

TITLE: CARREFOUR SALES HISTORY - DIMENSIONALITY REDUCTION AND FEATURE SELECTION

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1. Defining the question

a) Specifying the question

Reduce dataset to a low dimensional dataset using the t-SNE algorithm or PCA.

Perform feature selection through the use of the unsupervised learning methods

b) Defining the metric for success

Reduction of variables via PCA.

Feature selection of important variables.

c) Understanding the context

You are a Data analyst at Carrefour Kenya and are currently undertaking a project that will inform the marketing department on the most relevant marketing strategies that will result in the highest no. of sales (total price including tax). Your project has been divided into four parts where you'll explore a recent marketing dataset by performing various unsupervised learning techniques and later providing recommendations based on your insights.

d) Recording the experimental design

- Exploratory data analysis
- Cleaning data
- Implementing the solution
- Conclusions
- Recommendations
- Follow up questions

2. Reading the data

```
salesdf <- read.csv("Sales Data part(1-2).csv", header = TRUE, sep = ",")
```

3. Exploring the data

```
### viewing first 5 rows of our dataset
head(salesdf)
```

```
##      Invoice.ID Branch Customer.type Gender      Product.line Unit.price
## 1 750-67-8428      A      Member Female      Health and beauty      74.69
## 2 226-31-3081      C      Normal Female Electronic accessories      15.28
## 3 631-41-3108      A      Normal  Male      Home and lifestyle      46.33
## 4 123-19-1176      A      Member  Male      Health and beauty      58.22
## 5 373-73-7910      A      Normal  Male      Sports and travel      86.31
## 6 699-14-3026      C      Normal  Male Electronic accessories      85.39
##      Quantity      Tax      Date Time      Payment      cogs gross.margin.percentage
## 1          7 26.1415 1/5/2019 13:08      Ewallet 522.83          4.761905
## 2          5  3.8200 3/8/2019 10:29      Cash 76.40          4.761905
## 3          7 16.2155 3/3/2019 13:23 Credit card 324.31          4.761905
## 4          8 23.2880 1/27/2019 20:33      Ewallet 465.76          4.761905
## 5          7 30.2085 2/8/2019 10:37      Ewallet 604.17          4.761905
## 6          7 29.8865 3/25/2019 18:30      Ewallet 597.73          4.761905
##      gross.income Rating      Total
## 1      26.1415      9.1 548.9715
## 2       3.8200      9.6  80.2200
## 3      16.2155      7.4 340.5255
## 4      23.2880      8.4 489.0480
## 5      30.2085      5.3 634.3785
## 6      29.8865      4.1 627.6165
```

```
### viewing last 5 rows of our dataset
tail(salesdf)
```

```
##      Invoice.ID Branch Customer.type Gender      Product.line Unit.price
## 995 652-49-6720      C      Member Female Electronic accessories      60.95
## 996 233-67-5758      C      Normal  Male      Health and beauty      40.35
## 997 303-96-2227      B      Normal Female      Home and lifestyle      97.38
## 998 727-02-1313      A      Member  Male      Food and beverages      31.84
## 999 347-56-2442      A      Normal  Male      Home and lifestyle      65.82
## 1000 849-09-3807      A      Member Female      Fashion accessories      88.34
##      Quantity      Tax      Date Time      Payment      cogs gross.margin.percentage
## 995          1  3.0475 2/18/2019 11:40      Ewallet 60.95          4.761905
## 996          1  2.0175 1/29/2019 13:46      Ewallet 40.35          4.761905
## 997         10 48.6900 3/2/2019 17:16      Ewallet 973.80          4.761905
## 998          1  1.5920 2/9/2019 13:22      Cash 31.84          4.761905
## 999          1  3.2910 2/22/2019 15:33      Cash 65.82          4.761905
## 1000         7 30.9190 2/18/2019 13:28      Cash 618.38          4.761905
##      gross.income Rating      Total
## 995       3.0475      5.9  63.9975
## 996       2.0175      6.2  42.3675
## 997      48.6900      4.4 1022.4900
## 998       1.5920      7.7   33.4320
## 999       3.2910      4.1   69.1110
## 1000      30.9190      6.6  649.2990
```

```
### glimpse of unique values
library(dplyr)
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'

## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##   filter, lag

## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##   intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
glimpse(salesdf)
```

```
## Rows: 1,000
## Columns: 16
## $ Invoice.ID      <chr> "750-67-8428", "226-31-3081", "631-41-3108", "~
## $ Branch         <chr> "A", "C", "A", "A", "A", "C", "A", "C", "A", "~
## $ Customer.type  <chr> "Member", "Normal", "Normal", "Member", "Norma~
## $ Gender         <chr> "Female", "Female", "Male", "Male", "Male", "M~
## $ Product.line   <chr> "Health and beauty", "Electronic accessories",~
## $ Unit.price     <dbl> 74.69, 15.28, 46.33, 58.22, 86.31, 85.39, 68.8~
## $ Quantity       <int> 7, 5, 7, 8, 7, 7, 6, 10, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 10, 10~
## $ Tax            <dbl> 26.1415, 3.8200, 16.2155, 23.2880, 30.2085, 29~
## $ Date           <chr> "1/5/2019", "3/8/2019", "3/3/2019", "1/27/2019~
## $ Time           <chr> "13:08", "10:29", "13:23", "20:33", "10:37", "~
## $ Payment        <chr> "Ewallet", "Cash", "Credit card", "Ewallet", "~
## $ cogs           <dbl> 522.83, 76.40, 324.31, 465.76, 604.17, 597.73,~
## $ gross.margin.percentage <dbl> 4.761905, 4.761905, 4.761905, 4.761905, 4.7619~
## $ gross.income    <dbl> 26.1415, 3.8200, 16.2155, 23.2880, 30.2085, 29~
## $ Rating          <dbl> 9.1, 9.6, 7.4, 8.4, 5.3, 4.1, 5.8, 8.0, 7.2, 5~
## $ Total           <dbl> 548.9715, 80.2200, 340.5255, 489.0480, 634.378~
```

```
### checking data types and their class
str(salesdf)
```

```
## 'data.frame':   1000 obs. of  16 variables:
## $ Invoice.ID      : chr  "750-67-8428" "226-31-3081" "631-41-3108" "123-19-1176" ...
## $ Branch         : chr  "A" "C" "A" "A" ...
## $ Customer.type  : chr  "Member" "Normal" "Normal" "Member" ...
## $ Gender         : chr  "Female" "Female" "Male" "Male" ...
## $ Product.line   : chr  "Health and beauty" "Electronic accessories" "Home and lifestyle" "
## $ Unit.price     : num  74.7 15.3 46.3 58.2 86.3 ...
## $ Quantity       : int   7 5 7 8 7 7 6 10 2 3 ...
## $ Tax            : num   26.14 3.82 16.22 23.29 30.21 ...
## $ Date           : chr   "1/5/2019" "3/8/2019" "3/3/2019" "1/27/2019" ...
## $ Time           : chr   "13:08" "10:29" "13:23" "20:33" ...
## $ Payment        : chr   "Ewallet" "Cash" "Credit card" "Ewallet" ...
## $ cogs           : num   522.8 76.4 324.3 465.8 604.2 ...
```

```
## $ gross.margin.percentage: num 4.76 4.76 4.76 4.76 4.76 ...
## $ gross.income           : num 26.14 3.82 16.22 23.29 30.21 ...
## $ Rating                 : num 9.1 9.6 7.4 8.4 5.3 4.1 5.8 8 7.2 5.9 ...
## $ Total                  : num 549 80.2 340.5 489 634.4 ...
```

Our dataset has 16 columns: 8 categorical and 8 numerical.

```
### dimensions of our dataset
dim(salesdf)
```

```
## [1] 1000 16
```

The dataset has 1000 instances and 16 columns.

```
### brief statistical summary on our dataset
summary(salesdf)
```

```
## Invoice.ID      Branch      Customer.type      Gender
## Length:1000    Length:1000    Length:1000      Length:1000
## Class :character Class :character Class :character Class :character
## Mode  :character Mode  :character Mode  :character Mode  :character
##
##
##
## Product.line    Unit.price      Quantity      Tax
## Length:1000     Min.   :10.08   Min.    : 1.00   Min.    : 0.5085
## Class :character 1st Qu.:32.88   1st Qu.: 3.00   1st Qu.: 5.9249
## Mode  :character Median :55.23   Median : 5.00   Median :12.0880
##                  Mean  :55.67   Mean  : 5.51   Mean  :15.3794
##                  3rd Qu.:77.94   3rd Qu.: 8.00   3rd Qu.:22.4453
##                  Max.   :99.96   Max.   :10.00   Max.   :49.6500
##
## Date            Time            Payment      cogs
## Length:1000     Length:1000     Length:1000    Min.   : 10.17
## Class :character Class :character Class :character 1st Qu.:118.50
## Mode  :character Mode  :character Mode  :character Median :241.76
##                  Mean  :307.59
##                  3rd Qu.:448.90
##                  Max.   :993.00
##
## gross.margin.percentage gross.income      Rating      Total
## Min.   :4.762         Min.   : 0.5085   Min.   : 4.000   Min.   : 10.68
## 1st Qu.:4.762         1st Qu.: 5.9249   1st Qu.: 5.500   1st Qu.:124.42
## Median :4.762         Median :12.0880   Median : 7.000   Median :253.85
## Mean   :4.762         Mean   :15.3794   Mean   : 6.973   Mean   :322.97
## 3rd Qu.:4.762         3rd Qu.:22.4453   3rd Qu.: 8.500   3rd Qu.:471.35
## Max.   :4.762         Max.   :49.6500   Max.   :10.000   Max.   :1042.65
```

```
### description of our dataset
library(psych)
describe(salesdf)
```

	vars	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min
## Invoice.ID*	1	1000	500.50	288.82	500.50	500.50	370.65	1.00
## Branch*	2	1000	1.99	0.82	2.00	1.99	1.48	1.00
## Customer.type*	3	1000	1.50	0.50	1.00	1.50	0.00	1.00
## Gender*	4	1000	1.50	0.50	1.00	1.50	0.00	1.00
## Product.line*	5	1000	3.45	1.72	3.00	3.44	1.48	1.00
## Unit.price	6	1000	55.67	26.49	55.23	55.62	33.37	10.08
## Quantity	7	1000	5.51	2.92	5.00	5.51	2.97	1.00
## Tax	8	1000	15.38	11.71	12.09	14.00	11.13	0.51
## Date*	9	1000	45.58	25.89	47.00	45.63	34.10	1.00
## Time*	10	1000	252.18	147.07	249.00	252.49	190.51	1.00
## Payment*	11	1000	2.00	0.83	2.00	2.00	1.48	1.00
## cogs	12	1000	307.59	234.18	241.76	279.91	222.65	10.17
## gross.margin.percentage	13	1000	4.76	0.00	4.76	4.76	0.00	4.76
## gross.income	14	1000	15.38	11.71	12.09	14.00	11.13	0.51
## Rating	15	1000	6.97	1.72	7.00	6.97	2.22	4.00
## Total	16	1000	322.97	245.89	253.85	293.91	233.78	10.68

	max	range	skew	kurtosis	se
## Invoice.ID*	1000.00	999.00	0.00	-1.20	9.13
## Branch*	3.00	2.00	0.02	-1.51	0.03
## Customer.type*	2.00	1.00	0.00	-2.00	0.02
## Gender*	2.00	1.00	0.00	-2.00	0.02
## Product.line*	6.00	5.00	0.06	-1.28	0.05
## Unit.price	99.96	89.88	0.01	-1.22	0.84
## Quantity	10.00	9.00	0.01	-1.22	0.09
## Tax	49.65	49.14	0.89	-0.09	0.37
## Date*	89.00	88.00	-0.03	-1.23	0.82
## Time*	506.00	505.00	0.00	-1.25	4.65
## Payment*	3.00	2.00	0.00	-1.55	0.03
## cogs	993.00	982.83	0.89	-0.09	7.41
## gross.margin.percentage	4.76	0.00	NaN	NaN	0.00
## gross.income	49.65	49.14	0.89	-0.09	0.37
## Rating	10.00	6.00	0.01	-1.16	0.05
## Total	1042.65	1031.97	0.89	-0.09	7.78

From the statistical summary on the dataset, It is observable that the highest amount of tax charged on a product was 49.6/=

Highest earning income as per gross income is 49.6/=

Mean tax paid on products is 15.37/=

4. Cleaning the data

Uniformity

```
### aligning case of our columns to lower case for all
names(salesdf) <- tolower(names(salesdf))
```

```
### lets check for duplicate values
duplicates <- salesdf[duplicated(salesdf),]
duplicates
```

```
## [1] invoice.id          branch          customer.type
## [4] gender              product.line    unit.price
## [7] quantity            tax            date
## [10] time                payment        cogs
## [13] gross.margin.percentage gross.income    rating
## [16] total
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

The dataset has no duplicate values.

```
### detecting missing values
colSums(is.na(salesdf))
```

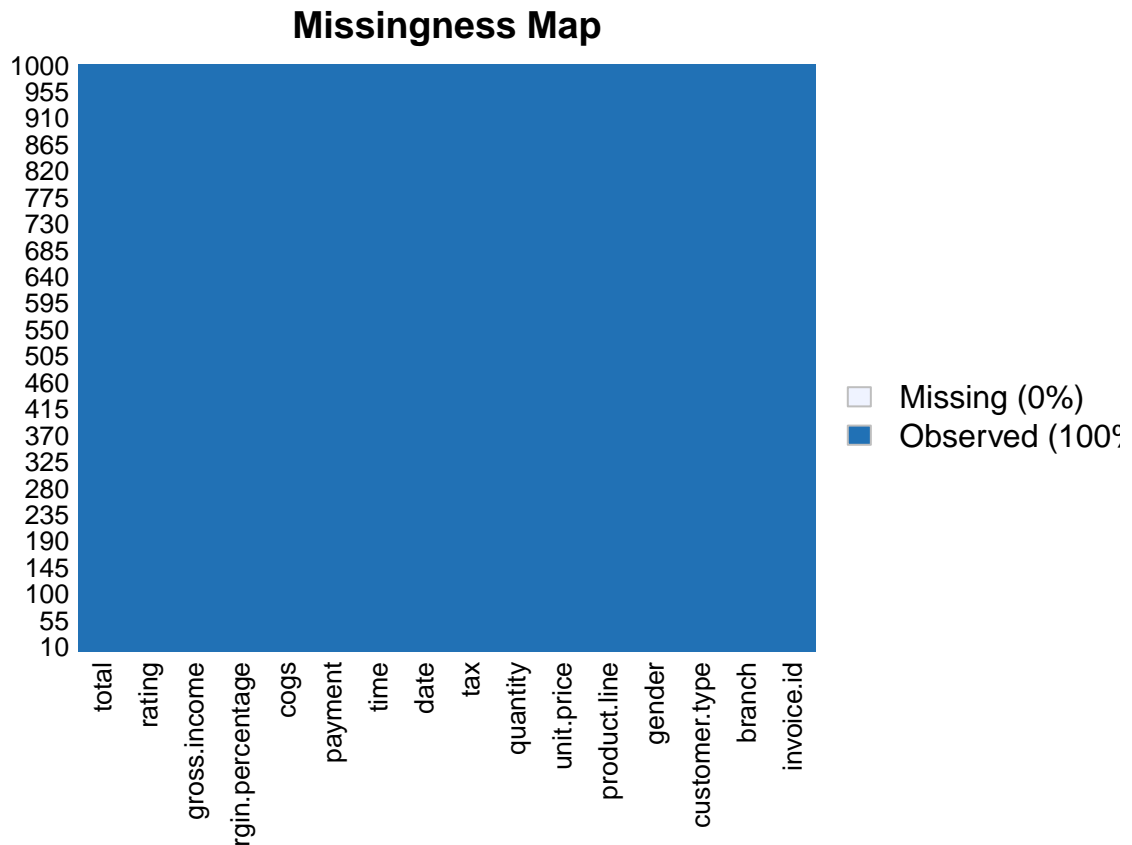
```
##          invoice.id          branch          customer.type
##              0              0              0
##          gender      product.line      unit.price
##              0              0              0
##          quantity            tax            date
##              0              0              0
##              time            payment        cogs
##              0              0              0
## gross.margin.percentage      gross.income      rating
##              0              0              0
##              total
##              0
```

```
### miss map visual of whether any missing data exists
library(Amelia)
```

```
## Loading required package: Rcpp
```

```
## ##
## ## Amelia II: Multiple Imputation
## ## (Version 1.8.0, built: 2021-05-26)
## ## Copyright (C) 2005-2022 James Honaker, Gary King and Matthew Blackwell
## ## Refer to http://gking.harvard.edu/amelia/ for more information
## ##
```

```
missmap(salesdf)
```



We have absolutely no missing data.

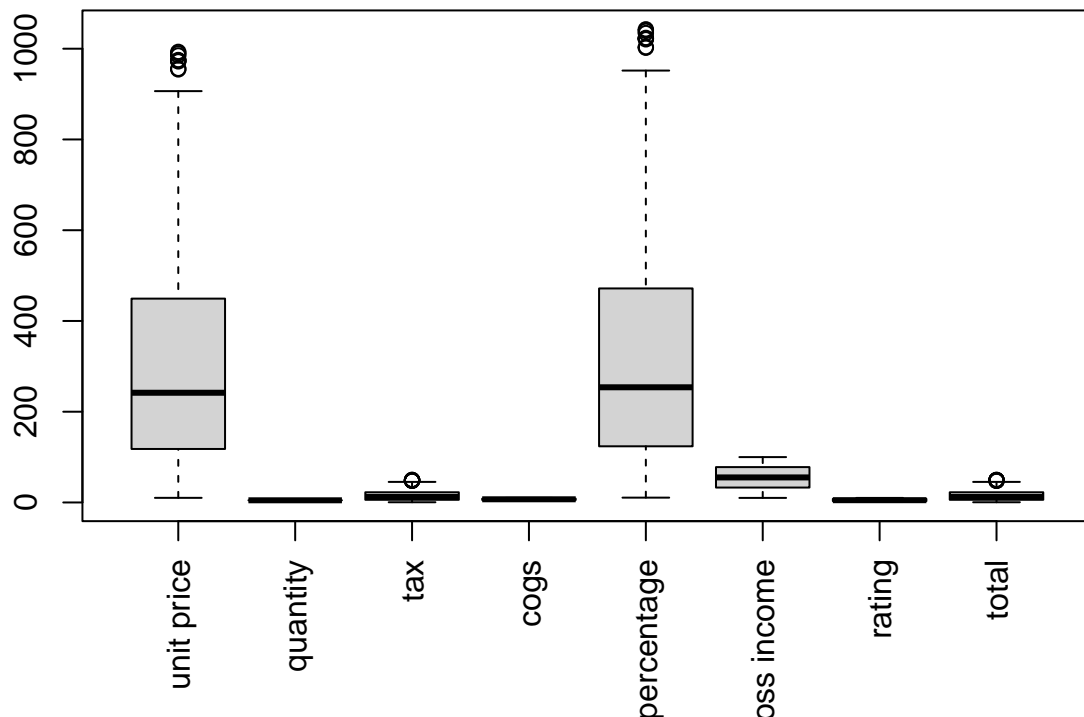
Outliers

```
### numerical columns
### creating list of numerical columns
salesdf.num <- salesdf[c(12:16, 6,7,8)]
str(salesdf.num)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 1000 obs. of 8 variables:
## $ cogs : num 522.8 76.4 324.3 465.8 604.2 ...
## $ gross.margin.percentage: num 4.76 4.76 4.76 4.76 4.76 ...
## $ gross.income : num 26.14 3.82 16.22 23.29 30.21 ...
## $ rating : num 9.1 9.6 7.4 8.4 5.3 4.1 5.8 8 7.2 5.9 ...
## $ total : num 549 80.2 340.5 489 634.4 ...
## $ unit.price : num 74.7 15.3 46.3 58.2 86.3 ...
## $ quantity : int 7 5 7 8 7 7 6 10 2 3 ...
## $ tax : num 26.14 3.82 16.22 23.29 30.21 ...
```

```
### creating boxplots
boxplot(salesdf.num, names =c('unit price', 'quantity', 'tax', 'cogs', 'gross margin percentage', 'gross
```

Outliers



Outliers exist in the tax, cogs, gross income, total columns. This is understandable as gross income is never meant to be equal; Total is affected by quantity and hence large quantities have a huge total whilst low have smaller total. ### Outliers shall not be removed as vital information/insight could be lost.

5. Data Analysis

Univariate Analysis

Measures of central tendency

```
### mean
colMeans(salesdf[sapply(salesdf, is.numeric)])
```

```
##          unit.price          quantity          tax
##          55.672130          5.510000          15.379369
##          cogs gross.margin.percentage          gross.income
##          307.587380          4.761905          15.379369
##          rating          total
##          6.972700          322.966749
```

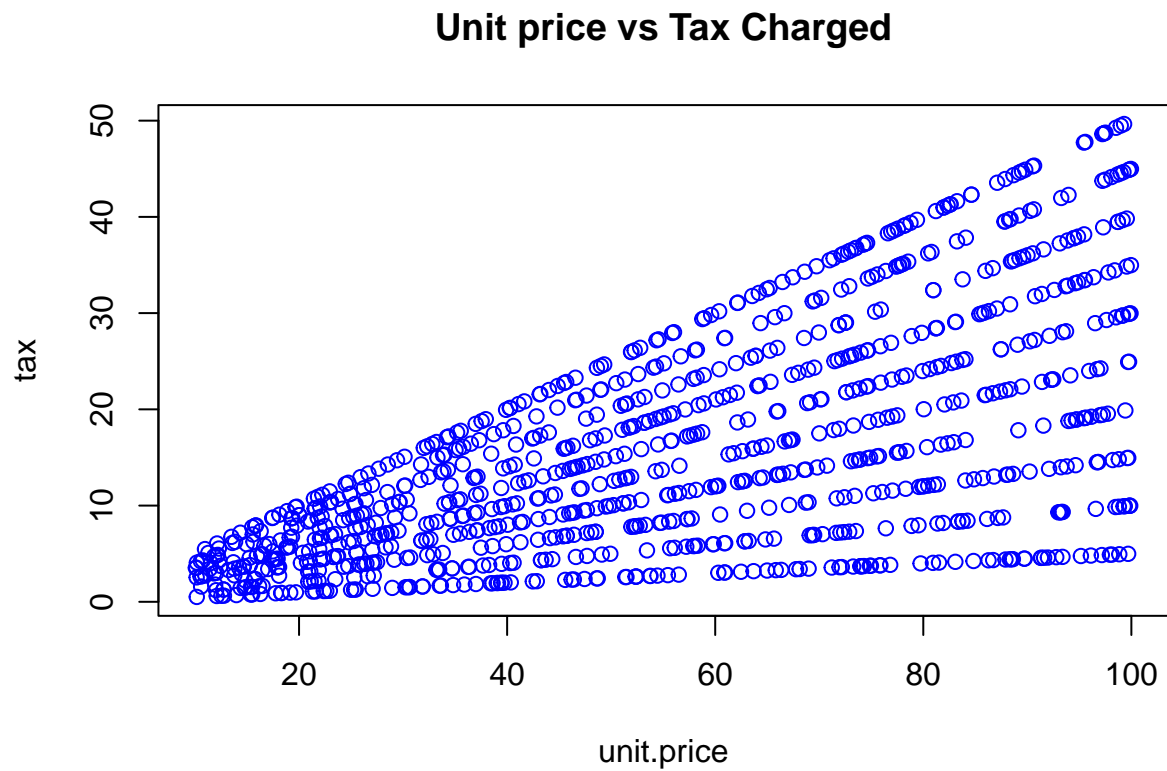

Mean gross income is 15.4/=

Mean rating is 6.9

Bivariate Analysis

Numerical-Numerical variables

```
# correlation between unit price and tax
plot(tax ~ unit.price, dat = salesdf,
     col = "Blue",
     main = "Unit price vs Tax Charged")
```



As price of a unit increases, tax also increases

5. Implementing the solution

A) Principal Component Analysis

PCA can only be applied to numerical data.

It is imperative that a feature set must be normalized.

Is an unsupervised learning algorithm

```
### prcomp doesnt function when handling columns with constant variance, we therefore remove columns th
### calling out columns with constant variance
finalsalesdf.num <- salesdf.num[ , which(apply(salesdf.num, 2, var) != 0)]

### pass prcomp to salesdf numeric
### parameters, scale and center
salesdf.pca <- prcomp(finalsalesdf.num, center = TRUE, scale. = TRUE)
summary(salesdf.pca)
```

```
## Importance of components:
##          PC1      PC2      PC3      PC4      PC5      PC6
## Standard deviation    2.2185 1.0002 0.9939 0.30001 3.953e-16 1.01e-16
## Proportion of Variance 0.7031 0.1429 0.1411 0.01286 0.000e+00 0.00e+00
## Cumulative Proportion 0.7031 0.8460 0.9871 1.00000 1.000e+00 1.00e+00
##          PC7
## Standard deviation    2.906e-31
## Proportion of Variance 0.000e+00
## Cumulative Proportion 1.000e+00
```

PC1 explains 70% of the total ariance.

PC2 explains 14% of the variance.

```
### Eigenvalues
library(factoextra)
```

```
## Loading required package: ggplot2
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'ggplot2'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:psych':
```

```
##
```

```
##      %+%, alpha
```

```
## Welcome! Want to learn more? See two factoextra-related books at https://goo.gl/ve3WBa
```

```
library(corrplot)
```

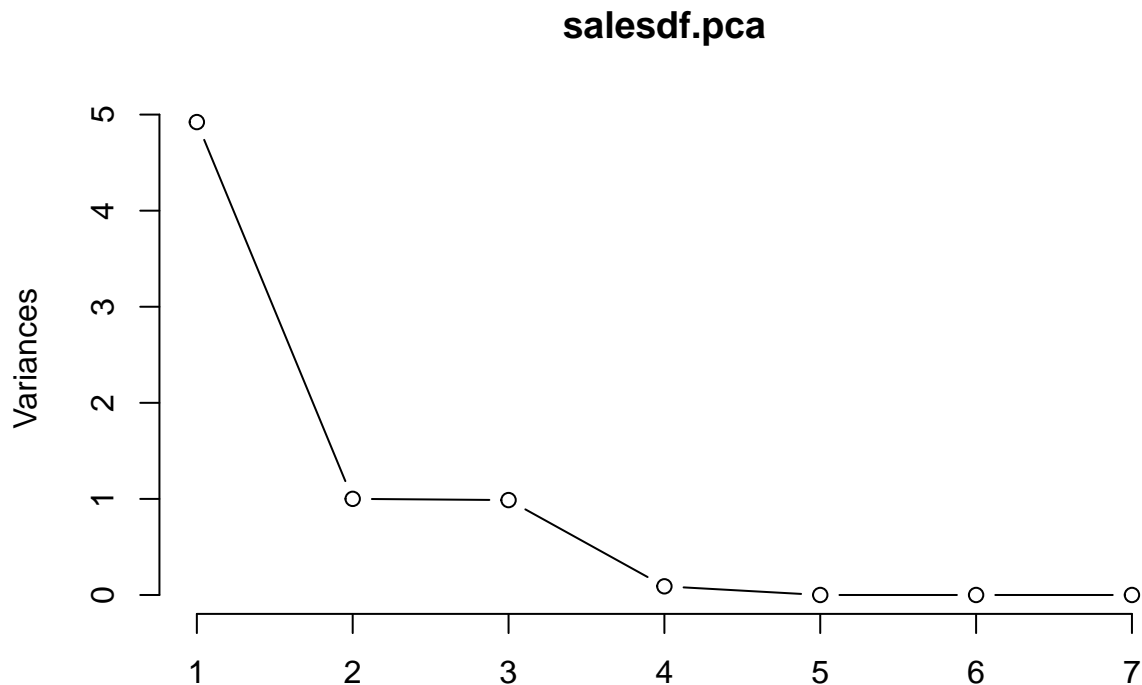
```
## corrplot 0.92 loaded
```

```
eig.val=get_eigenvalue(salesdf.pca)  
eig.val
```

```
##      eigenvalue variance.percent cumulative.variance.percent  
## Dim.1 4.921797e+00      7.031139e+01          70.31139  
## Dim.2 1.000400e+00      1.429143e+01          84.60282  
## Dim.3 9.877961e-01      1.411137e+01          98.71419  
## Dim.4 9.000673e-02      1.285810e+00         100.00000  
## Dim.5 1.562713e-31      2.232448e-30         100.00000  
## Dim.6 1.019773e-32      1.456819e-31         100.00000  
## Dim.7 8.447741e-62      1.206820e-60         100.00000
```

It is observed that eigenvalues decrease steadily from PC1; this indicates that the first principal component is strongest.

```
### arm bend  
plot.salesdf.pca <- plot(salesdf.pca, type="l")
```



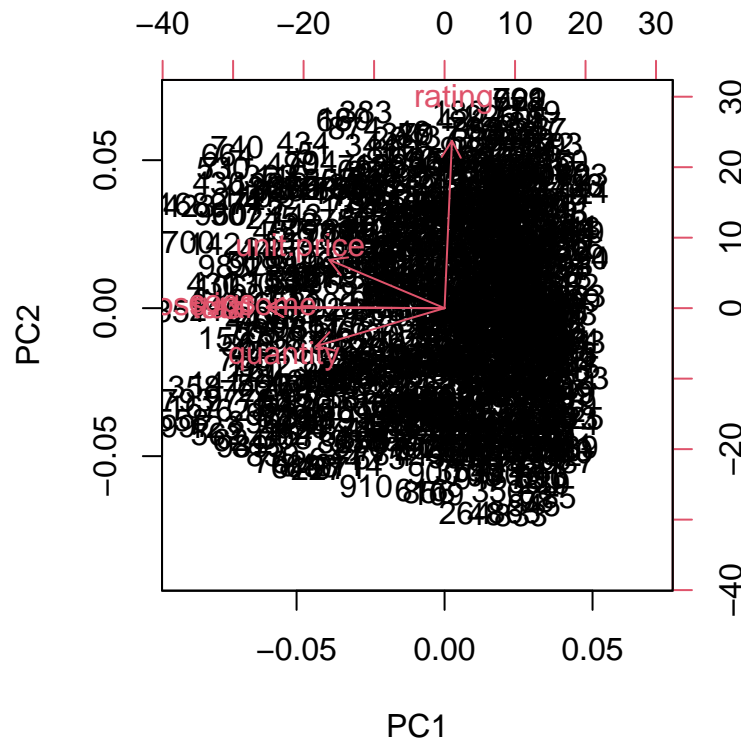
```
plot.salesdf.pca
```

```
## NULL
```

The plot shows the bend at PC2 and PC3

An arm bend reps decrease in cumulative contribution.

```
# better understanding of linear transformation we use a biplot  
biplot.salesdf.pca <- biplot(salesdf.pca)
```



```
biplot.salesdf.pca
```

```
## NULL
```

X-axis reps PC1

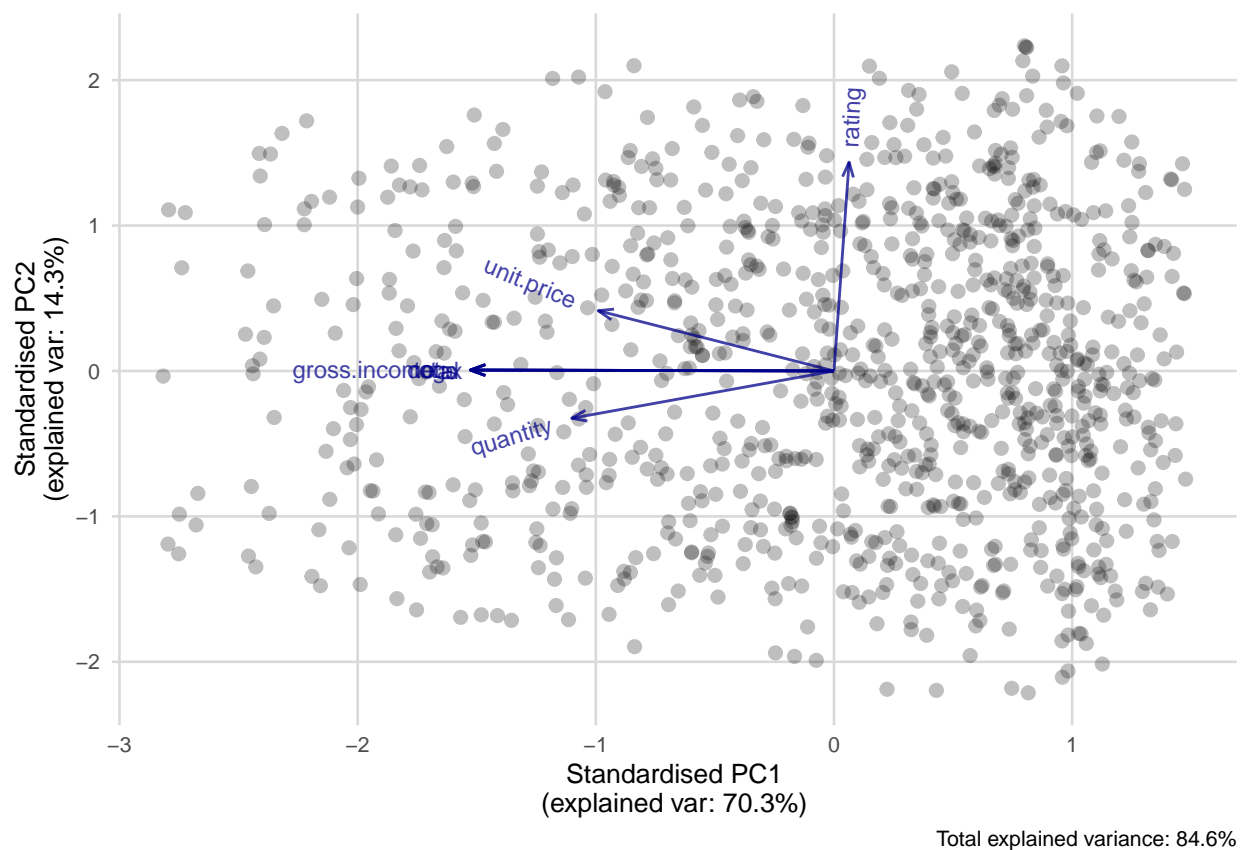
Y=y-axis reps PC2

```
### ggplot of linear transformation
library(ggplot2)
library(AMR)
```

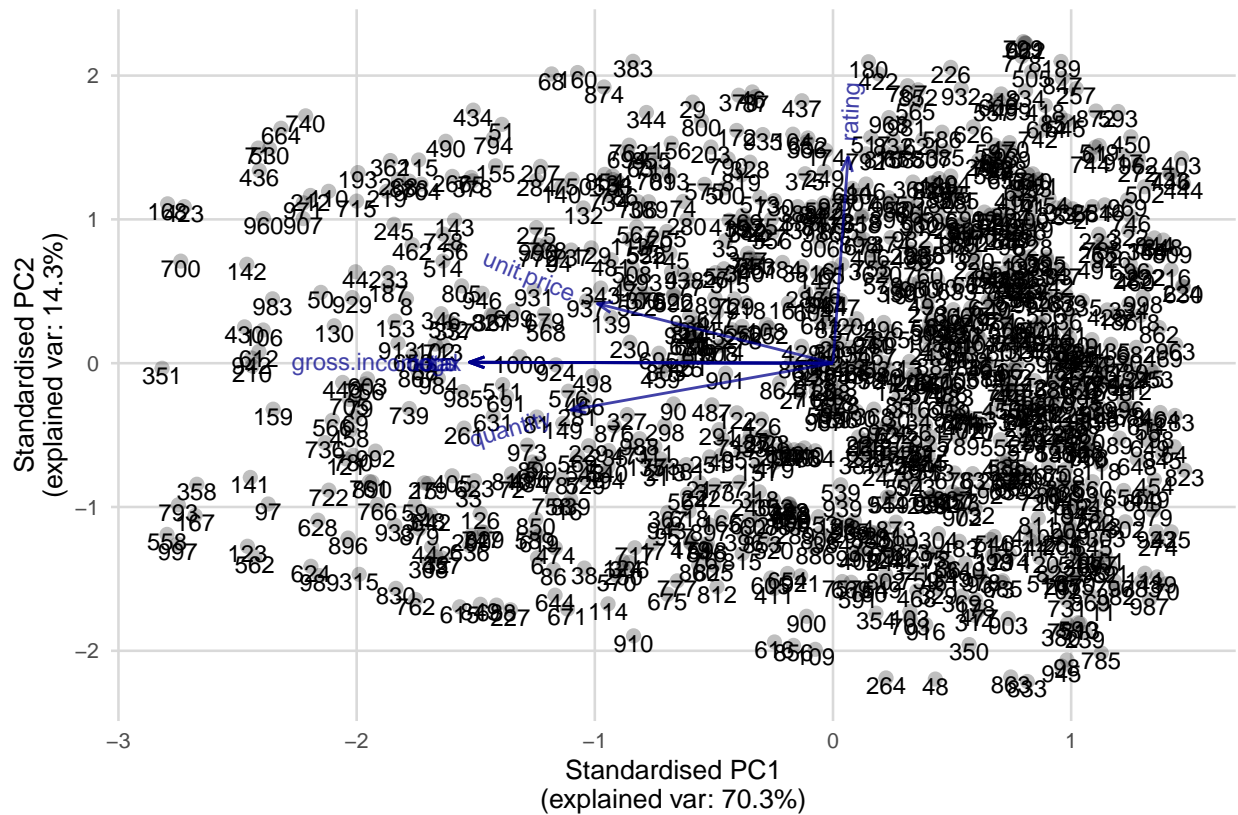
```
##
## Attaching package: 'AMR'

## The following object is masked from 'package:psych':
##
##   pca
```

```
ggplot_pca(salesdf.pca)
```



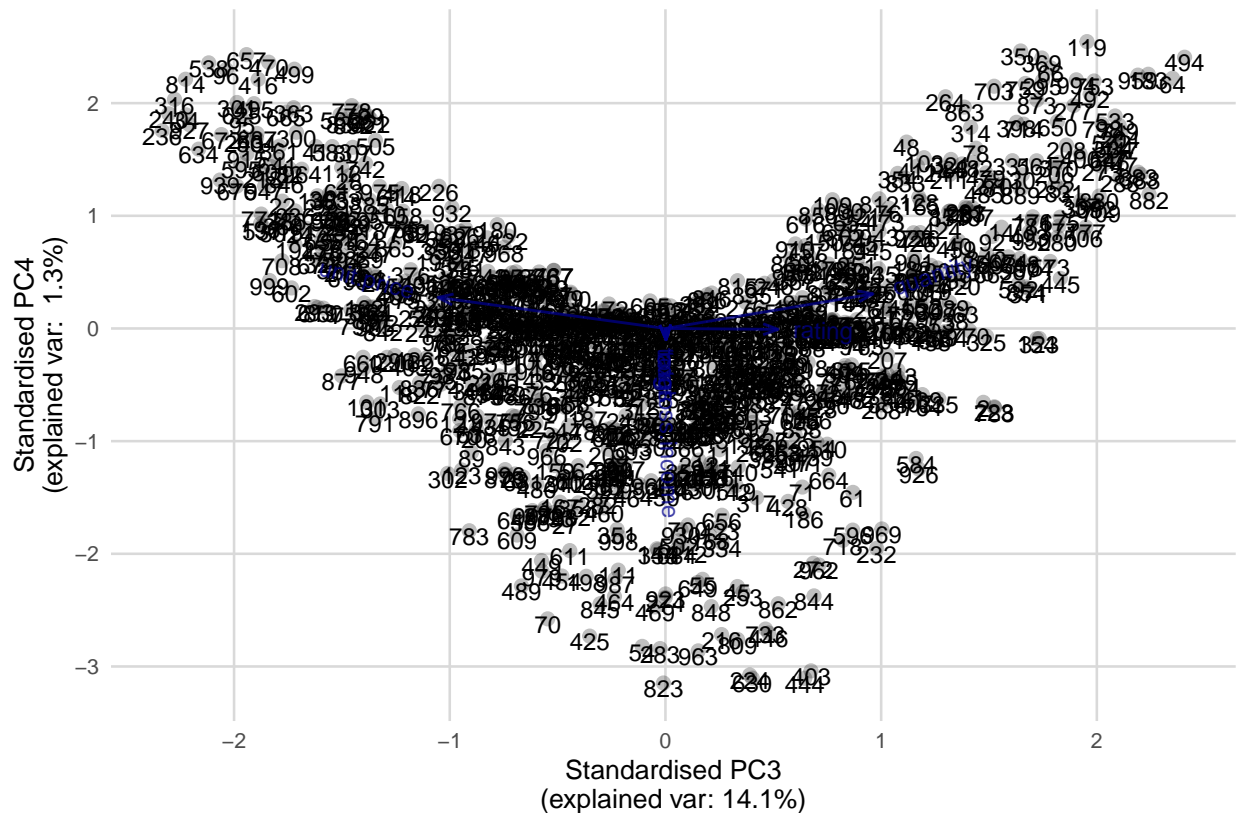
```
### adding detail to plot
ggplot_pca(salesdf.pca, labels=rownames(salesdf), obs.scale = 1, var.scale = 1)
```



Total explained variance: 84.6%

```
### plot of PC3 and PC4
```

```
ggplot_pca(salesdf.pca,ellipse=TRUE,choices=c(3,4), labels=rownames(salesdf))
```



Total explained variance: 15.4%

Due to the minute explained variance explained by PC2 and PC3 we cannot draw any meaningful insights.

B) Feature Selection

i) Filter Method.

I love this method due to the ease.

very concise!

```
### loading necessary librarieres
library(caret)
```

```
## Loading required package: lattice
```

```
library(corrplot)
### Recall that we had already assigned a variable to our numerical columns - salesdf.num
correlationMatrix <- cor(finalsalesdf.num)

# Find attributes that are highly correlated
# ---
#
highlyCorrelated <- findCorrelation(correlationMatrix, cutoff=0.75)
```

```
# Highly correlated attributes
# ---
#
highlyCorrelated
```

```
## [1] 1 4 2
```

```
names(finalsalesdf.num[,highlyCorrelated])
```

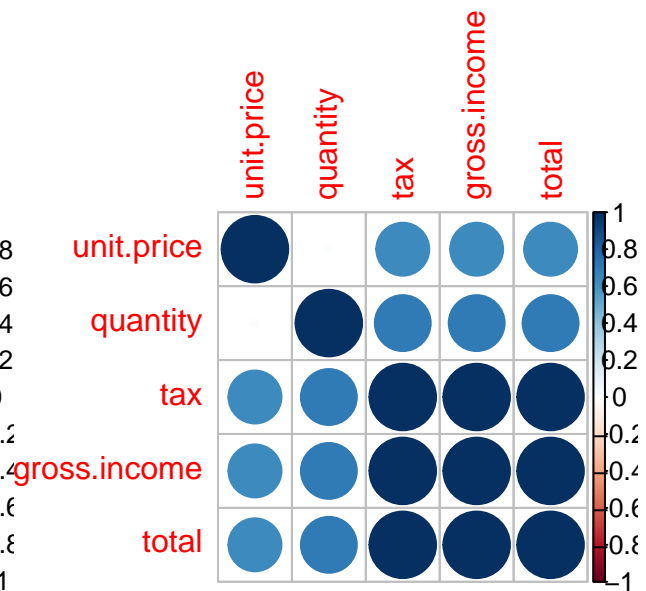
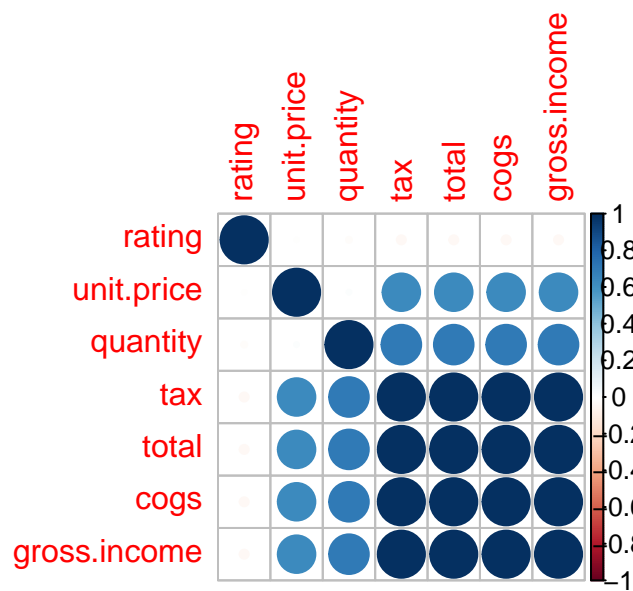
```
## [1] "cogs"          "total"          "gross.income"
```

Cogs, total and gross income columns are highly correlated.

We shall therefore remove them.

```
# We can remove the variables with a higher correlation
# and comparing the results graphically as shown below
# ---
#
# Removing Redundant Features
# ---
#
filtered.salesdf<-salesdf.num[-highlyCorrelated]

# Performing our graphical comparison
# ---
#
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
corrplot(correlationMatrix, order = "hclust")
corrplot(cor(filtered.salesdf), order = "hclust")
```

6. Conclusion

PC1 explains 70% of the total variance.

PC2 explains 14% of the variance.

Eigenvalues decrease steadily from PC1

Cogs, total and gross income columns are highly correlated.

Mean gross income is 15.4/=

Mean rating is 6.9

As price of a unit increases, tax also increases

7. Recommendation

Discounts on common items should be offered, to give incentive to low income earners to purchase these products.

8. Follow up questions

a) Did we have right data?

Yes.

b) Do we need other data to answer our question?

No.

c) Did we have the right question?

Yes.