

Testing for Conditional Multiple Marginal Independence

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What is CMMI?

- Conditional multiple marginal independence (CMMI)
- Survey of 239 college women
 - ◆ Contraceptive use and first time urinary tract infection (UTI)

Age ≥ 24		Contraceptive					Total
		Oral	Condom	L. Cond.	Spermicide	Diaphragm	
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	Yes	8	9	2	3	2	14
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Age < 24		Contraceptive					Total
		Oral	Condom	L. Cond.	Spermicide	Diaphragm	
UTI	No	55	41	37	27	0	85
	Yes	75	68	33	22	5	116
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- ◆ LogXact 4 manual (p. 198-9) and Foxman et al. (1997)

What is CMMI?

- Contraceptive use is a “pick any/c variable”
 - ◆ Coombs (1964)
 - ◆ Subjects may pick any out of the 5 types of contraception
 - ◆ Each choice is referred to as an “item” (Agresti and Liu, 1999)
- UTI is referred to as the “group variable”
- Age is referred to as the “stratification variable”

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What is CMMI?

■ Hypothesis test for CMMI

- ◆ Are the contraception practices of college women marginally independent of their UTI history, controlling for age?

Age ≥ 24		Contraceptive					Total
		Oral	Condom	L. Cond.	Spermicide	Diaphragm	
UTI	No	18 (0.75)	9 (0.38)	8 (0.33)	7 (0.29)	0 (0.00)	24
	Yes	8 (0.57)	9 (0.64)	2 (0.14)	3 (0.21)	2 (0.14)	14
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Observed proportion of women selecting an item is in parentheses

Age < 24		Contraceptive					Total
		Oral	Condom	L. Cond.	Spermicide	Diaphragm	
UTI	No	55 (0.65)	41 (0.48)	37 (0.44)	27 (0.32)	0 (0.00)	85
	Yes	75 (0.65)	68 (0.59)	33 (0.28)	22 (0.19)	5 (0.04)	116
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What is CMMI?

■ Hypothesis test for CMMI

◆ Let $\pi_{j|ik} = P(\text{subject picks item } j | \text{subject is in group } i \text{ and stratum } k)$

◆ $i = 1, \dots, r$ denotes the group (row)

◆ $j = 1, \dots, c$ denotes the item (column)

◆ $k = 1, \dots, q$ denotes the stratum

◆ Hypotheses (in general)

$H_0: \pi_{j|1k} = \pi_{j|2k} = \dots = \pi_{j|rk}$ for $j = 1, \dots, c$ and $k = 1, \dots, q$

H_a : At least one of the equalities does not hold

■ Cochran (1954) and Mantel and Haenszel (1959) tests should not be used

◆ Need the pick any/c variable to be pick 1/c

Purpose

- Derive test for CMMI
 - ◆ Extend Cochran's statistic to include $r \times 2 \times q$ tables
 - ◆ Test for conditional independence for each item
 - ◆ Sum c "extended Cochran" statistics to form a new statistic to test for CMMI
 - ◆ Approximations to its sampling distribution

Multiple Marginal Independence (MMI)

- Special case of CMMI when the number of strata is 1
- Previous research
 - ◆ Umesh (1995)
 - ◆ Loughin and Scherer (1998)
 - ◆ Agresti and Liu (1998, 1999)
 - ◆ Decady and Thomas (2000)
 - ◆ Bilder, Loughin, and Nettleton (2000)
 - ◆ Conclude the best MMI testing methods are:
 - Bootstrapping the naïve chi-squared statistic
 - Bootstrapping p-value combination methods
 - ◆ Most consistently hold the correct size while providing power against various alternatives

Notation

- For subject s in row i , $Y_{s(i)j}=1$ if a positive response is given for item j and $Y_{s(i)j}=0$ for a negative response
 - ◆ $s=1, \dots, n$
 - ◆ All responses by subject s can be viewed as an item response vector, $\mathbf{Y}_{s(i)} = (Y_{s(i)1}, Y_{s(i)2}, \dots, Y_{s(i)c})'$.
 - ◆ $h=1, \dots, 2^c$ different item response vectors
- Let $n_{ihk} =$ number of observed subjects for the h^{th} item response vector
 - ◆ Let $\mathbf{n}_{ik} = (n_{i1k}, \dots, n_{i2^c k})' \sim \text{Multinomial}(\tau_{1|ik}, \dots, \tau_{2^c|ik})$
 - ◆ Independent multinomial sampling within each row of each stratum
- Let $m_{ijk} =$ number of positive responses to item j in group i and stratum k
 - ◆ Then $m_{ijk} = \sum_s Y_{s(i)j} = \sum_{\{h: Y_j=1\}} n_{ihk}$

Notation

■ Example $2 \times 2 \times q$ table

		k=1		k=2		...	k=q	
		j=	1	2	1	2	1	2
i=	1	$\pi_{1 11}$	$\pi_{2 11}$	$\pi_{1 12}$	$\pi_{2 12}$		$\pi_{1 1q}$	$\pi_{2 1q}$
	2	$\pi_{1 21}$	$\pi_{2 21}$	$\pi_{1 22}$	$\pi_{2 22}$		$\pi_{1 2q}$	$\pi_{2 2q}$

		k=1		k=2		...	k=q	
		j=	1	2	1	2	1	2
i=	1	m_{111}	m_{121}	m_{112}	m_{122}		m_{11q}	m_{12q}
	2	m_{211}	m_{221}	m_{212}	m_{222}		m_{21q}	m_{22q}
		m_{+11}	m_{+21}	m_{+12}	m_{+22}		m_{+1q}	m_{+2q}

Extended Cochran Statistic - C_j^2

- Consider the j^{th} item and examine the responses over the strata
 - ◆ Develop a test for conditional independence

■ Let

$$\mathbf{m}_{j+} = \sum_{k=1}^q (m_{1jk}, \dots, m_{r-1,jk})'$$

$$\mathbf{m}_{j+}^{\circ} = \sum_{k=1}^q \left(\frac{n_{1+k} m_{+jk}}{n_{++k}}, \dots, \frac{n_{r-1,+k} m_{+jk}}{n_{++k}} \right)'$$

Extended Cochran Statistic - C_j^2

- Let $\hat{\mathbf{V}}_j$ denote the estimated covariance matrix of $\mathbf{m}_{j+} - \mathbf{m}_{j+}^\circ$ under conditional independence with elements of

$$\sum_{k=1}^q \hat{\text{Cov}} \left(m_{ijk} - \frac{n_{i+k} m_{+jk}}{n_{++k}}, m_{i'jk} - \frac{n_{i'+k} m_{+jk}}{n_{++k}} \right)$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^q \frac{m_{+jk} (n_{++k} - m_{+jk}) n_{i+k} (\delta_{ii'} n_{++k} - n_{i'+k})}{n_{++k}^3}$$

$$\text{where } \delta_{ii'} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = i' \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq i' \end{cases}$$

Extended Cochran Statistic - C_j^2

- The “Extended Cochran Statistic” is

$$C_j^2 = (\mathbf{m}_{+j} - \mathbf{m}_{+j}^\circ)' \hat{\mathbf{V}}_j^{-1} (\mathbf{m}_{+j} - \mathbf{m}_{+j}^\circ)$$

- Under conditional independence as $n \rightarrow \infty$:

- ◆ $n^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{V}}_j \xrightarrow{p} \mathbf{V}_j$

- ◆ $n^{-1/2} (\mathbf{m}_{+j} - \mathbf{m}_{+j}^\circ) \xrightarrow{d} \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{V}_j)$

- ◆ Then $C_j^2 \xrightarrow{d} \chi_{r-1}^2$

- Notes:

- ◆ C_j^2 simplifies to Cochran’s original statistic for $2 \times 2 \times q$
- ◆ Similar to the Generalized Mantel-Haenszel test statistic
 - ◆ Landis, Heyman, and Koch (1978)
 - ◆ Difference: Assumes a multiple hypergeometric distribution in each stratum.

Modified Cochran Statistic - C_M^2

- To test CMMI, the c C_j^2 are summed to form the “modified Cochran” statistic

- $$C_M^2 = \sum_{j=1}^c C_j^2 = (\mathbf{m}_+ - \mathbf{m}_+^{\circ})' \hat{\mathbf{Q}}^{-1} (\mathbf{m}_+ - \mathbf{m}_+^{\circ})$$

$$\mathbf{m}_+ = (\mathbf{m}'_{1+}, \dots, \mathbf{m}'_{c+})'$$

$$\mathbf{m}_+^{\circ} = (\mathbf{m}'_{1+}^{\circ}, \dots, \mathbf{m}'_{c+}^{\circ})'$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \text{Diag}(\hat{\mathbf{V}}_j)$$

- **If** item responses for each subject are independent, then

$$C_M^2 \xrightarrow{d} \chi_{c(r-1)}^2 \text{ under CMMI}$$

- ◆ Reject CMMI if $C_M^2 > \chi_{c(r-1), 1-\alpha}^2$

Modified Cochran Statistic - C_M^2

- In most situations, the item responses are **not** independent
- Note that under CMMI:
 - ◆ $n^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{Q}} \xrightarrow{p} \mathbf{Q} = \text{Diag}(\mathbf{V}_j)$
 - ◆ $n^{-1/2}(\mathbf{m}_+ - \mathbf{m}_+^o) \xrightarrow{d} \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{P}_o)$
Note: \mathbf{P}_o is excluded from here due to time constraints

- Then under CMMI

$$C_M^2 \xrightarrow{d} \sum_{p=1}^{c(r-1)} \lambda_p X_p^2$$

where

λ_p 's are the eigenvalues of $\mathbf{Q}^{-1}\mathbf{P}_o$

X_p^2 's are independent χ_1^2 random variables

Modified Cochran Statistic - C_M^2

- Nonparametric bootstrap (bootstrap C_M^2)
 - ◆ Approximate sampling distribution of C_M^2
 - ◆ Algorithm
 - ◆ Take B resamples of size n by randomly selecting $\mathbf{Y}_{s(i)k} = (Y_{s(i)k1}, Y_{s(i)k2}, \dots, Y_{s(i)kc})'$ and group (row) designation independently with replacement from the original data within strata
 - ◆ For each resample, calculate the test statistic, $C_{M,b}^{2*}$, for $b=1, \dots, B$
 - ◆ Calculate the p-value as

$$\frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^{c(r-1)} I(C_{M,b}^{2*} > C_M^2)$$

where $I(A) = 1$ if event A occurs, 0 otherwise

Other CMMI testing methods

■ Bootstrap p-value combination methods

- ◆ Combine the p-values from C_j^2 (using a χ_{r-1}^2 app.) for $j=1, \dots, c$ to form a “new” test statistic, \tilde{p}
- ◆ Product of the p-values or minimum p-value
- ◆ Algorithm
 - ◆ Take B resamples of size n by randomly selecting $\mathbf{Y}_{s(i)k} = (Y_{s(i)1k}, Y_{s(i)2k}, \dots, Y_{s(i)ck})'$ and group (row) designation independently with replacement from the original data
 - ◆ For each resample, calculate the test statistic, \tilde{p}_b^* , for $b=1, \dots, B$
 - ◆ Calculate the p-value as $\frac{1}{B} \sum_{b=1}^B I(\tilde{p}_b^* < \tilde{p})$

■ Bonferroni adjustment to the $c C_j^2$

- ◆ Reject CMMI if $C_j^2 > \chi_{r-1, 1-\alpha/c}^2$

UTI Data

■ Evidence against CMMI

- ◆ 5,000 resamples
- ◆ Rejection may be due to Diaphragm and L.Cond.
 - ◆ $\chi_1^2(0.99) = 6.63$

CMMI Testing Method	P-value
C_M^2 using $\chi_{c(r-1)}^2$ app.	0.0005
Bootstrap C_M^2	0.0058
Bootstrap prod. p-values	0.0330
Bootstrap min. p-values	0.0060
Bonferroni	0.0408

	Contraceptive				
	Oral	Condom	L. Cond.	Spermicide	Diaphragm
$C_j^2 =$	0.20	3.87	6.42	4.51	7.00

CMMI Type I Error Simulations

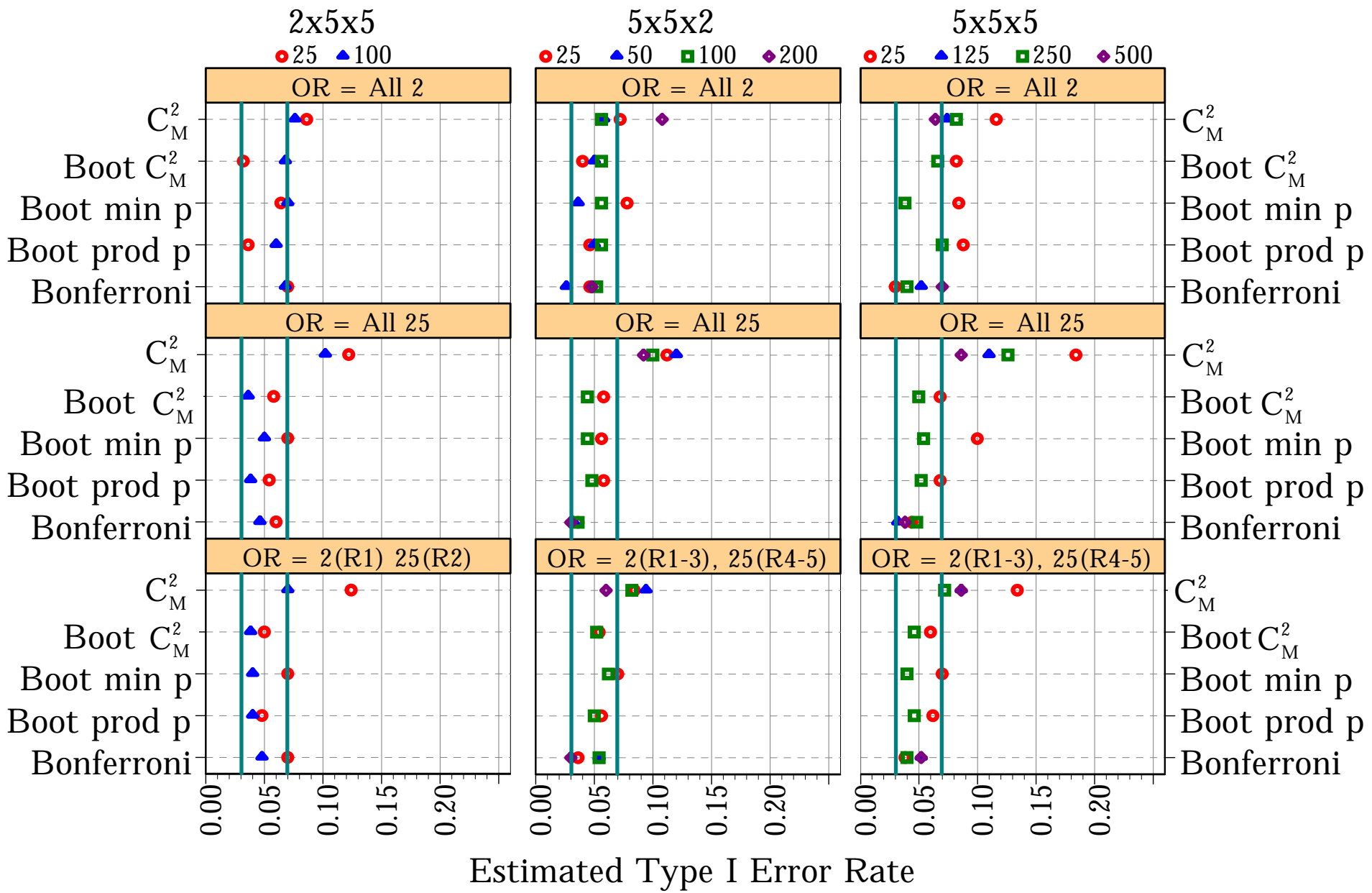
- Estimated type I error rate
 - ◆ Proportion of data sets in which CMMI is incorrectly rejected
- Data generated using an algorithm by Gange (1995)
 - ◆ Specify $\pi_{j|ik}$'s
 - ◆ Under CMMI
 - ◆ Specify odds ratios (ORs)
$$\text{OR}_{AB} = \frac{\text{Odds}(Y_B = 1 \mid Y_A = 1)}{\text{Odds}(Y_B = 1 \mid Y_A = 0)}$$
- For each data set generated, the CMMI testing methods are applied

CMMI Type I Error Simulations

- Settings held constant for each simulation
 - ◆ Nominal type I error rate=0.05
 - ◆ 500 data sets generated
 - ◆ 1,000 resamples for bootstrap methods
 - ◆ Expected range of estimated type I error rates for methods holding the nominal level:

$$0.05 \pm 2\sqrt{\frac{(0.05)(1-0.05)}{500}} = 0.05 \pm 0.0195$$

- Trellis plots on next slide shows estimated type I error rates
 - ◆ Includes only the $\pi_{1|ik}=0.1$, $\pi_{2|ik}=0.2$, $\pi_{3|ik}=0.3$, $\pi_{4|ik}=0.4$, and $\pi_{5|ik}=0.5$ cases for $i=1,\dots,r$ and $k=1,\dots,q$
 - ◆ Results generalize to other cases



- Bootstrap simulations are only run at $n=25$ and $n=100$ for $5 \times 5 \times 2$ and $n=25$ and 250 for $5 \times 5 \times 5$
- OR=2(R1) 25(R2) means all ORs are 2 for row 1 and 25 for row 25

CMMI Type I Error Simulations

■ Summary

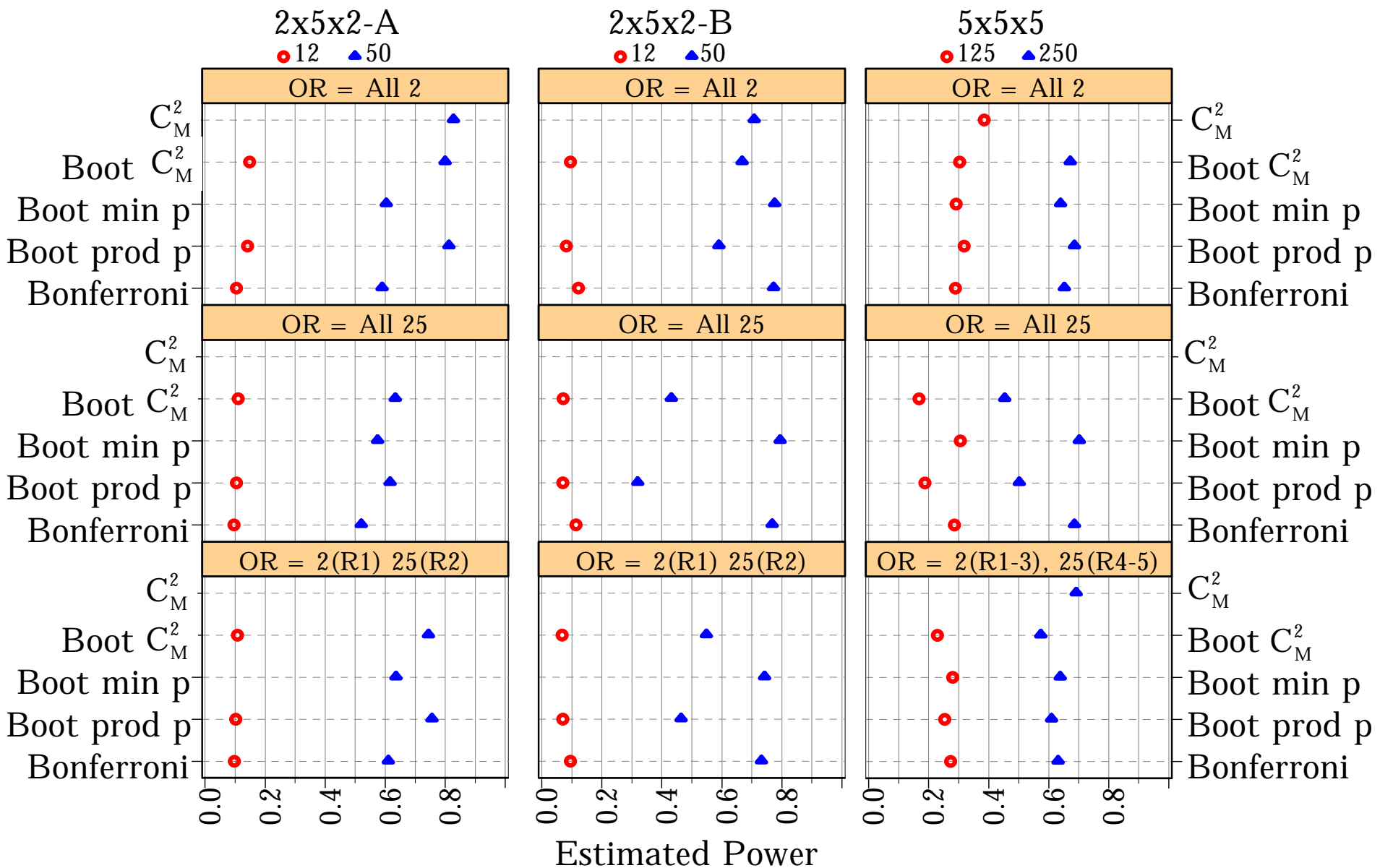
- ◆ Bootstrap C_M^2 , bootstrap product of p-values, and Bonferroni testing methods most consistently hold the correct size
- ◆ Bootstrap minimum p-value holds the correct size, provided sample size is not too small
- ◆ C_M^2 with a $\chi_{c(r-1)}^2$ approximation does not hold the correct size with large pairwise association between item responses
 - ◆ Corresponds to when the variation among the eigenvalues is the greatest.

CMMI Power Simulations

- Proportion of data sets in which MMI is correctly rejected
- Data generated same way as in the type I error simulation study except that marginal probabilities differ across the rows
- Trellis plot on next slide shows the estimated power
 - ◆ Includes only a few of the cases examined
 - ◆ Some estimated powers are excluded for the plot
 - ◆ Do not hold the correct size for comparable marginal probabilities, ORs, sample sizes, and marginal tables sizes
 - ◆ Marginal probabilities used (same across strata):

Row	2x5x2-A	2x5x2-B
1	0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5	0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5
2	0.3,0.4,0.1,0.2,0.3	0.5,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5

Row	5x5x5
1-3	0.1,0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5
4-5	0.1,0.3,0.4,0.2,0.5



Some estimated powers are excluded from the plot for methods that do not hold the correct size for comparable marginal probabilities, ORs, ...

CMMI Power Simulations

■ Summary

- ◆ There is not one method with uniformly largest power
- ◆ Bootstrap C_M^2 , bootstrap product of p-values have comparable powers when plotted
- ◆ Bootstrap minimum p-value and Bonferroni have comparable powers when plotted
- ◆ Some p-value combination methods are better at detecting certain types of alternative hypotheses (Loughin, 2000)
 - ◆ Deviation from CMMI for only a few items - minimum p-value has higher power
 - ◆ Deviation from CMMI for most items by the same degree - product of p-values has higher power

CMMI Testing Recommendations

- Bootstrap C_M^2 , Bootstrap product of p-values, and Bonferroni
 - ◆ Most consistently hold the correct size
 - ◆ Provide power against detecting various alternatives

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