# STATS 206 Applied Multivariate Analysis Lecture 6: Principal Components

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# **Agenda**

- Population principal components
- Sample principal components

#### **Introduction**

- A multivariate response may often have few dominant components accountable for system variability.
- Principal component analysis (PCA):
  - Investigating and identifying the modes of variation (based on the variance-covariance structure)
  - Objectives:
    - a. Dimension reduction
    - b. Interpretation and insight
  - Facilitating further analysis, such as multiple regression and cluster analysis, etc.

# Population Principal Components (i)

Given p random variables  $X_1, \ldots, X_p$ 

- Principal components:
  - Referring to particular linear combinations of  $X_1, \ldots, X_p$
  - Representing the selection a new coordinate system obtained by rotating the original system with  $X_1, \ldots, X_p$  as the coordinate axes
  - Consequences: the new axes:
    - 1. Representing directions of maximum variability
    - 2. Providing a simpler and more parsimonious description of the covariance structure

#### Population Principal Components (ii)

Given a random vector  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p]'$  with cov. matrix  $\Sigma$ ; Let  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_p \geq 0$  be eigenvalues of  $\Sigma$ Consider the linear combinations:

$$Y_1 = \mathbf{a}_1' \mathbf{X} = a_{11} X_1 + a_{12} X_2 + \dots + a_{1p} X_p$$
  
 $Y_2 = \mathbf{a}_2' \mathbf{X} = a_{21} X_1 + a_{22} X_2 + \dots + a_{2p} X_p$   
 $\vdots$   $\vdots$   
 $Y_p = \mathbf{a}_p' \mathbf{X} = a_{p1} X_1 + a_{p2} X_2 + \dots + a_{pp} X_p$ 

From previous analysis:

$$\Longrightarrow \operatorname{Var}(Y_i) = \mathbf{a}_i' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

$$\operatorname{Cov}(Y_i, Y_k) = \mathbf{a}_i' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}_k, \quad i, k = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

• Principal components refer to: the uncorrelated linear combinations  $Y_1, \ldots, Y_p$  with variances as large as possible (see  $V_1, \ldots, V_p$ )

#### Population Principal Components (iii)

- Principal components
  - The first principal component =  $\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{X}$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_1$  is solution to the optimization problem:

$$\begin{cases} \max & \mathsf{Var}(\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{X}) \\ \mathsf{subject to} & \mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{a}_1 = 1 \end{cases} \text{ or } \begin{cases} \max & \mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{a}_1 \\ \mathsf{subject to} & \mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{a}_1 = 1 \end{cases}$$

Note:  $\mathbf{a}_1$  restricted to unit length; otherwise the maximum of  $Var(\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{X})$  can go unbounded by scaling.

- The second principal component =  $\mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{X}$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_2$  is solution to the following problem:

$$\begin{cases} \max & \mathsf{Var}(\mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{X}) \\ \mathsf{subject to} & \mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{a}_2 = 1 \\ \mathsf{Cov}(\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{X}) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{or} \quad \begin{cases} \max & \mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{a}_2 \\ \mathsf{subject to} & \mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{a}_2 = 1 \\ \mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{a}_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

#### Population Principal Components (iv)

#### Principal components (Cont'd)

- In general, the *i*-th principal component =  $\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{X}$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_i$  comes from solution to the following:

$$\begin{cases} \max & \mathsf{Var}(\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{X}) \\ \mathsf{subject to} & \mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{a}_i = 1 \\ & \mathsf{Cov}(\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{a}_k'\mathbf{X}) = 0, \quad \mathsf{for } k < i \end{cases}$$

or 
$$\begin{cases} \max & \mathbf{a}_i' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}_i \\ \text{subject to} & \mathbf{a}_i' \mathbf{a}_i = 1 \\ & \mathbf{a}_i' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}_k = 0, \quad \text{for } k < i \end{cases}$$

# Population Principal Components (v)

Principal components (Cont'd)

• Important result:

Let random vector  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p]'$  have cov. matrix  $\Sigma$ ;  $(\lambda_1, \mathbf{e}_1), (\lambda_2, \mathbf{e}_2), \dots, (\lambda_p, \mathbf{e}_p)$ : eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs of  $\Sigma$ ;  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_p \geq 0$ ; then the *i*-th principal component is

$$Y_i = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{X} = e_{i1} X_1 + e_{i2} X_2 + \ldots + e_{ip} X_p, \quad i = 1, 2, \ldots, p$$

With the above: 
$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{Var}(Y_i) = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i, & i = 1, 2, \dots, p \\ \operatorname{Cov}(Y_i, Y_k) = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_k = 0, & \forall i \neq k \end{cases}$$

If some eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  of  $\Sigma$  are equal, then the choices of the associated coefficient vectors  $\mathbf{e}_i$ , and hence  $Y_i$ , are not unique.

#### Population Principal Components (vi)

Proof (outline) for the result on previous page based on 1), 2) below

1) 
$$\max_{\mathbf{a}\neq\mathbf{0}} \frac{\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{\Sigma}\mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{a}'\mathbf{a}} = \lambda_1$$
 (Known result; attained when  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{e}_1$ )

$$= \max_{\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|^2} = \max_{\frac{\mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|} \neq \mathbf{0}} \frac{\mathbf{a}'}{\|\mathbf{a}\|} \mathbf{\Sigma} \frac{\mathbf{a}}{\|\mathbf{a}\|} = \max_{\|\mathbf{a}\| = 1} \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a} = \max_{\frac{\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{a} = 1}{\|\mathbf{a}\| = 1}} \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a} = \max_{\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{a} = 1} \mathbf{a}' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}$$
our def. for the 1st PC

2) 
$$\max_{\substack{\mathbf{a} \neq \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{a} \perp \mathbf{e}_k, \forall k < i}} \frac{\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}}{\mathbf{a}' \mathbf{a}} = \lambda_i, i = 2, \dots, p \text{ (Known result; maximizing } \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{e}_i)$$

$$= \max_{\substack{\mathbf{a'a} = 1 \\ \mathbf{a} \perp \mathbf{e}_k \\ \forall k < i}} \mathbf{a'} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a} \overset{\mathsf{assuming}}{\Longrightarrow} \overset{\lambda_k > 0, \forall k < i}{\Longrightarrow} = \max_{\substack{\mathbf{a'a} = 1 \\ \mathbf{a'} \lambda_k \mathbf{e}_k = 0 \\ \forall k < i}} \mathbf{a'} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a} = \max_{\substack{\mathbf{a'a} = 1 \\ \mathbf{a'} \Sigma \mathbf{e}_k = 0, \forall k < i}} \mathbf{a'} \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{a}$$

(details omitted; see the textbook p. 432)

### Population Principal Components (vii)

Clearly, from the previous result, we have the following:

Let random vector  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p]'$  have covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ ;  $(\lambda_1, \mathbf{e}_1), (\lambda_2, \mathbf{e}_2), \dots, (\lambda_p, \mathbf{e}_p)$ : the eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs of  $\Sigma$ ; Here  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_p \geq 0$ . Let  $Y_i = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{X}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , be the principal components. Then the total population variance is given by:

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Var}(X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^p \sigma_{ii} = \mathsf{trace}(\mathbf{\Sigma}) = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i = \sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Var}(Y_i)$$

The proportion of total population variance due to the k-th PC is:

$$\frac{\lambda_k}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_p} = \frac{\lambda_k}{\sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i} \qquad k = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

### Population Principal Components (viii)

 $ho_{Y_i,X_k}$ : correlation coefficient between random variables  $Y_i$ ,  $X_k$ 

If  $Y_i = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{X}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ , are the principal components obtained from the covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  of  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, \dots, X_p]'$ , then we have:

$$\rho_{Y_i,X_k} = \frac{e_{ik}\sqrt{\lambda_i}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{kk}}} \qquad i,k=1,2,\ldots,p$$
 
$$(\lambda_1,\mathbf{e}_1),(\lambda_2,\mathbf{e}_2),\ldots,(\lambda_p,\mathbf{e}_p)\text{: eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs of } \mathbf{\Sigma}$$

• Proof: Let  $\mathbf{a}_k = [0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0]'$  with 1 at the k-th position. Then  $X_k = \mathbf{a}_k' \mathbf{X}$  and  $Cov(X_k, Y_i) = \mathbf{a}_k' \mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_i$ . Since  $\mathbf{\Sigma} \mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{e}_i$ ,  $Cov(X_k, Y_i) = \mathbf{e}_i$  $\lambda_i \mathbf{a}_k' \mathbf{e}_i = \lambda_i e_{ik}$ . Thus,

$$\rho_{Y_i,X_k} \triangleq \frac{\mathsf{Cov}(X_k,Y_i)}{\sqrt{\mathsf{Var}(Y_i)}\sqrt{\mathsf{Var}(X_k)}} = \frac{e_{ik}\sqrt{\lambda_i}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{kk}}}; \quad i,k=1,\ldots,p \quad \blacksquare$$

# Population Principal Components (ix) Principal Components Obtained from Standardized Variables

• Let  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, \dots, X_p]'$  have mean  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and covariance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ . Consider the standardized variables:

$$Z_i = \frac{(X_i - \mu_i)}{\sqrt{\sigma_{ii}}}, i = 1, \dots, p$$

In matrix notation:

$$\mathbf{Z} = (\mathbf{V}^{1/2})^{-1}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$
 
$$\operatorname{recall} : \mathbf{V}^{1/2} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\sigma_{11}} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{\sigma_{22}} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sqrt{\sigma_{pp}} \end{bmatrix}$$
 
$$\Longrightarrow \operatorname{Cov}(\mathbf{Z}) = (\mathbf{V}^{1/2})^{-1} \mathbf{\Sigma} (\mathbf{V}^{1/2})^{-1} = \boldsymbol{\rho} \text{ (correlation matrix)}$$

#### Population Principal Components (x) Principal Components Obtained from Standardized Variables

• Based on previous analysis, we have the following result:

Let standardized variables  $\mathbf{Z} = [Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_p]'$  have cov. matrix  $\overline{\boldsymbol{\rho}}$ .  $(\lambda_1, \mathbf{e}_1), (\lambda_2, \mathbf{e}_2), \dots, (\lambda_p, \mathbf{e}_p)$  are eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs of  $\boldsymbol{\rho}$  and  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_1 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_p \geq 0$ . The *i*-th principal component of  $\mathbf{Z}$  is

$$Y_i = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{e}_i' (\mathbf{V}^{1/2})^{-1} (\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

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$$\sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Var}(Y_i) = \sum_{i=1}^p \mathsf{Var}(Z_i) = p; \; \rho_{Y_i, Z_k} = e_{ik} \sqrt{\lambda_i}, i, k = 1, \dots, p$$

- Note:
  - 1. Principal components from  $\Sigma$  and from  $\rho$  are different (no simple relation)
  - 2. Principal component analysis depends on scales of X. Standardization is needed when we want to remove the effect of scaling.

### Example 1 — Part (1)

#### Calculating the Population Principal Components

• Let random vector  $\mathbf{X} = [X_1, X_2, X_3]'$  have the covariance matrix

$$\mathbf{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs can be shown to be:

$$\begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 5.8284 \\ \mathbf{e}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3827 \\ -0.9239 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases} \begin{cases} \lambda_2 = 2 \\ \mathbf{e}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases} \begin{cases} \lambda_3 = 0.1716 \\ \mathbf{e}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9239 \\ 0.3827 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases}$$

Thus, the principal components are given by

$$Y_1 = \mathbf{e}_1' \mathbf{X} = 0.3827 X_1 - 0.9239 X_2, \quad Y_2 = \mathbf{e}_2' \mathbf{X} = X_3$$
  
 $Y_3 = \mathbf{e}_3' \mathbf{X} = 0.9239 X_1 + 0.3827 X_2$ 

# Example 1 — Part (2)

#### Calculating the Population Principal Components

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$$\mathbf{\Sigma} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Results presented earlier can be demonstrated, e.g.,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathsf{Var}(Y_1) =& \mathsf{Var}(0.3827X_1 - 0.9239X_2) \\ =& (0.3827)^2 \mathsf{Var}(X_1) + (-0.9239)^2 \mathsf{Var}(X_2) \\ & + 2(0.3827)(-0.9239) \mathsf{Cov}(X_1, X_2) \\ =& 5.8284 = \lambda_1 \\ \mathsf{Cov}(Y_1, Y_2) =& \mathsf{Cov}(0.3827X_1 - 0.9239X_2, X_3) \\ =& 0.3827 \mathsf{Cov}(X_1, X_3) - 0.9239 \mathsf{Cov}(X_2, X_3) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

### Example 1 — Part (3)

#### **Calculating the Population Principal Components**

(Cont'd)

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 5.8284 \\ e_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3827 \\ -0.9239 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases} \begin{cases} \lambda_2 = 2 \\ e_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{cases} \begin{cases} \lambda_3 = 0.1716 \\ e_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.9239 \\ 0.3827 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Results presented earlier can be demonstrated, e.g.,

$$\sigma_{11} + \sigma_{22} + \sigma_{33} = 1 + 5 + 2 = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \lambda_3 = 5.8284 + 2 + 0.1716$$

Proportion of total variance from the 1st PC  $=\frac{\lambda_1}{\sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda_i} = \frac{5.8284}{8} = 0.7286$ 

Proportion of total variance from the first two PCs =  $\frac{5.8284+2}{8}$  = 0.9786 Correlation coefficients, e.g.:

$$\rho_{Y_1, X_2} = \frac{e_{12}\sqrt{\lambda_1}}{\sqrt{\sigma_{22}}} = \frac{(-0.9239)\sqrt{5.8284}}{\sqrt{5}} = -0.9975$$

# Example 2 — Part (1)

#### Principal Components from $\Sigma$ and $\rho$ are Different

• Given the covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  of X, we derive the correlation matrix  $\rho$  (or the covariance matrix of the standardized variables Z)

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 4 & 100 \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

ullet The eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs for  $\Sigma$ :

$$\lambda_1 = 100.16, \quad \mathbf{e}_1 = [0.040 \quad 0.999]'$$
 $\lambda_2 = 0.84, \quad \mathbf{e}_2 = [0.999 \quad -0.040]'$ 

PCs from  $\Sigma$ :  $Y_1 = 0.040X_1 + 0.999X_2$ ;  $Y_2 = 0.999X_1 - 0.040X_2$ The first PC here explains a portion

$$\frac{\lambda_1}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2} = \frac{100.16}{101} = 0.992$$

of the total population variance.

# Example 2 — Part (2)

#### Principal Components from $\Sigma$ and $\rho$ are Different

ullet The eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs for  $Cov({f Z})$  of standardized  ${f Z}$ :

$$Cov(\mathbf{Z}) = \boldsymbol{\rho} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0.4 \\ 0.4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Longrightarrow \begin{cases} \lambda_1 = 1.4, & \mathbf{e}_1 = [0.707 & 0.707]' \\ \lambda_2 = 0.6, & \mathbf{e}_2 = [0.707 & -0.707]' \end{cases}$$

PCs from  $\rho$ :

$$Y_{1} = 0.707Z_{1} + 0.707Z_{2} = 0.707 \left(\frac{X_{1} - \mu_{1}}{\sqrt{1}}\right) + 0.707 \left(\frac{X_{2} - \mu_{2}}{\sqrt{100}}\right)$$

$$= 0.707(X_{1} - \mu_{1}) + 0.0707(X_{2} - \mu_{2})$$

$$Y_{2} = 0.707Z_{1} - 0.707Z_{2} = 0.707 \left(\frac{X_{1} - \mu_{1}}{\sqrt{1}}\right) - 0.707 \left(\frac{X_{2} - \mu_{2}}{\sqrt{100}}\right)$$

$$= 0.707(X_{1} - \mu_{1}) - 0.0707(X_{2} - \mu_{2})$$

In contrast, here the first PC explains a portion  $\frac{\lambda_1}{p} = \frac{1.4}{2} = 0.7$  of the total (standardized) population variance.

#### Example 3 — The Multivariate Normal Case

• Recall:

 $\mathbf{X} \sim N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \Longrightarrow$  Constant density of  $\mathbf{X}$  on the  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ -centered ellipsoids

$$(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = c^2$$

- Axes  $\pm\sqrt{\lambda_i}\mathbf{e}_i$ ;  $(\lambda_i,\mathbf{e}_i)$ 's: eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs of  $\Sigma$
- ullet For convenience, let  $\mu=0$ . Then we have

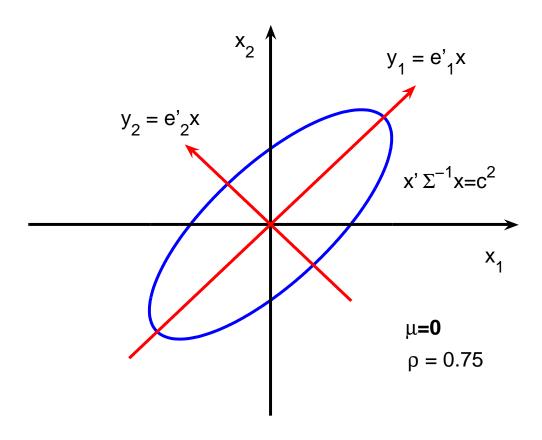
$$c^{2} = \mathbf{x}' \mathbf{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{x} = \frac{1}{\lambda_{1}} (\underbrace{\mathbf{e}'_{1} \mathbf{x}}_{y_{1}})^{2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{2}} (\underbrace{\mathbf{e}'_{2} \mathbf{x}}_{y_{2}})^{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{\lambda_{p}} (\underbrace{\mathbf{e}'_{p} \mathbf{x}}_{y_{p}})^{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{\lambda_{1}} y_{1}^{2} + \frac{1}{\lambda_{2}} y_{2}^{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{\lambda_{p}} y_{p}^{2}$$

where  $y_i = \mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{x}, i = 1, \dots, p$ , are principal components of  $\mathbf{x}$ 

→Here the PCs lie in the directions of the axes of a constant density ellipsoid!

#### **Example 3** — The Multivariate Normal Case

**An Illustration** (p=2)



# Sample Principal Components (i)

- Let the data  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  be n independent drawings from a p-dimensional population with mean  $\mu$  and covariance matrix  $\Sigma$ .
  - $\Longrightarrow$  Sample mean  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ , sample cov. matrix  $\mathbf{S}$  and sample corr. matrix  $\mathbf{R}$
- Objective: to construct uncorrelated linear combinations of the measured characteristics that account for much of the variation in the sample
- Sample principal components: uncorrelated linear combinations with the largest variances

<u>Note</u>: Analyzing the sample PCs is similar to analyzing the population PCs, with  $\Sigma$  and  $\rho$  replaced by S and R.

# Sample Principal Components (ii)

- Sample principal components:
  - The 1st sample principal component =  $\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{x}_j$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_1$  maximizes the sample variance of  $\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{x}_j$  subject to  $\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{a}_1 = 1$
  - The 2nd sample principal component =  $\mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{x}_j$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_2$  maximizes the sample variance of  $\mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{x}_j$  subject to  $\mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{a}_2 = 1$  and zero sample covariance for the pair  $(\mathbf{a}_1'\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{a}_2'\mathbf{x}_i)$
  - In general, the *i*-th sample principal component =  $\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{x}_j$ , where  $\mathbf{a}_i$  maximizes the sample variance of  $\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{x}_j$  subject to  $\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{a}_i = 1$  and zero sample covariances for all pairs  $(\mathbf{a}_i'\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{a}_k'\mathbf{x}_j), k < i$

# Sample Principal Components (iii)

#### Important result:

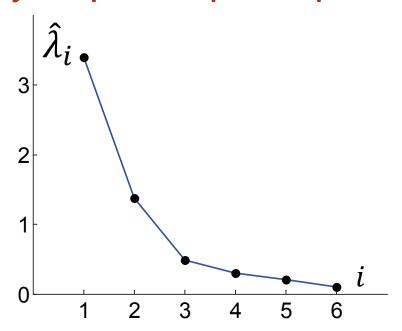
If  $\mathbf{S}_{p \times p}$  is the sample cov. matrix with eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs  $(\widehat{\lambda}_1, \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_1), (\widehat{\lambda}_2, \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_2), \dots, (\widehat{\lambda}_p, \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_p)$ , then the i-th sample PC is given by:  $\widehat{y}_i = \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i' \mathbf{x} = \widehat{e}_{i1} x_1 + \widehat{e}_{i2} x_2 + \dots + \widehat{e}_{ip} x_p, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$ 

$$\widehat{y}_i = \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i' \mathbf{x} = \widehat{e}_{i1} x_1 + \widehat{e}_{i2} x_2 + \ldots + \widehat{e}_{ip} x_p, \quad i = 1, 2, \ldots, p$$

where  $\widehat{\lambda}_1 \geq \ldots \geq \widehat{\lambda}_p \geq 0$  and  $\mathbf{x}$  is any observation on  $X_1, \ldots, X_p$ .

$$\begin{cases} \text{Sample variance } (\widehat{y}_i) = \widehat{\lambda}_i, & i = 1, \dots, p \\ \text{Sample covariance } (\widehat{y}_i, \widehat{y}_k) = 0, & \forall i \neq k \end{cases} \\ \text{Total sample variance } = \sum_{i=1}^p s_{ii} = \sum_{i=1}^p \widehat{\lambda}_i \\ \text{Correlation coefficient: } r_{\widehat{y}_i, x_k} = \frac{\widehat{e}_{ik} \sqrt{\widehat{\lambda}_i}}{\sqrt{s_{kk}}} & i, k = 1, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

# Sample Principal Components (iv) How Many Sample Principal Components to Use?



- A visual aid the scree plot: plotting  $\widehat{\lambda}_i$  vs. i, for all i Finding the "elbow": here around i=3 (eigenvalues after  $\widehat{\lambda}_2$  are small)
- In this case, without any other evidence, 2 (or 3) sample PCs will be effective in summarizing the total sample variance.

# Example 4 — Part (1) Summarizing Sample Variability with One Sample PC

ullet Data: natural logarithm of p=3 dimensions of n=24 male turtles

| Male Turtle Data |        |        |        |    |        |        |        |  |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|----|--------|--------|--------|--|
| No               | Length | Width  | Height | No | Length | Width  | Height |  |
|                  | (ln)   | (ln)   | (ln)   |    | (ln)   | (ln)   | (ln)   |  |
| 1                | 4.5326 | 4.3041 | 3.6109 | 13 | 4.7536 | 4.4998 | 3.7612 |  |
| 2                | 4.5433 | 4.3567 | 3.5553 | 14 | 4.7622 | 4.4998 | 3.7136 |  |
| 3                | 4.5643 | 4.3820 | 3.5553 | 15 | 4.7622 | 4.5109 | 3.7136 |  |
| 4                | 4.6151 | 4.4308 | 3.6636 | 16 | 4.7791 | 4.5326 | 3.7136 |  |
| 5                | 4.6250 | 4.4427 | 3.6376 | 17 | 4.7875 | 4.4886 | 3.6889 |  |
| 6                | 4.6347 | 4.3944 | 3.6109 | 18 | 4.7875 | 4.5326 | 3.7842 |  |
| 7                | 4.6444 | 4.4188 | 3.6636 | 19 | 4.7958 | 4.5539 | 3.7377 |  |
| 8                | 4.6634 | 4.4188 | 3.6636 | 20 | 4.8283 | 4.5326 | 3.8067 |  |
| 9                | 4.6728 | 4.4067 | 3.6376 | 21 | 4.8442 | 4.5643 | 3.8067 |  |
| 10               | 4.7185 | 4.4886 | 3.6889 | 22 | 4.8520 | 4.5539 | 3.8067 |  |
| 11               | 4.7274 | 4.4773 | 3.6889 | 23 | 4.8752 | 4.5539 | 3.8286 |  |
| 12               | 4.7362 | 4.4543 | 3.6889 | 24 | 4.9053 | 4.6634 | 3.8501 |  |

# Example 4 — Part (2)

#### Summarizing Sample Variability with One Sample PC

• Sample mean and cov. matrix from the data:

$$\overline{\mathbf{x}} = \begin{bmatrix} 4.725 \\ 4.778 \\ 3.703 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{S} = 10^{-3} \begin{bmatrix} 11.072 & 8.019 & 8.160 \\ 8.019 & 6.417 & 6.005 \\ 8.160 & 6.005 & 6.773 \end{bmatrix}$$

ullet Sample principal component analysis: (Based on eigenvalue decomposition of S)

| Variable                       | $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_1$ | $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_2$ | $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_3$ |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| $\ln(length)$                  | 0.683                    | -0.159                   | -0.713                   |
| $\ln(width)$                   | 0.510                    | -0.594                   | 0.622                    |
| $\ln(height)$                  | 0.523                    | 0.788                    | 0.324                    |
| Variance $\widehat{\lambda}_i$ | $23.30 \times 10^{-3}$   | $0.60 \times 10^{-3}$    | $0.36 \times 10^{-3}$    |
| % of total var.                | 96.05                    | 2.47                     | 1.48                     |

e.g., from the table, 
$$\widehat{\lambda}_1 = 23.30 \times 10^{-3}$$
,  $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_1 = [0.683 \ 0.510 \ 0.523]'$ 

# Example 4 — Part (3) Summarizing Sample Variability with One Sample PC

(Cont'd)

| Variable                       | $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_1$ | $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_2$ | $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_3$ |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| $\ln(length)$                  | 0.683                    | -0.159                   | -0.713                   |
| $\ln(width)$                   | 0.510                    | -0.594                   | 0.622                    |
| $\ln(height)$                  | 0.523                    | 0.788                    | 0.324                    |
| Variance $\widehat{\lambda}_i$ | $23.30 \times 10^{-3}$   | $0.60 \times 10^{-3}$    | $0.36 \times 10^{-3}$    |
| % of total var.                | 96.05                    | 2.47                     | 1.48                     |

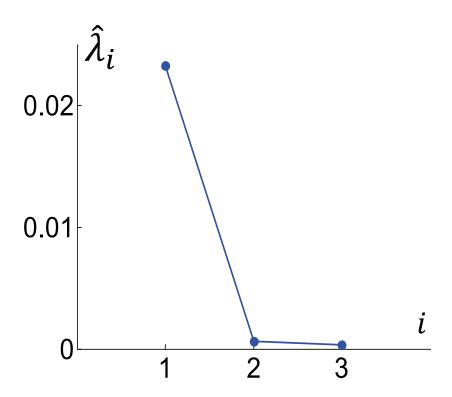
The first principal component is given by:

$$\hat{y}_1 = 0.683 \ln(\text{length}) + 0.510 \ln(\text{width}) + 0.523 \ln(\text{height})$$

which accounts for 96.05% of the total sample variance.

# Example 4 — Part (4) Summarizing Sample Variability with One Sample PC

• The scree plot for the male turtle data: suggesting one dominant PC is effective in summarizing the total variance



#### Sample Principal Components (v)

#### **Standardizing the Sample PCs**

Standardization: Construct the following

$$\mathbf{Z}_{j} = (\mathbf{D}^{1/2})^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_{j} - \overline{\mathbf{x}})$$

$$\mathbf{D}^{1/2} = \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{s_{11}} & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sqrt{s_{22}} & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sqrt{s_{pp}} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}'_{1} \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{2} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{Z}'_{n} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} & \dots & z_{1p} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} & \dots & z_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ z_{n1} & z_{n2} & \dots & z_{np} \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Sample Principal Components (vi)

#### **Standardizing the Sample PCs**

• It can be shown that the sample mean and covariance matrix are:

$$\overline{\mathbf{z}} = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_z = \frac{1}{n-1} (\mathbf{Z} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}' \mathbf{Z})' (\mathbf{Z} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1} \mathbf{1}' \mathbf{Z})$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-1} (\mathbf{Z} - \mathbf{1} \overline{\mathbf{z}}')' (\mathbf{Z} - \mathbf{1} \overline{\mathbf{z}}') = \frac{1}{n-1} \mathbf{Z}' \mathbf{Z}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix}
1 & \frac{s_{12}}{\sqrt{s_{11}} \sqrt{s_{22}}} & \cdots & \frac{s_{1p}}{\sqrt{s_{11}} \sqrt{s_{pp}}} \\
\frac{s_{12}}{\sqrt{s_{11}} \sqrt{s_{22}}} & 1 & \cdots & \frac{s_{2p}}{\sqrt{s_{22}} \sqrt{s_{pp}}}
\end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{R}$$

$$\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\frac{s_{1p}}{\sqrt{s_{11}} \sqrt{s_{pp}}} & \frac{s_{2p}}{\sqrt{s_{22}} \sqrt{s_{pp}}} & \cdots & 1$$

#### Sample Principal Components (vii)

#### **Standardizing the Sample PCs**

• Similarly, we have the following result:

If  $\mathbf{z}_1, \mathbf{z}_2, \dots, \mathbf{z}_n$  are standardized observations with covariance matrix  $\mathbf{R}$ , then the *i*-th sample principal component is given by:

$$\widehat{y}_i = \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i' \mathbf{z} = \widehat{e}_{i1} z_1 + \widehat{e}_{i2} z_2 + \ldots + \widehat{e}_{ip} z_p, \quad i = 1, 2, \ldots, p$$

 $(\widehat{\lambda}_i, \widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i)$ : *i*-th eigenvalue-eigenvector pair of  $\mathbf{R}$ ,  $\widehat{\lambda}_1 \geq \ldots \geq \widehat{\lambda}_p \geq 0$ 

$$\begin{cases} \text{Sample variance } (\widehat{y}_i) = \widehat{\lambda}_i, & i = 1, \dots, p \\ \text{Sample covariance } (\widehat{y}_i, \widehat{y}_k) = 0, & \forall i \neq k \\ \text{Total (standardized) sample variance } = \operatorname{trace}(\mathbf{R}) = p = \sum_{i=1}^p \widehat{\lambda}_i \\ \text{Correlation coefficient: } r_{\widehat{y}_i, z_k} = \widehat{e}_{ik} \sqrt{\widehat{\lambda}_i}, & i, k = 1, \dots, p \end{cases}$$

# Sample Principal Components (viii)

#### Large Sample Inferences – (1)

Large sample properties of  $\widehat{\lambda}_i$  and  $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ 

- Assumptions here:
  - Observations  $X_1, \ldots, X_n$ : a normal random sample
  - Eigenvalues of the unknown covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  of the normal distribution are positive and distinct:  $\lambda_1 > \lambda_2 > \ldots > \lambda_p > 0$
- Results ([Anderson 63][Girshick 39]): Define  $\widehat{\lambda} = [\widehat{\lambda}_1, \dots, \widehat{\lambda}_p]'$ 
  - 1. Let  $\Lambda$  be the diagonal matrix with entries  $\lambda_1, \ldots, \lambda_p$  from  $\Sigma$ . Then  $\sqrt{n}(\widehat{\lambda} \lambda)$  is approximately  $N_p(\mathbf{0}, 2\Lambda)$ .
  - 2. Let

$$\mathbf{E}_i \triangleq \lambda_i \sum_{k=1, k \neq i}^p \frac{\lambda_k}{(\lambda_k - \lambda_i)^2} \mathbf{e}_k \mathbf{e}_k' \implies \sqrt{n} (\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i - \mathbf{e}_i) \stackrel{\mathsf{approx.}}{\sim} N_p(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{E}_i)$$

3. Each  $\widehat{\lambda}_i$  is distributed independently of the elements of the associated  $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ .

### Sample Principal Components (ix)

#### Large Sample Inferences – (2)

- Result 1 implies that
  - $\begin{array}{l} -\ \widehat{\lambda}_i \text{'s: independent; each } \widehat{\lambda}_i \text{: approximately } \sim N(\lambda_i, 2\lambda_i^2/n) \\ \Longrightarrow P[|\widehat{\lambda}_i \lambda_i| \leq z(\alpha/2)\lambda_i\sqrt{2/n}] = 1 \alpha \\ \text{A large sample } 100(1-\alpha)\% \text{ confidence interval for } \lambda_i \text{ is:} \end{array}$

$$\frac{\widehat{\lambda}_i}{1 + z(\alpha/2)\sqrt{2/n}} \le \lambda_i \le \frac{\widehat{\lambda}_i}{1 - z(\alpha/2)\sqrt{2/n}}$$

where  $z(\alpha/2)$  is the upper  $100(\alpha/2)$ th percentile of N(0,1)Bonferroni-type intervals for m  $\lambda_i$ 's: replacing  $z(\alpha/2)$  by  $z(\alpha/2m)$ 

- Result 2  $\Longrightarrow$   $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ : normally distributed around  $\mathbf{e}_i$  for large samples,  $\forall i$ 
  - Elements of  $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i$ : correlated; This correlation depends on n and differences among (unknown)  $\lambda_i$ 's
  - Approximate standard errors for  $\widehat{e}_{ik}$ 's are given by the square roots of the diagonal elements of  $\frac{1}{n}\widehat{\mathbf{E}}_i$ , where  $\widehat{\mathbf{E}}_i$  is derived from  $\mathbf{E}_i$  by  $\widehat{\lambda}_i \leftarrow \lambda_i$  and  $\widehat{\mathbf{e}}_i \leftarrow \mathbf{e}_i$ , for all i

# Sample Principal Components (x)

#### **Testing for the Equal Correlation Structure**

Testing 
$$H_0: \boldsymbol{\rho} = \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\rho}_0}_{p \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho & \dots & \rho \\ \rho & 1 & \dots & \rho \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \rho & \rho & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
 versus  $H_1: \boldsymbol{\rho} \neq \boldsymbol{\rho}_0$ 

- Motivation of the test: if  $H_0$  holds, then eigenvalues of  $\Sigma$  are not distinct, and thus previous results do not apply!
- <u>Lawley's procedure</u> for the test:
   Let

$$\overline{r}_k = \frac{1}{p-1} \sum_{i=1, i \neq k}^p r_{ik}, k = 1, 2, \dots, p; \quad \overline{r} = \frac{2}{p(p-1)} \sum_k \sum_{i < k} r_{ik}$$

 $\overline{r}_k$ : average off-diagonal elements in the k-th column (or row) of  $\mathbf{R}$   $\overline{r}$ : overall average of off-diagonal elements of  $\mathbf{R}$ 

# Sample Principal Components (xi) Testing for the Equal Correlation Structure

Lawley's procedure (Cont'd)

Further let

$$\widehat{\gamma} = \frac{(p-1)^2 [1 - (1 - \overline{r})^2]}{p - (p-2)(1 - \overline{r})^2}$$

Then the large sample approximate  $\alpha$ -level test is to reject  $H_0$  in favor of  $H_1$  if

$$T = \frac{n-1}{(1-\overline{r})^2} \left[ \sum_{k} \sum_{i < k} (r_{ik} - \overline{r})^2 - \widehat{\gamma} \sum_{k=1}^p (\overline{r}_k - \overline{r})^2 \right] > \chi^2_{(p+1)(p-2)/2}(\alpha)$$