# On Reliability Approach to Identification of Probabilty Distributions of Two Statistically Dependent Objects

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#### Abstract

The identification of the distributions of two objects is an answer to the question whether  $r_1$ -th and  $r_2$ -th distributions occured, or not on the first and the second objects, correspondigly. Haroutunian and Hakobyan solved the problem reliable identification of probability distributions for two independent objects. In this paper we present the solution of the problem of logarithmically asymptotically optimal identification of probability distributions for two statistically dependent objects.

### 1. Introduction

As a devlopement of the problem of multiple hypotheses testing conserning one object [1] in paper [2] Ahlswede and Haroutunian and in [3] Haroutunian formulated a number of problems on multiple hypotheses testing and indentification. Haroutunian and Hakobyan solved in [4] the problem of many hypotheses testing and in [5] the problem of the indentification of distributions for two independent objects. In [6], [7] and [8] Haroutunian and Yessayan solved the problem of many hypotheses testing for two dependent objects.

Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be random variables (RVs) taking values in a finite set  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$  be the space of all possible distributions on  $\mathcal{X}$ . There are given  $L_1$  probability distrubutions (PD)  $G_{l_1} = \{G_{l_1}(x^1), \ x^1 \in \mathcal{X}\}, \ l_1 = \overline{1, L_1}, \ \text{from } \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}).$  The first object characterized by RV  $X_1$  can have one of these  $L_1$  distributions and the second object dependent on the first, and caracterized by RV  $X_2$  can have one of  $L_1 \times L_2$  conditional PDs  $G_{l_2/l_1} = \{G_{l_2/l_1}(x^2), \ x^2 \in \mathcal{X}\}, \ l_1 = \overline{1, L_1}, \ l_2 = \overline{1, L_2}.$  Let  $(x_1, x_2) = ((x_1^1, x_1^2), (x_2^1, x_2^2), ...(x_N, x_N^2))$  be a sequence of results of N independent observations of the vector  $(X_1, X_2)$ , which can have one of  $L_1 \times L_2$  joint PDs  $G_{l_1,l_2}(x^1, x^2), \ l_1 = \overline{1, L_1}, \ l_2 = \overline{1, L_2}$ , where  $G_{l_1,l_2}(x^1, x^2) = G_{l_1}(x^1)G_{l_2/l_1}(x^2)$ . The

probability of vector  $(x_1, x_2)$  is defined by PD  $G_{l_1, l_2}$ 

$$G_{l_1,l_2}^N(\mathbf{x}_1,\mathbf{x}_2) = G_{l_1}^N(\mathbf{x}_1)G_{l_2/l_1}^N(\mathbf{x}_2) = \prod_{n=1}^N G_{l_1}(x_n^1)G_{l_2/l_1}(x_n^2),$$

where 
$$G_{l_1}^N(\mathbf{x}_1) = \prod\limits_{n=1}^N G_{l_1}(x_n^1)$$
 and  $G_{l_2/l_1}^N(\mathbf{x}_2) = \prod\limits_{n=1}^N G_{l_2/l_1}(x_n^2)$ .

The test, which we denote by  $\Phi^N$ , is a procedure of making decision about indices of distributions on the base of N observations of objects. The test  $\Phi^N$  may be composed of a pair of tests  $\varphi_1^N$  and  $\varphi_2^N$  for the separate objects:  $\Phi^N = (\varphi_1^N, \varphi_2^N)$ . For the object characterized by  $X_1$  the non-randomized test  $\varphi_1^N(\mathbf{x}_1)$  can be determined by partition of the sample space  $\mathcal{X}^N$  on  $L_1$  disjoint subsets  $\mathcal{A}_{l_1}^N = \{\mathbf{x}_1 : \varphi_1^N(\mathbf{x}_1) = l_1\}$ ,  $l_1 = \overline{l_1, L_1}$ , i.e. the set  $\mathcal{A}_{l_1}^N$  consists of vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1$  for which the PD  $G_{l_1}$  is adopted. The probability  $\alpha_{l_1|m_1}^N(\varphi_1^N)$  of the erroneous acceptance of PD  $G_{l_1}$  provided that  $G_{m_1}$  is true,  $l_1, m_1 = \overline{1, L_1}$ ,  $m_1 \neq l_1$ , is defined by the set  $\mathcal{A}_{l_1}^N$ 

$$\alpha_{l_{i}|m_{1}}^{N}(\varphi_{1}^{N}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} G_{m_{1}}^{N}(A_{l_{1}}^{N}).$$
 (1)

We define the probability to reject  $G_{m_1}$ , when it is true, as follows

$$\alpha_{m_1|m_1}^N(\varphi_1^N) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \sum_{l_1 \neq m_1} \alpha_{l_1|m_1}^N(\varphi_1^N) = G_{m_1}^N(\overline{A_{m_1}^N}).$$
 (2)

Denote by  $\varphi_1$ ,  $\varphi_2$  and  $\Phi$  the infinite sequences of tests. Corresponding error probability exponents  $E_{l_1|m_1}(\varphi_1)$  for test  $\varphi_1$  called reliabilities are defined as

$$E_{l_1|m_1}(\varphi_1) \triangleq \overline{\lim_{N\to\infty}} - \frac{1}{N} \log \alpha_{l_1|m_1}^N(\varphi_1^N), \quad m_1, l_1 = \overline{1, L_1}.$$
 (3)

It follows from (2) and (3) that

$$E_{m_1|m_1}(\varphi_1) = \min_{l_1 \neq m_1} E_{l_1|m_1}(\varphi_1), l_1, m_1 = \overline{1, L_1}, l_1 \neq m_1.$$
 (4)

For the second object characterized by RV  $X_2$  the non-randomized test  $\varphi_2^N(\mathbf{x}_2, l_1)$  depending on the index of the hypothesis  $l_1$  adopted for  $X_1$ , can be given by division of the sample space  $\mathcal{X}^N$  on  $L_2$  disjoint subsets  $A_{l_2/l_1}^N = \{\mathbf{x}_2 : \varphi_2^N(\mathbf{x}_2, l_1) = l_2\}$ ,  $l_1 = \overline{1, L_1}$ ,  $l_2 = \overline{1, L_2}$ . The set  $A_{l_2/l_1}^N$  consists of vectors  $\mathbf{x}_2$  for which the PD  $G_{l_2/l_1}$  is adopted. The probabilities of the erroneous acceptance of PD  $G_{l_2/l_1}$  provided that  $G_{m_2/m_1}$  is true are the following

$$\alpha_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^N(\varphi_2^N) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} G_{m_2/m_1}^N(A_{l_2/l_1}^N), l_1, m_1 = \overline{1, L_1}, l_2, m_2 = \overline{1, L_2}, m_2 \neq l_2.$$
 (5)

The corresponding reliabilities, are defined as

$$E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(\varphi_2) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \overline{\lim_{N \to \infty}} - \frac{1}{N} \log \alpha_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^N(\varphi_2^N), \ l_1,m_1 = \overline{1,L_1}, \ l_2,m_2 = \overline{1,L_2}, \ m_2 \neq l_2. \tag{6}$$

It is clear from (5) and (6) that

$$E_{m_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(\varphi_2) = \min_{l_2 \neq m_2} E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(\varphi_2), \ l_1,m_1 = \overline{1,L_1}, \ l_2,m_2 = \overline{1,L_2}. \tag{7}$$

The matrices  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi_1)=\{E_{l_1|m_1}(\varphi_1),\, l_1,m_1=\overline{1,L_1}\}$ ,  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi_2)=\{E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(\varphi_2),\, l_1,m_1=\overline{1,L_1},\, l_2,m_2=\overline{1,L_2}\}$  are called the reliability matrices of the sequence of tests  $\varphi_1,\,\varphi_2$ . For two objects we study the probabilities  $\alpha_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}(\Phi^N)$  of the erroneous acceptance by the test  $\Phi^N$  of the pair of PDs  $G_{l_1}$ ,  $G_{l_2,l_1}$  (or joint PD  $G_{l_1,l_2}$ ) provided that the pair  $G_{m_1},G_{m_2/m_1}$  (or joint PD  $G_{m_1,m_2}$ ) is true, where  $(m_1,m_2)\neq (l_1,l_2),\, l_1,m_1=\overline{1,L_1},\, l_2,m_2=\overline{1,L_2}$ . The probability to reject a true PD  $G_{m_1,m_2}$ , is defined as follows

$$\alpha_{m_1,m_2|m_1,m_2}^N(\Phi^N) \triangleq \sum_{(l_1,l_2)\neq (m_1,m_2)} \alpha_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}^N(\Phi^N), \ l_1,m_1 = \overline{1,L_1}, \ l_2,m_2 = \overline{1,L_2}. \tag{8}$$

The reliabilities of the sequence of tests  $\Phi$  are the following

$$E_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}(\Phi) \triangleq \overline{\lim_{N \to \infty}} - \frac{1}{N} \log \alpha_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}^N(\Phi^N), \ l_1,m_1 = \overline{1,L_1}, \ l_2,m_2 = \overline{1,L_2}. \tag{9}$$

From (8) and (9) we have

$$E_{m_1,m_2|m_1,m_2}(\Phi) = \min_{(l_1,l_2)\neq (m_1,m_2)} E_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}(\Phi), \ l_1,m_1 = \overline{1,L_1}, \ l_2,m_2 = \overline{1,L_2}. \tag{10}$$

We call the matrix  $\mathbf{E}(\Phi) = \{E_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}(\Phi), l_1, m_1 = \overline{1,L_1}, l_2, m_2 = \overline{1,L_2}\}$  the reliability matrix of the sequence of tests  $\Phi$ . Our aim is to study the reliability matrix of optimal tests, and the conditions of positivity of all its elements.

Definition: We call the sequence of tests  $\varphi_1^*$  (or  $\varphi_2^*$ , or  $\Phi^*$ ) logarithmically asymptotically optimal (LAO) if for given positive values of  $L_1-1$  (or  $L_2-1$ , or  $(L_1-1)(L_2-1)$ ) diagonal elements of the corresponding matrix  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi_1^*)$  (or  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi_2^*)$ , or  $\mathbf{E}(\Phi^*)$ ) maximal values to all other elements of it are provided.

The following lemma is an extention of the lemmas from [2] and [4].

Lemma: If the reliabilities  $E_{l_1|m_1}$  and  $E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}$  of tests  $\varphi_1^N$  and  $\varphi_2^N$  are strictly positive, then the following relations hold:

$$E_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2} = E_{l_1|m_1} + E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}, \text{ for } m_1 \neq l_1, m_2 \neq l_2,$$
 (11.a)

$$E_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2} = E_{l_1|m_1}$$
, for  $m_1 \neq l_1$ ,  $m_2 = l_2$ , (11.b)

$$E_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2} = E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}$$
, for  $m_1 = l_1$ ,  $m_2 \neq l_2$ . (11.c)

Proof: The following equalities are valid for error probabilities:

$$\alpha_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}^N = \alpha_{l_1|m_1}^N \alpha_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^N, \text{ for } m_1 \neq l_1, m_2 \neq l_2, \tag{12.a}$$

$$\alpha_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}^N = \alpha_{l_1|m_1}^N (1 - \alpha_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^N), \text{ for } m_1 \neq l_1, m_2 = l_2,$$
(12.b)

$$\alpha_{l_1,l_2|m_1,m_2}^N = (1 - \alpha_{l_1|m_1}^N)\alpha_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^N$$
, for  $m_1 = l_1$ ,  $m_2 \neq l_2$ . (12.c)

Thus, in light of (3), (6) and (9), we can obtain (11).

We shall reformulate now the Theorem from [1] for the case of one object with  $L_1$  hypotheses. This requires some notions from Information Theory and additional notations.

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We define the entropy  $H_{Q_{\aleph_1}}(X_1)$  and the informational divergence  $D(Q_{\aleph_1}||G_{l_1}), l_1 = \overline{1, L_1}$ , as follows:

$$H_{Q_{\mathbf{x}_{1}}}(X_{1}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} - \sum_{x^{1} \in X} Q_{\mathbf{x}_{1}}(x^{1}) \log Q_{\mathbf{x}_{1}}(x^{1}),$$

$$D(Q_{\mathbf{x}_1}||G_{l_1}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \sum_{\mathbf{x}^1 \in \mathcal{X}} Q_{\mathbf{x}_1}(\mathbf{x}^1) \log \frac{Q_{\mathbf{x}_1}(\mathbf{x}^1)}{G_{l_1}(\mathbf{x}^1)}.$$

For given positive numbers  $E_{1|1},...,E_{L-1|L-1}$ , let us consider the following sets of PDs  $Q = \{Q(x^1), x^1 \in \mathcal{X}\}$ :

$$\mathcal{R}_{l_1} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{Q: D(Q||G_{l_1}) \le E_{l_1|l_1}\}, l_1 = \overline{1, L_1 - 1},$$
 (13a)

$$\mathcal{R}_{L_1} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{Q: D(Q||G_{l_1}) > E_{l_1|l_1}, l_1 = \overline{1, L_1 - 1}\},$$
 (13b)

and the elements of the reliability matrix E\* of the LAO test:

$$E_{l_1|l_1}^* = E_{l_1|l_1}^*(E_{l_1|l_1}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} E_{l_1|l_1}, \ l_1 = \overline{1, L_1 - 1},$$
 (14a)

$$E_{l_1|m_1}^* = E_{l_1|m_1}^*(E_{l_1|l_1}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_{l_1}} D(Q||G_{m_1}), \ m_1 = \overline{1, L_1}, \ m_1 \neq l_1, \ l_1 = \overline{1, L_1 - 1}, \tag{14b}$$

$$E_{L_{1}|m_{1}}^{*} = E_{L_{1}|m_{1}}^{*}(E_{1|1}, E_{2|2}, ..., E_{L_{1}-1|L_{1}-1}) \triangleq \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_{L_{1}}} D(Q||G_{m_{1}}), \ m_{1} = \overline{1, L_{1}-1}, \quad (14c)$$

$$E_{L_1|L_1}^* = E_{L_1|L_1}^*(E_{1|1}, E_{2|2}, ..., E_{L_1-1|L_1-1}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \min_{l_1=\overline{1,L_1-1}} E_{l_1|L_1}^*.$$
 (14d)

Theorem 1[1]: If all distributions  $G_{l_1}$ ,  $l_1 = \overline{1,L_1}$ , are different in the sense that  $D(G_{l_1}||G_{m_1}) > 0$ ,  $l_1 \neq m_1$ , and the positive numbers  $E_{1|1}, E_{2|2}, ..., E_{L_1-1|L_1-1}$  are such that the following inequalities hold

$$E_{m_1|m_1} < \min(\min_{l_1 = \overline{m_1} + 1, L_1} D(G_{l_1}||G_{m_1}), \min_{l_1 = \overline{1, m_1} - 1} E^*_{l_1|m_1}(E_{l_1|l_1})), m_1 = \overline{2, L_1 - 1},$$

then there exists a LAO sequence of tests  $\varphi_1^*$ , the reliability matrix of which  $\mathbf{E}^* = \{E_{l_1|m_1}(\varphi_1^*)\}$  is defined in (14) and all elements of it are positive.

When one of the inequalities (15) is violated, then at least one element of the matrix E\* is equal to 0.

Corollary 1: If in contradiction to conditions (15) one, or several element  $E_{m_1|m_1}$ ,  $m_1 \in [1, L_1 - 1]$ , of the reliability matrix are equal to zero, then the elements of the matrix determined in functions of this  $E_{m_1|m_1}$  will be given as in the case of Stain's lemma [?]

$$E'_{m_1|l_1}(E_{m_1|m_1}) = D(G_{m_1}||G_{l_1}), \quad l = \overline{1, L_1}, \quad l_1 \neq m_1,$$

and the remaining elements of the matrix  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi^*)$  are defined by  $E_{l_1|l_1} > 0$ ,  $l_1 \neq m_1$ ,  $l_1 = \overline{1, L_1 - 1}$ , as follows from Theorem1:

$$\begin{split} E'_{l_1|m_1} &= \inf_{Q:D(Q||G_{l_2}) < E_{l_1|l_1}} D(Q||G_{m_1}), \\ E'_{L_1|m_1} &= \inf_{Q:D(Q||G_1) > E_{l_1|l_1}, i = \overline{l_1, L_1 - 1}} D(Q||G_{m_1}). \end{split}$$

# Identification of the Probability Distribution of One Object

First it is necessary to formulate our meaning of the reliability approach (LAO) to the identification problem for one object, which was considered [2] and [3]. We have one object, and there are known  $L_1 \geq 2$  possible PDs.

What is the identification? It is the answer to the question whether  $r_1$ -th distribution occurred, or not. As in the testing problem, this answer must be given on the base of a sample x with the help of an approximate test.

There are two error probabilities for each  $r_1 \in [1, L_1]$ : the probability  $\alpha_{l_1 \neq r_1 \mid m_1 = r_1}(\varphi_N)$  to accept l-th PD different from  $r_1$ , when PD  $r_1$  is in reality, and the probability  $\alpha_{l_1 = r_1 \mid m_1 \neq r_1}(\varphi_N)$  that  $r_1$  is accepted, when it is not correct.

The probability  $\alpha_{l_1 \neq r_1 \mid m_1 = r_1}(\varphi_N)$  coincides with the probability  $\alpha_{r_1 \mid r_1}(\varphi_N)$  which is equal to  $\sum_{l_1 \nmid l_1 \neq r_1} \alpha_{l_1 \mid r_1}(\varphi_N)$ . The corresponding reliability  $E_{l_1 \neq r_1 \mid m_1 = r_1}(\varphi)$  is equal to  $E_{r_1 \mid r_1}(\varphi)$  which satisfies the equality (4).

And what is the reliability approach to identification? It is necessary to determine the optimal dependence of  $E^*_{l_1=r_1|m_1\neq r_1}$  upon given  $E^*_{l_1\neq r_1|m_1=r_1}=E^*_{r_1|r_1}$ , which can be assigned value satisfying conditions (15). We need to be given some probabilities of the hypotheses.

The result from paper [2] is:

Theorem 2: In the case of distinct PDs  $G_1, G_2, ..., G_{L_1}$ , for a given sample  $\mathbf{x}_1$  we define its type Q, and when  $Q \in \mathcal{R}_{r_1}^{(N)}$  we accept the hypothesis  $r_1$ . Under condition that the probabilities of all  $L_1$  hypotheses are positive the reliability of such test  $E_{l_1=r_1|m_1\neq r_1}$  for given  $E_{l_1\neq r_1|m_1=r_1}=E_{r_1|r_1}$  is the following:

$$E_{l_1=r_1|m_1\neq r_1}(E_{r_1|r_1}) = \min_{m_1:m_1\neq r_1} \inf_{Q:D(Q\|G_{r_1})\leq E_{r_1|r_1}} D(Q\|G_{m_1}), \quad r_1\in [1,L_1].$$

### 3. LAO Testing of Hypotheses for Dependent Object

Now we consider the second statistically dependent object defined in Section 1. For given positive elements  $E_{1|l_1,m_1,1}, E_{2|l_1,m_1,2}, \ldots, E_{L_2-1|l_1,m_1,L_2-1}$  for each pair  $l_1,m_1=\overline{1,L_1}$  we can divide the set  $\mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X})$  on  $L_2$  subsets, as follows:

$$\mathcal{R}_{l_2|l_1} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{Q: D(Q||G_{l_2|l_1}) \le E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}\}, \quad l_2 = \overline{1,L_2-1}, \tag{16.a}$$

$$\mathcal{R}_{L_2|l_1} \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \{Q: D(Q||G_{l_2|l_1}) > E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}, \quad l_2 = \overline{1,L_2-1}\} = \mathcal{P}(\mathcal{X}) - \bigcup_{l_2=1}^{L_2-1} \mathcal{R}_{l_2|l_1}, \quad (16.b)$$

and consider the following values of reliabilities.

$$\widetilde{E}_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}^* = E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}(E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}, \quad l_2 = 1, \overline{L_2 - 1},$$

$$\widetilde{E}^* = F^* = (E_1 + 1) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} 1, F_2 = 1, F_3 = 1, F_4 = 1, F_4 = 1, F_5 = 1, F_6 = 1, F_6 = 1, F_7 = 1, F$$

$$E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^* = E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^*(E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_{l_2,l_1}} D(Q||G_{m_2/m_1}),$$

$$m_2 - 1, L_2, \quad m_2 \neq l_2, l_2 = \overline{1, L_2 - 1}.$$
(17)

$$E_{L_{2}|l_{1},m_{1},m_{2}}^{*} = E_{M|l_{1},m_{1},m_{2}}^{*}(E_{1}|l_{1},m_{1},1,\dots,E_{L_{2}-1}|l_{1},m_{1},L_{2}-1) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \inf_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_{L_{2}/l_{1}}} D(Q||G_{m_{2}/m_{1}}),$$

$$(17.b)$$

$$m_2 = \overline{1, L_2 - 1},$$
 (17.c)

$$E_{L_2|l_1,m_1,L_2}^* = E_{L_2|l_1,m_1,L_2}^*(E_{1|l_1,m_1,1}, \dots, E_{L_2-1|l_1,m_1,L_2-1}) \stackrel{\triangle}{=} \min_{l_2=1,L_2-1} E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,L_2}^*.$$
 (17.d)

The particular case of the main result of paper [8] is:

Theorem 3: If the distributions  $G_{l_2|l_1}$ ,  $l_2 = \overline{1, L_2}$ , are distinct, that is all elements of the matrix  $\{D(G_{l_2|l_1}||G_{m_2|l_1})\}$  are strictly positive, then two statements hold:

a) when the given numbers  $E_{1|l_1,m_1,1}, E_{2|l_1,m_1,2}, \dots, E_{L_2-1|l_1,m_1,L_2-1}$  satisfy conditions

$$0 < E_{1|l_1,m_1,1} < \min_{l=2,L_2} D(G_{l_2|l_1}||G_{1|m_1}),$$
 (18.a)

$$0 < E_{m_2|l_1,m_1,m_2} < \min \left[ \min_{l_2 = \overline{1,m_2 - 1}} E^*_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}), \min_{l_2 = \overline{m_2 + 1,L_2}} D(G_{l_2|l_1}||G_{m_2|m_1}) \right],$$

$$m_2 = \overline{2,L_2 - 1}, \qquad (18.b)$$

then there exists a LAO sequence of tests  $\varphi^*$ , the reliability matrix of which  $\mathbf{E}(\varphi_2^*) = \{E_{l_2 \mu_1, m_1, m_2}^*\}$  is defined in (17) and all elements of it are strictly positive;

b) even if one of conditions (18) is violated, then the reliability matrix of any such test includes at least one element equal to zero (that is the corresponding error probability does not tend to zero exponentially).

Corollary 2: If in contradiction to conditions (18) one or several elements  $E_{m_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}$ ,  $m_2 \in [1, L_2 - 1]$ , of the reliability matrix are equal to zero, then the elements of the matrix determined in functions of this  $E_{m_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}$  will be given as in the case of Stain's lemma [?]

$$E'_{m_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}(E_{m_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}) = D(G_{m_2|m_1}||G_{l_2|l_1}), \quad l_2 = \overline{1,L_2}, \ l_2 \neq m_2,$$

and the remaining elements of the matrix  $E(\varphi^*)$  are defined by  $E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2} > 0$ ,  $l_2 \neq m_2$ ,  $l_2 = \overline{1, L_2 - 1}$ , as follows from Theorem 3:

$$\begin{split} E'_{l_2|l_1,m_1,k} &= \inf_{Q:D(Q||G_{l_2|l_1}) \leq E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}} D(Q||G_{m_2|m_1}), \\ E'_{M|l_1,m_1,k} &= \inf_{Q:D(Q||G_{l|l_1}) > E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}, i = \overline{1,L_2-1}} D(Q||G_{m_2|m_1}). \end{split}$$

# 4. Identification of the Probability Distribution of Dependent Object

There exists two error probabilities for each  $r_2 \in [1, L_2]$ : the probability  $\alpha_{l_2 \neq r_2 \mid l_1, m_1, m_2 \neq r_2}(\varphi_N)$  to accept  $l_2$  different from  $r_2$ , when  $r_2$  is in reality, and the probability  $\alpha_{l_2 = r_2 \mid l_1, m_2, m_2 \neq r_2}(\varphi_N)$  that  $r_2$  is accepted, when it is not correct.

The probability  $\alpha_{l_2\neq r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2=r_2}(\varphi_N)$  is already known, it coincides with the probability  $\alpha_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}(\varphi_N)$  which is equal to  $\sum_{l_2:l_2\neq r_2}\alpha_{l_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}(\varphi_N)$ . The corresponding reliability  $E_{l_2\neq r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2=r_2}(\varphi)$  is equal to  $E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}(\varphi)$  which satisfies the equality (7).

And what is the reliability approach to identification? It is necessary to determine the optimal dependence of  $E^*_{l_2=r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2\neq r_2}$  upon given  $E^*_{l_2\neq r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2=r_2}=E^*_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}$ , which can be assigned value satisfying conditions (18).

Theorem 4: In the case of distinct PDs  $G_{1|l_1}, G_{2|l_1}, ..., G_{L_2|l_1}$ , for a given sample  $\mathbf{x}_2$  we define its type Q, and when  $Q \in \mathcal{R}_{r_2|l_1}^{(N)}$  we accept the hypothesis  $r_2$ . Under condition that the probabilities of all  $L_2$  hypotheses are positive the reliability of such test  $E_{l_2=r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2\neq r_2}$  for given  $E_{l_2\neq r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2=r_2} = E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}$  is the following:

$$E_{l_2=r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2\neq r_2}(E_{r_2|r_2}) = \min_{m_2:m_2\neq r_2} \inf_{Q:D(Q||G_{r_2}/l_1)\leq E_{r_2}|l_1,m_1,r_2} D(Q||G_{m_2|m_1}), \quad r_2\in [1,L_2].$$

The proof is semilar to those for the case of one object.

Identification of the Probability Distributions of Two Statistically Dependent Objects.

The LAO test  $\Phi^*$  is the compound test consisting of the pair of LAO tests  $\varphi^{*,1}$  and  $\varphi^{*,2}$  for respective separate objects, and for it the equalities (11.a), (11.b) and (11.c) take place. The statistician have to answer the question whether the pair of distributions  $(r_1, r_2)$  occurred or not. Let us consider two types of error probabilities for each pair  $(r_1, r_2)$ ,  $r_1 \in [1, L_1], r_2 \in [1, L_2]$ . We denote by  $\alpha^N_{(l_1, l_2) \neq (r_1, r_2)|(m_1, m_2) = (r_1, r_2)}$  the probability, that pair  $(r_1, r_2)$  is true, but it is rejected. Note that this probability is equal to  $\alpha_{r_1, r_2|r_1, r_2}(\Phi_N)$ . Let  $\alpha^N_{(l_1, l_2) = (r_1, r_2)|(m_1, m_2) \neq (r_1, r_2)}$  be the probability that  $(r_1, r_2)$  is accepted, when it is not correct. The corresponding reliabilities are  $E_{(l_1, l_2) \neq (r_1, r_2)|(m_1, m_2) \neq (r_1, r_2)}$ . Our aim is to determine the dependence of  $E_{(l_1, l_2) = (r_1, r_2)|(m_1, m_2) \neq (r_1, r_2)}$  on given  $E_{r_1, r_2|r_1, r_2}(\Phi_N)$ .

Now let us suppose that hypotheses  $G_1, G_2, ..., G_{L_1}$  have a priori positive probabilities  $\Pr(r_1), r_1 = \overline{1, L_1}$  and  $G_{1|l_1}, G_{2|l_1}, ..., G_{L_2|l_1}$  have a priori positive conditional probabilities  $\Pr(r_2|l_1), r_2 = \overline{1, L_2}$ , and consider the probability, which we are interested:

$$\alpha^N_{(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)} = \frac{\Pr^N((m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2),(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2))}{\Pr((m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2))} =$$

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$$=\frac{\sum\limits_{(m_1,m_2):(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)}\alpha_{(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)}\Pr((m_1,m_2))}{\sum\limits_{(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)}\Pr(m_1,m_2)}.$$

Consequently, we obtain that

$$E_{(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)} = \min_{(m_1,m_2):(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)} E_{r_1,r_2|m_1,m_2}.$$
(19)

For every LAO test Φ\* from (10), (11) and (19) we obtain that

$$E_{(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)} = \min_{m_1\neq r_1,m_2\neq r_2} \left( E_{r_1|m_1}(E_{r_1|r_1}), E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}) \right), \quad (20)$$

where  $E_{r_1|m_1}(E_{r_1|r_1})$ ,  $E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2})$  are determined by (14) and (17) for, correspondingly, the first and the second objects. For every LAO test  $\Phi^*$  from (10) and (11) we deduce that

$$E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2} = \min_{m_1 \neq r_1, m_2 \neq r_2} \left( E_{r_1|m_1}, E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2} \right) = \min \left( E_{r_1|r_1}, E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2} \right). \tag{21}$$

and each of  $E_{r_1|r_1}$ ,  $E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}$  satisfy the following conditions:

$$0 < E_{r_1|r_1} < \min \left[ \min_{l_1 = \overline{l_1}, r_1 - 1} E^*_{l_1|r_1}(E_{l_1|l_1}), \min_{l_1 = r_1 + 1, M} D(G_{l_1}||G_{r_1}) \right],$$
 (22.a)

$$0 < E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2} < \min \left[ \min_{l_2 = 1,r_2 - 1} E^*_{l_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}(E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}), \min_{l_2 = r_2 + 1,M} D(G_{l_2|l_1}||G_{r_2|m_1}) \right]. \quad (22.b)$$

From (14.b) and (17.b) we see that the elements  $E_{l_1|m_1}^*(E_{l_1|l_1})$ ,  $l_1 = \overline{1, r_1 - 1}$  and  $E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}^*(E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2})$ ,  $l_2 = \overline{1, r_2 - 1}$  are determined only by  $E_{l_1|l_1}$  and  $E_{l_2|l_1,m_1,l_2}$ . But we are considering only elements  $E_{r_1|r_1}$  and  $E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}$ . We can use Corollary 1, Corollary 2 and upper estimates (22.a), (22.b) as follows:

$$0 < E_{r_1|r_1} < \min \left[ \min_{l=\overline{1},r_1-\overline{1}} D(G_{r_1}||G_{l_1}), \min_{l_1=\overline{r_1}+\overline{1},\overline{M}} D(G_{l_1}||G_{r_1}) \right], \quad (23.a)$$

$$0 < E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2} < \min \left[ \min_{l_2 = 1,r_2 - 1} D(G_{r_2|m_1}||G_{l_2|l_1}), \min_{l_2 = r_2 + 1,M} D(G_{l_2|l_1}||G_{r_2|m_1}) \right]. \tag{23.b}$$

From (20) we have that, when  $E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2} = E_{r_1|r_1}$ , then  $E_{r_1|r_1} \leq E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}$  and when  $E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2} = E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2}$ , then  $E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,r_2} \leq E_{r_1|r_1}$ . Hence, it can be implied that given strictly positive elemen  $E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2}$  must meet both inequalities (23.a) and (23.b).

Using (21) we can determine reliability  $E_{(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)}$  in function of  $E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2}$  as follows:

$$E_{(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)}\left(E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2}\right) = \min_{m_1\neq r_1,m_2\neq r_2} \left[E_{r_1|m_1}(E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2}), E_{r_2|m_2}(E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2})\right], \tag{24}$$

where  $E_{r_1|m_1}(E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2})$  and  $E_{r_2|l_1,m_1,m_2}(E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2})$  are determined respectively by (14.b) and by (17.b). Finally we obtained

Theorem 5: If the distributions  $G_{m_1}$ , and  $G_{m_2|m_1}$ ,  $m_1 = \overline{1, L_1}$ ,  $m_2 = \overline{1, L_2}$  are different and the given strictly positive number  $E_{r_1,r_2|r_1,r_2}$  satisfy condition (23.a) or (23.b), then the reliability  $E_{(l_1,l_2)=(r_1,r_2)|(m_1,m_2)\neq(r_1,r_2)}$  can be calculated by (24).

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