

Simulation

Suppose we generate a data set as following:

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##      subj      X1      X2 tt      w_drg      w_pbo      fd1      fd2
## 1      1 0.5768541 -0.2587745 0 0.2249162 0.2249162 2.891554 -0.3190356
## 2      1 0.5768541 -0.2587745 1 0.2249162 0.2249162 2.891554 -0.3190356
## 3      1 0.5768541 -0.2587745 2 0.2249162 0.2249162 2.891554 -0.3190356
## 4      1 0.5768541 -0.2587745 3 0.2249162 0.2249162 2.891554 -0.3190356
## 5      1 0.5768541 -0.2587745 4 0.2249162 0.2249162 2.891554 -0.3190356
## 6      1 0.5768541 -0.2587745 6 0.2249162 0.2249162 2.891554 -0.3190356
##      fd3      fp1      fp2      fp3      yi_drg      yi_pbo      y      int1
## 1 0.2665183 1.714478 -0.6931485 0.1199219 2.586166 1.698288 1.698288 0.5768541
## 2 0.2665183 1.714478 -0.6931485 0.1199219 4.350818 2.085088 2.085088 0.5768541
## 3 0.2665183 1.714478 -0.6931485 0.1199219 3.709400 1.629090 1.629090 0.5768541
## 4 0.2665183 1.714478 -0.6931485 0.1199219 3.711872 1.308231 1.308231 0.5768541
## 5 0.2665183 1.714478 -0.6931485 0.1199219 3.665005 1.779612 1.779612 0.5768541
## 6 0.2665183 1.714478 -0.6931485 0.1199219 11.696931 2.654913 2.654913 0.5768541
##      slop1      cov1      int2      slop2      cov2
## 1 0.0000000 0.0000000 -0.2587745 0.0000000 0.0000000
## 2 0.5768541 0.5768541 -0.2587745 -0.2587745 -0.2587745
## 3 1.1537082 2.3074164 -0.2587745 -0.5175490 -1.0350981
## 4 1.7305623 5.1916868 -0.2587745 -0.7763236 -2.3289707
## 5 2.3074164 9.2296654 -0.2587745 -1.0350981 -4.1403924
## 6 3.4611245 20.7667472 -0.2587745 -1.5526471 -9.3158828
```

where

- X_1, X_2 shows the value of two predictors
- tt presents the time in the trial
- w_drg and w_pbo are the true $\alpha'_{drg}x, \alpha'_{pbo}x$ values.
- $(fd1, fd2, fd3)$ are the coefficients for the trajectory (intercept, slope, concavity) is the subject is in drug group.
- $(fp1, fp2, fp3)$ are the coefficients for the trajectory (intercept, slope, concavity) is the subject is in placebo group.
- yi_drg and yi_pbo are the outcomes for drug treatment and placebo treatment
- trt is the group assignment and y is the observed outcome.
- X is the design matrix $X = (1, t, t^2), t = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 8$
- $int1$ is the value of $X_1 \times X[, 1]$, $slop1$ is the value of $X_1 \times X[, 2]$, $cov1$ is the value of $X_1 \times X[, 3]$.
- $int2$ is the value of $X_2 \times X[, 1]$, $slop2$ is the value of $X_2 \times X[, 2]$, $cov2$ is the value of $X_2 \times X[, 3]$.

To fit the unrestricted LME, we have the formula as

```
formula_full
```

```
## [1] "y~1+ tt + I(tt^2) + int1 + slop1 + cov1 + int2 + slop2 + cov2 + (1+ tt + I(tt^2) |subj)"
```

The LME

```
dat_pbo = data[data$trt == 1, ]; rownames(dat_pbo) = NULL
dat_drg = data[data$trt == 2, ]; rownames(dat_drg) = NULL
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```
fit_pbo_est_full = lmer(formula_full, data = dat_pbo, REML = FALSE)
fit_drg_est_full = lmer(formula_full, data = dat_drg, REML = FALSE)
```

The loglikelihood in the models

```
summary(fit_pbo_est_full)$logLik
```

```
## 'log Lik.' -1539.87 (df=16)
```

```
summary(fit_drg_est_full)$logLik
```

```
## 'log Lik.' -1507.694 (df=16)
```

To fit the GEM LME, we have the function as

```
fit_pbo_est_si = lmer(y ~ tt + I(tt^2) + w_pbo + w_pbo * tt +
  w_pbo * I(tt^2) + (tt + I(tt^2) |subj),
  data = dat_pbo, REML = FALSE)
fit_drg_est_si = lmer(y ~ tt + I(tt^2) + w_drg + w_drg * tt +
  w_drg * I(tt^2) + (tt + I(tt^2) |subj),
  data = dat_drg, REML = FALSE)
```

The loglikelihood in the models

```
summary(fit_pbo_est_si)$logLik
```

```
## 'log Lik.' -1542.624 (df=13)
```

```
summary(fit_drg_est_si)$logLik
```

```
## 'log Lik.' -1507.912 (df=13)
```

Therefore the test statistics is

```
chis = as.numeric(summary(fit_pbo_est_full)$logLik + summary(fit_drg_est_full)$logLik -
  (summary(fit_pbo_est_si)$logLik + summary(fit_drg_est_si)$logLik))
chis = chis*2
chis
```

```
## [1] 5.943638
```

The p value is

```
1-pchisq(chis, df= (3*(p-1)-p)*2)
```

```
## [1] 0.05121008
```

For different dimension p , the likelihood ratio test can be conducted and we can get p values as

If we use $df = 2 \times (3p - p - 3)$,

p	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
p-value	0.051	0.071	0.033	0.002	0.006	0.025	0.684	0.048	0.001	0

p	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
p-value	0.008	0.055	0.008	0.033	0	0.025	0	0	0	0

p	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
p-value	0	0	0.006	0	0	0	0.002	0	0

Most of the p values are less than 0.05. Therefore, we tend to reject H_0 , that they do not share the same α . However, the true model is the GEM model. The results do not consistant with the true scenario.

If we use $df = 2 \times (3p - 3)$,

p	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
p-value	0.43	0.476	0.355	0.081	0.186	0.432	0.995	0.639	0.157	0.04

p	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
p-value	0.443	0.787	0.51	0.758	0.171	0.766	0.201	0.016	0.177	0.268

p	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
p-value	0.335	0.091	0.734	0.142	0.118	0.021	0.674	0.1	0.026

Most of the p values are larger than 0.05. Therefore, we tend to accept H_0 , that they share the same α .