Lab 3 732A97

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Data

Question 1: Principal components, including interpretation of them

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

```
S <- cov(trackrcs[,-1])</pre>
R <- cor(trackrcs[,-1]); R</pre>
##
                         x200m
                                   x400m
                                             x800m
           1.0000000 0.9410886 0.8707802 0.8091758 0.7815510 0.7278784
## x100m
## x200m
           0.9410886 1.0000000 0.9088096 0.8198258 0.8013282 0.7318546
## x400m 0.8707802 0.9088096 1.0000000 0.8057904 0.7197996 0.6737991
## x800m 0.8091758 0.8198258 0.8057904 1.0000000 0.9050509 0.8665732
## x1500m 0.7815510 0.8013282 0.7197996 0.9050509 1.0000000 0.9733801
           0.7278784 0.7318546 0.6737991 0.8665732 0.9733801 1.0000000
## x3000m
## marathon 0.6689597 0.6799537 0.6769384 0.8539900 0.7905565 0.7987302
##
           marathon
## x100m
           0.6689597
## x200m 0.6799537
## x400m 0.6769384
## x800m
           0.8539900
          0.7905565
## x1500m
          0.7987302
## x3000m
## marathon 1.000000
eigen(R)$values
## [1] 5.80762446 0.62869342 0.27933457 0.12455472 0.09097174 0.05451882
## [7] 0.01430226
```

eigen(R)\$vectors

```
##
        [,1]
              [,2]
                    [,3]
                           [,4]
                                  [,5]
                                        [,6]
## [1,] -0.3777657 -0.4071756 -0.1405803 0.58706293 -0.16706891 0.53969730
## [2,] -0.3832103 -0.4136291 -0.1007833 0.19407501
                              0.09350016 -0.74493139
## [3,] -0.3680361 -0.4593531 0.2370255 -0.64543118 0.32727328 0.24009405
[,7]
    0.08893934
## [1,]
## [2,] -0.26565662
## [3,]
    0.12660435
## [4,] -0.19521315
## [5,] 0.73076817
## [6,] -0.57150644
## [7,] 0.08208401
```

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

```
res=prcomp((trackrcs)[,-1], scale. = FALSE)
# 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$rotation
res$rotation[,1:2]
```

```
##
                    PC1
                                PC2
## x100m
           -0.016123307 0.11485619
           -0.038657909 0.29039299
## x200m
## x400m
           -0.107793074 0.93844399
## x800m
           -0.004504024 0.01340703
## x1500m
           -0.013072642 0.03631915
## x3000m
           -0.039484872 0.07871002
## marathon -0.992409201 -0.11878027
```

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"

```
eigenvalues=res$sdev^2
CorWithPC <-
   t(res$rotation[,1:2])%*%sqrt(diag(eigenvalues))%*%solve(sqrt(diag(diag(S))))
colnames(CorWithPC) <- colnames(trackrcs[,-1])
t(CorWithPC)</pre>
```

```
##
                    PC1
                                  PC2
## x100m
           -0.677655445 4.8273545746
## x200m
           -0.083395857 0.6264583997
## x400m
           -0.021496164 0.1871451030
## x800m
           -0.017547129 0.0522321683
## x1500m
          -0.005902687 0.0163991785
## x3000m
           -0.002466803 0.0049173795
## marathon -0.001499182 -0.0001794353
```

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

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

```
##
                 PC1
                           PC2
            83.66496 84.47278
## x100m
## x200m
            93.96121 95.43504
## x400m
            96.61518 98.70985
## x800m
            98.78159 99.62385
## x1500m
            99.51035 99.91081
## x3000m
            99.81491 99.99686
## marathon 100.00000 100.00000
```

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 measure 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 marathon.

Clearly, the second principal component tells us about the physical strength of an athlete in a given race. We see that for 100 meters, 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(trackrcs[,-1])%*%as.matrix(res$rotation[,1])</pre>
NewScore = cbind.data.frame(countries = trackrcs[,1], NewScore = NewScore)
NewScore[,1][order(NewScore[,2], decreasing = TRUE)]
                                                                          POR
                                                                               NED
    [1] GBR
              KEN
                   CHN
                         JPN
                              USA
                                   GER
                                         RUS
                                              NOR
                                                    IRL
                                                         ROM
                                                               BEL
                                                                    AUS
## [15] ITA
              MEX
                   POL
                         CZE
                              SUI
                                   KORN ESP
                                              KORS NZL
                                                         BRA
                                                               FIN
                                                                    FRA
                                                                          CAN
                                                                               HUN
## [29] DEN
              LUX
                   SWE
                         ARG
                              TUR
                                   CHI
                                         GRE
                                              AUT
                                                    INA
                                                         SIN
                                                               COL
                                                                    ISR
                                                                          IND
                                                                               MYA
                                              GUA
## [43] TPE
             THA
                   CRC
                        PHI
                              DOM
                                   MRI
                                         {\tt MAS}
                                                    {\tt BER}
                                                         \mathtt{SAM}
                                                               COK
                                                                    PNG
## 54 Levels: ARG AUS AUT BEL BER BRA CAN CHI CHN COK COL CRC CZE DEN ... USA
```

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:
                        x400m
      x100m
               x200m
##
                                  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
                    0.410
                             0.203
## x200m
            0.886
## x400m
            0.797
                    0.311
                             0.367
## x800m
            0.512
                    0.617
                             0.556
## x1500m
            0.449
                    0.849
                             0.270
            0.361
                             0.280
## x3000m
                    0.866
## 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:
              x200m
##
     x100m
                       x400m
                                x800m x1500m
                                                 x3000m marathon
                                0.047 0.005
                                                0.041
                                                           0.225
##
     0.106
              0.005
                       0.133
##
## Loadings:
           Factor1 Factor2 Factor3
##
## x100m
           0.815
                   0.413
                          0.245
## x200m
                   0.410
                           0.203
           0.886
## 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
                   0.403
                           0.370
## Proportion Var
                                   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
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
           0.85 0.41 0.23 0.94 0.061 1.6
## x100m
## 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
```

```
## 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
```

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

RMSEA index = 0.238 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0.090.371

BIC = -1.15

Fit based upon off diagonal values = 1