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ON THE *i*th LATENT ROOT OF A COMPLEX MATRIX(1)

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1. Introduction and summary. Goodman [1] has pointed out the applications of the distributional results of the complex multivariate normal statistical analysis. Khatri [4], has suggested the maximum latent root statistic for testing the reality of a covariance matrix. The joint distribution of the latent roots under certain null hypotheses can be written as, [2], [3],

(1)
$$c_1 \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^q w_j^m (1-w_j)^n \right\} \prod_{i>j} (w_i - w_j)^2$$

where

$$c_1 = \prod_{j=1}^{q} \left\{ \Gamma(n+m+q+j) / \left\{ \Gamma(n+j)\Gamma(m+j)\Gamma(j) \right\} \right\}$$

and

$$0\leq w_1\leq w_2\leq\cdots\leq w_q\leq 1.$$

We may also note that when *n* is large, the joint distribution of $nw_j=f_j$, $j=1,\ldots,q$, $0 \le f_1 \le \cdots \le f_q \le \infty$, can be written as

(2)
$$c_2 \prod_{j=1}^{q} f_j^m \exp\left(-\sum_{j=1}^{q} f_j\right) \left\{\prod_{i>j} (f_i - f_j)^2\right\}$$

where

$$c_2 = 1 \bigg/ \bigg\{ \prod_{j=1}^{q} \left[\Gamma(m+j) \Gamma(j) \right] \bigg\}.$$

Khatri [2], has derived the distribution of w_q (or w_1) and f_q in a determinant form. In this paper we first derive the distribution of w_{q-1} and f_{q-1} and then the distribution of w_i and f_i . In this connection a lemma has been proved.

2. Preliminary results. In this section, we first state two lemmas, and prove a third lemma.

Lemma 1.

$$\sum \int_{\mathscr{D}} \prod_{j=1}^{s} \left[x_{j}^{m'} (1-x_{j})^{n'} dx_{j} \right] = \prod_{j=1}^{s} \left[\int_{0}^{x} x_{j}^{mj} (1-x_{j})^{n_{j}} dx_{j} \right]$$

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where $\mathscr{D}': (0 \le x_1 \le \cdots \le x_s \le x)$, $(x \le 1)$; and on the left-hand side $(m'_s, n'_s), \ldots, (m'_1, n'_1)$ is any permutation of $(m_s, n_s), \ldots, (m_1, n_1)$ and the summation is taken over all such permutations.

For proof, see Roy [6, p. 203, A. 9.3].

Lemma 2.

$$\prod_{i>j} (w_i - w_j)^2 = \sum \begin{vmatrix} w_{j_1}^{2q-2} & w_{j_2}^{2q-3} & w_{j_q}^{q-1} \\ w_{j_1}^{2q-3} & w_{j_2}^{2q-4} & w_{j_q}^{q-2} \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ w_{j_1}^{q-1} & w_{j_2}^{q-2} & w_{j_q}^{0} \end{vmatrix},$$

where \sum means summation over all permutations (j_1, j_2, \ldots, j_q) of $(1, 2, \ldots, q)$, and |A| means the determinant of A.

For proof, see Khatri [2].

Lemma 3.

$$\sum \int_{\mathscr{D}'} \prod_{j=1}^{s} \left[x_j^{m_j'} (1-x_j)^{n_j'} dx_j \right] = \prod_{j=1}^{s} \left[\int_x^1 x_j^{m_j} (1-x_j)^{n_j} dx_j \right],$$

where $\mathscr{D}': (x \le x_1 \le x_2 \le \cdots \le x_s \le 1)$, and on the left-hand side $(m'_s, n'_s), \ldots, (m'_1, m'_1)$ is any permutation of $(m_s, n_s), \ldots, (m_1, n_1)$ and the summation is taken over all such permutations.

Proof is similar to Lemma 1.

3. The distribution of w_{q-1} . In this section we obtain first the cdf's of w_{q-1} and f_{q-1} and in the next those of w_i and f_i . Note that

(3)
$$\Pr\{w_{q-1} \le x\} = \Pr\{w_q \le x\} + \Pr\{w_{q-1} \le x < w_q \le 1\}$$

Khatri [1], showed that

(4)
$$\Pr\{w_q \le x\} = c_1 |(\beta_{i+j-2})| = c_1 \begin{vmatrix} \beta_0 & \beta_1 & \cdots & \beta_{q-1} \\ \beta_1 & \beta_2 & & \beta_q \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \beta_{q-1} & \beta_q & & \beta_{2q-2} \end{vmatrix},$$

where c_1 is defined in (1), $\beta_{i+j-2} = \int_0^x w^{m+i+j-2} (1-w)^n dw$ for i, j = 1, 2, ..., qand (β_{i+j-2}) is a $q \times q$ matrix. Now the determinant in Lemma 2, can be written as

(5)
$$\sum_{1} \operatorname{sign}(t_1, \ldots, t_q) w_{j1}^{q-1+t_1} w_{j2}^{q-2+t_2} \ldots w_{jq}^{t_q},$$

where (t_1, \ldots, t_q) is a permutation of $(0, 1, \ldots, q-1)$, $\operatorname{sign}(t_1, \ldots, t_q)$ is positive if the permutation is even and negative if the permutation is odd, and \sum_1 means the summation over all such permutations. Then (1) can be written as

$$c_{1} \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^{q} w_{j}^{m} (1-w_{j})^{n} \sum_{j_{1},\ldots,j_{q-1}=1} \sum_{1} \operatorname{sign}(t_{1},\ldots,t_{q}) \times [w_{q}^{q-1+t_{1}} w_{j_{1}}^{q-2+t_{2}} w_{j_{2}}^{q-3+t_{3}} \cdots w_{j_{q-1}}^{t_{q}} + w_{q}^{q-2+t_{2}} w_{j_{1}}^{q-1+t_{1}} w_{j_{2}}^{q-3+t_{3}} \cdots w_{j_{q-1}}^{t_{q}} + \cdots + w_{q}^{t_{q}} w_{j_{1}}^{q-1+t_{1}} w_{j_{2}}^{q-2+t_{2}} \cdots w_{j_{q-1}}^{1+t_{q}}].$$

First taking summation over (j_1, \ldots, j_{q-1}) , the permutation of $(1, 2, \ldots, q-1)$ and integrate w_q over $x < w_q < 1$, and apply lemma, we get

(7)

$$\Pr(w_{q-1} \le x \le w_q < 1) = c_1 \sum_{1} \operatorname{sign}(t_1, \ldots, t_q) [\beta'_{q-1+t_1} \beta_{q-2+t_2} \cdots \beta_{t_q} + \beta_{q-1+t_1} \beta'_{q-2+t_2} \cdots \beta_{t_q} + \cdots + \beta_{q-1+t_1} \beta_{q-2+t_2} \cdots \beta'_{t_q}]$$

where

$$\beta_{i+j-2}' = \int_x^1 w^{m+i+j-2} (1-w)^n \, dw,$$

then (7) can be written as

(8)
$$c_1 \sum_{k=1}^{q} |(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|,$$

where $|(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|$ is the determinant obtained from $|(\beta_{i+j-2})|$ by replacing, the *k*th column of $|(\beta_{i+j-2})|$, β_{α} , by the corresponding β'_{α} 's. So we proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1. If the joint distribution of w_1, \ldots, w_q is given by (1), then

(9)
$$\Pr\{w_{q-1} \le x\} = c_1 \sum_{k=0}^{q} |(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|$$

where $|(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(0)})| = |(\beta_{i+j-2})|$, and $|(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|$ is defined in (8), and c_1 is defined in (1).

THEOREM 2. If the distribution of f_1, \ldots, f_q is given by (2) then

(10)
$$\Pr\{f_{q-1} \le x\} = c_2 \sum_{k=0}^{q} |(\gamma_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|,$$

where $\gamma_{i+j-2} = \int_0^x w^{m+i+j-2} \exp(-w) dw$, (γ_{i+j-2}) is a $q \times q$ matrix and $(\gamma_{i+j-2}^{(k)})$ is defined similar to that of (9), and c_2 is defined in (2).

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Proof is similar to that of Theorem 1.

4. The distribution of w_i . It may be noted here that

(11)
$$\Pr\{w_i \le x\} = \Pr\{w_{i+1} \le x\} + \Pr\{w_i \le x < w_{i+1}\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, q-1.$$

To evaluate the second term of (11), we may write

(12)
$$\prod_{i>j} (w_i - w_j)^2 = \sum_1 \operatorname{sign}(t_1, \ldots, t_q) \sum_{\substack{2 \\ 2 \\ i_1, \ldots, i_{q-i}}} w_{i_1}^{\alpha_1} w_{i_2}^{\alpha_2} \cdots w_{i_{q-i}}^{\alpha_{q-i}} \sum_{\substack{j_1, \ldots, j_i}} w_{j_1}^{\alpha_{q-i+1}} w_{j_2}^{\alpha_{q-i+2}} \cdots w_{j_q}^{\alpha_{q-i+2}}$$

where (i_1, \ldots, i_{q-1}) is permutation of $(i+1, \ldots, q)$ and $\sum_{i_1, \ldots, i_{q-i}}$ runs over all such permutations; (j_1, \ldots, j_i) is a permutation of $(1, \ldots, i)$ and \sum_{j_1, \ldots, j_i} runs over all such permutations; \sum_2 is the summation over the terms $\begin{pmatrix} q \\ q-i \end{pmatrix}$ terms of obtained by taking q-i, $(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_{q-i})$, at a time of $q-1+t_1, q-2+t_2, \ldots, t_q$.

Substituting (12) in (1) and using Lemma 1 and Lemma 3, and as in \S (3), we get

(13)
$$\Pr(w_i \le x < w_{i+1}) = c_1 \sum_2 |(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(i_0)})|,$$

where $(\beta_{i+j-2}^{(i_0)})$ is a $q \times q$ matrix obtained from (β_{i+j-2}) by replacing *i* columns of (β_{i+j-2}) by the corresponding β'_{α} 's. Therefore by (10), (14) and Theorem 1 and reduction process, we can get the distribution of w_i .

It may be pointed out that, [5],

(13)'
$$\Pr\{w_i \le x; m, n\} = 1 - \Pr(w_{q-i+1} \le 1-x; n, m)$$

where on the right side of (13) the parameters m and n are interchanged, hence the distribution of w_1 , [2], can be written as

(14)
$$\Pr\{w_1 \le x\} = 1 - c_1 |(\delta_{i+j-2})|,$$

where $\delta_{i+j-2} = \int_0^{1-x} z^{n+i+j-2} (1-z)^m dz$, and (δ_{i+j-2}) is a $q \times q$ matrix, similarly, if we define $\delta'_{i+j-2} = \int_{1-x}^1 z^{n+i+j-2} (1-z)^m dz$, the distribution of w_2 can be written as

(15)
$$\Pr\{w_2 \le x\} = 1 - c_1 \sum_{k=0}^{q} |(\delta_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|$$

where, as before, $|(\delta_{i+j-2}^{(k)})|$ is the determinant obtained from $|(\delta_{i+j-2})|$ by replacing the kth column of $|(\delta_{i+j-2})|$ by the corresponding δ_{α}' 's, and $(\delta_{i+j-2}^{(0)}) = (\delta_{i+j-2})$. A similar method gives

(16)
$$\Pr\{f_i \le x\} = \Pr\{f_{i+1} \le x\} + \Pr\{f_i \le x < f_{i+1}\}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, q-1,$$

and

(17)
$$\Pr\{f_i \le x < f_{i+1}\} = c_2 \sum_2 |(\gamma_{i+j-2}^{(i_0)})|,$$

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where c_2 is defined in (2), and also $(\gamma_{i+j-2}^{(i_0)})$ is a $q \times q$ matrix obtained from (γ_{i+j-2}) by replacing *i* columns of (γ_{i+j-2}) by the corresponding γ'_{α} 's.

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