

# Exploration Statistique Multidimensionnelle

## Correspondence analysis

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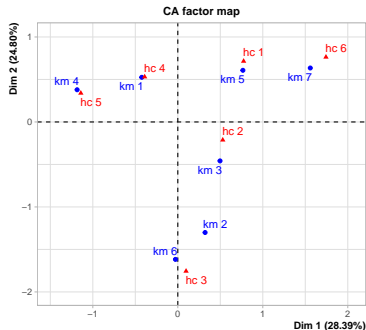
# Motivation

## Question

Question : given two qualitative variables, how analyzing and visualizing the correspondence between their levels ?

# Example - Correspondence of clustering results

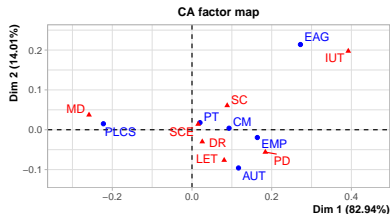
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km2	0	31	40	0	0	0
km3	1	94	15	4	0	0
km4	0	14	0	3	277	0
km5	135	40	0	7	0	1
km6	0	13	136	4	20	0
km7	10	34	0	0	0	99



**Figure** – Left : contingency table between classes found by hierarchical clustering and k-means. Right : output of correspondence analysis.

## Example 2 - Sociological data

	EAG	PT	PLCS	CM	EMP	AUT
DR	86	168	470	236	161	305
SCE	38	74	191	99	58	115
LET	149	312	806	493	308	624
SC	105	137	400	264	144	247
MD	98	261	1040	337	175	348
PD	12	21	45	36	22	42
IUT	62	62	79	87	62	90



**Figure** – Left : contingency table between father job and children study type.  
Right : output of correspondence analysis.

## Contingency table

- Two **qualitative** variables observed on  $n$  individuals
- $X$ , with  $r$  levels  $x_1, \dots, x_\ell, \dots, x_r$
- $Y$ , with  $c$  levels  $y_1, \dots, y_h, \dots, y_c$
- $\mathbf{T}$  : **contingency table**  $r \times c$

	$y_1$	$\dots$	$y_h$	$\dots$	$y_c$	sums
$x_1$	$n_{11}$	$\dots$	$n_{1h}$	$\dots$	$n_{1c}$	$n_{1+}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x_\ell$	$n_{\ell 1}$	$\dots$	$n_{\ell h}$	$\dots$	$n_{\ell c}$	$n_{\ell +}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x_r$	$n_{r1}$	$\dots$	$n_{rh}$	$\dots$	$n_{rc}$	$n_{r+}$
sums	$n_{+1}$	$\dots$	$n_{+h}$	$\dots$	$n_{+c}$	$n$

## Dependence

- $X$  and  $Y$  are **not linked** relatively to  $T$  if and only if :

$$n_{\ell h} = \frac{n_{\ell+} n_{+h}}{n} \quad \forall (\ell, h) \in \llbracket 1, r \rrbracket \times \llbracket 1, c \rrbracket$$

- Equivalent to **probability independence**
- $\chi^2$  test, whose statistics

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{\ell=1}^r \sum_{h=1}^c \frac{\left(n_{\ell h} - \frac{n_{\ell+} n_{+h}}{n}\right)^2}{\frac{n_{\ell+} n_{+h}}{n}};$$

follows asymptotically  $\chi^2$  with  $(r-1)(c-1)$  d.f.

## One contingency table, two dual datasets

- A first dataset is given by the **row profiles**, associated to the **conditional probability**  $P(Y = . | X = x_\ell)$  :

	$y_1$	$\dots$	$y_h$	$\dots$	$y_c$	sums
$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x_\ell$	$\frac{n_{\ell 1}}{n_{\ell+}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{\ell h}}{n_{\ell+}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{\ell c}}{n_{\ell+}}$	1
$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$\mathbf{g}_c$	$\frac{n_{+1}}{n}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{+h}}{n}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{+c}}{n}$	1

- The  $\ell$ -th row profile **has weight**  $f_{\ell+} = \frac{n_{\ell+}}{n}$ , ass. to  $P(X = x_\ell)$ .
- The mean row profile  $\mathbf{g}_c$ , asso. to  $P(Y = .)$ , is their centroid :

$$\sum_{\ell=1}^r \left( \frac{n_{\ell+}}{n} \right) \frac{n_{\ell h}}{n_{\ell+}} = \sum_{\ell=1}^r \frac{n_{\ell h}}{n} = \frac{n_{+h}}{n} = (\mathbf{g}_c)_h$$

## One contingency table, two dual datasets

- A second dataset is given by the **column profiles**, associated to the **conditional probability**  $P(X = . | Y = y_h)$  :

	$y_1$	$\dots$	$y_h$	$\dots$	$y_c$	$\mathbf{g}_r$
$x_1$	$\frac{n_{11}}{n_{+1}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{1h}}{n_{+h}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{1c}}{n_{+c}}$	$\frac{n_{1+}}{n}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x_\ell$	$\frac{n_{\ell 1}}{n_{+1}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{\ell h}}{n_{+h}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{\ell c}}{n_{+c}}$	$\frac{n_{\ell+}}{n}$
$\vdots$	$\vdots$		$\vdots$		$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$x_r$	$\frac{n_{r1}}{n_{+1}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{rh}}{n_{+h}}$	$\dots$	$\frac{n_{rc}}{n_{+c}}$	$\frac{n_{r+}}{n}$
sums	1	$\dots$	1	$\dots$	1	1

- The  $h$ -th column profile **has weight**  $f_{+h} = \frac{n_{+h}}{n}$ , ass. to  $P(Y = y_h)$ .
- The mean profile  $\mathbf{g}_r$ , asso. to  $P(X = .)$ , is their centroid.



# Example

## Question extracted from a quizz :

**Question 10** We give the following contingency table corresponding to two qualitative variables 'day', 'night', with levels '-', '=', '+':

	night-	night=	night+
day-	2	0	0
day=	1	1	0
day+	1	1	3

The row profile for 'day=' is

☐ (4, 2, 3)☐ (1/2, 1/2, 0)☐ (1/9, 1/9, 0)☐ (1, 1, 0)

## Features of Correspondence Analysis (CA)

- CA aims at visualizing the **correspondences** that explain the  $\chi^2$  value
- CA provides a double principal component analysis : one for **row profiles** + one **column profiles**, with the  $\chi^2$  metric

## Notations

- $\mathbf{T}$  : the initial contingency table

### Row profiles

- $\mathbf{a}^\ell$  : the  $\ell$ -th row profile
- $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}^1, \dots, \mathbf{a}^r]$  : matrix of row profiles (placed in columns)
- $\mathbf{D}_r = \text{diag}(f_{1+}, \dots, f_{r+})$ , matrix of row profile weights

### Column profiles

- $\mathbf{b}^h$  : the  $h$ -th column profile
- $\mathbf{B} = [\mathbf{b}^1, \dots, \mathbf{b}^c]$  : matrix of column profiles
- $\mathbf{D}_c = \text{diag}(f_{+1}, \dots, f_{+c})$ , matrix of column profile weights

## The chi2 metric for variables

- The dataset of row (resp. column) profiles in  $\mathbb{R}^c$  (resp.  $\mathbb{R}^r$ ) is endowed with the  $\chi^2$  metric :  $\mathbf{D}_c^{-1}$  (resp.  $\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$ ).
- **Distance** between levels :

$$\|\mathbf{a}^\ell - \mathbf{a}^i\|_{\mathbf{D}_c^{-1}}^2 = \sum_{h=1}^c \frac{1}{f_{+h}} (a_h^\ell - a_h^i)^2$$

- The  $\chi^2$  **metric** is a weighted Euclidean norm, which gives more importance to levels with small frequencies.

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Question extracted from a quizz (following the last one) :

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**Question 11** Continuing the example of question 10: with the usual metric of correspondence analysis (cf question 9), the square distance between the row profiles of 'day-' and 'day=' is:

☐ 2      ☐ 27/4      ☐ 27/16      ☐ 1/2

## Two dataset, one inertia

The inertia of the row profiles and column profiles are both equal to  $\Phi^2 = \frac{\chi^2}{n}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} I_r &= \sum_{\ell=1}^r f_{\ell+} \|\mathbf{a}^{\ell} - \mathbf{g}_c\|_{\mathbf{D}_c}^2 \\ &= \dots \text{ (left to exercise) } \dots \\ &= \sum_{\ell=1}^r \sum_{h=1}^c \frac{1}{n_{\ell+} n_{+h}} \left( n_{\ell h} - \frac{n_{\ell+} n_{+h}}{n} \right)^2 = \frac{\chi^2}{n} \end{aligned}$$

## Theorem

- The PCA of  $\mathbf{A}'$  with metric  $\mathbf{D}_c^{-1}$  (var.) and weights  $\mathbf{D}_r$  (ind.) is given by the spectral decomposition of  $\mathbf{AB}$ .
- The PCA of  $\mathbf{B}'$  with metric  $\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$  (var.) and weights  $\mathbf{D}_c$  (ind.) is given by the spectral decomposition of  $\mathbf{BA}$ .
- The two PCA give the same inertia decomposition,

$$\Phi^2 = \lambda_1 + \cdots + \lambda_{\min(r-1, c-1)}$$

and all the eigenvalues belong to  $[0, 1]$ .

- An eigenvalue of 1 corresponds to a perfect link between one level of  $X$  and one level of  $Y$  (block diagonal form of  $\mathbf{T}$ )

## Proof steps (exercise !)

For the spectral decomposition (column profile case) :

- ① The covariance matrix is :  

$$\Gamma = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}_c\mathbf{B}' - \mathbf{g}_r\mathbf{1}'_c\mathbf{D}_c(\mathbf{g}_r\mathbf{1}'_c)' = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}_c\mathbf{B}' - \mathbf{g}_r\mathbf{g}'_r$$
- ② Using the **isometry**  $\|x\|_{\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}} = \|\mathbf{D}_r^{-1/2}x\|$ , the matrix to diagonalize is  $\mathbf{D}_r^{-1/2}\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1/2}$
- ③  $(x, \lambda)$  eig. for  $\mathbf{D}_r^{-1/2}\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1/2}$  iff  $(\mathbf{D}_r^{1/2}x, \lambda)$  eig. for  $\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$
- ④ Using  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{D}_c = \mathbf{D}_r\mathbf{A}' = \frac{\mathbf{T}}{n}$ , we have :  $\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{g}_r\mathbf{g}'_r\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$
- ⑤ Using the relations  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{g}_r = \mathbf{g}_c$ ,  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{g}_c = \mathbf{g}_r$ ,  $\mathbf{g}'_r\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}\mathbf{g}_r = 1$ , see that  $\mathbf{g}_r$  is an eigenvector of  $\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$  with eigenvalue 0.
- ⑥ The spectral decomposition of  $\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$  is the same as  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}$ , except for  $\mathbf{g}_r$ , eigenvector assoc. to 1 for  $\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}$  and 0 for  $\Gamma\mathbf{D}_r^{-1}$ .

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## Proof steps (exercise !)

For the properties of the eigenvalues :

- 1 The eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{BA}$  are those of  $\mathbf{D_r}^{-1/2}\mathbf{\Gamma}\mathbf{D_r}^{-1/2}$ , which is symmetric, positive semi-definite  $\rightarrow$  they belong to  $\mathbb{R}_+$
- 2  $\mathbf{A}', \mathbf{B}'$  are **stochastic matrices** (coef.  $\geq 0$ , rows sum to 1)
- 3 A product of stochastic matrices is stochastic
- 4 The eigenvalues of a stochastic matrix are of modulus  $\leq 1$ .

Theory says that our 2 clouds (row & column profiles) :

- have the same inertia ( $\chi^2/n$ )  
→ same volume
- have the same projected inertia onto the first  $\min(r-1, c-1)$  PCA axis (common eigenvalues)  
→ same shape

Thus, intuitively, they are similar up to some rotation.

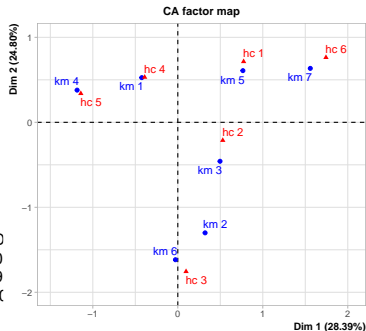
Representing the results in the first PCA coordinates visualize correspondence between them.

## Interpretation, come-back to example 1

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### Eigenvalues

	Dim.1	Dim.2	Dim.3	D
Variance	0.791	0.691	0.617	0
% of var. 28.386	24.798	22.124	15.594	9
Cumulative % of var.	28.386	53.184	75.309	90



Interpretation is similar to PCA with the following specificities :

- Eigenvalues close to 1 indicate a strong link between levels
- Percentage of inertia corresponds to part of explained  $\chi^2$
- Each PCA plot shows the (2D projected) profiles which are close/far to each other in terms of  $\chi^2$  metric

Ex :  $\{km2, km6\}$  or  $\{hc3, hc1\}$

- The biplot shows the correspondence between the levels of  $X$  and the levels of  $Y \rightarrow$  explain which pairs are responsible for the high values of  $\chi^2$ .

Ex :  $\{km4, hc5\}$