Net appendix to Simulating an empirical paper in economics Why publication bias are so common

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Part 1: Five cartoon (page 1-6) Part 2: Graphs comparing the PET and PEESE meta-averages (page 7-11)

The following consists of five cartoons, c1, ..., c5, with eight pictures on the same page. They correspond to Tables 2 to 6 in the paper. Half of the pictures are also found in the paper. The simulations use the same parameter values as given in the paper.

The DGP: $y_t = \beta x_t + \varepsilon_t$, where, $x_t = N(0, \sigma_x^2)$ and $\varepsilon_t = N(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$. The three parameters are $\beta = 1$, $\sigma_x^2 = 2$ and $\sigma_\varepsilon^2 = 10$.

The EM: $y_t = b x_t + u_t$, estimated by OLS.

The number of simulated data for each regression in m = 30. All cartoons start with exactly the same picture as Figure c#.1 for reasons explained in the paper.

Figures c#.1 to c#.7 are one of the 1,000 funnel of 500 points estimated for line 1 to 7 in Tables 2 to 6 in the paper. Thus, funnels c#.1 to c#.7 are based on $500 \cdot 140 = 70,000$ simulated regressions. The tables in the paper are based on 1,000 funnels, which are 1,000 times more regressions. That is 70 million.

Figures c#.8 is based on 75'000 simulated regressions. The corresponding rows in Tables 2 to 6 are not calculated.

Each picture has a vertical line at $\beta = 1$, which is the true value for the parameter of interest. The horizontal axis always extends 4 units, either from -1 to 3 or from 0.5 to 4.5. The vertical axis also extends 4 units, which is always from 1 to 5. Thus, the 40 pictures are easy to compare.



Figure 1. SR0: The ideal funnel; a cartoon for J rising



Figure 1.6. For J = 34



Figure 1.8. For J = 150











Figure 2.6. For J = 34



Figure 2.8. For J = 150









Figure 3.5. For J = 25



Figure 3.7. For J = 50





Figure 3.4. For J = 15



Figure 3.6. For J = 34



Figure 3.8. For J = 150





Figure 4. SR3: The best indifference funnel; a cartoon for J rising





Figure 4.5. For J = 25



Figure 4.7. For J = 50





Figure 4.4. For J = 15



Figure 4.6. For J = 34



Figure 4.8. For J = 150





Figure 5. SR4: The satisficing funnel; a cartoon for J rising





Figure 5.5. For J = 25



Figure 5.7. For J = 50









Figure 5.6. For J = 34



Figure 5.8. For J = 150



Part 2: Graphs comparing the PET and PEESE meta-averages

The two meta-averages are trivially the same as the mean for SR0. For the remaining four SRs they differ.







Fig 7a. Comparing bias the PET and PEESE for SR2



Fig 8a. Comparing bias the PET and PEESE for SR3



Fig 9a. Comparing bias the PET and PEESE for SR4

It looks as if the PEESE bias for J = 15 is wrong