Principal Component Analysis

Dataset decathlon

This dataset contains 41 individuals and 13 variables, 2 quantitative variables are considered as illustrative, 1 qualitative variable is considered as illustrative.

1. Study of the outliers

The analysis of the graphs does not detect any outlier.

2. Inertia distribution

The inertia of the first dimensions shows if there are strong relationships between variables and suggests the number of dimensions that should be studied.

The first two dimensions of PCA express **50.09**% of the total dataset inertia; that means that 50.09% of the individuals (or variables) cloud total variability is explained by the plane. This percentage is relatively high and thus the first plane well represents the data variability. This value is greater than the reference value that equals **38.17**%, the variability explained by this plane is thus significant (the reference value is the 0.95-quantile of the inertia percentages distribution obtained by simulating 786 data tables of equivalent size on the basis of a normal distribution).

From these observations, it should be better to also interpret the dimensions greater or equal to the third one.

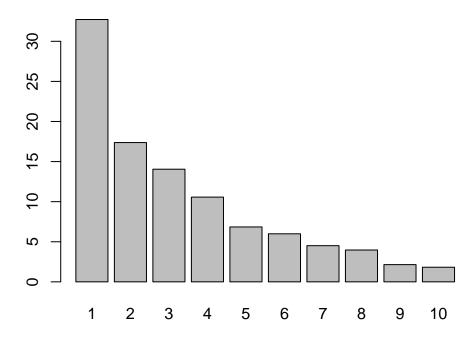


Figure 2 - Decomposition of the total inertia on the components of the PCA

An estimation of the right number of axis to interpret suggests to restrict the analysis to the description of the first 3 axis. These axis present an amount of inertia greater than those obtained by the 0.95-quantile of random distributions (64.14% against 51.59%). This observation suggests that only these axis are carrying a real information. As a consequence, the description will stand to these axis.

3. Description of the plane 1:2

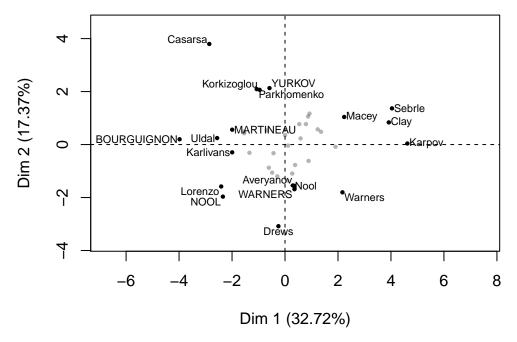


Figure 3.1 - Individuals factor map (PCA) The labeled individuals are those with the higher contribution to the plane construction.

The Wilks test p-value indicates which variable factors are the best separated on the plane (i.e. which one explain the best the distance between individuals).

Competition ## 0.366311

There only is one possible qualitative variable to illustrate the distance between individuals : Competition.

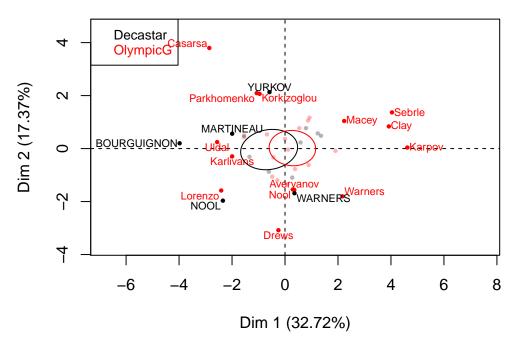


Figure 3.2 - Individuals factor map (PCA) The labeled individuals are those with the higher contribution to the plane construction. The individuals are coloured after their category for the variable Competition.

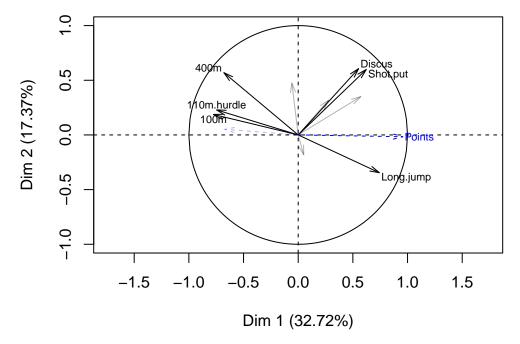


Figure 3.3 - Variables factor map (PCA) The variables in black are considered as active whereas those in blue are illustrative. The labeled variables are those the best shown on the plane.

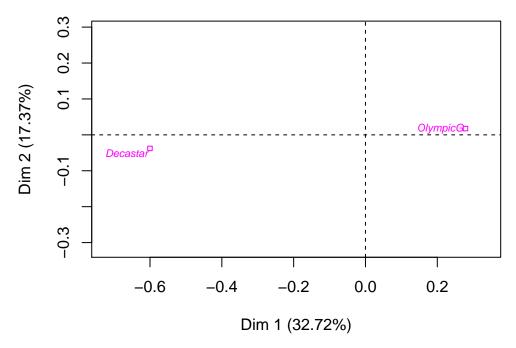


Figure 3.4 - Qualitative factor map (PCA) The labeled factors are those the best shown on the plane.

The dimension 1 opposes individuals such as *Karpov*, *Sebrle*, *Clay* and *Macey* (to the right of the graph, characterized by a strongly positive coordinate on the axis) to individuals such as *BOURGUIGNON*, *Uldal*, *Lorenzo*, *NOOL* and *Karlivans* (to the left of the graph, characterized by a strongly negative coordinate on the axis).

The group in which the individuals *Karpov*, *Sebrle*, *Clay* and *Macey* stand (characterized by a positive coordinate on the axis) is sharing:

- high values for the variables *Points*, *High.jump*, *Discus*, *Shot.put* and *Long.jump* (variables are sorted from the strongest).
- low values for the variables 100m, Rank, 110m.hurdle and 400m (variables are sorted from the weakest).

The group in which the individuals BOURGUIGNON, Uldal, Lorenzo, NOOL and Karlivans stand (characterized by a negative coordinate on the axis) is sharing:

- high values for the variables 110m.hurdle, 100m and Rank (variables are sorted from the strongest).
- low values for the variables *Shot.put*, *Points*, *High.jump* and *Discus* (variables are sorted from the weakest).

Note that the variable *Points* is highly correlated with this dimension (correlation of 0.91). This variable could therefore summarize itself the dimension 1.

The dimension 2 opposes individuals such as *Casarsa*, *YURKOV* and *Parkhomenko* (to the top of the graph, characterized by a strongly positive coordinate on the axis) to individuals such as *Warners*, *Drews* and *WARNERS* (to the bottom of the graph, characterized by a strongly negative coordinate on the axis).

The group in which the individuals Casarsa, YURKOV and Parkhomenko stand (characterized by a positive coordinate on the axis) is sharing:

- high values for the variable 400m.
- low values for the variable Long.jump.

The group in which the individuals Warners, Drews and WARNERS stand (characterized by a negative coordinate on the axis) is sharing:

- high values for the variable *Pole.vault*.
- low values for the variable 110m.hurdle.

4. Description of the dimension 3

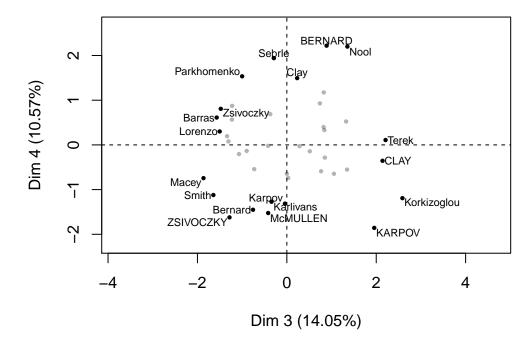


Figure 4.1 - Individuals factor map (PCA) The labeled individuals are those with the higher contribution to the plane construction.

The Wilks test p-value indicates which variable factors are the best separated on the plane (i.e. which one explain the best the distance between individuals).

Competition ## 0.496903

There only is one possible qualitative variable to illustrate the distance between individuals: Competition.

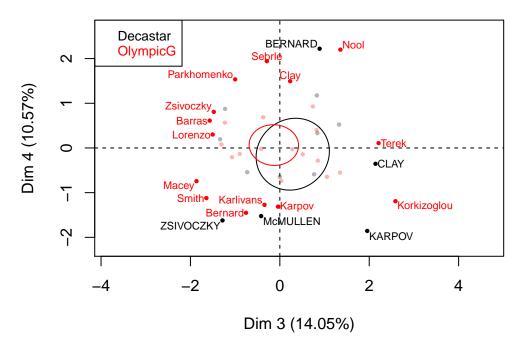


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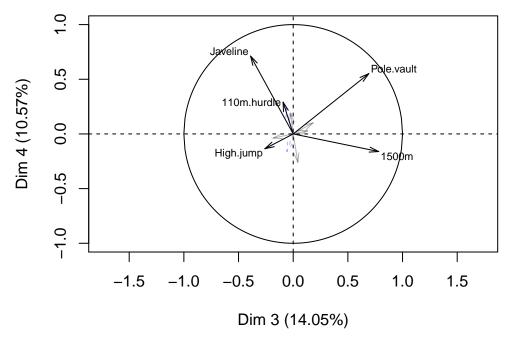


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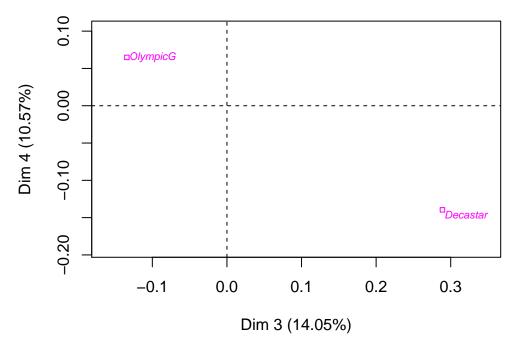


Figure 4.4 - Qualitative factor map (PCA) The labeled factors are those the best shown on the plane.

The dimension 3 opposes individuals such as KARPOV, Korkizoglou, Terek and CLAY (to the right of the graph, characterized by a strongly positive coordinate on the axis) to individuals such as ZSIVOCZKY, Barras, Zsivoczky, McMULLEN, Macey, Bernard and Smith (to the left of the graph, characterized by a strongly negative coordinate on the axis).

The group in which the individuals KARPOV, Korkizoglou, Terek and CLAY stand (characterized by a positive coordinate on the axis) is sharing:

- high values for the variable 1500m.
- low values for the variable Javeline.

The group in which the individuals ZSIVOCZKY, Barras, Zsivoczky, McMULLEN, Macey, Bernard and Smith stand (characterized by a negative coordinate on the axis) is sharing:

• low values for the variables *Pole.vault* and 1500m (variables are sorted from the weakest).

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5. Classification

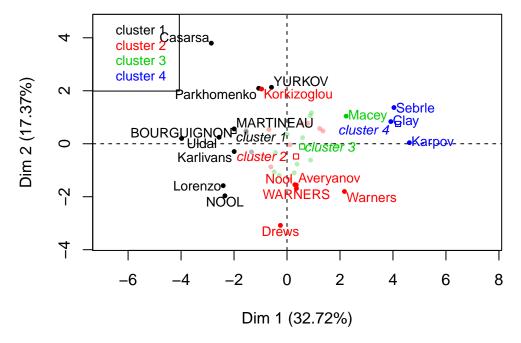


Figure 5 - Ascending Hierarchical Classification of the individuals. The classification made on individuals reveals 4 clusters.

The cluster 1 is made of individuals such as YURKOV, MARTINEAU, NOOL, BOURGUIGNON, Parkhomenko, Lorenzo, Karlivans, Uldal and Casarsa. This group is characterized by :

- high values for the variables 100m, 110m.hurdle, 400m and Rank (variables are sorted from the strongest).
- low values for the variables *Points*, *Long.jump* and *Shot.put* (variables are sorted from the weakest).

The **cluster 2** is made of individuals such as *WARNERS*, *Warners*, *Nool*, *Averyanov*, *Drews* and *Korkizoglou*. This group is characterized by :

- high values for the variables *Pole.vault* and 1500m (variables are sorted from the strongest).
- low values for the variables Javeline and 100m (variables are sorted from the weakest).

The cluster 3 is made of individuals such as *Macey*. This group is characterized by:

• low values for the variables *Pole.vault* and 1500m (variables are sorted from the weakest).

The **cluster 4** is made of individuals such as *Sebrle*, *Clay* and *Karpov*. This group is characterized by :

- high values for the variables *Points*, *Long.jump*, *Discus*, *Shot.put*, *Javeline* and *High.jump* (variables are sorted from the strongest).
- low values for the variables 100m, 400m, Rank and 110m.hurdle (variables are sorted from the weakest).

Annexes

dimdesc(res, axes = 1:3)

\$Dim.1

\$Dim.1\$quanti

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correlation
                            p.value
Points
             0.9561543 2.099191e-22
Long.jump
             0.7418997 2.849886e-08
Shot.put
             0.6225026 1.388321e-05
High.jump
             0.5719453 9.362285e-05
Discus
             0.5524665 1.802220e-04
Rank
            -0.6705104 1.616348e-06
400m
            -0.6796099 1.028175e-06
110m.hurdle -0.7462453 2.136962e-08
100m
      -0.7747198 2.778467e-09
$Dim.2
$Dim.2$quanti
         correlation
                          p.value
Discus
           0.6063134 2.650745e-05
Shot.put
           0.5983033 3.603567e-05
400m
           0.5694378 1.020941e-04
1500m
           0.4742238 1.734405e-03
High.jump 0.3502936 2.475025e-02
Javeline
           0.3169891 4.344974e-02
Long.jump -0.3454213 2.696969e-02
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\$Dim.3

\$Dim.3\$quanti

correlation p.value 1500m 0.7821428 1.554450e-09 Pole.vault 0.6917567 5.480172e-07 Javeline -0.3896554 1.179331e-02

Figure 6 - List of variables characterizing the dimensions of the analysis.

res.hcpc\$desc.var

Link between the cluster variable and the quantitative variables

Eta2 P-value 0.7438620 4.908988e-11 Points 100m 0.6581552 9.668613e-09 Pole.vault 0.5712977 5.972228e-07 Long.jump 0.5293255 3.246949e-06 110m.hurdle 0.4455078 6.229435e-05 400m 0.4425235 6.859144e-05 Shot.put 0.2869412 5.393490e-03 Discus 0.2777274 6.745695e-03 Rank 0.2693094 8.250830e-03 1500m 0.2602251 1.022178e-02 0.2500899 1.293207e-02 Javeline 0.2255099 2.250558e-02 High.jump

Description of each cluster by quantitative variables

\$`1`

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v.test Mean in category Overall mean sd in category
100m
             4.741585
                              11.300833
                                             10.99805
                                                           0.1445947
110m.hurdle 3.964894
                                            14.60585
                              15.060000
                                                           0.3798903
400m
             3.822084
                              50.686667
                                            49.61634
                                                           1.0702051
Rank
             2.667277
                              17.250000
                                             12.12195
                                                           7.7041655
Shot.put
            -2.100392
                              14.056667
                                            14.47707
                                                           0.8698116
Long.jump
            -3.406381
                               6.998333
                                             7.26000
                                                           0.2586450
            -4.131722
Points
                            7661.916667
                                          8005.36585
                                                         196.1718882
             Overall sd
                              p.value
100m
              0.2597956 2.120526e-06
110m.hurdle
              0.4660000 7.342867e-05
400m
              1.1392975 1.323286e-04
              7.8217805 7.646858e-03
Rank
Shot.put
              0.8143118 3.569438e-02
Long.jump
              0.3125193 6.583024e-04
Points
            338.1839416 3.600552e-05
$`2`
              v.test Mean in category Overall mean sd in category
                              5.021429
                                                          0.1919024
Pole.vault 4.295481
                                           4.762439
1500m
            2.602164
                            285.612857
                                         279.024878
                                                         12.7576030
100m
           -1.969217
                             10.885714
                                          10.998049
                                                          0.1539812
                                          58.316585
Javeline
           -2.125561
                             56.091429
                                                          4.5043580
           Overall sd
                            p.value
Pole.vault 0.2745887 1.743152e-05
1500m
           11.5300118 9.263766e-03
100m
            0.2597956 4.892823e-02
Javeline
            4.7675931 3.353983e-02
$`3`
              v.test Mean in category Overall mean sd in category
1500m
           -2.893339
                            270.825000
                                         279.024878
                                                          5.8957039
Pole.vault -3.715512
                              4.511667
                                           4.762439
                                                          0.1635967
           Overall sd
                            p.value
           11.5300118 0.0038117012
Pole.vault 0.2745887 0.0002027925
$`4`
               v.test Mean in category Overall mean sd in category
                             8812.66667 8005.365854
Points
             4.242103
                                                         68.78145745
Long.jump
             3.468581
                                7.87000
                                            7.260000
                                                          0.06480741
Discus
             3.107539
                               50.16000
                                           44.325610
                                                          1.19668988
Shot.put
                                           14.477073
             2.974272
                               15.84000
                                                          0.46568945
Javeline
             2.586808
                               65.25667
                                           58.316585
                                                          6.87867397
                                                          0.02449490
High.jump
             2.289003
                                2.09000
                                            1.976829
110m.hurdle -2.119695
                               14.05000
                                           14.605854
                                                          0.06531973
Rank
            -2.299627
                                2.00000
                                           12.121951
                                                          0.81649658
400m
                                           49.616341
                                                          0.98634004
            -2.333955
                               48.12000
100m
            -2.745523
                               10.59667
                                           10.998049
                                                          0.18080069
              Overall sd
                               p.value
Points
            338.18394159 2.214348e-05
              0.31251927 5.232144e-04
Long.jump
Discus
              3.33639725 1.886523e-03
Shot.put
              0.81431175 2.936847e-03
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Javeline 4.76759315 9.686955e-03 High.jump 0.08785906 2.207917e-02 110m.hurdle 0.46599998 3.403177e-02 Rank 7.82178048 2.146935e-02 400m 1.13929751 1.959810e-02 100m 0.25979560 6.041458e-03

Figure 7 - List of variables characterizing the clusters of the classification.