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Announcement

- HW8 due today.
- Course evaluation: <https://classeval.ncsu.edu/>
- No OH from next week. Reachable by email.

Last time

- Variance component testing: eLRT, eRLRT, score test.

Today

- Variance component model: testing with two or more variance components.
- (Last topic!) Prediction: BLP and BLUP

Testing with two or more variance components

- First we extend the test with one variance component to a slightly more general case $\mathbf{y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{V})$ with

$$\mathbf{V} = \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{V}_0 + \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{V}_1, \quad (5)$$

where $\mathbf{V}_0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ is a known psd matrix. Let $r = \text{rank}(\mathbf{V}_0)$.

Given eigen-decomposition $\mathbf{V}_0 = \mathbf{U}_r \mathbf{D}_r \mathbf{U}_r^T$, define $\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{D}_r^{-1/2} \mathbf{U}_r^T \in \mathbb{R}^{r \times n}$. Then

$$\mathbf{T}\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{T}\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}, \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{I}_r + \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{T}\mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{T}^T)$$

and the eLRT, eRLRT or score test can be applied to $\mathbf{T}\mathbf{Y}$.

- Now we consider the linear model with two variance components

$$\mathbf{Y} \sim N_n(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{V}),$$

where

$$\mathbf{V} = \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{I}_n + \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{V}_1 + \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{V}_2.$$

- We are interested in testing $H_0 : \sigma_2^2 = 0$ vs $H_A : \sigma_2^2 > 0$.
- The idea is to massage the problem to the case (5) above.
- First perform QR (Gram-Schmidt) on the matrix $(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1, \mathbf{V}_2, \mathbf{I}_n)$ to obtain an orthonormal basis $(\mathbf{Q}_0, \mathbf{Q}_1, \mathbf{Q}_2, \mathbf{Q}_3)$ of \mathbb{R}^n , where
 - \mathbf{Q}_0 is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$
 - \mathbf{Q}_1 is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1) - \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$
 - \mathbf{Q}_2 is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1, \mathbf{V}_2) - \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1)$
 - \mathbf{Q}_3 is an orthonormal basis of $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1, \mathbf{V}_2)^\perp$.
- If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q}_2) > 0$, that is $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1) \subsetneq \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1, \mathbf{V}_2)$, then

$$\mathbf{Q}_2^T \mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{I} + \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{Q}_2^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_2)$$

and the exact F test, eLRT, eRLRT and score test can be applied to $\mathbf{Q}_2^T \mathbf{y}$.

Is this beneficial to add the $\mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{Y}$ component???

- If $\text{rank}(\mathbf{Q}_2) = 0$, that is $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1) = \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{V}_1, \mathbf{V}_2)$, then we would like to choose λ and matrix \mathbf{K} such that

$$\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{Y} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, (\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_0^2/\lambda) \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{Q}_1 + \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1),$$

which is of form (5). We consider following situations.

- If $\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 = \mathbf{0}$, e.g., when $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{V}_2) \subset \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$, then this test cannot be performed.
- If $\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{Q}_1 = \lambda \mathbf{I}$, note

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{Y} &\sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{I} + \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{Q}_1 + \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1) \\ &= N(\mathbf{0}, (\sigma_0^2 + \lambda \sigma_1^2) \mathbf{I} + \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1). \end{aligned}$$

Then the ordinary tests (F test, eLRT, eRLRT, score) for one variance component can be applied without using the $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{y}$ piece as long as $\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \neq \mathbf{0}$.

- In general, $\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_1 \mathbf{Q}_1 \neq \lambda \mathbf{I}$, then the test requires the $\mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{y}$ term, which has distribution

$$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_0^2 \mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^T).$$

Note that

$$\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{Q}_3 = \mathbf{Q}_1^T (\sigma_0^2 \mathbf{I}_n + \sigma_1^2 \mathbf{V}_1 + \sigma_2^2 \mathbf{V}_2) \mathbf{Q}_3 = \mathbf{0}.$$

Therefore $\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{Y} \perp \mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{Y}$. We simply pick \mathbf{K} such that

$$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q}_3^T \mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma_0^2 (\lambda^{-1} \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1 - \mathbf{I})).$$

That is

$$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{K}^T = \lambda^{-1} \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1 - \mathbf{I}.$$

Apparently we need to choose λ such that $\lambda^{-1} \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1 - \mathbf{I}$ is psd. Let

$$\mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{V}_2 \mathbf{Q}_1 = \mathbf{W} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{W}^T = \mathbf{W} \text{diag}(\lambda_i) \mathbf{W}^T$$

be the eigendecomposition. Setting λ to be the smallest eigenvalue yields

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{W} \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_i / \lambda - 1}).$$

Best linear prediction (BLP)

- Given data (y, x_1, \dots, x_p) , regression can be thought of one way to predict y from x_1, \dots, x_p .
- A reasonable criterion is to choose predictor $f(\mathbf{x})$ such that the mean squared error

$$\text{MSE} = \text{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2$$

is minimized. Here the expectation is wrt the joint distribution of (y, \mathbf{x}) .

- Let $m(\mathbf{x}) = \text{E}(y|\mathbf{x})$. Then for any other predictor $f(\mathbf{x})$,

$$\text{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x})]^2 \leq \text{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2.$$

That is $m(\mathbf{x})$ is the best predictor of y .

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 \\ &= \text{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x}) + m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 \\ &= \text{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x})]^2 + \text{E}[m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 + 2\text{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x})][m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})]. \end{aligned}$$

But the cross term vanishes

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x})][m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})] \\
&= \mathbb{E}\{\mathbb{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x})][m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mathbf{x}]\} \\
&= \mathbb{E}\{[m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})]\mathbb{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x}) \mid \mathbf{x}]\} \\
&= \mathbb{E}\{[m(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})]0\} \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\mathbb{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 \geq \mathbb{E}[y - m(\mathbf{x})]^2$ for any $f(\mathbf{x})$. \square

- In order to use this result, we need to know the joint distribution of (y, \mathbf{x}) . This is often unrealistic \ominus If only the first two moments (means, variances, and covariances) are known, then we can find the *best linear predictor* (BLP) of y .
- Assume

$$\mathbb{E} \begin{pmatrix} y \\ \mathbf{x} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_y \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_x \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{Cov} \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{yy} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{xy}^T \\ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{xy} & \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{xx} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ be a solution of $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{xx}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{xy}$. Then

$$\widehat{\mathbb{E}}(y|\mathbf{x}) := \mu_y + (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x)^T \boldsymbol{\beta}^*$$

is *the* best linear predictor (BLP) of y .

Proof. Let $f(\mathbf{x}) = \alpha + \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta}$ be an arbitrary linear predictor. Then we find $\alpha, \boldsymbol{\beta}$ by minimizing the MSE

$$\begin{aligned}
& \mathbb{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 \\
&= \mathbb{E}(y - \alpha - \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta})^2 \\
&= \mathbb{E}(y - \alpha)^2 + \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} - 2\mathbb{E}[(y - \alpha)(\mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta})] \\
&= \mathbb{E}(y - \alpha)^2 + \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} - 2\mathbb{E}(y\mathbf{x}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} + 2\alpha \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} \\
&= \mathbb{E}(y - \alpha)^2 + \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} - 2\mathbb{E}(y\mathbf{x})^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + 2\alpha \boldsymbol{\mu}_x^T \boldsymbol{\beta}.
\end{aligned}$$

Setting derivatives to 0 gives

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial}{\partial \alpha} \mathbb{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 &= 2(\alpha - \mu_y) + 2\boldsymbol{\mu}_x^T \boldsymbol{\beta} = 0 \\
\nabla \boldsymbol{\beta} \mathbb{E}[y - f(\mathbf{x})]^2 &= 2\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} - 2\mathbb{E}(y\mathbf{x}) + 2\alpha \boldsymbol{\mu}_x = \mathbf{0}_p.
\end{aligned}$$

From the first equation, $\alpha = \mu_y - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x^T \boldsymbol{\beta}$. Substitution into the second equation yields

$$(\mathbf{E}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^T - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x\boldsymbol{\mu}_x^T)\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{x}y) - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x\mu_y.$$

That is

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\mathbf{x}y}.$$

Therefore the optimal α is $\alpha^* = \mu_y - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x^T \boldsymbol{\beta}^*$, where $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ is any solution to above equation. And the BLP is

$$\alpha^* + \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta}^* = \mu_y + (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_x)^T \boldsymbol{\beta}^*.$$

Because the criterion function is a convex function, the stationary condition is both necessary and sufficient for the global minima. Therefore any BLP must be of this form. \square

Best linear unbiased prediction (BLUP)

- Consider random variables y_0, y_1, \dots, y_n , and we are interested predicting y_0 given data y_1, \dots, y_n . If we know the mean, variances, and covariances, then we can use above theory to find the BLP of y_0 .
- In practice, we don't know the means $\mu_0 = \mathbf{E}y_0$, $\boldsymbol{\mu}_y = \mathbf{E}\mathbf{y}$ most of time \odot
Let's impose a linear (Aitken) model for the means μ_i

$$\mathbf{E} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{b} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{Cov} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}y_0} \\ \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}y_0}^T & V_{y_0y_0} \end{pmatrix}. \quad (6)$$

- If \mathbf{b} is known, then the BLP of y_0 is

$$\mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{b} + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b})^T \boldsymbol{\beta}^*,$$

where $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ is a solution to $\mathbf{V}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}y_0}$.

- If \mathbf{b} is unknown, then the hope is to find the *best linear unbiased predictor* (BLUP).

We call a linear predictor $f(\mathbf{y}) = a_0 + \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y}$ of y_0 BLUP if

1. it is unbiased, i.e.,

$$E f(\mathbf{y}) = a_0 + \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{b} = E y_0$$

for all \mathbf{b} , and

2. for any other linear unbiased predictor $b_0 + \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y}$,

$$E(y_0 - a_0 - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y})^2 \leq E(y_0 - b_0 - \mathbf{b}^T \mathbf{y})^2.$$

- Theorem: Under the Aitken model (6) and assume $\mathbf{V}_{y_0} \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{V}, \mathbf{X})$ and $\mathbf{x}_0 \in \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}^T)$, the BLUP of y_0 is

$$\mathbf{x}_0^T \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}} + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}})^T \boldsymbol{\beta}_*,$$

where $\boldsymbol{\beta}_*$ is a solution of $(\mathbf{V} + \mathbf{X} \mathbf{X}^T) \boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{V}_{y_0}$ and $\mathbf{X} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}}$ is the BLUE of $\mathbf{X} \mathbf{b}$.

Remark 1: We don't assume \mathbf{V} is nonsingular. For nonsingular \mathbf{V} , we can take $\boldsymbol{\beta}_* = \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{V}_{y_0}$.

Remark 2: Both $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}}$ and $\boldsymbol{\beta}_*$ depend crucially on \mathbf{V} .

Proof. Let $a_0 + \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y}$ be arbitrary linear predictor of y_0 . Unbiasedness requires

$$a_0 + \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{b}$$

for all \mathbf{b} . Thus $a_0 = 0$ and $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{x}_0^T$. We need to solve the constrained optimization problem

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} \quad \frac{1}{2} E(y_0 - \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y})^2 = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}^T E(\mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T) \mathbf{a} - E(y_0 \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y}) + \frac{1}{2} E y_0^2 \\ & \text{subject to} \quad \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{x}_0. \end{aligned}$$

Setting the gradient of the Lagrangian

$$L(\mathbf{a}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}) = \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{a}^T E(\mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T) \mathbf{a} - E(y_0 \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{y}) + \frac{1}{2} E y_0^2 + \boldsymbol{\lambda}^T (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{x}_0)$$

to zero yields equations

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}(\mathbf{y} \mathbf{y}^T) \mathbf{a} - \mathbf{E}(y_0 \mathbf{y}) + \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\lambda} &= \mathbf{0}_n \\ \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{a} &= \mathbf{x}_0. \end{aligned}$$

Adding and subtracting $(\mathbf{E}\mathbf{y}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{y}^T)\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}\mathbf{b}^T\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b}\mathbf{b}^T\mathbf{x}_0 = \mathbf{E}\mathbf{y}\mathbf{E}\mathbf{y}_0$ to the first equation shows $\mathbf{V}\mathbf{a} - \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0} + \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{0}_n$. In matrix notation,

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{X} \\ \mathbf{X}^T & \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0} \\ \mathbf{x}_0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By HW4 5(d), solution for the optimal \mathbf{a} is

$$\mathbf{a}_* = [\mathbf{V}_0^- - \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^-] \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0} + \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{x}_0,$$

where $\mathbf{V}_0 = \mathbf{V} + \mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T$. Thus the BLUP is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{a}_*^T \mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0}^T [\mathbf{V}_0^- - \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^-] \mathbf{y} + \mathbf{x}_0^T (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}_0^- \mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0}^T \mathbf{V}_0^- (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}}) + \mathbf{x}_0^T \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\beta}_*^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}}) + \mathbf{x}_0^T \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

- The prediction variance of BLUP is (TODO)

$$\text{E}(y_0 - \mathbf{a}_*^T \mathbf{y})^2 = V_{y_0 y_0} - 2\mathbf{a}_*^T \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0} + \mathbf{a}_*^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{a}_*. \quad ???$$

- Example (BLUP in Gauss-Markov linear model): $\mathbf{V} = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ and $\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{y}\mathbf{y}_0} = \mathbf{0}_p$. Thus $\boldsymbol{\beta}_* = \mathbf{0}_p$ and the BLUP for y_0 is $\mathbf{x}_0^T \hat{\mathbf{b}}$, which is also the BLUE of $\mathbf{x}_0^T \mathbf{b}$.

Mixed model equation (MME)

- Consider the mixed effects model

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{u} + \mathbf{e}$$

- $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ is a design matrix for fixed effects $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^p$.
- $\mathbf{Z} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$ is a design matrix for random effects $\mathbf{u} \in \mathbb{R}^q$.
- The most general assumption is $\mathbf{e} \in N(\mathbf{0}_n, \mathbf{R})$, $\mathbf{u} \in N(\mathbf{0}_q, \mathbf{G})$, and \mathbf{e} is independent of \mathbf{u} . That is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{e} \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left(\mathbf{0}_{q+n}, \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{G} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix} \right).$$

Assume \mathbf{G} and \mathbf{R} are nonsingular.

- We already know that the BLUE of \mathbf{Xb} is

$$\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}} = \mathbf{X}[\mathbf{X}^T(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{ZGZ}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{X}]^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{ZGZ}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{y}.$$

- We can apply the previous theorem to derive the BLUP of \mathbf{u} . Note

$$\mathbb{E} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Xb} \\ \mathbf{0}_q \end{pmatrix}, \quad \text{Cov} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{ZGZ}^T & \mathbf{ZG} \\ \mathbf{GZ}^T & \mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Therefore the BLUP for \mathbf{u} is

$$\mathbf{GZ}^T(\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{ZGZ}^T)^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{\text{GLS}}).$$

- It turns out both BLUE of \mathbf{Xb} and BLUP of \mathbf{u} can be obtained simultaneously by solving a so-called mixed model equation (MME).

Mixed model equation (MME) defined as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Z} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{G}^{-1} + \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Z} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{u} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix}$$

is a generalization of the normal equation for fixed effects model.

- Theorem: Let $(\hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{u}})$ be a solution to MME. Then $\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is the BLUE of \mathbf{Xb} and $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ is the BLUP of \mathbf{u} .

Proof. Let

$$\mathbf{V} = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{R} + \mathbf{ZGZ}^T.$$

Then $\mathbf{X}\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is a BLUE of \mathbf{Xb} if $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is a solution to

$$\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{Xb} = \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{y}.$$

By the binomial inversion formula (HW1), we have

$$\mathbf{V}^{-1} = \mathbf{R}^{-1} - \mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{G}^{-1} + \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}.$$

The MME says

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Xb} + \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Zu} &= \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Xb} + (\mathbf{G}^{-1} + \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{Z})\mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{R}^{-1}\mathbf{y}. \end{aligned}$$

From the second equation we solve for

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{G}^{-1} + \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X} \mathbf{b})$$

and substituting into the first equation shows

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{X} \hat{\mathbf{b}} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{V}^{-1} \mathbf{y}.$$

Thus $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is a generalized least squares solution and $\mathbf{X} \hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is the BLUE of $\mathbf{X} \mathbf{b}$.

To show that $\hat{\mathbf{u}}$ is BLUP, only need to show that

$$(\mathbf{G}^{-1} + \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} = \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}^T (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}^T)^{-1},$$

or equivalently

$$\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} (\mathbf{R} + \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}^T) = (\mathbf{G}^{-1} + \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{Z}) \mathbf{G} \mathbf{Z}^T,$$

which is obvious. □

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