
Copula Estimation Method of the Running Accuracy of Ball Bearing

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Abstract: The bearing is an assembly consisting of multiple elements and its performance is shown mainly as its running accuracy which is influenced by many factors including its elements' geometrical precision. The influence of elements geometrical precision on bearing running accuracy is joint effect when multiple elements are assembled together. So there must be dependent relationships between bearing running accuracy and the joint action of multiple elements. Such relationship was very complicated and difficultly described by mathematical formula. But, the elements' geometrical precision follow statistics law, and so, statistics can be applied to analyzing elements' dimension distribution law and construct joint distribution function. The copula function can be introduced to establish the transmit relationships that join the running accuracy to multiple elements geometrical precision. Based on the copula estimation of distribution algorithm, the mathematic modeling of the radial and face run out distribution of the bearing and elements dimension precision distribution can be built to forecast bearings running accuracy.

Keywords: Bearings, Running Accuracy, Copula Function, Dimension Precision

1. Introduction

Ball bearings can be considered as the system consisting of inner ring, outer ring, cage and rolling elements which have themselves geometrical precision. The geometrical precision of these elements can produce very large influence on the running accuracy of the bearing. But few studies about the relationship between them have been reported. In general, the running accuracy of bearings can be estimated by measuring the radial run out and the face run out of finished bearings after assembly and very difficultly gained before assembly. After the elements of bearing were assembled together, they must influence on each other and on the running accuracy of bearings at last. So, there must be the connection between the geometrical precision of elements and the running accuracy of the bearing, but this connection can be difficultly expressed by mathematical formula. However, the geometrical precisions of elements and the running accuracy of bearing follow the regularities of distribution which can be obtained with statistical analysis. The delivered and mapped relation

between the joint distribution of the running accuracy and the multivariate distribution of the element geometrical precision can be constructed by Copula function. So, before assembly the finished bearings can be estimated by element geometrical precision.

Theory of copula can be traced back to the work of Sklar in 1959, who constructed the copulas function that join or "couple" multivariate distribution functions to their one-dimensional marginal distribution functions [1]. Since 1990s, the theory and method of copulas function have been rapidly developing at home and abroad and applied to traffic, finance, insurance, buildings, machine system, space technology and so on [2-16]. General estimation of distribution algorithm can't construct appropriate joint multivariate distribution function which can designate relativity between marginal univariate distribution function and multivariate joint distribution function. But, Copula function can construct multivariate joint distribution function to analyzing relativity among variables by connecting joint distribution to marginal distribution. Meanwhile, comparing with PPCA, BOA algorithm, Copula function can be applied

to distribution estimation with less operation and can preferably expressed distribution situation of dominant group [17]. With copula function, statistics method can be adopted to analyzing the distribution feature of elements geometrical precision of bearings and the dependence relation between the running accuracy of bearings and multivariate distribution of elements. So, the running accuracy of bearings can be estimated by constructing the mathematic model between the running accuracy and elements geometrical precision before assembly.

2. Copula Theory

2.1. Copula Function

Copula function, also called connective function or dependent function, can connect the joint distribution function of multivariate with marginal distribution function and can also distinguish dependent structure from marginal feature in multivariate distribution. These ideas came from Sklar theorem: the joint distribution function can be decomposed into multiple marginal distribution function and one joint Copula function which join multiple marginal distributions to analyze dependence among variables [18, 19].

2.2. Confirming Copula Function

Copula function need two steps to join the joint distribution function of multivariate to marginal distribution function [20]:

2.2.1. Joint Distribution Function

Set $F_1(x_1), F_2(x_2), F_3(x_3), \dots, F_n(x_n)$ as continuous marginal distribution function, which joint distribution function was set as $H(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$. These exists a Copula function being written as followed as:

$$\begin{aligned} C(F_1(x_1), F_2(x_2), F_3(x_3), \dots, F_n(x_n)) \\ = H(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

Set $W_1 = F_1(x_1), W_2 = F_2(x_2), \dots, W_n = F_n(x_n)$, the equation (1) can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} C(W_1, W_2, \dots, W_n) \\ = H(F_1^{-1}(W_1), F_2^{-1}(W_2), \dots, F_n^{-1}(W_n)) \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

2.2.2. Copula Function

From the definition of Copula function, many functions can be set as Copula function; two most studied functions were elliptic Copula function and Archimedean Copula function. The most obvious feature of elliptic Copula is that its variables have the same type distribution. The most type of elliptic Copula which was commonly used is multivariate Gaussian Copula (MVN) and multivariate student's Copula (MVT) [21].

Multivariate Gaussian Copula function and its density

function can be expressed as followed:

$$\begin{aligned} C(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N; \rho) \\ = \Phi_\rho(\Phi^{-1}(u_1), \Phi^{-1}(u_2), \dots, \Phi^{-1}(u_N)) \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

$$\begin{aligned} c(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_N; \rho) \\ = |\rho|^{-1/2} \exp(-1/2 \zeta'(\rho^{-1} - I)\zeta) \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

where: $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \dots, \zeta_N)'$, $\zeta_n = \Phi^{-1}(u_n)$,

$n=1, 2, 3, \dots, N$, ρ is symmetrical positive matrix which elements in the diagonal line are 1, $|\rho|$ is determinant value of corresponding matrix. $\Phi_\rho(\cdot)$ expresses multivariate standard normal distribution function, $\Phi^{-1}(u)$ is the verse function of $\Phi(u)$, I is the unit matrix.

Copula functions have much superiority in constructing joint distribution function of random variable as followed:

- 1) Copula theory doesn't limit selecting marginal function type and can construct flexibly joint distribution by Copula function;
- 2) when construct mathematical model with Copula function, marginal distribution reports just individual information of univariate, while the information between variables can be shown by Copula function. So marginal distribution of variables and correlativity among them can be studied dividually [22].

3. The Running Accuracy of Bearings

3.1. The Summary of Running Accuracy

To insure running accuracy of transmission parts, antifricition bearing need controlling the radial run out and face run out of bearings in a certain range. The running accuracy of bearings relates to radial run out of inner-outer rings, the face run out of inner-outer ring to raceway, the run out of the benchmark face of inner ring to inner diameter, the tilt chance of prime line in outer ring to benchmark face in which the radial run outs and the face run out of bearings are the important indexes [23].

3.2. Influencing Factors on Running Accuracy

There are many factors influencing the running accuracy of antifricition bearing. Besides loading, the running accuracy can be mainly affected by bearing geometrical precisions (dimension and shape precision of inner ring, dimension and shape precision of outer ring, dimension precision of rollers), radial internal clearance and the number of rollers [24]. When antifricition bearing running, the running accuracy can also be affected by the assembled pattern, pretightening force, working load, temperature and lubrication. In the paper, the radial run out and the face run out will be applied to analyzing the running accuracy of bearing.

4. Mathematic Modeling

4.1. The Stochastic Variables

Before assembling, the bearing components are independent in geometry accuracy distribution and have self-correlation. But, after assembling, they will influence on and interact with each other. Because of accidental factors in machining, the dimension precision of the inner ring, outer ring and roller has certain randomness and then assembling them is also a stochastic process. So the running accuracy of the finished bearing must be influenced by the geometrical precision of all elements.

Take the deep groove ball bearing for example, the radial run out of bearing and the face run out of bearing to raceway are the important indexes influencing on the running accuracy of bearing. In this paper, without regard for the influence of the cage and other factors, only the inner ring, outer ring and rollers were applied to analyzing the running accuracy of bearing. The influence of the dimension of the raceway in inner ring, the dimension of the raceway in outer ring and the roller dimension on the precision of bearing is the combined efforts. We can

analyze the dimension precision of inner-outer raceway and rollers to estimate the radial run outs and face run out of bearing and then to know the running accuracy of bearing.

Set the radial run-out and face run out of bearing as variables W_t , D_t respectively. For raceway dimension of inner-outer ring, set the upper deviation of raceway in outer ring as x_e and the lower deviation of raceway in inner ring as x_i respectively. The influence of the roller on bearing precision is a group effect and uniformity of all rollers. The absolute value of the difference between the biggest and smallest dimension of rollers assembled to the bearing is set as random variable x_r .

Take 100 groups bearing elements to be numbered and measured respectively and gain 100 groups data about x_e , x_i , x_r . After this 100 groups being assembled, the radial run outs of bearings and the face run outs of bearings were measured in the measuring device and get 100 groups data about W_t , D_t . Due to limitations on space, only the first 10 groups data measured of W_t , D_t , x_e , x_i , x_r list in table 1. Considering that the measuring equipment has error itself, the data in table 1 had been processed by error separation. The following analysis will come from 100 group data.

Table 1. The first 10 groups' data measured.

No.	W_t (mm)	D_t (mm)	x_e (mm)	x_i (mm)	x_r (mm)
1	0.0085	0.0043	0.0035	0.0056	0.0024
2	0.0036	0.0025	0.0057	0.0026	0.0016
3	0.0046	0.0017	0.0031	0.004	0.0014
4	0.0075	0.0178	0.0098	0.0102	0.0029
5	0.0053	0.0064	0.0028	0.0075	0.0026
6	0.0085	0.012	0.0048	0.0083	0.003
7	0.0068	0.0076	0.0054	0.0078	0.0025
8	0.0072	0.0185	0.0148	0.0038	0.0034
9	0.001	0.005	0.0065	0.0045	0.0012
10	0.0112	0.0094	0.0078	0.0092	0.0022

4.2. Data Statistical Analysis

4.2.1. Estimating and Verifying of Variables Distribution

For searching for the factors influencing on the radial run-out and the face run out of bearings, the dimension distribution of bearing elements need to be analyzed. The distribution histogram and kernel density estimation of the upper deviation of the raceway diameter in outer ring, the lower deviation of the raceway diameter in inner ring and largest- smallest difference absolute of rollers are shown in Figure 1. The histogram and kernel density estimation of the radial run-out and the face run out of bearings are shown in Figure 2. Form Figure 1 and Figure 2, each stochastic variable

distribution approximately followed normal distribution, but it was only the hypothesis, their normal distributions need to be tested and verified. The results were shown in table 2. In table 2, μ is mean value, σ is variance, $\hat{\mu}$, $\hat{\sigma}$ are the estimated value of mean value and variance respectively, P is probability of statistics. In normal condition, if $P > 0.05$, the hypothesis is true, or else, $P \leq 0.05$, false.

From the table 2, the above hypothesis about the upper deviation of the raceway diameter in outer ring, the lower deviation of the raceway diameter in inner ring, largest-smallest difference absolute of rollers, the radial run out of outer ring and the face run out can't be refused.

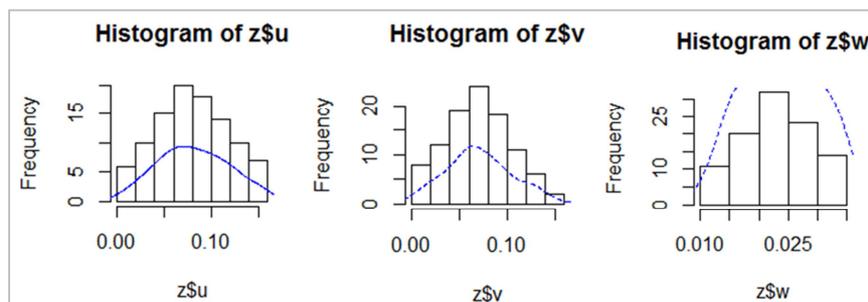


Figure 1. The histogram and kernel density estimation of x_e (mm), x_i (mm), x_r (mm).

Table 2. Parameters estimated value and verified result of hypothesis.

variables	parameters estimated value				verified result of hypothesis	
	μ	σ	$\hat{\mu}$	$\hat{\sigma}$	p	$p > 0.05$
x_e	8.035	3.655862	8.035	3.637	0.3896	acceptance
x_i	6.813	3.266811	6.813	3.250436	0.459	acceptance
x_r	2.346	0.5838604	2.346	0.5809337	0.4327	acceptance
W_t	9.286	4.647852	9.286	4.721862	0.1942	acceptance
D_t	6.394	2.962191	6.394	2.962191	0.1428	acceptance

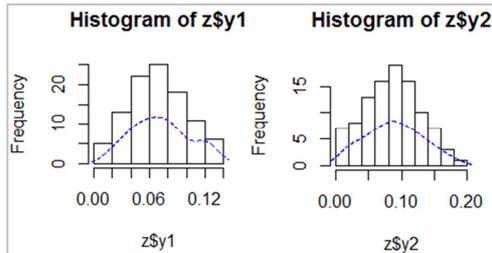


Figure 2. The histogram and kernel density estimation of $W_t(mm)$, $D_t(mm)$.

4.2.2. Analyzing Relativity Between Stochastic Variables

The covariance matrix between variables in table 1 is shown in table 3. It can be seen that there are very strong relativity between the radial run out, face run out of bearing and the dimension of raceway in outer ring, the dimension of

raceway in inner ring and the dimension difference of rollers. Because of error in dimension, the bearing running must cause the run out of the outer ring. The bigger the error, the more serious the run out. In addition, from the table 3, the raceway in inner ring has stronger relativity with the radial run out than that in outer ring. Before assembly, the raceway in outer ring, the raceway in inner ring and rollers are independent of each other but after assembly, they relate with each other and influence on the whole performance of bearing. The relation chart between x_e , x_i , x_r and W_t , D_t can also be seen in Figure 3. From Figure 3, W_t , D_t have relation to x_i , x_e , especially, stronger relation to x_r that illustrate the running accuracy of bearing bears very stronger relation to the dimension uniformity of rollers. In the precision range, the smaller the difference, the more uniform and the less the run out.

Table 3. The covariance matrix between variables.

	W_t	D_t	x_e	x_i	x_r
W_t	1.0000	0.5335	0.5764	0.2846	0.5924
D_t	0.5335	1.0000	0.5769	0.1613	0.4693
x_e	0.5764	0.5769	1.0000	0.0720	0.5230
x_i	0.2846	0.1613	0.0720	1.0000	0.3788
x_r	0.5924	0.4693	0.5230	0.3788	1.0000

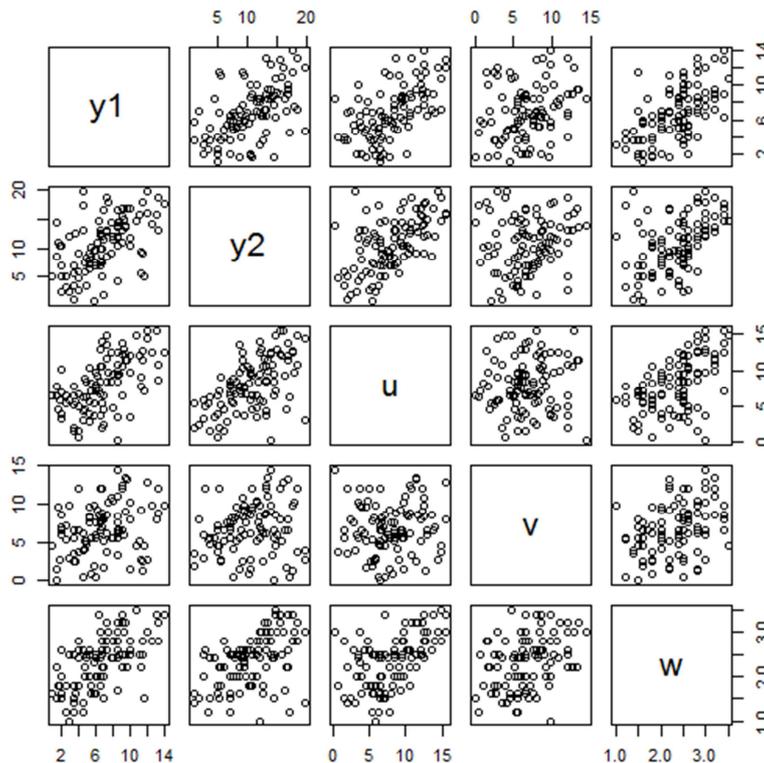


Figure 3. The relationship between x_i , x_e , x_r , W_t and D_t .

4.3. Constructing Mathematic Modeling

4.3.1. Mathematic Modeling

After the bearing being assembled, the influence of the dimensional precision of the inner-outer raceway and roller on the bearing running accuracy is the joint effect which can be described very difficultly with ordinary mathematics method. According to Sklar theory, copula function can construct a joint multivariate distribution function with one-dimensional distribution function. So the copula function can be introduced to construct a modeling to estimate the radial run-out of the bearing with multiple one-dimensional marginal distribution function. For being easy to write, the random variables x_e, x_i, x_r and Wt, Dt can be replaced by u, v, w and y_1, y_2 respectively. Their distribution functions are $F(u), F(v), F(w), F(y_1), F(y_2)$ respectively.

From the above section 3.2.1, u, v, w satisfy the normal distribution, their distribution function can be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} F(u) &= \Phi\left(\frac{u-\mu_u}{\sigma_u}\right) \\ F(v) &= \Phi\left(\frac{v-\mu_v}{\sigma_v}\right) \\ F(w) &= \Phi\left(\frac{w-\mu_w}{\sigma_w}\right) \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Where $\mu_u, \sigma_u, \mu_v, \sigma_v, \mu_w, \sigma_w$ are mean values and variances of u, v, w , respectively, their density function can be written respectively as:

$$\begin{aligned} f(u) &= \varphi\left(\frac{u-\mu_u}{\sigma_u}\right) \\ f(v) &= \varphi\left(\frac{v-\mu_v}{\sigma_v}\right) \\ f(w) &= \varphi\left(\frac{w-\mu_w}{\sigma_w}\right) \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

The radial run-out of the bearing is the joint effect of inner-outer raceway and rollers. Let $F(u, v, w)$ denote the joint distribution of u, v, w , while $F(u), F(v), F(w)$ express marginal distribution function of u, v, w , there exist the relation between the radial run-out distribution function $F(y_1)$ and $F(u, v, w)$, and the relation between the face run out distribution function $F(y_2)$ and $F(u, v, w)$ which can be expressed as:

$$\begin{aligned} F(y_1) &\sim F(u, v, w) \\ F(y_2) &\sim F(u, v, w) \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

The joint distribution function $F(u, v, w)$ which has three-dimension random variables is very complicated to be analyzed. For convenience of estimating parameters, three-dimension joint distribution function $F(u, v, w)$ can be simplified into two-dimensional distribution function with two-dimension random variables and then revised every item with revised parameter. The pair-wise joint distribution functions can be written as two-dimensional distribution

function $F(u, v), F(v, w), F(w, u)$. Constructing modeling as followed:

$$\begin{cases} F(y_1) = \lambda_1 F(u, v) + \lambda_2 F(v, w) + \lambda_3 F(w, u) \\ F(y_2) = \kappa_1 F(u, v) + \kappa_2 F(v, w) + \kappa_3 F(w, u) \end{cases} \tag{8}$$

Where, $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \kappa_1, \kappa_2, \kappa_3$ are revising parameters, and the density function modeling are obtained as followed:

$$\begin{cases} f(y_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1) = \lambda_1 f(u, v, \rho_{uv}) \\ \quad + \lambda_2 f(v, w, \rho_{vw}) + \lambda_3 f(w, u, \rho_{wu}) \\ f(y_2, \mu_2, \sigma_2) = \kappa_1 f(u, v, \rho_{uv}) \\ \quad + \kappa_2 f(v, w, \rho_{vw}) + \kappa_3 f(w, u, \rho_{wu}) \end{cases} \tag{9}$$

Where the ρ_{uv} is the correlation coefficient between u and v , ρ_{vw} is the correlation coefficient between v and w , ρ_{wu} is the correlation coefficient between u and w .

4.3.2. Constructing copula Function

Copula function is referred to as dependent function or copula function which joins or couples multivariate distribution functions to their one-dimensional marginal distribution functions. The one-dimensional marginal distribution function of the two-dimensional multivariate distribution functions $F(u, v)$ is $F(u), F(v)$. Similarly, The one-dimensional marginal distribution function of Two-dimensional multivariate distribution functions $F(v, w), F(w, u)$ is $F(v), F(w)$ and $F(w), F(u)$ respectively. There exists a copula function $C(F(u), F(v))$ set as:

$$F(u, v) = C(F(u), F(v)) \tag{10}$$

Similarly, there exist copula functions $C(F(v), F(w))$ and $C(F(w), F(u))$ respectively set as:

$$\begin{aligned} F(v, w) &= C(F(v), F(w)) \\ F(w, u) &= C(F(w), F(u)) \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

From the section 2.2, the radial run-out of bearing approximately satisfies the normal distribution and Gauss copula function can be applied to construct copula function. Now, for the expression (10), (11) there exists three Gaussian copula functions $C_G(F(u), F(v))$ [22-23], $C_G(F(v), F(w))$, $C_G(F(w), F(u))$ can be written as:

$$\begin{cases} F(u, v) = C(F(u), F(v)) = C_G(F(u), F(v)) \\ F(v, w) = C(F(v), F(w)) = C_G(F(v), F(w)) \\ F(w, u) = C(F(w), F(u)) = C_G(F(w), F(u)) \end{cases} \tag{12}$$

$$\begin{cases} C_G(F(u), F(v)) = \Phi(F^{-1}(u), F^{-1}(v)) \\ C_G(F(v), F(w)) = \Phi(F^{-1}(v), F^{-1}(w)) \\ C_G(F(w), F(u)) = \Phi(F^{-1}(w), F^{-1}(u)) \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

Where $\Phi(\cdot)$ is two-dimensional normal distribution function, $F^{-1}(u)$, $F^{-1}(v)$, $F^{-1}(w)$ are the inverse function of $F(u)$, $F(v)$, $F(w)$ respectively.

$$\begin{cases} C_G(F(u), F(v), \rho_{uv}) = \int_{-\infty}^{F^{-1}(u)} \int_{-\infty}^{F^{-1}(v)} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \\ \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{uv}^2)}\left[\frac{(r-\mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2} - 2\rho_{uv}\frac{(r-\mu_u)(s-\mu_v)}{2\sigma_u\sigma_v} + \frac{(s-\mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2}\right]\right\} dr ds \\ C_G(F(u), F(v), \rho_{uv}) = \int_{-\infty}^{F^{-1}(u)} \int_{-\infty}^{F^{-1}(v)} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \\ \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{uv}^2)}\left[\frac{(r-\mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2} - 2\rho_{uv}\frac{(r-\mu_u)(s-\mu_v)}{2\sigma_u\sigma_v} + \frac{(s-\mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2}\right]\right\} dr ds \\ C_G(F(u), F(v), \rho_{uv}) = \int_{-\infty}^{F^{-1}(u)} \int_{-\infty}^{F^{-1}(v)} \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \\ \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{uv}^2)}\left[\frac{(r-\mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2} - 2\rho_{uv}\frac{(r-\mu_u)(s-\mu_v)}{2\sigma_u\sigma_v} + \frac{(s-\mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2}\right]\right\} dr ds \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

Where ρ_{uv} is the correlation coefficient between u and v .

The density function of $C_G(F(u), F(v))$, $C_G(F(v), F(w))$, $C_G(F(w), F(u))$ is $c(F(u), F(v))$, $c(F(v), F(w))$, $c(F(w), F(u))$ respectively and the density functions of marginal distribution functions $F(u)$, $F(v)$, $F(w)$ were $f(u)$, $f(v)$, $f(w)$ respectively. So, the density function of $F(u, v)$, $F(v, w)$, $F(w, u)$ is written as:

$$\begin{cases} f(u, v, \rho_{uv}) = c(F(u), F(v)) \cdot f(u) \cdot f(v) \\ f(v, w, \rho_{vw}) = c(F(v), F(w)) \cdot f(v) \cdot f(w) \\ f(w, u, \rho_{wu}) = c(F(w), F(u)) \cdot f(w) \cdot f(u) \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

Where:

$$\begin{cases} c(F(u), F(v)) = \frac{\partial\Phi(F^{-1}(u), F^{-1}(v))}{\partial F^{-1}(u)\partial F^{-1}(v)} \left(\frac{\partial(u-\mu_u)/\sigma_u}{\partial u}\right) \left(\frac{\partial(v-\mu_v)/\sigma_v}{\partial v}\right) \\ = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho_{uv}^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{uv}^2)}\left[\frac{(u-\mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2} - 2\rho_{uv}\frac{(u-\mu_u)(v-\mu_v)}{2\sigma_u\sigma_v} + \frac{(v-\mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2}\right]\right\} \\ c(F(v), F(w)) = \frac{\partial\Phi(F^{-1}(v), F^{-1}(w))}{\partial F^{-1}(v)\partial F^{-1}(w)} \left(\frac{\partial(v-\mu_v)/\sigma_v}{\partial v}\right) \left(\frac{\partial(w-\mu_w)/\sigma_w}{\partial w}\right) \\ = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_v\sigma_w\sqrt{1-\rho_{vw}^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{vw}^2)}\left[\frac{(v-\mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2} - 2\rho_{vw}\frac{(v-\mu_v)(w-\mu_w)}{2\sigma_v\sigma_w} + \frac{(w-\mu_w)^2}{\sigma_w^2}\right]\right\} \\ c(F(w), F(u)) = \frac{\partial\Phi(F^{-1}(w), F^{-1}(u))}{\partial F^{-1}(w)\partial F^{-1}(u)} \left(\frac{\partial(w-\mu_w)/\sigma_w}{\partial w}\right) \left(\frac{\partial(u-\mu_u)/\sigma_u}{\partial u}\right) \\ = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_w\sigma_u\sqrt{1-\rho_{wu}^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{wu}^2)}\left[\frac{(w-\mu_w)^2}{\sigma_w^2} - 2\rho_{wu}\frac{(w-\mu_w)(u-\mu_u)}{2\sigma_w\sigma_u} + \frac{(u-\mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2}\right]\right\} \end{cases} \quad (16)$$

The method of Maximum Likelihood can be applied to estimate parameters. The log-likelihood function of the joint

distribution function can be expressed as:

$$\begin{cases} \ln L(f(u, v, \rho_{uv})) = \Pi f(u, v, \rho_{uv}) = \sum_{n=1}^N [\ln f(u_n) + \ln f(v_n)] + \sum_{n=1}^N \ln c_n(F(u), F(v)) \\ \ln L(f(v, w, \rho_{vw})) = \Pi f(v, w, \rho_{vw}) = \sum_{n=1}^N [\ln f(v_n) + \ln f(w_n)] + \sum_{n=1}^N \ln c_n(F(v), F(w)) \\ \ln L(f(w, u, \rho_{wu})) = \Pi f(w, u, \rho_{wu}) = \sum_{n=1}^N [\ln f(w_n) + \ln f(u_n)] + \sum_{n=1}^N \ln c_n(F(w), F(u)) \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

According to the data of Table.1, the parameter ρ_{uv} is estimated as:

$$\rho_{uv} = 0.0364$$

In the same way, the parameter ρ_{vw} , ρ_{wu} are estimated as follows:

$$\rho_{vw} = 0.1912, \quad \rho_{wu} = 0.2638$$

Substitute equation (15) into equation (9), the density modeling can be written as:

$$\begin{cases} f(y_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1) = \lambda_1 c(F(u), F(v)) \cdot f(u) \cdot f(v) \\ \quad + \lambda_2 c(F(v), F(w)) \cdot f(v) \cdot f(w) + \lambda_3 c(F(w), F(u)) \cdot f(w) \cdot f(u) \\ f(y_2, \mu_2, \sigma_2) = \kappa_1 c(F(u), F(v)) \cdot f(u) \cdot f(v) \\ \quad + \kappa_2 c(F(v), F(w)) \cdot f(v) \cdot f(w) + \kappa_3 c(F(w), F(u)) \cdot f(w) \cdot f(u) \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

The variables y_1, y_2 comply with the normal distribution and its density function can be written as:

$$\begin{cases} f(y_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_1 - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}\right) \\ f(y_2, \mu_2, \sigma_2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_2^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_2 - \mu_2)^2}{2\sigma_2^2}\right) \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

Similarly, the density function of the variables u, v, w . are written as:

$$\begin{cases} f(u, \mu_u, \sigma_u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_u^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(u - \mu_u)^2}{2\sigma_u^2}\right) \\ f(v, \mu_v, \sigma_v) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_v^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(v - \mu_v)^2}{2\sigma_v^2}\right) \\ f(w, \mu_w, \sigma_w) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_w^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(w - \mu_w)^2}{2\sigma_w^2}\right) \end{cases} \quad (20)$$

Substitute expression (15), (16), (19), (20) into the first expression in equation (18), the result was as followed as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_1^2} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_1 - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2}\right) = \\ & \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho_{uv}^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{uv}^2)} \left[\frac{(u - \mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2} - 2\rho_{uv} \frac{(u - \mu_u)(v - \mu_v)}{2\sigma_u\sigma_v} + \frac{(v - \mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2} \right]\right\} \lambda_1 + \\ & \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho_{vw}^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{vw}^2)} \left[\frac{(v - \mu_v)^2}{\sigma_v^2} - 2\rho_{vw} \frac{(v - \mu_v)(w - \mu_w)}{2\sigma_v\sigma_w} + \frac{(w - \mu_w)^2}{\sigma_w^2} \right]\right\} \lambda_2 + \\ & \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_u\sigma_v\sqrt{1-\rho_{wu}^2}} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2(1-\rho_{wu}^2)} \left[\frac{(w - \mu_w)^2}{\sigma_w^2} - 2\rho_{wu} \frac{(w - \mu_w)(u - \mu_u)}{2\sigma_w\sigma_u} + \frac{(u - \mu_u)^2}{\sigma_u^2} \right]\right\} \lambda_3 \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

Substitute the values of ρ_{uv} , ρ_{vw} , ρ_{wu} into equation (21) and taking the data from table.1, the least square method of probability density was used to compute and the value of parameters $\lambda_i (i=1, 2, 3)$ were gained as follows:

$$\lambda_1 = 0.2741; \lambda_2 = -0.0015; \lambda_3 = 0.0082$$

In the same way, the value of parameters $\kappa_i (i=1, 2, 3)$ of the second expression in equation (18) were calculated as follows:

$$\kappa_1 = 0.0075; \kappa_2 = -0.0543; \kappa_3 = 0.0374$$

Substitute the values of $\lambda_i (i=1, 2, 3)$, $\kappa_i (i=1, 2, 3)$ into equation (8) and the radial run-out mathematic modeling of the bearing inner-outer ring is obtained as follows:

$$\begin{cases} F(y_1) = 0.2741F(u, v) \\ \quad - 0.0015F(v, w) + 0.0082F(w, u) \\ F(y_2) = 0.0075F(u, v) \\ \quad - 0.0543F(v, w) + 0.0374F(w, u) \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

Substitute the values of $\lambda_i (i=1, 2, 3)$, $\kappa_i (i=1, 2, 3)$ into equation (9) and the mathematic modeling of probability density is written as follows:

$$\begin{cases} f(y_1, \mu_1, \sigma_1) = 0.2741f(u, v, \rho_{uv}) \\ \quad - 0.0015f(v, w, \rho_{vw}) + 0.0082f(w, u, \rho_{wu}) \\ f(y_2, \mu_2, \sigma_2) = 0.0075f(u, v, \rho_{uv}) \\ \quad - 0.0543f(v, w, \rho_{vw}) + 0.0374f(w, u, \rho_{wu}) \end{cases} \quad (23)$$

From the above modeling, the action with each other between elements exerts different influence on radial run out and face run out of bearing. That can be seen from the coefficient in the equation (22), (23). from the first equation of (22), (23), the coefficient of $f(u, v, \rho_{uv})$ is $0.2741(\max(0.2741, 0.0015, 0.0082))$, this mean that the interaction of inner raceway and outer raceway can produce the greatest influence on the run-out of outer ring, then that of roller and outer raceway. From the second equation of (22), (23), the coefficient of $f(v, w, \rho_{vw})$ is $0.0543(\max(0.0075, 0.0543, 0.0372))$, this mean that the interaction of inner raceway and roller can produce the greatest influence on the run-out of inner ring, then that of inner raceway and outer raceway. Of course, the above modeling (22), (23) was constructed with the data from the bearing which type is 6204. For other type bearing, the corresponding modeling needs the corresponding data. So, when the bearing being processed, the upper deviation of outer raceway and the lower deviation of inner raceway need to be controlled besides holding components in standard precision range, meanwhile, the uniformity of roller must also be controlled. In addition, if the dimension distribution of the inner raceway,

outer raceway and roller can be known before assembly, from the modeling (22) and (23), the radial and face run out distribution feature can be calculated and the running accuracy can be approximately estimated before assembly.

5. Experimental Verifying

Before assembling bearings, the dimension precision of components can be obtained by measurement, but only after assembling bearing, can the run-out of bearing be obtained. In general, the high precision bearing is often considered as consisting of high precision components. But this is not the case; the bearing is a system which needn't all high precision components to gain high precision bearing but coordination between its components. From the modeling (22), (23), as long as the dimensions precision of inner-outer raceway and roller are obtained at the statistics, the radial and face run-out range of the bearing can be estimated before assembling. Moreover, if the more precision bearing must be made, it needs to strictly control the uniformity of roller besides the dimension precision of the roller.

So, we have done experiment with the same bearing 6204 to verify the above conclusion. Took 100 groups components randomly, mark them respectively, measured them and gained 100 groups data. Because of limited space, only 10 group data was listed in table.4. The 100 group data were substituted into equation (23), computing result was list in table.5. To test and verify the result, the components were assembled according to the badge and then the radial run-out data of bearing were obtained by measurement and listed the first 10 groups in table.4. Then, the characteristic parameters of measuring data and computing result with modeling (23) were shown in table.5. From table.5, the value estimated by modeling (23) and the result of measured data is basically the same. To make sure the accuracy of this method, we took the other 100 groups components again. There was a difference from $0.0001\mu\text{m}$ to $0.0003\mu\text{m}$ between two results. So, before assembling bearing, the running accuracy of bearings can be estimated by the dimension precision of components such as inner raceway, outer raceway and roller.

Table 4. The first 10 groups of verifying data.

W _i (mm)	D _i (mm)	x _e (mm)	x _i (mm)	x _r (mm)
0.0085	0.0043	0.0035	0.0056	0.0024
0.0036	0.0025	0.0057	0.0026	0.0016
0.0046	0.0017	0.0031	0.004	0.0014
0.0075	0.0178	0.0098	0.0102	0.003
0.0053	0.0064	0.0028	0.0075	0.0026
0.0085	0.012	0.0125	0.0083	0.003
0.0068	0.0076	0.0054	0.0078	0.0025
0.0072	0.0185	0.0148	0.0038	0.0028
0.001	0.005	0.0065	0.0045	0.0016
0.0085	0.0118	0.0085	0.0075	0.0026

Table 5. The characteristic parameters of measuring data and computing result with modeling.

Run-out	the characteristic parameters of measuring data(μm)		computing result with modeling(μm)	
	Mean value $\hat{\mu}$	root mean square value $\hat{\sigma}$	Mean value $\hat{\mu}$	root mean square value $\hat{\sigma}$
y_1	8.586	4.147852	8.586	4.147852
y_2	5.364	3.162191	5.364	3.162191

6. Conclusions

- (1) From the modeling (23), the coordination between inner raceway and outer raceway is very important to the radial run-out of bearing, while for the face run out, the coordination between the uniformity of rollers and inner raceway can't be neglect. So when the radial run out of bearing must be demanded, the coordination between inner raceway and outer raceway need to be taken more attention. When the face run out of bearing must be demanded, the uniformity of rollers and inner raceway need to be taken more attention.
- (2) Bearing is a system which consists of multiple components and all components jointly influence on the bearing performance and accuracy grade through interaction and coordination between them. The radial run-out and the face run out of bearing is mainly restricted by the precision of all components besides working condition and environments. In the precision range, the dimension of components show statistics distribution law which can be estimated by statistics theory. After assembling, all components of bearing act on each other and influence on the radial and face run out of bearing and then on running accuracy. The estimation of distribution algorithm based on copula function can construct the mathematic modeling of the radial and face run-out of bearing with probability density function through researching the relation between the dimension precision of inner-outer raceway and roller. So, the modeling can join the dimension precision of components to the radial and face run-out of bearing and then forecast the running accuracy of bearing before assemble.

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