

# Sparse Correspondence Analysis

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# 1. Introduction

- Following the Lasso in regression, several sparse versions of PCA and related methods have been proposed. (Hastie et al, 2015)
- Components are combinations of only a few variables: most loadings are zero.
- Useful in the context of high dimensional data:  
 $p \gg n$ 
  - Easier interpretation (simple structure)
  - Robustness of solutions

- Correspondence analysis is a versatile method for categorical data. At the same time:
  - A PCA with weights and a special metric
  - A particular SVD
  - A canonical correlation analysis
- CA for contingency tables, MCA for more than 2 categorical variables
- Sparse CA: a particular case of sparse PCA, sparse SVD or sparse CCA

## 2.Sparse PCA

- In **PCA**, each PC is a linear combination of **all** the original variables : difficult to interpret the results when  $p$  is large
- **Objective of SPCA:** obtain components easily interpretable (many zero loadings in principal factors)
- **Principle of SPCA:** modify PCA imposing lasso/elastic-net constraints to construct modified PCs with sparse loadings
- **Warning:** Sparse PCA does not provide a global selection of variables but a selection **dimension by dimension** : different from the regression context (Lasso, Elastic Net, ...)

## 2.1 First attempts:

- **Simple PCA**
  - Hausman (1982) loadings -1,0,1
  - Vines (2000) : integer loadings
  - Generalized by Rousson, V. and Gasser, T. (2004) : blocks of loadings (+ , 0, -)

# Example

Table 1. Definitions of Variables in Jeffers' Pitprop Data

<i>Variable</i>	<i>Definition</i>
$x_1$	Top diameter in inches
$x_2$	Length in inches
$x_3$	Moisture content, % of dry weight
$x_4$	Specific gravity at time of test
$x_5$	Oven-dry specific gravity
$x_6$	Number of annual rings at top
$x_7$	Number of annual rings at bottom
$x_8$	Maximum bow in inches
$x_9$	Distance of point of maximum bow from top in inches
$x_{10}$	Number of knot whorls
$x_{11}$	Length of clear prop from top in inches
$x_{12}$	Average number of knots per whorl
$x_{13}$	Average diameter of the knots in inches



PCA						
.40	-.22	.21	-.09	-.08	.12	
.41	-.19	.24	-.10	-.11	.16	
.12	-.54	-.14	.08	.35	-.28	
.17	-.46	-.35	.05	.36	-.05	
.06	.17	-.48	.05	.18	.63	
.28	.01	-.48	-.06	-.32	.05	
.40	.19	-.25	-.06	-.22	.00	
.29	.19	.24	.29	.19	-.06	
.36	-.02	.21	.10	-.11	.03	
.38	.25	.12	-.21	.16	-.17	
.01	.21	-.07	-.80	.34	-.18	
.12	.34	.09	.30	.60	.17	
.11	.31	-.33	.30	-.08	-.63	

SCA						
.45	0	0	0	0	0	0
.45	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	.71	0	0	0	0
0	0	.71	0	0	0	0
0	.5	0	0	0	0	.71
0	.5	0	0	0	0	0
0	.5	0	0	0	0	0
.45	0	0	0	0	0	0
.45	0	0	0	0	0	0
.45	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0
0	.5	0	0	0	0	-.71

Rousson , Gasser 2003

- **SCoTLASS** (Simplified Component Technique – Lasso) by Jolliffe & al. (2003) : extra  $L_1$  constraints

$$\max \mathbf{u}' \mathbf{V} \mathbf{u} \text{ with } \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = \mathbf{u}' \mathbf{u} = 1 \text{ and } \sum_{j=1}^p |u_j| \leq t$$

$t \geq \sqrt{p}$  usual PCA

$t < 1$  no solution

$t = 1$  only one nonzero coefficient

$1 < t < \sqrt{p}$

**Non convex problem**

## 2.2 S-PCA by Zou et al (2006)

Let the SVD of  $X$  be  $X = UDV'$  with  $Z = UD$  the principal components  
PCA can be written as a **ridge regression** between the principal  
components and the original variables

$$\hat{\beta}_{ridge} = \arg \min_{\beta} \|Z - X\beta\|^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|^2$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{i,ridge} = (X'X + \lambda I)^{-1} X' (X v_i) = v_i \frac{d_{ii}^2}{d_{ii}^2 + \lambda}$$

Add a  $L_1$  penalty to produce sparse loadings:

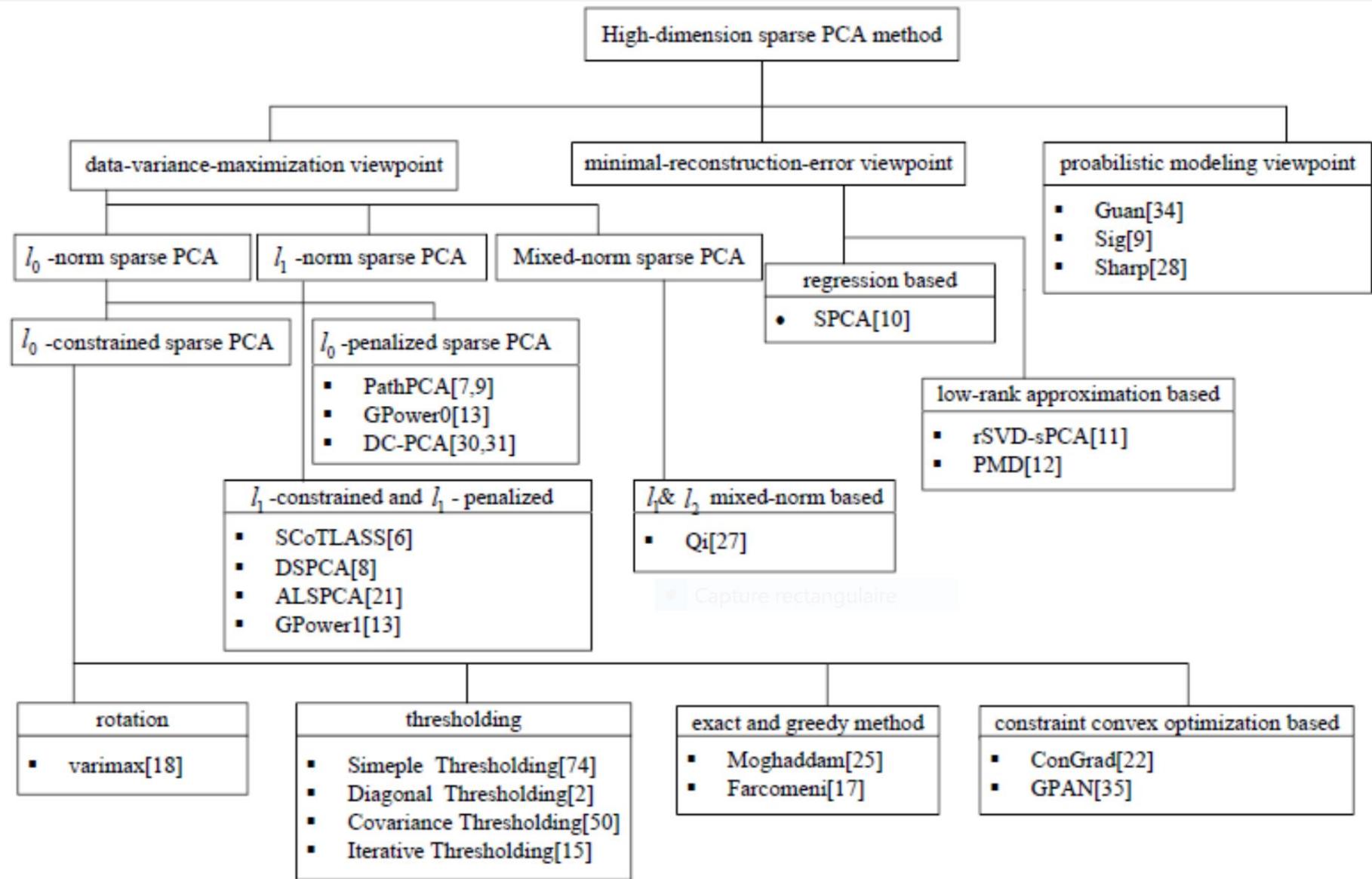
$$\hat{\beta} = \arg \min_{\beta} \|Z - X\beta\|^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\beta\|_1$$

Lasso  
penalty

May be solved by an alternated algorithm  
between elastic net and SVD

## 2.3 Many other techniques

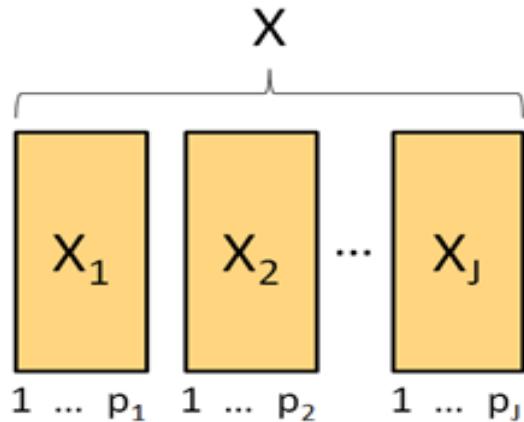
- Trendafilov, 2014: “ the existing methods to obtain sparse component loadings are so many and diverse, and their number constantly increases ”
- Instead of finding a « good » value of the sparse parameter, prespecify the number of zeros (Adachi & Trendafilov 2015) ie a  $L_0$  norm constraint



## 2.4 Lost properties

- SCotLass: orthogonal loadings but correlated components
- S-PCA: neither loadings, nor components are orthogonal
- Necessity of adjusting the % of explained variance

# 3.Sparse MCA (Bernard et al, 2012)



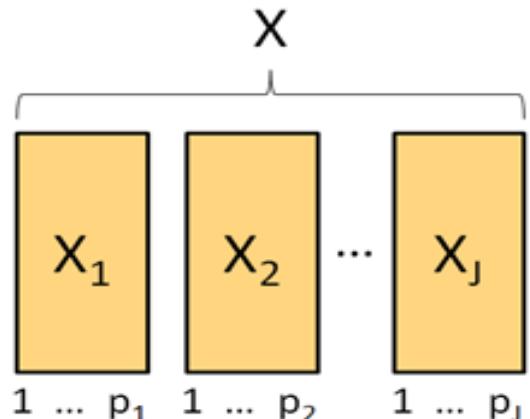
**Disjunctive table of  $J$  categorical variables**

**Challenge of sparse MCA :** select categorical variables, not categories

**Principle:** a straightforward extension of Group Sparse PCA for groups of indicator variables, with the chi-square metric .

An other approach: prespecified sparsity , Mori et al, 2016

# Group Sparse PCA



compromise between SPCA and group Lasso

**Goal:** select groups of continuous variables (zero coefficients to entire blocks of variables)

**Principle:** replace the penalty function in the SPCA algorithm

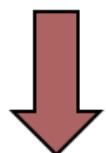
$$\hat{\beta} = \arg \min_{\beta} \|\mathbf{Z} - \mathbf{X}\beta\|^2 + \lambda \|\beta\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\beta\|_1$$

by that defined in the group Lasso (Simon et al. 2013)

$$\hat{\beta}_{GL} = \arg \min_{\beta} \left\| \mathbf{Z} - \sum_{j=1}^J \mathbf{X}_j \beta_j \right\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^J \sqrt{p_j} |\beta_j|$$

## Toy example: Dogs

$X_1$ Size	...	$X_6$ Aggressiveness
large (L)		aggressive (A)
medium (M)		aggressive (A)
:		:
small (S)	...	nonaggressive (N)



$K_1$ Size			...	$K_6$ Aggressiveness	
S.	M.	L.		A	N
0	0	1		1	0
0	1	0		1	0
:	:	:	...	:	:
1	0	0		0	1

### Data:

$n=27$  breeds of dogs

$p=6$  variables

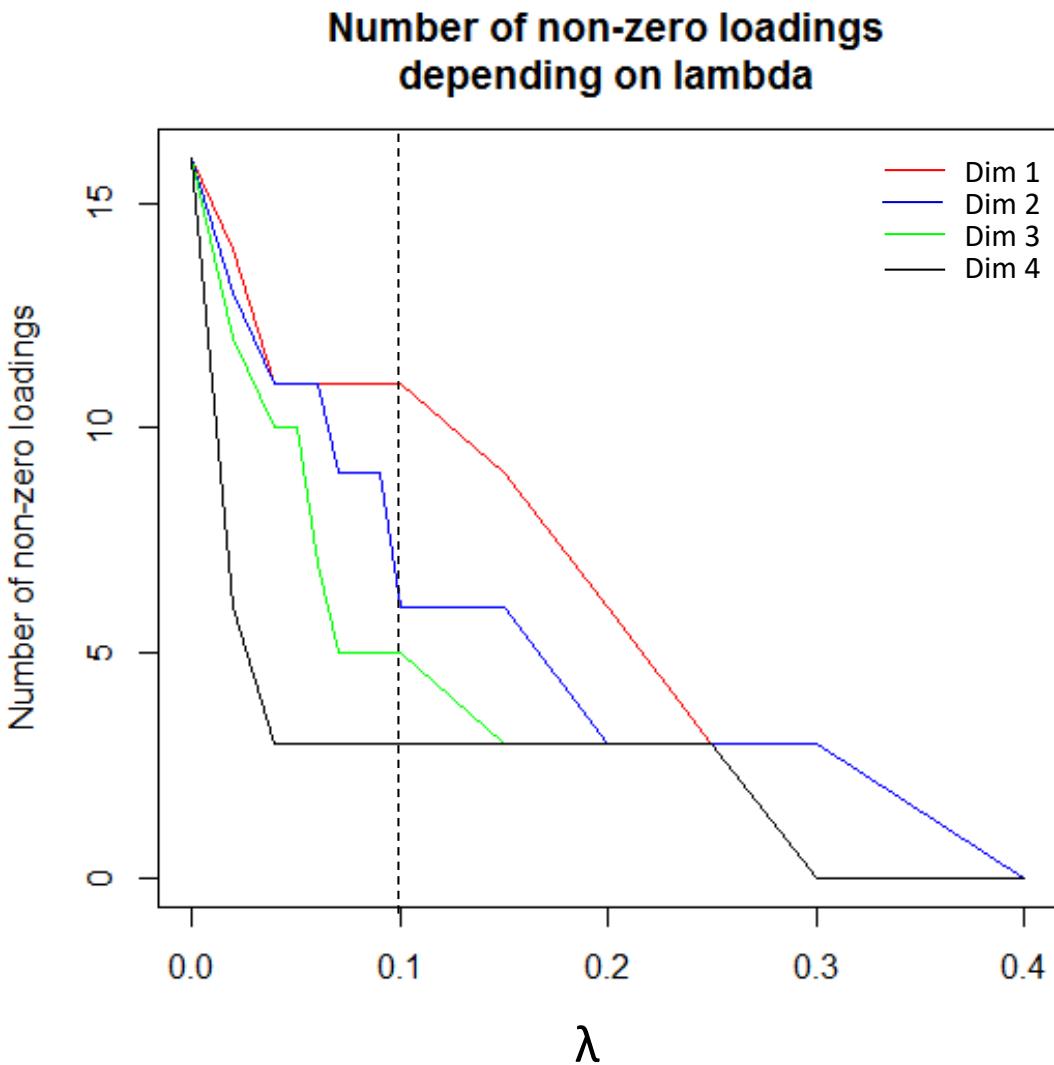
$q=16$  (total number of columns)

$X : 27 \times 6$  matrix of categorical variables

$K : 27 \times 16$  complete disjunctive table  $\rightarrow K=(K_1, \dots, K_6)$

**1 block  
= 1  $K_j$  matrix**

## Toy example: Dogs



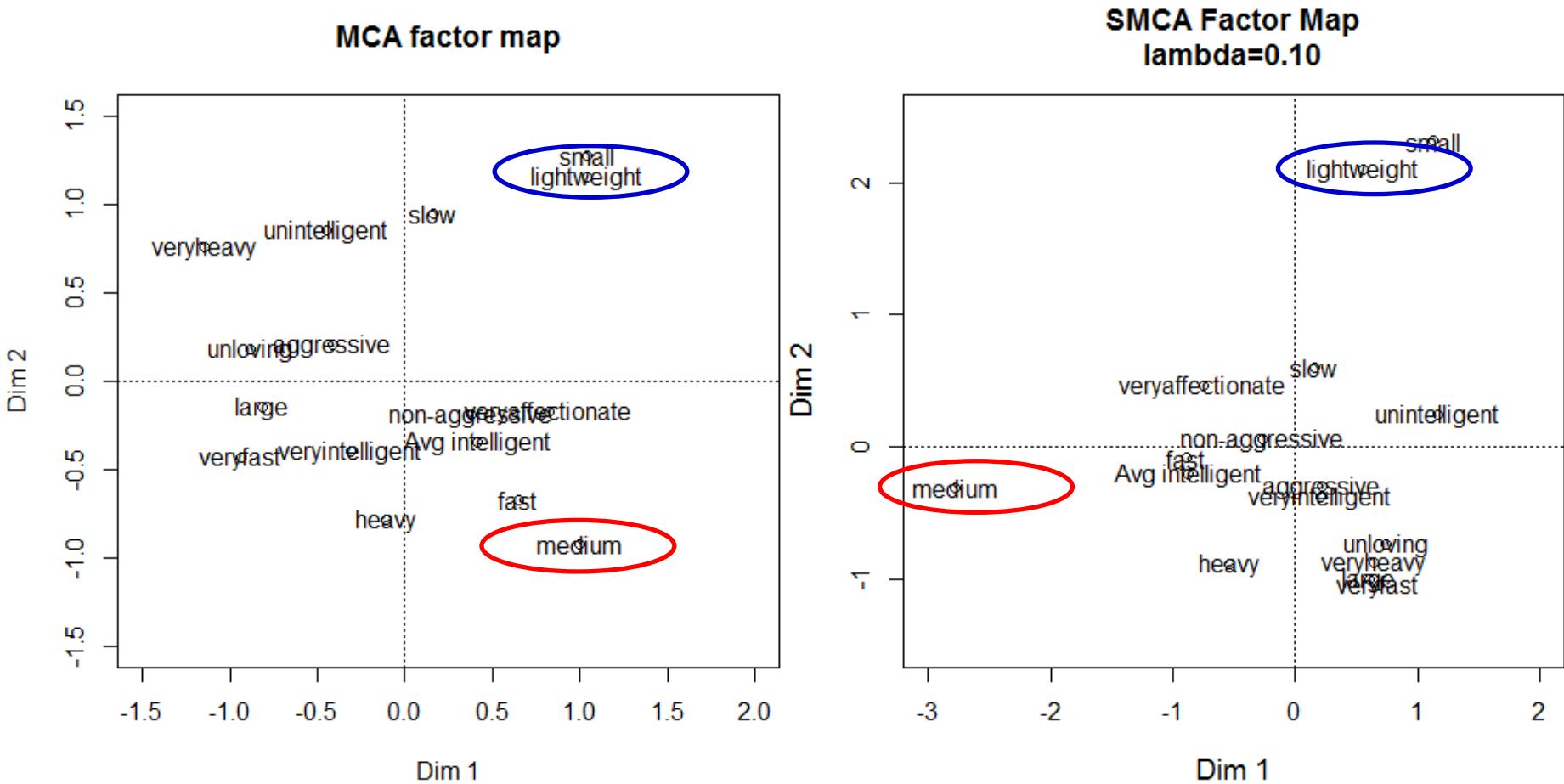
For  $\lambda=0.10$ :

- 11 non-zero loadings on the 1<sup>st</sup> axis
- 6 non-zero loadings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> axis
- 5 non-zero loadings on the 3<sup>rd</sup> axis
- 3 non-zero loadings on the 4<sup>th</sup> axis

## Toy example: Comparison of the loadings

SNPs	MCA				Sparse MCA			
	Dim 1	Dim 2	Dim 3	Dim 4	Dim 1	Dim 2	Dim 3	Dim 4
large	-0.270	0.017	-0.072	0.060	-0.399	-0.517	0.000	0.000
medium	0.222	-0.444	0.384	-0.065	0.808	0.008	0.000	0.000
small	0.453	0.402	-0.205	-0.085	-0.331	0.610	0.000	0.000
lightweight	0.437	0.332	-0.098	-0.091	0.000	0.471	0.278	0.000
heavy	-0.061	-0.265	-0.118	0.154	0.000	-0.369	0.426	0.000
veryheavy	-0.428	0.332	0.493	-0.334	0.000	-0.059	-0.860	0.000
slow	0.070	0.297	0.285	-0.144	-0.002	0.000	0.000	0.000
fast	0.177	-0.269	0.065	-0.019	0.013	0.000	0.000	0.000
veryfast	-0.286	-0.068	-0.429	0.201	-0.011	0.000	0.000	0.000
unintelligent	-0.052	0.328	-0.087	0.417	-0.184	0.000	0.000	-0.248
avg intelligent	0.087	-0.140	0.255	0.096	0.197	0.000	0.000	-0.488
veryintelligent	-0.118	-0.134	-0.437	-0.764	-0.035	0.000	0.000	0.836
unloving	-0.264	0.123	-0.028	0.076	-0.040	0.000	-0.007	0.000
veryaffectionate	0.245	-0.115	0.026	-0.070	0.040	0.000	0.007	0.000
aggressive	-0.113	0.079	0.053	-0.034	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
non-agressive	0.105	-0.074	-0.049	0.032	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
#non-zero loadings	16	16	16	16	11	6	5	3
% inertia	28.19	22.79	13.45	9.55	21.37	20.81	12.04	5.88

## Comparison between MCA and Sparse MCA on the first plan



Properties	MCA	Sparse MCA
Uncorrelated Components	TRUE	FALSE
Orthogonal loadings	TRUE	FALSE
Barycentric property	TRUE	Partly TRUE
% of inertia	$\lambda_j / \left( \frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p p_j - 1 \right)$	$\ \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{j,1,\dots,j-1}\ ^2 / \sum_{j=1}^k \ \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{j,1,\dots,j-1}\ ^2$
Total inertia	$\frac{1}{p} \sum_{j=1}^p p_j - 1$	$\sum_{j=1}^k \ \tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{j,1,\dots,j-1}\ ^2$

$\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{j,1,\dots,j-1}$  are the residuals after adjusting  $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_j$  for  $\tilde{\mathbf{Z}}_{1,\dots,j-1}$  (regression projection)

# 4. Sparse Correspondence Analysis

- For contingency tables, CA is both
  - a PCA (with weights and the chi squared metric)
  - a CCA between rows and columns indicator variables
- Sparse PCA of row profiles leads to **column sparse CA** (same for columns)
  - Useful for contingency tables with many columns like documents-terms matrix
  - But symmetry is lost
- **Doubly sparse CA**: an application of sparse CCA or of sparse SVD

# 4.1 Sparse SVD and sparse CCA

- A rank 1 sparse SVD or Penalized Matrix Decomposition (PMD) may be defined as (Witten et al, 2009)

$$\min \|\mathbf{X} - d\mathbf{u}\mathbf{v}'\|_F^2 \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 = 1, \\ P(\mathbf{u}) \leq \alpha, P(\mathbf{v}) \leq \beta, d \geq 0$$

Where  $P$  is a penalty function (usually  $L_1$ )

- Equivalent formulation:

$$\max \mathbf{u}'\mathbf{X}\mathbf{v} \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 \leq 1, \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \leq 1, \\ P(\mathbf{u}) \leq \alpha, P(\mathbf{v}) \leq \beta$$

- Sparse canonical analysis of  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \max \mathbf{u}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{Y} \mathbf{v} \text{ subject to } \|\mathbf{u}\|^2 \leq 1, \|\mathbf{v}\|^2 \leq 1, \\ & P(\mathbf{u}) \leq \alpha, P(\mathbf{v}) \leq \beta \end{aligned}$$

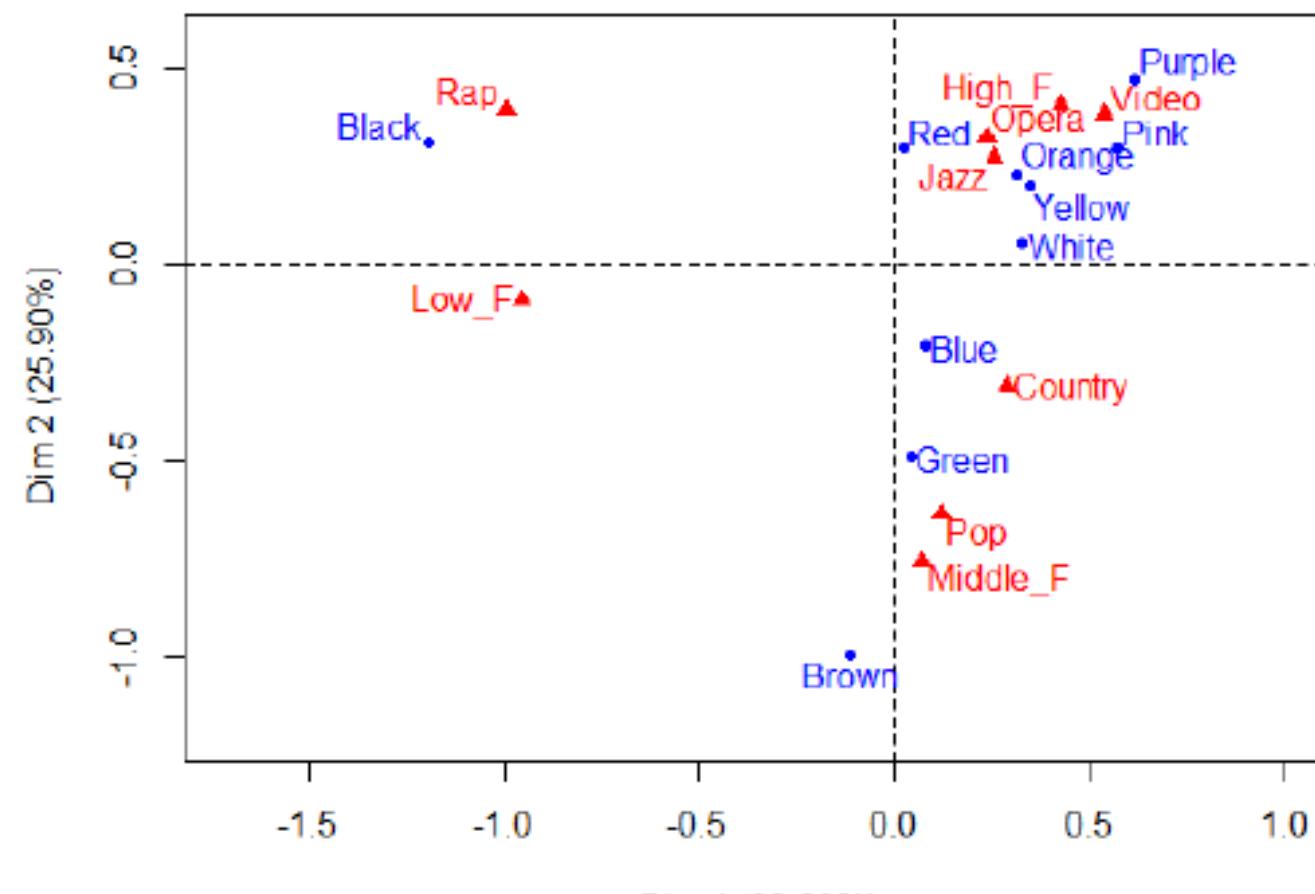
- R package PMA implements sparse PCA and sparse CCA

## 4.2 A toy example: colours of sound

Color	Video	Jazz	Country	Rap	Pop	Opera	Low F	High F	Middle F	$x_{i+}$	$\mathbf{r}$
Red	4	2	4	4	1	2	2	4	1	24	0.121
Orange	3	4	2	2	1	1	0	3	2	18	0.091
Yellow	6	4	5	2	3	1	1	3	0	25	0.126
Green	2	0	5	1	3	3	3	1	5	23	0.116
Blue	2	5	0	1	4	1	2	1	3	19	0.096
Purple	3	3	1	0	0	3	0	2	1	13	0.066
White	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	5	3	14	0.071
Black	0	2	0	11	1	3	10	1	1	29	0.146
Pink	2	1	1	0	2	4	0	2	0	12	0.061
Brown	0	1	4	1	6	0	3	0	6	21	0.106
$x_{+j}$	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	$N = 198$	1.000
$\mathbf{c}^T$	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11	0.11		

Abdi H., Béra M. (2017) Correspondence Analysis  
 In: Alhajj R., Rokne J. (eds) Encyclopedia of Social Network Analysis and Mining,  
 Springer, New York,

### CA factor map



## CA rows and columns coordinates and contributions

	F1	F2	F.ctrl1	F.ctrl2		G1	G2	G.ctrl1	G.ctrl2
Red	-0.026	-0.299	0	56	Video	-0.541	-0.386	113	86
Orange	-0.314	-0.232	31	25	Jazz	-0.257	-0.275	25	44
Yellow	-0.348	-0.202	53	27	Country	-0.291	0.309	33	55
Green	-0.044	0.490	1	144	Rap	0.991	-0.397	379	91
Blue	-0.082	0.206	2	21	Pop	-0.122	0.637	6	234
Purple	-0.619	-0.475	87	77	Opera	-0.236	-0.326	22	61
White	-0.328	-0.057	26	1	Low_F	0.954	0.089	351	5
Black	1.195	-0.315	726	75	High_F	-0.427	-0.408	70	96
Pink	-0.570	-0.300	68	28	Middle_F	-0.072	0.757	2	330
Brown	0.113	0.997	5	545					

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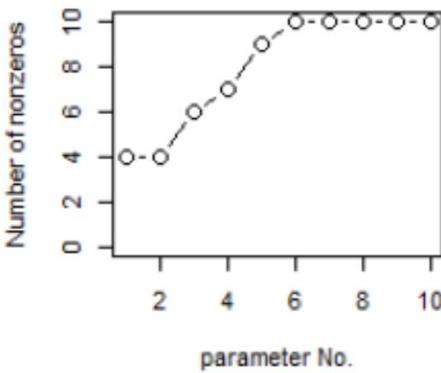
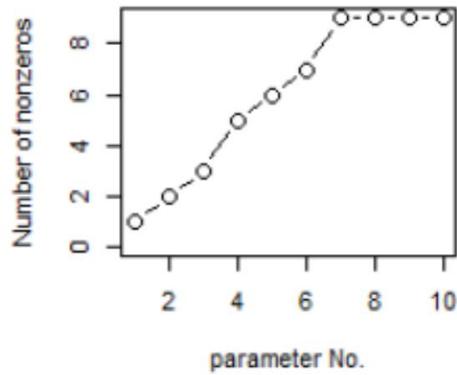
- Column sparse CA

	G1	G2	G.ctrl1	G.ctrl2
Video	-0.263	-0.478	31	178
Jazz	0	-0.002	0	0
Country	0	0	0	0
Rap	1.097	-0.025	549	0
Pop	0	0.396	0	122
Opera	0	0	0	0
Low_F	0.954	0	415	0
High_F	-0.102	0	5	0
Middle_F	0	0.947	0	699
			1000	999

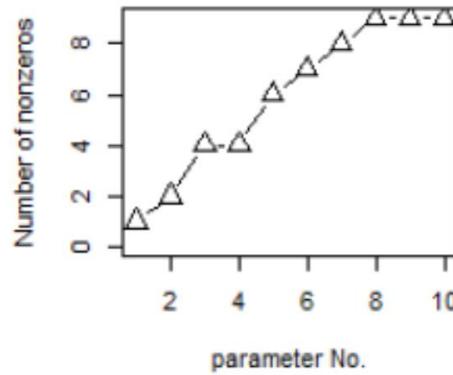
- Both sides sparsity
    - In PMD function  
sumabsu and sumabsv are equal to
    - The smaller they are, the sparser u or v will be.
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## – Choosing the sparsity parameter

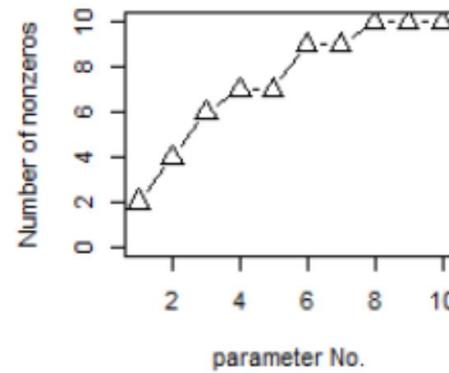
- According to the number of non zeros for each row and column loadings



First dimension



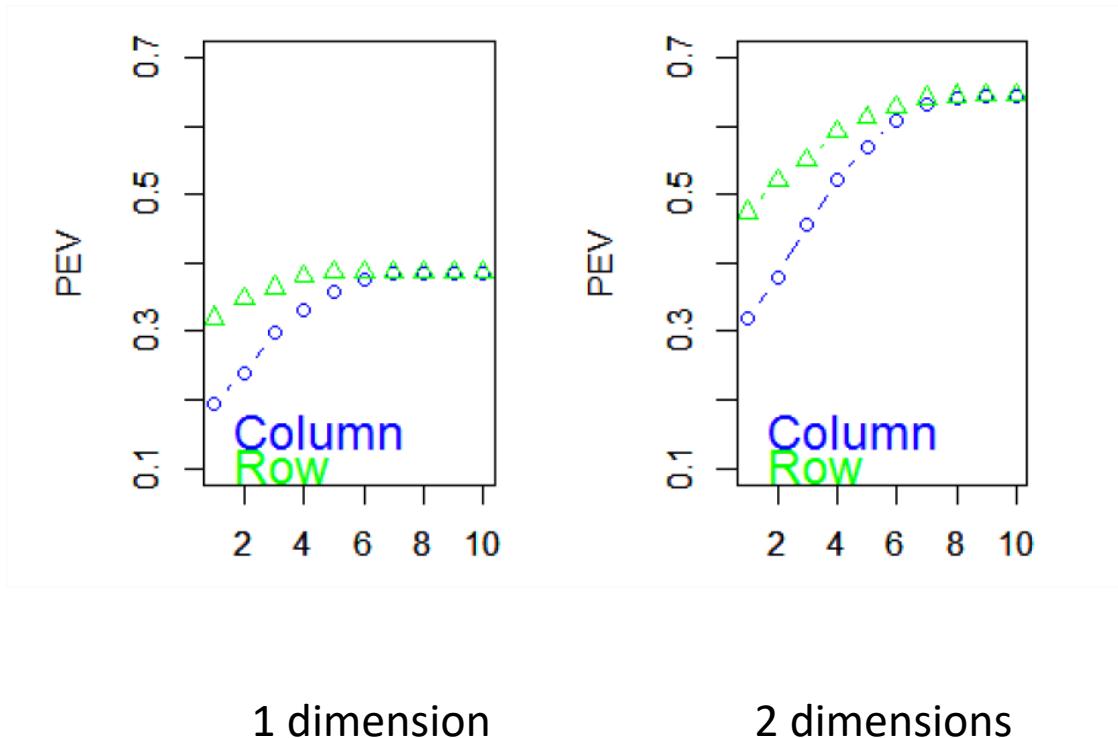
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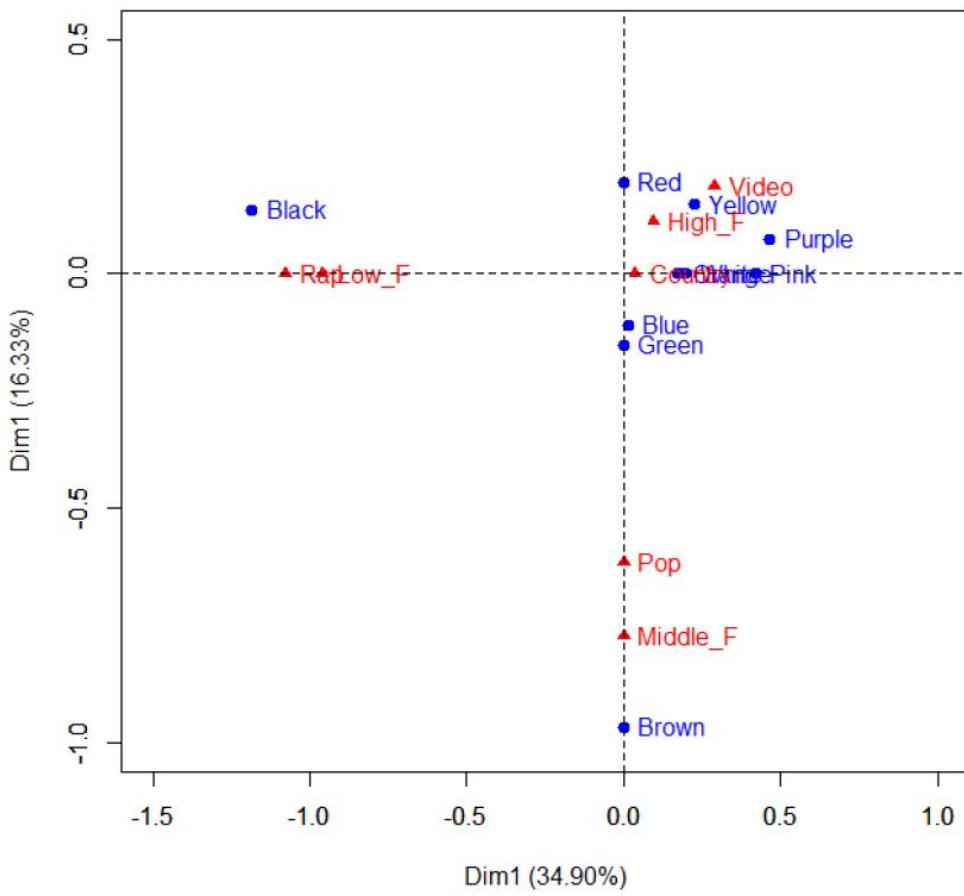


rows

## – Choosing the sparsity parameter

- According to the (corrected) cumulative percent of explained variance





	F1	F2	F.ctr1	F.ctr2
Red	0	-0.193	0	40
Orange	-0.173	0	11	0
Yellow	-0.226	-0.148	27	24
Green	0	0.152	0	24
Blue	-0.014	0.110	0	10
Purple	-0.464	-0.074	58	3
White	-0.196	0	11	0
Black	1.184	-0.135	848	24
Pink	-0.419	0	44	0
Brown	0	0.967	0	875

	G1	G2	G.ctr1	G.ctr2
Video	-0.290	-0.186	39	34
Jazz	0	0	0	0
Country	-0.036	0	1	0
Rap	1.078	0	533	0
Pop	0	0.615	0	370
Opera	0	0	0	0
Low_F	0.961	0	424	0
High_F	-0.096	-0.111	4	12
Middle_F	0	0.772	0	584

# 5. Conclusions and perspectives

- Work in progress
  - Application to large textual data sets
  - Optimizing the tuning parameters
  - Packaging sparse CA in R (FactoMineR)
- Further developments: a Sparse Non Symmetric Correspondence Analysis?

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