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Testing Statistical Hypotheses in Deformation Measurement; One Generalization of the Scheffé Theorem *

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Abstract

A time course of the deformation is modelled by the multiepoch regression model. A test for the null hypothesis “a deformation does not occur” can result in the rejection of the null hypothesis and the problem arises which epochs differ significantly. An answer can be found by the help of a one generalization of the Scheffé theorem.

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Introduction

Let a deformation measurements be performed in m epochs and a state of the investigated object in each epoch be characterized by an l -dimensional vector of parameters; in the i th epoch this vector is denoted as $\beta_2^{(i)}$. Let the l -dimensional vector be a vector of 2D (or 3D) cartesian coordinate of a group of points. The coordinates of these points can change and thus they can be different in different epochs. Besides these points in an experiment there are points which coordinates

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Lemma 1.3 Let $\mathbf{Y} \sim N_{nm}(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \text{Var}(\mathbf{Y}))$ and the null hypothesis on $\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)}$ be

$$H_0 : \quad \mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)} + \mathbf{h} = \mathbf{0}$$

and an alternative hypothesis be

$$H_a : \quad \mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)} + \mathbf{h} \neq \mathbf{0},$$

where $q \times (ml)$ matrix \mathbf{H} is of the rank $r(\mathbf{H}) = q$. Then

$$T(\mathbf{Y}) = (\mathbf{H}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(\cdot)} + \mathbf{h})'[\mathbf{H} \text{Var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(\cdot)})\mathbf{H}']^{-1}(\mathbf{H}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(\cdot)} + \mathbf{h}) \sim \chi_q^2(\delta),$$

where $\chi_q^2(\delta)$ means the noncentral chi-square distribution with q degrees of freedom and the parameter of the noncentrality δ is

$$\delta = (\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)})^* + \mathbf{h})'[\mathbf{H} \text{Var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(\cdot)})\mathbf{H}']^{-1}(\mathbf{H}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)})^* + \mathbf{h}),$$

and $(\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)})^*$ means the actual value of the vector $\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)}$

Proof Cf. [2], section 3.5, p. 155. □

Remark 1.4 It is obvious how to use Lemma 1.3 for testing the hypothesis H_0 . If $T(\mathbf{Y}) > \chi_q^2(0, 1 - \alpha)$, then the hypothesis H_0 is rejected with the risk α . Here $\chi_q^2(0, 1 - \alpha)$ is the $(1 - \alpha)$ -quantile of the central chi-square distribution with q degrees of freedom.

Let the vector \mathbf{h} from Lemma 1.3 be $\mathbf{0}$ and the matrix \mathbf{H} be

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}, & -\mathbf{I}, & \mathbf{0}, & \dots, & \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{I}, & -\mathbf{I}, & \dots, & \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{0} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{0}, & \dots, & \mathbf{0}, & \mathbf{I}, & -\mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix},$$

where \mathbf{I} is the $l \times l$ identity matrix. Then the null hypothesis can be formulated "the deformation does not occur". Within a deformation measurement frequently this null hypothesis is rejected and therefore it is necessary to identify the parameter or the parameters which cause the rejection.

One answer can be obtained from the following Scheffé theorem

Scheffé theorem Let $\boldsymbol{\eta} \sim N_s(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V})$ where \mathbf{V} is a positive definite matrix. Let \mathcal{N} be an $r (< s)$ -dimensional subspace of R^s . Then

$$P \left\{ \forall \{\mathbf{p} \in \mathcal{N}\} : |\mathbf{p}'\boldsymbol{\eta} - \mathbf{p}'\boldsymbol{\mu}| < \sqrt{\chi_r^2(0, 1 - \alpha)} \sqrt{\mathbf{p}'\mathbf{V}\mathbf{p}} \right\} = 1 - \alpha.$$

Proof Cf. [4], section 3.5. □

If $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(\cdot)} \sim N_{ml}(\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(\cdot)}, \mathbf{W})$ and $\mathbf{p}_{j,r|i} \in R^{ml}$ is a vector with the property $\mathbf{p}'_{j,r|i}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(\cdot)} = \{\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(j)}\}_i - \{\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(r)}\}_i$ (the difference between i -th components), then

the nonrejection of the null hypothesis $\mathbf{H}\beta_2^{(i)} = \mathbf{0}$ results in a fact that the mentioned difference must be smaller than $\sqrt{\chi_{i(m-1)}^2(0, 1 - \alpha)}\sqrt{\mathbf{P}'_{j,r|i}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{P}_{j,r|i}}$ for all i, j and r . If the hypothesis is rejected, then there must exist a difference which exceeds the value $\sqrt{\chi_{i(m-1)}^2(0, 1 - \alpha)}\sqrt{\mathbf{P}'_{j,r|i}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{P}_{j,r|i}}$. Thus it is identified the i th coordinate (i.e. we know the point) and the numbers j and r of the epochs which cause the rejection. Of course, such coordinates and epochs can be more than one.

This approach in 2D or 3D terminology has a disadvantage that it identifies only one coordinate of the critical point. It seems to be much more suitable to identify the point in the whole, i.e. the group of two (2D) or three (3D) coordinates simultaneously. The aim of the following section is to solve this problem.

2 A generalization

Lemma 2.1 *Let \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} be $t \times s$ and $(t - s) \times s$, respectively, matrices such that $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}$ is regular. Then $\mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}) = \{\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{u} \in R^s\} = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{K}_A)$, where $\mathbf{K}_A = \mathcal{Ker}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{A}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}\}$.*

Proof With respect to the equality

$$r \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} = r(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{K}_A) + r(\mathbf{A})$$

(cf. Lemma 7.1.2 in [3], p. 138) and our assumption on the regularity of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}$, we have

$$r(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{K}_A) = s - t \quad \& \quad \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{K}_A) \subset \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}) \Rightarrow \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}) = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{K}_A). \quad \square$$

The symbol $\mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{Ker}(\mathbf{A})}^{\mathbf{V}^{-1}}$ means the projection matrix on the subspace $\mathcal{Ker}(\mathbf{A})$ in the \mathbf{V}^{-1} -norm ($\|\mathbf{v}\|_{\mathbf{V}^{-1}} = \sqrt{\mathbf{v}\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v}}$).

Theorem 2.2 *Let $\boldsymbol{\eta} \sim N_s(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V})$, where \mathbf{V} is a positive definite matrix. Let \mathcal{A} be a class of $t \times s$ matrices \mathbf{A} of the rank $r(\mathbf{A}) = t < s$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} P\{(\boldsymbol{\eta} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\mathbf{V}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\eta} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq \chi_s^2(0, 1 - \alpha)\} &= 1 - \alpha \\ \Leftrightarrow P\{\forall \{\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{A}\} : [\mathbf{A}(\boldsymbol{\eta} - \boldsymbol{\mu})]'(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}')^{-1}\mathbf{A}(\boldsymbol{\eta} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \leq \chi_s^2(0, 1 - \alpha)\} &= 1 - \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Proof Let \mathbf{B} be an arbitrary $(s - t) \times s$ matrix with the property that $\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix}$ is regular. Further

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} &= \left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \right]' \left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{A}', \mathbf{B}') \right]^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \\ &= \left[\mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{v} \right]' \left[\mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}(\mathbf{A}', \mathbf{B}')\mathbf{T}' \right]^{-1} \mathbf{T} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{A} \\ \mathbf{B} \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{I}, & \mathbf{0} \\ -\mathbf{BVA}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}, & \mathbf{I} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} &= \\ &= (\mathbf{Av})'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{Av} + \{\mathbf{B}[\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{VA}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{A}]\mathbf{v}\}' \\ &\quad \times [\mathbf{BVB}' - \mathbf{BVA}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{AVB}']^{-1}\mathbf{B}[\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{VA}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{A}]\mathbf{v} \\ &= (\mathbf{Av})'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{Av} + (\mathbf{BP}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v})'[\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{M}_A\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{M}_A)^+\mathbf{B}']^{-1}\mathbf{BP}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v}. \end{aligned}$$

Since the term $(\mathbf{BP}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v})'[\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{M}_A\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{M}_A)^+\mathbf{B}']^{-1}\mathbf{BP}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v}$ is non-negative, obviously

$$\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} \leq c^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\mathbf{Av})'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{Av} \leq c^2.$$

If $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\mathbf{Ax} : \mathbf{x} \in R^s\} = R^t$ satisfies the inequality

$$\mathbf{u}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{u} \leq c^2,$$

then there exists a vector \mathbf{v} such that

$$\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} \leq c^2, \quad \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{Av}.$$

It is given by the following.

Let \mathbf{v} be a solution of the equation $\mathbf{Av} = \mathbf{u}$. The class of all solutions is given by the class

$$\mathcal{V}_u = \{\mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 + \mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{t}, \mathbf{t} \in R^s\},$$

where \mathbf{v}_0 is a particular solution. With respect to our assumption

$$\forall \{\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{V}_u\} (\mathbf{Av})'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{Av} \leq c^2.$$

If the last inequality holds with "=", then the vector

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_0 - \mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v}_0,$$

satisfies

$$\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} = (\mathbf{Av})'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{Av} = c^2$$

(notice that $\mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{VA}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{A}$).

If $\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{A}) = R^t$ and

$$\mathbf{u}'(\mathbf{AVA}')^{-1}\mathbf{u} = d^2 < c^2,$$

then for any $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{V}_u$ satisfying the equality

$$\left(\mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v}\right)' \mathbf{B}'[\mathbf{B}(\mathbf{M}_A\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{M}_A)^+\mathbf{B}']^{-1}\mathbf{BP}_{\mathcal{Ker}(A)}^{V^{-1}}\mathbf{v} = c^2 - d^2,$$

it holds

$$\mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} < c^2.$$

Such vectors \mathbf{v} must exist, since (with respect to Lemma 2.1)

$$R^{s-t} = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{B}) = \mathcal{M}(\mathbf{BK}_A) = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{K}_{\text{er}}(\mathbf{A})}^{\mathbf{V}^{-1}}\mathbf{V}_u.$$

Thus for any $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{A}$,

$$\{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} \leq c^2\} = \{\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{u}'(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}')^{-1}\mathbf{u} \leq c^2\}.$$

Let

$$\mathcal{E} = \{\mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{v} \leq c^2\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{E}_A = \{\mathbf{u} : \mathbf{u}'(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}')^{-1}\mathbf{u} \leq c^2\} \quad \text{for } \mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{A};$$

i.e. $\{\mathbf{A}\mathbf{v} : \mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{E}\} = \mathcal{E}_A$.

If $\mathbf{x} \notin \mathcal{E}$, then there exists $\mathbf{A} \in \mathcal{A}$ such that $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} \notin \mathcal{E}_A$.

Let $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{x} > c^2$. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{V}^{-1} \\ \mathbf{N} \end{pmatrix},$$

where \mathbf{N} is an $(s-1) \times s$ matrix with the property $\mathbf{N}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$. Then

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}')^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} (\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{x})^{-1}, & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0}, & (\mathbf{N}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{N}')^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

and

$$(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})'(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{A}')^{-1}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{x} > c^2. \quad \square$$

Remark 2.3 Let $i = 1, \dots, m-1$, $j = 2, \dots, m$ $j > i$ and \mathbf{A} be $l \times (m-1)l$ matrix of the form

$$\mathbf{A}_{i,j} = (\mathbf{0}_1, \dots, \mathbf{0}_{i-1}, \mathbf{1}' \otimes \mathbf{I}, \mathbf{0}_{j+1}, \dots, \mathbf{0}_{m-1}),$$

where $\mathbf{1} = (1, \dots, 1)' \in R^{j-i+1}$ and \mathbf{I} is $l \times l$ identity matrix. Then

$$\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{H}\boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(j)} = \boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(j)} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_2^{(i)}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m-1, \quad j = 2, \dots, m \quad i < j.$$

Corollary 2.4 Let in the model from Lemma 1.1 and Remark 1.2 there exist a pair (i, j) , $i \in \{1, \dots, m-1\}$, $j \in \{2, \dots, m\}$ with the property

$$(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(j)} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(i)})'(\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{A}'_{i,j})^{-1}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(j)} - \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_2^{(i)}) > \chi_{l(m-1)}^2(0, 1 - \alpha).$$

Then the null hypothesis H_0 is rejected with the risk which does not exceed the value α ("the i th epoch differs significantly from the j th epoch").

The matrix $\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{A}'_{i,j}$ can be expressed as $\mathbf{W}_{i,i} + \mathbf{W}_{j,j} - \mathbf{W}_{i,j} - \mathbf{W}_{j,i}$.

Proof With respect to Theorem 2.2

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P\{(\mathbf{H}\hat{\beta}_2^{(.)})'(\mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}')^{-1}\mathbf{H}\hat{\beta}_2^{(.)} > \chi_{l(m-1)}^2(0, 1 - \alpha)|H_0\} \\
 & > P\{(\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{H}\hat{\beta}_2^{(.)})'(\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{W}\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{A}'_{i,j})^{-1}\mathbf{A}_{i,j}\mathbf{H}\hat{\beta}_2^{(.)} > \chi_{l(m-1)}^2(0, 1 - \alpha)|H_0\} \\
 & = P\{(\hat{\beta}_2^{(j)} - \hat{\beta}_2^{(i)})'(\mathbf{W}_{i,i} + \mathbf{W}_{j,j} - \mathbf{W}_{i,j} - \mathbf{W}_{j,i})^{-1}(\hat{\beta}_2^{(j)} - \hat{\beta}_2^{(i)}) \\
 & > \chi_{l(m-1)}^2(0, 1 - \alpha)|H_0\}. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

From the previous text it is obvious that a procedure for an identifying some break in the time course of investigated deformations can be based on several functionals simultaneously (i.e on the basis of a suitably chosen matrix \mathbf{A}).

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