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Subject: Re: Principal component analysis  
Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Wed, 05 Dec 2007 16:13:45 GMT  
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On Dec 5, 10:08 am, "Haje Korth" <haje.ko...@nospam.jhuapl.edu> wrote:  
> I have tried that, it gives  
> IDL> ev=imsl\_princ\_comp(correlate(a,/cov)) & print,ev  
> 45.2906 3.70938-2.65683e-006  
>  
> These EVs are the same as you get using PCOMP with /COV keyword.  
>  
> "Vince Hradil" <hrad...@yahoo.com> wrote in message  
>  
> news:54fc6ed8-ccd7-4ac6-8e0d-09f5d190eeac@o6g2000hsd.googlegrouper.com...  
>  
>> On Dec 5, 9:12 am, Vince Hradil <hrad...@yahoo.com> wrote:  
>>> On Dec 5, 8:00 am, "Haje Korth" <haje.ko...@nospam.jhuapl.edu> wrote:  
>  
>>>> Hi,  
>>>> I am puzzled by principal component analysis. I calculated the  
>>>> eigenvalues  
>>>> using both PCOMP and IMSP\_PRINC\_COMP routines. Could someone enlighten  
>>>> me  
>>>> why the results are completely different? I have tried different  
>>>> keywords to  
>>>> see whether I can match them by trial and error, but I had no success.  
>>>> There  
>>>> must be someone out there who understands this much better than I do.  
>  
>>>> Thanks so much,  
>>>> Haje  
>  
>>>> IDL> a=[[1,-2,-6],[-2,1,-3],[-6,-3,5]]  
>>>> IDL> pca=pcomp(a,eigenvalues=ev) & print,transpose(ev)  
>>>> 2.24227 0.757732 0.000000  
>>>> IDL> ev=imsl\_princ\_comp(a) & print,ev  
>>>> 9.53359 -5.19751 2.66392  
>  
>>> From the HELP:  
>  
>>> Syntax  
>>> Result = IMSL\_PRINC\_COMP(covariances [, /COV\_MATRIX]  
>>> [, /CORR\_MATRIX] [, CORRELATIONS=variable] [, CUM\_PERCENT=variable] [,  
>>> DF=variable] [, /DOUBLE] [, EIGENVECTORS=variable] [,  
>>> STDEV=variable] )  
>  
>>> Note that IMSL\_PRINC\_COMP requires that you pass the covariance or  
>>> correlation matrix - not the vectors.

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>  
>> so maybe try  
>> ev=imsl_princ_comp(correlate(a,/covariance) & print, ev  
>> (I don't have an analyst license)
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There you go 8^)

How about

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ev=imsl_princ_comp(correlate(a)) & print, ev
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