Principal Components Analysis (part I)

Stat 133 CCwD

Gaston Sanchez

CC BY-SA 4.0

Introduction

Data set state.x77

```
dim(state.x77)
[1] 50 8
head(state.x77, 10)
           Population Income Illiteracy Life Exp Murder HS Grad Frost
                                                                    Area
Alabama
                3615
                       3624
                                  2.1
                                         69.05 15.1
                                                        41.3
                                                               20
                                                                   50708
Alaska
                 365
                       6315
                                  1.5
                                         69.31
                                              11.3
                                                        66.7
                                                              152 566432
Arizona
                2212
                     4530
                                  1.8
                                        70.55 7.8
                                                        58.1
                                                               15 113417
Arkansas
                2110
                       3378
                                  1.9
                                        70.66 10.1
                                                        39.9
                                                               65
                                                                   51945
                                         71.71 10.3
California
               21198
                     5114
                                  1.1
                                                        62.6
                                                               20 156361
Colorado
                2541
                       4884
                                  0.7
                                        72.06 6.8
                                                        63.9
                                                              166 103766
Connecticut
                3100
                      5348
                                  1.1
                                         72.48
                                                 3.1
                                                        56.0
                                                              139
                                                                    4862
Delaware
                 579
                     4809
                                  0.9
                                         70.06
                                                 6.2
                                                        54.6
                                                              103 1982
Florida
                8277
                       4815
                                  1.3
                                         70.66 10.7
                                                        52.6
                                                               11
                                                                   54090
Georgia
                       4091
                                  2.0
                                         68.54
                                                13.9
                                                        40.6
                                                                   58073
                4931
                                                               60
```

Data set state.x77

US State Facts and Figures

- ▶ Population: population estimate as of July 1, 1975
- ▶ Income: per capita income (1974)
- ▶ Illiteracy: illiteracy (1970, percent of population)
- ▶ Life Exp: life expectancy in years (1969-71)
- Murder: murder rate per 100,000 population (1976)
- ▶ HS Grad: percent high-school graduates (1970)
- ► Frost: avg num of days with minimum temp below freezing (1931-1960) in capital or large city
- Area: land area in square miles

Exploring a Data Table

Data Perspectives

We are interested in analyzing a data set from both perspectives: **objects** (rows) and **variables** (columns)

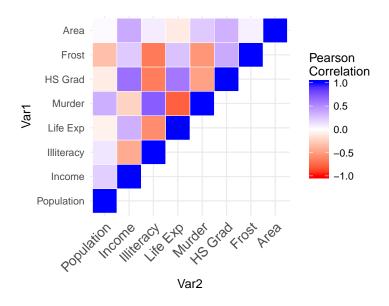
At its simplest we are interested in 2 fundamental purposes:

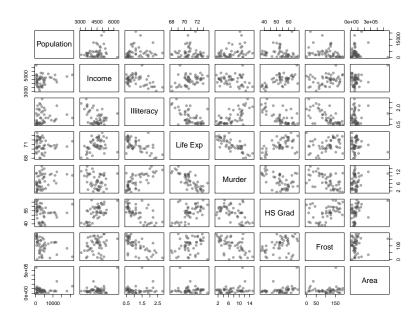
- Study relationship among variables (relationship among state statistics)
- ► Study resemblance among individuals (resemblance among states)

Relationship between Variables

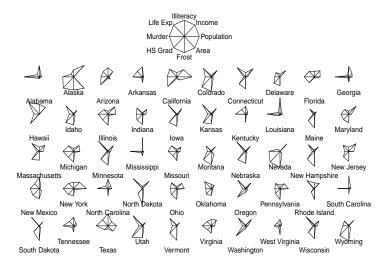
Matrix of Correlations

	Population	Income	Illiteracy	Life Exp	Murder	HS	Grad	Frost	Area
Population	1.000								
Income	0.208	1.000							
Illiteracy	0.108	-0.437	1.000						
Life Exp	-0.068	0.340	-0.588	1.000					
Murder	0.344	-0.230	0.703	-0.781	1.000				
HS Grad	-0.098	0.620	-0.657	0.582	-0.488	1	1.000		
Frost	-0.332	0.226	-0.672	0.262	-0.539	(367	1.000	
Area	0.023	0.363	0.077	-0.107	0.228	(0.334	0.059	1





Resemblance among individuals



Code chunks

```
# correlation matrix
cormat <- cor(state.x77)
cormat[upper.tri(cormat)] <- NA
print(round(cormat, 3), na.print = '')</pre>
```

```
# scatterplot matrix
pairs(state.x77, pch = 19, col = "#50505080")
```

```
# looking at individuals (star plot)
stars(state.x77, nrow = 5, key.loc = c(12, 14))
```

Proposal

Let's try to summarize the systematic variation of the variables in state.x77

Naive approach

Summarizing variability with a new synthetic variable obtained by adding all the observed variables:

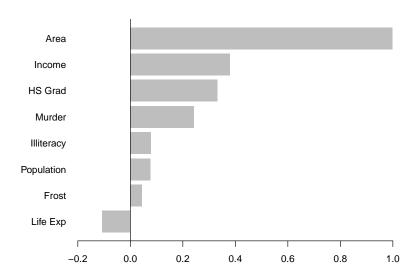
```
# first attempt: adding all variables
var_sum1 <- rowSums(state.x77)</pre>
# top-10 states
head(sort(var_sum1, decreasing = TRUE), n = 10)
##
      Alaska
                  Texas California Montana New Mexico
##
    573412.8
               278726.7 182838.7 150970.4 126414.4
                                                         1203
## Colorado
                 Oregon Wyoming
## 111500.5 103308.9 102458.7
```

Ari

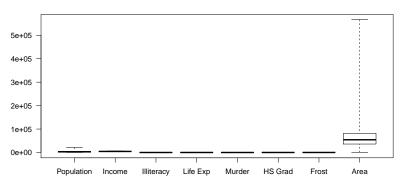
Naive approach

```
# correlations with var_sum1
corrs1 <- cor(state.x77, var_sum1)</pre>
corrs1
                    [,1]
##
## Population 0.07576495
## Income
           0.37958012
## Illiteracy 0.07888152
## Life Exp -0.10767663
## Murder 0.24308112
## HS Grad 0.33139064
## Frost 0.04386621
        0.99855742
## Area
```

Naive approach



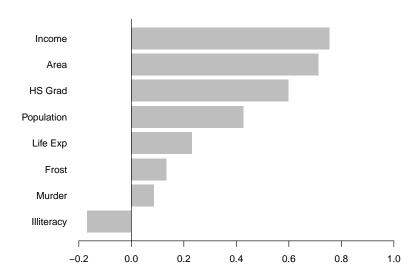




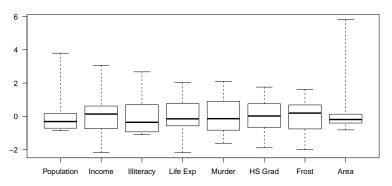
If you use the raw scales, Area will dominate the analysis due to its larger scale.

```
# second attempt: adding all standardized variables
state2 <- scale(state.x77)</pre>
var_sum2 <- rowSums(state2)</pre>
# top-10 states
head(sort(var_sum2, decreasing = TRUE), n = 10)
       Alaska California
                               Texas New York
                                                   Colorado
##
##
    11.030886 6.750584 4.598668 4.193607
                                                   3.206963
     Michigan Connecticut Hawaii
##
     2.176565 1.397496 1.332289
##
```

```
# correlations with var_sum2
corrs2 <- cor(state2, var_sum2)</pre>
corrs2
                   [,1]
##
## Population 0.42668030
## Income 0.75390591
## Illiteracy -0.16832589
## Life Exp 0.23070560
## Murder 0.08553865
## HS Grad 0.59812456
## Frost 0.13390789
## Area 0.71283299
```



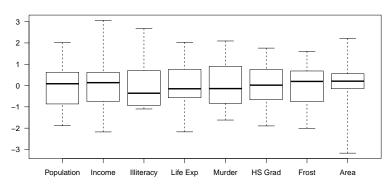
Standardized values



By standardizing the variables, they have a better balance, although some variables have extremely skewed distributions.

```
# log-transform Area and Population
state3 <- state.x77
state3[ ,'Population'] <- log(state.x77[ ,'Population'])
state3[ ,'Area'] <- log(state.x77[ ,'Area'])
state3 <- scale(state3)</pre>
```

Standardized values

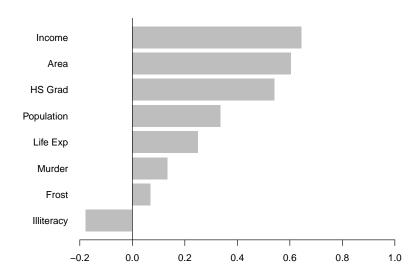


```
# third attempt: adding transformed and standardized variables
var_sum3 <- rowSums(state3)

# top-10 states
head(sort(var_sum3, decreasing = TRUE), n = 10)

## Alaska California Colorado Texas New York Illi
## 6.418510 5.075508 3.939468 3.605958 3.322728 2.89
## Nevada Minnesota Kansas
## 2.289938 2.177462 1.386401</pre>
```

```
# correlations with var_sum3
corrs3 <- cor(state3, var_sum3)</pre>
corrs3
                   [,1]
##
## Population 0.33618819
## Income 0.64470509
## Illiteracy -0.17831628
## Life Exp 0.24895860
## Murder 0.13385965
## HS Grad 0.54116343
## Frost 0.06876995
## Area 0.60393702
```



Naive approaches ...

```
new vars <- data.frame(</pre>
 sum1 = var_sum1,
 sum2 = var_sum2,
 sum3 = var_sum3,
 row.names = rownames(state.x77)
# which synthetic variable is better?
print(head(new_vars), print.gap = 3, digits = 3)
##
                           sum2
                sum1
                                   siim3
## Alabama
               58095
                       -2.52867
                                -1.689
## Alaska
              573413 11.03089 6.419
## Arizona 120312 -0.00204 0.634
## Arkansas 57621 -3.04247 -2.377
## California 182839 6.75058 5.076
## Colorado
              111500
                        3.20696 3.939
```

About PCA

Data Structure

Principal Components Analysis (PCA) is a multivariate method that allows us to study and explore a set of quantitative variables measured on some objects.

About PCA

Approaches:

PCA can be presented using various—different but equivalent—approaches. Each approach corresponds to a unique perspective and a way of thinking about data.

- Data dispersion from the individuals standpoint
- Data variability from the variables standpoint
- Data that follows a decomposition model

I will present PCA by mixing and connecting all of these approaches.

Landmarks

- ► PCA was first introduced by Karl Pearson (1904)

 On lines and planes of closest fit to systems of points in space
- ► Further developed by Harold Hotelling (1933)

 Analysis of a complex of statistical variables into principal components
- ► Singular Value Decomposition (SVD) theorem by Eckart-Young (1936)

 The approximation of a matrix by another of a lower rank
- Computationally implemented in the 1960s

Core Idea

With PCA we seek to **reduce the dimensionality** (condense information in variables) of a data set while retaining as much as possible of the variation present in the data

PCA: Overall Goals

- ► Summarize a data set with the help of a small number of synthetic variables (i.e. the Principal Components).
- ▶ Visualize the position (resemblance) of individuals.
- Visualize how variables are correlated.
- Interpret the synthetic variables.

Maximizing Variability Approach

Data Matrix

The analyzed data can be expressed in matrix format X:

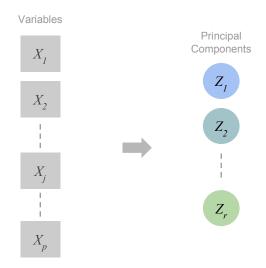
$$\mathbf{X}_{n \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1p} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

- n objects in the rows
- p variables in the columns
- ightharpoonup We'll assume standardized variables (mean = 0, var = 1)

Looking for PCs

Given a set of p variables X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p , we want to obtain new r variables Z_1, Z_2, \ldots, Z_r , called the **Principal** Components (PCs).

Looking for PCs



Looking for PCs

PC as linear combinations

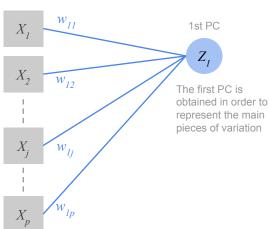
We want to compute the **PCs** as linear combinations of the original variables.

$$\begin{array}{lll} \mathsf{PC}_1 & \longrightarrow & Z_1 = w_{11} X_1 + w_{12} X_2 + \dots + w_{1p} X_p \\ \mathsf{PC}_2 & \longrightarrow & Z_2 = w_{21} X_1 + w_{22} X_2 + \dots + w_{2p} X_p \\ & \vdots & & \vdots \\ \mathsf{PC}_{\mathsf{r}} & \longrightarrow & Z_r = w_{r1} X_1 + w_{r2} X_2 + \dots + w_{rp} X_p \end{array}$$

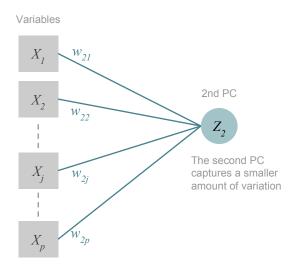
(i.e. linear combination = weighted sum

1st PC

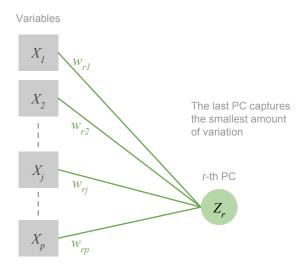
Variables



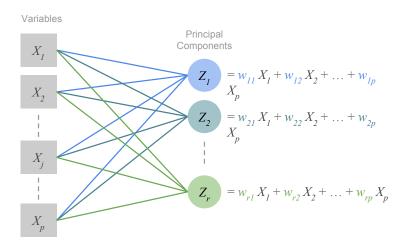
2nd PC



k-th PC



PCs as linear combinations



Introductory Recap

Summarize Variation

We look to transform the original variables into a smaller set of new variables, the Principal Components, that summarize the variation in data.

PCs

The PCs are obtained as linear combinations (i.e. weighted sums) of the original variables. We look for PCs having maximum variance, and being mutually uncorrelated.

Finding all PCs

Diagonalization

All Principal Components can be found simultaneously by diagonalizing $\frac{1}{n-1}X^TX$

Eigenvalue Decomposition (EVD)

Diagonalizing a matrix is nothing more than obtaining its eigenvalue decomposition (a.k.a. spectral decomposition)

Data Decomposition

Algebraically

PCA involves an **Eigen-Value Decomposition** (EVD) of the data matrix $\frac{1}{n-1}\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{X}$, that is:

$$\frac{1}{n-1}\mathbf{X}^\mathsf{T}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{W}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{W}^\mathsf{T}$$

- ▶ W is orthonormal matrix of eigenvectors (i.e. W^TW = I)
- lacksquare Λ is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

EVD Approach

PCs

Principal components $\mathbf{Z} = [Z_1 | Z_2 | \dots | Z_k]$ are obtained as:

$$Z = XW$$

Note that the variance of each component turns out to be equal to its associated eigenvalue:

$$var(\mathbf{z_k}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \mathbf{z_k}^\mathsf{T} \mathbf{z_k} = \lambda_k$$

PCA in R

Eigenvalues, Scores, Loadings

The minimal output from any PCA should contain 3 things:

- ► **Eigenvalues** provide information about the amount of variability captured by each principal component
- ► **Scores** or PCs that provide coordinates to graphically represent objects in a lower dimensional space
- ► **Loadings** provide information to determine what variables characterize each principal component

PCA in R

Some PCA functions (and packages) in R

	`	1 0 /
Function	Package	Author
prcomp()	stats	R Core Team
<pre>princomp()</pre>	stats	R Core Team
PCA()	FactoMineR	Husson, Josse, Le, Mazet
<pre>dudi.pca()</pre>	ade4	Chessel, Dufour, Dray
acp()	amap	Lucas
<pre>nipals()</pre>	plsdepot	Sanchez
rda()	vegan	Oksanen et al
pca()	pcaMethods*	Stacklies, Redestig, Wright

^{*}See http://www.bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/pcaMethods.html

PCA with prcomp()

One of the default PCA functions in R is prcomp():

```
# PCA with prcomp()
pca <- prcomp(state3, scale. = TRUE)

# what does prcomp() provide?
names(pca)

## [1] "sdev" "rotation" "center" "scale" "x"</pre>
```

scale.= TRUE indicates that PCA is performed on standardized data (mean = 0, variance = 1)

Table of eigenvalues

```
# eigenvalues
eigs <- data.frame(</pre>
 eigenvalue = pca$sdev^2,
 proportion = round(100 * pca$sdev^2 / sum(pca$sdev^2), 3)
eigs
##
    eigenvalue proportion
## 1 3.6940711 46.176
## 2 1.3227218 16.534
## 3 1.1200498 14.001
## 4 0.7368854 9.211
## 5 0.6460975 8.076
## 6 0.2369520 2.962
## 7
     0.1394354
               1.743
## 8 0.1037870
                   1.297
```

PCA with prcomp() con't

```
# scores
round(head(pca$x, 10), 2)
##
                     PC2 PC3
                               PC4 PC5 PC6
                                                PC7
               PC1
                                                     PC8
             -3.81 -0.12
                         0.26
                               0.03 0.43
                                          0.34
                                               0.03
## Alabama
                                                    0.52
## Alaska
                         2.87 -2.46 1.10 -1.14 -0.29 -0.20
             1.03 2.51
## Arizona
             -0.94 1.05
                         0.03 0.25 1.64 0.09 -0.37 -0.58
## Arkansas
            -2.35 -1.08 0.24 1.03 0.32 -0.36 -0.02 0.49
## California -0.33 3.07 -1.22 0.43 0.33 0.48 0.17
                                                    0.02
## Colorado 1.93 1.02
                        0.59 0.10 -0.27 -0.17 0.67
                                                    0.11
## Connecticut 1.90 -0.58 -1.83 -1.05 0.00 -0.73 0.32 -0.14
## Delaware 0.78 -1.86 -0.68 -2.09 0.66 0.81 -0.27 0.13
## Florida -1.31 1.51 -1.07 -0.15 0.43 0.45 -0.40 0.27
## Georgia
             -3.36 0.14 0.38 -0.52 -0.35 -0.09 -0.14 0.14
```

PCA with prcomp() con't

```
# loadings (or weights)
round(pca$rotation, 2)
##
              PC1 PC2 PC3 PC4 PC5 PC6 PC7
                                                    PC8
## Population -0.22 0.43 -0.54 0.20 -0.56 0.06 0.23 -0.25
             0.29 0.48 -0.20 -0.65 0.03 -0.39 -0.29 0.05
## Income
## Illiteracy -0.46 -0.06 -0.03 -0.07 0.40 -0.58 0.37 -0.39
## Life Exp 0.40 0.04 -0.37 0.46 0.24 -0.35 0.27 0.49
## Murder -0.44 0.28 0.20 -0.28 -0.01 0.16 0.41 0.64
## HS Grad 0.42 0.35 0.11 -0.08 0.37 0.44 0.49 -0.35
          0.36 -0.23 0.39 -0.15 -0.58 -0.34 0.44 -0.05
## Frost
## Area
            -0.05 0.57 0.58 0.47 -0.02 -0.24 -0.23 -0.05
```

```
# weights of PC1
round(pca$rotation[ ,1], 3)
                                                     HS Grad
## Population
              Income Illiteracy Life Exp Murder
                                                                 Frost
      -0.221
               0.286
                         -0.458
                                   0.400
                                          -0.442
                                                       0.416
                                                                 0.360
     Area
##
##
      -0.046
```

Let's compare all the indices

Experimental comparison

```
# table with various weighted sums
composites <- data.frame(</pre>
  # 1st principal component
  PC1 = pca$x[,1],
  # plain index
  Sum1 = var_sum3,
  # average
  Avg1 = rowMeans(state3),
  # random sum
  Rand1 = apply(state3, 1, function(x) sum(rnorm(length(x)) * x)),
  row.names = rownames(state.x77)
# squared correlations with observed scaled variables
corr2_composites <- (cor(state3, composites))^2</pre>
```

Experimental comparison

```
print(round(corr2_composites, 4), print.gap = 3)
##
                 PC1
                        Sum1
                                Avg1
                                       Rand1
                              0.1130
## Population
              0.1798 0.1130
                                      0.0158
                             0.4156
                                      0.0042
  Income
            0.3017 0.4156
  Illiteracy 0.7751 0.0318 0.0318
                                      0.0018
## Life Exp 0.5908 0.0620
                              0.0620
                                      0.0008
## Murder
          0.7208
                     0.0179
                              0.0179
                                      0.0116
## HS Grad
             0.6391
                     0.2929
                              0.2929
                                      0.0046
## Frost
           0.4788
                      0.0047
                              0.0047
                                      0.0452
## Area
              0.0079
                      0.3647
                              0.3647
                                      0.0181
colSums(corr2_composites)
##
        PC1
                Sum1
                         Avg1
                                 Rand1
## 3.6940711 1.3026897 1.3026897 0.1020266
```