

ASYMPTOTIC NON-NULL DISTRIBUTIONS OF TWO TEST CRITERIA FOR EQUALITY OF COVARIANCE MATRICES UNDER LOCAL ALTERNATIVES

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1. Introduction and summary

In a previous paper [6], the author has derived the asymptotic expansion of the distribution of the likelihood ratio (=LR) criterion for testing the equality of covariance matrices under the fixed alternative, the first term of which is a normal distribution. On the other hand Box [2] gave the asymptotic expansion of the null distribution in terms of χ^2 -variates. In fact this limiting non-null distribution degenerates at the null hypothesis. Therefore we shall investigate the distribution under local alternatives. In the univariate case the author [7] obtained the asymptotic expansion of the distribution under local alternatives by using the normal approximation of $\log \chi^2$. In this paper, giving a natural extension of the asymptotic normality of $\log \chi^2$ to the multivariate case, we shall derive the asymptotic expansions of the non-null distributions under local alternatives for the LR criterion and the test proposed by the author [8], the first terms of which are non-central χ^2 .

Recently based on the solution of a differential equation with respect to the hypergeometric function ${}_2F_1$ type due to Muirhead [5], the asymptotic distribution of the LR criterion for the two sample case has been derived by Sugiura [10] under local alternatives.

2. Preliminaries

Let the $p \times 1$ vectors $X_{a1}, X_{a2}, \dots, X_{aN_a}$ be a random sample from a p -variate normal distribution with mean vector μ_a and covariance matrix Σ_a ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$). For testing the hypothesis $H: \Sigma_1 = \Sigma_2 = \dots = \Sigma_k$ ($=\Sigma$) against all alternatives $K: \Sigma_\alpha \neq \Sigma_\beta$ for some α and β ($\alpha \neq \beta$) with unspecified μ_a , the modified LR test is given by

$$(2.1) \quad \lambda_1 = \prod_{\alpha=1}^k |S_\alpha/n_\alpha|^{n_\alpha/2} / \left| \sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_\alpha/n \right|^{n/2},$$

where $S_\alpha = \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_\alpha} (X_{\alpha\beta} - \bar{X}_\alpha)(X_{\alpha\beta} - \bar{X}_\alpha)'$, $\bar{X}_\alpha = N_\alpha^{-1} \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_\alpha} X_{\alpha\beta}$, $n_\alpha = N_\alpha - 1$ and $n = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k n_\alpha$. Especially in the case $k=2$, this test was shown to be unbiased by our previous paper [9]. For the above problem the author [8] proposed the test statistic

$$(2.2) \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k n_\alpha \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \frac{S_\alpha}{n_\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_\alpha \right)^{-1} - I \right\}^2,$$

and derived an asymptotic expansion for the null distribution of λ_2 .

As in Chevally ([3], p. 14) we can define the logarithm for a real positive definite matrix. So we shall give a multivariate extension of the normal approximation of $\log \chi^2$.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let S ($p \times p$) be distributed according to the Wishart distribution $W(\Sigma, n)$. Then under the assumption $\Sigma = I + n^{-1/2}\theta$, the $p(p+1)/2$ random variables y_{ij} ($i \leq j$) of the statistic $Y = (y_{ij}) = \sqrt{n/2}(\log S/n - \log \Sigma)$ are stochastically independent as $n \rightarrow \infty$. y_{ii} converges in law to $N(0, 1)$ and y_{ij} ($i < j$) converges in law to $N(0, 1/2)$.*

PROOF. Let $U = (\Sigma^{-1/2} S \Sigma^{-1/2} - nI) / \sqrt{2n}$. Then the statistic U has an asymptotically normal distribution. (See Nagao [6], p. 201.) Since $\Sigma = I + n^{-1/2}\theta$, we have $\log S/n = n^{-1/2}\theta + (n/2)^{-1/2}U + O_p(n^{-1})$. Thus $Y = U + O_p(n^{-1/2})$. Hence we can obtain the desired conclusion.

Finally we shall consider the distribution of the statistic $Z_\alpha = \sqrt{m_\alpha/2} \cdot \log S_\alpha/m_\alpha$, where S_α ($p \times p$) has the Wishart distribution $W(\Sigma_\alpha, n_\alpha)$ and $m_\alpha = \rho n_\alpha$ with $\rho = 1 + o(1)$. Since $S_\alpha = m_\alpha \exp(\sqrt{2/m_\alpha} Z_\alpha)$, expressing the characteristic roots of the matrix Z_α as $ch_i(Z_\alpha)$, the Jacobian as in Jack [4] is given by

$$(2.3) \quad \left| \frac{\partial S_\alpha}{\partial Z_\alpha} \right| = (2m_\alpha)^{p(p+1)/4} \operatorname{etr} \left[\sqrt{\frac{2}{m_\alpha}} Z_\alpha \right] \prod_{i>j}^p \frac{f(\lambda_i) - f(\lambda_j)}{\lambda_i - \lambda_j},$$

where $f(\lambda_i) = e^{\lambda_i}$ with $\lambda_i = \sqrt{2/m_\alpha} ch_i(Z_\alpha)$. Since we are interested in obtaining asymptotic expansions, we note that the last term in (2.3) can be expanded for large m_α as

$$(2.4) \quad \prod_{i>j}^p \frac{f(\lambda_i) - f(\lambda_j)}{\lambda_i - \lambda_j} = 1 + \frac{1}{2} (p-1) \sqrt{\frac{2}{m_\alpha}} \operatorname{tr} Z_\alpha + \frac{1}{12m_\alpha} \cdot \{(3p^2 - 6p + 2)(\operatorname{tr} Z_\alpha)^2 + p \operatorname{tr} Z_\alpha^2\} + O(m_\alpha^{-3/2}).$$

Since $|e^A| = \operatorname{etr} A$ for any square matrix A , the "asymptotic" distribution of Z_α can be expressed as

$$(2.5) \quad c_\alpha^* \cdot \operatorname{etr} \left[\frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha - p + 1 + 2A_\alpha) \sqrt{\frac{2}{m_\alpha}} Z_\alpha - \frac{m_\alpha}{2} \Sigma_\alpha^{-1} \exp \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{m_\alpha}} Z_\alpha \right) \right]$$

$$\cdot \left[1 + \frac{1}{2}(p-1)\sqrt{\frac{2}{m_\alpha}} \operatorname{tr} Z_\alpha + \frac{1}{12m_\alpha} \{(3p^2 - 6p + 2)(\operatorname{tr} Z_\alpha)^2 + p \operatorname{tr} Z_\alpha^2\} + O(m_\alpha^{-3/2}) \right],$$

where $\Delta_\alpha = (n_\alpha - m_\alpha)/2$ and

$$(2.6) \quad c_\alpha^* = \left\{ \prod_{\beta=1}^p \Gamma \left[\frac{1}{2} (m_\alpha + 1 - \beta + 2\Delta_\alpha) \right] \right\}^{-1} \left(\frac{m_\alpha}{2} \right)^{p(2m_\alpha - p - 1 + 4\Delta_\alpha)/4} \cdot \pi^{-p(p-1)/4} |\Sigma_\alpha|^{-(m_\alpha + 2\Delta_\alpha)/2}.$$

3. Asymptotic distribution of the modified LR criterion

From the statistic (2.1), we have

$$(3.1) \quad -2\rho \log \lambda_1 = m \log \left| \sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_\alpha / m \right| - \sum_{\alpha=1}^k m_\alpha \log |S_\alpha / m_\alpha|,$$

where $m_\alpha = \rho n_\alpha$, $m = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k m_\alpha$ and a correction factor ρ as in Anderson ([1], p. 255) is given by

$$(3.2) \quad \rho = 1 - \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^k n_\alpha^{-1} - n^{-1} \right) \frac{2p^2 + 3p - 1}{6(p+1)(k-1)}.$$

Since the statistic $-2\rho \log \lambda_1$ remains invariant by the transformation $S_\alpha \rightarrow AS_\alpha A'$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$) for any non-singular matrix A , we may assume $\Sigma_1 = I$ without loss of generality. We consider the distribution of $-2\rho \log \lambda_1$ under the sequence of alternatives $K_m: \Sigma_\alpha = I + m^{-1/2}\theta_\alpha$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$). Put $Y_\alpha = \sqrt{m_\alpha/2}(\log S_\alpha/m_\alpha - \log \Sigma_\alpha)$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$), then by Lemma 2.1 Y_α is asymptotically normal. Thus we can express the statistic (3.1) in terms of the Y 's with the fixed $\rho_\alpha = m_\alpha/m$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$) as

$$(3.3) \quad -2\rho \log \lambda_1 = q_0(Y) + m^{-1/2}q_1(Y) + m^{-1}q_2(Y) + O_p(m^{-3/2}),$$

where

$$(3.4) \quad q_0(Y) = \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \left(Y_\alpha + \sqrt{\frac{\rho_\alpha}{2}} \theta_\alpha \right)^2 - \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \left(\sqrt{\rho_\alpha} Y_\alpha + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \rho_\alpha \theta_\alpha \right) \right\}^2,$$

$$(3.5) \quad q_1(Y) = -\frac{1}{3} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_\alpha \theta_\alpha^3 + \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \theta_\alpha Y_\alpha^2 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_\alpha^3 / \sqrt{\rho_\alpha} \\ - \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\sqrt{2\rho_\alpha} Y_\alpha + \rho_\alpha \theta_\alpha) \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (Y_\alpha^2 + \sqrt{2\rho_\alpha} \theta_\alpha Y_\alpha) \\ + \frac{1}{3} \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\sqrt{2\rho_\alpha} Y_\alpha + \rho_\alpha \theta_\alpha) \right\}^3,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.6) \quad q_2(Y) = & \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}^4 + \frac{1}{6} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha})^2 - \frac{1}{6} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \theta_{\alpha}^2 Y_{\alpha}^2 \\
& + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha}^3 / \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} + \frac{1}{6} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_{\alpha}^4 / \rho_{\alpha} \\
& - \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\sqrt{2\rho_{\alpha}} Y_{\alpha} + \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}) \left\{ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} \theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha} \right. \\
& - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{12} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} \theta_{\alpha}^2 Y_{\alpha} - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{12} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} Y_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha} \\
& + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha}^2 + \frac{1}{3} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_{\alpha}^2 \theta_{\alpha} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_{\alpha}^3 / \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} \left. \right\} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\sqrt{2\rho_{\alpha}} Y_{\alpha} + \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}) \right\}^2 \left\{ \sqrt{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} \theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha} \right. \\
& + \sqrt{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} Y_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha} + 2 \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_{\alpha}^2 \left. \right\} \\
& - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} \theta_{\alpha} Y_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} Y_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha} + \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Y_{\alpha}^2 \right\}^2 \\
& - \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} \left\{ \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\sqrt{2\rho_{\alpha}} Y_{\alpha} + \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}) \right\}^4.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we can express the characteristic function of $-2\rho \log \lambda_1$ as follows :

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.7) \quad C(t) = & E \left[\exp(itq_0(Y)) \left[1 + m^{-1/2}(it)q_1(Y) + m^{-1} \right. \right. \\
& \cdot \left. \left. \left\{ (it)q_2(Y) + \frac{(it)^2}{2} q_1(Y)^2 \right\} \right] \right] + O(m^{-3/2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Then using the distribution of Z_{α} in (2.5), we can evaluate each term in (3.7). To explain the method of its calculation, the matrix $\exp(\sqrt{2/m_{\alpha}} \cdot Z_{\alpha})$ in (2.5) can be expanded asymptotically as

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.8) \quad \exp \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{m_{\alpha}}} Z_{\alpha} \right) = & I + \sqrt{\frac{2}{m_{\alpha}}} Z_{\alpha} + \frac{1}{m_{\alpha}} Z_{\alpha}^2 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{3m_{\alpha}\sqrt{m_{\alpha}}} Z_{\alpha}^3 \\
& + \frac{1}{6m_{\alpha}^2} Z_{\alpha}^4 + O(m^{-5/2}).
\end{aligned}$$

Rewrite $q_0(Y)$ in terms of $Z_{\alpha} = (z_{ij}^{(\alpha)})$ under K_m . Furthermore, arranging the resulting expression in the exponential part in (2.5) according to the power of $m^{-1/2}$ and combining the term $(it)q_0(Y)$, the first term containing Z_{α} in the exponential part is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.9) \quad (1-2it) \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k Z_{\alpha}^2 + 2(it) \operatorname{tr} \left(\sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} Z_{\alpha} \right)^2 - \sqrt{2} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}} \theta_{\alpha} Z_{\alpha} \\
= (z-\mu)' [(1-2it)^{-1}(I_k - \gamma\gamma') + \gamma\gamma'] \otimes \tilde{I}_{p(p+1)/2}^{-1} (z-\mu)
\end{aligned}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}^2 - \frac{it}{(1-2it)} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} (\theta_{\alpha} - \tilde{\theta})^2,$$

where $z' = (z_{11}^{(1)}, \dots, z_{pp}^{(1)}, z_{12}^{(1)}, \dots, z_{p-1,p}^{(1)}, \dots, z_{11}^{(k)}, \dots, z_{pp}^{(k)}, z_{12}^{(k)}, \dots, z_{p-1,p}^{(k)})$, $\gamma' = (\sqrt{\rho_1}, \sqrt{\rho_2}, \dots, \sqrt{\rho_k})$, $\tilde{I}_{p(p+1)/2} = \operatorname{diag}(1, 1, \dots, 1, 1/2, 1/2, \dots, 1/2)$ having multiplicity p of 1 and multiplicity $p(p-1)/2$ of $1/2$ and the symbol \otimes denotes the Kronecker product. Also the component $\mu_{ij}^{(\alpha)}$ of $kp(p+1)/2 \times 1$ vector μ corresponding to the vector z is given by $\mu_{ij}^{(\alpha)} = \sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}/2} (\theta_{ij}^{(\alpha)} - 2it\tilde{\theta}_{ij})$ with $\theta_{\alpha} = (\theta_{ij}^{(\alpha)})$ and $\tilde{\theta} = (\tilde{\theta}_{ij}) = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}$. Hence from (3.9), we may regard the variable z as having a $kp(p+1)/2$ dimensional normal distribution with mean vector μ and covariance matrix $V = (\sigma_{ij,kl}^{(\alpha,\beta)})$ with $\sigma_{ij,kl}^{(\alpha,\beta)} = (1-2it)^{-1} (\delta_{\alpha\beta} - 2it\sqrt{\rho_{\alpha}\rho_{\beta}}) (\delta_{ik}\delta_{jl} + \delta_{il}\delta_{jk})/2$. The terms of order $m^{-1/2}$ and m^{-1} are performed by calculating moments. Also the two terms in (3.7) can be obtained by tedious calculations. Thus we can obtain the characteristic function of $-2\rho \log \lambda_1$ under the sequences of alternatives $K_m: \Sigma_{\alpha} = \Sigma + m^{-1/2}\theta_{\alpha}$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$) as follows:

$$(3.10) \quad C(t) = (1-2it)^{-f/2} \exp \left[\frac{it}{2(1-2it)} \operatorname{tr} A_2 \right] \left[1 + m^{-1/2} \left\{ \frac{(t)_2}{6} \operatorname{tr} A_3 + (t)_1 \right. \right. \\ \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} A_3 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\theta} A_2 \right) + \frac{1}{3} \operatorname{tr} A_3 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \tilde{\theta} A_2 \Big\} \\ \left. \left. + m^{-1} \sum_{\alpha=0}^4 h_{2\alpha}(t)_{\alpha} \right] + O(m^{-3/2}), \right.$$

where $(t)_{\alpha} = (1-2it)^{-\alpha}$, $f = (k-1)p(p+1)/2$ and the coefficients $h_{2\alpha}$ with $C_{\alpha} = (\theta_{\alpha} - \tilde{\theta})\Sigma^{-1}$, $A_{\alpha} = \sum_{\beta=1}^k \rho_{\beta} C_{\beta}^{\alpha}$, $\tilde{\theta} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} \theta_{\alpha}$, $\bar{\theta} = \tilde{\theta}\Sigma^{-1}$ and $B = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} (\bar{\theta} C_{\alpha})^2$ are given by

$$(3.11) \quad h_3 = \frac{1}{72} (\operatorname{tr} A_3)^2,$$

$$h_6 = -\frac{1}{12} (\operatorname{tr} A_3) (\operatorname{tr} A_3 + \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) + \frac{1}{8} \operatorname{tr} A_4 - \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_2^2 \\ + \frac{1}{16} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 - \frac{1}{16} \operatorname{tr} B,$$

$$h_4 = \frac{1}{72} (\operatorname{tr} A_3) (13 \operatorname{tr} A_3 + 24 \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} A_4 + \frac{3}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_2^2 \\ + \frac{1}{8} (\operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_3 - \frac{3}{8} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 + \frac{3}{8} \operatorname{tr} B \\ - \frac{1}{4} (2A+1) \operatorname{tr} A_2 - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha} (\operatorname{tr} C_{\alpha})^2,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
h_2 = & -\frac{1}{12}(\operatorname{tr} A_3)(2 \operatorname{tr} A_3 + 5 \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) + \frac{3}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_4 - \frac{3}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_2^2 \\
& - \frac{1}{4}(\operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2)^2 + \frac{3}{2} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_3 + \frac{9}{16} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 + \frac{3}{16} \operatorname{tr} B \\
& + \frac{1}{4}(4\Delta + 1) \operatorname{tr} A_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_\alpha (\operatorname{tr} C_\alpha)^2, \\
h_0 = & \frac{1}{18}(\operatorname{tr} A_3)(\operatorname{tr} A_3 + 3 \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) - \frac{3}{8} \operatorname{tr} A_4 + \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_2^2 \\
& + \frac{1}{8}(\operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2)^2 - \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_3 - \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} B - \frac{\Delta}{2} \operatorname{tr} A_2,
\end{aligned}$$

where $\Delta = (n-m)/2$. Inverting this characteristic function, we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 3.1. *Under the sequences of alternatives $K_m: \Sigma_\alpha = \Sigma + m^{-1/2}\theta_\alpha$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$), the distribution of $-2\rho \log \lambda_1$ with the correction factor ρ given by (3.2) can be expanded asymptotically for large m ($=\rho n$) as*

$$\begin{aligned}
(3.12) \quad \Pr(-2\rho \log \lambda_1 \leq x) \\
= P_f(\delta^2) + m^{-1/2} \left\{ \frac{1}{6}(\operatorname{tr} A_3)P_{f+4}(\delta^2) + \left(-\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} A_3 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2 \right) P_{f+2}(\delta^2) \right. \\
\left. + \left(\frac{1}{3} \operatorname{tr} A_3 + \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2 \right) P_f(\delta^2) \right\} \\
+ m^{-1} \sum_{\alpha=0}^4 h_{2\alpha} P_{f+2\alpha}(\delta^2) + O(m^{-3/2}),
\end{aligned}$$

where the symbol $P_f(\delta^2)$ stands for the distribution function of noncentral χ^2 variate with $f=(k-1)p(p+1)/2$ degrees of freedom, and noncentrality parameter $\delta^2 = \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_\alpha \{(\theta_\alpha - \tilde{\theta})\Sigma^{-1}\}^2$ and the coefficients $h_{2\alpha}$ by (3.11).

We remark that this formula (3.12) agrees, in the case $k=2$, with the expansion obtained previously by Sugiura [10]. Also it may be interesting to note that each sum of the coefficients of order $m^{-1/2}$ and m^{-1} is zero.

4. Asymptotic distribution of the test criterion λ_2

Using the same method as above, the asymptotic distribution of λ_2 can be obtained. The final result is given in the following:

THEOREM 4.1. *Under the sequences of alternatives $K_n: \Sigma_\alpha = \Sigma + n^{-1/2}\theta_\alpha$ ($\alpha=1, 2, \dots, k$), the distribution of λ_2 given by (2.2) can be expanded asymptotically for large n as*

$$\begin{aligned}
 (4.1) \quad \Pr(\lambda_2 \leq x) = & P_f(\delta^2) + n^{-1/2} \left\{ \frac{1}{6} (\text{tr } A_3) P_{f+6}(\delta^2) + \frac{1}{2} (p+1) (\text{tr } E_1) P_{f+4}(\delta^2) \right. \\
 & + \left[-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr } A_3 - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2 - \frac{1}{2} (p+1) \text{tr } E_1 \right] P_{f+2}(\delta^2) \\
 & + \left(\frac{1}{3} \text{tr } A_3 + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2 \right) P_f(\delta^2) \Big\} \\
 & + n^{-1} \sum_{\alpha=1}^6 g_{2\alpha} P_{f+2\alpha}(\delta^2) + O(n^{-3/2}),
 \end{aligned}$$

where $f = (k-1)p(p+1)/2$ and $\delta^2 = (1/4) \text{tr } A_2$. The coefficients $g_{2\alpha}$ with $E_\alpha = \sum_{\beta=1}^k C_{\beta}^\alpha$, $\tilde{\rho} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_\alpha^{-1}$ and the same notation as Theorem 3.1 are given by

$$(4.2) \quad g_{12} = \frac{1}{72} (\text{tr } A_3)^2,$$

$$g_{10} = \frac{1}{4} \text{tr } A_4 - \frac{1}{4} \text{tr } A_2^2 + \frac{1}{12} (p+1) \text{tr } E_1 \text{tr } A_3,$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_8 = & -\frac{1}{12} (\text{tr } A_3) (\text{tr } A_3 + \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2) + \frac{1}{24} (p+1) (\text{tr } E_1) \\
 & \cdot \{3(p+1) \text{tr } E_1 - 2 \text{tr } A_3\} - \frac{1}{8} \text{tr } A_4 - \frac{1}{2} \{k(p+1) + p+2\} \text{tr } A_2 \\
 & - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_\alpha (\text{tr } C_\alpha)^2 + \frac{1}{4} (3p+4) \text{tr } E_2 + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\text{tr } C_\alpha)^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_6 = & \frac{1}{36} (\text{tr } A_3) (2 \text{tr } A_3 + 3 \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2) - \frac{1}{4} (p+1) (\text{tr } E_1) \\
 & \cdot \{\text{tr } A_3 + \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2 + (p+1) \text{tr } E_1\} - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } A_4 + \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } A_2^2 \\
 & - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_3 + \frac{9}{16} \text{tr } \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 - \frac{9}{16} \text{tr } B + \frac{1}{4} \{2k(p+1) + (2p+3)\} \text{tr } A_2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_\alpha (\text{tr } C_\alpha)^2 - \frac{1}{4} (4p+5) \text{tr } E_2 - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k (\text{tr } C_\alpha)^2 \\
 & - \frac{p}{12} \{3k^2(p+1)^2 + (3k-2)(p^2+3p+4) - \tilde{\rho}(4p^2+9p+7)\},
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_4 = & \frac{1}{8} (\text{tr } A_3) (\text{tr } A_3 + 2 \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2) + \frac{1}{24} (p+1) (\text{tr } E_1) \\
 & \cdot \{3(p+1) \text{tr } E_1 + 12 \text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2 + 10 \text{tr } A_3\} + \frac{1}{4} \text{tr } A_2^2 \\
 & + \frac{1}{8} (\text{tr } \bar{\theta} A_2)^2 - \frac{9}{8} \text{tr } \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 + \frac{9}{8} \text{tr } B + \frac{1}{2} k(p+1) \text{tr } A_2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{1}{4}(p+1) \operatorname{tr} E_2 - \frac{1}{2}(p+1) \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} E_1 \\
& + \frac{1}{8} p \{4k^2(p+1)^2 + (2k-1)(2p^2+5p+5) - \tilde{\rho}(6p^2+13p+9)\} , \\
g_2 = & -\frac{1}{12}(\operatorname{tr} A_3)(2 \operatorname{tr} A_3 + 5 \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) - \frac{1}{12}(p+1)(\operatorname{tr} E_1) \\
& \cdot (2 \operatorname{tr} A_3 + 3 \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) + \frac{3}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_4 - \frac{3}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_2^2 - \frac{1}{4}(\operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2)^2 \\
& + \frac{3}{2} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_3 + \frac{17}{16} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 - \frac{5}{16} \operatorname{tr} B - \frac{1}{4}\{2k(p+1)-1\} \operatorname{tr} A_2 \\
& + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \rho_{\alpha}(\operatorname{tr} C_{\alpha})^2 + \frac{1}{2}(p+1) \operatorname{tr} E_2 + \frac{1}{2}(p+1) \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} E_1 \\
& - \frac{1}{4}(k^2+k-2\tilde{\rho})p(p+1)^2 , \\
g_0 = & \frac{1}{18}(\operatorname{tr} A_3)(\operatorname{tr} A_3 + 3 \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2) + \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} A_2^2 - \frac{3}{8} \operatorname{tr} A_4 + \frac{1}{8}(\operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_2)^2 \\
& - \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta} A_3 - \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{tr} \bar{\theta}^2 A_2 - \frac{1}{4} \operatorname{tr} B + \frac{1}{24}(1-\tilde{\rho})p(2p^2+3p-1) .
\end{aligned}$$

From Theorems 3.1 and 4.1, we note that Pitman's asymptotic relative efficiency of the λ_1 test with respect to the λ_2 is equal to 1.

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