

# PCA on Arrests data

PCA on the USArrests data set, which is part of the base R package. The rows of the data set contain the 50 states, in alphabetical order.

```
states = row.names(USArrests )
states
```

```
## [1] "Alabama"      "Alaska"      "Arizona"     "Arkansas"
## [5] "California"   "Colorado"    "Connecticut" "Delaware"
## [9] "Florida"     "Georgia"     "Hawaii"      "Idaho"
## [13] "Illinois"    "Indiana"     "Iowa"        "Kansas"
## [17] "Kentucky"    "Louisiana"   "Maine"       "Maryland"
## [21] "Massachusetts" "Michigan"    "Minnesota"   "Mississippi"
## [25] "Missouri"    "Montana"     "Nebraska"    "Nevada"
## [29] "New Hampshire" "New Jersey"  "New Mexico"  "New York"
## [33] "North Carolina" "North Dakota" "Ohio"        "Oklahoma"
## [37] "Oregon"      "Pennsylvania" "Rhode Island" "South Carolina"
## [41] "South Dakota" "Tennessee"   "Texas"       "Utah"
## [45] "Vermont"     "Virginia"    "Washington"  "West Virginia"
## [49] "Wisconsin"   "Wyoming"
```

```
names(USArrests)
```

```
## [1] "Murder" "Assault" "UrbanPop" "Rape"
```

The columns of the data set contain the four variables

```
apply(USArrests , 2, mean)
```

```
## Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
## 7.788 170.760 65.540 21.232
```

Means are different for each of the columns

```
apply(USArrests , 2, var)
```

```
## Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
## 18.97047 6945.16571 209.51878 87.72916
```

Different variances across each of the columns. Hence the need to scale the variables. Now calculating the PCA using scale = TRUE

```
pr.out = prcomp (USArrests , scale = TRUE)
```

By default, the prcomp() function centers the variables to have mean zero. By using the option scale=TRUE, we scale the variables to have standard deviation one.

```
names(pr.out)
```

```
## [1] "sdev" "rotation" "center" "scale" "x"
```

The center and scale components correspond to the means and standard deviations of the variables that were used for scaling prior to implementing PCA.

```
pr.out$center
```

```
## Murder Assault UrbanPop Rape
## 7.788 170.760 65.540 21.232
```

```
pr.out$scale
```

```
##      Murder   Assault  UrbanPop      Rape  
## 4.355510 83.337661 14.474763 9.366385
```

The rotation matrix provides the principal component loadings; each column of `pr.out$rotation` contains the corresponding principal component loading vector.

```
pr.out$rotation
```

```
##           PC1          PC2          PC3          PC4  
## Murder    -0.5358995  0.4181809 -0.3412327  0.64922780  
## Assault   -0.5831836  0.1879856 -0.2681484 -0.74340748  
## UrbanPop  -0.2781909 -0.8728062 -0.3780158  0.13387773  
## Rape      -0.5434321 -0.1673186  0.8177779  0.08902432
```

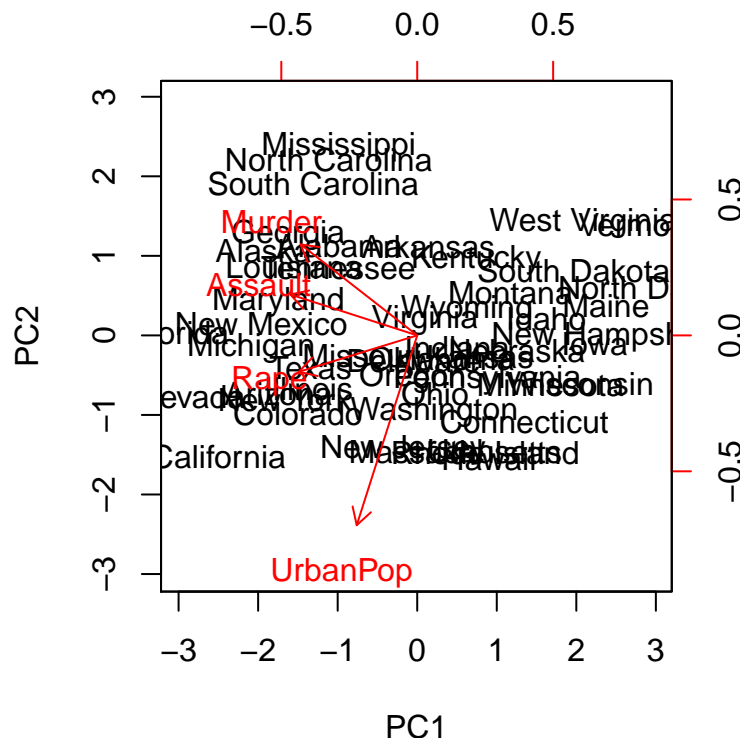
We see that there are four distinct principal components. This is to be expected because there are in general  $\min(n - 1, p)$  informative principal components in a data set with  $n$  observations and  $p$  variables. We do not need to explicitly multiply the data by the principal component loading vectors in order to obtain the principal component score vectors. Rather the  $50 \times 4$  matrix `x` has as its columns the principal component score vectors. That is, the  $k$ th column is the  $k$ th principal component score vector.

```
dim(pr.out$x )
```

```
## [1] 50  4
```

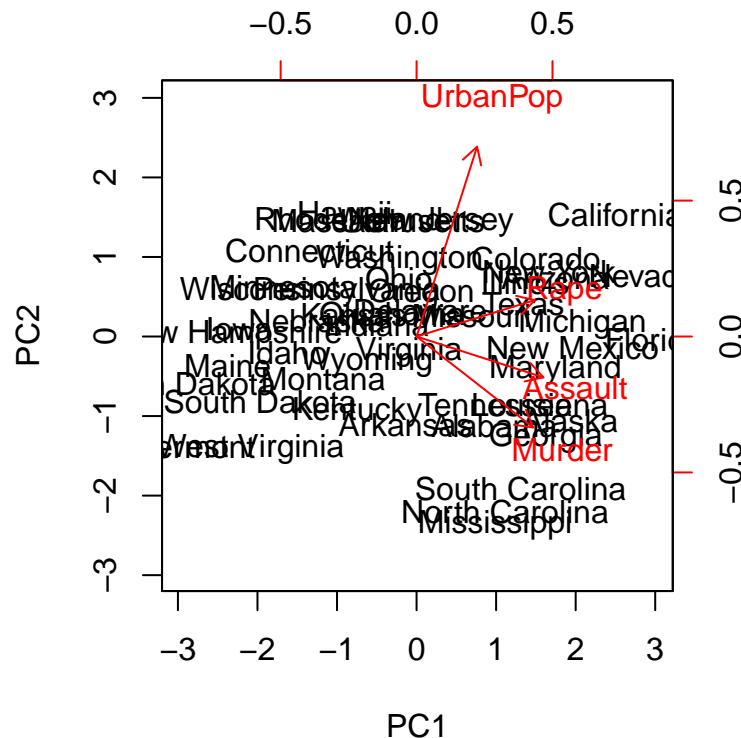
Plotting the first two principal components as follows:-

```
biplot (pr.out , scale =0)
```



Changing the sign of the components

```
pr.out$rotation=-pr.out$rotation
pr.out$x=-pr.out$x
biplot (pr.out , scale =0,expand = 1)
```



Accessing the standard deviations

```
pr.out$sdev
```

```
## [1] 1.5748783 0.9948694 0.5971291 0.4164494
```

Accessing the variances

```
pr.var =pr.out$sdev ^2
pr.var
```

```
## [1] 2.4802416 0.9897652 0.3565632 0.1734301
```

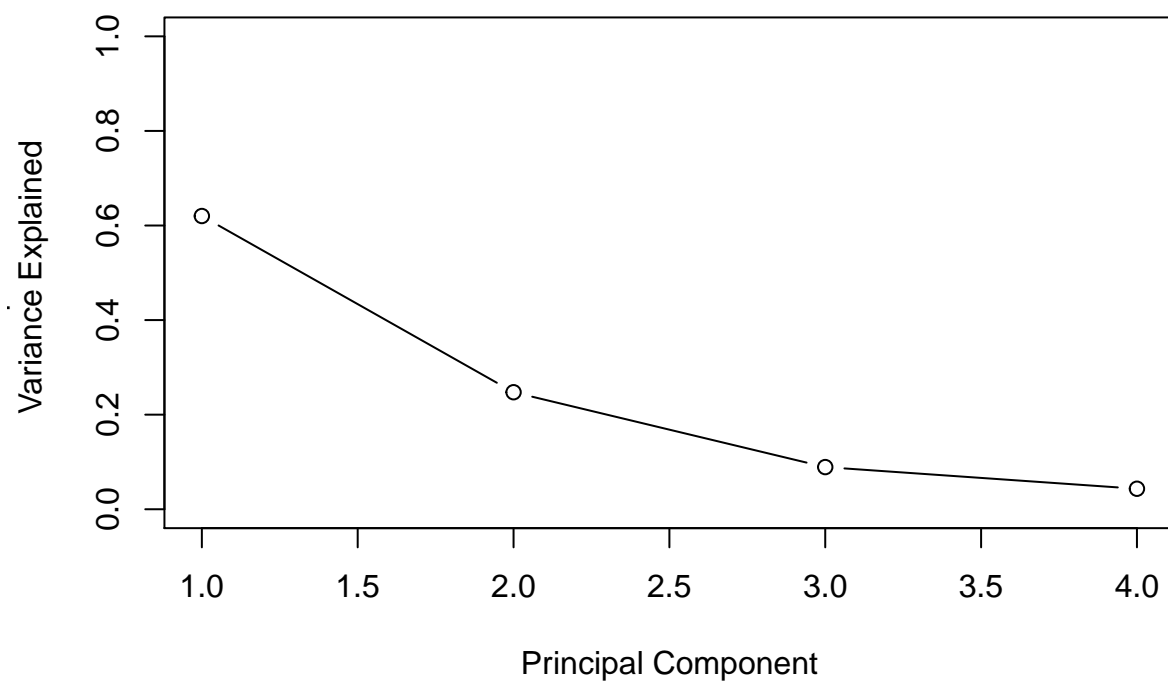
To compute the proportion of variance explained by each principal component, we simply divide the variance explained by each principal component by the total variance explained by all four principal components:

```
pve=pr.var/sum(pr.var )
pve
```

```
## [1] 0.62006039 0.24744129 0.08914080 0.04335752
```

We can plot the PVE explained by each component, as well as the cumulative PVE, as follows:

```
plot(pve , xlab=" Principal Component ", ylab=" Proportion of
Variance Explained ", ylim=c(0,1) ,type="b")
```



```
plot(cumsum (pve ), xlab=" Principal Component ", ylab ="  
Cumulative Proportion of Variance Explained ", ylim=c(0,1) ,  
type="b")
```

