

R-script

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1 sim.GxT.cross <- function(CV, theta0 = 0.95, theta1 = 0.80, theta2 = 1.25, target = 0.80,
2   groups = 2, capacity = 24, n, split = c(0.5, 0.5),
3   mue = c(0.95, 1 / 0.95), level = 0.05, setseed = TRUE, nsims = 1e5,
4   progr = TRUE, print = TRUE, details = FALSE) {
5   require(PowerTOST)
6   #####
7   # Performs simulations of the GxT interaction test of 2x2x2 studies. #
8   # Model 1: group, sequence, treatment, subject (nested within group x sequence), #
9   #           period (nested within group), group-by-sequence interaction, #
10  #           group-by-treatment interaction #
11  # linear model (all effects fixed) = ANOVA #
12  # ----- #
13  # This code is copyright © 2023 by Helmut Schütz and is open source; you can redistribute it #
14  # and/or modify it under the terms of the GNU General Public License as published by the Free #
15  # Software Foundation; either version 3, or (at your option) any later version. See the GNU GPL #
16  # for more details Copies of the GPL-3 versions are available at: #
17  # https://www.gnu.org/licenses/gpl-3.0.html #
18  #####
19  # Arguments:
20  #   CV           : assumed intra-subject CV; can be a two-element vector - in this case the sample
21  #                 size is estimated based on the pooled CV;
22  #                 first element CV of group 1, second CV of group 2
23  #   theta0      : assumed T/R-ratio for sample size estimation (default 0.95)
24  #   theta1      : lower BE-limit (default 0.80)
25  #   theta2      : upper BE-limit (default 1.25)
26  #   target      : targetpower (default 0.80)
27  #   groups      : number of groups (default 2)
28  #   capacity    : maximum capacity of the clinical site (default 24)
29  #   n           : vector of group sizes, where length(n) == 2
30  #                 (optional; if given, the argument split is ignored)
31  #   split       : group sizes / total sample size (default c(0.5, 0.5))
32  #                 must be a vector, where
33  #                 length(split) == groups & sum(split) == 1
34  #                 note: May lead to unbalanced sequences within groups!
35  #   mue         : GMRs of groups
36  #                 must be a vector, where length(mue) == groups
37  #                 if all elements are equal: no true GxT interaction
38  #   level       : level of the GxT test (default 0.05)
39  #   setseed     : should a fixed seed issued? (default TRUE)
40  #                 if FALSE, random seeds are used
41  #   nsims      : number of simulations (default 1e5)
42  #   progr       : should a progress bar be shown? (default TRUE)
43  #   print      : should summary of p(GxT) be shown? (default TRUE)
44  #   details    : should the runtime be shown? (default FALSE)
45  # Returns a results as a list with elements:
46  #   GMR.w      : GMR weighted by number of subjects within group
47  #   CVw        : CV weighted by number of subjects within group
48  #   sig.pGxT   : fraction of simulated studies with significant p(GxT)
49  #   bin.level  : significance level of the binomial test at 0.05
50  #   ks         : Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of p(GxT) vs. uniform {0, 1}
51  #   txt        : aggregated results
52  #   summary    : descriptive statistics of p(GxT)
53  #   runtime    : runtime in minutes
54  # Cave: very long runtime
55  #####
56  # Generate study data #
57  #####
58  group.data <- function(CV = CV, mue = mue, n.group = n.group, capacity = capacity) {
59  # generates simulated subject data
60  if (length(n.group) < 2) stop("At least two groups required.")
61  if (max(n.group) > capacity)
62  warning("Largest group exceeds capacity of site!")
63  subject <- rep(1L:sum(n.group), each = 2)
64  group <- period <- treatment <- sequence <- NULL
65  for (i in seq_along(n.group)) { # half of the subjects in sequence TR, the other in RT
66  sequence <- c(sequence, c(rep("TR", n.group[i]),
67  c(rep("RT", n.group[i]))))
68  treatment <- c(treatment, rep(c("T", "R"), ceiling(n.group[i] / 2)),
69  rep(c("R", "T"), floor(n.group[i] / 2)))
70  period <- c(period, rep(c(1:2), ceiling(n.group[i] / 2)),
71  rep(c(1:2), floor(n.group[i] / 2)))
72  group <- c(group, rep(i, ceiling(n.group[i])),
73  rep(i, floor(n.group[i])))
74  }
75  data <- data.frame(subject, group, sequence, treatment, period, Y = NA_real_)
76  for (i in seq_along(n.group)) {
77  # lognormal distribution
78  if (length(CV) == 1) { # equal variances of groups
79  data$Y[data$group == i & data$treatment == "T"] <-
80  exp(mue[i] + rnorm(n = n.group[i], mean = 0, sd = CV2se(CV)))
81  data$Y[data$group == i & data$treatment == "R"] <-
82  exp(1 + rnorm(n = n.group[i], mean = 0, sd = CV2se(CV)))

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83     } else { # unequal variances of groups
84       if (i == 1) { # first group
85         data$Y[data$group == i & data$treatment == "T"] <-
86           exp(mue[i] + rnorm(n = n.group[i], mean = 0, sd = CV2se(CV[1])))
87         data$Y[data$group == i & data$treatment == "R"] <-
88           exp(1 + rnorm(n = n.group[i], mean = 0, sd = CV2se(CV[1])))
89       } else { # second group
90         data$Y[data$group == i & data$treatment == "T"] <-
91           exp(mue[i] + rnorm(n = n.group[i], mean = 0, sd = CV2se(CV[2])))
92         data$Y[data$group == i & data$treatment == "R"] <-
93           exp(1 + rnorm(n = n.group[i], mean = 0, sd = CV2se(CV[2])))
94       }
95     }
96   }
97   facs      <- c("subject", "group", "sequence", "treatment", "period")
98   data[facs] <- lapply(data[facs], factor) # factorize for lm()
99   return(data)
100 }
101 #####
102 # Initial computations #
103 #####
104 CV.p <- CV
105 if (!length(CV) == 1) CV.p <- mse2CV(mean(CV2mse(CV)))
106 if (missing(n)) { # sample size estimation
107   tmp <- sampleN.TOST(CV = CV.p, theta0 = theta0, theta1 = theta1,
108                     theta2 = theta2, design = "2x2x2",
109                     targetpower = target, print = FALSE)
110   n <- tmp[["Sample size"]]
111   pwr <- tmp[["Achieved power"]]
112   n.group <- as.integer(n * split)
113 } else {
114   pwr <- power.TOST(CV = CV.p, theta0 = theta0, theta1 = theta1,
115                   theta2 = theta2, design = "2x2x2", n = sum(n))
116   n.group <- n
117 }
118 sig <- 0L # counter of significant GxT interactions
119 p.GxT <- numeric(length = nsims)
120 if (sum(n.group) < sum(n)) { # increase size of last group if necessary
121   n.group[groups] <- n.group[groups] + n - sum(n.group)
122 } # TODO: Check & correct (add another group?)
123 GMR.w <- prod(mue^n.group)^((1 / sum(n.group))) # weighted GMR
124 CV.w <- mse2CV(mean(CV2mse(CV))) # weighted CV
125 rt <- proc.time()[[3]] # start timer
126 if (setseed) set.seed(123456) # for reproducibility
127 if (progr) pb <- txtProgressBar(style = 3)
128 #####
129 # Simulations #
130 #####
131 ow <- options() # safe defaults
132 options(contrasts = c("contr.treatment", "contr.poly"), digits = 12)
133 for (sim in 1:nsims) { # the workhorse
134   data <- group.data(CV = CV, mue = mue, n.group = n.group,
135                     capacity = capacity) # get simulated data
136   # nested interaction model 1 (all effects fixed)
137   model1 <- lm(log(Y) ~ group +
138               sequence +
139               treatment +
140               subject %in% (group*sequence) +
141               period %in% group +
142               group:sequence +
143               group:treatment,
144               data = data)
145   p.GxT[sim] <- anova(model1)[["group:treatment", "Pr(>F)"]]
146   if (p.GxT[sim] < level) { # significant GxT interaction
147     sig <- sig + 1L
148   }
149   if (progr) setTxtProgressBar(pb, sim / nsims)
150 }
151 options(ow) # restore defaults
152 sig.pGxT <- sig / nsims # fraction of significant p(GxT)
153 rt <- signif((proc.time()[[3]] - rt) / 60, 3) # runtime (minutes)
154 if (progr) close(pb)
155 # Kolmogorov-Smirnov test of p(GxT) vs. standard uniform {0, 1}
156 # exact if x < 100 and no ties, approximate otherwise
157 ks <- ks.test(x = p.GxT, y = "punif", 0, 1)
158 #####
159 # Prepare plot #
160 #####
161 unif <- qqplot(x = qunif(ppoints(nsims)), y = p.GxT, plot.it = FALSE)
162 main <- paste0(groups, " groups (", paste(n.group, collapse=" ", ", ")")
163 if (length(unique(mue)) == 1) {
164   if (groups == 2) {
165     main <- paste0(main, "\nGMR of both groups ", sprintf("%.4f", mue[1]))
166     if (isTRUE(all.equal(CV[1], CV[2]))) {
167       main <- paste0(main, "\nCV of both groups ", paste0(sprintf("%.4f", CV[1]), "\n"))
168     } else {
169       main <- paste0(main, "\nCVs (", paste(sprintf("%.4f", CV), collapse=" ", ", ")")
170       main <- paste0(main, sprintf(" ", weighted "%.4f", CV.w))
171     }
172   }

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172   } else {
173     main <- paste0(main, "\nGMR of all groups ",
174                   paste(sprintf("%.4f", mue[1]), collapse=" "), "\n")
175   }
176 } else {
177   main <- paste0(main, "\nGMRs (", paste(sprintf("%.4f", mue), collapse=" "), ")")
178   if (length(unique(n.group)) == 1) {
179     main <- paste0(main, ", pooled ", sprintf("%.4f", GMR.w))
180     if (isTRUE(all.equal(CV[1], CV[2]))) {
181       main <- paste0(main, "\nCV of both groups ", paste0(sprintf("%.4f", CV[1]), "\n"))
182     } else {
183       main <- paste0(main, "\nCVs (", paste(sprintf("%.4f", CV), collapse=" "), ")")
184       main <- paste0(main, sprintf(", weighted %.4f", CV.w))
185     }
186   } else {
187     main <- paste0(main, ", weighted ", sprintf("%.4f", GMR.w))
188     if (isTRUE(all.equal(CV[1], CV[2]))) {
189       main <- paste0(main, "\nCV of both groups ", paste0(sprintf("%.4f", CV[1]), "\n"))
190     } else {
191       main <- paste0(main, "\nCVs (", paste(sprintf("%.4f", CV), collapse=" "), ")")
192       main <- paste0(main, sprintf(", weighted %.4f", CV.w))
193     }
194   }
195 }
196 if (ks$p.value == 0) {
197   sub <- paste0(ks$method, sprintf(": p <%.2g", .Machine$double.eps))
198 } else {
199   sub <- paste0(ks$method, sprintf(": p %.4f", ks$p.value))
200 }
201 #####
202 # Plot #
203 #####
204 dev.new(width = 4.6, height = 4.6)
205 op <- par(no.readonly = TRUE) # save defaults
206 par(pty = "s", font.main = 1, cex.main = 0.9, cex.lab = 1, cex.axis = 0.8, cex.sub = 0.9,
207     xaxs = "i", yaxs = "i", las = 1)
208 plot(x = c(0, 1), y = c(0, 1), type = "n", axes = FALSE, main = main, sub = sub,
209      xlab = "uniform {0, 1} quantiles", ylab = expression(italic(p(G%T))))
210 axis(1)
211 axis(1, at = seq(0, 1, 0.05), tcl = -0.25, labels = FALSE)
212 axis(2)
213 axis(2, at = seq(0, 1, 0.05), tcl = -0.25, labels = FALSE)
214 grid()
215 abline(a = 0, b = 1, col="lightgray") # unity line
216 abline(h = level, lty = 2) # at the level of the GxT test
217 points(unif$x[unif$y < level], unif$y[unif$y < level], col = "red", pch = 19, cex = 0.05)
218 points(unif$x[unif$y >= level], unif$y[unif$y >= level], col = "blue", pch = 19, cex = 0.05)
219 x <- max(unif$x[unif$y < level])
220 y <- max(unif$y[unif$y < level])
221 lines(x = rep(x, 2), y = c(-0.05, level), col = "red")
222 axis(1, at = x, tcl = -0.25, labels = FALSE, col.ticks = "red")
223 mtext(sprintf("%.4f", sig / nsims), side = 1, line = 0.1, at = sig / nsims, cex = 0.8)
224 box()
225 par(op) # restore defaults
226 #####
227 # Aggregate results #
228 #####
229 bin.level <- binom.test(0.05 * nsims, nsims, alternative = "less")$conf.int[2]
230 sumry <- summary(p.GxT)
231 if (details) cat("Runtime for", formatC(nsims, format = "d", big.mark = ","),
232                "simulations:", rt, "minutes\n")
233 if (print) {
234   txt <- paste0("p(G\u00D7T) <", level, sprintf(" in %4g% of ", 100 * sig.pGxT),
235                formatC(nsims, format = "d", big.mark = ","),
236                " simulated studies.")
237   if (length(unique(mue)) == 1) {
238     txt <- paste0(txt, "\nG\u00D7T correctly not detected",
239                  sprintf(" in %.3g% of cases", 100 * (1 - sig.pGxT)))
240   } else {
241     txt <- paste0(txt, "\nG\u00D7T falsely not detected",
242                  sprintf(" in %.3g% of cases", 100 * (1 - sig.pGxT)))
243   }
244   if (sig.pGxT > bin.level) {
245     txt <- paste0(txt, "\nBinomial test significant at the 0.05 level.")
246   } else {
247     txt <- paste0(txt, "\nBinomial test not significant at the 0.05 level.")
248   }
249   txt <- paste0(txt, "\nSummary of p(G\u00D7T):\n")
250   cat(txt)
251   print(round(sumry, 6))
252 }
253 eval <- data.frame(pGxT = sig.pGxT, limit = bin.level, binomial = "not significant")
254 if (sig.pGxT > bin.level) eval$binomial <- "significant"
255 res <- list(n = n.group, mue = mue, CV = CV, GMR.w = GMR.w, CV.w = CV.w, eval = eval,
256            summary = sumry, ks = ks, runtime = rt)
257 return(res)
258 } # EOF sim.GxT.cross()

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# Scenarios #
#####
CV <- 0.335 # for 1-9
# note: argument ratio in the function Cvp2CV() is the ratio of variances
# for a quick check set nsims = 1e3
# to show the results in full precision use print(x)

# 1. no GxT, equal group sizes, and GMRs
r <- 1 # equal variances of groups
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  mue = rep(1, 2))

# 2. no GxT, equal group sizes, and GMRs
r <- 1 / 1.5 # unequal variances of groups (CV1 < CV2)
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  mue = rep(1, 2))

# 3. no GxT, equal group sizes, and GMRs
r <- 1.5 # unequal variances of groups (CV1 > CV2)
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = 1.5), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  mue = rep(1, 2))

# 4. no GxT, unequal group sizes, equal GMRs
r <- 1 # equal variances of groups
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  split = c(1 - 10 / 48, 10 / 48), mue = rep(1, 2))

# 5. true GxT, equal groups sizes, GMR2 = 1 / GMR1
r <- 1 # equal variances of groups
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  mue = c(0.95, 1 / 0.95))

# 6. true GxT, equal groups sizes, GMR2 = 1 / GMR1
r <- 1 / 1.5 # unequal variances of groups (CV1 < CV2)
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  mue = c(0.95, 1 / 0.95))

# 7. true GxT, equal groups sizes, GMR2 = 1 / GMR1
r <- 1.5 # heteroscedasticity (CV1 > CV2)
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = 1.5), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  mue = c(0.95, 1 / 0.95))

# 8. true GxT, unequal groups sizes, GMR1 ~ 1.0605, GMR2 = 0.80
r <- 1 # equal variances of groups
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  split = c(1 - 10 / 48, 10 / 48),
  mue = c(1.0604803726, 0.80))

# 9. true GxT, unequal groups sizes, GMR1 ~ 1.0605, GMR2 = 0.80
r <- 1 / 1.5 # unequal variances of groups (CV[1] < CV[2])
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  split = c(1 - 10 / 48, 10 / 48),
  mue = c(1.0604803726, 0.80))

# 10. true GxT, unequal groups sizes, GMR1 ~ 1.0605, GMR2 = 0.80
r <- 1.5 # unequal variances of groups (CV1 > CV2)
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 1, target = 0.90,
  split = c(1 - 10 / 48, 10 / 48),
  mue = c(1.0604803726, 0.80))

# large sample sizes
CV <- 0.3 # for 11-12

# 11. no GxT, equal group sizes, and GMRs
r <- 1 # equal variances of groups
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 0.90, target = 0.80,
  n = c(40, 40),
  mue = rep(0.90, 2))

# 12. true GxT, unequal groups sizes, GMR1 ~ 0.8290, GMR2 = 1.25
r <- 1.5 # unequal variances of groups (CV1 > CV2)
x <- sim.GxT.cross(CV = Cvp2CV(CV, ratio = r), theta0 = 0.90, target = 0.80,
  n = c(64, 16),
  mue = c(0.829040283289, 1.25))
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Simulations

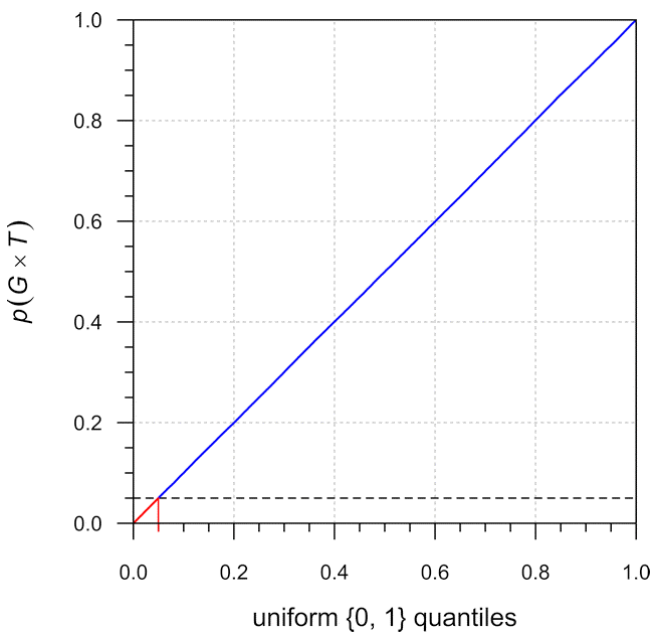


Fig. 1 Scenario 1: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), homoscedasticity ($CV_w=33.5\%$), no true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=GMR_2=1.0$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.04967$ (≤ 0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})=0.7563$
 $G \times T$ correctly not detected in 95.0% of cases

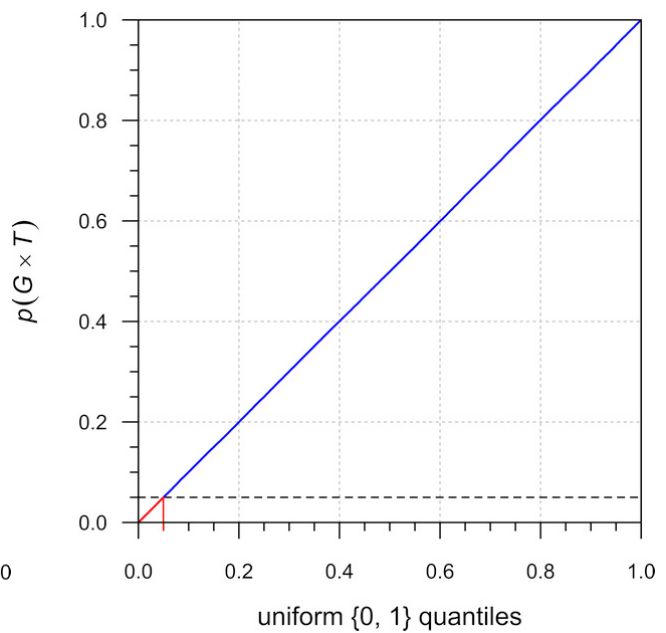


Fig. 2 Scenario 2: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=29.8\%$, 36.9%), no true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=GMR_2=1.0$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.04971$ (≤ 0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})=0.8944$
 $G \times T$ correctly not detected in 95.0% of cases

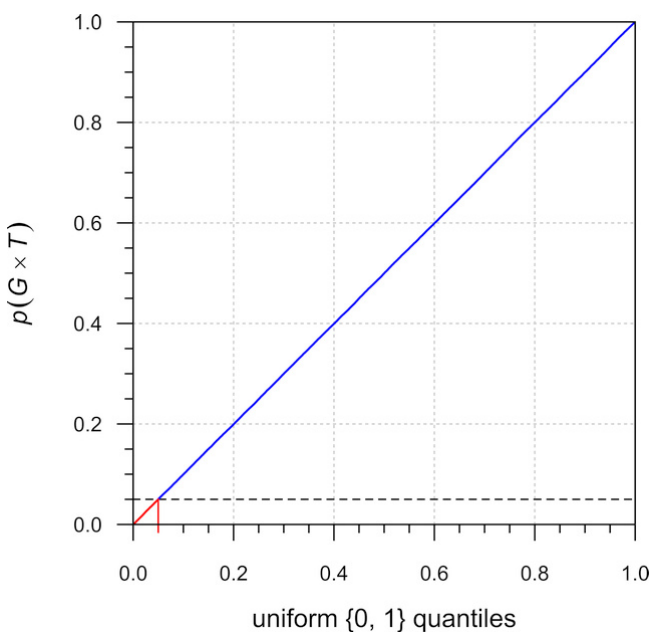


Fig. 3 Scenario 3: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=36.9\%$, 29.8%), no true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=GMR_2=1.0$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.04994$ (≤ 0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})=0.9273$
 $G \times T$ correctly not detected in 95.1% of cases

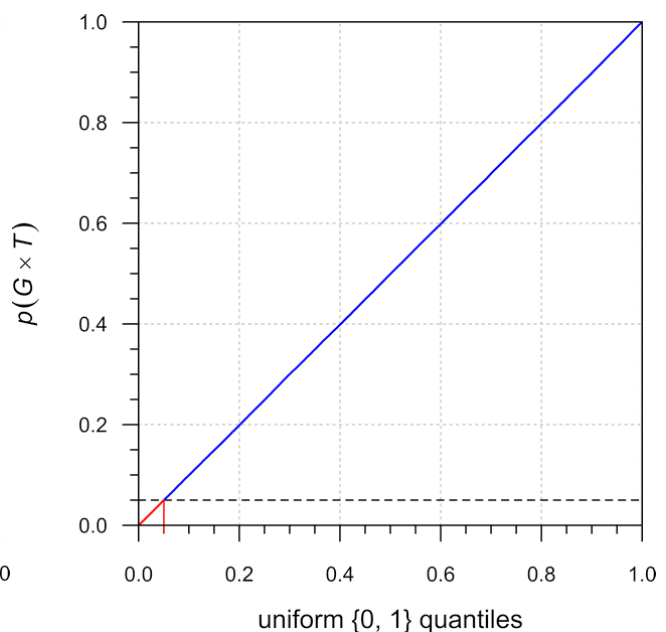


Fig. 4 Scenario 4: unequal group sizes ($n_1=38$, $n_2=10$), homoscedasticity ($CV_w=33.5\%$), no true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=GMR_2=1.0$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.05020$ (≤ 0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})=0.5844$
 $G \times T$ correctly not detected in 95.0% of cases

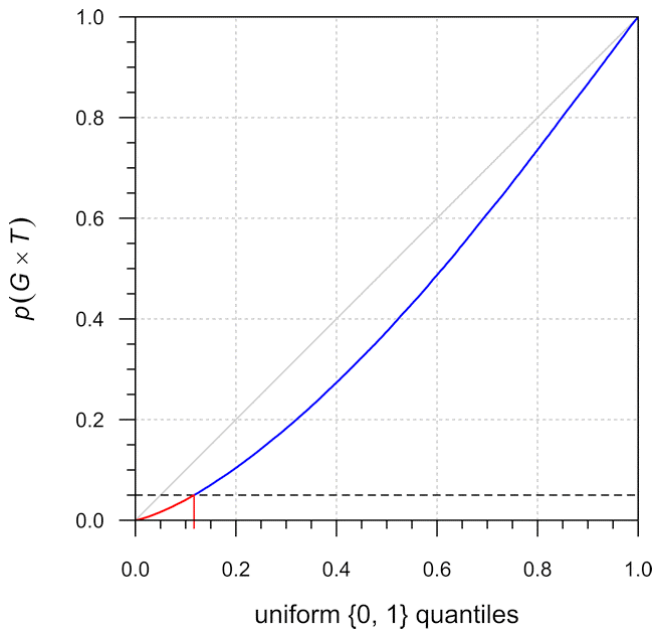


Fig. 5 Scenario 5: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), homoscedasticity ($CV_w=33.5\%$), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=0.95$, $GMR_2=1.056$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.1166$ (>0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})<2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 88.3% of cases

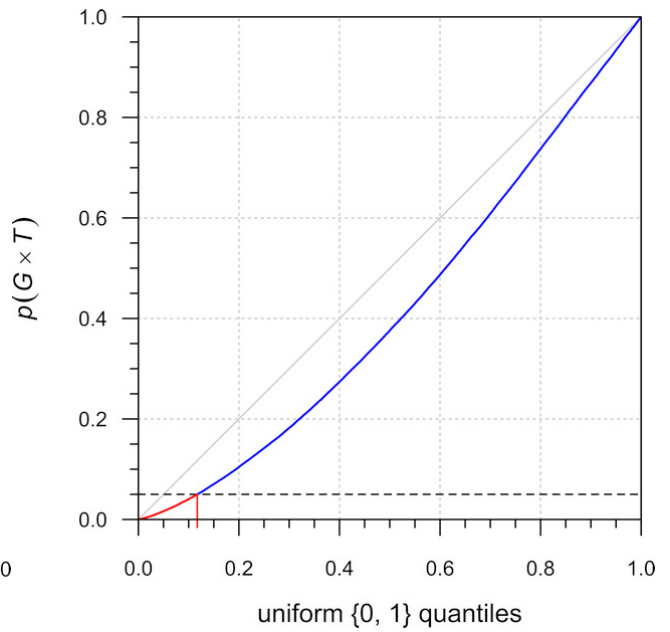


Fig. 6 Scenario 6: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=29.8\%$, 36.9%), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=1.056$, $GMR_2=0.95$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.1170$ (>0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})<2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 88.3% of cases

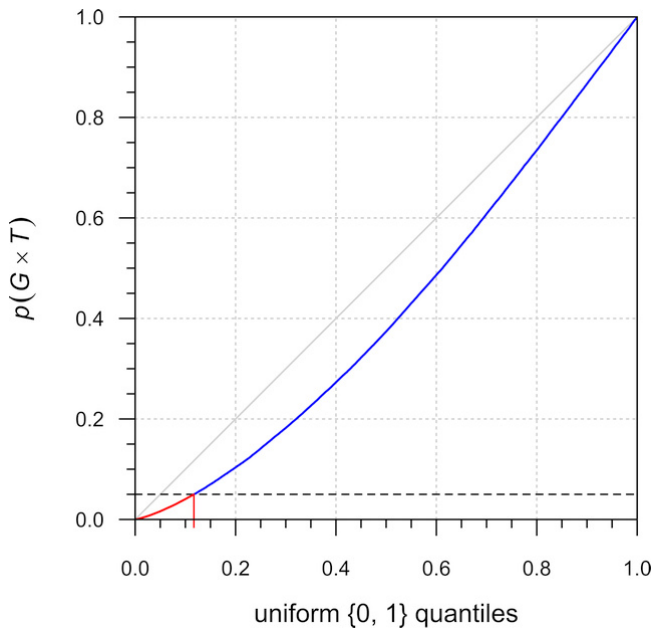


Fig. 7 Scenario 7: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=36.9\%$, 29.8%), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=0.95$, $GMR_2=1.056$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.1169$ (>0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})<2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 88.3% of cases

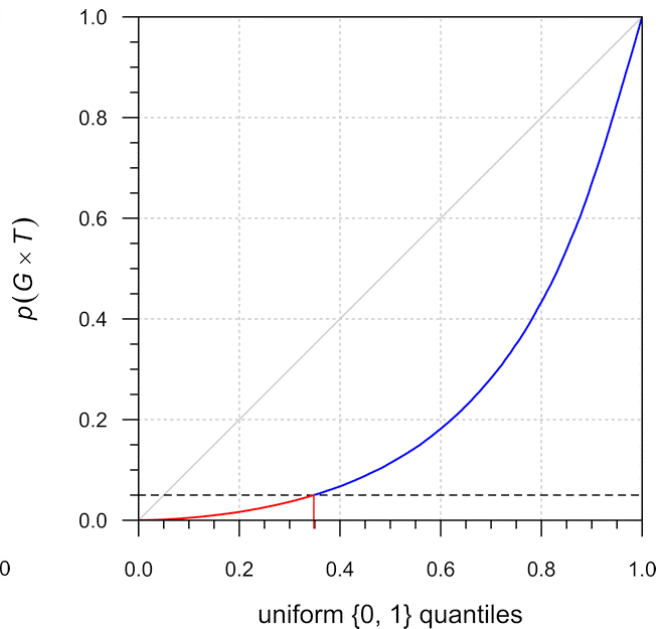


Fig. 8 Scenario 8: unequal group sizes ($n_1=38$, $n_2=10$), homoscedasticity ($CV_w=33.5\%$), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=1.0605$, $GMR_2=0.80$)
 $p(G \times T)=0.3480$ (>0.0511), $p(\text{unif.})<2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 65.2% of cases

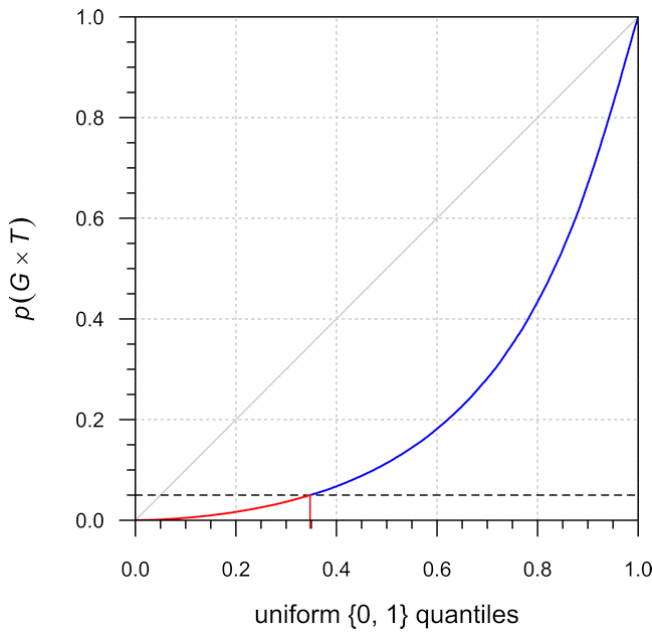


Fig. 9 Scenario 9: unequal group sizes ($n_1=38, n_2=10$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=29.8\%, 36.9\%$), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=1.0605, GMR_2=0.80$)
 $p(G \times T) = 0.4020 (>0.0511)$, $p(\text{unif.}) < 2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 59.8% of cases

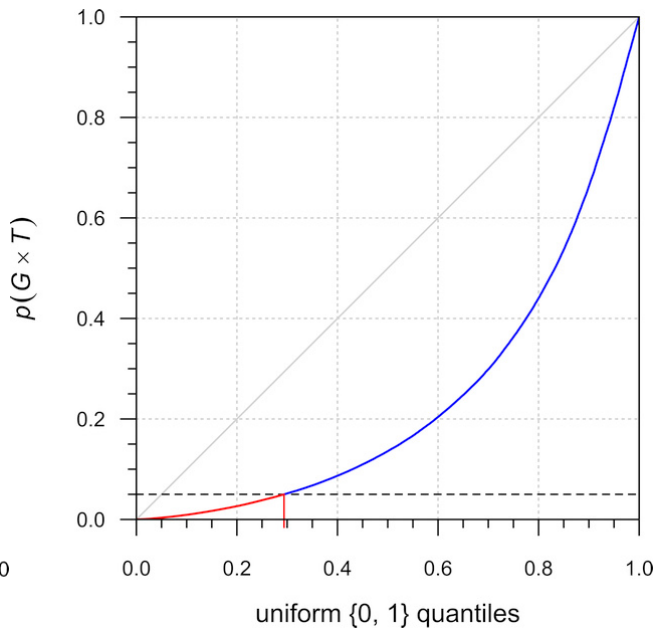


Fig. 10 Scenario 10: unequal group sizes ($n_1=38, n_2=10$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=36.9\%, 29.8\%$), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=1.0605, GMR_2=0.80$)
 $p(G \times T) = 0.2938 (>0.0511)$, $p(\text{unif.}) < 2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 70.6% of cases

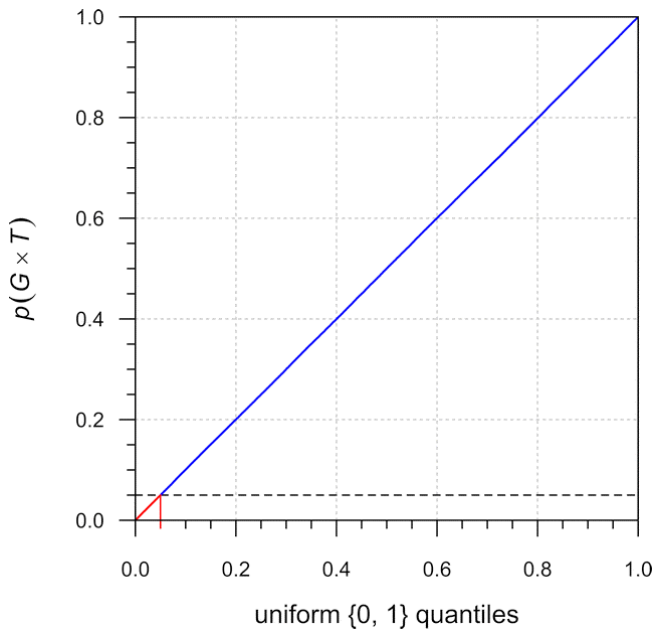


Fig. 11 Scenario 11: equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=40$), homoscedasticity ($CV_w=30.0\%$), no true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=GMR_2=0.90$)
 $p(G \times T) = 0.04991 (\leq 0.0511)$, $p(\text{unif.}) = 0.7330$
 $G \times T$ correctly not detected in 95.0% of cases

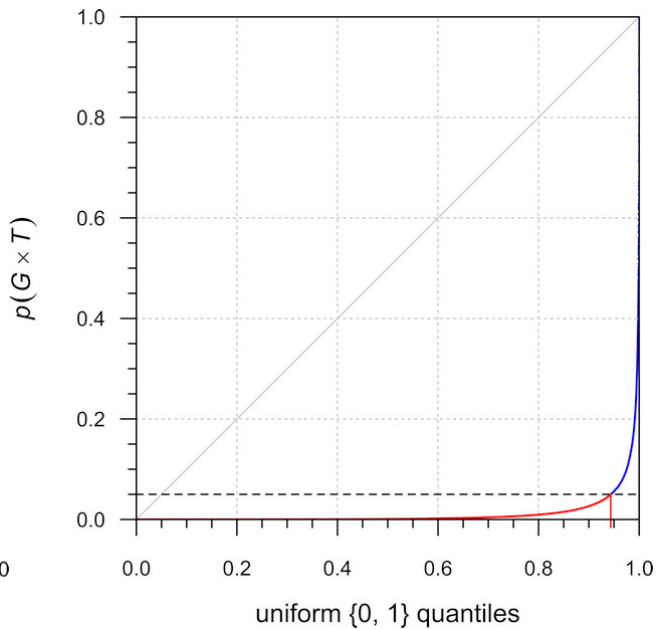


Fig. 12 Scenario 12: unequal group sizes ($n_1=64, n_2=16$), heteroscedasticity ($CV_w=33.0\%, 26.7\%$), true Group-by-Treatment interaction ($GMR_1=0.8290, GMR_2=1.25$)
 $p(G \times T) = 0.9435 (>0.0511)$, $p(\text{unif.}) < 2.2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
 $G \times T$ falsely not detected in 5.65% of cases

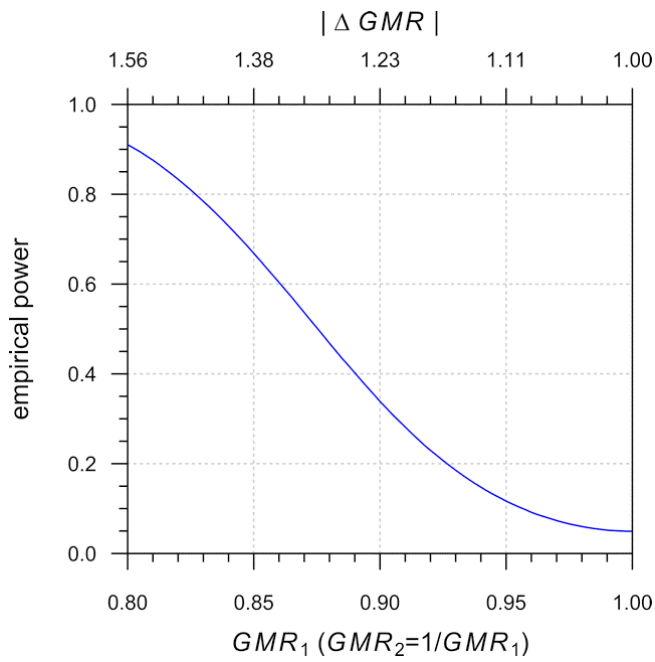


Fig. 13 Equal group sizes ($n_1=n_2=24$), homoscedasticity ($CV_w=33.5\%$)

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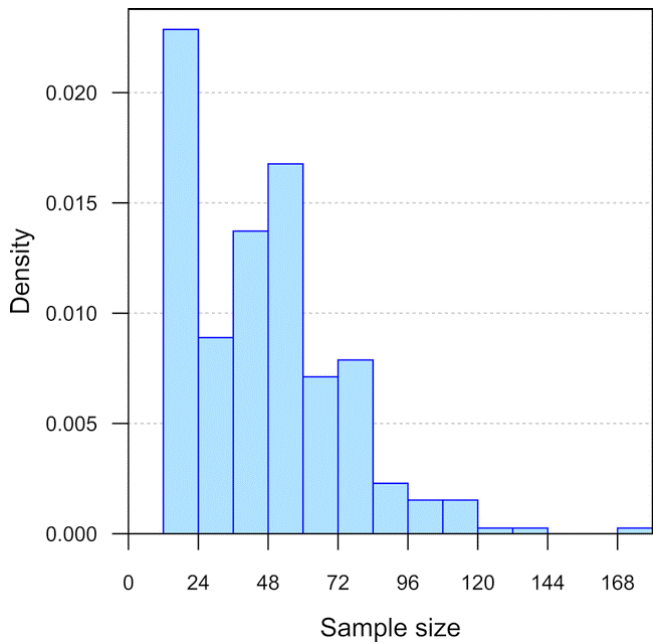


Fig. 14 AUC ($n=328$)

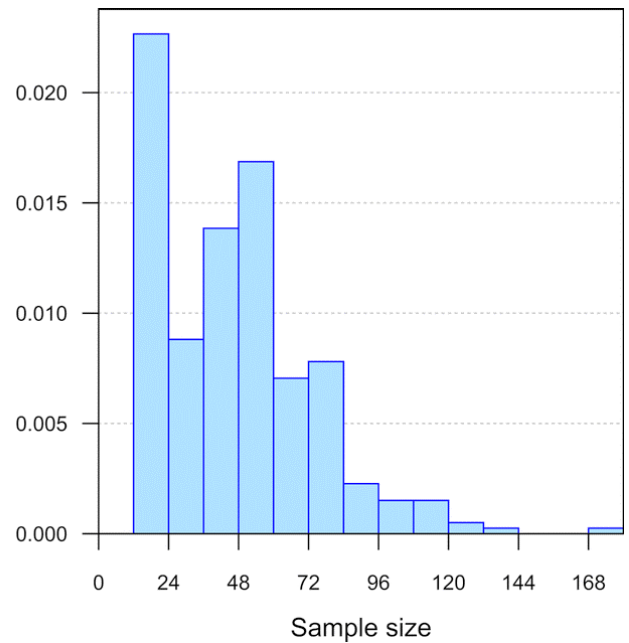


Fig. 15 C_{\max} ($n=331$)

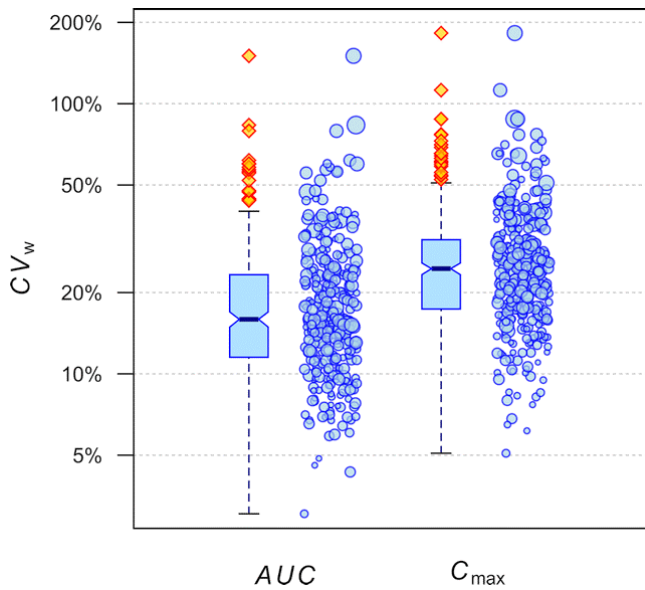


Fig. 16 Within-subject Coefficient of Variation.

Box plots: The lower edge of the box represents the 1st quartile, its the upper edge the 3rd quartile) and the line within the lower and the upper edges indicate the median. The distance from the lower edge to the upper edge of the box represents the interquartile range (IQR). Whiskers are drawn above the 1st quartile to the largest data value that is \leq to the value that is $1.5 \times$ IQR above the 3rd quartile and below the 1st quartile to the smallest data value that is \leq to the value that is $1.5 \times$ IQR below the 3rd quartile percentile. Any data value larger than that is marked as a moderate outlier (yellow diamonds).

Jitter plots: Study values are plotted as filled circles next to the boxes and shifted randomly preventing overlap; the size of circles indicate the sample size.

The median CV of AUC was 15.9% (3.03 – 150%) and the median CV of C_{\max} was 24.5% (5.08 – 183%). As usual, variabilities of the one-point pharmacokinetic metric C_{\max} were larger than the ones of the integrated PK metric AUC .

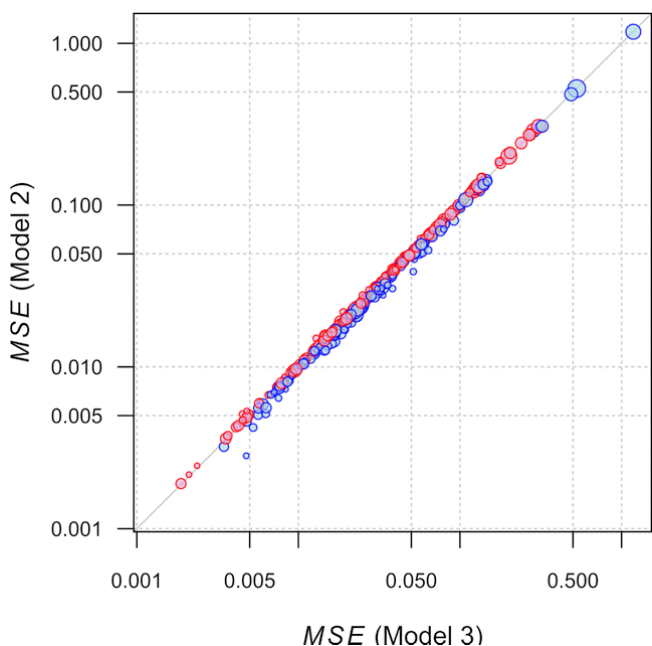


Fig. 17 Residual Mean Square Error by Models 3 (conventional) and 2 (with group terms); AUC .
 blue circles if $MSE(\text{Model } 2) \leq MSE(\text{Model } 3)$
 red circles if $MSE(\text{Model } 2) > MSE(\text{Model } 3)$

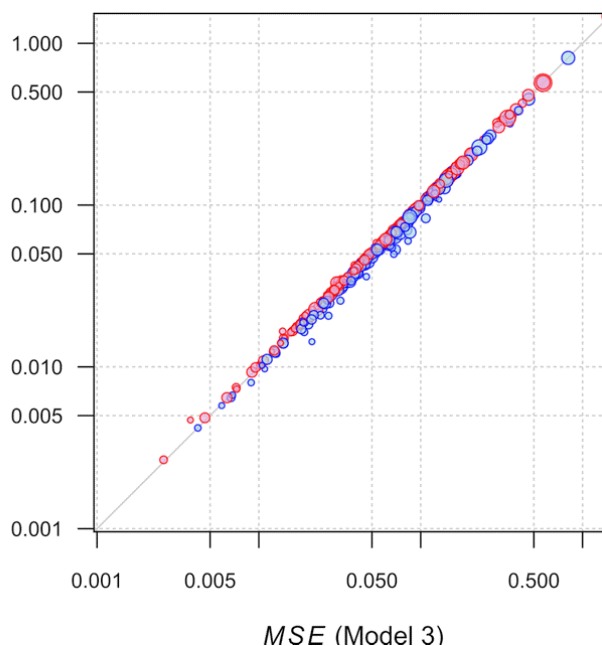


Fig. 18 Residual Mean Square Error by Models 3 (conventional) and 2 (with group terms); C_{\max} .
 blue circles if $MSE(\text{Model } 2) \leq MSE(\text{Model } 3)$
 red circles if $MSE(\text{Model } 2) > MSE(\text{Model } 3)$

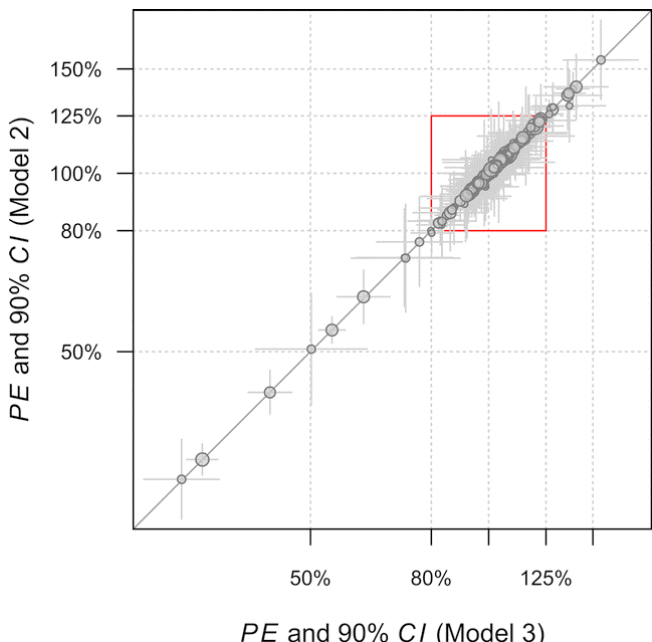


Fig. 19 Point Estimate and 90% Confidence Interval by Models 3 (conventional) and 2 (with group terms); AUC .
 Red square conventional BE limits (80–125%).
 Some studies food effect, drug-drug interaction, and dose proportionality. Hence, the extreme values.

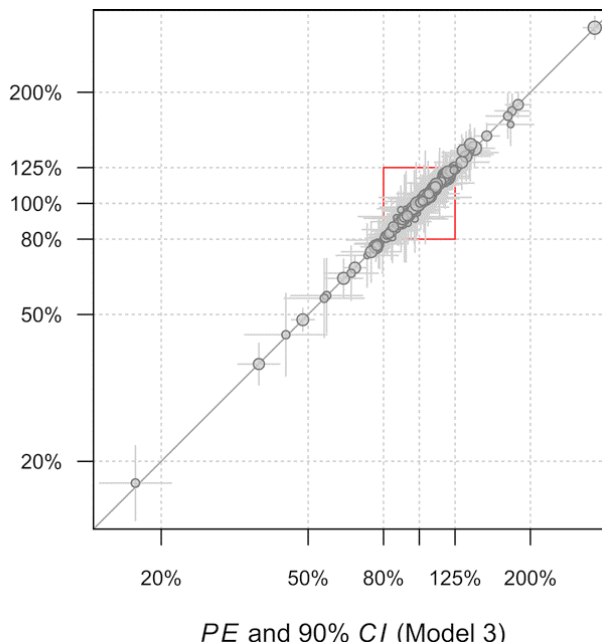


Fig. 20 Point Estimate and 90% Confidence Interval by Models 3 (conventional) and 2 (with group terms); C_{\max} .
 Red square conventional BE limits (80–125%).
 Some studies food effect, drug-drug interaction, and dose proportionality. Hence, the extreme values.

Study with the largest interval of 62 days separating two groups ($n_1=41, n_2=39$)

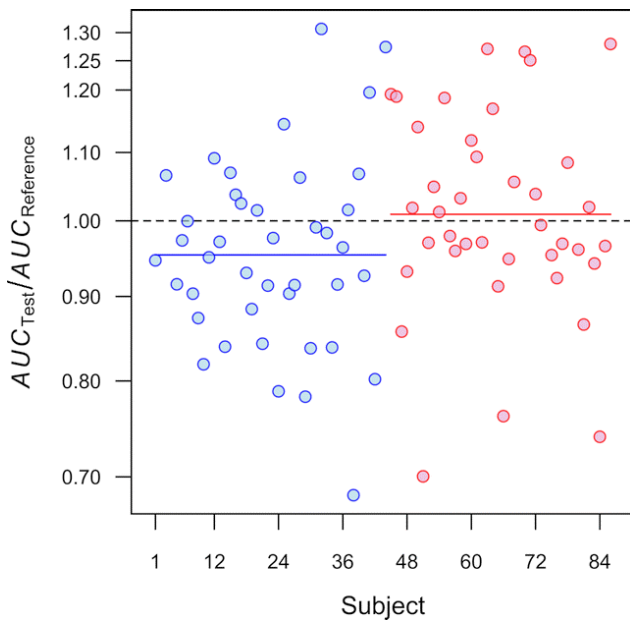


Fig. 21 Blue circles and horizontal lines group 1 ($\text{mean}_{\text{geom}}=0.9537$), red circles and horizontal lines group 2 ($\text{mean}_{\text{geom}}=1.0092$).
 Group 1: $PE= 95.31\%$ (90% CI 92.02– 98.72%)
 Group 2: $PE=101.13\%$ (90% CI 97.35–105.06%)
 Model 1: $p(G \times T)=0.05719, p(\text{unif.})=0.1144$
 Model 2: $PE= 98.10\%$ (90% CI 95.59–100.69%)
 Model 3: $PE= 98.10\%$ (90% CI 95.58–100.69%)

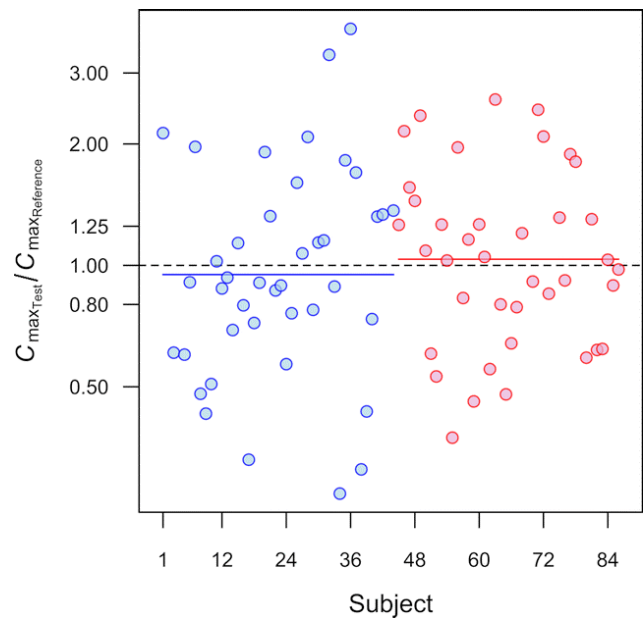


Fig. 22 Blue circles and horizontal lines group 1 ($\text{mean}_{\text{geom}}=0.9486$), red circles and horizontal lines group 2 ($\text{mean}_{\text{geom}}=1.0358$).
 Group 1: $PE= 94.57\%$ (90% CI 80.53–111.05%)
 Group 2: $PE=103.01\%$ (90% CI 89.82–118.14%)
 Model 1: $p(G \times T)=0.4990, p(\text{unif.})=0.9979$
 Model 2: $PE= 98.59\%$ (90% CI 88.82–109.44%)
 Model 3: $PE= 98.59\%$ (90% CI 88.88–109.37%)