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S U M M A R Y

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1. INTRODUCTION

Scheffè (1963) introduced and developed the Simplex-Centroid Design. The main features of this design, in a q -component mixture in which the proportions x_1, x_2, \dots, x_q of the coponents are in the simplex

$$\sum_{i=1}^q x_i = 1, \quad x_j \geq 0, \quad (1.1)$$

are the centroid polynomial

$$\begin{aligned} \eta = & \sum_{i=1}^q a_i x_i + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq q} a_{ij} x_i x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq q} a_{ijk} x_i x_j x_k + \dots \\ & + \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_n \leq q} a_{i_1 i_2 \dots i_n} x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n} \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

as a regressiou function, and the mixtures of one, two, three, \dots , q components with equal proportions. These mixtures are to be used to

estimate the coefficients in the polynomial (1.2). The purpose of this design is the empirical prediction of the response to any mixture of the components when the response depends only on the proportions of the components present but not on the total amount of the mixture.

Lambrakis (1966) introduced the idea of a modification to this design. In this modification the mixtures of one component, pure mixtures, are replaced by mixtures of $q-1$ components of equal proportions, $(q-1)$ -nary mixtures. He gave results for the quadratic and cubic cases. The quadratic case was published in 1969 in the J. R. Statist. Soc., series B, as a part of his paper entitled «An alternative to the simplex-lattice design for experiments with mixtures». The cubic case remains unpublished in his Ph. D. Thesis.

In this paper the above mentioned modification is extended to the quartic case and the results of the estimation are included.

2. THE QUARTIC CASE

the polynomial is

$$\eta = \sum_{i=1}^q a_i x_i + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq q} a_{ij} x_i x_j + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq q} a_{ijk} x_i x_j x_k + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq q} a_{ijkl} x_i x_j x_k x_l \quad (2.1)$$

The mixtures to be used to estimate the coefficients in (2.1) are:

q $(q-1)$ -nary g_i ($1 \leq i \leq q$) with proportions

$$x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_{i-1} = x_{i+1} = \dots = x_q = 1/(q-1)$$

(2) binary u_{ij} ($1 \leq i < j \leq q$) with proportions $x_i = x_j = 1/2$,

(3) ternary w_{ijk} ($1 \leq i < j < k \leq q$) with proportions $x_i = x_j = x_k = 1/3$,

(4) quaternary f_{ijkl} ($1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq q$) with proportions $x_i = x_j = x_k = x_l = 1/4$.

Taking r_{ij} , r_{ijk} , r_{ijkl} , r_i observations for u_{ij} , w_{ijk} , f_{ijkl} , g_i respectively and substituting their observed means \hat{u}_{ij} , \hat{w}_{ijk} , \hat{f}_{ijkl} , \hat{g}_i into (2.1) we have the normal equations

$$\hat{u}_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} (\hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_j) + \frac{1}{4} \hat{a}_{ij} \quad (2.2)$$

$$\hat{w}_{ijk} = \frac{1}{3} (\hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_j + \hat{a}_k) + \frac{1}{9} (\hat{a}_{ij} + \hat{a}_{ik} + \hat{a}_{jk}) + \frac{1}{27} \hat{a}_{ijk} \quad (2.3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_{ijkl} &= \frac{1}{4} (\hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_j + \hat{a}_k + \hat{a}_l) + \frac{1}{16} (\hat{a}_{ij} + \hat{a}_{ik} + \hat{a}_{il} + \hat{a}_{jk} + \hat{a}_{jl} + \hat{a}_{kl}) \\ &+ \frac{1}{64} (\hat{a}_{ijk} + \hat{a}_{ijl} + \hat{a}_{ikl} + \hat{a}_{jkl}) + \frac{1}{256} \hat{a}_{ijkl}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{g}_i &= \frac{1}{q-1} \sum_{\substack{r \leq q \\ r \neq i}} \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{(q-1)^2} \sum_{\substack{r < s \leq q \\ r, s \neq i}} \hat{a}_{rs} + \frac{1}{(q-1)^3} \sum_{\substack{r < s < t \leq q \\ r, s, t \neq i}} \hat{a}_{rst} \\ &+ \frac{1}{(q-1)^4} \sum_{\substack{r < s < t < v \leq q \\ r, s, t, v \neq i}} \hat{a}_{rstv} \end{aligned} \quad (2.5)$$

Solving the above system of normal equations, we obtain the least-squares estimates of the coefficients

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_i &= \frac{48}{(q-1)(q-3)} [(q-2) \sum \hat{u} - (q-1) \sum \hat{u}_i] \\ &- \frac{486}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)} [(q-3) \sum \hat{u} - (q-1) \sum \hat{u}_i] \\ &+ \frac{1536}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [(q-4) \sum \hat{f} - (q-1) \sum \hat{f}_i] \\ &- \frac{6(q-1)^2}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [\sum \hat{g} - (q-1) \hat{g}_i], \end{aligned} \quad (2.6)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_{ij} &= 4 \hat{u}_{ij} - \frac{96}{(q-1)(q-3)} [2(q-2) \sum \hat{u} - (q-1)(\sum \hat{u}_i + \sum \hat{u}_j)] \\ &+ \frac{972}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)} [2(q-3) \sum \hat{w} - (q-1)(\sum \hat{w}_i + \sum \hat{w}_j)] \\ &- \frac{3072}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [2(q-4) \sum \hat{f} - (q-1)(\sum \hat{f}_i + \sum \hat{f}_j)] \\ &+ \frac{12(q-1)^2}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [2 \sum \hat{g} - (q-1)(\hat{g}_i + \hat{g}_j)] \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{a}_{ijk} &= 27 \hat{w}_{ijk} - 12 (\hat{u}_{ij} + \hat{u}_{ik} + \hat{u}_{jk}) \\ &+ \frac{144}{(q-1)(q-3)} [3(q-2) \sum \hat{u} - (q-1)(\sum \hat{u}_i + \sum \hat{u}_j + \sum \hat{u}_k)] \\ &- \frac{1458}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)} [3(q-3) \sum \hat{w} - (q-1)(\sum \hat{w}_i + \sum \hat{w}_j + \sum \hat{w}_k)] \\ &+ \frac{4708}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [3(q-4) \sum \hat{f} - (q-1)(\sum \hat{f}_i + \sum \hat{f}_j + \sum \hat{f}_k)] \\ &- \frac{18(q-1)^2}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [3 \sum \hat{g} - (q-1)(\hat{g}_i + \hat{g}_j + \hat{g}_k)], \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{a}_{ijkl} &= 256 \hat{f}_{ijkl} - 108 (\hat{w}_{ijk} + \hat{w}_{ijl} + \hat{w}_{ikl} + \hat{w}_{jkl}) \\
&+ 32 (\hat{u}_{ij} + \hat{u}_{ik} + \hat{u}_{il} + \hat{u}_{jk} + \hat{u}_{jl} + \hat{u}_{kl}) \\
&- \frac{192}{(q-1)(q-3)} [4(q-2) \sum \hat{u} - (q-1) (\sum \hat{u}_{\bar{i}} + \sum \hat{u}_{\bar{j}} + \sum \hat{u}_{\bar{k}} + \sum \hat{u}_{\bar{l}})] \\
&+ \frac{1944}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)} [4(q-3) \sum \hat{w} - (q-1) (\sum \hat{w}_{\bar{i}} + \sum \hat{w}_{\bar{j}} + \sum \hat{w}_{\bar{k}} + \sum \hat{w}_{\bar{l}})] \\
&- \frac{6144}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [4(q-4) \sum \hat{f} - (q-1) (\sum \hat{f}_{\bar{i}} + \sum \hat{f}_{\bar{j}} + \sum \hat{f}_{\bar{k}} + \sum \hat{f}_{\bar{l}})] \\
&+ \frac{24(q-1)^3}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [4 \sum \hat{g} - (q-1) (\hat{g}_i + \hat{g}_j + \hat{g}_k + \hat{g}_l)] \quad (2.9)
\end{aligned}$$

Where

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum \hat{g} &= \sum_{i=1}^q \hat{g}_i, \\
\sum \hat{u} &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq q} \hat{u}_{ij}, \quad \sum \hat{u}_{\bar{v}} = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq r < s \leq q \\ r, s \neq v}} \hat{u}_{rs} \quad (v = i, j, k, l) \\
\sum \hat{w} &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq q} \hat{w}_{ijk}, \quad \sum \hat{w}_{\bar{v}} = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq r < s < t \leq q \\ r, s, t \neq v}} \hat{w}_{rst} \quad (v = i, j, k, l) \\
\sum \hat{f} &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq q} \hat{f}_{ijkl}, \quad \sum \hat{f}_{\bar{v}} = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq r < s < t < v \leq q \\ r, s, t, v \neq v}} \hat{f}_{rstv} \quad (v = i, j, k, l).
\end{aligned}$$

Substituting the above least-squares estimates into (2.1) and collecting terms, we obtain the estimated regression function

$$\tilde{\eta} = \sum_{i=1}^q \mathbf{a}_i \hat{g}_i + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq q} \mathbf{a}_{ij} \hat{u}_{ij} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq q} \mathbf{a}_{ijk} \hat{w}_{ijk} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq q} \mathbf{a}_{ijkl} \hat{f}_{ijkl} \quad (2.10)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{a}_i &= -\frac{(q-1)^4}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [(1-3 \sum x^2 + 8 \sum x^3)x_1 - 6(1-2 \sum x^2)x_1^2 + 6x_1^3 - 24x_1^4] \\
&+ \frac{(q-1)^3}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [1-9 \sum x^2 + 14 \sum x^3 - 24 \sum x^4 + 12(\sum x^2)^2], \\
\mathbf{a}_{ij} &= 4x_i x_j [2-5(x_i + x_j) + 4(x_i^2 + x_j^2) + 4(x_i + x_j)^2 - 4 \sum x^2] \\
&- \frac{8}{q-3} \sum_{r=i, j} [(1-3 \sum x^2 + 8 \sum x^3)x_r - 6(1-2 \sum x^2)x_r^2 + 6x_r^3 - 24x_r^4] \\
&+ \frac{8}{(q-1)(q-3)} [1-9 \sum x^2 + 14 \sum x^3 - 24 \sum x^4 + 12(\sum x^2)^2]
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{a}_{ijk} &= -27 x_i x_j x_k [3 - 4(x_i + x_j + x_k)] \\
&+ \frac{81}{(q-3)(q-4)} \sum_{r=i,j,k} [(1-3 \sum x^2 + 8 \sum x) x_r - 6(1-2 \sum x^2) x_r^2 + 6x_r^3 - 24x_r^4] \\
&- \frac{162}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)} [1 - q \sum x^2 + 14 \sum x^3 - 24 \sum x^4 + 12 (\sum x^2)^2], \\
\mathbf{a}_{ijkl} &= 256 x_i x_j x_k x_l \\
&- \frac{256}{(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} \sum_{r=i,j,k,l} [(1-3 \sum x^2 + 8 \sum x^3) x_r - 6(1-2 \sum x^2) x_r^2 + 6x_r^3 - 24x_r^4] \\
&+ \frac{768}{(q-1)(q-3)(q-4)(q-5)} [1 - q \sum x^2 + 14 \sum x^3 - 24 \sum x^4 + 12 (\sum x^2)^2]
\end{aligned}$$

Note that $\sum x^\nu$ stands for $\sum_{i=1}^q x_i^\nu$ where $\nu = 2, 3, 4$.

The above results can be applied for any $q \geq 6$.

A way of checking the above results is to substitute into (2.10) the proportions of the mixtures used and see whether or not expression (2.10) predicts the mean responses of the mixtures. Substituting into (2.10) the proportions of the mixtures used, we verify that

\mathbf{a}_i	\mathbf{a}_{ij}	\mathbf{a}_{ijk}	\mathbf{a}_{ijkl}	$\tilde{\eta}$
1	0	0	0	\hat{g}_i
0	1	0	0	\hat{u}_{ij}
0	0	1	0	\hat{w}_{ijk}
0	0	0	1	\hat{f}_{ijkl}

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