

# Proofs and Additional Tables and Figures on “Reproducibility Probability Estimation and RP-Testing for Some Nonparametric Tests”

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## 1. Proof of Lemma 1

**Proof.** Consider first point 1. Note that  $\hat{\pi}_\alpha > 1/2$  if and only if  $t_{n,1-\alpha} - e(\hat{\theta}) < 0$ , that is, if and only if  $t_{n,1-\alpha} < T_n$ . Consequently, the identity in point 1 is proved and the proof for point 2 is exactly the same.  $\square$

## 2. Proof of Lemma 2 and Lemma 3

**Proof.** To prove point 1, consider a realization  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  of  $\mathbf{X}_n$  such that  $\sum_{l=1}^n x_l = s$ . The number of all the possible re-samples  $(x_1^i, \dots, x_n^i)$  that can be drawn with replacement from  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  such that  $\sum_{l=1}^n x_l^i = k$  is given by  $\binom{n}{k} s^k (n-s)^{n-k}$ . Consequently, the number of possible re-samples with  $\sum_{l=1}^n x_l^i \geq (nc_\alpha + 1)$  (i.e. the number of re-samples leading to a rejection of  $H_0$  using the exact test  $\Psi_\alpha$ ) is given by  $\sum_{k=nc_\alpha+1}^n \binom{n}{k} s^k (n-s)^{n-k}$ . Then, the value of  $\hat{\pi}_e$  associated to a realization of  $(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  with  $\sum_{l=1}^n x_l = s$  is given by  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}(s) = \sum_{k=nc_\alpha+1}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{s}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{s}{n}\right)^{n-k} = 1 - B(nc_\alpha; n, \frac{s}{n}) = 1 - B(nc_\alpha; n, \hat{p})$  and  $P(\hat{\pi}_e^{PI} = \hat{\pi}_e^{PI}(s)) = \binom{n}{s} p^s (1-p)^{n-s}$ . This proves points 1 and 2. Concerning point 3, note that the value of the estimators  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}$  corresponding to the sample realizations leading to the critical value  $\hat{p} = c_\alpha$  is  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}(nc_\alpha) = \sum_{k=nc_\alpha+1}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{nc_\alpha}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{nc_\alpha}{n}\right)^{n-k} = 1 - B(nc_\alpha; n, c_\alpha)$ . Since  $nc_\alpha$  is an integer, the median of the binomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $c_\alpha$  coincides with  $nc_\alpha$ . Consequently,  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}(nc_\alpha) \leq 1/2$ . Analogously, the value of  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}$  corresponding to  $nc_\alpha + 1$  is given by  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}(nc_\alpha + 1) = \sum_{k=nc_\alpha+1}^n \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{nc_\alpha+1}{n}\right)^k \left(1 - \frac{nc_\alpha+1}{n}\right)^{n-k} = 1 - B(nc_\alpha; n, (nc_\alpha + 1)/n)$ .

Again, since  $nc_\alpha + 1$  is an integer, it coincides with the median of the binomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $(nc_\alpha + 1)/n$ . Then  $1 - B(nc_\alpha; n, (nc_\alpha + 1)/n) > 1/2$ , which coincides with  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}(nc_\alpha + 1) > 1/2$ . This demonstrates that, if the null hypotheses is rejected (accepted) by the classical exact test (or by the test based on the parametric exact RP-estimator), also the RP-testing rule defined on the basis of  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}$  reject (accept)  $H_0$ . The converse implication is straightforward since a binomial random variable is strictly increasing in  $p_t$  with respect to the usual stochastic ordering. Then, the RP-testing rule based on  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}$  is equivalent to the exact one. The proof for Lemma 3.2 is analogous.  $\square$

## 3. RP-Estimation and Testing for the Sign Test

Let  $X$  be a continuous random variable with distribution function  ${}_tF$  and median  $\theta_t$ . Let  $\mathbf{X}_n = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$  be random sample drawn from  ${}_tF$  in order to test the statistical hypotheses  $H_0 : \theta_t \leq \theta_0$  vs  $H_1 : \theta_t > \theta_0$ . It is well known that the previous hypotheses can be tested by using the Sing test which is based on the test statistics

$$B = \sum_{i=1}^n I_i$$

with

$$I_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X_i > \theta_0 \\ 0 & \text{if } X_i \leq \theta_0 \end{cases} .$$

The exact and asymptotic distribution of  $B$  is known both under  $H_0$  and under  $H_1$  and, consequently, this test falls under case (A). Putting  $p_t = 1 - {}_tF(\theta_t)$  results that  $B \sim \text{Binomial}(n, p_t)$  and  $\frac{B - np_t}{\sqrt{np_t(1-p_t)}} \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ . It is now clear that all the results obtained for the Binomial test can be applied also for the Sing test. Note that, under  $H_0$ ,  $p_t = 0.5$  and, consequently, the performances of

the semi-parametric and non-parametric RP-estimators for the Sign test are reported in Figure 2 of the Supplementary Material, which is related to the binomial test with  $p_0 = 0.5$ .

#### 4. Proof of Corollary 4

**Proof.** Remember that  $W = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n I_{ij}$  where  $I_{ij}$  is defined as in formula (8) of the main document. Observe that  $E[I_{i,j}] = p_1$  if  $i \neq j$  and  $E[I_{i,j}] = p$  if  $i = j$ . Moreover, recall that  $E_{F_{\theta_t}}[W] = e(p, p_1) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} p_1 + np$ .

Thanks to Lemma 1, in order to prove Corollary 4 it is sufficient to show that  $W = e(\hat{p}, \hat{p}_1) = \hat{E}$ . Observe that

$$W = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n I_{ij} = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n I_{ij} + \sum_{i=1}^n I_{ii}. \quad (1)$$

Remembering that  $\hat{p} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{ii}$  and  $\hat{p}_1 = \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n I_{ij}$ , expression (1) can be rewritten as follows:

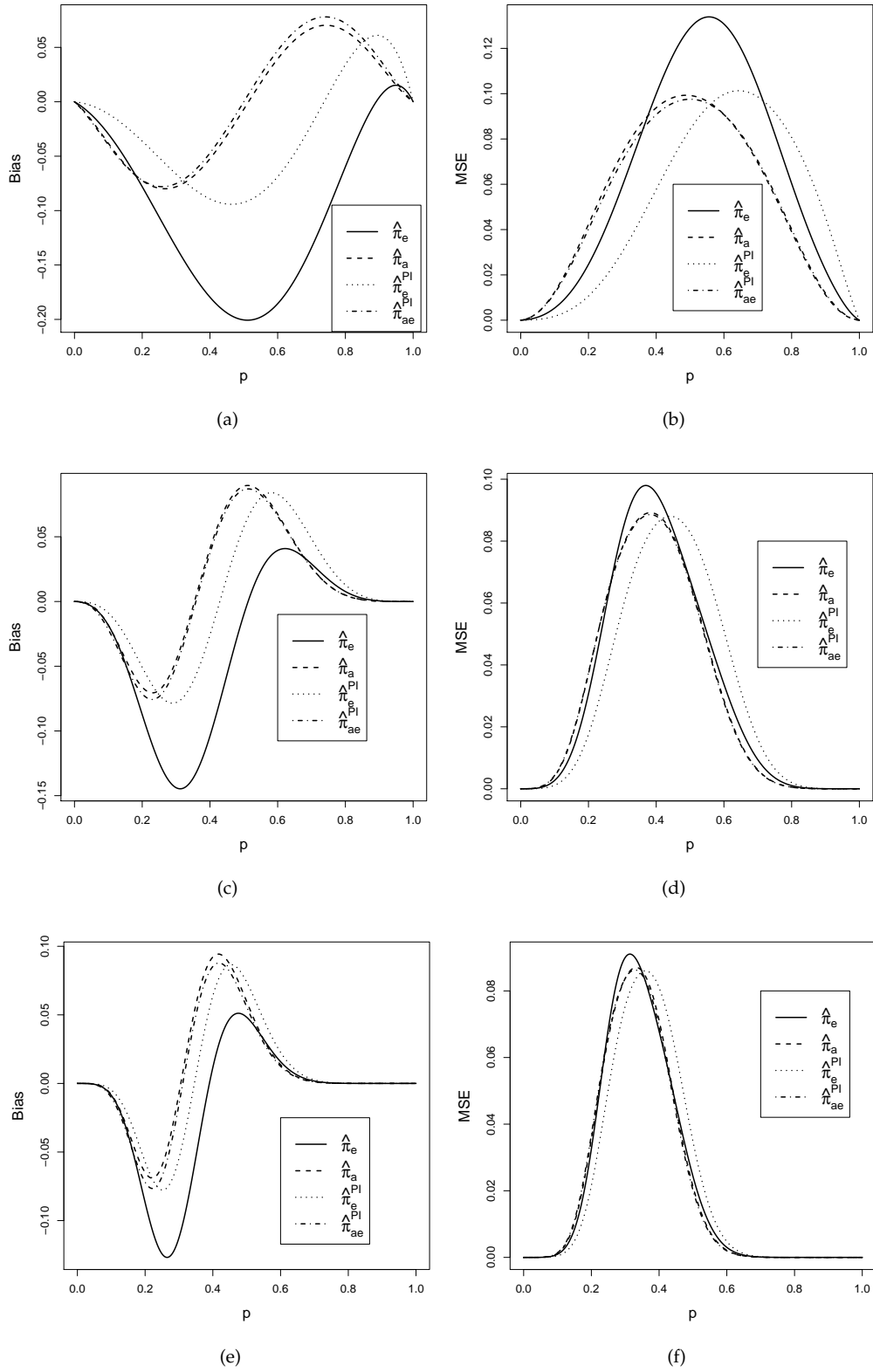
$$W = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i}^n I_{ij} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \left( \frac{2}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=i+1}^n I_{ij} \right) + n \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{ii} \right) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \hat{p}_1 + n\hat{p} = \hat{E}.$$

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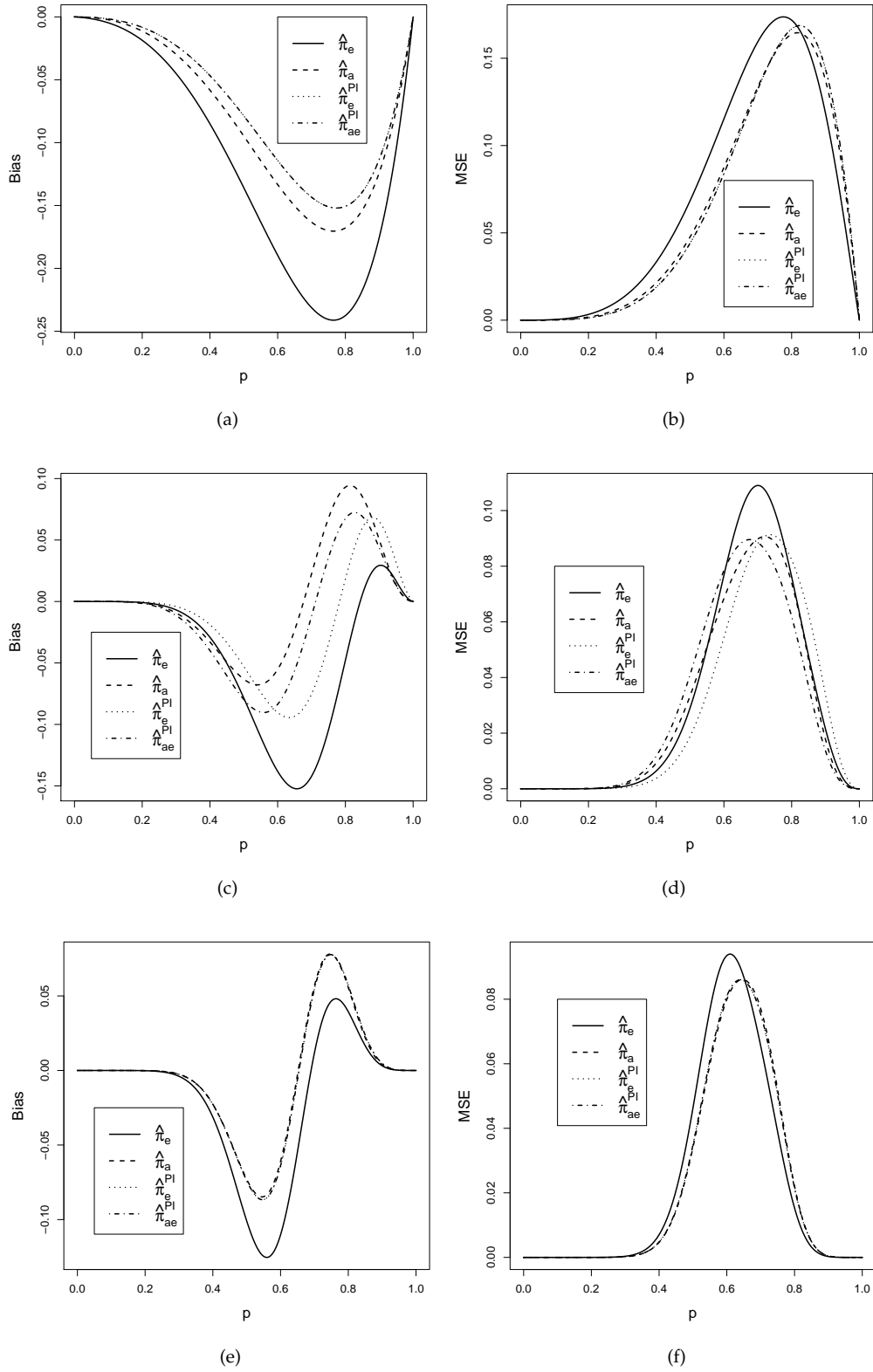
#### 5. Tables and Figures

**Table S1.** Probability of disagreement  $D(p_t, n, \alpha, p_0)$  between the tests  $\Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{X}_n)$  and  $\tilde{\Psi}_\alpha(\mathbf{X}_n)$  evaluated for  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $n = (5, 15, 30)$ ,  $p_0 = (0.2, 0.5)$  and  $p_t = (0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.9)$ .

$p_t$	$p_0 = 0.2$			$p_0 = 0.5$		
	$n = 5$	$n = 15$	$n = 30$	$n = 5$	$n = 15$	$n = 30$
<b>0.1</b>	0.0081	0.0019390	0.0003653	0	0.0000000	0
<b>0.2</b>	0.0512	0.0429926	0.0354709	0	0.0000115	0
<b>0.3</b>	0.1323	0.1472360	0.1415617	0	0.0005806	0
<b>0.4</b>	0.2304	0.2065976	0.1151854	0	0.0074199	0
<b>0.5</b>	0.3125	0.1527405	0.0279816	0	0.0416565	0
<b>0.6</b>	0.3456	0.0612141	0.0019975	0	0.1267758	0
<b>0.7</b>	0.3087	0.0115900	0.0000296	0	0.2186231	0
<b>0.8</b>	0.2048	0.0006718	0.0000000	0	0.1876042	0
<b>0.9</b>	0.0729	0.0000027	0.0000000	0	0.0428352	0



**Figure S1.** Bias (left) and MSE (right) of the RP estimators  $\hat{\pi}_e$  (solid),  $\hat{\pi}_a$  (dashed),  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}$  (dotted), and  $\hat{\pi}_{a,e}^{PI}$  (dot-dashed). The MSE and the Bias are computed setting  $\alpha = 0.05$  and considering the testing problem (3.1) by setting  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $p_0 = 0.2$  and  $n = (5, 10, 15)$ . (a)  $p_0 = 0.2$ ,  $n = 5$ ; (b)  $p_0 = 0.2$ ,  $n = 5$ ; (c)  $p_0 = 0.2$ ,  $n = 15$ ; (d)  $p_0 = 0.2$ ,  $n = 15$ ; (e)  $p_0 = 0.2$ ,  $n = 30$ ; (f)  $p_0 = 0.2$ ,  $n = 30$ .



**Figure S2.** Bias (left) and MSE (right) of the RP estimators  $\hat{\pi}_e$  (solid),  $\hat{\pi}_a$  (dashed),  $\hat{\pi}_e^{PI}$  (dotted), and  $\hat{\pi}_{ae}^{PI}$  (dot-dashed). The MSE and the Bias are computed setting  $\alpha = 0.05$  and considering the testing problem (3.1) by setting  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $p_0 = 0.5$  and  $n = (5, 10, 15)$ . (a)  $p_0 = 0.5$ ,  $n = 5$ ; (b)  $p_0 = 0.5$ ,  $n = 5$ ; (c)  $p_0 = 0.5$ ,  $n = 15$ ; (d)  $p_0 = 0.5$ ,  $n = 15$ ; (e)  $p_0 = 0.5$ ,  $n = 30$ ; (f)  $p_0 = 0.5$ ,  $n = 30$ .

**Table S2.** Probability of disagreement  $D(\alpha, n, F_{\theta_t}, \theta_0)$  between the tests  $\Psi_\alpha(\mathbf{X}_n)$  and  $\tilde{\Psi}_\alpha(\mathbf{X}_n)$  evaluated for  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $n = (15, 30, 60, 120, 240)$ ,  $\theta_0 = 0$ , and assuming that  $F_{\theta_t} \equiv \mathcal{N}(\theta_t, 1)$  or  $F_{\theta_t} \equiv \text{Cauchy}(\theta_t)$  with  $\theta_t = (0.0, 0.1, 0.2, \dots, 0.9)$ .

<b>Gaussian Distribution</b>					
	$n = 15$	$n = 30$	$n = 60$	$n = 120$	$n = 240$
$w_\alpha$	89	313	1139	4258	16231
$\tilde{w}_\alpha$	88.9606	312.4702	1138.4369	4258.0778	16230.9582
$\theta_t$					
<b>0.0</b>	0.0065	0.0023	0.0009	0.0000	0.0001
<b>0.1</b>	0.0111	0.0044	0.0020	0.0000	0.0004
<b>0.2</b>	0.0165	0.0070	0.0028	0.0000	0.0001
<b>0.3</b>	0.0210	0.0082	0.0025	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.4</b>	0.0252	0.0080	0.0012	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.5</b>	0.0249	0.0053	0.0003	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.6</b>	0.0229	0.0031	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.7</b>	0.0180	0.0013	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.8</b>	0.0129	0.0003	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.9</b>	0.0076	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
<b>Cauchy Distribution</b>					
	$n = 15$	$n = 30$	$n = 60$	$n = 120$	$n = 240$
$w_\alpha$	89	313	1139	4258	16231
$\tilde{w}_\alpha$	88.961	312.470	1138.437	4258.078	16230.958
$\theta_t$					
<b>0.0</b>	0.0060	0.0020	0.0008	0.0000	0.0001
<b>0.1</b>	0.0092	0.0031	0.0013	0.0000	0.0003
<b>0.2</b>	0.0113	0.0048	0.0021	0.0000	0.0004
<b>0.3</b>	0.0142	0.0064	0.0030	0.0000	0.0002
<b>0.4</b>	0.0171	0.0079	0.0030	0.0000	0.0001
<b>0.5</b>	0.0195	0.0085	0.0025	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.6</b>	0.0216	0.0086	0.0025	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.7</b>	0.0223	0.0080	0.0019	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.8</b>	0.0239	0.0079	0.0011	0.0000	0.0000
<b>0.9</b>	0.0241	0.0070	0.0009	0.0000	0.0000

**Table S3.** Averaged MSE, Bias and Disagreement rate for the asymptotic and exact WSR test when sampling from the Normal distribution. The averages are computed over the 19 different values of  $\theta$  considered in the simulation study. The smallest values for the averaged MSE, Bias and disagreement are highlighted in bold.

RP-estimation and Testing for the Asymptotic WSR Test															
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$			$n = 240$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_{N1}$	-0.0197	0.0618	0.0143	-0.0044	0.0652	0.0105	<b>-0.0013</b>	0.0671	0.0039	<b>-0.0007</b>	0.0681	0.0024	0.0005	0.0685	0.0009
$\hat{\tau}_{N2}$	-0.0278	<b>0.0614</b>	0.0074	-0.0084	0.0649	0.0032	-0.0032	0.0669	0.0018	-0.0016	0.0680	0.0009	0.0000	0.0685	0.0004
$\hat{\tau}_{aS1}$	-0.0278	0.0618	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0087	0.0650	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0035	0.0670	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0018	0.0681	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0685	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{aS2}$	-0.0350	0.0617	0.0219	-0.0125	<b>0.0648</b>	0.0057	-0.0054	<b>0.0668</b>	0.0026	-0.0027	<b>0.0680</b>	0.0011	-0.0005	<b>0.0685</b>	0.0007
$\hat{\tau}_{a1}$	0.0051	0.0781	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0067	0.0732	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0039	0.0710	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0018	0.0701	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0018	0.0695	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a2}$	<b>-0.0029</b>	0.0727	0.0219	<b>0.0026</b>	0.0704	0.0057	0.0019	0.0696	0.0026	0.0008	0.0693	0.0011	0.0013	0.0692	0.0007
$\hat{\tau}_{a5}^{PI}$	0.0134	0.0714	0.0171	0.0061	0.0698	0.0142	0.0035	0.0694	0.0139	0.0014	0.0694	0.0136	0.0018	0.0694	0.0138
$\hat{\tau}_{a10}^{PI}$	0.0134	0.0713	0.0152	0.0061	0.0696	0.0112	0.0035	0.0692	0.0101	0.0015	0.0692	0.0095	0.0018	0.0692	0.0096
$\hat{\tau}_{a20}^{PI}$	0.0134	0.0712	0.0137	0.0061	0.0696	0.0091	0.0035	0.0691	0.0073	0.0014	0.0692	0.0068	0.0018	0.0691	0.0067

RP-estimation and Testing for the Exact WSR Test															
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$			$n = 240$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_{N1}$	<b>-0.0006</b>	0.0614	0.0202	0.0020	0.0652	0.0156	<b>0.0009</b>	0.0671	0.0049	<b>-0.0007</b>	0.0681	0.0024	0.0008	0.0685	0.0011
$\hat{\tau}_{N2}$	-0.0086	<b>0.0607</b>	0.0133	<b>-0.0019</b>	0.0648	0.0059	-0.0010	0.0669	0.0029	-0.0016	0.0680	0.0009	0.0003	0.0685	0.0005
$\hat{\tau}_{S1}$	-0.0092	0.0611	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0050	0.0649	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0022	0.0669	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0017	0.0681	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0003	0.0685	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{S2}$	-0.0164	0.0607	0.0048	-0.0088	<b>0.0647</b>	0.0035	-0.0041	<b>0.0668</b>	0.0018	-0.0027	<b>0.0680</b>	0.0011	<b>-0.0002</b>	<b>0.0685</b>	0.0005
$\hat{\tau}_1$	0.0236	0.0786	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0103	0.0733	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0051	0.0710	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0019	0.0701	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0020	0.0695	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_2$	0.0156	0.0729	0.0048	0.0063	0.0705	0.0035	0.0032	0.0696	0.0018	0.0009	0.0693	0.0011	0.0016	0.0692	0.0005
$\hat{\tau}_5^{PI}$	0.0189	0.0720	0.0188	0.0074	0.0698	0.0145	0.0040	0.0694	0.0140	0.0014	0.0694	0.0136	0.0019	0.0694	0.0139
$\hat{\tau}_{10}^{PI}$	0.0189	0.0718	0.0167	0.0074	0.0697	0.0112	0.0039	0.0692	0.0099	0.0015	0.0692	0.0095	0.0019	0.0692	0.0096
$\hat{\tau}_{20}^{PI}$	0.0189	0.0717	0.0161	0.0074	0.0696	0.0091	0.0039	0.0692	0.0073	0.0014	0.0692	0.0068	0.0019	0.0691	0.0067

**Table S4.** Averaged MSE, Bias and Disagreement rate for the asymptotic and exact WSR test when sampling from the Chauchy distribution. The averages are computed over the 19 different values of  $\theta$  considered in the simulation study. The smallest values for the averaged MSE, Bias and disagreement are highlighted in bold.

RP-estimation and Testing for the Asymptotic WSR Test															
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$			$n = 240$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_{N1}$	-0.0308	0.0684	0.0286	-0.0082	0.0678	0.0073	-0.0050	0.0686	0.0045	-0.0025	0.0688	0.0018	-0.0024	0.0683	0.0012
$\hat{\tau}_{N2}$	-0.0312	0.0664	0.0131	-0.0082	0.0669	0.0057	-0.0050	0.0682	0.0025	-0.0025	0.0686	0.0010	-0.0024	0.0682	0.0008
$\hat{\tau}_{aS1}$	-0.0247	0.0652	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>-0.0049</b>	0.0664	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0034	0.0680	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0017	0.0685	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0020	0.0681	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{aS2}$	-0.0250	<b>0.0636</b>	0.0122	-0.0050	<b>0.0656</b>	0.0034	-0.0034	<b>0.0676</b>	0.0019	-0.0017	<b>0.0683</b>	0.0009	-0.0020	<b>0.0680</b>	0.0004
$\hat{\tau}_{a1}$	<b>0.0009</b>	0.0793	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0068	0.0734	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0022</b>	0.0713	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0010</b>	0.0702	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0006	0.0690	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a2}$	0.0021	0.0735	0.0122	0.0071	0.0702	0.0034	0.0023	0.0697	0.0019	0.0010	0.0693	0.0009	-0.0006	0.0685	0.0004
$\hat{\tau}_{a5}^{PI}$	0.0192	0.0718	0.0180	0.0091	0.0698	0.0142	0.0031	0.0696	0.0136	0.0013	0.0695	0.0133	<b>-0.0003</b>	0.0687	0.0129
$\hat{\tau}_{a10}^{PI}$	0.0192	0.0717	0.0164	0.0091	0.0696	0.0111	0.0031	0.0694	0.0097	0.0012	0.0693	0.0093	-0.0003	0.0686	0.0091
$\hat{\tau}_{a20}^{PI}$	0.0192	0.0716	0.0156	0.0091	0.0695	0.0091	0.0031	0.0694	0.0072	0.0012	0.0692	0.0068	-0.0003	0.0685	0.0065

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RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$			$n = 240$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_{N1}$	-0.0132	0.0677	0.0200	-0.0019	0.0678	0.0082	-0.0028	0.0686	0.0040	-0.0025	0.0688	0.0018	-0.0021	0.0683	0.0011
$\hat{\tau}_{N2}$	-0.0136	0.0657	0.0045	-0.0019	0.0668	0.0033	-0.0028	0.0682	0.0020	-0.0025	0.0686	0.0010	-0.0021	0.0682	0.0006
$\hat{\tau}_{S1}$	<b>-0.0076</b>	0.0647	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>-0.0013</b>	0.0664	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>-0.0021</b>	0.0680	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0016	0.0685	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0017	0.0681	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{S2}$	-0.0079	<b>0.0631</b>	0.0066	-0.0013	<b>0.0655</b>	0.0036	-0.0021	<b>0.0675</b>	0.0018	-0.0016	<b>0.0683</b>	0.0009	-0.0017	<b>0.0680</b>	0.0005
$\hat{\tau}_1$	0.0179	0.0797	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0104	0.0734	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0034	0.0713	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0010</b>	0.0702	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0004	0.0690	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_2$	0.0192	0.0739	0.0066	0.0108	0.0703	0.0036	0.0035	0.0697	0.0018	0.0011	0.0693	0.0009	-0.0004	0.0685	0.0005
$\hat{\tau}_5^{PI}$	0.0264	0.0722	0.0211	0.0105	0.0698	0.0143	0.0036	0.0696	0.0137	0.0013	0.0695	0.0133	<b>-0.0002</b>	0.0687	0.0130
$\hat{\tau}_{10}^{PI}$	0.0264	0.0721	0.0200	0.0105	0.0697	0.0113	0.0036	0.0694	0.0099	0.0012	0.0693	0.0093	-0.0003	0.0686	0.0092
$\hat{\tau}_{20}^{PI}$	0.0264	0.0720	0.0193	0.0105	0.0696	0.0091	0.0036	0.0694	0.0073	0.0012	0.0692	0.0068	-0.0002	0.0685	0.0066

**Table S5.** Probability of disagreement between  $\tilde{\Psi}_\alpha((\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})_n)$  and  $\Psi_\alpha((\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})_n)$  when  $\alpha = 0.05$ ,  $n = (15, 30, 60, 120)$ , and assuming that  $\mathbf{F}_t$  is the Bivariate Normal or Bivariate Student's  $t$  (3 df) with correlation coefficient  $\rho = (0, 0.1, 0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.6)$ . The values of  $\tau_t$  corresponding to the considered values of  $\rho$  are reported in the second column of the table. They have been obtained by using the relation  $\tau_t = \frac{2}{\pi} \arcsin(\rho)$  which holds for all absolutely continuous elliptical distributions.

		<b>Bivariate Gaussian Distribution</b>			
		<b><math>n = 15</math></b>	<b><math>n = 30</math></b>	<b><math>n = 60</math></b>	<b><math>n = 120</math></b>
$t_{1-\alpha}$		0.3143	0.2138	0.1458	0.1017
$\tilde{t}_{1-\alpha}$		0.3772	0.2525	0.1736	0.1210
$\rho$	$\tau_t$				
<b>0.0</b>	0.0000	0.0234	0.0222	0.0245	0.0251
<b>0.1</b>	0.0638	0.0401	0.0487	0.0682	0.0932
<b>0.2</b>	0.1282	0.0636	0.0839	0.1170	0.1205
<b>0.3</b>	0.1940	0.0920	0.1138	0.1142	0.0489
<b>0.4</b>	0.2620	0.1180	0.1156	0.0582	0.0051
<b>0.5</b>	0.3333	0.1324	0.0810	0.0134	0.0001
<b>0.6</b>	0.4097	0.1229	0.0350	0.0010	0.0000
		<b>Bivariate <math>t</math> Distribution with 3 df</b>			
		<b><math>n = 15</math></b>	<b><math>n = 30</math></b>	<b><math>n = 60</math></b>	<b><math>n = 120</math></b>
$t_{1-\alpha}$		0.3143	0.2138	0.1458	0.1017
$\tilde{t}_{1-\alpha}$		0.3772	0.2525	0.1736	0.1210
$\rho$	$\tau_t$				
<b>0.0</b>	0.0000	0.0287	0.0282	0.0312	0.0313
<b>0.1</b>	0.0638	0.0453	0.0516	0.0692	0.0874
<b>0.2</b>	0.1282	0.0661	0.0805	0.1039	0.1073
<b>0.3</b>	0.1940	0.0874	0.1025	0.1029	0.0529
<b>0.4</b>	0.2620	0.1063	0.1026	0.0611	0.0091
<b>0.5</b>	0.3333	0.1172	0.0783	0.0195	0.0004
<b>0.6</b>	0.4097	0.1102	0.0411	0.0025	0.0000



**Table S6.** Averaged MSE, Bias and Disagreement rate for the asymptotic and exact Kendall's test when sampling from the Gaussian copula. The averages are computed over the 19 different values of  $\rho$  considered in the simulation study. The least values for the averaged MSE, Bias and disagreement are highlighted in bold.

RP-estimation and Testing for the Asymptotic Kendall's Test												
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_N$	<b>-0.0001</b>	0.0748	0.0070	0.0187	0.0681	0.0314	0.0017	0.0676	0.0149	-0.0028	0.0678	0.0078
$\hat{\tau}_{a5}$	-0.0059	0.0741	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0085	0.0653	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0103	0.0664	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0091	0.0672	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a1}$	-0.0047	0.0693	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0032</b>	0.0729	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0046	0.0700	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0063	0.0690	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a2}$	-0.0088	<b>0.0570</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0063	<b>0.0545</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0115	<b>0.0541</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0119	<b>0.0541</b>	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{C1}$	0.0008	0.0697	0.0070	0.0312	0.0773	0.0314	0.0076	0.0715	0.0149	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0696	0.0078
$\hat{\tau}_{C2}$	-0.0038	0.0571	0.0070	0.0168	0.0553	0.0314	<b>-0.0012</b>	0.0543	0.0149	-0.0065	0.0542	0.0078
$\hat{\tau}_{aL}$	-0.0048	0.0745	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0034	0.0671	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0080	0.0672	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0080	0.0676	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a5}^{PI}$	0.0203	0.0680	0.0329	0.0471	0.0669	0.0654	0.0318	0.0668	0.0498	0.0218	0.0672	0.0365
$\hat{\tau}_{a10}^{PI}$	0.0203	0.0679	0.0327	0.0472	0.0668	0.0658	0.0318	0.0666	0.0501	0.0218	0.0671	0.0370
$\hat{\tau}_{a20}^{PI}$	0.0203	0.0678	0.0329	0.0472	0.0667	0.0658	0.0319	0.0665	0.0504	0.0218	0.0670	0.0373

RP-estimation and Testing for the Exact Kendall's Test												
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_N$	0.0818	0.0819	0.0882	0.1061	0.0798	0.1190	0.0931	0.0769	0.1060	0.0896	0.0764	0.0995
$\hat{\tau}_5$	<b>0.0069</b>	0.0739	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0050</b>	0.0645	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0053</b>	0.0660	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0084</b>	0.0670	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_1$	0.0105	0.0693	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0147	0.0732	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0099	0.0702	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0106	0.0691	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_2$	0.0134	<b>0.0570</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0163	<b>0.0544</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0137	<b>0.0541</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0151	<b>0.0542</b>	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{C1}$	0.0827	0.0769	0.0882	0.1187	0.0914	0.1190	0.0990	0.0819	0.1060	0.0924	0.0787	0.0995
$\hat{\tau}_{C2}$	0.0780	0.0634	0.0882	0.1043	0.0664	0.1190	0.0902	0.0628	0.1060	0.0859	0.0618	0.0995
$\hat{\tau}_L$	0.0080	0.0745	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0097	0.0668	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0074	0.0671	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0094	0.0676	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_5^{PI}$	0.0361	0.0696	0.0324	0.0655	0.0705	0.0679	0.0501	0.0696	0.0503	0.0396	0.0693	0.0362
$\hat{\tau}_{a1}^{PI}$	0.0361	0.0695	0.0326	0.0655	0.0704	0.0684	0.0501	0.0694	0.0505	0.0396	0.0692	0.0369
$\hat{\tau}_{a20}^{PI}$	0.0361	0.0694	0.0323	0.0655	0.0703	0.0685	0.0501	0.0694	0.0509	0.0396	0.0691	0.0369

**Table S7.** Averaged MSE, Bias and Disagreement rate for the asymptotic and exact Kendall's test when sampling from the  $t$  copula with 3 degrees of freedom. The averages are computed over the 19 different values of  $\rho$  considered in the simulation study. The least values for the averaged MSE, Bias and disagreement are highlighted in bold.

RP-estimation and Testing for the Asymptotic Kendall's Test												
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_N$	0.0360	0.0759	0.0551	0.0186	0.0751	0.0281	0.0038	0.0752	0.0133	<b>-0.0001</b>	0.0748	0.0070
$\hat{\tau}_{a5}$	-0.0060	0.0689	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0065	0.0721	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0072	0.0738	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0059	0.0741	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a1}$	0.0131	0.0778	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0033	0.0735	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0033	0.0709	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0047	0.0693	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a2}$	<b>0.0036</b>	<b>0.0591</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0037	<b>0.0581</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0081	<b>0.0577</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0088	<b>0.0570</b>	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{C1}$	0.0553	0.0881	0.0551	0.0278	0.0765	0.0281	0.0073	0.0720	0.0133	0.0008	0.0697	0.0070
$\hat{\tau}_{C2}$	0.0379	0.0617	0.0551	0.0175	0.0589	0.0281	<b>0.0012</b>	0.0579	0.0133	-0.0038	0.0571	0.0070
$\hat{\tau}_{aL}$	0.0062	0.0736	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>-0.0015</b>	0.0741	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0049	0.0747	<b>0.0000</b>	-0.0048	0.0745	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{a5}^{PI}$	0.0587	0.0695	0.0769	0.0435	0.0687	0.0595	0.0295	0.0685	0.0448	0.0203	0.0680	0.0329
$\hat{\tau}_{a10}^{PI}$	0.0587	0.0694	0.0775	0.0434	0.0685	0.0597	0.0295	0.0683	0.0451	0.0203	0.0679	0.0327
$\hat{\tau}_{a20}^{PI}$	0.0587	0.0693	0.0779	0.0434	0.0684	0.0596	0.0295	0.0683	0.0455	0.0203	0.0678	0.0329

RP-estimation and Testing for the Exact Kendall's Test												
RP-est.	$n = 15$			$n = 30$			$n = 60$			$n = 120$		
	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D	Bias	MSE	D
$\hat{\tau}_N$	0.1224	0.0906	0.1411	0.0964	0.0847	0.1063	0.0851	0.0829	0.0955	0.0818	0.0819	0.0882
$\hat{\tau}_5$	<b>0.0018</b>	0.0672	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0027</b>	0.0713	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0040</b>	0.0734	<b>0.0000</b>	<b>0.0069</b>	0.0739	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_1$	0.0196	0.0780	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0138	0.0738	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0099	0.0711	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0105	0.0693	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_2$	0.0214	<b>0.0590</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0145	<b>0.0580</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0124	<b>0.0577</b>	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0134	<b>0.0570</b>	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_{C1}$	0.1417	0.1064	0.1411	0.1056	0.0876	0.1063	0.0886	0.0803	0.0955	0.0827	0.0769	0.0882
$\hat{\tau}_{C2}$	0.1243	0.0764	0.1411	0.0953	0.0680	0.1063	0.0825	0.0651	0.0955	0.0780	0.0634	0.0882
$\hat{\tau}_L$	0.0138	0.0732	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0076	0.0739	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0062	0.0746	<b>0.0000</b>	0.0080	0.0745	<b>0.0000</b>
$\hat{\tau}_5^{PI}$	0.0775	0.0738	0.0781	0.0593	0.0715	0.0601	0.0456	0.0707	0.0457	0.0361	0.0696	0.0324
$\hat{\tau}_{a10}^{PI}$	0.0775	0.0737	0.0784	0.0593	0.0714	0.0604	0.0456	0.0706	0.0461	0.0361	0.0695	0.0326
$\hat{\tau}_{a20}^{PI}$	0.0775	0.0736	0.0791	0.0593	0.0713	0.0607	0.0456	0.0705	0.0463	0.0361	0.0694	0.0323