

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** ?

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 ?

- the χ^2 of independance between pairs of variables.

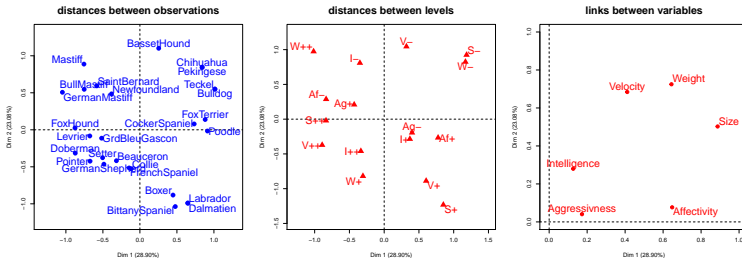
##	Size	Weight	Velocity	Intelligence	Affectivity	Aggressivness
## Size	54.0	25.3	15.89	3.6	13.95	2.05
## Weight	25.3	54.0	18.47	1.4	9.48	2.55
## Velocity	15.9	18.5	54.00	3.2	2.97	0.57
## Intelligence	3.6	1.4	3.16	54.0	3.89	1.16
## Affectivity	14.0	9.5	2.97	3.9	23.14	0.91
## Aggressivness	2.1	2.6	0.57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

The **pvalues** of the independance 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

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.



- 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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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.

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 **disjonctive 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.

The **disjunctive table** **K** describes the n observations on the ℓ levels :

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{array}{c|ccc} & 1 & \dots & s & \dots & \ell \\ \hline 1 & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ i & \dots & & k_{is} & & \dots \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ n & & & & & \\ \hline \text{total} & & & n_s & & \end{array}$$

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 .

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															

The **centered disjunctive table** **Z** describes the same n observations on the ℓ levels.

Matrix **K** of binary data

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

Matrix **Z** of **centered binary data**.

	1 ...	s	... ℓ
1			
\vdots		\vdots	
i	...	$z_{is} = k_{is} - \frac{n_s}{n}$...
\vdots		\vdots	
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**.

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-
## 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-
## 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
```

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 \mathbf{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 $\mathbf{z}^s \in \mathbb{R}^\ell$ (a column of \mathbf{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 \mathbf{X}).

Proximity between two observations is measured with the so called χ^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 χ^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}^ℓ :

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

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

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
```

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

The dispersion with metric \mathbf{M} of the set of observations in \mathbb{R}^ℓ 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 (ℓ 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.

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

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

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).

- ▶ 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 ℓ_j is high.
 - ▶ Variables with too different number of levels are then avoided (by pre-processing for instance).
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- ▶ And also :

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

Example of the dogs dataset :

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

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

The **link** between a **numerical** variable y and a **categorical** variable x^j is measured by the **correlation ratio** :

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

where ℓ_j is the number of levels of x^j and \bar{y}_s is the mean value of 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 x^j .

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

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

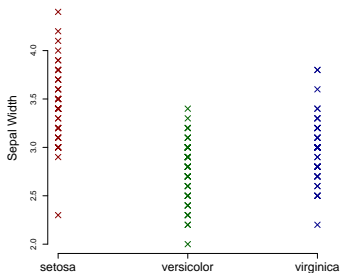
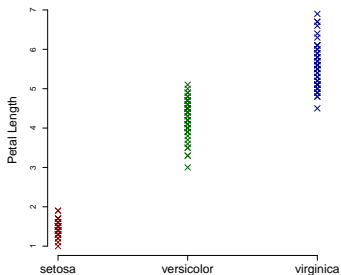
Correlation ratios between the categorical variable Species and the 4 numerical variables :

##	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".

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



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

Step 1 : the pre-processing step.

1. Build the centered disjunctive table **Z** of dimension $n \times \ell$.
2. Build the metrics **N** in \mathbb{R}^n and **M** in \mathbb{R}^ℓ :
 - ▶ **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 $m_s = \frac{n}{n_s}$:

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

Step 2 : the GSVD step.

The Generalized Singular Value Decomposition (GSVD) of \mathbf{Z} with metrics \mathbf{N} and \mathbf{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 \mathbf{Z} .
- \mathbf{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.
- \mathbf{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.

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 :

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

	1 ...	α	... r
1			
\vdots		\vdots	
i	...	$f_{i\alpha}$...
\vdots		\vdots	
n			
mean	...	0	...
var	...	λ_α	...

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

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

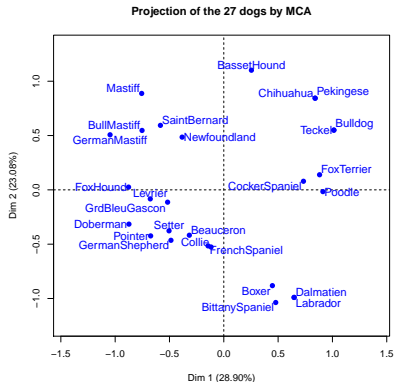
$$\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^\alpha) = \lambda_\alpha.$$

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

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

Example of the 27 dogs : $q = 2$ first principal components i.e. two first columns of 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



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 :

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

and we deduce from (1) that :

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

	1	...	α	...	r
1					
\vdots			\vdots		
\vdots			\vdots		
s	...		$a_{s\alpha}$...	
\vdots			\vdots		
\vdots			\vdots		
ℓ					

- One can show that :

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

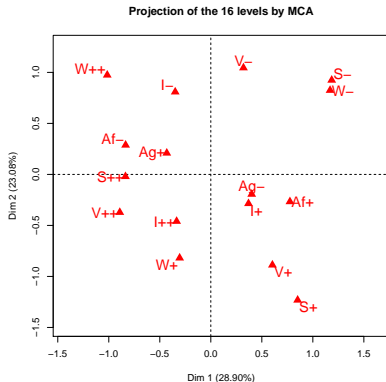
i.e. $a_{s\alpha}$ is the mean value of the (standardized) factor coordinates of observations having level s ?

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

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

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. .

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}^α 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.

	1	...	α	...	r
1					
\vdots			\vdots		
j		...	$c_{j\alpha}$...	
\vdots			\vdots		
p					

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

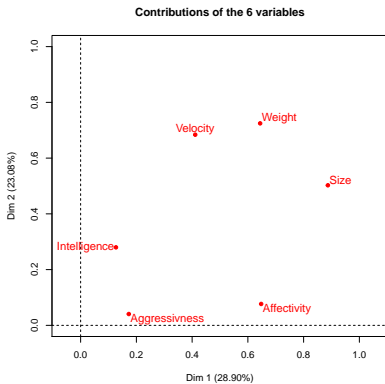
$$\begin{aligned}
 c_{j\alpha} &= \eta^2(\mathbf{f}^\alpha | \mathbf{x}^j) \\
 &= \frac{\text{var}(\bar{\mathbf{f}}^\alpha | \mathbf{x}^j)}{\text{var}(\mathbf{f}^\alpha)} = \frac{\sum_{s \in \mathcal{L}_j} \frac{n_s}{n} (\bar{\mathbf{f}}_s^\alpha - \bar{\mathbf{f}}^\alpha)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n}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

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**.

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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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 :

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

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 :

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

Quality of the dimension reduction.

- ▶ The proportion of the inertia of the data explained by the α 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).

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.

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}^ℓ 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 Δ_α** is measured by the square cosine of the angle $\theta_{i\alpha}$ between the point \mathbf{z}_i and the axis Δ_α :

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

- ▶ 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 .

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

- ▶ The inertia (the variance) on the axis Δ_α 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 Δ_α** is

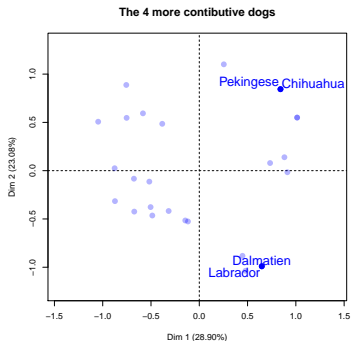
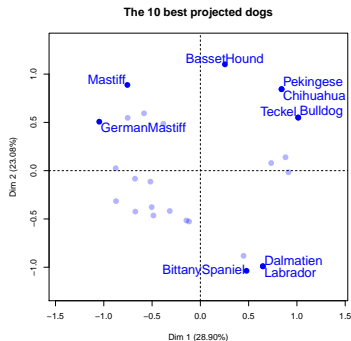
$$Ctr(i, \alpha) = \frac{w_i f_{i\alpha}^2}{\lambda_\alpha}.$$

- ▶ 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.

Example of the 27 dogs.



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

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_α** is measured by the square cosine of the angle $\theta_{s\alpha}$ between the point \mathbf{z}^s and the axis G_α :

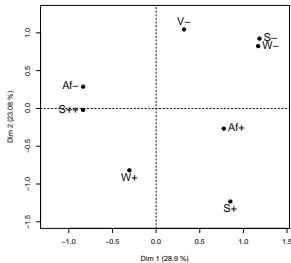
$$\cos^2(\theta_{s\alpha}) = \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2}{\|\mathbf{z}^s\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2}$$

- 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 $(G_\alpha, G_{\alpha'})$:

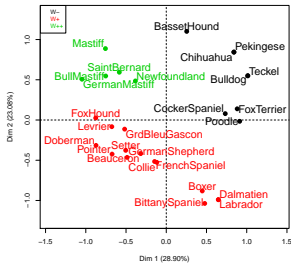
$$\cos^2(\theta_{s(\alpha, \alpha')}) = \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2 + a_{s\alpha'}^2}{\|\mathbf{z}^s\|_{\mathbf{N}}^2}.$$

Example of the 27 dogs.

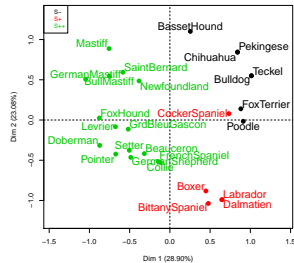
Levels with $\cos 2 > 0.5$



Projection of the 27 dogs colored with Weight



Projection of the 27 dogs colored with Size



Interpret the distance between the levels W_ and S_ on this projection plan.

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

- ▶ The inertia of the axis Δ_α 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 Δ_α is :

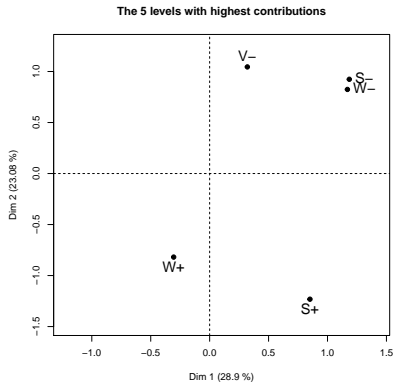
$$Ctr(s, \alpha) = \frac{n_s}{n} \frac{a_{s\alpha}^2}{\lambda_\alpha}.$$

- ▶ 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**.

Example of the 27 dogs.



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

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}^α is the sum of the contributions of its levels :

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

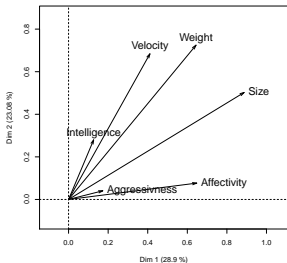
- ▶ Moreover, this absolute contribution is the **correlation ratio** between the categorical variable \mathbf{x}^j and the principal component \mathbf{f}^α :

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

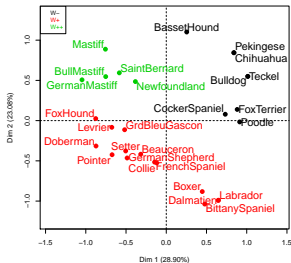
The correlation ratio is a **signless measure** of links between categorical and numerical variables taking its values in $[0, 1]$.

Example of the 27 dogs.

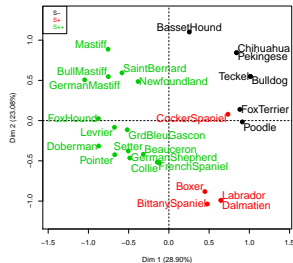
Contribution map of the categorical variables



Projection of the 27 dogs colored with Weight



Projection of the 27 dogs colored with Size



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

Simultaneous representation of the observations and the levels.

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

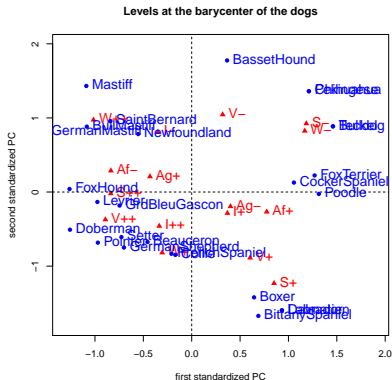
The **barycentric property** gives :

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

Then

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

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++**).

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

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

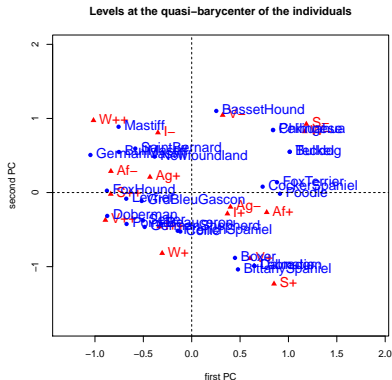
$$a_{s\alpha} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_\alpha}} \left(\frac{1}{n_s} \sum_{i: k_{is}=1} f_{i\alpha} \right)$$

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.

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 :

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

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 .

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 disjunctive 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 disjunctive 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 $\ell - p$.