

More about the Chi-square test

Besides giving estimates for Λ , Φ and Ψ , Maximum Likelihood Provides a Goodness of Fit test.

- Use Likelihood Ratio Test, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} -2 \log \frac{L(\text{MLE of restricted model})}{L(\text{MLE of unrestricted model})} \\ &= 2\{\log(L(\mathbf{S})) - \log(L(\hat{\underline{\Sigma}}))\} \\ &= n\{\text{trace}\hat{\underline{\Sigma}}^{-1}\mathbf{S} - \log|\hat{\underline{\Sigma}}^{-1}\mathbf{S}| - p\} \end{aligned}$$

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- IF the model fits the data well, this statistic should be small!
- Its distribution is asymptotically distributed χ^2 with degrees of freedom = $(\frac{p(p+1)}{2})$ - number of unique parameters in model).
- We can determine if the the statistic is “small” enough by comparing to the χ^2 distribution and obtaining a p-value.

More about the Chi-square test

- In general, the Hypothesis being tested is

$$H_0: \Sigma = \Sigma(\Theta) \text{ (your model)}$$

$$H_A: \Sigma = \mathbf{S} \text{ the saturated model (or just-identified model)}$$

- Since the degrees of freedom for the saturated model are 0, this means it fits the data perfectly
- So we are comparing $\Sigma(\Theta)$ to a model that fits the data perfectly. Thus if it is not significantly different than the model that fits perfectly, it means it is pretty good
- Thus we are looking for the model where we DO NOT REJECT the H_0 (i.e. find a big p-value)
- Note, the chi-square test has been proven to be **asymptotically** valid even when the data is not normally distributed (Amemiya and Anderson, 1985). Note: this is an asymptotic result.
- FROM KLINE, page 209-210 Satorra Bentler correction to the Chi-square statistic when the data is non-normal. This correction is available in Mplus but not in AMOS.

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Factor score estimation - Overview

Ch 7 of Skrondal and Rabe-Hesketh (2004) gives details for "latent scoring" and "latent classification"

- Once the number of factors and factor structure are identified, researcher often wants to create a score, a **factor score estimate** to represent each factor, which then can be used in subsequent analysis.
- Using principal component analysis we can estimate the first q components simply by taking $\Lambda'x$. That is, create a weighted sum of the p observed variables, weighting them by centered columns of Λ .
- If a common factor model is assumed then we will create a factor score estimate of the true underlying factors... It should be emphasized that this score is an error-prone measurement of the latent variable, i.e.

$$\hat{f}_i = f_i + \delta_i$$

That is, the score is expected to contain measurement error, although we would expect it to be more reliable than any one of the measures that went into it.

- NOTE: Individual level data is required (not just correlation matrix) in order to get scores for each individual.
- It should also be noted that an alternative approach to creating a factor score estimate is to explicitly model the latent variables in subsequent analysis as will be done in structural equation modeling.

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Calculating factor score estimates - Simple sum score

The most common method used in all different literatures is to create a simple (equally weighted) sum score of items which load significantly on a particular factor

- Since this method does not take into account varying factor loading, it would not be expected to be most efficient method
- Turning that argument around, it can also be claimed that since the factor loadings are likely sample specific, we should not rely on them too much when making the score so that the score is more generalizable
- Use Cronbach's alpha to estimate reliability, recall it assumes $x_{ij} = f_i + \epsilon_{ij}$ that all loadings are equal (i.e. $\lambda_j = 1$ for all j). Raykov (1997-2001) shows Cronbach's alpha is a lower bound for actual reliability of "congeneric" measures, i.e. measures where the factor loadings are not all the same.
- Another argument in favor of this technique is that each score only includes items which significantly loaded on that factor

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Calculating factor score estimates - Regression weights

- If we assume \mathbf{f} is normally distributed and $\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{f}$ is distributed normally, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{f} \end{pmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\mu} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\Lambda}\boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi} & \boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}' \\ \boldsymbol{\Lambda}\boldsymbol{\Phi} & \boldsymbol{\Phi} \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

thus the best predictor of the underlying factor given the model is correct is

$$E(\mathbf{f}|\mathbf{x}) = \boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}'(\boldsymbol{\Lambda}\boldsymbol{\Phi}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}' + \boldsymbol{\Psi})^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})$$

and so the factor score estimate is

$$\hat{f}_i = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}'(\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}' + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}})^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$$

or sometimes it is calculated slightly different as

$$\hat{f}_i = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}'\hat{\mathbf{S}}^{-1}(\mathbf{x}_i - \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}})$$

In general each factor score depends on all p observed variables. Also, in general, $Corr(\hat{f}_m, \hat{f}_{m'}) \neq Corr(f_m, f_{m'})$.

The square of the estimated correlation between $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$ and \mathbf{f} can be used as an estimate of reliability

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Calculating factor score estimates - Bartlett; Anderson and Rubin

Make no assumption about the distribution of the underlying factors, in fact, treat them as fixed unknown quantities, then given estimates $\hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}}$, $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$ we can consider

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \hat{\boldsymbol{\mu}} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}\mathbf{f}_i + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

with $\widehat{Var}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Psi}}$ to be a regression model with \mathbf{f}_i as the q unknown parameter and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Lambda}}$ as the observed regressors matrix. Thus the generalized least squares estimator is (Bartlett factor score):

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

Anderson and Rubin, 1956 is a modification of the Bartlett method so that $Corr(\hat{f}_m, \hat{f}_{m'}) = \mathbf{I}$

- Bartlett (1937) The statistical conception of mental factors. *British Journal of Psychology*, **28**, 97-104.
- Anderson, TW and Rubin, H. (1956) Statistical inference in factor analysis. *Proceedings of the third Berkeley Symposium on Mathematical Statistics and Probability*, vol 5, pp 111-150.

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Factor score weights - PCA - Unrotated factors

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proc factor data = a rotate = promax
scores output = factscores;
var gaelic english history math algebra geometry; run;
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The FACTOR Procedure
Initial Factor Method: Principal Components
Scoring Coefficients Estimated by Regression
Squared Multiple Correlations of the Variables with Each Factor

	Factor1	Factor2
	1.0000000	1.0000000

Standardized Scoring Coefficients

	Factor1	Factor2
gaelic	0.24217	0.39376
english	0.25231	0.25671
history	0.18923	0.56658
math	0.26959	-0.36944
algebra	0.27188	-0.33023
geometry	0.24853	-0.31370

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Factor score weights - ML - Unrotated factors

The FACTOR Procedure
Initial Factor Method: Maximum Likelihood
Scoring Coefficients Estimated by Regression

Squared Multiple Correlations of the Variables with Each Factor

	Factor1	Factor2
	0.82064705	0.53269908

Standardized Scoring Coefficients

	Factor1	Factor2
gaelic	0.19686	0.39032
english	0.17164	0.22457
history	0.10929	0.32620
math	0.35087	-0.34613
algebra	0.29270	-0.22151
geometry	0.16980	-0.09914

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Factor score weights - ML - Rotated factors

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The FACTOR Procedure
Rotation Method: Promax (power = 3)

Scoring Coefficients Estimated by Regression

Squared Multiple Correlations of the Variables with Each Factor

          Factor1          Factor2
0.79341037    0.69325853

Standardized Scoring Coefficients

          Factor1          Factor2
gaelic        0.06728      0.40662
english       0.09425      0.27754
history       0.00367      0.29857
math          0.44031      0.03178
algebra       0.34664      0.07124
geometry      0.19206      0.06085
    
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proc factor data = genecticest scree
method = ml rotate = promax nfact=4 flag = .3; var c1-c20; run;

The FACTOR Procedure
Initial Factor Method: Maximum Likelihood
Prior Communality Estimates: SMC

          C1          C2          C3          C4          C5          C6          C7
0.41029924  0.69555063  0.69345231  0.54651245  0.51414191  0.58527718  0.62437419

          C8          C9          C10         C11         C12         C13         C14
0.47598962  0.60194636  0.63636979  0.39761689  0.52851826  0.67491498  0.59745581

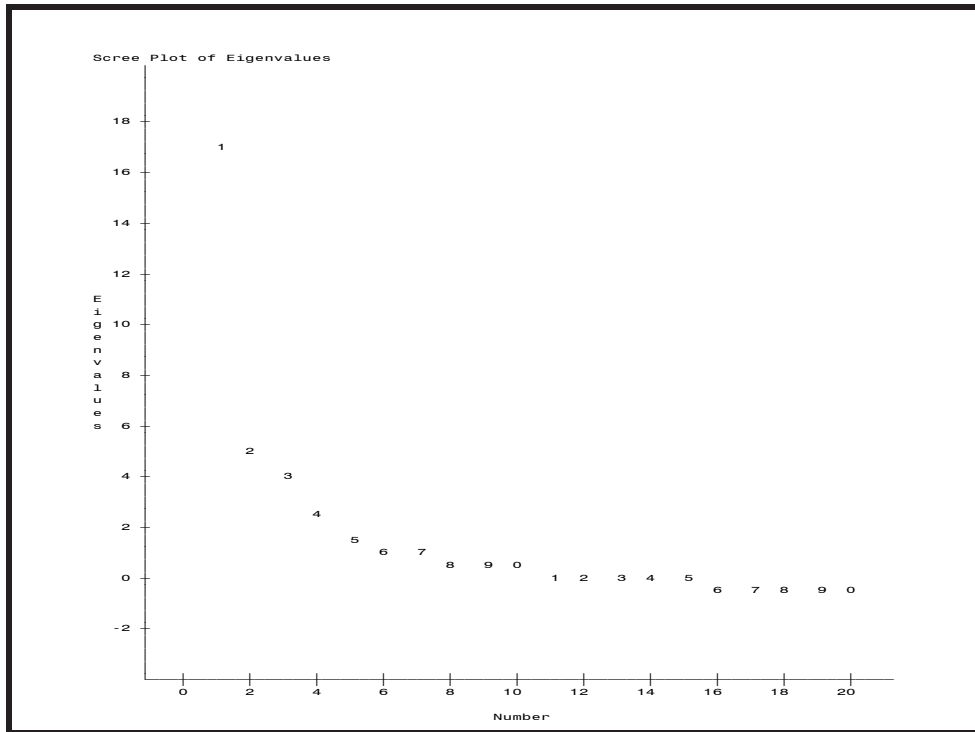
          C15         C16         C17         C18         C19         C20
0.67083904  0.58465071  0.52457147  0.64761079  0.69479515  0.61797719

Preliminary Eigenvalues: Total = 30.372251 Average = 1.51861255

          Eigenvalue  Difference  Proportion  Cumulative
1          16.7672687    11.9963216    0.5521      0.5521
2           4.7709471     1.0027379    0.1571      0.7091
3           3.7682092     1.0293909    0.1241      0.8332
4           2.7388183     1.3083265    0.0902      0.9234
5           1.4304918     0.3590838    0.0471      0.9705
6           1.0714080     0.2230647    0.0353      1.0058
7           0.8483433     0.1408710    0.0279      1.0337
8           0.7074723     0.1696340    0.0233      1.0570
9           0.5378383     0.2754239    0.0177      1.0747
10          0.2624143     0.0221818    0.0086      1.0833
11          0.2402325     0.1761596    0.0079      1.0912
12          0.0640730     0.0939153    0.0021      1.0934
13         -0.0298423     0.1060550    -0.0010     1.0924
14         -0.1358972     0.1120360    -0.0045     1.0879
15         -0.2479332     0.0857999    -0.0082     1.0797
16         -0.3337331     0.0373563    -0.0110     1.0687
17         -0.3710894     0.0893819    -0.0122     1.0565
18         -0.4604714     0.0903286    -0.0152     1.0414
19         -0.5507999     0.1546994    -0.0181     1.0232
20         -0.7054993     -0.0232      -0.0232     1.0000
    
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Rotated Factor Pattern (Standardized Regression Coefficients)

		Factor1	Factor2
C1	C1	57 *	-13
C2	C2	-4	77 *
C3	C3	77 *	0
C4	C4	15	53 *
C5	C5	-18	71 *
C6	C6	23	56 *
C7	C7	73 *	-9
C8	C8	14	26
C9	C9	-1	38 *
C10	C10	70 *	3
C11	C11	-4	36 *
C12	C12	63 *	-4
C13	C13	72 *	11
C14	C14	35 *	27
C15	C15	7	76 *
C16	C16	59 *	11
C17	C17	55 *	4
C18	C18	47 *	7
C19	C19	43 *	16
C20	C20	78 *	-4

Test	DF	Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
H0: No common factors	190	2126.5455	<.0001
HA: At least one common factor			
H0: 2 Factors are sufficient	151	818.6337	<.0001
HA: More factors are needed			

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Rotated Factor Pattern (Standardized Regression Coefficients)

		Factor1	Factor2	Factor3
C1	C1	51 *	-13	12
C2	C2	1	77 *	-5
C3	C3	86 *	1	-11
C4	C4	16	52 *	2
C5	C5	-19	68 *	6
C6	C6	23	54 *	5
C7	C7	83 *	-8	-15
C8	C8	-12	19	50 *
C9	C9	-4	36 *	10
C10	C10	66 *	3	7
C11	C11	-6	35 *	4
C12	C12	57 *	-4	11
C13	C13	70 *	11	5
C14	C14	31 *	25	11
C15	C15	10	77 *	-2
C16	C16	65 *	12	-8
C17	C17	30	-2	50 *
C18	C18	9	-2	73 *
C19	C19	-3	5	91 *
C20	C20	61 *	-8	33 *

Pr >
ChiSq

Test	DF	Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
H0: No common factors	190	2126.5455	<.0001
HA: At least one common factor			
H0: 3 Factors are sufficient	133	593.5235	<.0001
HA: More factors are needed			

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Rotated Factor Pattern (Standardized Regression Coefficients)

		Factor1	Factor2	Factor3	Factor4
C1	C1	51 *	-4	13	-16
C2	C2	0	77 *	-4	7
C3	C3	85 *	-1	-11	4
C4	C4	17	68 *	6	-24
C5	C5	-19	63 *	8	10
C6	C6	23	45 *	3	21
C7	C7	82 *	-2	-15	-4
C8	C8	-11	28	55 *	-19
C9	C9	-11	5	1	73 *
C10	C10	66 *	6	7	-3
C11	C11	-12	8	-3	63 *
C12	C12	57 *	-7	9	7
C13	C13	69 *	7	4	12
C14	C14	26	-3	4	62 *
C15	C15	10	68 *	-2	17
C16	C16	67 *	13	-7	-4
C17	C17	28	-12	48 *	20
C18	C18	7	-3	74 *	4
C19	C19	-4	2	90 *	7
C20	C20	62 *	-2	35 *	-12

Pr >
ChiSq

Test	DF	Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
H0: No common factors	190	2126.5455	<.0001
HA: At least one common factor			
H0: 4 Factors are sufficient	116	454.4120	<.0001
HA: More factors are needed			

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Rotated Factor Pattern (Standardized Regression Coefficients)

		Factor1	Factor2	Factor3	Factor4	Factor5
C1	C1	32 *	1	12	-16	32 *
C2	C2	-6	80 *	-7	8	8
C3	C3	91 *	-5	-8	3	-3
C4	C4	8	71 *	4	-23	10
C5	C5	-2	60 *	11	10	-40 *
C6	C6	24	44 *	4	21	-6
C7	C7	76 *	-2	-12	-5	11
C8	C8	1	23	59 *	-20	-28
C9	C9	-7	4	3	73 *	-8
C10	C10	43 *	13	5	-3	45 *
C11	C11	-16	10	-4	64 *	9
C12	C12	29	1	5	8	57 *
C13	C13	61 *	9	6	11	15
C14	C14	31 *	-6	6	62 *	-3
C15	C15	5	71 *	-5	18	9
C16	C16	67 *	12	-4	-5	0
C17	C17	24	-14	50 *	20	7
C18	C18	1	-4	75 *	4	7
C19	C19	-15	2	92 *	7	12
C20	C20	58 *	-4	39 *	-12	5

Pr >

Test DF Chi-Square ChiSq

H0: No common factors 190 2126.5455 <.0001
 HA: At least one common factor
 H0: 5 Factors are sufficient 100 374.4601 <.0001
 HA: More factors are needed

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By default if the number of factors is not designated SAS it uses the proportion criterion looking for >100% cumulative of the reduced correlation matrix variance explained.

6 factors will be retained by the PROPORTION criterion.

NOTE: 6 factors will be retained by the NFACTOR criterion. ERROR: Communality greater than 1.0. NOTE: The SAS System stopped processing this step because of errors. NOTE: PROCEDURE FACTOR used:

real time 0.03 seconds
 cpu time 0.03 seconds

NOTE: Mplus had problems giving results for these data, it only converged when q=2

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1 factor	Akaike's Information Criterion	784.3265
	Schwarz's Bayesian Criterion	219.4148
2 factor	Akaike's Information Criterion	553.68549
	Schwarz's Bayesian Criterion	51.91098
3 factor	Akaike's Information Criterion	356.51308
	Schwarz's Bayesian Criterion	-85.44725
4 factor	Akaike's Information Criterion	246.24617
	Schwarz's Bayesian Criterion	-139.22299
5 factor	Akaike's Information Criterion	195.46089
	Schwarz's Bayesian Criterion	-136.84011

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Use the options "reorder" to get SAS to arrange output

Rotated Factor Pattern (Standardized Regression Coefficients)

		Factor1	Factor2	Factor3	Factor4
C3	C3	85 *	-1	-11	4
C7	C7	82 *	-2	-15	-4
C13	C13	69 *	7	4	12
C16	C16	67 *	13	-7	-4
C10	C10	66 *	6	7	-3
C20	C20	62 *	-2	35 *	-12
C12	C12	57 *	-7	9	7
C1	C1	51 *	-4	13	-16
C2	C2	0	77 *	-4	7
C15	C15	10	68 *	-2	17
C4	C4	17	68 *	6	-24
C5	C5	-19	63 *	8	10
C6	C6	23	45 *	3	21
C19	C19	-4	2	90 *	7
C18	C18	7	-3	74 *	4
C8	C8	-11	28	55 *	-19
C17	C17	28	-12	48 *	20
C9	C9	-11	5	1	73 *
C11	C11	-12	8	-3	63 *
C14	C14	26	-3	4	62 *

Squared Multiple Correlations of the Variables with Each Factor

	Factor1	Factor2	Factor3	Factor4
	0.90613605	0.84330261	0.88215144	0.77540283

AND her are the associated Cronbach alphas using only the items with loading over .4

	.87	.82	.79	.73
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