

On the usage of the `pbkrtest` package

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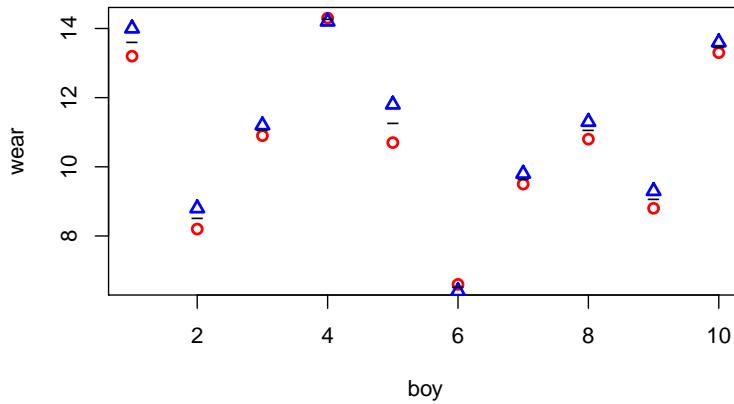
1 Introduction

The `shoes` data is a list of two vectors, giving the wear of shoes of materials A and B for one foot each of ten boys.

```
R> data(shoes, package="MASS")
R> shoes
$A
[1] 13.2  8.2 10.9 14.3 10.7  6.6  9.5 10.8  8.8 13.3
$B
[1] 14.0  8.8 11.2 14.2 11.8  6.4  9.8 11.3  9.3 13.6
```

A plot clearly reveals that boys wear their shoes differently.

```
R> plot(A^1, data=shoes, col="red", lwd=2, pch=1, ylab="wear", xlab="boy")
R> points(B^1, data=shoes, col="blue", lwd=2, pch=2)
R> points(I((A+B)/2)^1, data=shoes, pch="-", lwd=2)
```



One option for testing the effect of materials is to make a paired t -test. The following forms are equivalent:

```
R> r1<-t.test(shoes$A, shoes$B, paired=T)
R> r2<-t.test(shoes$A-shoes$B)
R> r1
Paired t-test

data: shoes$A and shoes$B
t = -3.3489, df = 9, p-value = 0.008539
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-0.6869539 -0.1330461
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
-0.41
```

To work with data in a mixed model setting we create a dataframe, and for later use we also create an imbalanced version of data:

```
R> boy <- rep(1:10,2)
R> boyf<- factor(letters[boy])
R> mat <- factor(c(rep("A", 10), rep("B",10)))
R> ## Balanced data:
R> shoe.b <- data.frame(wear=unlist(shoes), boy=boy, boyf=boyf, mat=mat)
R> head(shoe.b)

  wear boy boyf mat
A1 13.2   1     a   A
A2  8.2   2     b   A
A3 10.9   3     c   A
A4 14.3   4     d   A
A5 10.7   5     e   A
A6  6.6   6     f   A

R> ## Imbalanced data; delete (boy=1, mat=1) and (boy=2, mat=b)
R> shoe.i <- shoe.b[-c(1,12),]
```

We fit models to the two datasets:

```
R> lmm1.b <- lmer( wear ~ mat + (1|boyf), data=shoe.b )
R> lmm0.b <- update( lmm1.b, .~. - mat)
R> lmm1.i <- lmer( wear ~ mat + (1|boyf), data=shoe.i )
R> lmm0.i <- update(lmm1.i, .~. - mat)
```

The asymptotic likelihood ratio test shows stronger significance than the t -test:

```
R> anova( lmm1.b, lmm0.b, test="Chisq" ) ## Balanced data
Data: shoe.b
Models:
lmm0.b: wear ~ (1 | boyf)
lmm1.b: wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
      Df   AIC   BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
lmm0.b  3 67.909 70.896 -30.955    61.909
lmm1.b  4 61.817 65.800 -26.909    53.817 8.092      1  0.004446 **
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

R> anova( lmm1.i, lmm0.i, test="Chisq" ) ## Imbalanced data
Data: shoe.i
Models:
lmm0.i: wear ~ (1 | boyf)
lmm1.i: wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
      Df   AIC   BIC logLik deviance Chisq Chi Df Pr(>Chisq)
lmm0.i  3 63.869 66.540 -28.934    57.869
lmm1.i  4 60.777 64.339 -26.389    52.777 5.092      1  0.02404 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

2 Kenward–Roger approach

The Kenward–Roger approximation is exact for the balanced data in the sense that it produces the same result as the paired t -test.

```
R> ( kr.b<-KRmodcomp(lmm1.b, lmm0.b) )
F-test with Kenward-Roger approximation; computing time: 0.24 sec.
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat     ndf     ddf F.scaling p.value
Ftest 11.215  1.000  9.000          1 0.008539 **
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

R> summary( kr.b )
F-test with Kenward-Roger approximation; computing time: 0.24 sec.
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat     ndf     ddf F.scaling p.value
Ftest 11.215  1.000  9.000          1 0.008539 **
```

```

FtestU 11.215  1.000  9.000          0.008539 **
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

Relevant information can be retrieved with

```
R> getKR(kr.b, "ddf")
```

```
[1] 9
```

For the imbalanced data we get

```

R> ( kr.i<-KRmodcomp(lmm1.i, lmm0.i) )
F-test with Kenward-Roger approximation; computing time: 0.07 sec.
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat    ndf    ddf F.scaling p.value
Ftest 5.9893 1.0000 7.0219          1 0.04418 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

Notice that this result is similar to but not identical to the paired t -test when the two relevant boys are removed:

```

R> shoes2 <- list(A=shoes$A[-(1:2)], B=shoes$B[-(1:2)])
R> t.test(shoes2$A, shoes2$B, paired=T)

Paired t-test

data: shoes2$A and shoes2$B
t = -2.3878, df = 7, p-value = 0.04832
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
-0.671721705 -0.003278295
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
-0.3375

```

3 Parametric bootstrap

Parametric bootstrap provides an alternative but many simulations are often needed to provide credible results (also many more than shown here; in this connection it can be useful to exploit that computings can be made en parallel, see the documentation):

```

R> ( pb.b <- PBmodcomp(lmm1.b, lmm0.b, nsim=500) )

Parametric bootstrap test; time: 9.03 sec; samples: 500 extremes: 7;
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat df  p.value
LRT    8.1197  1 0.004379 **
PBtest 8.1197    0.015968 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

```
R> summary( pb.b )
Parametric bootstrap test; time: 9.03 sec; samples: 500 extremes: 7;
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat      df     ddf p.value
PBtest  8.1197          0.015968 *
Gamma   8.1197          0.008768 **
Bartlett 7.0001 1.0000 0.008150 **
F       8.1197 1.0000 14.504 0.012504 *
LRT    8.1197 1.0000 0.004379 **
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

For the imbalanced data, the result is similar to the result from the paired *t* test.

```
R> ( pb.i<-PBmodcomp(lmm1.i, lmm0.i, nsim=500) )
Parametric bootstrap test; time: 8.98 sec; samples: 500 extremes: 17;
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat df p.value
LRT   5.1151 1 0.02372 *
PBtest 5.1151 0.03593 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

R> summary( pb.i )
Parametric bootstrap test; time: 8.98 sec; samples: 500 extremes: 17;
large : wear ~ mat + (1 | boyf)
small : wear ~ (1 | boyf)
      stat      df     ddf p.value
PBtest  5.1151          0.03593 *
Gamma   5.1151          0.03108 *
Bartlett 4.6880 1.0000 0.03037 *
F       5.1151 1.0000 23.954 0.03307 *
LRT    5.1151 1.0000 0.02372 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

A Matrices for random effects

The matrices involved in the random effects can be obtained with

```
R> shoe3 <- subset(shoe.b, boy<=5)
R> shoe3 <- shoe3[order(shoe3$boy), ]
R> lmm1 <- lmer( wear ~ mat + (1|boyf), data=shoe3 )
R> str( SG <- get_SigmaG( lmm1 ), max=2)

List of 3
 $ Sigma  :Formal class 'dgCMatrix' [package "Matrix"] with 6 slots
 $ G      :List of 2
```

```

...$ :Formal class 'dgCMatrix' [package "Matrix"] with 6 slots
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$ n.ggamma: int 2

R> round( SG$Sigma*10 )

10 x 10 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"

 1 53 52 . . . . . .
 2 52 53 . . . . . .
 3 . . 53 52 . . . . .
 4 . . 52 53 . . . . .
 5 . . . . 53 52 . . .
 6 . . . . 52 53 . . .
 7 . . . . . 53 52 . .
 8 . . . . . 52 53 . .
 9 . . . . . . . 53 52
10 . . . . . . . . 52 53

R> SG$G

[[1]]
10 x 10 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"

 1 1 1 . . . . . .
 2 1 1 . . . . . .
 3 . . 1 1 . . . . .
 4 . . 1 1 . . . . .
 5 . . . . 1 1 . . .
 6 . . . . 1 1 . . .
 7 . . . . . 1 1 . .
 8 . . . . . 1 1 .
 9 . . . . . . 1 1
10 . . . . . . . 1 1

[[2]]
10 x 10 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"

[1,] 1 . . . . . . .
[2,] . 1 . . . . . .
[3,] . . 1 . . . . .
[4,] . . . 1 . . . .
[5,] . . . . 1 . . . .
[6,] . . . . . 1 . . .
[7,] . . . . . . 1 . .
[8,] . . . . . . . 1 .
[9,] . . . . . . . . 1
[10,] . . . . . . . . 1

```