

## Testing MANOVA Hypotheses (corrected)

In multivariate linear models, including the multivariate analysis of variance (MANOVA), many hypothesis tests are based on a comparison of two  $p$  by  $p$  matrices, a *hypothesis matrix*  $\mathbf{H}$  with degrees of freedom  $f_h$  (*hypothesis degrees of freedom*) and an *error matrix*  $\mathbf{E}$  with degrees of freedom  $f_e$  (*error degrees of freedom*).

MANOVA generalizes univariate analysis of variance (ANOVA) to many variables, with a direct correspondence of many ideas. For example,  $\mathbf{H}$  corresponds to an ANOVA *hypothesis sum of squares*  $SS_h$ , and  $\mathbf{E}$  to an *error sum of squares*  $SS_e$ . In the one-way MANOVA discussion in Johnson and Wichern,  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  are called  $\mathbf{B}$  (between) and  $\mathbf{W}$  (within).

**The hypothesis and error matrices  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$** 

You can compute  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{E}$  using formulas analogous to the corresponding univariate ANOVA SS except that you substitute a  $p$  by  $p$  matrix product  $\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}'$  wherever a  $y^2$  would appear in the univariate formula, where  $\mathbf{y}$  is a  $p \times 1$  observation vector.

For example in the  $g$ -sample one-way *univariate* ANOVA with group sample sizes  $n_1, \dots, n_g$ , the hypothesis SS and error SS for testing  $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_g$  are

$$SS_h = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} n_j (\bar{y}_{.j} - \bar{y}_{..})^2$$

and

$$SS_e = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n_j} (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{.j})^2 = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} (n_j - 1) s_j^2,$$

where  $s_j^2$  is the sample variance for group  $j$ .

In the corresponding  $g$  sample one-way MANOVA, the hypothesis matrix for testing the equality of the  $g$  mean *vectors* ( $H_0: \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 = \dots = \boldsymbol{\mu}_g$ ) is

$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} n_j (\bar{\mathbf{y}}_{.j} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{..})(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_{.j} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{..})',$$

with error matrix

$$\mathbf{E} = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n_j} (\mathbf{y}_{ij} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{.j})(\mathbf{y}_{ij} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{.j})' = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} (n_j - 1) \mathbf{S}_j,$$

where  $\mathbf{S}_j$  is the unbiased sample variance matrix for group  $j$ .

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Similar explicit formulae are available in other multivariate analogues of more complex ANOVAs including randomized block, split plot, Latin squares, and incomplete block designs.

You can find more general formulas in an explicit linear model framework. Let the "full" model be

$$\begin{matrix} \mathbf{Y} & = & \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{B} & + & \boldsymbol{\epsilon} & = & \mathbf{M} & + & \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, & \mathbf{M} \equiv E[\mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{ZB}, \\ N \times p & & N \times r & r \times p & & N \times p & & N \times p & & N \times p & \end{matrix}$$

where (a) the rows of  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$  are independent with zero means and common variance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ , and (b) the  $r$  columns of  $\mathbf{Z}$  are appropriate predictor variables - dummy variables and/or covariates. Each column of  $\mathbf{B}$  contains coefficients for the corresponding column of  $\mathbf{Y}$ . Each row of  $\mathbf{B}$  contains coefficients multiplying the corresponding column of  $\mathbf{Z}$ .

### Linear hypotheses

Any linear hypothesis that can be tested can be put in the form  $H_0: \mathbf{LB} = \mathbf{0}$ , with some  $q \times r$  matrix  $\mathbf{L}$  with  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{L}) = q = f_h$ . Then the hypothesis matrix used to test  $H_0$  is

$$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{L}\hat{\mathbf{B}})'(\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-}\mathbf{L}')^{-1}(\mathbf{L}\hat{\mathbf{B}}), \quad \mathbf{E} = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{B}})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\mathbf{B}}),$$

where  $(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-}$  is a generalized inverse of  $\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z}$  (ordinary inverse when  $\mathbf{Z}$  is of full rank), and  $\hat{\mathbf{B}} = (\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-}\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Y}$  is the usual "least squares" estimator of  $\mathbf{B}$  (maximum likelihood estimator under normality). (Note: A generalized inverse  $\mathbf{A}^{-}$  of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  satisfies  $\mathbf{AA}^{-}\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}$ .)

For example, one way to express the usual one-way MANOVA uses  $\mathbf{B} = [\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2, \dots, \boldsymbol{\alpha}_g]'$ . Then you can express the hypothesis of no treatment effects  $H_0: \boldsymbol{\alpha}_1 = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_2 = \dots = \boldsymbol{\alpha}_g$  as  $H_0: \mathbf{LB} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $\mathbf{L}$  is the  $g - 1$  by  $g + 1$  matrix

$$\mathbf{L} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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Whether you proceed by generalizing an ANOVA computation or by using the linear models approach, there are always  $N \times N$  matrices  $\mathbf{Q}_h$  and  $\mathbf{Q}_e$  such that

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{Y} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Q}_e\mathbf{Y},$$

where  $\mathbf{Q}_h$  and  $\mathbf{Q}_e$  are mutually orthogonal ( $\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{Q}_e = \mathbf{Q}_e\mathbf{Q}_h = \mathbf{0}$ ) symmetric *projection matrices* ( $\mathbf{Q}^2 = \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{Q}'$ ) with ranks  $f_h$  and  $f_e$ , respectively. Moreover  $\mathbf{Q}_e\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{0}$  so that  $\mathbf{Q}_e\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{Q}_e\mathbf{ZB} = \mathbf{0}$ .

For the hypothesis  $H_0: \mathbf{LB} = \mathbf{0}$ , these matrices are

$$\mathbf{Q}_h = \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{L}'(\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}')^{-1}\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}' \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{Q}_e = \mathbf{I}_N - \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}'$$

The following propositions are true:

- (1)  $H_0$  is true if and only if  $\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{ZB} = \mathbf{0}$ . Equivalently,  $H_0$  is true if and only if  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{B}'\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{ZB} = \mathbf{0}$ .
- (2) When  $H_0$  is true,  $E[\mathbf{H}] = f_h\mathbf{\Sigma}$ . When the rows of  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  are independent  $N_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma})$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$  has the Wishart distribution  $W_{f_h}(\mathbf{H}, \mathbf{\Sigma})$ .
- (3)  $E[\mathbf{E}] = f_e\mathbf{\Sigma}$ , whether or not  $H_0$  is true. When the rows of  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  are  $N_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma})$ ,  $\mathbf{E}$  has the Wishart distribution  $W_{f_e}(\mathbf{E}, \mathbf{\Sigma})$ , and is independent of  $\mathbf{H}$ .
- (4) When  $H_0$  is false,  $E[\mathbf{H}] = f_h\mathbf{\Sigma} + \mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} \neq f_h\mathbf{\Sigma}$ . When  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  is  $N_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{\Sigma})$ ,  $\mathbf{H}$  is still independent of  $\mathbf{E}$  and has what is known as the *non-central Wishart distribution* with *noncentrality matrix*  $\boldsymbol{\Delta} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$ .

Note that  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  is formed from the expectation matrix  $\mathbf{M} = E[\mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{ZB}$  exactly the same way as  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{Y}$  is formed from  $\mathbf{Y}$ . This means that, even without constructing  $\mathbf{Q}_h$ , if you know how to compute  $\mathbf{H}$  from  $\mathbf{Y}$ , you can compute  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  for any  $\mathbf{M}$  by using  $\mathbf{M}$  in place of  $\mathbf{Y}$  in your calculation. For example, in one-way MANOVA, where

$$\mathbf{M} = E[\mathbf{Y}] = [\boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\mu}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\mu}_g, \dots, \boldsymbol{\mu}_g]', \quad (\text{note the transpose})$$

with  $\boldsymbol{\mu}_i = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \boldsymbol{\alpha}_i$  and with  $n_1$   $\boldsymbol{\mu}_1$ 's,  $n_2$   $\boldsymbol{\mu}_2$ 's, etc. Because

$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} n_j (\bar{\mathbf{y}}_{..j} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{..})(\bar{\mathbf{y}}_{..j} - \bar{\mathbf{y}}_{..})',$$

a formula for  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  is

$$\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} n_j [(\boldsymbol{\mu}_j - \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})(\boldsymbol{\mu}_j - \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}})'], \quad \bar{\boldsymbol{\mu}} \equiv \sum_{1 \leq j \leq g} n_j \boldsymbol{\mu}_j / N.$$

Similarly, if you express  $\mathbf{H}$  as  $\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{L}\hat{\mathbf{B}})'(\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{L}')^{-1}(\mathbf{L}\hat{\mathbf{B}})$ , then  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{LB})'(\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{L}')^{-1}(\mathbf{LB})$ , the same as  $\mathbf{H}$  without the "hats" on  $\mathbf{B}$ .

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This means you can consider  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  to be a *population* analogue of the *sample* hypothesis matrix  $\mathbf{H}$ , and the null hypothesis is equivalent to asserting  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$ , that is, asserting that  $E[\mathbf{H}] = f_h\mathbf{\Sigma}$ .

Let  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_p$  be the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  relative to  $f_e\mathbf{\Sigma}$ . These are also the ordinary eigenvalues of the (non-symmetric) *noncentrality matrix*  $\mathbf{\Delta} = \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1}\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$ . Then, another way to state the null hypothesis  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$  is  $H_0: \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_p = 0$ . Because the  $\lambda$ 's are in decreasing order and are non-negative, you can restate the null hypothesis simply as  $H_0: \lambda_1 = 0$ . The  $\lambda_i$ 's are population analogues of  $\hat{\lambda}_1 \geq \hat{\lambda}_2 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\lambda}_p$ , the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{H}$  relative to  $\mathbf{E}$ .

It is important to remember that both  $\mathbf{H}$  and its population analogue  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  together with relative eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_i\}$  and  $\{\hat{\lambda}_i\}$  are associated with a specific null hypothesis. For each null hypothesis being tested there is a different  $\mathbf{H}$  and a different  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  with different relative eigenvalues.

### Distribution of relative eigenvalues

The null distribution (distribution when  $H_0: \mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$  is true) of the  $s$  non-zero eigenvalues  $\hat{\lambda}_1 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\lambda}_s$  is quite complicated. However, with multivariate normal errors it depends only on three integer or half integer quantities.

These quantities are, in the standard notation,

$$s \equiv \min(p, f_h) \geq 1$$

$$m \equiv (|p - f_h| - 1)/2 \geq -1/2$$

$$n \equiv (f_e - p - 1)/2 \geq -1/2 \text{ (when } f_e < p, \mathbf{E}^{-1} \text{ does not exist).}$$

The quantities  $s$ ,  $m$  and  $n$  are somewhat analogous to degrees of freedom in univariate F-tests. When  $p = 1$  (univariate),  $s = 1$ ,  $m = f_h/2 - 1$ ,  $n = f_e/2 - 1$ .

The non-null distribution (distribution when  $H_0$  is false,  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} \neq \mathbf{0}$ ) depends on these same quantities as well as the population eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_s$ .

There an interesting duality between  $f_h$  and  $p$  in the definitions of these quantities and corresponding identities in sampling distributions. If you substitute  $\tilde{f}_h \equiv p$  for  $f_h$ ,  $\tilde{p} \equiv f_h$  for  $p$ , and  $\tilde{f}_e \equiv f_e + f_h - p$  for  $f_e$ , then  $s$ ,  $m$ , and  $n$  are unchanged and it can be verified that the distribution of non-

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zero eigenvalues  $\hat{\lambda}_1, \dots, \hat{\lambda}_s$  is unchanged. For example,

$$(f_e - p - 1)/2 \Rightarrow (\tilde{f}_e - \tilde{p} - 1)/2 = (f_e + f_h - p - f_h - 1)/2 = n.$$

### Test statistics for multivariate linear hypotheses

Many test statistics have been proposed for testing  $H_0: E[H] = f_h \Sigma$ , that is,  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{0}$ . Several are based on the sample relative eigenvalues  $\hat{\lambda}_1 \geq \hat{\lambda}_2 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\lambda}_p$  of  $\mathbf{H}$  relative to  $\mathbf{E}$  (ordinary eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{H}$ ). By the preceding, the null distribution of such test statistics depends only on  $s$ ,  $m$  and  $n$ .

*Remark:* when  $f_h < p$ , then  $\hat{\lambda}_{f_h+1} = \dots = \hat{\lambda}_p = 0$ , that is, there are at most  $s \equiv \min(p, f_h)$  non-zero  $\hat{\lambda}$ 's. Also, whether or not  $H_0$  is true, the population values  $\lambda_{f_h+1} = \dots = \lambda_p = 0$ , so the null hypothesis is equivalent to  $H_0: \lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_s = 0$ .

When  $H_0$  is not true (that is,  $E[H] \neq f_h \Sigma$  or  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M} \neq \mathbf{0}$  or  $\lambda_1 > 0$ ), the power (probability of rejecting  $H_0$ ) of any test based on the sample eigenvalues  $\hat{\lambda}_1, \dots, \hat{\lambda}_s$  depends only on the population eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_s$  defined above.

### Special cases when $s = 1$ ( $p = 1$ or $f_h = 1$ )

When  $p = 1$  (the univariate case), under  $H_0$ , there is only one relative eigenvalue  $\hat{\lambda}_1$  and

$$\hat{\lambda}_1 = SS_h/SS_e = (f_h/f_e)F(f_h, f_e) \\ (\text{central } F \text{ on } f_h \text{ and } f_e \text{ d.f.}),$$

In the null case ( $H_0$  false)

$$\hat{\lambda}_1 = (f_h/f_e)F(f_h, f_e; \delta^2) \\ (\text{non-central } F \text{ on } f_h \text{ and } f_e \text{ d.f. and non-centrality parameter } \delta^2),$$

where  $\delta^2 = \lambda_1 = \mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}/\sigma^2$  ( $\mathbf{M}$  is a vector when  $p = 1$ ).

When  $f_h = 1$  (essentially the case of Hotelling's  $T^2$ ), the only non-zero eigenvalue is  $\hat{\lambda}_1 = \text{tr } \mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{H} = T^2/f_e \approx \{p/(f_e - p + 1)\} F(p, f_e - p + 1)$  when  $H_0$  is true. When  $H_1$  is true,  $\hat{\lambda}_1 \approx \{p/(f_e - p + 1)\} F(p, f_e - p + 1; \lambda_1)$  (non-central  $F$ ).

These two cases cover all the possibilities when  $s = \min(f_h, p) = 1$ . Thus

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the only distributional difficulties for test statistics based on the  $\hat{\lambda}_i$ 's are when when  $s > 2$ , that is when  $p \geq 2$  and  $f_h \geq 2$ .

### Test statistics based on relative eigenvalues

Here are some of the test statistics based on the relative eigenvalues that have been proposed, together with information about their exact or approximate distributions.:

#### 1. Roy's maximum root test

Reject  $H_0$  for "large"  $\hat{\lambda}_1$ . This is equivalent to rejecting  $H_0$  for "large"  $\hat{\theta}_1 \equiv \hat{\lambda}_1/(1 + \hat{\lambda}_1)$ , since  $\hat{\theta}$  is an increasing function of  $\hat{\lambda}$ .

Charts for the 1% and 5% critical values of  $\hat{\theta}_1$  for  $2 \leq s \leq 5$  as computed by Heck (1960) are in a handout posted on the class web site

(<http://www.stat.umn.edu/~kb/classes/5401/files/RoysTest.pdf>). I don't know of a useful approximation to the distribution of Roy's test.

For  $s = 2$ ,  $P(\hat{\theta}_1 \leq x) = I_x(2m+2, 2n+2) - Cx^{m+1}(1-x)^{n+1}I_x(m+1, n+1)$ , where  $I_x(a, b)$  is an imcomplete beta function computed in MacAnova by `cumbeta(x, a, b)` and  $C = \sqrt{\pi} \times \Gamma(m+n+5/2) / \{\Gamma(m+3/2)\Gamma(n+3/2)\}$ , where  $\Gamma(z)$  is the gamma function. When  $N$  is an integer,  $\Gamma(N) = (N-1)!$  and  $\Gamma(N+1/2) = \sqrt{\pi} \times 1 \times 3 \times \dots \times (2N-1) / 2^N$ .

#### 2. Likelihood ratio based test (Wilks' test)

Reject for "small" values of

$$\Lambda^* \equiv \det(\mathbf{E}) / \det(\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{H}) = 1 / \det(\mathbf{I}_p + \mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{H}) = \prod_{1 \leq i \leq s} \{1 / (1 + \hat{\lambda}_i)\}.$$

Rao (1948) (see also Anderson (1965)) gave the following expression for an approximation to the cumulative distribution function (cdf) of a multiple of  $\log \Lambda^*$ . Define

$$m_1 \equiv f_e - (p - f_h + 1)/2 = 2n + m + s + 1 \text{ and } P_g \equiv P(\chi_g^2 > x).$$

Then the upper tail probability for  $-m_1 \log \Lambda^* = m_1 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \log(1 + \hat{\lambda}_i)$  under  $H_0$  is

$$P(-m_1 \log \Lambda^* > x) =$$

$$P_f + \beta_1(P_{f+4} - P_f)/m_1^2 + \{\beta_2(P_{f+8} - P_f) - \beta_1^2(P_{f+4} - P_f)\}/m_1^4 + O(1/m_1^6),$$

where

$$f \equiv pf_h$$

$$\beta_1 \equiv (pf_h/48)(p^2 + f_h^2 - 5),$$

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$$\beta_2 \equiv \beta_1^2/2 + (pf_h/1920)(3p^4+3f_h^4+10p^2f_h^2 - 50(p^2 + f_h^2) + 150).$$

Using just the first term, that is, using the approximation  $P(-m_1 \log \Lambda^* > x) \approx P_f = P(\chi_f^2 > x)$  is equivalent to treating

$$-m_1 \log \Lambda^* = \{f_e - (p-f_h+1)/2\} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} \log(1 + \hat{\lambda}_j)$$

as a  $\chi_f^2$  random variable, where  $f = pf_h$ . This is a widely used approximation that is generally sufficiently accurate. The additional terms, which go rapidly to zero as  $m_1 \rightarrow \infty$ , serve to correct this first approximation.

MacAnova macro `cumwilks()` with keyword phrase `useF:F` uses this series when  $\min(p, f_h) > 2$ .

Fujikoshi (1973) derived a similar, more complicated expression for the non-null distribution when  $\lambda_1 > 0$ . The leading term is

$$P(-m_1 \log \Lambda^* > x) = P_f(\delta^2) + O(1/m_1), \quad P_f(\delta^2) = P(\chi_f^2(\delta^2) > x),$$

$$\delta^2 = \text{tr} \Delta = \text{tr} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{M}' \mathbf{Q}_h \mathbf{M} = \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} \lambda_j.$$

Here  $\chi_f^2(\delta^2)$  represents the non-central chi-squared distribution with non-centrality parameter  $\delta^2$  and, as before, the  $\lambda_j$ 's are the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{M}' \mathbf{Q}_h \mathbf{M}$  relative to  $\Sigma$ . You can use this to compute the approximate power of the likelihood ratio test for specified  $\delta^2$ .

Rao's approximation is essentially an adjustment to the standard large sample result for the ratio  $\lambda$  of maximized likelihoods. This result says that, for large samples,  $-2 \log \lambda$  is approximately  $\chi_f^2$ , where  $f$  is the number of restrictions  $H_0$  imposes on the parameters. In this situation,  $\lambda = (\Lambda^*)^{2/N}$ , where  $N$  is the number of rows (cases) in  $\mathbf{Y}$  and  $f = pf_h$ , the number of elements in the  $f_h$  by  $p$  matrix  $\mathbf{LB}$ , all of which are hypothesized to be 0. Thus

$$-2 \log \lambda = N \log \Lambda^* = N \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} \log(1 + \hat{\lambda}_j).$$

Rao's adjustment replaces  $N$  by  $m_1$ . Generally, for large  $N$ ,  $m_1/N \rightarrow 1$ . In the one-way MANOVA case where  $f_h = g-1$  and  $f_e = N - g$ ,  $m_1 = N - g - (p+g-1+1)/2$  and hence  $m_1/N = 1 - (1/2)(g + p + 1)/N \rightarrow 1$  for large  $N$ .

Rao (1951, 1973) derived a different approximation to the null distribution of  $\Lambda^*$  when  $s = \min(p, f_h) > 1$  based on the  $F$  distribution:

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$$(1 - (\Lambda^*)^{1/t})/(\Lambda^*)^{1/t} \approx \{pf_h/(m_1t - v)\} F(pf_h, m_1t - v),$$

where

$$t = \{(p^2 f_h^2 - 4)/(p^2 + f_h^2 - 5)\}^{1/2} \text{ and } v = (pf_h - 2)/2.$$

Thus  $(m_1t - v)(1 - (\Lambda^*)^{1/t})/(pf_h (\Lambda^*)^{1/t})$  is approximately  $F(pf_h, m_1t - v)$ .

MacAnova macro `cumwilks()` uses this approximation to the distribution of  $\Lambda^*$  when `useF:F` is not an argument.

### Exact distribution of $\Lambda^*$ when $s \leq 2$

When  $s \leq 2$ , Rao's formula involving the F distribution is *exactly* correct (not an approximation). It reduces to the following special cases:

$$s = 1: t = 1, m_1t - v = 2n + 2$$

$$\{(n + 1)/(m + 1)\}(1 - \Lambda^*)/\Lambda^* \approx F(2m + 2, 2n + 2)$$

$$s = 2: t = 2, m_1t - v = 4n + 4,$$

$$\{(2n + 2)/(2m + 3)\}\{1 - (\Lambda^*)^{1/2}\}/(\Lambda^*)^{1/2} \approx F(4m + 6, 4n + 4).$$

In terms of  $p$ ,  $f_h$ , and  $f_e$ , these cases are

$$f_h = 1, \text{ any } p: \{(f_e - p + 1)/p\}(1 - \Lambda^*)/\Lambda^* \approx F(p, f_e - p + 1)$$

$$f_h = 2, \text{ any } p \geq 2: \{(f_e - p + 1)/p\}\{1 - (\Lambda^*)^{1/2}\}/(\Lambda^*)^{1/2} \approx F(2p, 2(f_e - p + 1))$$

$$p = 1, \text{ any } f_h: \{f_e/f_h\}(1 - \Lambda^*)/\Lambda^* \approx F(f_h, f_e)$$

$$p = 2, \text{ any } f_h \geq 2: \{(f_e - 1)/f_h\}\{1 - (\Lambda^*)^{1/2}\}/(\Lambda^*)^{1/2} \approx F(2f_h, 2(f_e - 1))$$

### 3. Hotelling's generalized $T_0^2$ or trace test:

$$\text{Reject } H_0 \text{ for "large" } T_0^2 \equiv f_e \text{tr}(\mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{H}) = f_e \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} \hat{\lambda}_j.$$

$$\text{When } s = 1, T_0^2 = f_e \hat{\lambda}_1 = f_e \Lambda^*/(1 - \Lambda^*) \approx f_e \{(m+1)/(n+1)\} F(2m+2, 2n+2).$$

When  $f_h = 1$ ,  $T_0^2 = T^2$  (Hotelling's ordinary  $T^2$ ) and has null distribution  $\{(pf_e)/(f_e - p + 1)\} F(p, f_e - p + 1)$ . When  $p = 1$ ,  $T_0^2 \approx F(f_h, f_e)$ .

*Remark* When  $f_h > 1$ ,  $T_0^2$  is in fact a generalization of Hotelling's  $T^2$  in that it can be put in the form  $T_0^2 = (\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \mathbf{0})' [\hat{\mathbf{V}}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}]]^{-1} (\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} - \mathbf{0})'$ . You only need to take all  $f = f_h p$  elements of  $\mathbf{LB}$  and string them into a long vector  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  of length  $f$  and similarly string out the elements of  $\hat{\mathbf{B}}$  into  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ , and take as  $\hat{\mathbf{V}}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}]$  the "natural" estimator obtained by substituting  $\mathbf{S} = (f_e)^{-1} \mathbf{E}$  for  $\mathbf{S}$  in an equation for  $\mathbf{V}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}]$ . From what is known of statistics of this type, in large enough samples, the distribution of  $T_0^2$  is approximately  $\chi_f^2$ .



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For moderately large  $f_e$ , Fujikoshi (1973) found an adjustment to  $T_0^2$  whose distribution is better approximated by  $\chi_f^2$ . Moreover he found terms to adjust the P-value computed from  $\chi_f^2$  to get a better approximation. Let  $m_2 \equiv f_e - p - 1 = 2n$  and define the adjusted statistic to be

$$T \equiv m_2 \text{tr}(\mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{H}) = (m_2/f_e)T_0^2 = (1 - (p+1)/f_e) T_0^2.$$

Then, approximately, upper tail probabilities are

$$P(T > x) = P_f + \{f \times (p+f_h+1)/(4m_2)\}(P_f - 2P_{f+2} + P_{f+4}) \\ + \{f/(96m_2^2)\} \sum_{0 \leq j \leq 4} (-1)^j h_j P_{g+2j} + O(1/m_2^2),$$

where  $f = pf_h$  and  $P_g \equiv P(\chi_g^2 > x)$  as before, and

$$\begin{aligned} h_0 &= (3f-8)(p+f_h+1)^2 + 4g & h_1 &= 12f(p+f_h+1)^2 \\ h_2 &= 6(3f+8)(p+f_h+1)^2 & h_3 &= 4((3f+16)(p+f_h+1)^2 + 4g) \\ h_4 &= (3f+24)(p+f_h+1)^2 + 12g & g &= (p+1)(f_h+1) + 2. \end{aligned}$$

Fujikoshi also gives the  $O(1/f_e^3)$  term.

MacAnova macro `cumtrace()` uses this approximation by default.

Using just the leading term ( $P(T > x) \approx P_f$ ) is often sufficiently accurate.

This means you treat the modified statistic

$$T \equiv (m_2/f_e) \times T_0^2 = (f_e - p - 1) \text{tr}(\mathbf{E}^{-1}\mathbf{H}) = (f_e - p - 1) \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} \hat{\lambda}_j$$

as  $\chi_f^2$ ,  $f = pf_h$ . To order  $1/m_2$ , the null upper  $\alpha$  probability points (critical values) of  $T$  are

$$T(\alpha) = \chi_f^2(\alpha) - m_2^{-1} \{(p+f_h+1)/2\} \{ \chi_f^2(\alpha) - (\chi_f^2(\alpha))^2/(f+2) \}.$$

When  $H_0$  is false, a Fujikoshi (1973) found a similar more complicated series involving non-central  $\chi^2$ . The leading term is the same as for  $-m_1 \log \Lambda^*$ , that is,  $P(T > x) = P_f(\delta^2) + O(1/f_e)$ .

### 4. Pillai's trace criterion

Pillai's trace test is

$$\text{Reject } H_0 \text{ for "large" } V \equiv m_3 \times \text{tr}(\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{E})^{-1} \mathbf{H} = m_3 \times \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \hat{\lambda}_i / (1 + \hat{\lambda}_i), \\ m_3 \equiv (f_e + f_h) = 2(n + m + s + 1).$$

You can obtain a large  $f_e$  approximation for the null hypothesis tail

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probability  $P(V > x)$  by changing the sign of the second term in the expression for  $P(T > x)$  above and replacing  $m_2$  and  $m_2^2$  by  $m_3$  and  $m_3^2$ .

MacAnova macro `cumtrace()` with keyword phrase `pillai:T` uses this approximation.

Upper tail probability points (critical values) accurate to  $O(m_3^{-1})$  are

$$V(\alpha) = \chi_f^2(\alpha) - m_3^{-1} \{(p+f_h+1)/2\} \{\chi_f^2(\alpha) - (\chi_f^2(\alpha))^2/(f+2)\}, f = pf_h.$$

When  $H_0$  is false, the leading term of the power function is again

$$P(V > x) = P_f(\delta^2) + O(1/(f_e+f_h)).$$

### Differences among the tests

How should you choose among these tests? The large sample (actually large  $f_e$ ) form of the power functions (non-null rejection probabilities) for  $-m_1 \log \Lambda^*$ ,  $T_0^2$ , and  $V$  (but not  $\hat{\lambda}_1$ ) are all the same, that is,  $P_f(\delta^2)$ , based on non-central  $\chi_f^2$  with non-centrality parameter  $\delta^2 = \text{tr} \Delta = \text{tr} \Sigma^{-1} \mathbf{M}' \mathbf{Q}_h \mathbf{M} = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \lambda_j$ .

You might have expected this. In a "neighborhood" of  $H_0$ , that is, when  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_s$  are all small, when  $N$  is large, all three test statistics are essentially equivalent. This is the only case that matters in large samples, since otherwise virtually any test will have power close to 1. For example, when  $f_e$  is large and therefore  $m_2$  and  $m_3$  are also large,

$$-m_1 \log \Lambda^* = -m_2(1 - (p+f_h+1)/2m_2) \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \log(1 + \hat{\lambda}_j) \approx m_2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq s} \hat{\lambda}_j = T$$

and

$$V = m_3 \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} (\hat{\lambda}_j / (1 + \hat{\lambda}_j)) \approx m_2(1 + (p+f_h+1)/m_2) \sum_{1 \leq j \leq s} \hat{\lambda}_j \approx T.$$

Thus for large  $f_e$  with  $H_1$  "near"  $H_0$ , the three statistics are essentially the same. In fact, in power computations that have appeared in the literature, there does not seem to be much to choose between the various tests, at least for large  $f_e$ . The differences in power tend to be on the order of 0.02, an amount insignificant compared to the uncertainty arising from the inexactness of guesses for a value for  $\delta^2$ .

Roy's maximum root test is different. When you think the appropriate alternative hypothesis has rank 1 in the sense that  $\mathbf{M}' \mathbf{Q}_h \mathbf{M}$  has rank 1 or  $\lambda_1 > 0$ ,  $\lambda_j = 0$ ,  $j > 1$ , or almost of rank 1 ( $\lambda_1 \gg \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \geq \dots$ ), Roy's

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maximum root test using only  $\hat{\lambda}_1 = \hat{\lambda}_{\max}$  is probably to be preferred, focussing as it does on the single largest sample eigenvalue. Some of the power that the other tests implicitly expend on testing for non-zero  $\lambda_2$ ,  $\lambda_3$ , etc. is "wasted" in this case. Conversely, if several  $\lambda$ 's are non-zero, without  $\lambda_1$  being dominant, Roy's test may fail to reject  $H_0$  because it ignores the values of  $\hat{\lambda}_j$ ,  $j > 1$ . If it is expected that  $\mathbf{M}'\mathbf{Q}_h\mathbf{M}$  has rank 2 with both  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  large, a test based on  $\hat{\lambda}_2$ ,  $\hat{\lambda}_1 + \hat{\lambda}_2$  or  $\log(1 + \hat{\lambda}_1) + \log(1 + \hat{\lambda}_2)$  might be even better.

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