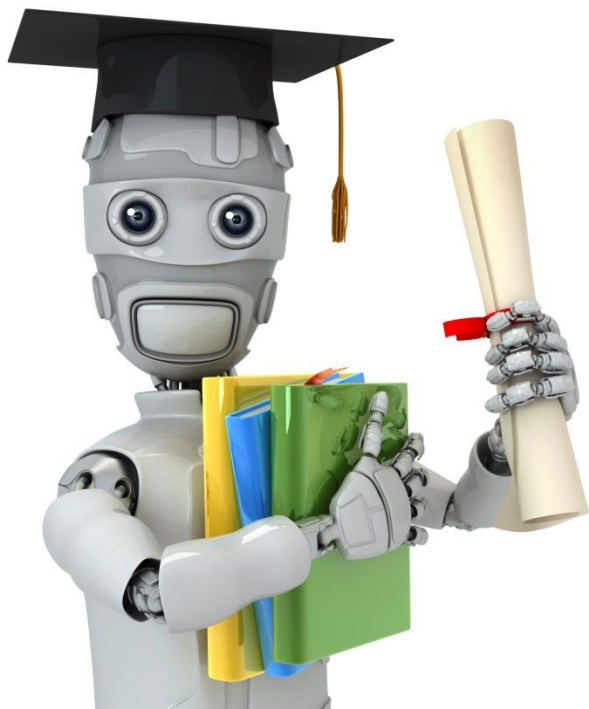


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# Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

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# Introduction and first example

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PCA applies to data tables where rows are considered as **individuals** and columns as **quantitative variables**

# Which kinds of data?

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	1	$k$	$K$
1			
$i$		$x_{ik}$	
$I$			

For variable  $k$ , we note:

the mean:  $\bar{x}_k = \frac{1}{I} \sum_{i=1}^I x_{ik}$

the standard-deviation:

$$s_k = \sqrt{\frac{1}{I} \sum_{i=1}^I (x_{ik} - \bar{x}_k)^2}$$

Figure: Data table in PCA


# Examples :

- Sensory analysis: score for attribute  $k$  of product  $i$
- Ecology: concentration of pollutant  $k$  in river  $i$
- Economics: indicator value  $k$  for year  $i$
- Genetics: expression of gene  $k$  for patient  $i$
- Biology: measure  $k$  for animal  $i$
- Marketing: value of measure  $k$  for brand  $i$
- Sociology: time spent on activity  $k$  by individuals from social class  $i$
- etc.

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⇒ There exist many data tables like these

# Issues and goals



The data table can be seen as a set of rows or a set of columns

## Studying individuals

- When can we say that 2 individuals are similar (or dissimilar) with respect to all the variables?
- If there are many individuals, is it possible to categorize them?

⇒ groups of individuals, partitions between them


# Issues and goals

## Studying variables

- For individuals, we interpret similarity in terms of the variables' values
- Between variables, we talk instead of “relationships”
- Linear relationships are commonplace, and a first approximation of many links  $\Rightarrow$  correlation coefficient

$\Rightarrow$  visualization of the correlation matrix

$\Rightarrow$  find a small number of synthetic variables to summarize many variables (e.g. of a prior synthetic variable: the mean. But here we search for posterior synthetic variables from the data)



# Issues and goals



## Links between the two points-of-view

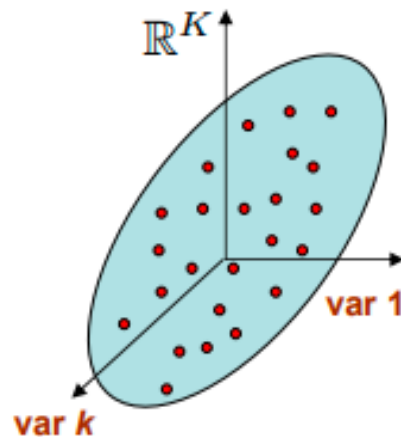
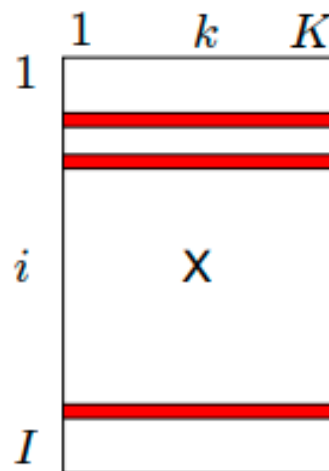
- Characterize groups of individuals using the variables  
⇒ need an automatic procedure
- Use specific individuals to better understand links between variables  
⇒ use of extreme individuals (return to individuals to understand more simply)

## PCA issues:

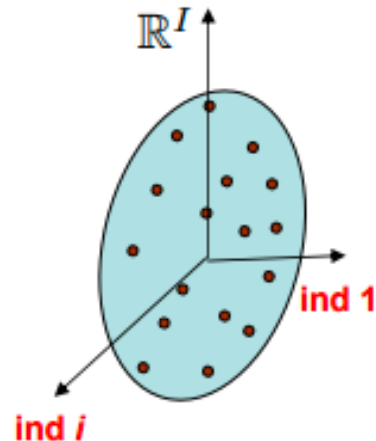
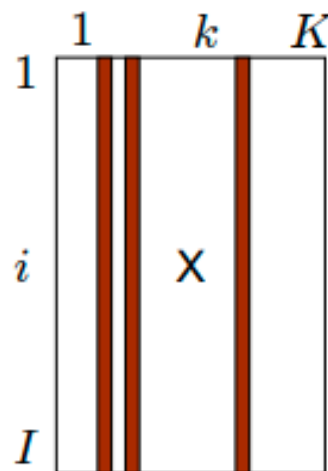
- Descriptive method to explore data: visualization of data with simple plots
- Data compression - summarize a big data table of *individuals* × *quantitative variables*

# Two-point clouds

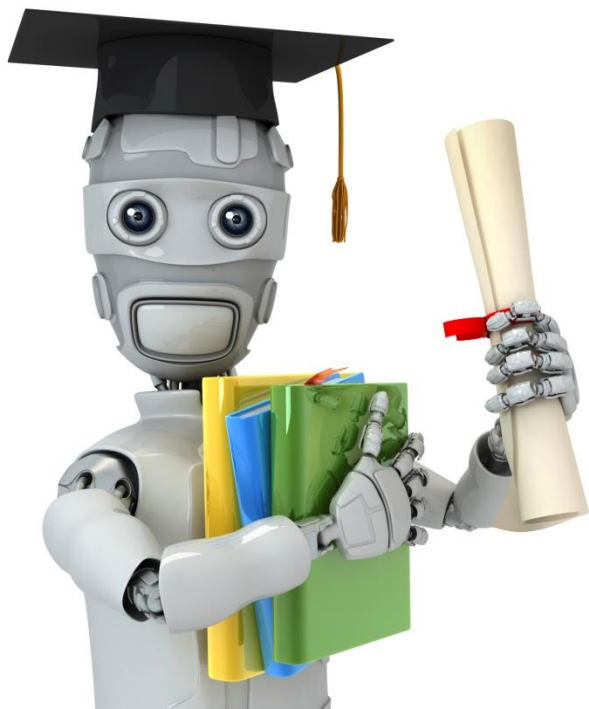
Individuals study



Variables study







# Individuals study:

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# The cloud of individuals

## $N_I$

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1 individual = 1 row of the data table  $\Rightarrow$  1 point in  $\mathbb{R}^k$

- If  $K = 1$ : axial representation
- If  $K = 2$ : scatter plot
- If  $K = 3$ : 3D graphical representation (more difficult)
- If  $K = 4$ : impossible to “see” BUT the concept is easy

Notion of similarity: (squared) distance between individuals  $i$  and  $i'$ :

$$d^2(i, i') = \sum_{k=1}^K (x_{ik} - x_{i'k})^2 \quad (\text{thanks Mr Pythagoras})$$

Studying the individuals  $\equiv$  Studying the shape of the cloud  $N_I$

# The cloud of individual s NI

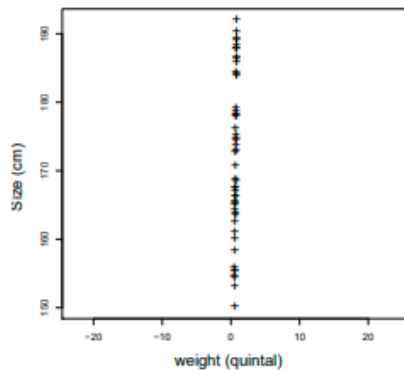
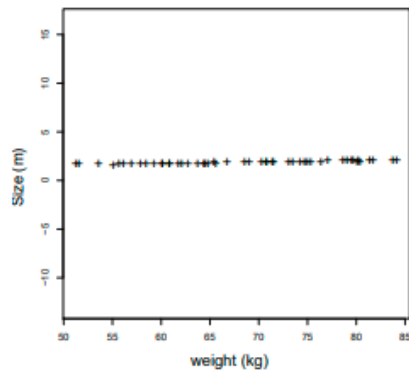
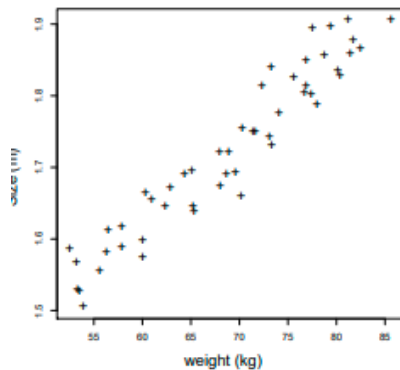
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- Study the structure, *i.e.*, the shape, of the cloud of individuals
- Individuals are in  $\mathbb{R}^K$

# Centering – standardizing data

- Centering does not modify the shape of the cloud  
 $\Rightarrow$  centering is always done



- Standardizing data is necessary if units are different between variables

$$x_{ik} \mapsto \frac{x_{ik} - \bar{x}_k}{s_k}$$

# Centering – standardizing data

	O.fruity	O.passion	O.citrus	...	Sweetness	Acidity	Bitterness	Astringency	Aroma.intensity	Aroma.persistency	Visual.intensity
S Michaud	-0,17	0,45	1,50	...	-0,30	0,11	0,20	-1,79	0,95	1,07	0,06
S Renaudie	0,02	1,03	1,16	...	-0,46	1,39	-0,31	-0,65	0,99	0,82	-1,08
S Trotignon	0,79	1,73	1,16	...	-0,67	0,48	0,20	-0,60	-0,44	0,07	-1,34
S Buisse Domaine	-0,17	0,45	-0,07	...	-0,02	-0,25	-2,01	0,19	-2,24	-1,66	-0,55
S Buisse Cristal	1,30	1,03	-0,12	...	-0,39	1,20	1,39	0,34	-0,44	-1,66	-0,90
V Aub Silex	-0,60	-0,97	-0,27	...	2,93	-2,07	-1,33	-0,60	-0,84	-0,92	-0,64
V Aub Marigny	-2,44	-0,97	-1,94	...	-0,30	0,84	1,39	1,45	-0,18	0,98	0,76
V Font Domaine	0,79	-1,11	-0,85	...	-0,67	-0,12	0,03	-0,44	0,29	0,41	1,03
V Font Brûlés	0,79	-0,84	0,13	...	-0,02	-0,61	0,03	0,34	0,75	0,07	1,73
V Font Coteaux	-0,29	-0,82	-0,69	...	-0,11	-0,98	0,37	1,76	1,15	0,82	0,94

PCA  $\equiv$  Studying the standardized data set

Difficult to visualize the cloud  $N_I \Rightarrow$  try to get an approximate view of it

# Fitting the cloud of individuals

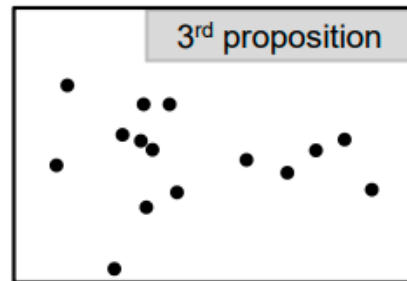
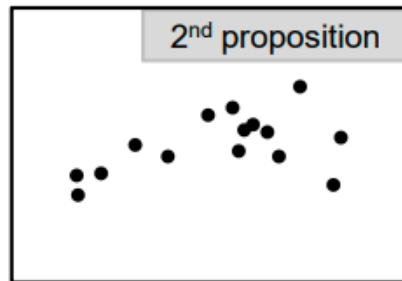
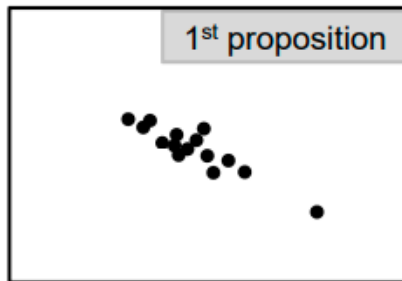
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PCA searches for the best summary space for optimal visualization of  $N_I$


⇔ Find a subspace that sums up the data the best

Viewpoint quality:

- faithfully reproduce the cloud's shape (*animation*)



# Fitting the cloud of individuals



PCA searches for the best summary space for optimal visualization of  $N_I$

$\iff$  Find a subspace that sums up the data the best

Viewpoint quality:

- faithfully reproduce the cloud's shape (*animation*)
- best representation of diversity, variability
- doesn't distort distances between individuals

How to quantify the quality of a viewpoint?

notion of dispersion, of variability, also called **inertia**

$\text{inertia} \equiv \text{variance generalized to several dimensions}$

How to  
quantify the  
quality of a  
viewpoint?

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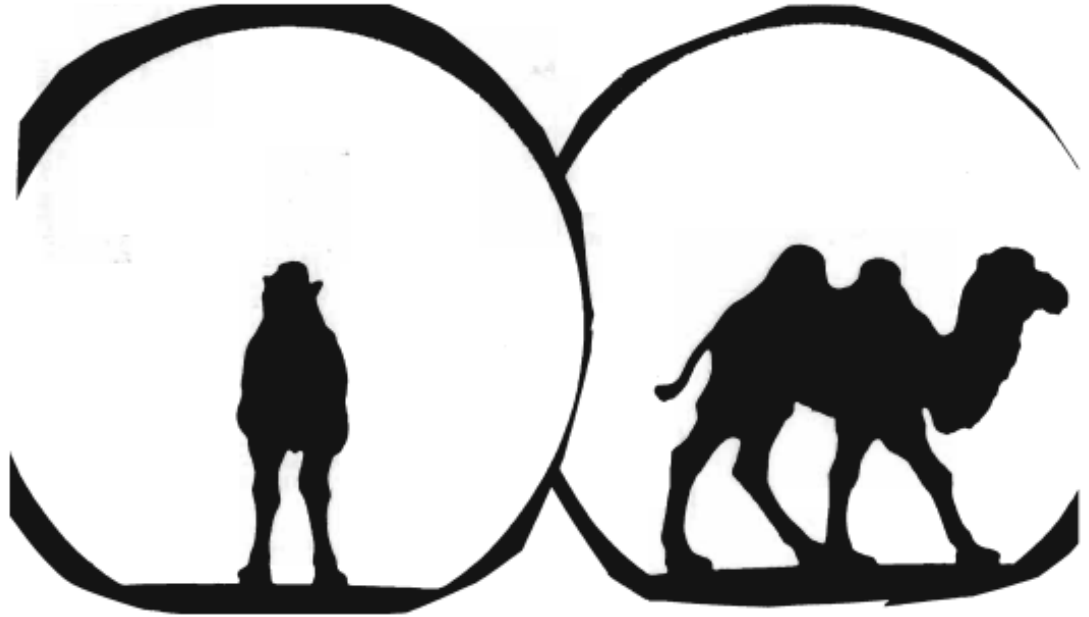


Figure: Camel or dromedary? (*illustration by J.P. F  nelon*)

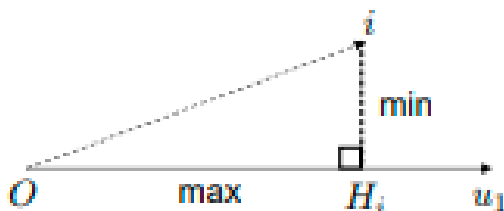


# Fit the individuals' cloud

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How to find the best view to approximate the cloud?

- 1 find an axis that distorts the cloud the least



$(iH_i)^2$  small with  $H_i \in \text{axis} \Leftrightarrow$   
 $(OH_i)^2$  large (Pythagoras)  
 $\Rightarrow$  we want  $\sum_i (OH_i)^2$  large

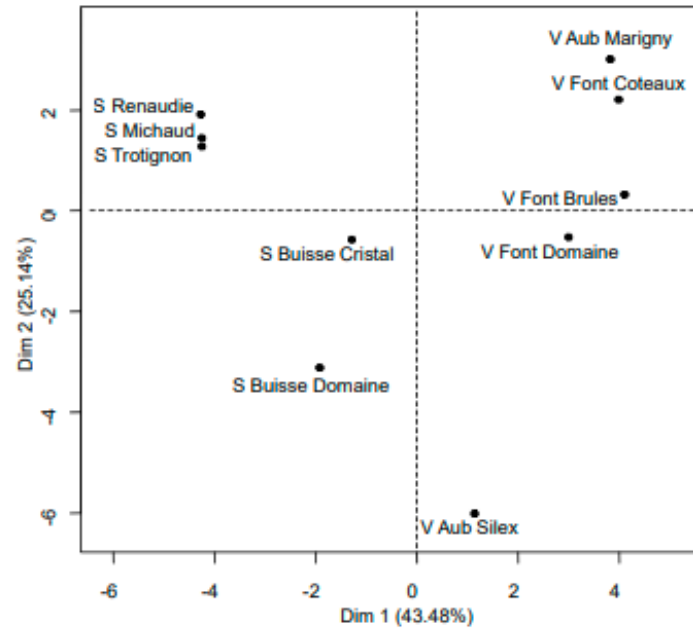
- 2 Find the best plane: maximize  $\sum_i (OH_i)^2$  with  $H_i \in \text{plane}$   
The best plane contains the best axis: we search for  $u_2 \perp u_1$  and maximizing  $\sum_i (OH_i)^2$
- 3 we can look for a third axis (etc.) with maximum inertia

- Sensory descriptors are used as active variables: only these variables are used to construct the axes
- Variables are (centered and) standardized

## Example: wine data

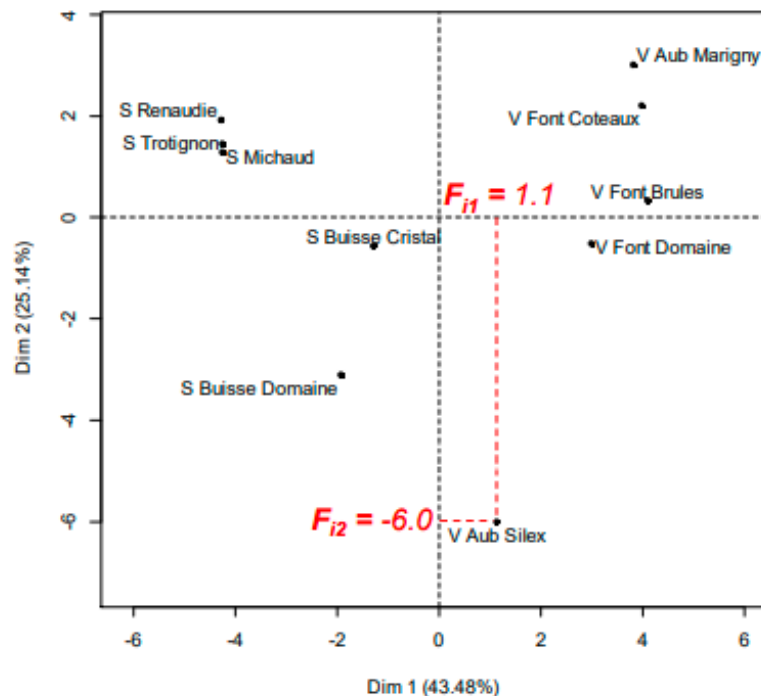
	O.fruity	O.passion	O.citrus	...	Sweetness	Acidity	Bitterness	Astringency	Aroma.intensity	Aroma.persistency	Visual.intensity	Odor.preference	Overall.preference	Label
S Michaud	4,3	2,4	5,7	...	3,5	5,9	4,1	1,4	7,1	6,7	5,0	6,0	5,0	Sauvignon
S Renaudie	4,4	3,1	5,3	...	3,3	6,8	3,8	2,3	7,2	6,6	3,4	5,4	5,5	Sauvignon
S Trotignon	5,1	4,0	5,3	...	3,0	6,1	4,1	2,4	6,1	6,1	3,0	5,0	5,5	Sauvignon
S Buisse Domaine	4,3	2,4	3,6	...	3,9	5,6	2,5	3,0	4,9	5,1	4,1	5,3	4,6	Sauvignon
S Buisse Cristal	5,6	3,1	3,5	...	3,4	6,6	5,0	3,1	6,1	5,1	3,6	6,1	5,0	Sauvignon
V Aub Silex	3,9	0,7	3,3	...	7,9	4,4	3,0	2,4	5,9	5,6	4,0	5,0	5,5	Vouvray
V Aub Marigny	2,1	0,7	1,0	...	3,5	6,4	5,0	4,0	6,3	6,7	6,0	5,1	4,1	Vouvray
V Font Domaine	5,1	0,5	2,5	...	3,0	5,7	4,0	2,5	6,7	6,3	6,4	4,4	5,1	Vouvray
V Font Brûlés	5,1	0,8	3,8	...	3,9	5,4	4,0	3,1	7,0	6,1	7,4	4,4	6,4	Vouvray
V Font Coteaux	4,1	0,9	2,7	...	3,8	5,1	4,3	4,3	7,3	6,6	6,3	6,0	5,7	Vouvray

# Example: graphing the individuals



How to interpret the dimensions? Why are S. Trotignon and V. Font Brules far apart?  $\Rightarrow$  Need variables to interpret the directions of variability

# New individuals' coordinates : principal components

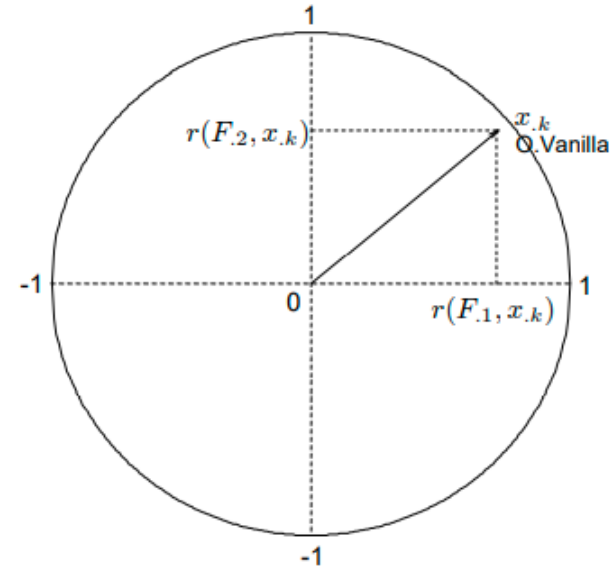


	1	$k$	$K$	$F_{.1}$	$F_{.2}$
1	$x_{ik}$			1.1	-6.0
$i$				$F_{i1}$	$F_{i2}$
$I$					

Correlation circle  
explain new  
components  
using original  
variables

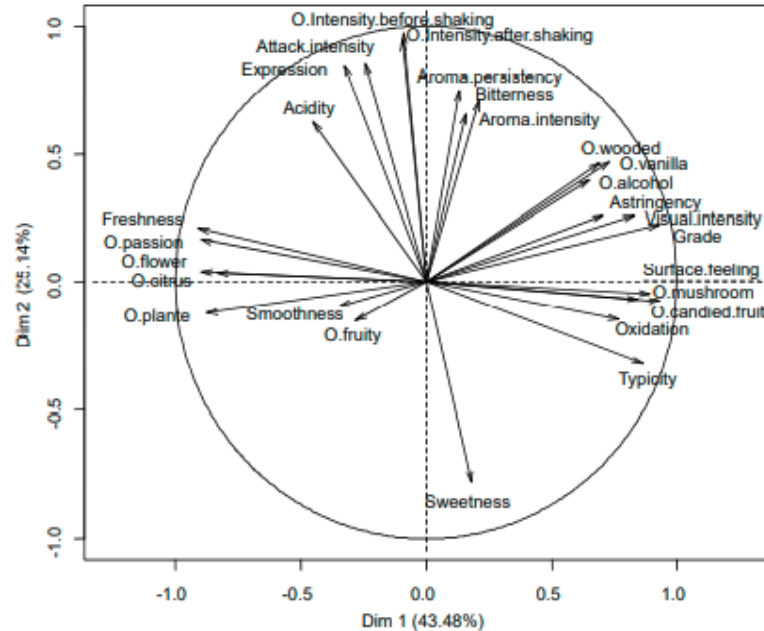
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- Correlations between the variable  $x_{.k}$  and  $F_{.1}$  (and  $F_{.2}$ )



Representation  
of the variables  
as an  
interpretation  
aid for the  
individuals'  
cloud

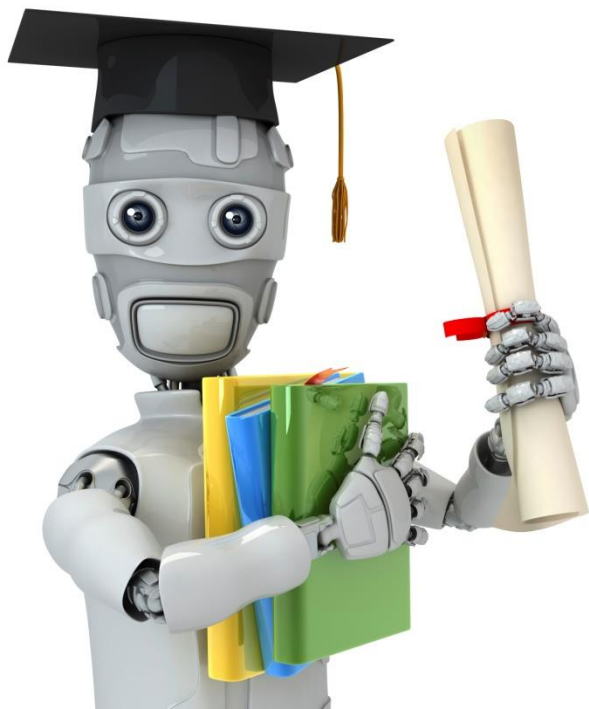
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Main directions of variability: ....

How to interpret the first dimension?

How to interpret the second dimension?

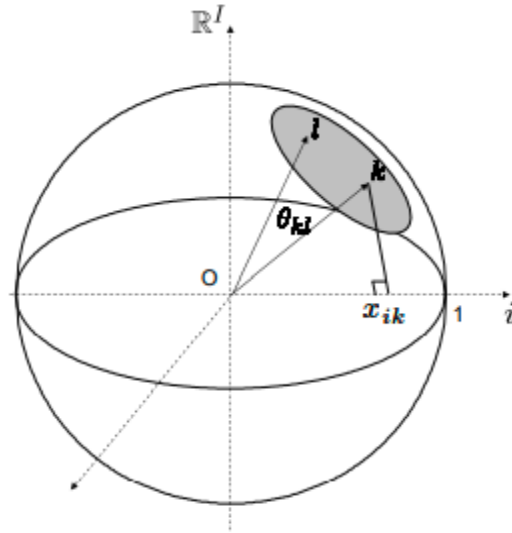


# Variables study:

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# Fitting the variables' cloud



1 variable = 1 point in an  $l$ -dimensional space

$$\begin{aligned}\cos(\theta_{kl}) &= \frac{\langle x_{.k}, x_{.l} \rangle}{\|x_{.k}\| \|x_{.l}\|} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^l x_{ik} x_{il}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^l x_{ik}^2} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^l x_{il}^2}}\end{aligned}$$

Since variables are **centered**,  $\cos(\theta_{kl}) = r(x_{.k}, x_{.l})$

If variables are **standardized**  $\Rightarrow$  points are on an  $l$ -sphere of radius 1




# Fitting the variable s' cloud.

Similar strategy as for individuals: sequentially find orthogonal axes:

$$\arg \max_{v_1 \in \mathbb{R}^I} \sum_{k=1}^K r(v_1, x_{\cdot, k})^2$$

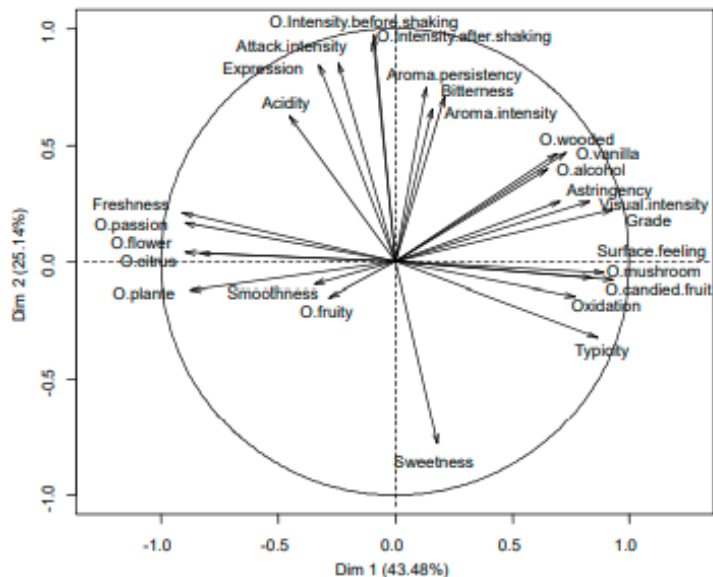
$\Rightarrow v_1$  is the best synthetic variable for summarizing the variables

Find the 2<sup>nd</sup> axis, then the 3<sup>rd</sup>, etc.



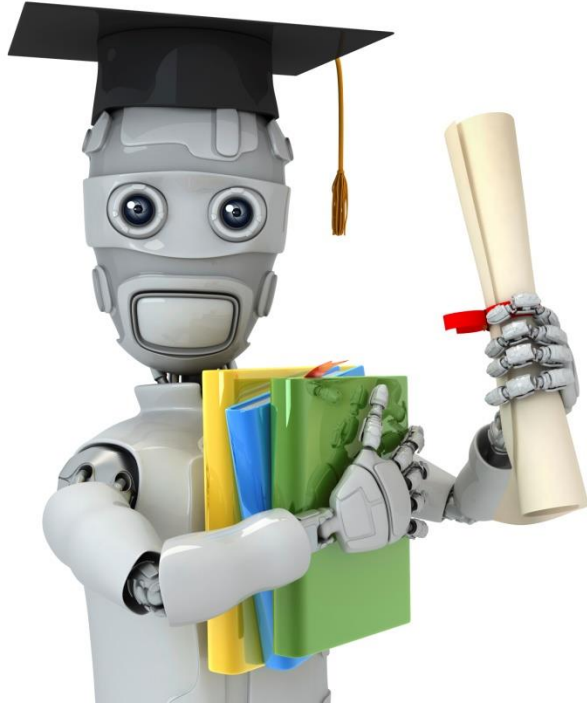
New  
presentation  
for our  
variables : same  
graph as before  
(when  
considering  
individuals)

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⇒ Same graph as before!!!!

- interpretation aid for the individuals' graph
- optimal representation of the variables' cloud
- visualization of the correlation matrix



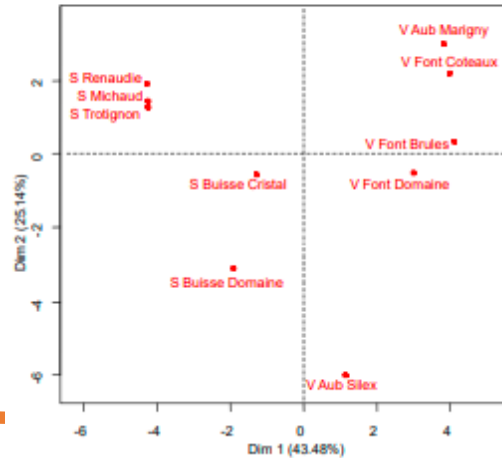
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# Interpretation of PCA results:

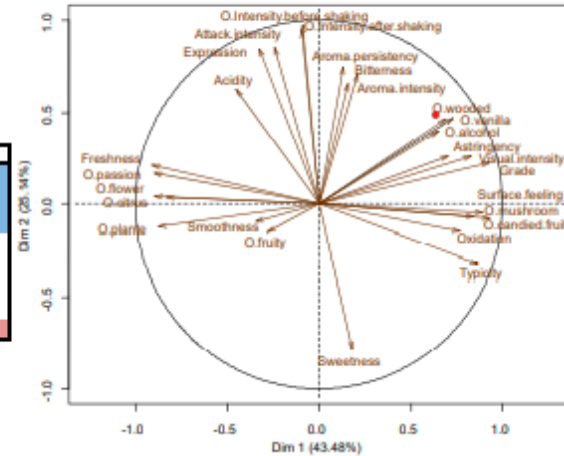
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# Interpretation is now possible using two graphs

⇒ Individuals are on the same side as their corresponding variables with high values



	Aub Sillex
O.intensity.after.shaking	-2.54
O.intensity.before.shaking	-2.37
Expression	-2.25
Acidity	-2.07
Attack.intensity	-1.36
Bitterness	-1.22
Freshness	-1.15
...	...
Typicity	1.01
Sweetness	2.93



# Characterizing the axes

Using the continuous variables:

- correlation between each variable and the principal component of rank  $s$  is calculated
- correlation coefficients are sorted and significant ones are output

```
> dimdesc(res.pca)
```

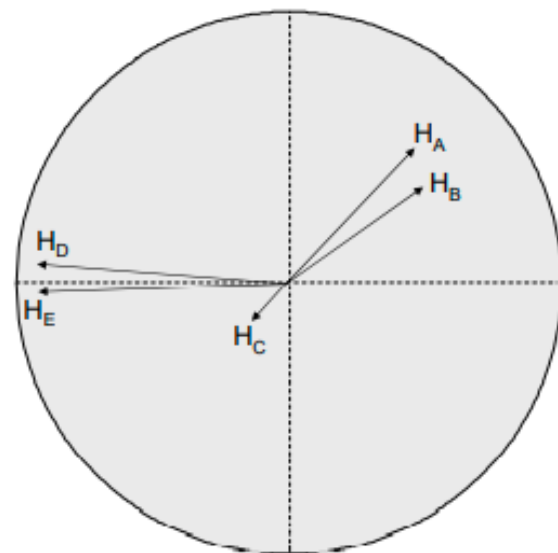
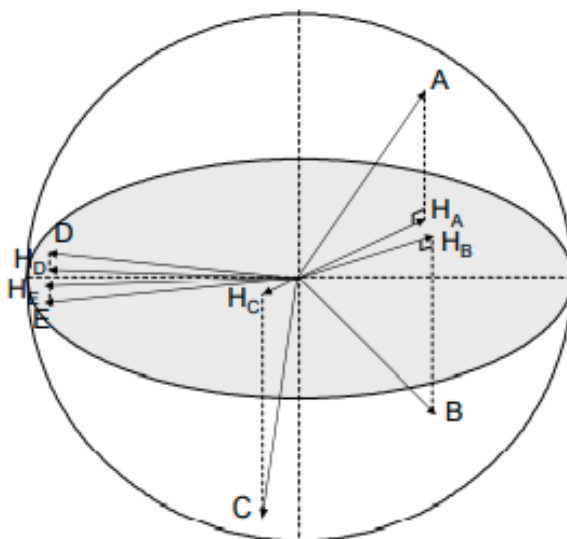
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	corr	p.value		corr	p.value
0.candied.fruit	0.93	9.5e-05	0.intensity.before.shaking	0.97	3.1e-06
Grade	0.93	1.2e-04	0.intensity.after.shaking	0.95	3.6e-05
Surface.feeling	0.89	5.5e-04	Attack.intensity	0.85	1.7e-03
Typicity	0.86	1.4e-03	Expression	0.84	2.2e-03
0.mushroom	0.84	2.3e-03	Aroma.persistency	0.75	1.3e-02
Visual.intensity	0.83	3.1e-03	Bitterness	0.71	2.3e-02
...	...	...	Aroma.intensity	0.66	4.0e-02
0.plante	-0.87	1.0e-03			
0.flower	-0.89	4.9e-04			
0.passion	-0.90	4.5e-04			
Freshness	-0.91	2.9e-04	Sweetness	-0.78	8.0e-03

# Quality of representati on

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$$r(A, B) = \cos(\theta_{A,B})$$

$\cos(\theta_{A,B}) \approx \cos(\theta_{H_A, H_B})$  if the variables are well-projected



Only well-projected variables can be interpreted!

# Quality of the representation

- $\cos^2(\theta_{iH_i})$  for the **individuals**: distance between individuals can only be interpreted for well-projected individuals

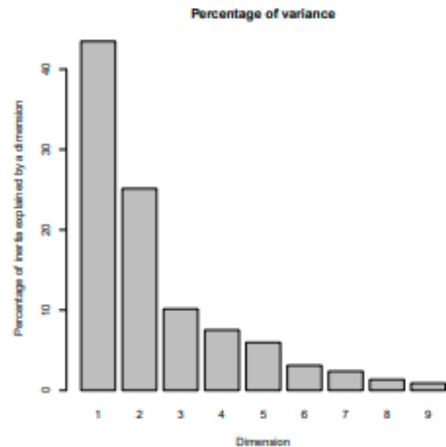
```
> round(res.pca$ind$cos2,2)
              Dim.1 Dim.2
S Michaud      0.62  0.07
S Renaudie     0.73  0.15
S Trotignon    0.78  0.07
```

- $\cos^2(\theta_{kH_k})$  for the **variables**: only well-projected variables (high  $\cos^2$ ) can be interpreted!

```
> round(res.pca$var$cos2,2)
              Dim.1 Dim.2
0.fruity      0.08  0.02
0.passion     0.80  0.03
0.citrus      0.69  0.00
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# Choosing the number of dimensions

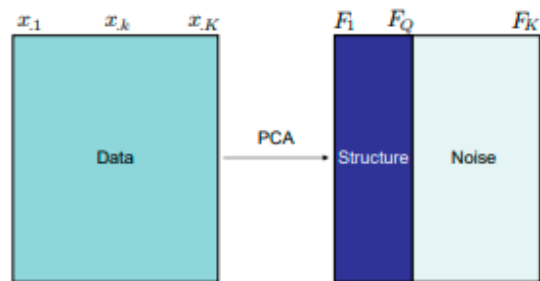
Bar chart of eigenvalues, tests, confidence intervals, cross-validation (`estim_ncp` function), Kaiser Rule



Two goals:

⇒ Interpretation

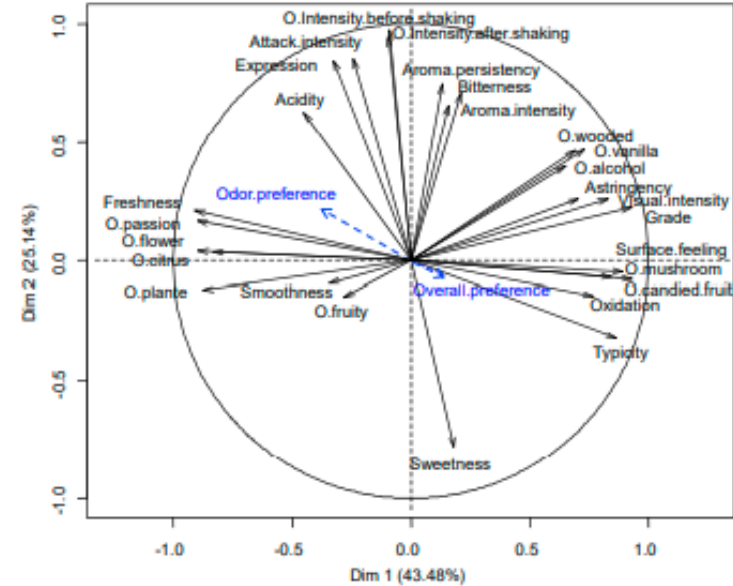
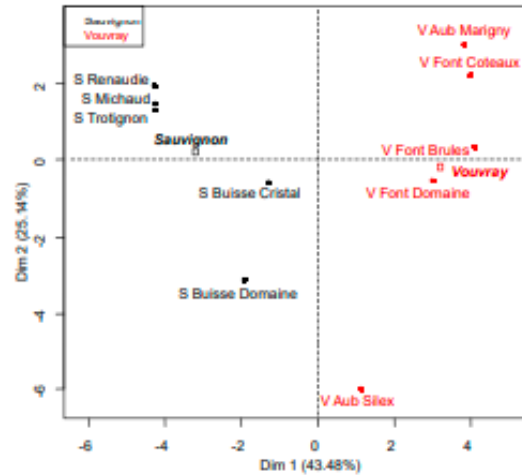
⇒ Separate structure from noise





# Additional variables

- For the quantitative variables: project supplementary variables onto the axes
- For categorical variables: project the barycenter of individuals in each category



⇒ Supplementary information not used to build the axes

# Contributions

⇒ Contributions to components:

- for an individual:  $Ctr_s(i) = \frac{F_{is}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^I F_{is}^2} = \frac{F_{is}^2}{\lambda_s}$

⇒ Individuals with a large coordinate value contribute most

```
> round(res.pca$ind$contrib,2)
               Dim.1 Dim.2
S Michaud      15.49  3.10
S Renaudie     15.56  5.56
S Trotignon    15.46  2.43
```

- for a variable:  $Ctr_s(k) = \frac{r(x_{.k}, v_s)^2}{\sum_{k=1}^K r(x_{.k}, v_s)^2} = \frac{r(x_{.k}, v_s)^2}{\lambda_s}$

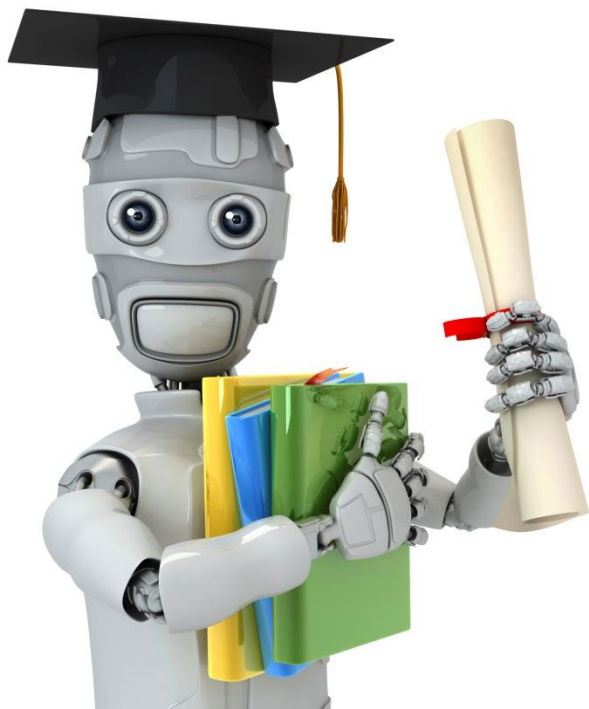
⇒ Variables highly correlated with the principal component contribute the most

```
> round(res.pca$var$contrib,2)
               Dim.1 Dim.2
0.fruity        0.67  0.34
0.passion       6.84  0.40
0.citrus        5.89  0.02
```

# Main steps of PCA in practice

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- 1 Choose active variables
- 2 Rescale (or not) the variables
- 3 Perform PCA
- 4 Choose the number of dimensions to interpret
- 5 Joint analysis of the cloud of individuals and the cloud of variables
- 6 Use indicators to enrich interpretation
- 7 Go back to raw data for interpretation



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# See you next chapter

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# Thanks :)