

Supplementary Material for “Selection of nonlinear interactions by a forward stepwise algorithm: Application to identifying environmental chemical mixtures affecting health outcomes”

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In this supplementary material, we provide simulation results for the different simulation settings considered in Table 2 of the manuscript.

1 Simulation Results

We provide simulation results for the settings considered in the paper. We first remind the simulation settings.

1.1 Simulation Settings

We consider the following simulation settings for comparison of different methods. We consider $n = 500$ observations and $p = 10/20$ covariates. The regression model is

$$y = \mu(x) + \epsilon,$$

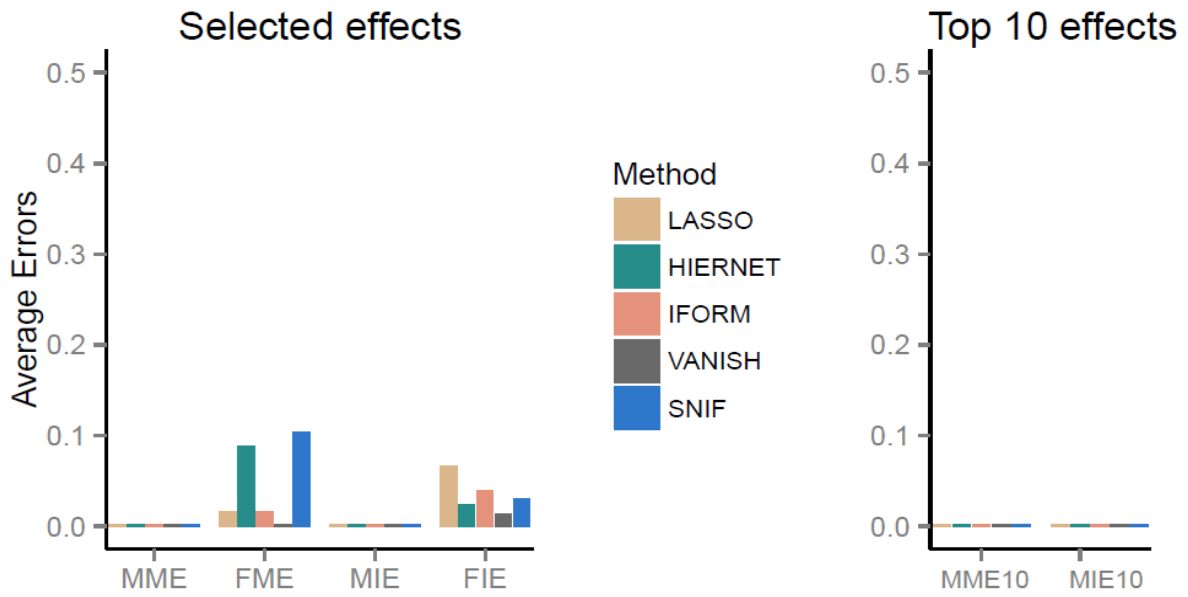
with $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$. Different settings for the conditional mean function $\mu(x)$ are considered. In Table 1, we provide the different choices considered for $\mu(x)$.

Table 1: Simulation settings: in Columns Main (and Inter), “L” indicates linear main (interaction) effects, “NL” indicates nonlinear main (interaction) effects, “No” indicates no interaction effect. True Effects column gives indices of active main and interaction effects where “*” denotes nonlinearity.

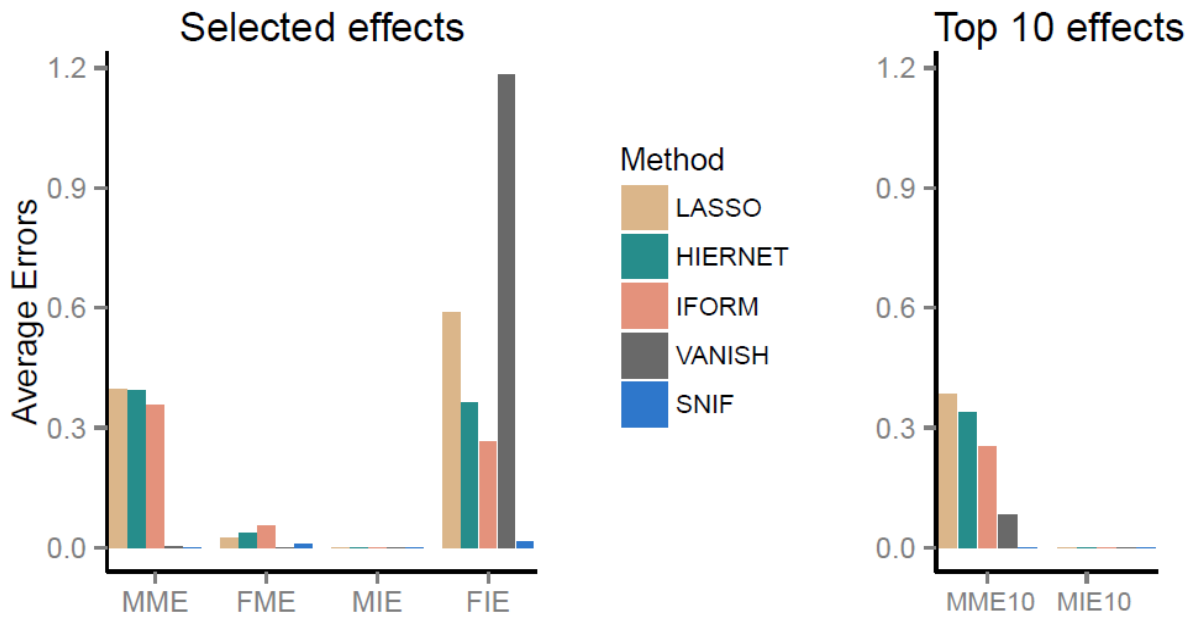
Main	Inter	Mean Function	True Effects
L	No	(a) $\mu_a(x) = 2 + \sum_{i=1}^5 x_i$	1,2,3,4,5
NL	No	(b) $\mu_b(x) = 2 + 8(x_1 - 1)^2 + 4 x_2 - 1 + \sum_{i=3}^5 x_i$ (c) $\mu_c(x) = 2 + (x_1 \geq 1.5 \& x_1 \leq 2) + \mathbb{1}(x_1 \leq 0.5)$ $+ 2 \mathbb{1}(0.5 \leq x_1 \leq 1.5) + 4 x_2 - 1 + \sum_{i=3}^5 x_i$ (d) $\mu_d(x) = 2 + 2 x_1 \mathbb{1}(x_1 < 1) + 2 \mathbb{1}(x_1 > 1)$ $+ 4 x_2 - 1 + \sum_{i=3}^5 x_i$	1*,2*,3,4,5
L	L	(e) $\mu_e(x) = 2 + \sum_{i=1}^5 x_i + 6x_4x_5$	1,2,3,4,5,(4×5)
NL	L	(f) $\mu_f(x) = \mu_b(x) + 6x_4x_5$ (g) $\mu_g(x) = \mu_c(x) + 6x_4x_5$ (h) $\mu_h(x) = \mu_d(x) + 6x_4x_5$	1*,2*,3,4,5, (4×5)
NL	NL	(i) $\mu_i(x) = \mu_b(x) + 8 x_1 x_2 - 1 $ (j) $\mu_j(x) = \mu_c(x) + 8 x_1 x_2 - 1 $ (k) $\mu_k(x) = \mu_d(x) + 8 x_1 x_2 - 1 $	1*,2*,3,4,5, (1* × 2*)
NL	NL	(l) $\mu_l(x) = \mu_i(x) + 8x_3\sqrt{ x_2 }$ (m) $\mu_m(x) = \mu_j(x) + 8x_3\sqrt{ x_2 }$ (n) $\mu_n(x) = \mu_k(x) + 8x_3\sqrt{ x_2 }$	1*,2*,3,4,5, (1* × 2*), (2* × 3*)
NL	NL	(o) $\mu_o(x) = 2 + \mathbb{1}(1.5 \leq x_1 \leq 2) + \mathbb{1}(x_1 \leq 0.5)$ $+ 2 \mathbb{1}(0.5 \leq x_1 \leq 1.5) + \sum_{i=3}^5 x_i + 8 x_1 x_2 - 1 $ (p) $\mu_p(x) = 2 + \mathbb{1}(1.5 \leq x_1 \leq 2) + \mathbb{1}(x_1 \leq 0.5)$ $+ 2 \mathbb{1}(0.5 \leq x_1 \leq 1.5) + \sum_{i=3}^5 x_i + 8 x_1 x_2 - 1 $ (q) $\mu_q(x) = 2 + 2 x_1 \mathbb{1}(x_1 < 1) + 2 \mathbb{1}(x_1 > 1)$ $+ \sum_{i=3}^5 x_i + 8 x_1 x_2 - 1 $	1*,3,4,5,(1 × 2)

1.2 Results

We present the results for the different mean structures given by rows (a-q) given in Table 1 for $p = 10$ or $p = 20$ and noise standard deviation $\sigma = 1$. For screening, we present the results based on the top p effects. The conclusions from these additional simulation results also demonstrate that SNIF has very competitive performance across simulation settings.

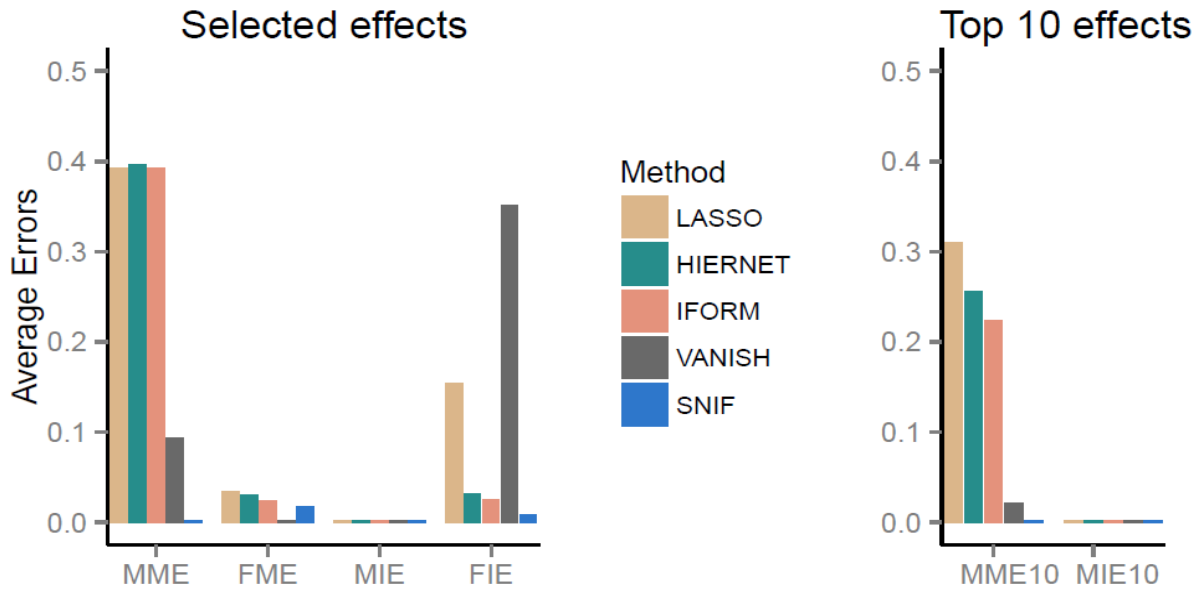


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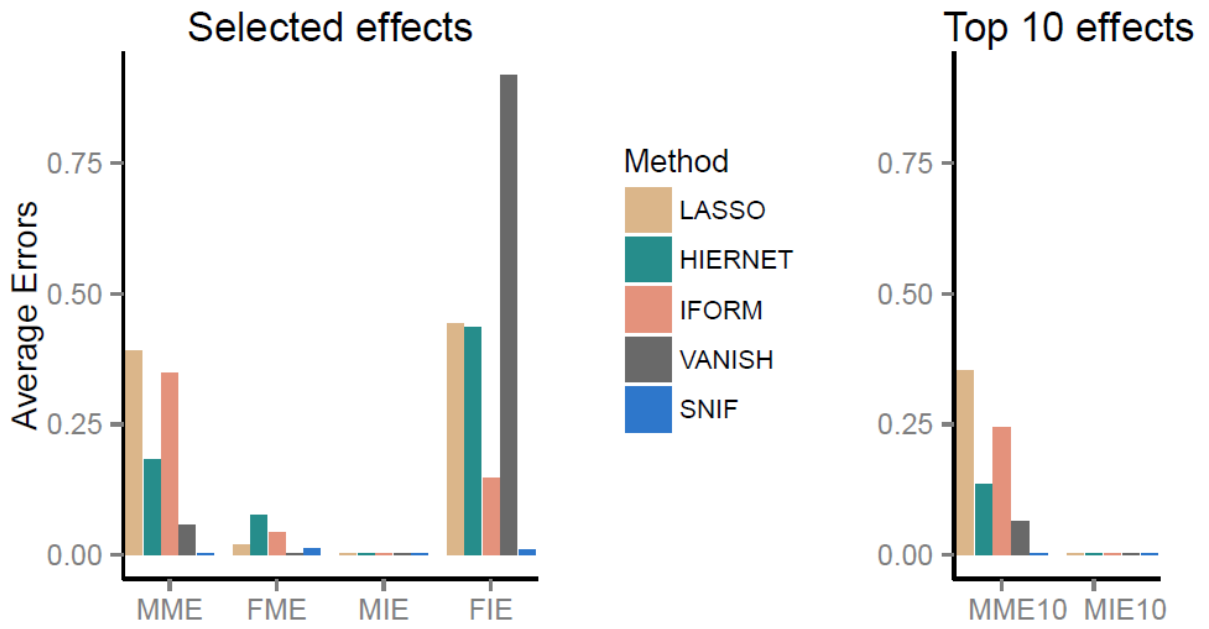


(b)

Models (a) - (b) with $p = 10$ covariates

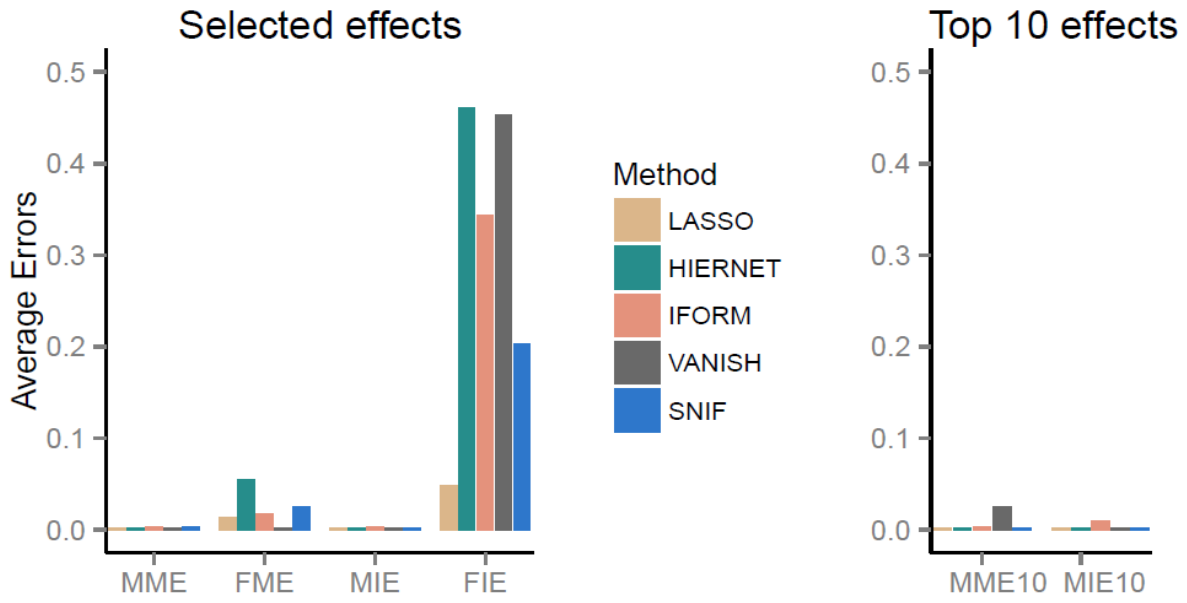


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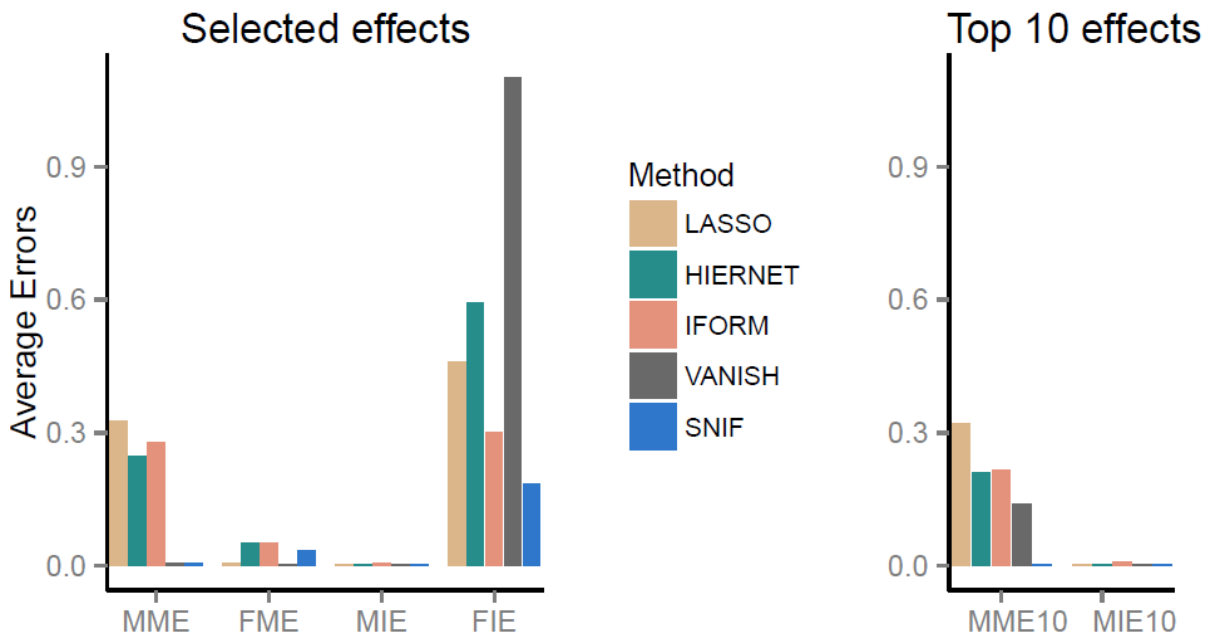


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Models (c) - (d) with $p = 10$ covariates

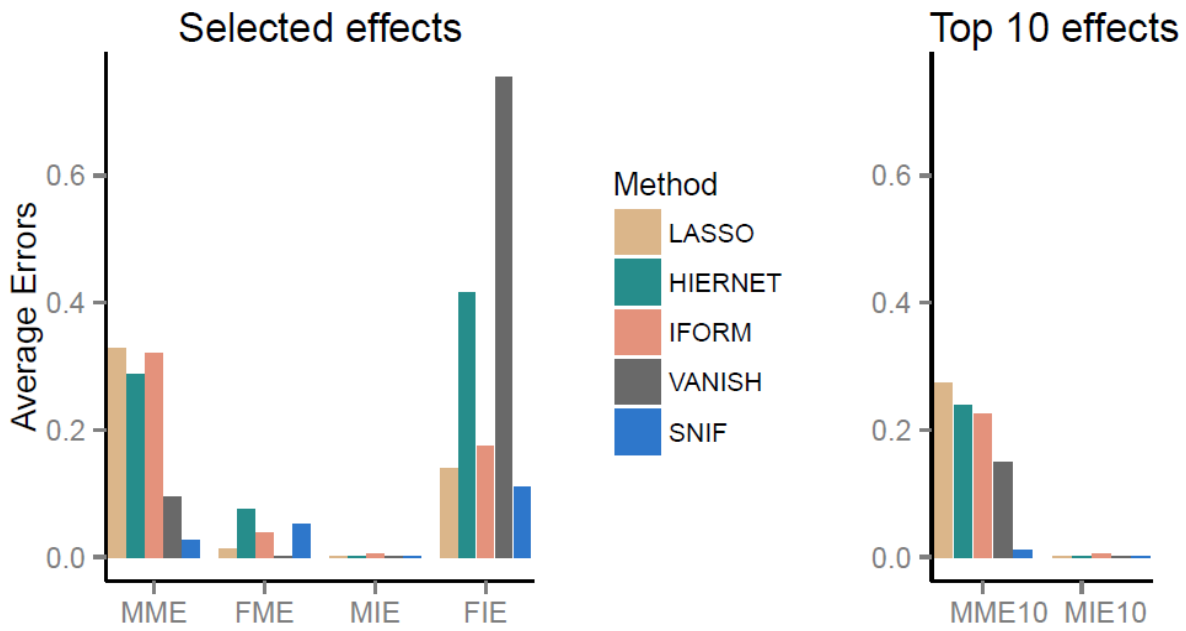


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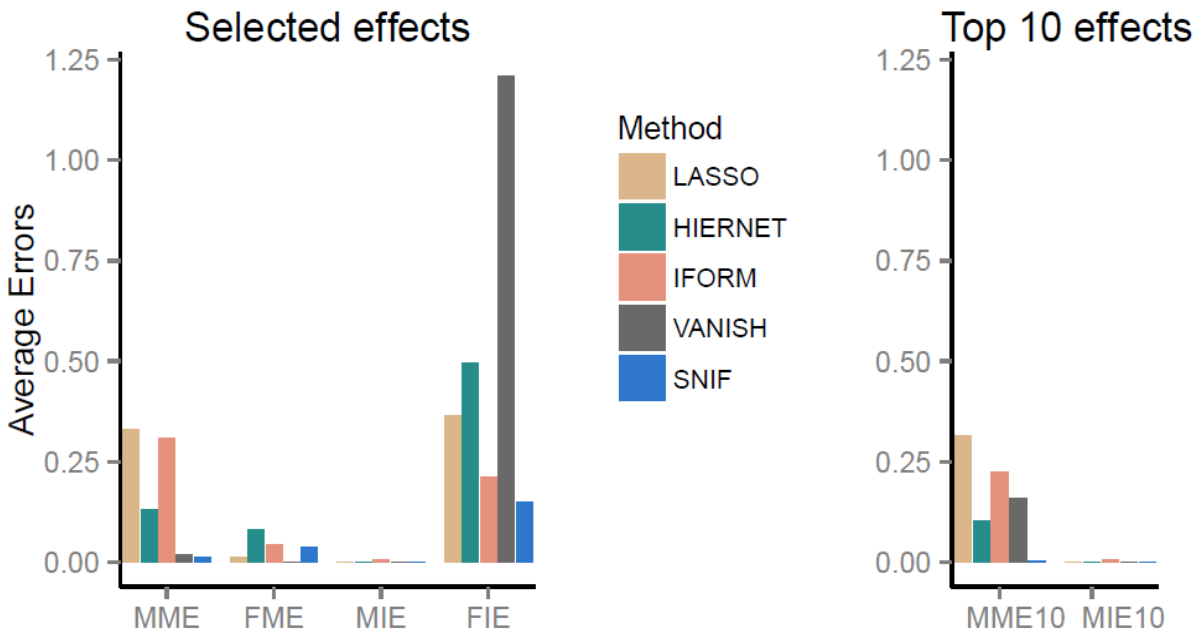


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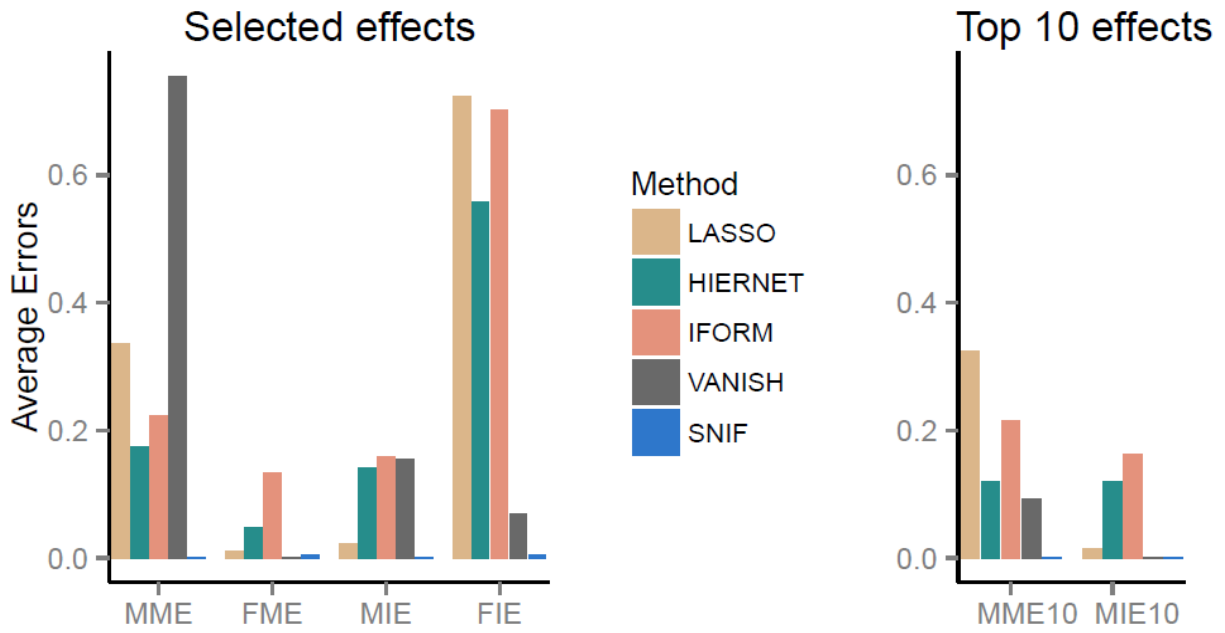


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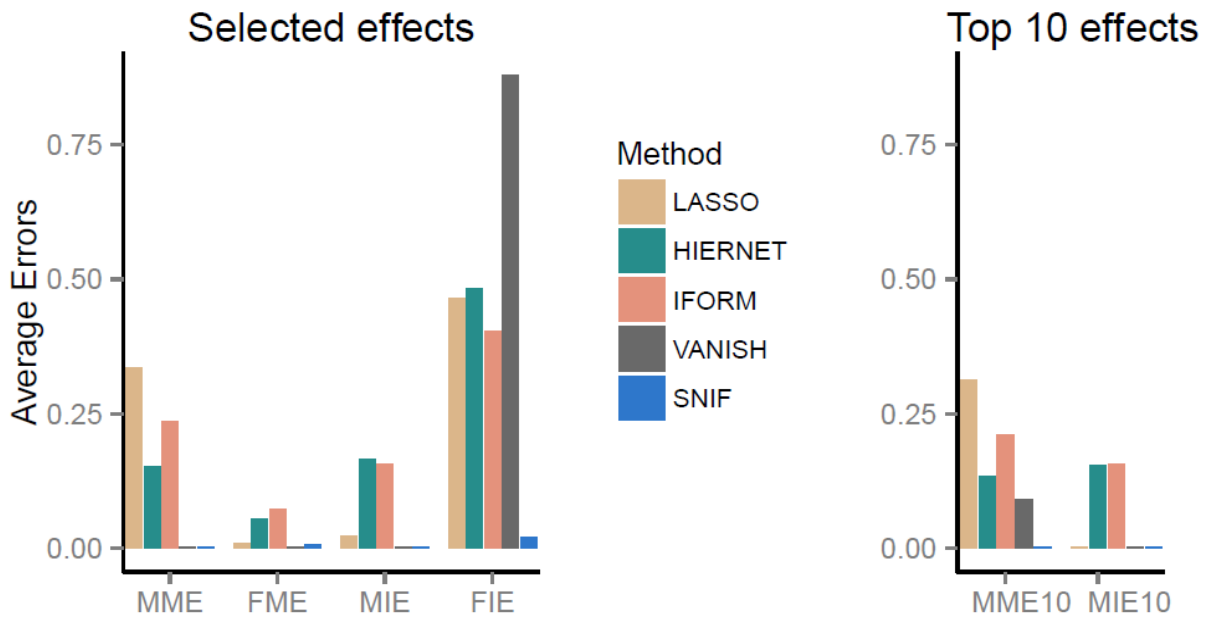


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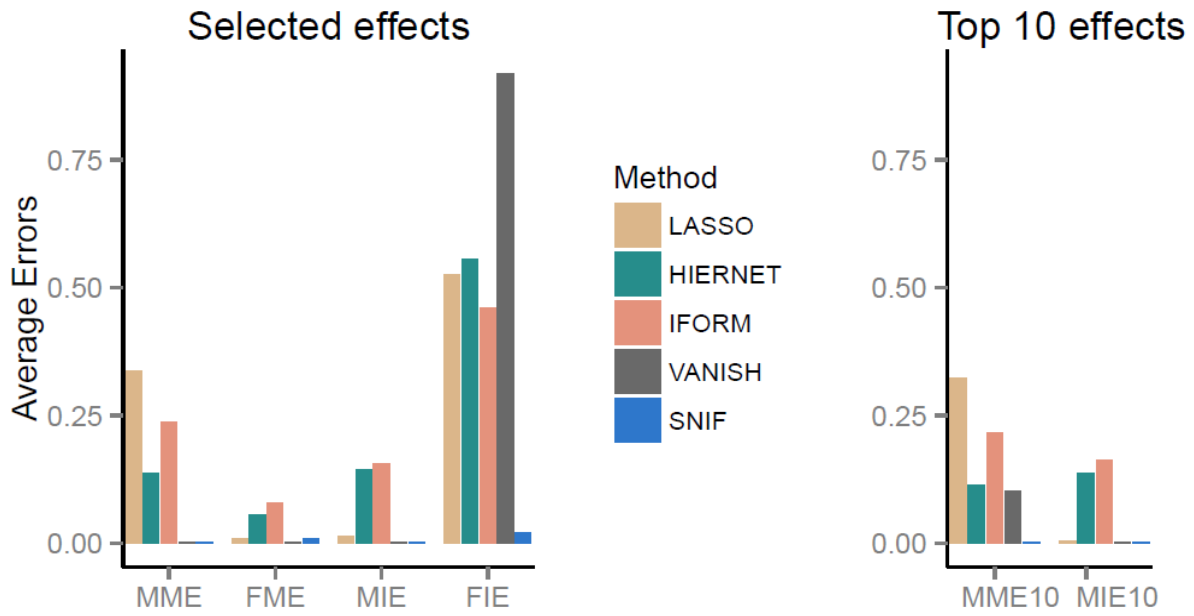


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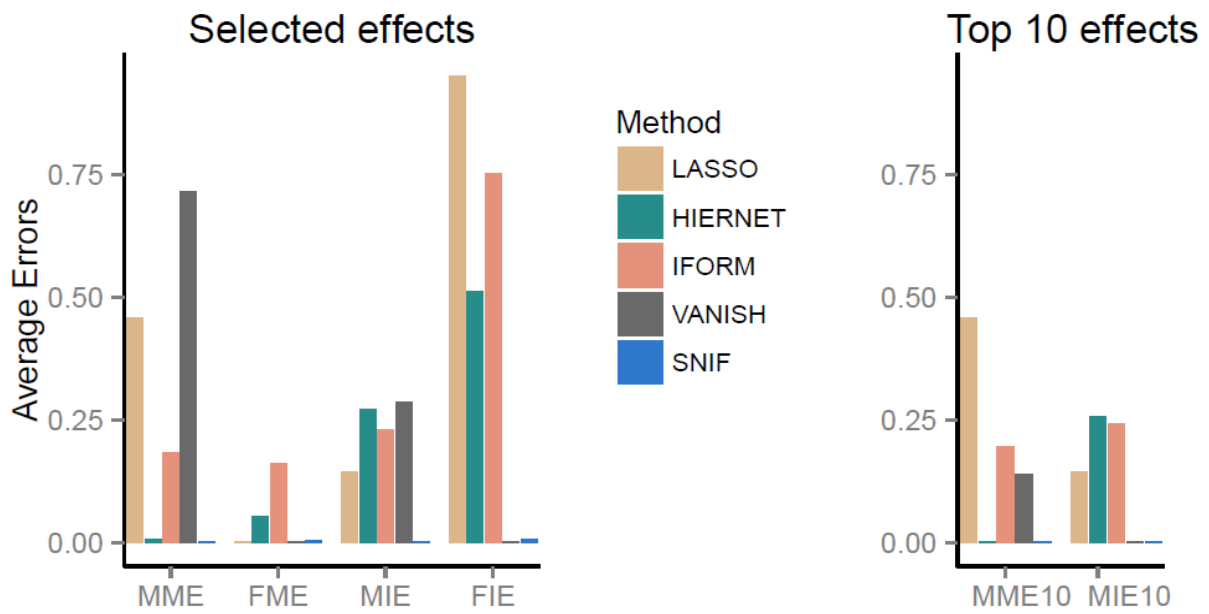


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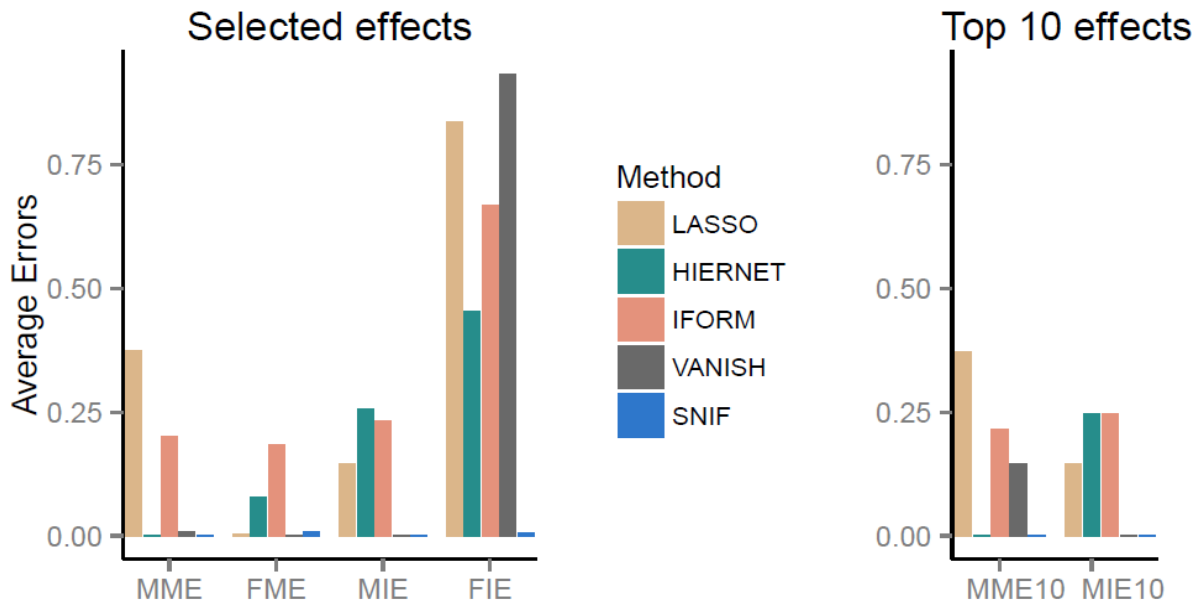


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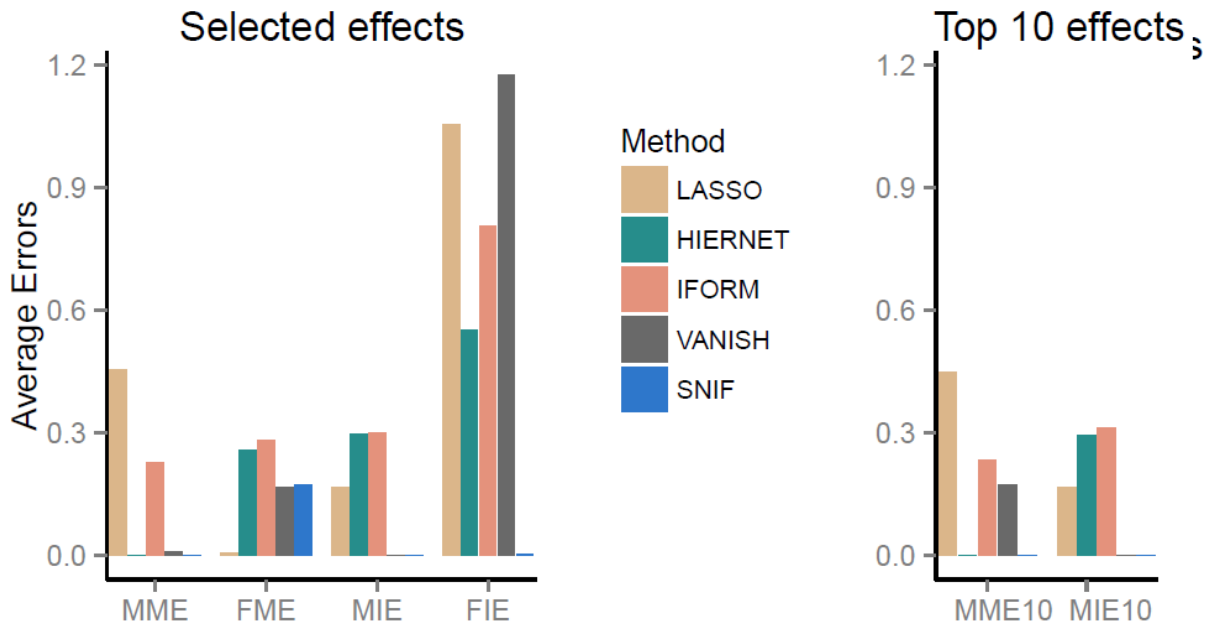


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Models (k) - (l) with $p = 10$ covariates

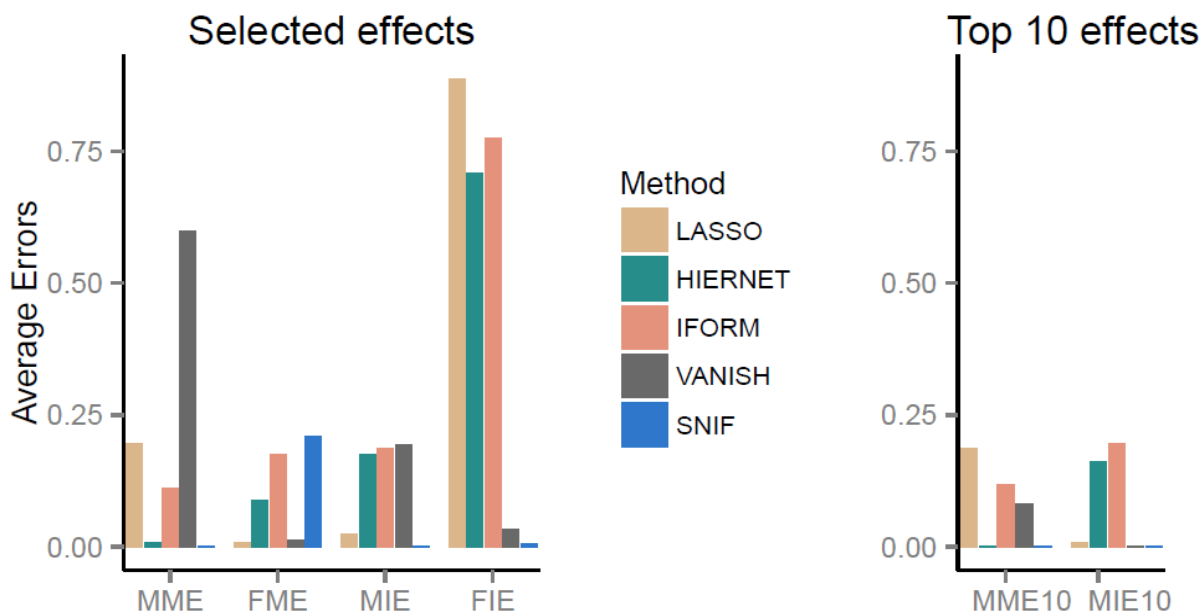


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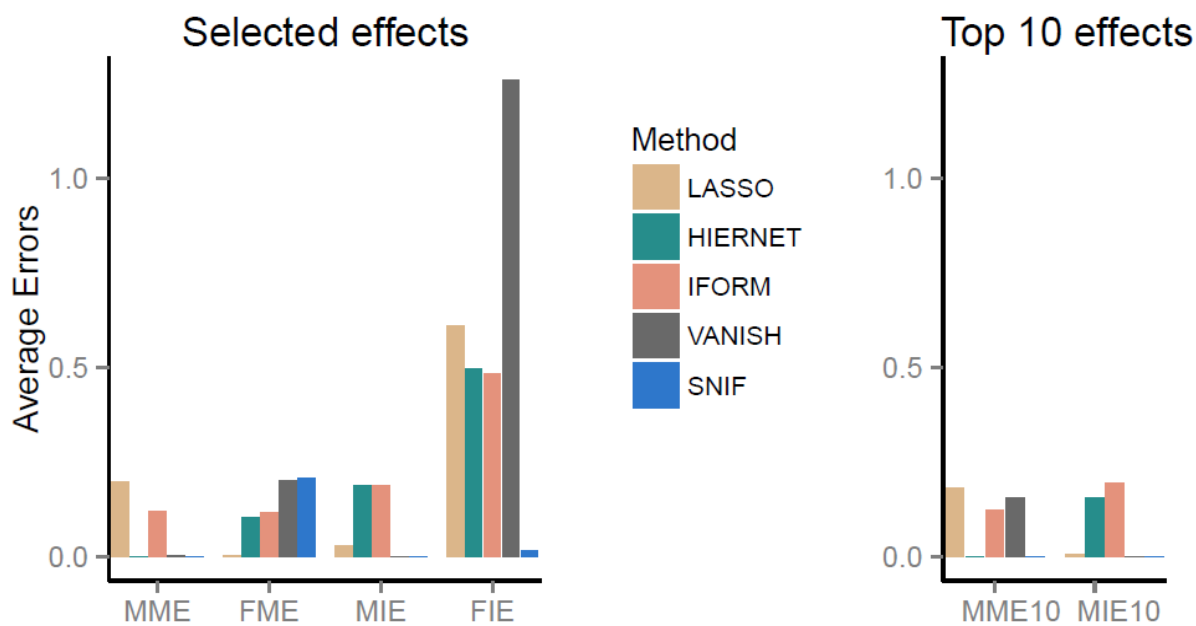


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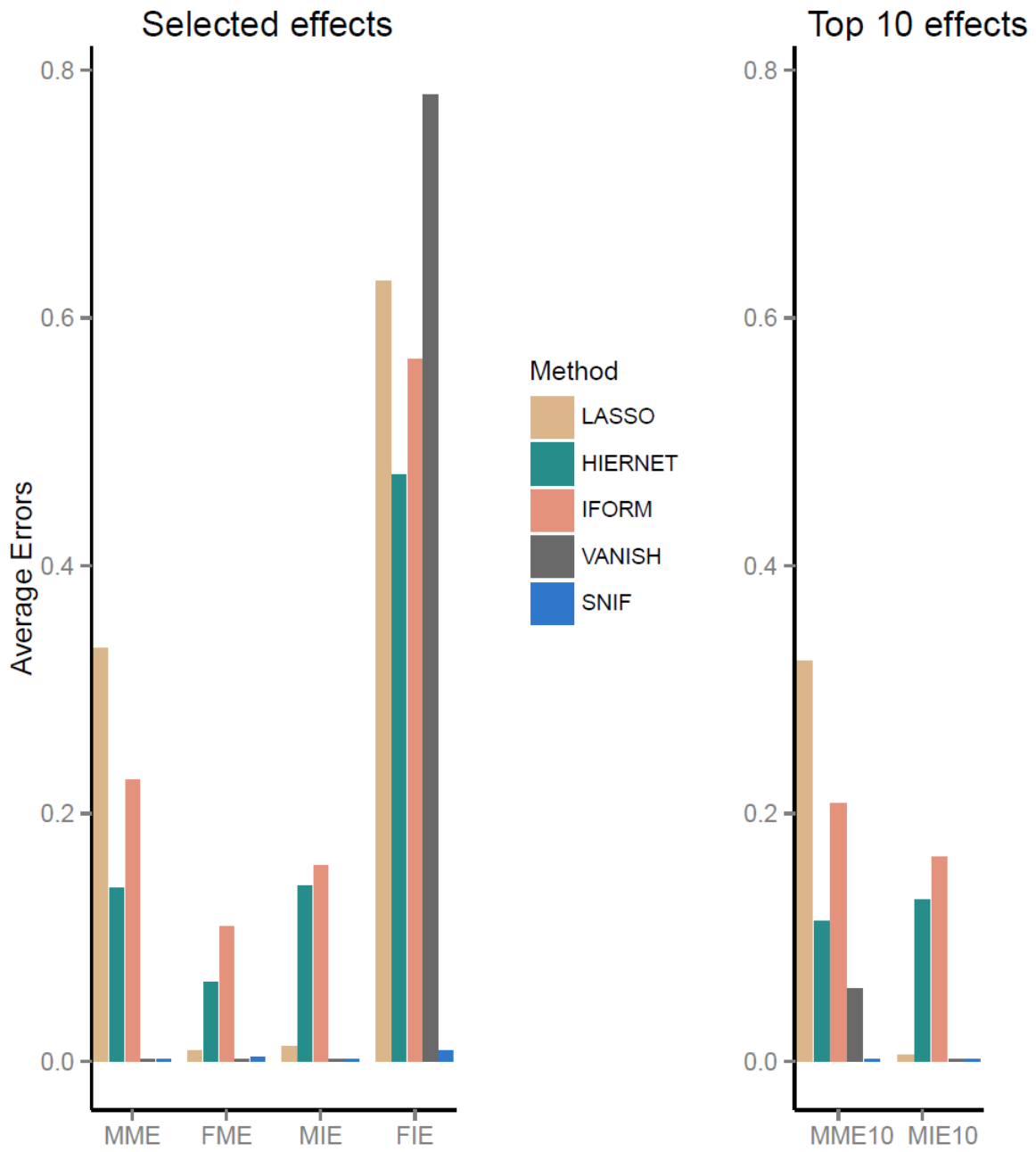


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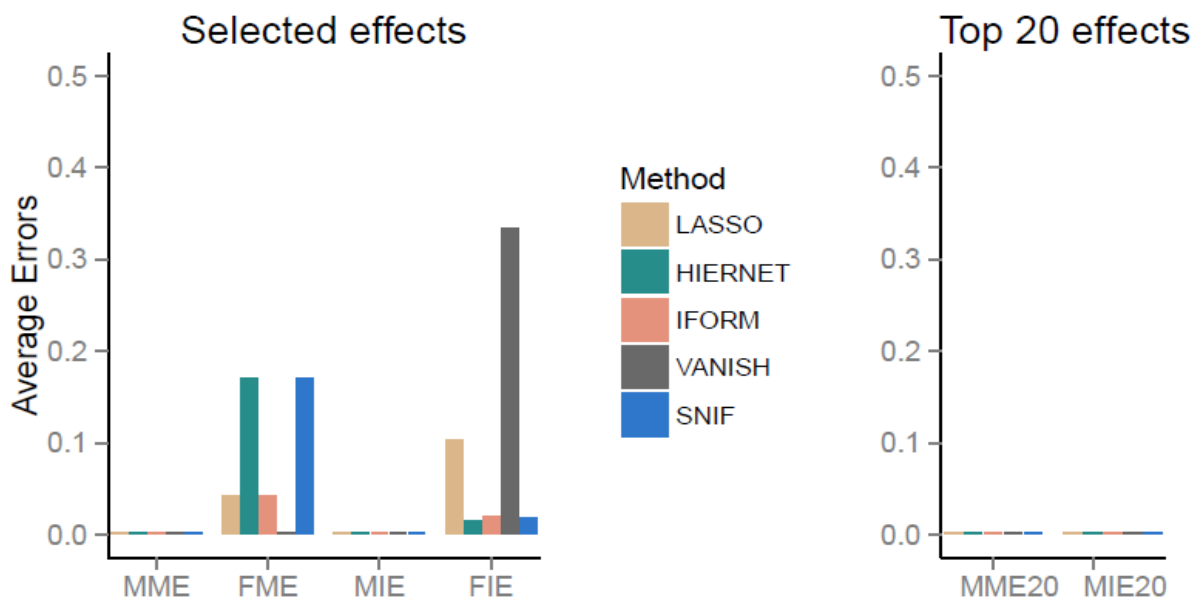
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Models (o) - (p) with $p = 10$ covariates

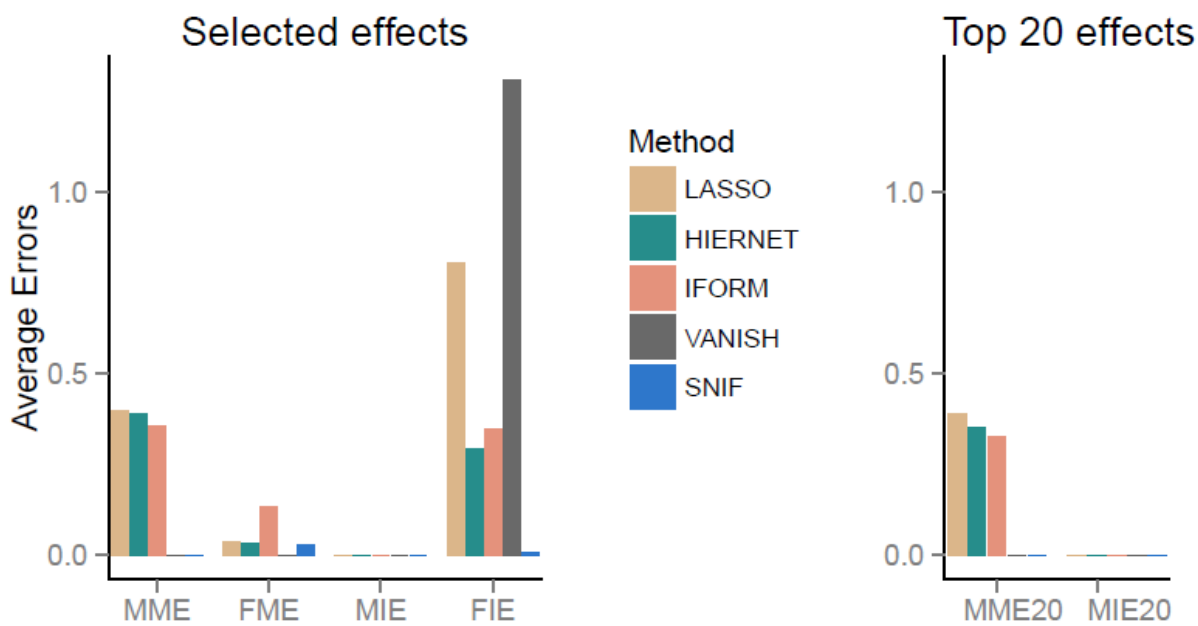


(q)

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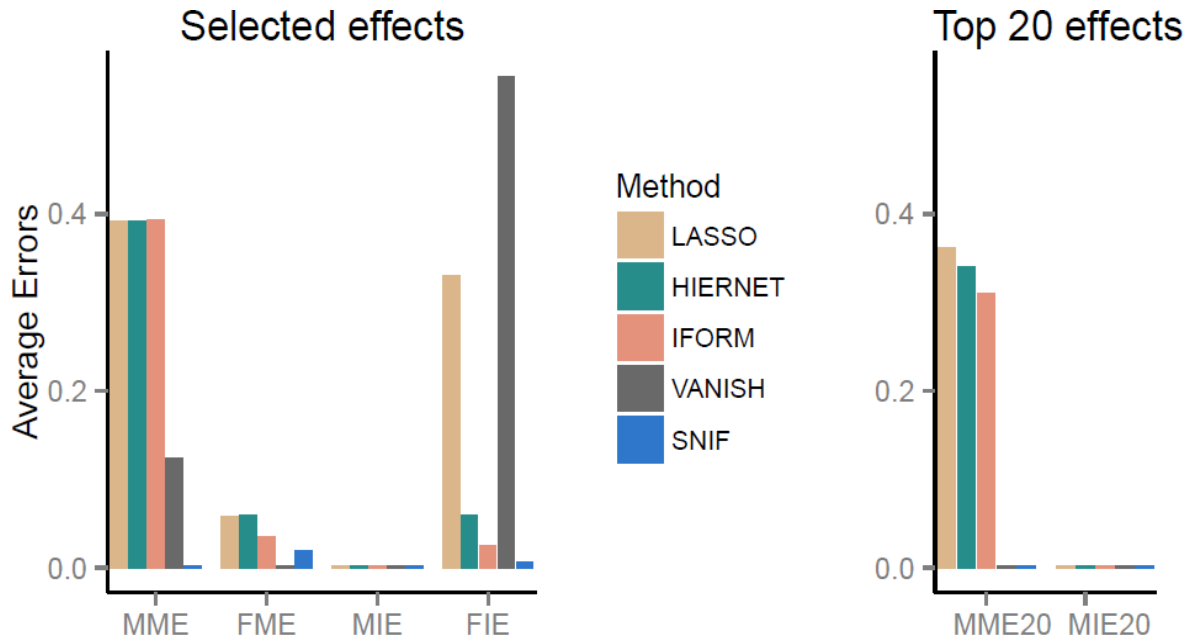


(a)

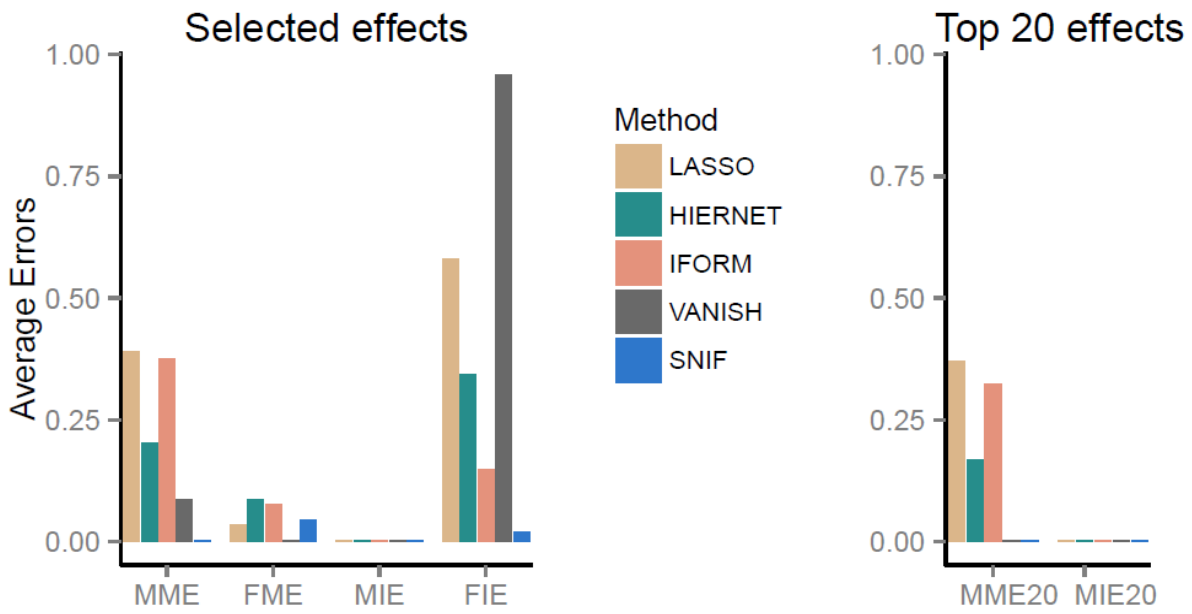


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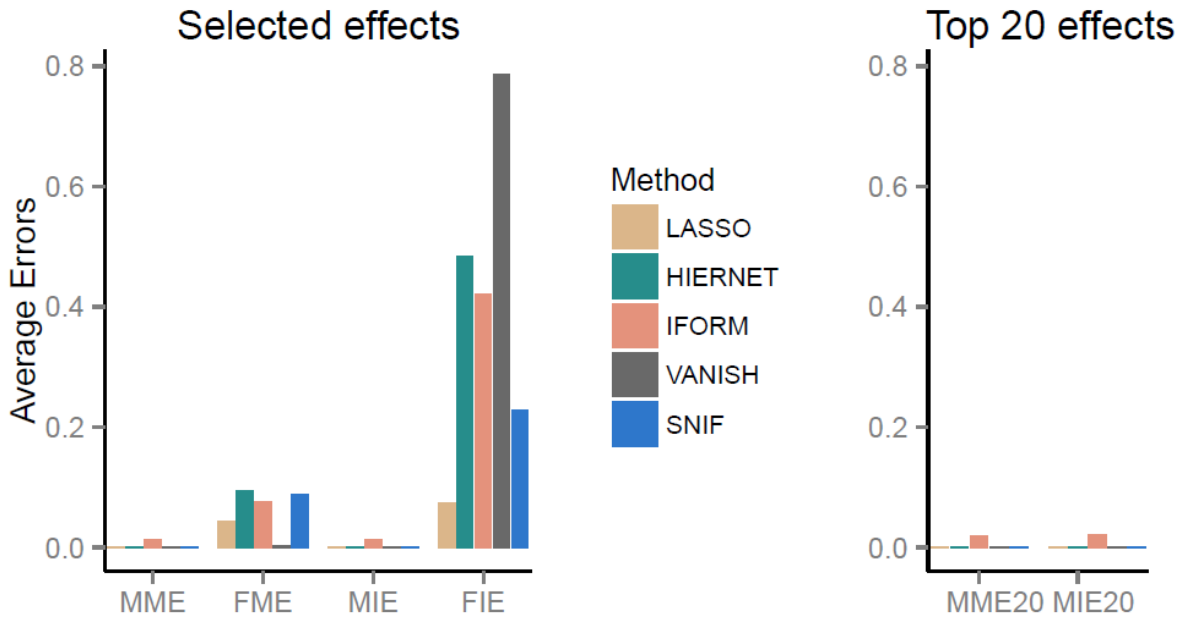


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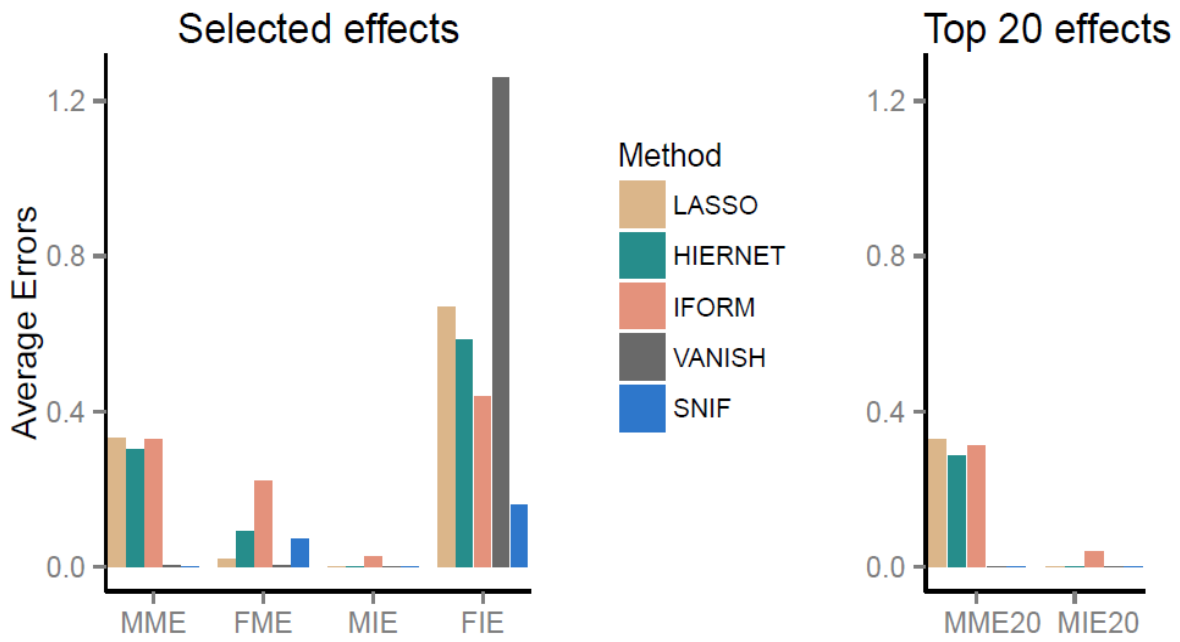


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Models (c) - (d) with $p = 20$ covariates

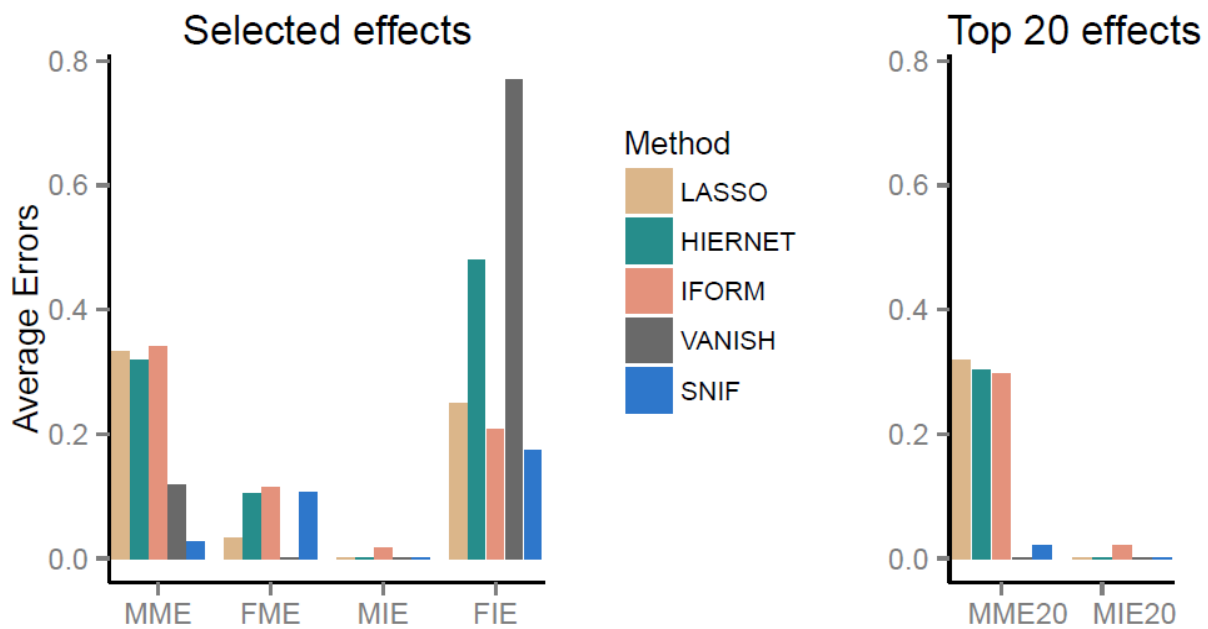


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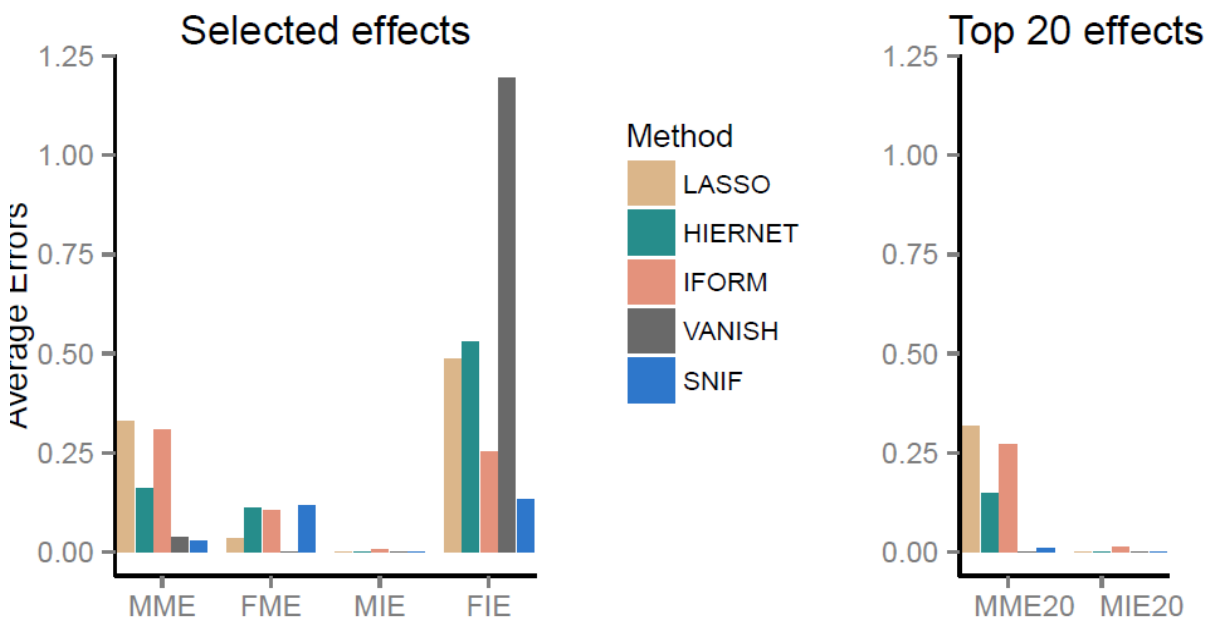


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Models (e) - (f) with $p = 20$ covariates

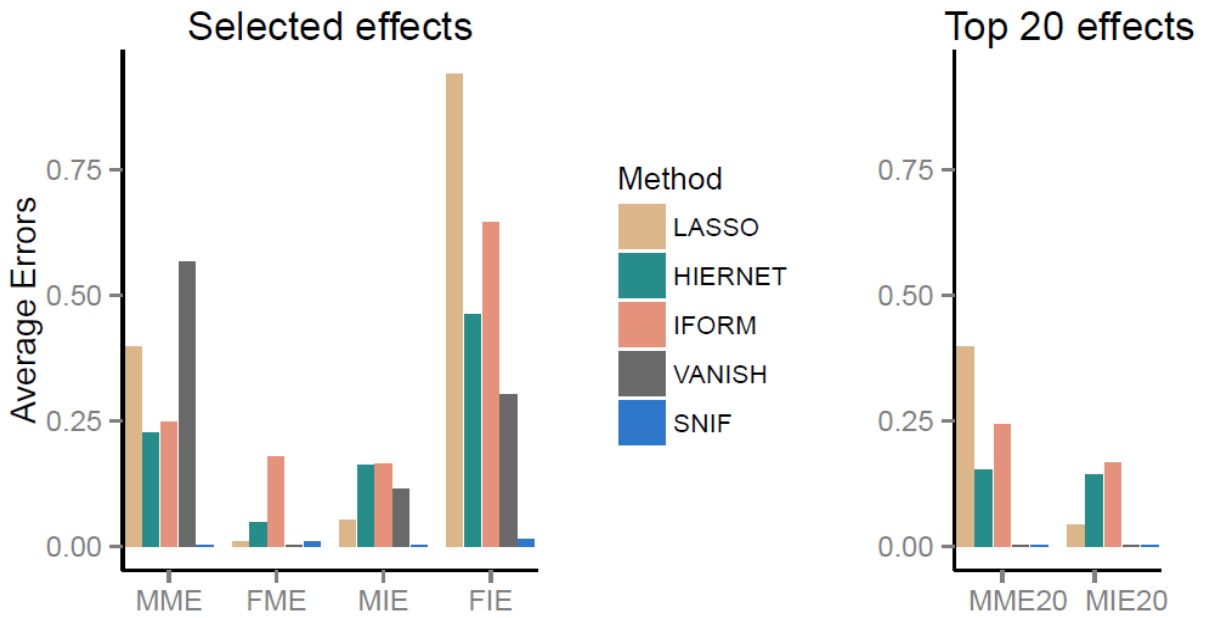


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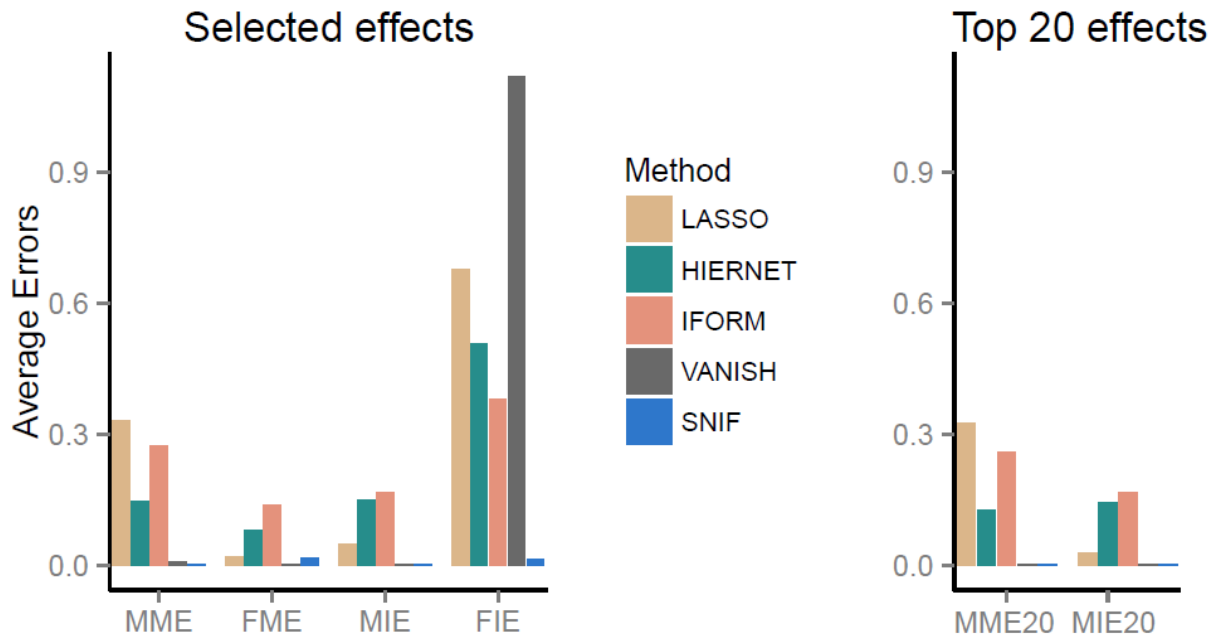


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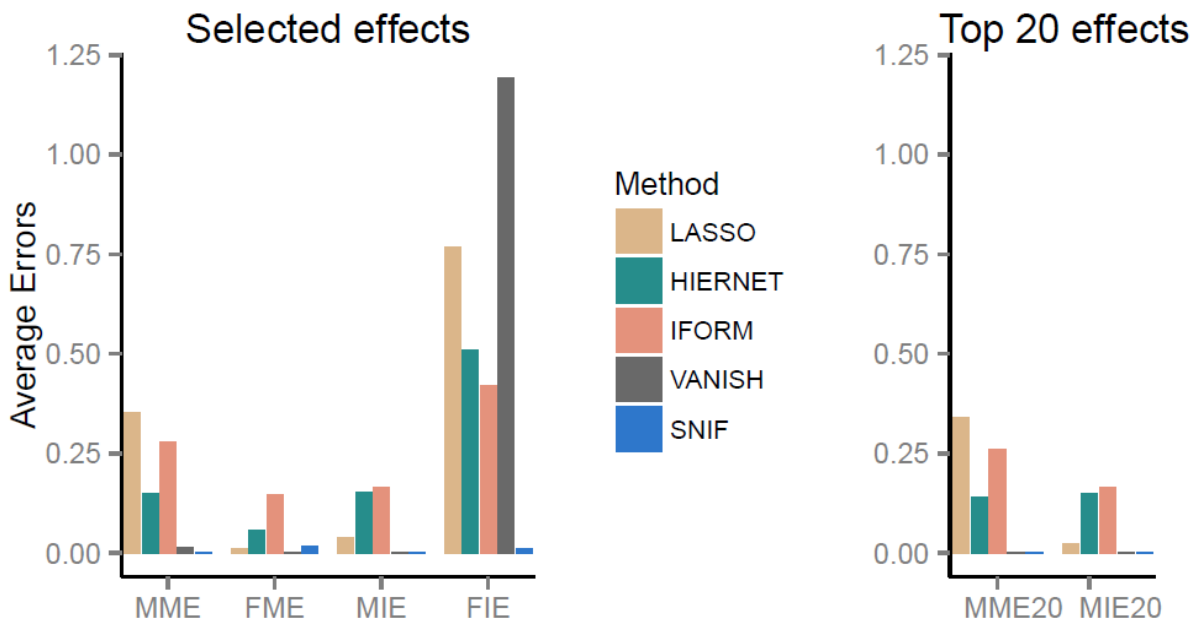


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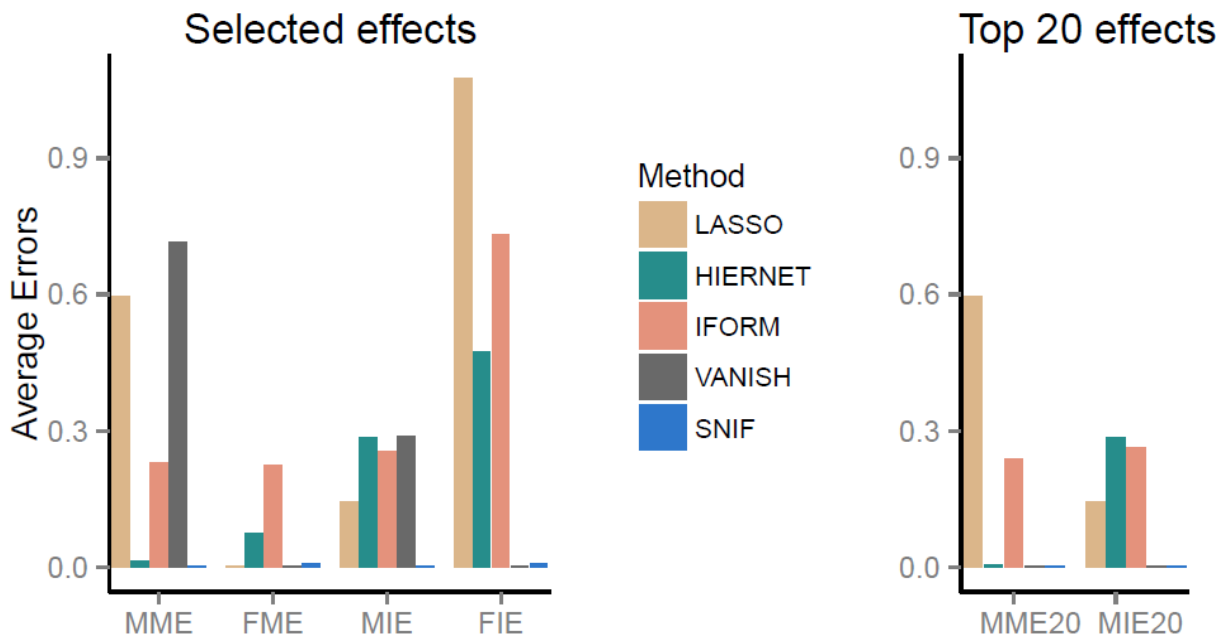


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Models (i) - (j) with $p = 20$ covariates

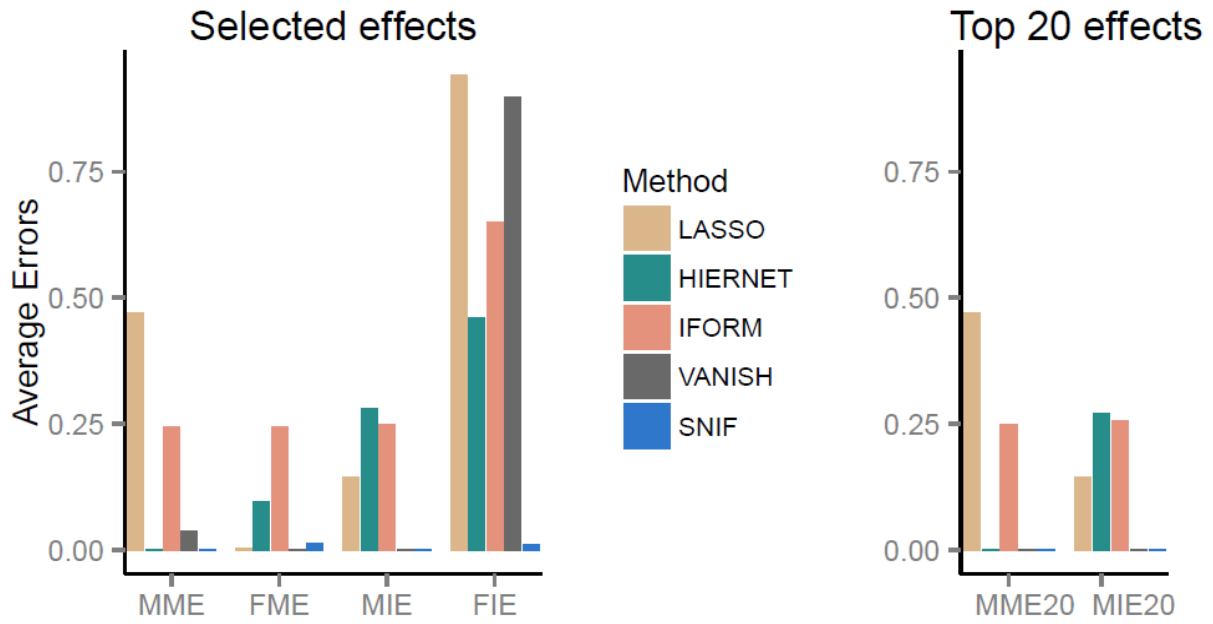


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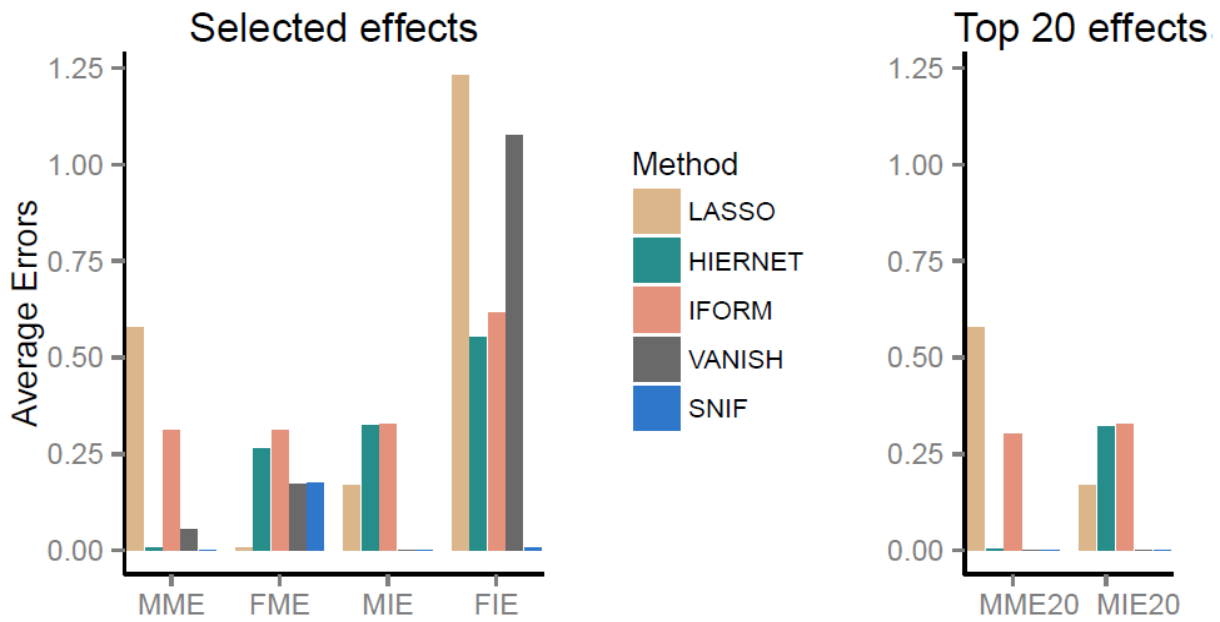


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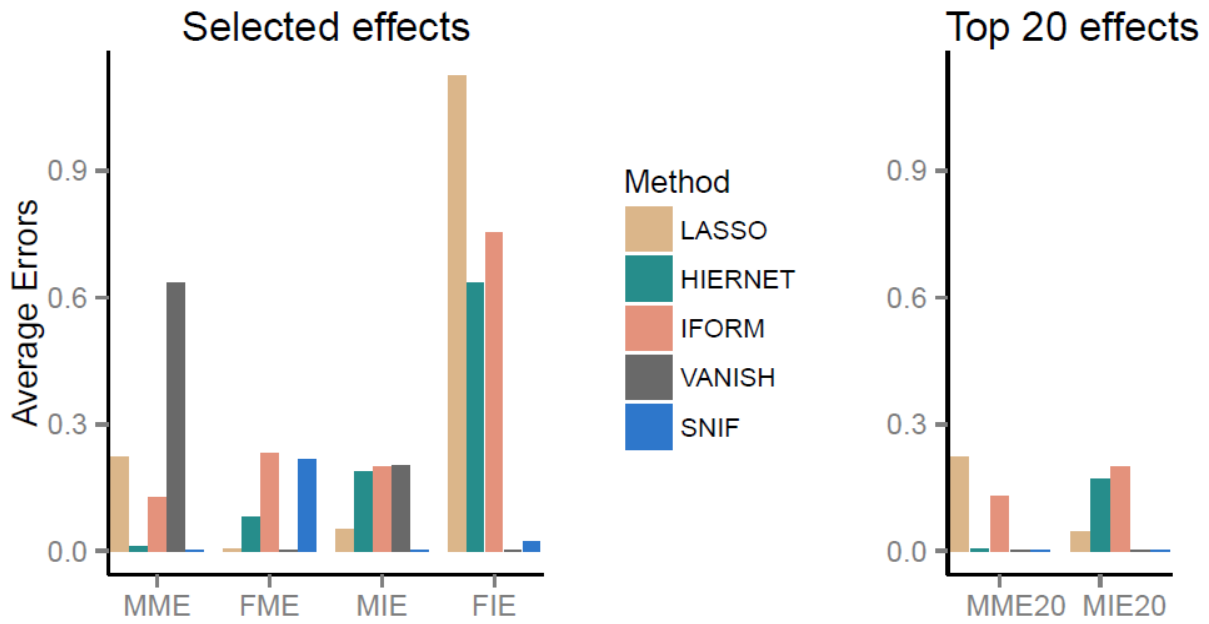


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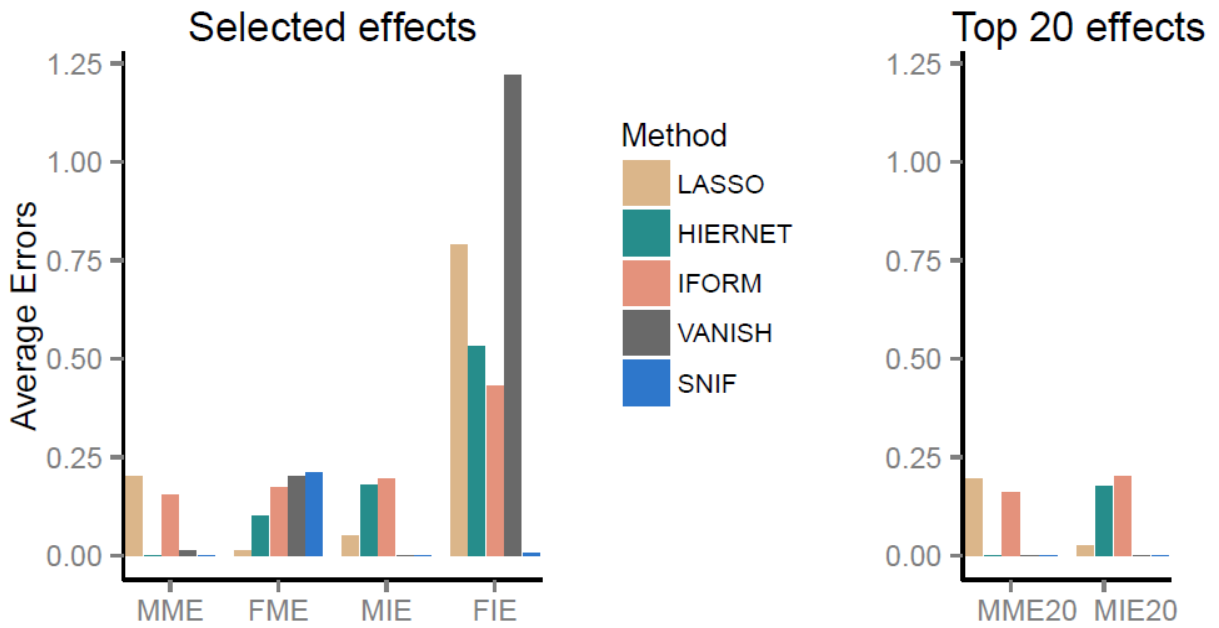


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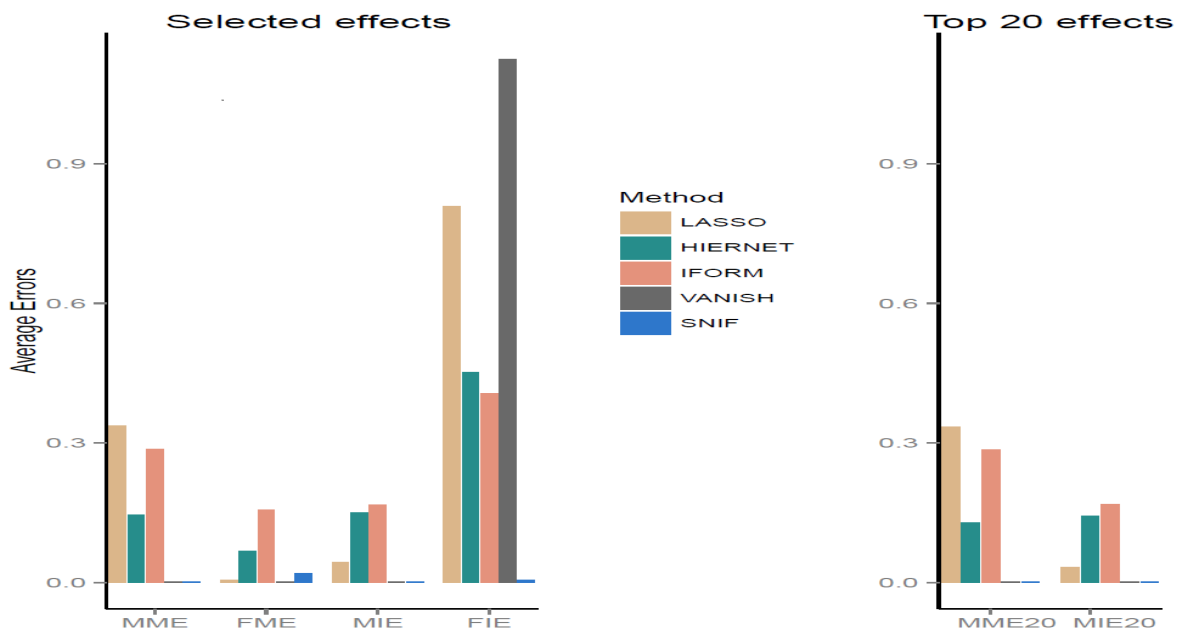


(o)



(p)

Models (o) - (p) with $p = 20$ covariates



(q)

Model (q) with $p = 20$ covariates