

Exploration of Data is Critical

- EDA should take place before more rigorous statistical analysis. 1st part of larger process
- First line of defense against bad data, use to check assumptions about data.
- Maybe lead to new insights, new questions or feed into process of building predictive models

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Blog: <http://simplystatistics.org/>

What I do when I get a new data set as told through tweets

Posted on [June 13, 2014](#) by [Jeff Leek](#)

Hilary Mason asked a really interesting question yesterday:



Hilary Mason
@hmason

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Data people: What is the very first thing you do when you get your hands on a new data set?

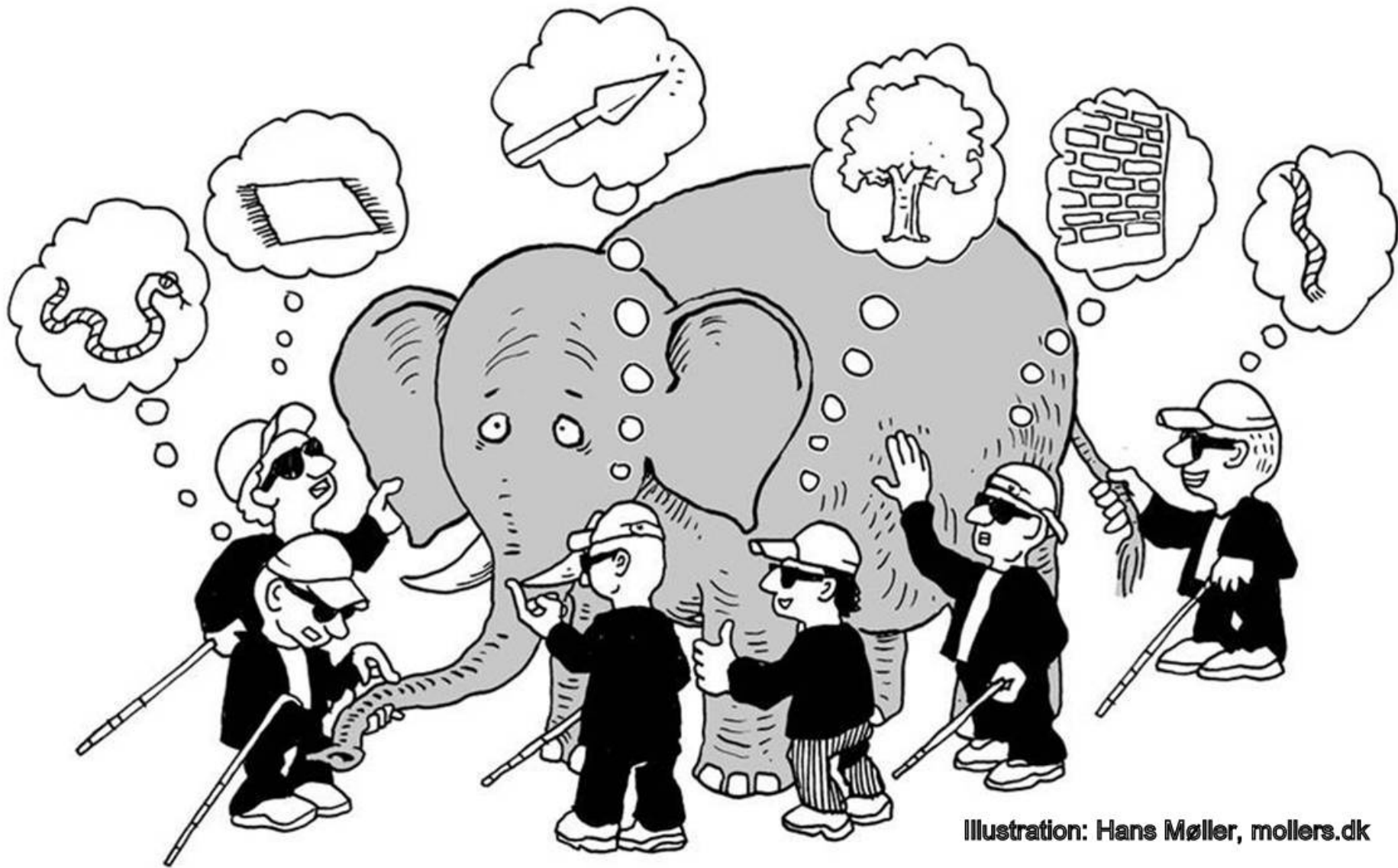
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- **Step 0: Figure out what I'm trying to do with the data**
 - “Look, Stop, Think...”,
 - Check-in with person generating data
- **Step 1: Learn about the elephant**
 - figure out what the data set "looks" like: `head()`, `tail`, `sapply(df, class)`
 - look for NA,
 - check for personally identifiable information
 - `colnames()`, `summary()`, `str()` etc

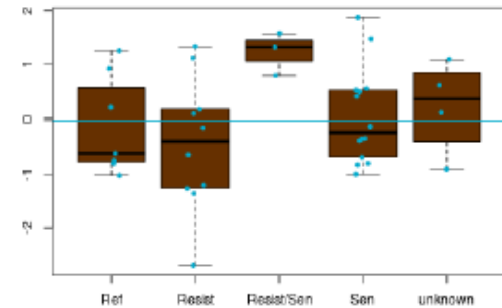


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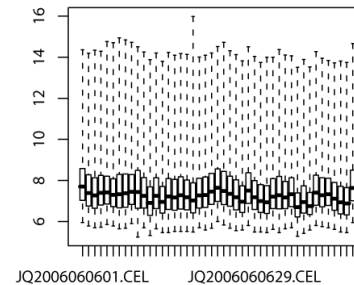
- Step 0: Figure out what I'm trying to do with the data
- Step 1: Learn about the elephant
- **Step 2: Clean/organize**
 - Fix data, NA,
 - swear a lot
- **Step 3: Plot. That. Stuff**
 - look at variables one by one like
 - Histograms,
 - scatterplots,
 - density plots,
 - jittered 1d plots
 - If data are multivariate ,get a feel for high dimensional structure
 - dimension reduction : principal components,
 - hierarchical clustering analysis

Visualize variables one by one

- Histograms, density plots
- Boxplots
- Scatterplots
- MA plots (variance v mean)
- Pairs
- Correlations, Corrplot

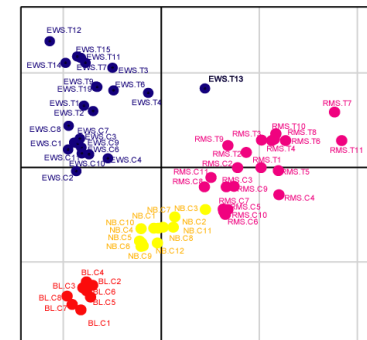
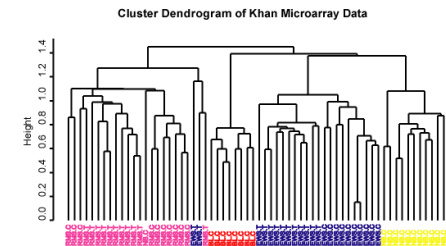


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hclust(*, "average")



Get a feel for high dimensional structure of multivariate data

- Clustering
 - Hierarchical
 - Flat (k-means)
- Matrix Factorization/ Dimension Reduction
 - Principal Component analysis, Correspondence analysis
 - etc

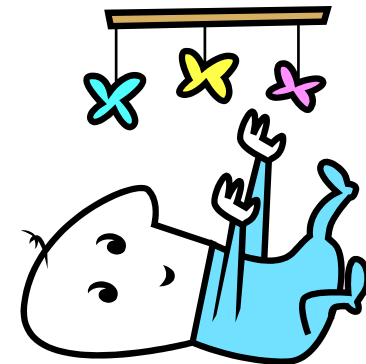
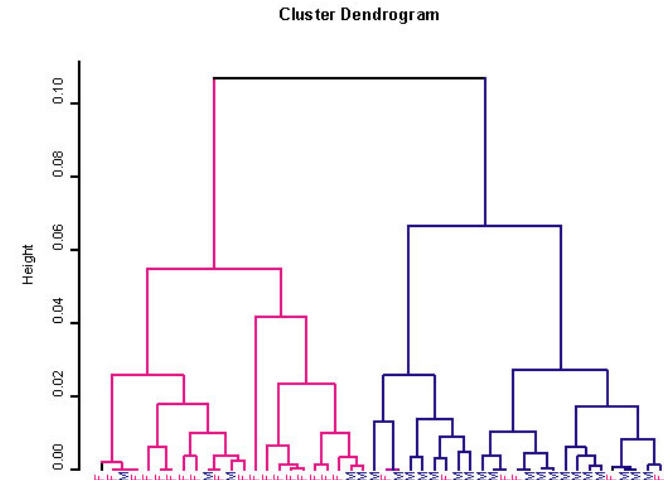


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- Step 1: Learn about the elephant
- **Step 2: Clean/organize**
- **Step 3: Plot. That. Stuff**
- **Step 4: Get a quick answer to the question from Step 1**
 - quick and dirty answer to the question;
 - simple predictive model or a really basic regression model.
 - Check back with person generating data.

Limitations of hierarchical clustering

- Samples compared in a pairwise manner
- Hierarchy forced on data
- Sometimes difficult to visualise if large data
- Overlapping clustering or time/dose gradients ?



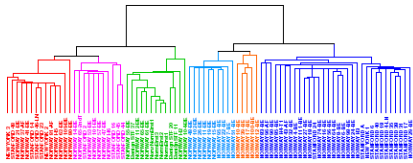
Matrix Factorization

- Also refers to as
 - Latent variable analysis, Dimension reduction, Ordination

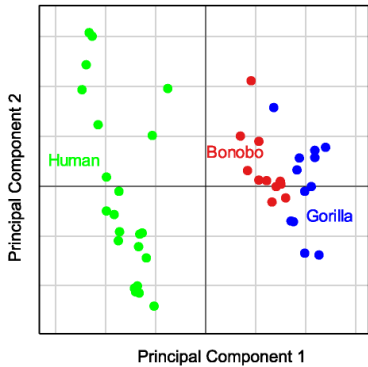
- Aim:

Find axes onto which data can be project so as to explain as much of the variance in the data as possible

Complementary methods



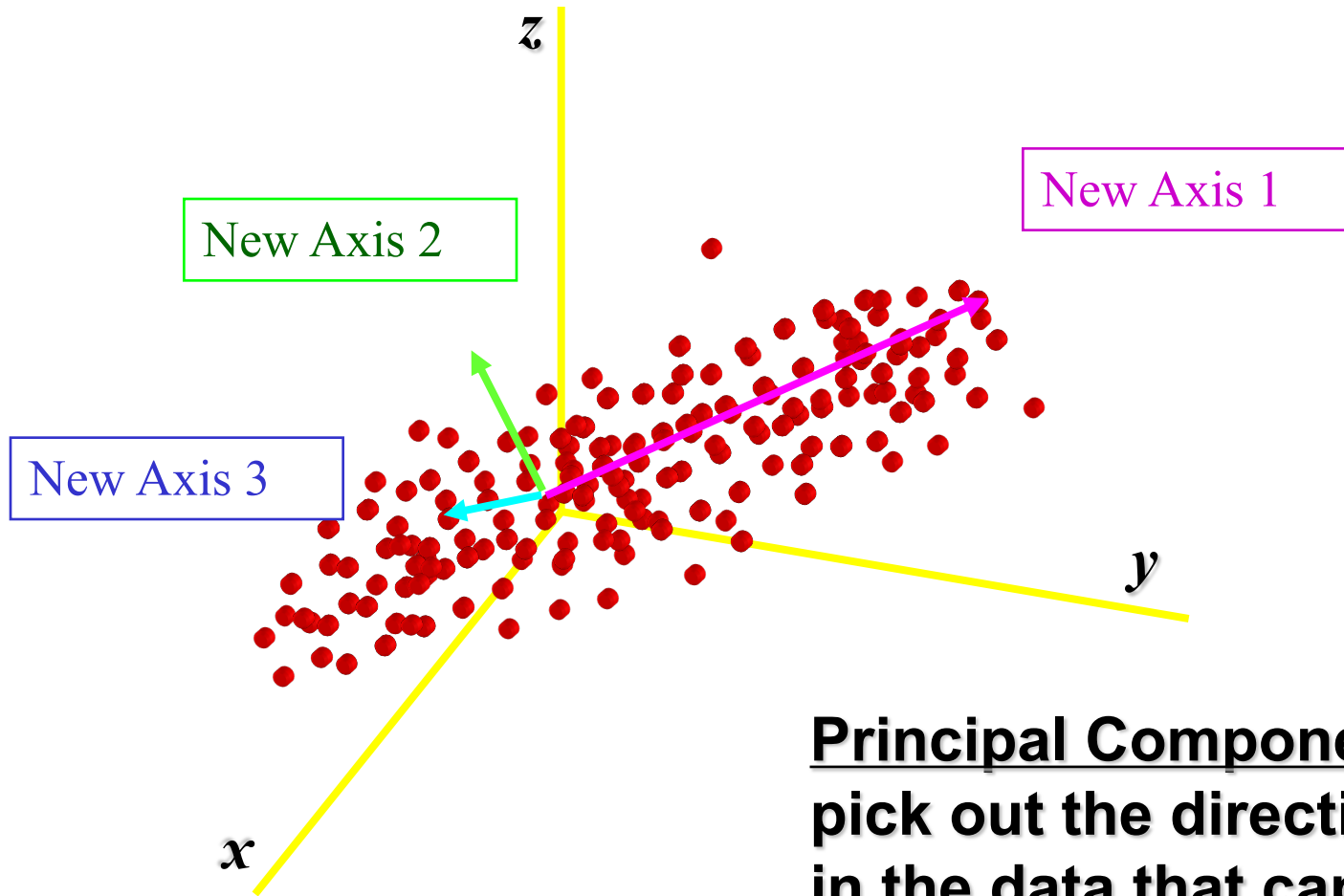
Cluster analysis generally investigates pairwise distances/similarities among objects looking for fine relationships



Ordination in reduced space considers the variance of the whole dataset thus highlighting general gradients/patterns

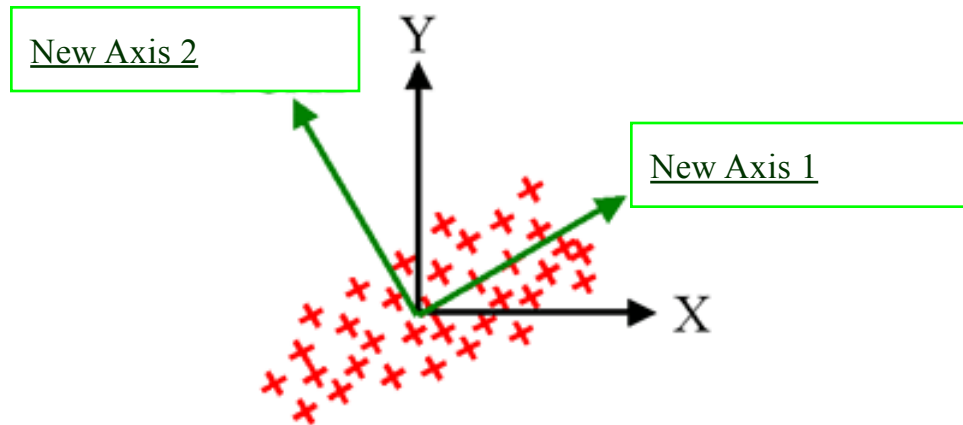
(Legendre and Legendre, 1998)

Dimension Reduction (Ordination)



Principal Components
pick out the directions
in the data that capture
the greatest variability

Representing data in a reduced space



The first new axes will be projected through the data so as to explain the greatest proportion of the variance in the data.

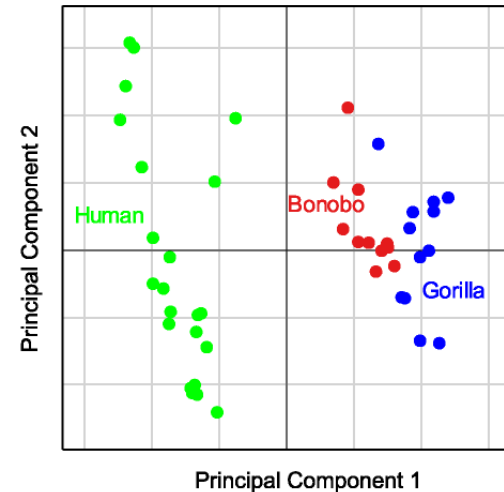
The second new axis will be orthogonal, and will explain the next largest amount of variance

Interpreting an Ordination

Each axes represent a different
“trend” or set of profiles

The further from the origin
Greater loading/contribution
(ie higher expression)

Same direction from the origin



Principal Axes

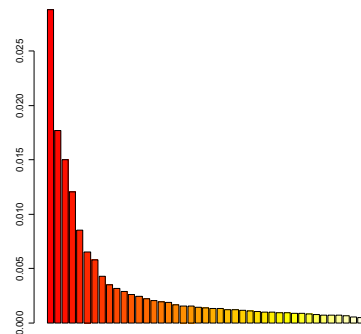
- Project new axes through data which capture variance. Each represents a different trend in the data.
- Orthogonal (decorrelated)
- Typically ranked: First axes most important
- Principal axis, Principal component, latent variable or eigenvector



Typical Analysis

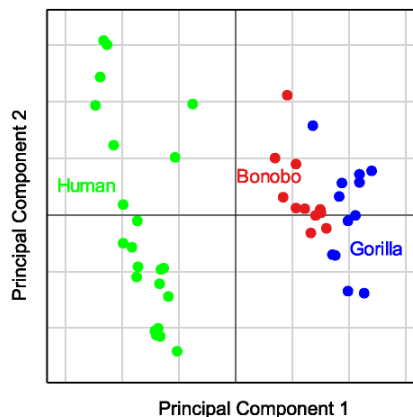


Ordination

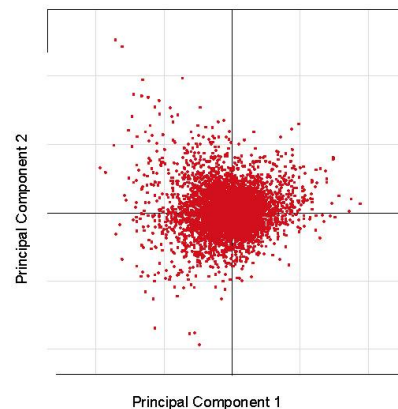


Plot of eigenvalues,
select number.

Array Projection



Gene Projection

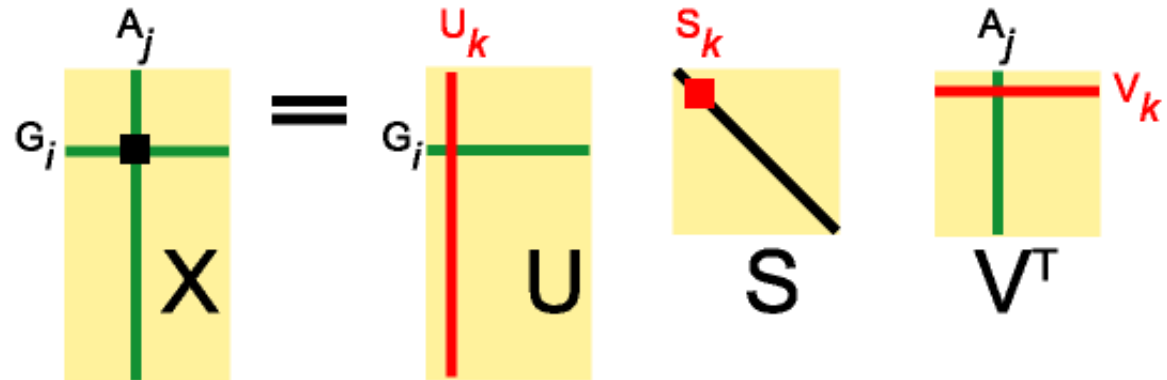


Plot PC1 v PC2

etc



Singular Value Decomposition $X=USV^T$



Gene
Co-ordinates

Eigenvalues
(Singular
values)

Sample
Co-ordinates

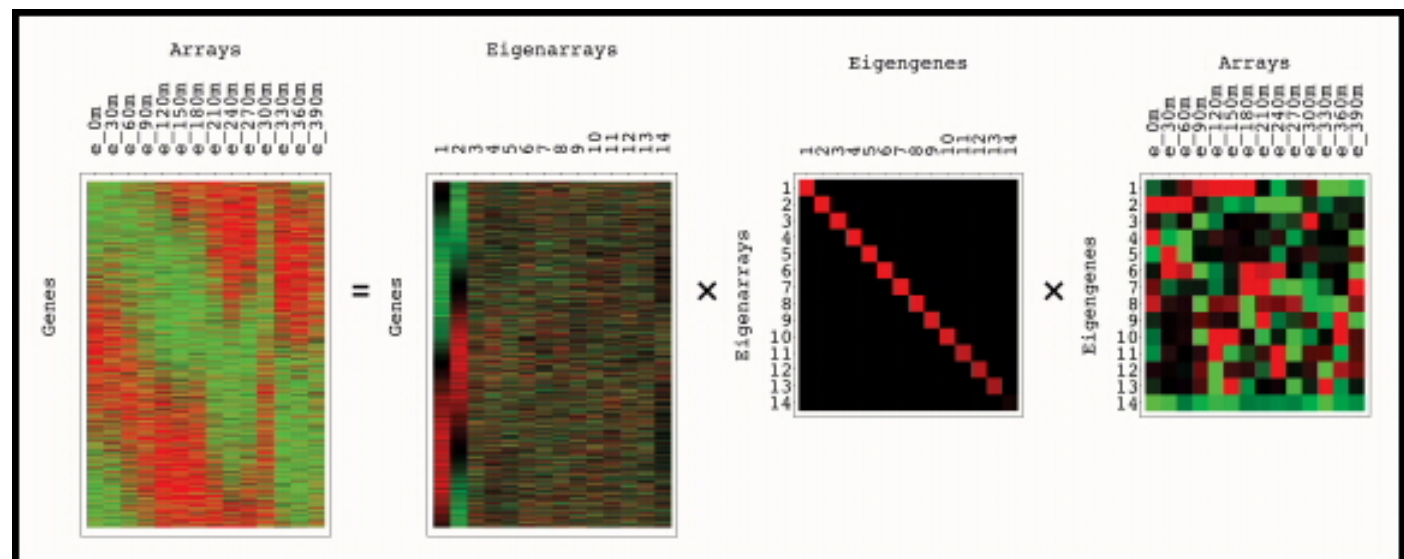


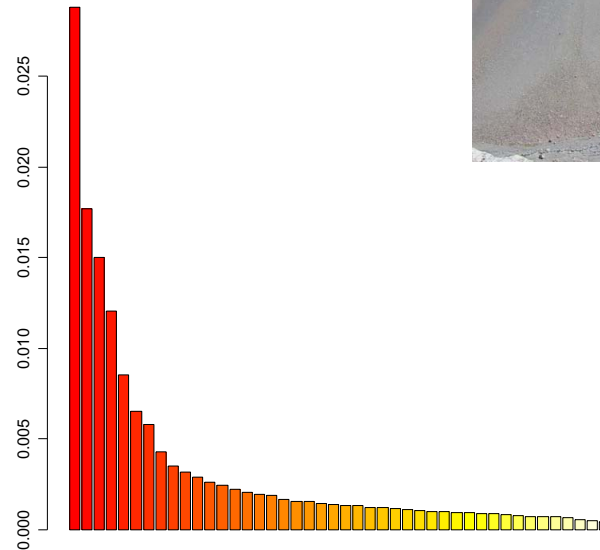
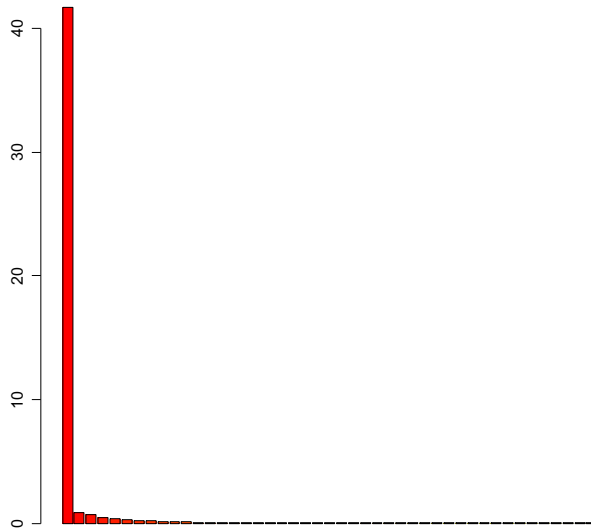
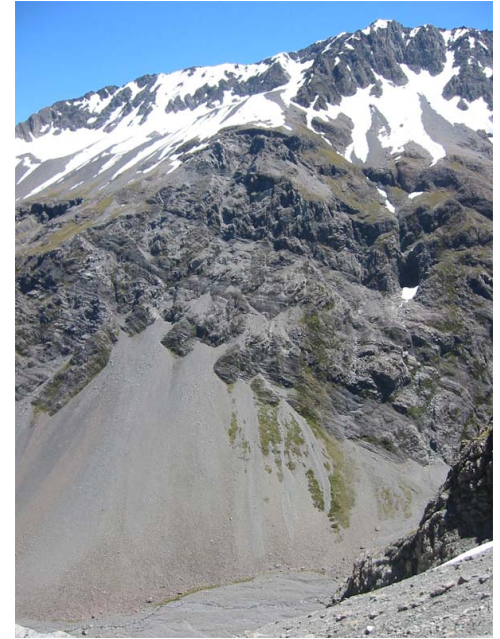
Image from

<http://genome-www.stanford.edu/SVD/>

Eigenvalues

- Describe the amount of variance (information) in eigenvectors
- Ranked. First eigenvalue is the largest.
- Generally only examine 1st few components
 - scree plot

Choosing number of Eigenvalues: Scree Plot



Maximum number of Eigenvalues/Eigenvectors = $\min(\text{nrow}, \text{ncol}) - 1$

Ordination Methods

- Most common :
 - Principal component analysis (PCA)
 - Correspondence analysis (COA or CA)
 - Nonmetric multidimensional scaling (NMDS, MDS)
 - Principal co-ordinate analysis (PCoA)

Relationship

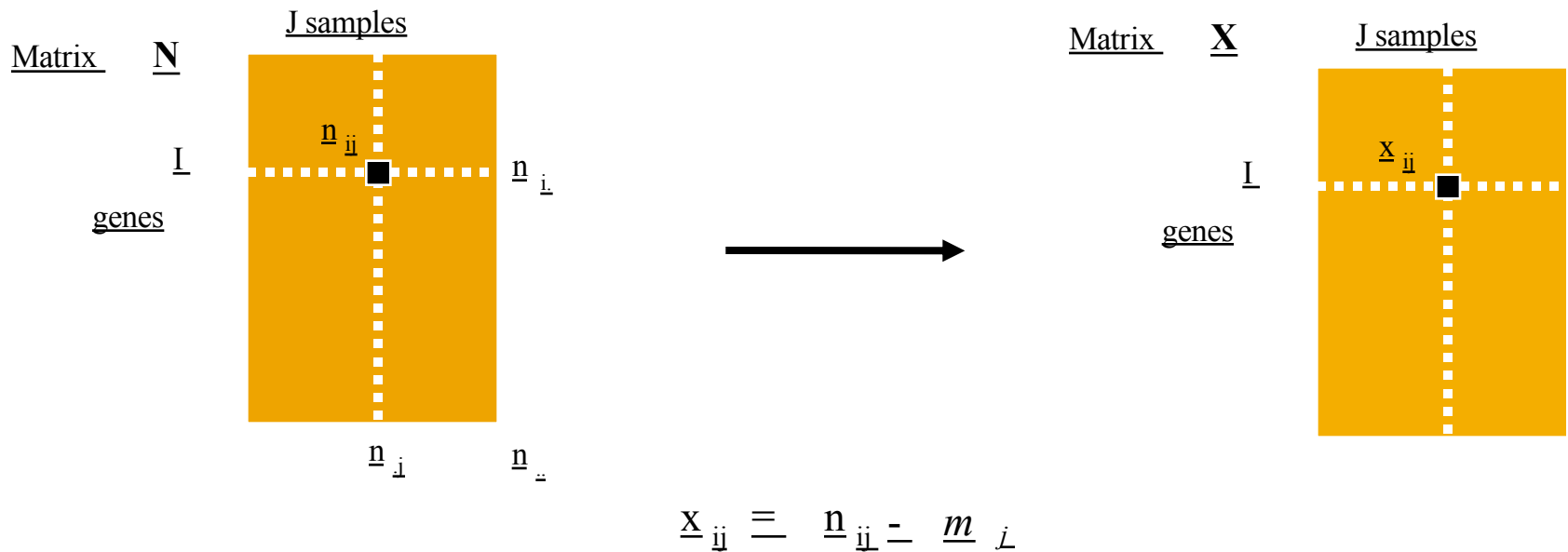
- PCA, COA, etc can be computed using Singular value decomposition (SVD)
- SVD applied to microarray data (Alter et al., 2000)
- Wall et al., 2003 described both SVD, PCA (good paper)

Principal Component Analysis (PCA)

- Probably most popular ordination method
- Eigenanalysis of a covariance matrix (most common) or correlation matrix
- Dates back to Pearson (1901)
- Applied to quantitative data.
- First applied to microarray data by Raychadhuri et al., 2000.
- PCA: `prcomp(stats)`, `princomp(stats)` `dudi.pca (ade4)`.

PCA: Initial data transformation

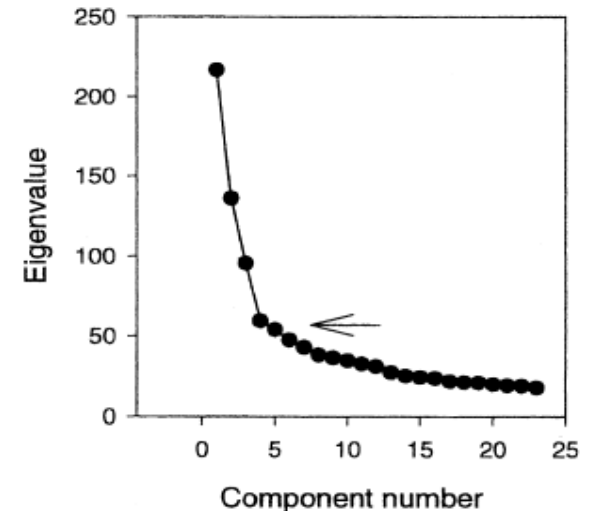
Column mean centred
(covariance PCA)



Where m_j is the mean of column J

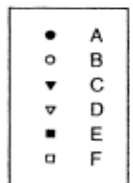
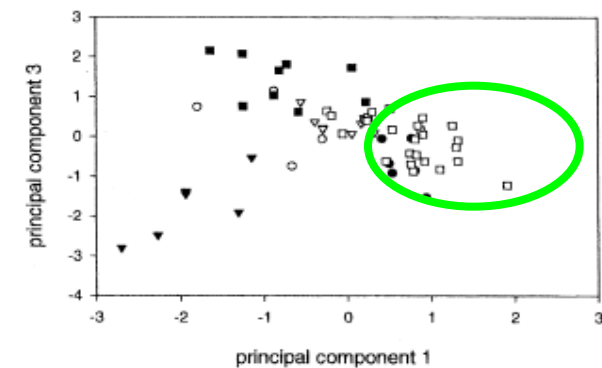
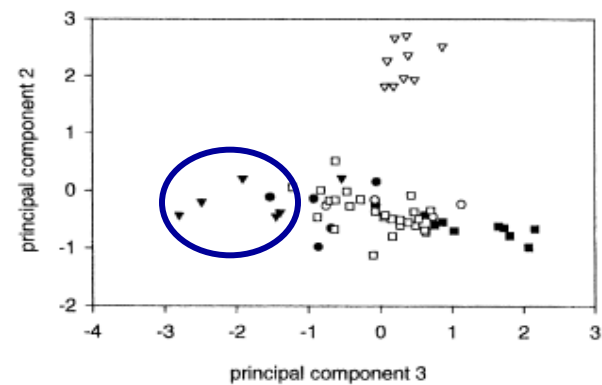
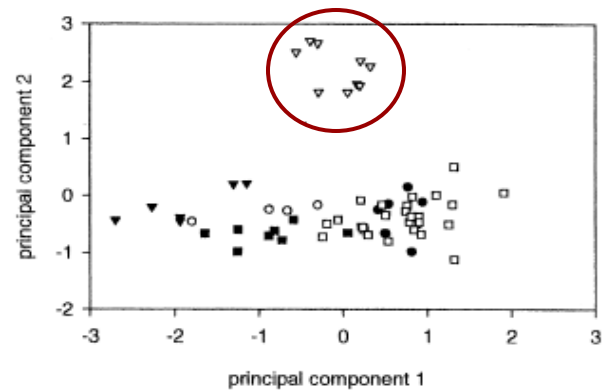
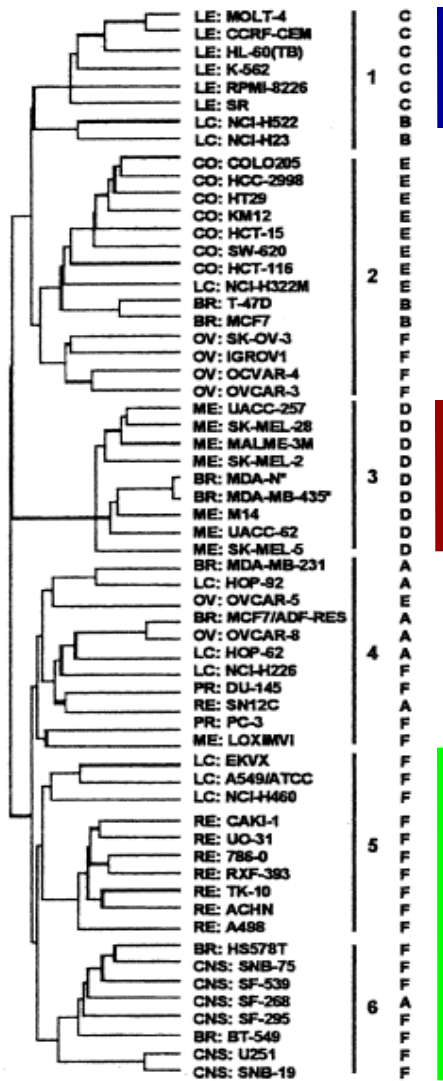
PCA of the NCI 60 cell lines

- Crescenzi and Giuliani, 2001
- Gene expression profiles of 60 cancer cell lines representing diverse cancers
- Performed PCA
- Found 5 PC's to contain most of the variance. Of which first 3 most interesting



Eigenvalue distribution

Component number	Eigenvalue	Variance (%)	Cumulative
1	216.70	15.30	15.3
2	135.85	9.59	24.9
3	95.44	6.74	31.6
4	59.42	4.20	35.8
5	53.80	3.80	39.6



Considerations when applying PCA

- Distance – Euclidean
- Robust, but designed for analysis of multi-normal distributed data
 - if very skewed data, the first few axes will only separate a few objects with extreme values instead of displaying main axes of variation
- Generally for microarray analysis: Row centre.
 - Eliminate size effect. Low abundance genes can be detected
- Problems which Correspondence analysis handles better
 - If lots zero
 - Unimodal or non-linear trends. Get distortion or artifact in plot, in which the second axis is an arched function of the first axis. Called horseshoe effect in PCA.

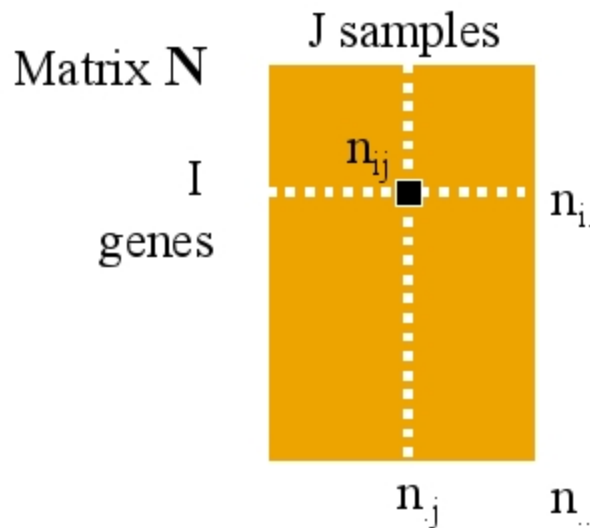
If I'd known they wanted me to
use all this info - I would never
have asked for it!



Correspondence Analysis

- **COA** (or CA) is an eigenanalysis of a **Chi-square** distance matrix.
- Measures the “strength” of association between an up-regulated gene and an array sample.
- Developed by numerous authors, also known as reciprocal averaging/ordering, dual scaling etc.
- Initially designed for analysis of 2-way contingency tables (frequency counts). Thus assumes matrix counts positive integers or zeros.

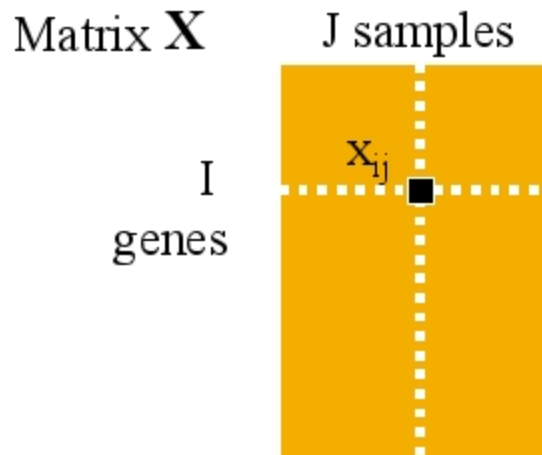
COA: Initial Transformation



$$c_j = n_{.j} / n_{..}$$

$$r_i = n_{i.} / n_{..}$$

$$p_{ij} = n_{ij} / n_{..}$$



$$x_{ij} = (p_{ij} - r_i c_j) / \sqrt{r_i c_j}$$

Pearson chi-square statistic $O_{ij} - E_{ij} / \sqrt{E_{ij}}$

COA of the Yeast Cell-Cycle Data

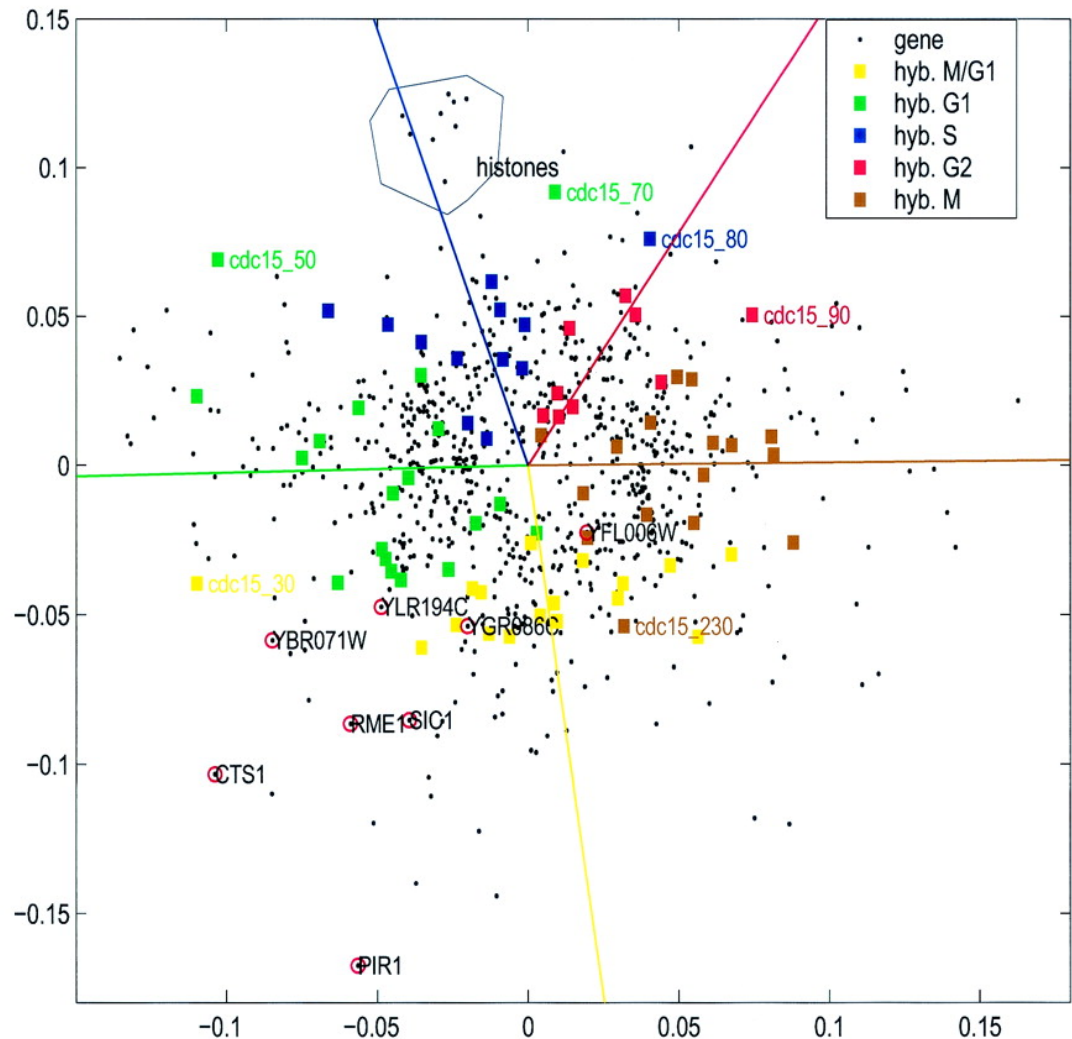
Fellenberg et al., 2001

- Dataset:
 - Gene Expression of *S. cerevisiae* arrested during cell cycle by 4 methods
 - alpha factor-, *CDC15*-, *CDC28*-based blocking and elutriation. (Spellman et al., 1998)
- COA
- Visualised using biplot of genes and arrays

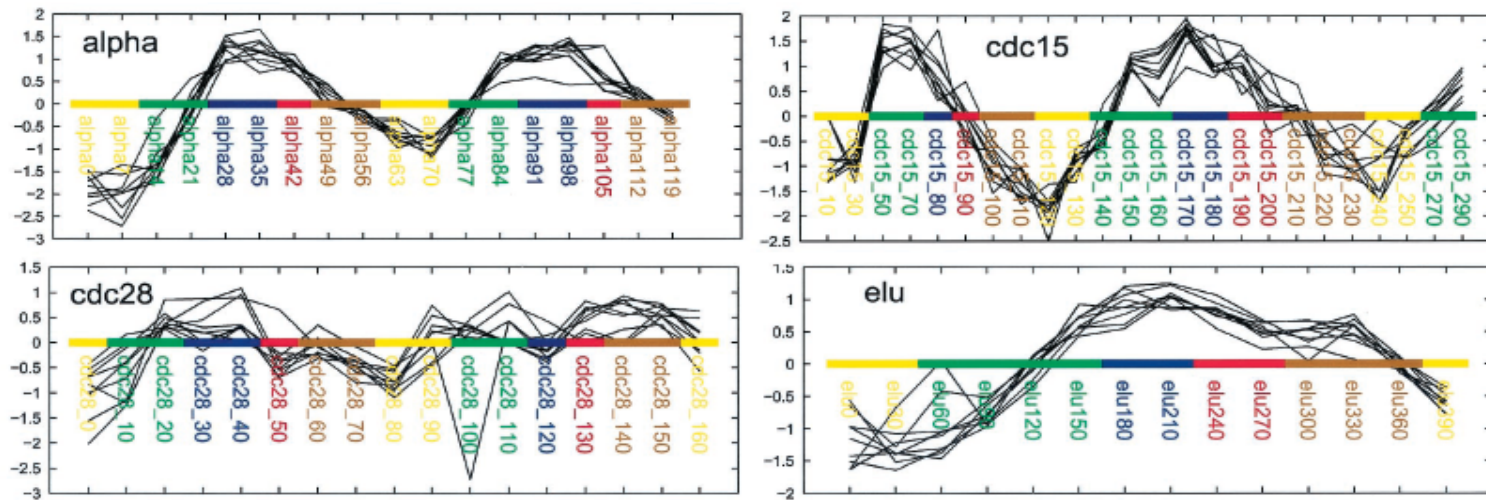
Correspondence Analysis

Biplot

Arrays and genes with a strong association (correspondence) are projected in the same direction from the origin.



Gene Expression of 9 histone genes



See gene expression of histones ↑ during ■ S phase

Consideration when applying COA

- Data must be in **same units** (so they can be added)
- Data must be **non-negative** or made position by translation (scalar addition)
- In case of steep gradients (many zero) COA should produce better results than PCA
- Data is dual (column and row) scaled.
- Unimodal or non-linear trends may be represented as arch (2nd axis). Less serious than PCA's horseshoe effect.

Among the other related methods

Independent Component Analysis

- generalization of PCA
- does not constrain the axes to be orthogonal
- attempts to place them in the directions of statistical dependencies in the data.
- Lee & Batzoglou 2003 and Saidi et al., 2004 show ICA outperformed PCA

Spectral map analysis

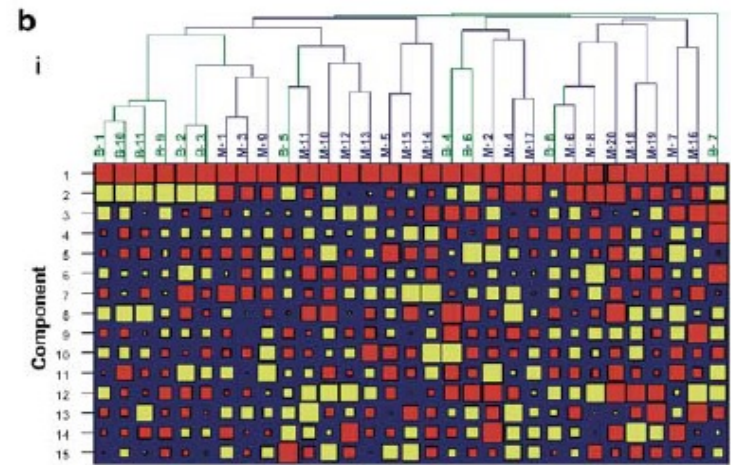
- related to COA (dual scaling of both rows + columns)
- not limited to contingency tables and cross-tabulations. possibility to use other weighting factors
- Wouters et al., 2003 showed SMA outperformed PCA, comparable to COA.

MDS

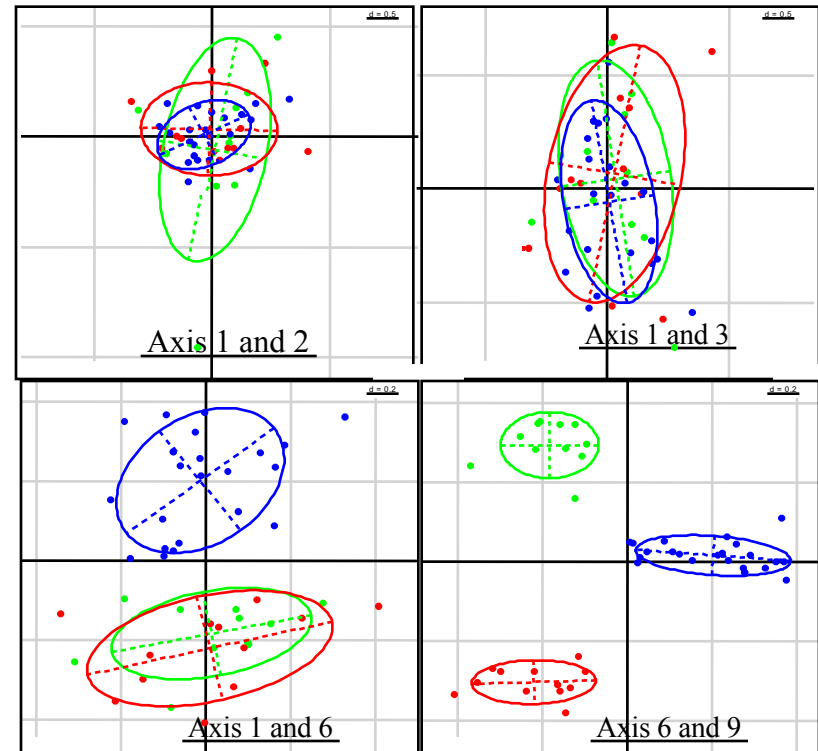
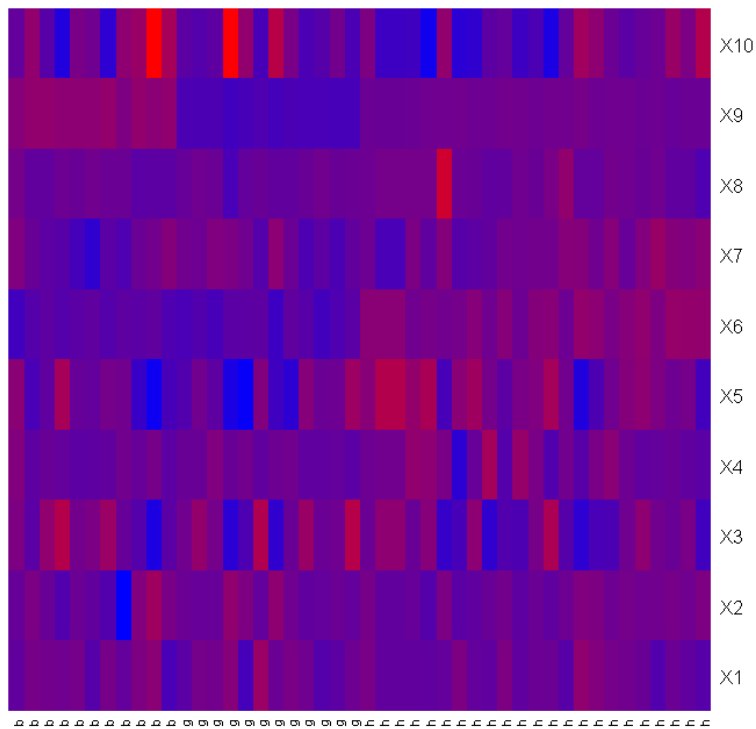
- Multidimensional scaling
 - metric and non-metric.
- Input distance matrix
- Classical MDS is identical to principal coordinates analysis (PCoA). R code `cmdscale (stats)`, `dudi.pco (ade4)`
- NMDS. Iterative. `isoMDS (MASS)`, `sammon (MASS)`.

Independent Component Analysis Saudi et al., 2003

- Axes/eigenvectors are not constrained to be orthogonal
- May detect more subtle patterns in data
- More complex interpretation of axes

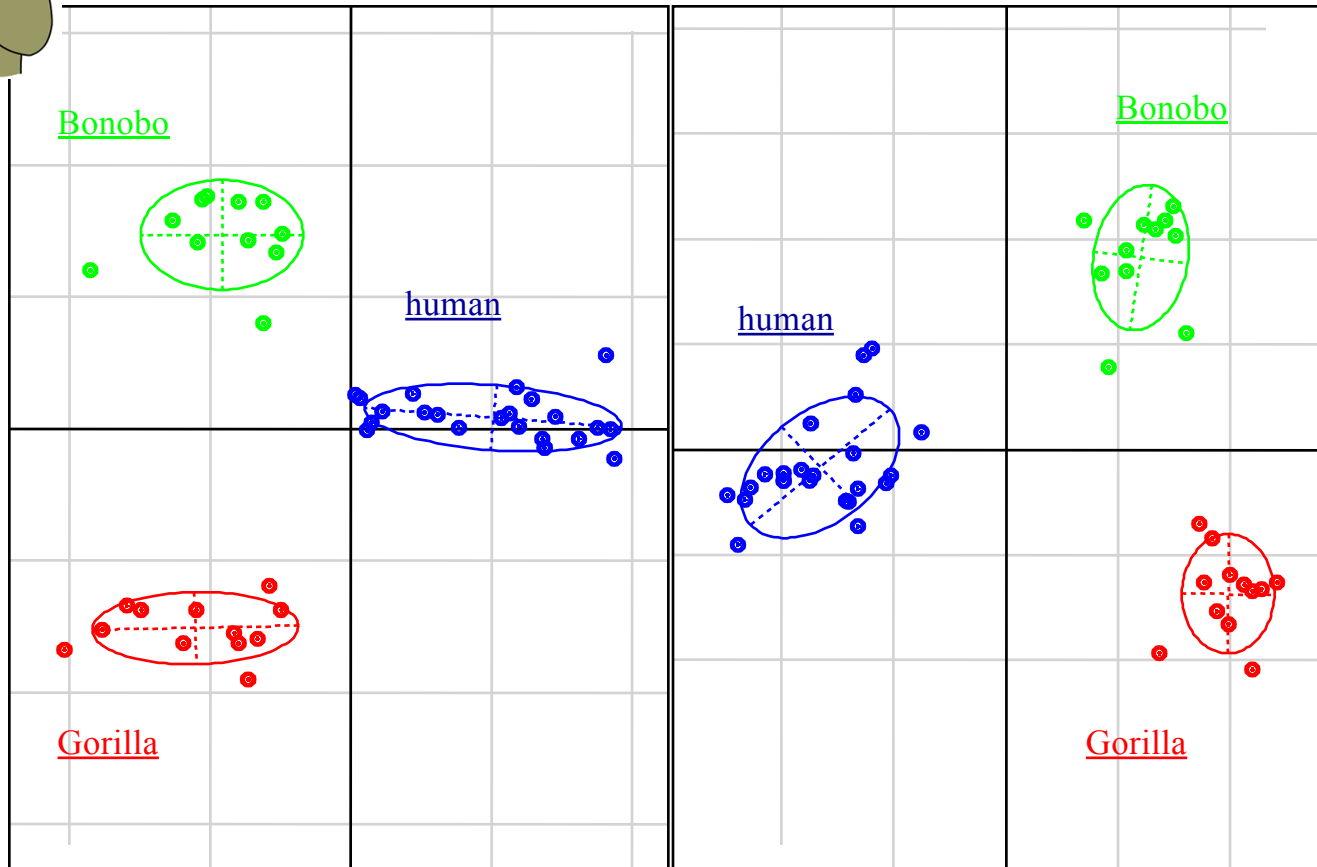


Fast ICA of Karaman Ape Data





Results from fastICA and COA



fastICA, Axis 6 and 9

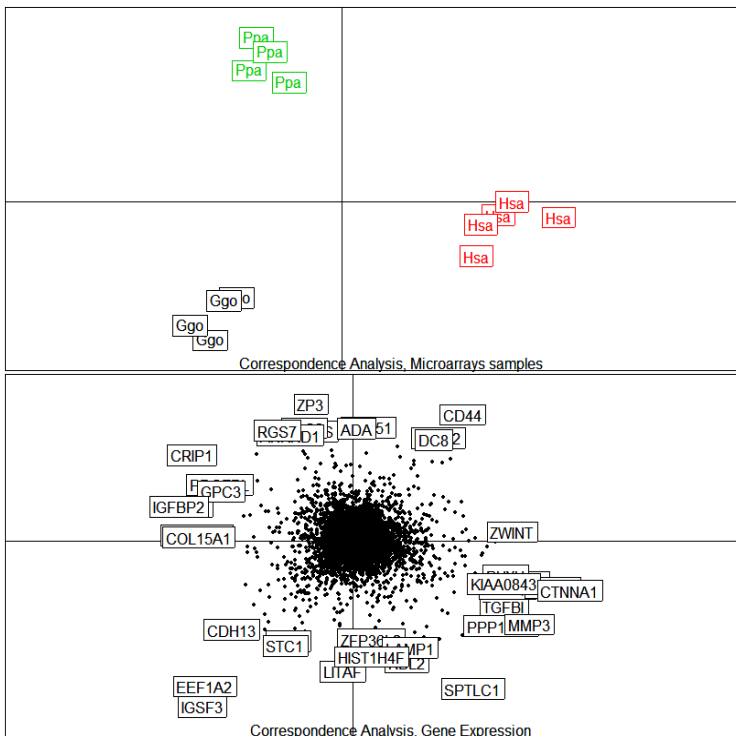
COA, Axis 1 and 3

Summary: Exploration analysis using Ordination

- **SVD** = straightforward dimension reduction
 - **PCA** = column mean centred +SVD
 - Euclidean distance
 - **COA** = Chi-square +SVD
 - produces nice biplot
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- Ordination be useful for visualising trends in data
 - Useful complementary methods to clustering

Ordination in R

Ordination (PCA, COA)



- `library(ade4)`
- `dudi.pca()`
- `dudi.coa()`
- `library(made4)`
- `ord(data, type="pca")`
- `plot()`
- `plotarrays()`
- `plotgenes()`

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Interesting Commentary

Terry Speed's commentary on PCA download from <http://bulletin.imstat.org/pdf/37/3>