PLSC 504: Fall 2024

Principal Components Analysis, Factor Analysis, and Clustering

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Measurement: Concepts

- Often: data reduction (many $X \rightarrow \text{one } X$)
- Classification is measurement (taxonomy and typology)
- Level and quality of measurement are distinct
- All measurement implies theory

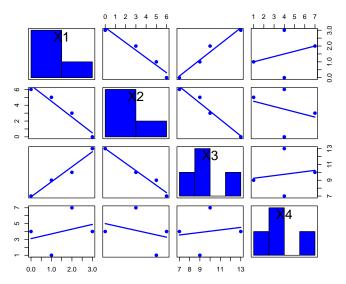
Today's Plan

- Principal Components Analysis (+ biplots!)
- Factor Analysis (exploratory)
- Cluster Analysis

Reviewing Some Basics

```
> X < -data.frame(X1=c(0,1,2,3),X2=c(6,5,3,0),
                 X3=c(7,9,10,13), X4=c(4,1,7,4))
> X
 X1 X2 X3 X4
1 0 6 7 4
2 1 5 9 1
3 2 3 10 7
4 3 0 13 4
> CX <- sweep(X,2,colMeans(X),"-") # "centered" X</pre>
> CX
   X1 X2 X3 X4
1 -1.5 2.5 -2.75 0
2 -0.5 1.5 -0.75 -3
3 0.5 -0.5 0.25 3
4 1.5 -3.5 3.25 0
```

Toy Data



More Basics

```
> Sigma <- cov(CX) # variance-covariance matrix
> Sigma
      X 1
             X2
                    X3 X4
X 1
   1.667 -3.333 3.167
X2 -3.333 7.000 -6.500 -2
Х3
   3.167 - 6.500 6.250
X4 1.000 -2.000 1.000 6
> R <- cor(CX) # correlation matrix
> R.
       Х1
               X2
                       ХЗ
                               X4
X 1
   1.0000 -0.9759 0.9812
                          0.3162
X2 -0.9759 1.0000 -0.9827 -0.3086
Х.З
   0.9812 -0.9827 1.0000 0.1633
X4 0.3162 -0.3086 0.1633 1.0000
```

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

For the variance-covariance matrix Σ of (centered) \mathbf{X} , we can diagonalize:

$$\Sigma = VLV'$$

where

- V is the matrix of eigenvectors ("principal axes"), and
- L is the (diagonal) matrix of eigenvalues.

Things:

- ullet The sum of the eigenvalues equals the $\it trace$ of Σ
- The product of the eigenvalues is $|\Sigma|$

(Kinda confused? Check out this, or this, or this.)

Eigenvalues and Eigenvectors

```
> E <- eigen(Sigma)
> F.
eigen() decomposition
$values
[1] 1.534e+01 5.491e+00 8.110e-02 9.845e-16
$vectors
        [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,] 0.3249 -0.04222 0.67351 0.6626
[2,] -0.6712 0.09804 0.65587 -0.3313
[3.] 0.6197 -0.25156 0.33709 -0.6626
[4.] 0.2447 0.96194 0.05088 -0.1104
> L <- E$values
> V <- E$vectors
> sum(E$values)
[1] 20.92
> tr(Sigma)
[1] 20.92
```

Singular Value Decomposition

The singular value decomposition (SVD) of **X** is:

$$X = USV'$$

where $\bf S$ is the diagonal matrix of singular values, $\bf U$ is a unitary (orthogonal) matrix, and $\bf V$ is again the matrix of eigenvectors.

Note:

- Elements of **S** s_i are related to the eigenvalues v_i according to $v_i = s_i^2/(N-1)$.
- The principal components are equal to US (≡ XV).

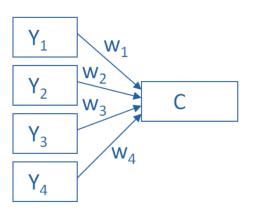
```
> SVD <- svd(CX)
> SVD
5d
[1] 6.7848667363326811142 4.0586048392632072535 0.4932647655322611735
[4] 0.000000000000002276
$11
       [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1.] -0.5703 0.2464 0.6033 0.5
[2,] -0.3490 -0.6231 -0.4898 0.5
[3,] 0.2045 0.6783 -0.4982 0.5
[4.] 0.7149 -0.3016 0.3846 0.5
$v
       [,1]
                [,2]
                        [,3]
                                 [,4]
[1,] 0.3249 -0.04222 -0.67351 -0.6626
[2,] -0.6712 0.09804 -0.65587 0.3313
[3.] 0.6197 -0.25156 -0.33709 0.6626
[4.] 0.2447 0.96194 -0.05088 0.1104
> S <- SVD$d
> U <- SVD$u
> otherV <- SVD$v
>
> # Eigenvalues:
> (S^2)/(nrow(X)-1)
[1] 1.534e+01 5.491e+00 8.110e-02 1.726e-32
```

Principal Components (PCA)

PCA is:

- an orthogonal transformation, that
- converts a set of variables X into a set of K linearly-uncorrelated values, where
- the first principal component has the largest possible variance, and
- the second has the second-highest (subject to orthogonality),
- etc.

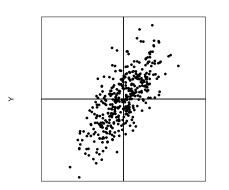
PCA, Conceptually

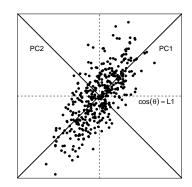


$$C = w_1 Y_1 + w_2 Y_2 + w_3 Y_3 + w_4 Y_4$$

(Source)

PCA Intuition





"(Principal components) can be considered as a rotation of original variable coordinate system to new (orthogonal) axes... such that the new axes coincide with the directions of maximum variation in the original observations." (Campbell and Atchley 1981)

```
> princomp(CX) # via eigenvalues
Call:
princomp(x = CX)
Standard deviations:
Comp.1 Comp.2 Comp.3 Comp.4
3.3924 2.0293 0.2466 0.0000
 4 variables and 4 observations.
> prcomp(CX) # via SVD
Standard deviations (1, ..., p=4):
[1] 3.9172446366374114035 2.3432365964829307003 0.2847865451618086241
[4] 0.000000000000001314
Rotation (n \times k) = (4 \times 4):
       PC1
               PC2
                         PC3
                                 PC4
X1 0.3249 -0.04222 -0.67351 -0.6626
X2 -0.6712 0.09804 -0.65587 0.3313
X3 0.6197 -0.25156 -0.33709 0.6626
X4 0.2447 0.96194 -0.05088 0.1104
> otherV # from -svd-
        Γ.17
                 [,2]
                          [.3]
                                  [,4]
[1.] 0.3249 -0.04222 -0.67351 -0.6626
[2,] -0.6712 0.09804 -0.65587 0.3313
[3,] 0.6197 -0.25156 -0.33709 0.6626
[4.] 0.2447 0.96194 -0.05088 0.1104
```

PCA Steps

- Extract the principal components
- *Interpret* the components...
- Consider rotation
- Choosing the *number of components* (dimensions)
- Generating scores

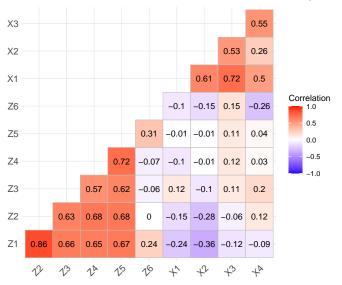
PCA: A Simulation Example

```
> N <- 20
> set.seed(7222009)
> Name <- randomNames(N, which.names="first")
> Z <- rnorm(N)
> Z1 \leftarrow Z + 0.2*rnorm(N) # six variables Z1-Z6,
> Z2 <- Z + 0.5*rnorm(N) # correlated with (latent) Z to varying
> Z3 <- Z + 1*rnorm(N) # degrees
> 7.4 < -7. + 1.5*rnorm(N)
> Z5 <- Z + 2*rnorm(N)
> Z6 < Z + 3*rnorm(N)
> X <- rnorm(N)
> X1 <- X + rnorm(N) # four more variables X1-X4.
> X2 <- X + rnorm(N) # correlated with (latent) X,
> X3 <- X + rt(N.5) # uncorrelated with Z
> X4 <- X + rt(N.5)
>
> df <- data.frame(Z1,Z2,Z3,Z4,Z5,Z6,X1,X2,X3,X4)</pre>
> rownames(df)<-Name
```

PCA Simulation: Data

	Z1	Z2	Z3	Z4	Z5	Z6	X1	X2	ХЗ	X4	
Zane	-0.3835	-0.8551	-1.74863	-2.95738	0.3434	2.3876	1.8148	-0.048860	-0.9089	-2.0279	
Kikiola	0.9500	2.1191	-0.71930	1.29382	1.5645	-0.9844	-0.1672	-2.136591	-1.1117	0.5004	
Kelly	0.7722	0.6555	1.30132	1.31898	1.1723	-2.9590	-2.1983	-1.854578	-2.8231	-1.0201	
Janeth	0.6151	0.9362	0.70202	1.15355	-0.3083	-2.9951	-3.0352	-2.207591	-2.1784	-2.8660	
Jeremy	-0.7086	-0.3088	-0.51730	-0.64314	-1.7469	-0.9893	2.4642	2.755191	2.4353	0.3730	
Kristopher	-0.4598	-1.2545	0.50662	0.25929	-0.4636	-0.7435	1.0900	-0.046470	0.6645	1.2849	
Dakota	-0.6067	0.7625	-0.08669	1.72531	1.2346	-4.5091	-0.8283	-0.686047	-1.6056	1.0410	
Bryanna	0.2787	0.9993	1.13377	-1.86677	-0.9118	-3.5107	0.3449	-2.018978	0.7354	3.1029	
Irma	-2.0618	-2.2968	-1.04520	-4.52706	-3.8013	-0.9035	0.7487	-1.696923	-1.2566	-0.5973	<
Abdut Tawwab	-1.1526	-2.3654	-3.83437	-1.92830	-2.4938	0.5076	-3.6260	-0.250650	-2.4459	-2.3053	
Ryan	0.5422	0.5225	-2.20508	0.32334	1.4927	4.2313	-1.8403	-0.873431	-1.3248	-1.6506	
Christiana	-0.5757	0.1382	-1.90018	-1.88046	0.1188	1.1511	-1.5067	0.299969	0.8937	1.0714	
Shane	1.4385	1.0143	1.63319	0.41833	0.2214	-2.8103	0.6063	-0.002911	-0.2441	0.9327	
Evelyn	1.3790	1.9599	4.67315	2.01085	6.3573	2.0813	-0.8455	0.870719	-0.9608	-0.1952	<
Brandon	-0.3556	0.3509	0.55577	1.95601	2.1527	-6.9956	1.0326	0.168683	1.3465	-0.1441	
Chelsey	0.6760	0.3684	0.43527	1.34559	1.7534	6.2837	-0.4531	-2.522037	3.0872	0.1913	
Jonique	-0.1961	0.1497	0.33599	1.27368	2.5173	0.5435	3.6935	3.752891	3.7851	1.0968	<
Eduardo	0.1541	0.2013	-0.24649	-0.01127	3.6202	2.4549	-0.6014	-1.945691	-0.5654	0.7837	
Naomi	-1.0365	-1.5128	-0.45662	-0.04055	0.6739	-1.1768	1.4737	1.900248	2.2425	1.3754	
Erin	-1.6944	-1.3492	-3.06741	-1.66362	-2.3350	-5.5588	0.6075	2.347850	-0.1236	1.6992	

Correlations, Envisioned



Friendly PCA using principal

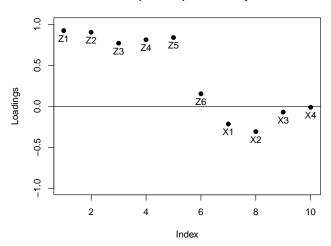
```
> PCSim1 <- principal(df, nfactors=1,rotate="none")
> PCSim1
Principal Components Analysis
Call: principal(r = df, nfactors = 1, rotate = "none")
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
    PC1
             h2 112 com
71 0.92 0.85255 0.15 1
72 0.90 0.81465 0.19
Z3 0.77 0.59243 0.41
Z4 0.81 0.65934 0.34
75 0.84 0.70383 0.30
76 0 15 0 02331 0 98
X1 -0.22 0.04688 0.95
X2 -0.31 0.09537 0.90
X3 -0.07 0.00501 0.99
X4 -0.01 0.00015 1.00
               PC1
SS loadings
             3.79
Proportion Var 0.38
Mean item complexity = 1
Test of the hypothesis that 1 component is sufficient.
The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.23
with the empirical chi square 94.71 with prob < 0.00000021
Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.67
```

Let's break that down...

- It's a PCA, where we're extracting the first principal component (nfactors = 1)
- No rotation (rotate = "none")
- PC1 are the "loadings" of each variable on the first principal component (think of these as the w_k in the conceptual figure)
- h2 are communalities; the sums of the squared loadings (so, here, PC1²)
- u2 is uniqueness; simply 1- h2
- SS Loadings is the value(s) of the principal component(s)
- Proportion Var is the proportion of the total variance in X that that principal component accounts for
- The model fit statistic suggests that the one-component model doesn't fit the data very well (we can reject the hypothesis that one component is sufficient)

Minimalist PCA Plot

Principal Component Analysis



PCA Scores

> PCSim1\$scores

	PC1	
Zane	-0.7662	
Kikiola	0.9758	
Kelly	0.8876	
Janeth	0.7121	
Jeremy	-0.7649	
Kristopher	-0.3504	
Dakota	0.3313	
Bryanna	0.1087	
Irma	-1.9027	<
Abdut Tawwab	-1.4531	
Ryan	0.3533	
Christiana	-0.4900	
Shane	0.7625	
Evelyn	2.1131	<
Brandon	0.3494	
Chelsey	0.8004	
Jonique	0.1025	<
Eduardo	0.5495	
Naomi	-0.6965	
Erin	-1.6226	

PCA with nfactors = 2

```
> PCSim2 <- principal(df, nfactors=2,rotate="none")
> PCSim2
Principal Components Analysis
Call: principal(r = df, nfactors = 2, rotate = "none")
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
    PC1 PC2
                 h2 112 com
71 0.92 -0.10 0.862 0.14 1.0
72 0.90 0.05 0.817 0.18 1.0
73 0.77 0.28 0.673 0.33 1.3
Z4 0.81 0.19 0.695 0.30 1.1
75 0.84 0.20 0.746 0.25 1.1
Z6 0.15 -0.14 0.043 0.96 2.0
X1 -0.22 0.86 0.792 0.21 1.1
X2 -0.31 0.70 0.585 0.42 1.4
X3 -0.07 0.86 0.744 0.26 1.0
X4 -0.01 0.72 0.519 0.48 1.0
                     PC1 PC2
SS loadings
                   3.79 2.68
                0.38 0.27
Proportion Var
Cumulative Var 0.38 0.65
Proportion Explained 0.59 0.41
Cumulative Proportion 0.59 1.00
Mean item complexity = 1.2
Test of the hypothesis that 2 components are sufficient.
The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.1
with the empirical chi square 17.79 with prob < 0.88
Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.94
```

Let's break that down again...

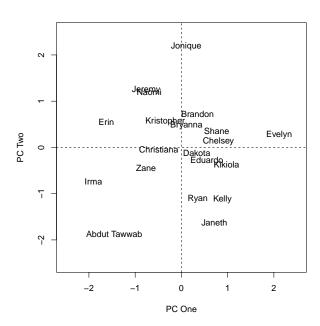
- It's a PCA, where now we're extracting the first two principal components (nfactors = 2)
- No rotation (rotate = "none")
- PC1, PC2, h2, and u2 are the same as above
- com is the *complexity* c_k of each measure; $c_k = \frac{(\sum PC_k^2)^2}{\sum PC_k^4}$
- SS Loadings are again the value(s) of the principal component(s)
- There are now both total and cumulative variance explained statistics
- The model fit statistic now suggests that the model fits well (we cannot reject the hypothesis that two components are sufficient)

Scores, Redux

> PCSim2\$scores

	PC1	PC2	
Zane	-0.7662	-0.44184	
Kikiola	0.9758	-0.36603	
Kelly	0.8876	-1.12584	
Janeth	0.7121	-1.62294	
Jeremy	-0.7649	1.24398	
Kristopher	-0.3504	0.56805	
Dakota	0.3313	-0.12155	
Bryanna	0.1087	0.47345	
Irma	-1.9027	-0.73273	<
Abdut Tawwab	-1.4531	-1.87429	
Ryan	0.3533	-1.11299	
Christiana	-0.4900	-0.04596	
Shane	0.7625	0.35459	
Evelyn	2.1131	0.27739	<
Brandon	0.3494	0.72381	
Chelsey	0.8004	0.13787	
Jonique	0.1025	2.19239	<
Eduardo	0.5495	-0.27627	
Naomi	-0.6965	1.19975	
Erin	-1.6226	0.54919	

PCA Scores

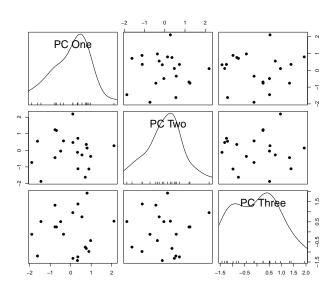


PCA with nfactors = 3

```
> PCSim3 <- principal(df, nfactors=3,rotate="none")
> PCSim3
Principal Components Analysis
Call: principal(r = df. nfactors = 3, rotate = "none")
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
    PC1 PC2 PC3 h2 u2 com
71 0.92 -0.10 0.07 0.87 0.13 1.0
72 0.90 0.05 -0.16 0.84 0.16 1.1
73 0.77 0.28 -0.18 0.70 0.30 1.4
Z4 0.81 0.19 -0.11 0.71 0.29 1.1
75 0.84 0.20 0.26 0.81 0.19 1.3
Z6 0.15 -0.14 0.95 0.94 0.06 1.1
X1 -0.22 0.86 0.07 0.80 0.20 1.1
X2 -0.31 0.70 0.08 0.59 0.41 1.4
X3 -0.07 0.86 0.31 0.84 0.16 1.3
X4 -0.01 0.72 -0.30 0.61 0.39 1.3
                     PC1 PC2 PC3
SS loadings
                    3 79 2 68 1 23
                0.38 0.27 0.12
Proportion Var
Cumulative Var
                    0.38 0.65 0.77
Proportion Explained 0.49 0.35 0.16
Cumulative Proportion 0.49 0.84 1.00
Mean item complexity = 1.2
Test of the hypothesis that 3 components are sufficient.
The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.07
with the empirical chi square 9.39 with prob < 0.95
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Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.97

PCA Scores, Again



Biplots!

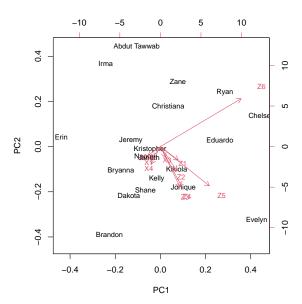
A biplot is a graphical representation of a two-axis PCA.

- It plots both loadings (of variables) and scores (of observations)
- It represents the former as vectors from the origin, and the latter as points in the (transformed) space
- Interpretation:
 - Angles between item vectors represent degrees of correlation/covariance
 - Distances between points reflect dissimilarities between those observations
- Details are in Gower and Hand (1996) and Jacoby (1998, Chapter 7)

Biplot Basics (Simulation Data)

```
> foo<-prcomp(df)
> foo$rotation[,1:2]
        PC1
                 PC2
7.1
    0.17250 - 0.14730
Z2
    0.16008 - 0.26294
Z3 0.18994 -0.43829
Z4 0.20597 -0.43169
Z5 0.47316 -0.42613
Z6 0.78038 0.52068
X1 -0.09044 -0.13912
X2 -0.12002 -0.09508
Х3
    0.05148 - 0.11673
X4 -0.08948 -0.18971
```

A Biplot...

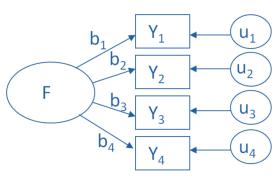


(Exploratory) Factor Analysis

Factor analysis (FA) is a model for the measurement of a latent variable using manifest / observable indicators.

- Observable indicators are manifestations of one or more latent / unobservable factors
- Extant indicators are differentially caused by the latent factor(s), and are observed with error
- The goal of FA is to derive measures of the latent factor from the observed data, by estimating factor *loadings* (associations between latent factors and observable variables)

Factor Analysis, Conceptually



$$Y_1 = b_1F + u_1$$

 $Y_2 = b_2F + u_2$
 $Y_3 = b_3F + u_3$
 $Y_4 = b_4F + u_4$

(Source)

Factor Analysis

Formally:

$$Y = \Lambda F + U$$

This implies that the observed covariance matrix Σ can be written:

$$\Sigma = \Lambda \Lambda' + \Psi$$

where

$$\Psi = \left[\begin{array}{cccc} \sigma_1^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_K^2 \end{array} \right]$$

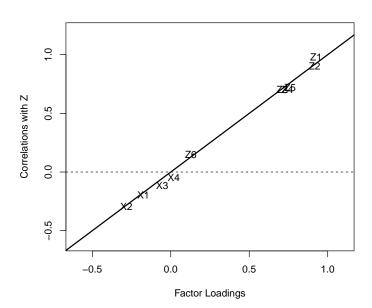
Practical Factor Analysis

- Choose the *number of factors* (dimensions)
- Consider rotation
- Estimate the factor loadings $\hat{\Lambda}$
- Interpret the factors...
- Generate factor scores

Factor Analysis Simulation

```
> FASim1 <- factanal(df,factors=1,scores="regression",rotation="none")
> print(FASim1,cutoff=0)
Call:
factanal(x = df, factors = 1, scores = "regression", rotation = "none")
Uniquenesses:
                                Z6
        7.2
                    Z4 Z5
                                      X 1
0.143 0.160 0.495 0.447 0.422 0.984 0.969 0.920 0.997 1.000
Loadings:
  Factor1
71 0.926
Z2 0.917
7.3 0.711
7.4 0.744
75 0.760
Z6 0.128
X1 -0.175
X2 -0.283
X3 -0.055
X4 0.019
               Factor1
SS loadings
                3.463
Proportion Var
                0.346
Test of the hypothesis that 1 factor is sufficient.
The chi square statistic is 53.92 on 35 degrees of freedom.
The p-value is 0.0215
```

Factor Loadings vs. Correlations with Z



Factor Analysis Simulation: Two Factors

```
> FASim2 <- factanal(df,factors=2,scores="regression",rotation="none")
> print(FASim2,cutoff=0)
Call:
factanal(x = df, factors = 2, scores = "regression", rotation = "none")
Uniquenesses:
        7.2
   7.1
              7.3
                    Z4 Z5
                               Z6
0.122 0.168 0.426 0.426 0.384 0.978 0.239 0.519 0.310 0.638
Loadings:
   Factor1 Factor2
71 0.937 -0.021
72 0.907 0.090
Z3 0.695 0.302
74 0.731 0.201
Z5 0.745 0.247
Z6 0.142 -0.042
X1 -0.251 0.836
X2 -0.341 0.604
X3 -0.123 0.822
X4 -0.034 0.600
              Factor1 Factor2
SS loadings
                3.489 2.301
Proportion Var 0.349 0.230
Cumulative Var 0.349 0.579
Test of the hypothesis that 2 factors are sufficient.
The chi square statistic is 26.5 on 26 degrees of freedom.
The p-value is 0.436
```

Factor Analysis Simulation: Three Factors

```
> FASim3 <- factanal(df,factors=3,scores="regression",rotation="none")
> print(FASim3,cutoff=0)
Call:
factanal(x = df, factors = 3, scores = "regression", rotation = "none")
Uniquenesses:
  7.1
        7.2
              7.3
                   Z4 Z5
                               Z6
0.098 0.136 0.414 0.394 0.348 0.005 0.301 0.535 0.171 0.552
Loadings:
  Factor1 Factor2 Factor3
71 0.915 -0.023
                 0.252
72 0.926 0.083 0.011
Z3 0.712 0.275 -0.054
Z4 0.745 0.216 -0.060
Z5 0.703 0.238 0.317
Z6 -0.014 -0.001 0.997
X1 -0.228 0.798 -0.104
X2 -0.318 0.584 -0.151
X3 -0.149 0.885 0.152
X4 0.011 0.617 -0.259
              Factor1 Factor2 Factor3
SS loadings
               3.428
                       2.329
                              1.289
Proportion Var 0.343 0.233 0.129
Cumulative Var
              0.343 0.576 0.705
Test of the hypothesis that 3 factors are sufficient.
The chi square statistic is 15.69 on 18 degrees of freedom.
The p-value is 0.614
```

Real Data: ANES 2016 Feeling Thermometers

> describe(Therms,range=FALSE)

· dobolibo(inolmb,iango inb	02)						
	vars		mean			kurtosis	
Asian-Americans			70.17				0.41
Hispanics						0.01	
Blacks			69.00				0.43
Illegal Immigrants			42.54				0.56
Whites	5	2387	71.63	19.40	-0.46	0.08	0.40
Dem. Pres. Candidate	6	2387	44.12	34.91	0.12	-1.42	0.71
GOP Pres. Candidate			40.53				
Libertarian Pres. Candidate	8	2387	43.61	19.92	-0.58	0.25	0.41
Green Pres. Candidate			43.20				0.43
Dem. VP	10	2387	48.24	25.91	-0.22	-0.44	0.53
GOP VP	11	2387	49.59	33.42	-0.10	-1.21	0.68
John Roberts	12	2387	53.75	18.39	-0.41	1.44	0.38
Pope Francis			69.55				0.52
Christian Fundamentalists	14	2387	48.59	28.48	-0.07	-0.72	0.58
Feminists	15	2387	56.94	26.65	-0.24	-0.47	0.55
Liberals	16	2387	52.27	27.35	-0.24	-0.67	0.56
Labor Unions			56.70				0.51
Poor People	18	2387	72.20	19.63	-0.36	-0.06	0.40
Big Business	19	2387	49.34	22.52	-0.15	-0.18	0.46
Conservatives	20	2387	55.22	25.91	-0.24	-0.45	0.53
SCOTUS	21	2387	59.34	19.38	-0.32	0.54	0.40
Gays & Lesbians	22	2387	62.83	26.86	-0.46	-0.20	0.55
Congress	23	2387	41.17	22.32	0.02	-0.34	0.46
Rich People	24	2387	53.53	20.69	-0.13	0.52	0.42
Muslims	25	2387	55.80	25.64	-0.29	-0.23	0.52
Christians	26	2387	74.40	23.80	-0.87	0.35	0.49
Jews	27	2387	72.20	21.19	-0.45	-0.14	0.43
Tea Party	28	2387	42.97	27.08	-0.06	-0.70	0.55
Police	29	2387	75.57	22.50	-1.15	1.13	0.46
Transgender People	30	2387	57.29	26.88	-0.28	-0.31	0.55
Scientists	31	2387	77.74	19.23	-0.77	0.39	0.39
BLM	32	2387	48.26	32.66	-0.06	-1.15	0.67

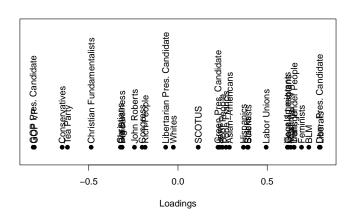
Factor Analysis: One Factor

```
> FTFA1 <- fa(Therms.nfactors=1.fm="ml".rotate="none")
> print(FTFA1)
Factor Analysis using method = ml
Call: fa(r = Therms, nfactors = 1, rotate = "none", fm = "ml")
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
                                       h2 u2 com
Asian-Americans
                             0.29 0.08306 0.92
Hispanics
                             0.37 0.13456 0.87
Blacks
                             0.39 0.15227 0.85
Illegal Immigrants
                             0.61 0.37552 0.62
Whites
                            -0.03 0.00066 1.00
Dem. Pres. Candidate
                             0.79 0.62770 0.37
GOP Pres Candidate
                            -0.81 0.65791 0.34
Libertarian Pres. Candidate -0.07 0.00476 1.00
Green Pres. Candidate
                             0.22 0.05026 0.95
Dem. VP
                             0.65 0.42135 0.58
COP VP
                            -0.80 0.64779 0.35
John Roberts
                            -0.24 0.05942 0.94
Pope Francis
                             0.27 0.07253 0.93
Christian Fundamentalists
                            -0.49 0.23650 0.76
Feminists
                             0.69 0.47926 0.52
Liberale
                             0.80 0.63513 0.36
Labor Unions
                             0.49 0.24414 0.76
Poor People
                             0.25.0.06198.0.94
Big Business
                            -0.31 0.09877 0.90
Conservatives
                            -0.65 0.42099 0.58
SCOTUS
                             0.11 0.01287 0.99
Gays & Lesbians
                             0.62 0.38096 0.62
Congress
                            -0.20 0.04024 0.96
Rich People
                            -0.18 0.03379 0.97
Muslims
                             0.63 0.39894 0.60
Christians
                            -0.32 0.10381 0.90
Jews
                             0.23 0.05481 0.95
Tea Party
                            -0.62 0.38321 0.62
Police
                            -0.31 0.09796 0.90
Transgender People
                             0.65 0.42375 0.58
Scientists
                             0.39 0.15438 0.85
BI.M
                             0.73 0.53747 0.46
```

Factor Analysis: One Factor

```
(...continued)
               MT.1
              8.09
SS loadings
Proportion Var 0.25
Mean item complexity = 1
Test of the hypothesis that 1 factor is sufficient.
The degrees of freedom for the null model are 496 and the objective function was 16.99 with
   Chi Square of 40352
The degrees of freedom for the model are 464 and the objective function was 8.87
The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.15
The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.16
The harmonic number of observations is 2387 with the empirical chi square 53448 with prob < 0
The total number of observations was 2387 with MLE Chi Square = 21052 with prob < 0
Tucker Lewis Index of factoring reliability = 0.448
RMSEA index = 0.137 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0.135 0.138
BTC = 17443
Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.74
Measures of factor score adequacy
                                               MT.1
Correlation of scores with factors
                                              0.97
Multiple R square of scores with factors
                                              0.94
Minimum correlation of possible factor scores 0.88
```

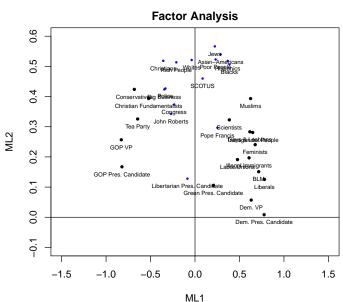
Factor Loadings



Factor Analysis: Two Factors

```
> FTFA2 <- fa(Therms,nfactors=2,fm="ml", rotate="none")
> print(FTFA2)
Factor Analysis using method = ml
Call: fa(r = Therms, nfactors = 2, rotate = "none", fm = "ml")
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
                             MT.1 MT.2
                                         h2 112 com
Asian-Americans
                            0.29 0.54 0.375 0.63 1.5
                          0.37 0.52 0.404 0.60 1.8
Hispanics
Blacks
                          0.39 0.51 0.406 0.59 1.9
Illegal Immigrants
                          0.61 0.20 0.408 0.59 1.2
Whites
                           -0.04 0.52 0.273 0.73 1.0
Dem. Pres. Candidate
                           0.78 0.01 0.604 0.40 1.0
GOP Pres. Candidate
                           -0.82 0.17 0.703 0.30 1.1
Libertarian Pres. Candidate -0.09 0.13 0.024 0.98 1.7
Green Pres. Candidate
                          0.21 0.11 0.054 0.95 1.5
Dem. VP
                           0.63 0.06 0.402 0.60 1.0
GOP VP
                           -0.83 0.26 0.753 0.25 1.2
Police
                         -0.33 0.43 0.293 0.71 1.9
Transgender People
                          0.65 0.28 0.500 0.50 1.4
Scientists
                            0.39 0.32 0.253 0.75 1.9
BI.M
                            0.72 0.15 0.535 0.46 1.1
                      MT.1 MT.2
SS loadings
                     8.16 4.29
Proportion Var
                     0.26 0.13
Cumulative Var
                     0.26 0.39
Proportion Explained 0.66 0.34
Cumulative Proportion 0.66 1.00
Mean item complexity = 1.5
```

Factor Analysis: Two Factors



Topic: Rotation

PCA / FA are data reduction techniques...

- Rotation is exactly that: Rotation of the axes in the transformed space to make the results more interpretable.
- Two broad types:
 - · Orthogonal rotation (maintains orthogonality of the axes)
 - Oblique rotation (allows components / factors to be correlated)
- The goal of rotation is to improve the interpretability of the PCA/FA results (that is, to reveal "simple structure")

Rotation Methods

Orthogonal rotations:

- Varimax (minimizes the number of variables that have high loadings on each factor.)
- Quartimax (minimizes the number of factors needed to explain each variable)
- Equamax (a combination of varimax and quartimax)
- Others...

Oblique rotations (less easily interpretable):

- Direct Oblimin (the de facto standard for oblique rotation)
- **Promax** (simpler / faster than oblimin)
- Others...

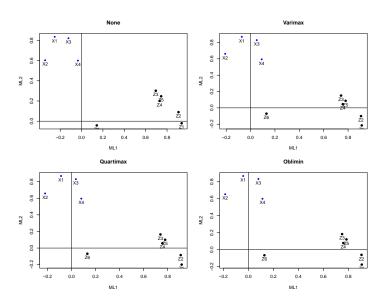
Rotation: Considerations

"Simple structure": "A condition in which variables load at near 1 (in absolute value) or at near 0 on an eigenvector (factor). Variables that load near 1 are clearly important in the interpretation of the factor, and variables that load near 0 are clearly unimportant." (Bryant and Yarnold 1995)

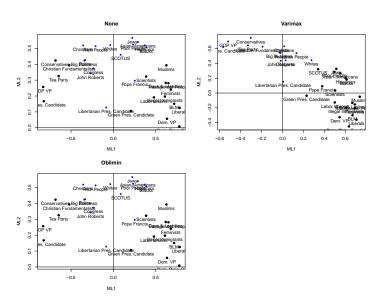
Factor Loading ℓ Guidelines:

- $0.10 < \ell < -0.10$ are unimportant
- $|\ell| > 0.30$ are important with $N \ge 100$
- Variables with $\ell > 0.30$ on more than one factor are *complex*

Rotation: Simulated Data



Rotation: Feeling Thermometers



Topic: Dimensionality

PCA/FA are data reduction techniques...

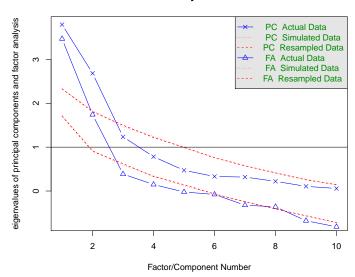
- The sum of the eigenvalues equals K; so...
- A factor / component with an eigenvalue less than 1.0 isn't even "explaining itself"
- "Kaiser criterion"

Other approaches:

- Theory...
- "Scree plot" (look for the "elbow")
- Target variance explained
- Others...

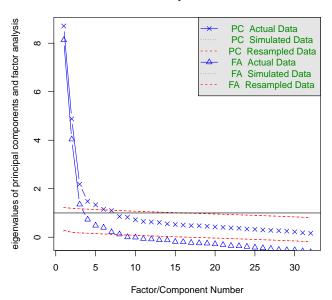
"Parallel" Scree Plot (Simulated Data)

Parallel Analysis Scree Plots



"Parallel" Scree Plot (Feeling Thermometer Data)

Parallel Analysis Scree Plots



Useful References

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- Fabrigar, Leandre R., and Duane T. Wegener. 2014. *Exploratory Factor Analysis*. New York: Oxford University Press.

Useful R Packages and Routines

PCA and Biplots

- stats::prcomp (principal components via SVD)
- biplot (biplots)
- psych::principal (User-friendly PCA routine)
- Others...

Factor Analysis

- nFactors (Routines for assessing dimensionality / number of factors)
- FactoMineR (Hugely expanded FA package...)
- GPARotation (Many, many rotation options)

Cluster Analysis

Cluster Analysis

"...a statistical operation of grouping objects. The resulting groups are clusters. Clusters have the following properties:

- We find them during the operation and their number is also not always fixed in advance.
- They are the combination of objects having similar characteristics."

"...groups objects (observations, events) based on the information found in the data describing the objects or their relationships. The goal is that the objects in a group will be similar (or related) to one other and different from (or unrelated to) the objects in other groups. The greater the similarity (or homogeneity) within a group, and the greater the difference between groups, the 'better' or more distinct the clustering."

Why Cluster?

- Classification / Taxonomy (description)
- Data Reduction (*measurement*)
- Identify Relationships (inductive inference)
- Prediction (typically out-of-sample)

Clustering: Intuition

Figure 1a: Initial points.



Figure 1b: Two clusters.

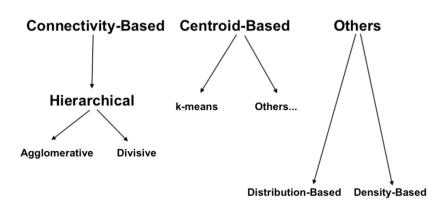


Figure 1c: Six clusters



Figure 1d: Four clusters.

Cluster Analysis: Typology



Euclidean ("L2") Distance:

$$d_{L2}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{K} (X_i - Y_i)^2}.$$

"City-Block" / Manhattan ("L1") Distance:

$$d_{L1}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) \equiv \|\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y}\|_1 = \sum_{k=1}^K |X_i - Y_i|.$$

Mahalanobis Distance:

$$d_M(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) = \sqrt{(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y})' \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{Y})}.$$

Distance Example

Data (N = 2):

	Χ	Υ	Z
Tick	1	711	0.08
Arthur	0	588	0.27
Tick - Arthur	1	123	-0.19

Euclidean:

$$D_{L2} = \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (711-588)^2 + (0.08-0.27)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{1+15129+0.0361}$$
$$= 123.004$$

Manhattan:

$$\begin{array}{ll} D_{L1} & = & |1-0| + |711 - 588| + |0.08 - 0.27| \\ & = & 1 + 123 + 0.19 \\ & = & 124.19 \end{array}$$

Mahalanobis:

$$D_M = \sqrt{(\text{Tick} - \text{Arthur})'\hat{\mathbf{S}}^{-1}(\text{Tick} - \text{Arthur})}$$

= 1.386

Lesson: Standardize variables!

Defining Intra-Cluster Distances

For two clusters C_A and C_B , the distance between can be defined in terms of:

• Single-linkage

$$d_{AB} = \min(d_{a,b})$$

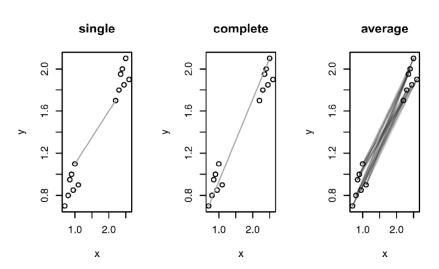
Complete linkage

$$d_{AB} = \max(d_{a,b})$$

Group average

$$d_{AB} = \frac{1}{N_A N_B} \sum_{a=1}^{N_A} \sum_{b=1}^{N_b} (d_{a,b})$$

Cluster Linkages



Agglomerative Clustering

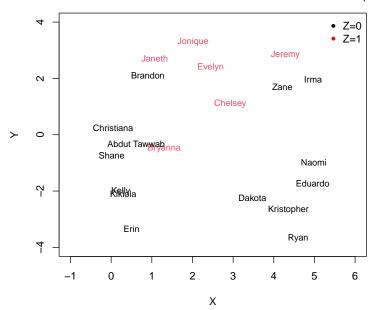
Basic steps:

- 1. Begin with N observations on K variables in \mathbf{X}
- 2. Define each observation as its own "cluster" C_i
- 3. Find the two clusters C_ℓ and C_m that are "closest" to each other
- 4. Merge them into a single cluster, and delete the two component clusters
- 5. Recalculate the distances between all remaining clusters
- 6. Repeat steps 3-5 until only one cluster remains

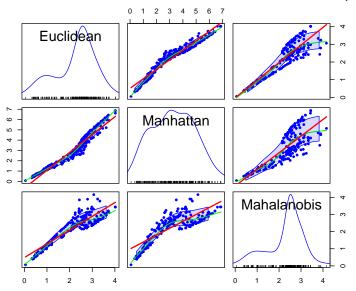
Simulation Example

```
> N <- 20
> set.seed(7222009)
> Name <- randomNames(N, which.names="first")
> X <- 5*rbeta(N,0.5,0.5)
> Y <- runif(N,-4,4)</pre>
> Z \leftarrow rbinom(N,1,pnorm(Y/2))
> df <- data.frame(Name=Name,X=X,Y=Y,Z=Z)</pre>
> rownames(df)<-df$Name
> # Distances:
> #
> # CENTER AND RESCALE / STANDARDIZE THE DATA:
>
> ds <- scale(df[.2:4])</pre>
>
> DL2 <- dist(ds) # L2 / Euclidean distance
> DL1 <- dist(ds,method="manhattan") # L1 / Manhattan distance
> DM <- sqrt(D2.dist(ds,cov(ds))) # Mahalanobis distances
```

Simulated Data, Plotted

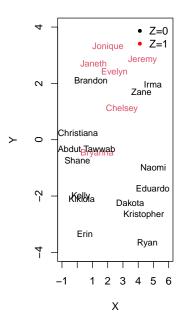


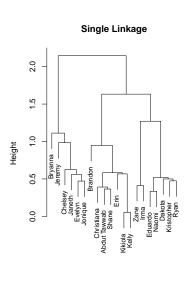
Distance Comparisons



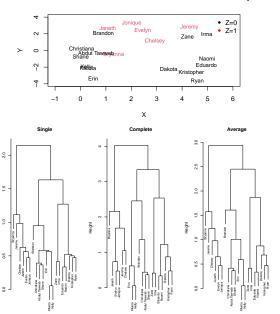
Using hclust (in cluster)

The Dendrogram

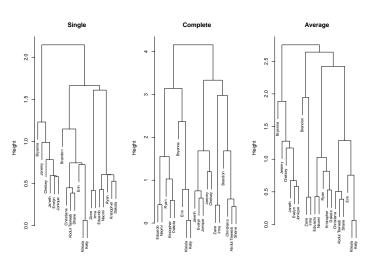




Comparing Linkages



Using Mahalanobis Distance



The Agglomeration Coefficient

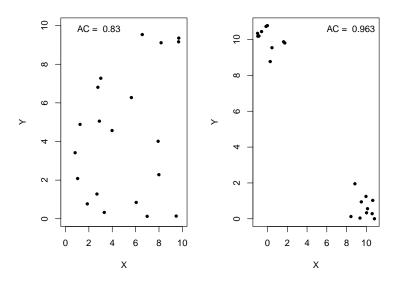
The agglomeration coefficient AC measures the clustering structure of the data. For each observation i, define m_i as the dissimilarity of observation i with the first cluster with which it is merged, divided by the dissimilarity in the final iteration (i.e., the greatest dissimilarity). The coefficient is then:

$$AC = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N-1} 1 - m_i$$

Notes:

- Higher values correspond to greater clustering in the data.
- AC increases with N so should not be used to compare datasets of very different sizes

Example AC Values



Example ACs: Simulated Data

```
> Agnes.s <- agnes(ds, metric="euclidean",method="single")</pre>
> Agnes.s$ac
[1] 0.7689
> Agnes.c <- agnes(ds, metric="euclidean",method="complete")</pre>
> Agnes.c$ac
[1] 0.8446
> Agnes.a <- agnes(ds, metric="euclidean",method="average")</pre>
> Agnes.a$ac
[1] 0.7964
> # Using Mahalanobis distance:
> Agnes.M <- agnes(DM, diss=TRUE, method="average")</pre>
> Agnes.M$ac
[1] 0.7483
```

Practical Agglomerative Clustering: Linkages

"The performances of traditional hierarchical clustering methods have been evaluated for a variety of simulated situations. Single linkage clustering is simple to understand and compute, but has the tendency to build unphysical elongated chains of clusters joined by a single point, especially when unclustered noise is present. Figure 12.4 of Izenman (2008) illustrates how a single linkage dendrogram can differ considerably from the average linkage, complete linkage and divisive dendrograms, which can be quite similar to each other. Kaufman and Rosseeuw (1990, Section 5.2) report that "Virtually all authors agreed that single linkage was least successful in their [simulation] studies." Everitt et al. (2001, Section 4.2) report that "Single linkage, which has satisfactory mathematical properties and is also easy to program and apply to large data sets, tends to be less satisfactory than other methods because of 'chaining'."... Average linkage is generally found to be an effective technique in simulations, although its results depend on the cluster size. Average linkage also has better consistency properties than single or complete linkage as the sample size increases towards infinity (Hastie et al. 2009, Section 14.3)."

- Eric D. Feigelson and G. Jogesh Babu. 2012. *Modern Statistical Methods for Astronomy: With R Applications*. New York: Cambridge University Press, p. 228.

Divisive Clustering (diana)

Basic steps:

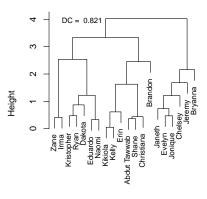
- 1. Begin with N observations on K variables in X
- 2. Select the cluster C_{maxD} with the largest diameter (defined as the cluster with the largest dissimilarity between any two of its observations)
- 3. Select the observation j in C_{maxD} that has the highest average dissimilarity to the other observations in the cluster); this is the "seed" of the "splinter group" $C_{splinter}$
- 4. Iteratively assign observations to either the splinter group $C_{splinter}$ or the parent cluster C_{parent} , based on their dissimilarity to each.
- 5. Repeat step 4 until each observation in C_{maxD} is reassigned to either C_{parent} or $C_{splinter}$
- 6. Iterate steps 2-5 until each observation is its own cluster

Divisive Clustering Example

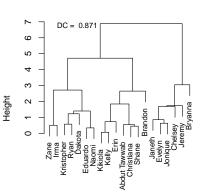
```
> Diana.L2 <- diana(ds,metric="euclidean")
> Diana.L2
Merge:
      [,1] [,2]
 [1,]
        -2
 [2,] -18 -19
 [3.]
       -10 -13
 [4.]
       -1
             -9
 ſ5.1
         3 -12
 Γ6.1
       -14 -17
 [7,]
        -6 -11
 [8,]
        1 -20
 [9,]
[10,]
        7 -7
[11.]
        9 -16
[12,]
       10
              2
Γ13.<sub>1</sub>
Γ14.]
       11 -5
ſ15.]
       14 -8
Γ16.<sub>1</sub>
        13 -15
Γ17. ]
            12
[18,]
        17 16
[19,]
        18
            15
Order of objects:
[1] Zane
                               Kristopher
                                                                        Eduardo
                  Trma
                                             Ryan
                                                          Dakota
 [7] Naomi
                  Kikiola
                               Kelly
                                             Erin
                                                           Abdut Tawwab Shane
[13] Christiana
                  Brandon
                               Janeth
                                             Evelyn
                                                          Jonique
                                                                       Chelsey
[19] Jeremy
                  Brvanna
Height:
[1] 0.41261 2.53589 0.47441 0.87196 1.22318 0.33484 3.33616 0.05346 0.61569 1.62698
[11] 0.36533 0.43862 2.45437 4.02272 0.73516 0.47160 1.20894 1.68486 2.15781
Divisive coefficient:
[1] 0.8211
Available components:
[1] "order"
                                                                  "call"
                "height"
                            "dc"
                                         "merge"
                                                      "diss"
[7] "order.lab" "data"
```

Divisive Clustering: Dendrograms

Euclidean Distance



Manhattan Distance



Non-Hierarchical Clustering: k-Means

K-means clustering "aims to partition the points into k groups such that the sum of squares from points to the assigned cluster centers is minimized."

· Formally, find:

$$\arg\min_{\mathbf{S}} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{\mathbf{x} \in S_i} \|\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_i\|^2 = \arg\min_{\mathbf{S}} \sum_{i=1}^k |S_i| \, \mathsf{Var} \, S_i$$

for the set of k clusters $S_1...S_k$ in **S**.

- · Requires the analyst to designate the number of clusters desired k a priori.
- · Standard algorithm:
 - 0. Initialize a set of k clusters.
 - Assign each observation to the cluster whose mean is the least "distant" from it
 - 2. Calculate the new means as the centroids of the resulting clusters
 - 3. Repeat steps 1-2 until convergence.

k-means Clustering: Example (k = 2)

```
> KM2 <- kmeans(ds.2)
> KM2
K-means clustering with 2 clusters of sizes 6, 14
Cluster means:
1 -0.03608 0.9309 1.4888
2 0.01546 -0.3990 -0.6381
Clustering vector:
                                Kelly
                                            Janeth
                                                                  Kristopher
       Zane
                 Kikiola
                                                         Jeremy
                 Bryanna
                                Irma Abdut Tawwab
                                                           Ryan
      Dakota
                                                                  Christiana
       Shane
                 Evelyn
                              Brandon
                                           Chelsey
                                                        Jonique
                                                                   Eduardo
       Naomi
                    Erin
Within cluster sum of squares by cluster:
[1] 3.919 26.641
(between_SS / total_SS = 46.4 %)
Available components:
[1] "cluster"
                   "centers"
                                                               "tot withinss"
                                 "totss"
                                                "withinss"
```

"iter"

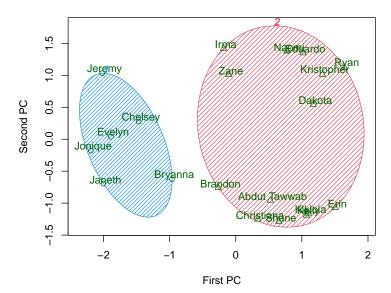
"ifault"

[6] "betweenss"

"size"

K-Means Clusters vs. Principal Components (k = 2)



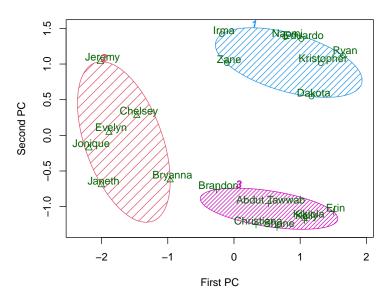


k-means Clustering: Example (k = 3)

```
> KM3 <- kmeans(ds,3)
> KM3
K-means clustering with 3 clusters of sizes 7, 6, 7
Cluster means:
1 1.09826 -0.4463 -0.6381
2 -0.03608 0.9309 1.4888
3 -1.06734 -0.3516 -0.6381
Clustering vector:
                                 Kellv
                                              Janeth
                                                           Jeremy
                                                                    Kristopher
        7.ane
                  Kikiola
                                  Irma Abdut Tawwab
      Dakota
                  Bryanna
                                                             Ryan
                                                                    Christiana
                   Evelyn
                                             Chelsev
                                                          Jonique
       Shane
                                Brandon
                                                                       Eduardo
                                      3
       Naomi
                     Erin
Within cluster sum of squares by cluster:
[1] 6.132 3.919 4.063
 (between SS / total SS = 75.2 %)
Available components:
[1] "cluster"
                   "centers"
                                                  "withinss"
                                                                  "tot.withinss"
[6] "betweenss"
                                                  "ifault"
                   "size"
                                   "iter"
```

K-Means Clusters vs. Principal Components (k = 3)



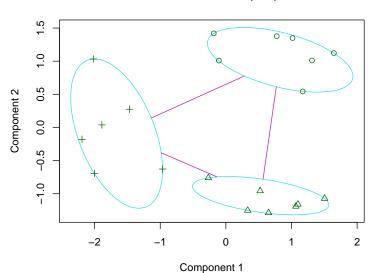


Alternative: "Partitioning Around Medoids" (k = 3)

```
> PAM3 <- pam(ds,3)
> PAM3
Medoids:
        TD
Eduardo 18 1.33382 -0.7341 -0.6381
Shane 13 -1.25654 -0.2858 -0.6381
Evelyn 14 0.01955 1.1153 1.4888
Clustering vector:
        7.ane
                  Kikiola
                                 Kellv
                                             Janeth
                                                          Jeremy
                                                                   Kristopher
                                                               3
                                  Irma Abdut Tawwab
                                                            Ryan
      Dakota
                  Bryanna
                                                                   Christiana
                        3
                                     1
                                                               1
                  Evelyn
                               Brandon
       Shane
                                            Chelsey
                                                         Jonique
                                                                      Eduardo
                                                               3
       Naomi
                     Erin
Objective function:
build
         swap
0.7424 0.7307
Available components:
 [1] "medoids"
                  "id.med"
                               "clustering" "objective" "isolation" "clusinfo
 [7] "silinfo"
                  "diss"
                               "call"
                                            "data"
```

PAM, Illustrated

PAM Cluster Plot (k=3)

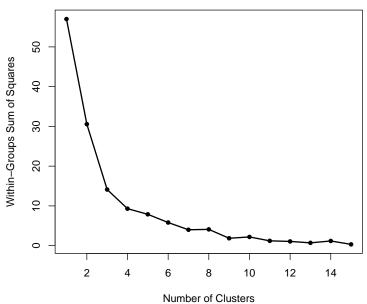


These two components explain 87.54 % of the point variability.

Practical k-Means: Choosing k

- Theory
- Scree plot of WCSS
- "Model-based" approaches

Choosing *k*: Scree Plot



Other Non-Hierarchical Methods

DBSCAN (Density-Based Spatial Clustering of Applications with Noise)

- Density-based method...
- Does not require prespecification of k
- Also does not (necessarily) assign "outlying" observations to clusters
- R packages: dbscan, others

Mean-Shift Clustering

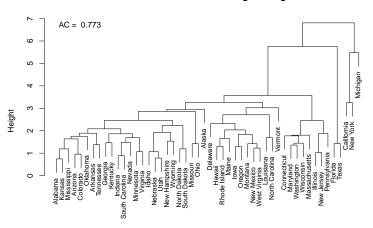
- Operationally similar to DBSCAN
- IME works well with "non-spherical" cluster shapes
- R packages: meanShiftR, LPCM, etc.

Real-Data Example: U.S. States

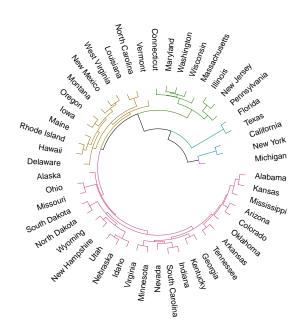
```
> url <- getURL("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/PrisonRodeo/
                 PLSC504-2024-git/master/Data/States2005.csv")
> States <- read.csv(text = url)
> summary(States)
      statename
                      Year
                               CitizenIdeology GovernmentIdeology
                                                                      govstaff
                        :2005
                               Min.
                                       :28.2
                                                Min.
                                                       :10.1
                                                                   Min.
 Alabama
                 Min.
                                                                             8.0
                                                                   1st Qu.: 24.0
 Alaska
          : 1
                1st Qu.:2005
                               1st Qu.:43.5
                                                1st Qu.:21.9
           . 1
                Median:2005
                               Median:53.1
                                               Median:47.9
                                                                   Median: 39.0
 Arizona
                        :2005
                                    :53.2
                                                       :49.9
                                                                   Mean : 59.1
 Arkansas : 1
               Mean
                              Mean
                                                Mean
                3rd Qu.:2005
                              3rd Qu.:61.3
                                               3rd Qu.:71.8
 California: 1
                                                                   3rd Qu.: 69.5
 Colorado · 1
                Max
                        . 2005
                               Max
                                       :91.2
                                                       .92 0
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                                                Max.
                                                                   Max
 (Other)
           :44
                                                                       1nGDP
   govsalary
                     legcomp
                                     legsession
                                                        pop
 Min
        . 70000
                  Min
                             200
                                   Min.
                                          : 25.0
                                                   Min.
                                                        . 501
                                                                          .10.0
                                                                   Min
 1st Qu.: 95000
                 1st Qu.: 15876
                                  1st Qu.: 45.0
                                                   1st Qu.: 1772
                                                                   1st Qu.:11.0
 Median :112822
                 Median: 23696
                                  Median: 67.5
                                                   Median: 4210
                                                                   Median:11.9
        :115778
                         : 31932
                                          : 79.0
                                                         : 5918
 Mean
                 Mean
                                  Mean
                                                   Mean
                                                                   Mean
                                                                         :11.9
 3rd Qu.:131326
                 3rd Qu.: 41709
                                   3rd Qu.: 99.2
                                                   3rd Qu.: 6398
                                                                   3rd Qu.:12.6
 Max.
        :179000
                 Max.
                         :118600
                                   Max.
                                          :352.0
                                                   Max.
                                                          :36154
                                                                   Max.
                                                                          :14.3
> StS <- data.frame(scale(States[.3:10]))
> rownames(StS)<-States$statename
```

State Data: Agglomerative Dendrogram

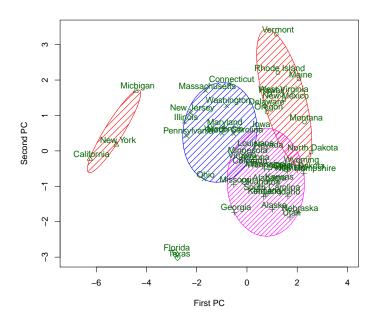
Euclidean Distance / Average Linkage



State Data: Cooler Agglomerative Dendrogram



State Data: K-Means Results



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Useful R Packages and Routines

A partial list:

- hclust and kmeans (in stats)
- agnes and diana and pam (in cluster)
- amap (alternative agglomerative and k-means clustering)
- dendextend (additional functionality for dendograms; e.g., comparisons)
- mclust (model-based clustering via MLE)
- FactoClass (combinations of factorial and clustering methods)

... and many more.

Useful / Interesting Links

- The Cluster Analysis R Task View: https://cran.r-project.org/web/views/Cluster.html
- The Data Flair R Clustering tutorial: https://data-flair.training/blogs/r-clustering-tutorial/
- The dendextend vignette: https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/ dendextend/vignettes/Cluster_Analysis.html
- For you machine learning types: Christopher Molnar, on The Intricate Link Between Compression and Prediction, or, "How GZip + K-Means Outperforms BERT"