

PROOF. By Corollary 4.1 the set function $v(\cdot) = \sup\{P(\cdot) : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ is a 2-alternating capacity. In order to prove that \mathcal{P} is generated by v , it is, by Lemma 2.2, sufficient to show that for every monotone sequence of sets $B_1 \subset B_2 \subset \dots \subset B_n$ there is a measure $P \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $P(B_i) = v(B_i)$. Thus let $B_i = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_i\}$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. As before, the measure Q is defined by the conditions $Q(B_i) = v(B_i)$ for $i = 1, \dots, n$. Let (P_Q, Q) form a least informative binary experiment in $\mathcal{P} \times \{Q\}$. Arguing as in Lemma 4.1, we assume by contradiction that $P_Q \neq Q$. This implies that there exists $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ such that the set $A_\alpha = \{\omega : \alpha P_Q(\omega) < (1 - \alpha)Q(\omega)\}$ satisfies conditions (i) and (ii). Since v is a 2-alternating capacity, Lemma 2.1 implies $Q(A_\alpha) \leq v(A_\alpha)$. Moreover, since v is the upper probability of \mathcal{P} , there is $P \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $P(A_\alpha) > P_Q(A_\alpha)$. For $\beta \in (0, 1)$ and β sufficiently close to 1 we obtain $T_\alpha[\beta P_Q + (1 - \beta)P, Q] > T_\alpha(P_Q, Q)$. Thus (P_Q, Q) cannot be least informative in $\mathcal{P} \times \{Q\}$. This completes the argument. \square

Let Ω be a Polish space, \mathcal{B} its Borel σ -field, and let \mathcal{M} stand for the set of all probability measures on \mathcal{B} . The main result of this section, stated below, is a consequence of Lemma 2.3 and Theorem 4.1.

THEOREM 4.2. Let $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{M}$ be convex and weakly compact. If for every $Q \in \mathcal{M}$ and finite subfield $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{B}$ there exists a least informative binary experiment in $\mathcal{P}|\mathcal{A} \times \{Q\}$ then \mathcal{P} is generated by a 2-alternating capacity. \square

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ON THE LIMITING DISTRIBUTION OF AND CRITICAL VALUES FOR THE MULTIVARIATE CRAMÉR-VON MISES STATISTIC

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Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) be independent random variables (r.v.'s) uniformly distributed over the d -dimensional unit cube, and let $\alpha_n(\cdot)$ be the empirical process based on this sequence of random samples. Let $V_{n,d}(\cdot)$ be the distribution function of the Cramér-von Mises functional of $\alpha_n(\cdot)$, and define $V_d(\cdot) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V_{n,d}(\cdot)$, $\Delta_{n,d} = \sup_{0 < x < \infty} |V_{n,d}(x) - V_d(x)|$. We deduce that $\Delta_{n,d} = O(n^{-1})$, $d \geq 1$, and calculate also the "usual" levels of significance of the distribution function $V_d(\cdot)$ for $d = 2$ to 50, using expansion methods. Previously these were known only for $d = 1, 2, 3$.

1. Introduction. Let Y_1, \dots, Y_n be independent random variables (r.v.'s) uniformly distributed over the d -dimensional unit cube I^d ($d \geq 1$), and let $E_n(y)$ be the empirical distribution function of Y_1, \dots, Y_n , i.e., for $y = (y_1, \dots, y_d) \in I^d$, $E_n(y)$ is the proportion of $Y_j = (Y_{j1}, \dots, Y_{jd})$, $j = 1, \dots, n$, whose components are less than or equal to the corresponding components of y , conveniently written as

$$(1.1) \quad E_n(y) = E_n(y_1, \dots, y_d) = n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^d I_{[0, y_i]}(Y_{ji}),$$

where, for real numbers $a, u \in [0, 1]$,

$$(1.2) \quad I_{[0, a]}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } u \leq a \\ 0 & \text{if } u > a. \end{cases}$$

The corresponding uniform empirical process is

$$(1.3) \quad \alpha_n(y) = n^{1/2}\{E_n(y) - \lambda(y)\}, \quad y \in I^d, \quad d \geq 1,$$

where $\lambda(y) = \prod_{i=1}^d y_i$.

This process occurs in the context of continuous distribution functions F on R^d in the following way. Let \mathcal{F} be the class of continuous distribution functions on d -dimensional Euclidean space R^d ($d \geq 1$), and let \mathcal{F}_0 be the subclass consisting of every member of \mathcal{F} which is a product of its associated one-dimensional marginal distribution functions. Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent random d -vectors with a common distribution function $F \in \mathcal{F}$, and let $F_n(x)$ be the empirical distribution of X_1, \dots, X_n . That is, for $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in R^d$,

$$(1.4) \quad F_n(x) = F_n(x_1, \dots, x_d) = n^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{i=1}^d I_{(-\infty, x_i]}(X_{ji}),$$

where, for all real numbers a and u ,

$$(1.5) \quad I_{(-\infty, a]}(u) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } u \leq a \\ 0 & \text{if } u > a. \end{cases}$$

Now consider the empirical process

$$(1.6) \quad \beta_n(x) = n^{1/2}\{F_n(x) - F(x)\}, \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_d) \in R^d, \quad d \geq 1.$$

Let $y_i = F_i(x_i)$ be the i th marginal distribution of $F \in \mathcal{F}$ and let $F_i^{-1}(\cdot)$ be its inverse.

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Now if $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$, then

$$(1.7) \quad \begin{aligned} \beta_n(x) &= n^{1/2}\{F_n(x) - \prod_{i=1}^d F_i(x_i)\} = n^{1/2}\{F_n(F_1^{-1}(y_1), \dots, F_d^{-1}(y_d)) - \lambda(y)\} \\ &= n^{1/2}\{E_n(y) - \lambda(y)\} = \alpha_n(y), \quad y = (y_1, \dots, y_d) \in I^d, \quad d \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$, then β_n is distribution free.

As to $\alpha_n(\cdot)$, the following results are known.

THEOREM A. Let X_1, \dots, X_n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) be independent random d -vectors with a common distribution function $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$ and let $\alpha_n(\cdot)$ be as in (1.7). Then one can construct a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) with $\{\alpha_n(y); y \in I^d (d \geq 1), n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ and a sequence of Brownian bridges $\{B_n(y); y \in I^d (d \geq 1)\}$ on the space so that for any $\mu > 0$ there exist a $C > 0$ such that (cf. Csörgő and Révész, 1975) for each n

$$(1.8) \quad P\{\sup_{y \in I^d} |\alpha_n(y) - B_n(y)| > C(\log n)^{3/2} n^{-\frac{1}{2(d+1)}}\} \leq n^{-\mu}, \quad d \geq 1.$$

Further, if $d = 2$, then (cf. Tusnády, 1977) for all n and x

$$(1.9) \quad P\{\sup_{y \in I^2} |\alpha_n(y) - B_n(y)| > n^{-1/2}(C \log n + x) \log n\} < L e^{-\lambda x},$$

where C, L, λ are positive absolute constants.

For illuminating comments concerning rates of approximation in higher dimensions, we refer to Tusnády (1977b), and for best possible rates of approximation in case of $d = 1$, we refer to Komlós, Major and Tusnády (1975), and Tusnády (1977a). We recall in passing that a Brownian bridge $\{B(y); y \in I^d\}$ is a separable Gaussian process with $EB(y) = 0$ and $EB(x)B(y) = \prod_{i=1}^d (x_i \wedge y_i) - (\prod_{i=1}^d x_i)(\prod_{i=1}^d y_i)$.

Given $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$, we are interested in the asymptotic distribution of the multivariate Cramér-von Mises statistic

$$(1.10) \quad W_{n,d}^2 = \int_{R^d} \beta_n^2(x) \prod_{i=1}^d dF_i(x_i) = \int_{I^d} \alpha_n^2(y) \prod_{i=1}^d dy_i, \quad d \geq 1,$$

where $\beta_n(x)$, $\alpha_n(y)$, $y_i = F_i(x_i)$ are as in (1.7). Naturally, say by (1.8), we have for $d \geq 1$ that

$$(1.11) \quad h(\alpha_n(\cdot)) \rightarrow_{\mathcal{D}} h(B(\cdot)),$$

for every continuous functional h on the space of real valued functions on I^d endowed with the supremum topology, and whence also

$$(1.12) \quad W_{n,d}^2 \rightarrow_{\mathcal{D}} W_d^2 = \int_{I^d} B^2(y) dy = \int_{I^d} B_n^2(y) dy = \bar{W}_d^2(n), \quad d \geq 1.$$

Here, and in what follows, dy stands for $\prod_{i=1}^d dy_i$. For further results concerning the distance of $W_{n,d}^2$ and $W_d^2(n)$, we refer to Corollary 1 in Csörgő (1979).

Let $V_{n,d}(x)$ be the distribution function of $W_{n,d}^2$ of (1.10) and let $V_d(x)$ be that of W_d^2 of (1.12). Then (1.12) reads

$$(1.13) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\{W_{n,d}^2 \leq x\} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V_{n,d}(x) = V_d(x), \quad d \geq 1.$$

Put $\Delta_{n,d} = \sup_{0 < x < \infty} |V_{n,d}(x) - V_d(x)|$. Then we have the following.

THEOREM B (Götze, 1979). $\Delta_{n,1} = O(n^{-1+\epsilon})$ for any $\epsilon > 0$.

Earlier, S. Csörgő (1976) showed that $\Delta_{n,1} = O(n^{-1/2} \log n)$ and, on the basis of his complete asymptotic expansion for the Laplace transform of $W_{n,1}^2$, he conjectured that $\Delta_{n,1}$ is of order $1/n$. This conjecture was further studied by S. Csörgő and L. Stachó (1979) by giving a recursion formula for the exact distribution function $V_{n,1}$ of the r.v. $W_{n,1}^2$. They

prove that the latter is $[n/2]$ times continuously differentiable, and reduce the problem of proving $\Delta_{n,1} = O(1/n)$ to that of showing the boundedness of the sequence $\{\int_{I^d} |V_{n,1}^{(49)}(x)| dx\}_{n \geq 98}$, where $V_{n,1}^{(49)}$ stands for the 49th derivative of $V_{n,1}$. Their recursive formula is, in principle, also applicable to tabulating $V_{n,1}$ exactly. Actually Götze (1979) proved $\Delta_{n,1} = O(n^{-1})$ without explicitly stating it: his Remark 2.6 holds for $W_{n,1}^2$ $n^{-1} \sum_{i,j=1}^n h(x_i, y_j)$ with $h(x, y) = 2^{-1}(x^2 + y^2) - (x \vee y) + 1/3$ (cf. Example 2.13 in Götze 1979), and hence (2.5) of Theorem 2.3 in Götze (1979) implies

COROLLARY 1. $\Delta_{n,1} = O(n^{-1})$.

Naturally, much work has already been done to compile tables for $V_{n,1}$. A survey and comparison of these can be found in Knott (1974), whose results prove to be the most accurate so far. All these results and tables are based on some kind of an approximation of $V_{n,1}$. An extensive tabulation of V_1 (cf. (1.13)) can be found in the recent monograph of Martynov (1978), where the theory and applications of a wide range of univariate Cramér-von Mises type statistics are surveyed.

As to higher dimensions, $d \geq 2$, no analytic results appear to be known about the exact distribution of $V_{n,d}$ (cf. (1.13)). The characteristic function of V_d (cf. (1.13)) is known (cf. Dugue, 1969; Durbin, 1970), and also it is known that (cf. Anderson and Darling, 1952; Rosenblatt, 1952) W_d^2 may be written in the form

$$(1.14) \quad W_d^2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k^{-1} X_k^2, \quad d \geq 1,$$

where the X_k are independent standard normal random variables and the μ_k are the eigenvalues of the integral equation

$$(1.15) \quad \int_{I^d} E\{B(x_1)B(x_2)\} f(x_2) dx_2 = \mu f(x_1)$$

with eigenfunctions f and kernel $EB(x_1)B(x_2)$. Whence, in order to tabulate V_d ($d \geq 2$) just as in the case of V_1 (cf. Durbin and Knott, 1972) one may try working with a numerical inversion of the characteristic function of V_d , or one may try to calculate a number of the necessary eigenvalues for (1.14). Unfortunately, both methods turn out to be quite difficult to follow directly. Durbin (1970) succeeded in solving the latter problem for $d = 2$, as did Krivyakova, Martynov and Tyurin (1977) for $d = 3$. In a similar vein, due to (1.14), one could also try to approximate critical values of the distribution function V_d via a Zolotarev (1961) or Hoeffding (1964) type tail expansion of the latter. Unfortunately, this route also requires a number of the eigenvalues for (1.14) and, as just noted, the calculation of these is difficult in higher dimensions.

Using the characteristic function of Dugue (1969), in this paper we obtain a recursive equation for the cumulants of W_d^2 , and then use the Cornish-Fisher asymptotic expansion to calculate its critical values for $d = 2, 3, \dots, 50$ at various levels of rejection probabilities. These critical values are within 3% of Durbin's values for $d = 2$ and of those of Krivyakova, Martynov and Tyurin for $d = 3$. As far as we know, there exist no other tables for $d \geq 4$. Details, as to how to calculate approximate significance points for all $d > 1$ and tables for the "usual" levels of significance for $d = 2$ to 50, are given in Section 3. Proofs for the statements of the latter are given in Section 4.

As to the question of convergence of the Cornish-Fisher expansion for the distribution function of the r.v. W_d^2 , we do not have more evidence than the good numerical agreement with Durbin (1970) for $d = 2$ and with Krivyakova, Martynov and Tyurin (1977) for $d = 3$ (cf. Remark 3.2 and Table 1 for details). In addition, we note also that errors in our tables for higher dimensions should be further reduced due to the fact that the cumulants K_n of W_d^2 are $O(e^{-d})$ (cf. Corollary 7 and Remark 3.2). Therefore our tables should be quite accurate for all the dimensions calculated, indeed improving as d increases. Given that other methods did not work for us, and that no other tables seem to be available for $d \geq 4$, we decided to proceed with the rigorous calculation of cumulants of V_d for the sake

of the Cornish-Fisher formal expansion of the latter, having observed the good agreement with existing tables for $d = 2$ and 3.

Since nothing appears to be known about the exact distribution function $V_{n,d}$ for $d \geq 2$, it is desirable to have an analogue of Corollary 1 for $\Delta_{n,d}$ when $d \geq 2$. A complete solution to this problem is again contained in Götze (1979), as outlined in our next section.

2. On Rates of Convergence for $V_{n,d}$ ($d \geq 2$). As a point of reference here and for further use in the sequel, we first quote the following.

THEOREM C (Dugue, 1969). *The characteristic function $\phi(t)$ of the r.v. W_d^2 ($d \geq 1$) is*

$$(2.1) \quad \phi(t) = E \exp(itW_d^2) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \exp(itW_{n,d}^2) = \left\{ i2^{d-1} \frac{d}{dt} C_d(t) \right\}^{-1/2}, \quad d \geq 1,$$

where

$$(2.2) \quad C_1(t) = \cos\{(2it)^{1/2}\},$$

and

$$(2.3) \quad C_d(t) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} C_{d-1} \left\{ \frac{t}{(j - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2} \right\}, \quad d \geq 2.$$

COROLLARY 2 (following Durbin, 1970). *For the characteristic function $\phi(t)$ of the r.v. W_d^2 ($d \geq 1$) we also have the following forms*

$$(2.4) \quad \phi(t)^{-2} = -2^d \frac{d}{du} C_d(t), \quad u = 2it \quad (d \geq 1),$$

where

$$(2.5) \quad C_1(t) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{2it}{(j - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2} \right\},$$

and $C_d(t)$ ($d \geq 2$) is as in (2.3). Whence

$$(2.6) \quad \phi^{-2}(t) = P(t)S(t)$$

where

$$P(t) = \prod_{j_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \prod_{j_d=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{2it}{(j_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \cdots (j_d - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^{2d}} \right\}, \quad d \geq 1,$$

$$S(t) = \sum_{j_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{j_d=1}^{\infty} \frac{(j_1 - \frac{1}{2})^{-2} \cdots (j_d - \frac{1}{2})^{-2} \pi^{-2d}}{\left\{ 1 - \frac{2it}{(j_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \cdots (j_d - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^{2d}} \right\}} = -\frac{1}{2i} \frac{d}{dt} \log P(t).$$

PROOF. By (2.2) we have (2.5), since (cf. formula (4.3.90) in Abramowitz and Stegun, 1964)

$$(2.7) \quad \cos\{(2it)^{1/2}\} = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{2it}{(j - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2} \right\}.$$

By (2.3) and differentiation we also get (2.4).

It follows from Theorem 2.9 and the calculations of Example (2.13) of Götze (1979) that not only does one have Corollary 1, but also that asymptotic expansions of arbitrary order of $V_{n,d}$ exist; cf. also S. Csörgó (1976). Commenting on an earlier version of our paper, Dr. Götze (private correspondence, 1980) pointed out to us that the same is true for the distribution function $V_{n,d}$ ($d \geq 2$) (cf. (1.13)). Namely for $W_{n,d}^2$ ($d \geq 2$), whose limit in distribution is (1.14), it follows from the just-quoted result of Dugue (1969) that infinitely many μ_k^{-1} of the latter are nonzero and hence (2.4) of Theorem 2.9 in Götze (1979) is satisfied. As to the remaining smoothness condition (2.8) of Theorem 2.9 in Götze (1979), one has

$$(2.8) \quad W_{n,d}^2 = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1, j=1}^n h(x_i, y_j)$$

where

$$h(x, y) = \prod_{p=1}^d \{1 - (x_p \vee y_p)\} - \prod_{p=1}^{d-1} 2^{-1}(1 - x_p^2) - \prod_{p=1}^d 2^{-1}(1 - y_p^2) + 3^{-d}.$$

Since $x \mapsto h(x, y)$ is differentiable if $x_p \neq y_p$ for every p and fulfills the conditions of Lemma 2.2 of Bhattacharya and Ghosh (1978), it follows from this lemma that

$$\limsup_{|t| > c > 0} \left| \int_{I^d} \exp\{it h(x, y)\} dx_1 \cdots dx_d \right| < 1 - \delta, \quad \delta > 0.$$

for every $y \in I^d$, and condition (2.8) of Theorem 2.9 in Götze (1979) also follows, resulting in an asymptotic expansion of arbitrary order for $V_{n,d}$.

This result that there exist asymptotic expansions of arbitrary order of $V_{n,d}$ is, at present, of theoretical interest only, since there exist so far no expressions for the limiting distribution V_d of $V_{n,d}$ and for its first few approximations in terms of power series (defining the distribution function) instead of their characteristic functions. Hence it is of interest to note that Remark 2.6 in Götze (1979) holds also for $h(x, y)$ of (2.8) above, and hence (2.5) of Theorem 2.3 in Götze (1979) also implies the following.

COROLLARY 3. *Let $\Delta_{n,d}$ ($d \geq 1$) be as in Section 1. Then*

$$\Delta_{n,d} = O(n^{-1}), \quad d \geq 1.$$

3. Calculation of the Critical Value of the d -Dimensional Cramér-von Mises Distribution. Our first goal is to calculate the cumulants of the r.v. W_d^2 (cf. (1.12)). Our starting point is Theorem C via its Corollary 1. To obtain the required cumulants, we need the following lemma.

LEMMA 1. *For*

$$|u| < \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^d, \quad \text{with } u = 2it, \quad -\frac{d}{du} \log C_d(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n,$$

where

$$L_n = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \{(j - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2\}^{-n} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{2n} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 + 2j)^{-2n} = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{2n} \lambda(2n),$$

and $\lambda(m)$ is a tabulated function (cf., e.g., formula (23.2.20) in Abramowitz and Stegun, 1964).

As mentioned in the Introduction, all the required proofs of this section are given in Section 4.

THEOREM 1. *Using the above nomenclature, the cumulant function $\log \phi(t)$ of the r.v. W_d^2 is the solution of the differential equation:*

$$2 \frac{d}{du} \log \phi(t) = Z_1(t) - Z_2(t)/Z_1(t),$$

where

$$Z_1(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n, \quad Z_2(t) = \frac{d}{du} Z_1(t), \quad u = 2it, \quad |u| < \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^d.$$

COROLLARY 4. *The characteristic function $\phi(t)$ of the r.v. W_d^2 is given by*

$$\phi^{-2}(t) = 2^d \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n \exp\left(-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} L_n^d \frac{u^n}{n}\right), \quad u = 2it, \quad |u| < \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^d.$$

We note that the above series converge rapidly, so it is easy to calculate the values of $\phi(t)$ in the manner indicated.

4. Proofs of Statements in Section 3.

PROOF OF LEMMA 1. By Corollary 2 to Theorem C, we have

$$C_d(t) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} C_{d-1} \left\{ \frac{t}{(n - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2} \right\}, \quad C_1(t) = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{ 1 - \frac{2it}{(n - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2} \right\}.$$

Let $u = 2it$. Then

$$\log C_1(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \log \left\{ 1 - \frac{u}{(n - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2} \right\}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \log C_d(t) &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} \log \left\{ 1 - \frac{u}{(n_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \cdots (n_d - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^{2d}} \right\} \\ &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} \log(1 - uA_{n_1 \dots n_d}), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_{n_1 \dots n_d} = \{(n_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \cdots (n_d - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^{2d}\}^{-1},$$

and so

$$\frac{d}{du} \log C_d(t) = -\sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} A_{n_1 \dots n_d} (1 - uA_{n_1 \dots n_d})^{-1}.$$

This can be expanded in powers of u provided that $|uA_{n_1 \dots n_d}| < 1$, that is, if $|u| < \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^{2d}$.

$$\text{Then} \quad -\frac{d}{du} \log C_d(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} S_{n+1} u^n,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} A_{n_1 \dots n_d}^n = \sum_{n_1=1}^{\infty} \cdots \sum_{n_d=1}^{\infty} \{(n_1 - \frac{1}{2})^2 \cdots (n_d - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^{2d}\}^{-n} \\ &= [\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \{(j - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2\}^{-n}]^d. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$-\frac{d}{du} \log C_d(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n, \quad L_n = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} [(j - \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2]^{-n}.$$

Hence the required result. We may write

$$L_n = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{2n} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 + 2j)^{-2n}$$

with

$$\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (1 + 2j)^{-2n} = \lambda(2n),$$

a function tabulated in Abramowitz and Stegun (1964, (23.2.20)) and related to the Riemann Zeta function. (This relationship might be useful in any attempt to find an expression for the V_d distribution in terms of standard functions. The series converges very rapidly so that we simply sum it directly.)

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. From Corollary 1 to Theorem C

$$\phi(t)^{-2} = -2^d \frac{d}{du} C_d(t), \quad u = 2it.$$

From Lemma 1

$$-\frac{d}{du} \log C_d(t) = Z_1(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n.$$

Thus

$$-\frac{d}{du} C_d(t) = Z_1(t) C_d(t).$$

Combining, we have

$$\phi(t)^{-2} = 2^d Z_1(t) C_d(t),$$

or

$$(4.1) \quad 2^{-d} = \phi^2(t) Z_1(t) C_d(t).$$

Differentiate with respect to $u = 2it$ to obtain

$$0 = \frac{d}{du} \{\phi^2(t)\} Z_1(t) C_d(t) + \phi^2(t) \left\{ \frac{d}{du} Z_1(t) \right\} C_d(t) + \phi^2(t) Z_1(t) \left\{ \frac{d}{du} C_d(t) \right\}.$$

Substitute

$$\frac{d}{du} C_d(t) = -Z_1(t) C_d(t),$$

and write

$$Z_2(t) = \frac{d}{du} Z_1(t).$$

Then

$$(4.2) \quad 0 = C_d(t) \left[\frac{d}{du} \{\phi^2(t)\} Z_1(t) + \phi^2(t) \{Z_2(t) - Z_1^2(t)\} \right].$$

From the definition of $C_d(t)$, we have $C_d(0) = 1$ and so $C_d(t) \neq 0$ for small t . Since

$$Z_1(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n,$$

so

$$Z_1(0) = L_1^d = \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^2 \lambda(2) \right\}^d.$$

But $\lambda(2) = \pi^2/8$, hence $Z_1(0) = 2^{-d}$ and so $Z_1(t) \neq 0$ for small t . Hence by (4.1), $\phi^2(0) = 1$ as it should be since $\phi(t)$ is a characteristic function. Hence $\phi^2(t) \neq 0$ for small t . Consequently we can cancel $C_d(t)$, $Z_1(t)$ and $\phi^2(t)$ in (4.2) to obtain

$$0 = \phi^{-2}(t) \frac{d}{du} \phi^2(t) + \{Z_2(t)/Z_1(t)\} - Z_1(t),$$

and so

$$2 \frac{d}{du} \log \phi(t) = Z_1(t) - Z_2(t)/Z_1(t),$$

the required result.

REMARK 4.1. Having expressed the cumulant function in terms of power series in t with known coefficients, the remaining results follow directly.

PROOF OF COROLLARY 4. By Theorem 1, and after integrating $Z_1(t)$ term by term to give

$$Z_0(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} L_n^d \frac{u^n}{n},$$

we have

$$\frac{d}{du} \log \phi^{-2}(t) = -\frac{d}{du} Z_0(t) + \frac{d}{du} \log Z_1(t).$$

Integrating the latter gives

$$\log \phi^{-2}(t) = -Z_0(t) + \log Z_1(t) + K,$$

thus

$$\phi^{-2}(t) = CZ_1(t) \exp\{-Z_0(t)\},$$

where C, K are constants of integration. From above $\phi^2(0) = 1, Z_0(0) = 0, Z_1(0) = 2^{-d}$. Thus $C = 2^d$, and

$$\phi^{-2}(t) = 2^d \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n \exp\left(-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} L_n^d \frac{u^n}{n}\right),$$

the required result.

PROOF OF COROLLARY 5. The cumulants K_n of the r.v. W_d^2 are defined by

$$\log \phi(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n \frac{(it)^n}{n!} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} K_n 2^{-n} \frac{u^n}{n!}, \quad u = 2it.$$

Thus

$$K_n = 2^n \frac{d^n}{du^n} \log \phi(t) \Big|_{u=0}.$$

From Theorem 1 we have

$$2 \frac{d}{du} \log \phi(t) = Z_1(t) - \frac{Z_2(t)}{Z_1(t)}.$$

Thus

$$K_1 = Z_1(0) - \frac{Z_2(0)}{Z_1(0)}.$$

Write

$$X_2(t) = \frac{Z_2(t)}{Z_1(t)}, \quad X_{n+2}(t) = \frac{d^n}{du^n} X_2(t), \quad Z_{n+1}(t) = \frac{d^n}{du^n} Z_1(t).$$

Then for $n \geq 1$,

$$2 \frac{d^n}{du^n} \log \phi(t) = Z_n(t) - X_{n+1}(t).$$

Thus

$$K_n = 2^{n-1} \{Z_n(0) - X_{n+1}(0)\},$$

as required. Since, by definition,

$$Z_1(t) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} L_{n+1}^d u^n,$$

then

$$Z_{n+1}(0) = n! L_{n+1}^d,$$

as required.

By definition, $X_2(t) = Z_2(t)/Z_1(t)$, so that $X_2(t)Z_1(t) = Z_2(t)$. Then, by repeated differentiation with respect to u , we get for $n \geq 1$

$$X_{n+2}(t)Z_1(t) + \sum_{j=1}^n \binom{n}{j} X_{n+2-j}(t)Z_{j+1}(t) = Z_{n+2}(t).$$

We now evaluate this expression for $t = 0$ ($u = 0$) and, for compactness, write

$$X_n = X_n(0), \quad Z_n = Z_n(0).$$

Thus

$$X_{n+2} = \left\{ Z_{n+2} - \sum_{j=1}^n \binom{n}{j} X_{n+2-j} Z_{j+1} \right\} / Z_1,$$

as required with

$$Z_{n+1} = Z_{n+1}(0) = n! L_{n+1}^d.$$

PROOF OF COROLLARY 6. In a formal way, the moments M_n of the r.v. W_d^2 may be expressed as

$$\phi(t) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n \frac{(it)^n}{n!} = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} M_n 2^{-n} \frac{u^n}{n!}, \quad u = 2it.$$

Then $M_n = 2^n \frac{d^n}{du^n} \phi(t) \Big|_{t=0}$

provided that this limit exists. We have, by Theorem 1,

$$2 \frac{d}{du} \log \phi(t) = Z_1(t) - X_2(t),$$

where

$$X_2(t) = \frac{Z_2(t)}{Z_1(t)} = \frac{\left\{ \frac{d}{du} Z_1(t) \right\}}{Z_1(t)}.$$

Write

$$P_1(t) = \phi(t), \quad P_{n+1}(t) = \frac{d^n}{du^n} P_1(t), \quad Q_1(t) = 2 \log P_1(t) = 2 \log \phi(t), \quad Q_{n+1}(t) = \frac{d^n}{du^n} Q_1(t).$$

Then

$$2 \frac{d}{du} \log \phi(t) = Q_2(t) = Z_1(t) - X_2(t),$$

and by repeated differentiation with respect to u ,

$$Q_{n+1}(t) = Z_n(t) - X_{n+1}(t), \quad n \geq 1.$$

Also,

$$Q_1(t) = 2 \log P_1(t), \quad Q_2(t) = 2 \frac{d}{du} \log P_1(t) = 2P_2(t)/P_1(t),$$

so that

$$Q_2(t)P_1(t) = 2P_2(t).$$

Then, by repeated differentiation,

$$Q_{n+2}(t)P_1(t) + \sum_{j=1}^n \binom{n}{j} Q_{n+2-j}(t)P_{j+1}(t) = 2P_{n+2}(t)$$

which generates successive values of $P_n(t)$, and

$$M_n = 2^n \frac{d^n}{du^n} \phi(t) \Big|_{t=0} = 2^n P_{n+1}(0),$$

giving the required result when we write $P_n(0)$ as P_n , $Q_n(0)$ as Q_n . Notice that $P_1 = \phi(0) = 1$.

PROOF OF COROLLARY 7. The values of the first two cumulants are $K_1 = \mu_d, K_2 = \sigma_d^2$, the mean and variance of the V_d distribution. From Corollary 5

$$\mu_d = K_1 = Z_1 - X_2, \quad \sigma_d^2 = K_2 = 2(Z_2 - X_3)$$

and

$$Z_1 = L_1^d, \quad Z_2 = L_2^d, \quad Z_3 = 2L_3^d.$$

By Lemma 5

$$L_1 = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^2 \lambda(2), \quad L_2 = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^4 \lambda(4), \quad L_3 = \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^6 \lambda(6).$$

By Abramowitz and Stegun (1964, (23.2.11) through (23.2.31)), $\lambda(2) = \pi^2/8, \lambda(4) = \pi^4/96$ and

$$\lambda(6) = (1 - 2^{-6}) \zeta(6) = (1 - 2^{-6}) \frac{(2\pi)^6}{2.6!} |B_6| = (1 - 2^{-6}) \frac{(2\pi)^6}{2.6!} \cdot \frac{1}{42} = \frac{\pi^6}{15.2^6}.$$

Thus

$$L_1 = \frac{1}{2}, \quad L_2 = \frac{1}{6}, \quad L_3 = \frac{1}{15}, \quad Z_1 = 2^{-d}, \quad Z_2 = 6^{-d}, \quad Z_3 = 2.15^{-d},$$

and

$$X_2 = Z_2/Z_1 = 6^{-d}/2^{-d} = 3^{-d},$$

$$X_3 = (Z_3 - X_2 Z_2)/Z_1 = (2.15^{-d} - 3^{-d} 6^{-d})/2^{-d} = 2 \cdot \left(\frac{15}{2}\right)^{-d} - 3^{-2d}.$$

Thus $\mu_d = K_1$ and $\sigma_d^2 = K_2$ are as required.

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ADMISSIBILITY IN LINEAR ESTIMATION

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Necessary and sufficient conditions for a linear estimator to be admissible among linear estimators are described. The model assumed is general, allowing for relations between elements of the mean vector and covariance matrix, and allowing the covariance matrix to vary in an arbitrary subset of nonnegative definite symmetric matrices.

1. Introduction. The work of Olsen, Seely and Birkes (1976) provided seminal results in the characterization of admissible linear estimators in the general linear model. They described necessary conditions for the admissibility of unbiased linear estimators and showed that the admissible unbiased linear estimators form a minimal complete class of unbiased linear estimators. Their necessary conditions are demonstrably not sufficient. LaMotte (1977b) noted an obvious extension of their characterization.

Without the restriction to unbiasedness, admissible linear estimators have been characterized only in special linear models. Cohen (1966) characterized admissible linear estimators of the mean vector while assuming a covariance matrix of the form $\sigma^2 I$. C. R. Rao (1976) accomplished the same characterization for models with mean vectors varying through a linear subspace and covariance matrices of the form $\sigma^2 V$ with V known (i.e., restricted to a subspace of one dimension). Neither of these efforts appears to generalize to models in which the covariance matrix varies over more than one dimension, or in which the mean vector and covariance matrix are functionally related, or in which restrictions on the parameters of the model restrict attention to a subset of the natural parameter space. For example, in the simple linear regression model, C. R. Rao's results guarantee that the least squares estimator is admissible among linear estimators. But Marquardt (1970) and Perlman (1972) observed that if the parameter space is restricted in certain ways, then the least squares estimator is not admissible. Olsen, Seely and Birkes (1976) established a relation between admissibility and bestness (defined below) which allowed them to establish necessary conditions for admissibility in any given parameter space. The same sort of relation is used here to characterize admissible linear estimators.

2. Definitions and Summary. Let Y be a random n -vector with mean vector μ and variance-covariance matrix V , with (μ, V) contained in an arbitrary subset \mathcal{P} of the Cartesian product of Euclidean n -space R^n and the set of $n \times n$ symmetric nonnegative definite matrices. Let C be an $n \times t$ matrix of constants and consider estimating $C' \mu$ by linear functions $L' Y$ with L an $n \times t$ matrix of constants. Total mean squared error will be used as the risk function:

$$(2.1) \quad \text{TMSE}_L(V, \mu\mu') = E\{(L'Y - C'\mu)'(L'Y - C'\mu)\} = \text{tr}\{L'VL + (L - C)'\mu\mu'(L - C)\}.$$

For a matrix M , denote the transpose of M , the linear subspace spanned by the columns of M , and the null space $\{x: Mx = 0\}$ of M by M' , $R(M)$, and $N(M)$, respectively. Denote the trace of a square matrix M by $\text{tr}(M)$. We will frequently deal with linear subspaces \mathcal{A} of $r \times s$ matrices, in which case the trace inner product $\text{tr}(MH')$ will be used, along with the corresponding squared norm $\text{tr}(MM')$. If \mathcal{U} is a linear subspace of a vector space \mathcal{A} , denote by $\bar{\mathcal{U}}$ a linear subspace such that \mathcal{A} is the direct sum of \mathcal{U} and $\bar{\mathcal{U}}$. The minimal linear subspace containing a set \mathcal{L} of vectors will be denoted by $\text{sp}(\mathcal{L})$. For a subset \mathcal{L} of \mathcal{A} , $[\mathcal{L}]$ will denote the minimal closed convex cone containing \mathcal{L} .

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