

Therefore, we have proved that:

$$\widehat{ATE} = \hat{\mu}_{HT} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{y_i}{\pi_i}$$

The *Inverse Probability Reweighting* estimation of ATE is thus equivalent to the Horvitz–Thompson estimator, due to Daniel G. Horvitz and Donovan J. Thompson in 1952. In sampling theory it is a method for estimating the *total* and *mean* of a super-population in a stratified sample. Inverse probability weighting is applied to account for “different proportions of observations within strata in a target population”. The Horvitz-Thompson estimator is frequently applied in survey analyses and can be used also to account for missing data.

Similarly, we can also calculate the ATET by considering that:

$$\begin{aligned} [w - p(\mathbf{x})] y &= [w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot [y_0 + w \cdot (y_1 - y_0)] = [w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot y_0 + w \cdot [w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot (y_1 - y_0) = \\ &= [w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot y_0 + w \cdot [1 - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot (y_1 - y_0), \text{ since } w^2 = w. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by dividing the previous expression by $[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]$:

$$\frac{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y}{[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]} = \frac{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0}{[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]} + w(y_1 - y_0) \quad (4)$$

Consider now the quantity $[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0$ in the RHS of (4). We have that:

$$\begin{aligned} [w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0 &= E\{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0 | \mathbf{x}\} = E(E\{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0 | \mathbf{x}, w\} | \mathbf{x}) = E([w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot E\{y_0 | \mathbf{x}, w\} | \mathbf{x}) = \\ &= E([w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot E\{y_0 | \mathbf{x}\} | \mathbf{x}) = E([w - p(\mathbf{x})] \cdot g_0(\mathbf{x}) | \mathbf{x}) = g_0(\mathbf{x}) \cdot E([w - p(\mathbf{x})] | \mathbf{x}) = g_0(\mathbf{x}) \cdot [E(w | \mathbf{x}) - \\ &= E(p(\mathbf{x}) | \mathbf{x})] = g_0(\mathbf{x}) \cdot [p(\mathbf{x}) - p(\mathbf{x})] = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Taking relation (3), and applying the expectation conditional on \mathbf{x} :

$$E\left\{\frac{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y}{[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]} \mid \mathbf{x}\right\} = E\left\{\frac{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0}{[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]} \mid \mathbf{x}\right\} + E\{w(y_1 - y_0) | \mathbf{x}\} = E\{w(y_1 - y_0) | \mathbf{x}\}$$

since we proved that $[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y_0$ is zero. By LIE 1, we can get that:

$$\begin{cases} E_{\mathbf{x}} E\left\{\frac{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y}{[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]} \mid \mathbf{x}\right\} = E\left\{\frac{[w - p(\mathbf{x})] y}{[1 - p(\mathbf{x})]}\right\} \\ E_{\mathbf{x}} E\{w(y_1 - y_0) | \mathbf{x}\} = E\{w(y_1 - y_0)\} \end{cases}$$