

**SOME DISTRIBUTION PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH THE  
CHARACTERISTIC ROOTS OF  $S_1 S_2^{-1}$**

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**1. Introduction and summary.** Let  $S_i: p \times p$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) be independently distributed as Wishart ( $n_i, p, \Sigma_i$ ). Let the characteristic (ch) roots of  $S_1 S_2^{-1}$  and  $\Sigma_1 \Sigma_2^{-1}$  be denoted by  $f_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ) and  $\lambda_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ ) respectively such that  $0 < f_1 < f_2 < \dots < f_p < \infty$  and  $0 < \lambda_1 \leq \lambda_2 \leq \dots \leq \lambda_p < \infty$ . The distribution of  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p$  as stated by James [5] is not convenient for further development and is slowly convergent for higher values of  $f_i$ 's. The distribution of  $(f_1, \dots, f_p)$  mentioned by James [5] can be written as

$$(1) \quad c |\Lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} |\mathbf{F}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} \alpha_p(\mathbf{F}) \int_{O(p)} |\mathbf{I}_p + \Lambda^{-1} \mathbf{H} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{H}'|^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2)} d\mathbf{H}$$

where

$$(2) \quad c = \pi^{\frac{1}{2}p^2} \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2) \{ \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}p) \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1) \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_2) \}^{-1},$$

$$\Gamma_p(t) = \pi^{\frac{1}{2}p(p-1)} \prod_{j=1}^p \Gamma(t - \frac{1}{2}j + \frac{1}{2}),$$

$$(3) \quad \alpha_p(\mathbf{F}) = \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} \prod_{j=i+1}^p (f_j - f_i), \quad \mathbf{F} = \text{diag}(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p),$$

$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_p)$$

and the integral is over an orthogonal group  $O(p)$  with  $\int_{O(p)} d\mathbf{H} = 1$ . For testing the null hypothesis  $H_0(\lambda\Lambda = \mathbf{I}_p), \lambda > 0$  being given, we have two statistics given by

$$(4) \quad (i) \quad l = |\lambda\mathbf{F}|^{n_1} / |\mathbf{I}_p + \lambda\mathbf{F}|^{n_1+n_2} \quad \text{and} \quad (ii) \quad \lambda f_p \quad \text{or} \quad \lambda f_p / (1 + \lambda f_p).$$

$l$  is considered by Anderson [1] and  $\lambda f_p$  is obtained by Roy [7]. (1) is rewritten in such a way that the joint density function of  $(\lambda f_1, \lambda f_2, \dots, \lambda f_p)$  has non-central parameters  $\mathbf{I}_p - (\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}$  and it is given by

$$(5) \quad c |\lambda\Lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} |\lambda\mathbf{F}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} \alpha_p(\lambda\mathbf{F}) |\mathbf{I}_p + \lambda\mathbf{F}|^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2)} {}_1F_0^{(p)}(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2 ;$$

$$\mathbf{I}_p - (\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}, \lambda\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{I}_p + \lambda\mathbf{F})^{-1}).$$

Hence, similar to testing of means, we propose the statistics  $T = \text{tr}(\lambda\mathbf{F})$  and  $V = \text{tr}(\lambda\mathbf{F})(\mathbf{I}_p + \lambda\mathbf{F})^{-1}$  for testing the hypothesis  $H_0$  and obtain their distribution of  $T$  only while the moment generating function of  $V$  is given. Moreover, if in the null hypothesis  $H_0'(\lambda\Lambda = \mathbf{I}_p), \lambda > 0$  is unknown, then the test procedure will depend on the ratios of roots, and hence, we consider the joint distribution of  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{p-1})$ , where  $x_i = f_i/f_p$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p-1$ , and  $f_p$ . Under null hypothesis  $H_0'$ , we obtain the density functions of  $x_1$  (or  $x_{p-1}$ ) and of  $(y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{p-1})$  for  $y_i = (f_i - f_1)/(f_p - f_1), i = 2, 3, \dots, p-1$ .

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**2. Some results on integration.** We shall use the notations of Khatri [6], James [5] and Constantine [2] [3]. Wherever the order of the identity matrix  $\mathbf{I}$  is not clear, we shall write  $\mathbf{I}_p$ ,  $p$  being the order of  $\mathbf{I}$ .

LEMMA 1.

$$\int_{o(p)} |\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}'|^{-t} d\mathbf{H} = |\mathbf{I} + \lambda\mathbf{F}|^{-1} {}_1F_0^{(p)}(t; \mathbf{I} - (\lambda\mathbf{\Lambda})^{-1}, \lambda\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{I} + \lambda\mathbf{F})^{-1})$$

where  $\lambda$  is any non-negative real number such that the hypergeometric series is convergent for all  $\mathbf{F}$ .

Proof is immediate by using the following results:

$$|\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}'| = |\mathbf{I} + \lambda\mathbf{F}| |\mathbf{I} - (\mathbf{I} - \lambda^{-1}\mathbf{A})\mathbf{H}(\lambda\mathbf{F})(\mathbf{I} + \lambda\mathbf{F})^{-1}\mathbf{H}'|,$$

and

$$\int_{o(p)} |\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{Q}\mathbf{H}'|^{-t} d\mathbf{H} = {}_1F_0^{(p)}(t; \mathbf{P}, \mathbf{Q}) \quad (\text{see James [5]}).$$

LEMMA 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{o(p)} |\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\mathbf{H}\mathbf{F}\mathbf{H}'|^{-t} d\mathbf{H} \\ = |\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}g(\mathbf{F})|^{-t} {}_1F_0^{(p)}(t; (\mathbf{\Lambda} + g(\mathbf{F})\mathbf{I})^{-1}, g(\mathbf{F})\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{F}) \end{aligned}$$

where  $g(\mathbf{F})$  is any function of the elements of  $\mathbf{F}$  such that  $g(\mathbf{F})$  is non-negative.

Proof is similar to that of Lemma 1. We shall take in our development  $g(\mathbf{F}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{F})/p$  or  $f_p$ , the maximum ch root of  $\mathbf{F}$ .

LEMMA 3. Let  $\mathbf{R} = \text{diag}(r_1, r_2, \dots, r_m)$  such that  $0 < r_1 < r_2 < \dots < r_m < 1$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int |\mathbf{R}|^{t-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{1}{2}} |\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{R}|^{u-\frac{1}{2}m-\frac{1}{2}} \alpha_m(\mathbf{R}) C_\kappa(\mathbf{R}) d\mathbf{R} \\ = \Gamma_m(t, \kappa) \Gamma_m(u) \Gamma_m(\frac{1}{2}m) C_\kappa(\mathbf{I}) / \Gamma_m(t + u, \kappa) \pi^{\frac{1}{2}m^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This follows from the Theorem 3 of the Constantine [2].

**3. Non-central distributions.**

3.1. *Density function of  $(f_1, \dots, f_p)$ .* Using Lemma 1 in (1), we get the density function of  $(f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p)$  as

$$(5') \quad c |\mathbf{\Lambda}|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} |\mathbf{F}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} \alpha_p(\mathbf{F}) |\mathbf{I} + \lambda\mathbf{F}|^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2)} \cdot {}_1F_0^{(p)}(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2; \lambda\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}, \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{I} + \lambda\mathbf{F})^{-1})$$

where  $\lambda$  is any non-negative real number. Note that  $\lambda = 0$  gives the result as mentioned by James [5]. It is easy to see that the joint density function of  $w_i = \lambda f_i / (1 + \lambda f_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , is given by

$$(6) \quad c |\lambda\mathbf{\Lambda}|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} |\mathbf{W}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} |\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_2-p-1)} \alpha_p(\mathbf{W}) \cdot {}_1F_0^{(p)}(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2; \mathbf{I} - (\lambda\mathbf{\Lambda})^{-1}, \mathbf{W})$$

where  $\mathbf{W} = \text{diag}(w_1, w_2, \dots, w_p)$ .

3.2. *Distribution of  $T = \lambda \text{tr} \mathbf{F}$ .* Let  $f_i$ 's be the ch roots of  $\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{S}_2^{-1}$ . Then, (1) can be obtained from the joint density function of  $\mathbf{S}_1$  and  $\mathbf{S}_2$ , which is given by

(7)  $\{|\Lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}n_1} \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1) \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_2)\}^{-1} |\mathbf{S}_1|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} |\mathbf{S}_2|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_2-p-1)} \exp[-\text{tr}(\Lambda^{-1}\mathbf{S}_1 + \mathbf{S}_2)],$   
 and  $\text{tr } \mathbf{F} = \text{tr } \mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{S}_2^{-1}$ . The Laplace transform of  $T = \lambda \text{tr } \mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{S}_2^{-1}$  is  $E \exp(-t\lambda \text{tr } \mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{S}_2^{-1})$ . Multiplying (7) by  $\exp(-t\lambda \text{tr } \mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{S}_2^{-1})$  and integrating over  $\mathbf{S}_1 > \mathbf{0}$ , we get the Laplace transform of  $\mathbf{T}$  as

$$(8) \quad \{|\Lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}n_1} \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_2) t^{\frac{1}{2}pn_1}\}^{-1} \cdot \int_{\mathbf{S}_2 > \mathbf{0}} |\mathbf{S}_2|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2-p-1)} |\mathbf{I} + (t\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}\mathbf{S}_2|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} \exp(-\text{tr } \mathbf{S}_2) d\mathbf{S}_2.$$

Writing

$$|\mathbf{I} + (t\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}\mathbf{S}_2|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\kappa} (\frac{1}{2}n_1)_{\kappa} t^{-k} C_{\kappa}((\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}\mathbf{S}_2)/k!$$

in (8), we note that (8) can be integrated term-by-term with respect to  $t$  for  $R(t)$  sufficiently large (see [3], p. 222). Hence, taking the inverse Laplace transform of (8), we get finally the density function of  $T$  as

$$(9) \quad \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2) \{|\lambda\Lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}n_1} \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_2)\}^{-1} T^{\frac{1}{2}pn_1-1} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-T)^k \{k! \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + k)\}^{-1} \sum_{\kappa} (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_{\kappa} (\frac{1}{2}n_1)_{\kappa} C_{\kappa}(\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}.$$

Note that (9) is convergent for  $|T/\lambda\lambda_1| < 1$ ,  $\lambda_1$  being the minimum ch root of  $\Lambda$ . Now, if the  $j$ th moment of  $T$  exists, then it is given by

$$(10) \quad E(T^j) = \lambda^j \sum_J EC_J(\mathbf{S}_1\mathbf{S}_2^{-1}) = \sum_J (\frac{1}{2}n_1)_J C_J(\lambda\Lambda) (-1)^j / (\frac{1}{2}p - \frac{1}{2}n_2 - \frac{1}{2})_J.$$

Now, let us consider an alternative form for the distribution of  $T$ . Using the Lemma 2 in (1) by taking  $g(\mathbf{F}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{F})/q = T/\lambda q$  for  $0 < q < \infty$  and integrating  $\mathbf{F}$  over the surface  $T = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda f_i$  with the condition  $0 < f_1 < \dots < f_p$  and making the necessary changes, we get the density function of  $T$  as

$$(11) \quad c |\lambda\Lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} (T/q)^{\frac{1}{2}pn_1-1} |\mathbf{I} + (\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}T/q|^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\kappa} (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_{\kappa} \cdot \{k! C_{\kappa}(\mathbf{I}_p)\}^{-1} C_{\kappa}(T(q\lambda\Lambda + T\mathbf{I})^{-1}) A_{\kappa}^{(q)}(n_1, p)$$

where

$$(12) \quad A_{\kappa}^{(q)}(n_1, p) = \int_{\mathfrak{D}} |\mathbf{Y}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} \alpha_p(\mathbf{Y}) C_{\kappa}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Y}) dy_1 \dots dy_{p-1},$$

with  $\mathbf{Y} = \text{diag}(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_p)$ ,  $y_p = q - y_1 - y_2 \dots - y_{p-1}$  and

$$(13) \quad \mathfrak{D}: \{0 \leq y_1 \leq q/p, y_1 \leq y_2 \leq (q - y_1)/(p - 1), \dots, y_{p-2} \leq y_{p-1} \leq (q - y_1 - \dots - y_{p-2})/2\}.$$

Note that (11) is the type of the form which is conjectured by Constantine [3] under the null hypothesis when  $q = p$ . When  $q = p = 2$ ,  $A_{\kappa}^{(2)}(n_1, 2)$  can be obtained by using the zonal polynomials given by James [5] and since  $2 - y_1 - y_2 = 0$ , it is easy to see that  $A_{\kappa}^{(2)}(n_1, 2)$  vanishes when  $k$  is odd. In the null hypothesis  $H_0$ , we obtain Hotelling's result [4].

3.3. *Moment generating function of  $V = \text{tr } \mathbf{W}$ .* We shall obtain the moment generating function of  $V$ , which is given by

$$\begin{aligned}
 g_1(t) = E(e^{tV}) &= \{\Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1)\Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_2)|\lambda\Lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}n_1}\}^{-1} \\
 &\cdot \int_{\mathbf{S}>0} \int_{\mathbf{W}>0}^{\mathbf{I}} |\mathbf{W}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} |\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{W}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_2-p-1)} |\mathbf{S}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2-p-1)} \\
 &\cdot \exp[-\text{tr } \mathbf{S} + \text{tr}\{\mathbf{I}t + \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{I} - (\lambda\Lambda)^{-1})\}\mathbf{W}] d\mathbf{W} d\mathbf{S} \\
 &= \{|\lambda\Lambda|^{\frac{1}{2}n_1} \Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)\}^{-1} \int_{\mathbf{S}>0} |\mathbf{S}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2-p-1)} e^{-\text{tr } \mathbf{S}} \\
 &\cdot {}_1F_1(\frac{1}{2}n_1; \frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2; \mathbf{I}t + \mathbf{S}(\mathbf{I} - (\lambda\Lambda)^{-1})) d\mathbf{S}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, using

$$C_\kappa(\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{A})/C_\kappa(\mathbf{I}) = \sum_{n=0}^k \sum_\eta a_{\kappa,\eta} C_\eta(\mathbf{A})/C_\eta(\mathbf{I}) \quad (\text{see Constantine [3]})$$

in the expression, we get the moment generating function of  $V$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (14) \quad g_1(t) &= |\lambda\Lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} \sum_{k=0}^\infty \sum_\kappa \sum_{n=0}^k \sum_\eta \{k! (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_\kappa\}^{-1} \\
 &\cdot (\frac{1}{2}n_1)_\kappa a_{\kappa,\eta} t^{k-n} C_\eta(\mathbf{I} - (\lambda\Lambda)^{-1}) C_\kappa(\mathbf{I})/C_\eta(\mathbf{I}).
 \end{aligned}$$

3.4. *Distribution of  $f_p$ .* We use Lemma 2 by taking  $g(F) = f_p$ . Changing  $f_i = x_i f_p, i = 1, 2, \dots, p - 1$ , in (1), we get the joint density function of  $f_p, x_1, \dots, x_{p-1}$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (15) \quad C |\Lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} f_p^{\frac{1}{2}pn_1-1} |\mathbf{I} + f_p\Lambda^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2)} |\mathbf{X}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} |\mathbf{I}_{p-1} - \mathbf{X}| \alpha_{p-1}(\mathbf{X}) \\
 \cdot {}_1F_0^{(p)}(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2; f_p(\Lambda + f_p\mathbf{I})^{-1}, \mathbf{I}_{p-1} - \mathbf{X})
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $0 < f_p < \infty, 0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{p-1} < 1$  and  $\mathbf{X} = \text{diag}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{p-1})$ . Using Lemma 3, we can integrate  $\mathbf{X}$  and get the density function of  $f_p$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (16) \quad c_2 |\Lambda|^{-\frac{1}{2}n_1} f_p^{\frac{1}{2}pn_1-1} |\mathbf{I} + f_p\Lambda^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}(n_1+n_2)} \\
 \cdot {}_3F_2(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2, \frac{1}{2}p + 1, \frac{1}{2}p - \frac{1}{2}; \frac{1}{2}p, \frac{1}{2}(n_1 + p + 1); f_p(\Lambda + f_p\mathbf{I})^{-1})
 \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 c_2 = \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})\Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)\Gamma_{p-1}(\frac{1}{2}p + 1) \\
 \cdot \{\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}p)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}n_1)\Gamma_p(\frac{1}{2}n_2)\Gamma_{p-1}(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}p + \frac{1}{2})\}^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If  $p = 1$ , we get the usual distribution, because the hypergeometric function  ${}_3F_2 = 1$  and  $\Gamma_0(x) = 1$ . We may note the difference in (10) and (16). Note that when  $\Lambda = \mathbf{I}_p, {}_3F_2$  can be written as  ${}_2F_1(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2, \frac{1}{2}p + 1; \frac{1}{2}(n_1 + p + 1); f_p(1 + f_p)^{-1}\mathbf{I}_{p-1})$ .

4. **Certain null distributions of statistics for testing  $H_0'$ .** In this section, let  $\lambda\Lambda = \mathbf{I}$  in (15) and integrating  $f_p$ , we get the joint density function of  $(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{p-1})$  as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (17) \quad c |\mathbf{X}|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} |\mathbf{I}_{p-1} - \mathbf{X}| \alpha_{p-1}(\mathbf{X}) \\
 \cdot \sum_{k=0}^\infty \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + k)\Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_2)\{k! \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + \frac{1}{2}pn_2 + k)\}^{-1} \\
 \cdot \sum_\kappa (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_\kappa C_\kappa(\mathbf{I}_{p-1} - \mathbf{X}) \quad \text{for } 0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{p-1} < 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

First of all we may note that if  $\mathbf{Z} = \text{diag}(z_1, \dots, z_m)$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}_1 = \text{diag}(z_2, \dots, z_m)$ ,  $n > 0$  and  $k = (k_1, \dots, k_m)$ ,  $k_1 \geq k_2 \geq \dots \geq k_m \geq 0$  and  $k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_m = k$ , then

$$(18) \quad \sum_{\kappa} (n)_{\kappa} C_{\kappa}(\mathbf{Z}) = \sum_{j=0}^k k! \binom{n+k-j-1}{k-j} z_1^{k-j} \sum_J (n)_J C_J(\mathbf{Z}_1) / j!$$

(18) is easy to prove and hence its proof is not given.

Let us use the transformation  $y_i = (x_i - x_1) / (1 - x_1)$  for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, p - 1$  in (17). With the help of (20), the joint density function of  $x_1$  and  $(y_2, \dots, y_{p-1})$  can be written as

$$(19) \quad \begin{aligned} & c x_1^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} (1-x_1)^{\frac{1}{2}p(p+1)-2} |\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - (1-x_1)(\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - \mathbf{Y})|^{\frac{1}{2}(n_1-p-1)} \\ & \cdot |\mathbf{Y}| |\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - \mathbf{Y}| \alpha_{p-2}(\mathbf{Y}) \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^k \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + k) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_2) \\ & \cdot \{j!(k-j)! \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + \frac{1}{2}pn_2 + k)\}^{-1} (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_{k-j} (1-x_1)^k \\ & \cdot \sum_J (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_J C_J(\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - \mathbf{Y}) \quad \text{for } 0 < x_1 < 1 \\ & \text{and } 0 < y_2 < \dots < y_{p-1} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

with  $\mathbf{Y} = \text{diag}(y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{p-1})$ . Integrating  $x_1$ , we get the joint density function of  $y_i = (f_i - f_1) / (f_p - f_1)$  for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, p - 1$  as

$$(20) \quad \begin{aligned} & c |\mathbf{Y}| |\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - \mathbf{Y}| \alpha_{p-2}(\mathbf{Y}) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \sum_{\eta} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^k \sum_J \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}(n_1 - p + 1)) \\ & \cdot \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}p^2 + \frac{1}{2}p + n + k - 1) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + k) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_2) \\ & \cdot [j! \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}p^2 - \frac{1}{2} + n + k) \Gamma(\frac{1}{2}pn_1 + \frac{1}{2}pn_2 + k) (k-j)!]^{-1} \\ & \cdot (\frac{1}{2}n_1 + \frac{1}{2}n_2)_J C_J(\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - \mathbf{Y}) C_J(\mathbf{I}_{p-2} - \mathbf{Y}) \\ & \text{for } 0 < y_2 < y_3 < \dots < y_{p-1} < 1. \end{aligned}$$

If we integrate  $\mathbf{Y}$  from (19), we get the density function of  $x_1$ , but it is much complicated and hence we do not like to give it here. Similarly, we can obtain the density function of  $x_{p-1}$  by making the transformation  $x_i / x_{p-1} = z_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p - 2$  in (17) and then integrating  $z_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p - 2$ .

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