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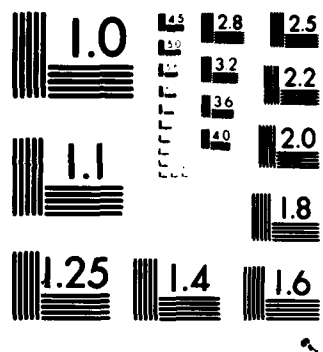
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The conventional antipodally symmetric Bingham matrix distribution on the Stiefel manifold is generalised. Large sample maximum likelihood estimation and uniformity tests are discussed, and a parametric model for axial orientations (X-shapes) is suggested. A generalisation of the Khatri-Mardia matrix distribution is developed to provide a model suitable for hybrids (T-shapes). Beran's results on exponential models for directional data are extended to orientation statistics to provide regression estimators and goodness-of-fit tests as alternatives to maximum likelihood estimation and likelihood ratio tests.

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# 1. Introduction

Following Downs (1972), we define an orientation statistic as a rigid  $m$ -frame in  $R^p$  ( $m \leq p$ ) i.e. an  $m \times p$  matrix  $X$  s.t.  $XX' = C$ , where  $C$  is an  $m \times m$  symmetric positive definite matrix specifying the angles between the rows of  $X$ . Without loss of generality we suppose  $C = I_m$  since all methodology for  $C = I_m$  can be extended trivially for general  $C$ . We define an L-shape to be a rigid  $m$ -frame of signed directions (a conventional orientation statistic), an X-shape to be a rigid  $m$ -frame of axes, and a T-shape to be a hybrid, an  $m$ -frame of  $m_1$  axes and  $m_2 = m - m_1$  signed directions in  $R^p$ . All methodology so far published is suitable for L-shapes. We assume that  $p \geq 3$  since when  $p = 2$  every type of orientation statistic reduces to either a direction or an axis on the circle.

The von Mises-Fisher matrix distribution provides a suitable unimodal pdf. for orientation statistics. Maximum likelihood estimates and likelihood ratio tests have been developed by Downs (1972), Khatri and Mardia (1977) and Jupp and Mardia (1979). The conventional fully parameterised Bingham matrix distribution (Khatri and Mardia, 1977, (7.2) with  $\delta = 0$ ) is the obvious analogue on the Stiefel manifold of Bingham's antipodally symmetric distribution on the sphere (Bingham, 1974). Maximum likelihood estimation and tests of randomness against a special case of this distribution have been treated by Jupp and Mardia (1979) and Mardia and Khatri (1977). In Section 2 we state the corresponding MLE results for the fully parameterised  $2^m$ -modal Bingham matrix distribution. We extend these results to a generalisation of the Bingham matrix distribution in Section 3, and obtain a new 'Bingham' statistic as a large sample test of uniformity against general antipodally symmetric alternatives, a large sample approximation to the likelihood ratio statistic. In Section 4 a special case of this

distribution is suggested as a suitable model for X-shapes, and an axial Bingham statistic is obtained for a test of uniformity. The generalised Khatri-Mardia matrix distribution is used in Section 5 to provide a suitable parametric model for T-shapes, and a hybrid Rayleigh-Bingham statistic is obtained as a large sample test of uniformity. Beran's results on rotationally invariant exponential models for directional data are extended to the Stiefel manifold in Section 6, to provide regression estimators and goodness of fit tests within the generalised Khatri-Mardia family of distributions, as alternatives to the computationally inconvenient maximum likelihood estimators and likelihood ratio tests.

## 2. The Bingham matrix distribution

If  $X$  is an  $m \times p$  matrix random variable ( $m \leq p$ ) with pdf

$$(2\pi)^{-\frac{1}{2}mp} |X|^{\frac{1}{2}p} |V|^{\frac{1}{2}m} \text{etr}(-\frac{1}{2}X(X-\mu)V(X-\mu)') dX \quad (2.1)$$

where  $K$  is  $m \times m$  symmetric positive definite, and  $V$  is  $p \times p$  symmetric positive definite, then if  $\mu = 0_{mp}$ , an  $m \times p$  matrix of zeros, the pdf of  $X$ , conditional on  $XX' = I_m$  is (Khatri and Mardia, 1977, (7.2))

$$\text{etr}(-\gamma m^{-1} I_m^{-1} XXVX') [dX] \quad (2.2)$$

where  $[dX]$  denotes the uniform distribution on the Stiefel manifold  $O(m, p)$ , and  $\gamma = \gamma(K \otimes V)$  is a normalising constant which depends only upon the diagonal matrices  $D_K, D_V$  of eigenvalues of  $K$  and  $V$ . Series expansions for  $e^{+\gamma}$ , a hypergeometric function of two matrix arguments, have been given by Srivastava and Carter (1980). For reasons which will become apparent, we denote the distribution (2.2)  $B(X, m, p, K \otimes V)$ . Its parameter space has dimension  $\binom{m+1}{2} + \binom{p+1}{2} - 2$  when  $1 \leq m \leq p-1$ , since  $B(X, m, p, (\alpha K) \otimes (\alpha^{-1} V + \beta I_p)) = B(X, m, p, K \otimes V)$  for all real scalars  $\alpha \neq 0, \beta$  (cf. Bingham, 1974, Lemma 2.1). Similarly, when  $m = p$   $B(X, p, p, (\alpha K + \beta_1 I_p) \otimes (\alpha^{-1} V + \beta_2 I_p)) = B(X, p, p, K \otimes V)$ , where without loss of

generality we may assume  $\text{trace}(K-V) = 0$ , so that the parameter space has dimension  $2\binom{p+1}{2} - 3$ . Where convenient to identify parameters uniquely we shall assume that  $v_{pp} = 0$  (and  $k_{pp} = 0$  if  $m=p$ ), or, if dealing in spectral decompositions, that the entries in  $-D_K$  and  $D_V$  are in decreasing order with  $(L_V)_{pp} = 0$  (and  $(D_K)_{11} = 0$  if  $m=p$ ). We assume that the elements of  $D_K$  and  $D_V$  are distinct so that  $K$  has a unique matrix  $Q \in O(m', m)$  of eigenvectors and  $V$  has a corresponding matrix  $M \in O(p-1, p)$ . From Theobald (1975, Theorem 1), the distribution (2.2) has  $2^{m'}$  modes at the points  $X = Q'M_1$ , where  $M_1$  is the  $m' \times p$  matrix of the first  $m' = \min(m, p-1)$  columns of  $M$ . The multiplicity  $2^{m'}$  arises from the possible sign changes of the columns of  $Q$  and  $M_1$ . I am grateful to Dr Theobald for first drawing my attention to this.

A random sample  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  on  $O(m, p)$  from the distribution (2.2) has log likelihood

$$-ny - \frac{1}{2} \ln \text{trace}(K \otimes V) Y \quad (2.3)$$

where  $Y = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \otimes X_i' = (y_{jk, lq})$ ,  $1 \leq j, q \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq k, l \leq p$ . The distinct elements of  $Y$ , excluding those for which  $(k, l) = (p, p)$  (and also those for which  $(j, q) = (p, p)$  when  $m=p$ ) are sufficient but not minimally sufficient unless  $m=1$  (the case of directional data), because  $v(m, p) = \binom{mp+1}{2} - \binom{m+1}{2} \geq \binom{m+1}{2} + \binom{p+1}{2} - 2$ , with equality only when  $m=1$ , and  $v(p, p) = \binom{p^2+1}{2} - 2\binom{p+1}{2} + 1 > 2\binom{p+1}{2} - 3$ . The following is a consequence of Berk (1972), and elementary calculus.

### Theorem 2.1

(a) For sufficiently large  $n$ , there exist unique MLEs  $\hat{K}, \hat{V}$  subject to the condition  $\hat{v}_{pp} = 0$  (and  $\hat{k}_{pp} = 0$  and  $\text{trace}(\hat{K} - \hat{V}) = 0$  when  $m=p$ ) of the parameters in  $B(X, m, p, K \otimes V)$ . The MLEs are the solutions of

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial K} \right)_{(K,V) = (\hat{K}, \hat{V})} = -\frac{1}{2} W_1(\hat{V})$$

and

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial V} \right)_{(K,V) = (\hat{K}, \hat{V})} = -\frac{1}{2} W_2(\hat{K})$$

where  $W_1(V) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i V X_i'$  and  $W_2(K) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i' K X_i$ .

(b) (Spectral version) If  $K = Q'D_K Q$  and  $V = M'D_V M$  are unique spectral decompositions of  $K$  and  $V$ , where  $Q \in O(m', m)$ ,  $M \in O(p-1, p)$  and  $D_K, D_V$  are respectively  $m' \times m'$  and  $(p-1) \times (p-1)$  diagonal matrices (and trace  $(D_K - D_V) = 0$  if  $m = p$ ), then for sufficiently large  $n$  with probability 1 there exist unique MLEs  $\hat{Q}, \hat{M}, \hat{D}_K, \hat{D}_V$  of  $Q, M, D_K, D_V$  given by the unique spectral decompositions

$$W_1(\hat{V}) = \hat{Q}' \hat{D}_{W_1} \hat{Q}, \quad W_2(\hat{K}) = \hat{M}' \hat{D}_{W_2} \hat{M} \quad \text{and the equations}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial K} \right)_{(D_K, D_V) = (\hat{D}_K, \hat{D}_V)} = -\frac{1}{2} \hat{D}_{W_1}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial V} \right)_{(D_K, D_V) = (\hat{D}_K, \hat{D}_V)} = -\frac{1}{2} \hat{D}_{W_2}.$$

We offer no algorithm for the evaluation of  $\hat{K}$  and  $\hat{V}$ . Given suitable initial approximations  $\hat{K}_0, \hat{V}_0$  it should be possible to construct an iterative procedure, given tractable series expansions for  $\gamma$  and its first derivatives (see Bingham, 1976), but considerable computational effort is necessary.

Jupp and Mardia (1979, Theorems 1(b) and 4) have obtained the analogue of Theorem 2.1 for the special case  $B(X, m, p, I_m \otimes V)$  which has parameter space of dimension  $\frac{1}{2}(p-1)(p+2)$  provided  $m < p$ . We note that  $B(X, p, p, I_p \otimes V)$  is the uniform distribution so their results are invalid for square orientations. The log likelihood of a sample from

$B(X, m, p, I_m \otimes V), m < p,$

is  $-n \gamma(I_m \otimes V) - \frac{1}{2} n \text{ trace } VY^*$  (2.4)

where  $Y^* = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i' X_i$  is  $p \times p$  symmetric, positive definite with probability 1. The distinct elements of  $Y^*$ , excluding  $y_{pp}^*$  say, are minimally sufficient for  $V$ , subject to  $v_{pp} = 0$  say. A simple large sample test of uniformity against alternatives (2.4), asymptotically equivalent to the likelihood ratio statistic, may be obtained by generalising Bingham's Theorem 5.2 (1974, p.1208). We obtain

### Theorem 2.2

On the null hypothesis of uniformity the statistic  $S_n = (\text{trace}(Y^{*2}) - m^2/p) np(p-1)(p+2)/2m(p-m)$  is asymptotically distributed as  $\chi^2$  on  $v(1, p) = \frac{1}{2}(p-1)(p+2)$  degrees of freedom.

Proof (A simpler version of Theorem 3.2 below).

If  $y^*$  is the  $\binom{p+1}{2}$ -vector of the distinct elements of  $Y^*$ , then  $I^*$ , the asymptotic variance matrix (Mardia and Khatri, 1977 p.469) of  $n^{\frac{1}{2}} y^*$  has rank  $v(1, p)$  and a generalized inverse  $\{p(p-1)(p+2)/2m(p-m)\}$  blockdiag  $(I_p, 2I_{\binom{p}{2}})$ . Since  $Y^*$  has null expectation  $mp^{-1} I_p$ , the result follows immediately (see also Khatri and Mardia, 1977, p.471, for an alternative derivation).

Remarks 1.  $S_n$  is undefined when  $m=p$

2.  $B(X, m, p, K \otimes I_p)$ , the other obvious special case of (2.2), is the uniform distribution for all  $m, 1 \leq m \leq p$ .

### 3. A generalisation

Consider the fully parameterised multivariate normal model

$$(2\pi)^{-\frac{1}{2}np} |A|^{-\frac{1}{2}np} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (X-\mu)' A (X-\mu) \right\} dX \quad (3.1)$$

and the conditional distribution

$$\text{etr}(-\gamma(m,p)^{-1} I_{mp} - \frac{1}{2} AX \otimes X') [dX] \quad (3.2)$$

obtained when  $XX' = I_m$  and  $\underline{y} = \underline{0}_{mp}$ . Here  $A$  is  $mp \times mp$  symmetric positive definite with distinct eigenvalues  $a_1 > \dots > a_{mp}$ , and  $\gamma = \gamma(A)$  is a normalising constant. The distribution (3.2), denoted  $B(X, m, p, A)$  is antipodally symmetric and has parameter space of dimension  $v(m, p)$ , since  $B(X, m, p, A) = B(X, m, p, A + A_1 \otimes I_p)$  for all real  $m \times m$  symmetric matrices  $A_1$ , and  $B(X, p, p, A) = B(X, p, p, A + A_1 \otimes I_p + I_p \otimes A_2)$  for all real  $p \times p$  symmetric matrices  $A_1, A_2$ , where without loss of generality we may assume  $\text{trace}(A_1 - A_2) = 0$ . Where convenient to identify parameters uniquely we shall assume that  $A = (a_{jk, lq})$   $1 \leq j, q \leq m, 1 \leq k, l \leq p$ , satisfies the conditions

$$a_{jp, pq} = 0 \text{ for all } j, q, \text{ and, if } m = p, a_{pk, lp} = 0 \text{ for all } k, l. \quad (3.3)$$

A random sample from the distribution (3.2) has log likelihood

$$-n\gamma(A) - \frac{1}{2} n \text{ trace } AY \quad (3.4)$$

with  $Y = (y_{jk, lq})$  as in (2.3). The distinct elements of  $Y$ , excluding those corresponding to (3.3), are minimally sufficient for  $A$ . From Berk (1972), and differentiation we obtain.

### Theorem 3.1

For sufficiently large  $n$ , with probability 1 there exists a unique MLE  $\hat{A}$  of  $A$  subject to (3.3), which is the solution of

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial A} \right)_{(A=\hat{A})} = -\frac{1}{2} Y.$$

As with theorem 2.1, there are considerable computational difficulties associated with the search for  $\hat{A}$ . In particular, no explicit form of  $\gamma(A)$  is currently available.

A Bingham statistic for testing uniformity against all antipodally symmetric alternatives of the form  $B(X, m, p, A)$  may be obtained as follows.

Theorem 3.2

Let  $Z_1 = Y - p^{-1} I_{mp}$  and  $Z_2 = (Z_{jk,lq}^{(2)}) = \frac{1}{2}(Y_{jk,lq} - Y_{qk,lj})$ . On the null hypothesis of uniformity the statistic

$B_{mp} = n(p-1)[\frac{1}{2}(p+2) \text{ trace } (Z_1' Z_1) - \text{trace } (Z_2' Z_2)]$  is asymptotically distributed as  $\chi^2$  on  $v(m,p)$  degrees of freedom.

Proof

On the null hypothesis  $Y$  has expectation  $p^{-1} I_{mp}$ . Consider first the case  $m < p$ . The  $\binom{mp+1}{2}$  distinct elements of  $Y$  may be written as a vector

$$Y = (<Y_{11}>, \dots, <Y_{mm}>, <Y_{12}>, \dots, <Y_{m-1,m}>)',$$

where each  $<Y_{jj}>$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , is a  $\binom{p+1}{2}$ -vector

$$(Y_{j1,1j}', Y_{j2,2j}', \dots, Y_{jj,jj}', p^{-1}, \dots, Y_{jp,pj}', Y_{j1,2j}', Y_{j1,3j}', \dots, Y_{jp-1,pj})'$$

and each  $<Y_{jl}>$ ,  $1 \leq j < l \leq m$ , is a  $p^2$ -vector

$(Y_{j1,1l}', \dots, Y_{jp,pl}', Y_{j1,2l}', Y_{j2,1l}', \dots, Y_{jp-1,pl}', Y_{jp,p-1l})'$ . Using Anderson and Stephens (1972, p.616) it follows that  $n^{\frac{1}{2}}Y$  has covariance

$$\text{matrix } I = [(p-1)(p+2)]^{-1} \text{blockdiag}((2C_{mp} \otimes \text{blockdiag}(C_{pp}, 2I_{\binom{p}{2}}))),$$

$$I_{\binom{m}{2}} \otimes \text{blockdiag}(C_{pp}, p^{-1} I_{\binom{p}{2}} \otimes D)$$

where  $C_{mp} = I_m - p^{-1} 1_m 1_m'$ ,  $1_m$  is an  $m \times m$  matrix of ones, and  $D = \begin{bmatrix} p+1, & -1 \\ -1, & p+1 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Since  $C_{mp}^{-1} = C_{m,m-p}$  and  $C_{pp}^{-1} = I_p$  is a generalised inverse of  $C_{pp}$ , it follows that

$$I^{-} = \text{blockdiag}((\frac{1}{2}(p-1)(p+2)C_{m,m-p} \otimes \text{blockdiag}(I_p, 2I_{\binom{p}{2}}))),$$

$$I_{\binom{m}{2}} \otimes \text{blockdiag}((p-1)(p+2) I_p, I_{\binom{p}{2}} \otimes D_1)$$

is a generalised inverse of  $I$ , where  $D_1 = \begin{bmatrix} (p^2-1), & (p-1) \\ (p-1), & (p^2-1) \end{bmatrix}$ . As  $I$  has rank

$v(m,p)$  and the quadratic form  $n Y' I^{-} Y$  reduces to  $B_{mp}$  as above, it

follows that  $B_{mp}$  is asymptotically distributed as  $\chi^2$  on  $v(m,p)$  degrees of freedom.

The only change necessary when  $m=p$  is that  $C_{m,m-p}$  should be replaced by  $I_p (= C_{pp}^-)$ . We obtain  $B_{pp}$  as above, where now  $Z$  has rank  $v(p,p)$ .

Remarks 1. When  $p \geq 4$ ,  $B_{pp}$  is precisely the 'Bingham' statistic obtained by Prentice (1981, (3.4)) from consideration of the  $(0,2)$ -th and  $(0,1,1)$ -th characters of the irreducible continuous representations of the rotation group  $O^+(p)$ .

2. When  $m=1$ ,  $B_{1p}$  is the conventional Bingham statistic for directional data, since then  $Z_2 = O_{pp}$  and  $Z_1$  is symmetric.

#### 4. Axial orientation statistics

The distribution (3.2) (or (2.2)) may be specialised to give a parametric model suitable for X-shapes. We require a probability density on  $O(m,p)$  invariant under sign changes of any row of the random variable  $X$ . This is achieved if  $\Lambda$  satisfies the conditions  $a_{jklq} = 0$  if  $j \neq q$ . We write  $B^{(ax)}(X, m, p, E)$  for the density

$$\text{etr}(-\gamma P^{-1} I_p - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^m E_j X X_j') \quad (4.1)$$

where  $\gamma = \gamma(E)$  is a normalising constant,  $E$  is an  $m \times p \times p$  array with  $j$ th layer  $E_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ ,  $e_{jkl} = a_{jk, l, j}$ ,  $1 \leq k, l \leq p$ , and  $X_j$  is the  $j$ -th row of the random variable  $X$ . Since  $B^{(ax)}(X, m, p, E) = B^{(ax)}(X, m, p, E+E^*)$  for all real  $m \times p \times p$  arrays with elements  $e_{jkl}^* = e_{jkl}$ , dependant on layer only, it follows that the distribution (4.1) has parameter space of dimension  $n(m, p) = m \binom{p+1}{2} - m = \frac{1}{2} m(p-1)(p+2)$ , when  $m < p$ . If  $m=p$ ,  $e_{jkl}^*$  may be of the more general form  $e_{jkl} + f_{kl}$  where  $F = (f_{kl})$  is  $p \times p$  symmetric, and without loss of generality,  $f_{pp} = 0$ . Hence for square axial orientations the parameter space of the distribution (4.1) has dimension  $n(p, p) = p \binom{p+1}{2} - \binom{p+1}{2} - p + 1 = \frac{1}{2} (p-1)^2 (p+2) = n(p-1, p)$ . Where convenient to identify parameters uniquely, we shall assume that

$$e_{jpp} = 0 \text{ for all } j, 1 \leq j \leq m, \text{ and if } m=p, E_p = 0 \text{ also.} \quad (4.2)$$

A random sample from the distribution (4.1) has log likelihood

$$-ny(E) - \frac{1}{2}n \text{ trace} \sum_{j=1}^m E_j Y_j \quad (4.3)$$

where  $Y_j = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \underline{x}_j^{(i)} \underline{x}_j^{(i)'} , \underline{x}_j^{(i)}$  representing the  $j$ th row of  $X_i$ .

The distinct elements of  $Y_1, \dots, Y_m$ , excluding those corresponding to (4.2), are minimally sufficient for  $E$ . As in Section 3 we obtain

#### Theorem 4.1

For sufficiently large  $n$ , with probability 1 there exists a unique MLE  $\hat{E}$  of  $E$ , subject to (4.2), which is the solution of

$$\left( \frac{\partial y}{\partial E} \right)_{(E=\hat{E})} = - \frac{1}{2} (Y_1, \dots, Y_m).$$

An axial Bingham statistic, suitable for testing uniformity against alternatives (4.1) may be obtained from a simplified version of Theorem 3.2. From consideration of the asymptotic null distribution of the first  $m \binom{p+1}{2}$  elements of  $n^{\frac{1}{2}} Y$  we obtain

#### Theorem 4.2

On the null hypothesis of uniformity the statistic

$$B_{mp}^{(ax)} = \frac{1}{2}m(p-1)(p+2) \left( \text{trace} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j^2 \right) - m/p \right) \text{ is asymptotically distributed}$$

as  $\chi^2$  on  $n(m,p)$  degrees of freedom.

Remark  $S_{11}$  (Theorem 2.2)  $= \frac{1}{2}mp(p-1)(p+2) \left( \text{trace} \left( \sum_{j=1}^m Y_j^2 \right) - m^2/p \right) / m(p-m)$ , provided  $m < p$ .

## 5. Hybrids

A parametric model suitable for T-shapes may be obtained from the generalised Khatri-Mardia distribution

$$\text{etr}(-\gamma(\mathbf{m}_p)^{-1} \mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{m}_p} - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{X}' + \mathbf{A}_1 \otimes \mathbf{X}') , \quad (5.1)$$

from (3.1), conditional on  $\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}' = \mathbf{I}_m$ , when  $\mathbf{u} \neq \mathbf{0}_{\mathbf{m}_p}$ . We require that the pdf should be invariant under sign changes of any of the first  $m_1$ ,

rows (the axes) of  $\mathbf{X}$ . This can be achieved by requiring that

$$\mathbf{u} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{0}_{m_1, p} \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ where } \mathbf{u}_2 \text{ is an } m_2 \times p \text{ matrix of means, } 0 < m_2 = m - m_1 < m,$$

and that  $\mathbf{A}$  satisfies the condition  $a_{jk, lq} = 0$  if  $j \neq q$  and

$\min(j, q) \leq m_1$ . We write  $B^{(hy)}(X, m_1, m_2, p, u_2, E, A_2)$  for the density

$$\exp(-\gamma - \frac{1}{2} \text{trace}(\sum_{j=1}^{m_1} \mathbf{X}_j \mathbf{X}_j' + \text{trace}(\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{u}_2 \otimes \mathbf{X}_{(2)}' - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{X}_{(2)} \otimes \mathbf{X}_{(2)}')) \quad (5.2)$$

where  $\gamma = \gamma(E, A_2)$  is a normalising constant,  $E$  is as in Section 4, but with only  $m_1$  layers,  $A_2$  is the  $m_2 \times m_2$  submatrix of  $\mathbf{A}$  corresponding to  $\mathbf{X}_{(2)}$ , the last  $m_2$  rows of the random variable  $\mathbf{X}$ . Since

$$B^{(hy)}(X, m_1, m_2, p, u_2, E, A_2) = B^{(hy)}(X, m_1, m_2, p, u_2, E + E^*, A_2 + A_2^* \otimes \mathbf{I}_p)$$

for all real  $E^*$  as in Section 4 (but with only  $m_1$  layers), and all

real symmetric  $m_2 \times m_2$  matrices  $A_2^*$ , it follows that when  $m = m_1 + m_2 < p$ ,

the distribution (5.2) has parameter space of dimension

$$\phi(m_1, m_2, p) = m_1 \binom{p+1}{2} + \binom{m_2 p + 1}{2} - m_1 - \binom{m_2 + 1}{2} + m_2 p = \eta(m_1, p) + v(m_2, p) + m_2 p.$$

When  $m = p$ , the more general result

$$B^{(hy)}(X, m_1, m_2, p, u_2, E, A_2) = B^{(hy)}(X, m_1, m_2, p, u_2, E + E^*, A_2 + (A_2^* \otimes \mathbf{I}_p) + (\mathbf{I}_{m_2} \otimes F))$$

obtains, where  $F$  and  $E^*$  are of the more general form in Section 4, and

so, the distribution (5.2) has parameter space of dimension

$$\phi(m_1^i, m_2, p) = \eta(m_1^i, p) + v(m_2, p) + m_2 p, \text{ where } m_1^i = \min(m_1, p - m_2 - 1).$$

Where convenient to identify parameters, we shall assume that  $A_2$

satisfies (3.3), and that

$$a_{jpp} = 0 \text{ for all } j, 1 \leq j \leq m_1, \text{ and if } m_1 + m_2 = p, E_{m_1} = 0 \quad (5.3)$$

A random sample from the distribution (5.2) has log likelihood

$$-ny(E, A_2) - \frac{1}{2}n \text{trace} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{m_1} E_j Y_j \right) + n \text{trace} (A_2 \mu_2 \otimes \bar{X}'_{(2)} - \frac{1}{2} A_2 Y_{(2)}) \quad (5.4)$$

where  $\bar{X}_{(2)}$  is the  $m_2 \times p$  matrix of means of the last  $m_2$  rows of the data matrices  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ , and  $Y_{(2)}$  is the  $m_2 p \times m_2 p$  submatrix of  $Y$  corresponding to the last  $m_2$  rows. The distinct elements of  $\bar{X}_{(2)} Y_1, \dots, Y_{m_1}, Y_{(2)}$ , excluding those corresponding to (3.3) and (5.3), are minimally sufficient for  $\mu_2, E$  and  $A_2$ .

### Theorem 5.1

For sufficiently large  $n$ , with probability 1 there exists a MLE  $\hat{\theta} = (\hat{\mu}_2, \hat{A}_2, \hat{E})$  of  $\theta = (\mu_2, A_2, E)$ , subject to (3.3) and (5.3), which is the solution of

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial \mu_{2,jl}} \right)_{(\theta=\hat{\theta})} = \sum_{kq} a_{jk, lq} \bar{X}_{2,qk}$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial E} \right)_{(\theta=\hat{\theta})} = -\frac{1}{2} (Y_1, \dots, Y_{m_1})$$

$$\left( \frac{\partial \gamma}{\partial A_2} \right)_{(\theta=\hat{\theta})} = \mu_2 \otimes \bar{X}'_{(2)} - \frac{1}{2} Y_{(2)}.$$

A large sample test of uniformity of T-shapes against alternatives (5.2) may be obtained by slight modification of Theorems (3.2) and (4.2). We obtain a hybrid Rayleigh-Bingham statistic:-

### Theorem 5.2

On the null hypothesis of uniformity, the statistic

$B_{m_1 m_2 p}^{(hy)} = B_{m_1 p}^{(ax)} + B_{m_2 p} + pn \text{trace} \bar{X}_{(2)} \bar{X}'_{(2)}$ , with  $B_{m_1 p}^{(ax)}$  as in Theorem 4.2, and  $B_{m_2 p}$  as in Theorem 3.2, is asymptotically distributed as  $\chi^2$  on  $\phi(m'_1, m_2, p)$  degrees of freedom.

Proof

$\bar{X}_2$  has expectation  $0_{m_2 p}$  and is asymptotically uncorrelated with  $Y_1, \dots, Y_{m_1}$  and  $Y_{(2)}$ . Using the method of Theorem 3.2 we obtain a quadratic form in  $m_2 p + \binom{m_2 p + 1}{2} + m_1 \binom{p + 1}{2}$  variables with covariance matrix of rank  $\phi(m_1', m_2, p)$ , which reduces to  $S_{m_1 m_2 p}^{(hy)}$  as stated.

6. Exponential models and regression estimators

It is instructive to consider these matrix Bingham and Khatri-Mardia distributions within the context of the rotationally invariant exponential family of distributions for orientation statistics, obtained by generalising Beran's (1979) exponential family for directional data. Provided good multivariate density estimates are available, the obvious analogues of Beran's regression estimators ((1.10) *ibid.*) and goodness of fit tests (Section 5, *ibid.*) should be considerably more convenient computationally than exact MLEs and likelihood ratio tests.

Consider first the case  $m = p$ , and the general exponential model  $\exp(h(X) - \gamma(h))$ ,  $h \in \mathbb{R}_{\mathfrak{g}}$ , where  $\mathbb{R}_{\mathfrak{g}}$  is associated with the  $\mathfrak{g}$ -th character of the irreducible continuous representations of  $O^+(p)$ , as in Prentice (1981). The von Mises-Fisher matrix distribution spans  $\mathbb{M}_{0,1}$ , of dimension  $p^2$ , and has basis  $\beta_1 = \{x_{ij}, 1 \leq i, j \leq p\}$ . The generalised Bingham matrix distribution (3.2) spans  $\mathbb{M}_2 = \mathbb{M}_{0,2} \oplus \mathbb{M}_{0,1,1}$  of dimension  $v(p, p)$  when  $p \geq 4$ , and spans  $\mathbb{M}_2 \oplus \mathbb{M}_1$  when  $p = 3$ . A basis is provided by  $\beta_2 = \{x_{ij} x_{kl}, 1 \leq i \leq k \leq p, 1 \leq j \leq l \leq p, \text{ excluding cases corresponding to (3.3)}\}$ . When  $m < p$ , corresponding results are obtained by excluding the last  $(p-m)$  rows of  $X$ . We obtain  $\mathbb{M}_2$  of dimension  $v(m, p)$  with basis

$$\{x_{ij} x_{kl}, 1 \leq i \leq k \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq l \leq p, \text{ excluding cases (3.3)}\}.$$

For X-shapes, and the distribution (4.2) we proceed similarly. We obtain  $\{x_{ij}x_{ik}, 1 \leq i \leq m', 1 \leq j < k \leq p, \text{ excluding cases corresponding to (4.2)}\}$ , of dimension  $\eta(m', p)$ . For hybrids, and the distribution (5.2), a basis is  $\{x_{ij}, m_1 < i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq p\} \oplus \{x_{ij}x_{ik}, 1 \leq i \leq m_1', 1 \leq j < k \leq p, \text{ excluding cases corresponding to (5.3)}\} \oplus \{x_{ij}x_{kl}, m_1 < i < k \leq m, 1 \leq j < l \leq p, \text{ excluding cases corresponding to (3.3)}\}$ , of dimension  $\phi(m_1', m_2, p)$ .

Since Beran's results (1979) apply to the canonical exponential family of any compact space, his formulae (1.10) for estimators, (5.5) for approximate tests, and their extensions to interval estimation, may be used in large samples on orientation statistics of all types, provided only that suitable robust multivariate density estimates are available.

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