

## Estimating Population Mean in Sample Surveys

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### ABSTRACT

The paper deals with a generalized estimator of population mean which includes several estimators as its particular cases. Under certain conditions, the proposed estimator is more efficient than existing estimators. Results are supported by numerical illustration.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Let  $y$  and  $x$  study and auxiliary variables, taking values  $(Y_i, X_i)$  on  $i$ th unit of a finite population  $U = (1, 2, \dots, N)$ . Further, let  $(\hat{Y}, \hat{X})$  be unbiased estimators of population means  $(\bar{Y}, \bar{X})$  of  $(y, x)$  respectively. If  $y$  and  $x$

$$\hat{Y}_\lambda = \hat{Y} + \hat{\beta}(\bar{X} - \hat{X}) \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\hat{\beta}$  is sample estimate of  $\beta = \text{Cov}(\hat{Y}, \hat{X}) / V(\hat{X})$  [Sarndal et al. (1992)].

Das and Tripathi (1980) and Das (1988) considered

$$e_0 = \alpha_1 \hat{Y} + \alpha_2 (\bar{X} - \hat{X}), \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \neq 1 \quad (1.2)$$

$$e_1 = W \hat{Y}_\lambda \quad (1.3)$$

for improving  $\hat{Y}_\lambda$ . The minimum MSE of both estimators  $e_0$  and  $e_1$  is same, which is almost equal to MSE of  $\hat{Y}_\lambda$  for large samples [see also Rao (1991)]. Dubey (2003) re-studied the problem and suggested

$$e_2 = \psi_1 \hat{Y} + \psi_2 (\bar{X} - \hat{X}) + (1 - \psi_1) \bar{X} \quad (1.4)$$

which is considerably more efficient than all the above estimators if

are highly positively correlated and  $\bar{X}$  is known; then for estimating population mean  $\bar{Y}$  ratio estimator  $\hat{Y}_r = \hat{Y} \bar{X} / \hat{X}$  is used in practice while for negatively correlated variables product estimator  $\hat{Y}_p = \hat{Y} \hat{X} / \bar{X}$  is suggested [Murthy (1964)]. Many attempts have been made in literature to improve such estimators. Srivastava (1967, 1971) proposed exponential type estimators of  $\bar{Y}$ . Reddy (1974) discussed a transformed estimator of  $\bar{Y}$  after making transformation on auxiliary variable  $x$ . Chakraborty (1968), Vos (1980), Adhvaryu and Gupta (1983), Chaubey, Singh and Dwivedi (1984) and others proposed several weighted estimators of  $\hat{Y}$ ,  $\hat{Y}_r$  and  $\hat{Y}_p$ . But all these estimators are equally efficient as linear regression estimator

$$\bar{X} < 2\bar{Y} \tag{1.5}$$

The condition (1.5) easily holds in practice if past data is used as auxiliary variable where lag period is not too long (e.g. y and x may be yields of a crop in two current years) or y may be income and x may be the expenditure (or tax paid) or y may be import and x the export in a developing country and so on.

$$e_3 = \hat{Y} + \phi_1 (\bar{X} - \hat{X}) + \phi_2 \{ \mu'_2(x) - \hat{\mu}'_2(x) \} \tag{1.6}$$

is more precise than  $\hat{Y}_\lambda$  whenever a quadratic type relationship between y and x exists. In section 2, we propose an estimator of  $\bar{Y}$  which is further more precise than all the above estimators.

Under the knowledge of second raw moment  $\mu'_2(x) = N^{-1} \sum_{i \in U} X_i^2$ ; Dubey(2006) found that the estimator

## II. PROPOSED ESTIMATOR AND ITS PROPERTIES

Let  $\hat{\mu}'_2(x)$  be unbiased estimator of  $\mu'_2(x)$  under any sampling design. We define classes of estimators of  $\bar{Y}$  as

$$\hat{Y}_g = \lambda_1 \hat{Y} + \lambda_2 (\bar{X} - \hat{X}) + \lambda_3 \{ \mu'_2(x) - \hat{\mu}'_2(x) \} + (1 - \lambda_1) \bar{X} \tag{2.1}$$

where  $\lambda_i, i = 1, 2, 3$  are suitably chosen constants.

For getting expressions of bias and mean square error of proposed estimator we use following notations:

$$V_{abc} = E[(\hat{Y} - \bar{Y})^a (\bar{X} - \bar{X})^b (\hat{\mu}'_2(x) - \mu'_2(x))^c]; (a, b, c) = 0, 1, 2$$

$$\phi = \frac{\bar{Y}}{\bar{X}}, C^2(\hat{Y}) = \frac{V_{200}}{\bar{Y}^2}, \beta_{1g}(x) = \frac{V_{011}^2}{V_{020}^3}, \beta_{2g}(x) = \frac{V_{002}}{V_{020}^2}, \gamma_{12g}(y, x) = \frac{V_{101}}{V_{020} \sqrt{V_{200}}},$$

$$\rho_g = \frac{V_{110}}{\sqrt{V_{020} V_{200}}},$$

$$\xi_{g^2}(y, x) = \frac{\{ \gamma_{12g}(y, x) - \rho_g \sqrt{\beta_{1g}(x)} \}^2}{\beta_{2g}(x) - \beta_{1g}(x)}.$$

The proposed estimator  $\hat{Y}_g$  has bias are

$$B(\hat{Y}_g) = (\lambda_1 - 1)(\bar{Y} - \bar{X}) \tag{2.2}$$

and MSE

$$M(\hat{Y}_g) = \lambda_1^2 V_{200} + \lambda_2^2 V_{020} + \lambda_3^2 V_{002} - 2\lambda_1 \lambda_2 V_{110} - 2\lambda_1 \lambda_3 V_{101} + 2\lambda_2 \lambda_3 V_{011} + (\lambda_1 - 1)^2 (\bar{Y} - \bar{X})^2 \tag{2.3}$$

The estimator  $\hat{Y}_g$  has minimum MSE, if values of  $\lambda_i$ ,  $i = 1,2,3$  are taken as

$$\lambda_{01} = \frac{(\bar{Y} - \bar{X})^2}{(\bar{Y} - \bar{X})^2 + V_{200} (1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))}, \tag{2.4}$$

$$\lambda_{02} = -\lambda_{01} B_{1g} \tag{2.5}$$

$$\lambda_{03} = -\lambda_{01} B_{2g} \tag{2.6}$$

where

$$B_{1g} = \frac{V_{002} V_{110} - V_{101} V_{011}}{V_{020} V_{002} - V_{011}^2} \tag{2.7}$$

$$B_{2g} = \frac{V_{020} V_{101} - V_{110} V_{011}}{V_{020} V_{002} - V_{011}^2} \tag{2.8}$$

Therefore, minimum MSE of  $\hat{Y}_g$  is given by

$$M_0(\hat{Y}_g) = \frac{V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))(1 - \phi)^2}{(1 - \phi)^2 + C^2(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))} \tag{2.9}$$

We note that for this situation (2.2) reduces to

$$B_0(\hat{Y}_g) = \frac{V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))(\bar{Y} - \bar{X})}{(\bar{Y} - \bar{X})^2 + V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))} \tag{2.10}$$

which is of order  $n^{-1}$ .

### III. EFFICIENCY COMPARISONS

For comparing efficiency of proposed estimator, we consider minimum MSE attained by the above estimators as under

$$V(\hat{Y}_\lambda) = V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2) \tag{3.1}$$

$$M_0(e_1) = \frac{V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2)}{1 + C^2(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2)} \tag{3.2}$$

$$M_0(e_2) = \frac{V(\hat{Y}) (1 - \rho_g^2)(1 - \phi)^2}{(1 - \phi)^2 + C^2(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2)} \tag{3.3}$$

$$M_0(e_3) = V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x)) \tag{3.4}$$

Again, one may consider Searls (1964) type estimator

$$e_4 = \lambda_1 \hat{Y} + \lambda_2 (\bar{X} - \hat{X}) + \lambda_3 \{ \mu_2'(x) - \hat{\mu}_2'(x) \} \tag{3.5}$$

with minimum MSE

$$M_0(e_4) = \frac{V(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))}{1 + C^2(\hat{Y})(1 - \rho_g^2 - \xi_g^2(y, x))} \tag{3.6}$$

Now, it can be seen that

$$V(\hat{Y}_\lambda) - M_0(\hat{Y}_g) = V_{200} \left[ \frac{(1 - \phi)^2 \xi_g^2(y, x) + \bar{Y}^2 M_0(e_3)}{(1 - \phi)^2 + \bar{Y}^2 M_0(e_3)} \right] > 0 \tag{3.7}$$

$$M_0(e_2) - M_0(\hat{Y}_g) = \frac{V_{200} (1 - \phi)^4 \eta_g^2(y, x)}{[ (1 - \phi)^2 + \bar{Y}^2 V(\hat{Y}_{rg}) ] [ (1 - \phi)^2 + \bar{Y}^2 M_0(e_3) ]} > 0 \tag{3.8}$$

$$M_0(e_3) - M_0(\hat{Y}_g) = \frac{M_0^2(e_3)}{(1 - \phi)^2 + M_0(e_3)} > 0 \tag{3.9}$$

Again, if condition (1.5) is satisfied

$$M_0(e_1) - M_0(\hat{Y}_g) = \frac{G^2 \bar{Y}^4 (1 - \phi)^2 V_{200} + \phi(2 - \phi) \bar{Y}^2 M(\hat{Y}_{rg}) M_0(e_3)}{[ (1 - \phi)^2 + M_0(e_3) ] [ \bar{Y}^2 + M(\hat{Y}_{rg}) ]} > 0 \tag{3.10}$$

$$M_0(e_4) - M_0(\hat{Y}_g) = \frac{M_0^2(e_3) \phi(\phi - 2)}{[ \bar{Y}^2 + M_0(e_3) ] [ (1 - \phi)^2 + M_0(e_3) ]} > 0 \tag{3.11}$$

Again comparing (2.7), (3.1) and (3.4), we have

$$M_0(\hat{Y}_g) < M_0(e_3) < M(\hat{Y}_\lambda) \tag{3.12}$$

while comparison of (2.7) with (3.3) reveals

$$M_0(\hat{Y}_g) < M_0(e_2) \tag{3.13}$$

If the condition (1.5) holds, we have from (2.7), (3.2) and (3.6) that

$$M_0(\hat{Y}_g) < M_0(e_4) < M_0(e_1) \tag{3.14}$$

Combining (3.12), (3.13) and (3.14); it is concluded that the proposed estimator is better than all existing estimators under condition (1.5).

#### IV. SAMPLE ESTIMATES OF $\lambda_{0i}$ , $i=1,2,3$

The value of  $\lambda_{01}$  in (2.4) may also be expressed as

$$\lambda_{01} = 1 - \frac{M_0(e_3)}{E(e_{3(opt.)} - \bar{X})^2} \tag{4.1}$$

where, 
$$e_{3(opt.)} = \hat{Y} + B_{1g} (\bar{X} - \hat{\bar{X}}) + B_{2g} \{ \mu'_2(x) - \hat{\mu}'_2(x) \} \tag{4.2}$$

Substituting optimum values of  $\lambda_i$  in (2.1), we find that  $\hat{Y}_g$  reduces to

$$\hat{Y}_{g(opt.)} = \lambda_{01} e_{3(opt.)} + (1 - \lambda_{01}) \bar{X} \tag{4.3}$$

Let  $\hat{B}_{1g}$ ,  $\hat{B}_{2g}$  and  $\hat{M}_0(e_3)$  be sample estimates of  $B_{1g}$ ,  $B_{2g}$  and  $M_0(e_3)$  which may easily

be obtained by replacing  $V_{abc}$  by its unbiased estimator

$\hat{V}_{abc}$  in (2.7), (2.8) and (3.4) respectively. Again, let

$$e^*_3 = \hat{Y} + \hat{B}_{1g} (\bar{X} - \hat{\bar{X}}) + \hat{B}_{2g} \{ \mu'_2(x) - \hat{\mu}'_2(x) \} \tag{4.4}$$

The estimate of  $\lambda_{01}$  is given by

$$\hat{\lambda}_{01} = 1 - \frac{\hat{M}_0(e_3)}{(e^*_3 - \bar{X})^2} \tag{4.5}$$

Thus using (4.3), the estimator of  $\bar{Y}$  is given by

$$\hat{Y}_g^* = \hat{\lambda}_{01} e^*_3 + (1 - \hat{\lambda}_{01}) \bar{X} \tag{4.6}$$

Writing 
$$\hat{\lambda}_{01} = \lambda_{01} + \lambda^*_{01} \tag{4.7}$$

with  $\lambda_{01}^* \leq O(n^{-3/2})$ .

we have 
$$\hat{Y}_g^* = \hat{Y}_{g(opt.)} + \lambda_{01}^* (e_3^* - \bar{X}) \tag{4.8}$$

The MSE of  $\hat{Y}_g^*$

$$M(\hat{Y}_g^*) = M(\hat{Y}_{g(opt.)}) + O(n^{-2}) \tag{4.9}$$

Therefore,  $\hat{Y}_g^*$  is equally efficient as

$\hat{Y}_{g(opt.)}$  upto first order of approximation.

$$\hat{Y} = \bar{y}, \quad \hat{X} = \bar{x} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\mu}'_2(x) = n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 = m'_2(x)$$

The estimators  $\hat{Y}_\lambda, e_1, e_2$  in SRSWOR were discussed by Hansen, Hurwitz and Madow (1946), Bedi and Hajela(1984), Dubey and Singh (2001) respectively. The quadratic type estimator  $e_3$  under SRSWOR was proposed by Dubey and Sharma (2003) where they have shown their

$$V_{abc} = \theta S_{abc}(y, x, x^2), \quad (a,b,c)=0,1,2 \tag{5a.1}$$

where 
$$S_{abc}(y, x, x^2) = (N-1)^{-1} \sum_{i \in U} (Y_i - \bar{Y})^a (X_i - \bar{X})^b (X_i^2 - \mu'_2(x))^c$$

For simplicity of presentation, we write

$$S_y^2 = S_{200}(y, x, x^2), \quad S_x^2 = S_{020}(y, x, x^2)$$

$$N\mu_{ab0}(y, x, x^2) = (N-1)S_{ab0}(y, x, x^2),$$

$$\mu_{200}(y, x, x^2) = \mu_2(y), \quad \mu_{0a0}(y, x, x^2) = \mu_a(x), \quad a=2,3,4$$

$$\beta_1(x) = \frac{\mu_3^2(x)}{\mu_2^3(x)}, \quad \beta_2(x) = \frac{\mu_4(x)}{\mu_2^2(x)}, \quad \gamma_{12}(y, x) = \frac{\mu_{12}(y, x)}{\mu_2(x)\sqrt{\mu_2(y)}}$$

## V. SPECIAL CASES

### 5a.1 Simple Random Sampling without Replacement

If units are selected by SRSWOR, we have

estimator to be more efficient than Srivastava and Jhaji (1981) classes of estimators which utilizes population mean and variance of auxiliary variable x.

Let  $\theta = n^{-1}(1-f)$ ,  $f = n/N$ , the dispersion terms are as follows :

$$\xi^2(y, x) = \frac{\{\gamma_{12}(y, x) - \rho\sqrt{\beta_1(x)}\}^2}{\beta_2(x) - \beta_1(x)}, \rho = \text{correlation coefficient between } y \text{ and } x$$

The minimum MSE of regression estimator  $\hat{Y}_\lambda$ ,

$e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4$  and proposed estimator  $\hat{Y}_g$  in SRSWOR

are correspondingly given by

$$V(\bar{y}_{lr}) = \theta S_y^2 (1 - \rho^2) \tag{5a.2}$$

$$M_0(e_{1(srs)}) = \frac{\theta S_y^2 (1 - \rho^2)}{1 + \theta C_y^2 (1 - \rho^2)} \tag{5a.3}$$

$$M_0(e_{2(srs)}) = \frac{\theta S_y^2 (1 - \rho^2)(1 - \phi)^2}{(1 - \phi)^2 + \theta C_y^2 (1 - \rho^2)} \tag{5a.4}$$

$$M_0(e_{3(srs)}) = \theta S_y^2 (1 - \rho^2 - \xi^2(y, x)) \tag{5a.5}$$

$$M_0(e_{4(srs)}) = \frac{\theta S_y^2 (1 - \rho^2 - \xi^2(y, x))}{1 + \theta C_y^2 (1 - \rho^2 - \xi^2(y, x))} \tag{5a.6}$$

$$M_0(\hat{Y}_{g(srs)}) = \frac{\theta S_y^2 (1 - \phi)^2 (1 - \rho^2 - \xi^2(y, x))}{(1 - \phi)^2 + \theta S_y^2 (1 - \rho^2 - \xi^2(y, x))} \tag{5a.7}$$

An unbiased estimate of  $S_{abc}(y, x, x^2)$

$$s_{abc}(y, x, x^2) = (n - 1)^{-1} \sum_{i \in S} (y_i - \bar{y})^a (x_i - \bar{x})^b (x_i^2 - m_2'(x))^c$$

Therefore sample estimates of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are respectively given by

$$b_1 = \frac{s_{yx} s_u^2 - s_{yu} s_{xu}}{s_x^2 s_u^2 - s_{xu}^2}$$

$$b_2 = \frac{s_{xu} s_x^2 - s_{yx} s_{yu}}{s_x^2 s_u^2 - s_{yu}^2}$$

Again, following Cochran (1977, pp 195 ) where estimate of  $S_y^2(1 - \rho_{yx}^2)$  is given as

$$v_{lr} = (n - 2)^{-1} \sum_{i \in s} \{y_i - \bar{y} - b(x_i - \bar{x})\}^2,$$

we consider estimate of  $S_y^2(1 - \rho^2 - G^2)$  as

$$\hat{V}(y, x) = (n - 2)^{-1} \sum_{i \in s} \{y_i - \bar{y} - b_1(x_i - \bar{x}) - b_2(x_i^2 - m_2'(x))\}^2$$

Therefore, estimating  $\lambda_{01R}$  by

$$\hat{\lambda}_{01R} = 1 - \frac{\hat{V}(y, x)}{(\bar{y}_k - \bar{X})^2} \tag{5a.8}$$

where  $\bar{y}_k = \bar{y} + b_1(\bar{X} - \bar{x}) + b_2(\mu_2'(x) - m_2'(x))$  (5a.9)

Thus optimum estimator of  $\bar{Y}$  in SRSWOR as

$$\bar{y}_{opt} = \hat{\lambda}_{01R} \bar{y}_k + (1 - \hat{\lambda}_{01R}) \bar{X} \tag{5a.10}$$

which has MSE (5a.7) upto first order of approximation.

**5a.2. Numerical Illustration**

Let us consider the population from Tripathi et al. (2002) which consists summarized data of 142 cities of India with population (number of persons) 1,00,000 and

above. Let  $x$  be census population in the year 1961 (in 00's) and  $y$  be census population in the year 1971 (in 00's). Values of the required population parameters are given below :

$$\bar{Y} = 4015.2183, \quad \bar{X} = 2900.3872, \quad S_y = 8564.546, \quad S_x = 6417.636,$$

$$\rho = 0.9948, \quad \beta_2(x) = 48.157, \quad \beta_1(x) = 35.2524, \quad \gamma_{12} = 6.1772.$$

Table-1 shows relative efficiencies of various estimators with respect to conventional estimator  $\bar{y}$ , defined by  $[V(\bar{y}) / M(\cdot)] \times 100$ .



Table 1

Estimator	Relative efficiency		
	n=20	n= 30	n= 50
$\bar{y}_{lr}$	9640.45	9640. 45	9640.45
$e_{1(srs)}$	9659.61	9652.41	9646.35
$e_{2(srs)}$	9893.98	9795.62	9715.41
$e_{3(srs)}$	12068.78	12048.32	12032.56
$e_{4(srs)}$	12087.94	12060.15	12038.36
$\hat{Y}_g(srs)$	21043.73	20886.32	20767.73

Table-1 shows that usual regression estimator  $\bar{y}_{lr}$  and Searls (1964) type estimator  $e_1$  are almost equally efficient. Similarly the quadratic type estimator  $e_3$  and its Searls type estimator  $e_4$  are almost equally efficient. The modified estimator  $e_2$  has its superiority over  $\bar{y}_{lr}$  and  $e_1$ . The suggested estimator  $\hat{Y}_g$  is most efficient than all the existing estimators.

**5b.1. Probability Proportional to Size Sampling with Replacement (PPSWR)**

Let  $p_i$  be the probability of selecting  $i^{th}$  unit from the population then in PPSWR sampling, the values of  $\hat{Y}$ ,  $\hat{X}$  and  $\hat{\mu}'_2(x)$  are correspondingly given by

$$\bar{y}_{pps} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{y_j}{nNp_j}, \quad \bar{x}_{pps} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{x_j}{nNp_j} \quad \text{and} \quad m'_2(x)_{pps} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{x_j^2}{nNp_j}$$

Thus regression estimator  $\hat{Y}_\lambda$ , modified estimators  $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4$  and proposed estimator  $\hat{Y}_g$  in PPSWR sampling are respectively as follows:

$$\bar{y}_{lr(pps)} = \bar{y}_{pps} + \beta_{pps}(\bar{X} - \bar{x}_{pps}) \tag{5b.1}$$

$$e_{1(pps)} = \lambda_0 p \bar{y}_{lr(pps)} \tag{5b.2}$$

$$e_{2(pps)} = \lambda_1 p \bar{y}_{pps} + \lambda_2 p (\bar{X} - \bar{x}_{pps}) + (1 - \lambda_1 p) \bar{X} \tag{5b.3}$$

$$e_{3(pps)} = \bar{y}_{pps} + \lambda_3 p (\bar{X} - \bar{x}_{pps}) + \lambda_4 p \{ \mu'_2(x) - m'_2(x)_{pps} \} \tag{5b.4}$$

$$e_4(pps) = \lambda_5 p e_3(pps) \tag{5b.5}$$

$$\bar{y}_g(pps) = \lambda_6 p \bar{y}_{pps} + \lambda_7 p (\bar{X} - \bar{x}_{pps}) + \lambda_8 p \{ \mu_2'(x) - m_2'(x)_{pps} \} + (1 - \lambda_6 p) \bar{X} \tag{5b.6}$$

where  $Cov(\bar{y}_{pps}, \bar{x}_{pps})/V(\bar{x}_{pps})$  and  $\lambda_{ip}$  ;  $i=1,2,\dots,8$  are constants. The estimator  $\bar{y}_{lr}(pps)$  was suggested by Tripathi (1969),  $e_1(pps)$  and  $e_2(pps)$  were discussed by Dubey(2003) while  $e_3(pps)$  has been illustrated by Dubey(2006). In PPSWR sampling, dispersion term

$$V_{abc} = n^{-1} \sigma_{abc}(pps)(y, x, x^2) , \quad (a,b,c)=0,1,2 \tag{5a.1}$$

where  $\sigma_{abc}(pps)(y, x, x^2) = \sum_{i \in U} \left( \frac{Y_i}{Np_i} - \bar{Y} \right)^a \left( \frac{X_i}{Np_i} - \bar{X} \right)^b \left( \frac{X_i^2}{Np_i} - \mu_2'(x) \right)^c .$

For simplicity of presentation, we write

$$\sigma_{yp}^2 = \sigma_{200}(pps)(y, x, x^2) , \quad \sigma_{xp}^2 = \sigma_{020}(pps)(y, x, x^2) ,$$

$$\sigma_{up}^2 = \sigma_{002}(pps)(y, x, x^2) , \quad \sigma_{yxp} = \sigma_{110}(pps)(y, x, x^2) ,$$

$$\sigma_{xup} = \sigma_{011}(pps)(y, x, x^2) .$$

Define  $\rho_p = \frac{\sigma_{yxp}}{\sigma_{yp}\sigma_{xp}} , \quad \beta_{1p}(x) = \frac{\sigma_{xup}^2}{\sigma_{xp}^3} , \quad \beta_{2p}(x) = \frac{\sigma_{up}^2}{\sigma_{xp}^4} ,$

$$\gamma_{12g}(y, x) = \frac{\sigma_{yup}}{\sigma_{xp}^2 \sigma_{yp}} , \quad \xi_p^2 = \frac{(\gamma_{12p}(y, x) - \rho_p \sqrt{\beta_{1p}(x)})^2}{\beta_{2p}(x) - \beta_{1p}(x)}$$

Therefore, minimum MSE of estimators  $\hat{\bar{Y}}_{rg} , e_1 , e_2 , e_3 , e_4$  and proposed estimator are respectively as follows

$$V(\bar{y}_{lr}(pps)) = \frac{\sigma_{yp}(1 - \rho_p^2)}{n} \tag{5b.7}$$

$$M_0(e_1(pps)) = \frac{\sigma_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2)}{n + C_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2)} \tag{5b.8}$$

$$M_0(e_2(pps)) = \frac{\sigma_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2)(1 - \phi)^2}{n(1 - \phi)^2 + C_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2)} \tag{5b.9}$$

$$M_0(e_{3(pps)}) = \frac{\sigma_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2 - \xi_p^2(y, x))}{n} \tag{5b.10}$$

$$M_0(e_{4(pps)}) = \frac{\sigma_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2 - \xi_p^2(y, x))}{n + C_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2 - \xi_p^2(y, x))} \tag{5b.11}$$

$$M_0(\bar{y}_{g(pps)}) = \frac{\sigma_{yp}^2(1 - \phi)^2(1 - \rho_p^2 - \xi_p^2(y, x))}{(1 - \phi)^2 + C_{yp}^2(1 - \rho_p^2 - \xi_p^2(y, x))} \tag{5b.12}$$

Considering

$$s_{abcp} = (n - 1)^{-1} \sum_{i \in S} \left( \frac{y_i}{Np_i} - \bar{y}_{pps} \right)^a \left( \frac{x_i}{Np_i} - \bar{x}_{pps} \right)^b \left( \frac{x_i^2}{Np_i} - m_2'(x)_{pps} \right)^c$$

as unbiased estimate of  $\sigma_{abcp}$ , the value of  $\hat{\lambda}_{01}$  in ppswr sampling may easily be found.

**5b.2. Numerical Example**

Consider the data from Gupta and Rao (1997), which relates to the population of 16 districts of West

Bengal. Let z, x, and y be population of the districts in 1951, 1961 and 1971 respectively. Let z be the variable which measures size of the units. For this data we have

$$\bar{Y} = 2777.51, \quad \bar{X} = 2182.88, \quad \sigma_{yp}^2 = 1.55499.8 \times 10^{11}, \quad \sigma_{xp}^2 = 39744.23,$$

$$\sigma_{up}^2 = 1.6616 \times 10^{13}, \quad \sigma_{yxp} = 71153288.10, \quad \sigma_{yup} = 5.6460 \times 10^{11}, \quad \sigma_{xup} = 179054687$$

$$\rho_p = 0.90509, \quad \gamma_{12p}(y, x) = 36.0248; \quad \beta_{1p}(x) = 510.680; \quad \beta_{2p}(x) = 10519.09.$$

Efficiency of proposed estimator with respect to  $\bar{y}_{pps}$ , defined by  $[ \{V(\bar{y}_{pps}) / M(\cdot)\} \times 100 ]$  is given in Table 2-

**Table 2**

Estimator	R.Eff.		
	n= 5	n= 8	n= 10
$\bar{y}_{lr(pps)}$	553.06	553.06	553.06
$e_{1(pps)}$	553.09	553.08	553.07
$e_{2(pps)}$	561.86	558.56	557.46
$e_{3(pps)}$	683..64	683..64	683..64
$e_{4(pps)}$	683..65	683..64	683..63
$\bar{y}_{g(pps)}$	692.43	689.13	688.02

Table 2 shows that for both populations, the proposed estimator  $\bar{y}_g(\text{pps})$  is considerably more efficient than all the existing estimators.

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