

Hypothesis testing in variance components with constraints

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- ① Calculate $\hat{\gamma}_1$ and $\hat{\gamma}_2$
- ② Calculate λ
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$$\ell_I = \ell(\mathbf{y}_I) = \ell(\mathbf{P}_I \mathbf{y})$$

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- ⑤ Compare with the observed value λ with c_α

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Random Permutations

$$\mathbf{y} = [y_{ijk}] - \text{lexicographical order}$$

- i – first factor
- j – second factor
- k – replicates

Selective permutation

$$\mathbf{y}_I = (\mathbf{I}_a \otimes \mathbf{P}_I) \mathbf{y},$$

where \mathbf{P}_I is a random permutation matrix.

Two-fold nested model

Permutation Procedure

- ① Calculate $\hat{\gamma}_1$, $\hat{\gamma}_2$ and $\hat{\gamma}_3$
- ② Calculate λ
- ③ Generate a pseudo-sample of size M of

$$\ell_I = \ell(\mathbf{y}_I) = \ell((\mathbf{I}_a \otimes \mathbf{P}_I)\mathbf{y})$$

- ④ Retrieve c_α , the pseudo-sample's empirical $(1 - \alpha)$ -th quantile
- ⑤ Compare the observed value of λ with c_α

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0	0.047	0.049	0.057	0.053	0.047	0.047
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0.1	0.216	0.209	0.249	0.251	0.227	0.228
0.2	0.425	0.426	0.452	0.456	0.413	0.407
0.5	0.811	0.801	0.792	0.793	0.728	0.728
0.75	0.914	0.916	0.905	0.900	0.854	0.851
1	0.951	0.953	0.956	0.953	0.922	0.919

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Two-fold nested model

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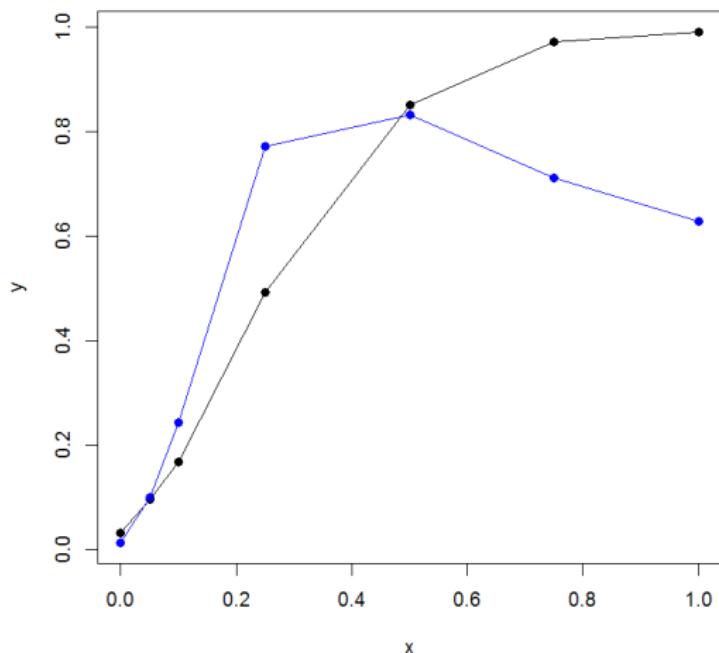
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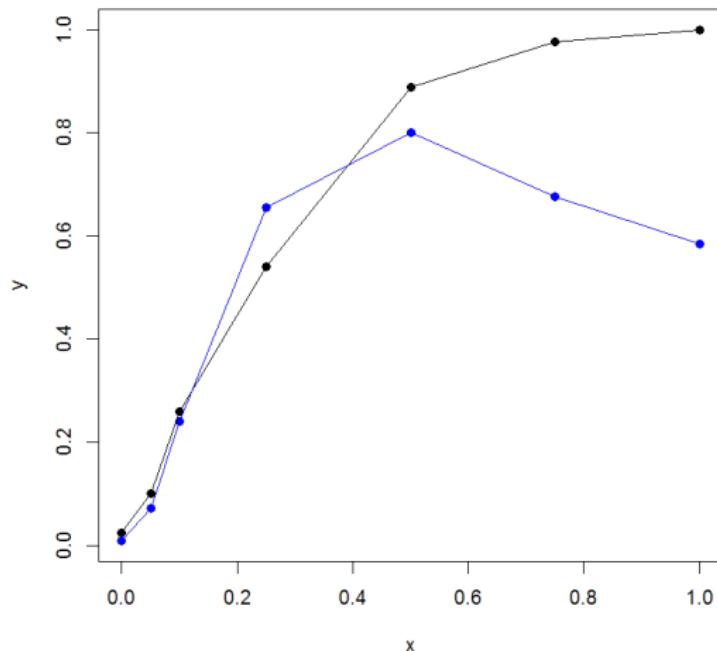
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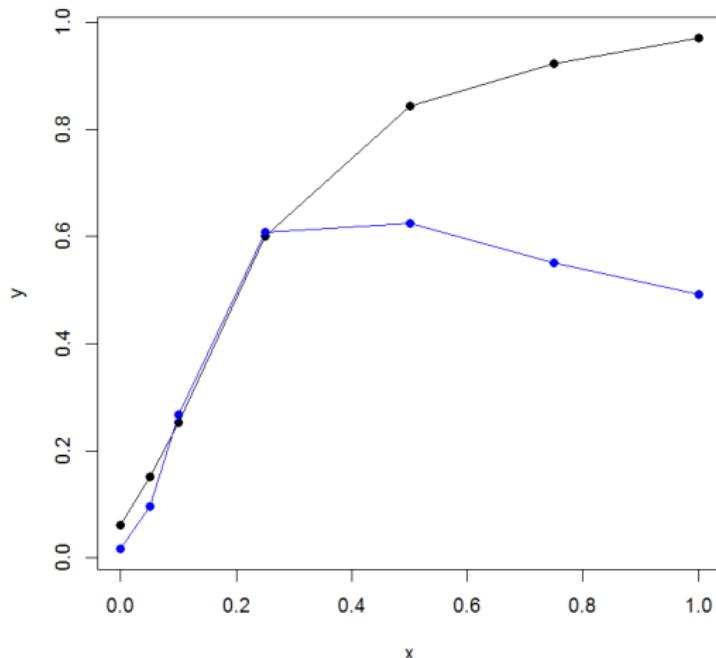
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