

# Orthogonal decomposition of finite population $L$ -statistics

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**Abstract.** In this paper we study orthogonal decomposition of finite population  $L$ -statistics. We propose quite simple form of first two terms of such decomposition.

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## 1. Introduction

Consider the population  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_N\}$  of size  $N$  and assume that  $x_1 < \dots < x_N$ . Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is simple random sample of size  $n < N$  drawn without replacement from  $\mathcal{X}$  and let  $X_{(1)} < \dots < X_{(n)}$  denote the order statistics of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$ . Then for arbitrary real numbers  $c_1, \dots, c_n$  define  $L$ -statistic  $L = c_1 X_{(1)} + \dots + c_n X_{(n)}$ .

This statistic can be decomposed into the sum

$$L = \mathbf{E}L + U_1 + \dots + U_n, \tag{1}$$

$$U_m = \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < \dots < i_m \leq n} g_m(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_m}), \quad m = 1, \dots, n.$$

Decomposition (1) is called orthogonal (called also Hoeffding) decomposition and  $U_m$  are called  $U$ -statistics. The symmetric kernels  $g_m, m = 1, \dots, n$  are linear combinations of conditional expectations

$$h_j(x_{k_1}, \dots, x_{k_j}) = \mathbf{E}(L - \mathbf{E}L | X_1 = x_{k_1}, \dots, X_j = x_{k_j}), \quad 1 \leq j \leq n. \tag{2}$$

The decompositon (1) and its applications for finite population symmetric statistics were studied in [1]. In that paper we can find coefficients of linear combinations of (2).

The main interest of present work is conditional expectations (2) for  $j = 1, \dots, n$  and functions

$$g_1(x) = \frac{N-1}{N-n} h_1(x), \tag{3}$$

$$g_2(x, y) = \frac{N-2}{N-n} \frac{N-3}{N-n-1} \left( h_2(x, y) - \frac{N-1}{N-2} (h_1(x) + h_1(y)) \right), \tag{4}$$

which can be useful for various applications.

In the case where random variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent and identically distributed the orthogonal decomposition of  $L$ -statistics was studied in [2]. We shall adopt some ideas from that paper to get a similar form of orthogonal decomposition. Note that for samples without replacement from finite population variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are identically distributed, but they are not independent.

In Section 2 we state our results, which are proved in Section 3.

## 2. Results

For the given  $n$  let fix  $0 \leq m \leq n$  and define a set of conditions  $A_m = \{X_1 = x_{k_1}, \dots, X_m = x_{k_m}\}$ , where  $1 \leq k_1 < \dots < k_m \leq N$ . Let  $k_0 = 0$ ,  $k_{m+1} = N + 1$  and define  $X_{(0)} = x_0$ ,  $X_{(n+1)} = x_{N+1}$  where  $x_0 = x_1$ ,  $x_{N+1} = x_N$ . Consider statistics  $X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)}$ ,  $r = 0, \dots, n$ .

LEMMA 1. For any  $m = 0, \dots, n$  and  $r = 0, \dots, n$  we have

$$\mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)} | A_m) = \sum_{s=1}^{m+1} \sum_{i=k_{s-1}}^{k_s-1} \Delta_{m,s,i}(r)(x_{i+1} - x_i), \quad (5)$$

where we denote

$$\Delta_{m,s,i}(r) = \binom{N-m}{n-m}^{-1} \binom{i-s+1}{r-s+1} \binom{N-i-m+s-1}{n-r-m+s-1}.$$

We shall use differences  $X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)}$ ,  $r = 0, \dots, n$  to get convenient expression of (2).

PROPOSITION 1. For chosen  $m = 1, \dots, n$  we have

$$\mathbf{E}(L - \mathbf{E}L | A_m) = \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \sum_{r=0}^{j-1} \{\mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)} | A_m) - \mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)})\}. \quad (6)$$

Next we shall propose simple form of kernels (3) and (4).

THEOREM 1. (i) For  $1 \leq k \leq N$

$$g_1(x_k) = - \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \varphi_k(i) \frac{\binom{i-1}{j-1} \binom{N-i-1}{n-j}}{\binom{N-2}{n-1}} (x_{i+1} - x_i), \quad (7)$$

where

$$\varphi_k(i) = \begin{cases} -\frac{i}{N}, & \text{if } 1 \leq i < k, \\ 1 - \frac{i}{N}, & \text{if } k \leq i < N. \end{cases}$$

(ii) For  $1 \leq k < l \leq N$

$$g_2(x_k, x_l) = - \sum_{j=2}^n (c_j - c_{j-1}) \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} \phi_{k,l}(i) \frac{\binom{i-2}{j-2} \binom{N-i-2}{n-j}}{\binom{N-4}{n-2}} (x_{i+1} - x_i), \quad (8)$$

where

$$\phi_{k,l}(i) = \begin{cases} \frac{i(i-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)}, & \text{if } 1 \leq i < k, \\ -\frac{(i-1)(N-i-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)}, & \text{if } k \leq i < l, \\ \frac{(N-i)(N-i-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)}, & \text{if } l \leq i < N. \end{cases}$$

*Remark 1.* While we do not talk about applications, which are beyond the scope of this paper, the Theorem 1 is just a theoretical result, i.e., the kernels (7) and (8) are just the formal functions.

### 3. Proofs

*Proof of Lemma 1.* For any  $m = 0, \dots, n$  and  $r = 0, \dots, n + 1$  straightforward combinatorial calculations give

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(X_{(r)}|A_m) &= \binom{N-m}{n-m}^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m+1} \sum_{i=k_{s-1}+1}^{k_s-1} \binom{i-s}{r-s} \binom{N-i-m+s-1}{n-r-m+s-1} x_i \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{s=0}^{m+1} \binom{k_s-s}{r-s} \binom{N-k_s-m+s}{n-r-m+s} x_{k_s} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

The key idea is for  $r = 0, \dots, n$  write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)}|A_m) &= \binom{N-m}{n-m}^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m+1} \sum_{i=k_{s-1}+1}^{k_s-1} \binom{i-s}{r-s+1} \delta'_{m,s,i}(r) x_i \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{s=0}^{m+1} \binom{k_s-s}{r-s+1} \binom{N-k_s-m+s}{n-r-m+s-1} x_{k_s} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\delta'_{m,s,i}(r) = \binom{N-i-m+s}{n-r-m+s-1} - \binom{N-i-m+s-1}{n-r-m+s-1}$$

and

$$\mathbf{E}(X_{(r)}|A_m) = \binom{N-m}{n-m}^{-1} \left[ \sum_{s=1}^{m+1} \sum_{i=k_{s-1}+1}^{k_s-1} \delta''_{m,s,i}(r) \binom{N-i-m+s-1}{n-r-m+s-1} x_i \right]$$

$$+ \sum_{s=0}^{m+1} \binom{k_s - s}{r - s} \binom{N - k_s - m + s}{n - r - m + s} x_{k_s} \Big],$$

where

$$\delta''_{m,s,i}(r) = \binom{i - s + 1}{r - s + 1} - \binom{i - s}{r - s + 1}.$$

Then it is easy to see, that for  $r = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)} | A_m)$  is the same as in lemma's statement.

*Proof of Proposition 1.* Applying summation by parts we can write

$$L = \sum_{r=1}^{n-1} \alpha_r (X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)}) + \bar{c} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j,$$

where  $\alpha_r = -\sum_{j=1}^r (c_j - \bar{c})$  for  $r = 1, \dots, n-1$  and  $\bar{c} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n c_j$ .

Then for  $m = 1, \dots, n$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(L - \mathbf{E}L | A_m) &= - \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \sum_{r=j}^n \{ \mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)} | A_m) - \mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)}) \} \\ &+ \bar{c} \left[ \sum_{r=0}^n r \{ \mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)} | A_m) - \mathbf{E}(X_{(r+1)} - X_{(r)}) \} \right. \\ &\left. + \frac{N-n}{N(N-m)} \sum_{s=1}^m \left( \sum_{i=0}^{k_s-1} i(x_{i+1} - x_i) - \sum_{i=k_s}^N (N-i)(x_{i+1} - x_i) \right) \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the term in brackets vanishes, because using lemma 1 and changing order of summation, for fixed  $m = 0, \dots, n$ ,  $s = 1, \dots, m+1$ ,  $i = k_{s-1}, \dots, k_s - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=0}^n r \Delta_{m,s,i}(r) &= \sum_{r=s-1}^{n-m+s-1} (r-s+1) \Delta_{m,s,i}(r) + (s-1) \sum_{r=s-1}^{n-m+s-1} \Delta_{m,s,i}(r) \\ &= \frac{n-m}{N-m} (i-s+1) + s-1, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Delta_{m,s,i}(r) = \binom{N-m}{n-m}^{-1} \binom{i-s+1}{r-s+1} \binom{N-m-(i-s+1)}{n-m-(r-s+1)},$$

and the remaining verifying is quite simple.

Applying of Vandermonde's identity completes the proof.

*Proof of Theorem 1.* (i) For chosen  $1 \leq k \leq N$  using proposition 1 for  $m = 1$  and lemma 1 for  $m = 0$ ; 1 from (3) we have

$$g_1(x_k) = \binom{N-2}{n-1}^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \sum_{r=0}^{j-1} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{i}{N} \theta_{21}(i, r)(x_{i+1} - x_i) - \sum_{i=k}^{N-1} \left(1 - \frac{i}{N}\right) \theta_{22}(i, r)(x_{i+1} - x_i) \right\},$$

where

$$\theta_{21}(i, r) = \frac{N}{i} \binom{i}{r} \left\{ \binom{N-i-1}{n-r-1} - \frac{n}{N} \binom{N-i}{n-r} \right\},$$

$$\theta_{22}(i, r) = -\frac{N}{N-i} \binom{N-i}{n-r} \left\{ \binom{i-1}{r-1} - \frac{n}{N} \binom{i}{r} \right\}.$$

It is easy to verify that  $\theta_{21}(i, r) = \theta_{22}(i, r)$ . Next using principle of mathematical induction it is easy to show that for every  $j = 1, \dots, n$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{j-1} \theta_{22}(i, r) = \binom{i-1}{j-1} \binom{N-i-1}{n-j},$$

and the proof of the part (i) follows.

(ii) For chosen  $1 \leq k < l \leq N$  using Proposition 1 for  $m = 1; 2$  and Lemma 1 for  $m = 0; 1; 2$  from (4) we have

$$g_2(x_k, x_l) = \binom{N-4}{n-2}^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^n c_j \sum_{r=0}^{j-1} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{i(i-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)} \theta_{31}(i, r)(x_{i+1} - x_i) - \sum_{i=k}^{l-1} \frac{(i-1)(N-i-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)} \theta_{32}(i, r)(x_{i+1} - x_i) + \sum_{i=l}^{N-1} \frac{(N-i)(N-i-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)} \theta_{33}(i, r)(x_{i+1} - x_i) \right\},$$

where

$$\theta_{31}(i, r) = \frac{(N-1)(N-2)}{i(i-1)} \binom{i}{r} \left\{ \binom{N-i-2}{n-r-2} - 2 \frac{n-1}{N-2} \binom{N-i-1}{n-r-1} + \frac{n(n-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)} \binom{N-i}{n-r} \right\},$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{32}(i, r) &= -\frac{(N-1)(N-2)}{(i-1)(N-i-1)} \left[ \binom{i-1}{r-1} \left\{ \binom{N-i-1}{n-r-1} - \frac{n-1}{N-2} \binom{N-i}{n-r} \right\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{n-1}{N-2} \binom{i}{r} \left\{ \binom{N-i-1}{n-r-1} - \frac{n}{N-1} \binom{N-i}{n-r} \right\} \right], \\ \theta_{33}(i, r) &= \frac{(N-1)(N-2)}{(N-i)(N-i-1)} \binom{N-i}{n-r} \left\{ \binom{i-2}{r-2} - 2 \frac{n-1}{N-2} \binom{i-1}{r-1} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{n(n-1)}{(N-1)(N-2)} \binom{i}{r} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly  $\theta_{31}(i, r) = \theta_{32}(i, r) = \theta_{33}(i, r)$ . Next using principle of mathematical induction we can show that for every  $j = 1, \dots, n$

$$\sum_{r=0}^{j-1} \theta_{33}(i, r) = \binom{i-2}{j-1} \binom{N-i-2}{n-j-1} - \binom{i-2}{j-2} \binom{N-i-2}{n-j}.$$

Then summation by parts completes the proof of the part (ii).

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### REZIUMĖ

#### A. Čiginas. Baigtinių populiacijų $L$ -statistikų ortogonalusis skleidinys

Straipsnyje nagrinėjamas baigtinių populiacijų  $L$ -statistikų ortogonalusis skleidinys. Pasiūlomos patogios pirmųjų dviejų skleidinio narių išraiškos.

*Raktiniai žodžiai:* baigtinė populiacija, ėmimas be grąžinimo,  $L$ -statistika, Hoeffding'o skleidinys.