

# Multiple Correspondance Analysis (MCA)

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## Introduction

The aim is to explore **categorical data**

Example : 27 dogs described on 6 categorical variables.

##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence	Affectivity	Aggressivness
## Beauceron	S++	W+	V++	I+	Af+	Ag+
## BassetHound	S-	W-	V-	I-	Af-	Ag+
## GermanShepherd	S++	W+	V++	I++	Af+	Ag+
## Boxer	S+	W+	V+	I+	Af+	Ag+
## Bulldog	S-	W-	V-	I+	Af+	Ag-
## BullMastiff	S++	W++	V-	I++	Af-	Ag+
## Poodle	S-	W-	V+	I++	Af+	Ag-
## Chihuahua	S-	W-	V-	I-	Af+	Ag-

The rows describe **observations or individuals** (the 27 dogs) and columns describe **variables** (the descriptors).

The aim is to know :

- which **observations are similar** ?
- which **variables are linked** ?

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One can look at :

- ▶ the **distance matrix** between observations :

##	Beauceron	BassetHound	GermanShepherd	Boxer	Bulldog
## Beauceron	0	NA	NA	NA	NA
## BassetHound	NA	0	NA	NA	NA
## GermanShepherd	NA	NA	0	NA	NA
## Boxer	NA	NA	NA	0	NA
## Bulldog	NA	NA	NA	NA	0

But how to measure the distance between two observations described by categorical variables ?

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- ▶ the  **$\chi^2$  of independence** between pairs of variables.

##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence	Affectivity	Aggressivness
## Size	54.0	25.3	15.89	3.6	13.95	2.05
## Weight	25.3	54.0	18.47	1.4	9.48	2.55
## Velocity	15.9	18.5	54.00	3.2	2.97	0.57
## Intelligence	3.6	1.4	3.16	54.0	3.89	1.16
## Affectivity	14.0	9.5	2.97	3.9	23.14	0.91
## Aggressivness	2.1	2.6	0.57	1.2	0.91	23.14

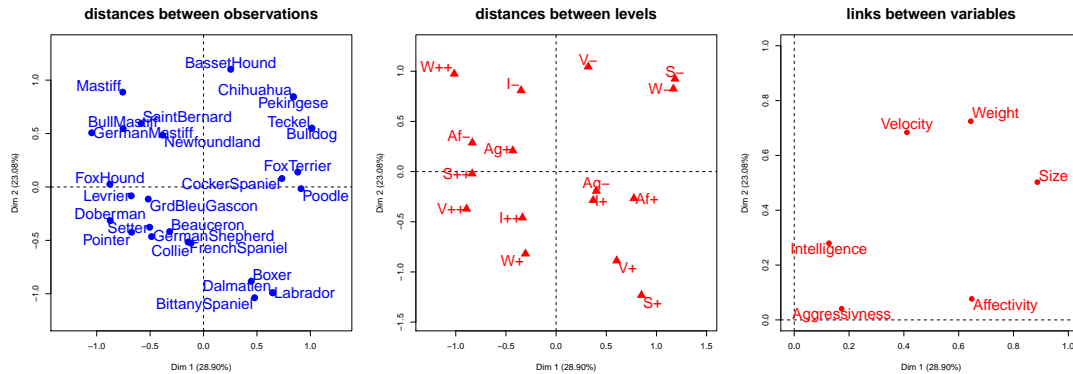
The **pvalues** of the independence tests.

##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence	Affectivity	Aggressivness
## Size	0.000	0.000	0.003	0.46	0.001	0.36
## Weight	0.000	0.000	0.001	0.85	0.009	0.28
## Velocity	0.003	0.001	0.000	0.53	0.227	0.75
## Intelligence	0.462	0.852	0.532	0.00	0.143	0.56
## Affectivity	0.001	0.009	0.227	0.14	0.000	0.34
## Aggressivness	0.359	0.279	0.750	0.56	0.339	0.00

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It is also possible to use **multivariate descriptive statistics** like MCA in order to :

- **visualize on graphics** distances between observations, distances between levels and links between categorical variables.



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- build **new numerical variables** "summarizing" as well as possible the original variables in order to **reduce dimension**.

Categorical data

##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence
## Beauceron	S++	W+	V++	I+
## BassetHound	S-	W-	V-	I-
## GermanShepherd	S++	W+	V++	I++
## Boxer	S+	W+	V+	I+
## Bulldog	S-	W-	V-	I+
## BullMastiff	S++	W++	V-	I++
## Poodle	S-	W-	V+	I++
## Chihuahua	S-	W-	V-	I-

Numerical data

##	PC1	PC2	PC3
## Beauceron	-0.32	-0.418	-0.10
## BassetHound	0.25	1.101	-0.19
## GermanShepherd	-0.49	-0.464	-0.50
## Boxer	0.45	-0.882	0.69
## Bulldog	1.01	0.550	-0.16
## BullMastiff	-0.75	0.547	0.50
## Poodle	0.91	-0.016	-0.58
## Chihuahua	0.84	0.844	-0.47

- **transforms categorical data into numerical data.**

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## Basic concepts

We consider a **categorical** data table where  $n$  observations are described on  $p$  variables.

	1	...	$j$	...	$p$
1					
$\vdots$			$\vdots$		
$i$	...		$x_{ij}$		...
$\vdots$			$\vdots$		
$n$					

Some notations :

- $\mathbf{X} = (x_{ij})_{n \times p}$  is the **categorical data matrix** with  $x_{ij} \in \mathcal{L}_j$  and  $\mathcal{L}_j$  is the set of **levels** of the  $j$ th variable.
- $\ell_j = \text{card}(\mathcal{L}_j)$  is the number of levels of the  $j$ th variable.
- $\ell = \ell_1 + \dots + \ell_p$  is the total number of levels.

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Example : 27 dogs described on 6 categorical variables with a total of 16 levels.

##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence	Affectivity	Aggressivness
## Beauceron	S++	W+	V++	I+	Af+	Ag+
## BassetHound	S-	W-	V-	I-	Af-	Ag+
## GermanShepherd	S++	W+	V++	I++	Af+	Ag+
## Boxer	S+	W+	V+	I+	Af+	Ag+
## Bulldog	S-	W-	V-	I+	Af+	Ag-
## BullMastiff	S++	W++	V-	I++	Af-	Ag+
## Poodle	S-	W-	V+	I++	Af+	Ag-
## Chihuahua	S-	W-	V-	I-	Af+	Ag-

Levels : S-,S+,S++ (size), W-,W+,W++ (weight), ...

$n =$        $p =$        $\mathbf{X} =$        $\ell_2 =$        $\ell =$

Two approaches for recoding categorical data into numerical data :

- the **disjunctive table** where each levels is coded as a binary variable,
- the **Burt table** (anglo-saxon approach) which gathers the contingency tables of all the pairs of variables.

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The **disjunctive table**  $\mathbf{K}$  describes the  $n$  observations on the  $\ell$  levels :

	1 ... s ... $\ell$
1	
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
$i$	... $k_{is}$ ...
$\vdots$	$\vdots$
n	
total	$n_s$

Each column  $s$  is the indicator vector of the **level**  $s$  with :

$$\begin{cases} k_{is} = 1 \text{ if observation } i \text{ has level } s \\ k_{is} = 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $n_s$  denote the number of observations having level  $s$ .

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Example of [the dogs dataset](#) :

Disjonctive table **K** of the  $\ell = 16$  levels.

##	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
## Beauceron	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
## BassetHound	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
## GermanShepherd	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
## Boxer	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1

Frequencies  $n_s$  of the  $\ell = 16$  levels.

##	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
##	7	5	15	8	14	5	10	8	9	8	13	6	13	14	14	13

Relative frequencies  $\frac{n_s}{n}$  of the  $\ell = 16$  levels.

##	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
##	0.26	0.19	0.56	0.30	0.52	0.19	0.37	0.30	0.33	0.30	0.48	0.22	0.48	0.52	0.52	
##	Ag+															
##	0.48															

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The **centered disjonctive table** **Z** describes the same  $n$  observations on the  $\ell$  levels.

Matrix **K** of binary data

	1	...	s	...	$\ell$
1					
...					
i	...		$k_{is}$	...	
...					
n					
mean	...		$\frac{n_s}{n}$	...	

Matrix **Z** of [centered binary data](#).

	1	...	s	...	$\ell$
1					
...					
i	...		$z_{is} = k_{is} - \frac{n_s}{n}$	...	
...					
n					
mean	...		0	...	
var	...		$\frac{n_s}{n}(1 - \frac{n_s}{n})$	...	

One can check that  $\text{var}(\mathbf{z}^s) = \frac{n_s}{n}(1 - \frac{n_s}{n})$  where  $\mathbf{z}^s \in \mathbb{R}^n$  denotes  $s$ -th column of **Z**.

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Example of the dogs dataset :

Disjunctive table **K** of the  $\ell = 16$  levels.

##	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
## Beauceron	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
## BassetHound	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
## GermanShepherd	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	1
## Boxer	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1

Relative frequencies (means)  $\frac{n_s}{n}$  of the  $\ell = 16$  levels.

##	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
##	0.26	0.19	0.56	0.30	0.52	0.19	0.37	0.30	0.33	0.30	0.48	0.22	0.48	0.52	0.52	
## Ag+																
##	0.48															

Centered disjunctive table **Z** of the  $\ell = 16$  levels.

##	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
## Beauceron	-0.26	-0.19	0.44	-0.3	0.48	-0.19	-0.37	-0.3	0.67	-0.3						
## BassetHound	0.74	-0.19	-0.56	0.7	-0.52	-0.19	0.63	-0.3	-0.33	0.7						
## GermanShepherd	-0.26	-0.19	0.44	-0.3	0.48	-0.19	-0.37	-0.3	0.67	-0.3						
## Boxer	-0.26	0.81	-0.56	-0.3	0.48	-0.19	-0.37	0.7	-0.33	-0.3						
##	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+										
## Beauceron	0.52	-0.22	-0.48	0.48	-0.52	0.52										
## BassetHound	-0.48	-0.22	0.52	-0.52	-0.52	0.52										
## GermanShepherd	-0.48	0.78	-0.48	0.48	-0.52	0.52										
## Boxer	0.52	-0.22	-0.48	0.48	-0.52	0.52										

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Three sets are studied in MCA.

- ▶ The set of observations where each observation  $i$  is :
  - described by a vector  $\mathbf{z}_i \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$  (a row of **Z**),
  - weighted by  $w_i$  with usually  $w_i = \frac{1}{n}$ .
- ▶ The set of levels where each level  $s$  is :
  - described by a vector  $\mathbf{z}^s$  in  $\mathbb{R}^l$  (a column of **Z**),
  - weighted by  $m_s$  with  $m_s = \frac{n}{n_s}$ .
- ▶ The set of variables where each categorical variable  $j$  is described by a vector  $\mathbf{x}^j$  in  $\mathcal{L}^n$  (a column of **X**).

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Proximity between two observations is measured with the so called  $\chi^2$  distance.

- A weight  $m_s$  is associated with each level  $s$  in order to give more importance to rare levels :

$$m_s = \frac{n}{n_s}$$

- The  $\chi^2$  distance between two observations is the Euclidean distance with metric  $\mathbf{M} = \text{diag}(\frac{n}{n_s}, s = 1 \dots, \ell)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^\ell$  :

$$\begin{aligned} d_{\mathbf{M}}^2(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_{i'}) &= \sum_{s=1}^{\ell} \frac{n}{n_s} (z_{is} - z_{i's})^2 \\ &= \sum_{s=1}^{\ell} \frac{n}{n_s} (k_{is} - k_{i's})^2 \end{aligned}$$

Two observations are different if they have different levels, with more weight in the distance for rare levels ( $n_s$  small).

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Example : distance between Beauceron and BassetHound

```
##           S-  S+  S++  W-  W+  W++  V-  V+  V++  I-  I+  I++  Af-  Af+  Ag-  Ag+
## Beauceron   0  0   1  0  1   0  0  0   1  0  1   0  0   1  0   1
## BassetHound 1  0   0  1  0   0  1  0   0  1  0   0  1   0  0   1
```

Relative frequencies of the levels :

```
##  S-   S+   S++   W-   W+   W++   V-   V+   V++   I-   I+   I++   Af-   Af+   Ag-
## 0.26 0.19 0.56 0.30 0.52 0.19 0.37 0.30 0.33 0.30 0.48 0.22 0.48 0.52 0.52
##   Ag+
## 0.48
```

$$d_{\mathbf{M}}^2(\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2) = \frac{1}{0.26} (0 - 1)^2 + \frac{1}{0.19} (0 - 0)^2 + \dots + \frac{1}{0.48} (1 - 1)^2$$

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The dispersion with metric  $\mathbf{M}$  of the set of observations in  $\mathbb{R}^\ell$  is measured by the inertia.

- ▶ The inertia of the  $n$  observations (the  $n$  rows of  $\mathbf{Z}$ ) is defined by :

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n d_{\mathbf{M}}^2(\mathbf{z}_i, \bar{\mathbf{z}}).$$

- ▶ Inertia is a generalization of the variance to the case of multivariate data ( $\ell$  variables).
- ▶ One can show that :

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = \sum_{s=1}^{\ell} m_s \text{var}(\mathbf{z}^s),$$

where  $m_s = \frac{n}{n_s}$  is the weight of the column (the level)  $s$ .

- ▶ The inertia of the set of observations is then the (weighted) sum of the variances of the columns.

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- ▶ When the rows are weighted by  $\frac{1}{n}$  :

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = \sum_{s=1}^{\ell} \left(1 - \frac{n_s}{n}\right).$$

In practice :

- ▶ The contribution of a level  $s$  to the inertia of  $\mathbf{Z}$  is all the more important as the level is rare.
- ▶ Too rare levels are then avoided (by pre-processing for instance).

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- This gives :

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = \sum_{j=1}^p (\ell_j - 1).$$

In practice :

- The contribution of a variable  $j$  to the inertia of  $\mathbf{Z}$  is all the more important as its number of levels  $\ell_j$  is high.
  - Variables with too different number of levels are then avoided (by pre-processing for instance).
- And also :

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = \ell - p.$$

Example of the dogs dataset :

Number of variables  $p = 6$ , number of levels  $\ell = 16$ ,

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = 16 - 6 = 10.$$

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The link between a numerical variable  $\mathbf{y}$  and a categorical variable  $\mathbf{x}^j$  is measured by the correlation ratio :

$$\eta^2(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{x}^j) = \frac{\text{var}(\bar{\mathbf{y}}|\mathbf{x}^j)}{\text{var}(\mathbf{y})} = \frac{\sum_{s=1}^{\ell_j} \frac{n_s}{n} (\bar{\mathbf{y}}_s - \bar{\mathbf{y}})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} (y_i - \bar{\mathbf{y}})^2}$$

where  $\ell_j$  is the number of levels of  $\mathbf{x}^j$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{y}}_s$  is the mean value of  $\mathbf{y}$  performed with the observations having level  $s$ .

- This criterion takes its values in  $[0, 1]$ .
- It measures the proportion of the variance of the numerical variable  $y$  explained by the categorical variable  $\mathbf{x}^j$ .

In which situation is this criterion equal to 0, equal to 1 ?

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Example : [the Iris dataset](#).

##	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width	Species
## 1	5.1	3.5	1.4	0.2	setosa
## 2	4.9	3.0	1.4	0.2	setosa
## 50	5.0	3.3	1.4	0.2	setosa
## 51	7.0	3.2	4.7	1.4	versicolor
## 100	5.7	2.8	4.1	1.3	versicolor
## 101	6.3	3.3	6.0	2.5	virginica

Correlation ratios between the categorical variable Species and the 4 numerical variables :

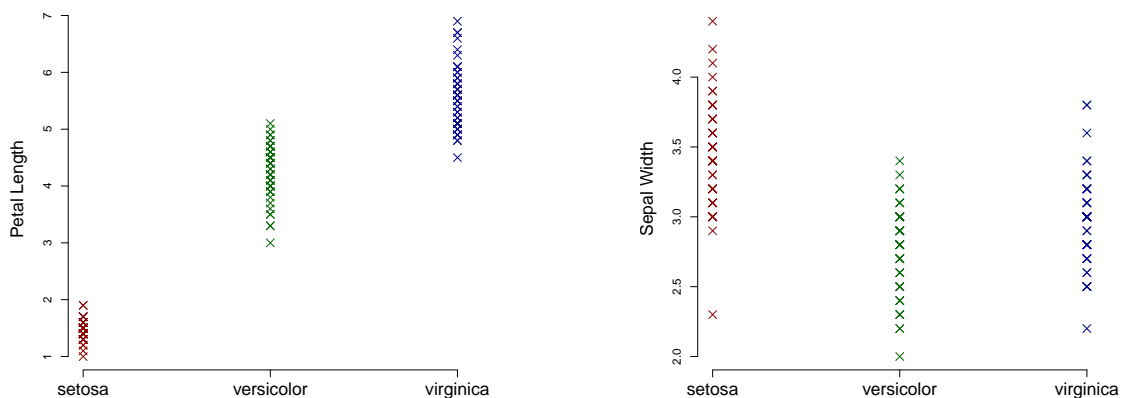
##	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length	Petal.Width
##	0.62	0.40	0.94	0.93

Species explains :

- 94 % of the variance of "Petal Length".
- 40 % of the variance of "Sepal Width".

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Species is then more linked to Petal Length than to Sepal Width.  
This can be [visualized](#) here :



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MCA analysis :

- ▶ either the Burt table (anglo-saxon approach),
- ▶ or the centered disjunctive table  $\mathbf{Z}$ .

This leads to different methods of MCA :

- ▶ Correspondance Analysis (CA) of
  - ▶ either the Burt table,
  - ▶ or the disjunctive table,
- ▶ Principal Component Analysis with metrics of the centered disjunctive table  $\mathbf{Z}$ .

From now PCA with metrics of the centered disjunctive table  $\mathbf{Z}$  is considered.

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## Outline

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MCA is presented here as a **PCA with metrics** (see lecture 1) of the centered disjonctive table.

Step 1 : the pre-processing step.

1. Build the centered disjonctive table **Z** of dimension  $n \times \ell$ .
2. Build the metrics **N** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and **M** in  $\mathbb{R}^\ell$  :
  - **N** is the diagonal matrix of the weights of the observations i.e. when observations are weighted by  $w_i = \frac{1}{n}$  :

$$\mathbf{N} = \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{I}_n.$$

- **M** is the diagonal matrix of the weights of the levels i.e. when the levels are weighted by the inverse of the relative frequencies  $m_s = \frac{n}{n_s}$  :

$$\mathbf{M} = \text{diag}\left(\frac{n}{n_1}, \dots, \frac{n}{n_\ell}\right)$$

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Step 2 : the GSVD step.

The Generalized Singular Value Decomposition (GSVD) of **Z** with metrics **N** and **M** is :

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{U} \mathbf{\Lambda} \mathbf{V}^T \quad (1)$$

where

- $\mathbf{\Lambda} = \text{diag}(\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_r})$  and  $\sqrt{\lambda_1}, \dots, \sqrt{\lambda_r}$  are the **singular values** defined as the square roots of the **eigenvalues** of  $\mathbf{Z} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{N}$  and  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{N} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{M}$ . Here  $r$  is the rank of **Z**.
- **U** is the **left singular vectors** matrix of dimension  $n \times r$ . The left singular vectors are the  $r$  eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{Z} \mathbf{M} \mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{N}$  (with  $\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{N} \mathbf{U} = \mathbb{I}_r$ ) ranked by decreasing order of the eigenvalues.
- **V** is the **right singular vectors** matrix of dimension  $\ell \times r$ . The right singular vectors are the  $r$  eigenvectors of  $\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{N} \mathbf{Z} \mathbf{M}$  (with  $\mathbf{V}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{V} = \mathbb{I}_r$ ) ranked by decreasing order of the eigenvalues.

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Step 3 : Analysis of the set of observations.

The  $n \times r$  matrix  $\mathbf{F}$  of the **factor coordinates** of the observations projected on the  $r$  axes  $\Delta_1, \dots, \Delta_r$  is given by :

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{Z}\mathbf{M}\mathbf{V}, \quad (2)$$

and we deduce from (1) that :

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{U}\mathbf{\Lambda}. \quad (3)$$

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$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{array}{c|ccc|c} & 1 & \dots & \alpha & \dots & r \\ \hline 1 & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \\ i & \dots & & f_{i\alpha} & \dots & \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \\ n & & & & & \\ \hline \text{mean} & \dots & & 0 & \dots & \\ \text{var} & \dots & & \lambda_\alpha & \dots & \end{array}$$

- The columns  $\mathbf{f}^\alpha$  of  $\mathbf{F}$  are the **principal components** with :

$$\bar{\mathbf{f}}^\alpha = 0,$$

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^\alpha) = \lambda_\alpha.$$

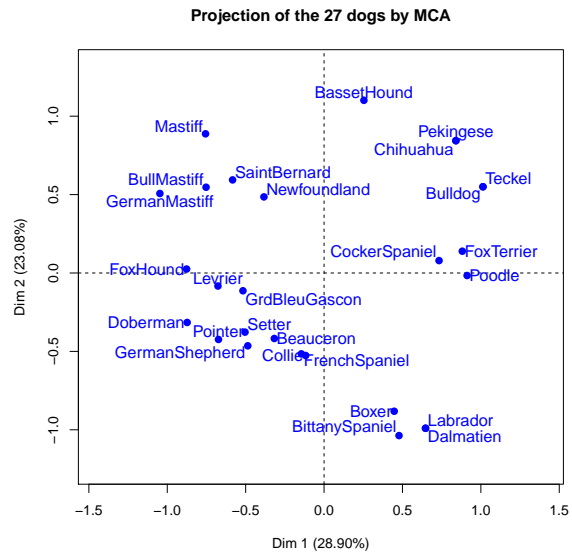
- The left singular vectors are the **standardized principal components** :

$$\mathbf{u}^\alpha = \frac{\mathbf{f}^\alpha}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}}.$$

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Example of the 27 dogs :  $q = 2$  first principal components i.e. two first columns of  $\mathbf{F}$ .

##		PC1	PC2
##	Beauceron	-0.32	-0.418
##	BassetHound	0.25	1.101
##	GermanShepherd	-0.49	-0.464
##	Boxer	0.45	-0.882
##	Bulldog	1.01	0.550
##	BullMastiff	-0.75	0.547
##	Poodle	0.91	-0.016
##	Chihuahua	0.84	0.844
##	CockerSpaniel	0.73	0.079
##	Collie	-0.12	-0.526
##	Dalmatien	0.65	-0.990
##	Doberman	-0.87	-0.315
##	GermanMastiff	-1.05	0.507
##	BittanySpaniel	0.48	-1.037
##	FrenchSpaniel	-0.14	-0.516
##	FoxHound	-0.88	0.025
##	FoxTerrier	0.88	0.139
##	GrdBleuGascon	-0.52	-0.113
##	Labrador	0.65	-0.990
##	Levrier	-0.68	-0.083
##	Mastiff	-0.76	0.888
##	Pekingese	0.84	0.844
##	Pointer	-0.67	-0.424
##	SaintBernard	-0.58	0.594
##	Setter	-0.50	-0.377
##	Teckel	1.01	0.550
##	Newfoundland	-0.38	0.485



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Step 4 : Analysis of the set of levels.

The  $\ell \times r$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  of the **factor coordinates** of the levels projected on the  $r$  axes  $G_1, \dots, G_r$  is given by :

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{Z}^T\mathbf{N}\mathbf{U}, \quad (4)$$

and we deduce from (1) that :

$$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{V}\mathbf{\Lambda}. \quad (5)$$

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	1	...	$\alpha$	...	$r$
1					
$\vdots$					
$s$	...		$a_{s\alpha}$	...	
$\vdots$					
$\ell$					

- One can show that :

$$a_{s\alpha} = \frac{1}{n_s} \sum_{i: k_{is}=1} \frac{f_{i\alpha}}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}}$$

i.e.  $a_{s\alpha}$  is the mean value of the (standardized) factor coordinates of observations having level  $s$  ?

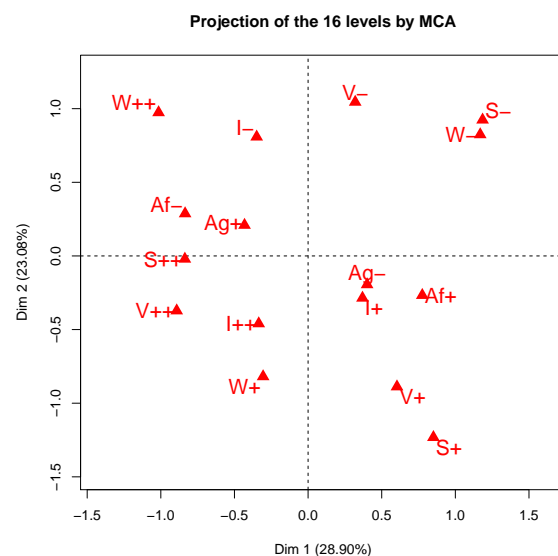
- This relation is called the (quasi) **barycentric property**.

This property is **crucial for MCA results interpretation**.

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Example of the 16 levels of the dogs dataset :  $q = 2$  first columns of **A**

```
##      Dim 1  Dim 2
## S-    1.18  0.924
## S+    0.85 -1.232
## S++ -0.84 -0.021
## W-    1.17  0.824
## W+   -0.31 -0.819
## W++ -1.02  0.974
## V-    0.32  1.045
## V+    0.60 -0.888
## V++ -0.89 -0.372
## I-   -0.35  0.809
## I+    0.37 -0.286
## I++ -0.34 -0.459
## Af-   -0.84  0.287
## Af+    0.78 -0.267
## Ag-    0.40 -0.194
## Ag+   -0.43  0.209
```



Check the **barycentric property** for the level **W++** knowing that the 5 dogs of having a weight **W++** are : BullMastiff, GermanMastiff, Mastiff, SaintBernard, Newfoundland and that the variances of the two first PC are 0.48 and 0.38. .

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Step 5 : Analysis of the set of variables.

The **contribution**  $c_{j\alpha}$  of the variable  $\mathbf{x}^j$  ( $j$ th column of  $\mathbf{X}$ ) to the variance of the principal component  $\mathbf{f}^\alpha$  is defined by :

$$c_{j\alpha} = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{L}_j} \frac{n_s}{n} a_{s\alpha}^{*2}. \quad (6)$$

The **contributions matrix**

$$\mathbf{C} = (c_{j\alpha})_{p \times r},$$

is also called the **squared loadings matrix** to draw an analogy with squared loadings in PCA.

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$$\mathbf{C} = \begin{array}{c|cccc|} & 1 & \dots & \alpha & \dots & r \\ \hline 1 & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \\ j & \dots & & c_{j\alpha} & \dots & \\ \vdots & & & \vdots & & \\ p & & & & & \\ \hline \end{array}$$

The **contribution**  $c_{j\alpha}$  of the categorical variable  $\mathbf{x}^j$  to the variance of the principal component  $\mathbf{f}^\alpha$  is equal to the **correlation ratio** between  $\mathbf{x}^j$  and  $\mathbf{f}^\alpha$  :

$$\begin{aligned} c_{j\alpha} &= \eta^2(\mathbf{f}^\alpha | \mathbf{x}^j) \\ &= \frac{\text{var}(\bar{\mathbf{f}}^\alpha | \mathbf{x}^j)}{\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^\alpha)} = \frac{\sum_{s \in \mathcal{L}_j} \frac{n_s}{n} (\bar{\mathbf{f}}_s^\alpha - \bar{\mathbf{f}}^\alpha)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} (f_{i\alpha} - \bar{\mathbf{f}}^\alpha)^2} \end{aligned}$$

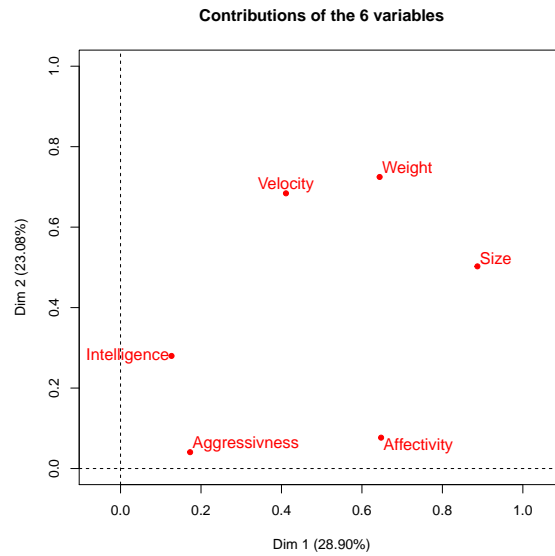
where  $\bar{\mathbf{f}}_s^\alpha$  is the mean value of the principal component scores of observations having level  $s$  of the variable  $j$ .

This property is **crucial for MCA results interpretation**.

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Example of the 6 categorical variables of the dogs dataset :  $q = 2$  first columns of  $\mathbf{C}$ .

##	Dim 1	Dim 2
## Size	0.89	0.502
## Weight	0.64	0.725
## Velocity	0.41	0.684
## Intelligence	0.13	0.280
## Affectivity	0.65	0.077
## Aggressivness	0.17	0.041



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## Interpretation of the MCA results

### Variance of the principal components.

Principal components (columns of  $\mathbf{F}$ ) are  $q$  new synthetic numerical variables which are non correlated and of maximum variance with

$$\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^\alpha) = \lambda_\alpha$$

This means that the inertia of the set of observations projected on the  $q$  first dimensions of MCA (matrix  $\mathbf{F}_q$  of the  $q$  first columns of  $\mathbf{F}$ ) is :

$$I(\mathbf{F}_q) = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_q.$$

Example of the set of 27 dogs : the  $r = \min(n - 1, \ell - p)$  non null eigenvalues are :

```
## lambda1 lambda2 lambda3 lambda4 lambda5 lambda6 lambda7 lambda8
##      2.89      2.31      1.27      0.95      0.90      0.74      0.49      0.27
## lambda9 lambda10
##      0.14      0.05
```

then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^1) &= 2.89 \\ \text{var}(\mathbf{f}^2) &= 2.31\end{aligned}$$

and the inertia of the 27 dogs projected on the  $q = 2$  first dimensions of MCA is :

$$\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 = 2.89 + 2.31 = 5.19.$$

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### Total inertia.

Total inertia in MCA is the weighted sum of the variance of the columns of  $\mathbf{Z}$  :

$$I(\mathbf{Z}) = \sum_{s=1}^{\ell} \frac{n}{n_s} \text{var}(\mathbf{z}^s) = \ell - p.$$

When  $q = r$  the total inertia is equal to the sum of the variance of all the principal components :

$$I(\mathbf{F}) = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r = I(\mathbf{Z}) = \ell - p$$

Example :

Inertia of the 27 dogs projected on the  $q = 10$  (all) principal components :

$$I(\mathbf{F}) = \lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_{10} = 2.89 + \dots + 0.05 = 10$$

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## Quality of the dimension reduction.

- ▶ The proportion of the inertia of the data explained by the  $\alpha$ th principal component is :

$$\frac{\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^\alpha)}{I(\mathbf{Z})} = \frac{\lambda_\alpha}{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r}.$$

- ▶ The proportion of the inertia of the data explained by the  $q$  first principal components is :

$$\frac{I(\mathbf{F}_q)}{I(\mathbf{Z})} = \frac{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_q}{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_r}.$$

**Warning :** In MCA, the percentages of inertia explained by the principal components are "small" by construction. Some authors have proposed corrections of the eigenvalues in MCA (Greenacre, 1993).

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Example : the set of 27 dogs.

Original data ( $p = 6$  et  $\ell=16$ )

##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence
## Beauceron	S++	W+	V++	I+
## BassetHound	S-	W-	V-	I-
## GermanShepherd	S++	W+	V++	I++
## Boxer	S+	W+	V+	I+
## Bulldog	S-	W-	V-	I+

Reduction to 3 PCs

##		Dim 1	Dim 2	Dim 3
## Beauceron		-0.32	-0.42	-0.10
## BassetHound		0.25	1.10	-0.19
## GermanShepherd		-0.49	-0.46	-0.50
## Boxer		0.45	-0.88	0.69
## Bulldog		1.01	0.55	-0.16

What is the **quality of this reduction** ?

##		Eigenvalue	Proportion	Cumulative
## dim 1		2.890	28.90	29
## dim 2		2.308	23.08	52
## dim 3		1.266	12.66	65
## dim 4		0.945	9.45	74
## dim 5		0.901	9.01	83
## dim 6		0.740	7.40	90
## dim 7		0.489	4.89	95
## dim 8		0.274	2.74	98
## dim 9		0.141	1.41	100
## dim 10		0.046	0.46	100

- $r = 10$  non nul eigenvalues because  $r = \min(n - 1, \ell - p) = 10$ ,
- The sum of the eigenvalues is  $\ell - p = 10$  (total inertia),
- **64.6 % of the inertia is explained by the 3 first PCs.**

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## Interpretation of the projection plans of the observations.

If two observations are **well projected**, then their **distance on the projection plan** is close to their distance in  $\mathbb{R}^\ell$  knowing that in MCA distances between observations are small when observations have same levels.

- ▶ The **quality of the projection of an observation  $i$  on the projection axis  $\Delta_\alpha$**  is measured by the square cosine of the angle  $\theta_{i\alpha}$  between the point  $\mathbf{z}_i$  and the axis  $\Delta_\alpha$  :

$$\cos^2(\theta_{i\alpha}) = \frac{f_{i\alpha}^2}{\|\mathbf{z}_i\|^2}$$

- ▶ The **quality of the projection of an observation  $i$  on the projection plan  $(\Delta_\alpha, \Delta_{\alpha'})$**  is measured by the square cosine of the angle  $\theta_{i(\alpha, \alpha')}$  between the point  $\mathbf{z}_i$  and the plan  $(\Delta_\alpha, \Delta_{\alpha'})$  :

$$\cos^2(\theta_{i(\alpha, \alpha')}) = \frac{f_{i\alpha}^2 + f_{i\alpha'}^2}{\|\mathbf{z}_i\|^2}$$

The more  $\cos^2$  is **close to 1**, the better the quality of the projection the observation  $i$ .

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The observations having an **important contribution** to the inertia of the projected data is **source of instability**.

- ▶ The inertia (the variance) on the axis  $\Delta_\alpha$  is  $\lambda_\alpha = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f_{i\alpha}^2$  with usually  $w_i = \frac{1}{n}$ .
- ▶ The **relative contribution** of an observation  $i$  to the **inertia on the axis  $\Delta_\alpha$**  is

$$Ctr(i, \alpha) = \frac{w_i f_{i\alpha}^2}{\lambda_\alpha}.$$

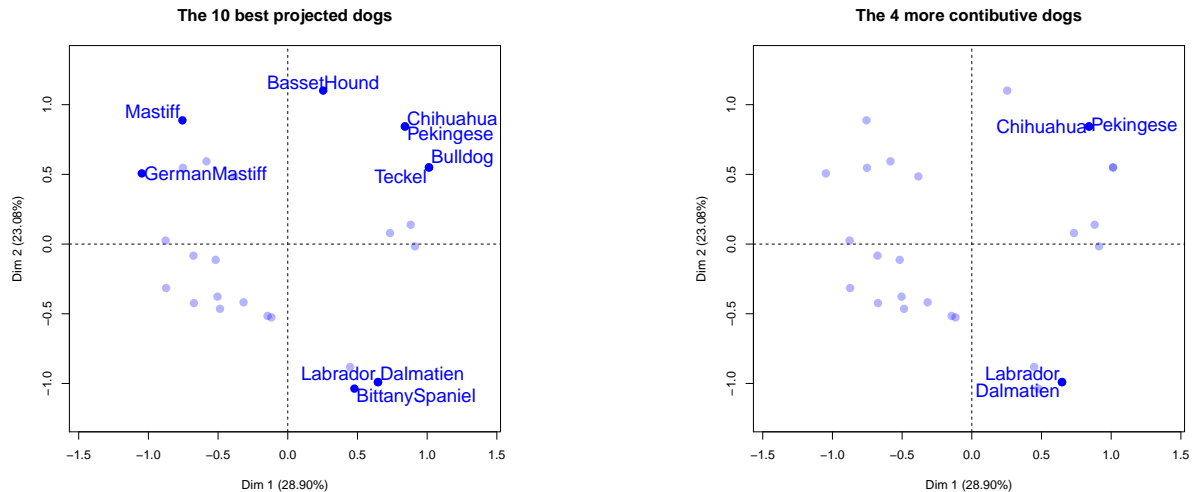
- ▶ The **relative contribution** of an observation  $i$  to the **inertia on the plan  $(\Delta_\alpha, \Delta_{\alpha'})$**  is

$$Ctr(i, (\alpha, \alpha')) = \frac{w_i f_{i\alpha}^2 + w_i f_{i\alpha'}^2}{\lambda_\alpha + \lambda_{\alpha'}}.$$

When the weights  $w_i$  are all identical ( $w_i = \frac{1}{n}$  for instance), the observations with a **fringe location** on the plan are those with the greater contribution.

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Example of the 27 dogs.



- Interpret the distances between Mastiff and German Mastiff, between Mastiff and Labrador.
- Is any dog contributing excessively ?

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### Interpretation of the projection plans of the levels.

If two levels are **well projected**, then **their distance on the projection plane** can be interpreted using the **barycentric property** :

- two levels of different variables are close if they are owned by the same observations.
- two levels of the same variable are close if the two associated groups of observations are close.

- The **quality of the projection of a level  $s$  on the projection axis  $G_\alpha$**  is measured by the square cosine of the angle  $\theta_{s\alpha}$  between the point  $\mathbf{z}^s$  and the axis  $G_\alpha$  :

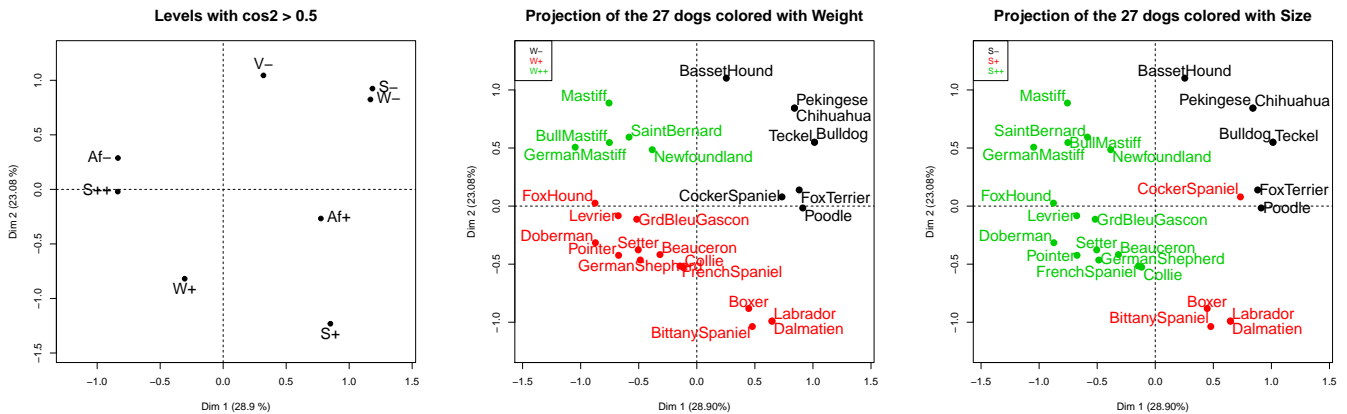
$$\cos^2(\theta_{s\alpha}) = \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2}{\|\mathbf{z}^s\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2}$$

- The **quality of the projection of a level  $s$  on the projection plane  $(G_\alpha, G_{\alpha'})$**  is measured by the square cosine of the angle  $\theta_{s(\alpha, \alpha')}$  between the point  $\mathbf{z}^s$  and the plan  $(G_\alpha, G_{\alpha'})$  :

$$\cos^2(\theta_{s(\alpha, \alpha')}) = \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2 + a_{s\alpha'}^2}{\|\mathbf{z}^s\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2}.$$

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Example of the 27 dogs.



Interpret the distance between the levels W\_ and S\_ on this projection plan.

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The levels having an **important contribution** to the inertia of the projected data are **used to interpret the axes**.

- ▶ The inertia of the axis  $\Delta_\alpha$  is  $\lambda_\alpha = \sum_{s=1}^{\ell} \frac{n_s}{n} a_{s\alpha}^2$ .
- ▶ The **relative contribution of a level**  $s$  to the inertia on the axis  $\Delta_\alpha$  is :

$$Ctr(s, \alpha) = \frac{n_s}{n} \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2}{\lambda_\alpha}.$$

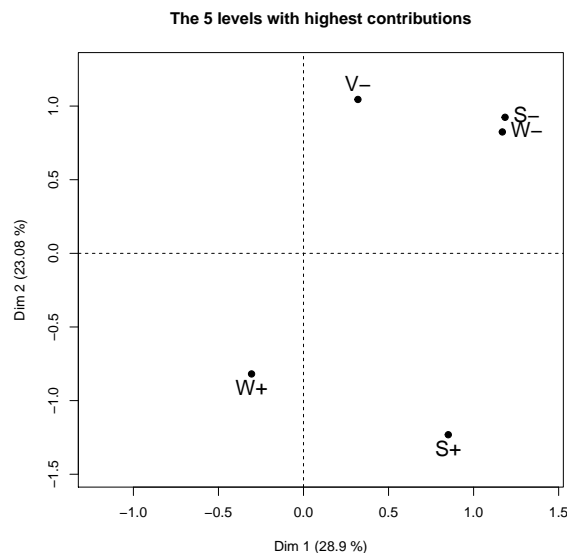
- ▶ The **relative contribution of a variable**  $j$  to the inertia on the plan  $(\Delta_\alpha, \Delta'_\alpha)$  is

$$Ctr(s, (\alpha, \alpha')) = \frac{n_s}{n} \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2 + a_{s\alpha'}^2}{\lambda_\alpha + \lambda'_\alpha}.$$

Warning : the levels far from the center of projection plan are **not necessary the one with highest contribution**.

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Example of the 27 dogs.



- ▶ Is here any level contributing excessively ?
- ▶ Why ?

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Interpretation of the contribution map of the variables.

The **abscissa** and the **ordinate** are **correlation ratios** between the categorical variables and the principal components.

- ▶ The **absolute contribution** of a categorical variable  $j$  to the variance of the principal component  $\mathbf{f}^\alpha$  is the sum of the contributions of its levels :

$$c_{j\alpha} = \sum_{s \in \mathcal{L}_j} \frac{n_s}{n} a_{s\alpha}^2$$

- ▶ Moreover, this absolute contribution is the **correlation ratio** between the categorical variable  $\mathbf{x}^j$  and the principal component  $\mathbf{f}^\alpha$  :

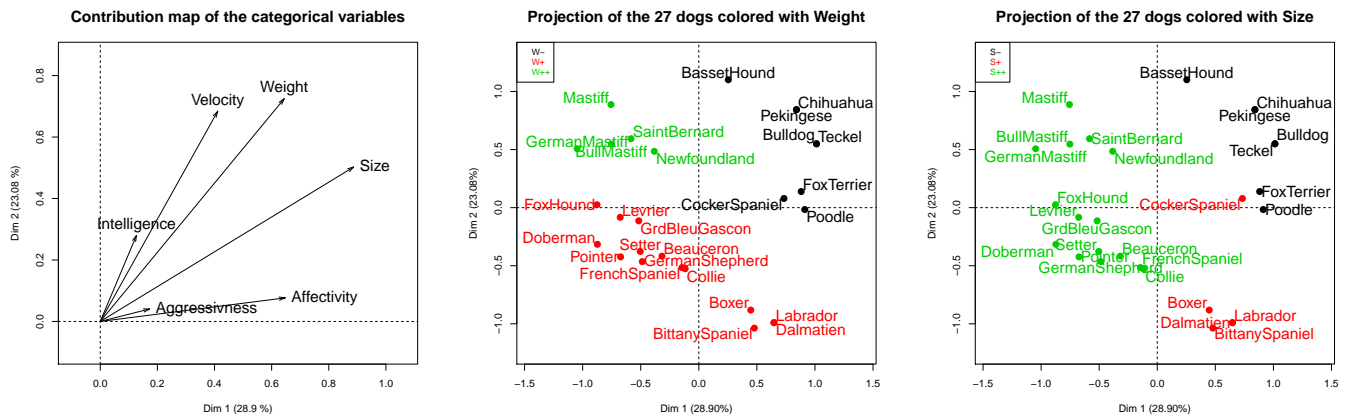
$$c_{j\alpha} = \eta^2(\mathbf{f}^\alpha | \mathbf{x}^j)$$

The correlation ratio is a **signless measure** of links between categorical and numerical variables taking its values in  $[0, 1]$ .

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Example of the 27 dogs.



- Which variable is linked to the first PC ?
- Which variable is linked to the second PC ?

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Simultaneous representation of the observations and the levels.

First possibility : plot the **levels at the barycenter of the observations**.

The **barycentric property** gives :

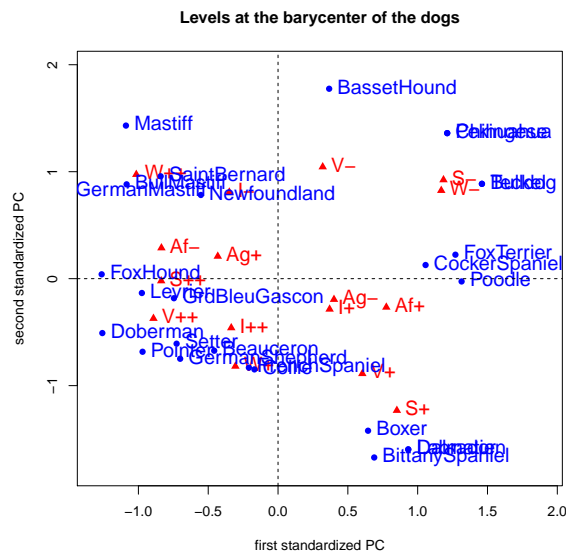
$$a_{s\alpha} = \frac{1}{n_s} \sum_{i:k_{is}=1} \frac{f_{i\alpha}}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}},$$

Then

- observations are plotted with their **standardized** factor coordinates  $\frac{f_{i\alpha}}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}}$ ,
- levels are plotted with their factor coordinates  $a_{s\alpha}$ .

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Example : levels at the barycenter of the dogs



For instance **W++** is plotted at the barycenter of the dogs BullMastiff, GermanMastiff, Mastiff, SaintBernard, Newfoundland (of weight **W++**).

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Second possibility : plot the **levels at the quasi-barycenter of the observations**.

The **quasi-barycentric property** is simply the barycentric property written as follows :

$$a_{s\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}} \left( \frac{1}{n_s} \sum_{i: k_{is}=1} f_{i\alpha} \right)$$

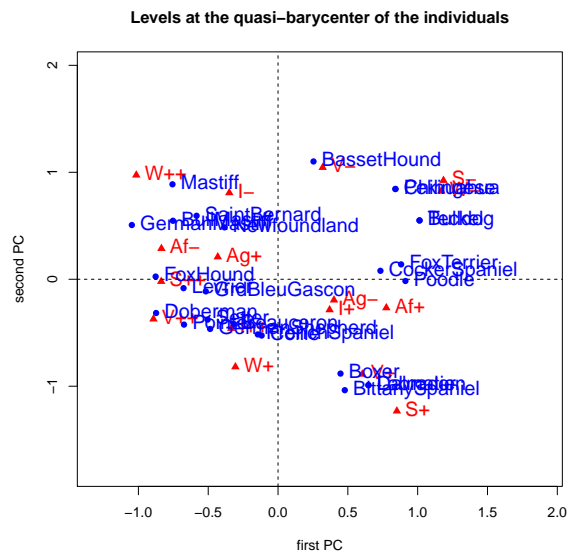
Then

- observations are plotted with their factor coordinates  $f_{i\alpha}$ ,
- levels are plotted according to their factor coordinates  $a_{s\alpha}$ .

Levels are then at the barycenter of the observations with **dilatation coefficient**  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}}$  in each dimension.

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Example : levels at the quasi-barycenter of the dogs



For instance **W++** is plotted at the quasi-barycenter of the dogs BullMastiff, GermanMastiff, Mastiff, SaintBernard, Newfoundland (of weight **W++**) i.e. the barycenter dilated by

- ▶  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_1}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0.481}} = 1.44$  in the first dimension,
- ▶  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{0.384}} = 1.61$  in the second dimension.

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The procedure CORRESP of SAS.

- Implements correspondance analysis (CA) of the Burt table.
- Gives the factor coordinates for the levels but not for the observations by default.

The **Burt table** is a symmetric table of size  $\ell \times \ell$  gathering contingency tables :

$$\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{K}^T \mathbf{K} = \begin{array}{c|ccc|} & 1 \dots & s' & \dots \ell \\ \hline 1 & & & \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \\ s & \dots & b_{ss'} & \dots \\ \vdots & & \vdots & \\ \ell & & & \end{array}$$

where :

- $b_{ss'} = \sum_{i=1}^n k_{is} k_{is'}$  is the number of individual having both levels  $s$  and  $s'$
- $b_{ss} = n_s$  is the number of individuals having  $s$ .

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Example : Burt table of the  $\ell = 16$  levels of the dogs dataset.

	S-	S+	S++	W-	W+	W++	V-	V+	V++	I-	I+	I++	Af-	Af+	Ag-	Ag+
S-	7	0	0	7	0	0	5	2	0	3	3	1	1	6	5	2
S+	0	5	0	1	4	0	1	4	0	0	4	1	0	5	3	2
S++	0	0	15	0	10	5	4	2	9	5	6	4	12	3	6	9
W-	7	1	0	8	0	0	6	2	0	3	4	1	1	7	5	3
W+	0	4	10	0	14	0	0	6	8	3	7	4	7	7	8	6
W++	0	0	5	0	0	5	4	0	1	2	2	1	5	0	1	4
V-	5	1	4	6	0	4	10	0	0	4	5	1	5	5	5	5
V+	2	4	2	2	6	0	0	8	0	1	5	2	2	6	5	3
V++	0	0	9	0	8	1	0	0	9	3	3	3	6	3	4	5
I-	3	0	5	3	3	2	4	1	3	8	0	0	6	2	3	5
I+	3	4	6	4	7	2	5	5	3	0	13	0	4	9	8	5
I++	1	1	4	1	4	1	1	2	3	0	0	6	3	3	3	3
Af-	1	0	12	1	7	5	5	2	6	6	4	3	13	0	5	8
Af+	6	5	3	7	7	0	5	6	3	2	9	3	0	14	9	5
Ag-	5	3	6	5	8	1	5	5	4	3	8	3	5	9	14	0
Ag+	2	2	9	3	6	4	5	3	5	5	5	3	8	5	0	13

The function `MCA` of the R package `FactoMineR`.

- ▶ Implement correspondance analysis (CA) of the of the disjonctive table.
- ▶ Implements then two PCA with metrics : one with the row profiles matrix, one with the column profiles matrix.
- ▶ Gives directly the factor coordinates of both levels and observations.

The function `PCAmix` of the R package `PCAmixdata`.

- ▶ Implement a single PCA with metrics of the of the centered disjonctive table.
- ▶ Gives almost similar results than the `MCA` function :
  - ▶ factor coordinates of the levels are identical.
  - ▶ factor coordinates of the observations are multiplied by  $\sqrt{p}$ .
  - ▶ total inertia is multiplied by  $p$  and is equal to  $\ell - p$ .