

An introduction to R in Personality Research

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Outline of Part 1

- 1 What is R?
 - Where did it come from, why use it?
 - Installing R on your computer and adding packages
 - Basic R capabilities: Calculation, Statistical tables, Graphics
- 2 A brief example
 - A brief example of exploratory and confirmatory data analysis
- 3 Basic statistics and graphics
 - 4 steps: read, explore, test, graph
 - Basic descriptive and inferential statistics
 - t-test, ANOVA, χ^2
 - Linear Regression



Misconception: R is hard to use

- 1 R doesn't have a GUI (Graphical User Interface)
 - Partly true, many use syntax
 - Partly not true, GUIs exist (e.g., R Commander, R-Studio)
 - Quasi GUIs for Mac and PCs make syntax writing easier
- 2 R syntax is hard to use
 - Not really, unless you think an iPhone is hard to use
 - Easier to give instructions of 1-4 lines of syntax rather than pictures of what menu to pull down.
 - Keep a copy of your syntax, modify it for the next analysis.
- 3 R is not user friendly: A personological description of R
 - R is introverted: it will tell you what you want to know if you ask, but not if you don't ask.
 - R is conscientious: it wants commands to be correct.
 - R is not agreeable: its error messages are at best cryptic.
 - R is stable: it does not break down under stress.
 - R is open: new ideas about statistics are easily developed.



Misconceptions: R is hard to learn

- 1 With a brief web based tutorial
<http://personality-project.org/r>, 2nd and 3rd year undergraduates in psychological methods and personality research courses are using R for descriptive and inferential statistics and producing publication quality graphics.
- 2 More and more psychology departments are using it for graduate and undergraduate instruction.
- 3 R is easy to learn, hard to master
 - R-help newsgroup is very supportive
 - Multiple web based and pdf tutorials see (e.g.,
<http://www.r-project.org/>)
 - Short courses using R for many applications
- 4 Books and websites for SPSS and SAS users trying to learn R (e.g., <http://oit.utk.edu/scc/RforSAS&SPSSusers.pdf> by Bob Muenchen).

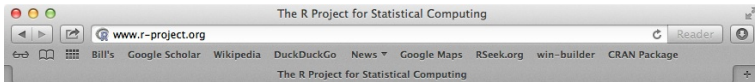


Ok, how do I get it: Getting started with R

- ① Download from R Cran (<http://cran.r-project.org/>)
 - Choose appropriate operating system and download compiled R
- ② Install R (current version is 2.15.3) with 3.0 coming April 3
- ③ Start R
- ④ Add useful packages (just need to do this once)
 - `install.packages("ctv")` #this downloads the task view package
 - `library(ctv)` #this activates the ctv package
 - `install.views("Psychometrics")` #among others
 - Take a 5 minute break
- ⑤ Activate the package(s) you want to use today (e.g., *psych*)
 - `library(psych)` #necessary for most of today's examples
- ⑥ Use R
- ⑦ (See detailed tutorial at http://personality-project.org/r/psych/getting_started.pdf)



Go to the R.project.org



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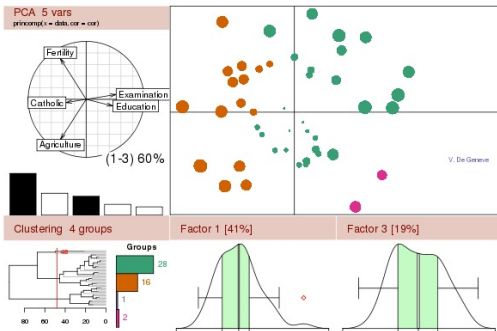
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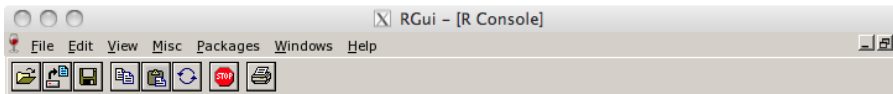


Getting Started:

- R is a free software environment for statistical computing and graphics. It compiles and runs on a wide variety of UNIX platforms, Windows and MacOS. To [download R](#), please choose your preferred [CRAN mirror](#).
- If you have questions about R like how to download and install the software, or what the license terms are, please read our [answers to frequently asked questions](#) before you send an email.



Installing just the psych package



```
R version 2.13.0 (2011-04-13)
Copyright (C) 2011 The R Foundation for Statistical Computing
ISBN 3-900051-07-0
Platform: i386-pc-mingw32/i386 (32-bit)
```

```
R is free software and comes with ABSOLUTELY NO WARRANTY.
You are welcome to redistribute it under certain conditions.
Type 'license()' or 'licence()' for distribution details.
```

```
Natural language support but running in an English locale
```

```
R is a collaborative project with many contributors.
Type 'contributors()' for more information and
'citation()' on how to cite R or R packages in publications.
```

```
Type 'demo()' for some demos, 'help()' for on-line help, or
'help.start()' for an HTML browser interface to help.
Type 'q()' to quit R.
```

```
> install.packages("psych")
--- Please select a CRAN mirror for use in this session ---
trying URL 'http://cran.stat.ucla.edu/bin/windows/contrib/2.13/psych_1.0-97.zip'
Content type 'application/zip' length 1952216 bytes (1.9 Mb)
opened URL
downloaded 1.9 Mb
```


Check the version number for R (should be $\geq 2.5.2$) and for psych ($\geq 1.3.2$)

```
> library(psych)
> sessionInfo()
```

```
R version 2.15.2 (2012-10-26)
Platform: i386-apple-darwin9.8.0/i386 (32-bit)
```

```
locale:
[1] en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/C/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8
```

```
attached base packages:
[1] stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets  methods    base
```

```
other attached packages:
[1] psych_1.3.2
```



R is extensible: The use of “packages”

- More than 4000 packages are available for R (and growing daily)
- Can search all packages that do a particular operation by using the sos package
 - `install.packages("sos")` #if you haven't already
 - `library(sos)` # make it active once you have it
 - `findFn("X")` #will search a web data base for all packages/functions that have "X"
 - `findFn("principal components analysis ")` #will return 1516 matches and reports the top 400
 - `findFn("Item Response Theory")` # will return 231 matches
 - `findFn("INDSCAL ")` # will return 7 matches.
- `install.packages("X")` will install a particular package (add it to your R library – you need to do this just once)
- `library(X)` #will make the package X available to use if it has been installed (and thus in your library)



A small subset of very useful packages

- General use
 - core R
 - MASS
 - lattice
 - lme4 (core)
 - psych
 - Zelig
- Special use
 - ltm
 - sem
 - lavaan
 - OpenMx
 - GPArotation
 - mvtnorm
 - > 4000 known
 - + ?
- General applications
 - most descriptive and inferential stats
 - Modern Applied Statistics with S
 - Lattice or Trellis graphics
 - Linear mixed-effects models
 - Personality and psychometrics
 - General purpose toolkit
- More specialized packages
 - Latent Trait Model (IRT)
 - SEM and CFA (one group)
 - SEM and CFA (multiple groups)
 - SEM and CFA (multiple groups +)
 - Jennrich + Browne rotations
 - Multivariate distributions
 - Thousands of more packages on CRAN
 - Code on webpages/journal articles



Basic R commands – remember don't enter the >

R is just a fancy calculator. Add, subtract, sum, products, group

```
> 2 + 2
```

```
[1] 4
```

```
> 3^4
```

```
[1] 81
```

```
> sum(1:10)
```

```
[1] 55
```

```
> prod(c(1, 2, 3, 5, 7))
```

```
[1] 210
```

It is also a statistics table (the normal distribution, the t distribution)

```
> pnorm(q = 1)
```

```
[1] 0.8413447
```

```
> pt(q = 2, df = 20)
```

```
[1] 0.9703672
```



Clean up the data using the scrub function

For the variable "ACT" make any value < 4 NA.
Then describe the results. Note that one case was dropped

```
> cleaned <- scrub(my.data,"ACT",min=4)
> describe(cleaned)
```

	var	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew	kurto
gender	1	700	1.65	0.48	2	1.68	0.00	1	2	1	-0.61	-1
education	2	700	3.16	1.43	3	3.31	1.48	0	5	5	-0.68	-0
age	3	700	25.59	9.50	22	23.86	5.93	13	65	52	1.64	2
ACT	4	699	28.58	4.73	29	28.85	4.45	15	36	21	-0.50	-0
SATV	5	700	612.23	112.90	620	619.45	118.61	200	800	600	-0.64	0
SATQ	6	687	610.22	115.64	620	617.25	118.61	200	800	600	-0.59	0



Find the correlations using `cor`

Specify that you want pairwise deletion. The default correlation is "pearson", other options include "spearman" and "kendall"

```
> cor(sat.act,use="pairwise")
```

	gender	education	age	ACT	SATV	SATQ
gender	1.00000000	0.08726909	-0.02085375	-0.03650344	-0.01884338	-0.16530333
education	0.08726909	1.00000000	0.54826952	0.15482888	0.04647692	0.03462572
age	-0.02085375	0.54826952	1.00000000	0.11054633	-0.04235393	-0.03394431
ACT	-0.03650344	0.15482888	0.11054633	1.00000000	0.56105620	0.58711216
SATV	-0.01884338	0.04647692	-0.04235393	0.56105620	1.00000000	0.64429994
SATQ	-0.16530333	0.03462572	-0.03394431	0.58711216	0.64429994	1.00000000

This is far more decimals than one wants, we should round the output. This is done by directly applying the round function.



Yet another way: use the `lowerCor` function from `psych`

`psych` uses default values and displays that make sense for psychological research. These defaults can be overridden by specifying various choices. Note that the column labels have been automatically shortened to make for equal spacing.

```
> lowerCor(sat.act)
```

	gendr	edctn	age	ACT	SATV	SATQ
gender	1.00					
education	0.09	1.00				
age	-0.02	0.55	1.00			
ACT	-0.04	0.15	0.11	1.00		
SATV	-0.02	0.05	-0.04	0.56	1.00	
SATQ	-0.17	0.03	-0.03	0.59	0.64	1.00



Test the correlations for significance using `corr.test`

```
> corr.test(cleaned)
```

```
Call:corr.test(x = cleaned)
```

```
Correlation matrix
```

	gender	education	age	ACT	SATV	SATQ
gender	1.00	0.09	-0.02	-0.05	-0.02	-0.17
education	0.09	1.00	0.55	0.15	0.05	0.03
age	-0.02	0.55	1.00	0.11	-0.04	-0.03
ACT	-0.05	0.15	0.11	1.00	0.55	0.59
SATV	-0.02	0.05	-0.04	0.55	1.00	0.64
SATQ	-0.17	0.03	-0.03	0.59	0.64	1.00

```
Sample Size
```

	gender	education	age	ACT	SATV	SATQ
gender	700	700	700	699	700	687
...						
SATQ	687	687	687	686	687	687

```
Probability values (Entries above the diagonal are adjusted for multiple tests.)
```

	gender	education	age	ACT	SATV	SATQ
gender	0.00	0.02	0.58	0.21	0.62	0.00
education	0.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.22	0.36
age	0.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.26	0.37
ACT	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
SATV	0.62	0.22	0.26	0.00	0.00	0.00
SATQ	0.00	0.36	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00



Are education and gender independent? χ^2 Test of association

```
T <- with(my.data, table(gender, education))
```

```
> T
```

	education					
gender	0	1	2	3	4	5
1	27	20	23	80	51	46
2	30	25	21	195	87	95

```
> chisq.test(T)
```

```
Pearson's Chi-squared test
```

```
data: T
```

```
X-squared = 16.0851, df = 5, p-value = 0.006605
```

1 First create a table of associations

- Do this on our data (my.data)
- Use the “with” command to specify the data set

2 Show the table

3 Apply χ^2 test



Multiple regression

- 1 Use the sat.act data example
- 2 Do the linear model
- 3 Summarize the results

```
mod1 <- lm(SATV ~ education + gender + SATQ,data=my.data)
> summary(mod1,digits=2)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = SATV ~ education + gender + SATQ, data = my.data)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-372.91	-49.08	2.30	53.68	251.93

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	180.87348	23.41019	7.726	3.96e-14 ***
education	1.24043	2.32361	0.534	0.59363
gender	20.69271	6.99651	2.958	0.00321 **
SATQ	0.64489	0.02891	22.309	< 2e-16 ***

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 86.24 on 683 degrees of freedom

(13 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 0.4231, Adjusted R-squared: 0.4205

F-statistic: 167 on 3 and 683 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16



Zero center the data before examining interactions

In order to examine interactions using multiple regression, we must first “zero center” the data. This may be done using the `scale` function. By default, `scale` will standardize the variables. So to keep the original metric, we make the scaling parameter `FALSE`. Note that `scale` returns a `matrix` but that we will need a `data.frame` when we do the regression.

```
zsat <- data.frame(scale(my.data,scale=FALSE))
describe(zsat)
```

	var	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew
gender	1	700	0	0.48	0.35	0.04	0.00	-0.65	0.35	1	-0.61
education	2	700	0	1.43	-0.16	0.14	1.48	-3.16	1.84	5	-0.68
age	3	700	0	9.50	-3.59	-1.73	5.93	-12.59	39.41	52	1.64
ACT	4	700	0	4.82	0.45	0.30	4.45	-25.55	7.45	33	-0.66
SATV	5	700	0	112.90	7.77	7.22	118.61	-412.23	187.77	600	-0.64
SATQ	6	687	0	115.64	9.78	7.04	118.61	-410.22	189.78	600	-0.59



Zero center the data before examining interactions

```
> zsat <- data.frame(scale(my.data,scale=FALSE))
> mod2 <- lm(SATV ~ education * gender * SATQ,data=zsat)
> summary(mod2)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = SATV ~ education * gender * SATQ, data = zsat)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-372.53	-48.76	3.33	51.24	238.50

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	0.773576	3.304938	0.234	0.81500
education	2.517314	2.337889	1.077	0.28198
gender	18.485906	6.964694	2.654	0.00814 **
SATQ	0.620527	0.028925	21.453	< 2e-16 ***
education:gender	1.249926	4.759374	0.263	0.79292
education:SATQ	-0.101444	0.020100	-5.047	5.77e-07 ***
gender:SATQ	0.007339	0.060850	0.121	0.90404
education:gender:SATQ	0.035822	0.041192	0.870	0.38481

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1



Reading data from another program –using the clipboard

- 1 Read the data in your favorite spreadsheet or text editor
- 2 Copy to the clipboard
- 3 Execute the appropriate `read.clipboard` function with or without various options specified

```
my.data <- read.clipboard()    #assumes headers and tab or space delimited
my.data <- read.clipboard.csv() #assumes headers and comma delimited
my.data <- read.clipboard.tab() #assumes headers and tab delimited
                                (e.g., from Excel)
my.data <- read.clipboard.lower() #read in a matrix given the lower
my.data <- read.clipboard.upper() # or upper off diagonal
my.data <- read.clipboard.fwf() #read in data using a fixed format width
                                (see read.fwf for instructions)
```

- 4 `read.clipboard()` has default values for the most common cases and these do not need to be specified. Consult `?read.clipboard` for details.



Reading from a local or remote file

- Perhaps the standard way of reading in data is using the `read` command.
 - First must specify the location of the file
 - Can either type this in directly or use the `file.choose` function
 - The file name/location can be a remote URL

- Two examples of reading data

```
file.name <- file.choose() #this opens a window to allow you find the file
my.data <- read.table(file.name)
datafilename="http://personality-project.org/r/datasets/R.appendix1.data"
data.ex1=read.table(datafilename,header=TRUE) #read the data into a table
```

```
> dim(data.ex1) #what are the dimensions of what we read?
```

```
[1] 18 2
```

```
> describe(data.ex1) #do the data look right?
```

	var	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew	kurtosi
Dosage*	1	18	1.89	0.76	2	1.88	1.48	1	3	2	0.16	-1.1
Alertness	2	18	27.67	6.82	27	27.50	8.15	17	41	24	0.25	0.6



Now find the descriptive statistics for this data set

```
> describe(my.data)
```

	var	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew	kurtosis	se
epiE	1	231	13.33	4.14	14	13.49	4.45	1	22	21	-0.33	-0.01	0.27
epiS	2	231	7.58	2.69	8	7.77	2.97	0	13	13	-0.57	0.04	0.18
epiImp	3	231	4.37	1.88	4	4.36	1.48	0	9	9	0.06	-0.59	0.12
epilie	4	231	2.38	1.50	2	2.27	1.48	0	7	7	0.66	0.30	0.10
epiNeur	5	231	10.41	4.90	10	10.39	4.45	0	23	23	0.06	-0.46	0.32
bfagree	6	231	125.00	18.14	126	125.26	17.79	74	167	93	-0.21	-0.22	1.19
bfcon	7	231	113.25	21.88	114	113.42	22.24	53	178	125	-0.02	0.29	1.44
bfext	8	231	102.18	26.45	104	102.99	22.24	8	168	160	-0.41	0.58	1.74
bfneur	9	231	87.97	23.34	90	87.70	23.72	34	152	118	0.07	-0.51	1.54
bfopen	10	231	123.43	20.51	125	123.78	20.76	73	173	100	-0.16	-0.11	1.35
bdi	11	231	6.78	5.78	6	5.97	4.45	0	27	27	1.29	1.60	0.38
traitanx	12	231	39.01	9.52	38	38.36	8.90	22	71	49	0.67	0.54	0.63
stateanx	13	231	39.85	11.48	38	38.92	10.38	21	79	58	0.72	0.04	0.76



Find the correlations for this data set, round off to 2 decimal places

```
> round(cor(my.data, use = "pairwise"), 2)
```

	epiE	epiS	epiImp	epilie	epiNeur	bfragee	bfcon	bfext	bfneur	bfopen
epiE	1.00	0.85	0.80	-0.22	-0.18	0.18	-0.11	0.54	-0.09	0.14
epiS	0.85	1.00	0.43	-0.05	-0.22	0.20	0.05	0.58	-0.07	0.15
epiImp	0.80	0.43	1.00	-0.24	-0.07	0.08	-0.24	0.35	-0.09	0.07
epilie	-0.22	-0.05	-0.24	1.00	-0.25	0.17	0.23	-0.04	-0.22	-0.03
epiNeur	-0.18	-0.22	-0.07	-0.25	1.00	-0.08	-0.13	-0.17	0.63	0.09
bfragee	0.18	0.20	0.08	0.17	-0.08	1.00	0.45	0.48	-0.04	0.39
bfcon	-0.11	0.05	-0.24	0.23	-0.13	0.45	1.00	0.27	0.04	0.31
bfext	0.54	0.58	0.35	-0.04	-0.17	0.48	0.27	1.00	0.04	0.46
bfneur	-0.09	-0.07	-0.09	-0.22	0.63	-0.04	0.04	0.04	1.00	0.29
bfopen	0.14	0.15	0.07	-0.03	0.09	0.39	0.31	0.46	0.29	1.00
bdi	-0.16	-0.13	-0.11	-0.20	0.58	-0.14	-0.18	-0.14	0.47	-0.08
traitanx	-0.23	-0.26	-0.12	-0.23	0.73	-0.31	-0.29	-0.39	0.59	-0.11
stateanx	-0.13	-0.12	-0.09	-0.15	0.49	-0.19	-0.14	-0.15	0.49	-0.04



t.test demonstration with Student's data

```

> with(sleep,t.test(extra~group))

Welch Two Sample t-test
data:  extra by group
t = -1.8608, df = 17.776, p-value = 0.07939
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal t
95 percent confidence interval:
-3.3654832  0.2054832
sample estimates:
mean in group 1 mean in group 2
          0.75          2.33

But the data were actually paired. Do it for a paired t-test
> with(sleep,t.test(extra~group,paired=TRUE))

Paired t-test
data:  extra by group
t = -4.0621, df = 9, p-value = 0.002833
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal t
95 percent confidence interval:
-2.4598858 -0.7001142
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
          -1.58

```

extra	group	ID
0.7	1	1
-1.6	1	2
-0.2	1	3
-1.2	1	4
-0.1	1	5
3.4	1	6
3.7	1	7
...		
1.1	2	3
0.1	2	4
-0.1	2	5
4.4	2	6
5.5	2	7
1.6	2	8
4.6	2	9
3.4	2	10



Analysis of Variance

- do the analysis of variances and the show the table of results

```
aov.ex2 = aov(Alertness~Gender*Dosage,data=data.ex2) #do the analysis of varian
summary(aov.ex2)                                     #show the summary table
```

```
> aov.ex2 = aov(Alertness~Gender*Dosage,data=data.ex2) #do the analysis of va
> summary(aov.ex2)                                     #show the summary table
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Gender	1	76.562	76.562	2.9518	0.1115
Dosage	1	5.062	5.062	0.1952	0.6665
Gender: Dosage	1	0.063	0.063	0.0024	0.9617



Zero center the data before examining interactions

```
> zsat <- data.frame(scale(sat.act,scale=FALSE))
> mod2 <- lm(SATV ~ education * gender * SATQ,data=zsat)
> summary(mod2)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = SATV ~ education * gender * SATQ, data = zsat)
```

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-372.53	-48.76	3.33	51.24	238.50

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	0.773576	3.304938	0.234	0.81500
education	2.517314	2.337889	1.077	0.28198
gender	18.485906	6.964694	2.654	0.00814 **
SATQ	0.620527	0.028925	21.453	< 2e-16 ***
education:gender	1.249926	4.759374	0.263	0.79292
education:SATQ	-0.101444	0.020100	-5.047	5.77e-07 ***
gender:SATQ	0.007339	0.060850	0.121	0.90404
education:gender:SATQ	0.035822	0.041192	0.870	0.38481

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1





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Scoring a multiple choice test

Convert the items to correct and incorrect

```
> iq.scrub <- scrub(iqitems,isvalue=0) #first get rid of the zero responses
> iq.tf <- score.multiple.choice(iq.keys,iq.scrub,score=FALSE) #convert to wrong (0) and correct (1) for a
```

	var	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew	kurtosis	se
reason.4	1	1442	0.68	0.47	1	0.72	0	0	1	1	-0.75	-1.44	0.01
reason.16	2	1463	0.73	0.45	1	0.78	0	0	1	1	-1.02	-0.96	0.01
reason.17	3	1440	0.74	0.44	1	0.80	0	0	1	1	-1.08	-0.84	0.01
reason.19	4	1456	0.64	0.48	1	0.68	0	0	1	1	-0.60	-1.64	0.01
letter.7	5	1441	0.63	0.48	1	0.67	0	0	1	1	-0.56	-1.69	0.01
letter.33	6	1438	0.61	0.49	1	0.63	0	0	1	1	-0.43	-1.82	0.01
letter.34	7	1455	0.64	0.48	1	0.68	0	0	1	1	-0.59	-1.65	0.01
letter.58	8	1438	0.47	0.50	0	0.46	0	0	1	1	0.12	-1.99	0.01
matrix.45	9	1458	0.55	0.50	1	0.56	0	0	1	1	-0.20	-1.96	0.01
matrix.46	10	1470	0.57	0.50	1	0.59	0	0	1	1	-0.28	-1.92	0.01
matrix.47	11	1465	0.64	0.48	1	0.67	0	0	1	1	-0.57	-1.67	0.01
matrix.55	12	1459	0.39	0.49	0	0.36	0	0	1	1	0.45	-1.80	0.01
rotate.3	13	1456	0.20	0.40	0	0.1`3	0	0	1	1	1.48	0.19	0.01
rotate.4	14	1460	0.22	0.42	0	0.15	0	0	1	1	1.34	-0.21	0.01
rotate.6	15	1456	0.31	0.46	0	0.27	0	0	1	1	0.80	-1.35	0.01
rotate.8	16	1460	0.19	0.39	0	0.12	0	0	1	1	1.55	0.41	0.01



Just give me alpha, I don't know any better

For the user who wants to know just the alpha of a set of items and is used to SPSS output, the alpha function is provided. Better alternatives include the guttman function which provides more information.

```
alpha(iq.tf)
```

```
Reliability analysis
Call: alpha(x = iq.tf)
```

```
raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r mean sd
0.83      0.83      0.84      0.23 0.49 0.25
```

Reliability if an item is dropped:

```
raw_alpha std.alpha G6(smc) average_r
reason.4      0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
reason.16     0.82      0.82      0.83      0.24
reason.17     0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
reason.19     0.82      0.82      0.83      0.24
letter.7      0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
letter.33     0.82      0.82      0.83      0.24
letter.34     0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
letter.58     0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
matrix.45     0.82      0.83      0.83      0.24
matrix.46     0.82      0.82      0.83      0.24
matrix.47     0.82      0.82      0.83      0.24
matrix.55     0.83      0.83      0.83      0.24
rotate.3      0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
rotate.4      0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
rotate.6      0.82      0.82      0.82      0.23
rotate.8      0.82      0.82      0.83      0.24
```

```
alpha(iq.tf)
```

Item statistics

```
          n      r r.cor r.drop mean sd
reason.4 1442 0.58 0.54 0.50 0.68 0.47
reason.16 1463 0.50 0.44 0.41 0.73 0.45
reason.17 1440 0.57 0.54 0.49 0.74 0.44
reason.19 1456 0.52 0.47 0.43 0.64 0.48
letter.7   1441 0.56 0.52 0.48 0.63 0.48
letter.33 1438 0.53 0.48 0.44 0.61 0.49
letter.34 1455 0.57 0.53 0.49 0.64 0.48
letter.58 1438 0.57 0.52 0.48 0.47 0.50
matrix.45 1458 0.48 0.42 0.38 0.55 0.50
matrix.46 1470 0.49 0.43 0.40 0.57 0.50
matrix.47 1465 0.52 0.47 0.43 0.64 0.48
matrix.55 1459 0.42 0.35 0.32 0.39 0.49
rotate.3  1456 0.54 0.51 0.44 0.20 0.40
rotate.4  1460 0.58 0.56 0.48 0.22 0.42
rotate.6  1456 0.56 0.53 0.46 0.31 0.46
rotate.8  1460 0.51 0.47 0.41 0.19 0.39
```



Multivariate data reduction and description

A recurring theme in personality research is the description of personality items (be they adjectives or short questions), in terms of a limited number of higher order dimensions. These are typically identified through factor analysis, principal components analysis, or cluster analysis. All of these procedures are straightforward in R.

- 1 Exploratory factor analysis: a latent trait model
 - Items are assumed to represent the influence of unobserved (latent) variables.
 - Issues are the means of extraction, the number of factors to extract, the rotations to use, the estimation of factor scores.
 - Factor scores are *estimated*
- 2 Confirmatory factor analysis: a latent trait model
 - (discussed under structural equation modeling) the typical model is one of a cluster structure with items loading on one and only one factor.
 - This assumption is probably not appropriate, and rotational techniques for complexity > 1 are available.



Multivariate data reduction and description: 2

- 1 Principal Components analysis: an observed variable model
 - Components are defined as sums of observed variables.
 - Component scores may be calculated as weighted sums, not *estimated* as is necessary for factor scores.
 - Components include measurement error as part of the score.
- 2 Cluster analysis, although usually applied to clustering of objects (people), may be applied to clustering of items.
 - Some algorithms take reliability into account (correct for attenuation), and thus implicitly become latent variable models.



There are several ways to do factor analysis in R

- ① `factanal` from core R
 - Maximum likelihood factor analysis
- ② `fa` and `fa.poly` from *psych* (replacing `factor.pa`, `fa.wls`)
 - data input = A correlation matrix or a raw data matrix. If raw data, the correlation matrix will be found using pairwise deletion.
 - factor method = factoring method `fm="minres"` will do a minimum residual (OLS), `fm="wls"` will do a weighted least squares (WLS) solution, `fm="gls"` does a generalized weighted least squares (GLS), `fm="pa"` will do the principal factor solution, `fm="ml"` will do a maximum likelihood factor analysis
 - rotation method = "none", "varimax", "quartimax", "bentlerT", and "geominT" are orthogonal rotations. "promax", "oblimin", "simplicimax", "bentlerQ", and "geominQ" or "cluster" are possible rotations or transformations of the solution. The default is to do a oblimin transformation.
 - Confidence intervals may be found by bootstrapping multiple solutions.



The number of factors problem

“It is easy to solve the number of factors problem, I do it everyday before breakfast. The problem is what is the right answer ”

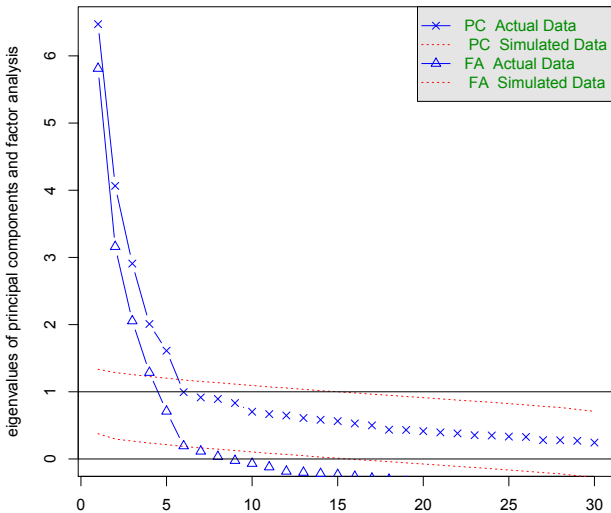
(attributed to Henry Kaiser)

- ① χ^2 tests (either of n factor solution or of change from n-1 to n factors)
 - Sensitive to sample size.
 - Larger samples have more significant factors
- ② Scree test
 - Generally good, sometimes hard to identify break in scree
- ③ Parallel analysis (compare to random data)
 - Factors and components give different solutions
- ④ Very Simple Structure
 - Works well with items of complexity 1 or 2
- ⑤ Minimum Average Partial
- ⑥ Eigen values > 1
 - Perhaps the uniformly agreed worst test



Parallel analysis of 30 NEO facets

Parallel analysis of 30 neo facets items



Very Simple Structure and Velicer's Map criterion

```
> VSS(bfi[1:25],title="Very Simple Structure of 25 Big 5 items")
```

```
Very Simple Structure of  Very Simple Structure of 25 Big 5 items
```

```
Call: VSS(x = bfi[1:25], title = "Very Simple Structure of 25 Big 5 items")
```

```
VSS complexity 1 achieves a maximum of 0.58 with 4 factors
```

```
VSS complexity 2 achieves a maximum of 0.74 with 4 factors
```

```
The Velicer MAP criterion achieves a minimum of 0.01 with 5 factors
```

```
Velicer MAP
```

```
[1] 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.02 0.01 0.02 0.02 0.02
```

```
Very Simple Structure Complexity 1
```

```
[1] 0.49 0.54 0.57 0.58 0.53 0.54 0.52 0.52
```

```
Very Simple Structure Complexity 2
```

```
[1] 0.00 0.63 0.69 0.74 0.73 0.72 0.70 0.69
```



Factor analysis of Thurstone 9 variable problem

```
> f3 <- fa(Thurstone,3,n.obs=213) #we want a 3 factor solution, otherwise, use the defaults
> f3
```

Factor Analysis using method = minres

Call: fa(r = Thurstone, nfactors = 3, n.obs = 213)

Standardized loadings (pattern matrix) based upon correlation matrix

	MR1	MR2	MR3	h2	u2
Sentences	0.91	-0.04	0.04	0.82	0.18
Vocabulary	0.89	0.06	-0.03	0.84	0.16
Sent.Completion	0.83	0.04	0.00	0.73	0.27
First.Letters	0.00	0.86	0.00	0.73	0.27
4.Letter.Words	-0.01	0.74	0.10	0.63	0.37
Suffixes	0.18	0.63	-0.08	0.50	0.50
Letter.Series	0.03	-0.01	0.84	0.72	0.28
Pedigrees	0.37	-0.05	0.47	0.50	0.50
Letter.Group	-0.06	0.21	0.64	0.53	0.47

	MR1	MR2	MR3
SS loadings	2.64	1.86	1.50
Proportion Var	0.29	0.21	0.17
Cumulative Var	0.29	0.50	0.67
Proportion Explained	0.44	0.31	0.25
Cumulative Proportion	0.44	0.75	1.00

With factor correlations of

	MR1	MR2	MR3
MR1	1.00	0.59	0.54
MR2	0.59	1.00	0.52
MR3	0.54	0.52	1.00
...			



Factor analysis output, continued

Test of the hypothesis that 3 factors are sufficient.

The degrees of freedom for the null model are 36 and the objective function was 5.2 with Chi Square of 1081.97

The degrees of freedom for the model are 12 and the objective function was 0.01

The root mean square of the residuals is 0

The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.01

The number of observations was 213 with Chi Square = 2.82 with prob < 1

Tucker Lewis Index of factoring reliability = 1.027

RMSEA index = 0 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0 0.023

BIC = -61.51

Fit based upon off diagonal values = 1

Measures of factor score adequacy

	MR1	MR2	MR3
Correlation of scores with factors	0.96	0.92	0.90
Multiple R square of scores with factors	0.93	0.85	0.81
Minimum correlation of possible factor scores	0.86	0.71	0.63



Bootstrapped confidence intervals

```
> f3 <- fa(Thurstone,3,n.obs=213,n.iter=20) #to do bootstrapping
```

Coefficients and bootstrapped confidence intervals

	low	MR1	upper	low	MR2	upper	low	MR3	upper
Sentences	0.80	0.91	0.96	-0.10	-0.04	0.04	-0.02	0.04	0.13
Vocabulary	0.77	0.89	0.94	0.01	0.06	0.16	-0.10	-0.03	0.07
Sent.Completion	0.73	0.83	0.92	-0.06	0.04	0.11	-0.09	0.00	0.09
First.Letters	-0.06	0.00	0.10	0.68	0.86	0.93	-0.08	0.00	0.10
4.Letter.Words	-0.13	-0.01	0.10	0.58	0.74	0.84	0.03	0.10	0.21
Suffixes	0.00	0.18	0.34	0.49	0.63	0.76	-0.19	-0.08	0.03
Letter.Series	-0.04	0.03	0.12	-0.12	-0.01	0.11	0.53	0.84	0.96
Pedigrees	0.26	0.37	0.52	-0.17	-0.05	0.07	0.26	0.47	0.61
Letter.Group	-0.19	-0.06	0.05	0.07	0.21	0.35	0.43	0.64	0.79

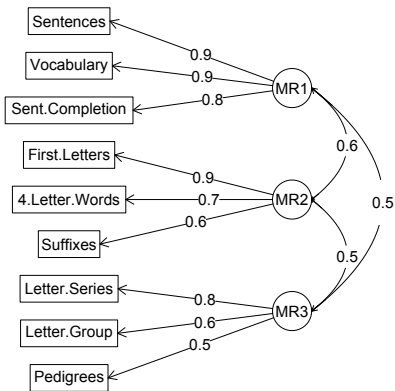
Interfactor correlations and bootstrapped confidence intervals

	lower	estimate	upper
1	0.39	0.59	0.63
2	0.34	0.54	0.59
3	0.32	0.52	0.56



The simple factor structure (pattern) may be shown graphically

Factor Analysis



Factor score estimates are found by default

- ① Because of issues of factor score indeterminacy, these are estimated factor scores.
- ② The correlation between these estimates and the factors is reported. ($R^2 = \text{diag}(\mathbf{WF})$)
- ③ There are multiple ways of estimating factor scores. All are based upon \mathbf{WX}' where \mathbf{C} is the covariance matrix of the raw scores (\mathbf{X}) and the \mathbf{W} matrix is found by
 - regression: $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{F}'\mathbf{C}^{-1}$
 - Bartlett: $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{U}^{-2}\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{F}'\mathbf{U}^{-2}\mathbf{F})^{-1}$.
 - TenBerge: let $\mathbf{L} = \mathbf{F}\Phi^{1/2}$, and $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{R}^{1/2}\mathbf{L}(\mathbf{L}'\mathbf{C}^{-1}\mathbf{L})^{-1/2}$, then $\mathbf{W} = \mathbf{C}^{-1/2}\mathbf{D}\Phi^{1/2}$



Analyzing the higher order structure: the ω coefficients

- ① If items or scales intercorrelate, they in turn may be factored.
 - The effect of these higher order factors may be found on the lowest level variables and then removed from the first level factors.
 - The debate about the “general factor of personality” hinges on this method.
 - Higher order factors may be found using exploratory or confirmatory procedures.
- ② `omega` is an exploratory hierarchical factoring function to find
 - ω_h (hierarchical), an estimate of the general factor of a test
 - ω_t , an estimate of the reliable variance in a test
- ③ `omega.sem` will do a confirmatory analysis based upon the simple cluster structure found by `omega`
 - CFA solutions based upon a simple cluster structure will overestimate the general factor by not identifying all the cross loadings.



omega analysis of the Thurstone problem.

```
> omega(Thurstone,n.obs=213) #defaults to 3 factors
```

```
Call: omega(m = Thurstone, nfactors = 3, n.obs = 213)
```

```
Alpha: 0.89
```

```
G.6: 0.91
```

```
Omega Hierarchical: 0.74
```

```
Omega H asymptotic: 0.79
```

```
Omega Total 0.93
```

```
Schmid Leiman Factor loadings greater than 0.2
```

	g	F1*	F2*	F3*	h2	u2	p2
Sentences	0.71	0.57			0.82	0.18	0.61
Vocabulary	0.73	0.55			0.84	0.16	0.63
Sent.Completion	0.68	0.52			0.73	0.27	0.63
First.Letters	0.65		0.56		0.73	0.27	0.57
4.Letter.Words	0.62		0.49		0.63	0.37	0.61
Suffixes	0.56		0.41		0.50	0.50	0.63
Letter.Series	0.59			0.61	0.72	0.28	0.48
Pedigrees	0.58	0.23		0.34	0.50	0.50	0.66
Letter.Group	0.54			0.46	0.53	0.47	0.56

```
With eigenvalues of:
```

g	F1*	F2*	F3*
3.58	0.96	0.74	0.71



omega output continued

With eigenvalues of:

g	F1*	F2*	F3*
3.58	0.96	0.74	0.71

general/max 3.71 max/min = 1.35
 mean percent general = 0.6 with sd = 0.05 and cv of 0.09

The degrees of freedom are 12 and the fit is 0.01
 The number of observations was 213 with Chi Square = 2.82 with prob < 1
 The root mean square of the residuals is 0
 The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.01
 RMSEA index = 0 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0 0.023
 BIC = -61.51

Compare this with the adequacy of just a general factor and no group factors
 The degrees of freedom for just the general factor are 27 and the fit is 1.48
 The number of observations was 213 with Chi Square = 307.1 with prob < 2.8e-49
 The root mean square of the residuals is 0.1
 The df corrected root mean square of the residuals is 0.16

RMSEA index = 0.224 and the 90 % confidence intervals are 0.223 0.226
 BIC = 162.35

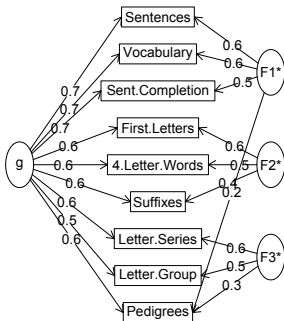
Measures of factor score adequacy

	g	F1*	F2*	F3*
Correlation of scores with factors	0.86	0.73	0.72	0.75
Multiple R square of scores with factors	0.74	0.54	0.52	0.56
Minimum correlation of factor score estimates	0.49	0.08	0.03	0.11

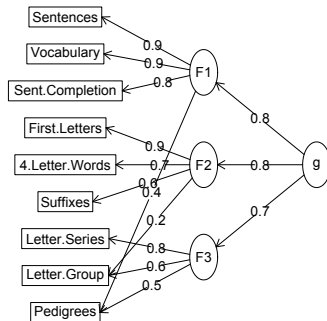


Two ways of viewing the higher order structure

Omega



Hierarchical (multilevel) Structure



Omega analysis of the iq data

```
> omega(iq.tf,4,title="Omega of ICAR 16 ability items) #specify 4 lower level factors
```

```
Omega of ICAR 16 ability items
```

```
Call: omega(m = iq.tf, nfactors = 4, title = "Omega of ICAR 16 ability items")
```

```
Alpha: 0.83
```

```
G.6: 0.84
```

```
Omega Hierarchical: 0.65
```

```
Omega H asymptotic: 0.76
```

```
Omega Total 0.86
```

```
Schmid Leiman Factor loadings greater than 0.2
```

	g	F1*	F2*	F3*	F4*	h2	u2	p2
reason.4	0.50			0.27		0.34	0.66	0.73
reason.16	0.42			0.21		0.23	0.77	0.76
reason.17	0.55			0.47		0.52	0.48	0.57
reason.19	0.44			0.21		0.25	0.75	0.77
letter.7	0.52		0.35			0.39	0.61	0.69
letter.33	0.46		0.30			0.31	0.69	0.70
letter.34	0.54		0.38			0.43	0.57	0.67
letter.58	0.47		0.20			0.28	0.72	0.78
matrix.45	0.40			0.66		0.59	0.41	0.27
matrix.46	0.40			0.26		0.24	0.76	0.65
matrix.47	0.42					0.23	0.77	0.79
matrix.55	0.28					0.12	0.88	0.65
rotate.3	0.36	0.61				0.50	0.50	0.26
rotate.4	0.41	0.61				0.54	0.46	0.31
rotate.6	0.40	0.49				0.41	0.59	0.39
rotate.8	0.32	0.53				0.40	0.60	0.26

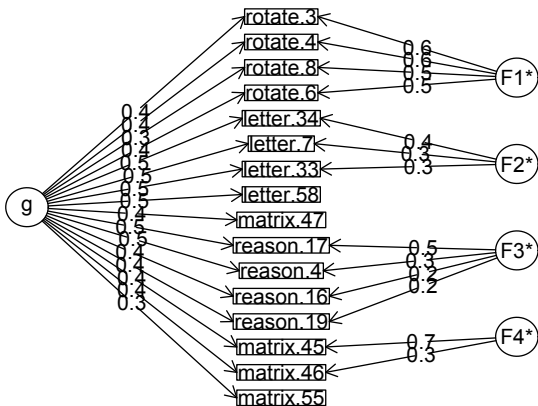
```
With eigenvalues of:
```

g	F1*	F2*	F3*	F4*
3.04	1.32	0.46	0.42	0.55



Omega of ICAR 16 ability items

Omega of ICAR 16 ability items



Principal Components Analysis is an observed data model

```
> principal(Thurstone,3,n.obs=213) #ask for 3 components
```

Principal Components Analysis

Call: principal(r = Thurstone, nfactors = 3, n.obs = 213)

Standardized loadings based upon correlation matrix

	RC1	RC2	RC3	h2	u2
Sentences	0.86	0.24	0.23	0.86	0.14
Vocabulary	0.85	0.31	0.19	0.86	0.14
Sent.Completion	0.85	0.26	0.19	0.83	0.17
First.Letters	0.23	0.82	0.23	0.78	0.22
4.Letter.Words	0.18	0.79	0.30	0.75	0.25
Suffixes	0.31	0.77	0.06	0.70	0.30
Letter.Series	0.25	0.16	0.83	0.78	0.22
Pedigrees	0.53	0.08	0.61	0.67	0.33
Letter.Group	0.10	0.31	0.80	0.75	0.25

	RC1	RC2	RC3
SS loadings	2.73	2.25	1.99
Proportion Var	0.30	0.25	0.22
Cumulative Var	0.30	0.55	0.78

Test of the hypothesis that 3 factors are sufficient.

The degrees of freedom for the null model are 36 and the objective function was 10.

The degrees of freedom for the model are 12 and the objective function was 0.

The number of observations was 213 with Chi Square = 127.9 with prob < 1.6

Fit based upon off diagonal values = 0.98

Cluster analysis as an alternative to factor analysis and principal components analysis

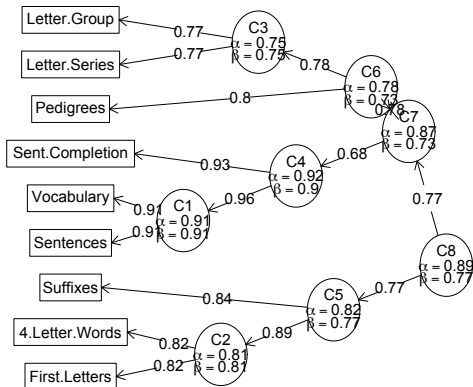
- ① An alternative to factor analysis for dimensional reduction is cluster analysis
 - The `iclust` algorithm was developed for clustering items based upon basic psychometric principals
- ② Procedure
 - ① Find the correlation matrix
 - ② Identify the most similar pair of items (correcting for attenuation)
 - ③ Combine them.
 - ④ Repeat steps 1-3 until β (the worst split half reliability) fails to increase.
 - ⑤ As an alternative, a specified number of clusters may be extracted.



A hierarchical cluster structure found by iclust

iclust(Thurstone)

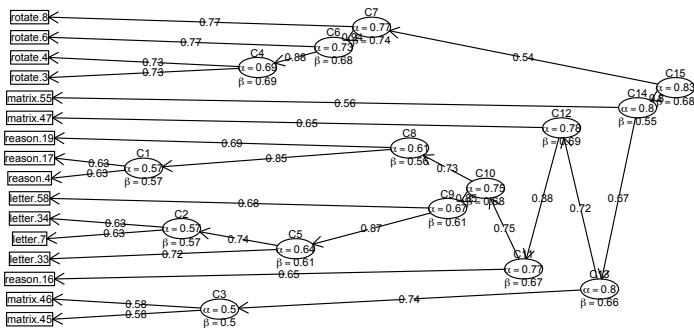
iclust



A hierarchical cluster structure of 16 ability items using iclust

iclust(iq.tf)

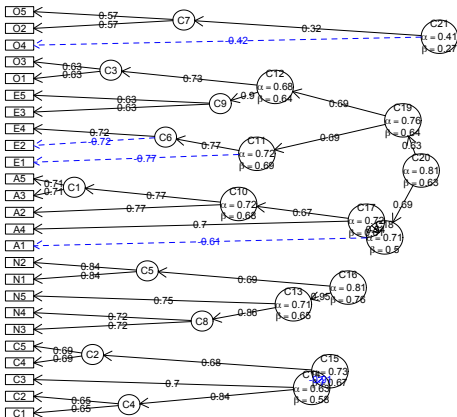
ICLUST of the ICAR 16 iq items



A hierarchical cluster structure of 25 Big 5 items found by iclust

iclust(bfi[1:25])

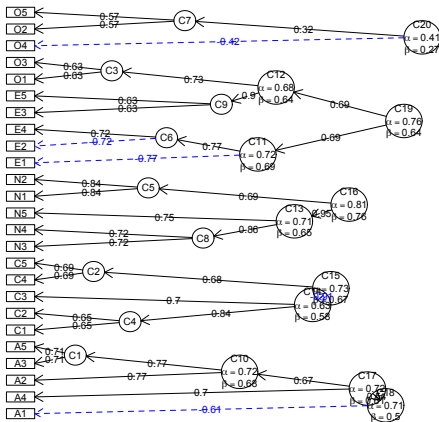
ICLUST of 25 personality items



Cluster analysis of items

A hierarchical cluster structure of 25 Big 5 items found by iclust with a more strict criterion

ICLUST of 25 personality items -- stricter beta



ICLUST produces basic scale reliability information

```
> iclust(bfi[1:25],beta=2,title="ICLUST of 25 personality items -- stricter beta
```

```
CLUST (Item Cluster Analysis)
```

```
Call: iclust(r.mat = bfi[1:25], beta = 2, title = "ICLUST of 25 personality ite
```

```
Purified Alpha:
```

C16	C19	C18	C15	C20
0.81	0.76	0.71	0.73	0.61

```
G6* reliability:
```

C16	C19	C18	C15	C20
0.81	0.64	0.68	0.58	0.45

```
Original Beta:
```

C16	C19	C18	C15	C20
0.76	0.64	0.50	0.67	0.27

```
Cluster size:
```

C16	C19	C18	C15	C20
5	5	5	5	5



ICLUST output (continued) shows item by cluster loadings and cluster intercorrelations

Item by Cluster Structure matrix:

	C19	C18	C16	C15	C20
A1	-0.10	-0.39	0.14	0.05	0.13
A2	0.40	0.67	-0.07	-0.23	-0.19
....					

04	-0.10	0.06	0.21	0.00	-0.33
05	-0.11	-0.10	0.11	0.15	0.53

With eigenvalues of:

C19	C18	C16	C15	C20
3.6	3.1	3.0	2.6	1.9

Purified scale intercorrelations

reliabilities on diagonal

correlations corrected for attenuation above diagonal:

	C19	C18	C16	C15	C20
C19	0.76	0.64	-0.28	-0.36	-0.35
C18	0.47	0.71	-0.24	-0.35	-0.25
C16	-0.22	-0.18	0.81	0.29	0.11
C15	-0.27	-0.25	0.22	0.73	0.30
C20	-0.24	-0.16	0.07	0.20	0.61



Factor Extension and Set Correlation

- 1 Originally developed by Dwyer for the case of having completed a factor analysis and then a new variable is introduced.
 - At the time, factoring was hard and time consuming
- 2 May now be used to extend the factors from one domain into another domain.
 - Differs from SEM in that the factors are estimated in the first domain and are not changed with the addition of the second domain
- 3 Another technique for relating two domains is “Set Correlation” as discussed by Cohen, Cohen, Aiken and West.



Factor Extension and the structure of affect

- 1 Consider the joint analysis of Energetic and Tense Arousal with Positive and Negative Affect
 - EA = "active" "alert" "aroused" -("sleepy" "tired" "drowsy")
 - TA = "anxious" "jittery" "nervous" -("calm" "relaxed" "at-ease")
 - PA = "happy" "pleased"
 - NA = "unhappy" "sad"
- 2 What is the location of PA and NA in the EA/TA space
- 3 What is the structure of the joint space?
- 4 Use the data in the Motivational State Questionnaire (msq) data set.
 - 75 mood and arousal items given over 10 years to various participants (N=3896)



Basic commands for display and analysis

```
eata <- c("active", "alert", "aroused",
  "sleepy", "tired", "drowsy",
  "anxious", "jittery", "nervous",
  "calm", "relaxed", "at-ease",
  "happy", "pleased", "unhappy", "sad")
```

```
R <- lowerCor(msq[eata])
```

```
cor.plot(R, main="Arousal and Affect terms")
```

```
f.all <- fa(R, 2)
```

```
fe.all <- fa.extend(R, 2, 1:12, 13:16)
```

```
op <- par(mfrow=c(1, 2))
```

```
fa.plot(f.all, labels=rownames(R), ylim=c(-1, 1),
  xlim=c(-1, 1), title="FA combined")
```

```
fa.plot(fe.all, labels=rownames(R), ylim=c(-1, 1),
  xlim=c(-1, 1), title="Extend EA/TA")
```

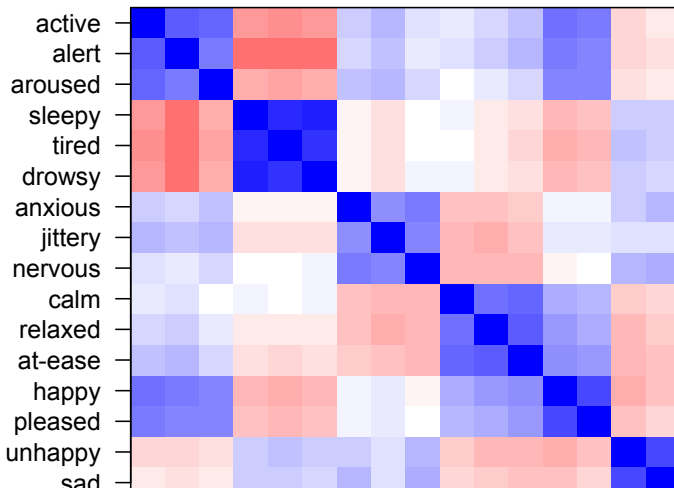
- ① get the data
- ② find the correlations
- ③ show the correlations graphically
- ④ factor entire set
- ⑤ factor EA/TA space – extend to PA/NA

⑥ Display the results



A cor.plot of the data

Arousal and Affect terms



Factor Extension and Set Correlation as ways of relating multiple domains

```
fa(r = R, nfactors = 2)
```

```
Factor Analysis using method = minres
```

```
Call: fa(r = R, nfactors = 2)
```

```
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix)
```

	MR1	MR2	h2	u2
active	-0.52	0.25	0.39	0.61
alert	-0.64	0.22	0.52	0.48
aroused	-0.46	0.16	0.27	0.73
sleepy	0.89	0.06	0.78	0.22
tired	0.86	0.01	0.73	0.27
drowsy	0.88	0.07	0.75	0.25
anxious	-0.21	-0.34	0.13	0.87
jittery	-0.31	-0.34	0.17	0.83
nervous	-0.15	-0.40	0.16	0.84
calm	0.18	0.67	0.43	0.57
relaxed	0.07	0.71	0.48	0.52
at-ease	0.00	0.74	0.55	0.45
happy	-0.30	0.59	0.51	0.49
pleased	-0.28	0.53	0.42	0.58
unhappy	0.14	-0.45	0.25	0.75
sad	0.11	-0.39	0.19	0.81

	MR1	MR2
SS loadings	3.65	3.07
Proportion Var	0.23	0.19
Cumulative Var	0.23	0.42
Proportion Explained	0.54	0.46
Cumulative Proportion	0.54	1.00

```
With factor correlations of
```

	MR1	MR2
MR1	1.00	-0.21
MR2	-0.21	1.00

```
fa.extend(r = R, nfactors = 2, ov = 1:12, ev = 13:16)
```

```
Factor Analysis using method = minres
```

```
Call: fa.extend(r = R, nfactors = 2, ov = 1:12, ev = 13:16)
```

```
Standardized loadings (pattern matrix)
```

	MR1	MR2	h2	u2
active	-0.57	0.02	0.32	0.68
alert	-0.68	0.07	0.47	0.53
aroused	-0.49	-0.07	0.24	0.76
sleepy	0.88	0.01	0.78	0.22
tired	0.85	-0.01	0.73	0.27
drowsy	0.87	0.01	0.76	0.24
anxious	-0.14	-0.50	0.26	0.74
jittery	-0.23	-0.53	0.33	0.67
nervous	-0.07	-0.55	0.30	0.70
calm	0.04	0.68	0.46	0.54
relaxed	-0.08	0.69	0.49	0.51
at-ease	-0.15	0.69	0.51	0.49
happy	-0.49	0.32	0.36	0.64
pleased	-0.45	0.27	0.29	0.71
unhappy	0.22	-0.36	0.19	0.81
sad	0.17	-0.33	0.15	0.85

	MR1	MR2
SS loadings	3.95	2.69
Proportion Var	0.25	0.17
Cumulative Var	0.25	0.42
Proportion Explained	0.59	0.41
Cumulative Proportion	0.59	1.00

```
With factor correlations of
```

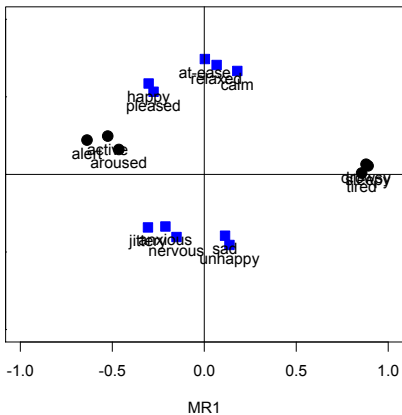
	MR1	MR2
MR1	1.00	-0.06
MR2	-0.06	1.00



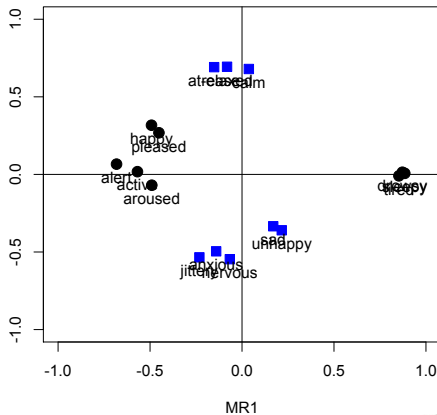
Factor Extension and Set Correlation as ways of relating multiple domains

A fa.plot of the two solutions

FA combined



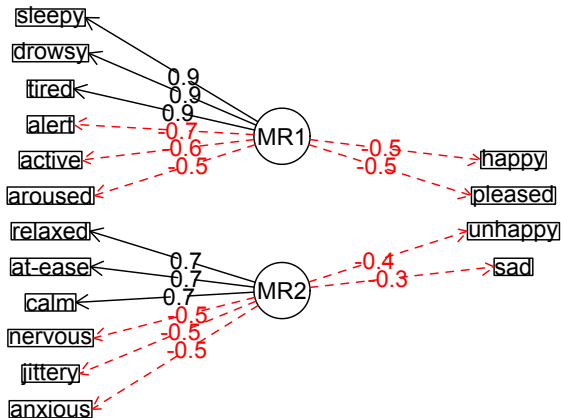
Extend EA/TA



Factor Extension and Set Correlation as ways of relating multiple domains

Factor extension of Energetic and Tense Arousal to Affect

EA and TA factors extended to PA and NA



Factor Extension and Set Correlation as ways of relating multiple domains

Set correlation is a generalized R^2 between two sets of variables

$R^2 = 1 - \prod (1 - \lambda_i^2)$ where λ_i^2 is the i th squared canonical correlation. Unfortunately, the R^2 is sensitive to one of the canonical correlations being very high. An alternative, T^2 , is the proportion of additive variance and is the average of the squared canonicals.

```
> set.cor(y=13:16,x=1:12,data=R)
```

```
Call: set.cor(y = 13:16, x = 1:12, data = R)
```

Multiple Regression from matrix input

Beta weights

	happy	pleased	unhappy	sad
active	0.28	0.25	-0.07	-0.02
alert	0.17	0.15	0.05	0.01
aroused	0.16	0.20	-0.05	-0.04
sleepy	0.04	0.05	0.03	0.08
tired	-0.03	-0.05	0.17	0.14
drowsy	0.01	0.03	0.00	-0.04
anxious	0.01	0.01	0.10	0.17
jittery	0.02	0.00	-0.04	-0.03
nervous	-0.01	0.01	0.19	0.20
calm	0.08	0.08	0.00	0.04
relaxed	0.13	0.10	-0.10	-0.06
at-ease	0.20	0.17	-0.12	-0.10

```
> set.cor(y=13:16,x=1:12,data=R)
```

Multiple R

happy	pleased	unhappy	sad
0.69	0.64	0.43	0.41

Multiple R2

happy	pleased	unhappy	sad
0.47	0.41	0.18	0.17

Various estimates of between set correlations

Squared Canonical Correlations

```
[1] 0.5187 0.1551 0.0095 0.0041
```

Chisq of canonical correlations

NULL

Average squared canonical correlation = 0.17

Cohen's Set Correlation R2 = 0.6



Structural Equation modeling packages

SEM packages allow for Confirmatory Factor Analysis as well as Structural modeling.

- ① sem (by John Fox and others)
 - uses RAM notation
 - does not handle multiple groups
 - does not seem to be actively developed
- ② lavaan (by Yves Rosseel and others)
 - Mimics as much as possible MPLUS output
 - Allows for multiple groups
 - Easy syntax
- ③ OpenMx (by Steve Bolker, Michael Neale, and others)
 - Open source and R version of Mx
 - Allows for multiple groups (and almost anything else)
 - Complicated syntax



lavaan analysis – from the example – output mimics MPlus

```
#The Holzinger and Swineford (1939) example
```

```
HS.model <- ' visual  =~ x1 + x2 + x3
             textual =~ x4 + x5 + x6
             speed   =~ x7 + x8 + x9 '
```

```
fit <- lavaan(HS.model, data=HolzingerSwineford1939,
             auto.var=TRUE, auto.fix.first=TRUE,
             auto.cov.lv.x=TRUE)
```

```
summary(fit, fit.measures=TRUE)
```

lavaan (0.4-7) converged normally after 35 iterations

Number of observations	301
Estimator	ML
Minimum Function Chi-square	85.306
Degrees of freedom	24
P-value	0.000

Chi-square test baseline model:

Minimum Function Chi-square	918.852
Degrees of freedom	36
P-value	0.00



lavaan example – continued

Full model versus baseline model:

Comparative Fit Index (CFI)	0.931
Tucker-Lewis Index (TLI)	0.896

Loglikelihood and Information Criteria:

Loglikelihood user model (H0)	-3737.745
Loglikelihood unrestricted model (H1)	-3695.092

Number of free parameters	21
Akaike (AIC)	7517.490
Bayesian (BIC)	7595.339
Sample-size adjusted Bayesian (BIC)	7528.739

Root Mean Square Error of Approximation:

RMSEA	0.092
90 Percent Confidence Interval	0.071 0.114
P-value RMSEA <= 0.05	0.001

Standardized Root Mean Square Residual:

SRMR	0.065
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Parameter estimates:

Information	Expected
Standard Errors	Standard

Estimate	Std.err	Z-value	P(> z)
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Latent variables:

visual =~				
x1	1.000			
x2	0.554	0.100	5.554	0.000
x3	0.729	0.109	6.685	0.000

textual =~				
x4	1.000			
x5	1.113	0.065	17.014	0.000
x6	0.926	0.055	16.703	0.000



Using lavaan to examine measurement invariance – from the example

```
HW.model <- ' visual  =~ x1 + x2 + x3
             textual =~ x4 + x5 + x6
             speed   =~ x7 + x8 + x9 '
measurementInvariance(HW.model, data=HolzingerSwineford1939, group="school")
```

Measurement invariance tests:

Model 1: configural invariance:

chisq	df	pvalue	cfi	rmsea	bic
115.851	48.000	0.000	0.923	0.097	7604.094

Model 2: weak invariance (equal loadings):

chisq	df	pvalue	cfi	rmsea	bic
124.044	54.000	0.000	0.921	0.093	7578.043

[Model 1 versus model 2]

delta.chisq	delta.df	delta.p.value	delta.cfi
8.192	6.000	0.224	0.002

Model 3: strong invariance (equal loadings + intercepts):

chisq	df	pvalue	cfi	rmsea	bic
164.103	60.000	0.000	0.882	0.107	7686.588

[Model 1 versus model 3]

delta.chisq	delta.df	delta.p.value	delta.cfi
48.251	12.000	0.000	0.041

[Model 2 versus model 3]

delta.chisq	delta.df	delta.p.value	delta.cfi
40.059	6.000	0.000	0.038

Model 4: equal loadings + intercepts + means:

chisq	df	pvalue	cfi	rmsea	bic
204.605	63.000	0.000	0.854	0.122	7709.969

[Model 1 versus model 4]

delta.chisq	delta.df	delta.p.value	delta.cfi
88.754	15.000	0.000	0.069

[Model 3 versus model 4]

delta.chisq	delta.df	delta.p.value	delta.cfi
40.502	3.000	0.000	0.000



Item Response Theory

- ① Said to be the “new psychometrics”, IRT combines item and person information
 - Several packages for IRT, including 1 parameter (Rasch) as well as 2 and 3 parameter models
 - These estimate the parameters using standard IRT approaches
- ② An alternative is to recognize that 2 parameter IRT models are just factor models applied to the *tetrachoric* or *polychoric* correlations.
 - That is, find the factor analysis loadings (λ_i) and the item endorsement frequencies expressed as normal deviates (τ_i) and then convert to IRT parameters
 - discrimination $\alpha = \frac{\lambda_i}{\sqrt{1-\lambda_i^2}}$
 - location (difficulty) $\delta = \frac{\tau_i}{\sqrt{1-\lambda_i^2}}$



Multiple packages to do Item Response Theory analysis

- 1 *psych* uses a factor analytic procedure to estimate item discriminations and locations
 - look at examples for `irt.fa`
 - two example data sets: `iqitems` and `bfi`
- 2 `irt.fa` finds either tetrachoric or polychoric correlation matrices
 - Returns normal factor analysis output as well as IRT parameters
 - Converts factor loadings to discriminations
 - Saves the tetrachoric/polychoric correlation matrix for faster reanalyses
- 3 `plot.irt` plots item information and item characteristic functions
- 4 Other packages include *ltm*, *MCMCpack* (for Markov chain Monte Carlo k-dimensional IRT models), and *irtoys* for interfacing with different packages.



IRT analysis of 16 iq items – dichotomous items

```
> iq.keys <- c(4,4,4, 6, 6,3,4,4, 5,2,2,4, 3,2,6,7)
> iq.tf <- score.multiple.choice(iq.keys,iq.scrub,score=FALSE) #convert to wrong
> iq.irt <- irt.fa(iq.tf)
> plot(iq.irt)
> iq.irt
```

Item Response Analysis using Factor Analysis

Call: irt.fa(x = iq.tf)

Item Response Analysis using Factor Analysis

Summary information by factor and item

Factor = 1

	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
reason.4	0.05	0.24	0.64	0.53	0.16	0.03	0.01
reason.16	0.08	0.22	0.38	0.31	0.14	0.05	0.01
...							
letter.58	0.02	0.09	0.30	0.53	0.35	0.12	0.03
matrix.45	0.05	0.11	0.19	0.23	0.17	0.09	0.04
...							
rotate.6	0.01	0.03	0.15	0.53	0.69	0.25	0.05
rotate.8	0.00	0.02	0.08	0.29	0.59	0.41	0.13
Test Info	0.67	2.11	4.73	5.83	5.28	2.55	0.69
SEM	1.22	0.69	0.46	0.41	0.44	0.63	1.20
Reliability	-0.49	0.53	0.79	0.83	0.81	0.61	-0.45



Extending IRT to the multidimensional case

- 1 By using a factor analytic approach, we can find IRT parameters for multiple factors
 - `irt.fa` will find multiple factors and then convert the highest loadings on each factor to IRT parameters
- 2 One powerful advantage of IRT is that by displaying item information statistics, we can choose items that provide maximal information.
 - Area under the curve is reported for each item information curve.
 - Can also plot item characteristic curves, or test information curves.



IRT analysis of the first 15 bfi items – Polytomous items – this is time consuming the first time

```
> irt.bfi <- irt.fa(bfi[1:15],3) #save the results for a faster reanalysis
> irt.bfi
```

Item Response Analysis using Factor Analysis

Call: irt.fa(x = bfi[1:15], 3)

Item discrimination and location for factor MR2

	discrimination	location.1	location.2	location.3	location.4	location.5
A1	0.06	-0.44	0.32	0.74	1.23	1.89
...						
C1	0.77	-2.45	-1.74	-1.14	-0.26	1.00
C2	0.92	-2.52	-1.62	-1.03	-0.15	1.15
C3	0.72	-2.31	-1.45	-0.93	-0.03	1.18
C4	-0.95	-0.81	0.22	0.86	1.73	2.75
C5	-0.73	-1.13	-0.36	0.03	0.76	1.57
E1	0.11	-0.71	-0.07	0.30	0.78	1.37

Item discrimination and location for factor MR3

	discrimination	location.1	location.2	location.3	location.4	location.5
A1	-0.62	-0.51	0.38	0.87	1.45	2.22
A2	1.02	-3.02	-2.19	-1.70	-0.68	0.69
A3	1.23	-2.93	-2.09	-1.52	-0.52	0.96
A4	0.51	-1.89	-1.30	-0.99	-0.43	0.25
A5	0.67	-2.44	-1.63	-1.11	-0.30	0.81
...						
E5	0.05	-1.82	-1.21	-0.78	-0.15	0.77

Item discrimination and location for factor MR1

	discrimination	location.1	location.2	location.3	location.4	location.5
...						
C5	-0.14	-0.92	-0.30	0.02	0.62	1.28
E1	-0.94	-0.97	-0.09	0.41	1.06	1.86
E2	-1.25	-1.40	-0.27	0.22	1.18	2.13





Outline of Part III: Basic R Commands

- 8 Data Structures
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 - Writing your own function



A brief technical interlude

- 1 Data structures
 - The basic: scalars, vectors, matrices
 - More advanced: data frames and lists
 - Showing the data
- 2 Getting the length, dimensions and structure of a data structure
 - `length(x)`, `dim(x)`, `str(x)`
- 3 Objects and Functions
 - Functions act upon objects
 - Functions actually are objects themselves
 - Getting help for a function or a package



The basic types of data structures

1 Scalars (characters, integers, reals, complex)

```
> A <- 1  
> B <- 2
```

2 Vectors (of scalars, all of one type) have length

```
> C <- month.name[1:5]  
> D <- 12:24  
> length(D)
```

```
[1] 13
```

3 Matrices (all of one type) have dimensions

```
> E <- matrix(1:20, ncol = 4)  
> dim(E)
```

```
[1] 5 4
```



Show values by entering the variable name

```
> A
```

```
[1] 1
```

```
> B
```

```
[1] 2
```

```
> C
```

```
[1] "January" "February" "March" "April" "May"
```

```
> D
```

```
[1] 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24
```

```
> E
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]    1    6   11   16
[2,]    2    7   12   17
[3,]    3    8   13   18
[4,]    4    9   14   19
[5,]    5   10   15   20
```



More complicated (and useful) types: Data frames and Lists

- 1 Data frames are collections of vectors and may be of different type. They have two dimensions.

```
> E.df <- data.frame(names = C, values = c(31, 28, 31, 30, 31))  
> dim(E.df)
```

```
[1] 5 2
```

- 2 Lists are collections of what ever you want. They have length, but do not have dimensions.

```
> F <- list(first = A, a.vector = C, a.matrix = E)  
> length(F)
```

```
[1] 3
```



Show values by entering the variable name

```
> E.df
```

```
      names values
1  January     31
2  February    28
3   March     31
4   April     30
5    May     31
```

```
> F
```

```
$first
[1] 1
```

```
$a.vector
```

```
[1] "January" "February" "March"    "April"    "May"
```

```
$a.matrix
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3] [,4]
[1,]    1    6   11   16
[2,]    2    7   12   17
[3,]    3    8   13   18
[4,]    4    9   14   19
[5,]    5   10   15   20
```



- 1 To show the structure of a list, use `str`

```
> str(F)
```

```
List of 3
```

```
$ first : num 1
```

```
$ a.vector: chr [1:5] "January" "February" "March" "April" ...
```

```
$ a.matrix: int [1:5, 1:4] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
```

- 2 to address an element of a list, call it by name or number, to get a row or column of a matrix specify the row, column or both.

```
> F[[2]]
```

```
[1] "January" "February" "March" "April" "May"
```

```
> F[["a.matrix"]][, 2]
```

```
[1] 6 7 8 9 10
```

```
> F[["a.matrix"]][2, ]
```

```
[1] 2 7 12 17
```



Addressing the elements of a data.frame or matrix

Setting row and column names using paste

```
> E <- matrix(1:20, ncol = 4)
> colnames(E) <- paste("C", 1:ncol(E), sep = "")
> rownames(E) <- paste("R", 1:nrow(E), sep = "")
> E
```

```
      C1 C2 C3 C4
R1    1  6 11 16
R2    2  7 12 17
R3    3  8 13 18
R4    4  9 14 19
R5    5 10 15 20
```

```
> E["R2", ]
```

```
 C1 C2 C3 C4
  2  7 12 17
```

```
> E[, 3:4]
```

```
      C3 C4
R1   11 16
R2   12 17
R3   13 18
R4   14 19
R5   15 20
```



Objects and Functions

- 1 R is a collection of Functions that act upon and return Objects
- 2 Although most functions can act on an object and return an object ($a = f(b)$), some are binary operators
 - primitive arithmetic functions $+$, $-$, $*$, $/$, $\%*\%$,
 - logical functions $<$, $>$, $==$, $!=$
- 3 Some functions do not return values
 - `print(x,digits=3)`
 - `summary(some object)`
- 4 But most useful functions act on an object and return a resulting object
 - this allows for extraordinary power because you can combine functions by making the output of one the input of the next.
 - The number of R functions is very large, for each package has introduced more functions, but for any one task, not many functions need to be learned.



Getting help

- 1 All functions have a help menu
 - `help(the function)`
 - `? the function`
 - most function help pages have examples to show how to use the function
- 2 Most packages have “vignettes” that give overviews of all the functions in the package and are somewhat more readable than the help for a specific function.
 - The examples are longer, somewhat more readable. (e.g., the vignette for *psych* is available either from the menu (Mac) or from <http://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/psych/vignettes/overview.pdf>
- 3 To find a function in the entire R space, use `findFn` in the `sos` package.
- 4 Online tutorials (e.g., <http://Rpad.org> for a list of important commands, <http://personality-project.org/r>) for a tutorial for psychologists.
- 5 Online and hard copy books



A few of the most useful data manipulations functions (adapted from Rpad-refcard). Use ? for details

`file.choose` () find a file

`file.choose` (new=TRUE) create a new file

`read.table` (filename)

`read.csv` (filename) reads a comma separated file

`read.delim` (filename) reads a tab delimited file

`c` (...) combine arguments

`from:to` e.g., 4:8

`seq` (from,to, by)

`rep` (x,times) repeat x

`gl` (n,k,...) generate factor levels

`matrix` (x,nrow=,ncol=) create a matrix

`dim` (x) dimensions of x

`data.frame` (...) create a data frame

`list` (...) create a list

`colnames` (x)

`rownames` (x)

`rbind` (...) combine by rows

`cbind` (...) combine by columns

`is.na` (x) also is.null(x), is...

`na.omit` (x) ignore missing data

`table` (x)

`merge` (x,y)

`as.matrix` (x) convert to a matrix,

`as.data.frame` (x) convert to a data.frame

`ls` () show workspace

`rm` () remove variables from workspace



More useful statistical functions, Use ? for details

[mean](#) (x)
[is.na](#) (x) also [is.null\(x\)](#), [is...](#)
[na.omit](#) (x) ignore missing data
[sum](#) (x)
[rowSums](#) (x) see also [colSums\(x\)](#)
[min](#) (x)
[max](#) (x)
[range](#) (x)
[table](#) (x)
[summary](#) (x) depends upon x
[sd](#) (x) standard deviation
[cor](#) (x) correlation
[cov](#) (x) covariance
[solve](#) (x) inverse of x
[lm](#) (y~x) linear model
[aov](#) (y~x) ANOVA

Selected functions from *psych* package

[describe](#) (x) descriptive stats
[describe.by](#) (x,y) descriptives by group
[pairs.panels](#) (x) SPLOM
[error.bars](#) (x) means + error bars
[error.bars.by](#) (x) Error bars by groups
[fa](#) (x) Factor analysis
[iclust](#) (x) Item cluster analysis
[score.items](#) (x) score multiple scales
[score.multiple.choice](#) (x) score multiple choice scales
[alpha](#) (x) Cronbach's alpha
[omega](#) (x) MacDonald's omega
[irt.fa](#) (x) Item response theory through factor analysis



More psych commands

Simulation functions

- `sim` a factor simplex
- `sim.simplex` an item simplex
- `sim.item` items with 2 dimensional simple structure
- `sim.circ` items in a circumplex structure
- `sim.congeneric` items for a congeneric measurement model
- `sim.hierarchical` items with a hierarchical factor structure
- `sim.rasch` Rasch items
- `sim.irt` 1-4 parameter IRT items
- `sim.structural` a general structural model
- `sim.anova` for ANOVA and Im problems

Graphical displays of structure

- `diagram` a generic set of diagram tools
- `fa.diagram` Show a factor structure
- `omega.diagram` Show Schmid Leiman structures
- `ICLUST.diagram` draw a cluster tree
- `plot.psych` a generic call for various plots additional data displays
- `error.crosses` two way error bars
- `biplot.psych` Plot factors and scores on same graph
- `draw.tetra` Show a tetrachoric correlation
- `scatter.hist` scatter plot with histogram



Writing your own function

- 1 At first, one just has a few lines of syntax that are repeatedly used
 - This could be any routine operation that you do
 - Probably hard coded and needing minor modifications each time.
- 2 Think of making this into a short function
 - Specify the input parameters
 - Return either a single value, vector or matrix or return a list
- 3 Test the function
 - Modify it a little to be more general
 - Perhaps specify a few default values
- 4 Add this to your file of frequently used operations.
- 5 To see how other functions work, just type in their name
 - Copy it to you text editor
 - Change a few lines
 - Paste it back into R (you must say the name `<- function(...)`)



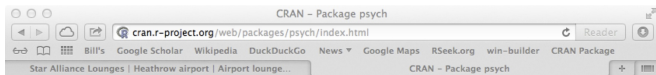
Writing functions is more typically “adapting” a function

- 1 Many functions do almost what you want to do, but not quite.
 - Their defaults are not what you like
 - You might see a way of adding something
- 2 Learn by reading other people’s code
 - Either directly from the console
 - Download the source from CRAN
- 3 Try to understand what the person is doing
 - Styles differ
 - Use a style you like
 - Document your work
- 4 If you find a bug
 - Write the package maintainer
 - Say what you did, what you expected, what you got
 - R is a community, be helpful



[Writing your own function](#)

Getting information about a package and its contents



psych: Procedures for Psychological, Psychometric, and Personality Research

A number of routines for personality, psychometrics and experimental psychology. Functions are primarily for scale construction using factor analysis, cluster analysis and reliability analysis, although others provide basic descriptive statistics. Item Response Theory is done using factor analysis of tetrachoric and polychoric correlations. Functions for simulating particular item and test structures are included. Several functions serve as a useful front end for structural equation modeling. Graphical displays of path diagrams, factor analysis and structural equation models are created using basic graphics. Some of the functions are written to support a book on psychometrics as well as publications in personality research. For more information, see the personality-project.org/r webpage.

Version: 1.3.2
Suggests: [MASS](#), [GPArotation](#), [mvtnorm](#), [polycor](#), [sem](#), [lavaan](#), [Rcsdp](#), [graph](#), [Rgraphviz](#)
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URL: <http://personality-project.org/r>, http://personality-project.org/r/psych_manual.pdf
NeedsCompilation: no
Citation: [psych citation info](#)
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Package source: [psych_1.3.2.tar.gz](#)
MacOS X binary: [psych_1.3.2.tgz](#)
Windows binary: [psych_1.3.2.zip](#)
Reference manual: [psych.pdf](#)
Vignettes: [Overview of the psych package](#), [input for sem](#)
News/ChangeLog: [NEWS](#)
Old sources: [psych archive](#)



A few final thoughts

- 1 Topics not discussed
 - Multilevel modeling is done in *multilevel*, *nlme*
 - Graphics can be done in *lattice* (implementation of Trellis), or *ggobi*
 - Network analysis in *sna* and *qgraph*
 - Sweave allows for automatic report generation embedded in L^AT_EX or OpenOffice.
- 2 R is a journey, you learn by doing but never master it
 - R is merely a tool for helping us do better research
 - R allows us to ask questions that we want to ask, not those that others have asked already
- 3 Warning: R can be addictive and lead to proselytizing.



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