

Lab 3 - Multivariate Statistical Methods

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Assignment 1

a)

The sample correlation matrix R:

```
##           100      200      400      800      1500      3000
## 100      1.0000000 0.9410886 0.8707802 0.8091758 0.7815510 0.7278784
## 200      0.9410886 1.0000000 0.9088096 0.8198258 0.8013282 0.7318546
## 400      0.8707802 0.9088096 1.0000000 0.8057904 0.7197996 0.6737991
## 800      0.8091758 0.8198258 0.8057904 1.0000000 0.9050509 0.8665732
## 1500     0.7815510 0.8013282 0.7197996 0.9050509 1.0000000 0.9733801
## 3000     0.7278784 0.7318546 0.6737991 0.8665732 0.9733801 1.0000000
## Marathon 0.6689597 0.6799537 0.6769384 0.8539900 0.7905565 0.7987302
##           Marathon
## 100      0.6689597
## 200      0.6799537
## 400      0.6769384
## 800      0.8539900
## 1500     0.7905565
## 3000     0.7987302
## Marathon 1.0000000
```

The eigenvalues:

```
##   values1   values2   values3   values4   values5   values6
## 5.80762446 0.62869342 0.27933457 0.12455472 0.09097174 0.05451882
##   values7
## 0.01430226
```

The eigenvectors:

```
##   vectors.1 vectors.2 vectors.3 vectors.4 vectors.5 vectors.6
## 1 -0.3777657 -0.4071756 -0.1405803 0.58706293 -0.16706891 0.53969730
## 2 -0.3832103 -0.4136291 -0.1007833 0.19407501 0.09350016 -0.74493139
## 3 -0.3680361 -0.4593531 0.2370255 -0.64543118 0.32727328 0.24009405
## 4 -0.3947810 0.1612459 0.1475424 -0.29520804 -0.81905467 -0.01650651
## 5 -0.3892610 0.3090877 -0.4219855 -0.06669044 0.02613100 -0.18898771
## 6 -0.3760945 0.4231899 -0.4060627 -0.08015699 0.35169796 0.24049968
## 7 -0.3552031 0.3892153 0.7410610 0.32107640 0.24700821 -0.04826992
##   vectors.7
## 1 0.08893934
## 2 -0.26565662
## 3 0.12660435
## 4 -0.19521315
```

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## 5  0.73076817
## 6 -0.57150644
## 7  0.08208401
```

b)

The first two principal components for the standardized variables are determined. The correlations between the standardized variables are shown in the table below.

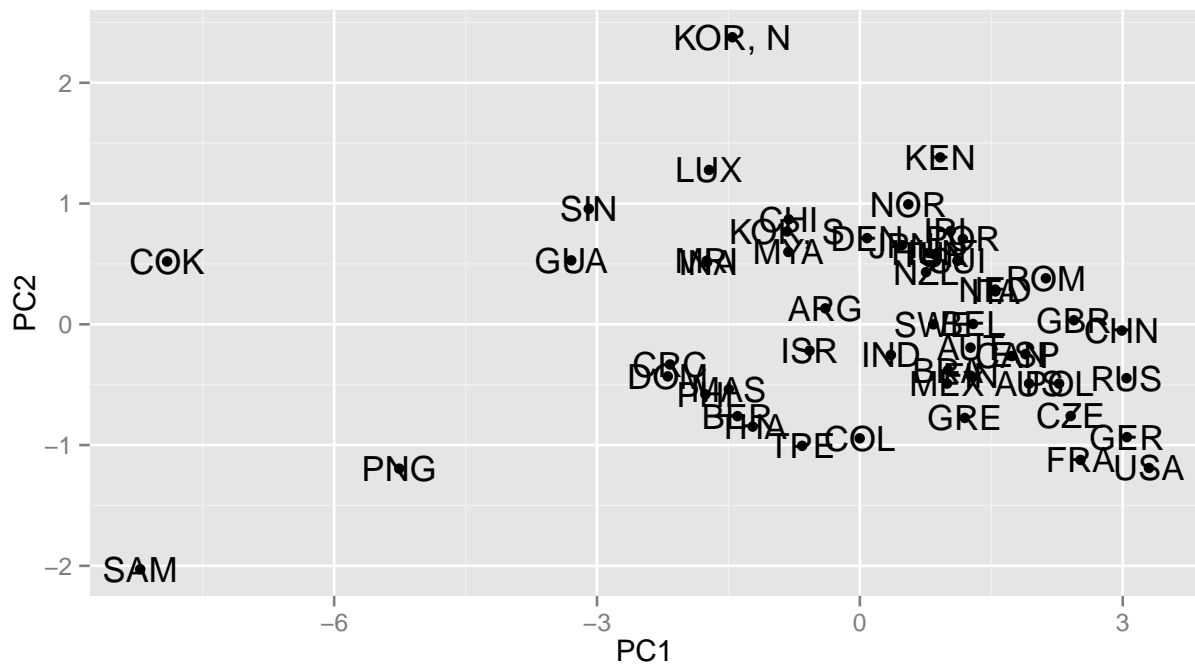
```
##                X100        X200        X400        X800        X1500
## prComp.x...1. -0.9103780 -0.9234990 -0.8869307 -0.9513832 -0.9380805
## prComp.x...2.  0.3228503  0.3279673  0.3642220 -0.1278522 -0.2450762
##                X3000    Marathon
## prComp.x...1. -0.9063506 -0.8560043
## prComp.x...2. -0.3355481 -0.3086096
```

The first component explains 82.966 % of the sample variance and the second component explains 8.981 % of the sample variance. The cumulative % of the sample variance explained by the two components then is 91.947 %.

c)

The principal components are shown in a table below. These components are interpreted by looking at the values in the table, but also by a plot where the scores for each country for the respective component are plotted against each other.

```
##                PC1        PC2
## X100      -0.3777657  0.4071756
## X200      -0.3832103  0.4136291
## X400      -0.3680361  0.4593531
## X800      -0.3947810 -0.1612459
## X1500     -0.3892610 -0.3090877
## X3000     -0.3760945 -0.4231899
## Marathon -0.3552031 -0.3892153
```



The first principal component seem to measure the excellence of a nation since countries like USA, Germany and Russia, well-known top nations, are among those with the highest scores and less well-known countries in the field of athletics like Samoa and Cook Islands have the lowest scores.

Regarding the second component the values points out the relative strength for a country in shorter versus longer running distances. If a country is better at shorter distances it obtains a lower value and if it is better at longer distances the value becomes higher. If the difference between how well the country performs at shorter and longer distances is small, the value for the second component also will become small.

d)

The first column in the table below gives the 6 highest scores for PC1 and the second column the countries who have the highest scores. The third column gives the 6 lowest scores in descending order and the fourth the countries who have the lowest scores.

##	PC1	country	PC1.1	country.1
## 1	3.299149	USA	-2.192410	DOM
## 2	3.047517	GER	-3.093920	SIN
## 3	3.042948	RUS	-3.294124	GUA
## 4	2.989467	CHN	-5.257450	PNG
## 5	2.518346	FRA	-7.906227	COK
## 6	2.442706	GBR	-8.213415	SAM

When athletic excellence is compared between countries, the ones who have the highest scores are all well-known top nations. The reverse can be said about the countries with the lowest scores since they are fairly small countries who cannot compete with USA, Germany and so on when athletic excellence is compared.

Assignment 2