

# 多元统计分析

## 第6讲 因子分析

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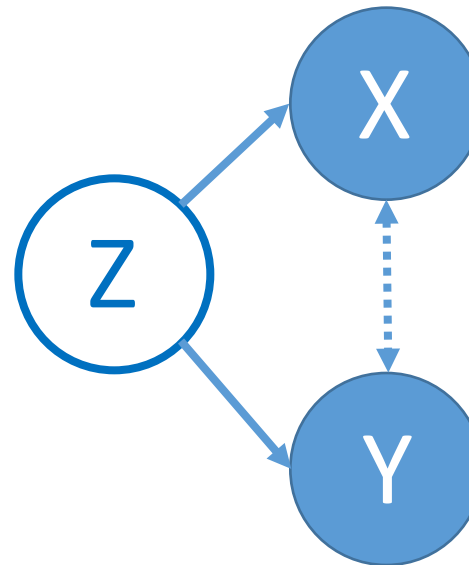
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# Overview of Factor Analysis

- Early development in psychometrics by Karl Pearson, Charles Spearman, etc
- To describe the **covariance structure** among many variables with a few unobservable or **latent** variables called factors
  - Reduction: reduce high dimension data to a few variables
  - Interpretation: explain the covariance of observed variables with latent factors

$$\Sigma_{(p \times p)} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} & \cdots & \sigma_{1p} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{p1} & \cdots & \sigma_{pp} \end{bmatrix}$$



# Orthogonal Factor Model (I)

- The observable random vector  $\mathbf{X}$ , with  $p$  components, with mean  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and covariance  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$
- $\mathbf{X}$  is **linearly dependent** upon a few **common** factors and **specific** factors, with

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 - \mu_1 &= \boxed{l_{11}} F_1 + l_{12} F_2 + \cdots + l_{1m} F_m + \varepsilon_1 \\ X_2 - \mu_2 &= l_{21} F_1 + l_{22} F_2 + \cdots + l_{2m} F_m + \varepsilon_2 \\ &\vdots \\ X_p - \mu_p &= l_{p1} F_1 + l_{p2} F_2 + \cdots + l_{pm} F_m + \varepsilon_p \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or } \mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \underset{(p \times m)}{\mathbf{L}} \underset{(m \times 1)}{\mathbf{F}} + \underset{(p \times 1)}{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$$

# Orthogonal Factor Model (II)


• Assumptions continued  $\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$

$(p \times 1) \quad (p \times m) \quad (m \times 1) \quad (p \times 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} E(\mathbf{F}) &= \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{Cov}(\mathbf{F}) = E(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}') = \mathbf{I}_{(m \times m)} \\ E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) &= \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}') = \boldsymbol{\Psi}_{(p \times p)} \\ \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{F}) &= E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\mathbf{F}') = \mathbf{0}_{(p \times m)} \end{aligned} \quad \boldsymbol{\Psi} = \begin{bmatrix} \psi_1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \psi_2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \psi_p \end{bmatrix}$$

# Covariance Structure Implied

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})' &= (\mathbf{LF} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})(\mathbf{LF} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})' \\ &= (\mathbf{LF})(\mathbf{F}'\mathbf{L}') + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(\mathbf{F}'\mathbf{L}') + (\mathbf{LF})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}'\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}) &= E(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \\ &= \mathbf{L}E(\mathbf{F}\mathbf{F}')\mathbf{L}' + E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\mathbf{F}')\mathbf{L}' + \mathbf{L}E(\mathbf{F}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}') + E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}') \\ &= \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi}\end{aligned}$$


$$(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\mathbf{F}' = (\mathbf{LF} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon})\mathbf{F}' \quad \rightarrow \quad \text{Cov}(X_i, F_j) = l_{ij}$$

$$\text{Cov}(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{F}) = E(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\mathbf{F}' = \mathbf{L}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{ii} &= l_{i1}^2 + l_{i2}^2 + \cdots + l_{im}^2 + \psi_i \\ &= h_i^2 + \psi_i\end{aligned}$$

Communality + Specific variance

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{ik} &= \text{Cov}(X_i, X_k) = \mathbf{l}_i' \mathbf{l}_k \\ &= l_{i1}l_{k1} + \cdots + l_{im}l_{km}\end{aligned}$$

# Discussions (I)

# Reduction

- How many parameters are there in a covariance matrix?
- How many parameters are there in the orthogonal factor model?
- What is the maximum number of common factors?

**Note:** Not all covariance matrix can be factored as  $\mathbf{LL}' + \mathbf{\Psi}$ , where the number of factors  $m \ll p$

See Example 9.2 in textbook

# Discussions (II)

# Uniqueness

- Consider orthogonal matrix  $\mathbf{T}$

$$\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

Check model assumptions

$$= \mathbf{L}(\mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}')\mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

**L is not unique!**

$$= (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{T})(\mathbf{T}'\mathbf{F}) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$$\mathbf{L}^* = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{T}, \quad \mathbf{F}^* = \mathbf{T}'\mathbf{F}$$

**The communalities are not affected by choices of  $\mathbf{T}$**

$$\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L}^*\mathbf{F}^* + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

- Factor rotation

# Methods of Estimation

- Suppose  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  represent  $n$  independent drawings from some  $p$ -dimensional population, with mean vector  $\boldsymbol{\mu}$  and covariance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ .
- Sample covariance matrix  $\mathbf{S}$ , sample correlation matrix  $\mathbf{R}$
- Objective: find  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$ , with  $\mathbf{S} \approx \hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\Sigma} &= \lambda_1 \mathbf{e}_1 \mathbf{e}_1' + \lambda_2 \mathbf{e}_2 \mathbf{e}_2' + \dots + \lambda_p \mathbf{e}_p \mathbf{e}_p' \\ &= [\sqrt{\lambda_1} \mathbf{e}_1 \mid \sqrt{\lambda_2} \mathbf{e}_2 \mid \dots \mid \sqrt{\lambda_p} \mathbf{e}_p] \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} \mathbf{e}_1' \\ \dots \\ \sqrt{\lambda_2} \mathbf{e}_2' \\ \dots \\ \vdots \\ \dots \\ \sqrt{\lambda_p} \mathbf{e}_p' \end{bmatrix}\end{aligned}$$

$$\underset{(p \times p)}{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \underset{(p \times p)}{\mathbf{L}} \underset{(p \times p)}{\mathbf{L}'} + \underset{(p \times p)}{\mathbf{0}} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}'$$

The spectral decomposition is not useful!  
# common factors = # variables



# Estimation: Principal Component Approach

- When the last  $p-m$  eigenvalues are small, neglect the contribution of the corresponding eigenvalue-eigenvector pairs

$$\Sigma \doteq [\sqrt{\lambda_1} \mathbf{e}_1 \mid \sqrt{\lambda_2} \mathbf{e}_2 \mid \cdots \mid \sqrt{\lambda_m} \mathbf{e}_m] \begin{bmatrix} \sqrt{\lambda_1} \mathbf{e}'_1 \\ \sqrt{\lambda_2} \mathbf{e}'_2 \\ \vdots \\ \sqrt{\lambda_m} \mathbf{e}'_m \end{bmatrix} = \underset{(p \times m)}{\mathbf{L}} \underset{(m \times p)}{\mathbf{L}'}$$

What is  $\tilde{\Psi}$ ?

What is communality  $\tilde{h}_i^2$ ?

Not diagonal

The specific variances may be taken to be the diagonal elements of

$$\Sigma - \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}'$$

**Note:** the estimated loadings for a given factor do not change as the number of factors is increased.

# Selection of $m$

- Similar to PCA
- Consider the residual matrix  $\mathbf{S} - (\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}' + \tilde{\Psi})$
- It can be shown that

$$\text{Sum of Squared entries of } \mathbf{S} - (\tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}' + \tilde{\Psi}) \leq \hat{\lambda}_{m+1}^2 + \cdots + \hat{\lambda}_p^2$$

- Consequently, a small value for the sum of the squares of the neglected eigenvalues implies a small value for the sum of the squared errors of approximation.

Matrix Approximation

# Selection of $m$ : another perspective

- What is the total variance in  $\mathbf{X}$ ?
- What is the contribution of common factor  $i$  to the total variance?
- Proportion of variance explained by the common factors

# Example 9.3: Factor Analysis of CP Data

Attribute (Variable)	1	2	3	4	5	
Taste	1	1.00	.02	.96	.42	.01
Good buy for money	2	.02	1.00	.13	.71	.85
Flavor	3	.96	.13	1.00	.50	.11
Suitable for snack	4	.42	.71	.50	1.00	.79
Provides lots of energy	5	.01	.85	.11	.79	1.00

What is the maximum  $m$ ?

**Table 9.1**

Variable	Estimated factor loadings $\tilde{\epsilon}_{ij} = \sqrt{\lambda_i} \hat{e}_{ij}$		Communalities $\tilde{h}_i^2$	Specific variances $\tilde{\psi}_i = 1 - \tilde{h}_i^2$
	$F_1$	$F_2$		
1. Taste	.56	.82		
2. Good buy for money	.78	-.53		
3. Flavor	.65	.75		
4. Suitable for snack	.94	-.10		
5. Provides lots of energy	.80	-.54		
Eigenvalues				
Cumulative proportion of total (standardized) sample variance				

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2. Good buy for money	.78	-.53	.88	.12
3. Flavor	.65	.75	.98	.02
4. Suitable for snack	.94	-.10	.89	.11
5. Provides lots of energy	.80	-.54	.93	.07
Eigenvalues	2.85	1.81		
Cumulative proportion of total (standardized) sample variance	.571	.932		

# Estimation: Principal Factor Solution

- Intuitive idea: the common factors should account for the **off-diagonal** elements, as well as the communality portions of the diagonal elements

$$\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$(p \times 1)$        $(p \times m)$   $(m \times 1)$        $(p \times 1)$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi}$$

Initial  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$

Find  $\tilde{\mathbf{L}}$ , the largest  $m$  eigenvectors of the eigen decomposition of  $\mathbf{S} - \tilde{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$

$$\tilde{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} = \text{diag}(\mathbf{S} - \tilde{\mathbf{L}}\tilde{\mathbf{L}}')$$

# Discussions

- Choice of initial estimates of specific variances
- Some of the eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{S} - \tilde{\Psi}$  may be negative
- Communality may exceed total variance, Heywood case
- Reasonable suggestion of how to initial  $\tilde{\Psi}$

$$h_i^{*2} = 1 - \psi_i^* = 1 - \frac{1}{r^{ii}}$$

$r^{ii}$  is the  $i$  - th diagonal element of  $\mathbf{R}^{-1}$

# Estimation: Maximum Likelihood Method

- Assumption: the common factors and the specific factors are jointly **normally** distributed

$$\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$(p \times 1)$        $(p \times m)$   $(m \times 1)$        $(p \times 1)$

$$\mathbf{F} \sim N_m(0, \mathbf{I})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \sim N_p(0, \boldsymbol{\Psi})$$



$$\mathbf{X} \sim N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi}$$

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



$$\begin{aligned}
L(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{np}{2}} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}\left[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})(\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})' + n(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})'\right)\right]\right\} \\
&= (2\pi)^{-\frac{(n-1)p}{2}} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-\frac{(n-1)}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}\left[\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})(\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})'\right)\right]\right\} \\
&\quad \times (2\pi)^{-\frac{p}{2}} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{n}{2} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\bar{\mathbf{x}} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

The model depends on  $\mathbf{L}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Psi}$  through  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi}$

It is not well defined because of multiplicity of choices of  $\mathbf{L}$

Impose **computationally convenient** uniqueness condition:

$$\mathbf{L}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}\mathbf{L} = \boldsymbol{\Delta}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Delta} \text{ is a diagonal matrix}$$

R function, `factanal()`

- **Result 9.1** Let  $\mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \dots, \mathbf{X}_n$  be a random sample from  $N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , where  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi}$  is the covariance matrix for the  $m$  common factor model. The maximum likelihood estimators  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$ , and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$  subject to  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{L}}'$  being diagonal.

Then, the MLE of the communalities are

$$\hat{h}_i^2 = \hat{l}_{i1}^2 + \hat{l}_{i2}^2 + \dots + \hat{l}_{im}^2, \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

so

$$\left( \begin{array}{l} \text{Proportion of total sample} \\ \text{variance due to } j\text{-th factor} \end{array} \right) = \frac{\hat{l}_{1j}^2 + \hat{l}_{2j}^2 + \dots + \hat{l}_{pj}^2}{s_{11} + s_{22} + \dots + s_{pp}}$$

- If the variables are standardized so that  $Z = \mathbf{V}^{-\frac{1}{2}}(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$
- What is the covariance matrix  $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ ?

$$\boldsymbol{\rho} = \mathbf{V}^{-1/2} \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{V}^{-1/2} = (\mathbf{V}^{-1/2} \mathbf{L})(\mathbf{V}^{-1/2} \mathbf{L})' + \mathbf{V}^{-1/2} \boldsymbol{\Psi} \mathbf{V}^{-1/2}$$

- Thus, we have a factorization of  $\boldsymbol{\rho}$ :

$$\mathbf{L}_z = \mathbf{V}^{-1/2} \mathbf{L}, \quad \boldsymbol{\Psi}_z = \mathbf{V}^{-1/2} \boldsymbol{\Psi} \mathbf{V}^{-1/2}$$

- The MLE of  $\boldsymbol{\rho}$  is

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}} &= (\hat{\mathbf{V}}^{-1/2} \hat{\mathbf{L}})(\hat{\mathbf{V}}^{-1/2} \hat{\mathbf{L}})' + \hat{\mathbf{V}}^{-1/2} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}} \hat{\mathbf{V}}^{-1/2} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{L}}_z \hat{\mathbf{L}}_z' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}_z \end{aligned}$$

Question:

Why?

What is  $\hat{\mathbf{V}}^{-1/2}$  ?

Does PC approach have similar property?

Note:

- The MLE method could produce very different results when  $m \rightarrow m+1$
- The MLE method can also experience difficulties with Heywood cases

# Example 9.5 Factor Analysis of stock-price data

**Table 9.3**

Variable	Maximum likelihood			Principal components		
	Estimated factor loadings		Specific variances	Estimated factor loadings		Specific variances
	$F_1$	$F_2$	$\hat{\psi}_i = 1 - \hat{h}_i^2$	$F_1$	$F_2$	$\tilde{\psi}_i = 1 - \tilde{h}_i^2$
1. J P Morgan	.115	.755	.42	.732	-.437	.27
2. Citibank	.322	.788	.27	.831	-.280	.23
3. Wells Fargo	.182	.652	.54	.726	-.374	.33
4. Royal Dutch Shell	1.000	-.000	.00	.605	.694	.15
5. Texaco	.683	-.032	.53	.563	.719	.17
Cumulative proportion of total (standardized) sample variance explained	.323	.647		.487	.769	

Discussion:

- Are the columns orthogonal?
- Estimated value
- % of total variance explained?

Homework:

princomp()  
factanal()

# A Large Sample Test for the Number of Common Factors

- **Normality Assumption**: the common factors and the specific factors are jointly normally distributed

$$H_0 : \underset{(p \times p)}{\Sigma} = \underset{(p \times m)}{\mathbf{L}} \underset{(m \times p)}{\mathbf{L}'} + \underset{(p \times p)}{\Psi}, \text{ subject to } \mathbf{L}'\Psi\mathbf{L} = \Delta$$

$H_1$  :  $\Sigma$  any other positive definite matrix

- Likelihood Ratio test  $-2 \ln \Lambda = -2 \ln \left[ \frac{\text{maximum likelihood under } H_0}{\text{maximized likelihood}} \right]$

- Under alternative, what is the MLE estimator?

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \bar{\mathbf{x}}, \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \frac{n-1}{n} \mathbf{S}, \text{ or } \mathbf{S}_n$$

the maximized likelihood  $\propto |\mathbf{S}_n|^{-n/2} e^{-np/2}$

$$-2 \ln \Lambda = -2 \ln \left[ \frac{\text{maximum likelihood under } H_0}{\text{maximized likelihood}} \right] = n \ln \left( \frac{|\hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}|}{|\mathbf{S}_n|} \right)$$

- Under null:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \bar{\mathbf{x}}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$$

Degree of Freedom :

$$\nu - \nu_0 = \frac{1}{2} p(p+1) - p(m+1) + \frac{1}{2} m(m-1)$$

the maximized likelihood  $\propto |\hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}|^{-n/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} n \text{tr} [(\hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}})^{-1} \mathbf{S}_n] \right\}$

# Factor Rotation

- Factor loading is not unique
- Initial loading + orthogonal transformation

$$\hat{\mathbf{L}}^* = \hat{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{T}, \text{ with } \mathbf{T}\mathbf{T}' = \mathbf{T}'\mathbf{T} = \mathbf{I}$$

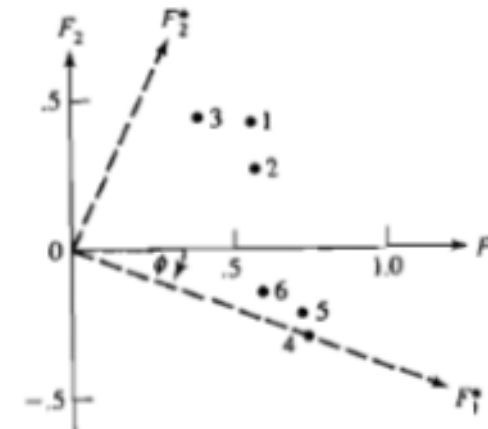
- **Question**
  - Is the covariance/correlation matrix changed after rotation? What about residual matrix, estimated specific variances, communalities?
  - Why rotation? (Interpretation, PC approach)
  - Criteria? What is a desirable result?

# What is “simpler” structure?

- Ideally, we should like to see a pattern of loadings such that each variable **loads highly on a single factor** and has small to moderate loadings on the remaining factors.

**Table 9.7**

Variable	Estimated factor loadings		Rotated estimated factor loadings		Communalities $\tilde{h}_i^2$
	$F_1$	$F_2$	$F_1^*$	$F_2^*$	
1. Taste	.56	.82	.02	(.99)	.98
2. Good buy for money	.78	-.52	(.94)	-.01	.88
3. Flavor	.65	.75	.13	(.98)	.98
4. Suitable for snack	.94	-.10	(.84)	.43	.89
5. Provides lots of energy	.80	-.54	(.97)	-.02	.93
Cumulative proportion of total (standardized) sample variance explained	.571	.932	.507	.932	





# Varimax Criterion

$$\tilde{l}_{ij}^* = \hat{l}_{ij}^* / \hat{h}_i$$

Varimax procedure selects the orthogonal transformation  $\mathbf{T}$  that maximizes

$$V = \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^m \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p (\tilde{l}_{ij}^*)^4 - \left[ \sum_{i=1}^p (\tilde{l}_{ij}^*)^2 \right]^2 / p \right\}$$

$$V \propto \sum_{j=1}^m \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{variance of squares of (scaled) loadings for} \\ j\text{th factor} \end{array} \right)$$

# Factor Score

- Recall: what are the scores in principal component analysis?
- Factor score v.s. PC score
- **Weighted least squares method**

$$\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L} \mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$(p \times 1)$        $(p \times m)$   $(m \times 1)$        $(p \times 1)$

$$\sum_{i=1}^p \frac{\varepsilon_i^2}{\psi_i} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{f})' \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{L}\mathbf{f}) \quad (1)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\mathbf{L}' \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1} \mathbf{L})^{-1} \mathbf{L}' \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

Take  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}$ ,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$ , and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \bar{\mathbf{x}}$  as the true value to obtain the factor score

Question:

- What is the factor scores if MLE method is used?
- What if the correlation matrix is factored?

# Factor Score – Regression Method

- Recall: multivariate normal distribution, conditional distribution

$$\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{F} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$$\mathbf{X} \sim N_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi})$$

- **Q:** the joint distribution of  $(\mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{F})$  ?
- **Q:** the conditional distribution  $\mathbf{F} | \mathbf{X}$  ?

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} \\ \mathbf{F} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{L} \\ \mathbf{I}_m \end{pmatrix} \mathbf{F} + \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{F} \sim N_m(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X} - \boldsymbol{\mu} \\ \mathbf{F} \end{pmatrix} \sim N_{p+m} \left( \mathbf{0}, \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi} & \mathbf{L} \\ \mathbf{L}' & \mathbf{I}_m \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

Relationship to mean structure of response in regression analysis

$$\text{mean} = E(\mathbf{F} | \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{L}' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) = \mathbf{L}' (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi})^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

$$\text{covariance} = \text{Cov}(\mathbf{F} | \mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{I}_m - \mathbf{L}' \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} \mathbf{L} = \mathbf{I}_m - \mathbf{L}' (\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi})^{-1} \mathbf{L}$$

The j-th factor score vector is given by

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' (\hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}})^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

# Discussion (I)

(1) Regression method and WLS method

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^R = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' (\hat{\mathbf{L}} \hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\Psi})^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^{WLS} = (\hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\Psi}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}})^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\Psi}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{L}}' (\hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\mathbf{L}} + \hat{\Psi})^{-1} = (\mathbf{I} + \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\Psi}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}})^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\Psi}^{-1} \quad (\text{HW, see exercise 9.6})$$



$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^{WLS} = (\mathbf{I} + (\hat{\mathbf{L}}' \hat{\Psi}^{-1} \hat{\mathbf{L}})^{-1}) \hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^R$$

(2)  $\mathbf{S}$  is often used for  $\hat{\Sigma}$  rather than  $\hat{\mathbf{L}} \hat{\mathbf{L}}' + \hat{\Psi}$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^R = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

$$(3) \hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^R = \hat{\mathbf{L}}_z' \mathbf{R}^{-1} \mathbf{z}_j$$

## Discussion (II)

- Factor analysis versus Principal Component Analysis

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^R = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

- Consider PC approach to estimate the factor loadings

Since  $\mathbf{S} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Lambda}\mathbf{\Lambda}'$ ,  $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Lambda}^{1/2}$

$$\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^R = \hat{\mathbf{L}}' \mathbf{S}^{-1} (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) = (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Lambda}^{1/2})' (\mathbf{P}\mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1}\mathbf{P}') (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}})$$

$$= \mathbf{\Lambda}^{-1/2} \mathbf{P}' (\mathbf{x}_j - \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \quad \text{PC score}$$

# Discussion (III)

- Factor rotation  $\hat{\mathbf{L}}^* = \hat{\mathbf{L}}\mathbf{T}, \hat{\mathbf{f}}_j^* = \mathbf{T}'\hat{\mathbf{f}}_j$
- Strategy for factor analysis
  1. Perform a principal component factor analysis
  2. Perform a maximum likelihood factor analysis
  3. Compare the solutions obtained from the two factor analyses
  4. Repeat the steps 1-3 for the other number of common factors  $m$
  5. For large data sets, split them in half and perform FA on each part

# Factor Analysis

## 9.2 Orthogonal Factor Model

- Common factor
- Specific factor
- Factor loading
- Communality



## 9.3 Methods of Estimation

- PC method
- Principal factor solution
- Maximum likelihood method



## 9.4: Factor Rotation

- Varimax criteria



## 9.5: Factor Scores

- Weighted least squares method
- Regression method



Discussions:  
PCA and Factor Analysis