

EXPERIMENTS WITH MIXTURES
ANOTHER EXTENSION OF THE MODIFICATION TO THE
SIMPLEX - CENTROID DESIGN

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Abstract : *In this paper, the modification to the Simplex-Centroid design introduced by D. Lambrakis (1966) and applied to a polynomial up to 3rd degree is extended to a polynomial of 4th degree.*

I. INTRODUCTION

Sceffé (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 components are in the simplex

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

are the centroid polynomial

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

as a regression function, and the mixture of one, two, three, ..., 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 and the mixtures of two components are replaced by mixtures of $q - 2$ components of equal proportions, $(q - 2)$ -nary mixtures. He gave results for the cubic case. This case remains unpublished in his Ph. D. Thesis, Department of Statistics, University of Aberdeen, 1966.

In this paper the above mentioned modification is extended to the quartic case.

2. QUARTIC CASE

The centroid polynomial of fourth degree is

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

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

$$x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_{i-1} = x_{i+1} = \dots = x_q = \frac{1}{(q-1)}, \quad x_r = 0, \quad \text{for } r = i$$

$$\binom{q}{2} \quad (q-2)\text{-nary } f_{ij} (1 \leq i < j \leq q) \text{ with proportions}$$

$$x_1 = x_2 = \dots = x_{i-1} = x_{i+1} = \dots = x_q = \frac{1}{(q-2)}, \quad x_r = 0, \text{ for } r = i, j$$

$\binom{q}{3}$ ternary $w_{ijk} (1 \leq i < j < k \leq q)$ with proportions

$$x_i = x_j = x_k = \frac{1}{3}, \quad x_r = 0, \text{ for } r \neq i, j, k$$

$\binom{q}{4}$ quaternary $v_{ijkl} (1 \leq i < j < k < l \leq q)$ with proportions

$$x_i = x_j = x_k = x_l = \frac{1}{4}, \quad x_r = 0, \text{ for } r \neq i, j, k, l$$

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

$$(2.2) \quad \hat{w}_{ijk} = \frac{1}{3} (\hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_j + \hat{a}_k) + \frac{1}{9} (\hat{a}_{ij} + \hat{a}_{ik} + \hat{a}_{jk}) + \frac{1}{27} \hat{a}_{ijk}$$

$$(2.3) \quad \hat{v}_{ijkl} = \frac{1}{4} (\hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_j + \hat{a}_k + \hat{a}_l) + \frac{1}{4^2} (\hat{a}_{ij} + \hat{a}_{ik} + \hat{a}_{il} + \hat{a}_{jk} + \hat{a}_{jl} + \hat{a}_{kl}) + \frac{1}{4^3} (\hat{a}_{ijk} + \hat{a}_{ijl} + \hat{a}_{ikl} + \hat{a}_{jkl}) + \frac{1}{4^4} (\hat{a}_{ijkl})$$

$$(2.4) \quad \hat{g}_i = \frac{1}{(q-1)} \sum_{r \neq i} \hat{a}_r + \frac{1}{(q-1)^2} \sum_{r's \neq i} \hat{a}_{rs} +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(q-1)^3} \sum_{r>s>t \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst} + \frac{1}{(q-1)^4} \sum_{r>s>t>v \neq i} \hat{a}_{rstv}$$

$$(2.5) \quad \hat{f}_{ij} = \frac{1}{(q-2)} \sum_{r>s \neq i>j} \hat{a}_{rs} + \frac{1}{(q-2)^2} \sum_{r>s \neq i>j} \hat{a}_{ij} +$$

$$+ \frac{1}{(q-2)^3} \sum_{r>s>t \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst} + \frac{1}{(q-2)^4} \sum_{r>s>t>v \neq i} \hat{a}_{rstv}$$

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

$$(2.6) \quad \hat{a}_i = \Sigma \hat{a}_r - \sum_{r \neq i} \hat{a}_r$$

$$(2.7) \quad \hat{a}_{ij} = \left(\sum \hat{a}_{rs} + \sum_{r>s \neq i>j} \hat{a}_{rs} \right) - \left(\sum_{r>s \neq i} \hat{a}_{rs} + \sum_{r>s \neq j} \hat{a}_{rs} \right)$$

$$(2.8) \quad \hat{a}_{ijk} = \left(\sum \hat{a}_{rst} + \sum_{r>s>t \neq i>j} \hat{a}_{rst} + \sum_{r>s>t \neq j>k} \hat{a}_{rst} + \sum_{r>s>t \neq i>k} \hat{a}_{rst} \right) -$$

$$- \left(\sum_{r>s>t \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst} + \sum_{r>s>t \neq j} \hat{a}_{rst} + \sum_{r>s>t \neq k} \hat{a}_{rst} + \sum_{r>s>t \neq i>j>k} \hat{a}_{rst} \right)$$

$$(2.9) \quad \hat{a}_{ijkl} = 4^4 \hat{v}_{ijkl} - 4^4 \left(\frac{1}{4} (\hat{a}_i + \hat{a}_j + \hat{a}_k + \hat{a}_l) + \frac{1}{4^2} (\hat{a}_{ij} + \hat{a}_{ik} +$$

$$+ \hat{a}_{il} + \hat{a}_{jk} + \hat{a}_{jl} + \hat{a}_{kl}) + \frac{1}{4^3} (\hat{a}_{ijk} + \hat{a}_{ijl} + \hat{a}_{ikl} + \hat{a}_{jkl})$$

For more details see appendix A.

APPENDIX A

Solution of the System (2.2) — (2.5)

Equation (2.4) is actually a system of q equations. If we write down explicitly all these equations, we observe that each element

$$\hat{a}_r (1 \leq r \leq q) \quad \text{appears in the system} \quad \frac{q \binom{q-1}{1}}{\binom{q}{1}} = q - 1 \text{ times}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rs} (1 \leq r < s \leq q) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad \frac{q \binom{q-1}{2}}{\binom{q}{2}} = q - 2 \text{ ''}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rst} (1 \leq r < s < t \leq q) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad \frac{q \binom{q-1}{3}}{\binom{q}{3}} = q - 3 \text{ ''}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rstv} (1 \leq r < s < t < v \leq q) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad \frac{q \binom{q-1}{4}}{\binom{q}{4}} = q - 4 \text{ ''}$$

If we add all the equations mentioned above, we have

$$(A.I) \quad \sum \hat{g} = \sum \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-2)}{(q-1)^2} \sum \hat{a}_{rs} + \frac{(q-3)}{(q-1)^3} \sum \hat{a}_{rst} + \frac{(q-4)}{(q-1)^4} \sum \hat{a}_{rstv} .$$

Equation (2.5) is actually a system of $\binom{q}{q-2} \equiv \binom{q}{2}$ equations

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If we write all of them, we observe that each element

$$\hat{a}_r (1 \leq r \leq q) \text{ appears in the system } \frac{\binom{q}{2} \binom{q-2}{1}}{\binom{q}{1}} = \frac{(q-1)(q-2)}{2} \text{ times}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{each } \hat{a}_{rs} (1 \leq r < s \leq q) \text{ appears in the system } & \frac{\binom{q}{2} \binom{q-2}{2}}{\binom{q}{2}} = \\ & = \frac{(q-2)(q-3)}{2} \text{ times} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{each } \hat{a}_{rst} (1 \leq r < s < t \leq q) \text{ appears in the system } & \frac{\binom{q}{2} \binom{q-2}{3}}{\binom{q}{3}} = \\ & = \frac{(q-3)(q-4)}{2} \text{ times} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{each } \hat{a}_{rstv} (1 \leq r < s < t < v \leq q) \text{ appears in the system } & \frac{\binom{q}{2} \binom{q-2}{4}}{\binom{q}{4}} = \\ & = \frac{(q-4)(q-5)}{2} \text{ times} \end{aligned}$$

If we add all these equations, we have the following new equation

$$(A.2) \quad \sum \hat{r} = \frac{(q-1)}{2} \sum \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-3)}{2(q-2)} \sum \hat{a}_{rs} + \\ + \frac{(q-3)(q-4)}{2(q-2)^3} \sum \hat{a}_{rst} + \frac{(q-4)(q-5)}{2(q-2)^4} \sum \hat{a}_{rstv}$$

From (2.5) we can form a system of $(q-1)$ equations where the left side of each equation is a mixture of $q-2$ components of equal proportions and no containing one component $x_i (1 \leq i \leq q)$.

If we write all these equations we observe that each of the elements

$$\hat{a}_r (r \neq i) \quad \text{appears in the system} \quad \frac{(q-1) \binom{q-2}{1}}{\binom{q-1}{1}} = q-2 \text{ times}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rs} (r, s \neq i) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad \frac{(q-1) \binom{q-2}{2}}{\binom{q-1}{2}} = q-3 \text{ times}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rst} (r, s, t \neq i) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad \frac{(q-1) \binom{q-2}{3}}{\binom{q-1}{3}} = q-4 \text{ times}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rstv} (r, s, t, v \neq i) \quad \text{'' '' ''} \quad \frac{(q-1) \binom{q-2}{4}}{\binom{q-1}{4}} = q-5 \text{ times}$$

If we add all these equations we have the following equation

$$(A.3) \sum \hat{f}_i = \sum_{r \neq i} \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-3)}{(q-2)^2} \sum_{rs \neq i} \hat{a}_{rs} + \frac{(q-4)}{(q-3)^3} \sum_{rst \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst} + \\ + \frac{(q-5)}{(q-2)^4} \sum_{rstv \neq i} \hat{a}_{rstv}$$

Equation (2.2) is actually a system of $\binom{q}{3}$ equations. If we write all these equations we observe that each element

$$\hat{a}(1 \leq r \leq q) \quad \text{appears in the system} \quad 3 \frac{\binom{q}{3}}{\binom{q}{1}} = \frac{(q-1)(q-2)}{2} \quad \text{times}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rs}(1 \leq r < s \leq q) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad 3 \frac{\binom{q}{3}}{\binom{q}{2}} = q-2 \quad \text{times}$$

$$\hat{a}_{rst}(1 \leq r \leq q) \quad \text{'' '' '' ''} \quad \text{once}$$

If we add all these equations we get the equation

$$(A.4) \sum \hat{w} = \frac{(q-1)(q-2)}{6} \sum \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-2)}{9} \sum \hat{a}_{rs} + \frac{1}{27} \sum \hat{a}_{rst}$$

Thinking the same way, from (2.3) follows the equation

$$(A.5) \quad \sum \hat{v} = \frac{(q-1)(q-2)(q-3)}{24} \sum \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-2)(q-3)}{32} \sum \hat{a}_{rs} + \\ + \frac{(q-3)}{64} \sum \hat{a}_{rst} + \frac{1}{256} \sum \hat{a}_{rstv}.$$

In my thesis for the Dr's degree, appendix E, p. 50, University of Thessaloniki, Greece it is derived the equation

$$(A.6) \quad \sum \hat{v}_i = \frac{(q-2)(q-3)(q-4)}{24} \sum_{r \neq i} \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-3)(q-4)}{32} \sum_{r's \neq i} \hat{a}_{rs} \\ + \frac{(q-4)}{64} \sum_{r's't \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst} + \frac{1}{256} \sum_{r's't'v \neq i} \hat{a}_{rstv}.$$

Solution of the system of the equations (A.1), (A.2), (A.4), (A.5) gives us $\Sigma \hat{a}_r$, $\Sigma \hat{a}_{rs}$, $\Sigma \hat{a}_{rst}$, $\Sigma \hat{a}_{rstv}$.

Where the solution of (2.4), (A.3), (A.6) and

$$(A.7) \quad \sum \hat{w}_i = \frac{(q-2)(q-3)}{6} \sum_{r \neq i} \hat{a}_r + \frac{(q-3)}{9} \sum_{r's \neq i} \hat{a}_{rs} + \frac{1}{27} \sum_{r's't \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst}$$

which follows from (2.2) gives $\sum_{r \neq i} \hat{a}_r$, $\sum_{r's \neq i} \hat{a}_{rs}$, $\sum_{r's't \neq i} \hat{a}_{rst}$, $\sum_{r's't'v \neq i} \hat{a}_{rstv}$

Thus we have (2.6) — (2.9).

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ΠΕΡΙΛΗΨΙΣ

ΠΕΙΡΑΜΑΤΑ ΕΠΙ ΤΩΝ ΜΙΓΜΑΤΩΝ ΜΙΑ ΑΛΛΗ ΕΠΕΚΤΑΣΙΣ ΤΗΣ ΤΡΟΠΟΠΟΙΗΣΕΩΣ ΕΙΣ ΤΟ ΣΥΜΠΛΕΚΤΙΚΟΝ - ΚΕΝΤΡΙΚΟΝ ΜΟΝΤΕΛΛΟΝ

Ἑπὶ

ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΟΥ ΚΩΝΣΤΑΝΤΕΛΟΥ

Τὸ 1966 ὁ καθηγητὴς Δ. Λαμπράκης ἐτροποποίησεν τὴν μέθοδον τῆς κατασκευῆς τοῦ μοντέλου Scheffé τοῦ ὁποίου τὰ κύρια χαρακτηριστικὰ εἶναι τὸ κεντρικὸν πολυώνυμον ὡς συναρτήσεως παλινδρομῆσεως καὶ τὸ simplex εἰς τὸ ὁποῖον ὑπόκεινται αἱ μεταβληταί.

Εἰς τὸ μοντέλον Scheffé, διὰ τὸν προσδιορισμὸν τῶν ἐκτιμήσεων τῶν συντελεστῶν τοῦ πολυωνύμου ἐχρησιμοποιήθησαν τὰ καλούμενα καθαρὰ μίγματα (ἐκάστη τῶν γνωστῶν οὐσιῶν αἱ ὁποῖαι ὑπείσέρχονται διὰ νὰ ἀποτελέσουν τὸ μίγμα). Ὁ Λαμπράκης ἀντικατέστησε τὰ καθαρὰ μίγματα διὰ μιγμάτων τῶν $q - 1$ οὐσιῶν (q ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν χρησιμοποιουμένων οὐσιῶν) καὶ τὰ μίγματα τῶν δύο οὐσιῶν διὰ μιγμάτων τῶν $q - 2$. Ἐπέτυχεν ἀποτελέσματα διὰ τὴν περίπτωσιν ὅπου ἡ συνάρτησις παλινδρομῆσεως εἶναι τὸ κεντρικὸν πολυώνυμον 3ου βαθμοῦ.

Εἰς τὴν παροῦσαν ἐργασίαν τὰ προαναφερθέντα ἀποτελέσματα ἐπεκτείνονται εἰς τὴν περίπτωσιν ὅπου ἡ συνάρτησις παλινδρομῆσεως εἶναι πολυώνυμον 4ου βαθμοῦ.

Τὸ κύριον μέρος τῆς ἐργασίας αὐτῆς εἶναι ὁ σχηματισμὸς τοῦ συστήματος τῶν κανονικῶν ἐξισώσεων καὶ ἡ ἐπίλυσίς του.