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# UNBIASEDNESS OF THE LIKELIHOOD RATIO TESTS FOR EQUALITY OF SEVERAL COVARIANCE MATRICES AND EQUALITY OF SEVERAL MULTIVARIATE NORMAL POPULATIONS<sup>1</sup>

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Random samples of size  $N_\alpha$  are taken from the  $p$ -variate normal populations  $N_p(\mu^{(\alpha)}, \Sigma^{(\alpha)})$ ,  $1 < \alpha < k$ , with  $\mu^{(\alpha)}$  and  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  unknown. Bartlett's modification of the likelihood ratio test (LRT) for the hypothesis  $H_1: \Sigma^{(1)} = \dots = \Sigma^{(k)}$  rejects  $H_1$  for large values of  $|S|^n / \prod |S^{(\alpha)}|^{n_\alpha}$ , where  $S = \Sigma S^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $n_\alpha = N_\alpha - 1$ ,  $n = \Sigma n_\alpha$ , and  $S^{(\alpha)}$  is the sample covariance matrix from the  $\alpha$ th population. The (unmodified) LRT for the hypothesis  $H_1: \mu^{(1)} = \dots = \mu^{(k)}$ ,  $\Sigma^{(1)} = \dots = \Sigma^{(k)}$  rejects  $H_2$  for large values of  $|S + T|^N / \prod |S^{(\alpha)}|^{N_\alpha}$ , where  $N = \Sigma N_\alpha$ ,  $T = \Sigma N_\alpha (\bar{X}^{(\alpha)} - \bar{X}^{(+)})(\bar{X}^{(\alpha)} - \bar{X}^{(+)})'$ ,  $\bar{X}^{(\alpha)}$  is the  $\alpha$ th sample mean, and  $\bar{X}^{(+)}$  is the grand mean. It is proved that each of these tests is unbiased against all alternatives.

**1. Introduction.** Let  $\{X_\beta^{(\alpha)}, 1 \leq \beta \leq N_\alpha\}$  be a random sample of size  $N_\alpha$  from the  $p$ -dimensional multivariate normal distribution  $N_p(\mu^{(\alpha)}, \Sigma^{(\alpha)})$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , with unknown mean vector  $\mu^{(\alpha)}$  and unknown covariance matrix  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$ , assumed positive definite. We take  $X_\beta^{(\alpha)}$  and  $\mu^{(\alpha)}$  to be column vectors of dimension  $p \times 1$ . The sample mean and sample covariance matrix from the  $\alpha$ th sample are

$$\bar{X}^{(\alpha)} = \frac{1}{N_\alpha} \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_\alpha} X_\beta^{(\alpha)} \sim N_p\left(\mu^{(\alpha)}, \frac{1}{N_\alpha} \Sigma^{(\alpha)}\right),$$

$$S^{(\alpha)} = \sum_{\beta=1}^{N_\alpha} (X_\beta^{(\alpha)} - \bar{X}^{(\alpha)})(X_\beta^{(\alpha)} - \bar{X}^{(\alpha)})' \sim W_p(n_\alpha, \Sigma^{(\alpha)})$$

respectively, where  $n_\alpha = N_\alpha - 1$  and  $W_p(n, \Sigma)$  denotes the  $p$ -dimensional Wishart distribution with  $n$  degrees of freedom and expected value  $n\Sigma$ . We assume that each  $n_\alpha > p$ . We shall show that Bartlett's modification of the likelihood ratio test (LRT) for the hypothesis

$$H_1: \Sigma^{(1)} = \dots = \Sigma^{(k)}$$

is unbiased, and that the (unmodified) LRT for the hypothesis

$$H_2: \mu^{(1)} = \dots = \mu^{(k)}, \Sigma^{(1)} = \dots = \Sigma^{(k)}$$

is also unbiased. These two problems are discussed in sections 10.2 and 10.3 of Anderson (1958).

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The (unmodified) LRT for  $H_1$  rejects this hypothesis for large values of  $|S|^N / \prod |S^{(\alpha)}|^{N_\alpha}$ , where  $S = \Sigma S^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $N = \Sigma N_\alpha$ . When the  $N_\alpha$  are not all equal, it is well-known that this test is biased; cf. Brown (1939), Ramachandran (1958), Sugiura and Nagao (1969), and Das Gupta (1969). Bartlett's modified LRT rejects  $H_1$  if

$$(1.1) \quad \lambda_1 \equiv \lambda_1(S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(k)}) \equiv \frac{|S|^n}{\prod_\alpha |S^{(\alpha)}|^{n_\alpha}} > c_1,$$

where  $|S|$  denotes the determinant of  $S$ ,  $n = \Sigma n_\alpha$  and  $c_1$  is determined by the significance level. Pitman (1939) established the unbiasedness of this test in the univariate case ( $p = 1$ ) by an elegant invariance argument. This case has also been discussed by Brown (1939), Cohen and Strawderman (1971), and Carter and Srivastava (1977). For the multivariate case ( $p \geq 2$ ), Sugiura and Nagao (1968) applied Pitman's argument to prove unbiasedness of the modified LRT in the case of two populations ( $k = 2$ ); also see Das Gupta and Giri (1973) and Srivastava, Khatri, and Carter (1978).

For the multivariate case with  $k \geq 3$ , unbiasedness of the modified LRT for  $H_1$  has remained an open question (cf. Sugiura and Nagao (1968), page 1689; Giri (1973), page 58). Giri (1973) attempted to apply the Pitman-Sugiura-Nagao method to prove unbiasedness against those alternatives such that  $\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}$  are diagonal matrices (or, more generally, simultaneously diagonalizable by the same nonsingular linear transformation) but his proof is in error—see Remark 2.5. The Pitman-Sugiura-Nagao-Giri method does apply, however, when each  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  is of the form  $\sigma_\alpha I_p$ , where  $\sigma_\alpha$  is a scalar and  $I_p$  denotes the  $p \times p$  identity matrix, as we show in Section 2.

Theorem 2.1, the main result of the present paper, states that the modified LRT for  $H_1$  is unbiased against *all* alternatives. To prove this, we first present two results on the monotonicity of the power function, Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3, which reduce consideration to the case where each  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  is of the form  $\sigma_\alpha I_p$ . This approach yields additional information about the power function, e.g., monotonicity and Schur convexity, even for the case  $k = 2$  where unbiasedness is already known—cf. Proposition 2.4. Also, in Lemma 2.6 a monotonicity result of Carter and Srivastava (1977) is extended to the multivariate case.

In Section 3 we present a similar demonstration of the unbiasedness of the (unmodified) LRT for  $H_2$ . To our knowledge, this problem has not been treated before, even for the case  $k = 2$ .

Some of the methods in this paper are applied to related problems in Perlman (1980).

**2. Unbiasedness and monotonicity properties of the modified LRT for  $H_1$ .** The power function of the test (1.1) is given by

$$(2.1) \quad \pi_1 \equiv \pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) = P_{\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}}[\lambda_1 > c_1].$$

Both the LRT statistic  $\lambda_1$  and the power function  $\pi_1$  are invariant under nonsingular linear transformations  $A$ , i.e.,

$$(2.2) \quad \lambda_1(S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(k)}) = \lambda_1(AS^{(1)}A', \dots, AS^{(k)}A'),$$

$$(2.3) \quad \pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) = \pi_1(A\Sigma^{(1)}A', \dots, A\Sigma^{(k)}A').$$

**THEOREM 2.1.** *The modified LRT (1.1) for  $H_1$  is unbiased, i.e.,*

$$(2.4) \quad \pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \geq \pi_1(I_p, \dots, I_p)$$

for all  $\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}$ , where  $I_p$  denotes the  $p \times p$  identity matrix.

The first step of the proof of Theorem 2.1 is to show that

$$(2.5) \quad \pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \geq \pi_1(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}),$$

where  $D^{(\alpha)}$  is an appropriate diagonal matrix depending on  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  such that  $|D^{(\alpha)}| = |\Sigma^{(\alpha)}|$  (see (2.26)). The second step is to show that

$$(2.6) \quad \pi_1(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}) \geq \pi_1(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p),$$

where  $\sigma_\alpha = |\Sigma^{(\alpha)}|^{1/p}$ . The third and final step is to show that

$$(2.7) \quad \pi_1(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p) \geq \pi_1(I_p, \dots, I_p).$$

For Lemma 2.2 partition any  $p \times p$  symmetric positive definite matrix in the following manner:

$$(2.8) \quad \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Sigma_{11} : 1 \times 1, \quad \Sigma_{22} : (p-1) \times (p-1),$$

and define

$$(2.9) \quad \Sigma_{11.2} = \Sigma_{11} - \Sigma_{12}\Sigma_{22}^{-1}\Sigma_{21} : 1 \times 1.$$

Recall that if  $\Sigma$  represents the population covariance matrix of a normally distributed random vector  $(Z_1, \dots, Z_p)$ , i.e.,  $\Sigma = \text{Cov}(Z_1, \dots, Z_p)$ , then

$$(2.10) \quad \begin{aligned} \Sigma_{11.2} &= \text{Var}(Z_1|Z_2, \dots, Z_p) \\ \Sigma_{22} &= \text{Cov}(Z_2, \dots, Z_p). \end{aligned}$$

Following Lemma 2.2 we will also need to consider the quantities

$$(2.11) \quad \begin{aligned} \Sigma_{ii:j} &\equiv \text{Var}(Z_i|Z_j, \dots, Z_p) : 1 \times 1 \\ \Sigma_{jj} &\equiv \text{Cov}(Z_j, \dots, Z_p) : (p-j+1) \times (p-j+1) \end{aligned}$$

where  $1 < i < j < p$ . The formula for  $\Sigma_{ii:j}$  in terms of the elements of  $\Sigma$  is analogous to (2.9).

For any fixed  $\Sigma$  and  $0 < t < 1$  define

$$(2.12) \quad \Sigma_t = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11.2} + t^2 \Sigma_{12} \Sigma_{22}^{-1} \Sigma_{21} & t \Sigma_{12} \\ t \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note that

$$\Sigma_1 = \Sigma, \quad \Sigma_0 = \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11 \cdot 2} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix},$$

and

$$(2.13) \quad (\Sigma_t)_{11 \cdot 2} = \Sigma_{11 \cdot 2},$$

so  $\Sigma_t$  is positive definite with  $|\Sigma_t| = |\Sigma|$ .

LEMMA 2.2. *For every fixed set of population covariance matrices  $\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}$ , the power function*

$$(2.14) \quad \pi_1(\Sigma_t^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_t^{(k)})$$

*is increasing in  $t$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ ; it is strictly increasing unless*

$$(2.15) \quad \Sigma_{12}^{(1)} (\Sigma_{22}^{(1)})^{-1} = \dots = \Sigma_{12}^{(k)} (\Sigma_{22}^{(k)})^{-1}.$$

*In particular,*

$$(2.16) \quad \pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \geq \pi_1\left(\begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11 \cdot 2}^{(1)} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{22}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11 \cdot 2}^{(k)} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{22}^{(k)} \end{pmatrix}\right).$$

PROOF. The proof is based on the decomposition

$$(2.17) \quad \lambda_1 = \frac{|S_{22}|^n (S_{11 \cdot 2})^n}{\prod_{\alpha} |S_{22}^{(\alpha)}|^{n_{\alpha}} (S_{11 \cdot 2}^{(\alpha)})^{n_{\alpha}}}.$$

Since  $S = \Sigma S^{(\alpha)}$ , the scalar random variable  $S_{11 \cdot 2}$  can be written as

$$(2.18) \quad S_{11 \cdot 2} = (\Sigma_{\alpha} S_{11 \cdot 2}^{(\alpha)}) + \Delta,$$

where

$$(2.19) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta &= \Sigma_{\alpha} \left[ S_{12}^{(\alpha)} - (\Sigma_{\beta} S_{12}^{(\beta)}) (\Sigma_{\beta} S_{22}^{(\beta)})^{-1} S_{22}^{(\alpha)} \right] \\ &\quad \times (S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{-1} \left[ S_{12}^{(\alpha)} - (\Sigma_{\beta} S_{12}^{(\beta)}) (\Sigma_{\beta} S_{22}^{(\beta)})^{-1} S_{22}^{(\alpha)} \right]' \\ &\equiv YPY' \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= (Y_1, \dots, Y_k) && : 1 \times k(p-1) \\ Y_{\alpha} &= S_{12}^{(\alpha)} (S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{-\frac{1}{2}} && : 1 \times (p-1) \\ P &= I_{k(p-1)} - W'(WW')^{-1}W && : k(p-1) \times k(p-1) \\ W &= (W_1, \dots, W_k) && : (p-1) \times k(p-1) \\ W_{\alpha} &= (S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{\frac{1}{2}} && : (p-1) \times (p-1). \end{aligned}$$

(Throughout this paper, if  $A$  is a symmetric positive semidefinite matrix then  $A^{\frac{1}{2}}$  denotes the symmetric positive semidefinite square root of  $A$ .) The (random) matrix

$P$  is the orthogonal projection in  $R^{k(p-1)}$  onto the  $(k-1)(p-1)$ -dimensional subspace orthogonal to the row space of  $W$ .

We shall show first that for all fixed values of  $S_{22}^{(1)}, \dots, S_{22}^{(k)}$  and every constant  $c$ , the conditional probability

$$(2.20) \quad P_{\Sigma_1^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_k^{(k)}}[\Delta > c | S_{22}^{(\alpha)}, 1 \leq \alpha \leq k]$$

is increasing in  $t$ , and if  $c > 0$  it is strictly increasing unless (2.15) holds. When the  $\alpha$ th population covariance matrix assumes the value  $\Sigma_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}$ , then

$$(2.21) \quad Y_\alpha | S_{22}^{(\alpha)} \sim N_{p-1} \left[ t \Sigma_{12}^{(\alpha)} (\Sigma_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{-1} (S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{\frac{1}{2}}, \Sigma_{11.2}^{(\alpha)} I_{p-1} \right],$$

using (2.14). Therefore,

$$(2.22) \quad Y | S_{22}^{(1)}, \dots, S_{22}^{(k)} \sim N_{k(p-1)}(t\Phi, \Lambda),$$

where

$$(2.23) \quad \begin{aligned} \Phi &= (\Sigma_{12}^{(1)} (\Sigma_{22}^{(1)})^{-1} (S_{22}^{(1)})^{\frac{1}{2}}, \dots, \Sigma_{12}^{(k)} (\Sigma_{22}^{(k)})^{-1} (S_{22}^{(k)})^{\frac{1}{2}}) &: 1 \times k(p-1) \\ \Lambda &= \text{diag}(\Sigma_{11.2}^{(1)} I_{p-1}, \dots, \Sigma_{11.2}^{(k)} I_{p-1}) &: k(p-1) \times k(p-1). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $P$  depends only on  $S_{22}^{(1)}, \dots, S_{22}^{(k)}$ , when these variables are held fixed the event  $\{\Delta \leq c\} \equiv \{Y P Y' \leq c\}$  determines a circular cylinder in  $Y$ -space  $\equiv R^{k(p-1)}$ , the cylinder whose base is the sphere of radius  $c^{\frac{1}{2}}$  in the  $(k-1)(p-1)$ -dimensional subspace orthogonal to the row space of  $W$ . Since this cylinder is convex and symmetric about the origin in  $R^{k(p-1)}$ , the theorem of Anderson (1955) implies that the conditional probability of the event  $\{Y P Y' \leq c\}$  is decreasing in  $t$ , and if  $c > 0$  it is in fact strictly decreasing unless the conditional mean vector  $\Phi$  of  $Y$  is parallel to the axis of the cylinder, i.e.,  $\Phi P = 0$ , which is equivalent to (2.15).

To complete the proof, note that (2.14) can be written as

$$(2.24) \quad E_{\Sigma_1^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_k^{(k)}} P_{\Sigma_1^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_k^{(k)}}[\Delta > c^* | S_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}, S_{22}^{(\alpha)}; 1 \leq \alpha \leq k],$$

where, from (2.17) and (2.18),

$$(2.25) \quad c^* = \left[ \frac{\prod_{\alpha} |S_{22}^{(\alpha)}|^{n_{\alpha}} (S_{11.2}^{(\alpha)})^{n_{\alpha}}}{|S_{22}|^n} \cdot c_1 \right]^{1/n} - (\Sigma_{\alpha} S_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}).$$

Since  $(\Delta, S_{22}^{(1)}, \dots, S_{22}^{(k)})$  is independent of  $(S_{11.2}^{(1)}, \dots, S_{11.2}^{(k)})$ , the conditional distribution of  $\Delta$  given  $\{S_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}, S_{22}^{(\alpha)}; 1 \leq \alpha \leq k\}$  is the same as that given  $\{S_{22}^{(\alpha)}, 1 \leq \alpha \leq k\}$ . Therefore, by the result of the preceding paragraph, the conditional probability in (2.24) is increasing in  $t$ . Furthermore, by (2.12) and (2.13), the marginal distribution of  $\{S_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}, S_{22}^{(\alpha)}; 1 \leq \alpha \leq k\}$  does not depend on  $t$ , so (2.24) itself is increasing in  $t$ , hence so is (2.14). Finally, since  $c^* > 0$  with positive probability, (2.14) is strictly increasing in  $t$  unless (2.15) holds. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.2.

In its present form, Lemma 2.2 states that the power function  $\pi_1$  decreases monotonically if the covariances between the *first variate* and the remaining  $p-1$

variates decrease at the same rate in each of the  $k$  populations, with the conditional variances  $\Sigma_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}$  and the marginal covariance matrices  $\Sigma_{22}^{(\alpha)}$  held fixed. Clearly, by the invariance property (2.3), the same is true of  $\pi_1$  if the covariance between the  $i$ th variate and the remaining  $p - 1$  variates decreases at the same rate in each population, with the appropriate conditional variances and marginal covariance matrices held fixed, for each  $i = 1, \dots, p$ . By applying this fact for  $i = 2$  to the right-hand side of (2.16), then for  $i = 3$  to the right-hand side of the resulting inequality, and so on, through  $i = p - 1$ , we obtain (2.5), where  $D^{(\alpha)}$  is the  $p \times p$  diagonal matrix given by

$$(2.26) \quad D^{(\alpha)} = \text{diag}(\Sigma_{11.2}^{(\alpha)}, \Sigma_{22.3}^{(\alpha)}, \dots, \Sigma_{p-1,p-1}^{(\alpha)}, \Sigma_{pp}^{(\alpha)}).$$

(Note that  $|D^{(\alpha)}| = |\Sigma^{(\alpha)}|$ .)

We remark that the diagonal matrices  $D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}$  satisfying (2.5) are not uniquely determined, because a preliminary permutation of the  $p$  variates (take  $A$  to be a permutation matrix in (2.3)) before application of Lemma 2.2 can lead to diagonal matrices other than  $D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}$ . In fact, by taking  $A$  to be an appropriate orthogonal matrix (see (2.27)) in (2.3) with  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  replaced by  $D^{(\alpha)}$  therein, and then applying Lemma 2.2, we will arrive at inequality (2.6), the second step in the proof of Theorem 2.1, wherein the matrices  $D^{(\alpha)}$  are reduced to diagonal matrices of the form  $\sigma_\alpha I_p$ . The details now follow.

Let  $d_i^{(\alpha)}$  denote the  $i$ th diagonal element of  $D^{(\alpha)}$ . For  $0 < u < 1$  define the block-diagonal  $p \times p$  orthogonal matrix  $A_u$  by

$$(2.27) \quad A_u = \text{diag} \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} (1-u)^{\frac{1}{2}} & -u^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ u^{\frac{1}{2}} & (1-u)^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{bmatrix}, I_{p-2} \right\}.$$

Hence, by (2.3) and (2.16),

$$(2.28) \quad \pi_1(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}) = \pi_1(A_u D^{(1)} A_u', \dots, A_u D^{(k)} A_u') \\ > \pi_1(D_u^{(1)}, \dots, D_u^{(k)})$$

for all  $0 < u < 1$ , where

$$(2.29) \quad D_u^{(\alpha)} = \text{diag} \{ d_1^{(\alpha)} d_2^{(\alpha)} (u d_1^{(\alpha)} + (1-u) d_2^{(\alpha)})^{-1}, \\ u d_1^{(\alpha)} + (1-u) d_2^{(\alpha)}, d_3^{(\alpha)}, \dots, d_p^{(\alpha)} \}.$$

Furthermore, note that the inequality (2.28) also holds if, in the definition (2.29) of  $D_u^{(\alpha)}$ , the pair of components  $d_1^{(\alpha)}, d_2^{(\alpha)}$  is replaced by any other pair  $d_i^{(\alpha)}, d_j^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $1 < i \neq j < p$ .

It is now convenient to restate the inequality (2.28) in terms of the column vectors

$$(2.30) \quad \delta^{(\alpha)} \equiv (\delta_1^{(\alpha)}, \dots, \delta_p^{(\alpha)})' \equiv (\log d_1^{(\alpha)}, \dots, \log d_p^{(\alpha)})', \quad 1 \leq \alpha \leq k.$$

Express the power function in terms of the  $\delta^{(\alpha)}$  by defining  $\tilde{\pi}_1$  as follows:

$$(2.31) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(\delta^{(1)}, \dots, \delta^{(k)}) = \pi_1(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}).$$

We now require a concept from the theory of *majorization* (cf. Hardy, Littlewood, and Polya (1952)): for indices  $1 \leq i < j \leq p$  and for  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ , the  $T$ -transform  $T_\theta^{ij}$  is defined to be the  $p \times p$  doubly stochastic matrix given by

$$(2.32) \quad T_\theta^{ij} = \theta I_p + (1 - \theta) R_{ij},$$

where  $R_{ij}$  is the permutation matrix which interchanges the  $i$ th and  $j$ th coordinates, leaving the others fixed. Inequality (2.28) now can be restated as follows:

$$(2.33) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(\delta^{(1)}, \dots, \delta^{(k)}) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(T_{\theta_1(u)}^{12} \delta^{(1)}, \dots, T_{\theta_k(u)}^{12} \delta^{(k)}),$$

where

$$(2.34) \quad \begin{aligned} \theta_\alpha(u) &\equiv \theta(u; \delta_1^{(\alpha)}, \delta_2^{(\alpha)}) \\ &= \frac{\delta_1^{(\alpha)} - \log[u \exp\{\delta_1^{(\alpha)}\} + (1 - u) \exp\{\delta_2^{(\alpha)}\}]}{\delta_1^{(\alpha)} - \delta_2^{(\alpha)}} && \text{if } \delta_1^{(\alpha)} \neq \delta_2^{(\alpha)} \\ &= 1 && \text{if } \delta_1^{(\alpha)} = \delta_2^{(\alpha)} \end{aligned}$$

(recall that  $\delta_i^{(\alpha)} = \log d_i^{(\alpha)}$ ). Again, inequality (2.33) also holds with any pair of variables  $i, j$  substituted for 1, 2.

LEMMA 2.3. Let  $T \equiv T_\theta^{ij}$  be an arbitrary  $T$ -transform. Then there exist  $T$ -transforms  $T^{(\alpha)} \equiv T_{\theta_\alpha}^{ij}$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , such that

$$(2.35) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(\delta^{(1)}, \dots, \delta^{(k)}) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(T\delta^{(1)}, T^{(2)}\delta^{(2)}, \dots, T^{(k)}\delta^{(k)}).$$

Here  $\theta_\alpha$ , and hence  $T^{(\alpha)}$ , depends on  $\theta$ ,  $\delta_i^{(1)}$ ,  $\delta_j^{(1)}$ ,  $\delta_i^{(\alpha)}$ , and  $\delta_j^{(\alpha)}$ . Furthermore, the role of  $\delta^{(1)}$  may be taken by any other  $\delta^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$ .

PROOF. Taking  $(i, j) = (1, 2)$  for simplicity, (2.35) follows from (2.33) and the fact that  $\theta_1(u)$  strictly decreases from 1 to 0 as  $u$  increases from 0 to 1, provided that  $\delta_1^{(1)} \neq \delta_2^{(1)}$ .

We digress to note that Lemma 2.3 immediately provides a new monotonicity property in the two-population case. When  $k = 2$  the invariance property (2.3) implies that

$$(2.36) \quad \pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \Sigma^{(2)}) = \pi_1(I_p, \text{diag}(d_1, \dots, d_p)) = \tilde{\pi}_1(0, \delta),$$

where  $d_1, \dots, d_p$  are the characteristic roots of  $(\Sigma^{(1)})^{-1}\Sigma^{(2)}$ ,  $\delta = (\delta_1, \dots, \delta_p)'$ , and  $\delta_i = \log d_i$ . Then Lemma 2.3 implies that

$$(2.37) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(0, \delta) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(0, T\delta)$$

for every  $T$ -transform  $T$ . A fundamental result in the theory of majorization states that a vector  $\nu$  is majorized by a vector  $\delta$  (i.e.,  $\nu = Q\delta$  for some doubly stochastic matrix  $Q$ ) if and only if  $\nu$  can be obtained from  $\delta$  by a finite number of  $T$ -transforms, i.e., iff  $\nu = T_m \cdots T_2 T_1 \delta$  for some  $m$  and  $T_1, \dots, T_m$  (cf. Hardy, Littlewood, and Polya (1952), page 47). Thus (2.37) implies that  $\tilde{\pi}_1(0, \delta) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(0, \nu)$  whenever  $\nu$  is majorized by  $\delta$ , i.e.,  $\tilde{\pi}_1(0, \delta)$  is a *Schur-convex function* of  $\delta$ . This is summarized as follows:



PROPOSITION 2.4. When  $k = 2$ ,  $\pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \Sigma^{(2)})$  is a Schur-convex function of the logarithms of the characteristic roots of  $(\Sigma^{(1)})^{-1}\Sigma^{(2)}$ .

We now apply Lemma 2.3 to obtain inequality (2.6) for the general case  $k \geq 2$ . Put  $e = (1, \dots, 1) : p \times 1$  and define the scalars  $\bar{\delta}^{(\alpha)}$  and  $\sigma_\alpha$  by

$$(2.38) \quad \bar{\delta}^{(\alpha)} \equiv \frac{1}{p} e' \delta^{(\alpha)} = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^p \delta_i^{(\alpha)} = \frac{1}{p} \log |D^{(\alpha)}| = \frac{1}{p} \log |\Sigma^{(\alpha)}| \equiv \log \sigma_\alpha.$$

Since  $\bar{\delta}^{(1)}e = (p^{-1}ee')\delta^{(1)}$  and  $p^{-1}ee'$  is a doubly stochastic matrix,  $\bar{\delta}^{(1)}e$  is majorized by  $\delta^{(1)}$ . Therefore, Lemma 2.3 and the subsequent discussion imply that

$$(2.39) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(\delta^{(1)}, \delta^{(2)}, \dots, \delta^{(k)}) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(\bar{\delta}^{(1)}e, \gamma^{(2)}, \dots, \gamma^{(k)}),$$

where each vector  $\gamma^{(\alpha)}$  is of the form  $\gamma^{(\alpha)} = Q_\alpha \delta^{(\alpha)}$ , for some doubly stochastic  $p \times p$  matrix  $Q_\alpha$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$  (the product of  $T$ -transforms is doubly stochastic). Next, since  $\bar{\delta}^{(2)} = \bar{\gamma}^{(2)}$  and  $Te = e$  for any  $T$ -transform  $T$ , this procedure can be repeated to obtain

$$(2.40) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(\bar{\delta}^{(1)}e, \gamma^{(2)}, \gamma^{(3)}, \dots, \gamma^{(k)}) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(\bar{\delta}^{(1)}e, \bar{\delta}^{(2)}e, \varphi^{(3)}, \dots, \varphi^{(k)}),$$

where  $\varphi^{(\alpha)}$  is again of the form  $\varphi^{(\alpha)} = R_\alpha \delta^{(\alpha)}$  for some doubly stochastic matrix  $R_\alpha$ ,  $3 \leq \alpha \leq k$  (the product of doubly stochastic matrices is doubly stochastic). Continuing this procedure  $k - 2$  times more, we obtain

$$(2.41) \quad \tilde{\pi}_1(\delta^{(1)}, \dots, \delta^{(k)}) \geq \tilde{\pi}_1(\bar{\delta}^{(1)}e, \dots, \bar{\delta}^{(k)}e).$$

By (2.31) and (2.38), (2.41) is identical to (2.6).

Now that the matrices  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$  each have been reduced to the form  $\sigma_\alpha I_p$ , a direct extension of the Pitman-Sugiura-Nagao method, as in Giri (1973), yields the final inequality (2.7). We sketch the details. Put  $\tau_\alpha = \sigma_\alpha / \sigma_1$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , so that

$$(2.42) \quad \begin{aligned} 1 - \pi_1(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p) &= 1 - \pi_1(I_p, \tau_2 I_p, \dots, \tau_k I_p) \\ &= M \cdot \int_{\{\lambda_1 < c_1\}} \left[ \prod_{\alpha=1}^k \tau_\alpha^{-p n_\alpha / 2} |S^{(\alpha)}|^{(n_\alpha - p - 1)/2} \right] \\ &\quad \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ S^{(1)} + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha^{-1} S^{(\alpha)} \right] \right\} \prod_{\alpha=1}^k dS^{(\alpha)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $M$  is a positive constant. Make the transformation  $U_\alpha = (S^{(1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}} S^{(\alpha)} (S^{(1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , as in Theorem 3.1 of Olkin and Rubin (1964) (the Jacobian is  $|S^{(1)}|^{(p+1)(k-1)/2}$ ), integrate out  $S^{(1)}$ , and then make the transformation  $V_\alpha = \tau_\alpha^{-1} U_\alpha$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$ . This yields

$$(2.43) \quad 1 - \pi_1(I_p, \tau_2 I_p, \dots, \tau_k I_p) = M' \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c'\}} f(V) \prod_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}}$$

where  $c' = c_1^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $M'$  is another positive constant, and

$$(2.44) \quad \begin{aligned} f(V) &\equiv f(V_2, \dots, V_k) \equiv |I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k V_\alpha|^{-n/2} \prod_{\alpha=2}^k |V_\alpha|^{n_\alpha/2}, \\ f(\tau V) &\equiv f(\tau_2 V_2, \dots, \tau_k V_k). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \pi_1(I_p, \tau_2 I_p, \dots, \tau_k I_p) - \pi_1(I_p, \dots, I_p) \\
 &= M' \left[ \int_{\{f(V) > c' > f(\tau V)\}} - \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c' > f(V)\}} \right] \cdot f(V) \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \\
 (2.45) \quad & \geq c' M' \left[ \int_{\{f(V) > c' > f(\tau V)\}} - \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c' > f(V)\}} \right] \cdot \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \\
 &= c' M' \left[ \int_{\{f(V) > c'\}} - \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c'\}} \right] \cdot \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \\
 &= 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

since the measure  $\Pi |V_\alpha|^{-(p+1)/2} dV_\alpha$  is invariant under the transformation  $V_\alpha \rightarrow \tau_\alpha V_\alpha$ . The second-to-last equality in (2.45) requires that

$$(2.46) \quad \int_{\{f(V) > c', f(\tau V) > c'\}} \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} < \infty,$$

which is true since this integral is bounded above by

$$(2.47) \quad \frac{1}{c'} \int_{\{f(V) > c'\}} f(V) \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} = \frac{1}{c' M'} [1 - \pi_1(I_p, \dots, I_p)].$$

Thus, (2.7) is established, and the proof of Theorem 2.1 is complete.

**REMARK 2.5.** Giri (1973) attempted to use the argument of the preceding paragraph to combine (2.6) and (2.7), i.e., to prove in a single step that

$$\pi_1(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}) \geq \pi_1(I_p, \dots, I_p)$$

when the  $D^{(\alpha)}$  are diagonal. However, when  $k \geq 3$  the step from (2.42) to (2.43) is not valid if the matrices  $\tau_\alpha I_p$  are replaced by  $D^{(\alpha)}$ , since in general

$$\text{tr } D^{-1} S^{\frac{1}{2}} U S^{\frac{1}{2}} \neq \text{tr } D^{-1} U S.$$

(In Giri (1973), page 59, the quantities  $P'$  and  $P$  on the second line of his expression (2.7) should appear in the reverse order. When this correction is made, the subsequent equality is no longer valid.) When  $k = 2$ , though, one can take  $D^{(1)} = I_p$  without loss of generality, and the step from (2.42) to (2.43) can be accomplished—see Sugiura and Nagao (1968).

The above proof of the inequality (2.7) gives no indication of the behavior of  $\pi_1(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p)$  other than that its minimum occurs when  $\sigma_1 = \dots = \sigma_k$ . The proof may be modified, however, to obtain the stronger result given in Lemma 2.6 below, which extends a univariate result of Carter and Srivastava (1977). This result is a monotonicity property which provides some information as to the relative distances of alternatives of the form  $(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p)$  from the null hypothesis  $\sigma_1 = \dots = \sigma_k$  (with respect to the modified LRT).

LEMMA 2.6. Assume that  $\sigma_i \neq \sigma_j$  for at least one pair  $i, j$ . If  $\max\{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_\beta\} < \min\{\sigma_{\beta+1}, \dots, \sigma_k\}$ , where  $1 \leq \beta \leq k-1$ , then

$$\psi(\lambda) \equiv \pi_1(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_\beta I_p, \lambda \sigma_{\beta+1} I_p, \dots, \lambda \sigma_k I_p)$$

is strictly increasing in  $\lambda$  for  $\lambda \geq 1$ .

PROOF. It suffices to show that  $\psi(\lambda) > \psi(1)$  when  $\lambda > 1$ . Without loss of generality assume that  $\sigma_1 = \max\{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_\beta\}$ , and put  $\tau_\alpha = \sigma_\alpha / \sigma_1$  as before. Then, as in (2.45),

$$(2.48) \quad \psi(\lambda) - \psi(1)$$

$$= M' \left[ \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c' > f(\lambda \tau V)\}} - \int_{\{f(\lambda \tau V) > c' > f(\tau V)\}} \right] \cdot f(V) \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}}$$

where  $f(V), f(\tau V)$  are given by (2.44) and where

$$f(\lambda \tau V) \equiv f(\tau_2 V_2, \dots, \tau_\beta V_\beta, \lambda \tau_{\beta+1} V_{\beta+1}, \dots, \lambda \tau_k V_k).$$

Since

$$(2.49) \quad f(\tau V) > c' \Leftrightarrow f(V) > c' \tau' \frac{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha V_\alpha|^{n/2}}{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k V_\alpha|^{n/2}}$$

where  $\tau' = \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha^{-(pn_\alpha)/2}$ , it follows that

$$(2.50) \quad \begin{aligned} \psi(\lambda) - \psi(1) &\geq c' \tau' M' \left[ \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c' > f(\lambda \tau V)\}} - \int_{\{f(\lambda \tau V) > c' > f(\tau V)\}} \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \frac{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha V_\alpha|^{n/2}}{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k V_\alpha|^{n/2}} \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \\ &= c' \tau' M' \left[ \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c'\}} - \int_{\{f(\lambda \tau V) > c'\}} \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \frac{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha V_\alpha|^{n/2}}{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k V_\alpha|^{n/2}} \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \\ &= c' \tau' M' \int_{\{f(\tau V) > c'\}} \left[ \frac{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha V_\alpha|^{n/2}}{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k V_\alpha|^{n/2}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha V_\alpha + \lambda^{-1} \sum_{\alpha=\beta+1}^k \tau_\alpha V_\alpha|^{n/2}}{|I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k V_\alpha + \lambda^{-1} \sum_{\alpha=\beta+1}^k V_\alpha|^{n/2}} \right] \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \end{aligned}$$

(if  $\beta = 1$ , the sums  $\sum_{\alpha=2}^\beta$  are vacuous). The last equality in (2.50) is obtained by making the transformation  $V_{\beta+1} \rightarrow \lambda^{-1} V_{\beta+1}, \dots, V_k \rightarrow \lambda^{-1} V_k$  in the second integral of the preceding expression, while the validity of the first equality in (2.50) follows from an argument similar to the one involving (2.46) and (2.47). Finally, since  $\tau_2 < 1, \dots, \tau_\beta \leq 1$  and  $\tau_{\beta+1} \geq 1, \dots, \tau_k \geq 1$  with at least one strict inequality, the integrand on the last line of (2.50) is strictly positive by Lemma 2.7 which follows. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.6.

LEMMA 2.7. Let  $U_1, U_2, W_1, W_2$  be  $p \times p$  symmetric positive definite matrices. Assume that  $U_2 - U_1$  and  $W_1 - W_2$  are positive semidefinite and at least one difference is not the zero matrix. Then

$$\varphi^*(t) \equiv \frac{|U_1 + tW_1|}{|U_2 + tW_2|}$$

is strictly increasing in  $t$  for  $t \geq 0$ .

PROOF. Set  $A_j = U_j^{-\frac{1}{2}}W_jU_j^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $j = 1, 2$ , where  $U_j^{\frac{1}{2}}$  is the symmetric positive definite square root of  $U_j$ . Then  $\varphi^*(t)$  is proportional to

$$\varphi(t) \equiv \frac{|I + tA_1|}{|I + tA_2|} = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^p [1 + tch_i(A_1)]}{\prod_{i=1}^p [1 + tch_i(A_2)]},$$

where  $ch_1(A) \geq \dots \geq ch_p(A)$  denote the ordered characteristic roots of  $A$ . Since  $W_1 - W_2$  and  $U_1^{-1} - U_2^{-1}$  are positive semidefinite and at least one is nonzero, two applications of the Courant-Fischer theorem (cf. Bellman (1970), Theorem 3, page 117) show that

$$(2.51) \quad ch_i(A_1) \geq ch_i(A_2), \quad 1 \leq i \leq p,$$

with at least one inequality strict. From this the result follows easily.

**3. Unbiasedness of the LRT for  $H_2$ .** The LRT for testing  $H_2$ , the hypothesis of equality of  $k$  normal populations, rejects  $H_2$  if

$$(3.1) \quad \lambda_2 \equiv \lambda_2(\bar{X}^{(1)}, \dots, \bar{X}^{(k)}; S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(k)}) \equiv \frac{|S + T|^N}{\prod_{\alpha} |S^{(\alpha)}|^{N_{\alpha}}} > c_2,$$

where

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} S &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^k S^{(\alpha)} \\ T &= \sum_{\alpha=1}^k N_{\alpha} (\bar{X}^{(\alpha)} - \bar{X}^{(+)})(\bar{X}^{(\alpha)} - \bar{X}^{(+)}), \\ X^{(+)} &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\alpha=1}^k N_{\alpha} \bar{X}^{(\alpha)}; \end{aligned}$$

cf. Anderson (1958, Section 10.3). Anderson suggested a modified LRT for  $H_2$  based on  $|S + T|^n / \prod |S^{(\alpha)}|^{n_{\alpha}}$ . In this section, however, we show that it is the LRT itself, not the modified LRT, that is unbiased for testing  $H_2$ .

Denote the power function of the test (3.1) by

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \pi_2 &\equiv \pi_2(\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}; \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \\ &= P_{\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}; \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}}[\lambda_2 > c_{\alpha}]. \end{aligned}$$

Both  $\lambda_2$  and  $\pi_2$  are invariant under nonsingular affine transformations, i.e.,

$$(3.4) \quad \lambda_2(\bar{X}^{(1)}, \dots, \bar{X}^{(k)}; S^{(1)}, \dots, S^{(k)}) = \lambda_2(A\bar{X}^{(1)} + b, \dots, A\bar{X}^{(k)} + b; AS^{(1)}A', \dots, AS^{(k)}A')$$

$$(3.5) \quad \pi_2(\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}; \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) = \pi_2(A\mu^{(1)} + b, \dots, A\mu^{(k)} + b; \\ A\Sigma^{(1)}A', \dots, A\Sigma^{(k)}A')$$

for all  $p \times p$  nonsingular matrices  $A$  and all  $p \times 1$  vectors  $b$ .

**THEOREM 3.1.** *The LRT (3.1) for  $H_2$  is unbiased, i.e.,*

$$\pi_2(\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}; \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \geq \pi_2(0, \dots, 0; I_p, \dots, I_p)$$

for all  $\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}, \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}$ .

The proof of Theorem 3.1 follows the same pattern as that of Theorem 2.1, but there are several nontrivial differences. First, an analog of Lemma 2.2 will be established. For  $0 < t < 1$ , define  $\Sigma_t$  as in (2.12). Also, for any  $p \times 1$  vector  $\mu$  partitioned as  $\mu = (\mu_1, \mu'_{(2)})'$  with  $\mu_{(2)} : (p-1) \times 1$ , define  $\mu_t = (t\mu_1, \mu'_{(2)})'$ .

**LEMMA 3.2.** *For fixed  $\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}, \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}$ , the power function*

$$(3.6) \quad \pi_2(\mu_t^{(1)}, \dots, \mu_t^{(k)}; \Sigma_t^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_t^{(k)})$$

is increasing in  $t$ ,  $0 < t < 1$ .

**PROOF.** Write  $\lambda_2$  as

$$(3.7) \quad \lambda_2 = \frac{|S_{22} + T_{22}|^N [(S + T)_{11 \cdot 2}]^N}{\prod_{\alpha} |S_{22}^{(\alpha)}|^{N_{\alpha}} (S_{11 \cdot 2}^{(\alpha)})^{N_{\alpha}}},$$

where the partitioning is in accordance with (2.8) and (2.9). The  $p \times p$  matrix  $T$  can be written as

$$(3.8) \quad T = \bar{X} B \bar{X}' = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{X}_1 B \bar{X}'_1 & \bar{X}_1 B \bar{X}'_2 \\ \bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_1 & \bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

where

$$(3.9) \quad \bar{X} = (\bar{X}^{(1)}, \dots, \bar{X}^{(k)}) \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \bar{X}_1 \\ \bar{X}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

with  $\bar{X}_1: 1 \times k$  and  $\bar{X}_2: (p-1) \times k$ , and where

$$(3.10) \quad B = D_N - N^{-1} \tilde{N} \tilde{N}': k \times k$$

with  $D_N = \text{diag}(N_1, \dots, N_k)$  and  $\tilde{N} = (N_1, \dots, N_k)'$ . Therefore,

$$(3.11) \quad (S + T)_{11 \cdot 2} = \sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_{11 \cdot 2}^{(\alpha)} + \Delta + \bar{X}_1 E \bar{X}'_1,$$

where

$$(3.12) \quad E = B - B \bar{X}'_2 (\bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_2)^{-} \bar{X}_2 B,$$

$$(3.13) \quad \Delta = \left[ \sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_{12}^{(\alpha)} (S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{-1} S_{21}^{(\alpha)} + \bar{X}_1 B \bar{X}'_2 (\bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_2)^{-} \bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_1 \right] \\ - (\sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_{12}^{(\alpha)} + \bar{X}_1 B \bar{X}'_2) (\sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_{22}^{(\alpha)} + \bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_2)^{-1} (\sum_{\alpha=1}^k S_{21}^{(\alpha)} + \bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_1)$$

and  $(\bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_2)^{-}$  is the Moore-Penrose generalized inverse of  $\bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}'_2$ .

Now define  $S^{(k+1)} = \bar{X}B\bar{X}'$  and write  $(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  to denote  $[(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . From the properties of a generalized inverse and the argument at the top of page 523 of Rao (1973) it follows that

$$(3.14) \quad \begin{aligned} S_{22}^{(k+1)}(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-} S_{22}^{(k+1)} &= (S_{22}^{(k+1)}) \\ S_{22}^{(k+1)}(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-} S_{21}^{(k+1)} &= S_{21}^{(k+1)} \\ (S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{\frac{1}{2}}(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}} S_{21}^{(k+1)} &= S_{21}^{(k+1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\Delta$  again can be written as in (2.19), where now the range of summation is  $1, \dots, k+1$  and where  $(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-}$  is substituted for  $(S_{22}^{(k+1)})^{-1}$ , so

$$(3.15) \quad \Delta = YPY',$$

where now

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= (Y_1, \dots, Y_{k+1}) && : 1 \times (k+1)(p-1) \\ Y_{\alpha} &= S_{12}^{(\alpha)}(S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{-\frac{1}{2}} && : 1 \times (p-1) \\ P &= I_{(k+1)(p-1)} - W'(WW')^{-1}W && : (k+1)(p-1) \times (k+1)(p-1) \\ W &= (W_1, \dots, W_{k+1}) && : (p-1) \times (k+1)(p-1) \\ W_{\alpha} &= (S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{\frac{1}{2}} && : (p-1) \times (p-1). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $Y_{k+1} = \bar{X}_1 B \bar{X}_2' (\bar{X}_2 B \bar{X}_2')^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ , (3.15) shows that with  $\bar{X}_2$  and  $\{S_{22}^{(\alpha)} | 1 \leq \alpha \leq k\}$  held fixed,  $\Delta + \bar{X}_1 B \bar{X}_1'$  is a positive semidefinite quadratic form in  $\bar{X}_1$  and  $Y_{\alpha} \equiv S_{12}^{(\alpha)}(S_{22}^{(\alpha)})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ . When the population mean vectors and covariance matrices are given by  $\mu_i^{(\alpha)}$  and  $\Sigma_i^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , the conditional distribution of  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_k)$  given  $\bar{X}_2$  and  $\{S_{22}^{(\alpha)} | 1 \leq \alpha \leq k\}$  is again (2.22), while the conditional distribution of  $\bar{X}_1$  is

$$(3.16) \quad \bar{X}_1 | \bar{X}_2 \sim N_k(tF, \Omega),$$

where

$$(3.17)$$

$$\begin{aligned} F &= \left( \mu_1^{(1)} + \Sigma_{12}^{(1)}(\Sigma_{22}^{(1)})^{-1}(\bar{X}_2^{(1)} - \mu_{(2)}^{(1)}), \dots, \mu_1^{(k)} + \Sigma_{12}^{(k)}(\Sigma_{22}^{(k)})^{-1}(\bar{X}_2^{(k)} - \mu_{(2)}^{(k)}) \right) && : 1 \times k \\ \Omega &= \text{diag}(N_1^{-1}\Sigma_{11}^{(1)}, \dots, N_k^{-1}\Sigma_{11}^{(k)}) && : k \times k. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the conditional distribution of  $(Y_1, \dots, Y_k, \bar{X}_1)$  given  $\bar{X}_2$  and  $S_{22}^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , is of the form  $N(t\Phi^*, \Lambda^*)$ , where  $\Phi^*$  and  $\Lambda^*$  depend on  $\bar{X}_2$  and  $S_{22}^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $\mu^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)}$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , but not on  $t$ . Therefore, by Anderson's Theorem, for every constant  $c$  the conditional probability

$$(3.18) \quad P_{\mu_1^{(1)}, \dots, \mu_1^{(k)}; \Sigma_1^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma_1^{(k)}}[\Delta + \bar{X}_1 E \bar{X}_1' > c | \bar{X}_2, S_{22}^{(\alpha)}; 1 \leq \alpha \leq k]$$

is increasing in  $t$  for  $t > 0$ . Lemma 3.2 now follows readily.

By an argument similar to that which led to (2.25), Lemma 3.2 implies that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.19) \quad & \pi_2(\mu^{(1)}, \dots, \mu^{(k)}; \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \\
 & \geq \pi_2\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mu_{(2)}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \mu_{(2)}^{(k)} \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11.2}^{(1)} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{22}^{(1)} \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11.2}^{(k)} & 0 \\ 0 & \Sigma_{22}^{(k)} \end{pmatrix}\right) \\
 & \geq \pi_2(0, \dots, 0; D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}) \\
 & \equiv \pi_2^0(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $D^{(\alpha)}$  is the diagonal matrix defined by (2.26) and where  $\mu_{(i)}^{(\alpha)}$  denotes  $(\mu_i^{(\alpha)}, \dots, \mu_p^{(\alpha)})'$ . (Note that the proof of (3.19) requires  $p$  steps, whereas the proof of (2.5) required only  $p - 1$  steps.) Thus, the analog of (2.5) has been established.

To establish the analog of (2.6), note that the function

$$(3.20) \quad \pi_2^0(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)}) \equiv \pi_2(0, \dots, 0; \Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)})$$

satisfies the same properties as  $\pi_1(\Sigma^{(1)}, \dots, \Sigma^{(k)})$  in Section 2, in particular properties (2.3), (2.16), and therefore (2.28). Thus, if we define  $\tilde{\pi}_2^0$  in the same manner as  $\tilde{\pi}_1$ , i.e.,

$$(3.21) \quad \tilde{\pi}_2^0(\delta^{(1)}, \dots, \delta^{(k)}) = \pi_2^0(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)})$$

(cf. (2.30) and (2.31)), then  $\tilde{\pi}_2^0$  satisfies the same properties as  $\tilde{\pi}_1$ , in particular (2.35), (2.39), (2.40), and (2.41). Therefore  $\pi_2^0$  satisfies

$$(3.22) \quad \pi_2^0(D^{(1)}, \dots, D^{(k)}) \geq \pi_2^0(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p),$$

where  $\sigma_\alpha = |D^{(\alpha)}|^{1/p} = |\Sigma^{(\alpha)}|^{1/p}$ , which is the analog of (2.6). (We remark that if  $k = 2$ , then  $\tilde{\pi}_2^0(0, \delta)$  satisfies (2.37) and hence  $\pi_2^0$  satisfies Proposition 2.4, i.e.,  $\pi_2^0(\Sigma^{(1)}, \Sigma^{(2)})$  is a Schur-convex function of the logarithms of the characteristic roots of  $(\Sigma^{(1)})^{-1}\Sigma^{(2)}$ .)

We now apply the Pitman-Sugiura-Nagao-Giri method to obtain the analog of (2.7) for  $\pi_2^0$ . The presence of  $\bar{X}$  in the statistic  $\lambda_2$  requires some preliminary manipulations. Define

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{X} &= \bar{X} D_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\
 \hat{B} &= D_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} B D_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \equiv I_k - N^{-1} \hat{N} \hat{N}',
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\hat{N} = D_N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \tilde{N} = (N_1^{\frac{1}{2}}, \dots, N_k^{\frac{1}{2}})'$ . The matrix  $\hat{B}$  is a symmetric idempotent matrix of rank  $k - 1$ , so there exists a  $k \times k$  orthogonal matrix  $\psi$  such that

$$\hat{B} = \psi \begin{pmatrix} I_{k-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \psi' \equiv \psi_1 \psi_1',$$

where  $\psi = (\psi_1, \psi_2)$  with  $\psi_1: k \times (k - 1)$  and  $\psi_2: k \times 1$ . For later use, note that

$\psi_1' \psi_1 = I_{k-1}$ , and that we can choose  $\psi$  such that  $\psi_2 = (\hat{N}' \hat{N})^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{N}$ . Lastly, define

$$Z = \hat{X}\psi = (\hat{X}\psi_1, \hat{X}\psi_2) \equiv (Z_1, Z_2),$$

so that

$$T \equiv \bar{X} B \bar{X}' = \hat{X} \hat{B} \hat{X}' = Z_1 Z_1'.$$

When  $\mu^{(\alpha)} = 0$  and  $\Sigma^{(\alpha)} = \sigma_\alpha I_p$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , the  $p$  rows of the  $p \times (k-1)$  random matrix  $Z_1$  are independent and identically distributed, each having the nonsingular normal distribution  $N_{k-1}(0, \psi_1' D_\sigma \psi_1)$ , where  $D_\sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_k)$ . Thus the density of  $Z_1$  is given by

$$(3.23) \quad (2\pi)^{-p(k-1)/2} |\psi_1' D_\sigma \psi_1|^{-p/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr } Z_1 (\psi_1' D_\sigma \psi_1)^{-1} Z_1'\right\}.$$

Now let  $\tau_\alpha = \sigma_\alpha / \sigma_1$ ,  $1 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , and let  $D_\tau = \text{diag}(1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_k)$ . Then

$$(3.24) \quad \begin{aligned} 1 - \pi_2^0(\sigma_1 I_p, \dots, \sigma_k I_p) &= 1 - \pi_2^0(I_p, \tau_2 I_p, \dots, \tau_k I_p) \\ &= M \cdot \int_{\{\lambda_2 < c_2\}} |\psi_1' D_\tau \psi_1|^{-p/2} \left[ \prod_{\alpha=1}^k \tau_\alpha^{-p n_\alpha / 2} |S^{(\alpha)}|^{(n_\alpha - p - 1)/2} \right] \\ &\quad \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{\alpha=1}^k \tau_\alpha^{-1} S^{(\alpha)} + Z_1 (\psi_1' D_\tau \psi_1)^{-1} Z_1' \right]\right\} dZ_1 \prod_{\alpha=1}^k dS^{(\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

Make the transformation  $R = (S^{(1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}} Z_1$ ,  $U_\alpha = (S^{(1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}} S^{(\alpha)} (S^{(1)})^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , and integrate out  $S^{(1)}$ . The Jacobian is  $|S^{(1)}|^{(p+2)(k-1)/2}$ , so (3.24) becomes

$$(3.25) \quad \begin{aligned} M' \int_{\{f(U_2, \dots, U_k, R) > c'\}} |\psi_1' D_\tau \psi_1|^{-p/2} \cdot |I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha^{-1} U_\alpha + R (\psi_1' D_\tau \psi_1)^{-1} R'|^{-(n+k-1)/2} \\ \left[ \prod_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha^{-p n_\alpha / 2} |U_\alpha|^{(n_\alpha - p - 1)/2} dU_\alpha \right] dR, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c' = c_2^{-(N-1)/2N}$  and

$$(3.26) \quad f(U_2, \dots, U_k, R) = \left[ |I_p + \sum_{\alpha=2}^k U_\alpha + R R'|^{-N/2} \prod_{\alpha=2}^k |U_\alpha|^{N_\alpha/2} \right]^{(N-1)/N}$$

(note that  $n + k - 1 = N - 1$ ). Now let  $Q = R (\psi_1' D_\tau \psi_1)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$  and  $V_\alpha = \tau_\alpha^{-1} U_\alpha$ ,  $2 \leq \alpha \leq k$ , so that

$$(3.27) \quad \begin{aligned} 1 - \pi_2^0(I_p, \tau_2 I_p, \dots, \tau_k I_p) \\ = M \cdot \int_{\{f(\tau V, \tau Q) > c'\}} f(V, Q) \left[ \prod_{\alpha=2}^k |V_\alpha|^{(N_\alpha - N)/2N} \right] \left[ \prod_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} \right] dQ, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$(3.28) \quad \begin{aligned} f(V, Q) &\equiv f(V_2, \dots, V_k, Q) \\ f(\tau V, \tau Q) &\equiv f(\tau_2 V_2, \dots, \tau_k V_k, Q(\psi_1' D_\tau \psi_1)^{\frac{1}{2}}). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, arguing as in (2.45) and (2.50),

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_2^0(I_p, \tau_2 I_p, \dots, \tau_k I_p) - \pi_2^0(I_p, \dots, I_p) \\ = M' \left[ \int_{\{f(V, Q) > c' > f(\tau V, \tau Q)\}} - \int_{\{f(\tau V, \tau Q) > c' > f(V, Q)\}} \right] \\ \cdot f(V, Q) \prod_{\alpha=2}^k |V_\alpha|^{(N_\alpha - N)/2N} \prod_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} dQ \end{aligned}$$



(3.29)

$$\begin{aligned}
&> c' M' \left[ \int_{\{f(V, Q) > c'\}} - \int_{\{f(\tau V, \tau Q) > c'\}} \right] \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k |V_\alpha|^{(N_\alpha - N)/2N} \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} dQ \\
&= c' M' \int_{\{f(V, Q) > c'\}} \left[ 1 - \left( \frac{\Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \tau_\alpha^{(N - N_\alpha)/N}}{|\psi'_1 D_\tau \psi_1|} \right)^{p/2} \right] \\
&\quad \cdot \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k |V_\alpha|^{(N_\alpha - N)/2N} \Pi_{\alpha=2}^k \frac{dV_\alpha}{|V_\alpha|^{(p+1)/2}} dQ.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the proof will be complete if it can be shown that

$$(3.30) \quad |\psi'_1 D_\tau \psi_1| \geq \Pi_{\alpha=1}^k \tau_\alpha^{(N - N_\alpha)/N}$$

for all positive  $\tau_2, \dots, \tau_k$  (recall that  $\tau_1 = 1$ ). Since  $\psi \equiv (\psi_1, \psi_2)$  is orthogonal, we have

$$(3.31) \quad \Pi_{\alpha=1}^k \tau_\alpha = |D_\tau| = |\psi' D_\tau \psi| = \frac{|\psi'_1 D_\tau \psi_1|}{\psi'_2 D_\tau^{-1} \psi_2}.$$

Thus, since  $\psi_2 = (\Sigma_{\alpha=1}^k N_\alpha)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{N} \equiv N^{-\frac{1}{2}} \hat{N}$ ,

$$(3.32) \quad |\psi'_1 D_\tau \psi_1| = \left[ \Sigma_{\alpha=1}^k \left( \frac{N_\alpha}{N} \right) \tau_\alpha^{-1} \right] (\Pi_{\alpha=1}^k \tau_\alpha),$$

so the desired inequality (3.30) is equivalent to

$$(3.33) \quad \Sigma_{\alpha=1}^k \left( \frac{N_\alpha}{N} \right) \nu_\alpha \geq \Pi_{\alpha=1}^k \nu_\alpha^{N_\alpha/N},$$

where  $\nu_\alpha = \tau_\alpha^{-1}$ , which is true by the concavity of  $h(x) \equiv \log x$ . Therefore (3.29) is nonnegative, which establishes the analog of (2.7) for  $\pi_2^0$ . The proof of Theorem 3.1 is complete.

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