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## ABSTRACT

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Suppose  $\pi_i = (X_i, A_i, P_i)$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ , are  $k$  probability spaces called populations. Assume that  $X_i = X$  and  $A_i = A$  for all  $i$  and  $P_i$  belongs to a family  $\mathcal{P}$  possessing an order relation  $\succ$ . Let  $\Omega = \{(P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k)\}$  denote the space of joint probability measures and  $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$  be the subspace where all  $P_i$ 's are identical. The theory of selection and ranking is concerned with the determination-partial or complete- of the order among the populations based on the observed random events  $X_i \in A_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ . The investigations in this thesis are made under the subset selection formulation of Gupta [11], where the objective is to define a rule  $R$  which selects a subset of the  $k$  populations with the guarantee that the probability of a correct selection, i.e. the selection of a subset which includes the population which is associated with  $P_i \succ P_j$  for all  $j$ , called the best population, is at least a pre-assigned value  $P^*$ . In case of ties, one of the populations is arbitrarily tagged as the best. Letting  $P_\omega(\text{CS}|R)$  denote the probability of a correct selection for  $\omega \in \Omega$ , the  $P^*$ -condition above can be written as  $\inf_{\omega \in \Omega} P_\omega(\text{CS}|R) \geq P^*$ . Chapter I deals with the central problem of evaluating  $\inf_{\Omega} P_\omega(\text{CS}|R)$ . Subset selection rules are formally defined and it is shown in Section 1.4 that, for  $R$  restricted to the class of rules invariant under permutation, certain

monotonicity requirements on the rules guarantee that  $\inf_{\Omega} P_{\omega}(CS|R) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P_{\omega}(CS|R)$  and also that the rule selects better populations with higher probability. These requirements which are, in general, hard to verify are shown in Section 1.5 to be satisfied by "just" rules, which are defined for stochastically ordered families as follows: If  $p_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$  denotes the probability of selecting  $\pi_i$  based on the observation vector  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$  then  $p_i(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) \leq p_i(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k)$ , where  $y_i \geq x_i$  and  $y_j \leq x_j$  for  $j \neq i$ . These results are true for a generalized definition of stochastic ordering given in Section 1.5. In the next section many of the rules investigated in the literature are shown to be just and a procedure defined in [28] based on ranks is shown not to be just, which throws some light on the difficulties encountered in [28]. In Section 1.8, two just and translation invariant rules are constructed to be used in the normal means case, the first rule maximizing  $P_{\omega}(CS)$  and the second minimizing the expected subset size  $E_{\omega}(S)$  for some predetermined  $\omega$ . Since  $\Omega_0$  itself is translation invariant, the translation invariant rules yield constant  $P_{\omega}(CS)$  for  $\omega \in \Omega_0$  and thus  $P_{\omega_0}(CS|R) \geq P^*$  for some fixed  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$  implies the  $P^*$ -condition. Chapter II deals with the case where there is no transformation requiring invariance naturally. In this case, constant  $P_{\omega}(CS)$  for  $\omega \in \Omega_0$  can be realized by imposing the condition  $P_{\omega}(CS|T=t) = P^*$  for all  $t$ , where  $\omega = (\theta, \theta, \dots, \theta) \in \Omega_0$  and  $T$  is sufficient for  $\theta$ . Applications are made to the case of gamma populations and various discrete distributions and tables are provided in the appendix. Testing against slippage alternatives which in the normal case leads to Gupta's rule is extended to the Koopman-Darmois family, yielding selection rules with constant  $P_{\omega}(CS)$  in  $\Omega_0$ . Chapter III contains discussions on a



locally optimal selection rule based on ranks and a rule for the problem of selecting the multinomial cell with the largest probability which minimizes  $P(\text{CS})$  when the cell probabilities are equal and which maximizes  $P_w(\text{CS})$  for all slippage configurations.

## INTRODUCTION

The rejection of the hypothesis that the  $k$  tested populations are identically distributed is in most cases not satisfactory enough to the experimenter. What he really wants to know is not whether the populations are different, but which ones are significantly different from the others and how big the deviations are. For the case where all but one are identical an answer was found by Mosteller [29] testing homogeneity against slippage alternatives. The general problem has been approached in two different ways. The first, known as indifferent zone approach, states the goal as selecting the best population with a predetermined guaranteed probability provided that this best one exceeds the others by a preassigned amount in terms of a suitable defined distance function. This formulation is due to Bechhofer [4]. The second, which is the one used in the investigations of the present thesis, is the subset selection approach formulated by Gupta [11], where the goal is the selection of a subset containing the best population with a preassigned probability  $P^*$ . Here the number of populations retained in the selected subset is a random variable. The best population may be the one with highest (lowest) parameter value if the distributions come from a one-parameter family, in general it is the one which precedes the others with respect to some (partial) order relation. In case of ties one of the qualifying populations is arbitrarily tagged as the best one. The selection of a subset including the best population is called a correct selection (CS)

so that the above  $P^*$ -condition can be written as  $\inf_{\omega \in \Omega} P_{\omega}(CS) \geq P^*$  where  $\Omega$  denotes the space of joint distribution functions under consideration. The  $P^*$ -condition alone does not necessarily lead to useful rules, e.g. the rule which selects all populations regardless of the observations satisfies it on any level  $P^*$ . For a bibliography on these two approaches see [14] and [19].

Using a maximum likelihood test for slippage hypotheses Gupta [11] derived in the case of means from normal populations the following rule: Include every population in the selected subset whose observed sample mean is at a distance less than  $D$  from the maximum of the sample means where the constant  $D$  is determined to guarantee the  $P^*$ -condition. Procedures of this type have successfully been applied to many other families of distributions [12,16,22]. Deverman [8] uses a generalized procedure of this kind for selecting a collection of fixed size subsets one of which has to contain at least  $c$  of the  $t$  best populations. Barron [3] investigates a sequential subset selection procedure which on each stage uses a rule of this type. In most cases it could be shown that the worst configuration lies in  $\Omega_0$ , the subset of  $\Omega$  where all populations have identical distributions. This reduces the evaluation of  $\inf_{\Omega} P_{\omega}(CS)$  to the problem of minimizing univariate function so that the constants necessary to guarantee the  $P^*$ -condition can be computed. Moreover one expects a reasonable rule to yield the smallest probability of a correct selection when all populations are identically distributed, because in that case no statistical information can be employed to select the one which has arbitrarily been tagged as the best one. Gupta and Nagel [18] showed that this is not true for the problem of selecting the cell with highest (lowest) probability from  $k$  multinomial cells. McDonald [28]

studies rules of this type based on rank sums where it could not be shown that the worst configuration lies in  $\Omega_0$ , while Rizvi and Woodworth [12] constructed a bimodal distribution for which it is actually not the case.

One way to overcome these difficulties would be finding sufficient conditions on the distributions which would guarantee that the worst configuration lies in  $\Omega_0$ . Alternatively, we can achieve this goal, as in this thesis, by imposing certain conditions on the rules. In Section 1.4 monotonicity requirements are stated which yield this desired property regarding the worst configuration, and which further guarantee that better populations are selected with higher probabilities for rules invariant under permutations. In general these conditions are hard to verify, but in the case of stochastically ordered families they are satisfied for "just" rules which are defined as follows: If  $p_i(x)$  denotes the probability of selecting  $\pi_i$  on observing  $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$  then  $p_i(y) \geq p_i(x)$  holds for any vector  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_k)$  with  $y_i \geq x_i$ ,  $y_j \leq x_j$  for  $j \neq i$ . These results remain valid for a generalized definition of stochastic ordering defined in Section 1.5. Examples in Section 1.6 show that many of the rules considered in literature are just. The difficulties in [28] with a rule based on rank sums are partially due to the fact that the rule is not just. In Section 1.8 an attempt is made to construct two just and translation invariant rules to be used in the normal means case, the first rule maximizing  $P_\omega(\text{CS})$  and the second minimizing the expected subset size  $E_\omega(S)$  for some alternative  $\omega$ . The conjectured solution of the second problem is numerically shown to be closely approximated by Gupta's rule. Since  $\Omega_0$  itself is translation invariant, translation

invariant rules yield constant  $P_{\omega}(\text{CS})$  for  $\omega \in \Omega_0$  and thus  $P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS}) \geq P^*$  for some fixed  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$  implies the  $P^*$ -condition. For the case where there is no transformation for which invariance could be required naturally it is shown in Section 2.1 that the condition  $P_{\omega}(\text{CS} | T = t) = P^*$  for all  $t$  guarantees constant probability of a correct selection in  $\Omega_0$ , where  $T$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$  in  $\omega = (\theta, \theta, \dots, \theta) \in \Omega_0$ . In the remainder of Chapter II rules of this type are investigated for gamma populations and for binomial, Poisson, negative binomial and Fisher's logarithmic distributions. Tables for applications are provided in the Appendix. In Section 2.7 the above mentioned method of Gupta [11] is applied to the Koopman-Darmois family of distributions, yielding selection rules with constant  $P_{\omega}(\text{CS})$  in  $\Omega_0$ .

In Chapter III a just and locally optimal selection rule based on ranks is derived. For the problem of selecting a subset containing the multinomial cell with largest probability a rule is given in Section 3.2 which minimizes  $P_{\omega}(\text{CS})$  when all cells have equal probabilities and maximizes it for all slippage configurations.

## CHAPTER I

### SUBSET SELECTION RULES

#### 1.1. Subset Selection as Part of Multiple Decision Theory

The theory of subset-selection is part of the general decision theory obtained from it by a specific choice of the decision space.

##### The Space of Observations $X^k$ .

We are given  $k$  probability spaces  $(X_i, B_i, P_i)$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ , henceforth referred to as populations  $\pi_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ . We assume that the  $X_i$ 's and  $B_i$ 's are identical:  $X_i = X$ ,  $B_i = B$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ , and that all probability measures  $P_i$  belong to some family  $P$ . From each population we observe a random element  $X_i$ . The space of observation is:

$$X^k = \{(x_1, \dots, x_k), x_i \in X\}$$

In most applications  $X^k$  will be a real vector space.

##### The Decision Space $\mathcal{D}$ .

The decision space  $\mathcal{D}$  consists of the  $2^k$  subsets  $d$  of the set  $\{1,2,\dots,k\}$ :

$$\mathcal{D} = \{d \mid d \subseteq \{1,2,\dots,k\}\} ..$$

A decision is the selection of a subset of the  $k$  populations.  $i \in d$  indicates that  $\pi_i$  is included in the selected subset if decision  $d$  is made.

Remark 1.1.1. Sometimes authors exclude  $\emptyset$  from  $\mathcal{D}$  to guarantee the selection of a nonempty subset. If one does so, one should consequently remove

$\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  from  $\mathcal{D}$  also, since that decision does not lead to a partition into selected and not selected populations.

The Loss Function.

There is a great variety of reasonable loss functions for the subset selection problem. We will restrict ourselves to loss functions based on two criteria:

- a) Correct selection (CS)
- b) SubsetSize (S)

We assume that a partial order relation ( $\succ$ ) is given in  $P$  :

$P_i \succ P_j$  saying  $P_i$  is better than or equal to  $P_j$  or  $P_i$  is preferred to  $P_j$ .  $\pi_i \succ \pi_j$  is used equivalently. e.g. If  $P$  is a one-parameter family  $P_i(x) = P(\theta_i, x)$ , we may define:  $P_i \succ P_j$  iff  $\theta_i \geq \theta_j$ . In a great part of this thesis  $P_i \succ P_j$  will denote stochastic ordering.

Def. 1.1.1. Assume  $\pi_j \succ \pi_i$  for all  $i$ . The decision  $d \in \mathcal{D}$  is called a correct selection (CS) if  $j \in d$ , i.e. if the best population is included in the selected subset. If there are several  $\pi_{j_\ell}$ ,  $\ell < k$ , such that  $\pi_{j_\ell} \succ \pi_i$  for all  $i$ , then one of the  $\pi_{j_\ell}$ 's is arbitrarily tagged as the best one and its inclusion in the selected subset is called a correct selection.

Throughout this thesis we will be concerned only with selection rules  $R$ , which guarantee a correct selection with a probability at least equal to a predetermined level  $P^*$ , that is to say

$$(1.1.I) \quad \inf_{\Omega} P_{\omega} \{CS|R\} \geq P^*,$$

where  $\Omega \subset P^k$  is the space of joint probability measures under consideration. The points of  $\Omega$  are denoted by  $\omega = (P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k)$ ,  $P_i \in P$ , and  $P_{\omega}$

denotes the corresponding product measure with respect to  $\mathcal{B}^k$ . In the case of parameter families  $P = \{P_\theta\}$ ,  $\Omega$  is used for the space of parameter vectors equivalently.  $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$  denotes the subset of  $\Omega$  where all  $P_i$ 's are identical.

Remark 1.1.2. The reason for tagging one population as the best one in the case of ties is done to guarantee

$$(1.1.2) \quad \lim_{\omega \rightarrow \omega_0} P_\omega(CS|R) = P_{\omega_0}(CS|R) \quad \text{for } \omega_0 \in \Omega_0,$$

whenever a meaningful convergence can be defined in  $\Omega$ .

(1.1.1) will be referred to as the basic probability requirement or  $P^*$ -condition. It should be pointed out that the  $P^*$ -condition alone does not necessarily lead to reasonable rules, e.g. the degenerate rule select all populations no matter what the observations are, always satisfies (1.1.1).

Therefore, the expected subset size is introduced as a second criterion which evaluates the performance of a selection procedure.

Def. 1.1.2. Expected subset size  $E_\omega(S|R)$  where  $S$  is the random number of populations included in the selected subset using rule  $R$  and  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

Obviously  $0 \leq E_\omega(S|R) \leq k$  holds. Frequently, instead of  $E_\omega(S|R)$  we will use the

Def. 1.1.3. Expected proportion

$$\lambda_\omega(R) = \frac{1}{k} E_\omega(S|R).$$

The range is  $0 \leq \lambda_\omega(R) \leq 1$ .



In general our objective will be to construct rules yielding a large probability of a correct selection and a small value for the expected proportion, but unfortunately we cannot control these two quantities simultaneously. An increase of  $P(\text{CS}|R)$  will be accompanied by an increase of  $E_{\omega}(S|R)$  (or  $\lambda_{\omega}(R)$ ). Hence the ratio

$$(1.1.3) \quad \eta_{\omega}(R) = \frac{P_{\omega}(\text{CS}|R)}{\lambda_{\omega}(R)}$$

is a reasonable measure for the performance of  $R$ .

Def. 1.1.4.  $\eta_{\omega}(R)$  is called the efficiency of  $R$  at  $\omega$ . It is obvious that a random rule - i.e. one which makes a random selection disregarding the observations - has efficiency one.

For each of the following two goals optimal rules will be investigated:

Goal 1: Maximize  $P_{\omega}(\text{CS}|R)$  with  $\inf_{\omega' \in \Omega} P_{\omega'}(\text{CS}|R) = P^*$

Goal 2: Minimize  $E_{\omega}(S|R)$  or equivalently  $\lambda_{\omega}(R)$ .

The maximization and minimization for both 1) and 2) are for a fixed alternative  $\omega \in \Omega$  and subject to the  $P^*$ -condition, which for 1) is to hold with the equal sign:  $\inf_{\omega \in \Omega} P_{\omega}(\text{CS}|R) = P^*$ .

## 1.2. Definition of Selection Procedures

Def. 1.2.1. A measurable function  $\delta$  defined on  $X^k \times \mathcal{D}$  is called a selection procedure (or selection rule) provided that for each observation  $x \in X^k$

$$(1.2.1) \quad \delta(x, d) \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \\ \sum_{\mathcal{D}} \delta(x, d) = 1 \quad \text{hold.}$$

$\delta(x,d)$  denotes the probability that subset  $d$  is selected when  $x$  is observed.

Def. 1.2.2.  $p_i(x) = \sum_{d \ni i} \delta(x,d)$  (Summation over all subsets containing  $i$ )

is the probability that  $\pi_i$  is included in the selected subset.  $p_1(x), \dots, p_k(x)$  are called the individual selection probabilities.

If the  $p_i$ 's take on the values 0 and 1 only then

$$(1.2.2) \quad \delta(x,d) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d = \{i \mid p_i(x) = 1\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

i.e. A nonrandomized procedure is completely determined by its individual selection probabilities. The following example shows that this is not true in general.

Example 1.2.1.  $k=2$ . For some fixed  $x$  selection rules  $\delta$  and  $\delta'$  are defined by

$$\begin{array}{ll} \delta(x, \emptyset) & = \frac{1}{4} & \delta'(x, \emptyset) & = 0 \\ \delta(x, \{1\}) & = \frac{1}{4} & \delta'(x, \{1\}) & = \frac{1}{2} \\ \delta(x, \{2\}) & = \frac{1}{4} & \delta'(x, \{2\}) & = \frac{1}{2} \\ \delta(x, \{1,2\}) & = \frac{1}{4} & \delta'(x, \{1,2\}) & = 0 \end{array}$$

Both rules have the same individual selection probabilities  $p_1(x) = p_2(x) = p'_1(x) = p'_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}$ .

We can now express the probability of a correct selection and the expected subset size in terms of the selection rule  $\delta$ . Assume that  $\pi_k$  is the best population, then

$$(1.2.3) \quad P_{\omega}(CS|\delta) = E_{\omega} \sum_{d \ni k} \delta(X,d) = E_{\omega} p_k(X).$$

We see that  $P_\omega(\text{CS}|\delta)$  depends on  $\delta$  only through the individual selection probabilities. The same is true for the expected subset size: Let  $s(d)$  denote the number of elements in  $d$

$$(1.2.4) \quad E_\omega(S|\delta) = E_\omega \sum_{d \in \mathcal{D}} s(d) \delta(X,d) = E_\omega \sum_{d \in \mathcal{D}} \sum_{i \in d} \delta(X,d) = E_\omega \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{d \ni i} \delta(X,d) = E_\omega \sum_{i=1}^k p_i(X).$$

Since we are only concerned with  $P(\text{CS}|\delta)$  and  $E(S|\delta)$  we can consider two rules with equal individual selection probabilities as equivalent. Therefore we will from now on use the following simplified definition of a selection rule.

Def. 1.2.3. A subset selection rule  $R$  is a measurable mapping from  $X^k$  into  $R^k$  (the  $k$ -dimensional Euclidean space)  $R: x \rightarrow (p_1(x), \dots, p_k(x))$ ,  $0 \leq p_i(x) \leq 1$ .

Def. 1.2.4. If the  $p_i$ 's are restricted to the values 0 and 1 then the rule is called nonrandomized.

In that case  $R$  can also be defined by the sets  $A_i = \{x \in X | p_i(x) = 1\}$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ .  $A_i$  is the set of observations for which  $\pi_i$  is selected.

In the sequel the use of the letter  $R$  will indicate that the modified definition 1.2.3 was used. Let  $P_{\omega,i} = E_\omega p_i(X)$  denote the probability that  $\pi_i$  will be included in the selected subset. For nonrandomized rules we get

$$(1.2.5) \quad P_{\omega,i} = P_\omega(A_i).$$

Def. 1.2.5. R is unbiased iff  $\pi_j \succ \pi_i, i=1,2,\dots,k$ , implies  $P_{\omega,j} \geq P_{\omega,i}$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

Def. 1.2.6. R is monotone iff  $\pi_j \succ \pi_i$  implies  $P_{\omega,j} \geq P_{\omega,i}$  for all  $i,j$  and for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ .

Obviously monotonicity implies unbiasedness.

Remark 1.2.1. The efficiency of an unbiased rule R is at least 1:

$$(1.2.6) \quad \eta_{\omega}(R) = \frac{kP_{\omega}(CS|R)}{E_{\omega}(S|R)} = \frac{kP_{\omega,j}}{\sum_i P_{\omega,i}} \geq \frac{kP_{\omega,j}}{\sum_i P_{\omega,j}} = 1,$$

assuming that  $\pi_j$  is the best population.

### 1.3. Invariance Under Permutation

We will restrict ourselves to selection procedures which are invariant under permutations. Let G denote the group of permutations g of the integers 1,2,...,k:

$$(1.3.1) \quad g(1,2,\dots,k) = (g_1,g_2,\dots,g_k).$$

Let h be the inverse permutation of g,  $h=g^{-1}$ , and define

$$(1.3.2) \quad g(x_1,\dots,x_k) = (x_{h_1},\dots,x_{h_k})$$

and for  $d \in \mathcal{D}$

$$(1.3.3) \quad gd = \{i | h_i \in d\}.$$

Let  $G(i,j)$  be the following subset of G

(1.3.10)

$$\lambda_{\omega} = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{g \in G} E_{g\omega} p_k(X),$$

which in the case of nonrandomized rules, becomes

(1.3.11)

$$\lambda_{\omega} = \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{g \in G} p_{g\omega}(A_k).$$

1.4. A Sufficient Condition for  $\inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|R) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P(\text{CS}|R)$

To satisfy the basic probability requirement (1.1.1)

(1.4.1)

$$\inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|R) \geq p^*$$

the left hand side of this inequality has to be evaluated, a task which often proves to be tedious or which could not be solved as in the case of rule  $R_1$  in [28, 17]. On the other hand one expects a reasonable rule to yield the smallest probability of a correct selection in the case, where all populations are identically distributed, because in that case no statistical information can be employed to select that population which arbitrarily has been tagged as the best one. In this section a sufficient condition will be given for

(1.4.2)

$$\inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|R) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P(\text{CS}|R) \quad \text{to hold}$$

where  $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$  denotes the subset of the space of distributions where all  $P_i$ 's are identical. In the case of stochastically ordered families this sufficient condition will lead to the introduction of "just" selection rules.

In order to find the best population it is natural to base one's decision on such events from  $X$ , whose probabilities increase if a population is replaced by a better one, or in the case of randomized rules one expects the individual selection probability to go up when the population is improved.

Let  $r$  be a partial order relation in  $P$ , denoted by  $P \succ Q$ , meaning  $P$  is better than or preferred to  $Q$ . Let  $p(x)$  be a measurable function on  $X$  with  $0 \leq p(x) \leq 1$  for all  $x \in X$ . Let  $\Psi$  denote the set of all such critical functions.

Def. 1.4.1.  $R_r^+ = \{p \in \Psi \mid \int_X p dP \geq \int_X p dQ \text{ for all } P \succ Q; P, Q \in P\}$

$R_r^- = \{p \in \Psi \mid \int_X p dP \leq \int_X p dQ \text{ for all } P \succ Q; P, Q \in P\}$

For regions in the case of nonrandomized rules we get the corresponding

Def. 1.4.2.  $A_r^+ = \{A \in \mathcal{B} \mid P(A) \geq Q(A) \text{ for all } P \succ Q; P, Q \in P\}$

$A_r^- = \{A \in \mathcal{B} \mid P(A) \leq Q(A) \text{ for all } P \succ Q; P, Q \in P\}$

Remark 1.4.1.  $p \in R_r^+ \text{ iff } (1-p) \in R_r^-$

$A \in A_r^+ \text{ iff } A^c \in A_r^-$

where  $A^c$  denotes the complement of  $A$ .

Remark 1.4.2. If  $r'$  ( $\mathcal{Y}$ ) is another partial order relation in  $P$  such that  $P \mathcal{Y} Q$  implies  $P \succ Q$  then  $R_{r'}^+ \subseteq R_r^+$ , and  $A_{r'}^+ \subseteq A_r^+$ , hold.

Example 1.4.1. Let  $X$  be the real line and let  $P$  consist of all probability distributions on  $X$ . Let  $r$  be the stochastic order relation and define  $r'$  by

$r': P \mathcal{Y} Q$  if  $P$  and  $Q$  are normal  $N(\mu_P, 1)$  and  $N(\mu_Q, 1)$  and  $\mu_P \geq \mu_Q$ .

Then  $A_r^+$  consists of all intervals of the form  $[a, \infty)$  or  $(a, \infty)$ ,  $-\infty \leq a \leq \infty$ .

These intervals are also contained in  $A_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ , which in addition includes sets of the type  $[a, \infty) - N$  where  $N$  has Lebesgue measure zero. Moreover, certain intervals of positive measure can be removed from  $[a, \infty)$  and the remainder will still belong to  $A_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ , e.g.

$$(1.4.3) \quad A = [-1, 0] \cup [1, \infty) \in A_{\mathcal{F}}^+$$

To prove this we have to show that  $P(A)$  increases in  $\mu$  if  $P$  is normal  $N(\mu, 1)$ .

$$(1.4.4) \quad P(A) = \Phi(-\mu) - \Phi(-1-\mu) + 1 - \Phi(1-\mu)$$

$$(1.4.5) \quad \frac{\partial P(A)}{\partial \mu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\mu^2}{2}} [-1 + e^{-\frac{1}{2}} (e^{\mu} + e^{-\mu})]$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\mu^2}{2}} [-1 + 2e^{-\frac{1}{2}}] > 0.$$

This example shows that it might be difficult to find  $A_{\mathcal{F}}^+$  for a particular partially ordered family of distributions, while the structure of  $A_{\mathcal{F}}^+$  for the stochastic ordering is simple. Hence we will look for sufficient conditions which guarantee  $A \in A_{\mathcal{F}}^+$  (or  $P \in R_{\mathcal{F}}^+$  for the randomized case).

If  $\mathcal{P}$  is a one-parametric absolutely continuous family of cumulative distribution functions:

$$(1.4.6) \quad \mathcal{P} = \{F_{\lambda}, \lambda \in I \subseteq \mathbb{R}^1\}$$

where an order is defined by  $F_{\lambda} \succ F_{\lambda'}$  if  $\lambda \geq \lambda'$  then in [30] the condition

$$(1.4.7) \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} F_{\lambda}(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} p(x) \leq 0$$

is shown to be sufficient for  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(x) dF_{\lambda}(x)$  to be nondecreasing in  $\lambda$ .

Example 1.4.2. Let  $F_{\lambda}(x) = F(\lambda x)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ , where  $F$  is a given absolutely continuous cumulative distribution function, i.e.  $\{F_{\lambda}\}$  is a scale parameter family. Define  $s$  by  $F_{\lambda} \succ F_{\lambda'}$  if  $\lambda \geq \lambda'$ . (1.4.7) becomes

$$(1.4.8) \quad xF'(x) p'(x) \leq 0$$

(where  $F' = \frac{d}{dx} F$ ,  $p' = \frac{d}{dx} p$ ) hence

$$p'(x) \begin{cases} \geq 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ \leq 0 & \text{if } x > 0 \end{cases}$$

i.e.  $R_{\mathcal{F}}^+$  contains the critical functions  $p$  which are nonincreasing for positive  $x$  and nondecreasing for negative  $x$ .

Lemma 1.4.1. If the critical function  $p(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  as a function of  $x_i$  only belongs to  $R_{\mathcal{F}}^+$  for all  $x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_k$ , then  $P_i \succ Q_i$  implies

$$(1.4.9) \quad \int_{\mathcal{X}} \dots \int_{\mathcal{X}} p dP_1, \dots, dP_k \geq \int_{\mathcal{X}} \dots \int_{\mathcal{X}} p dQ_1, \dots, dP_k$$

Proof: Evident by definition of  $R_{\mathcal{F}}^+$ .

Theorem 1.4.1. Let  $R$  be a subset selection rule, defined by its individual selection probabilities  $p_i(x)$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ . Consider  $p_i(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  as a function of  $x_j$ , for all  $j \neq i$ . If  $p_i(x_1, \dots, x_k) \in R_{\mathcal{F}}^-$ , then



$$(1.4.10) \quad \inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|R) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P(\text{CS}|R).$$

Proof: Without loss of generality we can assume  $P_k \succ P_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k-1$ .  
Hence

$$(1.4.11) \quad P_{\omega}(\text{CS}|R) = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \dots \int_{\mathcal{X}} P_k(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_1, \dots, dP_k.$$

By Lemma 1.4.1 the right hand side of (1.4.11) does not increase if  $P_1, \dots, P_{k-1}$  are replaced by  $Q_1, \dots, Q_{k-1}$  with  $Q_i \succ P_i$ ,  $i=1, \dots, k-1$ . Thus for every  $\omega \in \Omega$  there exists an  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$  such that  $P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS}|R) \leq P_{\omega}(\text{CS}|R)$  holds, which proves (1.4.10).

Theorem 1.4.2. Let  $R$  be a subset selection rule, defined by its individual selection probabilities  $p_i(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ . If  $R$  is invariant under permutation and if

- (i)  $p_i \in R^+$  as a function of  $x_i$  and any fixed set of  $x_j$ 's,  $j \neq i$
- (ii)  $p_i \in R^-$  as a function of  $x_j$ , for all  $j \neq i$  and any fixed choice

of the other arguments hold, then  $R$  is monotone.

Proof: To prove monotonicity it has to be shown that  $P_i \succ P_j$  implies  $Ep_i = P(\pi_i \text{ is selected}) \geq P(\pi_j \text{ is selected}) = Ep_j$ . Without loss of generality we can assume  $i=1, j=2$ . Then

$$(1.4.12) \quad Ep_1 = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \dots \int_{\mathcal{X}} P_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_1(x_1) \dots dP_k(x_k) \geq \\ \int_{\mathcal{X}} \dots \int_{\mathcal{X}} P_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_2(x_1) dP_2(x_2) \dots dP_k(x_k)$$

because  $p_1 \in R^+$  as a function of  $x_1$  and  $P_1 \succ P_2$ , and changing the order of integration for the two innermost integrals, (1.4.12) becomes

$$(1.4.13) \quad E p_1 \geq \int \dots \int p_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_2(x_2) dP_2(x_1) dP_3(x_3) \dots dP_k(x_k)$$

and applying lemma 1.4.1 once more using the fact that  $p_1 \in R^-$  as a function of  $x_2$ , we get:

$$(1.4.14) \quad E p_1 \geq \dots \geq \int \dots \int p_1(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_1(x_2) dP_2(x_1) dP_3(x_3) \dots dP_k(x_k) \\ = \int \dots \int p_2(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_1(x_1) dP_2(x_2) \dots dP_k(x_k) = E p_2,$$

where the identity follows from the invariance under permutation.

Theorem 1.4.1 allows the restriction to  $\Omega_0$  to determine the infimum of the probability of a correct selection if  $R$  satisfies (1.4.10). By theorem 1.4.2 we can establish the monotonicity of a rule by verifying that the individual selection probabilities belong to  $R^+$  or  $R^-$  as functions of one argument only. However, this might still be difficult for particular families as example 1.4.1 indicates. On the other hand many order relations imply stochastic ordering (st) and the structure of  $R_{st}^+$  is very simple. Stochastically ordered families in a generalized sense shall be investigated in the next section.

### 1.5. Just Selection Rules

Let  $(X, \mathcal{B}, P)$  be a probability space, where  $P$  belongs to a family  $\mathcal{P}$  of probability measures. A partial order  $\succ$  is given in  $X$  and we say  $y$  is the better than  $x$  if  $y \succ x$  (or equivalently  $x < y$ ).

Def. 1.5.1. A subset  $A \subseteq X$  is increasing iff  $x \in A$  and  $y \succ x$  imply,  $y \in A$ .

Def. 1.5.2. Let  $P, Q \in \mathcal{P}$ .  $P$  is stochastically better than  $Q$  ( $P \succ_{st} Q$ ) iff  $P(A) \geq Q(A)$  for all increasing sets  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ .

If  $X$  is the real line and  $\succ$  stands for  $>$  (or  $\geq$ ) then the increasing sets are the intervals  $[a, \infty)$  and  $(a, \infty)$ , which induce the usual stochastic ordering on the distribution functions.

If  $X = R^k$  and  $\succ$  stands for component wise larger, then the increasing sets are the ones introduced in [26].

Our objective will be to include the stochastically best population in the selected subset. The following example illustrates the advantage of this extension of the concept of stochastic ordering.

Example 1.5.1. Let  $\pi_i$  be normal distributed  $N(0, \sigma_i^2)$ ,  $i=1, \dots, k$ .  $n$  independent observations  $x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}$  are taken from each of the  $k$  populations. Normal distributions with common mean are not stochastically ordered in the usual sense, with respect to their variance  $\sigma^2$ . Now, if we replace  $\geq$  in  $X$  by the partial order relation  $\succ$  defined by

(1.5.1)  $(x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ik}) \succ (x_{j1}, \dots, x_{jk})$  iff

$$\sum_l (x_{il} - \bar{x}_i)^2 \geq \sum_l (x_{jl} - \bar{x}_j)^2$$

and denote the generalized stochastic ordering by  $\underset{st}{\succ}$  then

(1.5.2)  $N(0, \sigma^2) \underset{st}{\succ} N(0, \tau^2)$  iff  $\sigma^2 \geq \tau^2$ .

This result is based on the fact that the sample variances in (1.5.1) have  $\chi^2$ -distributions which are stochastically ordered with respect to their scale parameter. For a more illustrative example see (1.6.5).

The following lemma generalizes a result stated in [25].

Lemma 1.5.1. Let  $g$  be an integrable function on  $X$  such that  $y \succ x$  implies  $g(y) \geq g(x)$ . If  $P \succ_{st} Q$ , then

$$(1.5.3) \quad E_P g = \int_X g dP \geq \int_X g dQ = E_Q g.$$

Proof: Let  $g$  be an indicator function  $g(x) = X_A(x)$ . From  $g(y) \geq g(x)$  for  $y \succ x$  follows that  $A$  is an increasing set and hence (1.5.3) holds by the definition of stochastic ordering. From indicator functions this result can be extended to integrable functions in the usual way.

Def. 1.5.3. A selection rule  $R$ , defined by its individual selection probabilities  $p_i(x_1, \dots, x_k)$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ , is called just iff

$$(1.5.5) \quad \begin{aligned} (i) \quad & x_i \prec y_i \\ (ii) \quad & x_j \succ y_j \quad \text{for all } j \neq i \end{aligned}$$

imply

$$P_i(y_1, \dots, y_k) \geq P_i(x_1, \dots, x_k)$$

For nonrandomized rules, determined by acceptance regions  $A_1, \dots, A_k$  we get the corresponding definition

Def. 1.5.4.  $R$  is just iff

$$(1.5.6) \quad \begin{aligned} (i) \quad & x \in A_i \\ (ii) \quad & x_i \prec y_i \\ (iii) \quad & x_j \succ y_j \quad \text{for all } j \neq i \end{aligned}$$

imply  $y \in A_i$

For symmetric rules it suffices to verify these conditions for one of the  $A_i$ 's say  $A_k$ . In plain words just means that the probability of selecting population  $\pi_i$  does not decrease if the observation becomes more

favorable with respect to this population. The word "consistent" would describe that property better, but it was not used here to avoid confusion, since consistent normally describes asymptotic properties. The importance of just rules was recognized in [35, Lemma 3.1 (iv)]. There it was shown that an optimal rule for selecting the best of  $k$  populations with distributions from an exponential family under slippage configuration has this property.

Some of the results on just rules can be proved more easily using randomized rules, but we will see later that for the construction of optimal rules, we can restrict ourselves to nonrandomized procedures, if the probability measures are atomless.

**Theorem 1.5.1.** Let  $R$  be a just selection rule. Then

$$(1.5.7) \quad \inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|R) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P(\text{CS}|R) \quad \text{holds.}$$

**Proof:** Since  $R$  is just  $p_i$  is nondecreasing in  $x_i$  and hence by Lemma 1.5.1

$$\int_{\mathbf{x}} p_i dP(x_i) \geq \int_{\mathbf{x}} p_i dQ(x_i) \quad \text{if } P \succ_{st} Q$$

i.e.  $p_i \in R_{st}^+$  as function of  $x_j$ ,  $j \neq i$ .

Therefore Theorem (1.4.1) can be applied, yielding the assertion

(1.5.7).

**Theorem 1.5.2.** Let  $R$  be just and symmetric. Then  $R$  is monotone.

**Proof:** In the proof of theorem 1.5.1 it was shown, that  $p_i \in R_{st}^-$  holds, when  $p_i$  is considered as a function of  $x_j$ ,  $j \neq i$ , only. In the same way we get  $p_i \in R_{st}^+$  as a function of  $x_i$ . Hence Theorem 1.4.2 can be applied proving the theorem.

Remark 1.5.1. The class of just procedures is closed under the formation of unions and intersections, i.e. if  $R$  and  $S$  are just rules, then  $R \cap S$  and  $R \cup S$  are just, where  $R \cap S$  denotes the procedure, which selects that populations that are selected by both rules  $R$  and  $S$ , while  $R \cup S$  includes a population in the selected subset, if at least one of the rules  $R$  or  $S$  selects it.

Lemma 1.5.2. Let  $(X, A, P)$  be a probability space, and let  $\succ$  be a partial order relation in  $X$  which induces the stochastic ordering  $\succ_{st}$  in  $P$ . Let  $(X^n, A^n, P^n)$  be the corresponding product space, and let  $\succ_c$  (c stands for component-wise) be defined by  $(x_1, \dots, x_n) \succ_c (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  iff  $x_i \succ y_i$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$ .  $\succ_c$  induces the stochastic order relation  $\succ_{cst}$  in  $P^n$ . Then

$$P \succ_{st} Q \iff P^n \succ_{cst} Q^n.$$

Proof:  $\implies$ ) Assume  $P \succ_{st} Q$ . Let  $A^n \in A^n$  be an increasing set with respect to  $\succ_c$ . The indicator function  $X_{A^n}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  satisfies the conditions of lemma 1.4.1 for each argument. Repeated application of this lemma with  $P_i = P$ ,  $Q_i = Q$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  yields

$$P^n(A^n) = \int_{X^n} X_{A^n} dP^n \geq \int_{X^n} X_{A^n} dQ^n = Q^n(A^n)$$

$$\text{i.e. } P^n \succ_{cst} Q^n.$$

$\impliedby$ ) Assume  $P^n \succ_{cst} Q^n$ . Let  $A \in A$  be increasing with respect to  $\succ$ . Define

$$A^n = \{x \in X^n \mid x_1 \in A\}. \quad A^n \text{ is obviously increasing with respect to } \succ_c, \text{ hence}$$

$$P(A) = P(A^n) \geq Q(A^n) = Q(A), \text{ i.e. } P \succ_{st} Q.$$

Remark 1.5.2. This result can be extended to infinite product spaces, since it is true on cylinder sets.

The definition of just rules and the results of this chapter show that the class of just rules possesses some very desirable properties. Another advantage is that this class is defined by a natural basic property of selection rules, which usually can be verified very easily. The definition does not depend on the specific form in which the rule is presented. On the other hand the class of just rules is not too restrictive, it includes most of the selection procedures considered in the literature. Hence it seems justifiable to construct optimal procedures in the subclass of just procedures.

#### 1.6. Examples of Just Rules

##### Example 1.6.1. Seal's class C

Assume that the populations  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k$  are stochastically ordered in the usual sense and that we observe the random variables  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ . Let  $X_{[1]}, \dots, X_{[k-1]}$  be the ordered set of the first  $k-1$  components of the observation-vector  $x$ . In [34] the following class  $C$  of symmetric selection rules is defined:

Select  $\pi_k$  iff

$$(1.6.1) \quad X_k \geq \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} c_j X_{[j]} - t$$

where the  $c_j$ 's are given constants satisfying

$$(1.6.2) \quad \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} c_i = 1, \quad c_i \geq 0, \quad i=1,2,\dots,k-1.$$

Any rule from  $C$  is just: Let  $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$  satisfy (1.6.1) and let  $(y_1, \dots, y_k)$  be such that  $y_i \leq x_i$  for  $i < k$ ,  $y_k \geq x_k$  holds. Then  $y$  satisfies (1.6.1) because the left hand side of (1.6.1) is nondecreasing and the right hand side is nonincreasing, when the  $x$ 's are replaced by the  $y$ 's.

Example 1.6.2. Gupta's Rules

The specific choice  $c_i = 0$   $i=1, 2, \dots, k-2$ , and  $c_{k-1} = 1$  in (1.6.1) yields the rule:

Select  $\pi_k$ , iff

$$(1.6.3) \quad X_k \geq X_{[k-1]} - t.$$

For  $t \geq 0$   $X_{[k-1]}$  can be replaced by  $\max_{i=1, \dots, k} X_i = X_{\max}$ , without changing the rule, which now can be written as

$$(1.6.4) \quad \text{Select } \pi_i \quad \text{iff } X_i \geq X_{\max} - d.$$

In example (1.6.1) the condition  $\sum c_i = 1$  is not needed to prove that the rules of the class  $C$  are just. Therefore the same proof applies to the following rule:

$$(1.6.5) \quad \text{Accept } \pi_i \quad \text{if } X_i \geq c \cdot X_{\max}.$$

These rules were proposed by Gupta [11] originally for selecting a subset containing the population with highest mean (resp. variance) in the case of normal distributions, and have later been applied to other distributions [8,11,16,18,20,22,24,28,30].



Example 1.6.3. The following generalization of Gupta's rule was proposed in [11] and more thoroughly investigated in [30]:

$R_h$ : Select  $\pi_i$  iff

$$(1.6.6) \quad h(x_i) \geq x_{\max}$$

where  $h$  satisfies some additional requirements which are irrelevant in this context. These rules are obviously just if  $h$  is nondecreasing.

Remark 1.6.1. In [30] the monotonicity of the rule (1.6.6) was shown.

Also

$$\inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|\text{R}) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P(\text{CS}|\text{R})$$

was shown without the restriction that  $h$  is nondecreasing i.e. for not necessarily just rules of this type. In the proof of theorem 1.5.1 property (1.5.5 (i)) (resp. (1.5.6 (ii))) of just rules was not used. Thus the assumptions of theorem (1.5.1) can be weakened, such that theorem (1.5.1) would imply this result in [30].

Example 1.6.4. In [28] the following rank sum procedure, called  $R_3$  was considered: Take from each population  $\pi_i$  the  $n$  observations  $x_{i1}, \dots, x_{in}$  and let  $R_{ij}$  denote the rank of  $x_{ij}$  in the pooled sample  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{kn}$ .

Define

$$H_i = \sum_{j=1}^n a_j (R_{ij})$$

where the scores  $a_j = a(j)$ ,  $j=1, \dots, kn$  are given and nondecreasing in  $j$ .  $R_3$  is defined as follows. Select  $\pi_i$  if  $H_i \geq c$  where  $c$  is to be determined to satisfy the  $P^*$ -condition.

$R_3$  is just, because for any fixed  $i$ , an increase in  $X_{ij}$  results in no decrease of  $H_i$ , neither does an decrease in  $X_{lj}$  for  $l \neq i$ .

Example 1.6.5. Barron [6] considers a sequential subset selection rule of the following type: Take a sequence of observations  $X_i^{(\ell)}$ ,  $i=1, \dots, k$ ,  $\ell=1, 2, \dots$ , from  $k$  normal populations. (The  $X_i^{(\ell)}$  may be sample means from  $n$  independent observations on the  $i$ th populations). Define a sequence of binomial random variables  $Y_i^{(\ell)}$ , where  $Y_i^{(\ell)} = 1$  if population  $\pi_i$  would be selected using Gupta's rule  $X_i^{(\ell)} \geq X_{\max}^{(\ell)}$  on the observations of the  $\ell$ th stage, while  $Y_i^{(\ell)} = 0$  denotes the rejection. Define

$$S_{im} = \sum_{\ell=1}^m Y_i^{(\ell)}.$$

The procedure is: Select  $\pi_i$  iff  $S_{im} > b_m$  for the smallest value of  $m$  for which  $S_{im} \notin [a_m, b_m]$ , where  $[a_m, b_m]$  is a predetermined sequence of intervals.

If we drop the assumption that the populations are normal and require only stochastic ordering and if we replace Gupta's rule by an arbitrary single stage selection rule  $R$ , then we can construct a sequential rule  $R^S(a, b)$  in the same way as in [3].  $(a, b)$  denotes the sequence of intervals  $[a_\ell, b_\ell]$ .

Lemma 1.6.1. If  $R$  is just with respect to the partial order relation  $\succ_c$ , then  $R^S$  is just with respect to the corresponding component wise ordering  $\succ_c$ .

Proof: Let  $(X_k^{(1)}, X_k^{(2)}, \dots) \succ_c (\tilde{X}_k^{(1)}, \tilde{X}_k^{(2)}, \dots)$  and  $(X_i^{(1)}, X_i^{(2)}, \dots) \prec_c (\tilde{X}_i^{(1)}, \tilde{X}_i^{(2)}, \dots)$  for all  $i \neq k$  hold. Since  $R$  is just the selection of  $\pi_k$  if  $X_k^{(\ell)}$  is observed at the  $\ell$ th stage will imply the selection of  $\pi_k$  if  $X_k^{(\ell)}$

is observed, for every stage  $\ell$ . Hence  $y_k^{(\ell)} \geq \tilde{y}_k^{(\ell)}$  and  $S_{i\ell} \geq \tilde{S}_{i\ell}$  hold for all  $\ell$ , where  $y_k^{(\ell)}$  and  $\tilde{y}_k^{(\ell)}$  are the values of the binomial random variable corresponding to  $X_k^{(\ell)}$  and  $\tilde{X}_k^{(\ell)}$ , therefore  $R^S$  will select  $\pi_k$  under  $X$ , if it does so under  $\tilde{X}$ .

This lemma shows that the sequential procedure so constructed is monotone with respect to the stochastic ordering in  $P^\infty$  induced by  $\succ_c$  and that further

$$\inf_{\Omega} P(CS|R^S) = \inf_{\Omega_0} P(CS|R^S) \quad \text{holds,}$$

where a correct selection now consists in including the best population with respect to the order relation  $\succ_{cst}$  in  $P^\infty$ . But, by Lemma 1.5.2 and Remark 1.5.2, we know that this is equivalent with the order relation  $\succ_{st}$  in  $P$ .

Example 1.6.6. A rule, which is not just. Let  $H_i$  be defined as in example 1.6.4 with  $a(j)=j$ . In [4] the rule  $R_1$  was introduced by:

$$\text{Select } \pi_i \text{ iff } H_i \geq \max_{j=1, \dots, k} H_j - D.$$

Choose  $k = 3$   $n = 2$   $D = 7$ .

Compare the following two sets of observations and the corresponding values of  $H_i$ ,  $i=1,2,3$ .

1	$X_{11}$	$X_{12}$	$X_{21}$	$X_{22}$	$X_{31}$	$X_{32}$	$H_1$	$H_2$	$H_3$	$H_{\max}$
1st:	1	3	6	12	9	11	3	9	9	9
2nd:	2	4	5	7	8	10	3	7	11	11

$X_{11}$  and  $X_{12}$  obtain higher values in the second set, while all other values are less in the second set, i.e. the observations are strictly more favorable for population  $\pi_1$  in the second set. However  $R_1$  selects  $\pi_1$  in the first case and excludes it in the second.

This example makes it somewhat understandable that in [28] the infimum of the probability of a correct selection could not be found, even in the case of location parameters for normal distributions, and that for less well behaved distributions examples have been constructed with

$$\inf_{\Omega} P(\text{CS}|R_1) < \inf_{\Omega_0} P(\text{CS}|R_1).$$

### 1.7. Elimination of Randomization

We will now see that randomization is not necessary in order to construct optimal just selection rules that are invariant under permutation if all the probability measures under consideration are atomless. Let  $R$  be a just rule specified by its individual selection probabilities  $p(x) = (p_1(x), \dots, p_k(x))$ , and since we assume symmetry the knowledge of one of its components say  $p_k$  is sufficient. If we assume that  $\pi_k$  is the best population, then  $P^*$ -condition becomes

$$(1.7.1) \quad \inf_{\omega \in \Omega_0} P_{\omega}(\text{CS}|R) = \inf_{\omega \in \Omega_0} \int_{\mathcal{X}} p_k(x_1, \dots, x_k) dP_{\omega} \geq P^*$$

(with the equal sign for goal 1). The requirement that  $R$  is just yields the condition

$$(1.7.2) \quad p_k(x_1, \dots, x_k) \text{ is nondecreasing in } x_k \text{ and nonincreasing in } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}, \text{ both with respect to the partial order in } \mathcal{X}.$$

The goal of maximizing  $P_\omega(CS|R)$  or minimizing  $E_\omega(S|R)$  for some alternative  $\omega \in \Omega$  is equivalent to obtaining the extremum of

$$(1.7.3) \quad \Psi(R) = \int_{\mathbf{x}} P_k(x_1, \dots, x_k) dQ,$$

where  $Q$  denotes the probability measure  $P_\omega$  or the one corresponding to  $E_\omega(S|R)$ , see 1.3.7.

At first we notice that the set of  $p_k$ 's satisfying 1.7.1 and 1.7.2 is convex: Let  $p'$  and  $p''$  satisfy 1.7.1 and 1.7.2. Define  $p = \alpha p' + (1-\alpha)p''$  for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ .

- (i)  $0 \leq p \leq 1$
- (ii)  $\inf_{\Omega} \int p dP_\omega \leq \alpha \inf_{\Omega} \int p' dP_\omega + (1-\alpha) \inf_{\Omega} \int p'' dP_\omega \geq P^*$
- (iii)  $p$  decreases resp. increases in the same coordinates as  $p'$  and  $p''$ .

Using the arguments of [9,10] it follows that the linear functional  $\Psi(R)$  cannot have any extrema in the interior of this convex region. The only difference arising from the requirement that  $R$  is just, is that the boundary of that convex region contains in addition to the nonrandomized rules, i.e. zero-one functions  $p_k$ , also the random rule

$$(1.7.4) \quad P_k(x) \equiv P^*,$$

as an extreme point. This rule, which makes no use of the observation, is of no interest. Hence we can restrict ourselves to nonrandomized rules, if the probability measures are atomless.

### 1.8. Two Selection Rules for Normal Populations

Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2, \dots, \pi_k$  be normal populations with common known variance  $\sigma^2$  which, without loss of generality, can be assumed to be 1. The density for  $X_i$  from  $\pi_i$  is given by

$$(1.8.1) \quad f(x, \theta_i) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(x-\theta_i)^2}$$

We are interested in selecting a subset containing the population with highest mean  $\theta_i$ . Since the  $\theta_i$ 's are location parameters it is natural to require the selection rule to be invariant under shift in location. This can be achieved by basing the rule on the differences

$$(1.8.2) \quad Z_i = X_i - X_k, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, k,$$

which have the joint density function

$$(1.8.3) \quad h_{\omega}(z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} f(z_i + t, \theta_i) \right] f(t, \theta_k) dt =$$

$$(2\pi)^{-\frac{k-1}{2}} \frac{1}{k} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k [(z_i - \theta_i)^2 - \bar{z}^2]}$$

with  $\bar{z} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} (z_i - \theta_i)$ ,  $z_k = 0$  and  $\omega = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k)$ .

Since the distributions are continuous we do not need randomization and a selection rule will be determined by the sets  $A_i = \{(x_1, \dots, x_k) \mid \pi_i \text{ is selected}\}$ . Because of the symmetry we can restrict ourselves to the

determination of one of the  $A_i$ 's,  $A_k$  say. Let  $A'_k$  denote the corresponding set of  $(z_1, \dots, z_{k-1})$ 's.

$$(1.8.4) \quad A'_k = \{(z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}) \mid \pi_k \text{ is selected}\}$$

The condition that  $A_k$  is just:

$$(1.8.5) \quad (x_1, \dots, x_k) \in A_k, y_k \geq x_k, y_i \leq x_i, i \neq k \text{ implies } (y_1, \dots, y_k) \in A_k,$$

reduces for  $A'_k$  to the condition:

$$(1.8.6) \quad (z_1, \dots, z_{k-1}) \in A'_k, v_i \leq z_i, i=1, \dots, k-1 \text{ implies } (v_1, \dots, v_{k-1}) \in A'_k,$$

i.e.  $A'_k$  is a decreasing set with respect to the greater or equal relation.

(1.8.3), as a function of  $\omega$ , is invariant under shift of the parameter vector, hence, for the convenience of notation, we can assume

$$(1.8.7) \quad \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i = 0$$

Denote  $\omega_0 = (0, \dots, 0)$

$$\omega = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k), \quad \sum \theta_i = 0.$$

Goal (i). Construct a symmetric just subset selection rule  $R$  such that

$$(1.8.8) \quad P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS} \mid R) = P^* \text{ holds and}$$

$$(1.8.9) \quad \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{g \in G} P_{g\omega}(\text{CS} \mid R) \text{ is maximized.}$$

$G = \{g\}$  is the permutation group of  $k!$  elements (compare 1.3). For just and symmetric rules (1.8.8) guarantees the  $P^*$ -condition. (1.8.9) is the requirement that the expected probability of a correct selection is maximized when the  $k!$  alternatives  $g\omega, g \in G$ , are equally likely. If we assume  $\theta_k > \theta_i \quad i=1, \dots, k$ , goal (i) is equivalent to finding a set  $A'_k$  such that

$$(1.8.10) \quad P_{\omega_0}(A'_k) = P^*,$$

$$(1.8.11) \quad \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G(k,k)} P_{g\omega}(A'_k) \text{ maximal and}$$

$$(1.8.12) \quad A'_k \text{ is a decreasing set.}$$

By (1.8.3) and (1.8.7) conditions (1.8.10) and (1.8.11) become

$$(1.8.13) \quad \int_{A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega_0} = (2\pi)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} k^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_{A'_k} \dots \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k (z_i^2 - \bar{z}^2)} dz_1, \dots, dz_{k-1} = P^*$$

$$(1.8.14) \quad \int_{A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega} = (2\pi)^{\frac{k-1}{2}} k^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_{A'_k} \dots \int \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G(k,k)} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k [(z_i - \theta_{gi})^2 - \bar{z}^2]} dz_1, \dots, dz_{k-1}$$

large, where  $\bar{z} = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k z_i$ .

Without condition (1.8.12) a solution would be supplied by the lemma of Neyman and Pearson. This suggests the investigation of the density ratio



$$(1.8.15) \quad r(z) = \frac{dP_{\omega}(z)}{dP_{\omega_0}(z)} = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i^2}}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G(k,k)} e^{\sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \theta_{gi} z_i}$$

$r(z)$  is a convex function as a sum of convex functions of linear- and hence convex-functions.  $r(z_1+t, \dots, z_{k-1}+t)$  is a decreasing function in  $t$ :

$$r(z_1+t, \dots, z_{k-1}+t) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i^2}}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G(k,k)} e^{t \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \theta_{gi} + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \theta_{gi} z_i} = e^{-\theta_k t} \frac{dP_{\omega}(z)}{dP_{\omega_0}(z)},$$

and from (1.8.7) and  $\theta_k > \theta_i$ ,  $i=1, \dots, k$  follows  $\theta_k > 0$ .

For  $k=3$ , Figure 1 indicates the shape of the curves of constant density ratio and the conjectured sets  $A'_k$  in the  $z_1 z_2$ -plane.

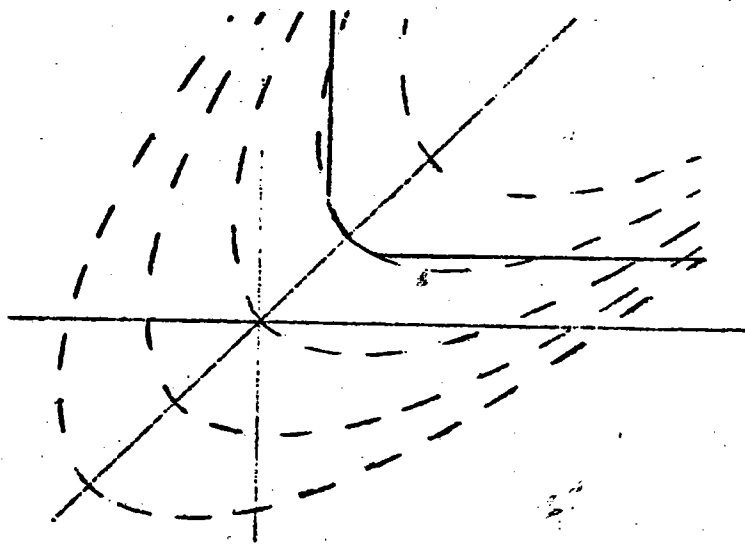


Figure 1. Curves of Constant Density Ratio and One  $A'_k$  for Goal (i)

$A'_k$  is the region to the left and below the bold line.

A set  $A'_k$  can only be a solution if  $P_{\omega}(B') \leq P_{\omega}(C')$  holds for any pair of sets  $B', C'$  such that  $B' \cap A'_k = \emptyset$ ,  $C' \subseteq A'_k$ ,  $P_{\omega_0}(B') = P_{\omega_0}(C')$  hold and such that  $(A'_k - C') \cup B'$  is a decreasing set. Choosing sets  $B'$  and  $C'$  with  $P_{\omega_0}(B') = P_{\omega_0}(C')$  tending to zero, this condition leads to the:

Conjecture 1.8.1.  $A'_k = \{ \{z | r(z) \leq c\}^* - \{z | \min_{i=1, \dots, k-1} z_i \leq d\} \}^c$

is a solution for (1.8.10), (1.8.11), (1.8.12) where  $B^c$  denotes the complement of  $B$ , and  $B^*$  denotes the smallest increasing set containing  $B$  and where  $c$  and  $d$  are determined to satisfy

$$(1.8.16) \quad \int_{A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega_0} = P^* \quad \text{and}$$

$$(1.8.17) \quad \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\{d < z_{\min} < d + \epsilon\} \cap A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega_0} = c \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\{d < z_{\min} < d + \epsilon\} \cap A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega_0},$$

This region  $A'_k$  is essentially determined by  $\{z | \min z_i \leq d\}$ , which for the  $x_i$ 's would lead to the selection rule

$$(1.8.18) \quad \text{Select } \pi_i \text{ iff } x_i \geq \min_{j \neq i} x_j + D$$

This rule has two disadvantages: First, it selects an empty subset if  $D > 0$  (i.e. for  $P^* < \frac{k-1}{k}$ ) and the range of the  $x_i$  is less than  $D$  (compare Remark 1.1.1). Second, if the configuration of the  $\theta_i$ 's is such that the smallest one is essentially smaller than the others, this rule will tend to select all the other  $k-1$  populations no matter how far their means

are apart. This shows that goal (i) does not necessarily lead to useful rules.

Goal (ii). Construct a symmetric just subset selection rule R such that

$$(1.8.19) \quad P_{\omega_0}(CS|R) = P^* \quad \text{holds and}$$

$$(1.8.20) \quad E_{\omega}(S|R) \quad \text{is minimized.}$$

Again the rule will be determined by the set  $A'_k$  for the  $X_i$ 's or by  $A'_k$  for the shift invariant variables  $Z_i = X_i - X_k$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ , so that (1.8.19) and (1.8.20) become

$$(1.8.21) \quad \int_{A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega_0} \equiv (2\pi)^{-\frac{k-1}{2}} \int_{A'_k} \dots \int e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} [z_i^2 - \bar{z}^2]} dz_1, \dots, dz_{k-1} = P^*$$

$$(1.8.22) \quad \int_{A'_k} \dots \int dQ_{\omega} \equiv (2\pi)^{-\frac{k-1}{2}} \int_{A'_k} \dots \int \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k [(z_i - \theta_{gi})^2 - \bar{z}^2]} dz_1, \dots, dz_{k-1}$$

small, where

$$(1.8.23) \quad A'_k \quad \text{is a decreasing set.}$$

A solution would be provided by the lemma of Neyman and Pearson if condition (1.8.23) was not present. The density ratio in this case is

$$(1.8.24) \quad r(z) = \frac{dQ_{\omega}(z)}{dP_{\omega_0}(z)} = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i^2}}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G} e^{\sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i z_i}$$

The sets  $\{z | r(z) \leq c\}$  are still convex, but  $r(z_1+t, \dots, z_{k-1}+t)$  is no longer a decreasing function of  $t$ .

Figure 2 shows the shape of the lines of constant density ratio for  $k=3$  and the conjectured solution  $A_k^!$  for various values of  $P^*$ .

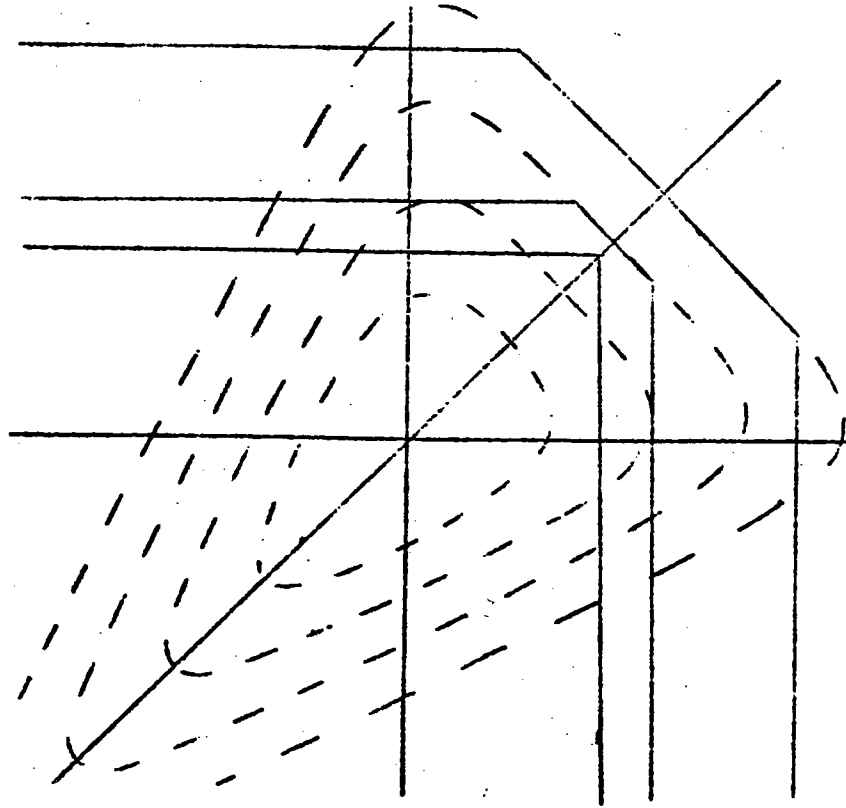


Figure 2. Curves of Constant Density Ratio and Three  $A_k^!$ 's for Goal (ii)

By the same arguments as in goal (i) we get the

Conjecture 1.8.2.

$$(1.8.25) \quad A_k^! = \{z | r(z) \leq c\}_* - \{z | \max_{i=1, \dots, k-1} z_i \geq d\}$$

is a solution for goal (ii), where  $B_*$  denotes the smallest decreasing set containing  $B$  and where  $c$  and  $d$  are determined to satisfy

$$(1.8.26) \quad \int_{A'_k} \dots \int dP_{\omega_0} = P^*$$

$$(1.8.27) \quad \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\{d < z_{\max} < d+\epsilon\}} \dots \int_{A'_k} dQ_{\omega} = c \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\{d < z_{\max} < d+\epsilon\}} \dots \int_{A'_k} dP_{\omega_0}$$

The corresponding rule will be denoted by  $R_{opt}$ . For  $k=3$  and various configurations  $(\theta_1, \theta_2, \theta_3)$  the values of  $c$  and  $d$  have been determined numerically and it turned out that  $A'_k$  is essentially given by the set  $\{z | \max_i z_i \leq d\}$ . For sufficiently small values of  $P^*$  the complement of the second term of (1.8.25) is contained in the first term so that

$$(1.8.28) \quad A'_k = \{z | \max_i z_i \leq d\} \quad \text{holds.}$$

For the  $x_i$ 's this leads to Gupta's selection rule:

$$(1.8.29) \quad R_G: \text{ Select } \pi_i \text{ if } x_i \geq \max_{j=1, \dots, k} x_j - d.$$

Table 1 gives the values  $d$  and the corresponding values of  $P^*$  up to which Gupta's rule is identical with the conjectured solution for goal (ii).

$R_{opt}$  is difficult to apply because the density ratio cannot be evaluated easily. Another disadvantage is that this rule depends on a fixed alternative  $\omega$  and it is usually not known how to choose it. On the other hand Table 1 shows that  $R_G$  is optimal up to rather high values of  $P^*$ . Table 2 compares the expected proportion ( $\frac{1}{k}$  ES) of Gupta's rule with that of the optimal one for three parameter configurations with  $P^*$ -values above the ones given in Table 2. It also gives the values of  $c$  and  $d$  for  $R_{opt}$

TABLE 1. Values of  $d$  and the Corresponding  $P^*$  up to  
which the Rule  $R_G$  Minimizes  $E_\omega S$

	$\omega$		$d$	$P^*$
	$-10^{-6}$	$2.10^{-6}$	2.033	.8713
	$-1/6$	$1/3$	11.937	1.0000
	$-10^{-4}$	$10^{-4}$	2.057	.8749
	-0.5	0.5	2.123	.8849
	-1.	1.	2.329	.9125
	-2.	2.	3.218	.9787
	-1.	0.5	1.579	.7839
	-2.	1.	1.836	.8369
	-3.	1.5	2.388	.9194

(1.8.25). For slippage alternatives  $R_G$  is optimal up to extremely high values of  $P^*$  and for equally spaced  $\theta_i$ 's no  $\omega$  was found for which the ratio  $E_\omega(S|R_{opt})/E_\omega(S|R_G)$  was less than .9999.  $R_{opt}$  yields the maximum improvement in the case  $\theta_1 < \theta_2 = \theta_3$  but even there the ratio  $E_\omega(S|R_{opt})/E_\omega(S|R_G)$  was never found to be less than .97.

TABLE 2. Comparison of  $R_{opt}$  and  $R_G$ . Constants for  $R_{opt}$ 

$\omega$	-1,0.5,0.5	-2,1.,1.	-2.4,1.2,1.2
$p^*$	.8577	.9887	.9928
$c$	1.0374	4.4899	5.9383
$d$	1.9694	4.5202	4.9458
$E_{\omega}(S R_{opt})/3$	.7642	.8107	.7704
$E_{\omega}(S R_G)/3$	.7643	.8294	.7926
$E_{\omega}(S R_{opt})/E_{\omega}(S R_G)$	.9998	.9775	.9720

## CHAPTER II

### RULES WITH CONSTANT $P(\text{CS}|R)$ IN $\Omega_0$

#### 2.1. A Sufficient Condition for $P(\text{CS}|R)$ to be Constant in $\Omega_0$

In the last section invariance under certain transformations was used for the construction of optimal just rules. Its importance lies not so much in the fact that it allows us to consider a smaller class of selection rules, but that these invariant rules yield constant probability of a correct selection in  $\Omega_0$ :

$$(2.1.1) \quad \int_{\mathcal{X}} p_i(x) dP_{\omega_0} = \int_{\mathcal{X}} p_i(x) dP_{\omega'_0}, \quad i=1,2,\dots,k,$$

for all  $\omega_0, \omega'_0 \in \Omega_0$  and for all invariant rules. By Theorem 1.5.1 this guarantees the  $P^*$ -condition for just rules.

For an arbitrary family of distributions in general there exists no transformation for which one could naturally require invariance for selection rules. However, invariance under those transformations is only a sufficient condition for (2.1.1). Therefore, we can replace the invariance condition by the requirement, that (2.1.1) is satisfied, and we can try to find other sufficient conditions to guarantee (2.1.1). It is reasonable to require that the probability of a correct selection is constant in  $\Omega_0$ , because in stating the  $P^*$ -condition one expresses that one is content if a correct selection is guaranteed with a certain probability and one is not interested in exceeding that probability, at least not in  $\Omega_0$ .



where it can be achieved only by increasing the expected subset size.

The following example illustrates this situation.

Example 2.1.1. Let  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k$  be binomial with success probabilities  $p_1, \dots, p_k$ . Take  $n$  observations from each and denote by  $x_i$  the number of successes. For selecting a subset containing the population with highest  $p_i$  the following rule  $R$  was proposed and investigated in [22].

(2.1.2)             $R$ : Select  $\pi_i$  iff  $x_i \geq x_{\max} - d$  where  $d = d(k, n, P^*)$   
is the smallest integer such that the  $P^*$ -condition is satisfied.

This rule is just (see example 1.6.2), hence the minimum of  $P(\text{CS}|R)$  takes place in  $\Omega_0$ , but depends on the common value  $p$ . It is minimized for some value of  $p$  close to  $\frac{1}{2}$ . If  $p$  approaches 0 or 1 the probability of selecting all  $k$  populations tends to 1. This disadvantage was mitigated by using the transformation

$$(2.1.3) \quad Z_i = 2 \arcsin \sqrt{X_i/n}$$

and applying Gupta's rule to the  $Z_i$ 's, which has the same effect as using smaller values of  $d$  in (2.1.2) if the observations indicate that the common  $p$  lies near the ends of the unit interval.

In section 2.3 a selection rule will be proposed which has constant  $P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS}|R)$  for  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$ .

The following lemma solves the problem of how to construct a rule with constant  $P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS}|R)$  for  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$  for families of distributions, permitting sufficient statistics.

$$(2.2.2) \quad f_{\omega_0}(x_1, x_2) = \Gamma^{-2}(\theta) e^{(\theta-1)[\log x_1 + \log x_2]} e^{-(x_1+x_2)}$$

It belongs to the Koopman-Darmois family and shows that  $T = X_1 X_2$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .

Our objective is to construct a just symmetric rule for selecting a subset containing the population with the highest  $\theta_i$ . Having continuous distributions we can restrict ourselves to non-randomized rules. Since the rule  $R$  is to be just it follows that the region of acceptance for one of the populations,  $\pi_1$  say, is of the form:

$$(2.2.3) \quad A_1 = \{x_1 \geq c(P^*, T)\}.$$

(2.1.4) yields the condition

$$(2.2.4) \quad \int_{c(P^*, T)}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} f(x, \frac{T}{x}) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{x} f(x, \frac{T}{x}) dx \cdot P^*$$

from which  $c(P^*, T)$  can be evaluated.

Although by construction this rule is just on each set where  $T$  is constant, it does not follow that  $R$  is just. It will now be shown that  $R$  is just by proving that  $x_1(T)$  and  $x_2(T)$  are increasing functions, where  $(x_1(T), x_2(T))$  are the coordinates of the boundary of  $A_1$ . Substituting (2.2.2) in (2.2.4) yields

$$(2.2.5) \quad \int_{c(P^*, T)}^{\infty} e^{-(x+\frac{T}{x})} dx = P^* \int_0^{\infty} e^{-(x+\frac{T}{x})} dx$$

from which we get by differentiation with respect to  $T$

Lemma (2.1.1). Let  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  be independently and identically distributed random variables with the joint distribution  $P_\theta$ . Let  $T(X_1, \dots, X_k)$  be a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .

- (2.1.4) (i) If  $E(\delta(X_1, \dots, X_k) | T) = P^*$  for all  $T$  then  $E_\theta \delta = P^*$  for all  $\theta$ .
- (ii) If  $T$  is complete with respect to  $\{P_\theta(X)\}$ , then  $E_\theta(\delta(X_1, \dots, X_k) | T) = P^*$  is also necessary for  $E_\theta \delta = P^*$  for all  $\theta$ .

Proof. (i)  $E_\theta \delta = \int_{\mathcal{X}} \delta \, dP_\theta = \int_{\mathcal{T}} E(\delta | T) \, dP_\theta^T = P^*$  where  $\mathcal{T}$  and  $P_\theta^T$  are the range and the distribution of  $T$ . (ii)  $\int_{\mathcal{T}} E(\delta | T) \, dP_\theta^T = P^*$  hence  $\int_{\mathcal{T}} (E(\delta | T) - P^*) \, dP_\theta^T = 0$  and because of the completeness  $E(\delta | T) = P^*$  for all  $T$  q.e.d.

In the next sections this lemma will be applied to various families of distributions.

## 2.2. Shape Parameter for Two Gamma Populations

Let  $\pi_1, \pi_2$  have gamma distributions with common known variances,  $\sigma^2 = 1$  say, the densities given by

$$(2.2.1) \quad f_i(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & , x \leq 0 \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\theta_i)} x^{\theta_i-1} e^{-x} & , x > 0 \end{cases}, i=1,2$$

Take  $\omega_0 = (\theta, \theta) \in \Omega_0$ . The joint density of  $x_1, x_2$  is

TABLE 3.  $C_T$  for Two Gamma Distributions

T \ P*	0.75	0.90	0.95	0.99
.1	.1518	.0827	.0596	.0347
.2	.2364	.1383	.1030	.0628
.3	.3050	.1857	.1410	.0883
.4	.3648	.2282	.1756	.1121
.5	.4186	.2672	.2077	.1346
.6	.4681	.3037	.2380	.1561
.7	.5142	.3381	.2668	.1768
.8	.5575	.3708	.2943	.1968
.9	.5987	.4021	.3208	.2162
1.0	.6379	.4322	.3463	.2351
2.0	.9634	.6889	.5679	.4031
3.0	1.2213	.8988	.7525	.5478
4.0	1.4428	1.0823	.9158	.6783
5.0	1.6404	1.2481	1.0644	.7987
6.0	1.8207	1.4008	1.2021	.9115
7.0	1.9877	1.5434	1.3312	1.0181
8.0	2.1441	1.6777	1.4533	1.1197
9.0	2.2917	1.8051	1.5695	1.2170
10.0	2.4320	1.9267	1.6807	1.3106
20.0	3.5814	2.9387	2.6152	2.1114
30.0	4.4788	3.7428	3.3659	2.7684
40.0	5.2428	4.4342	4.0154	3.3437
50.0	5.9204	5.0515	4.5979	3.8639
60.0	6.5361	5.6152	5.1314	4.3434
70.0	7.1045	6.1376	5.6272	4.7911
80.0	7.6353	6.6271	6.0925	5.2130
90.0	8.1352	7.0893	6.5328	5.6135
100.0	8.6091	7.5285	6.9517	5.9958
200.0	12.4655	11.1317	10.4062	9.1794
300.0	15.4523	13.9481	13.1221	11.7108
400.0	17.9837	16.3473	15.4433	13.8883
500.0	20.2219	18.4762	17.5074	15.8330
600.0	22.2508	20.4111	19.3866	17.6092
700.0	24.1206	22.1980	21.1243	19.2558
800.0	25.8640	23.8668	22.7489	20.7985
900.0	27.5039	25.4388	24.2806	22.2555
1000.0	29.0569	26.9294	25.7341	23.6402

$$(2.2.6) \quad \left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial T} c(P^*, T) \right] e^{-\left(c + \frac{T}{c}\right)} = P^* \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{x^2} e^{-\left(x + \frac{T}{x}\right)} dx - \int_0^\infty c(P^*, T) \frac{1}{x^2} e^{-\left(x + \frac{T}{x}\right)} dx$$

and since  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  is decreasing it follows from (2.2.5) that the right hand side of (2.2.6) is non-negative proving that  $x_1(T, P^*) = c(P^*, T)$  is non-decreasing in  $T$  and the same is true for

$$(2.2.8) \quad x_2(T, P^*) = x_1(T, 1 - P^*)$$

which completes the proof.

Table 3 gives the values of  $c(P^*, T)$  for  $P^* = 0.75, 0.90, 0.95, 0.99$  and  $T = i \cdot 10^j$ ,  $i = 1(1)10$ ,  $j = -1(1)2$ .

For  $k > 2$  condition (2.1.4) can be satisfied in many ways, so that further conditions are necessary to determine a rule uniquely.

### 2.3. Selection Rules for Binomial Populations

Let  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k$  have binomial distributions:  $X_i \sim B(\theta_i, n)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . Denote  $\omega = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$ ,  $\Omega = \{\omega\}$  and  $\Omega \supseteq \Omega_0 = \{\omega | \theta_i = \theta, i = 1, \dots, k\}$ . We will construct a just selection rule  $R$  for including the population with highest  $\theta_i$  such that

$$(2.3.1) \quad P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS} | R) = P^* \quad \text{for all } \omega_0 \in \Omega_0 \text{ holds.}$$

It is clear that this goal can be achieved only by the use of randomized procedures, because in the case  $\omega = (0, \dots, 0)$  or  $\omega = (1, \dots, 1)$  the observation will be  $x = (0, \dots, 0)$  or  $x = (n, \dots, n)$  with probability one, requiring the use of individual selection probabilities  $p_i = P^*$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, k$  in those cases.

The density with respect to the counting measure of the binomial distribution with success probability  $\theta$  and  $n$  trials is

$$(2.3.2) \quad p_{\theta}(x) = \binom{n}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x} \\ = (1-\theta)^n \exp\left[x \log \frac{\theta}{1-\theta}\right] \binom{n}{x}.$$

Hence the joint density for  $\omega \in \Omega_0$  is

$$(2.3.3) \quad f_{\omega}(x_1, \dots, x_k) = \prod_{i=1}^k p_{\theta}(x_i) = (1-\theta)^{nk} \exp\left[\log \frac{\theta}{1-\theta} \sum_{i=1}^k x_i\right] \prod_{i=1}^k \binom{n}{x_i}$$

showing that  $T = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .  $\theta' = \log \frac{\theta}{1-\theta}$

is an increasing function of  $\theta$ , thus selecting the population with highest  $\theta'$  is the same as selecting the one with highest  $\theta$ . Hence we have to determine individual selection probabilities  $p_i$  - and again because of the symmetry it suffices to find one, say  $p_k$  - which satisfy.

$$(2.3.4) \quad E(p_k(X) | \sum X_i = T) = P^* \quad \text{for } T = 0, 1, \dots, kn.$$

and if

$$(2.3.5) \quad y_i \leq x_i, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, k-1, \quad y_k \geq x_k \quad \text{then}$$

$$p_k(x_1, \dots, x_k) \leq p_k(y_1, \dots, y_k).$$

Figure 3 shows the partial ordering induced by (2.3.5) among the observation vectors for the case  $k=3, n=2$ .  $A_3$  leads to a just rule if it contains with any observation  $x$  all observations ranking above  $x$ .

indicated by arrows in the figure. Because of the symmetry only one of the permutations  $(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  and  $(x_2, x_1, x_3)$  is plotted. The numbers under the observation vectors denote the corresponding  $T(x) = \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i$  values.

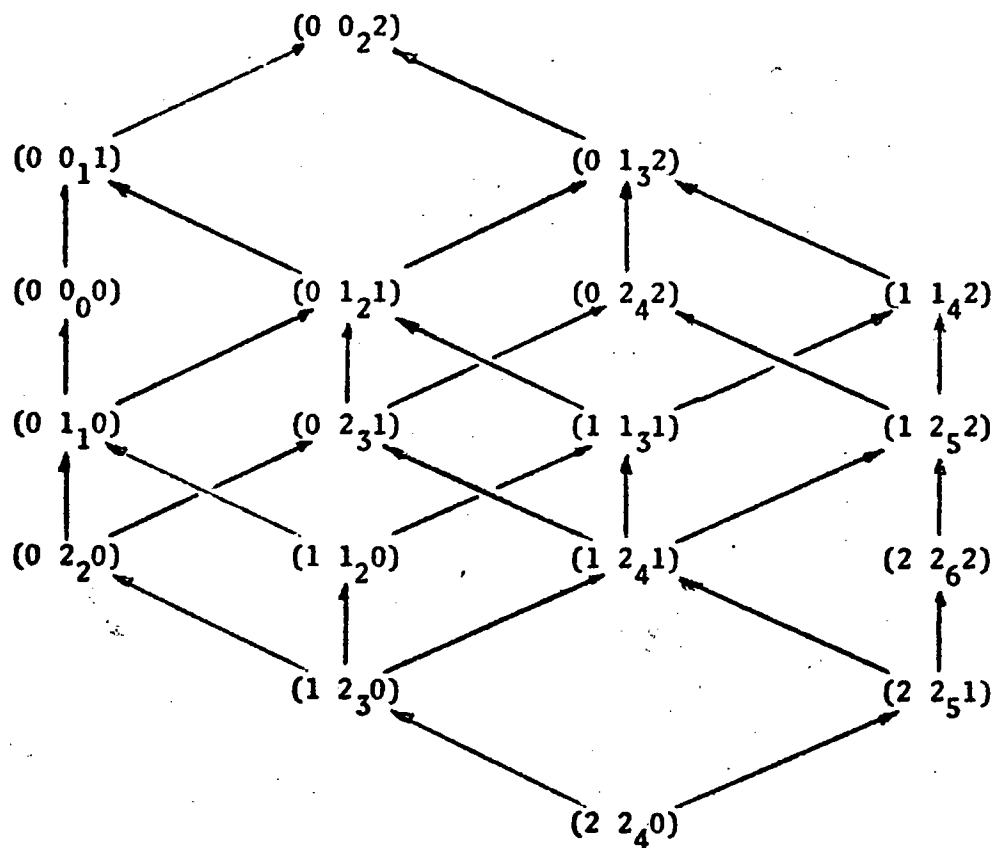


Figure 3. Partial Ordering for Binomial

Observations  $k=3, n=2$ .

Conditions (2.3.4) and (2.3.5) do not determine a procedure uniquely.

We propose the following rule  $R_0$ :

$$(2.3.6) \quad P_k(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_k > c_T \\ \rho & \text{if } x_k = c_T \\ 0 & \text{if } x_k < c_T \end{cases},$$

where  $\rho = \rho(T, P^*)$  and  $c_T = c_T(P^*)$ , ( $T = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i$ ), are determined to satisfy (2.3.4):

$$(2.3.7) \quad E(P_k(X) | T) = P\{X_k > c_T | T\} + \rho P\{X_k = c_T | T\} = P^*.$$

The conditional distribution of  $X_k$  given  $T$  is hypergeometric:

$$(2.3.8) \quad P\{X_k = i | T\} = \frac{\binom{n}{i} \binom{(k-1)n}{T-i}}{\binom{kn}{T}}.$$

To simplify the notation let us introduce a random variable  $Z_T$  which is distributed as  $(X_k | T)$ :

$$(2.3.9) \quad P\{Z_T = i\} = P\{X_k = i | T\} \text{ for } i=0,1,2,\dots, .$$

(2.3.7) then becomes

$$(2.3.10) \quad P\{Z_T > c_T\} + \rho P\{Z_T = c_T\} = P^*$$

and the integers  $c_T$  can be determined from the inequalities

$$(2.3.11) \quad P\{Z_T > c_T\} \leq P^*$$



$$(2.3.12) \quad P\{Z_T \geq c_T\} > P^*.$$

(2.3.10) yields

$$(2.3.13) \quad \rho = \frac{P^* - P\{Z_T > c_T\}}{P\{Z_T = c_T\}}$$

Lemma 2.3.1.  $R_0$  is just.

Proof: Let  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_k)$ ,  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_k)$  and denote the preference relation (2.3.5) by  $y \succ_k x$ . Define  $T_x = \sum_{i=1}^k x_i$ .

Case 1.  $T_x = T_y$ .

In this case  $y \succ_k x$  implies  $p_k(y) \geq p_k(x)$  and the assertion follows from (2.3.6).

Case 2.  $T_x \neq T_y$ .

It suffices to show  $p_k(y) \geq p_k(x)$  for those pairs  $(x, y)$  where  $y$  ranks immediately above  $x$  i.e.  $y \succ_k x$  and there is no  $y'$  such that  $y \succ_k y' \succ_k x$  holds.

There are two types of such  $y$ 's for each  $x$ .

Type 1.

$y_k = x_k + 1$ ,  $y_i = x_i$  for  $i \neq k$ , hence  $T_y = T_x + 1$ . If  $p_k(x) = 1$  then by (2.3.11)  $P\{Z_T > x_k\} \leq P^*$  holds, therefore

$$(2.3.14) \quad P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k\} = P\{Z_{T_x+1} > x_k + 1\} \leq P\{Z_{T_x} > x_k\} \leq P^*,$$

hence  $p_k(y) = 1 \geq p_k(x)$ . If  $p_k(x) = \rho > 0$  then by (2.3.11), (2.3.12)

$$(2.3.15) \quad P\{Z_{T_x} > x_k\} \leq P^* \quad \text{and}$$

$$P\{Z_{T_x} \geq x_k\} > P^* \quad \text{follow,}$$

and by (2.3.14)

$$(2.3.16) \quad P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k\} \leq P^* \quad \text{holds.}$$

If also

$$(2.3.17) \quad P\{Z_{T_y} \geq y_k\} \leq P^* \quad \text{holds, then}$$

$$P_k(y) = 1 \geq P_k(x).$$

It remains the case, where (2.3.16), but not (2.3.17) holds:

$$(2.3.18) \quad P_k(y) = \frac{P^* - P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k\}}{P\{Z_{T_y} = y_k\}} = \frac{P^* - P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k\}}{P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k - 1\} - P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k\}} \geq$$

$$\frac{P^* - P\{Z_{T_x} > x_k\}}{P\{Z_{T_x} > x_k - 1\} - P\{Z_{T_x} > x_k\}} = P_k(x),$$

where the inequality is of the kind  $\frac{P^* - a}{b - a} \geq \frac{P^* - A}{B - A}$  with  $0 < a < A < P^* < b < B$  and is seen to be true as follows:  $\frac{P^* - a}{b - a} > \frac{P^* - a}{B - a} > \frac{P^* - A}{B - A}$  where the second inequality holds because the expression in the middle is a decreasing function in  $a$ .

The third possibility  $P_k(x) = 0$  is trivial.

Type 2.

$y_k = x_k, y_j = x_j - 1$  for some  $j \neq k$ , hence  $T_y = T_x - 1$ . The proof is analogous

to that for type 1, with (2.3.14) replaced by

$$(2.3.19) \quad P\{Z_{T_y} > y_k\} = P\{Z_{T_x-1} > x_k\} < P\{Z_{T_x} > x_k\}.$$

This concludes the proof of Lemma 2.3.1.

Table A1 gives the values for  $c_T$  and  $\rho$  for various values of  $P^*$ ,  $k$  and  $n$ . Since  $T$  can take on the values  $0, 1, 2, \dots, kn$  these tables become very extensive for large values of  $k$  and  $n$ . Therefore it is desirable to find approximations for  $c_T$  and  $\rho$ . Normal approximation for the hypergeometric distribution gives good results when  $n$  is large and  $T$  is not extreme (close to 0 or  $kn$ ). Expectation and variance of  $Z_T$  are

$$(2.3.19) \quad \mu = \frac{T}{k}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{(kn-T) T(k-1)}{(kn-1) k^2}$$

yielding the normal approximation

$$(2.3.20) \quad (X_k | T) \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

from which an approximate  $\tilde{c}_T$  can be evaluated as follows:

$$(2.3.21) \quad \hat{c}_T = \mu - \sigma \phi^{-1}(P^*)$$

$$\tilde{c}_T = [\hat{c}_T + \frac{1}{2}],$$

where  $\phi^{-1}$  is the inverse of the standard normal distribution and  $[x]$  denotes largest integer not greater than  $x$ . For  $\rho$  we get the approximation

TABLE 4. Exact and Approximate Values for  $c_T$  and  $\rho_T$   
(Binomial Populations)

k	n	T	P*							
			0.75		0.90		0.95		0.99	
2	5	4	1	.05	1	.68	1	.89	0	.58
			1	.05	1	.55	1	.84	0	.40
	10	6	2	.26	2	.88	1	.31	1	.93
			2	.21	2	.85	1	.23	1	.95
	20	10	4	.49	3	.35	3	.83	2	.79
			4	.44	3	.28	3	.78	2	.73
3	5	5	1	.53	1	.95	0	.40	0	.88
			1	.43	1	.98	0	.30	0	.91
	10	15	4	.44	3	.23	3	.74	2	.67
			4	.39	3	.18	3	.66	2	.56
	20	50	16	.77	15	.69	14	.18	13	.15
			16	.76	15	.59	14	.09	13	.03
5	5	5	0	.14	0	.66	0	.83	0	.97
			0	.20	0	.66	0	.93	0	1.00
	10	25	4	.52	3	.41	3	.88	2	.85
			4	.46	3	.33	3	.85	2	.82
	20	90	17	.33	16	.11	16	.71	15	.72
			17	.31	16	.05	16	.48	15	.31
10	5	20	1	.29	1	.87	0	.26	0	.85
			1	.21	1	.85	0	.23	0	.94
	10	50	4	.57	3	.52	3	.96	2	.94
			4	.52	3	.43	3	.88	2	.91
	20	30	2	.62	1	.47	1	.86	0	.69
			2	.52	1	.45	1	1.00	0	1.00

To every  $k, n, T, P^*$  the table shows the integer  $c_T$  and the probability  $\rho_T$  (upper lines) and their approximations  $\tilde{c}_T$  and  $\tilde{\rho}_T$  (lower lines).

$$(2.3.22) \quad \hat{\rho} = \hat{c}_T + 0.5 - \hat{c}_T$$

Table 4 gives the exact and approximate values of  $c_T$  and  $\rho_T$  for some selected values of  $k, n, T$  and  $P^*$ .

We see that the deviation of the approximate values from the exact ones is small. The non-randomized version  $R'_0$  of  $R_0$ :

$R'_0$ : Select  $\pi_i$  if  $x_i \geq c_T$  is conservative, i.e. the  $P^*$ -condition will be satisfied with a  $P^*$ -value not less than that for  $R_0$ . However,  $R'_0$  may not be just and it selects large subsets if the  $p_i$ 's are close to zero or one. The performance of rule  $R$  (2.2.1) was studied in [22] and a table was given for the expected proportion  $\eta(\omega)$  under various slippage configurations. A comparison of  $R_0$  and  $R$  is difficult, because the location of the minimum of a correct selection is not known. Since it takes place near  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ , the  $P^*$  for  $R_0$  was chosen to satisfy

$$P^* = P_{\omega}(CS|R) \quad \text{with } \omega = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{2})$$

which makes the comparison slightly more favorable for  $R$ . Table 5 compares the expected proportion retained in the selected subset for slippage configurations and different values of  $k$  and  $n$ . We see that  $R_0$  yields better results for small values of  $\delta$ , while  $R$  becomes better if  $\delta$  is large. Hence  $R_0$  should be applied if only small differences in the success probabilities of the populations are expected. This disadvantage of  $R_0$  becomes more evident in the case of equally spaced configurations, where almost surely more than half of the populations will be retained in the selected subset if the number of observations is increased indefinitely, whereas  $R$  will eventually select only the best one.

TABLE 5. The Expected Proportion for Rules R  
(Upper Line) and  $R_0$  (Lower Line)

$\delta$	$x+\delta$	k=2		k=3			k=5		k=10
		N=5	N=10	N=5	N=10	N=25	N=10	N=25	N=10
0	0.5	.945	.942	.904	.962	.942	.934	.902	.961
		.945	.942	.904	.962	.942	.934	.902	.961
	0.75	.945	.942	.904	.962	.942	.934	.902	.961
		.999	.966	.950	.984	.971	.974	.951	.990
0.95	.945	.942	.904	.962	.942	.934	.902	.961	
	.945	.999	.999	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
1.00	.945	.942	.904	.962	.942	.934	.902	.961	
	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	
.1	0.5	.938	.926	.898	.954	.916	.928	.883	.959
		.938	.925	.895	.951	.902	.923	.861	.956
	0.75	.938	.923	.897	.953	.913	.927	.881	.958
		.952	.939	.922	.965	.919	.946	.887	.974
0.95	.937	.914	.893	.946	.887	.921	.865	.956	
	.989	.983	.984	.995	.979	.994	.973	.999	
1.00	.938	.911	.890	.941	.863	.916	.850	.954	
	.996	.994	.993	.999	.994	.999	.992	1.000	
.25	0.5	.901	.838	.868	.915	.795	.900	.805	.951
		.896	.838	.850	.883	.682	.853	.615	.926
	0.75	.901	.838	.869	.917	.807	.902	.816	.951
		.896	.838	.849	.882	.682	.849	.614	.919
0.95	.896	.793	.859	.902	.765	.893	.796	.948	
	.934	.870	.908	.928	.696	.912	.634	.968	
1.00	.896	.771	.852	.893	.737	.888	.784	.947	
	.948	.888	.931	.948	.707	.937	.649	.982	
.5	0.5	.755	.549	.774	.707	.336	.815	.239	.939
		.750	.586	.667	.585	.338	.502	.206	.661
	0.75	.777	.627	.782	.799	.526	.833	.637	.933
		.737	.607	.646	.588	.352	.505	.223	.625
0.95	.762	.581	.783	.801	.534	.839	.659	.934	
	.744	.595	.657	.585	.343	.502	.212	.645	
1.00	.755	.549	.779	.794	.523	.836	.655	.933	
	.750	.586	.667	.585	.388	.502	.206	.661	

In Section 2.6 a rule will be proposed, which combines the advantages of both  $R$  and  $R'_0$ .

#### 2.4. Selection Rules for Poisson Distributions

Since there is a close relation between the Binomial and the Poisson distribution, it is clear that a selection rule similar to  $R_0$  (2.3.6) can be constructed in that case. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$  have Poisson distribution

$$(2.4.1) \quad P(X_i = x) = e^{-\theta_i} \frac{\theta_i^x}{x!} \quad \begin{array}{l} i=1,2,3,\dots,k \\ x=0,1,2,\dots \end{array}$$

and for  $\omega_0 = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k) \in \Omega_0$  the joint distribution is

$$(2.4.2) \quad P(X_1=x_1, \dots, X_k=x_k) = e^{-k\theta} \frac{\theta^{\sum x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^k x_i!}$$

indicating that  $T = \sum X_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ . As in (2.3.6) we propose a rule and again call it  $R_0$ , which yields constant probability of a correct selection in  $\Omega_0$ .  $R_0$  is defined by its individual selection probabilities

$$(2.4.3) \quad p_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i > c_T \\ \rho & \text{if } x_i = c_T \\ 0 & \text{if } x_i < c_T \end{cases} \quad i=1,2,\dots,k$$

where  $c_T = c_T(P^*)$  and  $\rho = \rho(T, P^*)$  satisfy (2.3.7). The conditional distribution of  $X_k$  given  $T$  under  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$  is:

$$(2.4.4) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k = x | T\} = \frac{\frac{1}{x!} \sum_{x_1 + \dots + x_{k-1} = T-x} \frac{1}{x_1! \dots x_{k-1}!}}{\sum_{x_1 + \dots + x_k = T} \frac{1}{x_1! \dots x_k!}}$$

and applying the relation

$$(2.4.5) \quad \sum_{x_1 + \dots + x_k = T} \frac{T!}{x_1! \dots x_k!} \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^T = 1$$

yields

$$(2.4.6) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k = x | T\} = \binom{T}{x} \frac{(k-1)^{T-x}}{k^T}$$

As in (2.3.7), (2.3.8) the integer  $c_T$  can be determined from

$$(2.4.7) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k > c_T | T\} \leq P^*$$

$$P_{\omega_0} \{X_k \geq c_T | T\} > P^*$$

which do not depend on the particular value  $\omega_0$  one chooses from  $\Omega_0$ .  $\rho$  again can be evaluated by the formula

$$\rho = \frac{P^* - P\{X_k > c_T | T\}}{P\{X_k = c_T | T\}}$$

Table A2 gives the values of  $c_T$  and  $\rho$  for  $k=2,3,4,5,10$ ,  $T=0(1)50$  and  $P^*=0.75,0.90,0.95,0.99$ . The proof that  $R_0$  is just for Poisson distributions is essentially the same as in the Binomial case. The remark, that  $R_0$  should preferably be applied if the  $\theta_i$ 's are close together, holds for the Poisson case as well.



### 2.5. The Negative Binomial Distribution

Procedure  $R_0$  (2.3.6) can also be applied in the case of negative binomial distributions (binomial waitingtime distribution). Let  $\pi_1, \dots, \pi_k$  be populations with negative binomial distributions:

$$(2.5.1) \quad P\{X_i = x\} = \binom{x-1}{r-1} \theta_i^r (1-\theta_i)^{x-r}$$

for some fixed positive integer  $r$ ,  $x=r, r+1, \dots, 0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, k$ .

If  $\theta_1 = \dots = \theta_k = \theta$ , the joint distribution becomes

$$(2.5.2) \quad P\{X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k\} = \left(\frac{\theta}{1-\theta}\right)^{kr} e^{\log(1-\theta) \sum_{i=1}^k x_i} \prod_{i=1}^k \binom{x_i-1}{r-1}$$

Since  $\log(1-\theta)$  is a decreasing function of  $\theta$ , and since we are interested in selecting the populations with large  $\theta$ , we will now select a population if small values of  $x_i$  are observed. Again  $T = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ .

Define  $R_0$  by the individual selection probabilities

$$(2.5.3) \quad p_i(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x_i < c_T \\ \rho & \text{if } x_i = c_T \\ 0 & \text{if } x_i > c_T \end{cases}$$

where  $c_T = c_T(P^*, k, r)$  and  $\rho = \rho(T, P^*, k, r)$  satisfy

$$(2.5.4) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k < c_T | T\} < P^*$$

$$(2.5.5) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k \leq c_T | T\} \geq P^*$$

$$(2.5.6) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k < c_T | T\} + \rho P\{X_k = c_T | T\} = P^*$$

for all  $T$  and  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$ .

Since  $T$  is a sufficient statistic for the common value  $\theta$ , the conditional probabilities (2.5.4), (2.5.5) and (2.5.6) do not depend on the choice of  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$ :

$$(2.5.7) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{X_k = x | T\} = \frac{\binom{x-1}{r-1} \binom{T-x-1}{(k-1)r-1}}{\binom{T-1}{kr-1}}$$

(2.5.4) through (2.5.7) enable us to evaluate the  $c_T$  and  $\rho$  values in a similar way as it was done for binomial and Poisson distributions. The proof that  $R_0$  is just is essentially the same as in the binomial case. Table A3 gives the values of  $c_T$  and  $\rho$  for  $k=2,3,5,10$ ,  $r=5,10$  and  $P^*=0.75, 0.9, 0.95, 0.99$ .

## 2.6. Fisher's Logarithmic Distribution

$R_0$  can also be applied for selecting a subset containing the one with highest  $\theta$  from  $k$  populations which are distributed according to Fisher's logarithmic distribution

$$(2.6.1) \quad P\{X_i = x\} = \frac{1}{\log(1-\theta)} \frac{\theta^x}{x} \quad x = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$0 < \theta < 1$$

Under  $\omega_0 = (\theta, \dots, \theta)$  the joint distribution is

$$(2.6.2) \quad P\{X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k\} = \left[ \frac{-1}{\log(1-\theta)} \right]^k \frac{\theta^{\sum_{i=1}^k x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^k x_i}$$

$T = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$  and the conditional probability of  $X_1$  given  $T$  is

$$(2.6.3) \quad P(X_1=x|T) = \frac{\frac{1}{x} \sum_{x_2+\dots+x_k=T-x} \frac{1}{x_2 \cdots x_k}}{\sum_{x_1+\dots+x_k=T} \frac{1}{x_1 \cdots x_k}}$$

The sums in (2.6.3) can be evaluated by using the recursion relation

$$(2.6.4) \quad A_{k,T} \equiv \sum_{x_1+\dots+x_k=T} \frac{1}{x_1 \cdots x_k} = \sum_{x_1=1}^{T+1-k} \frac{1}{x_1} \sum_{x_2+\dots+x_k=T-x_1} \frac{1}{x_2 \cdots x_k} =$$

$$\sum_{x_1=x}^{T+1-k} \frac{1}{x_1} A_{k-1, T-x_1}$$

with the initial values  $A_{1,T} = \frac{1}{T}$ ,  $T=1,2,\dots$ .  $R_0$  is defined as in the Poisson case and the necessary constants can be evaluated in the same way. However  $R_0$  will not work satisfactorily in this case for the following reason: Unless  $\theta$  is extremely close to one, there is a very high probability concentrated at one, e.g.  $P_{0.5}(X=1)=0.72$ ,  $P_{0.9}(X=1)=0.39$ ,  $P_{0.99}(X=1)=0.21$ . Hence even for large  $\theta$  small values of  $X$  are very likely to be observed, which leads to small values of  $c_T$  and hence the rule with high probability includes all populations in the selected subset. This situation can be improved by taking repeated observations  $X_{i1}, \dots, X_{in}$ ,  $i=1, \dots, k$  from each population.  $T_i = \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta_i$ , but unlike the Poisson distribution the logarithmic

distribution is not reproductive, i.e.  $T_i$  does not have a logarithmic distribution so that for each value of  $n$  a different table must be used.

Let

$$(2.6.5) \quad Z_i^{(n)} = \sum_{j=1}^n X_{ij}, \quad X_{ij} \text{ i.i.d. according to (2.6.1).}$$

Hence

$$(2.6.6) \quad P\{Z_i^{(n)}=z\} = \left[ \frac{-1}{\log(1-\theta)} \right]^z \theta^z \sum_{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = z} \frac{1}{x_1 \dots x_n} =$$

$$\left[ \frac{-\theta}{\log(1-\theta)} \right]^z A_{n,z} \quad z=kn, kn+1, \dots$$

For  $\omega_0 = (\theta, \dots, \theta) \in \Omega_0$  the joint distribution is given by

$$(2.6.7) \quad P\{Z_1^{(n)}=z_1, \dots, Z_k^{(n)}=z_k\} = \left[ \frac{-\theta}{\log(1-\theta)} \right]^{\sum_{i=1}^k z_i} \prod_{i=1}^k A_{n,z_i}$$

Again  $T = \sum Z_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$  and the conditional distribution of  $Z_1$  given  $T$  is

$$(2.6.8) \quad P\{Z_1=z | T\} = \frac{A_{n,z} \sum_{z_2+\dots+z_k=T-z} \prod_{i=2}^k A_{n,z_i}}{\sum_{z_1+\dots+z_k=T} \prod_{i=1}^k A_{n,z_i}}, \quad z=n, \dots, T-(k-1)n$$

Define

$$(2.6.9) \quad B_{k,n,T} = \sum_{z_1+\dots+z_k=T} \prod_{i=1}^k A_{n,z_i}$$

then the  $B_{k,n,T}$ 's can be evaluated from the recursion formula

$$(2.6.10) \quad B_{k,n,T} = \sum_{v=1}^{T-(k-1)n} A_{n,v} B_{k-1,n,T-v}$$

with the initial values

$$(2.6.11) \quad B_{1,n,T} = A_{n,T}$$

Now we can determine the values for  $c_T$  and  $\rho$  analogously to the other cases.

Table A4 gives the values for  $c_T$  and  $\rho$  for  $k=2,3,5,10$ ,  $n=5$  and  $P^*=0.75,0.90,0.95,0.99$ .

## 2.7. Rules of Gupta Type with Constant $P(\text{CS}|\text{R})$ in $\Omega_0$ .

Gupta's rule (1.6.4) for selecting a subset containing the one with highest mean from several normal populations was derived in [11] from a likelihood ratio test under slippage hypotheses. This derivation can be generalized for Koopman-Darmois families and more general hypotheses.

Let  $X_i, i=1,2,\dots,k$  have the probability densities

$$(2.7.1) \quad f(\theta_i, x_i) = c(\theta_i) e^{Q(\theta_i)T(x_i)} h(x_i).$$

If we make the usual assumption that  $Q(\theta_i)$  is strictly monotonic, then  $Q(\theta_i)$  can be assumed as increasing, so that we can consider  $Q(\theta_i)$  as the parameter and rename it  $\theta_i$  simplifying (2.7.1) to

$$(2.7.2) \quad f(\theta_i, x_i) = c(\theta_i) e^{\theta_i T(x_i)} h(x_i)$$

Let us assume we know that the  $\theta_i$  take on the values  $\theta'_1 \leq \theta'_2 \leq \dots \leq \theta'_k$ , but that the correct pairing is not known. Consider the hypotheses

$$(2.7.3) \quad \begin{array}{l} H_1: \theta_1 = \theta'_k \\ \vdots \\ H_i: \theta_i = \theta'_k \\ \vdots \\ H_k: \theta_k = \theta'_k \end{array}$$

i.e.  $H_i$  is the hypothesis that  $\theta_i$  corresponds to  $\theta'_k$  without specifying the parameters of the remaining  $(k-1)$  populations. If  $\Omega_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$  denotes the subset of  $\Omega$  where  $H_i$  is true, then the likelihood ratio test of hypothesis  $H_k$  against the alternatives  $H_1, \dots, H_{k-1}$  yields the region of acceptance:

$$(2.7.4) \quad \lambda = \frac{\max_{\omega \in \Omega} \prod_{i=1}^k f(\theta'_i, x_i)}{\max_{\omega \in \Omega} \prod_{i=1}^k f(\theta_i, x_i)} = e^{\sum \theta'_i [T'_{[i]} - T_{[i]}]} \geq c,$$

where the  $T_{[i]}$  are the ordered values of  $T_i = T(X_i)$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$  and  $T'_{[i]}$  are the ordered values of  $T'_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k-1$ ,  $T'_{[k]} = T'_k$ . Let  $r$  be the rank of  $T_k$  among the  $T_i$ 's, i.e.  $T_{[r]} = T_k$ . Then (2.7.4) becomes

$$(2.7.5) \quad \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i (T'_{[i]} - T_{[i]}) = \sum_{j=r+1}^k (\theta_{j-1} - \theta_j) T_{[j]} + (\theta_k - \theta_r) T_k \geq c_1.$$

Under slippage configuration  $\omega_k = (\theta'_1, \dots, \theta'_k) = (\theta, \dots, \theta, \theta + \delta)$  (2.7.5) simplifies to

$$(2.7.6) \quad -\delta T_{[k]} + \delta T_k \geq c_1$$

or

$$(2.7.7) \quad T_k \geq T_{[k]} - c_2$$

If  $\theta$  and  $\delta$  are known this gives rise to a selection rule.

$$(2.7.8) \quad \text{Select } \pi_i, \text{ iff } T_i \geq T_{[k]} - c_2$$

where  $c_2 = c_2(P^*, \theta, \delta)$  is determined by the  $P^*$ -condition

$$(2.7.9) \quad P_{\omega_k} \{T_k \geq T_{[k]} - c_2\} = P^*.$$

(2.7.8) is Gupta's rule which we know is just from Example 1.6.2, hence if we keep  $\theta$  fixed the minimum of  $P(\text{CS})$  takes place if  $\delta=0$ , in which case (2.7.9) becomes

$$(2.7.10) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F_{\theta}^{k-1}(t+c_2) dF_{\theta}(t) = P^*,$$

where  $F_{\theta}$  is the cumulative distribution function of  $T$ . For normal distributions with  $\theta$  as location parameter,  $c_2$  in (2.7.10) does not depend on  $\theta$ . In general  $c_2$  does depend on  $\theta$  and if  $\theta$  is not known an estimator for  $\theta$  may be used in (2.7.9). Since  $\Sigma T_i$  is a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$ , this leads to a selection rule of the form:

$$(2.7.11) \quad \text{Select } \pi_i \text{ iff } T_i \geq T_{[k]} - c(\Sigma T_i, P^*)$$

By (2.1.4) this rule has constant  $P(\text{CS})$  in  $\Omega_0$ , if  $c(\Sigma T_i, P^*)$  is determined to satisfy:

$$(2.7.12) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{T_i \geq T_{[k]}^{-c(\Sigma T_j, P^*)} | \Sigma T_j\} = P^* \quad \text{for all } \Sigma T_j, \omega_0 \in \Omega_0.$$

However, it is not known whether (2.7.11) is a just rule.

Another configuration which brings (2.7.4) into a simple form is the case where the  $\theta_i$  are equally spaced:  $\theta_i = \theta_0 + i\delta$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ . (2.7.4) then becomes

$$(2.7.13) \quad -\delta \sum_{j=r+1}^k T_{[j]} + \delta(k-r)T_k \geq c'_1$$

or

$$T_k \geq \frac{1}{k-r} \sum_{j=r+1}^k T_{[j]}^{-c'_2}.$$

The same methods as in the slippage case lead to the selection rule:

$$(2.7.14) \quad \text{Select } \pi_i \quad \text{iff } T_i \equiv T_{[r]} \geq \frac{1}{k-r} \sum_{j=r+1}^k T_{[j]}^{-c'} \left( \sum_{j=1}^k T_j, P^* \right)$$

i.e.  $T_i$  is now compared with the average of the  $T_j$ 's better than  $T_i$ .

$c' \left( \sum_{j=1}^k T_j, P^* \right)$  can be determined from

$$(2.7.15) \quad P_{\omega_0} \{T_{[r]} \geq \frac{1}{k-r} \sum_{j=r+1}^k T_{[j]}^{-c'(\Sigma T_j, P^*)} | \Sigma T_j\} = P^*$$

for all  $\Sigma T_j$  and  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$ .

It is not known whether this rule is just either.



## CHAPTER III

## RULES BASED ON DEPENDENT OBSERVATIONS

3.1. Selection Rules Based on Ranks

In practice it frequently happens that the actual values of a random variable can only be observed under great cost or not at all, while their ordering is readily available. This occurs for instance in life testing when one only observes the order in which the parts under investigation fail without recording the actual time of the failure. Problems of this type suggest the investigation of subset selection rules based on ranks. Although the distributions of rank statistics are usually very involved, the resulting rules are often simple. Another advantage of rank procedures is that under the null hypothesis-i.e. under the hypothesis that all distributions are identical-the distribution of the ranks does not depend on the underlying distribution. For this reason rank procedures are sometimes referred to as non-parametric rules.

McDonald [28] investigated several subset selection rules based on ranks. In this section a rule will be derived which satisfies the  $P^*$ -condition for some  $\omega_0$  in  $\Omega_0$  and which among all rank procedures yields the fastest increase of  $P(\text{CS})$  in the neighborhood of  $\omega_0$ .

From each of the populations  $\pi_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$  we take  $n$  observations  $X_{i1}, \dots, X_{in}$ . Let  $R_{ij}$  denote the rank of  $X_{ij}$  in the pooled sample of the  $N=kn$  observations  $(X_{11}, \dots, X_{1n}, X_{21}, \dots, X_{kn})$ .

Def. 3.1.1. A rank configuration is a  $N$ -tuple  $\Delta = (\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_N)$ ,  $\Delta_i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , where  $\Delta_i = j$  indicates that the  $i$ th smallest observation in the pooled sample comes from  $\pi_j$ , i.e. there exists an  $l$  such that  $R_{jl} = i$  holds.

Let  $\Delta = \{\Delta\}$  denote the set of all rank configurations for a pair  $k, n$  which is kept fixed in these considerations.  $\Delta_x$  denotes the rank configuration of  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_N)$ . For a fixed  $\Delta$  let  $X_\Delta = \{x \in X \mid \Delta_x = \Delta\}$ .

Def. 3.1.2. A rank selection rule is a measurable function  $\delta$  defined on  $\Delta \times \mathcal{D}$ , where  $\mathcal{D}$  is the decision space introduced in (1.1), provided that for each  $\Delta \in \Delta$  (i)  $\delta(\Delta, d) \geq 0$  and (ii)  $\sum_{d \in \mathcal{D}} \delta(\Delta, d) = 1$  hold.

$\delta(\Delta, d) = p$  indicates that the decision  $d$  is made with probability  $p$ , if the rank configuration  $\Delta$  is observed.

As in Section 1.2 it can be shown that the probability of a correct selection and the expected subset size depend on the individual selection probabilities only. Hence, corresponding to (1.2.3), we can use the following simplified definition of a rank selection rule.

Def. 3.1.3. A rank selection rule  $R$  is a measurable mapping from  $\Delta$  into  $R^k$ :  $R: \Delta \rightarrow (p_1(\Delta), \dots, p_k(\Delta))$ ,  $0 \leq p_i(\Delta) \leq 1$ . Let the distribution of  $\pi_i$ ,  $i=1, \dots, k$ , be given by a density function  $f(x_i, \theta_i)$  from a one-parametric family with the  $\theta_i$ 's belonging to some interval  $\Theta$  which, without loss of generality, can be assumed to contain 0. Furthermore let the family  $\{f(x, \theta)\}$  have the following properties.

(3.1.1)  $f(x, \theta)$  is absolutely continuous in  $\theta$  for almost every  $x$ ,

(3.1.2) the limit  $\dot{f}(x, 0) = \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\theta} [f(x, \theta) - f(x, 0)]$  exists for almost every  $x$ ,

$$(3.1.3) \quad \lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\dot{f}(x, \theta)| dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\dot{f}(x, 0)| dx < \infty$$

holds with  $\dot{f}(x, \theta)$  denoting the partial derivative with respect to  $\theta$ .

Compare [24, p. 64].

Our goal is to construct a selection rule based on ranks such that

$$(3.1.4) \quad P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS}) \geq P^* \quad \text{with } \omega_0 = (0, 0, \dots, 0)$$

holds and that

$$(3.1.5) \quad \frac{1}{k!} \sum_{g \in G} \left. \frac{\partial P_{\alpha(g\omega)}(\text{CS})}{\partial \alpha} \right|_{\alpha=0}$$

is as large as possible for some  $\omega = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$ ;  $G = \{g\}$  denotes the permutations of  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ . For notation see Section 1.3. Since in  $\Omega_0$  the distribution of the ranks does not depend on the underlying distribution of the  $X_i$ 's, (3.1.4) implies that  $P_{\omega}(\text{CS})$  is constant for  $\omega \in \Omega_0$ . Hence for just rank selection rules (3.1.4) is equivalent to the  $P^*$ -condition. Condition (3.1.5) yields the fastest possible expected increase of  $P(\text{CS})$  at  $\omega_0$  when the parameter vector is changed toward  $\omega = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$  assuming that all permutations  $g\omega = (\theta_{h1}, \dots, \theta_{hk})$  where  $h = g^{-1}$ ,  $g \in G$ , are equally likely.

The probability that rank configuration  $\Delta$  is observed under  $\omega$  is

$$(3.1.6) \quad P_{\omega}(\Delta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{x_N} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{x_2} \prod_{i=1}^N f(x_i, \alpha \theta_{\Delta_i}) dx_1, \dots, dx_N$$

Because of (3.1.1), (3.1.2) and (3.1.3) the differentiation with respect to  $\alpha$  can be carried out under the integral sign:

$$(3.1.7) \quad \dot{P}_{\alpha\omega}(\Delta) = \frac{\partial P_{\alpha\omega}(\Delta)}{\partial \alpha} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^N \dot{f}(x_j, \alpha\theta_{\Delta_j}) \theta_{\Delta_j} \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^N f(x_i, \alpha\theta_{\Delta_i}) dx_1, \dots, dx_N$$

$$(3.1.8) \quad \dot{P}_0(\Delta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^N \theta_{\Delta_j} \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^N f(x_i) \dot{f}(x_j) dx_1, \dots, dx_N =$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \theta_{\Delta_j} A_j = \sum_{j=1}^k \theta_j \sum_{\substack{i \\ \Delta_i=j}} A_i = \sum_{j=1}^k \theta_j B_j(\Delta)$$

where  $f(x) = f(x, 0)$ ,

$$(3.1.9) \quad A_j = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_j) \prod_{\substack{i=1 \\ i \neq j}}^N f(x_i) dx_1, \dots, dx_N, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, N$$

and

$$(3.1.10) \quad B_j(\Delta) = \sum_{\substack{i \\ \Delta_i=j}} A_i$$

Thus if we assume that  $\pi_k$  is the best population (3.1.5) becomes

$$(3.1.11) \quad \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G(k, k)} \sum_{j=1}^k \theta_{gj} B_j(\Delta) = \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \sum_{j=1}^k \sum_{g \in G(k, k)} \theta_{gj} B_j(\Delta) =$$

$$\frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left\{ (k-2)! \sum_{v=1}^{k-1} \theta_v \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} B_i(\Delta) + (k-1)! \theta_k B_k(\Delta) \right\} =$$

$$\frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left\{ (U - \theta_k)^V + (k\theta_k - U) B_k(\Delta) \right\}$$

large, where  $U = \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_k$  and  $V = \sum_{i=1}^k B_i(\Delta) = n \sum_{i=1}^k A_i$ , independent of  $\Delta$ .

$V$  is zero if the underlying distribution is symmetric. Since  $\theta_k \geq \theta_i$ ,  $i=1,2,\dots,k$ , it follows  $k\theta_k - U \geq 0$ . Hence (3.1.11) is a nondecreasing function in  $B_k(\Delta)$  and by the lemma of Neyman and Pearson the following subset rule solves (3.1.4) and (3.1.5):

$$(3.1.12) \quad p_k(\Delta) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } B_k(\Delta) > c \\ \rho & \text{if } B_k(\Delta) = c \\ 0 & \text{if } B_k(\Delta) < c \end{cases}$$

employing the fact that  $P_{\omega_0}(\Delta)$  is the same for all  $\Delta$ .  $c$  and  $\rho$  have to be determined to satisfy

$$(3.1.13) \quad \sum_{\substack{\Delta \\ B_k(\Delta) > c}} P_{\omega_0}(\Delta) + \rho \sum_{\substack{\Delta \\ B_k(\Delta) = c}} P_{\omega_0}(\Delta) = P^*$$

This rule is based on weighted rank sums [28] using the scores

$$(3.1.14) \quad A_i = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u^{i-1} (1-u)^{N-i} \varphi(u, f) du$$

with

$$(3.1.15) \quad \varphi(u, f) = \frac{\dot{f}(F^{-1}(u, 0), 0)}{f(F^{-1}(u, 0), 0)}$$

This result could be expected since these  $A_i$ 's are the scores which yield locally optimal rank tests [24]. In section 1.6 it was shown that rules of this type are just provided that the  $A_i$ 's are non-decreasing in  $i$ ,

which for location parameters is always true iff  $f(x)$  is strongly unimodal i.e. if  $-\log g(x)$  is a convex function [24, p. 20]. If the assumption  $\omega_0 = (0, \dots, 0)$  is replaced by the more general one  $\omega_0 = (\theta, \dots, \theta)$ , then (3.1.15) becomes

$$(3.1.16) \quad \varphi(u, f) = \frac{\dot{f}(F^{-1}(u, \theta), \theta)}{f(F^{-1}(u, \theta), \theta)}$$

which in general depends on  $\theta$ . However it is independent of  $\theta$  if  $\theta$  is a location or scale parameter. If  $f(x, \theta)$  is the normal density with mean  $\theta$  then

$$(3.1.17) \quad \varphi(u, f) = \phi^{-1}(u),$$

where  $\phi$  is the standardized normal cumulative distribution function, so that the scores can be evaluated as

$$(3.1.18) \quad A_i^{(N)} = \int_0^1 u^{i-1} (1-u)^{N-i} \phi^{-1}(u) du$$

For references on tables for these scores see [24]. If  $f$  comes from a logistic family  $f(x, \theta) = e^{-(x-\theta)} / (1 + e^{-(x-\theta)})^2$ , then  $\varphi(u, f) = 2u-1$  which leads to equally spaced scores:  $A_i^{(N)} = a_N + ib_N$  where the actual values of  $a_N$  and  $b_N > 0$  are irrelevant. Hence the rule  $R_3$  [28],

$R_3$ : Select  $\pi_i$  iff  $ER_{ij} \geq c$ , is locally optimal on the respective  $\alpha$ -level if the underlying distributions are logistic with location parameter  $\theta$ .

For  $k=3, n=2$  the probability of a correct selection, the expected subset size and the efficiency using this rule for various values of  $\omega$

TABLE 6. Comparison of the Rank Procedures  $R_1$  and  $R_3$ 

			Normal		Logistic	
$\omega$			$R_1$	$R_3$	$R_1$	$R_3$
.0	.0	.1	.9444	.9452	.9452	.9461
			2.7989	2.7990	2.7987	2.7988
			1.0122	1.0130	1.0131	1.0141
.0	.0	.5	.9754	.9771	.9773	.9791
			2.7726	2.7790	2.7684	2.7764
			1.0554	1.0548	1.0590	1.0580
.0	.0	1.	.9929	.9938	.9939	.9947
			2.6980	2.7386	2.6857	2.7344
			1.1040	1.0887	1.1102	1.0914
.0	.1	.1	.9390	.9396	.9395	.9402
			2.7989	2.7989	2.7987	2.7987
			1.0065	1.0071	1.0070	1.0078
.0	.5	.5	.9585	.9622	.9601	.9644
			2.7726	2.7989	2.7684	2.7631
			1.0371	1.0425	1.0404	1.0471
.0	1.	1.	.9767	.9824	.9788	.9847
			2.6980	2.6681	2.6857	2.6468
			1.0860	1.1046	1.0934	1.1161

The three values in each block are from top to bottom:  $P_\omega(CS|R_i)$ ,  $E_\omega(S|R_i)$  and  $\frac{1}{3} P_\omega(CS|R_i)/E_\omega(S|R_i)$ ,  $i=1,3$  for normal and logistic populations.

on normal and logistic populations have been computed. For comparison the corresponding results for Rule  $R_1$  [28] are also calculated:

$$R_1: \text{ Select } \pi_i \text{ iff } B_i \geq \max_{j=1, \dots, k} B_j - D$$

$$R_3: \text{ Select } \pi_i \text{ iff } B_i \geq C$$

$$\text{with } B_i = \sum_{j=1}^n R_{ij}, \quad i=1, 2, \dots, k.$$

The values,  $D=6$  and  $C=4$  were chosen because they yield the same value  $P_{\omega_0}(CS|R_1) = P_{\omega_0}(CS|R_3) = \frac{14}{15} = 0.9\bar{3}$  for  $\omega_0 \in \Omega_0$  so that a fair comparison can be made without need for randomization. Table 6 shows these comparisons for six different values of  $\omega$ .

Remark 3.1.1. The differentiation with respect to  $\alpha$  is more tedious, if it can not be done under the integral sign, but otherwise the same methods apply, e.g. for rectangular distributions and shift parameter  $\theta$  one gets the scores  $A_1 = -1$ ,  $A_N = 1$ ,  $A_i = 0$ ,  $i=2, 3, \dots, N-1$ .

Remark 3.1.2. If condition (3.1.5) is replaced by the requirement that the expected subset size  $E_{\alpha\omega} S$  decreases as fast as possible as a function of  $\alpha$  at  $\alpha = 0$ , minimizing the first derivative would not work because

$$\left. \frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} E_{\alpha\omega} S \right|_{\alpha=0} = 0 \quad \text{holds for all } \omega.$$

Hence second derivatives would have to be used and that would not lead to rules of a simple type like  $R_3$ .



### 3.2. A Selection Rule for Multinomial Cells

The theory of just rules as developed in Chapter I cannot be applied directly to rank procedures taking the rank configurations with their probabilities as observation space, because the rank statistics  $(R_{i,1}, \dots, R_{i,n}), i=1, \dots, k$ , are obviously not independent. This fact accounts for the difficulties which occurred in [28] for the rule  $R_1$ , which in example 1.6 was shown to be not necessarily just. The concept of just rules has not yet been extended to the case of dependent populations. Similar difficulties were encountered in [18] for selecting a subset containing the cell with highest (lowest) probability from  $k$  multinomial cells. Taking  $N$  observations with cell frequencies  $X_1, \dots, X_k, \sum_{i=1}^k X_i = N$  it is shown that the rule of Gupta type:

$$(3.2.1) \quad \text{Select cell } i \quad \text{iff } X_i \geq \max_{j=1, \dots, k} X_j - D$$

does not attain its minimum of  $P_\omega(\text{CS})$  in  $\Omega_0$ , which in this case consists of the single point  $\omega_0 = (\frac{1}{k}, \dots, \frac{1}{k})$ .

We will now construct a selection rule which yields a minimum of  $P_\omega(\text{CS})$  for  $\omega = \omega_0$  and which maximizes  $P_\omega(\text{CS})$  for  $\omega = (\theta, \dots, \theta, \theta + \delta), \delta > 0, k\theta + \delta = 1$ .

Let  $x_i, i=1, 2, \dots, k$  be the observed value in the  $i$ th cell and let  $\sum_{i=1}^k x_i = N$ . Let  $\theta_i, i=1, 2, \dots, k$  denote the cell probabilities,  $\omega = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$ .

We have

$$(3.2.2) \quad P_\omega(X_i = x_i, i=1, 2, \dots, k) = \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \prod_{i=1}^k \theta_i^{x_i}$$

$$(3.2.3) \quad P_{\omega_0}(X_i = x_i, i=1, 2, \dots, k) = \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \frac{1}{k^N}$$

Let  $p_i(x)$  denote the individual selection probabilities and let us assume that  $\theta_k \geq \theta_i, i=1, \dots, k$ . Again, we are interested in symmetric rules only (compare section 1.3), hence

$$(p_1(gx), \dots, p_k(gx)) = g(p_1(x), \dots, p_k(x)) \quad \text{for all } g \in G.$$

In particular we get the condition

$$(3.2.4) \quad p_k(x) = \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \sum_{g \in G(k,k)} p_k(gx)$$

Hence we get the conditions

$$(3.2.5) \quad P_{\omega_0}(CS) = \sum_{\substack{x \\ x_1 + \dots + x_k = N}} p_k(x) P_{\omega_0}(x) = \sum p_k(x) \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^N = P^*$$

$$(3.2.6) \quad P_{\omega_0}(CS) = \sum_{\substack{x \\ x_1 + \dots + x_k = N}} p_k(x) \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \theta^{N-x_k} (\theta + \delta)^{x_k} \quad \text{large.}$$

The lemma of Neyman and Pearson yields the solution

$$(3.2.7) \quad p_k(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & > \\ \rho & \text{if } \theta^{N-x_k} (\theta + \delta)^{x_k} = c \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^N \\ 0 & < \end{cases}$$

for some constants  $c$  and  $\rho$  such that  $P_{\omega_0}(\text{CS}) = P^*$  holds. Since for  $\delta > 0$   $\theta^{N-x_k} (\theta + \delta)^{x_k}$  is an increasing function in  $x_k$  this rule reduces to

$$(3.2.8) \quad p_k(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & > \\ \rho & \text{if } x_k = d \\ 0 & < \end{cases}$$

The integer  $d$  is easily determined from the conditions

$$(3.2.9) \quad \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^N \sum_{i=d+1}^N \binom{N}{i} (k-1)^{N-i} < P^*$$

$$(3.2.10) \quad \left(\frac{1}{k}\right)^N \sum_{i=d}^N \binom{N}{i} (k-1)^{N-i} \geq P^*$$

from which follows

$$(3.2.11) \quad \rho = \frac{P^* k^N - \sum_{i=d+1}^N \binom{N}{i} (k-1)^{N-i}}{(k-1)^{N-d}}$$

For general  $\omega = (\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k)$  assuming  $\theta_k > \theta_i$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, k-1$ , we get

$$(3.2.12) \quad P_{\omega}(\text{CS}) = \sum_{\substack{x_1 + \dots + x_k = N \\ x_k > d}} \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \prod_{i=1}^k \theta_i^{x_i} + \\ + \rho \sum_{\substack{x_1 + \dots + x_k = N \\ x_k = d}} \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_k} \prod_{i=1}^k \theta_i^{x_i} = \\ \sum_{j=d+1}^N \binom{N}{j} \theta_k^j \sum_{x_1 + \dots + x_{k-1} = N-j} \binom{N}{x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}} \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \theta_i^{x_i} +$$

$$\rho \binom{N}{d} \theta_k^d \sum_{x_1 + \dots + x_{k-1} = N-d} \binom{N-d}{x_1, \dots, x_{k-1}} \prod_{i=1}^{k-1} \theta_i^{x_i} =$$

$$\sum_{j=d+1}^N \binom{N}{j} \theta_k^j (1-\theta_k)^{N-j} + \rho \binom{N}{d} \theta_k^d (1-\theta_k)^{N-d} =$$

$$(1-\rho) \sum_{j=d+1}^N \binom{N}{j} \theta_k^j (1-\theta_k)^{N-j} + \rho \sum_{j=d}^N \binom{N}{j} \theta_k^j (1-\theta_k)^{N-j},$$

which increases as a convex combination of two increasing functions in  $\theta_k$  as can be seen by the incomplete beta function representation

$$(3.2.13) \quad \sum_{j=d+1}^N \binom{N}{j} \theta_k^j (1-\theta_k)^{N-j} = \frac{1}{B(N-d, d+1)} \int_{1-\theta_k}^1 t^{N-d-1} (1-t)^d dt$$

Hence the probability of a correct selection is minimized when  $\theta_k$  is as small as possible i.e. for  $\omega = (\frac{1}{k}, \dots, \frac{1}{k})$ .

### 3.3. Conclusion

The idea of just selection rules as introduced in Chapter I is a very basic concept which can be applied in many areas of multiple decision theory as the various examples indicate. Hence this thesis cannot be expected to give an exhaustive treatise of all problems related to just subset selection rules. The most urgent question concerns the extension of just rules to dependent variables so that the methods of this thesis can be applied among others to the multinomial and multivariate normal case, for selecting the component with highest cell-probability and highest mean, respectively. The conjectures in Section 1.8 should

be investigated and it would also be of interest to construct optimal just rules for other than normal populations. An upper bound should be derived for the ratio of the expected size of the subset in Gupta's rule and in the optimal rule. If this bound turns out to be as high as the evaluations for  $k=3$  indicate, this would be a strong argument for Gupta's rule which is easier to apply and has the advantage that it does not depend on a specified alternative. Results on the existence of just rules with constant probability of a correct selection in  $\Omega_0$  would also be useful, in particular it should be determined if the rules of the type (2.7.11) are just.

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**APPENDIX**

TABLE A1.  $c_T$  and  $p_T$  for Binomial Distributions

K = 2 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	.75	.90	.95	.99	1	.50	.80	.90	.98
2	.95	.55	.78	.96	3	.60	.96	.40	.88
4	.05	.68	.89	.58	5	.63	.03	.54	.94
6	.05	.68	.89	.58	7	.60	.96	.40	.88
8	.95	.55	.78	.96	9	.50	.80	.90	.98
10	.75	.90	.95	.99					

K = 3 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	.75	.90	.95	.99	1	.63	.85	.93	.98
2	.42	.77	.88	.98	3	.05	.62	.81	.96
4	.78	.35	.68	.94	5	.53	.95	.40	.88
6	.17	.77	.97	.76	7	.83	.50	.81	.46
8	.54	.00	.54	.97	9	.15	.78	.99	.82
10	.79	.45	.78	.42	11	.48	.93	.37	.91
12	.98	.3	.87	.55	13	.68	.99	.48	.90
14	.25	.4	.85	.97	15	.75	.90	.95	.99

TABLE AI (Continued)

K = 4 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.90	0	.99	1	0	.87	0	.93
2	0	.82	0	.98	3	0	.75	0	.87
4	0	.65	0	.96	5	1	.48	0	.74
6	1	.69	0	.92	7	1	.48	0	.40
8	1	.22	0	.80	9	2	.93	1	.89
10	2	.72	1	.38	11	2	.49	1	.53
12	2	.19	2	.82	13	3	.89	2	.89
14	3	.66	2	.27	15	3	.40	2	.33
16	4	.00	3	.69	17	4	.76	3	.69
18	4	.50	4	.88	19	4	.00	4	.80
20	5	.75	5	.90					

K = 5 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.75	0	.99	1	0	.69	0	.94
2	0	.61	0	.98	3	0	.50	0	.90
4	0	.35	0	.97	5	0	.14	0	.83
6	1	.93	0	.95	7	1	.78	0	.69
8	1	.63	0	.91	9	1	.46	0	.39
10	1	.25	0	.82	11	2	.99	1	.94
12	2	.82	1	.53	13	2	.65	1	.71
14	2	.45	2	.98	15	2	.22	1	.24
16	3	.95	2	.69	17	3	.77	2	.81
18	3	.58	2	.13	19	3	.34	2	.31
20	3	.01	3	.71	21	4	.81	3	.78
22	4	.62	4	.98	23	4	.35	4	.95
24	5	.94	4	.50	25	5	.75	5	.95

TABLE A1 (Continued)

K = 10 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.75	0	.90	1	0	.72	0	.89
2	0	.69	0	.88	3	0	.65	0	.86
4	0	.61	0	.85	5	0	.57	0	.83
6	0	.51	0	.80	7	0	.45	0	.78
8	0	.38	0	.75	9	0	.29	0	.72
10	0	.20	0	.68	11	0	.08	0	.63
12	1	.97	0	.58	13	1	.89	0	.51
14	1	.81	0	.44	15	1	.74	0	.35
16	1	.66	0	.24	17	1	.58	0	.11
18	1	.49	1	.98	19	1	.40	1	.93
20	1	.29	1	.87	21	1	.18	1	.81
22	1	.04	1	.75	23	2	.94	1	.68
24	2	.85	1	.59	25	2	.77	1	.50
26	2	.68	1	.39	27	2	.59	1	.25
28	2	.49	1	.09	29	2	.38	2	.97
30	2	.26	2	.90	31	2	.12	2	.82
32	3	.98	2	.74	33	3	.88	2	.65
34	3	.79	2	.54	35	3	.70	2	.40
36	3	.60	2	.24	37	3	.49	2	.03
38	3	.36	3	.93	39	3	.22	2	.85
40	3	.04	3	.75	41	4	.92	3	.64
42	4	.82	3	.50	43	4	.73	3	.31
44	4	.62	3	.03	45	4	.49	4	.92
46	4	.33	4	.82	47	4	.10	4	.70
48	5	.93	4	.50	49	5	.83	4	.00
50	5	.75	5	.90					

TABLE A1 (Continued)

K = 2 N = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.90	0	.99	1	0	.80	0	.98
2	1	.98	0	.96	3	1	.05	0	.91
4	1	.17	1	.97	5	2	.38	1	.38
6	2	.26	1	.31	7	3	.77	2	.69
8	3	.31	2	.47	9	4	.79	3	.77
10	4	.33	3	.51	11	5	.79	4	.77
12	5	.31	4	.47	13	6	.77	5	.69
14	6	.26	5	.31	15	7	.72	6	.38
16	7	.17	6	.97	17	8	.63	7	.91
18	9	.98	8	.79	19	9	.50	9	.98
20	10	.75	10	.95					

K = 3 N = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.75	0	.99	1	0	.63	0	.93
2	0	.43	0	.89	3	0	.11	0	.82
4	1	.82	0	.72	5	1	.58	0	.54
6	1	.29	0	.23	7	2	.94	1	.94
8	2	.68	1	.78	9	2	.38	1	.57
10	2	.00	1	.22	11	3	.73	2	.91
12	3	.43	2	.70	13	3	.05	2	.38
14	4	.75	3	.96	15	4	.44	3	.74
16	4	.05	4	.42	17	5	.74	4	.96
18	5	.42	4	.73	19	5	.00	5	.36
20	6	.70	5	.91	21	6	.35	4	.63
22	7	.94	6	.13	23	7	.63	6	.79
24	7	.24	7	.39	25	8	.84	7	.88
26	8	.50	8	.98	27	8	.01	8	.91
28	9	.68	8	.52	29	9	.25	9	.85
30	10	.75	10	.95					

TABLE A1 (Continued)

K = 4 N = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	5	1	0	0	0
6	1	0	0	0	7	1	0	0	0
8	1	1	0	0	9	1	0	0	0
10	2	1	1	0	11	2	1	1	0
12	2	1	1	0	13	2	1	1	1
14	3	2	1	1	15	3	2	2	1
16	3	2	2	1	17	3	2	2	1
18	4	3	2	1	19	4	3	3	2
20	4	3	3	2	21	4	3	3	2
22	5	4	3	2	23	5	4	4	3
24	5	4	4	3	25	5	4	4	3
26	6	5	4	3	27	6	5	5	4
28	6	5	5	4	29	6	5	5	4
30	7	6	6	5	31	7	6	6	5
32	7	7	6	5	33	8	7	6	6
34	8	7	7	6	35	8	7	7	6
36	8	8	8	7	37	9	8	8	7
38	9	9	8	8	39	9	9	9	9
40	10	10	10	10					

TABLE A1 (Continued)

K = 5 N = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.90	0	.99	1	0	.69	0	.88
2	0	.84	0	.98	3	0	.50	0	.80
4	0	.75	0	.97	5	0	.20	0	.68
6	1	.59	0	.96	7	1	.84	0	.46
8	1	.69	0	.93	9	1	.54	0	.08
10	1	.37	1	.88	11	1	.17	1	.83
12	2	.96	1	.78	13	2	.80	1	.58
14	2	.64	1	.60	15	2	.46	1	.20
16	2	.27	2	.22	17	2	.04	2	.85
18	3	.86	2	.92	19	3	.69	2	.56
20	3	.51	2	.75	21	3	.31	2	.12
22	3	.08	3	.41	23	4	.88	2	.78
24	4	.70	3	.95	25	4	.52	3	.41
26	4	.31	3	.72	27	4	.07	4	.94
28	5	.87	4	.27	29	5	.68	3	.60
30	5	.49	4	.86	31	5	.27	4	.11
32	5	.00	5	.50	33	6	.82	5	.73
34	6	.63	5	.93	35	6	.42	5	.26
36	6	.17	6	.57	37	7	.93	5	.80
38	7	.74	6	.97	39	7	.53	6	.33
40	7	.30	7	.50	41	8	.00	7	.81
42	8	.81	7	.86	43	8	.60	7	.30
44	8	.36	8	.09	45	8	.04	8	.75
46	9	.82	8	.56	47	9	.62	8	.99
48	9	.35	9	.73	49	10	.94	8	.99
50	10	.75	10	.99	50	10	.94	9	.50



TABLE A1 (Continued)

K = 16 N = 16

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
2	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
4	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
6	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
8	0	0	0	0	9	0	0	0	0
10	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0
12	0	0	0	0	13	1	0	0	0
14	1	0	0	0	15	1	0	0	0
16	1	0	0	0	17	1	0	0	0
18	1	0	0	0	19	1	0	0	0
20	1	0	0	0	21	1	0	0	0
22	1	0	0	0	23	1	0	0	0
24	1	0	0	0	25	2	0	0	0
26	2	0	0	0	27	2	0	0	0
28	2	0	0	0	29	2	0	0	0
30	2	0	0	0	31	2	0	0	0
32	2	0	0	0	33	2	0	0	0
34	2	0	0	0	35	3	0	0	0
36	3	0	0	0	37	3	0	0	0
38	3	0	0	0	39	3	0	0	0
40	3	0	0	0	41	3	0	0	0
42	3	0	0	0	43	3	0	0	0
44	3	0	0	0	45	3	0	0	0
46	4	0	0	0	47	4	0	0	0
48	4	0	0	0	49	4	0	0	0

TABLE A1 (Continued)

K = 10 N = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
50	4 .57	3 .52	3 .96	2 .94	51	4 .47	3 .42	3 .90	2 .90
52	4 .37	3 .30	3 .83	2 .84	53	4 .25	3 .17	3 .76	2 .78
54	4 .13	3 .03	3 .68	2 .71	55	4 .00	4 .94	3 .59	2 .62
56	5 .91	4 .86	3 .48	2 .52	57	5 .82	4 .78	3 .36	2 .40
58	5 .73	4 .70	3 .23	2 .25	59	5 .64	4 .60	3 .07	2 .07
60	5 .54	4 .50	4 .96	3 .97	61	5 .43	4 .38	4 .89	3 .92
62	5 .32	4 .25	4 .81	3 .85	63	5 .20	4 .11	4 .73	3 .78
64	5 .07	5 .97	4 .64	3 .70	65	6 .95	5 .89	4 .53	3 .59
66	6 .86	5 .81	4 .40	3 .47	67	6 .77	5 .72	4 .26	3 .32
68	6 .67	5 .62	4 .09	3 .13	69	6 .57	5 .51	5 .96	4 .98
70	6 .46	5 .39	5 .89	4 .91	71	6 .35	5 .24	5 .80	4 .84
72	6 .22	5 .08	5 .71	4 .76	73	6 .09	6 .95	5 .60	4 .65
74	7 .96	6 .87	5 .48	4 .52	75	7 .87	6 .78	5 .33	4 .36
76	7 .77	6 .68	5 .15	4 .15	77	7 .67	6 .57	6 .98	5 .97
78	7 .56	6 .44	6 .90	5 .91	79	7 .45	6 .29	6 .81	5 .82
80	7 .33	6 .11	6 .71	5 .72	81	7 .19	7 .96	6 .59	5 .59
82	7 .04	7 .87	6 .44	5 .41	83	8 .93	7 .78	6 .26	5 .17
84	8 .83	7 .67	6 .03	6 .97	85	8 .73	7 .54	7 .93	6 .89
86	8 .62	7 .39	7 .84	6 .79	87	8 .51	7 .21	7 .73	6 .66
88	8 .38	8 .99	7 .60	6 .48	89	8 .23	8 .90	7 .43	6 .20
90	8 .06	8 .80	7 .19	7 .97	91	9 .93	8 .69	8 .97	7 .88
92	9 .83	8 .54	8 .88	7 .75	93	9 .73	8 .36	8 .76	7 .56
94	9 .62	8 .09	8 .61	7 .22	95	9 .49	9 .93	8 .38	8 .95
96	9 .33	9 .83	9 .00	8 .84	97	9 .09	9 .70	9 .90	8 .63
98	10 .93	9 .50	9 .77	9 .99	99	10 .83	9 .00	9 .50	9 .90
100	10 .75	10 .90	10 .95	10 .99					

TABLE A2.  $c_T$  and  $\rho_T$  for Poisson Distributions

K = 2

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	.75	.90	.95	.99	1	.50	.80	.90	.98
2	.00	.60	.80	.96	3	.67	.20	.60	.92
4	.25	.85	.20	.84	5	.80	.56	.88	.68
6	.40	.10	.63	.36	7	.91	.77	.23	.96
8	.52	.41	.86	.81	9	.02	.94	.57	.54
10	.62	.61	.11	.08	11	.15	.16	.79	.85
12	.71	.78	.43	.58	13	.26	.38	.96	.13
14	.79	.92	.65	.84	15	.35	.56	.22	.55
16	.87	.08	.83	.07	17	.43	.70	.46	.80
18	.94	.27	.97	.47	19	.51	.83	.65	.98
20	.01	.43	.21	.72	21	.58	.94	.80	.34
22	.10	.57	.42	.91	23	.65	.09	.94	.61
24	.18	.9	.59	.17	25	.72	.24	.12	.81
26	.25	10	.74	.46	27	.78	.38	.32	.97
28	.32	11	.87	.68	29	.83	.50	.48	.26
30	.38	11	.99	.85	31	.89	.62	.63	.50
32	.44	12	.17	.00	33	.95	.72	.76	.70
34	.50	13	.34	.28	35	.00	.82	.88	.86
36	.55	14	.48	.50	37	.06	.91	.99	.01
38	.61	15	.62	.69	39	.12	.00	.15	.26
40	.66	16	.74	.84	41	.16	.12	.30	.47
42	.71	17	.85	.93	43	.23	.17	.44	.63
44	.76	18	.95	.20	45	.29	.18	.56	.80
46	.80	19	.08	.41	47	.34	.19	.63	.94
48	.85	20	.22	.58	49	.39	.20	.78	.16
50	.90	20	.35	.73	20	.53	.16	.11	

TABLE A2 (Continued)

K = 3

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	.75	.90	.95	.99	1	.63	.85	.93	.98
2	.44	.77	.89	.98	3	.16	.66	.83	.97
4	.87	.49	.75	.95	5	.64	.24	.62	.92
6	.38	.95	.43	.89	7	.07	.80	.15	.83
8	.80	.61	.93	.74	9	.54	.37	.80	.62
10	.25	.05	.62	.42	11	.93	.84	.40	.14
12	.68	.64	.09	.95	13	.39	.39	.89	.85
14	.07	.07	.71	.73	15	.4	.84	.49	.55
16	.51	.62	.21	.30	17	.4	.35	.93	.99
18	.90	.02	.75	.88	19	.5	.80	.52	.73
20	.32	.57	.24	.53	21	.6	.28	.95	.27
22	.72	.97	.76	.97	23	.6	.74	.52	.84
24	.11	.48	.24	.66	25	.7	.18	.94	.43
26	.52	.90	.74	.13	27	.7	.66	.49	.91
28	.89	.38	.20	.74	29	.8	.05	.92	.53
30	.30	.81	.70	.25	31	.9	.55	.44	.96
32	.69	.25	.13	.79	33	.9	.94	.87	.58
34	.06	.70	.64	.32	35	10	.42	.37	.99
36	.47	.10	.05	.83	37	10	.83	.81	.62
38	.84	.57	.57	.36	39	11	.27	.28	.03
40	.23	.95	.96	.84	41	12	.70	.74	.63
42	.62	.42	.48	.38	43	12	.10	.17	.05
44	.98	.83	.89	.85	45	13	.56	.65	.63
46	.38	.11	.37	.37	47	13	.94	.04	.05
48	.75	.12	.11	.84	49	14	.40	.54	.62
50	.13	.08	.25	.35					



TABLE A2 (Continued)

K	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	0	.75	.90	.95	.99	1	.69	.87	.94	.99
2	0	.61	.84	.92	.98	3	.51	.80	.90	.98
4	0	.39	.76	.88	.96	5	.24	.69	.85	.97
6	0	.05	.62	.81	.94	7	.89	.52	.76	.95
8	1	.75	.40	.70	.94	9	.62	.85	.63	.93
10	1	.47	.07	.53	.91	11	.31	.94	.42	.88
12	1	.12	.85	.27	.85	13	.94	.75	.09	.82
14	2	.79	.64	.96	.77	15	.64	.51	.89	.72
16	2	.48	.36	.81	.64	17	.31	.19	.71	.56
18	2	.12	.99	.61	.44	19	.94	.89	.48	.31
20	3	.79	.77	.33	.13	21	.63	.65	.16	.98
22	3	.46	.51	.98	.94	23	.28	.36	.89	.88
24	3	.09	.18	.79	.81	25	.91	.99	.68	.74
26	4	.76	.87	.55	.64	27	.59	.74	.41	.54
28	4	.42	.61	.24	.40	29	.24	.46	.05	.25
30	4	.04	.29	.93	.06	31	.87	.10	.82	.95
32	5	.71	.94	.70	.88	33	.54	.81	.57	.80
34	5	.36	.67	.42	.71	35	.17	.52	.25	.60
36	6	.98	.36	.06	.47	37	.81	.18	.93	.32
38	6	.65	.99	.81	.14	39	.47	.86	.69	.98
40	6	.29	.72	.55	.90	41	.09	.57	.39	.81
42	7	.91	.41	.44	.71	43	.74	.23	.02	.59
44	7	.57	.03	.90	.46	45	.39	.89	.77	.30
46	7	.20	.75	.64	.12	47	.01	.60	.49	.96
48	8	.84	.43	.33	.88	49	.67	.26	.14	.78
50	8	.49	.06	.96	.66					

TABLE A2 (Continued)

K = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
0	.75	.90	.95	.99	1	.72	.89	.94	.99
2	.69	.88	.94	.99	3	.66	.86	.93	.99
4	.62	.85	.92	.98	5	.58	.83	.92	.98
6	.53	.81	.91	.98	7	.48	.79	.90	.98
8	.42	.77	.88	.98	9	.35	.74	.87	.97
10	.28	.71	.86	.97	11	.20	.68	.84	.97
12	.11	.65	.82	.96	13	.02	.61	.80	.96
14	.94	.56	.78	.96	15	.87	.51	.76	.95
16	.80	.46	.73	.95	17	.74	.40	.70	.94
18	.67	.33	.67	.93	19	.60	.26	.63	.93
20	.52	.18	.59	.92	21	.45	.09	.54	.91
22	.37	.09	.49	.90	23	.29	.95	.44	.89
24	.20	.90	.37	.87	25	.11	.86	.30	.86
26	.01	.81	.23	.85	27	.93	.76	.14	.83
28	.86	.71	.04	.81	29	.78	.65	.98	.79
30	.71	.59	.95	.76	31	.63	.53	.91	.74
32	.55	.46	.87	.71	33	.47	.39	.83	.68
34	.39	.31	.79	.64	35	.31	.23	.74	.60
36	.22	.14	.70	.56	37	.12	.04	.64	.51
38	.02	.97	.59	.45	39	.94	.92	.53	.39
40	.86	.86	.46	.32	41	.79	.81	.39	.25
42	.71	.75	.32	.16	43	.63	.69	.24	.07
44	.55	.62	.15	.99	45	.46	.55	.05	.97
46	.38	.48	.98	.95	47	.29	.41	.94	.92
48	.20	.33	.89	.89	49	.10	.24	.84	.86
50	.00	.15	.79	.83					

TABLE A3.  $c_T$  and  $\beta_T$  for Negative Binomial Distributions

$k = 2$   $R = 5$

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
10	5	5	5	5	11	6	6	6	6
12	7	7	7	7	13	7	8	8	8
14	8	8	9	9	15	8	9	10	10
16	9	10	10	11	17	10	11	11	12
18	10	11	12	13	19	11	12	13	14
20	12	13	13	15	21	12	14	14	15
22	13	14	15	16	23	13	15	16	17
24	14	16	17	18	25	15	16	17	19
26	15	17	18	20	27	16	18	19	20
28	16	18	20	21	29	17	19	20	22
30	18	20	21	23	31	18	21	22	24
32	19	21	23	25	33	19	22	23	26
34	20	23	24	26	35	21	23	25	27
36	21	24	26	28	37	22	25	26	29
38	23	25	27	30	39	23	26	28	31
40	24	27	29	31	41	24	28	29	32
42	25	28	30	33	43	26	29	31	34
44	26	30	32	35	45	27	30	32	36
46	27	31	33	36	47	28	32	34	37
48	29	32	35	38	49	29	33	35	39
50	30	34	36	40	51	30	35	37	41
52	31	35	38	41	53	32	36	38	42
54	32	37	39	43	55	33	37	40	44
56	33	38	41	45	57	34	39	41	45
58	35	40	42	46	59	35	40	43	47
60	36	41	44	48					



TABLE A3 (Continued)

K = 3 R = 5

T	P=.75					P=.90					P=.95					P=.99				
	5	6	7	8	9	5	6	7	8	9	5	6	7	8	9	5	6	7	8	9
15	.75					.90					.95					.99				
17	.70					.20					.60					.92				
19	.58					.33					.76					.56				
21	.43					.38					.88					.86				
23	.26					.40					.98					.18				
25	.08					.41					.14					.58				
27	.92					.42					.28					.83				
29	.76					.42					.40					.09				
31	.60					.42					.50					.45				
33	.43					.41					.60					.72				
35	.26					.41					.68					.94				
37	.07					.40					.77					.25				
39	.90					.39					.85					.55				
41	.74					.38					.93					.80				
43	.57					.37					.00					.02				
45	.39					.36					.11					.34				
47	.21					.35					.20					.61				
49	.03					.33					.25					.85				
51	.86					.32					.39					.10				
53	.69					.31					.47					.40				
55	.52					.29					.56					.66				
57	.34					.28					.64					.89				
59	.16					.27					.72					.16				
61	.98					.25					.80					.44				
63	.81					.24					.88					.70				
65	.64					.22					.95					.93				

T	P=.75					P=.90					P=.95					P=.99				
	6	7	8	9	10	6	7	8	9	10	6	7	8	9	10	6	7	8	9	10
16	.25					.70					.85					.97				
18	.10					.78					.03					.81				
20	.95					.83					.35					.08				
22	.83					.85					.51					.60				
24	.68					.87					.63					.86				
26	.53					.88					.73					.16				
28	.36					.89					.82					.52				
30	.18					.89					.91					.79				
32	.99					.89					.99					.00				
34	.84					.89					.10					.36				
36	.67					.88					.22					.64				
38	.50					.87					.32					.87				
40	.33					.87					.41					.14				
42	.15					.86					.50					.45				
44	.96					.85					.59					.71				
46	.80					.84					.67					.94				
48	.63					.83					.75					.22				
50	.46					.82					.83					.51				
52	.28					.81					.91					.76				
54	.10					.80					.99					.98				
56	.92					.78					.08					.28				
58	.75					.77					.17					.55				
60	.58					.76					.34					.80				
62	.41					.75					.43					.04				
64	.26					.73					.33					.32				

TABLE A5 (Continued)

K = 4 R = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
80	5	5	5	5	21	51	6	6	6
82	6	6	7	7	23	6	7	7	7
24	7	7	8	8	25	7	8	8	8
26	7	8	9	10	27	8	9	9	9
28	8	9	10	11	29	8	9	10	10
30	9	10	10	12	31	9	10	11	11
32	9	11	11	13	33	9	11	12	12
34	10	11	12	14	35	10	12	13	13
36	10	12	13	15	37	11	13	14	14
38	11	13	14	16	39	11	14	15	15
40	12	14	15	17	41	12	15	16	16
42	12	14	16	18	43	13	16	17	17
44	13	15	17	19	45	13	17	18	18
46	14	16	18	20	47	14	18	19	19
48	14	17	19	21	49	15	19	20	20
50	15	17	20	22	51	15	20	21	21
52	15	18	21	23	53	16	21	22	22
54	16	19	22	24	55	16	22	23	23
56	17	20	23	25	57	17	23	24	24
58	17	20	24	26	59	18	24	25	25
60	18	21	25	27	61	18	25	26	26
62	19	22	26	28	63	19	26	27	27
64	19	23	27	29	65	20	27	28	28
66	20	24	28	30	67	20	28	29	29
68	20	24	29	31	69	21	29	30	30
70	21	25	30	32					

TABLE A3 (Continued)

K = 5 R = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
25	5	5	5	5	26	5	6	6	6
27	6	6	6	7	28	6	7	7	8
29	6	7	7	8	30	7	7	8	9
31	7	8	8	9	32	7	8	9	10
33	7	8	9	10	34	8	9	10	11
35	8	9	10	11	36	8	9	10	11
37	8	10	10	12	38	9	10	11	12
39	9	10	11	13	40	9	11	11	13
41	9	11	12	14	42	10	11	12	14
43	10	12	13	15	44	10	12	13	15
45	10	12	13	16	46	11	12	14	16
47	11	13	14	17	48	11	13	14	17
49	11	13	15	18	50	12	14	15	18
51	12	14	16	19	52	12	15	16	19
53	12	15	17	20	54	13	16	17	20
55	13	16	18	21	56	13	17	18	21
57	13	16	19	22	58	14	18	19	22
59	14	17	20	23	60	14	19	20	23
61	14	18	21	24	62	15	20	21	24
63	15	19	22	25	64	15	21	22	25
65	15	20	23	26	66	16	22	23	26
67	16	21	24	27	68	16	23	24	27
69	16	22	25	28	70	17	24	25	28
71	17	23	26	29	72	17	25	26	29
73	17	24	27	30	74	18	26	27	30
75	18	25	28	31					

TABLE A3 (Continued)

K = 10 R = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
50	5 .75	5 .90	5 .95	5 .99	51	5 .83	6 .00	6 .50	6 .90
52	5 .92	6 .50	6 .78	7 .15	53	6 .07	6 .71	6 .92	7 .72
54	6 .31	6 .85	7 .16	7 .92	55	6 .48	6 .97	7 .51	8 .22
56	6 .61	7 .23	7 .72	8 .63	57	6 .73	7 .47	7 .88	8 .85
58	6 .84	7 .65	8 .00	8 .99	59	6 .94	7 .80	8 .33	9 .41
60	7 .09	7 .93	8 .57	9 .69	61	7 .27	8 .10	8 .75	9 .88
62	7 .42	8 .34	8 .90	10 .09	63	7 .55	8 .53	9 .07	10 .45
64	7 .68	8 .69	9 .34	10 .70	65	7 .79	8 .83	9 .56	10 .89
66	7 .90	8 .96	9 .73	11 .10	67	8 .01	9 .15	9 .89	11 .43
68	8 .18	9 .36	10 .04	11 .67	69	8 .33	9 .54	10 .30	11 .87
70	8 .46	9 .69	10 .51	12 .06	71	8 .59	9 .84	10 .69	12 .38
72	8 .71	9 .96	10 .85	12 .63	73	8 .83	10 .16	10 .99	12 .83
74	8 .94	10 .35	11 .23	12 .99	75	9 .07	10 .52	11 .45	13 .31
76	9 .22	10 .68	11 .64	13 .57	77	9 .36	10 .82	11 .80	13 .78
78	9 .49	10 .96	11 .95	13 .95	79	9 .62	11 .14	12 .15	14 .22
80	9 .74	11 .33	12 .37	14 .49	81	9 .85	11 .50	12 .56	14 .71
82	9 .96	11 .66	12 .74	14 .90	83	10 .10	11 .80	12 .89	15 .13
84	10 .25	11 .94	13 .06	15 .40	85	10 .38	12 .11	13 .28	15 .64
86	10 .51	12 .29	13 .48	15 .84	87	10 .64	12 .47	13 .66	16 .02
88	10 .76	12 .63	13 .82	16 .30	89	10 .87	12 .77	13 .97	16 .55
90	10 .98	12 .91	14 .18	16 .76	91	11 .13	13 .07	14 .39	16 .94
92	11 .27	13 .25	14 .57	17 .20	93	11 .40	13 .43	14 .75	17 .45
94	11 .53	13 .59	14 .90	17 .68	95	11 .65	13 .74	15 .08	17 .87
96	11 .77	13 .88	15 .29	18 .08	97	11 .89	14 .02	15 .48	18 .35
98	12 .00	14 .21	15 .66	18 .58	99	12 .14	14 .38	15 .82	18 .79
100	12 .28	14 .55	15 .98	18 .97					

TABLE A3 (Continued)

K = 2 R = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
20	.10	.90	.10	.99	21	.50	.11	.80	.11
22	.12	.62	.12	.96	23	.70	.13	.30	.13
24	.13	.92	.14	.68	25	.88	.14	.69	.14
26	.14	.51	.15	.65	27	.06	.15	.96	.16
28	.15	.68	.16	.09	29	.27	.17	.37	.17
30	.16	.84	.17	.78	31	.44	.18	.68	.19
32	.17	.99	.19	.33	33	.61	.19	.95	.20
34	.19	.18	.20	.85	35	.76	.21	.30	.22
36	.20	.35	.21	.43	37	.92	.22	.61	.23
38	.21	.52	.23	.90	39	.08	.23	.88	.24
40	.22	.67	.24	.49	41	.25	.25	.19	.26
42	.23	.82	.25	.94	43	.41	.26	.51	.27
44	.24	.97	.27	.52	45	.57	.27	.79	.29
46	.26	.14	.28	.96	47	.72	.29	.07	.30
48	.27	.30	.29	.54	49	.87	.30	.39	.31
50	.28	.46	.30	.98	51	.02	.31	.68	.33
52	.29	.61	.32	.56	53	.19	.32	.95	.34
54	.30	.77	.33	.00	55	.35	.34	.25	.35
56	.31	.92	.34	.57	57	.50	.35	.55	.37
58	.33	.07	.36	.01	59	.66	.36	.83	.38
60	.34	.23	.37	.57	61	.81	.38	.11	.39
62	.35	.39	.38	.02	63	.95	.39	.42	.41
64	.36	.54	.40	.57	65	.11	.40	.70	.42
66	.37	.70	.41	.02	67	.27	.41	.97	.44
68	.38	.84	.42	.57	69	.43	.43	.28	.45
70	.39	.99	.43	.03					

TABLE A3 (Continued)

K = 3 R = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
30	.10	.90	.10	.99	31	.11	.85	.11	.97
32	.11	.89	.12	.98	33	.12	.84	.12	.96
34	.12	.88	.13	.97	35	.12	.83	.13	.95
36	.13	.87	.14	.96	37	.13	.82	.14	.94
38	.14	.86	.15	.95	39	.14	.81	.15	.93
40	.14	.85	.16	.94	41	.15	.80	.16	.92
42	.15	.84	.17	.93	43	.16	.79	.17	.91
44	.16	.83	.18	.92	45	.16	.78	.18	.90
46	.17	.82	.19	.91	47	.17	.77	.19	.89
48	.18	.81	.20	.90	49	.18	.76	.20	.88
50	.18	.80	.21	.89	51	.19	.75	.21	.87
52	.19	.79	.22	.88	53	.20	.74	.22	.86
54	.20	.78	.23	.87	55	.20	.73	.23	.85
56	.21	.77	.24	.86	57	.21	.72	.24	.84
58	.22	.76	.25	.85	59	.22	.71	.25	.83
60	.22	.75	.26	.84	61	.23	.70	.26	.82
62	.23	.74	.27	.83	63	.24	.69	.27	.81
64	.24	.73	.28	.82	65	.24	.68	.28	.80
66	.25	.72	.29	.81	67	.25	.67	.29	.79
68	.26	.71	.30	.80	69	.26	.66	.30	.78
70	.26	.70	.31	.79	71	.27	.65	.31	.77
72	.27	.69	.32	.78	73	.27	.64	.32	.76
74	.28	.68	.33	.77	75	.28	.63	.33	.75
76	.29	.67	.34	.76	77	.29	.62	.34	.74
78	.29	.66	.35	.75	79	.30	.61	.35	.73
80	.30	.65	.36	.74					



TABLE A3 (Continued)

K = 5 R = 10

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
50	.10	.90	.10	.99	51	.10	.94	.11	.50
52	.11	.82	.11	.98	53	.11	.62	.12	.10
54	.11	.56	.12	.89	55	.12	.08	.13	.83
56	.12	.40	.13	.69	57	.12	.65	.13	.52
58	.12	.87	.13	.48	59	.13	.12	.14	.03
60	.13	.41	.14	.38	61	.13	.65	.14	.72
62	.13	.87	.14	.97	63	.14	.12	.15	.31
64	.14	.40	.15	.72	65	.14	.64	.15	.87
66	.14	.86	.16	.37	67	.15	.10	.16	.49
68	.15	.37	.16	.95	69	.15	.62	.17	.00
70	.15	.84	.17	.56	71	.16	.07	.17	.64
72	.16	.34	.17	.28	73	.16	.58	.18	.19
74	.16	.81	.18	.88	75	.17	.04	.18	.77
76	.17	.30	.19	.55	77	.17	.55	.19	.35
78	.17	.78	.19	.78	79	.17	.00	.19	.89
80	.18	.26	.20	.41	81	.18	.51	.20	.48
82	.18	.74	.20	.98	83	.18	.96	.20	.00
84	.19	.22	.21	.64	85	.19	.47	.21	.61
86	.19	.70	.21	.24	87	.19	.92	.22	.15
88	.20	.17	.22	.85	89	.20	.42	.22	.72
90	.20	.66	.22	.49	91	.20	.88	.23	.28
92	.21	.12	.23	.06	93	.21	.37	.23	.83
94	.21	.61	.24	.70	95	.21	.84	.24	.41
96	.22	.07	.24	.31	97	.22	.32	.24	.94
98	.22	.57	.25	.49	99	.22	.80	.25	.52
100	.23	.08	.25	.17					.27
			.30	.88					.82
			.53	.30					.55





TABLE A4.  $c_T$  and  $\rho_T$  for Fisher's Logarithmic Distributions

K = 2 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
10	5	5	5	5	12	5	5	5	5
14	6	5	5	5	16	7	6	5	5
18	7	6	6	5	20	8	7	6	5
22	9	7	6	5	24	9	8	7	5
26	10	8	7	5	28	11	8	7	6
30	11	9	7	6	32	12	9	8	6
34	13	9	8	6	36	13	10	8	6
38	14	10	8	6	40	15	11	9	6
42	15	11	9	6	44	16	11	9	7
46	16	12	9	7	48	17	12	10	7
50	18	12	10	7	52	18	13	10	7
54	19	13	10	7	56	20	13	11	7
58	20	14	11	7	60	21	14	11	7
62	21	14	11	7	64	22	15	12	8
66	22	15	12	8	68	23	15	12	8
70	24	16	12	8	72	24	16	12	8
74	25	16	13	8	76	25	17	13	8
78	26	17	13	8	80	27	17	13	8
82	27	17	13	8	84	28	18	14	8
86	28	18	14	8	88	29	18	14	8
90	29	19	14	9	92	30	19	14	9
94	31	19	14	9	96	31	20	15	9
98	32	20	15	9	100	32	20	15	9
102	33	20	15	9	104	33	21	15	9
106	34	21	16	9	108	35	21	16	9

TABLE A4 (Continued)

K = 3 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
15	5	5	5	5	17	5	5	5	5
19	5	5	5	5	21	6	5	5	5
23	6	5	5	5	25	7	6	5	5
27	7	6	5	5	29	8	6	6	5
31	8	6	6	5	33	8	7	6	5
35	9	7	6	5	37	9	7	6	5
39	10	7	6	5	41	10	8	7	5
43	10	8	7	5	45	11	8	7	5
47	11	8	7	5	49	11	8	7	5
51	12	8	7	6	53	12	9	8	6
55	13	9	7	6	57	13	9	8	6
59	13	9	8	6	61	14	9	8	6
63	14	10	8	6	65	14	10	8	6
67	15	10	9	6	69	15	11	8	6
71	15	11	9	6	73	16	11	9	6
75	16	11	9	6	77	17	11	9	6
79	17	12	9	7	81	17	12	10	7
83	18	12	10	7	85	18	12	10	7
87	18	12	10	7	89	19	13	10	7
91	19	13	10	7	93	19	13	10	7
95	20	13	10	7	97	20	13	10	7
99	20	13	11	7	101	21	14	11	7
103	21	14	11	7	105	21	14	11	7
107	22	14	11	7	109	22	14	11	7
111	22	15	11	7	113	23	15	11	7

TABLE A4 (Continued)

K = 5 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
25	5	.90	.95	.99	30	5	.34	.73	.87
35	6	.74	.73	.95	40	6	.17	.04	.52
45	7	.60	.25	.85	50	7	.03	.40	.95
55	8	.48	.02	.75	60	9	.92	.72	.53
65	9	.38	.40	.29	70	10	.85	.06	.03
75	10	.32	.76	.83	80	11	.80	.46	.63
85	11	.28	.15	.43	90	12	.77	.86	.21
95	12	.26	.57	.99	100	13	.76	.29	.81
105	13	.26	.99	.62	110	14	.77	.73	.43
115	14	.28	.46	.24	120	15	.80	.19	.04
125	15	.32	.92	.87	130	16	.84	.66	.70
135	16	.36	.40	.53	140	17	.89	.11	.35
145	17	.42	.89	.18	150	18	.96	.64	.00
155	18	.50	.40	.84	160	18	.04	.15	.69
165	19	.58	.90	.53	170	19	.12	.67	.37
175	20	.67	.43	.21	180	20	.22	.19	.04
185	21	.77	.96	.89	190	21	.33	.73	.74
195	22	.89	.50	.60	200	22	.45	.27	.45
205	22	.01	.04	.30	210	23	.57	.82	.15
215	23	.13	.60	.00	220	24	.70	.38	.86
225	24	.27	.16	.72	230	25	.84	.94	.59
235	25	.41	.72	.45	240	26	.98	.51	.31
245	26	.56	.30	.17	250	26	.13	.08	.03
255	27	.71	.87	.90	260	27	.29	.67	.76
265	28	.87	.46	.63	270	28	.46	.25	.50

TABLE A4 (Continued)

K = 10 N = 5

T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99	T	P=.75	P=.90	P=.95	P=.99
50	5	.75	5	.90	5	.95	5	.99	5
60	5	.38	5	.75	5	.88	5	.98	5
70	6	.82	5	.51	5	.75	5	.95	5
80	6	.28	5	.15	5	.58	5	.92	5
90	7	.73	6	.82	5	.34	5	.87	95
100	7	.20	6	.52	5	.05	5	.81	105
110	8	.67	6	.19	5	.85	5	.74	115
120	8	.15	7	.87	5	.66	5	.66	125
130	9	.64	7	.58	5	.45	5	.57	135
140	9	.13	7	.28	5	.22	5	.45	145
150	10	.63	8	.97	5	.98	5	.35	155
160	10	.14	8	.70	5	.81	5	.23	165
170	11	.65	8	.42	5	.62	5	.10	175
180	11	.17	8	.14	6	.43	6	.98	185
190	12	.69	9	.87	6	.23	6	.92	195
200	12	.22	9	.61	6	.03	6	.85	205
210	13	.75	9	.34	6	.85	6	.78	215
220	13	.29	9	.08	6	.69	6	.71	225
230	14	.83	10	.83	6	.52	6	.64	235
240	14	.38	10	.58	6	.35	6	.56	245
250	15	.93	10	.33	6	.17	6	.48	255
260	15	.48	10	.08	6	.99	6	.40	265
270	15	.04	11	.84	6	.84	6	.32	275
280	16	.60	11	.61	6	.69	6	.24	285
290	16	.16	11	.37	6	.53	6	.15	295
					55	.59	5	.84	5
					65	.10	5	.64	5
					75	.55	5	.34	5
					85	.00	6	.96	5
					95	.47	6	.67	5
					105	.93	6	.36	6
					115	.41	6	.01	6
					125	.89	7	.73	6
					135	.38	7	.43	6
					145	.88	7	.12	6
					155	.38	8	.84	7
					165	.89	8	.56	7
					175	.41	8	.28	7
					185	.93	9	.99	7
					195	.46	9	.74	7
					205	.99	9	.48	8
					215	.52	9	.21	8
					225	.06	10	.95	8
					235	.61	10	.70	8
					245	.15	10	.46	8
					255	.70	10	.21	8
					265	.26	11	.96	8
					275	.82	11	.72	9
					285	.38	11	.49	9
					295	.94	11	.25	9
					305	.45	6	.11	6

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