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**ON THE DISTRIBUTIONS OF ORDER STATISTICS OF RANDOM VECTORS**

**ABSTRACT**

In this study, the joint probability function and joint probability density function of order statistics of i.n.n.i.d random vectors which number of components are different are given respectively for discrete and discontinuous cases. Furthermore, continuous cases are derived from the discrete and discontinuous cases.

**Keywords:** Order Statistics, Discontinuous Random Vectors, Discrete Random Vectors, Continuous Random Vectors, Joint Probability Function, Joint Probability Density Function, Permanent

**TESADÜFİ VEKTÖRLERİN SIRALI İSTATİSTİKLERİNİN DAĞILIMLARI ÜZERİNE**

**ÖZET**

Bu çalışmada, bileşenlerinin sayısı farklı olan i.n.n.i.d. tesadüfi vektörlerin sıralı istatistiklerinin bileşik olasılık ve bileşik olasılık yoğunluk fonksiyonları kesikli ve süreksiz durumlar için sırasıyla verilmiştir. Ayrıca, kesikli ve süreksiz durumlardan sürekli durumlar türetilmiştir.

**Anahtar Kelimeler:** Sıralı İstatistikler, Süreksiz Tesadüfi Vektörler, Kesikli Tesadüfi Vektörler, Sürekli tesadüfi Vektörler, Bileşik Olasılık Fonksiyonu, Bileşik Olasılık Yoğunluk Fonksiyonu, Permanent



## 1. INTRODUCTION (GİRİŞ)

If  $\mathbf{a}_1, \mathbf{a}_2, \dots$  are defined as column vectors, then the matrix obtained by taking  $i_1$  copies of  $\mathbf{a}_1, i_2$  copies of  $\mathbf{a}_2, \dots$  can be denoted as

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a}_1 & \mathbf{a}_2 & \dots \\ i_1 & i_2 & \dots \end{bmatrix}$$

and  $\text{per} \mathbf{A}$  denotes the permanent of a square matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , which is defined as similar to determinants except that all terms in the expansion have a positive sign [1].

David [2] considered the fundamental distribution theory of order statistics.

Guilbaud [3] expressed probability of the functions of independent and not necessarily identically distributed (i.n.n.i.d.) random vectors as a linear combination of probabilities of the functions of i.i.d. random vectors and thus also for order statistics of random variables.

Khatri [4] examined marginal probability function (p.f.) of a single order statistic and the joint p.f. for any two order statistics of i.i.d. random variables for discrete case.

Reiss [5] considered the joint probability density function (p.d.f.) of any  $k$  order statistics of independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) random variables under a continuous distribution function (d.f.) and discontinuous d.f.. He also considered p.d.f. of bivariate order statistics by marginal ordering of bivariate i.i.d. random vectors with a continuous d.f. by means of multinomial probabilities of appropriate "cell frequency vectors", defining multivariate order statistics by marginal ordering of i.i.d. random vectors with a continuous d.f..

Samuel and Thomas [6] and Vaughan and Venables [7] denoted the joint p.d.f. of order statistics of i.n.n.i.d. random variables by means of permanents.

In this study, the joint p.f., and joint p.d.f. of order statistics by marginal ordering of i.n.n.i.d. random vectors which are number of components under discontinuous distribution functions (d.f.'s) are given. Moreover, transitions from discontinuous and discrete cases to continuous cases are discussed.

From now on, the subscripts and superscripts are defined in the first place in which they are used and these definitions will be valid unless they are redefined.

Consider  $\mathbf{x}=(x^{(1)}, x^{(2)}, \dots, x^{(d)})$  and  $\mathbf{y}=(y^{(1)}, y^{(2)}, \dots, y^{(d)})$ , then it can be written as  $\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{y}$  if  $x^{(j)} \leq y^{(j)}, j=1, 2, \dots, d$ .

Let  $\xi_i=(\xi_i^{(1)}, \xi_i^{(2)}, \dots, \xi_i^{(d)})$ ,  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  be  $n$  i.n.n.i.d. random vectors which components of  $\xi_i$  are independent. Moreover,  $n(1)$  is the number of components of  $\xi_i^{(1)}, n(2)$  is the number of components of  $\xi_i^{(2)}, \dots, n(d)$  is the number of components of  $\xi_i^{(d)}$  and  $n(1), n(2), \dots, n(d)$  may be different. The expression

$$X_{rn(j)}^{(j)} = Z_{rn(j)}(\xi_1^{(j)}, \xi_2^{(j)}, \dots, \xi_{n(j)}^{(j)}) \quad r=1, 2, \dots, n(j) \quad (1)$$

is stated as the  $r$ th order statistic of the  $j$ th components of  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$ . Using (1.1), the  $r$ th order statistic of  $\xi_i$ 's in component wise can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x}_{r:n} = (X_{rn(1)}^{(1)}, X_{rn(2)}^{(2)}, \dots, X_{rn(d)}^{(d)})$$

where  $\mathbf{n} = \max\{n(j); 1 \leq j \leq d\}, r \leq n, [F_i^{(j)}]^{-1}(1) = \sup\{\mathbf{x}; F_i^{(j)}(\mathbf{x}) < 1\}$  and

$$X_{rn(j)}^{(j)} = \begin{cases} [F_i^{(j)}]^{-1}(1), & r > n(j) \\ X_{rn(j)}^{(j)}, & r \leq n(j) \end{cases}$$



From (1), the ordered values of the  $j$ th components of  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_n$  are expressed as

$$X_{1:n}^{(j)} \leq X_{2:n}^{(j)} \leq \dots \leq X_{n(j):n(j)}^{(j)}. \quad (2)$$

## 2. RESEARCH SIGNIFICANCE (ÇALIŞMANIN ÖNEMİ)

In this study, the joint p.f. and joint p.d.f. of order statistics by marginal ordering of i.n.n.i.d. random vectors which are number of components under discontinuous distribution functions (d.f.'s) are given. Moreover, transitions from discontinuous and discrete cases to continuous cases are discussed.

## 3. ORDER STATISTICS OF I.N.N.I.D. RANDOM VECTORS FOR DISCRETE CASE (KESİKLİ I.N.N.I.D. TESADÜFİ VEKTÖRLERİN SIRALI İSTATİSTİKLERİ)

If the random variables are i.n.n.i.d. and  $P(\xi = x) = f(x)$  is written for discrete case, the joint p.d.f. of  $X_{r_1:n}^{(j)}, X_{r_2:n}^{(j)}, \dots, X_{r_p:n}^{(j)}$  and  $\mathbf{X}_{r_1:n}, \mathbf{X}_{r_2:n}, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{r_p:n}$  will be given in Theorem 1 and Theorem 2, respectively.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $F_i$  be p.f. of random vector  $\xi_i$  and  $F_i^{(j)}$  be p.f. of  $\xi_i^{(j)}$ . Then, the joint p.f. of  $X_{r_1:n}^{(j)}, X_{r_2:n}^{(j)}, \dots, X_{r_p:n}^{(j)}$  is

$$f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_p; n(j)}^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}, x_2^{(j)}, \dots, x_p^{(j)}) = \sum \mathbf{C} \cdot \text{per} \mathbf{A} \quad (3)$$

and  $= 0$ , otherwise, where  $0 = r_0 < r_1 < \dots < r_p < r_{p+1} = n+1$ ,  $\mathbf{A} =$   

$$\begin{bmatrix} F_1^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)} - 1) & f_1^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}) & F^{(j)}(x_2^{(j)} - 1) - F^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}) & \dots & f_p^{(j)}(x_p^{(j)}) & \mathbf{1} - F^{(j)}(x_p^{(j)}, x_p^{(j)}) \\ r_1 - k_1 - 1 & k_1 + m_1 + 1 & r_2 - r_1 - m_1 - k_2 - 1 & \dots & \dots & n(j) - r_p - m_p \end{bmatrix}$$

which consists of column vectors with  $n(j)$  components such as

$$\mathbf{F}^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}) = \left( F_1^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}) F_2^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}) \dots F_{n(j)}^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}) \right)', \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, p+1 \text{ and}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = [(r_1 - k_1 - 1)! (k_1 + m_1 + 1)! \dots (n(j) - r_p - m_p)!]^{-1} \text{ and under the}$$

conditions such that  $m_i + k_{i+1} \leq r_{i+1} - r_i - 1$ ,  $m_0 = 0$ ,  $k_{p+1} = 0$  the sum is

$$\sum = \sum_{k_1=0}^{r_1-1} \sum_{m_1=0}^{r_2-r_1-1-k_1} \sum_{k_2=0}^{r_2-r_1-1-m_1} \dots \sum_{m_p=0}^{n(j)-r_p}.$$

**Proof.** Omitted.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $F_i$  be p.f. of random vector  $\xi_i$  and  $F_i^{(j)}$  be p.f. of  $\xi_i^{(j)}$ . Moreover, assume that the same conditions in Theorem 1 hold.

Then, the joint p.f. of  $\mathbf{X}_{r_1:n}, \mathbf{X}_{r_2:n}, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{r_p:n}$  is

$$f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_p; n}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p) = \prod_{j=1}^d f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_p; n}^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}, x_2^{(j)}, \dots, x_p^{(j)}) \quad (4)$$

and  $= 0$ , otherwise, where  $\mathbf{x}_l = (x_l^{(1)}, x_l^{(2)}, \dots, x_l^{(d)})$ .

**Proof.** Omitted.



**4. ORDER STATISTICS OF I.N.N.I.D. RANDOM VECTORS FOR DISCONTINUOUS CASE (SÜREKSİZ I.N.N.I.D. TESADÜFİ VEKTÖRLERİN SIRALI İSTATİSTİKLERİ)**

Let  $F_i^{(j)}$  be d.f. of  $\xi_i^{(j)}$  and be discontinuous at any  $x_l^{(j)}, l=1,2,\dots,p, p=1,2,\dots,n(j)$  which is a realization of  $\xi_l^{(j)}$ . Thus, the random variable  $F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)-}) + \eta_l^{(j)}(F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}) - F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)-}))$  which is uniformly distributed on the interval  $(F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)-}), F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}))$  can be taken instead of the realization  $F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)})$  where  $F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)-})$  denotes the left-hand limit of  $F_i^{(j)}$ , and  $\eta_l^{(j)}$  is uniformly distributed on  $(0,1)$ . If  $y_l^{(j)}$  is a realization of  $\eta_l^{(j)}$ , then  $y_l^{(j)}$  is taken instead of  $\eta_l^{(j)}$ . Moreover,  $\xi_l^{(j)}$  and  $\eta_l^{(j)}$  are assumed to be independent. If  $H_i^{(j)}(y_l^{(j)}, x_l^{(j)}) = F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)-}) + y_l^{(j)}(F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)}) - F_i^{(j)}(x_l^{(j)-}))$ , then  $H_i^{(j)}(\eta_l^{(j)}, \xi_l^{(j)})$  is uniformly distributed on  $(0,1)$  [5]. Furthermore, it can be written

$$X_{r:n(j)} = \begin{cases} [H_i^{(j)}]^{-1}(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}), & r > n(j) \\ X_{r:n(j)}, & r \leq n(j) \end{cases}$$

where

$$[H_i^{(j)}]^{-1}(\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{1}) = \sup \{ (x, y); H_i^{(j)}(x, y) \leq \mathbf{1} \}.$$

Now, the joint p.d.f. of  $X_{r_1:n}^{(j)}, X_{r_2:n}^{(j)}, \dots, X_{r_p:n}^{(j)}$  and  $\mathbf{X}_{r_1:n}, \mathbf{X}_{r_2:n}, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{r_p:n}$  will be given in Theorem 3 and Theorem 4, respectively.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $F_i$  be d.f. of random vector  $\xi_i$  and  $F_i^{(j)}$  be d.f. of  $\xi_i^{(j)}$  and discontinuous at any  $x_l^{(j)}$ , and  $B_p^{(j)}$  denote the set of all  $(x_1^{(j)}, y_1^{(j)}, x_2^{(j)}, y_2^{(j)}, \dots, x_p^{(j)}, y_p^{(j)})$  satisfying  $0 < y_l^{(j)} < 1$ , and  $x_{l-1}^{(j)} < x_l^{(j)}$  or  $x_{l-1}^{(j)} = x_l^{(j)}$  and  $y_{l-1}^{(j)} < y_l^{(j)}$ . Then, the joint p.d.f. of  $X_{r_1:n}^{(j)}, X_{r_2:n}^{(j)}, \dots, X_{r_p:n}^{(j)}$  is

$$f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_p, n}^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}, x_2^{(j)}, \dots, x_p^{(j)}) = \int_C \text{per} \mathbf{A} dy_1^{(j)} dy_2^{(j)} \dots dy_p^{(j)} \quad (5)$$

for  $B_p^{(j)}$  and  $=0$ , otherwise, where  $0 = r_0 < r_1 < \dots < r_p < r_{p+1} = n(j) + 1$ ,  $\mathbf{A} =$   

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}^{(j)}(y_1^{(j)}, x_1^{(j)}) & \mathbf{1}_1^{(j)} & \mathbf{H}^{(j)}(y_2^{(j)}, x_2^{(j)}) - \mathbf{H}^{(j)}(y_1^{(j)}, x_1^{(j)}) & \dots & \mathbf{1}_p^{(j)} & \mathbf{1} - \mathbf{H}^{(j)}(y_p^{(j)}, x_p^{(j)}) \\ r_1 - 1 & 1 & r_2 - r_1 - 1 & & 1 & n - r_p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{H}^{(j)}(y_l^{(j)}, x_l^{(j)}) = (H_1^{(j)}(y_l^{(j)}, x_l^{(j)}) H_2^{(j)}(y_l^{(j)}, x_l^{(j)}) \dots H_n^{(j)}(y_l^{(j)}, x_l^{(j)}))', l = 0, 1, \dots, p + 1,$$
 and  $\mathbf{1} = (1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1)'$ ,  $\mathbf{1}_l^{(j)} = (1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1)'$ ,  $l = 1, 2, \dots, p$  are column vectors with  $n$  components and  $\mathbf{C} = \prod_{l=0}^p [(r_{l+1} - r_l - 1)!]^{-1}$   
 $(H_i^{(j)}(y_0^{(j)}, x_0^{(j)}) = 0, H_i^{(j)}(y_{p+1}^{(j)}, x_{p+1}^{(j)}) = 1).$

**Proof.** Omitted.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $F_i$  be d.f. of random vector  $\xi_i$  and  $F_i^{(j)}$  be d.f. of  $\xi_i^{(j)}$ , and  $F_i^{(j)}$  be discontinuous at  $x_l^{(j)}$ . Moreover, assume that the same conditions in Theorem 2.1 hold. Then, the joint p.d.f. of  $\mathbf{X}_{r_1:n}, \mathbf{X}_{r_2:n}, \dots, \mathbf{X}_{r_p:n}$  is



$$f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_p; n}(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p) = \prod_{j=1}^d f_{r_1, r_2, \dots, r_p; n}^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}, x_2^{(j)}, \dots, x_p^{(j)}) \quad (6)$$

for  $\bigcup_{j=1}^d B_p^{(j)}$  and  $=0$ , otherwise, where  $\mathbf{x}_l = (x_l^{(1)}, x_l^{(2)}, \dots, x_l^{(d)})$  and  $\mathbf{y}_l = (y_l^{(1)}, y_l^{(2)}, \dots, y_l^{(d)})$ .

**Proof.** Omitted.

## 5. RESULTS (SONUÇLAR)

**Result 1.** In (3) (or in (4) for  $d = 1$ ),  $f_i^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)} - 1) = f^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)})$ , then the joint p.f. of order statistics of i.i.d. random variables from discrete parent is obtained. This result gives an alternative representation of (3) in [3], and the special cases of this result for  $p = 1$  and  $p = 2$  give (2) and (6) in [4], respectively.

**Result 2.** In (3) (or in (4) for  $d = 1$ ), if discrete case approaches to continuous case, i.e.,  $k_l = m_l = 0$  and  $F_i^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)} - 1) = F_i^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)})$  for  $1 \leq l \leq p$ , then the joint p.d.f. of order statistics of i.n.n.i.d. random variables with continuous d.f.'s is obtained. This result gives the opened form of the expression which constructed by taking order statistics instead of  $T$  in (4) in [3], and the general case in [7].

**Result 3.** In (3) (or in (4) for  $d = 1$ ), if discrete case approaches to continuous case, i.e.,  $k_l = m_l = 0$  and  $F_i^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)} - 1) = F_i^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)}) = F^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)})$  for  $1 \leq l \leq p$ , then the joint p.d.f. of order statistics of i.i.d. random variables with continuous d.f.'s is obtained. This result gives (2.2.3) in [2] and Theorem 1.4.5 in [5].

**Result 4.** In (5) (or in (6) for  $d = 1$ ),  $H_i^{(j)}(y_i^{(j)}, x_i^{(j)}) = H^{(j)}(y_i^{(j)}, x_i^{(j)})$ , then the joint p.f. of order statistics of i.i.d. random variables under discontinuous d.f.'s is obtained. This result gives Corollary 1.5.7 in [5].

**Result 5.** In (5) (or in (6) for  $d = 1$ ), if  $H_i^{(j)}(y_i^{(j)}, x_i^{(j)}) = F_i^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)})$  for  $1 \leq l \leq p$ , then the joint p.d.f. of order statistics of i.n.n.i.d. random variables with continuous d.f.'s is obtained. In this case, the joint p.d.f. is obtained by taking  $(f_1^{(j)}(x_1^{(j)}) f_2^{(j)}(x_2^{(j)}) \dots f_n^{(j)}(x_n^{(j)}))'$  instead of  $\mathbf{1}_l^{(j)}$  in perA. This result gives the opened form of the expression which constructed by taking order statistics instead of  $T$  in (2.2) in [3], and the general case in [5].

**Result 6.** In (3) (or in (4) for  $d = 1$ ), if  $H_i^{(j)}(y_i^{(j)}, x_i^{(j)}) = F^{(j)}(x_i^{(j)})$ , then the joint p.d.f. of order statistics of i.i.d. random variables with continuous d.f.'s is obtained. This result gives (2.2.3) in [2] and Theorem 1.4.5 in [5].



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