

# Dealing with the badness of goodness-of-fit

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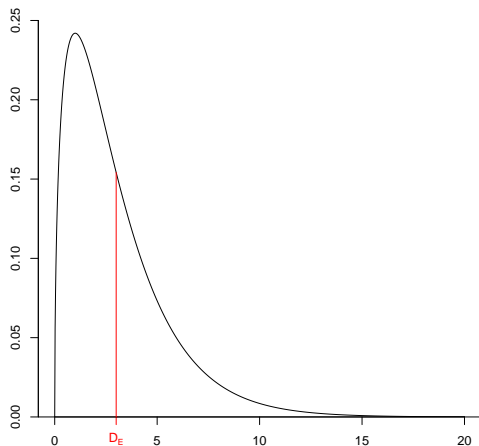


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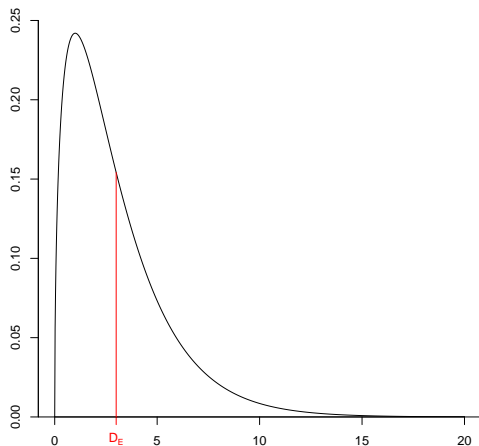


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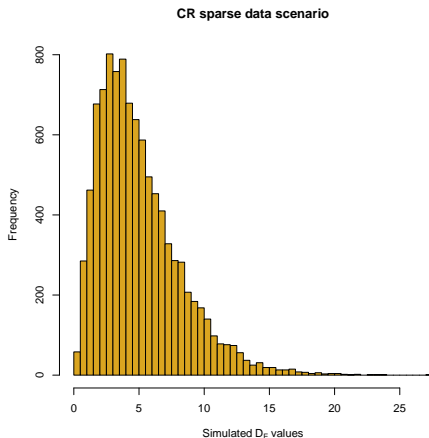
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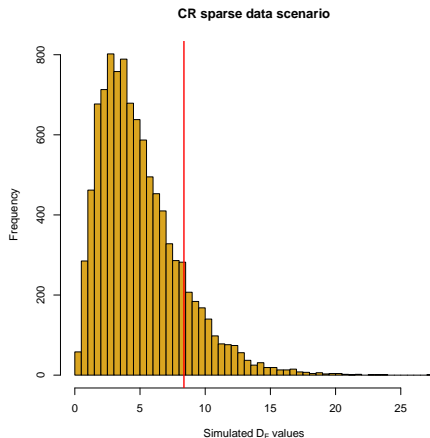
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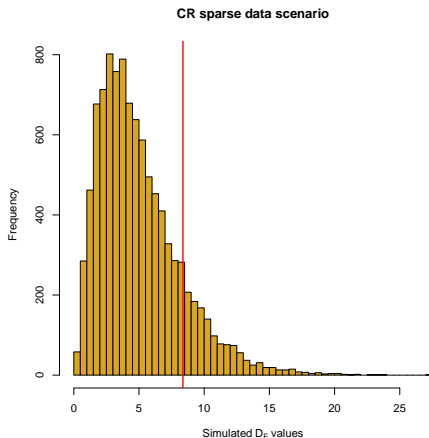
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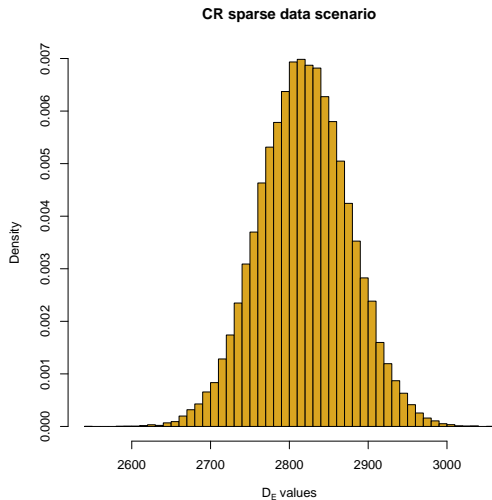


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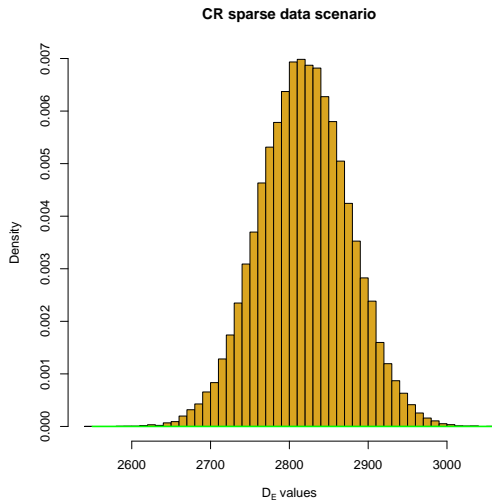
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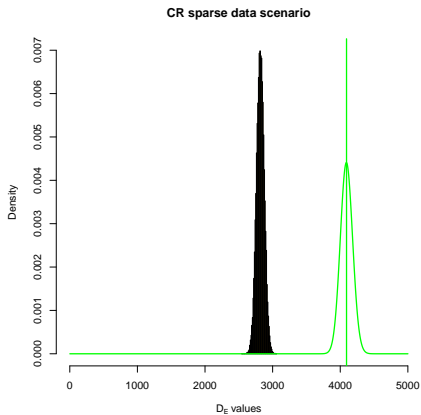
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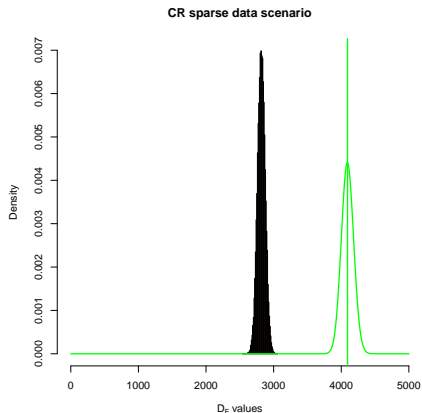
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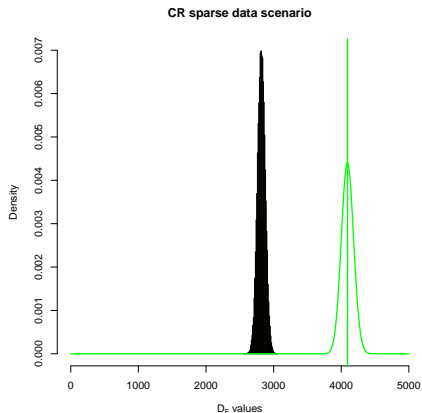


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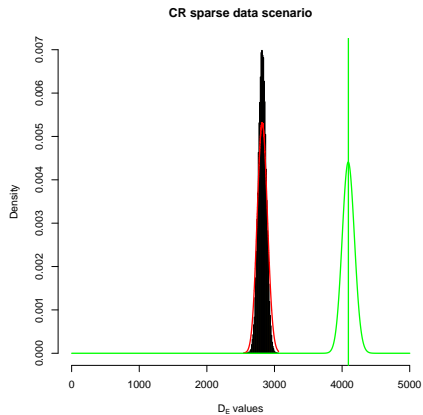
If we fit a closed-population CR model using a Poisson likelihood:

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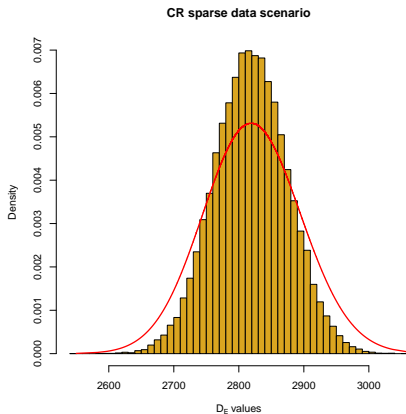
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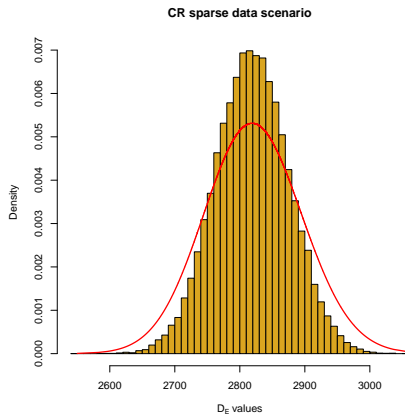
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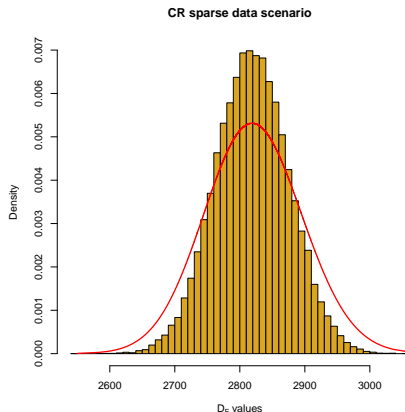
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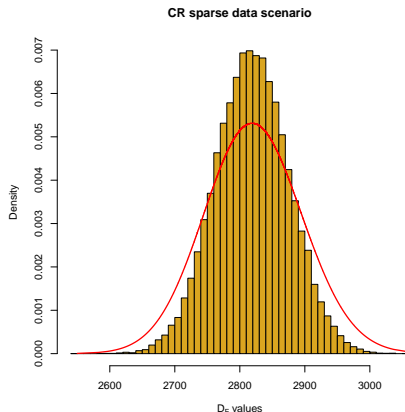


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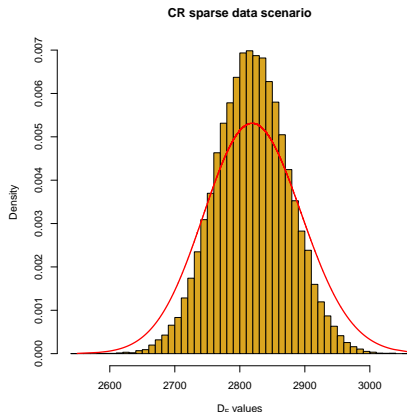
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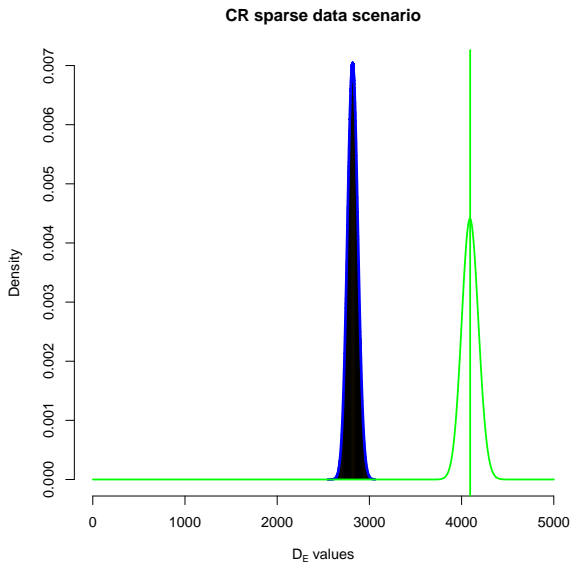
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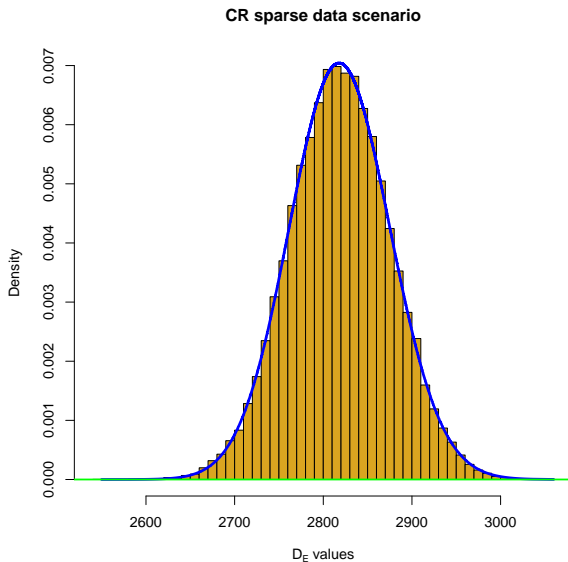
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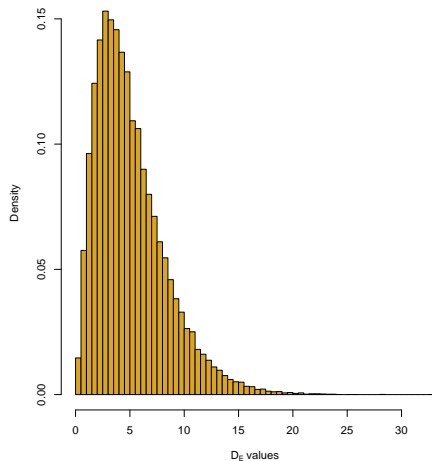


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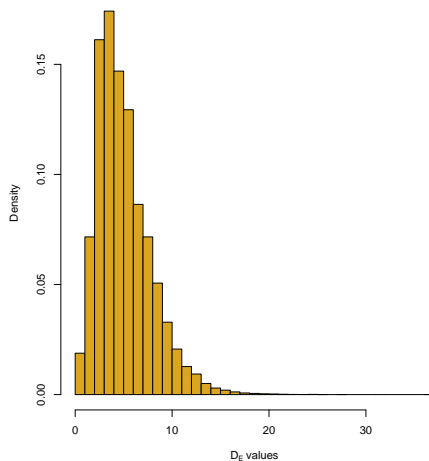


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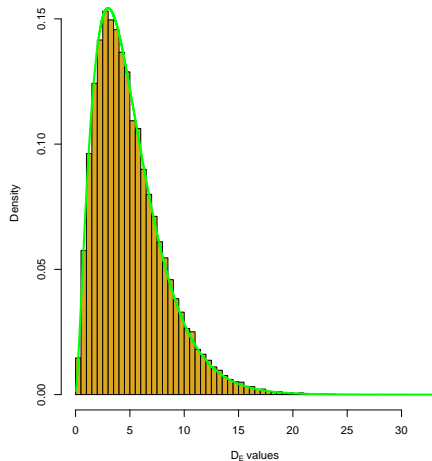


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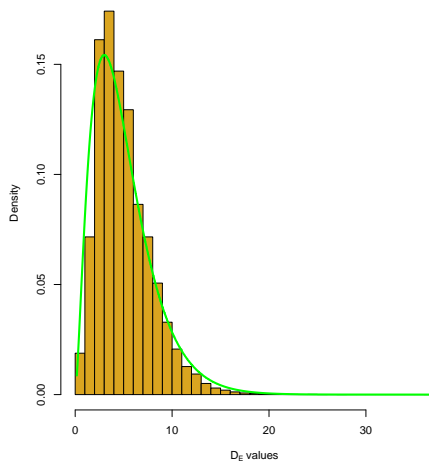


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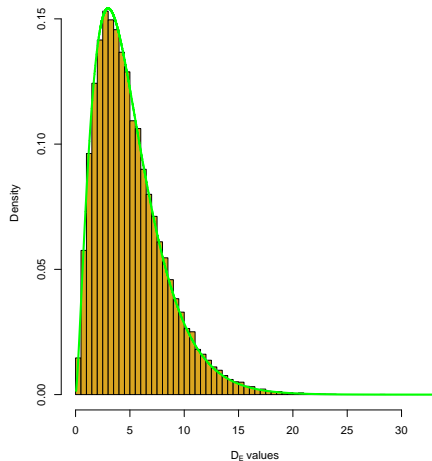


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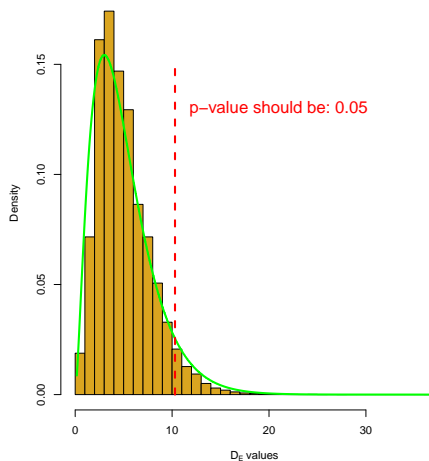


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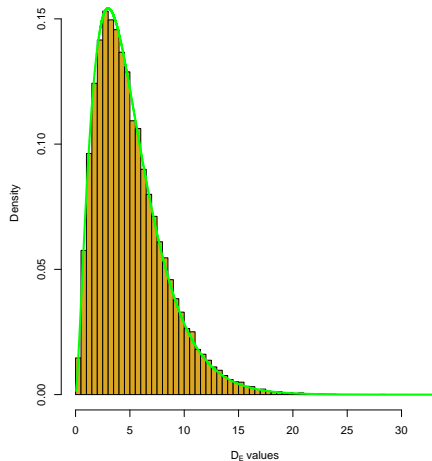


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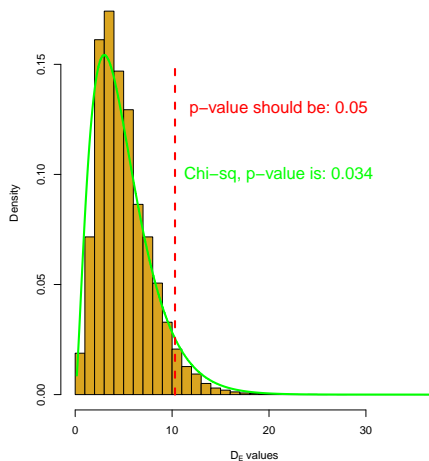


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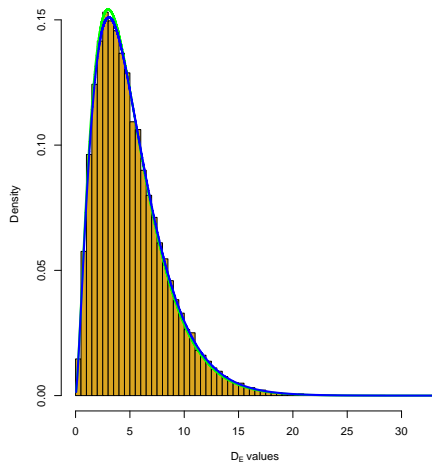


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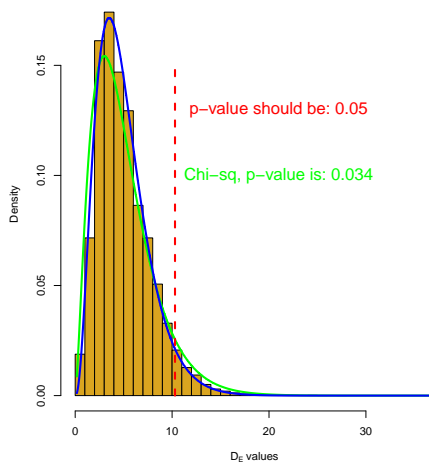


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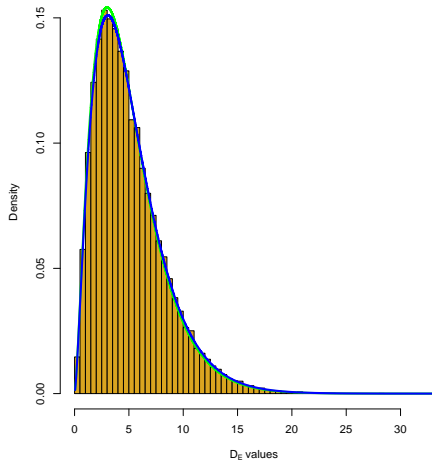


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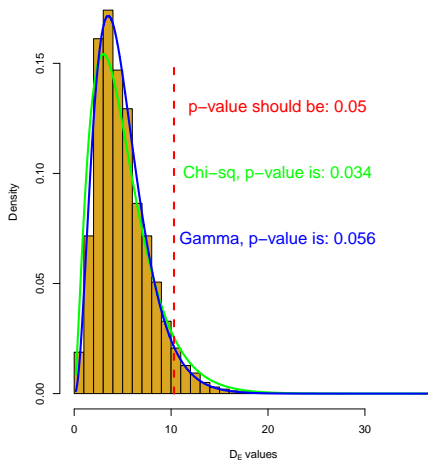


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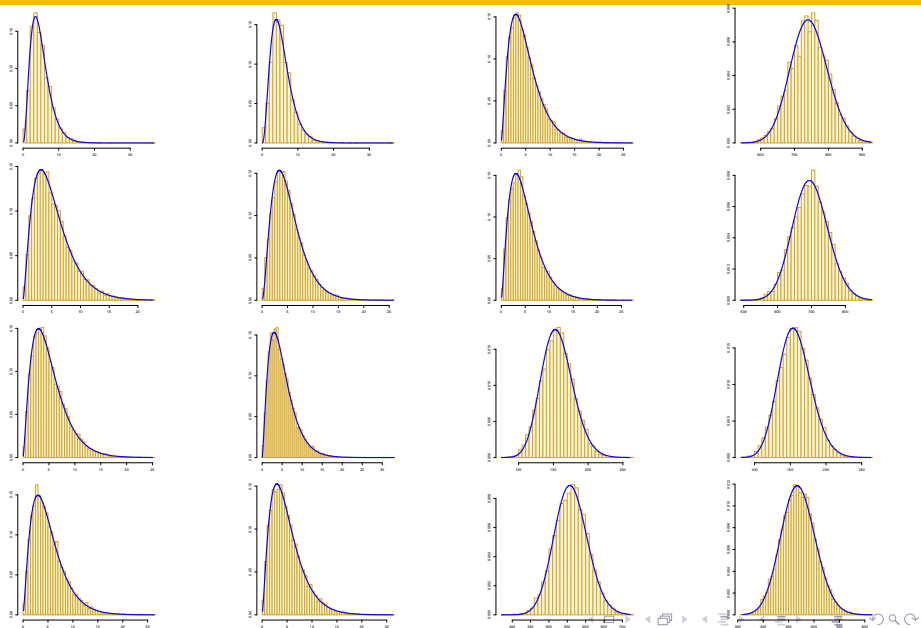
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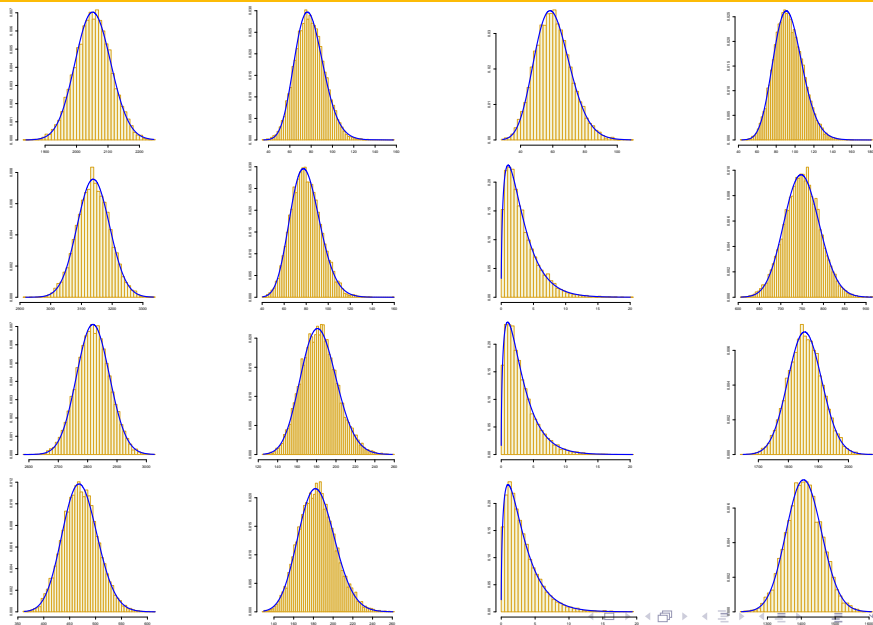
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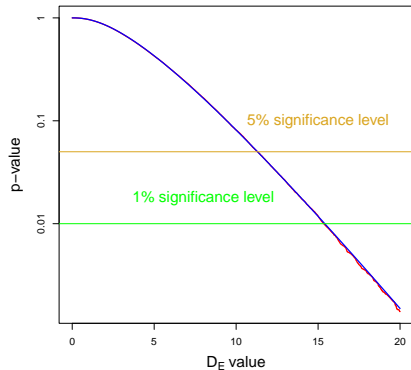
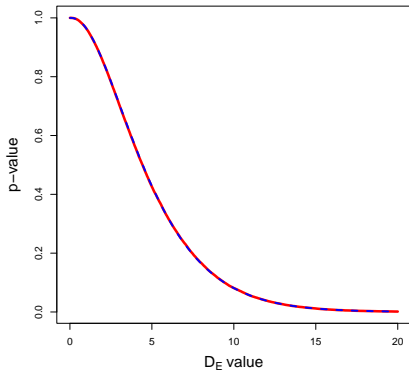
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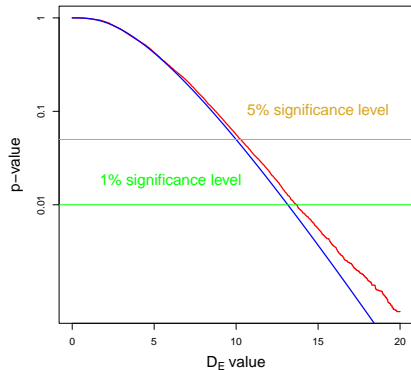
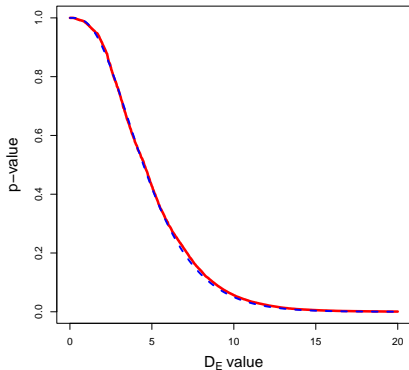


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