

# Cochran's Theorem and Analysis of Variance

## Theorem 5.1:(Cochran's Theorem)

Suppose  $Y \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$  and  $\mathbf{A}_1, \dots, \mathbf{A}_k$  are symmetric and idempotent matrices with

$$\text{rank}(\mathbf{A}_i) = s_i \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, k.$$

Then  $\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{I}_{n \times n} \implies \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{Y}$  ( $i = 1, \dots, k$ ) are independently distributed as  $\chi_{s_i}^2(\phi_i)$ , with

$$\phi_i = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\mu}' \mathbf{A}_i \boldsymbol{\mu}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^k s_i = n.$$

## Proof of Theorem 5.1:

By Result 5.15,

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{Y} \sim \chi_{s_i}^2(\phi_i)$$

with

$$\phi_i = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\mu}' \mathbf{A}_i \boldsymbol{\mu}$$

$\therefore \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{A}_i \sigma^2 \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}_i$  is idempotent and has rank  $s_i \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, k$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^k s_i &= \sum_{i=1}^k \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}_i) \\ &= \text{trace}\left(\sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{A}_i\right) \\ &= \text{trace}(\mathbf{I}_{n \times n}) \\ &= n.\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5.1,  $\exists \mathbf{G}_i \ni$   
 $n \times s_i$

$$\mathbf{G}_i \mathbf{G}_i' = \mathbf{A}_i, \quad \mathbf{G}_i' \mathbf{G}_i = \mathbf{I}_{s_i \times s_i} \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, k.$$

Now let  $\mathbf{G} = [\mathbf{G}_1, \dots, \mathbf{G}_k]$ .

$\therefore \mathbf{G}_i$  is  $n \times s_i \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, k$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^k s_i = n$ , it follows that  $\mathbf{G}$  is  $n \times n$ .

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{G}\mathbf{G}' &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{G}_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}'_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}'_k \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{G}_i\mathbf{G}'_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{I}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\mathbf{G}$  has  $\mathbf{G}'$  as its inverse; i.e.,  $\mathbf{G}^{-1} = \mathbf{G}'$ . Thus  $\mathbf{G}'\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{I}$ .

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{G}'\mathbf{G} &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}'_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}'_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{G}_k \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}'_1\mathbf{G}_1 & \mathbf{G}'_1\mathbf{G}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{G}'_1\mathbf{G}_k \\ \mathbf{G}'_2\mathbf{G}_1 & \mathbf{G}'_2\mathbf{G}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{G}'_2\mathbf{G}_k \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}'_k\mathbf{G}_1 & \mathbf{G}'_k\mathbf{G}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{G}'_k\mathbf{G}_k \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{G}'_i \mathbf{G}_j = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall i \neq j.$$

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$$\therefore \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall i \neq j$$

$$\therefore \sigma^2 \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall i \neq j$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{A}_i (\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{A}_j = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall i \neq j$$

$\therefore$  Independence, hold by Corollary 5.4,  $\forall$  pair of quadratic forms  $\mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{Y} / \sigma^2$  and  $\mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{Y} / \sigma^2$ .



However, we can prove more than pairwise independence.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}'_1 \mathbf{Y} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}'_k \mathbf{Y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}'_1 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{G}'_k \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G}_1 & \dots & \mathbf{G}_k \end{bmatrix}' \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{G}' \mathbf{Y} \\ \sim N(\mathbf{G}' \boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{G}' (\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}) \mathbf{G} = \sigma^2 \mathbf{G}' \mathbf{G} = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}).$$

By Result 5.4,  $\mathbf{G}'_1 \mathbf{Y}, \dots, \mathbf{G}'_k \mathbf{Y}$  are mutually independent.

$\mathbf{G}'_1\mathbf{Y}, \dots, \mathbf{G}'_k\mathbf{Y}$  mutually independent,

$\implies \|\mathbf{G}'_1\mathbf{Y}\|^2, \dots, \|\mathbf{G}'_k\mathbf{Y}\|^2$  mutually independent

$\implies \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{G}_1\mathbf{G}'_1\mathbf{Y}, \dots, \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{G}_k\mathbf{G}'_k\mathbf{Y}$  mutually independent

$\implies \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{Y}/\sigma^2, \dots, \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{A}_k\mathbf{Y}/\sigma^2$  mutually independent.



## Example:

Suppose  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

Find the joint distribution of  $n\bar{Y}^2$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$ .

Let  $A_1 = P_1 = \mathbf{1}(\mathbf{1}'\mathbf{1})^{-1}\mathbf{1}' = \frac{1}{n}\mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}'$ .

Let  $A_2 = I - P_1 = I - \frac{1}{n}\mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}'$ .

Then

$$\text{rank}(A_1) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{rank}(A_2) = n - 1.$$

Also,  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are each symmetric and idempotent matrices  $\ni$

$$A_1 + A_2 = P_1 + I - P_1 = I.$$

Let  $Y = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)'$   $\ni E(Y) = \mu\mathbf{1}$ ,  $\text{Var}(Y) = \sigma^2 I$ .

Cochran's Theorem  $\implies \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{Y} \stackrel{\text{IND}}{\sim} \chi_{s_i}^2(\phi_i)$ , where

$$s_i = \text{rank}(\mathbf{A}_i) \quad \text{and} \quad \phi_i = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\mu}' \mathbf{A}_i \boldsymbol{\mu} = \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{1}' \mathbf{A}_i \mathbf{1}.$$

For  $i = 1$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}' \mathbf{Y} / n = \frac{n}{\sigma^2} \bar{Y}^2, \quad s_1 = 1, \quad \text{and}$$
$$\phi_1 = \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{1}' \left( \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}' \right) \mathbf{1} = \frac{n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2}.$$

For  $i = 2$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{Y} &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}'_2 \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{Y} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \|\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{Y}\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \left\| \left( \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}' \right) \mathbf{Y} \right\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{1}\bar{Y}\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2.\end{aligned}$$

Also,  $s_2 = n - 1$  and

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_2 &= \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \mathbf{1}' \left( \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}' \right) \mathbf{1} \\ &= \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \left( \mathbf{1}'\mathbf{1} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}'\mathbf{1}\mathbf{1}'\mathbf{1} \right) \\ &= \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \left( n - \frac{n^2}{n} \right) = 0.\end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$n\bar{Y}^2 \sim \sigma^2 \chi_1^2 \left( \frac{n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \right)$$

independent of

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 \sim \sigma^2 \chi_{n-1}^2.$$



It follows that

$$\frac{n\bar{Y}^2/\sigma^2}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1} / \sigma^2} = \frac{n\bar{Y}^2}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}} \\ \sim F_{1, n-1} \left( \frac{n\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} \right).$$

If  $\mu = 0$ ,  $\frac{n\bar{Y}^2}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}} \sim F_{1,n-1}$ .

Thus, we can test  $H_0 : \mu = 0$  by comparing  $\frac{n\bar{Y}^2}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}}$  to  $F_{1,n-1}$  distribution and rejecting  $H_0$  for large values.

Note

$$\frac{n\bar{Y}^2}{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}} = t^2,$$

where

$$t = \frac{\bar{Y}}{\sqrt{s^2/n}},$$

the usual  $t$ -statistics for testing  $H_0 : \mu = 0$ .

## Example:

ANalysis Of VAriance (ANOVA):

Consider  $Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$ , where

$$X = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m], \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_m \end{bmatrix}, \varepsilon \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}).$$

Let  $P_j = P_{[X_1, \dots, X_j]}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ .

Let

$$A_1 = P_1$$

$$A_2 = P_2 - P_1$$

$$A_3 = P_3 - P_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$A_m = P_m - P_{m-1}$$

$$A_{m+1} = I - P_m.$$

Note that  $\sum_{j=1}^{m+1} A_j = I$ .

Then  $A_j$  is symmetric and idempotent  $\forall j = 1, \dots, m + 1$ .

$$s_1 = \text{rank}(A_1) = \text{rank}(P_1)$$

$$s_2 = \text{rank}(A_2) = \text{rank}(P_2) - \text{rank}(P_1)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$s_m = \text{rank}(A_m) = \text{rank}(P_m) - \text{rank}(P_{m-1})$$

$$\begin{aligned} s_{m+1} &= \text{rank}(A_{m+1}) = \text{rank}(I) - \text{rank}(P_m) \\ &= n - \text{rank}(X). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{Y} \stackrel{\text{IND}}{\sim} \chi_{s_j}^2(\phi_j), \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, m+1,$$

where

$$\phi_j = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}.$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{m+1} &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X) \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{X}) \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}) \boldsymbol{\beta} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_{m+1} \mathbf{Y} \sim \chi_{n - \text{rank}(\mathbf{X})}^2$$

and

$$F_j = \frac{\mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{Y} / s_j}{\mathbf{Y}' \mathbf{A}_{m+1} \mathbf{Y} / (n - \text{rank}(\mathbf{X}))} \\ \sim F_{s_j, n - \text{rank}(\mathbf{X})} \left( \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, m.$$



We can assemble the ANOVA table as below:

Source	Sum of Squares	DF	Mean Square	Expected Mean Square	F
$A_1$	$Y'A_1Y$	$s_1$	$Y'A_1Y/s_1$	$\sigma^2 + \beta'X'A_1X\beta/s_1$	$F_1$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$A_m$	$Y'A_mY$	$s_m$	$Y'A_mY/s_m$	$\sigma^2 + \beta'X'A_mX\beta/s_m$	$F_m$
$A_{m+1}$	$Y'A_{m+1}Y$	$s_{m+1}$	$Y'A_{m+1}Y/s_{m+1}$	$\sigma^2$	
<b><math>I</math></b>	<b><math>Y'IY</math></b>	<b><math>n</math></b>			

This ANOVA table contains sequential (a.k.a type I) sum of squares.

$A_{m+1}$  corresponds to “error.”

We can use  $F_j$  to test

$$H_{0j} : \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \beta' X' A_j X \beta = 0 \iff$$

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$$H_{0j} : A_j X \beta = \mathbf{0}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \mathbf{A}_j [\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_m] \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\beta}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\beta}_m \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{A}_j \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m (\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_{j-1}) \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, m \text{ (where } \mathbf{P}_0 = \mathbf{0} \text{)}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall  $\mathbf{P}_j = \mathbf{P}_{[\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_j]}$ .

Thus,  $\mathbf{P}_j \mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{X}_i \quad \forall i \leq j$ .

It follows that

$$(\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_{j-1})\mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{0} \text{ whenever } i \leq j - 1.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} &= \sum_{i=1}^m (\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_{j-1}) \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=j}^m (\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_{j-1}) \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i. \end{aligned}$$

For  $j = m$ , this simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{A}_m \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} &= (\mathbf{P}_m - \mathbf{P}_{m-1}) \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m \\ &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{m-1}) \mathbf{P}_m \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m \\ &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{m-1}) \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{m-1}) \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m &= \mathbf{0} \\ \iff \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m &\in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_{m-1}) \\ \iff \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m &\in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{P}_{m-1}) \\ \iff \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m &\in \mathcal{C}([\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m-1}]). \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m &\in \mathcal{C}([\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m-1}]) \\ \iff E(\mathbf{Y}) &= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i \\ &\in \mathcal{C}([\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m-1}]) \end{aligned}$$

$\iff$  Explanatory variables in  $\mathbf{X}_m$  are irrelevant in the presence of  $\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m-1}$ .

For the special case where  $X$  is of full column rank,

$$\mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m \in \mathcal{C}([\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{m-1}])$$

$$\iff \mathbf{X}_m \boldsymbol{\beta}_m = \mathbf{0}$$

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Thus, in this full column rank case,  $F_m$  tests

$$H_{0m} : \boldsymbol{\beta}_m = \mathbf{0}.$$

Explain what  $F_j$  tests for the special case where

$$\mathbf{X}'_k \mathbf{X}_{k^*} = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall k \neq k^*.$$



Now suppose

$$\mathbf{X}'_k \mathbf{X}_{k^*} = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall k \neq k^*.$$

Then

$$\mathbf{P}_j \mathbf{X}_i = \begin{cases} \mathbf{X}_i & \text{for } i \leq j \\ \mathbf{0} & \text{for } i > j \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore [\mathbf{X}_1, \dots, \mathbf{X}_j]' \mathbf{X}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'_1 \mathbf{X}_i \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}'_j \mathbf{X}_i \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{for } i > j.$$

It follows that

$$\mathbf{A}_j \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} = \sum_{i=1}^m (\mathbf{P}_j - \mathbf{P}_{j-1}) \mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}_i = \mathbf{P}_j \mathbf{X}_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_j = \mathbf{X}_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_j.$$

Thus, for the orthogonal case,  $F_j$  can be used to test

$$H_{0j} : \mathbf{X}_j \boldsymbol{\beta}_j = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, m.$$

If we have  $X$  full column rank in addition to the orthogonality condition,  $F_j$  tests

$$H_{0j} : \boldsymbol{\beta}_j = \mathbf{0} \quad \forall j = 1, \dots, m.$$