

# Multiple Correspondence Analysis

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# Factorial Methods

Data	Factorial Method
Continuous variables	PCA - Principal Component Analysis
Count variables	CA - (Simple) Correspondence Analysis
Categorical variables	MCA - Multiple Correspondence Analysis

# MCA

- Objective

1. Close to PCA objectives: similarity among indiv/  
similarity among variables
2. Generalization of CA objectives: relationships  
among the categories

- Types of objects

1. Individuals
2. Variables
3. Categories

# MCA

- Multiple Correspondence Analysis
  - Only qualitative variables
  - Find the most informative projection planes (factorial planes, maximize projected inertia)
- Given  $\langle X, M, D \rangle$ 
  - A data matrix  $X$  ( $n \times p$ ) the logic table
  - A matrix of individuals weights  $D$  ( $n \times n$ )
  - Assume chi2 metrics to compare individuals ( $M$ )

# MCA

- Given  $\langle X, M, D \rangle$

- Matrix  $M^{1/2} X' D X M^{1/2}$

- Catches relationships and oppositions of data

Same  
algorithm as  
PCA

Diagonalize matrix  $M^{1/2} X' D X M^{1/2}$

- Get  $r$  eigen values  $\lambda_\alpha$  and sort decreasingly

$$\{\lambda_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1:r} \quad \lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_r$$

- Corresponding eigenvectors  $u_\alpha = (u_{\alpha 1} \dots u_{\alpha p})$

$$|u_\alpha| = 1$$

$$u_\alpha u_{\alpha'}' = 0$$

$\{u_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1:r}$  orthonormal base for individuals

# MCA

- Given  $\langle X, M, D \rangle$

Diagonalize matrix  $M^{1/2} X' D X M^{1/2}$

- The subspace generated by  $\{u_\alpha\}_{\alpha=1:r}$  is the same as the subspace generated by the rows of  $X$

$u_\alpha^* = M^{-1/2} u_\alpha$  are the principal factors of  $X$  :  
- good rotation directions

$U^* = ([u_1^*] [u_2^*] \dots [u_r^*])$  is the basis for the projection space

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- Two possibilities:
  - Analysis of Logic Table (X logic table)
  - Analysis of Burt Table (X Burt table)



# MCA

## Analysis of Logic Table

- Given  $\langle X, M, D \rangle$

- $X = Z$

*Z: logic matrix ( complete disjunctive form)*

- $M^{1/2} X' D X M^{1/2}$  is sparse (high useless dimensions)

- Centroids of modalities ARE NOT CDG of their individuals (systematic bias of  $1/\sqrt{\lambda}$ )

- Traditional dual analysis

Systematic  
bias

`Mca0 <- MCA(X, method="Indicator")`

`; FactorMineR`

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# MCA

- Original data set (only qualitative variables)

$\chi_{n \times Q} =$

$n=2000$

$Q=5$

	$\chi_1$	$\chi_2$	$\chi_3$	$\chi_4$	$\chi_5$
n	factor A	factor B	factor C	factor D	factor E
1	A2	B4	C3	D3	E4
2	A2	B4	C3	D2	E4
3	A3	B2	C2	D3	E4
4	A3	B9	C2	D2	E2
5	A5	B1	C2	D2	E3
6	A2	B4	C3	D4	E2
7	A1	B3	C2	D3	E2
8	A2	B5	C3	D4	E1
9	A2	B4	C2	D3	E4
1	A2	B4	C1	D2	E4
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...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	...
2000	A5	B2	C2	D9	E3

# MCA

## Logic Table - Complete Disjunctive Form CDF

$Z = [Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_Q], Z_q, \forall q \in [1:Q]$ , qualitative var

$J_q$  = number of categories for  $Z_q$

Each  $x_q$  coded  
into the binary  
variables  $Z_1, Z_q$

	$x_1$
1	A1
2	A2
3	A2
4	A3
5	A3
6	A5
7	A2
8	A1
9	A2
10	A2
...	...
...	...
...	...
...	...
2000	A5

$n=2000$   
 $Q=8$

$$Z_{n \times \sum_{q=1}^Q J_q} =$$

Z1				
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	0
1	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0
...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...

$Z_1$   
 $n=2000$

$J_1=5$

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0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	
0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	...
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
		$Z_1$					$Z_2$					$Z_3$		
$n=2000$		$n=2000$					$n=2000$					$n=2000$		
$Q=8$		$J_1 = 5$					$J_2 = 6$					$J_3 = 3$		

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## ■ Methodology

1. Project centroids of all qualitative variables
2. Use one color for each variable
3. Add legend to the map
4. Link centroids of same variable with lines for ordinal variables
5. Eventually project individuals

# MCA

- Analysis of the categories

1. Two categories close if

- Tend to be simultaneously present (absent) for large number of individuals
- We say that categories are associated

# MCA

- Analysis relationships on individuals
  1. Typology of the individuals
  2. Close individuals: those who share many categories
  
- Analysis of interactions among variables
  1. Relationship among the variables through the relationships among their categories



# MCA

- Process to interpret a factorial map
- Forget about variables bad represented in the factorial plan (  $X \approx 0$ ,  $Y \approx 0$ )
- Which are the variables with relevant direct contribution to Factor in Axis X ? •
- Which are the variables with relevant inverse contribution to Factor in Axis X
- Supplementary variables: later introduce info on qualitative variables as well
- Analyze profiles opposed in two extremes of Axis X
- Induce a label for the Factor that represents the concept
  - Repeat with Factor in Axis Y



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## EXAMPLE

### ■ Dog breeds

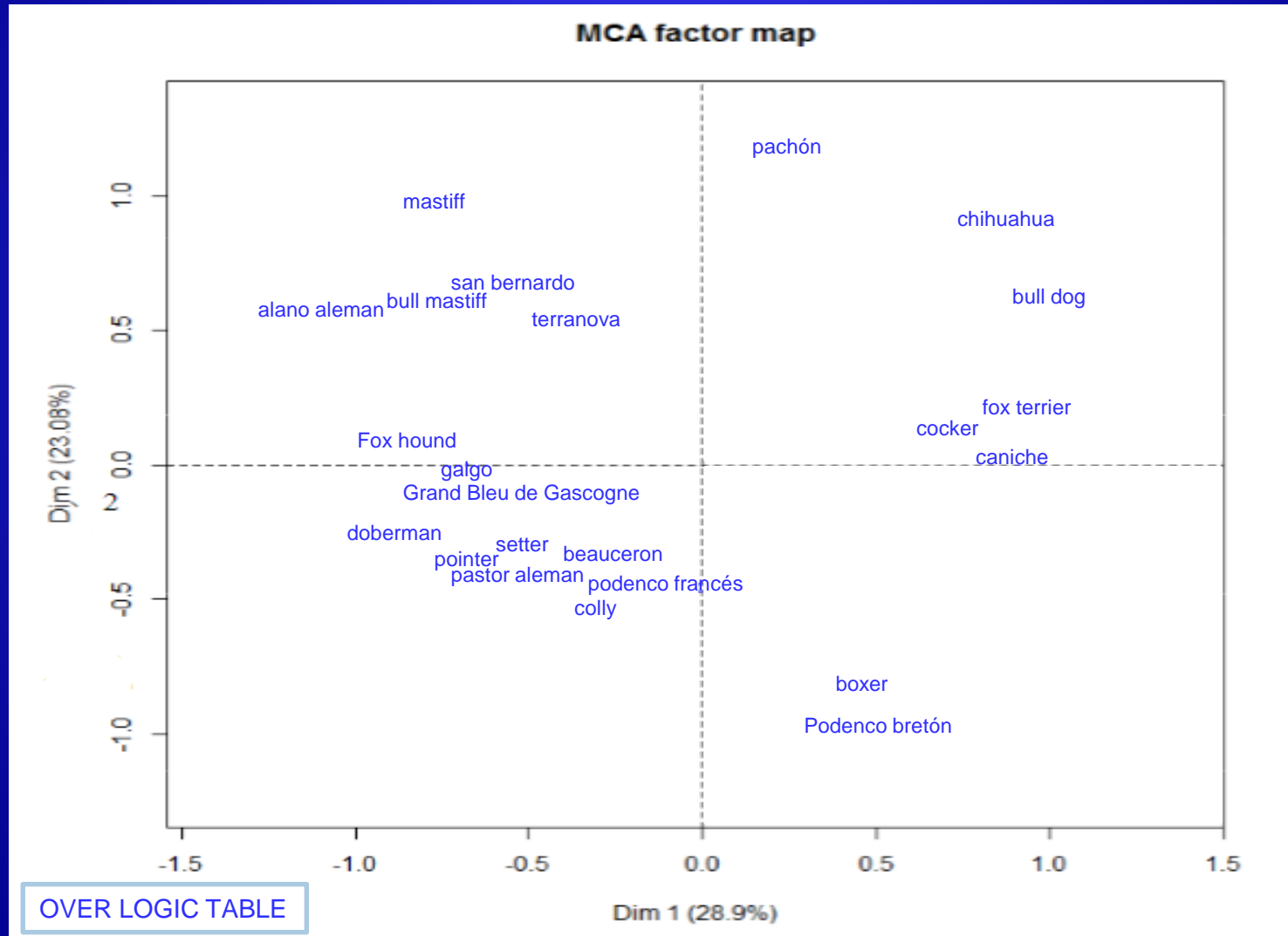
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>library(FactoClass); data("DogBreeds")
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1. Data represents different dog breeds which contains 6 different qualitative variables
  1. Tamaño(SIZE): Pequeño(sma), Mediano(med), largo(lar)
  2. Peso(WEIG): ligero(lig), Medio(med), Pesado(hea)
  3. Velocidad(SPEE): Bajo(low), Media(med), Alto(hig)
  4. Inteligencia(INTE): Bajo(low), Media(med), Alto(hig)
  5. Afectividad(AFFE): Bajo(low), Alto(hig)
  6. Agresividad(AGGR): Bajo(low), Alto(hig)

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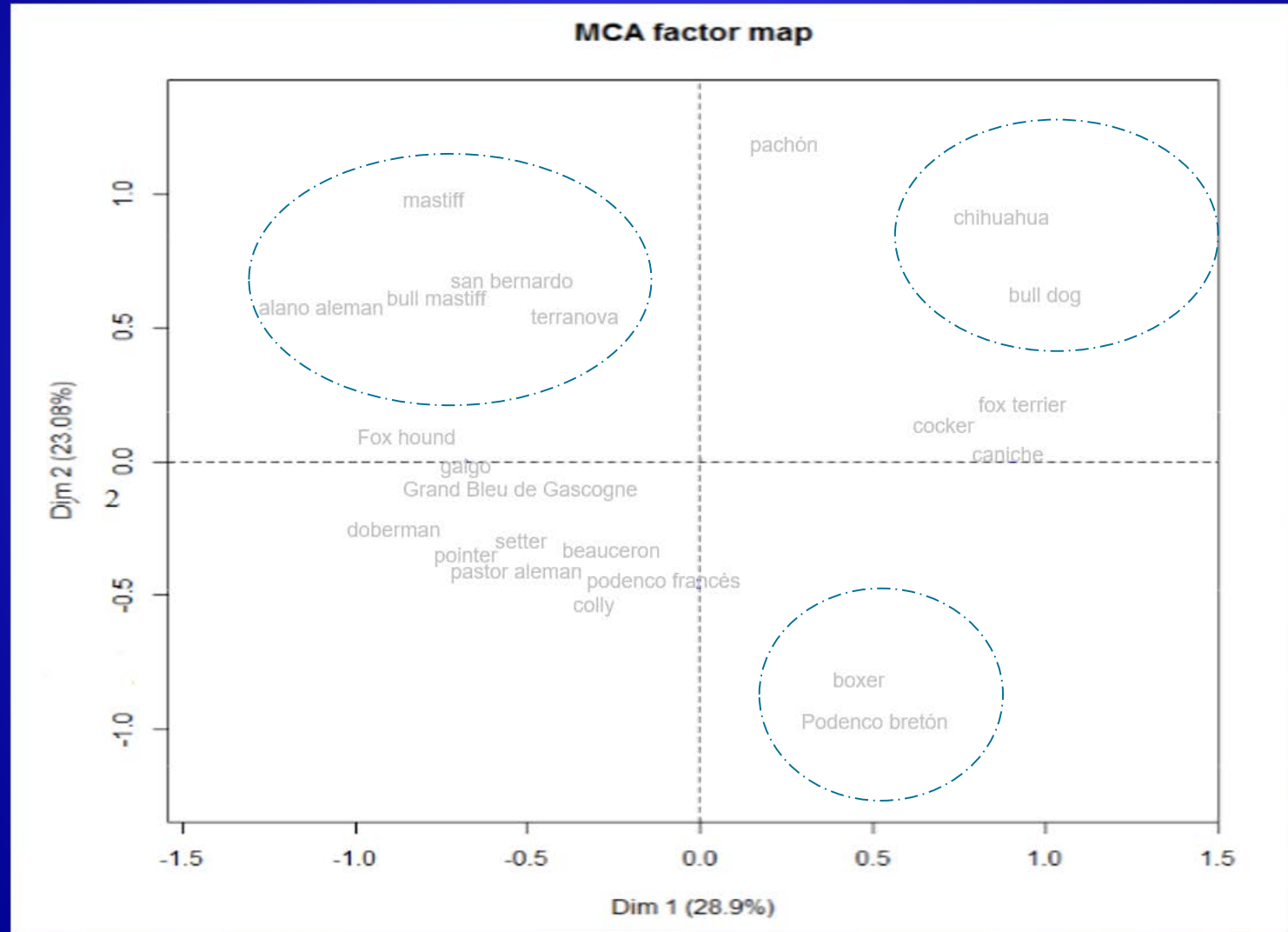
# Factorial Methods

## Projection of individuals



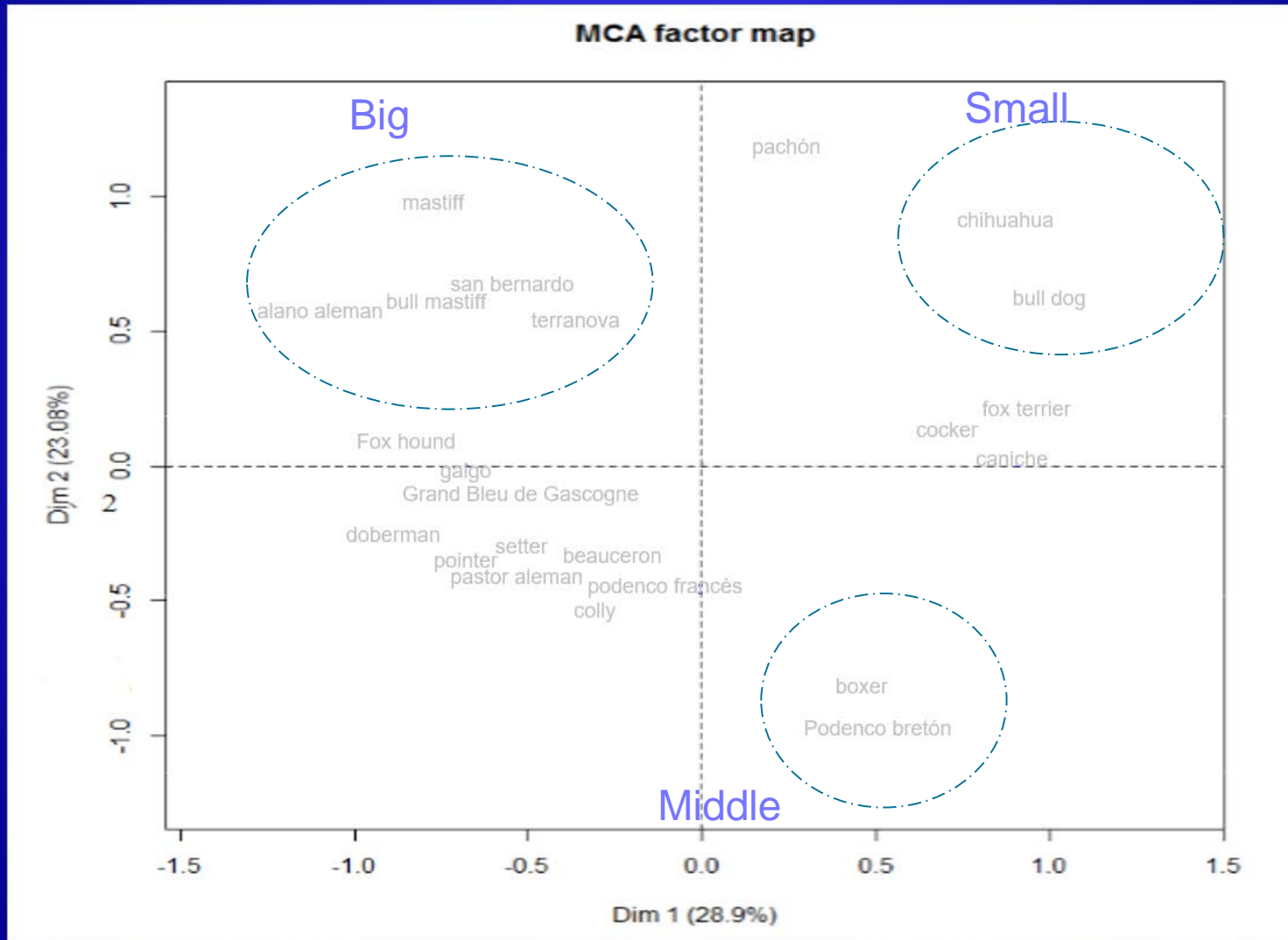
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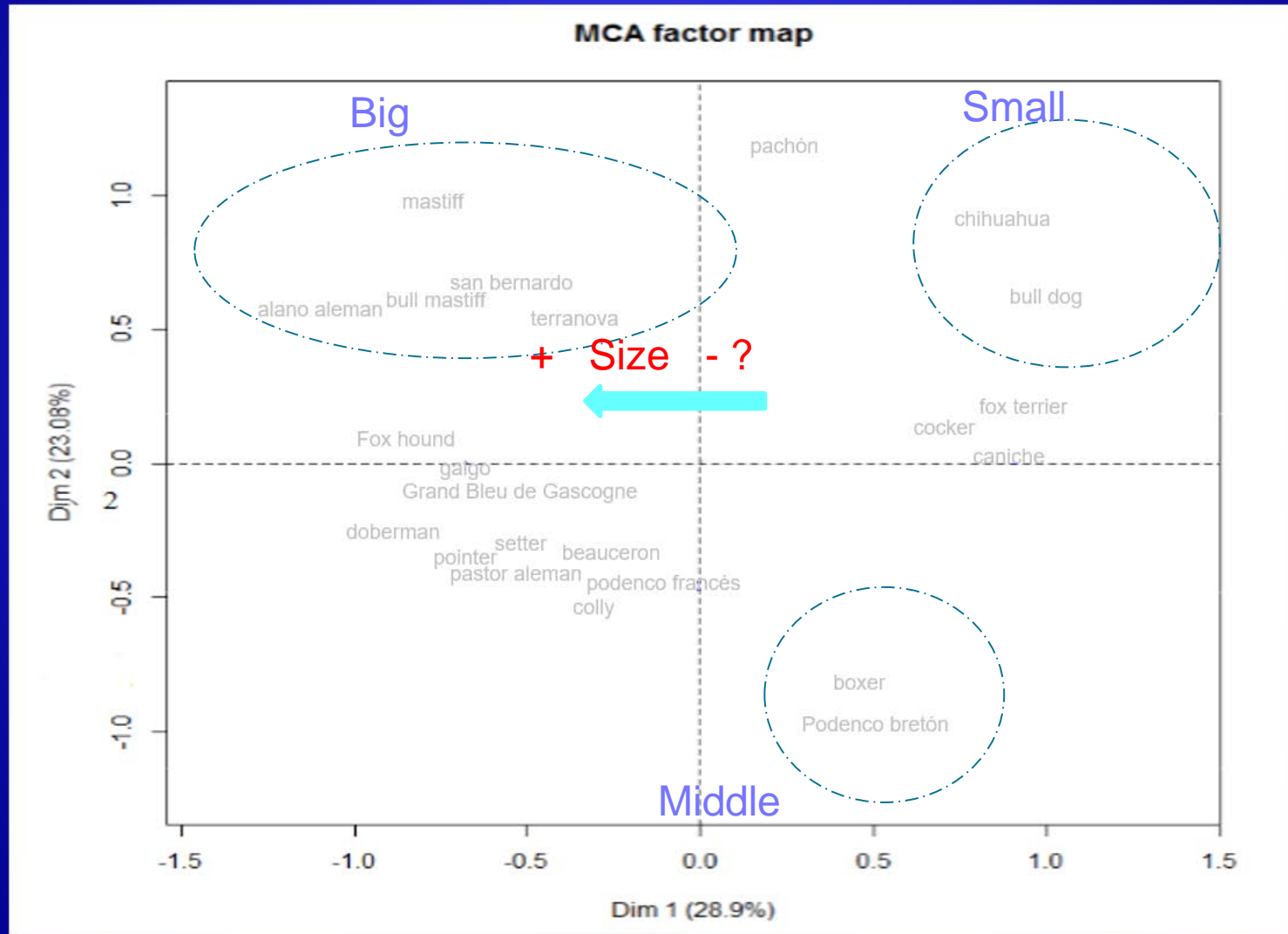
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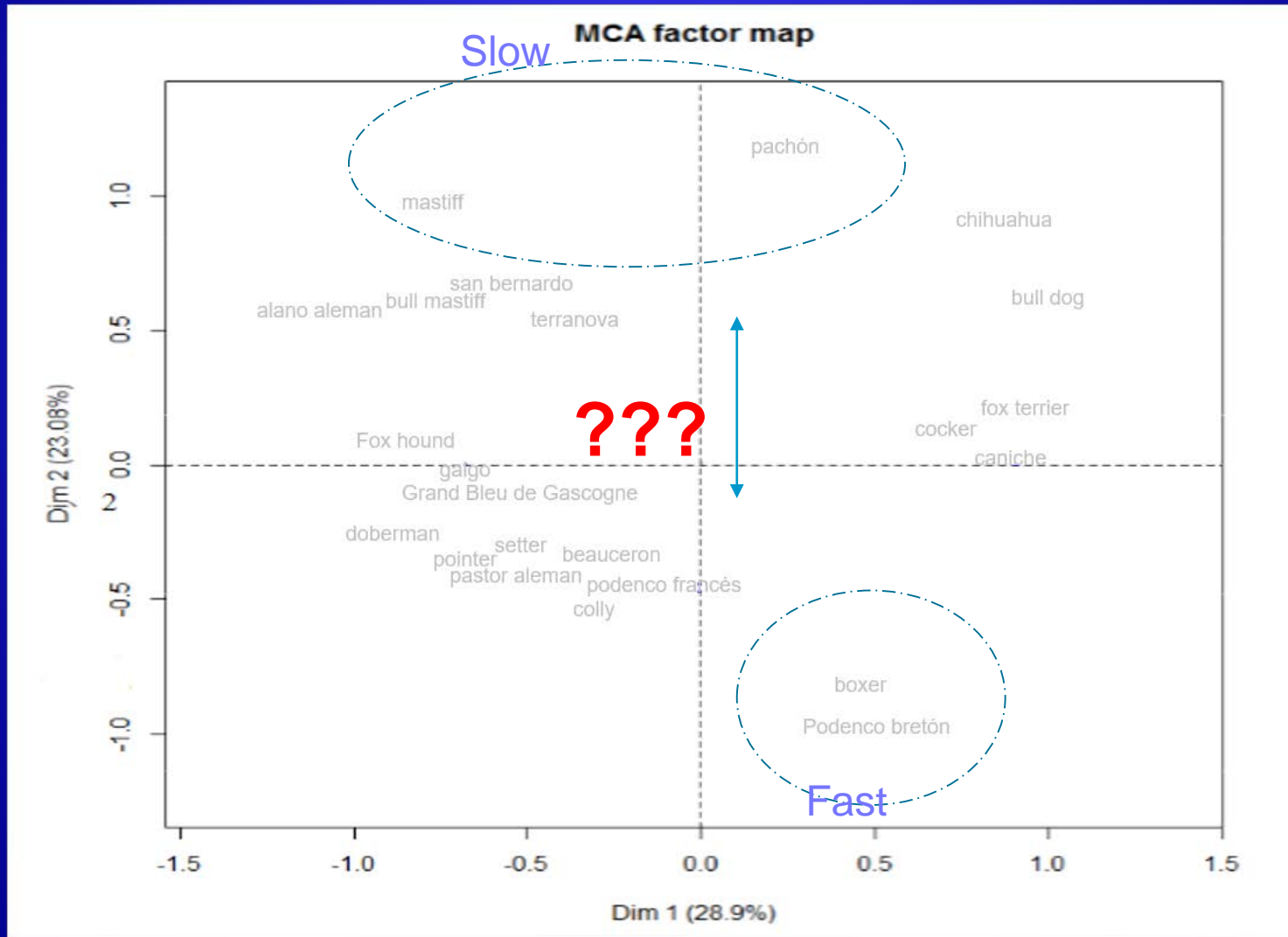
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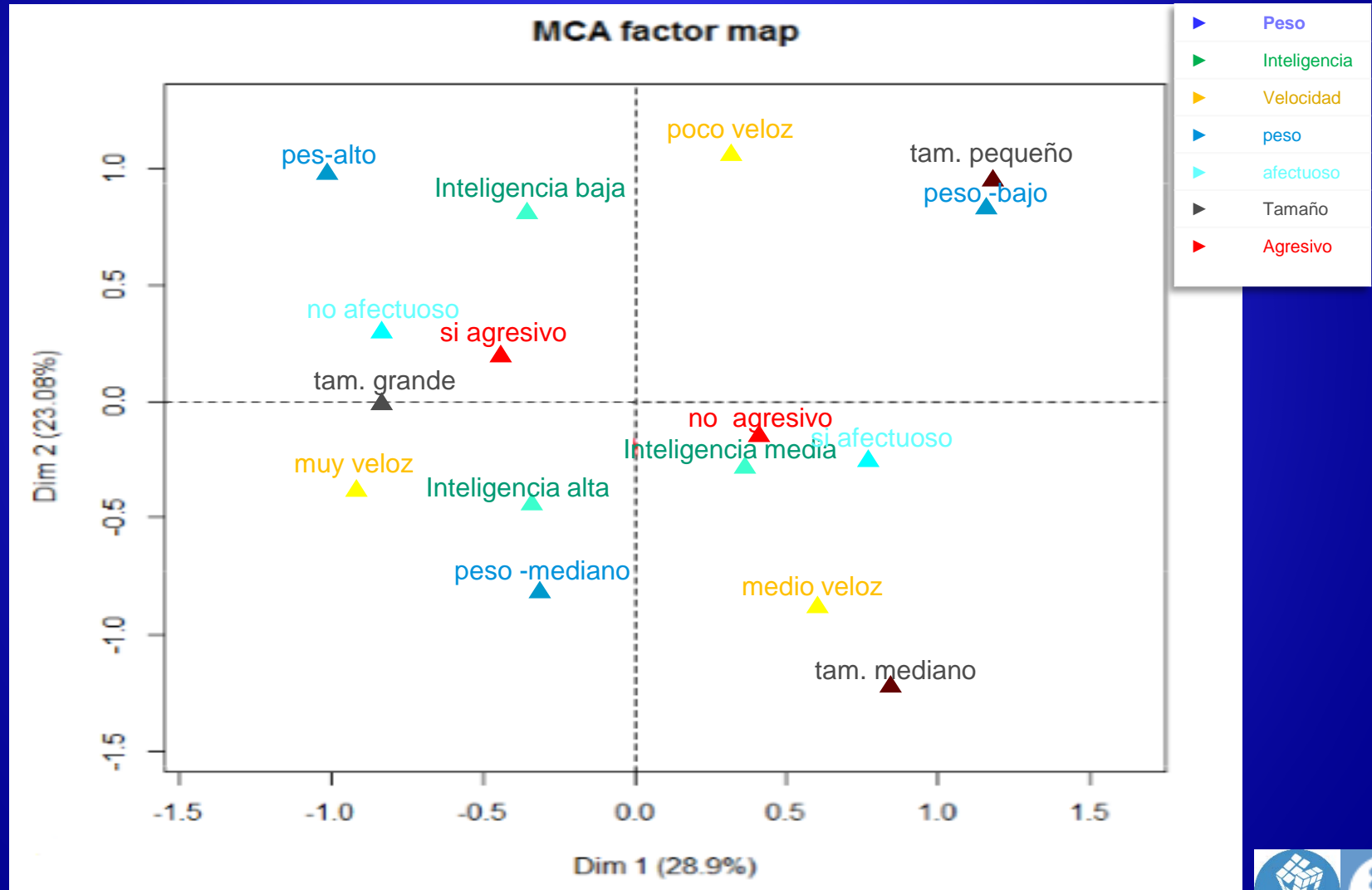
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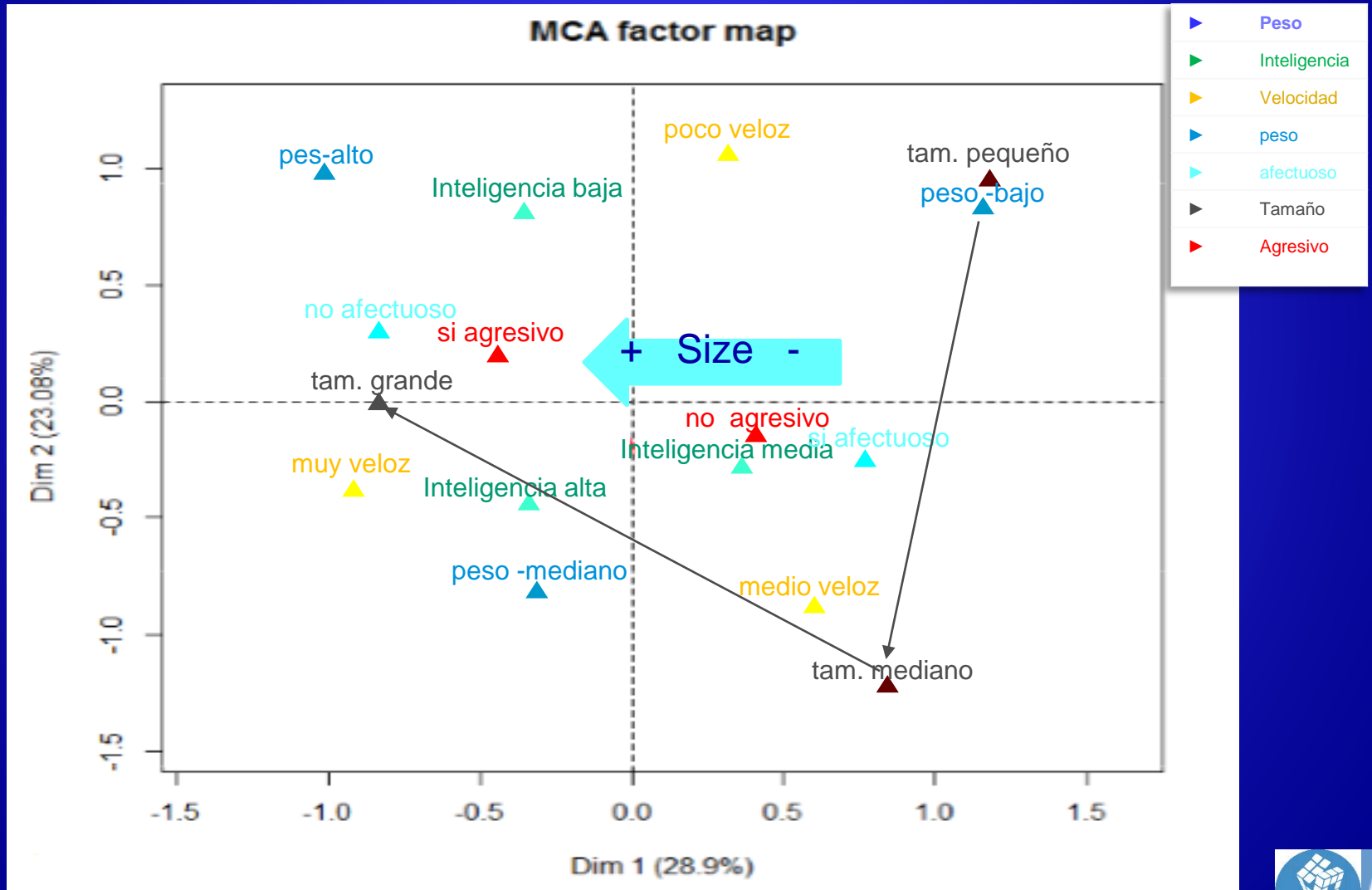
## Projection of variables





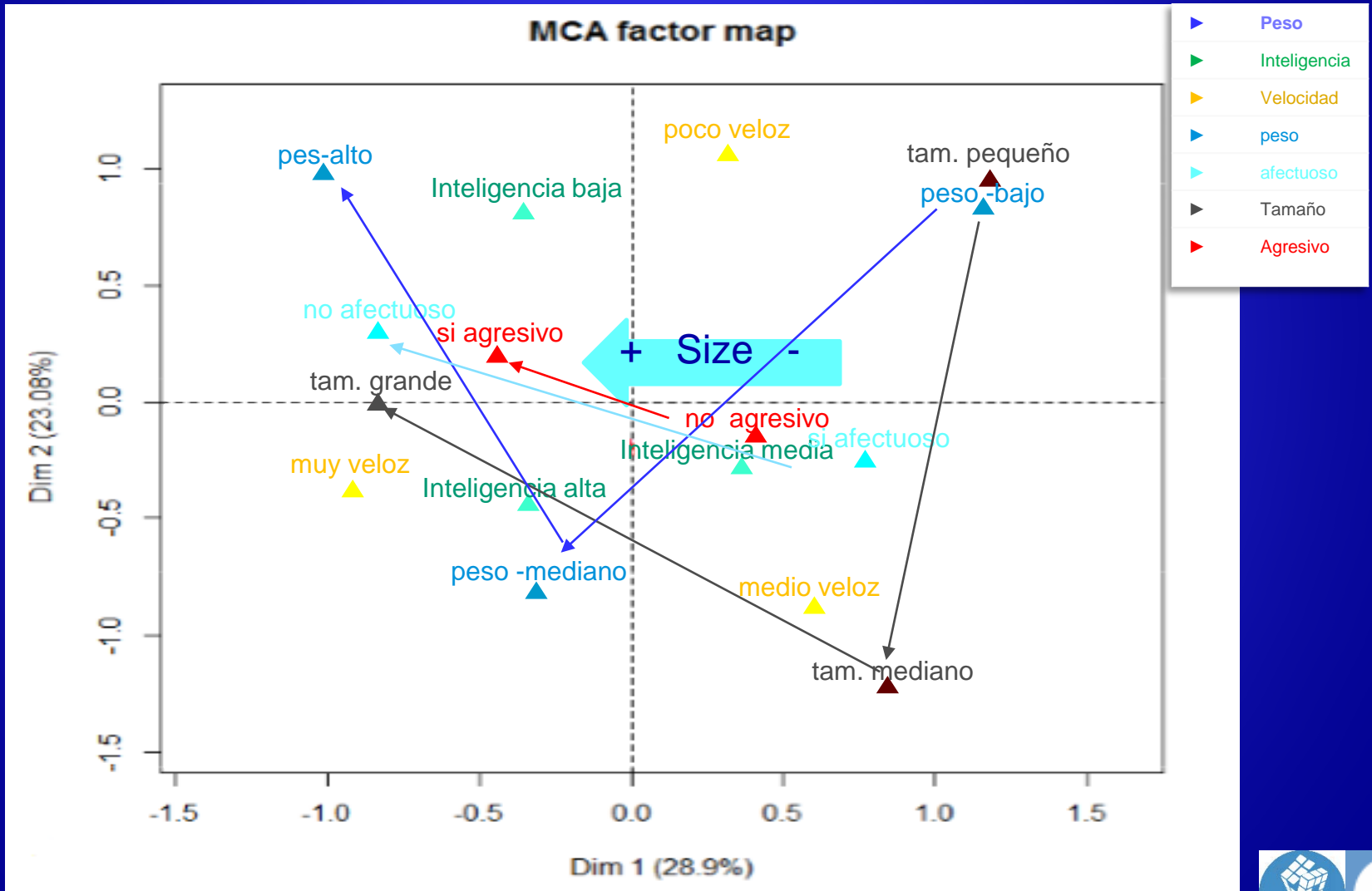
# Factorial Methods

## Projection of variables



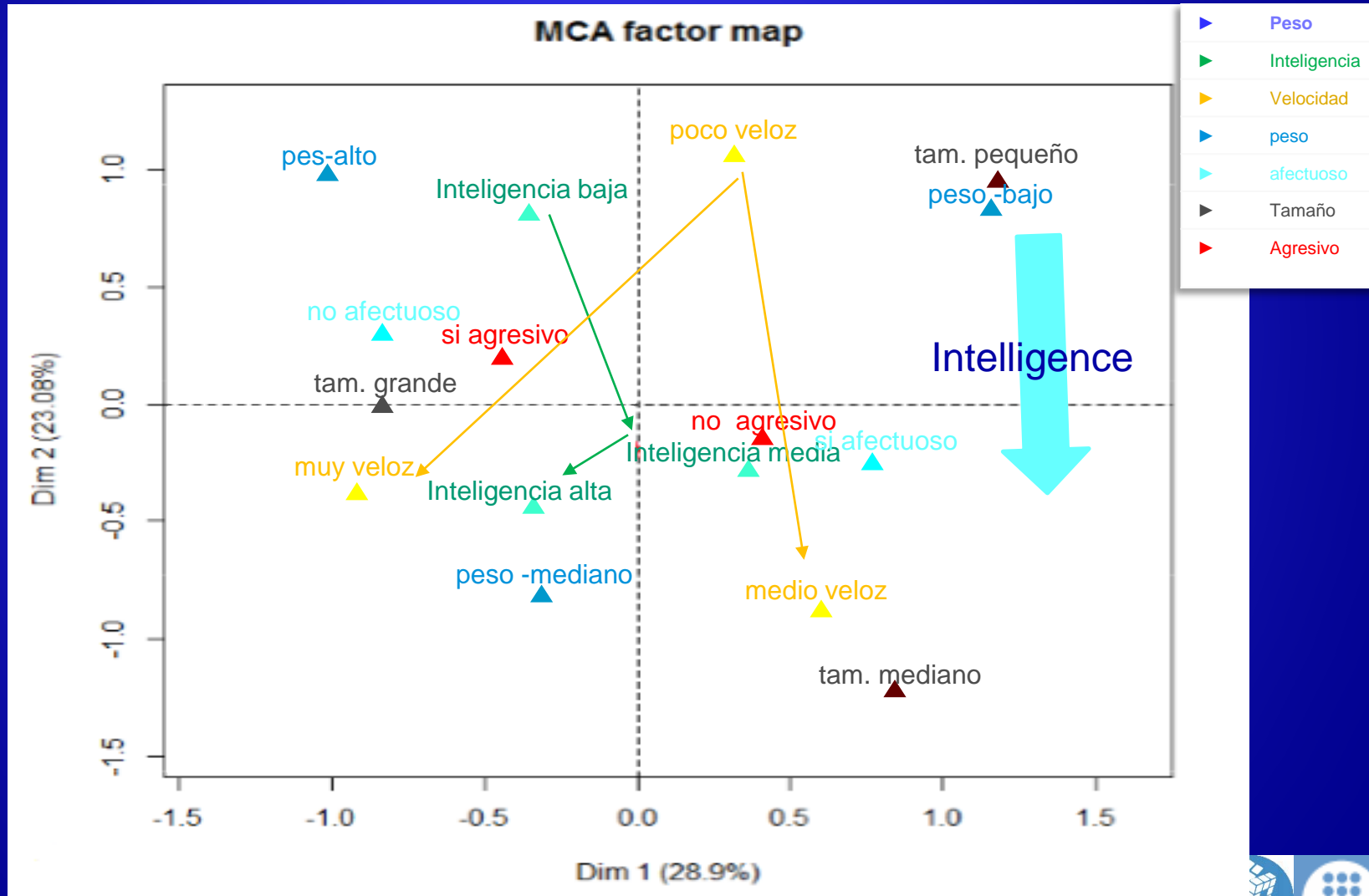
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## Projection of variables



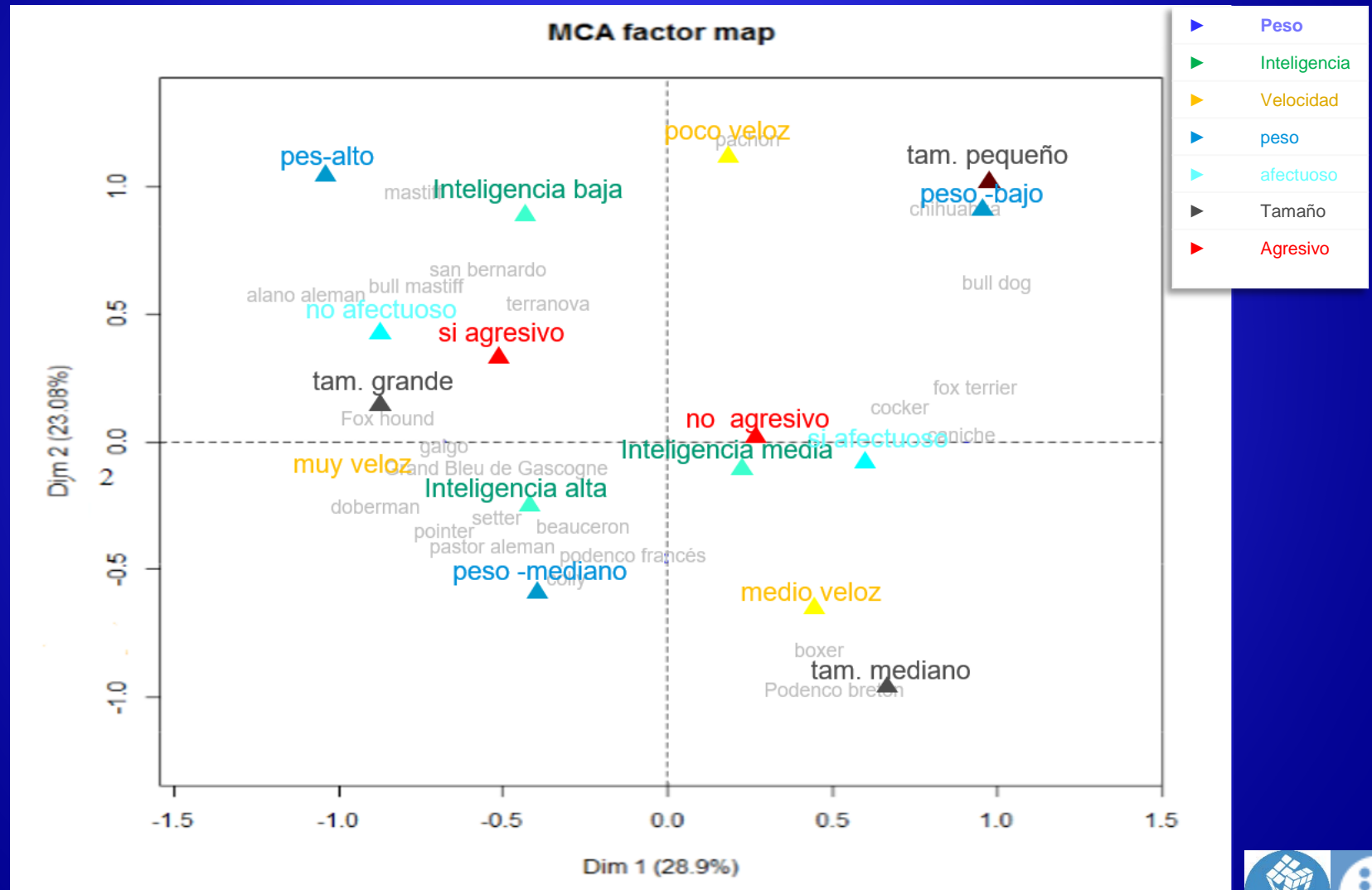
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## Projection of variables



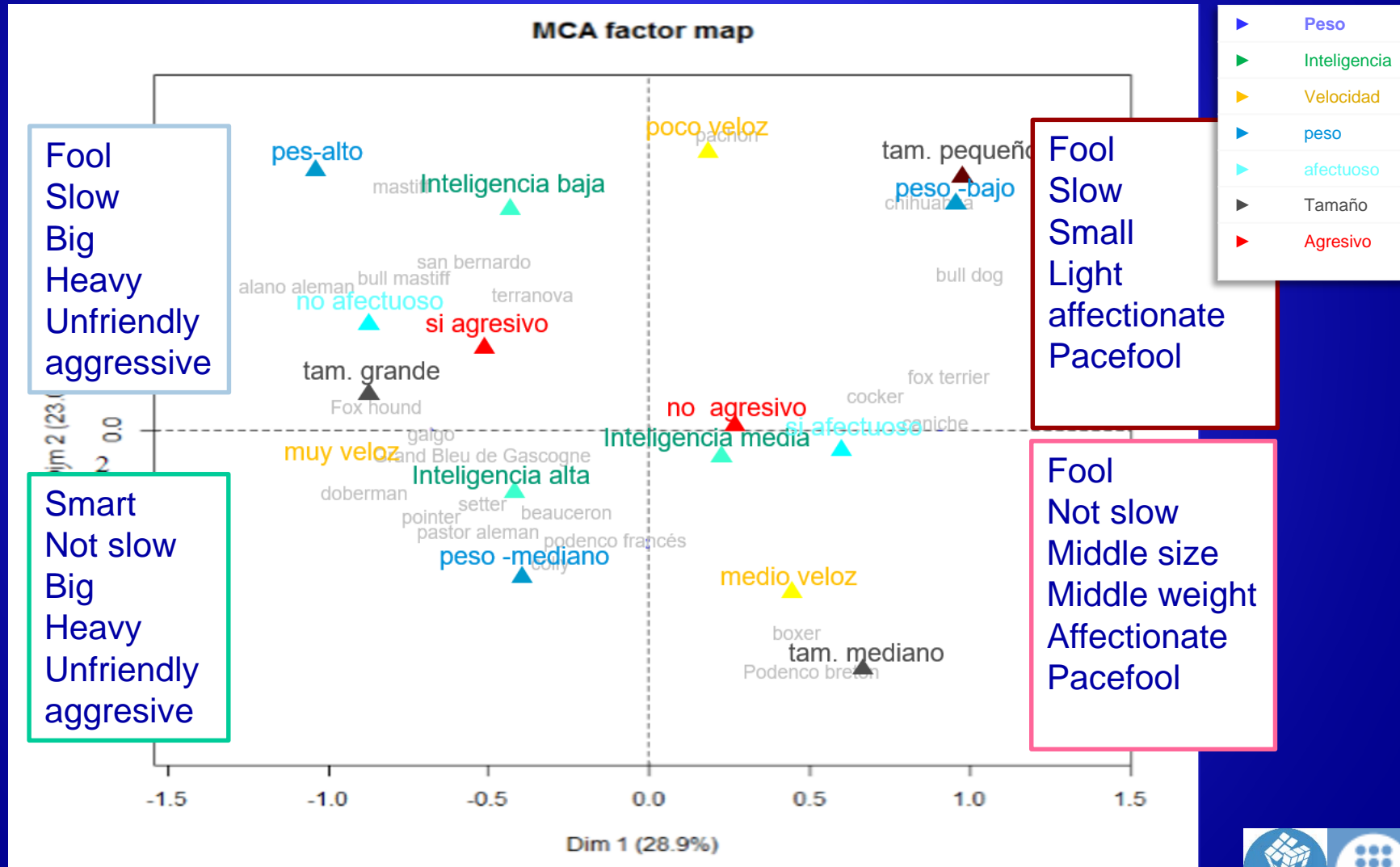
# Factorial Methods

## Projection of individuals



# Factorial Methods

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# MCA

## Analysis of Burt Table

- Given  $\langle X, M, D \rangle$

- $X = B$       $B$ : Burt Table,  $M^{1/2} X' D X M^{1/2}$

$$B = Z'Z = \begin{bmatrix} Z_1'Z_1 & Z_1'Z_2 & Z_1'Z_3 & \dots & Z_1'Z_q \\ Z_2'Z_1 & Z_2'Z_2 & Z_2'Z_3 & \dots & Z_2'Z_q \\ Z_3'Z_1 & Z_3'Z_2 & Z_3'Z_3 & \dots & Z_3'Z_q \\ \dots & & & & \\ \dots & & & & \\ Z_q'Z_1 & Z_q'Z_2 & Z_q'Z_3 & \dots & Z_q'Z_q \end{bmatrix}$$

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# MCA BURT TABLE. EXAMPLE

$n=7, Q=3, J_1=5, J_2=6, J_3=3$

$Z_{(7 \times 14)} =$

Z1					Z2						Z3		
A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	B1	B2	B3	B4	B5	B9	C1	C2	C3
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} Z'_1 Z_1 & Z'_1 Z_2 & Z'_1 Z_3 & \dots & Z'_1 Z_q \\ Z'_2 Z_1 & Z'_2 Z_2 & Z'_2 Z_3 & \dots & Z'_2 Z_q \\ Z'_3 Z_1 & Z'_3 Z_2 & Z'_3 Z_3 & \dots & Z'_3 Z_q \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ Z'_q Z_1 & Z'_q Z_2 & Z'_q Z_3 & \dots & Z'_q Z_q \end{bmatrix}$$

$Z'_1 Z_2 =$

	A1	A2	A3	A4	A5	A6
A2	0	0	1	0	0	0
A2	0	0	0	3	0	0
A3	0	1	0	0	0	1
A4	0	0	0	0	0	0
A5	1	0	0	0	0	0

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## Analysis of BURT Table

### X Burt table (X=B)

#### Properties of B

- B not sparse
- B smaller than Z

$$(\sum_{q=1}^Q J_q)^2 < nxQ$$

- B Symmetric
- B Unbiased

#### Properties of the analysis

- Reduced dimensionality

- Direct and dual analysis identical
- Centroids project on CDG of their individuals

$$G_{\alpha}^{B(j)} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{k_{ij}}{k_j F_{\alpha}(i)}$$

No loss of  
information

Individuals can project as  
supplementary

# MCA

- Vaps:
  - Of the Burt matrix :

Square of the vaps obtained by the AC of indicator table
- The matrices on the diagonal of the Burt matrix have maximal inertia,  $JQ - 1$  each one

# Factorial Methods

- MCA PROPERTIES WITH BURT TABLE
  - Factorial axes build from contingency tables
  - Rows of B are not individuals.
  - Columns of B are not individuals

BUT

- Coordinates of projecting individuals as supplementary objects in map obtained with MCA on Burt table are EQUAL to those projecting individuals on map obtained with MCA on logic table (except for a small corrector factor called systematic bias).
- The logic table has individuals on rows

# MCA

- Projection coordinates:
  - Projection coordinates (if starting from a Burt's table):
    - Over  $\alpha$  projection axis of  $j$  modality are :
      - Those obtained from the indicator's table multiplied by the square root of the corresponding  $v_{ap}$ , equivalently.

# MCA

- Projection coordinates:
  - Each individual:
  - Can be projected as a supplementary point.
  - How:
    - adding at the bottom of the Burt matrix the complete disjunctive vectors of every individual.