



# New Modified Efficient Variance Estimators for the Estimation of Population Variance in Survey Sampling

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## **ABSTRACT**

For efficient and precise estimate of population variance, we have proposed some new ratio type variance estimators in the current research work by incorporating the linear combination of conventional and non-conventional parameters of auxiliary information. Bias and mean square error have been computed up to the first order of approximation. Numerical demonstration has been carried out to test the efficiency of new proposed estimators against existing estimators.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Population variance is one of the key indicators to provide the knowledge about the variations. As the variations occurs naturally almost in every field of science, even in our day-to-day life. To have the accuracy about the levels of these variations, we need precise and efficient estimators for the estimation of finite population variance. Especially when the estimates are being operated in terms of ratios, factors like the differences in ratios, skewness and presence of outliers cause biases in the estimation. As it is well known fact that accurate and precise estimates help us in decision making, cost savings as well as in policy making. Thus in order to have the reliable and precise estimates of population parameters, finding an efficient estimator is a common practice of authors to address the issue of precision. Using auxiliary data, Isaki (1983) introduced the ratio and regression estimator. Later, Kadilar & Cingi (2006a) proposed ratio type variance estimator by utilizing coefficient of skewness as supplementary information to enhance the efficiency of estimator. Similarly, A Class of estimators was also proposed by Subramani J. and Kumarapandiyam (2012) who have modified estimators using quartiles and quartile deviation as supplementary information to improve the efficiency of estimators. Similarly Bhat M. A et al., (2018) have used known values of auxiliary

information. Khan & Shabir . J (2013) has used quartiles as auxiliary information to enhance the efficiency of estimators. Prasad . B. and Singh H. P (1999) has introduced improved ratio type variance estimators. Yadav S.K. Sharama et al, have incorporated tri-mean and quartile as auxiliary information to minimize the bias.

Singh H.P Taylor et al., have used power transformation to enhance the efficiency of variance estimators. By employing the modification technique to achieve the goal of efficiency, we have developed some new efficient estimators for the estimation of population variance.

## 2. REVIEW OF ESTIMATORS IN LITERATURE

Let the finite population under survey be  $U = \{U_1, U_2, \dots, U_N\}$ , consists of N distinct and identifiable units. Let Y be a real variable with value  $Y_i$  measured on  $U_i, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$ , giving a vector  $Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N\}$ . The goal is to

estimate the populations mean  $\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i$  and

its variance  $S_y^2 = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2$  on the basis of random sample selected from a finite population 'U'.

$N =$  Population size ,

$n =$  sample size .

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{n}$$

$Y =$  Study Variable,

$X =$  Auxiliary Variable,

$\bar{X}, \bar{Y} =$  Population means for auxiliary and study variable ,

$\bar{x}, \bar{y} =$  Sample means for auxiliary and study variable ,

$S_y^2, S_x^2 =$  population Variances for study and auxiliary variable ,

$s_y^2, s_x^2 =$  Sample variances for study and auxiliary variable ,

$C_x, C_y =$  Coefficient of variations,

$\rho =$  Coefficient of Correlation between auxiliary and study variable ,

$\beta_{2(x)} =$  Coefficient of kurtosis for auxiliary variable ,

$\beta_{2(y)} =$  Coefficient of kurtosis for Study Variable

$HL =$  Hodg's - Lehmanne,  $MR =$  Mid - range for auxiliary variable

$$\lambda_{rs} = \frac{\mu_{rs}}{\frac{r}{\mu_{rs}^2} \frac{s}{\mu_{rs}^2}}, \mu_{rs} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^N (Y - \bar{Y})^r (X - \bar{X})^s$$

### 3. EXISTING ESTIMATORS FROM THE LITERATURE

Ratio type Variance estimator proposed by Isaki (Isaki, 1983):

$$\hat{S}_R^2 = s_y^2 \frac{S_x^2}{s_x^2}$$

$$\text{Bias} ((\hat{S}_R^2) = \gamma S_y^2 [(\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

$$\text{MSE} ((\hat{S}_R^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2(y)} - 1) + (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - 2(\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

Ratio type Variance estimator proposed by Upadhyaand Singh (1999):

$$\hat{S}_{US}^2 = s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + \beta_{2x}}{s_x^2 + \beta_{2x}} \right]$$

$$\text{Bias} ((\hat{S}_{US}^2) = \gamma S_y^2 A_{US} [A_{US} (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

$$\text{MSE} ((\hat{S}_{US}^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2(y)} - 1) + A_{US}^2 (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - 2A_{US} (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

Ratio type Variance estimator proposed by Kadilar and Cingi(2006a):

$$\hat{S}_{kc1}^2 = s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + C_x}{s_x^2 + C_x} \right]$$

$$\text{Bias} ((\hat{S}_{kc1}^2) = \gamma S_y^2 A_1 [A_1 (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

$$\text{MSE} ((\hat{S}_{kc1}^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2(y)} - 1) + A_1^2 (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - 2A_1 (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

Ratio type Variance estimator proposed by Subramani and Kumarapandiyan(2012):

$$\hat{S}_{kc1}^2 = s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + Q_d}{s_x^2 + Q_d} \right]$$

$$\text{Bias} ((\hat{S}_{kc1}^2) = \gamma S_y^2 A_1 [A_1 (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

$$\text{MSE} ((\hat{S}_{kc1}^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2(y)} - 1) + A_1^2 (\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - 2A_1 (\lambda_{22} - 1)]$$

**4. PROPOSED ESTIMATORS: WE HAVE DERIVED HERE THE BIAS AND MEAN SQUARE ERROR OF THE PROPOSED ESTIMATOR  $\hat{S}_{MSi}^2$ ;  $i = 1, 2$  TO FIRST ORDER OF APPROXIMATION AS GIVEN BELOW:**

$$1. \hat{S}_{MS_1}^2 = s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + MR + \left\{ \frac{S_x + C_x}{\beta_{1x}} \right\}}{s_x^2 + MR + \left\{ \frac{S_x + C_x}{\beta_{1x}} \right\}} \right]$$

$$2. \hat{S}_{MS_1}^2 = s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + MR + \left\{ \frac{S_x + \beta_{2x}}{\beta_{1x}} \right\}}{s_x^2 + MR + \left\{ \frac{S_x + \beta_{2x}}{\beta_{1x}} \right\}} \right]$$

$$3. \hat{S}_{MS1}^2 = s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + MR + \left\{ \frac{S_x + HL}{\beta_{1x}} \right\}}{s_x^2 + MR + \left\{ \frac{S_x + HL}{\beta_{1x}} \right\}} \right]$$

Let  $e_0 = \frac{s_y^2 - S_y^2}{S_y^2}$  and  $e_1 = \frac{s_x^2 - S_x^2}{S_x^2}$ . Further we can write  $s_y^2 = S_y^2(1 + e_0)$  and  $s_x^2 = S_x^2(1 + e_1)$  and from the definition of  $e_0$  and  $e_1$  we obtain:

$$E[e_0] = E[e_1] = 0, \quad E[e_0^2] = \frac{1-f}{n}(\beta_{2(y)} - 1), \quad E[e_1^2] = \frac{1-f}{n}(\beta_{2(x)} - 1), \quad E[e_0e_1] = \frac{1-f}{n}(\lambda_{21} - 1)$$

The proposed estimator  $\hat{S}_{MSi}^2$ ;  $i = 1, 2, 3$  is given below:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S}_{MSi}^2 &= s_y^2 \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + \alpha a_i}{s_x^2 + \alpha a_i} \right] \\ \Rightarrow \hat{S}_{MSi}^2 &= s_y^2(1 + e_0) \left[ \frac{S_x^2 + \alpha a_i}{s_x^2 + e_1 S_x^2 + \alpha a_i} \right] \Rightarrow \hat{S}_{MSi}^2 = \frac{S_y^2(1 + e_0)}{(1 + A_{MSi}e_1)} \text{ Where } A_{MSi} = \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2 + \alpha a_i}, \\ a_i &= \left[ \left( \frac{S_x + C_x}{\beta_{1x}} \right) \right], \left[ \left( \frac{S_x + \beta_{2x}}{\beta_{1x}} \right) \right], \left[ \left( \frac{S_x + HL}{\beta_{1x}} \right) \right]; \quad i = 1, 2, 3 \\ \Rightarrow \hat{S}_{MSi}^2 &= S_y^2(1 + e_0)(1 + A_{MSi}e_1)^{-1} \\ \Rightarrow \hat{S}_{MSi}^2 &= S_y^2(1 + e_0)(1 - A_{MSi}e_1 + A_{MSi}^2e_1^2 - A_{MSi}^3e_1^3 + \dots) \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

Expanding and neglecting the terms more than 3<sup>rd</sup> order, we get

$$\hat{S}_{MSi}^2 = S_y^2 + S_y^2e_0 - S_y^2A_{MSi}e_1 - S_y^2A_{MSi}e_0e_1 + S_y^2A_{MSi}^2e_1^2 \tag{4.2}$$

$$\hat{S}_{MSi}^2 - S_y^2 = S_y^2e_0 - S_y^2A_{MSi}e_1 - S_y^2A_{MSi}e_0e_1 + S_y^2A_{MSi}^2e_1^2 \tag{4.3}$$

By taking expectation on both sides of (4.5), we get

$$E(\hat{S}_{MSi}^2 - S_y^2) = S_y^2E(e_0) - S_y^2A_{MSi}E(e_1) - S_y^2A_{MSi}E(e_0e_1) + S_y^2A_{MSi}^2E(e_1^2) \tag{4.4}$$

$$Bias(\hat{S}_{MSi}^2) = S_y^2A_{MSi}^2E(e_1^2) - S_y^2A_{MSi}E(e_0e_1) \tag{4.5}$$

$$Bias(\hat{S}_{MSi}^2) = \gamma S_y^2A_{MSi} [A_{MSi}(\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \tag{4.6}$$

Squaring both sides of (4.6) and neglecting the terms more than 2<sup>nd</sup> order and taking expectation, we get

$$E(\hat{S}_{MSi}^2 - S_y^2)^2 = S_y^4E(e_0^2) + S_y^4A_{MSi}^2E(e_1^2) - 2S_y^4A_{MSi}E(e_0e_1) \tag{4.7}$$

$$MSE(\hat{S}_{MSi}^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2(y)} - 1) + A_{MSi}^2(\beta_{2(x)} - 1) - 2A_{MSi}(\lambda_{21} - 1)] \tag{4.8}$$

## 5. EFFICIENCY CONDITIONS

Here, we have derived the efficiency conditions of proposed estimators with other existing estimators under which proposed estimators have performed better than the existing estimators.

The bias and mean square error of existing ratio type estimators up to the first order of approximation is given by

$$Bias(\hat{S}_K^2) = \gamma S_y^2 \varphi_K [\varphi_K (\beta_{2x} - 1) - (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \quad (5.1)$$

$$MSE(\hat{S}_K^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2y} - 1) + \varphi_K^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_K (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \quad (5.2)$$

$\varphi_K = \text{Existing constant}$

$K = 1, 2, 3, 4, \dots$

Bias, MSE and constant of proposed estimators is given by

$$Bias(\hat{S}_P^2) = \gamma S_y^2 \varphi_P [\varphi_P (\beta_{2x} - 1) - (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \quad (5.3)$$

$$MSE(\hat{S}_P^2) = \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2y} - 1) + \varphi_P^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_P (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \quad (5.4)$$

$\varphi_P = \text{proposed constant}$

$P = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

From Equation (5.2) and (5.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} MSE(\hat{S}_P^2) &\leq MSE(\hat{S}_K^2) \text{ if } \lambda_{21} \geq 1 + \frac{(\varphi_P + \varphi_K)(\beta_{2x} - 1)}{2} \\ MSE(\hat{S}_P^2) &\leq MSE(\hat{S}_K^2) \\ \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2y} - 1) + \varphi_P^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_P (\lambda_{21} - 1)] &\leq \gamma S_y^4 [(\beta_{2y} - 1) + \varphi_K^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_K (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \\ \Rightarrow [(\beta_{2y} - 1) + \varphi_P^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_P (\lambda_{21} - 1)] &\leq [(\beta_{2y} - 1) + \varphi_K^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_K (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \\ \Rightarrow [\varphi_P^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_P (\lambda_{21} - 1)] &\leq [\varphi_K^2 (\beta_{2x} - 1) - 2\varphi_K (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \\ \Rightarrow (\beta_{2x} - 1)(\varphi_P^2 - \varphi_K^2) [-2\varphi_P (\lambda_{21} - 1)] &\leq [-2\varphi_K (\lambda_{21} - 1)] \\ \Rightarrow (\beta_{2x} - 1)(R_P^2 - R_K^2) [-2(\lambda_{21} - 1)(\varphi_P - \varphi_K)] &\leq 0 \\ \Rightarrow (\beta_{2x} - 1)(\varphi_P^2 - \varphi_K^2) &\leq [2(\lambda_{21} - 1)(\varphi_P - \varphi_K)] \\ \Rightarrow (\beta_{2x} - 1) &\leq \frac{2(\lambda_{21} - 1)(\varphi_P - \varphi_K)}{(\varphi_P^2 - \varphi_K^2)} \\ \Rightarrow (\beta_{2x} - 1) &\leq \frac{2(\lambda_{21} - 1)(\varphi_P - \varphi_K)}{(\varphi_P - \varphi_K)(\varphi_P + \varphi_K)} \\ \Rightarrow (\beta_{2x} - 1)(\varphi_P + \varphi_K) &\leq 2(\lambda_{21} - 1) \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

By solving equation (5.5), we get

$$MSE(\hat{S}_P^2) \leq MSE(\hat{S}_K^2) \text{ if } \lambda_{21} \geq 1 + \frac{(\varphi_P + \varphi_K)(\beta_{2x} - 1)}{2}$$

## 6. NUMERICAL ILLUSTRATION

We use the data set of Bhat et al., (2018, page228) in which fixed capital is denoted by X (auxiliary variable) and output of 80 factories is denoted by Y (study variable). The Population parameters are given below

$$N = 80, n = 20, \rho = 0.9413, \bar{X} = 11.2646, \bar{Y} = 51.8264, S_y = 18.3549, S_x = 8.4563, C_x = 0.7507$$

$$C_y = 0.3542, \beta_{1x} = 1.05, \beta_{2x} = 2.8664, \beta_{2y} = 2.2667, Q_1 = 5.1500, Q_2 = 7.5750, Q_3 = 16.975, Q_d = 5.9125,$$

$$Q_r = 11.825, Q_a = 11.0625, HL = 10.405, MR = 17,955, \lambda_{22} = 2.2209$$

**Table 1. Bias and mean square error of existing and proposed estimators**

Estimators	Population-1		PRE%
Existing Estimators	Bias	MSE	PRE%
Isaki (1983)	14.92	7705.22	285.30
Upadhyaya and Singh (1999)	13.50	6327.13	290.97
Kadilar and Cingi (2006)	14.79	7665.78	293.47
Subramani and Kumarapandiyan	12.41	6207.29	234.27
Proposed Estimators	Bias	MSE	238,93
Proposed Estimator-1	1.64248	2700.69	240.98
Proposed Estimator-2	1.27416	2648.04	283.84
Proposed Estimator-3	0.18925	2625.53	289.48

## 7. CONCLUSION

The new proposed efficient estimators modified by incorporating the linear combination of conventional and non-conventional parameters as auxiliary information have performed better than the existing estimators. The improvement can be easily accessed from the Table 1, by comparing the bias and MSE and PRE of existing and new modified estimators.

Hence new modified estimators may be preferred over existing estimators for use in practical applications.

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