

Type-II Generalized Family-Wise Error Rate Formulas with Application to Sample Size Determination

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- ▶ The use of **multiple endpoints** to characterize product **safety and efficacy** measures is an increasingly common feature in recent clinical trials;
- ▶ Usually, these endpoints are divided into **one** primary endpoint and several secondary endpoints;
- ▶ Nevertheless, when we observed a **multi factorial effect** it is necessary to use some **multiple primary endpoints** or a **composite endpoint**.

Industrial Statistical Challenge in Nutrition

Effects of dairy products are often **Multifactorial**, **Smaller** than pharmaceutical products, with an **Higher Variability**

Industrial statistical challenge

1. **Sample Size Determination** in the context of Multiple Primary Endpoints;
2. **Data Analysis** in the context of Multiple Primary Endpoints.

Multiple Primary endpoints

The choice of the sample size computation procedure depends on strategy associated to primary endpoint definition ¹.

- ▶ *“At least one win”*: The trial’s main objective is met if one or more individual primary objectives are achieved ;
- ▶ *“All must win”*: The trial’s main objective is met if all the m individual primary objectives are achieved ;
- ▶ *“At least r wins”*: The trial’s main objective is met if r or more individual primary objectives are achieved ($1 \leq r \leq m$).

¹Dmitrienko, A. et al.(2012), *Statistics in Medicine*.

Today Aims

1. *Brief description on Sample Size Computation and Data Analysis in the context of “At least one win” primary continuous endpoints;*

Lafaye de Micheaux P., Liquet B., Marques S. and Riou J., Power and sample size determination in clinical trials with multiple primary continuous correlated end points. *Journal of Biopharmaceutical Statistics* 24:2, 378-97, (2014).

2. *More Details on Sample Size Computation Methodology in the context of “At least r wins” primary endpoints.*

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Data

Indiv	Group	Primary Endpoints				
		1	...	j	...	m
1	0	X^0_{11}	...	X^0_{1j}	...	X^0_{1m}
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
i	0	X^0_{i1}	...	X^0_{ij}	...	X^0_{im}
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
n	0	X^0_{n1}	...	X^0_{nj}	...	X^0_{nm}
n+1	1	$X^1_{(n+1)1}$...	$X^1_{(n+1)j}$...	$X^1_{(n+1)m}$
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i	1	X^1_{i1}	...	X^1_{ij}	...	X^1_{im}
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
2n	1	$X^1_{(2n)1}$...	$X^1_{(2n)j}$...	$X^1_{(2n)m}$

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Generally easy to determine the necessary sample size n to use in order to control (with some given thresholds) both the maximal Type I error rate (under \mathcal{H}_0) and a Type II error rate (under \mathcal{H}_1).

Sample size for multiple primary endpoints ?

We want to evaluate the m following hypotheses:

$$\mathcal{H}_0^1 : \mu_1^E - \mu_1^C \leq d_1 \text{ versus } \mathcal{H}_1^1 : \mu_1^E - \mu_1^C > d_1$$

$$\mathcal{H}_0^2 : \mu_2^E - \mu_2^C \leq d_2 \text{ versus } \mathcal{H}_1^2 : \mu_2^E - \mu_2^C > d_2$$

⋮

$$\mathcal{H}_0^m : \mu_m^E - \mu_m^C \leq d_m \text{ versus } \mathcal{H}_1^m : \mu_m^E - \mu_m^C > d_m$$

Each one of these *elementary hypotheses* will be tested using an associated test statistic. **We thus have m test statistics T_1, \dots, T_m .**

Multiple hypothesis testing, also called *multiple comparisons* or *multiple testing*, refers to the simultaneous testing of **more than one** individual hypothesis at a time.

Family of hypotheses

We have defined a *family of hypotheses* $\mathcal{H}_1, \dots, \mathcal{H}_m$. We have m (individual) Type I errors, one for each of the individual hypotheses.

We now want to define some kind of **unique overall Type I error rate** for the **whole family**.

Note that, for a given family of hypotheses, an overall Type I error rate depends on which ones are assumed to be true and which ones are assumed false.

A (global) Type I error rate can thus be controlled in (at least) two ways:

- ▶ **Weak:** The overall Type I error rate $\leq \alpha$ when all null hypotheses are supposed to be true.
- ▶ **Strong:** All overall Type I error rates $\leq \alpha$, for any (sensible) given configuration of false and true null hypotheses.

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$$\text{Type-I FWER} = P(V \geq 1).$$

$$\text{Type-I q-gFWER} = P(V \geq q).$$

Power control

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$$\text{Disjunctive Power} = P(S \geq 1),$$

$$\text{r-Power} = P(S \geq r), \quad 1 \leq r \leq p,$$

$$\text{Conjunctive Power} = P(S = p).$$

At least one win: Individual testing approach

- ▶ Let $\delta = (\delta_1, \dots, \delta_m)^T$, with $\delta_j = \mu_j^E - \mu_j^C$, ($1 \leq j \leq m$), be the vector of the true differences between the test(E) and the control(C) products;
- ▶ **Individual Hypotheses:**

$$\mathcal{H}_0^j : \delta_j = 0 \text{ versus } \mathcal{H}_1^j : \delta_j \neq 0;$$

- ▶ **Global Hypothesis:**

$$\mathcal{H}_0 = \bigcap_{j=1}^m \mathcal{H}_0^j \text{ versus } \mathcal{H}_1 = \bigcup_{j=1}^m \mathcal{H}_1^j.$$

Statistics

- ▶ When σ_j^2 are **known**, the standardized test statistic is:

$$Z_j^{(n)} = \frac{\bar{X}_j^E - \bar{X}_j^C}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}\sigma_j}, \text{ where } \bar{X}_j^k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_{i,j}^k \text{ are the sample means for group } k;$$

- ▶ When σ_j^2 are **unknown**, they are estimated by the pooled variances:

$$T_j^{(n)} = \frac{\bar{X}_j^E - \bar{X}_j^C}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}\widehat{\sigma}_j}, \text{ where } \widehat{\sigma}_j^2 = \frac{1}{2n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n [(X_{i,j}^E - \bar{X}_j^E)^2 + (X_{i,j}^C - \bar{X}_j^C)^2].$$

Simultaneous Control

► FamilyWise Error Rate:

$$\begin{aligned} FWER &= \text{pr}(\text{Reject at least one } \mathcal{H}_0^j, 1 \leq j \leq m | \mathcal{H}_0 \text{ is true}), \\ &= 1 - \text{pr}\{(|Z_1^n| \leq c_\alpha) \cap \dots \cap (|Z_m^n| \leq c_\alpha) | \mathcal{H}_0 \text{ is true}\}, \\ &\quad \text{where } c_\alpha \text{ is chosen to satisfy } FWER = \alpha, \text{ for a fixed} \\ &\quad \text{significance level } \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

► Disjunctive Power:

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - \beta &= \text{pr}(\text{Reject at least one } \mathcal{H}_0^j, 1 \leq j \leq m | \mathcal{H}_1 \text{ is true}), \\ &= 1 - \text{pr}\{(|Z_1^n| \leq c_\alpha) \cap \dots \cap (|Z_m^n| \leq c_\alpha) | \mathcal{H}_1 \text{ is true}\}, \end{aligned}$$

Distribution

- ▶ **Normality assumption and known covariance matrix:**

$$\mathbf{z}_n \stackrel{\mathcal{H}^0}{\sim} \mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}_m, R) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{z}_n \stackrel{\mathcal{H}^1}{\sim} \mathcal{N}_m\left(\sqrt{\frac{n}{2}}P\delta^*, R\right),$$

where $\delta^* \neq \mathbf{0}_m$ is the value of δ under \mathcal{H}^1 and where $R = P\Sigma P$ is the $m \times m$ correlation matrix associated with Σ , with P the diagonal matrix whose j^{th} element is $1/\sigma_j$.

- ▶ **Asymptotic Context:**

$$\widehat{R}^{-1/2}\mathbf{T}_n \xrightarrow{L} \mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}_m, I_m), \text{ under } \mathcal{H}^0,$$

$$\widehat{R}^{-1/2}(\mathbf{T}_n - \sqrt{n}\widehat{V}\delta^*) \xrightarrow{L} \mathcal{N}_m(\mathbf{0}_m, I_m), \text{ under } \mathcal{H}^1 : \delta = \delta^* \neq \mathbf{0}_m,$$

where $\widehat{R} = \widehat{V}\widehat{\Sigma}\widehat{V}$ is a consistent estimator of R , the correlation matrix of $\mathbf{T}_n = \sqrt{n}\widehat{V}(\bar{\mathbf{X}}^E - \bar{\mathbf{X}}^C)$, $\widehat{V} = \text{diag}\left(1/\sqrt{\widehat{\sigma}_{j,E}^2 + \widehat{\sigma}_{j,C}^2}\right)$ and $\widehat{\Sigma} = \widehat{\Sigma}^C + \widehat{\Sigma}^E$.

Application (1/2)

- ▶ **Objective:** Demonstrate the efficacy of the consumption of a dairy product on seric antibody titres for three strains of Influenza virus;
- ▶ The product will be considered as effective if **at least one out of the three strains** is statistically significant.
- ▶ **Two pilot studies** were planned to define the product effects and variability. Both were **multicentric double blind randomized controlled trials** conducted in France among elderly volunteers during the two vaccination seasons 2005 and 2006;
- ▶ The mean differences between the two groups are:
 $\widehat{\delta} = (0.35, 0.28, 0.46)^T$;
- ▶ The covariance matrix is: $\widehat{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} 5.58 & 2.00 & 1.24 \\ 2.00 & 4.29 & 1.59 \\ 1.24 & 1.59 & 4.09 \end{pmatrix}$;
- ▶ Desired Disjunctive Power: 0.80 , and desired Type-I error rate: 0.05.
- ▶ **What is the required sample size ?**

Application (2/2)

Table 1: Sample size computation with Global method and Individual Procedure

Method	Type-I error	Sample size (n)
Global	0.05	359
Indiv	0.0178	336

Global: Global method based on multivariate model;

Indiv: Individual procedure for known covariance matrix.

At least r wins

Suppose we plan to collect some data from a true model.

Let us suppose a model P to be the true model for which p null hypotheses are false and $m - p$ are true.

For some $r \leq p$, our global type-II r -generalized family-wise error rate is:

$$\beta_{r,m}(P) = P(\text{make at least } p - r + 1 \text{ individual type-II errors among the } p \text{ false hypotheses}),$$

$1 - \beta_{r,m}(P) = P(\text{reject at least } r \text{ of the } p \text{ false null hypotheses})$
called *generalized disjunctive power* by Dmitrienko *et al.* (2015).

Motivation: Clinical trial in vaccination

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Seven ($m = 7$) clinical endpoints: log-transformed (towards Gaussianity) measurements of serotype-specific antibody titer concentrations (continuous measurements in $\mu\text{g/ml}$).

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Pedrono *et al.* (2009) suggest that one vaccine strategy might be considered as superior to the other when at least **3, 5 or 7 serotypes are found significant**.

Aim: compute the sample sizes necessary for a **weak** control of the r -power for $r = 3, 5, 7$ for **different multiple procedure**.

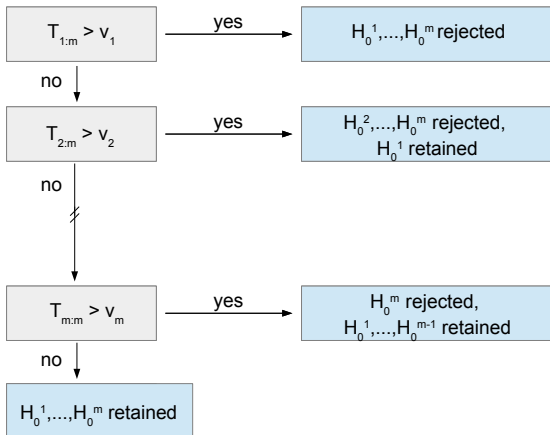
Multiple testing procedures

Many multiple testing procedures have been developed to control the FWER. They are usually categorized as *single-step* or *step-wise*:

- ▶ **One-step (or single-step)**: all p -values are compared to a pre-determined cut-off, usually only a function of α and m . Equivalently, all test statistics T_k are compared to a common predetermined cut-off value c_{km} .
- ▶ **Step-down** (e.g. Holm);
- ▶ **Step-up** (e.g. Hochberg).

We note $p_{1:m} \leq \dots \leq p_{m:m}$ the ordered p -values, and we note $\mathcal{H}_{0:1}, \dots, \mathcal{H}_{0:m}$ the *ordered hypotheses* corresponding to the order statistics $T_{1:m} \leq \dots \leq T_{m:m}$.

Step-up procedure



Hochberg procedure

The Hochberg's algorithm proceeds as follows:

- ▶ **Step 1:** If $p_{m:m} < \alpha$ or $T_{1:m} > u_1 = c_{1-\alpha}$, **reject** $\mathcal{H}_{0:i}, i = 1, \dots, m$ and stop; otherwise go to **Step 2**.
- ▶ **Step 2:** If $p_{(m-1):m} < \alpha/2$ or $T_{2:m} > u_2 = c_{1-\alpha/2}$, **reject** $\mathcal{H}_{0:i}, i = 2, \dots, m$ and stop; otherwise go to **Step 3**.
- ▶ ...
- ▶ **Step m:** If $p_{1:m} < \alpha/m$ or $T_{m:m} > u_m = c_{1-\alpha/m}$, **reject** $\mathcal{H}_{0:m}$ and stop.

Control of the q -generalized-FWER

- ▶ **Bonferroni's single-step approach.** Lehmann and Romano (2005) states that a simple modification of the usual Bonferroni's procedure:
comparing marginal p -values to $q\alpha/m$ instead of α/m **leads to a control** of the q -generalized family-wise error rate.
- ▶ **Modified Hochberg's step-up approach.** Romano and Shaikh (2006) proposed a modification of the usual Hochberg's procedure which **leads to a control** of the q -generalized family-wise error rate for **any structure of dependence of the p -values**.

Derivation of the r -Power: Step-up setting

For simplification we consider all null hypotheses are false: $p = m$.

The “ r -Power” or **multiple must-win power** is:

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{r,m} &= P(\text{reject at least } r \text{ false null hypotheses among } m) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{m-r} P(\text{reject exactly } m - j \text{ false hypotheses among } m).\end{aligned}$$

For *Step-Up* methods, we have:

$$\begin{aligned}\{\text{reject exactly } m - j \text{ hypotheses}\} &= \\ \{\text{reject } \mathcal{H}_{0:(j+1)}, \dots, \mathcal{H}_{0:m}\} \cap \{\text{not reject } \mathcal{H}_{0:1}, \dots, \mathcal{H}_{0:j}\} &= \\ \{T_{(j+1):m} > u_{j+1}\} \cap \bigcap_{k=1}^j (T_{k:m} \leq u_k).\end{aligned}$$

Derivation of the r -Power: Step-up setting

The r -Power can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned}\Pi_{r,m}^u &= \sum_{j=0}^{m-r} P \left[\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^j (T_{k:m} \leq u_k) \right) \cap (T_{(j+1):m} > u_{j+1}) \mid \bigcap_{j=1}^m \mathcal{H}_1^j \right] \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{m-r} \left(P \left[\bigcap_{k=1}^j (T_{k:m} \leq u_k) \right] - P \left[\bigcap_{k=1}^{j+1} (T_{k:m} \leq u_k) \right] \right) \\ &= 1 - P \left[\bigcap_{k=1}^{m-r+1} (T_{k:m} \leq u_k) \right] = 1 - \text{“a Type II gFWER”}.\end{aligned}$$

The objective is now to obtain a computable expression, namely one **not involving order statistics**.

For this purpose, we will need some theorems giving the joint CDF of order statistics.

Theorem of Maurer and Margolin (1976):

Let $\underline{\ell} = (\ell_1, \dots, \ell_q)$ such that $1 \leq \ell_1 \leq \dots \leq \ell_q \leq m$ and $u_{\ell_1} \leq \dots \leq u_{\ell_q}$. We obtain the **joint distribution of order statistics**:

$$P \left[\bigcap_{h=1}^q (T_{\ell_h:m} \leq u_{\ell_h}) \right] = (-1)^{\ell_+} \sum_{\underline{a}=\underline{\ell}}^{\underline{a}^*} (-1)^{a_+} P_{\underline{a}} \prod_{i=1}^q \binom{(\Delta a_i) - 1}{a_i - \ell_i}$$

with $\ell_+ = \sum_{h=1}^q \ell_h$, $\Delta a_i = a_i - a_{i-1}$ and

$$P_{\underline{a}} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{J}(\underline{a}, m)} P \left[\bigcap_{i=0}^{q-1} \left(\bigcap_{k=a_{i+1}}^{a_{i+1}} T_{jk} \leq u_{\ell_{i+1}} \right) \right].$$

⇒ We can now replace **ordered** statistics with **unordered** ones!

Sample Size Computation

Our developed formula depends only on the **joint distribution** and the **sample size**, and if the joint distribution is known, the sample size computation is possible.

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Different estimators of the variance of the difference between the means have been implemented in our R package (function `indiv.analysis()`) depending on the structure of Σ^g .

Joint Distribution of Test Statistics for Continuous Multiple Endpoints

We investigate the case of a multivariate Gaussian distribution

$$(\mathbf{X}_1^g, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{n_g}^g)^\top \sim \mathcal{N}_m^{n_g}((\boldsymbol{\mu}^g, \dots, \boldsymbol{\mu}^g)^\top, \mathcal{I}_{n_g} \otimes \Sigma^g),$$

Various classical scenarios on the structure of the covariance matrices Σ^g :

- ▶ **Unstructured covariance matrix**
 - ▶ When $\Sigma^E = \Sigma^C$
 - ▶ When $\Sigma^E \neq \Sigma^C$
- ▶ **Multisample compound symmetry covariance matrix:**

$$K_\varrho = (1 - \varrho)I_m + \varrho J \quad \text{with } J = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & 1 & \vdots \\ 1 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- ▶ $\Sigma^g = \sigma^{2,g} K_\varrho$
- ▶ $\Sigma^E = \Sigma^C = \sigma^2 K_\varrho$

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- When $\Sigma^E = \Sigma^C$, we get a **multivariate type-II Student distribution**.
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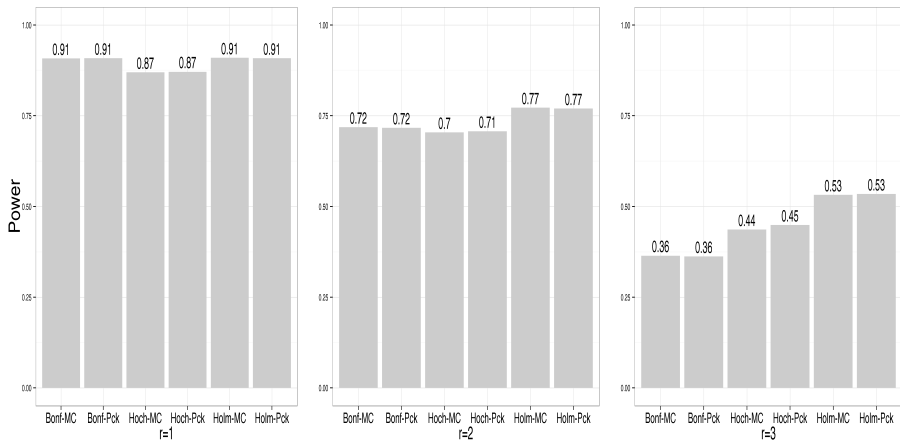
► Multisample compound symmetry covariance matrix:

- $\Sigma^g = \sigma^{2,g} K_\rho$, we get $\mathbf{T} \stackrel{\text{approx}}{\sim}$ Kshirsagar distribution
- $\Sigma^E = \Sigma^C = \sigma^2 K_\rho$, we get a Kshirsagar distribution

Simulation Study

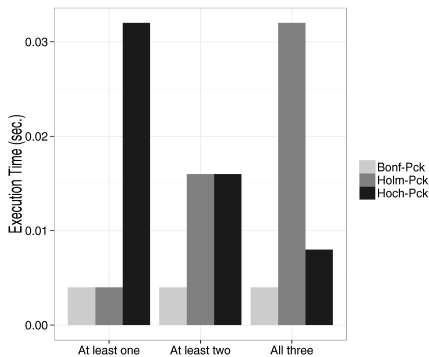
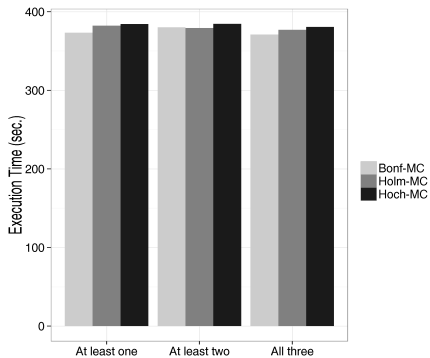
Recently, authors have used a **Monte-Carlo simulation** in order to compute the **r-power** of a procedure in a clinical trial.

- ▶ New treatment against schizophrenia with a primary endpoint based on change from baseline for **three dosing groups**;
- ▶ **Continuous endpoints**, true mean changes are expected to be given by vector $\delta = (5.0, 5.0, 3.5)^T$;
- ▶ We considered $\alpha = 0.025$, $n = 260$, the same standard deviation for each endpoint ($\sigma_k = 18$) and each group, and the same correlation between all tests ($\rho = 0.5$) for each group;
- ▶ We considered **Bonferroni, Holm and Hochberg Procedures**, and $N=100,000$ Monte-Carlo simulations.



As suggested by Dmitrienko *et al.* (2013), “the information presented in the central panel may be used to improve the sponsor’s ability to characterize the dose-response relationship. If the sponsor was interested in identifying two or three doses with a desirable efficacy profile, the sample size could be adjusted to achieve a higher value for the probability to detect at least two significant doses.”

Computation time

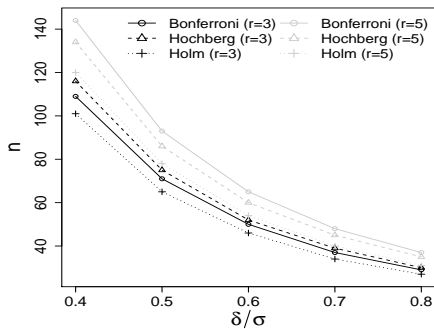
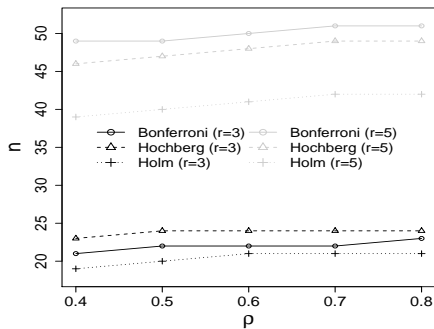


Application to the Pneumovac trial

- ▶ Endpoints used for the [evaluation of immunogenicity in the Vaccine trials](#) are means of antibody concentrations for each serotype;
- ▶ Data comes from ANRS 114 Pneumovac Trial, where the multivalent vaccine yields a response on [7 serotypes](#);
- ▶ Effect size and correlation were taken in [Pedrono et al. \(2009\)](#).
- ▶ We assume a [common unstructured covariance matrix](#) for both vaccinal strategies

	Normal			Kshirsagar		
	$r = 3$	$r = 5$	$r = 7$	$r = 3$	$r = 5$	$r = 7$
Bonferroni	21	50	201	22	52	202
Hochberg (modified)	23	48	147	24	49	148
Holm	20	41	116	21	42	116

Sensitivity analysis



rPowerSampleSize Package

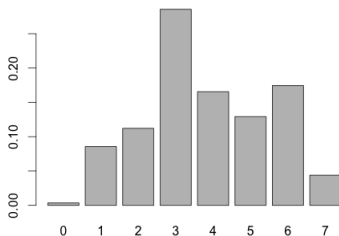
- ▶ rPowerSampleSize package is available on <http://www.r-project.org>
- ▶ First designed for the case $r = 1$ (see Lafaye *et al* (2014))
- ▶ The new version of the package can tackle any value of $r \leq m$.
- ▶ It includes functions related to power computation (Psirmd(), Psirms(), Psirmu())
- ▶ The main function is `indiv.rm.ssc()` related to sample size determination **controlling the q -gFWER**, for a given value of r -power.

R code related to The Pneumovac trial

```
> nCovernE <- 1
> m <- 7
> r <- 3
> alpha <- 0.05
> pow <- 0.8
> q <- 1
> asympt <- FALSE # corresponding to Kshirsagar distribution
> delta <- c(0.55, 0.34, 0.38, 0.20, 0.70, 0.38, 0.86)
> sigma <- c(0.3520, 0.6219, 0.5427, 0.6075, 0.6277, 0.5527, 0.8066)
> var <- sigma ^ 2
> SigmaE <- SigmaC <- cov
> maxpts <- 2500000
> abseps <- 0.001
> result <- indiv.rm.ssc(method = "Bonferroni", asympt = asympt, r = r, m = m,
+   p=m, nCovernE = 1, muC = NULL, muE = NULL, d = NULL, delta = delta,
+   SigmaC = cov, SigmaE = cov, power = pow, alpha = alpha,
+   interval = c(2, 100), q = q, maxpts = maxpts, abseps = abseps)
> result
[1] 22
```

From this finding ($n = 22$) the user could visualise the distribution of the number of significant results (i.e, the realized values r) by using the `plot.rPower()` function

```
> nbcores <- parallel::detectCores() - 1
> set.seed(10)
> res.MC <- montecarlo(method = "Bonferroni", M = 10 ^ 4, nE = 22, r = 3, m = 7,
+   nCovernE = 1, muC = rep(0 , 7), muE = delta, d = rep(0.0, 7),
+   SigmaE = cov, SigmaC = cov, alpha = 0.05, q = 1, nbcores = nbcores)
> res.MC$rpowBonf
[1] 0.7987
> plot.rPower(res.MC) # To produce plot in Figure 4.
```



Concluding Remarks

- ▶ General power formulas has been derived when one wants **at least r among m** statistical tests to be significant.
- ▶ Formulas have been used to compute the necessary sample size to control **weakly** or **strongly** the type-II r -generalized family-wise error rate, for procedures that already **control any type-I global error rate**.
 - ▶ **Weak control** at level β of the type-II r -generalized family-wise error rate is reached when $\beta_{r,m}(P) \leq \beta$ for a potential choice P of the true model under which all null hypotheses tested are false.
 - ▶ **Strong control** at level β occurs when $\beta_{r,m}(P) \leq \beta$ for all potential choices P of the true model such that $p \geq r$ null hypotheses are false.
- ▶ Available through **rPowerSampleSize** R package
 - ▶ **“At least one win”**: Global and Individual methods;
 - ▶ **“At least r wins”**: Single step and Step-Wise methods (Bonferroni, Holm and Hochberg)
- ▶ A **parallel implementation** is available using the argument `nbcores`.
- ▶ Focus on **continuous multiple endpoints** → Extend our work to categorical, and mixed primary endpoints ...

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ANY QUESTIONS ?