

**Original Research Article**  
**Almost unbiased estimators for population coefficient of variation using auxiliary information**

**ABSTRACT**

In this paper we have proposed an almost unbiased ratio estimator for the finite coefficient of variation(CV). It has been shown that Archana and Rao (2014) ratio and product type coefficient of variation estimators are particular members of the proposed estimator. Also, we have proposed an exponential ratio type and log ratio type estimators for estimating population coefficient of variation.

**Keywords:** auxiliary information; bias; mean squared error; coefficient of variation; log type estimator.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

Research of Cochran (1977) is generally associated with the idea of incorporating auxiliary information to improve estimator's efficiency. The method basically consists of incorporating more information to the sampled data beyond what can be obtained from it individually for the purpose of increasing the accuracy or effectiveness of estimators. Researchers might be enabled to reduce variability in samples and provide more precise estimates of population parameters by utilizing auxiliary information. The basic principles for this methodology were established by Cochran (1977) and it is now commonly employed in many different kinds of domains, such as survey sampling, econometrics, and statistics.

Ratio and product estimators are widely used in survey sampling and other fields where auxiliary information is available and can be utilized to improve the accuracy and efficiency of estimators. When there is a positive correlation between an auxiliary variable and the study variable of interest, Cochran(1940) established the concept of ratio estimators as an approach to utilize auxiliary information. Ratio estimators calculate ratios among the study variable's sample means or totals and the auxiliary variables, taking into consideration any known population variables. The above technique makes utilizes the connection between the auxiliary and study variables in order to improve estimation efficiency. Ratio estimators enable us to analyze an estimated value with other known information to estimate a value more accurately. To get more accurate estimates, they consider the correlation between various variables. For example, we may accurately estimate the total income of a neighborhood if we know the average income of that neighborhood and the population of the entire city. This can be done by using a ratio estimator. By utilizing more information, this approach increases the precision of our estimations.

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- 1.Objectives of the paper,
- 2.The datasets used in assessing the performances of the estimators,
3. The criteria adopted in assessing the performances of the estimators,
4. The conclusion drawn from the findings of the study and
5. Recommendations and suggestion.

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On the other hand, Robson(1957) and Murthy(1964) proposed the product estimator, which is another method for incorporating auxiliary information into estimation. The product estimator involves forming the product of the study variable and the auxiliary variable and then using this product as the basis for estimation. Similar to ratio estimators, the product estimator seeks to capitalize on the association between the auxiliary variable and the study variable to enhance the precision of the estimates. Number of authors, including Solanki et al. (2012), Ray and Sahai(1980), and Srivastava and Jhaji (1981), have made significant contributions to the utilization of auxiliary information for estimating population parameters such as the population mean, variance, standard deviation, and other related statistics. Some important works illustrating use of auxiliary information at estimation stage are Singh et al.( 2018), Singh and Kumar(2011), Malik and Singh(2013) etc.

Evaluating the coefficient of variation hasn't received as much attention from researchers in the past. Some authors have recently started to address this problem. In another context, researchers are concentrating more on determining a dataset's variability in relation to its mean, which is a fundamental statistical measure. For example, Das and Tripathi(1992) were the first to suggest an estimator for the coefficient of variation when samples were chosen using simple random sampling without replacement (SRSWOR). Other researchers, such as Patel and Rina(2009), have also explored into this area. Breunig(2001) suggested an almost unbiased estimator of the coefficient of variation. Additionally, Rajyaguru and Gupta(2005) explored estimating the coefficient of variation under different sampling methods like simple random sampling and stratified random sampling in 2002 and 2003. In this paper, we have proposed an almost unbiased estimator for estimation of population coefficient of variation utilizing information on a single auxiliary variable in SRSWOR.

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Let's consider a finite population  $P = (P_1, P_2, P_3, \dots, P_N)$  of size 'N' and each unit are uniquely defined. Let Y and X defined as study and auxiliary variable and  $Y_i$  and  $X_i$  are the values corresponding their unit i (i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N).

Let us consider a SRS of size n drawn from the given population of 'N' units and corresponding unit  $y_i$  and  $x_i$ .

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$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N Y_i$  and  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N X_i$  are the population means of the study and auxiliary variables Y and X,

$S_y^2 = \frac{1}{(N-1)} \sum_{i=1}^N (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$  is the population variance of the study variable Y,

$S_x^2 = \frac{1}{(N-1)} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - \bar{X})^2$  is the population variance of the auxiliary variable X,

$S_{xy} = \frac{1}{(N-1)} \sum_{i=1}^N (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})$  is the population covariance of the auxiliary and study variable Y and X,

$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$  and  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$  - are the sample mean of the study and auxiliary variables Y and  $X_i$ .

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$s_y^2 = \frac{1}{(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$  - is the sample variance of the study variable y,

$s_x^2 = \frac{1}{(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$  - is the sample variance of the auxiliary variable x.

Let us define sampling errors for both mean and variance of study and auxiliary variables as-

$$e_0 = \frac{\bar{y} - \bar{Y}}{\bar{Y}}, e_1 = \frac{\bar{x} - \bar{X}}{\bar{X}}, e_2 = \frac{(s_y^2 - S_y^2)}{S_y^2}, e_3 = \frac{(s_x^2 - S_x^2)}{S_x^2} \text{ such that}$$

$$\bar{y} = \bar{Y}(1 + e_0), \bar{x} = \bar{X}(1 + e_1), s_y^2 = S_y^2(1 + e_2), s_x^2 = S_x^2(1 + e_3)$$

$$E(e_0) = E(e_1) = E(e_2) = E(e_3) = 0,$$

$$E(e_0^2) = \gamma C_y^2, E(e_1^2) = \gamma C_x^2, E(e_2^2) = \gamma(\lambda_{40} - 1), E(e_3^2) = \gamma(\lambda_{04} - 1),$$

$$E(e_0 e_1) = \gamma \rho C_y C_x, E(e_0 e_2) = \gamma C_y \lambda_{30}, E(e_0 e_3) = \gamma C_y \lambda_{12},$$

$$E(e_1 e_2) = \gamma C_x \lambda_{21}, E(e_1 e_3) = \gamma C_x \lambda_{03}, E(e_2 e_3) = \gamma(\lambda_{22} - 1).$$

Here,  $\gamma = \frac{1}{n}(1 - f)$ ,  $f = \frac{n}{N}$ ,  $f$  is known as sampling fraction,  $C_y$  and  $C_x$  are the

population coefficient of variations of study variable Y and auxiliary variable X respectively

and defined as  $C_y = \frac{S_y}{\bar{Y}}$  and  $C_x = \frac{S_x}{\bar{X}}$ .  $\rho$  is the correlation coefficient between X and Y.

In general form,

$$\mu_{rs} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^r (x_i - \bar{x})^s}{(N-1)} \text{ and } \lambda_{rs} = \frac{\mu_{rs}}{(\mu_{20}^{r/2} \mu_{02}^{s/2})}.$$

## 2. EXISTING ESTIMATORS

Usual estimator  $t_0$  for estimating  $C_y$  is given by

$$t_0 = \hat{C}_y = \frac{s_y}{\bar{y}} \quad (1)$$

The bias of the estimator  $t_0$  is given by:

$$\text{Bias}(t_0) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2} C_y \lambda_{30} \right) \quad (2)$$

The Mean square error (MSE) expression of the estimator  $t_0$  is given by:

$$\text{MSE}(t_0) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} \right) \quad (3)$$

Archana & Rao (2014) introduced estimators  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  for calculating the finite population coefficient of variation as follows:

$$t_1 = C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2} \right) \quad (4)$$

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$$t_2 = C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2} \right) \quad (5)$$

The bias of the estimators  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are respectively given as-

$$Bias(t_1) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2}C_y \lambda_{30} + C_y \lambda_{12} + (\lambda_{04} - 1) - \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (6)$$

$$Bias(t_2) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2}C_y \lambda_{30} + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{12} \right) \quad (7)$$

MSE of the estimators  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are respectively given as-

$$MSE(t_1) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} + 2C_y \lambda_{12} + (\lambda_{04} - 1) - (\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (8)$$

$$MSE(t_2) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} - 2C_y \lambda_{12} + (\lambda_{04} - 1) + (\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (9)$$

### 3. Proposed almost unbiased estimator

Let,

$$t_0 = C_y, t_1 = C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2} \right), t_2 = C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2} \right) \quad (10)$$

such that  $t_0, t_1, t_2 \in L$ , where  $L$  denotes the set of all possible estimators for estimating the population coefficient of variation  $C_y$ .

By definition, the set  $L$  is a linear variety if

$$t_g = \sum_{i=0}^2 g_i t_i \in L \quad (11)$$

$$t_g = g_0 C_y + g_1 C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2} \right) + g_2 C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{S_x^2} \right)$$

$$\text{For } \sum_{i=0}^2 g_i = 1, g_i \in R \quad (12)$$

where  $g_i$  ( $i = 0, 1, 2$ ) denotes the statistical constants and  $R$  denotes the set of real numbers.

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**Table 1. Members of the proposed family  $t_g$  of estimators**

$g_0$	$g_1$	$g_2$	Estimators
1	0	0	$\hat{C}_y$
0	1	0	$C_y \left( \frac{S_x^2}{s_x^2} \right)$
0	0	1	$C_y \left( \frac{s_x^2}{S_x^2} \right)$

To obtain the bias and MSE of the estimator  $t_g$ , we write  $t_g$  in the form of error terms as-

$$t_g = C_y (1+e_2)^{1/2} (1+e_0)^{-1} \left[ g_0 + g_1 \left( \frac{1}{(1+e_3)} \right) + g_2 (1+e_3) \right] \quad (13)$$

Expanding the right hand side of equation (13) and retaining terms up to second powers of e's, we have

$$t_g = C_y \left[ \begin{aligned} &1 - e_0 + e_0^2 + \frac{1}{2}e_2 - \frac{1}{2}e_0e_2 - \frac{1}{8}e_2^2 - (g_1 - g_2)e_3 \\ &+ (g_1 - g_2)e_0e_3 - (g_1 - g_2)\frac{1}{2}e_2e_3 + g_1e_3^2 \end{aligned} \right] \quad (14)$$

Subtracting  $C_y$  and then taking expectation both sides, we get the bias of the estimator  $t_g$ , up to the first order of approximation as-

$$Bias(t_g) = C_y \gamma \left( \begin{aligned} &C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2}C_y\lambda_{30} + (g_1 - g_2)C_y\lambda_{12} \\ &+ g_1(\lambda_{04} - 1) - (g_1 - g_2)\frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - 1) \end{aligned} \right) \quad (15)$$

From equation (15),  
We have

$$(t_g - C_y) \cong C_y \left[ \frac{1}{2}e_2 - e_0 - (g_1 - g_2)e_3 \right] \quad (16)$$

where,

$$(g_1 - g_2) = H. \quad (17)$$

Squaring both sides of equation (16) and then taking expectations, we get MSE of the estimator  $t_g$ , up to the first order of approximation, as-

$$MSE(t_g) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y\lambda_{30} + 2HC_y\lambda_{12} + H^2(\lambda_{04} - 1) - H(\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (18)$$

Which is minimum when

$$H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\lambda_{22} - 1)}{(\lambda_{04} - 1)} - \frac{C_y\lambda_{12}}{(\lambda_{04} - 1)}. \quad (19)$$

Putting this value of  $H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\lambda_{22}-1)}{(\lambda_{04}-1)} - \frac{C_y \lambda_{12}}{(\lambda_{04}-1)}$  in equation (2.18) we get the Min. MSE of

the estimator  $t_g$  as-

$$Min.MSE(t_g) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4} (\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} + 2HC_y \lambda_{12} + H^2 (\lambda_{04} - 1) - H (\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (20)$$

From equation (17) and (19) we have,

$$(g_1 - g_2) = H = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\lambda_{22}-1)}{(\lambda_{04}-1)} - \frac{C_y \lambda_{12}}{(\lambda_{04}-1)} \quad (21)$$

From equation (12) and (17), we have only two equations in three unknowns. It is not possible to find the unique values for  $g_i$ 's, ( $i = 0, 1, 2$ ). In order to get unique values of  $g_i$ 's, we shall impose the linear restriction.

$$\sum_{i=0}^2 g_i B(t_i) = 0 \quad (22)$$

Such that

$$g_0 B(t_0) + g_1 B(t_1) + g_2 B(t_2) = 0 \quad (23)$$

where  $B(t_i)$  denotes the bias in the  $i^{th}$  estimator.

Equations (2.12), (2.17) and (2.23) can be written in the matrix form as-

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \\ B(t_0) & B(t_1) & B(t_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} g_0 \\ g_1 \\ g_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ H \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

From the system of equation (2.24), we get the unique values of  $g_i$ 's ( $i=0, 1, 2$ ) as-

$$g_0 = \frac{B(t_2) + B(t_1) - HB(t_2) - HB(t_1)}{B(t_2) + B(t_1) - 2B(t_0)} \quad (25)$$

$$g_1 = \frac{HB(t_2) - B(t_0) - HB(t_0)}{B(t_2) + B(t_1) - 2B(t_0)} \quad (26)$$

$$g_2 = \frac{HB(t_0) - B(t_0) - HB(t_1)}{B(t_2) + B(t_1) - 2B(t_0)} \quad (27)$$

such that

$$g_0 + g_1 + g_2 = 1 \quad (28)$$

Use of these  $g_i$ 's ( $i=0, 1, 2$ ) remove the bias up to terms of order  $o(n^{-1})$

#### 4. Another almost unbiased estimator

In this section we propose another almost unbiased estimator  $t_{g_1}$  for coefficient of variation.

For this we have taken three estimators  $m_0$ ,  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  which are defined as

$$m_0 = C_y = (t_0) \quad (29)$$

The bias of the estimator  $m_0$  is given by:

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$$Bias(m_0) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2} C_y \lambda_{30} \right) \quad (30)$$

The Mean square error (MSE) expression of the estimator  $m_0$  is given by:

$$MSE(m_0) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} \right) \quad (31)$$

The exponential and logarithmic estimator for estimating population coefficient of variation is given as follows-

$$m_1 = C_y \exp \left( \frac{S_x^2 - s_x^2}{S_x^2 + s_x^2} \right) \quad (32)$$

$$m_2 = C_y \left\{ 1 + \log \left( \frac{s_x^2}{S_x^2} \right) \right\} \quad (33)$$

The bias of the estimators  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are respectively given as-

$$Bias(m_1) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2} C_y \lambda_{30} + \frac{1}{2} C_y \lambda_{12} + \frac{3}{8}(\lambda_{04} - 1) - \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (34)$$

$$Bias(m_2) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2} C_y \lambda_{30} + \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{12} - \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{04} - 1) \right) \quad (35)$$

MSE of the estimators  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are respectively given as-

$$MSE(m_1) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} + C_y \lambda_{12} + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{04} - 1) - \frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (36)$$

$$MSE(m_2) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y \lambda_{30} - 2C_y \lambda_{12} + (\lambda_{04} - 1) + (\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (37)$$

$m_0, m_1$  and  $m_2 \in L$ , where  $L$  denotes the set of all possible estimators for estimating the population coefficient of variation  $C_y$ .

By definition, the set  $L$  is a linear variety if

$$t_{g1} = \sum_{i=0}^2 l_i m_i \in L \quad (38)$$

$$t_{g1} = l_0 m_0 + l_1 m_1 + l_2 m_2 \quad (39)$$

$$t_{g1} = l_0 C_y + l_1 C_y \exp \left( \frac{S_x^2 - s_x^2}{S_x^2 + s_x^2} \right) + l_2 C_y \left\{ 1 + \log \left( \frac{s_x^2}{S_x^2} \right) \right\}$$

$$\text{For } \sum_{i=0}^2 l_i = 1, l_i \in R \quad (40)$$

where  $l_i$  ( $i = 0, 1, 2$ ) denotes the statistical constants and  $R$  denotes the set of real numbers.

**Table 2. Members of the proposed family  $t_{g1}$  of estimators**

$l_0$	$l_1$	$l_2$	Estimators
1	0	0	$C_y$
0	1	0	$C_y \exp\left(\frac{S_x^2 - s_x^2}{S_x^2 + s_x^2}\right)$
0	0	1	$C_y \left\{1 + \log\left(\frac{s_x^2}{S_x^2}\right)\right\}$

To obtain the bias and MSE of the  $t_{g1}$ , we write  $t_{g1}$  in the form of error terms as-

$$t_{g1} = C_y (1+e_2)^{1/2} (1+e_0)^{-1} \left[ l_0 + l_1 \exp\left(\frac{-e_3}{2+e_3}\right) + l_2 \{1 + \log(1+e_3)\} \right] \quad (41)$$

Expanding the right hand side of (41) and retaining terms up to second powers of e's we have

$$t_{g1} = C_y \left[ 1 - e_0 + e_0^2 + \frac{1}{2}e_2 - \frac{1}{2}e_0e_2 - \frac{1}{8}e_2^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2}l_1 - l_2\right)e_3 + \left(\frac{3}{8}l_1 - \frac{1}{2}l_2\right)e_3^2 + \left(\frac{1}{2}l_1 - l_2\right)e_0e_3 - \left(\frac{1}{4}l_1 - \frac{1}{2}l_2\right)e_2e_3 \right] \quad (42)$$

Subtracting  $C_y$  from both sides of equation (42) and then taking expectations, we get the bias of the estimator  $t_{g1}$ , up to the first order of approximation as-

$$Bias(t_{g1}) = C_y \gamma \left( C_y^2 - \frac{1}{8}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - \frac{1}{2}C_y\lambda_{30} + \left(\frac{1}{2}l_1 - l_2\right)C_y\lambda_{12} + \left(\frac{3}{8}l_1 - \frac{1}{2}l_2\right)(\lambda_{04} - 1) - \left(\frac{1}{4}l_1 - \frac{1}{2}l_2\right)\frac{1}{2}(\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (43)$$

From (42), we have

$$(t_{g1} - C_y) \cong C_y \left[ \frac{1}{2}e_2 - e_0 - \left(\frac{1}{2}l_1 - l_2\right)e_3 \right] \quad (44)$$

where,

$$\frac{1}{2}l_1 - l_2 = H_1 \quad (45)$$

Squaring both sides of equation (44) and then taking expectations, we get MSE of the estimator  $t_{g1}$ , up to the first order of approximation, as-

$$MSE(t_{g1}) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40} - 1) - C_y\lambda_{30} + 2H_1C_y\lambda_{12} + H_1^2(\lambda_{04} - 1) - H_1(\lambda_{22} - 1) \right) \quad (46)$$

which is minimum when

$$H_1 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(\lambda_{22} - 1)}{(\lambda_{04} - 1)} - \frac{C_y\lambda_{12}}{(\lambda_{04} - 1)}. \quad (47)$$

Putting the value of  $H_1 = \frac{1(\lambda_{22}-1)}{2(\lambda_{04}-1)} - \frac{C_y \lambda_{12}}{(\lambda_{04}-1)}$  in equation (46) the minimum MSE value of

the estimator  $t_{g1}$  is given by

$$Min.MSE(t_{g1}) = C_y^2 \gamma \left( C_y^2 + \frac{1}{4}(\lambda_{40}-1) - C_y \lambda_{30} + 2H_1 C_y \lambda_{12} + H_1^2 (\lambda_{04}-1) - H_1 (\lambda_{22}-1) \right) \quad (48)$$

From equations (45) and (47), we have

$$\left( \frac{1}{2}l_1 - l_2 \right) = H_1 = \frac{1(\lambda_{22}-1)}{2(\lambda_{04}-1)} - \frac{C_y \lambda_{12}}{(\lambda_{04}-1)} \quad (49)$$

From equation (38) and (45), we have only two equations in three unknowns. It is not possible to find the unique values for  $l_i$ 's,  $i = 0, 1, 2$ . In order to get unique values of  $l_i$ 's, we shall impose the linear restriction.

$$\sum_{i=0}^2 l_i B(m_i) = 0 \quad (50)$$

such that

$$l_0 B(m_0) + l_1 B(m_1) + l_2 B(m_2) = 0 \quad (51)$$

here  $B(m_i)$  denotes the bias in the  $i^{th}$  ( $i=0,1,2$ ) estimator.

Equations (40), (45) and (51) can be written in the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & -1 \\ B(m_0) & B(m_1) & B(m_2) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} l_0 \\ l_1 \\ l_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ H_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (52)$$

Where,

$B(m_0)$ ,  $B(m_1)$  and  $B(m_2)$  are defined in equation (31), (34) and (35).

From the system of equation (52), we get the unique values of  $l_i$ 's ( $i=0, 1, 2$ ) respectively as-

$$l_0 = \frac{\frac{1}{2}B(m_2) + B(m_1) - H_1 B(m_2) + H_1 B(m_1)}{\frac{1}{2}B(m_2) + B(m_1) - \frac{3}{2}B(m_0)} \quad (53)$$

$$l_1 = \frac{H_1 B(m_2) - B(m_0) - H_1 B(m_0)}{\frac{1}{2}B(m_2) + B(m_1) - \frac{3}{2}B(m_0)} \quad (54)$$

$$l_2 = \frac{H_1 B(m_0) - H_1 B(m_1) - \frac{1}{2}B(m_0)}{\frac{1}{2}B(m_2) + B(m_1) - \frac{3}{2}B(m_0)} \quad (55)$$

Where,

$$l_0 + l_1 + l_2 = 1 \quad (56)$$

Use of these  $l_i$ 's ( $i=0, 1, 2$ ) remove the bias up to terms of order  $o(n^{-1})$ .

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## 5. Empirical Study

In this section, we will carry out empirical study to demonstrate the performance of the proposed estimator over existing ones using two real data sets.

**Population 1:** [Source: Murthy (1967), p.399]

X: Area under wheat in 1963, Y: Area under wheat in 1964

$N=34, n=15, C_x = 0.72, C_y = 0.75, \rho = 0.98, \lambda_{21} = 1.0045, \lambda_{12} = 0.9406, \lambda_{40} = 3.6161,$   
 $\lambda_{04} = 2.8266, \lambda_{30} = 1.1128, \lambda_{03} = 0.9206, \lambda_{22} = 3.01133, \bar{Y} = 199.44, \bar{X} = 208.88$

**Table 3. The MSE and PRE of the existing and the proposed estimators**

Estimators	MSE	PRE
$t_0$	0.03808827	100.00
$t_{AR}$	0.188603	20.1948
$t_{AR_1}$	0.2261359	16.84297
$t_1$	0.071025	53.62631
$t_2$	0.226136	16.84309
$t_g$	<b>0.037568</b>	<b>101.3844</b>
$t_{g1}$	<b>0.037568</b>	<b>101.3844</b>

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**Population 2:** [Source: (S. Singh, 2003), p.1116]

**Table 4. The MSE and PRE of the existing and the proposed estimators**

X: Number of fish caught in year 1993, Y: Number of fish caught in year 1995

$N = 69, n=40, C_x = 1.38, C_y = 1.35, \rho = 0.96, \lambda_{21} = 2.19, \lambda_{12} = 2.3, \lambda_{40} = 7.66, \lambda_{04} = 9.84,$   
 $\lambda_{30} = 1.11, \lambda_{03} = 2.52, \lambda_{22} = 8.19, \bar{Y} = 4514.89, \bar{X} = 4591.07$

**Table 5. Values of  $g_i$ 's ( $i=0,1,2$ )**

S.N.	Scalars	Population I	Population II
	<b>Estimators</b>	<b>3.2367</b>	<b>MSE</b>
1	$g_0$	0.008003	100.00
2	$t_0$ $g_1$	-1.03618	0.533243
	$t_{AR}$ $g_2$	0.03365	23.78054
3	$t_{AR_1}$	-1.20054	0.477814
	$t_1$	0.05890	13.58789
	$t_2$	0.01128	70.94231
	$t_g$	0.05886	13.59669
	$t_{g1}$	0.00697	114.8289
		0.00697	114.8289

Using these values of  $g_i$ 's ( $i=0,1,2$ ) given in the Table 3, one can reduce the bias to the order  $o(n^{-1})$  in the estimator  $t_g$ .

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**Table 6. Values of  $l_i$ 's ( $i=0,1,2$ )**

S.N.	Scalars	Population I	Population II
1.	$l_0$	0.631909	1.677949
2.	$l_1$	0.354966	-0.41501
3.	$l_2$	0.013126	-0.26294

Using these values of  $l_i$ 's ( $i=0,1,2$ ) given in the Table 4, one can reduce the bias to the order  $o(n^{-1})$  in the estimator  $t_{g1}$ .

## 6. Simulation study

In this section we have done simulation analysis.

The following steps have been used for the simulation:

1. We have generated bivariate random observations of size  $N=1000$  units from a bivariate normal distribution with parameters  $\mu_x = 3$ ,  $\sigma_x = 4$ , and  $\mu_y = 5$ ,  $\sigma_y = 9$  and  $\rho = 0.95$ .
2. Sample of sizes  $n = 150, 200$  and  $250$  have been selected from this simulated population.
3. Sample statistics that is the sample mean, sample variance, and the values of the suggested and existing estimators of population CV are calculated for these samples.

4.Steps (3) and (4) are repeated m=10,000 times.

$$PRE(estimator) = \frac{MSE(t_0)}{MSE(estimator)} * 100$$

Table 7. MSE and PRE values of existing and proposed estimators.

Estimator s	N=1000, n=150		N=1000, n=200		N=1000, n=250	
	MSE	PRE	MSE	PRE	MSE	PRE
$t_0$	0.00168 8	100.00	0.00135 5	100.00	0.00079 3	100.00
$t_{AR}$	0.00234 2	72.0839 7	0.00138 6	97.7382 9	0.00099 2	79.97066
$t_{AR_1}$	0.00932	18.1123 3	0.00717 8	18.8775 4	0.00435 7	18.20195
$t_1$	0.00097 9	172.381	0.00063 9	212.079 5	0.00042 2	187.9839
$t_2$	0.00932	18.1123 3	0.00717 8	18.8775 4	0.00435 7	18.20195
$t_g$	<b>0.00095 3</b>	<b>177.043</b>	<b>0.00063 9</b>	<b>212.107 3</b>	<b>0.00041 7</b>	<b>190.3548</b>
$t_{g1}$	<b>0.00095 3</b>	<b>177.043</b>	<b>0.00063 9</b>	<b>212.107 3</b>	<b>0.00041 7</b>	<b>190.3548</b>

**Commented [WU22]:** The results are appropriately presented, but not appropriately described. In addition, biases of the proposed and existing estimators needs to be computed using the simulated data.

## DISCUSSION

We have proposed two almost unbiased estimators  $t_g$  and  $t_{g_1}$  for the estimation of population coefficient of variation utilizing information on a single auxiliary variable in srsWOR and compared them with some existing estimators.

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## Conclusion

In this paper we have proposed almost unbiased estimators for  $C_y$ . With the help of two real data sets and simulation study we have shown that our proposed estimators have minimum variance. Table 3, Table 4 and Table 7 clearly shows that the suggested estimators  $t_g$  and  $t_{g_1}$  under optimum conditions are better than usual estimator  $t_0 (= C_y)$ , Archana & Rao (2014) estimators  $t_{AR}$  and  $t_{AR_1}$  and exponential ratio type  $t_1$  and improved log ratio type estimator  $t_2$ .

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