

# THE SPHERICITY TEST IN REPEATED MEASURES MODEL

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## Abstract

The sphericity test for repeated measures model is studied. The likelihood ratio criterion of this test is obtained.

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## 1- Introduction

The repeated measures model (RMM) is one of the most widely used models in experimental designs, especially in biological, agricultural, educational and psychological research [4]. It occurs in analysis of variance when a particular experimental unit receives several treatments [3]. Many literatures that are considered univariate the assumption is made that a set of random variables are independent and have a common variance. Mauchly (1940) [5], was studied the test of the hypothesis that the sample from n-variate population is in fact from a population from which the variances are equal and the correlations are all zero. A population having this symmetry will be called " spherical ". Anderson (1984) [2], was studied a test based on repeated sets of observations, that is, he used a sample of p-component vectors from a multivariate normal distribution to test that hypothesis. Al-Mouel (2004) [1], was studied a generalization for the sphericity test by letting  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  be independent of each other, and identically distributed

$N_p(\mu, \Sigma)$  and considering the partition  $Y_i = [Y_{i1}, Y_{i2}, \dots, Y_{ik}]'$ ,

$$\mu = [\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_k]', \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} & \dots & \Sigma_{1k} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} & \dots & \Sigma_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \Sigma_{k1} & \Sigma_{k2} & \dots & \Sigma_{kk} \end{bmatrix}, \text{ where } Y_{ir} \text{ and } \mu_r \text{ are } p_r \times 1$$

vectors and  $\Sigma_{rr}$  is  $p_r \times p_r$  matrices ( $r = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ) with  $\sum_{r=1}^k p_r = p$ . He tests the null

hypothesis

$$H_0: \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} I_{q_1} \otimes \Lambda_{11} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & I_{q_2} \otimes \Lambda_{22} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & I_{q_k} \otimes \Lambda_{kk} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (1)$$

where  $\Lambda_{rr}$  is  $m_r \times m_r$  matrices with  $q_r \times m_r = p_r, r = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ,  $I_s$  denote the  $s \times s$  identity matrix and  $\otimes$  be the Kroncker product between two matrices [6].

And he shows the criterion for  $H_0$  is

$$\Lambda = \frac{|A|^{\frac{n}{2}}}{\prod_{r=1}^k \left( \frac{|B_r|}{q_r^{m_r}} \right)^{\frac{n q_r}{2}}}, \quad (2)$$

where

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})(Y_i - \bar{Y})' = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & \dots & A_{1k} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & \dots & A_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{k1} & A_{k2} & \dots & A_{kk} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (3)$$

$A_{rr}$  are  $p_r \times p_r$  matrices,  $B_r = \sum_{i=1}^{q_r} A_{rr,ii}$ , and

$$A_{rr} = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_{ir} - \bar{Y}_r)(Y_{ir} - \bar{Y}_r)' = \begin{bmatrix} A_{rr,11} & A_{rr,12} & \dots & A_{rr,1q} \\ A_{rr,21} & A_{rr,22} & \dots & A_{rr,2q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{rr,q_r 1} & A_{rr,q_r 2} & \dots & A_{rr,q_r q_r} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (4)$$

for  $r = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . In this paper we study the sphericity test in repeated measures model of Gabbara (1994) [4] as an application of generalized sphericity test .

## 2- Repeated Measures Model (RMM) of Gabbara (1994) [4]

In this section, we state the RMM of Gabbara (1994) [4], which is given below. Let  $Y_{ijk}$  be the  $(j, k)^{th}$  observation on the  $i^{th}$  individual ( experimental unit ), for  $i = 1, \dots, m, j = 1, \dots, a$ , and  $k = 1, \dots, b$ , where  $a$  is the number of rows and  $b$  is the number of columns. Let  $Y_i = (Y_{i11}, \dots, Y_{iab})'$  denote the  $ab \times 1$  vector of observations on the  $i^{th}$  individual, and  $\mu_{ijk} = E(Y_{ijk})$ ,  $\mu_i = E(Y_i)$ . It is assumed that  $Y_i$  are independently normally distributed with mean vector  $\mu_i$  and common covariance  $\Sigma$ , which is positive definite matrix. Let all measurements have the same variance  $\sigma^2$ , and that every pair of measurements that comes from :

- (i) different columns and different rows treatments,
- (ii) the same column but different rows treatments,
- (iii) different columns but the same row treatments,

having  $\sigma^2 \rho_1, \sigma^2 \rho_2, \sigma^2 \rho_3$  as their respective covariances and every pair of measurements that comes from different individuals have covariance zero. In symbols :

$$COV(Y_{ijk}, Y_{i'j'k'}) = \begin{cases} \sigma^2 & \text{if } i = i', j = j', k = k' \\ \sigma^2 \rho_3 & \text{if } i = i', j = j', k \neq k' \\ \sigma^2 \rho_2 & \text{if } i = i', j \neq j', k = k' \\ \sigma^2 \rho_1 & \text{if } i = i', j \neq j', k \neq k' \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq i' \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

Let

$$\mu_i = \delta_i j_{ab} + \alpha_i \otimes j_b + j_a \otimes \beta_i + \eta_i, \quad (6)$$

where

$\delta_i$  is a scalar,

$\alpha_i = (\alpha_{i1}, \dots, \alpha_{ia})'$  is an  $a \times 1$  vector orthogonal to  $j_a$ ,

$\beta_i = (\beta_{i1}, \dots, \beta_{ib})'$  is a  $b \times 1$  vector orthogonal to  $j_b$ ,

$\eta_i = (\eta_{i11}, \dots, \eta_{iab})'$  is an  $ab \times 1$  vector orthogonal to every column of the

matrix  $I_a \otimes j_b$  and every column of the matrix  $j_a \otimes I_b$ , and  $j_s$  is the  $s \times 1$  vector of one's.

Let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_m$  be independent  $ab$ -dimensional normal random vectors such that

$$Y_i \sim N_{ab}(\mu_i, \Sigma), i = 1, \dots, m, \quad (7)$$

where  $\mu_i$  is given in (6) and  $\Sigma$  is defined in (5).

Then, he showed that

$$\Sigma = \sigma^2[(1 - \rho_3 - \rho_2 + \rho_1)I_{ab} + (\rho_3 - \rho_1)I_a \otimes J_b + (\rho_2 - \rho_1)J_a \otimes I_b + \rho_1 J_{ab}], \quad (8)$$

The model defined by (5)- (8) is called the RMM.

### 3- Transforming the RMM ( Gabbara (1994))

In this section, we use the transformation of the RMM , which is given by Gabbara (1994) [4].

Let  $U_*$  be an  $ab \times ab$  orthogonal matrix given in the following form

$$U_* = \begin{bmatrix} (ba)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (j'_b \otimes j'_a) \\ b^{-\frac{1}{2}} (U'_a \otimes j'_a) \\ a^{-\frac{1}{2}} (j'_a \otimes U'_b) \\ (U'_a \otimes U'_b) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (9)$$

where  $U'_s$  be  $(s-1) \times s$  matrix such that  $U'_s U_s = I_{s-1}$ ,  $U_s U'_s = I_s - (\frac{1}{s})J_s$ ,

$U'_s j_s = 0$ ,  $j_s U'_s = 0$ , and  $J_s$  is the  $s \times s$  matrix of one's .

Let

$$Y_i^* = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{i1}^* \\ Y_{i2}^* \\ Y_{i3}^* \\ Y_{i4}^* \end{bmatrix} = U_* Y_i = \begin{bmatrix} (ba)^{-\frac{1}{2}} j'_a \otimes j'_b \\ b^{-\frac{1}{2}} U'_a \otimes j'_b \\ a^{-\frac{1}{2}} j'_a \otimes U'_b \\ U'_a \otimes U'_b \end{bmatrix} Y_i, \quad (10)$$

where  $Y_{i1}^*, Y_{i2}^*, Y_{i3}^*, Y_{i4}^*$  are  $1 \times 1, (a-1) \times 1, (b-1) \times 1, (a-1)(b-1) \times 1$ ,

respectively. Since  $U_*$  is an invertible matrix and does not depend on any

unknown parameters, observing  $Y_1, \dots, Y_m$  is equivalent to observing  $Y_{i1}^*$ ,

$Y_{i2}^*, Y_{i3}^*$  and  $Y_{i4}^*$ . Thus

$$Y_i^* \sim N_{ab}(U_* \mu_i, U_* \Sigma U_*'). \quad (11)$$

Now

$$U_* \mu_i = \begin{bmatrix} (ba)^{-\frac{1}{2}} j'_a \otimes j'_b \\ b^{-\frac{1}{2}} U'_a \otimes j'_b \\ a^{-\frac{1}{2}} j'_a \otimes U'_b \\ U'_a \otimes U'_b \end{bmatrix} \mu_i = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{ba} \delta_i \\ \sqrt{b} U'_a \alpha_i \\ \sqrt{a} U'_b \beta_i \\ (U'_a \otimes U'_b) \eta_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad (12)$$

where  $\mu_i$  is given in (6), and

$$\Sigma^* = U_* \Sigma U_*' = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_2^2 I_{a-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau_3^2 I_{b-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \tau_4^2 I_{(a-1)(b-1)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (13)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_1^2 &= \sigma^2 [1 + (b-1)\rho_3 + (a-1)\rho_2 + (b-1)(a-1)\rho_1], \\ \tau_2^2 &= \sigma^2 [1 + (b-1)\rho_3 - \rho_2 - (b-1)\rho_1], \\ \tau_3^2 &= \sigma^2 [1 - \rho_3 + (a-1)\rho_2 - (a-1)\rho_1], \\ \tau_4^2 &= \sigma^2 [1 - \rho_3 - \rho_2 + \rho_1], \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

$(\tau_1^2, \tau_2^2, \tau_3^2, \tau_4^2)$  is just an invertible function of  $(\sigma^2, \rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3)$  which is a reparametrization.

Hence  $Y_{i1}^*, Y_{i2}^*, Y_{i3}^*$  and  $Y_{i4}^*$  are independent, and

$$Y_{i1}^* \sim N_1(\sqrt{ba} \delta_i, \tau_1^2),$$

$$Y_{i2}^* \sim N_{a-1}(\sqrt{b} U'_a \alpha_i, \tau_2^2 I_{a-1}),$$

$$Y_{i3}^* \sim N_{b-1}(\sqrt{a} U'_b \beta_i, \tau_3^2 I_{b-1}), \text{ and}$$

$$Y_{i4}^* \sim N_{(a-1)(b-1)}([U'_a \otimes U'_b] \eta_i, \tau_4^2 I_{(a-1)(b-1)}). \quad (15)$$

#### 4: The Sphericity Test in RMM

We consider the covariance structure in RMM of Gabbara (1994) [4]. We wish to test the null hypothesis

$$H_0: \Sigma = \sigma^2[(1 - \rho_3 - \rho_2 + \rho_1)I_{ab} + (\rho_3 - \rho_1)I_a \otimes J_b + (\rho_2 - \rho_1)J_a \otimes I_b + \rho_1 J_{ab}], \quad (16)$$

which is based on the sample  $Y_1, \dots, Y_m$ . Since the observing  $Y_1, \dots, Y_m$  is equivalent to the observing  $Y_{i1}^*, Y_{i2}^*, Y_{i3}^*$  and  $Y_{i4}^*$ , and  $\Sigma$  is equivalent to  $\Sigma^*$ , where  $\Sigma^*$  is given in (13), then testing the null hypothesis (16) is equivalent to testing the null hypothesis

$$H_0: \Sigma^* = U_* \Sigma U_*' = \begin{bmatrix} \tau_1^2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \tau_2^2 I_{a-1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \tau_3^2 I_{b-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \tau_4^2 I_{(a-1)(b-1)} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (17)$$

which is based on the sample  $Y_1^*, \dots, Y_m^*$ , or

$$H_0: \Sigma^* = \text{diag}(\tau_1^2, \tau_2^2 I_{a-1}, \tau_3^2 I_{b-1}, \tau_4^2 I_{(a-1)(b-1)}). \quad (18)$$

We see that (17) is a special case of the form (1). Then we can applied the generalized sphericity test of Al-Mouel (2004) [1] .

Hence, the likelihood ratio criterion for  $H_0$  is :

$$\Lambda = \frac{|A|^{\frac{m}{2}}}{\prod_{g=1}^4 |B_g|^{\frac{m}{2}}}, \quad (19)$$

where

$$A = \sum_{i=1}^m (Y_i^* - \bar{Y}^*)(Y_i^* - \bar{Y}^*)' = mS, \quad (20)$$

$$B_g = \text{trace}(A_{gg}), g = 1, 2, 3, 4, \text{ and} \quad (21)$$

$$A_{gg} = \sum_{i=1}^m (Y_{ig}^* - \bar{Y}_g^*)(Y_{ig}^* - \bar{Y}_g^*)', g = 1, 2, 3, 4, \quad (22)$$

where  $\bar{Y}^*$  and  $S$  be respectively the sample mean vector and covariance matrix formed from a sample observations on  $Y_i^*$  that means  $\bar{Y}^*$  and  $A$  partition as :

$$\bar{Y}^{*'} = (\bar{Y}_1^{*'}, \bar{Y}_2^{*'}, \bar{Y}_3^{*'}, \bar{Y}_4^{*'}), \text{ and } A = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & A_{12} & A_{13} & A_{14} \\ A_{21} & A_{22} & A_{23} & A_{24} \\ A_{31} & A_{32} & A_{33} & A_{34} \\ A_{41} & A_{42} & A_{43} & A_{44} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (23)$$

where  $\bar{Y}_1^{*'}, \bar{Y}_2^{*'}, \bar{Y}_3^{*'}, \bar{Y}_4^{*'}$  are  $1 \times 1, (a-1) \times 1, (b-1) \times 1, (a-1)(b-1) \times 1$  and

$A_{11}, A_{22}, A_{33}, A_{44}$  are  $1 \times 1, (a-1) \times (a-1), (b-1) \times (b-1),$

$(a-1)(b-1) \times (a-1)(b-1)$  respectively.

## 5 : Conclusion

The likelihood ratio criterion, for  $H_0$  (17) which is based on the sample  $Y_1^*, \dots, Y_m^*$ , is

$$\Lambda = \frac{|A|^{\frac{m}{2}}}{\prod_{g=1}^3 |B_g|^{\frac{m}{2}}},$$

where  $A$  and  $B_g$  are given in (20) and (21) respectively.

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