

Factor Analysis Exercises

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- What is factor analysis
- CFA versus PCA
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- Considerations for factor analysis
- Identifying / extracting factors
- Rotation
- Cronbach's alpha

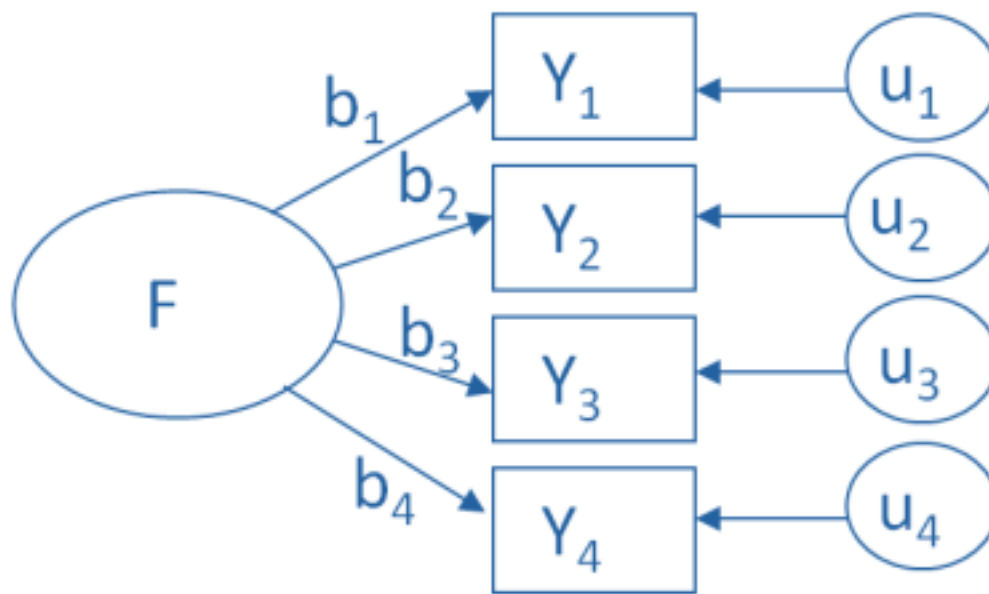
Exploratory Factor analysis

- Identify the relational structure between a set of variables in order to reduce them to a smaller set of factors
 - The process of **dimension reduction** (identify new variables) or **data summarisation** (summarise what is already there)

Dimension reduction

- **Latent Variables:** Not directly observable. Rather they are inferred from other responses
 - Many psychological constructs (e.g. anxiety) are latent variables that we cannot directly measure.
 - Rather, we can measure behaviours, cognitions and other variables that are related to the construct.

We might conceptualise this as: "Responses to the questions are indicative of levels of underlying anxiety"



Data summarisation

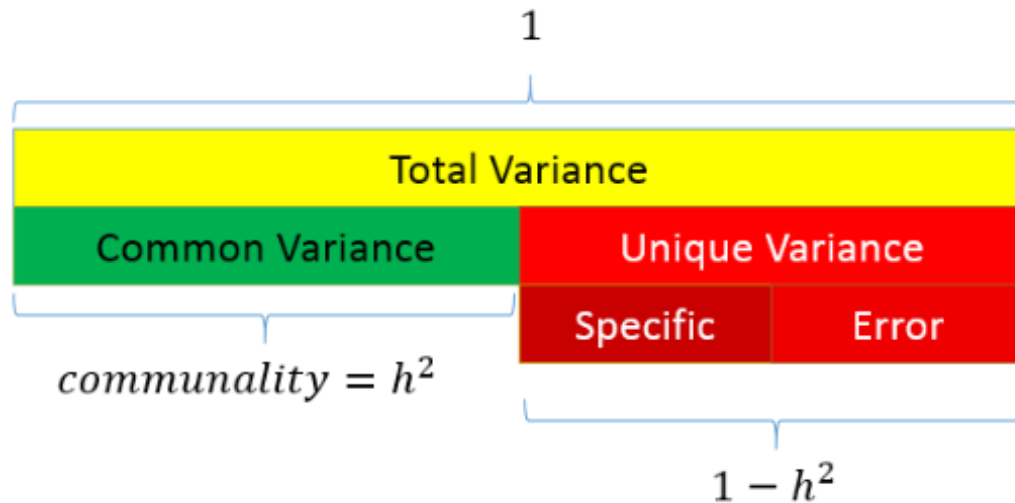
- **Index Variables** or **Components**: A weighted summary of measured variables that contribute to the component variable
- “Principal components are variables of maximal variance constructed from linear combinations of the input features”

We might conceptualise this as: “We can reduce these measures/questions to a smaller set of higher order, independent, composite variables”

Variance in exploratory factor analysis

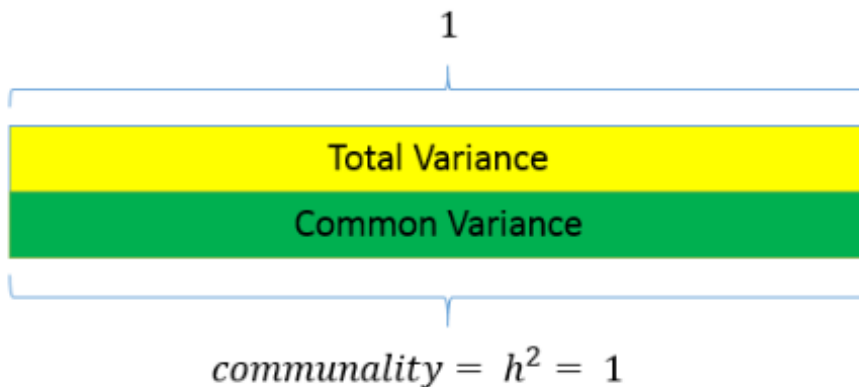
There are two common methods of exploratory factor analysis: **Common Factor analysis** and **Principal Component Analysis**

- CFA assumes that there are two types of variance: common and unique



Variance in exploratory factor analysis

- PCA only assumes common variance



Variance in exploratory factor analysis

- Due to these different approaches, PCA is considered to be reflective of the current sample but not generalisable to the wider population
- Whereas, CFA is considered appropriate for hypothesis testing and making inferences to the population

What is factor analysis?

- If we measure several variables (or questions), we can examine the correlation between sets of these variables
 - Such a correlation matrix is known as an **R Matrix** (r because correlation)

- If there are clusters of correlations between a number of the variables (or questions), this indicates that they might be linked to the same underlying dimension (or latent variable)
- The researcher should use informed judgement when assessing the appropriateness of variables for inclusion

Correlations								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	1							
2	-.099**	1						
3	-.337**	.318**	1					
4	.436**	-.112**	-.380**	1				
5	.402**	-.119**	-.310**	.401**	1			
6	.217**	-.074**	-.227**	.278**	.257**	1		
7	.305**	-.159**	-.382**	.409**	.339**	.514**	1	
8	.331**	-.050*	-.259**	.349**	.269**	.223**	.297**	1
**. Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).								
*. Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).								

matrix example

An r

Considerations with factor analysis

- Sample size:
 - Must be more data points than variables being measured
 - A common rule of thumb is at least 10 per variable
 - There are tests to assess sample size adequacy (e.g. Kaiser-Meyer test should be greater than 0.5)
- Inter-correlation:
 - There must be sufficient correlation between the variables being measured
 - A high number of correlations over 0.3
 - Can be tested using Bartlett test of sphericity (sig. result means factor analysis can be used)

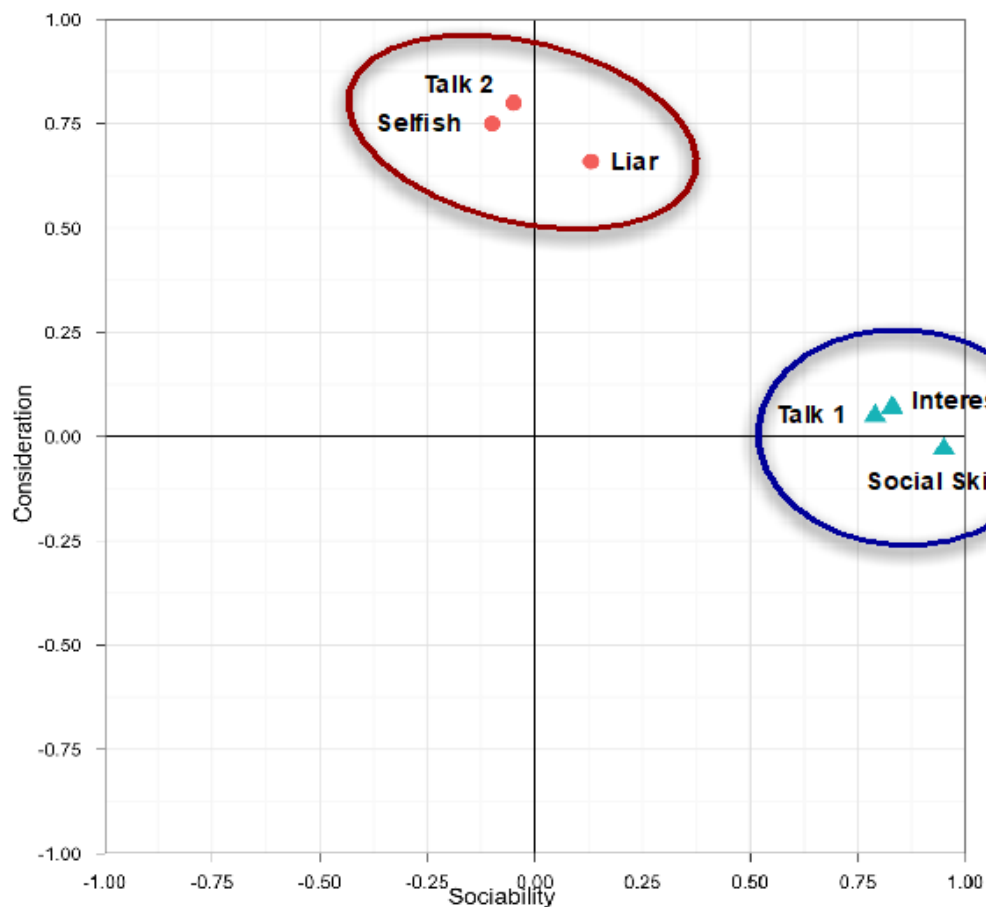
Other things to check (see Field, 2018)

- The quality of analysis depends upon the quality of the data (GI2GO).
- Avoid multicollinearity:

- several variables highly correlated, $r > .80$.
 - Determinant: should be greater than 0.00001
- Avoid singularity:
 - some variables perfectly correlated, $r = 1$.
- Screen the correlation matrix, eliminate any variables that obviously cause concern.

Representing factor analysis

We can represent factors visually based on the strength of their inter-correlations - Here, the axis of the graph represents a factor or latent variable



We can also represent factor analysis using a regression equation - Here the beta values represent the extent to which the variable “loads onto” a particular factor

$$Y = b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + \dots + b_nX_n$$

$$\text{Factor}_i = b_1\text{Variable}_1 + b_2\text{Variable}_2 + \dots + b_n\text{Variable}_n$$

$$Y = b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + \dots + b_nX_n$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sociability} = & b_1\text{Talk1} + b_2\text{Social Skills} + b_3\text{Interest} \\ & + b_4\text{Talk2} + b_5\text{Selfish} + b_6\text{Liar} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Consideration} = & b_1\text{Talk1} + b_2\text{Social Skills} + b_3\text{Interest} \\ & + b_4\text{Talk2} + b_5\text{Selfish} + b_6\text{Liar} \end{aligned}$$

Example: Statistics anxiety

- Many people get anxious about statistics
 - We can ask them about their experience in a number of ways (e.g. questions compiled by students in a stats class)
 - Their responses might indicate that stats anxiety has a number of dimensions
 - i.e. it is a multi-dimensional construct, as opposed to a unitary construct
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SD = Strongly Disagree, D = Disagree, N = Neither, A = Agree, SA = Strongly Agree

	SD	D	N	A	SA
1 Statistics make me cry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2 My friends will think I'm stupid for not being able to cope with R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3 Standard deviations excite me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4 I dream that Pearson is attacking me with correlation coefficients	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5 I don't understand statistics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6 I have little experience of computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7 All computers hate me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8 I have never been good at mathematics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9 My friends are better at statistics than me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10 Computers are useful only for playing games	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11 I did badly at mathematics at school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12 People try to tell you that R makes statistics easier to understand but it doesn't	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13 I worry that I will cause irreparable damage because of my incompetence with computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14 Computers have minds of their own and deliberately go wrong whenever I use them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15 Computers are out to get me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16 I weep openly at the mention of central tendency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17 I slip into a coma whenever I see an equation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18 R always crashes when I try to use it	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19 Everybody looks at me when I use R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20 I can't sleep for thoughts of eigenvectors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21 I wake up under my duvet thinking that I am trapped under a normal distribution	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22 My friends are better at R than I am	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Step 1: Create a correlation matrix

```
raq.matrix <- cor(raq)
```

```
raq.matrix
```

##	Q01	Q02	Q03	Q04	Q05
## Q01	1.000000000	-0.09872403	-0.3366489	0.43586018	0.40243992
## Q02	-0.098724032	1.000000000	0.3183902	-0.11185965	-0.11934658
## Q03	-0.336648879	0.31839020	1.00000000	-0.38046016	-0.31030879
## Q04	0.435860179	-0.11185965	-0.3804602	1.000000000	0.40067225
## Q05	0.402439917	-0.11934658	-0.3103088	0.40067225	1.000000000
## Q06	0.216733985	-0.07420968	-0.2267405	0.27820154	0.25746014
## Q07	0.305365139	-0.15917448	-0.3819533	0.40861502	0.33939179
## Q08	0.330737608	-0.04962257	-0.2586342	0.34942939	0.26862697
## Q09	-0.092339458	0.31464054	0.2998036	-0.12454637	-0.09570151
## Q10	0.213681706	-0.08400316	-0.1933887	0.21581010	0.25820925
## Q11	0.356786290	-0.14382984	-0.3506397	0.36865655	0.29782882
## Q12	0.345381133	-0.19486946	-0.4099513	0.44164706	0.34674325
## Q13	0.354646283	-0.14274026	-0.3179193	0.34429168	0.30182159
## Q14	0.337879655	-0.16469991	-0.3707551	0.35080964	0.31533810
## Q15	0.245752635	-0.16499581	-0.3123968	0.33423089	0.26137190
## Q16	0.498618057	-0.16755228	-0.4186478	0.41586725	0.39491795
## Q17	0.370550512	-0.08699527	-0.3273715	0.38273945	0.31041722
## Q18	0.347118037	-0.16389415	-0.3752329	0.38200149	0.32209148
## Q19	-0.189011027	0.20329748	0.3415737	-0.18597751	-0.16532210
## Q20	0.213897945	-0.20159437	-0.3248338	0.24291796	0.19966945
## Q21	0.329153138	-0.20461730	-0.4171878	0.41029317	0.33461494
## Q22	-0.104408664	0.23087487	0.2036569	-0.09838349	-0.13253593
## Q23	-0.004480593	0.09967828	0.1502065	-0.03381815	-0.04165684
##	Q06	Q07	Q08	Q09	Q10
## Q01	0.21673399	0.30536514	0.33073761	-0.09233946	0.21368171
## Q02	-0.07420968	-0.15917448	-0.04962257	0.31464054	-0.08400316
## Q03	-0.22674048	-0.38195325	-0.25863421	0.29980362	-0.19338871
## Q04	0.27820154	0.40861502	0.34942939	-0.12454637	0.21581010
## Q05	0.25746014	0.33939179	0.26862697	-0.09570151	0.25820925
## Q06	1.000000000	0.51358048	0.22283175	-0.11264384	0.32223023
## Q07	0.51358048	1.000000000	0.29749696	-0.12829828	0.28372299
## Q08	0.22283175	0.29749696	1.000000000	0.01573316	0.15860850
## Q09	-0.11264384	-0.12829828	0.01573316	1.000000000	-0.13418658
## Q10	0.32223023	0.28372299	0.15860850	-0.13418658	1.000000000
## Q11	0.32807072	0.34474770	0.62929768	-0.11552479	0.27143657
## Q12	0.31250937	0.42298591	0.25198582	-0.16739436	0.24582591
## Q13	0.46640487	0.44211926	0.31424716	-0.16743882	0.30196707
## Q14	0.40224407	0.44070276	0.28058958	-0.12150197	0.25468730
## Q15	0.35989309	0.39136675	0.29968600	-0.18657099	0.29523438
## Q16	0.24433888	0.38854534	0.32149420	-0.18886556	0.29058576
## Q17	0.28226121	0.39074283	0.59014022	-0.03681556	0.21832214
## Q18	0.51332164	0.50086685	0.27974433	-0.14957782	0.29250304
## Q19	-0.16675017	-0.26912031	-0.15947671	0.24931170	-0.12723487
## Q20	0.10092489	0.22095420	0.17515089	-0.15864747	0.08406520
## Q21	0.27233273	0.48300388	0.29571756	-0.13594310	0.19313633
## Q22	-0.16513541	-0.16820488	-0.07917265	0.25684622	-0.13090831
## Q23	-0.06868743	-0.07029016	-0.05023839	0.17077441	-0.06191796
##	Q11	Q12	Q13	Q14	Q15
## Q01	0.35678629	0.34538113	0.35464628	0.33787966	0.24575263

##	Q02	-0.14382984	-0.19486946	-0.14274026	-0.16469991	-0.16499581	
##	Q03	-0.35063969	-0.40995127	-0.31791928	-0.37075510	-0.31239678	
##	Q04	0.36865655	0.44164706	0.34429168	0.35080964	0.33423089	
##	Q05	0.29782882	0.34674325	0.30182159	0.31533810	0.26137190	
##	Q06	0.32807072	0.31250937	0.46640487	0.40224407	0.35989309	
##	Q07	0.34474770	0.42298591	0.44211926	0.44070276	0.39136675	
##	Q08	0.62929768	0.25198582	0.31424716	0.28058958	0.29968600	
##	Q09	-0.11552479	-0.16739436	-0.16743882	-0.12150197	-0.18657099	
##	Q10	0.27143657	0.24582591	0.30196707	0.25468730	0.29523438	
##	Q11	1.00000000	0.33529466	0.42316548	0.32532025	0.36482687	
##	Q12	0.33529466	1.00000000	0.48871303	0.43270398	0.33179910	
##	Q13	0.42316548	0.48871303	1.00000000	0.44978632	0.34219704	
##	Q14	0.32532025	0.43270398	0.44978632	1.00000000	0.38011484	
##	Q15	0.36482687	0.33179910	0.34219704	0.38011484	1.00000000	
##	Q16	0.36907763	0.40805908	0.35837775	0.41841820	0.45427861	
##	Q17	0.58683495	0.33269383	0.40837657	0.35374183	0.37310235	
##	Q18	0.37341373	0.49296482	0.53293713	0.49830615	0.34287045	
##	Q19	-0.19965203	-0.26665953	-0.22697105	-0.25405813	-0.20980230	
##	Q20	0.25533736	0.29802585	0.20396327	0.22592173	0.20625622	
##	Q21	0.34643407	0.44063832	0.37443078	0.39938896	0.29971557	
##	Q22	-0.16198921	-0.16728557	-0.19535632	-0.16983754	-0.16790617	
##	Q23	-0.08637256	-0.04642506	-0.05298304	-0.04847418	-0.06200665	
##		Q16	Q17	Q18	Q19	Q20	Q21
##	Q01	0.49861806	0.37055051	0.34711804	-0.1890110	0.21389794	0.32915314
##	Q02	-0.16755228	-0.08699527	-0.16389415	0.2032975	-0.20159437	-0.20461730
##	Q03	-0.41864780	-0.32737145	-0.37523290	0.3415737	-0.32483385	-0.41718781
##	Q04	0.41586725	0.38273945	0.38200149	-0.1859775	0.24291796	0.41029317
##	Q05	0.39491795	0.31041722	0.32209148	-0.1653221	0.19966945	0.33461494
##	Q06	0.24433888	0.28226121	0.51332164	-0.1667502	0.10092489	0.27233273
##	Q07	0.38854534	0.39074283	0.50086685	-0.2691203	0.22095420	0.48300388
##	Q08	0.32149420	0.59014022	0.27974433	-0.1594767	0.17515089	0.29571756
##	Q09	-0.18886556	-0.03681556	-0.14957782	0.2493117	-0.15864747	-0.13594310
##	Q10	0.29058576	0.21832214	0.29250304	-0.1272349	0.08406520	0.19313633
##	Q11	0.36907763	0.58683495	0.37341373	-0.1996520	0.25533736	0.34643407
##	Q12	0.40805908	0.33269383	0.49296482	-0.2666595	0.29802585	0.44063832
##	Q13	0.35837775	0.40837657	0.53293713	-0.2269710	0.20396327	0.37443078
##	Q14	0.41841820	0.35374183	0.49830615	-0.2540581	0.22592173	0.39938896
##	Q15	0.45427861	0.37310235	0.34287045	-0.2098023	0.20625622	0.29971557
##	Q16	1.00000000	0.40976309	0.42197911	-0.2670470	0.26514025	0.42054273
##	Q17	0.40976309	1.00000000	0.37560681	-0.1628810	0.20523013	0.36349147
##	Q18	0.42197911	0.37560681	1.00000000	-0.2566318	0.23518040	0.43010427
##	Q19	-0.26704702	-0.16288096	-0.25663183	1.00000000	-0.24859386	-0.27489793
##	Q20	0.26514025	0.20523013	0.23518040	-0.2485939	1.00000000	0.46770448
##	Q21	0.42054273	0.36349147	0.43010427	-0.2748979	0.46770448	1.00000000
##	Q22	-0.15579385	-0.12629066	-0.15982631	0.2339226	-0.09970186	-0.12902148
##	Q23	-0.08152195	-0.09167243	-0.08041698	0.1224344	-0.03466529	-0.06766437
##		Q22	Q23				
##	Q01	-0.10440866	-0.004480593				
##	Q02	0.23087487	0.099678285				
##	Q03	0.20365686	0.150206522				

```
## Q04 -0.09838349 -0.033818152
## Q05 -0.13253593 -0.041656841
## Q06 -0.16513541 -0.068687430
## Q07 -0.16820488 -0.070290157
## Q08 -0.07917265 -0.050238392
## Q09  0.25684622  0.170774410
## Q10 -0.13090831 -0.061917956
## Q11 -0.16198921 -0.086372565
## Q12 -0.16728557 -0.046425059
## Q13 -0.19535632 -0.052983042
## Q14 -0.16983754 -0.048474181
## Q15 -0.16790617 -0.062006650
## Q16 -0.15579385 -0.081521950
## Q17 -0.12629066 -0.091672426
## Q18 -0.15982631 -0.080416984
## Q19  0.23392259  0.122434401
## Q20 -0.09970186 -0.034665293
## Q21 -0.12902148 -0.067664367
## Q22  1.00000000  0.230369402
## Q23  0.23036940  1.000000000
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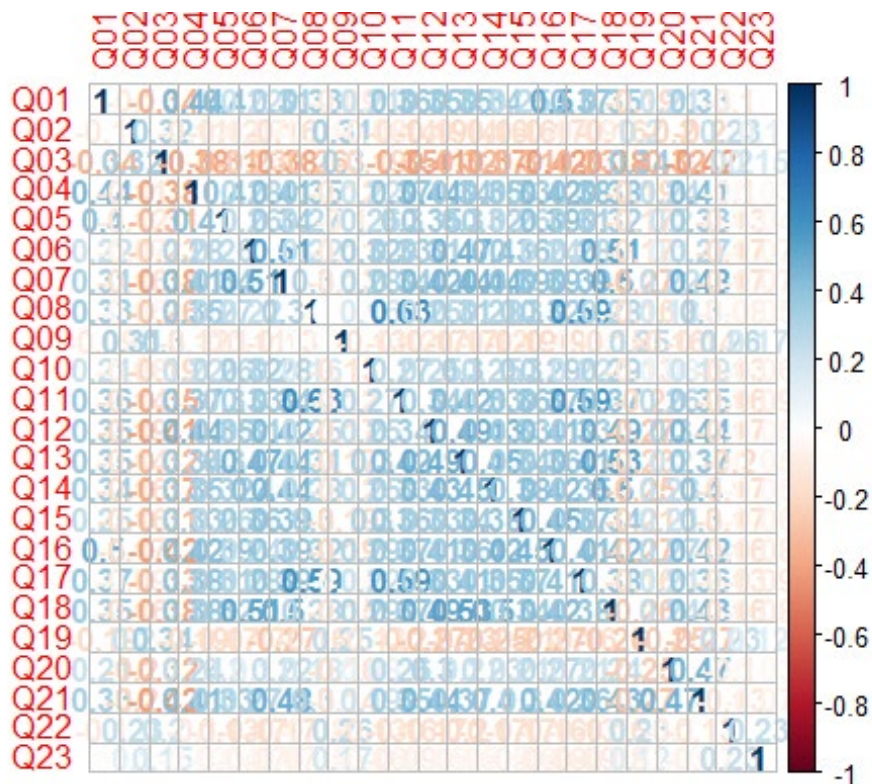
Step 2: Let's check for Inter-correlation

```
library(corrplot)
```

```
## Warning: package 'corrplot' was built under R version 3.6.1
```

```
## corrplot 0.84 loaded
```

```
corrplot(rsq.matrix, method = "number")
```



Step 2: Let's check for Inter-correlation

- We can use bartlett's test from the psych package

```
library(psych)
```

```
## Warning: package 'psych' was built under R version 3.6.1
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'psych'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:ggplot2':
```

```
##
```

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

```
cortest.bartlett(raq.matrix, n=2571)
```

```
## $chisq
```

```
## [1] 19334.49
```

```
##
```

```
## $p.value
```

```
## [1] 0
```

```
##
```

```
## $df
```

```
## [1] 253
```

Step 3: Check sampling adequacy

- Overall should be > 0.5

`KMO(raq)`

```
## Kaiser-Meyer-Olkin factor adequacy
## Call: KMO(r = raq)
## Overall MSA = 0.93
## MSA for each item =
##   Q01  Q02  Q03  Q04  Q05  Q06  Q07  Q08  Q09  Q10  Q11  Q12  Q13  Q14  Q15
## 0.93 0.87 0.95 0.96 0.96 0.89 0.94 0.87 0.83 0.95 0.91 0.95 0.95 0.97 0.94
##   Q16  Q17  Q18  Q19  Q20  Q21  Q22  Q23
## 0.93 0.93 0.95 0.94 0.89 0.93 0.88 0.77
```

Step 4: Identify number of factors

Based on Eigenvalues:

- Kaiser (1960) – retain factors with eigen values > 1 .
- Jolliffe (1972) – retain factors with eigen values $> .70$.

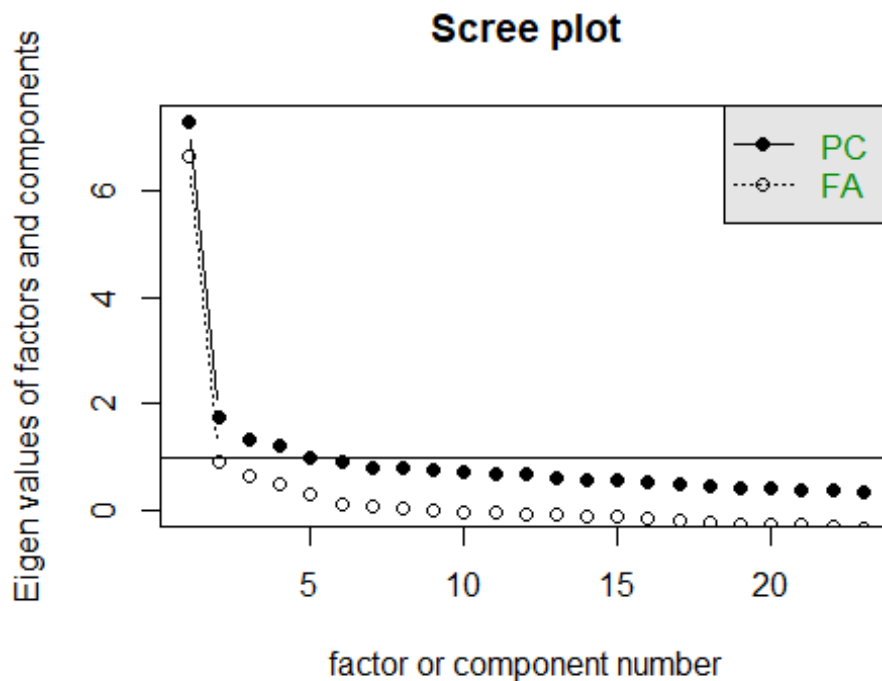
Use a scree plot: Cattell (1966): use ‘point of inflexion’.

Which rule?

- Use Kaiser’s extraction when
 - Less than 30 variables, communalities after extraction > 0.7
 - Sample size > 250 and mean communality ≥ 0.6
- Scree plot is good if sample size is > 200

Scree plot

`scree(raq)`



- We are looking for the point of inflection
- Where there is a drop-off

One approach: See how many factors we can draw a line through

We can get another scree plot from the parallel analysis output (next slide)

Step 4: Identify number of factors

How many dimensions of stats anxiety are captured in the questionnaire?

- We can run a **parallel analysis** to get an indication of the number of factors contained within the data
- Parallel Analysis:
 - Simulates data within the same range of values as our data set
 - Suggests that we retain, at maximum, the factors with eigenvalues larger than those extracted from simulated data.

SD = Strongly Disagree, D = Disagree, N = Neither, A = Agree, SA = Strongly Agree

	SD	D	N	A	SA
1 Statistics make me cry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2 My friends will think I'm stupid for not being able to cope with R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3 Standard deviations excite me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4 I dream that Pearson is attacking me with correlation coefficients	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5 I don't understand statistics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6 I have little experience of computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7 All computers hate me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8 I have never been good at mathematics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9 My friends are better at statistics than me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10 Computers are useful only for playing games	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11 I did badly at mathematics at school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12 People try to tell you that R makes statistics easier to understand but it doesn't	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13 I worry that I will cause irreparable damage because of my incompetence with computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14 Computers have minds of their own and deliberately go wrong whenever I use them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15 Computers are out to get me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16 I weep openly at the mention of central tendency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17 I slip into a coma whenever I see an equation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18 R always crashes when I try to use it	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19 Everybody looks at me when I use R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20 I can't sleep for thoughts of eigenvectors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21 I wake up under my duvet thinking that I am trapped under a normal distribution	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22 My friends are better at R than I am	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

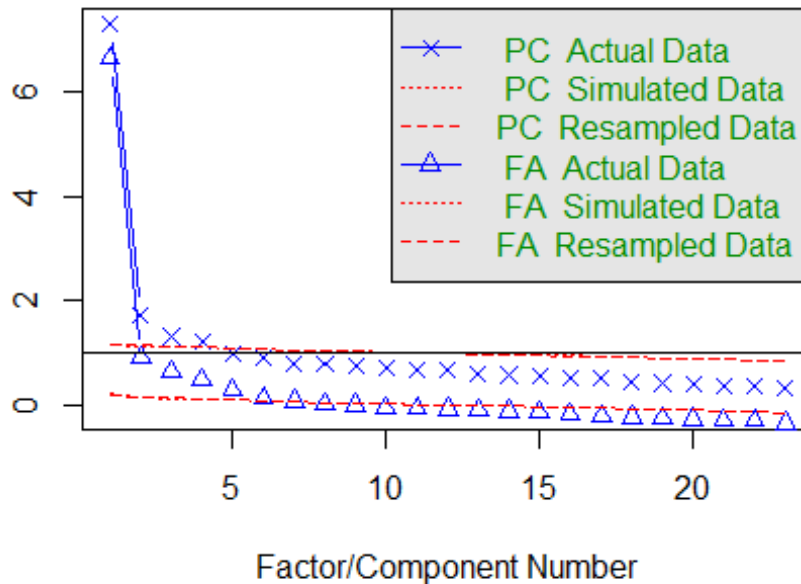
Step 4: Identify number of factors

```
library(psych)
```

```
parallel_analysis <- fa.parallel(raq)
```

eigenvalues of principal components and factor analysis

Parallel Analysis Scree Plots



```
## Parallel analysis suggests that the number of factors = 6 and the number
of components = 4
```

Step 4: Identify number of factors

```
parallel_analysis
```

```
## Call: fa.parallel(x = raq)
## Parallel analysis suggests that the number of factors = 6 and the number
of components = 4
##
## Eigen Values of
## Original factors Resampled data Simulated data Original components
## 1 6.64 0.20 0.21 7.29
## 2 0.91 0.15 0.15 1.74
## 3 0.63 0.13 0.13 1.32
## 4 0.48 0.12 0.11 1.23
## 5 0.29 0.10 0.10 0.99
## 6 0.13 0.08 0.08 0.90
## Resampled components Simulated components
## 1 1.17 1.17
## 2 1.15 1.14
## 3 1.13 1.12
## 4 1.11 1.10
## 5 1.09 1.09
## 6 1.08 1.08
```

Step 5: Perform factor analysis (with initial recommended # factors)

```
paf <- fa(raq,
nfactors = 6,
fm="pa",
max.iter = 100,
rotate = "none")

paf

## Factor Analysis using method = pa
## Call: fa(r = raq, nfactors = 6, rotate = "none", max.iter = 100, fm =
"pa")
## Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
##      PA1  PA2  PA3  PA4  PA5  PA6  h2  u2 com
## Q01  0.57  0.13 -0.12  0.23 -0.28 -0.19 0.52 0.48 2.3
## Q02 -0.28  0.37  0.17  0.12 -0.03  0.01 0.26 0.74 2.6
## Q03 -0.60  0.25  0.20 -0.02 -0.01  0.03 0.46 0.54 1.6
## Q04  0.61  0.08 -0.06  0.18 -0.09 -0.03 0.42 0.58 1.3
## Q05  0.52  0.04 -0.02  0.15 -0.17 -0.08 0.33 0.67 1.5
## Q06  0.55  0.02  0.49 -0.17  0.07 -0.01 0.57 0.43 2.2
## Q07  0.66 -0.03  0.22  0.03  0.11  0.06 0.50 0.50 1.3
## Q08  0.55  0.49 -0.27 -0.21  0.10 -0.02 0.66 0.34 2.9
## Q09 -0.27  0.46  0.12  0.21  0.10  0.03 0.35 0.65 2.4
## Q10  0.40 -0.01  0.17 -0.09 -0.15  0.02 0.22 0.78 1.8
## Q11  0.64  0.31 -0.20 -0.27  0.08 -0.04 0.63 0.37 2.1
## Q12  0.64 -0.10  0.06  0.15  0.05 -0.07 0.45 0.55 1.2
## Q13  0.65  0.02  0.22 -0.06  0.06 -0.13 0.50 0.50 1.4
## Q14  0.63 -0.04  0.16  0.06  0.01  0.01 0.42 0.58 1.2
## Q15  0.58 -0.01  0.07 -0.15 -0.19  0.44 0.59 0.41 2.3
## Q16  0.66 -0.02 -0.11  0.14 -0.28  0.09 0.56 0.44 1.6
## Q17  0.63  0.36 -0.15 -0.15  0.04  0.01 0.57 0.43 1.9
## Q18  0.68 -0.04  0.28  0.04  0.09 -0.10 0.57 0.43 1.4
## Q19 -0.40  0.27  0.11  0.06 -0.05  0.02 0.25 0.75 2.0
## Q20  0.41 -0.17 -0.25  0.19  0.24  0.11 0.37 0.63 3.5
## Q21  0.64 -0.10 -0.11  0.27  0.28  0.10 0.60 0.40 2.0
## Q22 -0.28  0.29  0.05  0.28  0.05  0.11 0.26 0.74 3.4
## Q23 -0.13  0.18  0.08  0.23  0.01  0.08 0.12 0.88 3.1
##
##
##      PA1  PA2  PA3  PA4  PA5  PA6
## SS loadings      6.79 1.14 0.83 0.67 0.45 0.32
## Proportion Var    0.30 0.05 0.04 0.03 0.02 0.01
## Cumulative Var    0.30 0.34 0.38 0.41 0.43 0.44
## Proportion Explained 0.67 0.11 0.08 0.07 0.04 0.03
## Cumulative Proportion 0.67 0.78 0.86 0.92 0.97 1.00
##
## Mean item complexity = 2
## Test of the hypothesis that 6 factors are sufficient.
##
## The degrees of freedom for the null model are 253 and the objective
function was 7.55 with Chi Square of 19334.49
```



```
## The degrees of freedom for the model are 130 and the objective function
was 0.23
##
## The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.02
## The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.02
##
## The harmonic number of observations is 2571 with the empirical chi square
364.66 with prob < 3.9e-24
## The total number of observations was 2571 with Likelihood Chi Square =
578.65 with prob < 7.6e-58
##
## Tucker Lewis Index of factoring reliability = 0.954
## RMSEA index = 0.037 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0.034 0.04
## BIC = -442.12
## Fit based upon off diagonal values = 1
## Measures of factor score adequacy
##
## Correlation of (regression) scores with factors PA1 PA2 PA3 PA4
0.97 0.83 0.80 0.75
## Multiple R square of scores with factors 0.93 0.68 0.64 0.56
## Minimum correlation of possible factor scores 0.87 0.37 0.27 0.12
##
## Correlation of (regression) scores with factors PA5 PA6
0.70 0.65
## Multiple R square of scores with factors 0.48 0.42
## Minimum correlation of possible factor scores -0.03 -0.17
```

Check the factor matrix

- We are looking high levels of variance explained with SS loadings > 1

```
print(paf$loadings, cutoff=0, digits=3)

##
## Loadings:
## PA1 PA2 PA3 PA4 PA5 PA6
## Q01 0.567 0.129 -0.120 0.229 -0.275 -0.188
## Q02 -0.280 0.369 0.172 0.115 -0.029 0.009
## Q03 -0.603 0.245 0.199 -0.022 -0.006 0.030
## Q04 0.606 0.082 -0.056 0.184 -0.090 -0.033
## Q05 0.523 0.043 -0.020 0.154 -0.167 -0.083
## Q06 0.548 0.024 0.488 -0.166 0.073 -0.006
## Q07 0.662 -0.026 0.223 0.030 0.107 0.057
## Q08 0.545 0.488 -0.272 -0.214 0.096 -0.020
## Q09 -0.266 0.462 0.124 0.210 0.097 0.032
## Q10 0.405 -0.005 0.172 -0.090 -0.148 0.024
## Q11 0.644 0.312 -0.199 -0.270 0.085 -0.037
## Q12 0.641 -0.099 0.063 0.154 0.047 -0.067
## Q13 0.650 0.024 0.223 -0.058 0.061 -0.134
## Q14 0.626 -0.036 0.161 0.056 0.011 0.013
## Q15 0.580 -0.007 0.072 -0.152 -0.188 0.436
## Q16 0.661 -0.016 -0.109 0.138 -0.283 0.094
```

```
## Q17  0.629  0.355 -0.155 -0.150  0.038  0.006
## Q18  0.683 -0.039  0.277  0.041  0.092 -0.099
## Q19 -0.395  0.267  0.110  0.060 -0.052  0.022
## Q20  0.412 -0.171 -0.250  0.190  0.241  0.114
## Q21  0.644 -0.099 -0.110  0.270  0.283  0.099
## Q22 -0.279  0.291  0.050  0.284  0.047  0.114
## Q23 -0.130  0.182  0.081  0.235  0.011  0.077
##
##                PA1   PA2   PA3   PA4   PA5   PA6
## SS loadings    6.786 1.140 0.827 0.667 0.452 0.324
## Proportion Var 0.295 0.050 0.036 0.029 0.020 0.014
## Cumulative Var 0.295 0.345 0.381 0.410 0.429 0.443
```

Check the structure matrix

=====

```
print(paf$Structure, cutoff=0, digits=3)

##
## Loadings:
##      PA1   PA2   PA3   PA4   PA5   PA6
## Q01  0.567  0.129 -0.120  0.229 -0.275 -0.188
## Q02 -0.280  0.369  0.172  0.115 -0.029  0.009
## Q03 -0.603  0.245  0.199 -0.022 -0.006  0.030
## Q04  0.606  0.082 -0.056  0.184 -0.090 -0.033
## Q05  0.523  0.043 -0.020  0.154 -0.167 -0.083
## Q06  0.548  0.024  0.488 -0.166  0.073 -0.006
## Q07  0.662 -0.026  0.223  0.030  0.107  0.057
## Q08  0.545  0.488 -0.272 -0.214  0.096 -0.020
## Q09 -0.266  0.462  0.124  0.210  0.097  0.032
## Q10  0.405 -0.005  0.172 -0.090 -0.148  0.024
## Q11  0.644  0.312 -0.199 -0.270  0.085 -0.037
## Q12  0.641 -0.099  0.063  0.154  0.047 -0.067
## Q13  0.650  0.024  0.223 -0.058  0.061 -0.134
## Q14  0.626 -0.036  0.161  0.056  0.011  0.013
## Q15  0.580 -0.007  0.072 -0.152 -0.188  0.436
## Q16  0.661 -0.016 -0.109  0.138 -0.283  0.094
## Q17  0.629  0.355 -0.155 -0.150  0.038  0.006
## Q18  0.683 -0.039  0.277  0.041  0.092 -0.099
## Q19 -0.395  0.267  0.110  0.060 -0.052  0.022
## Q20  0.412 -0.171 -0.250  0.190  0.241  0.114
## Q21  0.644 -0.099 -0.110  0.270  0.283  0.099
## Q22 -0.279  0.291  0.050  0.284  0.047  0.114
## Q23 -0.130  0.182  0.081  0.235  0.011  0.077
##
##                PA1   PA2   PA3   PA4   PA5   PA6
## SS loadings    6.786 1.140 0.827 0.667 0.452 0.324
## Proportion Var 0.295 0.050 0.036 0.029 0.020 0.014
## Cumulative Var 0.295 0.345 0.381 0.410 0.429 0.443
```

Check eigenvalues

```
paf$e.values[1:6]
```

```
## [1] 7.2900471 1.7388287 1.3167515 1.2271982 0.9878779 0.8953304
```

Check communalities

- Communality for each variable: the percentage of variance that can be explained by the retained factors.
- Retained factors should explain more of the variance in each variable.

```
paf$communality
```

```
##      Q01      Q02      Q03      Q04      Q05      Q06      Q07
## 0.5170176 0.2585136 0.4643374 0.4196524 0.3341637 0.5720655 0.5042725
##      Q08      Q09      Q10      Q11      Q12      Q13      Q14
## 0.6649413 0.3542281 0.2240464 0.6328967 0.4544862 0.4973541 0.4223263
##      Q15      Q16      Q17      Q18      Q19      Q20      Q21
## 0.5902303 0.5571656 0.5700891 0.5655104 0.2467731 0.3686202 0.5991875
##      Q22      Q23
## 0.2606533 0.1178839
```

Step 6: Perform factor analysis (with reduced number of factors)

```
paf1 <- fa(raq,
n factors = 2,
fm="pa",
max.iter = 100,
rotate = "none")
```

```
paf1
```

```
## Factor Analysis using method = pa
## Call: fa(r = raq, n factors = 2, rotate = "none", max.iter = 100, fm =
"pa")
## Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
##      PA1  PA2  h2  u2 com
## Q01  0.56  0.12 0.324 0.68 1.1
## Q02 -0.28  0.39 0.228 0.77 1.8
## Q03 -0.61  0.25 0.430 0.57 1.3
## Q04  0.61  0.09 0.377 0.62 1.0
## Q05  0.52  0.05 0.276 0.72 1.0
## Q06  0.53  0.04 0.282 0.72 1.0
## Q07  0.66 -0.01 0.437 0.56 1.0
## Q08  0.53  0.40 0.445 0.56 1.9
## Q09 -0.27  0.46 0.287 0.71 1.6
## Q10  0.40  0.00 0.163 0.84 1.0
## Q11  0.63  0.27 0.472 0.53 1.3
## Q12  0.64 -0.08 0.421 0.58 1.0
```

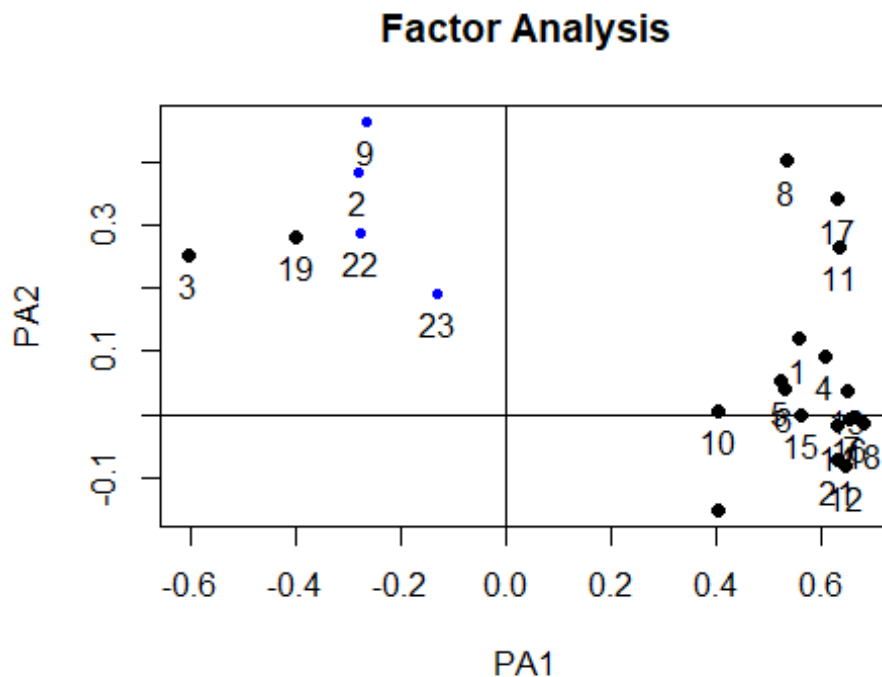
```

## Q13  0.65  0.04 0.421 0.58 1.0
## Q14  0.63 -0.02 0.396 0.60 1.0
## Q15  0.56  0.00 0.315 0.68 1.0
## Q16  0.65 -0.01 0.428 0.57 1.0
## Q17  0.63  0.34 0.511 0.49 1.5
## Q18  0.68 -0.02 0.461 0.54 1.0
## Q19 -0.40  0.28 0.238 0.76 1.8
## Q20  0.40 -0.15 0.187 0.81 1.3
## Q21  0.63 -0.07 0.403 0.60 1.0
## Q22 -0.28  0.29 0.161 0.84 2.0
## Q23 -0.13  0.19 0.053 0.95 1.8
##
##                                     PA1  PA2
## SS loadings                        6.67 1.04
## Proportion Var                     0.29 0.05
## Cumulative Var                     0.29 0.34
## Proportion Explained               0.86 0.14
## Cumulative Proportion              0.86 1.00
##
## Mean item complexity = 1.3
## Test of the hypothesis that 2 factors are sufficient.
##
## The degrees of freedom for the null model are 253 and the objective
function was 7.55 with Chi Square of 19334.49
## The degrees of freedom for the model are 208 and the objective function
was 1.23
##
## The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.05
## The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.05
##
## The harmonic number of observations is 2571 with the empirical chi square
3114.53 with prob < 0
## The total number of observations was 2571 with Likelihood Chi Square =
3155.34 with prob < 0
##
## Tucker Lewis Index of factoring reliability = 0.812
## RMSEA index = 0.074 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0.072 0.077
## BIC = 1522.12
## Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.97
## Measures of factor score adequacy
##                                     PA1  PA2
## Correlation of (regression) scores with factors 0.96 0.78
## Multiple R square of scores with factors        0.92 0.61
## Minimum correlation of possible factor scores    0.83 0.23

```

Step 6: Perform factor analysis (with reduced number of factors)

```
plot(paf1)
```



Factor analysis rotation

What is rotation?

- It is possible that variables load “highly” onto one factor and “medium” onto another
- By rotating the factor axes, the variables are aligned with the factors that they load onto most
- This helps us discriminate between factors

There are different methods of rotation

- **Orthogonal rotation:** Assumes that factors are unrelated and keeps them that way
- **Oblique rotation:** Assumes that factors might be related and allows them to be correlated after rotation

Are factors related?

-Theoretical: Do we have logical reason for thinking they could be connected?

-Based on data: Does the factor plot suggest independence or relatedness?

Step 7: Rotation

- Perform factor analysis (with rotation)

```
paf2 <- fa(rmq,
n factors = 2,
```

```

fm="pa",
max.iter = 100,
rotate = "oblimin")

## Loading required namespace: GPArotation

paf2

## Factor Analysis using method = pa
## Call: fa(r = raq, nfactors = 2, rotate = "oblimin", max.iter = 100,
##      fm = "pa")
## Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
##      PA1   PA2   h2   u2 com
## Q01  0.57  0.03 0.324 0.68 1.0
## Q02 -0.12  0.44 0.228 0.77 1.2
## Q03 -0.48  0.36 0.430 0.57 1.8
## Q04  0.61 -0.01 0.377 0.62 1.0
## Q05  0.52 -0.03 0.276 0.72 1.0
## Q06  0.52 -0.05 0.282 0.72 1.0
## Q07  0.63 -0.11 0.437 0.56 1.1
## Q08  0.66  0.32 0.445 0.56 1.4
## Q09 -0.08  0.51 0.287 0.71 1.0
## Q10  0.39 -0.06 0.163 0.84 1.1
## Q11  0.70  0.16 0.472 0.53 1.1
## Q12  0.58 -0.19 0.421 0.58 1.2
## Q13  0.63 -0.07 0.421 0.58 1.0
## Q14  0.59 -0.12 0.396 0.60 1.1
## Q15  0.53 -0.09 0.315 0.68 1.1
## Q16  0.62 -0.12 0.428 0.57 1.1
## Q17  0.73  0.24 0.511 0.49 1.2
## Q18  0.64 -0.13 0.461 0.54 1.1
## Q19 -0.27  0.35 0.238 0.76 1.9
## Q20  0.33 -0.22 0.187 0.81 1.8
## Q21  0.57 -0.18 0.403 0.60 1.2
## Q22 -0.15  0.34 0.161 0.84 1.4
## Q23 -0.05  0.21 0.053 0.95 1.1
##
##
##      PA1   PA2
## SS loadings      6.33 1.39
## Proportion Var    0.28 0.06
## Cumulative Var    0.28 0.34
## Proportion Explained 0.82 0.18
## Cumulative Proportion 0.82 1.00
##
## With factor correlations of
##      PA1   PA2
## PA1  1.00 -0.22
## PA2 -0.22  1.00
##
## Mean item complexity = 1.2

```

```

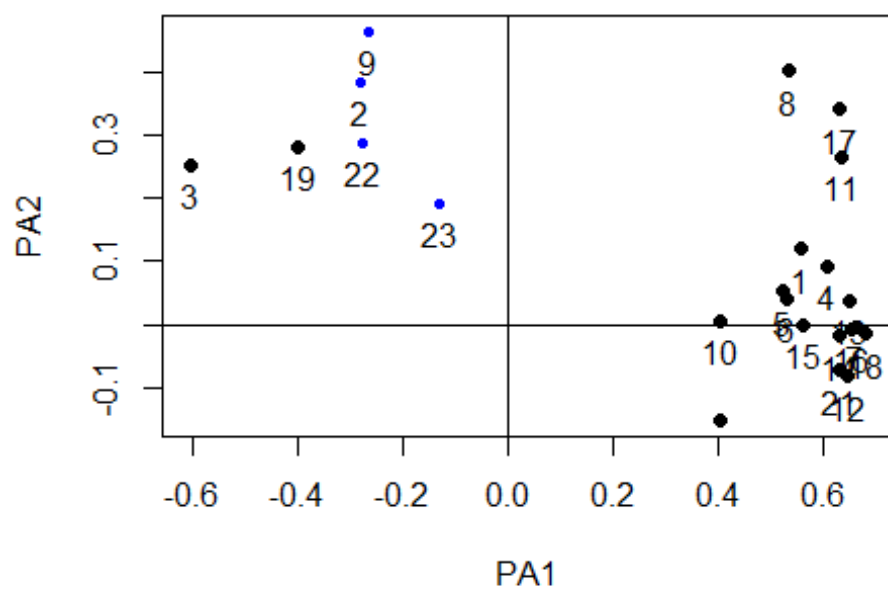
## Test of the hypothesis that 2 factors are sufficient.
##
## The degrees of freedom for the null model are 253 and the objective
function was 7.55 with Chi Square of 19334.49
## The degrees of freedom for the model are 208 and the objective function
was 1.23
##
## The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is 0.05
## The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.05
##
## The harmonic number of observations is 2571 with the empirical chi square
3114.53 with prob < 0
## The total number of observations was 2571 with Likelihood Chi Square =
3155.34 with prob < 0
##
## Tucker Lewis Index of factoring reliability = 0.812
## RMSEA index = 0.074 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0.072 0.077
## BIC = 1522.12
## Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.97
## Measures of factor score adequacy
##
## Correlation of (regression) scores with factors    PA1  PA2
## Multiple R square of scores with factors          0.96 0.81
## Minimum correlation of possible factor scores      0.91 0.65
## Minimum correlation of possible factor scores      0.82 0.30

```

Step 7: Rotation

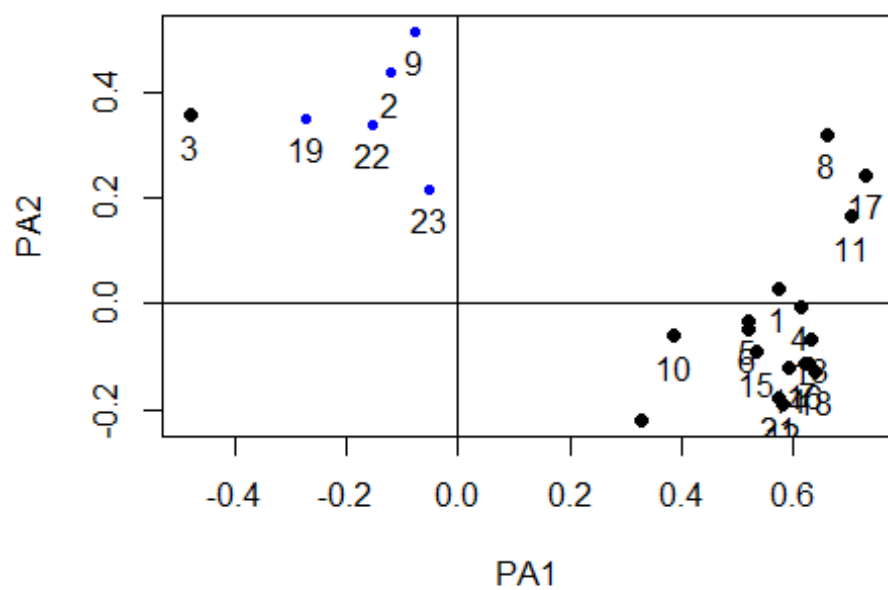
```
plot(paf1)
```

Factor Analysis



```
plot(paf2)
```

Factor Analysis



Reliability / internal consistency

type: section

Cronbach's Alpha

- An expansion of the split-half reliability concept
- Alpha takes all possible combination of items and assesses their relationship to each other
- High values above 0.7 suggest internal consistency among items

Chronbach's Alpha in R

- We can use the *alpha()* function in the psych package

```
library(psych)
```

```
alpha(raq)
```

```
## Warning in alpha(raq): Some items were negatively correlated with the  
## total scale and probably
```

```
## should be reversed.
```

```
## To do this, run the function again with the 'check.keys=TRUE' option
```

```
## Some items ( Q02 Q03 Q09 Q19 Q22 Q23 ) were negatively correlated with the  
## total scale and
```

```
## probably should be reversed.
```

```
## To do this, run the function again with the 'check.keys=TRUE' option
```

```
##
```

```
## Reliability analysis
```

```
## Call: alpha(x = raq)
```

```
##
```

```
##      raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r S/N      ase mean      sd median_r
```

```
##      0.75      0.77      0.83      0.13 3.4 0.0065  3.3 0.39      0.23
```

```
##
```

```
## lower alpha upper      95% confidence boundaries
```

```
## 0.74 0.75 0.77
```

```
##
```

```
## Reliability if an item is dropped:
```

```
##      raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r S/N alpha se var.r med.r
```

```
## Q01      0.73      0.76      0.82      0.12 3.1  0.0071 0.071  0.23
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## Q02      0.77      0.79      0.84      0.15 3.8  0.0061 0.071  0.25
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## Q03      0.79      0.81      0.85      0.16 4.2  0.0055 0.059  0.25
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## Q04      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.0  0.0072 0.070  0.22
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## Q05      0.74      0.76      0.82      0.12 3.1  0.0071 0.072  0.22
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## Q06      0.73      0.76      0.82      0.12 3.1  0.0072 0.072  0.23
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## Q07      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.0  0.0074 0.069  0.22
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## Q08      0.73      0.76      0.82      0.12 3.1  0.0071 0.072  0.23
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## Q09      0.78      0.79      0.84      0.15 3.8      0.0058 0.071 0.25
## Q10      0.74      0.76      0.83      0.13 3.3      0.0068 0.074 0.23
## Q11      0.73      0.75      0.81      0.12 3.0      0.0072 0.069 0.22
## Q12      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.1      0.0072 0.069 0.22
## Q13      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.0      0.0073 0.069 0.22
## Q14      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.1      0.0072 0.070 0.22
## Q15      0.73      0.76      0.82      0.12 3.1      0.0071 0.071 0.22
## Q16      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.0      0.0072 0.069 0.22
## Q17      0.73      0.75      0.81      0.12 3.0      0.0072 0.070 0.22
## Q18      0.72      0.75      0.81      0.12 3.0      0.0074 0.068 0.22
## Q19      0.78      0.80      0.85      0.15 4.0      0.0057 0.067 0.26
## Q20      0.75      0.77      0.83      0.13 3.3      0.0067 0.073 0.25
## Q21      0.73      0.75      0.82      0.12 3.1      0.0072 0.069 0.22
## Q22      0.77      0.79      0.84      0.15 3.8      0.0059 0.071 0.26
## Q23      0.77      0.79      0.84      0.14 3.7      0.0061 0.074 0.26

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##
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## Item statistics
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##      n  raw.r  std.r  r.cor  r.drop  mean  sd
## Q01 2571 0.5598 0.581 0.564 0.492 3.6 0.83
## Q02 2571 -0.0116 -0.018 -0.114 -0.105 4.4 0.85
## Q03 2571 -0.3356 -0.361 -0.465 -0.435 3.4 1.08
## Q04 2571 0.6064 0.618 0.606 0.533 3.2 0.95
## Q05 2571 0.5365 0.546 0.516 0.454 3.3 0.96
## Q06 2571 0.5709 0.560 0.547 0.478 3.8 1.12
## Q07 2571 0.6409 0.636 0.635 0.560 3.1 1.10
## Q08 2571 0.5646 0.582 0.578 0.493 3.8 0.87
## Q09 2571 0.0587 0.020 -0.068 -0.081 3.2 1.26
## Q10 2571 0.4300 0.442 0.391 0.346 3.7 0.88
## Q11 2571 0.6078 0.628 0.633 0.540 3.7 0.88
## Q12 2571 0.5909 0.602 0.593 0.519 2.8 0.92
## Q13 2571 0.6288 0.637 0.634 0.559 3.6 0.95
## Q14 2571 0.6056 0.609 0.596 0.528 3.1 1.00
## Q15 2571 0.5433 0.550 0.526 0.457 3.2 1.01
## Q16 2571 0.5965 0.615 0.612 0.525 3.1 0.92
## Q17 2571 0.6329 0.650 0.653 0.568 3.5 0.88
## Q18 2571 0.6534 0.653 0.656 0.578 3.4 1.05
## Q19 2571 -0.1316 -0.157 -0.264 -0.248 3.7 1.10
## Q20 2571 0.3705 0.375 0.326 0.265 2.4 1.04
## Q21 2571 0.5922 0.598 0.591 0.514 2.8 0.98
## Q22 2571 -0.0063 -0.027 -0.127 -0.121 3.1 1.04
## Q23 2571 0.1030 0.084 -0.014 -0.013 2.6 1.04

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##
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## Non missing response frequency for each item
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##      1      2      3      4      5 miss
## Q01 0.02 0.07 0.29 0.52 0.11      0
## Q02 0.01 0.04 0.08 0.31 0.56      0
## Q03 0.03 0.17 0.34 0.26 0.19      0
## Q04 0.05 0.17 0.36 0.37 0.05      0
## Q05 0.04 0.18 0.29 0.43 0.06      0
## Q06 0.06 0.10 0.13 0.44 0.27      0

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## Q07 0.09 0.24 0.26 0.34 0.07 0
## Q08 0.03 0.06 0.19 0.58 0.15 0
## Q09 0.08 0.28 0.23 0.20 0.20 0
## Q10 0.02 0.10 0.18 0.57 0.14 0
## Q11 0.02 0.06 0.22 0.53 0.16 0
## Q12 0.09 0.23 0.46 0.20 0.02 0
## Q13 0.03 0.12 0.25 0.48 0.12 0
## Q14 0.07 0.18 0.38 0.31 0.06 0
## Q15 0.06 0.18 0.30 0.39 0.07 0
## Q16 0.06 0.16 0.42 0.33 0.04 0
## Q17 0.03 0.10 0.27 0.52 0.08 0
## Q18 0.06 0.12 0.31 0.37 0.14 0
## Q19 0.02 0.15 0.22 0.33 0.29 0
## Q20 0.22 0.37 0.25 0.15 0.02 0
## Q21 0.09 0.29 0.34 0.26 0.02 0
## Q22 0.05 0.26 0.34 0.26 0.10 0
## Q23 0.12 0.42 0.27 0.12 0.06 0
```

Cronbach's Alpha in R

- Here we get a warning that some of the items are negatively correlated and we should probably reverse them.
- The decision to do so should be based on the logic of the questions themselves - check first
- However, since cronbach's alpha is designed to check internal consistency related to a single construct, we would expect that negative correlations would only result from:
 - Items that are designed to be reverse-scored
 - Questions that are related to another factor or construct

Cronbach's Alpha in R

- Let's check the questionnaire
 - (Q02, Q03, Q09, Q19, Q22, Q23):

SD = Strongly Disagree, D = Disagree, N = Neither, A = Agree, SA = Strongly Agree

	SD	D	N	A	SA
1 Statistics make me cry	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2 My friends will think I'm stupid for not being able to cope with R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3 Standard deviations excite me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4 I dream that Pearson is attacking me with correlation coefficients	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5 I don't understand statistics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6 I have little experience of computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7 All computers hate me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8 I have never been good at mathematics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9 My friends are better at statistics than me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10 Computers are useful only for playing games	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11 I did badly at mathematics at school	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12 People try to tell you that R makes statistics easier to understand but it doesn't	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
13 I worry that I will cause irreparable damage because of my incompetence with computers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14 Computers have minds of their own and deliberately go wrong whenever I use them	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15 Computers are out to get me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16 I weep openly at the mention of central tendency	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
17 I slip into a coma whenever I see an equation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
18 R always crashes when I try to use it	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19 Everybody looks at me when I use R	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20 I can't sleep for thoughts of eigenvectors	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21 I wake up under my duvet thinking that I am trapped under a normal distribution	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22 My friends are better at R than I am	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Cronbach's Alpha in R

- It is possible to run the analysis with automatic reversal of negatively-correlated items
`alpha(rag, check.keys=TRUE)`

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## Warning in alpha(raq, check.keys = TRUE): Some items were negatively
correlated with total scale and were automatically reversed.
## This is indicated by a negative sign for the variable name.

##
## Reliability analysis
## Call: alpha(x = raq, check.keys = TRUE)
##
## raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r S/N ase mean sd median_r
## 0.89 0.89 0.91 0.27 8.3 0.0031 3.1 0.54 0.27
##
## lower alpha upper 95% confidence boundaries
## 0.88 0.89 0.9
##
## Reliability if an item is dropped:
## raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r S/N alpha se var.r med.r
## Q01 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.9 0.0032 0.016 0.27
## Q02- 0.89 0.89 0.91 0.28 8.4 0.0031 0.016 0.28
## Q03- 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.8 0.0033 0.017 0.26
## Q04 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.8 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q05 0.89 0.89 0.90 0.27 8.0 0.0032 0.017 0.27
## Q06 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.27 8.0 0.0032 0.016 0.27
## Q07 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.7 0.0034 0.016 0.26
## Q08 0.89 0.89 0.90 0.27 8.0 0.0032 0.016 0.27
## Q09- 0.89 0.89 0.91 0.28 8.4 0.0030 0.016 0.28
## Q10 0.89 0.89 0.90 0.27 8.2 0.0032 0.017 0.28
## Q11 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.8 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q12 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.7 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q13 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.7 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q14 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.8 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q15 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.9 0.0033 0.017 0.27
## Q16 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.7 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q17 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.8 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q18 0.88 0.88 0.90 0.26 7.7 0.0034 0.016 0.26
## Q19- 0.89 0.89 0.90 0.27 8.2 0.0032 0.017 0.29
## Q20 0.89 0.89 0.90 0.27 8.2 0.0032 0.017 0.28
## Q21 0.88 0.89 0.90 0.26 7.7 0.0033 0.016 0.26
## Q22- 0.89 0.89 0.91 0.28 8.4 0.0031 0.016 0.29
## Q23- 0.89 0.90 0.91 0.28 8.7 0.0030 0.014 0.29
##
## Item statistics
## n raw.r std.r r.cor r.drop mean sd
## Q01 2571 0.55 0.57 0.54 0.50 3.6 0.83
## Q02- 2571 0.36 0.36 0.31 0.30 1.6 0.85
## Q03- 2571 0.65 0.64 0.62 0.59 2.6 1.08
## Q04 2571 0.61 0.61 0.59 0.55 3.2 0.95
## Q05 2571 0.54 0.55 0.52 0.48 3.3 0.96
## Q06 2571 0.56 0.55 0.53 0.49 3.8 1.12
## Q07 2571 0.67 0.67 0.65 0.62 3.1 1.10
## Q08 2571 0.51 0.53 0.51 0.46 3.8 0.87

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## Q09- 2571 0.37 0.35 0.30 0.28 2.8 1.26
## Q10 2571 0.44 0.45 0.40 0.38 3.7 0.88
## Q11 2571 0.63 0.64 0.63 0.58 3.7 0.88
## Q12 2571 0.65 0.65 0.64 0.60 2.8 0.92
## Q13 2571 0.65 0.65 0.64 0.60 3.6 0.95
## Q14 2571 0.64 0.64 0.62 0.59 3.1 1.00
## Q15 2571 0.59 0.59 0.56 0.53 3.2 1.01
## Q16 2571 0.66 0.67 0.65 0.61 3.1 0.92
## Q17 2571 0.61 0.62 0.61 0.56 3.5 0.88
## Q18 2571 0.68 0.68 0.67 0.63 3.4 1.05
## Q19- 2571 0.47 0.46 0.42 0.40 2.3 1.10
## Q20 2571 0.45 0.45 0.41 0.38 2.4 1.04
## Q21 2571 0.64 0.64 0.63 0.59 2.8 0.98
## Q22- 2571 0.37 0.36 0.31 0.30 2.9 1.04
## Q23- 2571 0.23 0.22 0.15 0.15 3.4 1.04
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## Non missing response frequency for each item
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## Q02 0.01 0.04 0.08 0.31 0.56 0
## Q03 0.03 0.17 0.34 0.26 0.19 0
## Q04 0.05 0.17 0.36 0.37 0.05 0
## Q05 0.04 0.18 0.29 0.43 0.06 0
## Q06 0.06 0.10 0.13 0.44 0.27 0
## Q07 0.09 0.24 0.26 0.34 0.07 0
## Q08 0.03 0.06 0.19 0.58 0.15 0
## Q09 0.08 0.28 0.23 0.20 0.20 0
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## Q23 0.12 0.42 0.27 0.12 0.06 0

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Summary

- What is factor analysis
- CFA versus PCA
- Variance in factor analysis
- Considerations for factor analysis

- Identifying / extracting factors
- Rotation
- Cronbach's alpha