Lab 3 732A97

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Data

```
library(dplyr); library(knitr)

trackrcs <- read.table("T1-9.dat",
  col.names = c("countries", "x100m", "x200m",
        "x400m", "x800m", "x1500m", "x3000m", "marathon"))
rownames(trackrcs) <- trackrcs[,1]
```

Question 1: Principal components, including interpretation of them

a) Obtain the sample correlation matrix R for these data, and determine its eigenvalues and eigenvectors.

```
X <- trackrcs[,-1]
S <- cov(X)
R <- cor(X); kable(R, digits = 3)
```

	x100m	x200m	x400m	x800m	x1500m	x3000m	marathon
x100m	1.000	0.941	0.871	0.809	0.782	0.728	0.669
x200m	0.941	1.000	0.909	0.820	0.801	0.732	0.680
x400m	0.871	0.909	1.000	0.806	0.720	0.674	0.677
x800m	0.809	0.820	0.806	1.000	0.905	0.867	0.854
x1500m	0.782	0.801	0.720	0.905	1.000	0.973	0.791
x3000m	0.728	0.732	0.674	0.867	0.973	1.000	0.799
marathon	0.669	0.680	0.677	0.854	0.791	0.799	1.000

```
eigen(R)$values
```

```
## [1] 5.80762446 0.62869342 0.27933457 0.12455472 0.09097174 0.05451882
## [7] 0.01430226
```

```
kable(eigen(R)$vectors, digits = 3)
```

-0.378	-0.407	-0.141	0.587	-0.167	0.540	0.089
-0.383	-0.414	-0.101	0.194	0.094	-0.745	-0.266
-0.368	-0.459	0.237	-0.645	0.327	0.240	0.127
-0.395	0.161	0.148	-0.295	-0.819	-0.017	-0.195

-0.389	0.309	-0.422	-0.067	0.026	-0.189	0.731
-0.376	0.423	-0.406	-0.080	0.352	0.240	-0.572
-0.355	0.389	0.741	0.321	0.247	-0.048	0.082

b) Determine the first two principal components for the standardized variables. Prepare a table showing the correlations of the standardized variables with the components, and the cumulative percentage of the total (standardized) sample variance explained by the two components.

the first two principal components for the standardized variables

```r
res=prcomp(X, scale. = TRUE)
# No sacling at this point because we are going to use the correlation matrix later

# Each PC is a linear combination of the original variables
#### res$rotation
kable(res$rotation[,1:2], digits = 3)
```

	PC1	PC2
x100m	-0.378	0.407
x200m	-0.383	0.414
x400m	-0.368	0.459
x800m	-0.395	-0.161
x1500m	-0.389	-0.309
x3000m	-0.376	-0.423
marathon	-0.355	-0.389

correlation of the standardized variables with the components

This is following the formula in the text book on page 433, "Result 8.3" and "Equation 8-8"

```r
eigenvalues=res$sdev^2
Z <- res$rotation[,1:2]
CorWithPC <- t(Z)%*%sqrt(diag(eigenvalues))
colnames(CorWithPC) <- colnames(X)
kable(t(CorWithPC), digits = 3)
```

	PC1	PC2
x100m	-0.910	0.981
x200m	-0.304	0.328
x400m	-0.195	0.243
x800m	-0.139	-0.057
x1500m	-0.117	-0.093
x3000m	-0.088	-0.099
marathon	-0.042	-0.047

cummulative percentage of total standardized sample variance explained by the 2 components

```r
CorWithPC %>% apply(MARGIN=1,FUN=abs) %>% t() %>%
  apply(MARGIN=1,FUN=function(a) 100*cumsum(a)/sum(a)) %>% kable(digits = 3)
```

	PC1	PC2
x100m	50.696	53.113
x200m	67.616	70.865
x400m	78.448	84.006
x800m	86.206	87.086
x1500m	92.744	92.132
x3000m	97.634	97.481
marathon	100.000	100.000

c) Interpret the two principal components obtained in Part b. (Note that the first component is essentially a normalized unit vector and might measure the athletic excellence of a given nation. The second component might measure the relative strength of a nation at various running distances.)

It seems the first principal component is a meausure of how much less time the athletes of a particular nation take to complete a race relative to their other fellow competitiors from other nations. We can notice that athletes generally concentrate a lot of efforts in running very fast so that they complete their races in the shortest times possible in the 100 metre races and the progression continues likewise up to the marathon were the atheletes expect to spend more time on the race

Clearly, the second principal component tells us about the physical strength of an athlete in a given race. We see that for 100 meters, 200 metres and 300 metres, the values are very high because athletes are giving their all while for the marathan, the values are actually negative because the athletes are usually very tired and they try to minimize using a lot of energy as a tactic to run for the very long distance.

d) Rank the nations based on their score on the first principal component. Does this ranking correspond with your inituitive notion of athletic excellence for the various countries?

```
NewScore <- as.matrix(X)%*%as.matrix(res$rotation[,1])
NewScore = cbind.data.frame(countries = X, NewScore = NewScore)
NewScore[,1][order(NewScore[,2], decreasing = TRUE)]
```

```
##  [1] 12.52 12.38 11.80 11.96 12.13 11.92 11.76 11.72 11.63 11.56 11.65
## [12] 11.72 11.49 11.66 11.62 11.50 11.42 11.28 11.36 11.41 11.33 11.45
## [23] 11.09 11.32 11.41 11.46 11.43 11.57 11.31 11.30 11.34 11.38 11.16
## [34] 11.08 11.25 11.15 10.83 10.98 11.17 11.14 11.22 11.14 11.13 11.06
## [45] 11.30 11.12 10.93 11.10 10.79 10.73 11.09 10.77 10.81 10.49
```

This ranking indeed corresponds with my inituitive notion of the athletic excellence for the various countries. The principal components are indeed capturing well the ranking of the countries.

Question 2: Factor analysis

Perform a factor analysis of the national track records for women given in Table 1.9. Use the sample covariance matrix S and interpret the factors. Compute factor scores, and check for outliers in the data. Repeat the analysis with the sample correlation matrix R. Does it make a difference if R, rather than S, is factored? Explain.

Try both PC and ML as estimation methods. Notice that R's factanal() only does ML estimation. For the PC method you can use the principal() function of the psych package. What does it mean that the parameter rotation of factanal() is set to "varimax" by default (equivalently rotate of principal())? Do not forget to check the adequacy of your model.

Tip: Read section "A Large Sample Test for the Number of Common Factors".

```
factanal(trackrcs[,-1], factors = 3, covmat = S) # varimax is the default
```

```
##
## Call:
## factanal(x = trackrcs[, -1], factors = 3, covmat = S)
##
## Uniquenesses:
##    x100m    x200m    x400m    x800m   x1500m   x3000m marathon
##    0.106    0.005    0.133    0.047    0.005    0.041    0.225
##
## Loadings:
##          Factor1 Factor2 Factor3
## x100m     0.815   0.413   0.245
## x200m     0.886   0.410   0.203
## x400m     0.797   0.311   0.367
## x800m     0.512   0.617   0.556
## x1500m    0.449   0.849   0.270
## x3000m    0.361   0.866   0.280
## marathon  0.380   0.553   0.571
##
##
##                Factor1 Factor2 Factor3
## SS loadings      2.824   2.593   1.022
## Proportion Var   0.403   0.370   0.146
## Cumulative Var   0.403   0.774   0.920
##
## The degrees of freedom for the model is 3 and the fit was 0.2033
```

```
factanal(trackrcs[,-1], factors = 3, covmat = R)
```

```
##
## Call:
## factanal(x = trackrcs[, -1], factors = 3, covmat = R)
##
```

```
## Uniquenesses:
##    x100m    x200m    x400m    x800m   x1500m   x3000m marathon
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```r
library(psych)
principal(trackrcs[,-1], nfactors=3, rotate="varimax", covar = FALSE)
```

```
## Principal Components Analysis
## Call: principal(r = trackrcs[, -1], nfactors = 3, rotate = "varimax",
##     covar = FALSE)
## Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
##           RC2  RC1  RC3   h2    u2 com
## x100m     0.85 0.41 0.23 0.94 0.061 1.6
## x200m     0.86 0.40 0.25 0.96 0.037 1.6
## x400m     0.86 0.26 0.36 0.93 0.065 1.5
## x800m     0.54 0.59 0.54 0.93 0.072 3.0
## x1500m    0.44 0.82 0.34 0.99 0.010 1.9
## x3000m    0.35 0.85 0.37 0.98 0.020 1.7
## marathon  0.33 0.44 0.82 0.98 0.019 1.9
##
##                        RC2  RC1  RC3
## SS loadings           2.92 2.33 1.47
## Proportion Var        0.42 0.33 0.21
## Cumulative Var        0.42 0.75 0.96
## Proportion Explained  0.43 0.35 0.22
## Cumulative Proportion 0.43 0.78 1.00
##
## Mean item complexity =  1.9
## Test of the hypothesis that 3 components are sufficient.
##
## The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is  0.02
##  with the empirical chi square  0.62  with prob <  0.89
##
## Fit based upon off diagonal values = 1
```

```r
fa(trackrcs[,-1], nfactors=3, rotate="varimax", covar = FALSE)
```

```
## Factor Analysis using method =  minres
## Call: fa(r = trackrcs[, -1], nfactors = 3, rotate = "varimax", covar = FALSE)
## Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix
##           MR2  MR3  MR1   h2     u2 com
## x100m    0.83 0.41 0.23 0.90 0.0993 1.6
## x200m    0.88 0.40 0.21 0.98 0.0160 1.5
## x400m    0.80 0.31 0.35 0.87 0.1338 1.7
## x800m    0.53 0.60 0.54 0.94 0.0622 3.0
## x1500m   0.46 0.85 0.26 1.00 0.0018 1.8
## x3000m   0.38 0.85 0.30 0.95 0.0457 1.7
## marathon 0.37 0.56 0.59 0.80 0.2002 2.7
##
##                        MR2  MR3  MR1
## SS loadings           2.88 2.54 1.03
## Proportion Var        0.41 0.36 0.15
## Cumulative Var        0.41 0.77 0.92
## Proportion Explained  0.45 0.39 0.16
## Cumulative Proportion 0.45 0.84 1.00
##
## Mean item complexity =  2
## Test of the hypothesis that 3 factors are sufficient.
##
## The degrees of freedom for the null model are  21  and the objective function was  11.62 with Chi Sq
## The degrees of freedom for the model are 3  and the objective function was  0.23
##
## The root mean square of the residuals (RMSR) is  0
## The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is  0.01
##
## The harmonic number of observations is  54 with the empirical chi square  0.04  with prob <  1
## The total number of observations was  54  with Likelihood Chi Square =  10.81  with prob <  0.013
##
## Tucker Lewis Index of factoring reliability =  0.898
## RMSEA index =  0.238  and the 90 % confidence intervals are  0.09 0.371
## BIC =  -1.15
## Fit based upon off diagonal values = 1
```