

## Tests for the existence of group effects and interactions for two-way models with dependent errors

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## Abstract

In this paper, we propose tests for the existence of random effects and interactions for two-way models with dependent errors. We prove that the proposed tests are asymptotically distribution-free which have asymptotically size  $\tau$  and are consistent. We elucidate the nontrivial power under the local alternative when a sample size tends to infinity and the number of groups is fixed. A simulation study is performed to investigate the finite-sample performance of the proposed tests. In the real data analysis, we apply our tests to the daily log-returns of 24 stock prices from six countries and four sectors. We find that there is no strong evidence to support the existence of interactions between countries and sectors. However, there exists random effect differences in the daily log-return series across different sectors.

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