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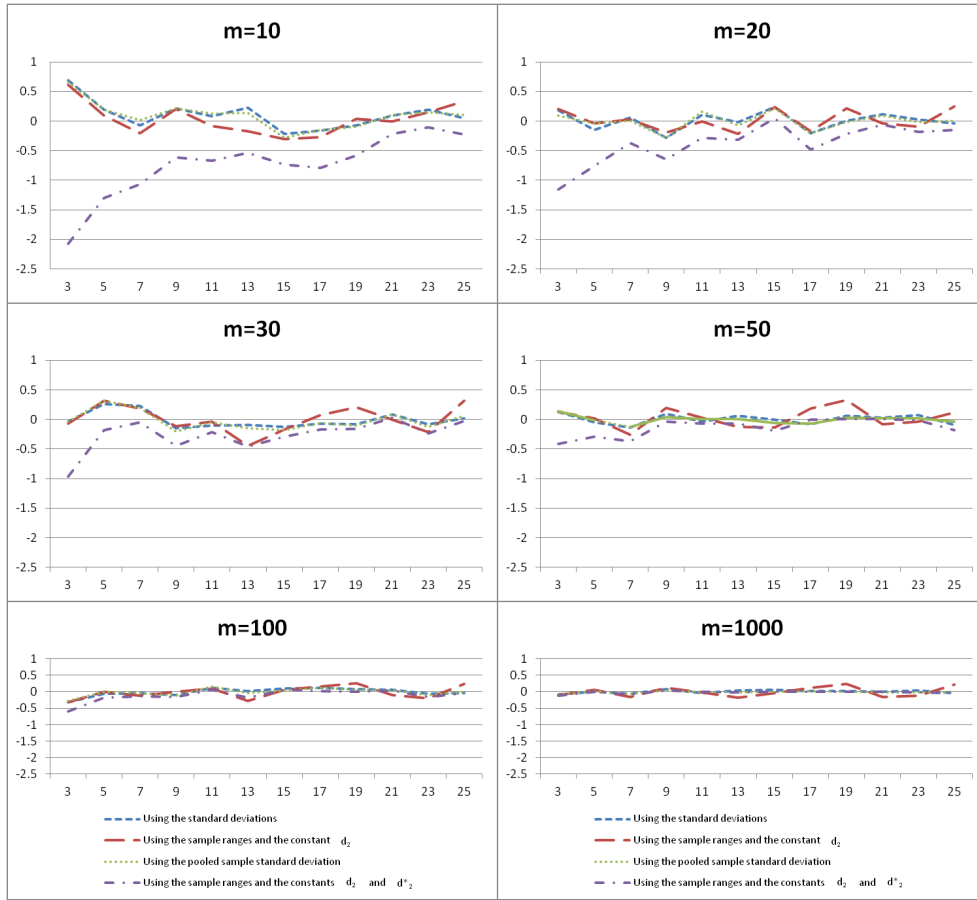


Figure 2: Values of RB (%) of the estimators  $\hat{\sigma}_R$  (using the sample ranges and the constant  $d_2$ ),  $\hat{\sigma}_{R2}$  (using the sample ranges and the constants  $d_2$  and  $d_2^*$ ),  $\hat{\sigma}_S$  (using the sample standard deviations) and  $\hat{\sigma}_P$  (using the pooled sample standard deviation) of  $\sigma = 1$ . Data are selected from the Normal distribution.

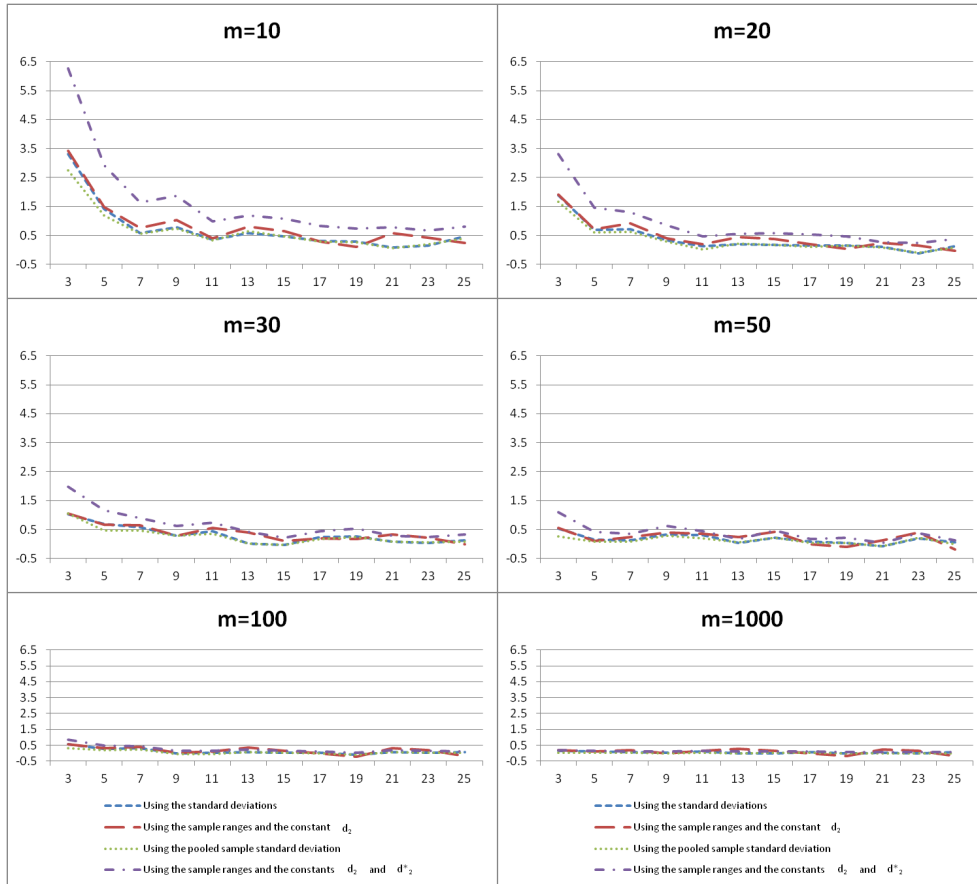


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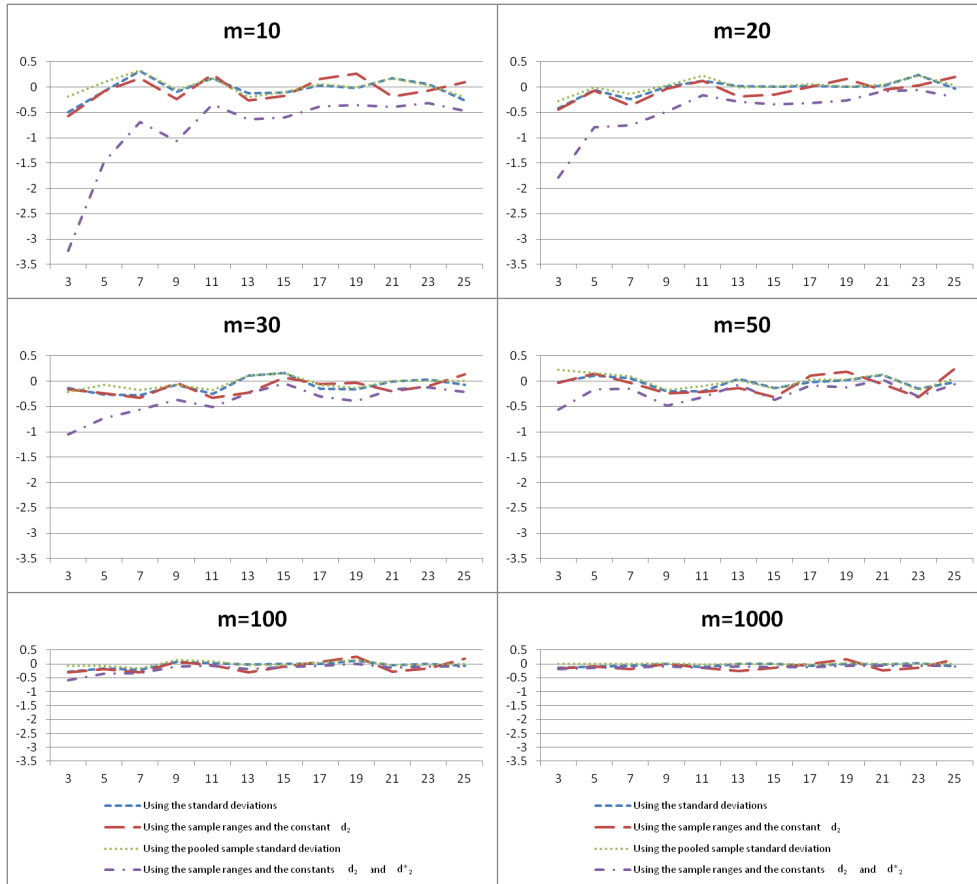


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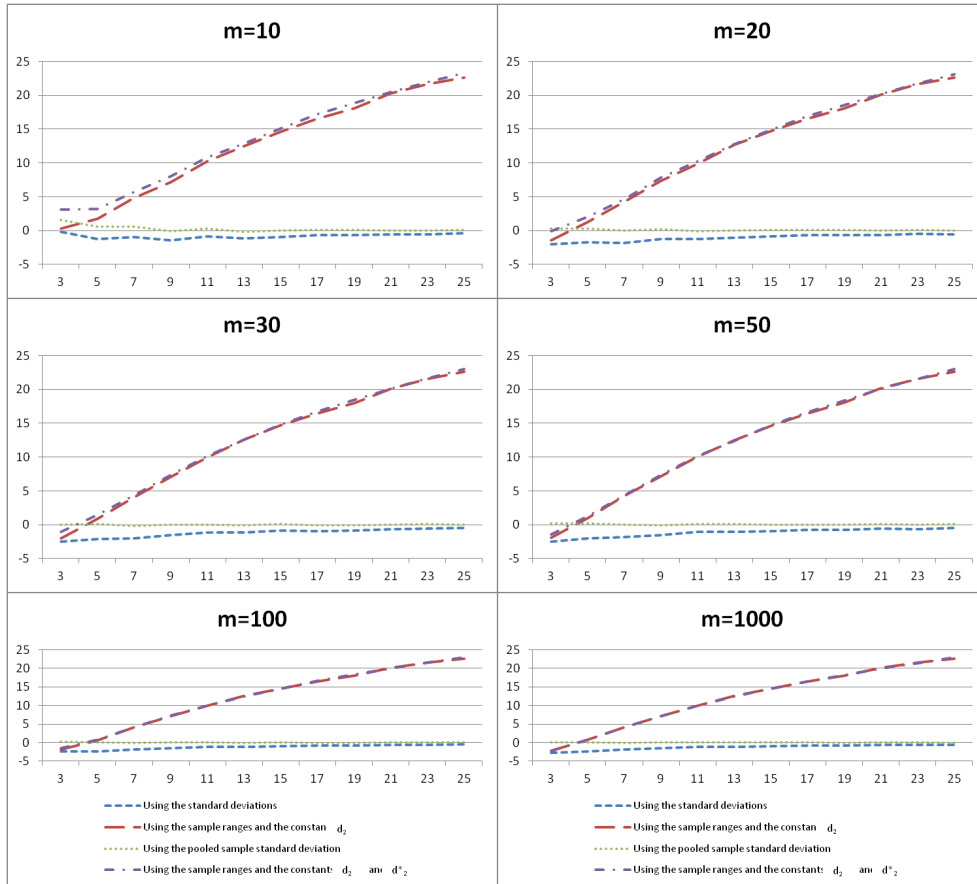


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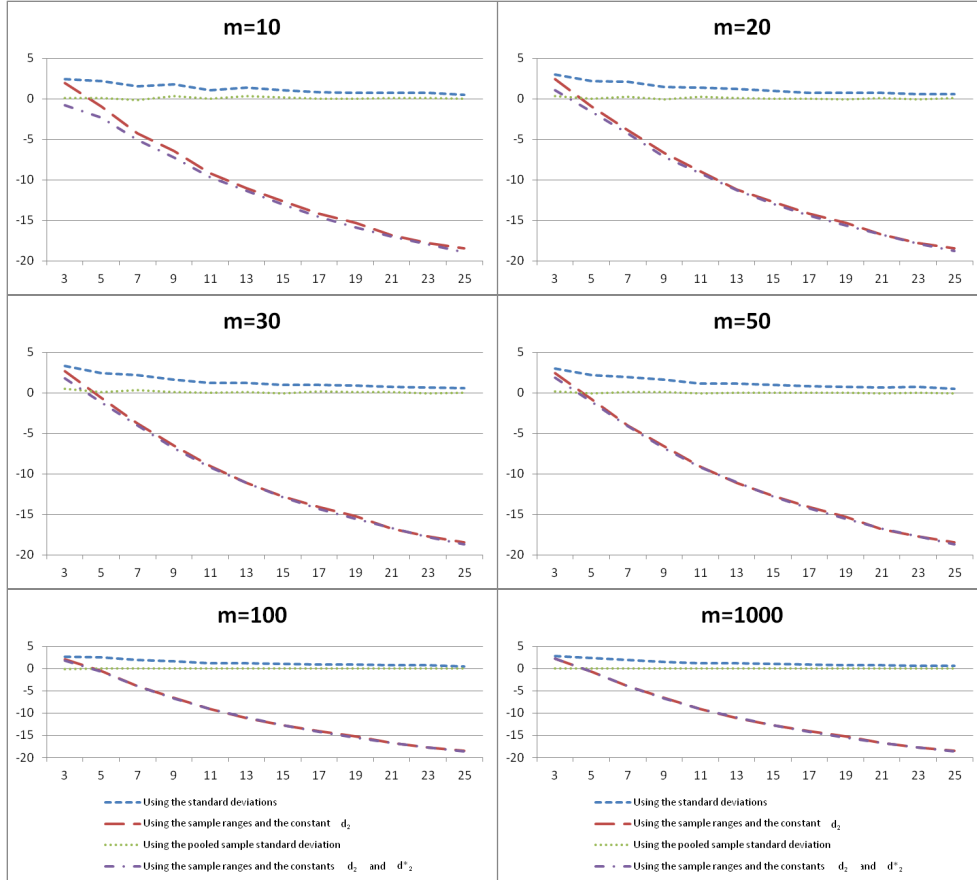


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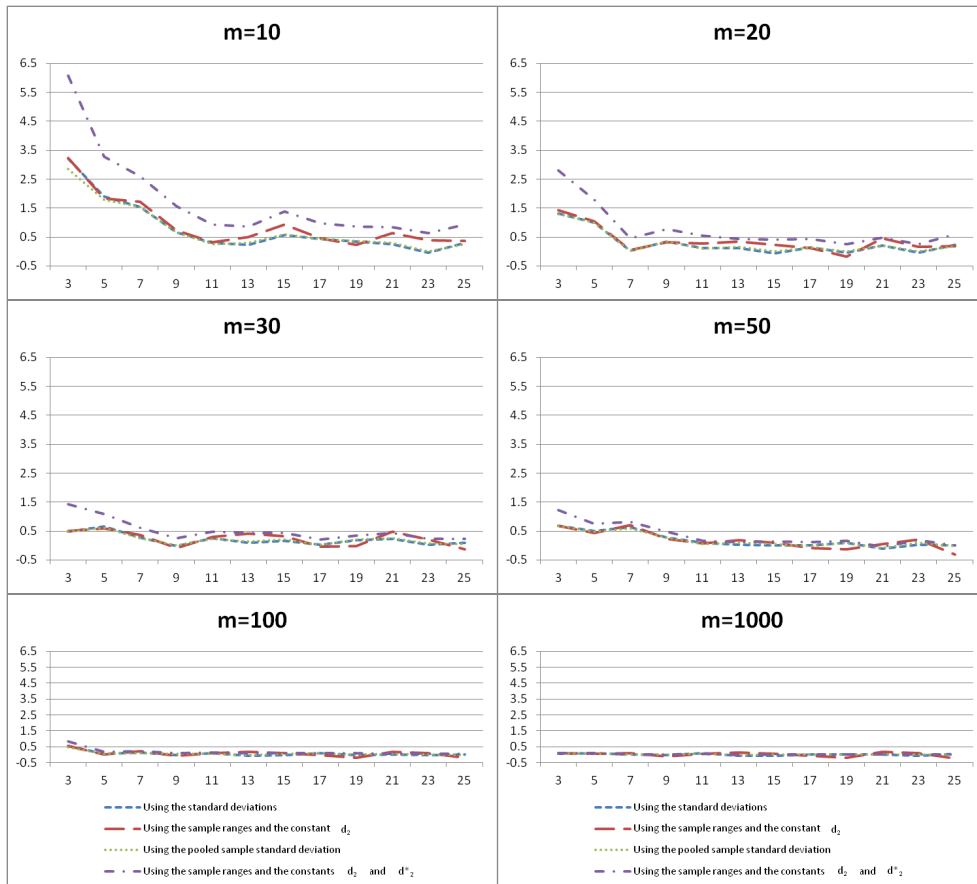


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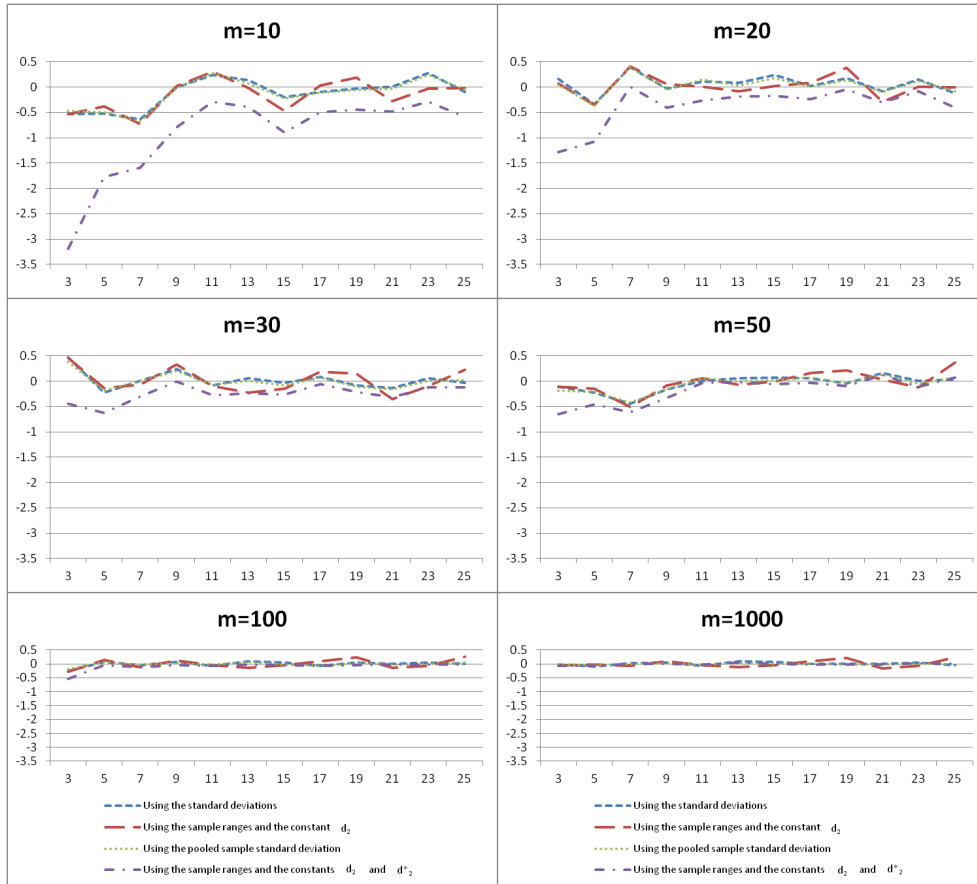


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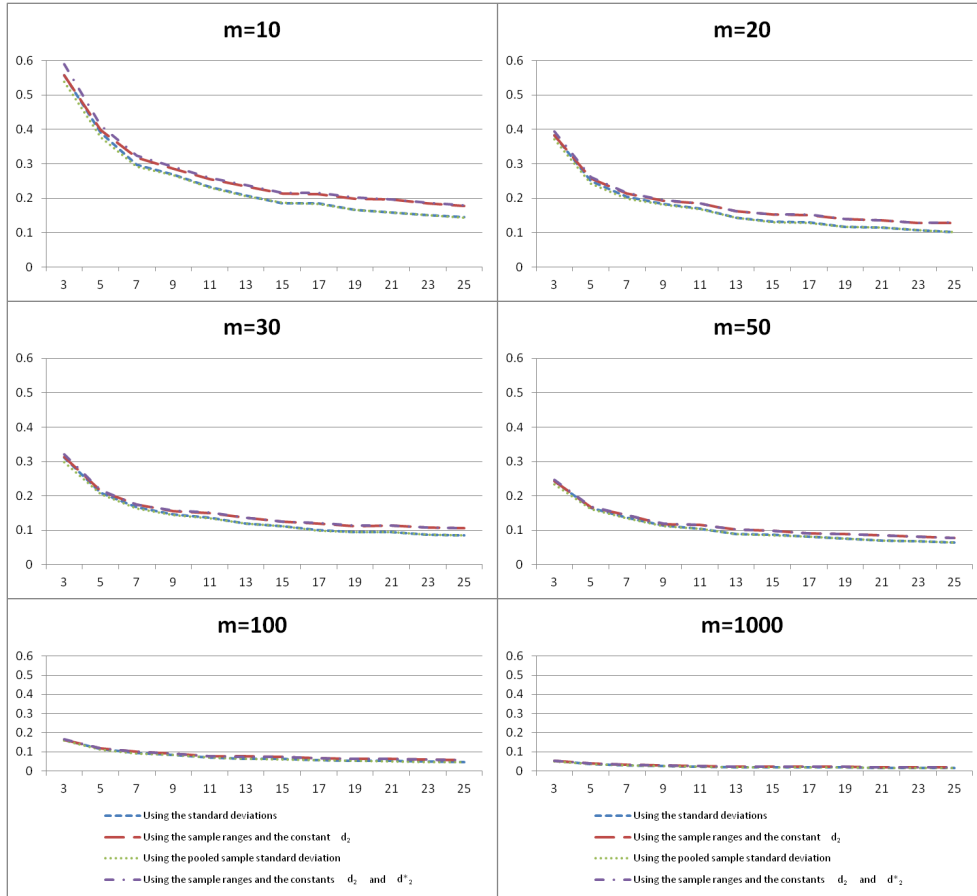


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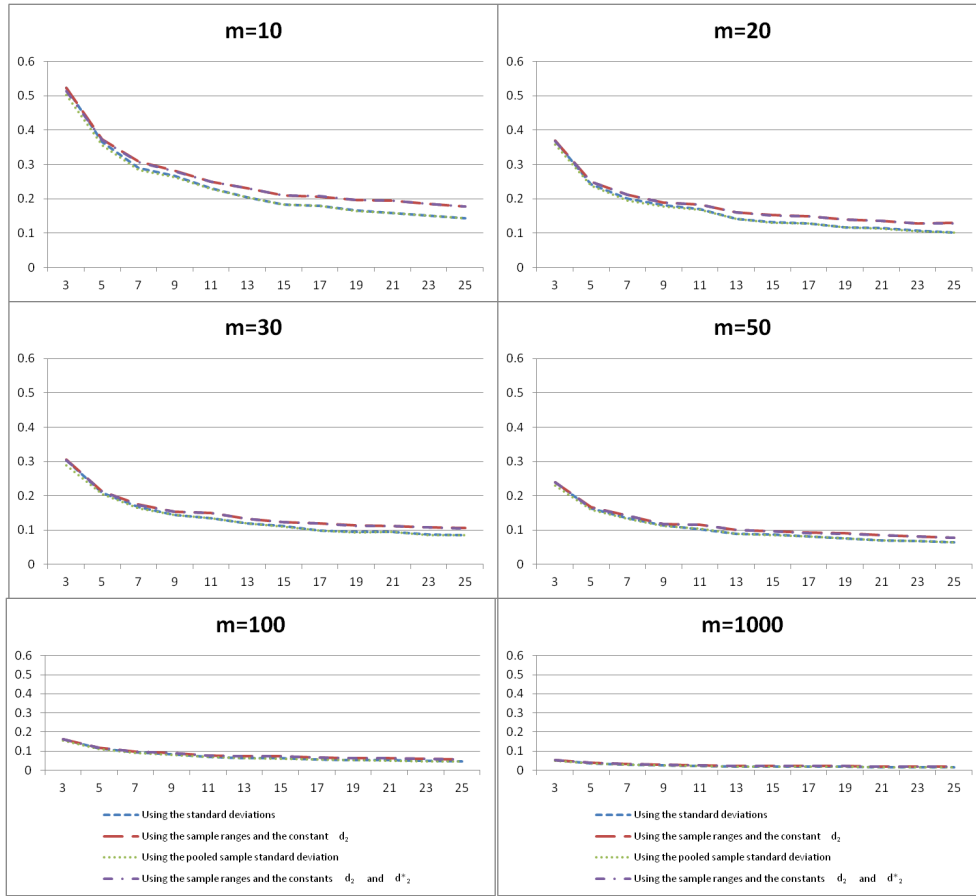


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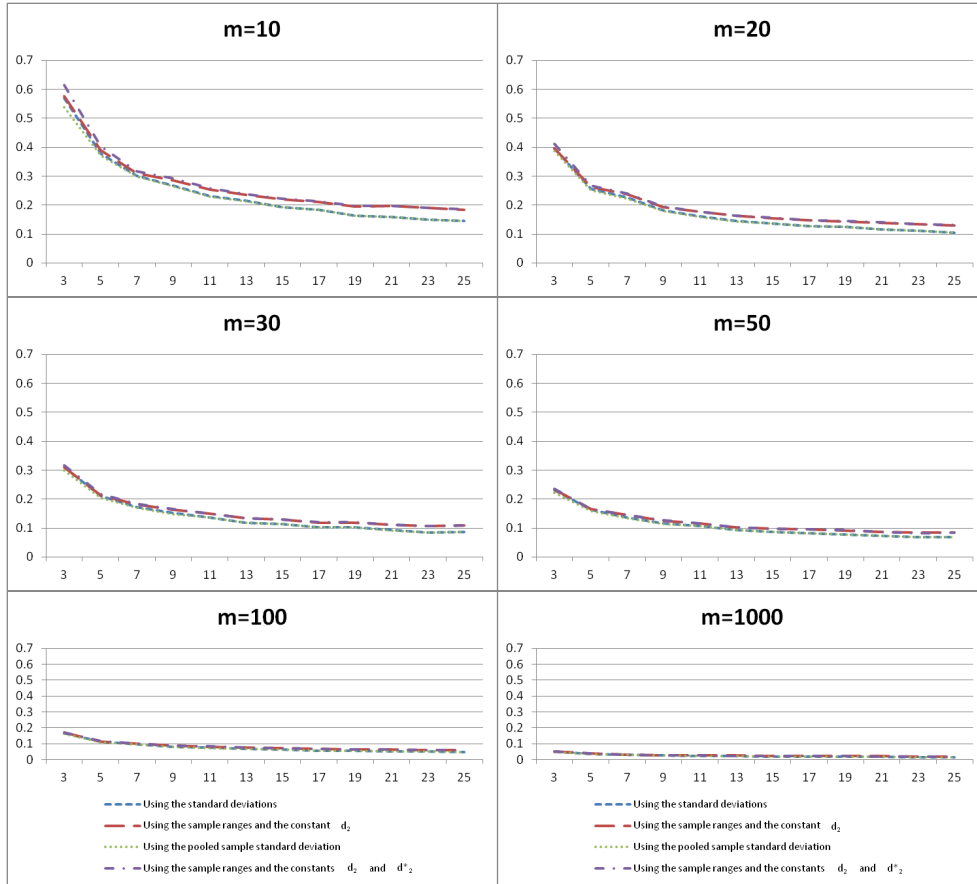


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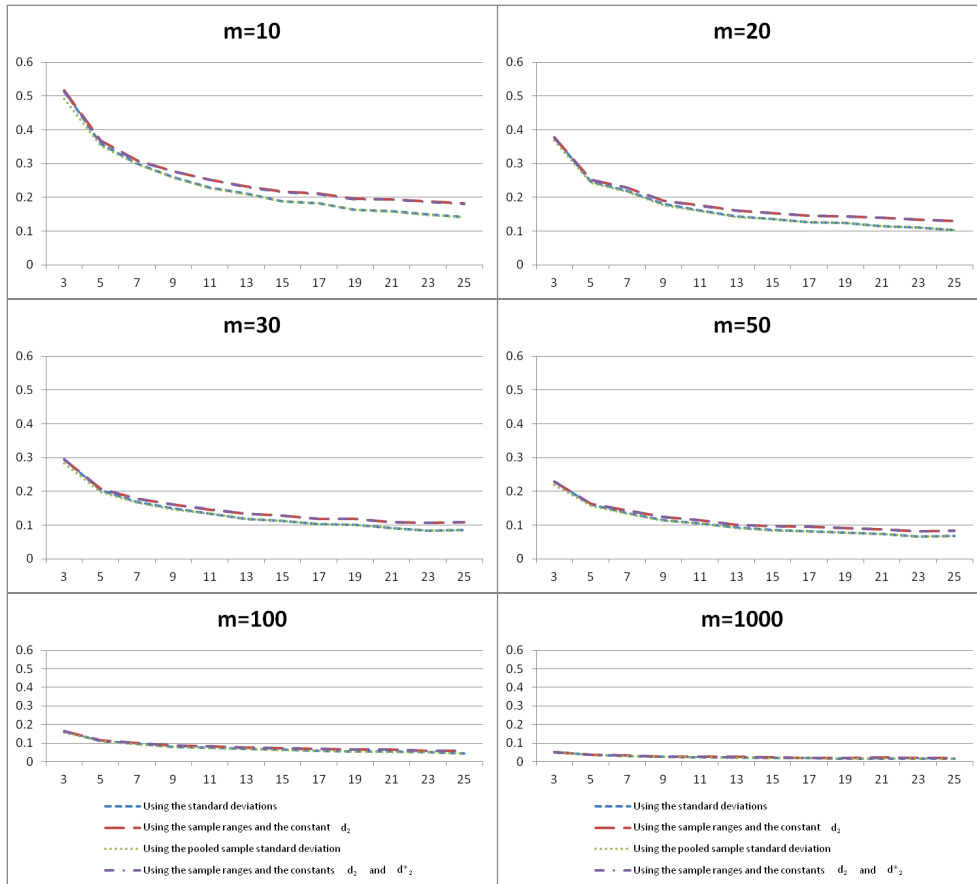


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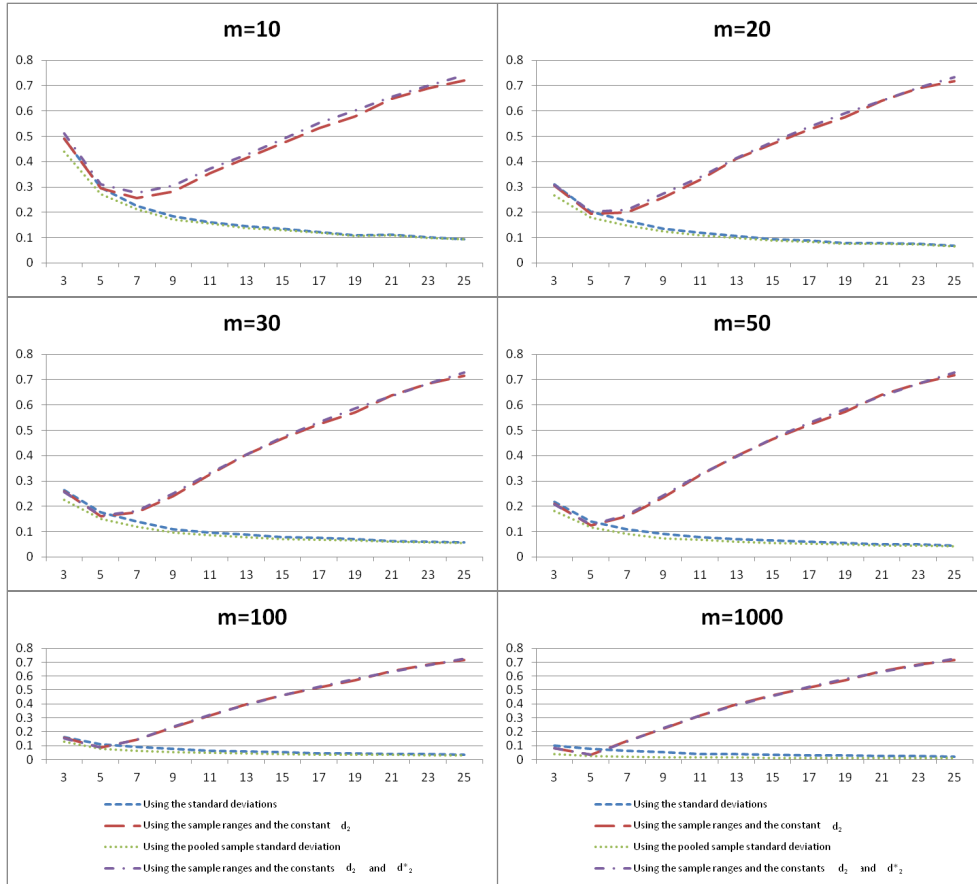


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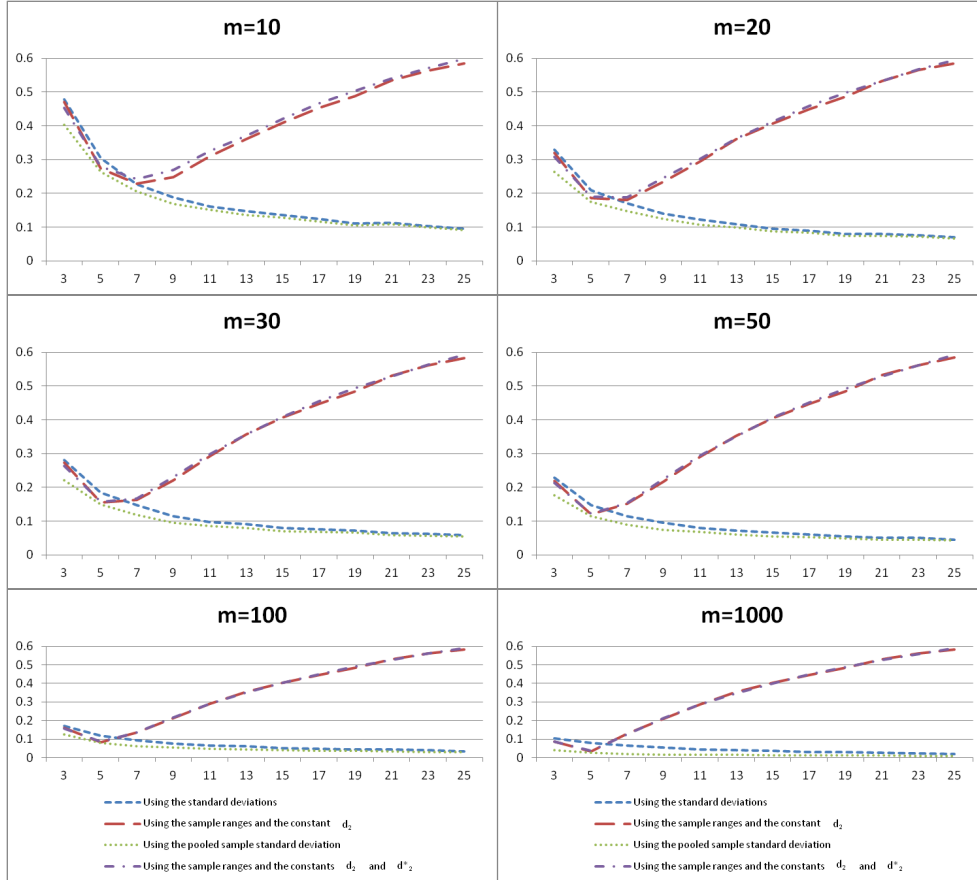


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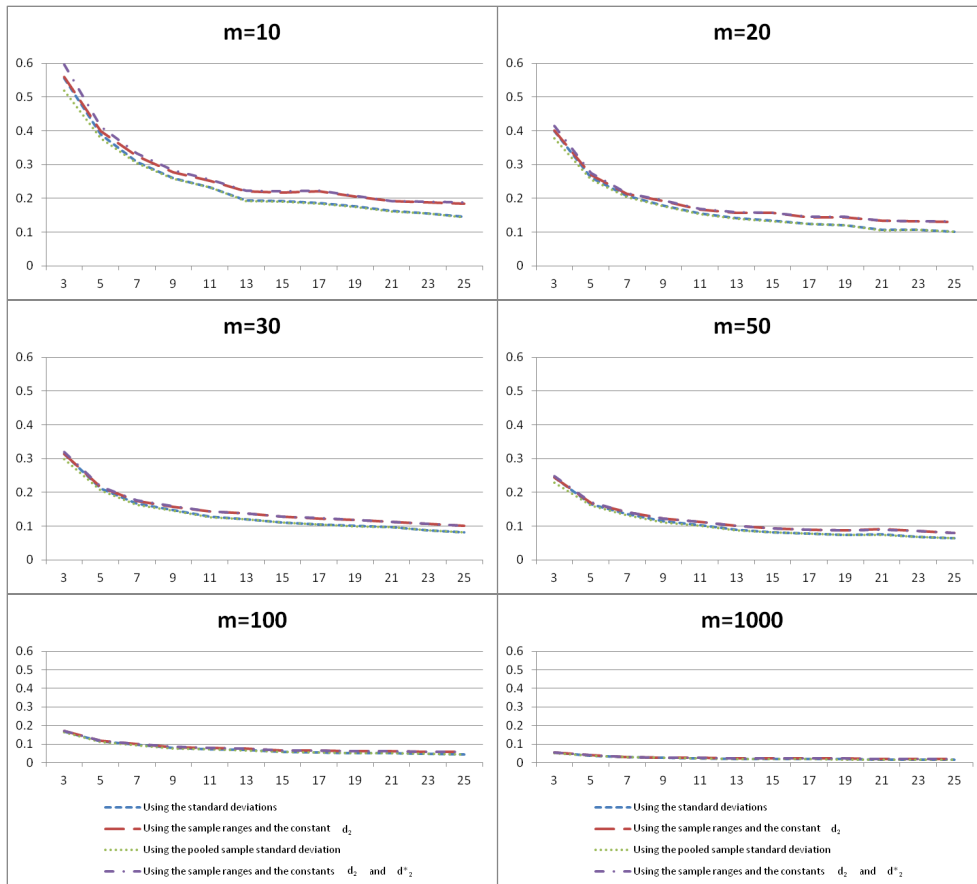


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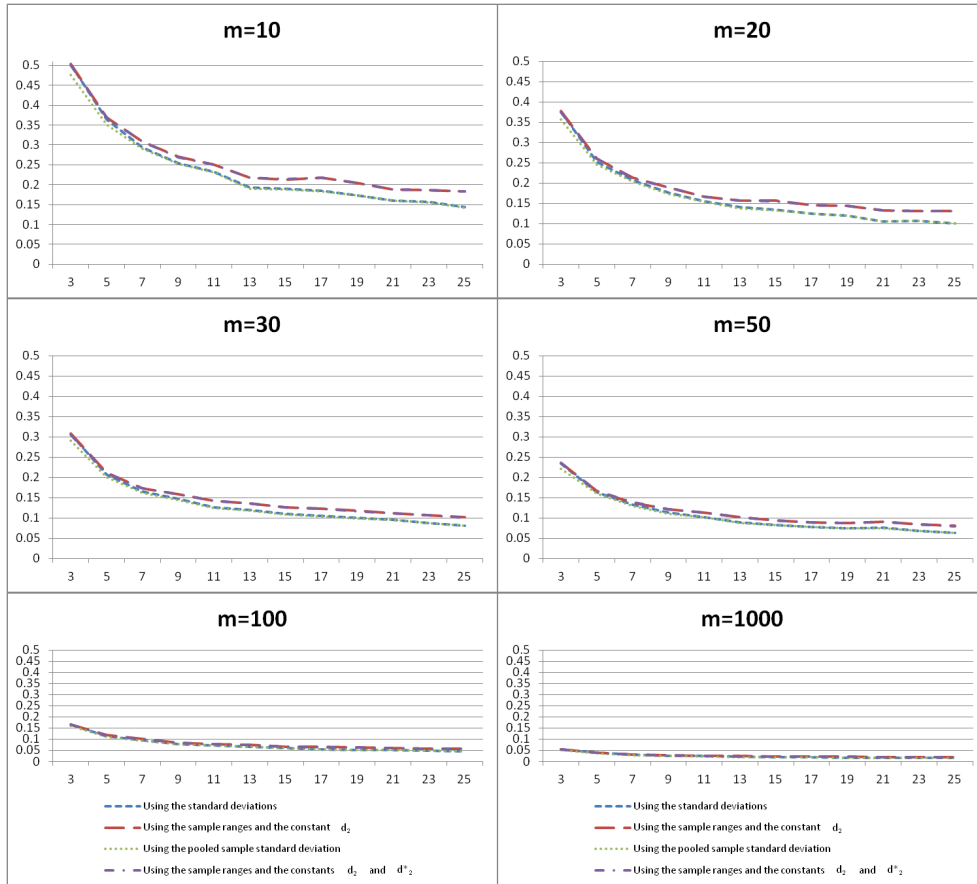


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