2 \frac{\mu_{12}}{n \sigma_Y^2 \bar{X}} \right\} - 2k_2 \bar{Y}^2 \left\{ \frac{C_Y^2}{n} + 2 \frac{\mu_{03}}{n \sigma_Y^2 \bar{Y}} - \frac{A_Y}{n} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$+ 2k_1 k_2 \bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2 \left\{ \frac{(\delta-1)}{n} - 2 \frac{\mu_{21}}{n \sigma_X^2 \bar{Y}} - 2 \frac{\mu_{12}}{n \sigma_Y^2 \bar{X}} + 4 \frac{\rho C_X C_Y}{n} \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Bias(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2) &= \left| \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{2n} k_1^2 \bar{X}^4 \left(A_X + 4C_X^2 - 4 \frac{\mu_{30}}{\bar{X} \sigma_X^2} \right) + k_2^2 \bar{Y}^4 \left(A_Y + 4C_Y^2 - 4 \frac{\mu_{03}}{\bar{Y} \sigma_Y^2} \right) \right. \\ &- 2k_1 \bar{X}^2 \left\{ C_X^2 + 2 \frac{\mu_{12}}{\bar{X} \sigma_Y^2} - (\delta-1) \right\} - 2k_2 \bar{Y}^2 \left\{ C_Y^2 + 2 \frac{\mu_{03}}{\bar{Y} \sigma_Y^2} - A_Y \right\} \\ &\left. + 2k_1 k_2 \bar{X}^2 \bar{Y}^2 \left\{ (\delta-1) - 2 \frac{\mu_{21}}{\bar{Y} \sigma_X^2} - 2 \frac{\mu_{12}}{\bar{X} \sigma_Y^2} + 4 \rho C_X C_Y \right\} \right| \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

squaring (2.13) on both sides and then taking expectation, we have m.s.e to the first order of approximation is :

$$MSE(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2) = E(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2 - \sigma_Y^2)^2$$

$$= E\left\{ \sigma_Y^2 (e_2 + \bar{X}^2 k_1 e_3 - 2\bar{X}^2 k_1 e_1 + \bar{Y}^2 k_2 e_2 - 2\bar{Y}^2 k_2 e_0) \right\}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= E\left\{\sigma_Y^4\left\{e_2^2 + k_1^2\bar{X}^4\left(e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1e_3\right) + k_2^2\bar{Y}^4\left(e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_1e_2\right) + 2\bar{X}^2k_1\left(e_2e_3 - 2e_1e_2\right)\right.\right. \\
 &\quad \left.\left.+ 2\bar{Y}^2k_2\left(e_2^2 - 2e_0e_2\right) + 2k_1k_2\bar{X}^2\bar{Y}^2\left(e_2e_3 - 2e_0e_3 - 2e_1e_2 + 4e_0e_1\right)\right\}\right\} \\
 &= \sigma_Y^4E\left(e_2^2\right) + \sigma_Y^4\left[\bar{X}^4k_1^2E\left(e_3^2 + 4e_1^2 - 4e_1e_3\right) + \bar{Y}^4k_2^2E\left(e_2^2 + 4e_0^2 - 4e_1e_2\right)\right. \\
 &\quad \left.+ 2\bar{X}^2k_1E\left(e_2e_3 - 2e_1e_2\right) + 2\bar{Y}^2k_2E\left(e_2^2 - 2e_0e_2\right)\right. \\
 &\quad \left.+ 2k_1k_2\bar{X}^2\bar{Y}^2E\left(e_2e_3 - 2e_0e_3 - 2e_1e_2 + 4e_0e_1\right)\right]
 \end{aligned}$$

or,

$$\begin{aligned}
 MSE\left(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2\right) &= \sigma_Y^4\frac{A_Y}{n} + \sigma_Y^4\left[\bar{X}^4k_1^2\left(\frac{A_X}{n} + 4\frac{C_X^2}{n} - 4\frac{\mu_{30}}{n\sigma_X^2\bar{X}}\right) + \bar{Y}^4k_2^2\left(\frac{A_Y}{n} + 4\frac{C_Y^2}{n} - 4\frac{\mu_{03}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{Y}}\right)\right. \\
 &\quad \left.- 2\bar{X}^2k_1\left(\frac{(\delta-1)}{n} + 2\frac{\mu_{12}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{X}}\right) + 2\bar{Y}^2k_2\left(\frac{A_Y}{n} - 2\frac{\mu_{03}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{Y}}\right)\right. \\
 &\quad \left.2k_1k_2\bar{X}^2\bar{Y}^2\left(\frac{(\delta-1)}{n} - 2\frac{\mu_{21}}{n\sigma_X^2\bar{Y}} - 2\frac{\mu_{12}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{X}} + 4\frac{\rho C_X C_Y}{n}\right)\right] \quad (2.15)
 \end{aligned}$$

or

$$MSE\left(\hat{\sigma}_Y^2\right) = \sigma_Y^4\frac{A_Y}{n} + \sigma_Y^4\left[k_1^2\delta_{11} + k_2^2\delta_{22} + 2k_1\delta_{10} + 2k_2\delta_{02} - 2k_1k_2\delta_{12}\right] \quad (2.16)$$

Where

$$\delta_{11} = \bar{X}^4\left(\frac{A_X}{n} + 4\frac{C_X^2}{n} - 4\frac{\mu_{30}}{n\sigma_X^2\bar{X}}\right),$$

$$\delta_{22} = \bar{Y}^4\left(\frac{A_Y}{n} + 4\frac{C_Y^2}{n} - 4\frac{\mu_{03}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{Y}}\right)$$

$$\delta_{10} = \bar{X}^2\left(\frac{(\delta-1)}{n} + 2\frac{\mu_{12}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{X}}\right),$$

$$\delta_{02} = \bar{Y}^2\left(\frac{A_Y}{n} - 2\frac{\mu_{03}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{Y}}\right)$$

$$\delta_{12} = \bar{X}^2\bar{Y}^2\left(\frac{(\delta-1)}{n} - 2\frac{\mu_{21}}{n\sigma_X^2\bar{Y}} - 2\frac{\mu_{12}}{n\sigma_Y^2\bar{X}} + 4\frac{\rho C_X C_Y}{n}\right)$$

The two normal equations for k_1 & k_2 is as follows

$$\delta_{11}k_1 + \delta_{12}k_2 + \delta_{10} = 0$$

(2.17)

$$\delta_{12}k_1 + \delta_{22}k_2 + \delta_{02} = 0 \tag{2.18}$$

on solving the two normal equations, we have

$$k_1 = \frac{\delta_{22}\delta_{10} - \delta_{02}\delta_{12}}{\delta_{12}^2 - \delta_{11}\delta_{22}} \tag{2.19}$$

and

$$k_2 = \frac{\delta_{11}\delta_{02} - \delta_{12}\delta_{10}}{\delta_{12}^2 - \delta_{11}\delta_{22}} \tag{2.20}$$

For these optimum values of k_1 & k_2 , the minimum mse from (2.14) is given by

$$MSE(s_y^2)_{\min} = \sigma_y^4 \frac{A_y}{n} - \sigma_y^4 \frac{(\delta_{11}\delta_{02}^2 + \delta_{22}\delta_{10}^2 - 2\delta_{02}\delta_{10}\delta_{12})}{(\delta_{11}\delta_{22} - \delta_{12}^2)} \tag{2.21}$$

3. Theoretical Comparison

a) We compare the proposed estimator s_y^2 with respect to usual unbiased estimator of population variance s_y^2 and the condition for which the proposed estimator will be efficient is given by

$$MSE(s_y^2)_{\min} - MSE(s_y^2) < 0 \tag{3.1}$$

b) We compare the proposed estimator s_y^2 with respect to Misra et al (2017) of population variance s_{yk}^2 and the condition for which the proposed estimator will be efficient is given by

$$2\gamma_1\gamma C_y < \gamma_{2y} + 2 \tag{3.2}$$

4. Empirical Study

For empirical study, we consider the data as

Data given in Cochran (1977, pg. 34) related to the weekly food expenditures of 33 low-income families are used to calculate the suitable values.

$$n = 33,$$

$$\bar{X} = 72.54,$$

$$\bar{Y} = 27.49$$

$$\sigma_X^2 = 108.69,$$

$$\sigma_Y^2 = 99.613033,$$

$$C_y = 0.363036,$$

$$C_x = 0.143719,$$

$$\gamma_{1Y} = 1.4651,$$

$$\gamma_{2y} = 2.7146,$$

MSE's of the estimators

$$\text{a) } MSE(s_y^2) = 1417.63112$$

$$MSE(s_y^2)_{\min} = 150.79192$$

$$\text{b) } MSE(s_{yk}^2) = 1065.13127$$

$$MSE(s_y^2)_{\min} = 150.79192$$

5. Conclusion

The performance of the proposed estimator has been established theoretically and empirically both. To evaluate the effectiveness of the estimators, use the mean squared error criterion. Comparing the suggested estimator to study and compare the standard unbiased estimator for population variance has performed better than in terms of MSE.

The percent relative efficiency (PRE) is 940% and 710 % above the usual unbiased estimator for population variance and hence the proposed estimator exhibits its improved efficiency.

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