

Evaluation Settings

In the following we describe the analytical details of the different approaches used in the evaluation study:

1. Stratified Randomization and weighted stratified analysis

- Degrees of freedom $df = \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{\ell=E,C} (n_{j\ell} - 1)$
- weights $w_j = w_j^* = \frac{n_{jE} \times n_{jC}}{n_{jE} + n_{jC}}$, $n_j = n_{jE} + n_{jC}$ in statistics and NCP,
- $P(|T| > t_{df}(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}) | \mathbf{Z}) = F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2})) + F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2}))$.
- first NCP: $\delta(\mathbf{Z}) = \left(\sigma \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^K w_j^2 / w_j^*} \right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^K w_j (\tilde{\tau}_{jE} - \tilde{\tau}_{jC}) \right)$
- second NCP: $\lambda(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \tau_{ji}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^K n_{jE} \tilde{\tau}_{jE}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^K n_{jC} \tilde{\tau}_{jC}^2 \right)$

2. Stratified Randomization and unweighted stratified analysis

- Degrees of freedom $df = \sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{\ell=E,C} (n_{j\ell} - 1)$
- weights $w_j = 1$ in statistics and NCP,
- $P(|T| > t_{df}(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}) | \mathbf{Z}) = F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2})) + F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2}))$.
- first NCP: $\delta(\mathbf{Z}) = \left(\sigma \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^K w_j^2 / w_j^*} \right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^K w_j (\tilde{\tau}_{jE} - \tilde{\tau}_{jC}) \right)$
- second NCP: $\lambda(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^K \sum_{i=1}^{n_j} \tau_{ji}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^K n_{jE} \tilde{\tau}_{jE}^2 - \sum_{j=1}^K n_{jC} \tilde{\tau}_{jC}^2 \right)$

3. Stratified Randomization and unstratified analysis

- Degrees of freedom $df = n_E + n_C - 2$
- $P(|T| > t_{df}(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}) | \mathbf{Z}) = F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2})) + F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2}))$.
- first NCP: $\delta(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{N_E N_C}{N_E + N_C}} (\tilde{\tau}_E - \tilde{\tau}_C)$
- second NCP: $\lambda(\mathbf{Z}) = \lambda = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i^2 - N_E \tilde{\tau}_E^2 - N_C \tilde{\tau}_C^2 \right)$

4. unstratified Randomization and unstratified analysis

- Degrees of freedom $df = n_E + n_C - 2$
- $P(|T| > t_{df}(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}) | \mathbf{Z}) = F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2})) + F_{df,\delta(\mathbf{Z}),\lambda(\mathbf{Z})}(t_{df}(\frac{\alpha}{2}))$.
- first NCP: $\delta(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{1}{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{N_E N_C}{N_E + N_C}} (\tilde{\tau}_E - \tilde{\tau}_C)$
- second NCP: $\lambda(\mathbf{Z}) = \lambda = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^N \tau_i^2 - N_E \tilde{\tau}_E^2 - N_C \tilde{\tau}_C^2 \right)$