

ratio of the mean square successive difference δ^2 to the variance s^2 , $P\left(\frac{\delta^2}{s^2} < k\right) = \int_0^k \omega(\delta^2/s^2) d(\delta^2/s^2)$, where $\omega(\delta^2/s^2)$ is the distribution of δ^2/s^2 ,¹ has been published recently² with k as argument. The following table of values of δ^2/s^2 for $P = .001, .01$ and $.05$ has been computed from it by interpolation.

Since the distribution of δ^2/s^2 , $\omega(\delta^2/s^2)$, is symmetric³ about $E(\delta^2/s^2)$, $P(\delta^2/s^2 < k) = P(\delta^2/s^2 > k')$ if $E(\delta^2/s^2) - k = k' - E(\delta^2/s^2)$, where $E(\delta^2/s^2) = 2n/(n - 1)$.³ The upper levels are rarely of practical use, since large values of the ratio, δ^2/s^2 , could arise only from a somewhat artificial set of observations, such as alternately high and low values of the observed variable.

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¹ For determination of $\omega(\delta^2/s^2)$ cf. JOHN VON NEUMANN, "Distribution of the ratio of the mean square successive difference to the variance," *Annals of Math. Stat.*, Vol. 12 (1941), pp. 367-395.

² B. I. HART, "Tabulation of the probabilities for the ratio of the mean square successive difference to the variance," *Annals of Math. Stat.*, Vol. 13 (1942) p. 213.

³ Loc. cit.¹ p. 372 for proof of symmetry and evaluation of $E(\delta^2/s^2)$.

A CORRECTION

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In my article "Notes on the Distribution of Roots of a Polynomial with Random Complex Coefficients" which appeared in the June 1942 issue of the *Annals of Mathematical Statistics*, the symbol $\sum_{p=1}^n \sum_{q=p+1}^n$ in formulas (13), (14), and (15) should be replaced by $\prod_{p=1}^n \prod_{q=p+1}^n$.