

## Estimating Factor Scores (continued)

Factor scores  $f_i$  are not directly *observable*, but *can* be estimated.

### Slightly modified notation:

The vector of factor scores for case  $i$  is

$$\mathbf{f}_i = [f_{i1}, f_{i2}, \dots, f_{im}]', \quad i = 1, \dots, N.$$

The (unobservable)  $N$  by  $m$  matrix of factor scores for all  $N$  cases is

$$\mathbf{F} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_1' \\ \dots \\ \mathbf{f}_N' \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{f}_i' \text{ is row } i \text{ of } \mathbf{F}, \quad i=1, \dots, N.$$

The factor analysis model for case  $i$  is

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}_i + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i, \quad \mathbf{L} = [\mathbf{l}_1, \dots, \mathbf{l}_m], \quad i = 1, \dots, N$$

$$V[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i] = \boldsymbol{\Psi} = \text{diag}[\psi_1, \psi_2, \dots, \psi_p]$$

The full data matrix is

$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N]' = \underset{N \times p}{\mathbf{1}_N} \underset{N \times p}{\boldsymbol{\mu}'} + \underset{N \times m}{\mathbf{F}} \underset{m \times p}{\mathbf{L}'} + \underset{N \times p}{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$$

Estimates of  $\mathbf{f}_i$  and  $\mathbf{F}$  are notated  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}_i$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{F}}$ .

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For **Principal Components (PC) "factor analysis"**, factors *are* observable when parameters are known since

$$\mathbf{f} = [z_1/\sqrt{\lambda_1}, z_2/\sqrt{\lambda_2}, \dots, z_m/\sqrt{\lambda_m}]',$$

where  $z_j = \mathbf{v}_j'(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , are principal components.

Here  $\lambda_j$  and  $\mathbf{v}_j$  are eigenvalue and eigenvector of  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$  or  $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ . For correlation PC's, replace  $\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}$  by  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}$ , with  $\tilde{x}_k = (x_k - \mu_k)/\sqrt{\sigma_{kk}}$ .

You estimate  $\mathbf{f}_i$  by

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_i = [\hat{z}_{i1}/\sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_1}, \hat{z}_{i2}/\sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_2}, \dots, \hat{z}_{im}/\sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_m}]',$$

where  $\hat{z}_{ij} = \hat{\mathbf{v}}_j'(\mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$  or  $\hat{z}_{ij} = \hat{\mathbf{v}}_j'\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ ,  $\tilde{x}_{ki} = (x_{ki} - \bar{x}_k)/\sqrt{s_{kk}}$ .

The estimated matrix of factor scores is

$$\hat{\mathbf{F}} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}} [\hat{\lambda}_1^{-1/2}\hat{\mathbf{v}}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2^{-1/2}\hat{\mathbf{v}}_2, \dots, \hat{\lambda}_m^{-1/2}\hat{\mathbf{v}}_m]$$

where  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{1}_N\bar{\mathbf{x}}'$ .

These are unrotated scores.

For PC-based factor analysis, the estimated loading matrix is

$$\hat{\mathbf{L}} = [\sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_1}\hat{\mathbf{v}}_1, \sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_2}\hat{\mathbf{v}}_2, \dots, \sqrt{\hat{\lambda}_m}\hat{\mathbf{v}}_m]$$

Then  $\hat{\mathbf{F}} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_m^{-1}$  where  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}_m = \text{diag}[\hat{\lambda}_1, \hat{\lambda}_2, \dots, \hat{\lambda}_m] = \hat{\mathbf{L}}'\hat{\mathbf{L}}$  because the eigenvectors  $\hat{\mathbf{v}}_1, \dots, \hat{\mathbf{v}}_m$  are orthonormal. Thus  $\hat{\mathbf{F}} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}(\hat{\mathbf{L}}'\hat{\mathbf{L}})^{-1}$ .

When  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{H}$ , where  $\mathbf{H}'\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{I}_m$ , are orthogonally rotated loadings, then  $\hat{\mathbf{L}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}}\mathbf{H}'$ .

The rotated estimated factors matrix is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{\text{rot}} &= \hat{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{H} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}(\hat{\mathbf{L}}'\hat{\mathbf{L}})^{-1}\mathbf{H} \\ &= \tilde{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}}\mathbf{H}'(\mathbf{H}\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}}'\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}}\mathbf{H}')^{-1}\mathbf{H} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}}(\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}}'\hat{\mathbf{L}}_{\text{rot}})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

In general, estimated factors from PC-based factor analysis are  $\tilde{\mathbf{X}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{pc}}$ , where  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{pc}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}}(\hat{\mathbf{L}}'\hat{\mathbf{L}})^{-1}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}$  = estimated loading matrix

Continuing with the artificial data set:

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Cmd> eigs <- eigen(r); eigs$values
(1)      2.9773      0.81302      0.65535      0.29061      0.26371

Cmd> Lhat_pc <- eigs$vectors[,run(m)] * \
      sqrt(eigs$values[run(m)]')

Cmd> Lhat_pc # unrotated loading matrix
      (1)      (2)
Y1      0.65674      0.23525
Y2      0.55496      0.76752
Y3     -0.88329      0.16769
Y4     -0.86356      0.17873
Y5      0.84385     -0.32942

Cmd> Lhat_pc' %% Lhat_pc # diagonal matrix of m eigenvalues
      (1)      (2)
(1)      2.9773 -8.1715e-17
(2) -8.1715e-17      0.81302

Cmd> scores_pc <- \
      standardize(y) %% Lhat_pc %% solve(Lhat_pc' %% Lhat_pc)

Cmd> head(scores_pc,3) # unrotated estimated factor scores
      (1)      (2)
(1)     -0.71819     -0.67613
(2)     -0.83434     -0.92947
(3)     -0.82209      1.2269

Cmd> Lhat_pc_rot <- \
      rotation(Lhat_pc,method:"quartimax",kaiser:T)

Cmd> Lhat_pc_rot # rotated factor loadings
      (1)      (2)
Y1      0.56238      0.41277
Y2      0.31304      0.89391
Y3     -0.89444     -0.091162
Y4     -0.87867     -0.074957
Y5      0.90275     -0.075098

Cmd> scores_pcrot <- standardize(y) %% Lhat_pc_rot %% \
      solve(Lhat_pc_rot' %% Lhat_pc_rot)

Cmd> head(scores_pcrot,3) # rotated estimated factor scores
      (1)      (2)
(1)     -0.49556     -0.85286
(2)     -0.53463     -1.1288
(3)     -1.1378      0.94151
    
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## Regression Method for estimating $\mathbf{f}$

This estimates  $\mathbf{f}$  as the conditional expectation  $E[\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{x}]$  of  $\mathbf{f}$  given  $\mathbf{x}$ .

Because

$$\mathbf{x} = [x_1, \dots, x_p]' = \boldsymbol{\mu} + \mathbf{L}\mathbf{f} + [\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_p]',$$

when  $V[\mathbf{f}] = \mathbf{I}_m$  (orthogonal factors),

- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi}$
- the joint variance matrix of  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{f}$  is

$$V\left[\begin{matrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{f} \end{matrix}\right] = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi} & \mathbf{L} \\ \mathbf{L}' & \mathbf{I}_m \end{bmatrix}, \begin{matrix} p \\ m \end{matrix}$$

(p+m) × (p+m)                      p                      m

When  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $\mathbf{f}$  are jointly multivariate normal, the conditional expectation is

$$E[\mathbf{f} | \mathbf{x}] = \boldsymbol{\beta}_{\text{reg}}'(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}), \text{ with}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{\text{reg}} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \text{Cov}[\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{f}] = (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi})^{-1} \mathbf{L}$$

p × m

Then  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} \equiv \boldsymbol{\beta}_{\text{reg}}'(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \mathbf{L}'(\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi})^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$  satisfies  $E[\hat{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{f} | \mathbf{x}] = \mathbf{0}$  and  $V[\hat{\mathbf{f}} - \mathbf{f} | \mathbf{x}]$  is as small a possible.

$\beta_{reg}$  is the matrix of coefficients for the multivariate linear regression of  $\mathbf{f}$  on  $\mathbf{x}$ .

The error in estimating  $\mathbf{f}$ ,

$$\mathbf{f} - \hat{\mathbf{f}}_{reg} \equiv \mathbf{f} - \beta_{reg}'(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \neq \mathbf{0}.$$

will *not* be  $\mathbf{0}$  even when  $\beta$  and  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  are known *exactly*. This is what is meant by  $\mathbf{f}$  being "unobservable".

A "plug in" estimate for  $\beta_{reg}$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_{reg} = \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} \hat{L} = (\hat{L}\hat{L}' + \hat{\Psi})^{-1} \hat{L}.$$

The matrix of estimated factor scores is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{reg} &= \tilde{\mathbf{X}} \hat{\beta}_{reg} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}} \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}}, \\ &= \tilde{\mathbf{X}} (\hat{L}\hat{L}' + \hat{\Psi})^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{X}} = \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{1}_N \bar{\mathbf{x}}' \end{aligned}$$

Because  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}$  is subtracted from each row of  $\mathbf{X}$ , the sample mean  $\bar{\mathbf{f}}$  of the estimated scores is  $\mathbf{0}$ .

```

Cmd> facanal(r,m,method:"mle",rotation:"quartimax")
Convergence in 26 iterations by criterion 2
estimated uniquenesses:
          Y1      Y2      Y3      Y4      Y5
0.72178  1.5031e-06  0.2457  0.30368  0.29364
quartimax rotated estimated loadings:
          Factor 1      Factor 2
Y1      0.51052      0.1326
Y2      0.39154      0.92016
Y3     -0.86747     -0.042402
Y4     -0.8327      -0.054116
Y5      0.83799     -0.064357
minimized mle criterion:
(1) 0.0035949
    
```

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Cmd> rhat_mle <- LOADINGS %*% LOADINGS' + dmat(PSI)

Cmd> betahat_reg <- solve(rhat_mle, LOADINGS);betahat_reg
          Factor 1      Factor 2
Y1      0.069041     -0.029377      Coefficients to compute
Y2      0.028727      1.0745        estimated rotated factor
Y3     -0.37938      0.16143        scores
Y4     -0.2926      0.1245
Y5      0.32341     -0.13761
    
```

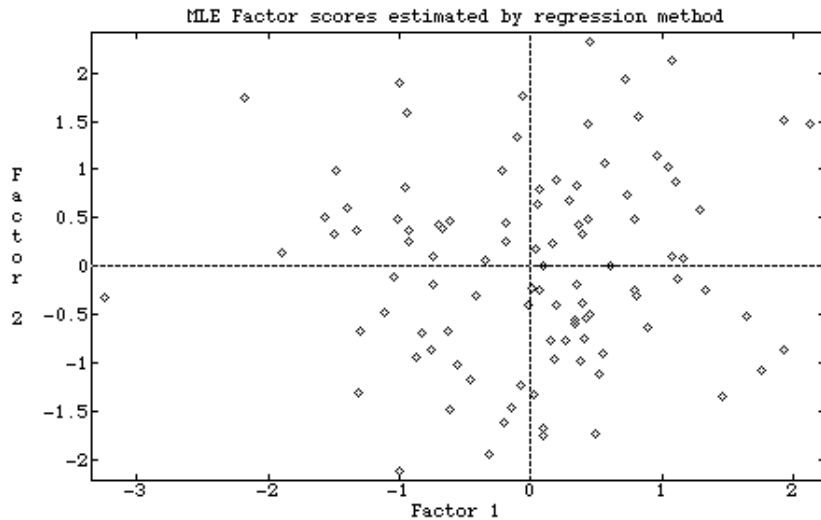
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Cmd> scores_reg <- standardize(y) %*% betahat_reg

Cmd> list(scores_reg)
scores          REAL      100      2      (labels)

Cmd> scores[run(10),] # estimated rotated scores for cases 1-10
(1)   -0.56509   -1.0167
(2)   -0.42147   -0.30271
(3)   -0.96222    0.82245
(4)   -2.1753    1.7447
(5)    1.3287   -0.23539
(6)    0.021364  -1.3216
(7)    1.0515    1.036
(8)   -0.10595    1.3347
(9)   -0.6242   -0.65937
(10)   1.9332    1.5097
    
```

```
Cmd> plot(scores_reg[,1],scores_reg[,2],symbols:"\11",\
xlab:"Factor 1", ylab:"Factor 2",\
title:"MLE Factor scores estimated by regression method")
```



Because the sample correlation matrix  $R$  is another estimate for  $\rho$ , an alternate estimate for  $\beta_{reg} = \rho^{-1}L$  is

$$\tilde{\beta}_{reg} \equiv R^{-1}\hat{L}$$

using the unrestricted estimate  $R$  for  $\rho$  instead of the factor analytic estimate  $\hat{\rho} = \hat{L}\hat{L}' + \hat{\Psi}$ .

When  $\hat{\Psi}$  and  $\hat{L}$  are fully converged *maximum likelihood* (ML) estimates,

$$\underset{p \times m}{\tilde{\beta}}_{reg} = \underset{p \times p}{R}^{-1} \underset{p \times m}{\hat{L}} = \underset{p \times m}{\beta}_{reg} = \underset{p \times p}{\hat{\rho}}^{-1} \underset{p \times m}{\hat{L}} = (\hat{L}\hat{L}' + \hat{\Psi})^{-1}\hat{L}$$

so that  $\tilde{F} = F_{reg}$ .

```
Cmd> solve(r,LOADINGS)
Factor 1      Factor 2
Y1      0.069041    -0.029377
Y2      0.028727     1.0745
Y3     -0.37938     0.16143
Y4     -0.2926      0.1245
Y5      0.32341    -0.13761
```

Same as before

## Weighted least squares method

This estimates vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  of factor scores in such a way that the vector  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = (\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) - \mathbf{L}\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  of estimated *unique* factor scores is as small as possible. This may make sense in a context where the unique factors  $\varepsilon_i$  are considered as errors.

What is minimized is a *weighted* sum of squares of estimated unique factor scores, with weights for the  $i^{\text{th}}$  unique factor score proportional to  $\hat{\psi}_i^{-1}$ .

The solution is *weighted least squares* estimated coefficients

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LS} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}^{-1} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{reg} (\mathbf{I}_m + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}^{-1})$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_{LS} = (\mathbf{x} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LS}$$

When all  $\hat{\psi}_i$  are small,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}$  is large,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Delta}}^{-1}$  is small and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{LS} \approx \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{reg}$  so that both types of factor scores are essentially the same.

```

Cmd> deltahat <- LOADINGS' %*% dmat(1/PSI) %*% LOADINGS
Cmd> solve(delta)
      Factor 1  Factor 2
Factor 1  0.003507 -0.005517
Factor 2 -0.005517  0.009226
Cmd> betahat_ls <- betahat_reg %*% (dmat(2,1)+solve(deltahat))
Cmd> betahat_ls # coeffs for computing LS factor estimates
      Factor 1  Factor 2
Y1      0.079322 -0.033752
Y2     -0.025299  1.0975
Y3     -0.43588  0.18547
Y4     -0.33617  0.14304
Y5      0.37157 -0.15811
Cmd> scores_ls <- standardize(y) %*% betahat_ls
Cmd> head(scores_ls[run(10),],5) # Weighted LS scores
      Factor 1  Factor 2
(1)     -0.5818 -1.0096
(2)     -0.45837 -0.28701
(3)     -1.1277  0.89285
(4)     -2.5432  1.9012
(5)      1.5088 -0.31204

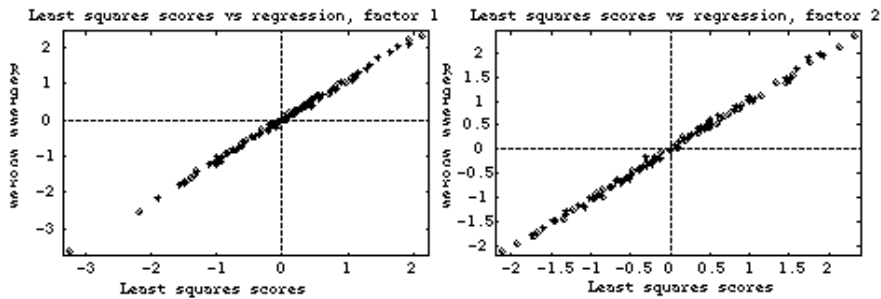
```

These are almost the same as the regression matrix scores.

You can see how similar the scores are by plotting Regression scores vs least squares scores.

```
Cmd> plot(scores[,1],scores_ls[,1],symbols:"\1",\
title:"Least squares scores vs regression, factor 1",\
xlab:"Least squares scores", ylab:"Regress scores")
```

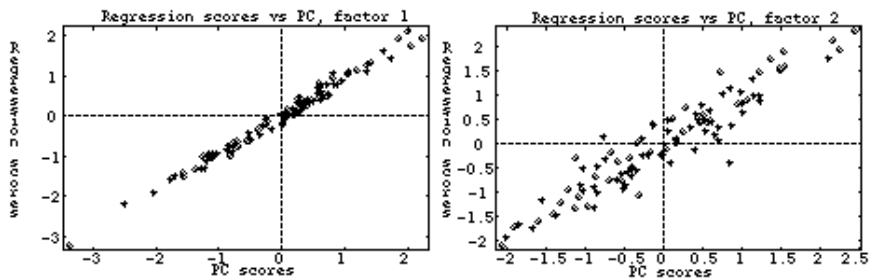
```
Cmd> plot(scores[,2],scores_ls[,2],symbols:"\1",\
title:"Least squares scores vs regression, factor 2",\
xlab:"Least squares scores", ylab:"Regress scores")
```



Regression vs PC scores (rotated):

```
Cmd> plot(scores_prcot[,1],scores_regs[,1],symbols:"\1",\
title:"Regression scores vs PC, factor 1",\
xlab:"PC scores", ylab:"Regression scores")
```

```
Cmd> plot(scores_prcot[,2],scores_regs[,2],symbols:"\1",\
title:"Regression scores vs PC, factor 2",\
xlab:"PC scores", ylab:"Regression scores")
```



## Correlation between two sets of variables

Suppose

$$\mathbf{x}^{(1)} = [x_1^{(1)}, \dots, x_p^{(1)}]' \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^{(2)} = [x_1^{(2)}, \dots, x_q^{(2)}]'$$

are two sets of measurements on the same subject or case.

Typically  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  each represent a natural grouping of variables.

- $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  might consist of *demographic* variables while  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  consists of results of *medical tests*.

Because  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are variables associated with the same subject, you must presume that they are correlated.

Q How do you test the hypothesis

$$H_0: \mathbf{x}^{(1)} \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \text{ are uncorrelated?}$$

Q How should you describe any association between  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ ?

Combine  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  in a single vector

$\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}^{(1)} \\ \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$ , a length  $p + q$  multivariate observation with  $p+q$  by  $p+q$  variance matrix  $\Sigma = V[\mathbf{x}]$  and correlation matrix  $\rho = \text{Corr}[\mathbf{x}]$ .

Partition  $\Sigma$  and  $\rho$  in the natural way.

$$\Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} p \\ q \end{matrix}, \quad \rho = \begin{bmatrix} \rho_{11} & \rho_{12} \\ \rho_{21} & \rho_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} p \\ q \end{matrix},$$

- $\Sigma_{11} = V[\mathbf{x}^{(1)}] = [\sigma_{ij}^{11}] \quad (p \times p)$
- $\rho_{11} = \text{Corr}[\mathbf{x}^{(1)}] = [\rho_{ij}^{11}] \quad (p \times p)$
- $\Sigma_{12} = [\sigma_{ij}^{12}] = \Sigma_{21}' \quad (p \times q)$
- $\rho_{12} = [\rho_{ij}^{12}] = \rho_{21}' \quad (p \times q)$
- $\Sigma_{22} = V[\mathbf{x}^{(2)}] = [\sigma_{ij}^{22}] \quad (q \times q)$
- $\rho_{22} = \text{Corr}[\mathbf{x}^{(2)}] = [\rho_{ij}^{22}] \quad (q \times q)$ .

**Notation:**

$$\rho_{ij}^{k\ell} \equiv \text{corr}[x_i^{(k)}, x_j^{(\ell)}]$$

- $k = 1, 2$  and  $\ell = 1, 2$  index the sets of variables
- $i$  and  $j$  index variables within a set.

**Examples:**

$$\rho_{22}^{12} = \text{corr}[x_2^{(1)}, x_2^{(2)}]$$

$$\rho_{23}^{11} = \text{corr}[x_2^{(1)}, x_3^{(1)}]$$

$$\rho_{ii}^{11} = 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

$$\rho_{ii}^{22} = 1, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, q$$

$$\rho_{ii}^{12} = \text{corr}[x_i^{(1)}, x_i^{(2)}] \neq 1.$$



$\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are uncorrelated if and only if all  $p \times q$  correlations  $\rho_{ij}^{12} = 0$ , that is if the null hypothesis

$$H_0: \rho_{ij}^{12} = 0, i = 1, \dots, p, j = 1, \dots, q$$

is true.

In terms of matrices,

$$H_0: \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} = \boldsymbol{\rho}_{12} = \mathbf{0}.$$

When  $\mathbf{x}$  is  $N_{p+q}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\rho}_{12} = \mathbf{0}$  is equivalent to

$$\tilde{H}_0: \mathbf{x}^{(1)} \text{ and } \mathbf{x}^{(2)} \text{ are } \underline{\text{independent}}$$

Usually  $\tilde{H}_0$  is the real hypothesis of interest rather than  $\boldsymbol{\rho}_{12} = \mathbf{0}$ , but it's almost impossible to test without assuming multivariate normality.

There are other ways to state  $H_0$ :

### $H_0$ in terms of regression coefficients

- $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{2.1} \equiv \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^{-1} = q$  by  $p$  matrix of (true) multivariate regression coefficients of  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  on  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  ( $E[\mathbf{x}^{(2)} | \mathbf{x}^{(1)}] = \boldsymbol{\mu}_2 + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{2.1}'(\mathbf{x}^{(1)} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_1)$ )
- $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{1.2} \equiv \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1} = p$  by  $q$  matrix of (true) multivariate regression coefficients of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  on  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  ( $E[\mathbf{x}^{(1)} | \mathbf{x}^{(2)}] = \boldsymbol{\mu}_1 + \boldsymbol{\beta}_{1.2}'(\mathbf{x}^{(2)} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_2)$ )

$H_0: \boldsymbol{\rho}_{12} = \mathbf{0}$  is equivalent to either of

$$H_0: \boldsymbol{\beta}_{2.1} = \mathbf{0} \text{ or } H_0: \boldsymbol{\beta}_{1.2} = \mathbf{0}$$

$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{1.2}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{2.1}$  are related by identities:

- $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{1.2} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{2.1}' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22}^{-1}$
- $\boldsymbol{\beta}_{2.1} = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{1.2}' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^{-1}$

This generalizes the bivariate regression identity ( $p = q = 1$ )

$$\beta_{x,y} = (\sigma_x^2 / \sigma_y^2) \beta_{y,x}$$

- When you think of  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  as depending on  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$ ,  $\beta_{2,1}$  is often a good way to summarize association between  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ .
- When you think of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  as depending on  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ ,  $\beta_{1,2}$  is often a good way to summarize association between  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ .

$\beta_{2,1}$  and  $\beta_{1,2}$  both treat  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  *asymmetrically*.

When you think of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  *symmetrically*, then you would usually prefer  $\rho_{12}$  to  $\beta_{2,1}$  or  $\beta_{1,2}$  as a summary of the dependence.

“Symmetric” means that swapping  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  will not effect how you view the relationship.

**Data:** Usually a random sample:

$$\mathbf{x}_i = [\mathbf{x}_i^{(1)'}, \mathbf{x}_i^{(2)'}]', i = 1, \dots, n,$$

from a  $p+q$  dimensional population.

**Consequence:** *Both*  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are random.

Suppose either  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  or  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  is *not* random.

- Population correlations between elements of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and elements of  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  *are not defined*.
- $\beta_{1,2}$  ( $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  random but not  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$ ) or  $\beta_{2,1}$  ( $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  random but not  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$ ) may be defined.

In either of the following, be suspicious of any correlation-based analysis:

- Values of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and/or  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are subject to manipulation or control
- Values of  $\mathbf{x}^{(1)}$  and/or  $\mathbf{x}^{(2)}$  are affected by a data selection procedure.

Either implies the sample is not random.

## Tests of $H_0: \rho_{12} = 0$

### Bonferronized $\{r_{ij}^{12}\}_{1 \leq i \leq p, 1 \leq j \leq q}$

This uses the pq sample correlations

$r_{ij} \equiv r_{ij}^{12} = \widehat{\text{Corr}}[x_i^{(1)}, x_j^{(2)}] = s_{ij} / \sqrt{\{s_{ii}s_{jj}\}}$   
 computed from  $\mathbf{S}$  with  $f_e$  d.f.

A standard *bivariate* test statistic of

$$H_0^{(ij)}: \rho_{ij}^{12} = 0$$

is

$$t_{ij} = \sqrt{(f_e - 1)r_{ij}} / \sqrt{(1 - r_{ij}^2)}$$

whose null distribution is Student's t on  $f_e - 1$  degrees of freedom.

$f_e = n - 1$  for  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$  from a random sample.

$f_e = n - g$  for  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$  from a pooled estimate  $\mathbf{S} = (n-g)^{-1}\mathbf{E}$  from a MANOVA with g-groups.

You reject  $H_0^{(ij)}$  when

$$|t_{ij}| > t_{f_e - 1}(\alpha/2)$$

Since you can recover  $r_{ij}$  from  $t_{ij}$  as

$$r_{ij} = t_{ij} / \sqrt{\{f_e - 1 + t_{ij}^2\}}$$

you can reject  $H_0^{(ij)}$  when

$$|r_{ij}| > t_{f_e - 1}(\alpha/2) / \sqrt{\{f_e - 1 + t_{f_e - 1}(\alpha/2)^2\}}.$$

### Assumptions required for Student's t

1. Either  $\{x_{i1}^{(1)}, x_{i2}^{(1)}, \dots, x_{in}^{(1)}\}$  or  $\{x_{j1}^{(2)}, x_{j2}^{(2)}, \dots, x_{jn}^{(2)}\}$  or both is a random sample
2. Either  $x_i^{(1)}$  or  $x_i^{(2)}$  (or both) is univariate normal
3.  $x_i^{(1)}$  and  $x_i^{(2)}$  are independent,

Under these conditions,

$$t_{ij} = t_{f_e - 1} = t_{n-2}, \text{ Student's } t$$

In particular, *Bivariate normality* is *not* required to test *independence*.

When  $(x_i^{(1)}, x_j^{(2)})$  is not bivariate normal,  $\rho_{ij}^{12} = 0$  is not enough to ensure that  $t_{ij}$  is  $t_{f_e-1}$ . You need actual independence.

Since there are  $K = pq$  t-statistics  $t_{ij}$ , one for each  $r_{ij}^{(12)}$  in  $\mathbf{R}_{12}$  you should Bonferroniize them using  $K = p \times q$  to test  $H_0: \boldsymbol{\rho}_{12} = \mathbf{0}.$

Reject  $H_0$  when

$$\max_{i,j} |t_{ij}| > t_{f_e-1}((\alpha/(pq))/2)$$

or when  $pq \times \min_{i,j} P_{ij} < \alpha$ ,  $P_{ij}$  = two-tail P-value based on  $t_{ij}$

And, for all  $i$  and  $j$  such that

$$|t_{ij}| > t_{f_e-1}((\alpha/(pq))/2) \text{ or } pq \times P_{ij} < \alpha$$

you can reject  $H_0^{(ij)}: \rho_{ij}^{12} = 0$  and declare that  $x_i^{(1)}$  and  $x_j^{(2)}$  are apparently correlated.