# A Statistical Method Based on Multivariate Analysis in The Comprehensive Evaluation of Achievement Test: From The Standpoint of Principal Components Analysis

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#### **Summary**

In this article we introduce a statistical method based upon Multivariate Analysis in order to evaluate the achievement test in a comprehensive manner. Here the so-called principal components analysis does play an important role. Some examples are given as well to illustrate great usefulness of the method.

**Key Words**: statistical method, multivariate analysis, comprehensive evaluation, achievement test, principal components analysis.

#### 1. Introduction

In this article we shall introduce a statistical method based upon Multivariate Analysis in order to evaluate the achievement test in a comprehensive manner, where the so-called principal components analysis does play an important role. Lastly, we will provide with some examples, which illustrate great usefulness of the method. Generally, data obtained from the investigation via questionnaire consist in plenty of variates, terms or characteristics, where lots of primary factors are recorded usually (Table 1). If that is the case, although it is important to analyze each primary factor one by one, it is much more important to search for comparatively more influential primary factors and their better combination, grasping mutual relations. The multivariate analysis is one of the strongest methods to summarize the characteristic features of the given data by taking the strength of correlation between several variates into consideration. It is the principal components analysis method that we make use of in this article.

#### 2. Fundamental statistics and vector representation

Better understanding of mathematical scheme in the theory of multivariate analysis would be achieved by considering those given observables as components of the vector. The mean (or average), variance, standard deviation, correlation coefficient, and variance of the composite of variables are fundamental concepts, which are required to analyze the object in the theory of multivariate analysis. Let us now consider representing those fundamental quantities or statistics in terms of vectors and matrices.

Objects No.	X.		Variates X		X
	1		1		p
1	$x_{11}$		$x_{1i}$		$x_{1p}$
	•		•		•
	•				•
i	$x_{i1}$		$x_{ii}$		$x_{in}$
	•		•		•
•	•				•
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n	$x_{n1}$	•••	$x_{ni}$	•••	$x_{np}$
mean	$\overline{x}_1$		$\overline{x}_i$		$\overline{x}_p$
S.D.	$s_{X1}$		$s_{X_{\mathbf{i}}}$		$s_{Xp}$

表1 multivariate data

When  $x_{1i}, \ldots, x_{ni}$   $(i = 1, 2, \ldots, p)$  denote *p*-pieces of inspected values that were obtained from the experiment executed to *n* testees, then *p* pieces of *n*-dimensional vector whose components are given by its multiplication by  $1/\sqrt{n}$ , can be expressed as

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(x_{1i}, \dots, x_{ni}), \quad \text{for} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p.$$
 (1)

For the unit vector **e** in the *n*-dimensional space, namely,  $\mathbf{e} = (1, 1, ..., 1)/\sqrt{n}$ , when we make an inner product for that with  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_i$ , it will be given by

$$\langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{e} \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_{ji} = \bar{x}_i, \tag{2}$$

and this is nothing but the mean (or average) of the variate  $X_i$ . If we set

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(\bar{x}_{1i}, \dots, \bar{x}_{ni}), \quad \text{for} \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, p,$$
(3)

it follows therefore that

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = \bar{x}_i \mathbf{e} = \langle \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{e} \rangle \mathbf{e} = P \mathbf{x}_i,\tag{4}$$

where *P* is the projection from an *n*-dimensional space to {Ce}. Hence,  $\overline{\mathbf{x}}_i$  is nothing but the orthogonal projection of  $\mathbf{x}_i$  onto e. Moreover, we put for convenience

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i = \mathbf{x}_i - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} (x_{1i} - \bar{x}_i, \dots, x_{ni} - \bar{x}_i)$$
  
=  $(I - P)\mathbf{x}_i.$  (5)

Next we shall make a square of the norm for the vector  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$ , then it follows that

$$\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}\|^{2} = \langle \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i}, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{i} \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (x_{ji} - \bar{x}_{i})^{2} = s_{X_{i}}^{2}.$$
 (6)

This quantity is the variance of the variate  $X_i$ . Since we have

$$\langle \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i \rangle = \langle P \mathbf{x}_i, (I - P) \mathbf{x}_i \rangle = 0,$$
(7)

we can easily get

$$\|\mathbf{x}_i\|^2 = \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i\|^2 + \|\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i\|^2 = s_{X_i}^2 + \bar{x}_i^2.$$
(8)



**⊠ 1** Projection figure

#### 3. Correlation coefficient and covariance

In this section we shall introduce the concepts of covariance and correlation coefficient, and shall define the correlation matrix by employing those notions. The correlation coefficient  $r \equiv r_{XiXj}$ is defined as the covariance  $s_{XiXj} \equiv s(X_i, X_j)$  divided by aproduct  $s_{Xi}s_{Xj}$  of S.D.'s (i.e., standard deviations) of each variate. For convenience, it would be much better to standardize it in advance as the quantity obtained from variates with variance 1. So that, let us now put

$$\mathbf{z}_i = \frac{\mathbf{x}_i}{s_{X_i}} = \frac{\mathbf{x}_i}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i\|}.$$
(9)

Then we may consider the inner product for those vectors  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$  and  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i$  to get

$$\langle \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j \rangle = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n (x_{ki} - \bar{x}_i) \cdot (x_{kj} - \bar{x}_j) = s_{X_i X_j}, \tag{10}$$

which is the covariance of variates  $X_i$  and  $X_j$ . Therefore, its correlation coefficient is given by

$$r_{X_iX_j} = \frac{s_{X_iX_j}}{s_{X_i}s_{X_j}} = \frac{\langle \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j \rangle}{\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i\| \cdot \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j\|} = \langle \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_j \rangle.$$
(11)

Consequently, the covariance matrix S for p pieces of variates  $X_i$  (i = 1, 2, ..., p) is given by

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} s_{X_1}^2 & s_{X_1X_2} & \cdots & s_{X_1X_p} \\ s_{X_2X_1} & s_{X_2}^2 & \cdots & s_{X_2X_p} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ s_{X_pX_1} & s_{X_pX_2} & \cdots & s_{X_p}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= (\langle \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j \rangle)_{i=1,2,\dots,p; j=1,2,\dots,p} \in M(p \times p)$$
(12)

and the correlation coefficient matrix R is written as

$$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & r_{X_1 X_2} & \cdots & r_{X_1 X_p} \\ r_{X_2 X_1} & 1 & \cdots & r_{X_2 X_p} \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ r_{X_p X_1} & r_{X_p X_2} & \cdots & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= (\langle \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_j \rangle)_{i=1,2,\dots,p; j=1,2,\dots,p} \in M(p \times p).$$
(13)

## 4. Composite variate in multivariate analysis

It is of extreme importance to make up a composite variate in multivariate analysis. In this section we shall investigate how the variance of composite variate which is obtained by summing variates with a proper weight, is related to the variance of the original variate. In addition to that, we shall try to express their relation with vectors.

For p pieces of vectors  $\mathbf{x}_i$  (i = 1, 2, ..., p), and  $\alpha_i$ 's with

$$\sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i^2 = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_i > 0,$$

the composite variate vector is given by

$$\mathbf{F} = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i \mathbf{x}_i,\tag{14}$$

and its vector  $\tilde{\mathbf{F}}$  is also given by

$$\tilde{\mathbf{F}} = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i \qquad \text{with} \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i^2 = 1.$$
(15)

Consequently, the variance of the composite variate F is computed and given by

$$s_F^2 = \|\tilde{\mathbf{F}}\|^2 = \langle \tilde{\mathbf{F}}, \tilde{\mathbf{F}} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j \right\rangle$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^p \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j \langle \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_j \rangle = \langle S\alpha, \alpha \rangle, \tag{16}$$

where  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_p)$ . For the composite variate vector **G**, i.e.

$$\mathbf{G} = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i \mathbf{z}_i \qquad \text{with} \qquad \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i^2 = 1,$$

we can have

$$\tilde{\mathbf{G}} = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_i \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_i.$$
(17)

While, the variance of the composite variate G is given by

$$s_{G}^{2} = \|\tilde{\mathbf{G}}\|^{2} = \langle \tilde{\mathbf{G}}, \tilde{\mathbf{G}} \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_{i} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{p} \alpha_{j} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_{j} \right\rangle$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_{i} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \alpha_{j} \langle \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_{i}, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_{j} \rangle = \langle R\alpha, \alpha \rangle \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha = (\alpha_{1}, \alpha_{2}, \dots, \alpha_{p}).$$
(18)

Since R is a symmetric matrix, we are able to get the following representation

$$R = \bigoplus_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_i \mathbb{E}_i \quad \text{with} \quad \lambda_1 \ge \lambda_2 \ge \dots \ge \lambda_p, \tag{19}$$

where  $\mathbb{E}_i$  is a projection onto a one-dimensional eigenspace (or characteristic space) mutually orthogonal, peculiar to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_i$  of R. Hence it follows immediately that

$$s_{G}^{2} = \langle R\alpha, \alpha \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_{i} \langle \mathbb{E}_{i}\alpha, \alpha \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^{p} \lambda_{i} \|\mathbb{E}_{i}\alpha\|^{2}$$
$$\leq \lambda_{i} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \|\mathbb{E}_{i}\alpha\|^{2} = \lambda_{i} \left\| \bigoplus_{i=1}^{p} \mathbb{E}_{i}\alpha \right\|^{2} = \lambda_{1} \|\alpha\|^{2} = \lambda_{1} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \alpha_{i}^{2} = \lambda_{1}.$$
(20)

Furthermore, it is easy to see that

$$s_G^2 = \sum_{i=1}^p \lambda_i \|\mathbb{E}_i \alpha\|^2 \ge \lambda_p \sum_{i=1}^p \|\mathbb{E}_i \alpha\|^2 = \lambda_p,$$
(21)

so that, we can obtain

$$\lambda_p \leqslant s_G^2 \leqslant \lambda_1. \tag{22}$$

Here,  $\lambda_1$  is the maximum eigenvalue of R and  $\lambda_p$  is the minimum eigenvalue of R.

#### 5. Cumulative coefficient of determination

In this section we shall introduce the notion of coefficient of determination, and define the cumulative coefficient of determination. Since we can regard each  $\tilde{z}_i$  as a series of vectors being linearly independent, it follows that  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{G}}\| > 0$ , in other words,

$$\langle R\alpha, \alpha \rangle = s_G^2 = \|\tilde{\mathbf{G}}\|^2 > 0.$$
<sup>(23)</sup>

On this account, we can deduce naturally that

$$\lambda_1 \ge \lambda_2 \ge \dots \ge \lambda_p > 0. \tag{24}$$

When we denote by  $\alpha_i$  (i = 1, 2, ..., p) the unit eigenvectors subordinated to the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  of R, the composite variate vector

$$\mathbf{G}_{i} = \sum_{j=1}^{p} \alpha_{ij} z_{j} \qquad \text{with} \qquad \sum_{j=1}^{p} \alpha_{ij}^{2} = 1$$
(25)

weighted by each component  $\alpha_{ij}$  is called the *i*-th principal component. Since  $\langle \alpha_i, \alpha_j \rangle = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ , we observe with ease that

$$s_{G_iG_j} = \langle \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_i, \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_j \rangle = \left\langle \sum_{k=1}^p \alpha_{ik} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_k, \sum_{\ell=1}^p \alpha_{j\ell} \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_\ell \right\rangle$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^p \alpha_{ik} \sum_{\ell=1}^p \alpha_{j\ell} \langle \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_k, \tilde{\mathbf{z}}_\ell \rangle = \langle R\alpha_j, \alpha_i \rangle = \lambda_j \langle \alpha_j, \alpha_i \rangle = 0.$$
(26)

Moreover, it proves to be that

$$s_{G_i}^2 = \|\tilde{\mathbf{G}}_i\|^2 = \lambda_i \langle \alpha_i, \alpha_i \rangle = \lambda_i.$$
<sup>(27)</sup>

On this account, the total sum of eigenvalues of the correlation coefficient matrix R is equivalent to that of variances of all the principal components. Therefore, we call

$$p_i = \frac{\lambda_i}{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_p} \tag{28}$$

the coefficient of determination of the *i*-th principal component, and the total sum of coefficients of determination up to the *i*-th principal component is also called the cumulative coefficient of determination up to the *i*-th principal component. Notice that  $\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \cdots + \lambda_p = p$ .

#### 6. Principal components analysis: example 1

Let us now consider the situation where some achievement test consists of five subjects: namely, mother tongue  $(X_1)$ , mathematics  $(X_2)$ , social studies  $(X_3)$ , science  $(X_4)$ , English  $(X_5)$ . The comprehensive evaluation of the achievement test is mainly due to the total sum S of the scores (or marks): that is to say,

$$S = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4 + X_5,$$

then obviously the obtained result is not rational if that is the case where the average and variance of each subject are not equal. Especially, it is clear that the specific subject with large variance does have decisive influence over the total sum, namely, the results of achievement test.

On this account, when the inspected values of distinct kinds are given, then it suffices to find

the total score for weighted inspected values of several kinds in order to analyze, compare and evaluate them in a comprehensive manner. It is the principal components analysis that can realize concretely the comprehensive evaluation of such an achievement test, by taking correlation of an aggregate of variates given into consideration as well as by expressing exactly the variance that plenty of variates possess and by computing the weighted total sum of scores in a reasonable manner.

The next table is the results of the achievement test executed at a junior high school in Kanto area. Let us now analyze the principal factors for pupils with good marks. Incidentally, the full scores of  $X_i$ 's (i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) are 250, 200, 200, 200, 200 in numerical order. The size of samples is twenty-eight, namely, n=28, that just corresponds to a class.

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No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$X_1$	210	133	154	150	139	116	140	121	128	138
$X_2$	13	11	33	8	4	3	26	4	35	17
$X_3$	54	62	111	55	53	50	97	45	106	75
$X_4$	53	60	87	73	70	39	91	51	153	90
$X_5$	51	77	74	60	44	49	40	35	39	36

表 2 achievement test result no.1

#### 表 3 achievement test result no.2

No.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
$X_1$	148	150	123	109	131	127	127	101	113	131
$X_2$	27	20	19	5	2	26	22	11	19	15
$X_3$	87	84	55	28	29	93	80	46	73	62
$X_4$	88	85	70	43	66	117	84	79	74	101
$X_5$	40	31	44	21	63	100	42	41	47	39

Let mother tongue  $(X_1)$ , mathematics  $(X_2)$ , social studies  $(X_3)$ , science  $(X_4)$ , and English  $(X_5)$  be our analytic variates. The averages  $(\overline{x}_i)$  and SD  $(s_{X_i})$  are computed and given below.

The correlation coefficient matrix R is computed and given below.

No.	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
$X_1$	104	121	86	120	110	107	87	113
$X_2$	6	22	8	24	2	23	13	14
$X_3$	38	81	53	73	28	69	46	45
$X_4$	70	112	48	125	58	135	86	87
$X_5$	30	89	38	83	68	36	56	47

#### 表 4 achievement test result no.3

		$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_5$
	$\overline{x}_i$	126.321	15.4286	63.5	81.9643	50.7143
	$s_{Xi}$	23.7217	9.3596	22.5587	27.1734	18.9659
	(	1	0.235678	0.34314	-0.02031	6 0.10451
	0.	235678	1	0.919158	0.773093	0.20268
R =	0	.34314	0.919158	1	0.649357	0.23022
	-0	0.020316	0.773093	0.649357	1	0.24467
	( 0.	104512	0.202687	0.230223	0.244674	1

表 5 Table of averages and SD's

We compute the *i*-th principal components  $(G_i)$  (i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5), eigenvalues, eigenvectors, coefficients of determination, and cumulative coefficients of determination. For simplicity, we use the abbreviations, and e.g.v. stands for the eigenvalue of R, c.d. stands for the coefficient of determination, and c.c.d. stands for the cumulative coefficient of determination.

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	$G_1$	$G_2$	$G_3$	$G_4$	$G_5$
e.g.v. of $R$	2.72824	1.02635	0.910796	0.275144	0.0594524
c.d. (%)	54.5648	20.527	18.21592	5.50288	1.189048
c.c.d.	54.5648	75.0918	93.30772	98.8106	100

表 6 Table of principal components

Next we shall present the values of the eigenvectors. We shall use the simplified notation for presentation only here. For instance, we use  $a_1$  for  $a_{i1}$  for the *i*-th principal component. For the first principal component, the eigenvector is given by

 $a_1 = 0.199344, a_2 = 0.579625, a_3 = 0.566614, a_4 = 0.501909, a_5 = 0.226569.$ 

For the second one,

$$a_1 = 0.910652, a_2 = -0.077446, a_3 = 0.0793738, a_4 = -0.392279, a_5 = 0.0673457.$$

For the third one,

$$a_1 = -0.0847083, a_2 = -0.177542, a_3 = -0.152475, a_4 = -0.0262406, a_5 = 0.968177.$$

For the 4th one,

$$a_1 = -0.350839, a_2 = 0.228842, a_3 = 0.517846, a_4 = -0.742356, a_5 = 0.0727026$$

For the 5th one,

$$a_1 = -0.0266714, a_2 = -0.757728, a_3 = 0.617443, a_4 = 0.205968, a_5 = -0.0384624.$$

According to our analysis for the principal components analysis method, we conclude that the principal factors for  $G_1$  consist of the high scores of mathematics, social studies and science; while

the the principal factors for  $G_2$  consist of the high scores of mother tongue and science.



**⊠** 2 G-1, G-2 graph No.1

Lastly we shall compute the values of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , and then plot the position of  $(G_1, G_2)$  in the graph sheet. The conclusion is clear. Form the graph No.1, we can observe that pupils of no.1, 3, 16, 9 are quite remarkable existence with high scores. We shall show the data of  $G_1, G_2$  just for reference. For example,  $Dk = \eta$ ,  $\zeta$  indicates that the position for the pupil no.k is  $(\eta, \zeta)$ , in other words,  $(G_1, G_2)$  for No.k pupil is equal to  $(\eta, \zeta)$ .

Here are the data. D1=-0.04, 0.68. D3=0.55, 0.21. D16=0.50, -0.05. D9=0.65, -0.19.

### 7. Principal components analysis : example 2

The next table is the results of the achievement test executed at another junior high school in different Kanto area. Let us now analyze the principal factors for pupils with good marks. Incidentally, the full scores of  $X_i$ 's (i = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5) are 250, 100, 200, 100, 100 in numerical order. The size of samples is eighteen, namely, n = 18, which is a little bit fewer than the previous example.

No.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$X_1$	125	175	183	169	166	161	114	175	127	174
$X_2$	9	16	16	12	18	13	15	5	13	12
$X_3$	85	185	144	153	156	95	109	169	104	110
$X_4$	32	51	32	49	42	31	65	69	75	42
$X_5$	38	58	58	58	63	57	44	63	49	64

表7 ac	chievement	test	result	no.4
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No.	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
$X_1$	140	129	150	203	128	178	142	176
$X_2$	11	15	14	19	16	28	18	20
$X_3$	58	93	57	148	88	149	96	73
$X_4$	52	27	40	46	52	56	93	70
$X_5$	48	48	49	83	54	80	73	84

表 8 achievement test result no.5

Let mother tongue  $(X_1)$ , mathematics  $(X_2)$ , social studies  $(X_3)$ , science  $(X_4)$ , and English  $(X_5)$  be our analytic variates. The averages  $(\overline{x}_i)$  and SD  $(s_{X_i})$  are computed and given below.

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	$X_1$	$X_2$	$X_3$	$X_4$	$X_5$						
$x_i$	156.389	15	115.111	51.3333	59.5						
$s_{Xi}$	24.4112	4.77261	37.6089	17.088	12.9754						

表 9 Table of averages and SD's

The correlation coefficient matrix R is computed and given below.

	/ 1	0.286587	0.586262	-0.121107	0.7492
	0.286587	1	0.12102	0.127386	0.621705
R =	0.586262	0.12102	1	0.0115262	0.325712
	-0.121107	0.127386	0.0115262	1	0.351789
	0.7492	0.621705	0.325712	0.351789	1 /

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	$G_1$	$G_2$	$G_3$	$G_4$	$G_5$
e.g.v. of $R$	2.42554	1.21882	0.838328	0.47426	0.043048
c.d. (%)	48.5108	24.3765	16.7666	9.4852	0.860959
c.c.d.	48.5108	72.8873	89.6539	99.1391	100

表 10 Table of principal components

Next we shall present the values of the eigenvectors. We shall use the simplified notation for presentation only here. For instance, we use  $a_1$  for  $a_{i1}$  for the *i*-th principal component. For the first principal component, the eigenvector is given by

$$a_1 = -0.546508, a_2 = -0.414885, a_3 = -0.396698, a_4 = -0.140295, a_5 = -0.59342.$$

For the second one,

$$a_1 = 0.364592, a_2 = -0.331086, a_3 = 0.428744, a_4 = -0.724871, a_5 = -0.219535.$$

For the third one,

$$a_1 = 0.0124341, a_2 = -0.606354, a_3 = 0.509504, a_4 = 0.606203, a_5 = -0.0714419.$$

For the 4th one,

$$a_1 = 0.454184, a_2 = -0.539636, a_3 = -0.60807, a_4 = 0.00492321, a_5 = 0.36433$$

For the 5th one,

$$a_1 = 0.601634, a_2 = 0.243682, a_3 = -0.171658, a_4 = 0.295589, a_5 = -0.679571.$$

According to our analysis for the principal components analysis method, we conclude that the principal factors for  $G_1$  consist of the high scores of mother tongue, mathematics, and English; while the principal factors for  $G_2$  consist of the high scores of social studies and science.



🗵 3 G-1, G-2 graph No.2

Lastly we shall compute the values of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , and then plot the position of  $(G_1, G_2)$  in the graph sheet. The conclusion is clear. Form the graph No.1, we can observe that pupils of no.1, 3, 6, 12 are quite remarkable existence with high scores. We shall show the data of  $G_1, G_2$  just for reference. For example,  $Dk = \eta$ ,  $\zeta$  indicates that the position for the pupil no.k is  $(\eta, \zeta)$ , in other words,  $(G_1, G_2)$  for No.k pupil is equal to  $(\eta, \zeta)$ .

Here are the data. D1 = 0.63, 0.18. D3 = -0.18, 0.35. D6 = 0.13, 0.21. D12 = 0.37, 0.13.

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