

NAG Library Function Document

nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac)

1 Purpose

nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac) performs a principal component analysis on a data matrix; both the principal component loadings and the principal component scores are returned.

2 Specification

```
#include <nag.h>
#include <nagg03.h>

void nag_mv_prin_comp (Nag_PrinCompMat pcmatrix, Nag_PrinCompScores scores,
    Integer n, Integer m, const double x[], Integer tdx, const Integer isx[],
    double s[], const double wt[], Integer nvar, double e[], Integer tde,
    double p[], Integer tdp, double v[], Integer tdv, NagError *fail)
```

3 Description

Let X be an n by p data matrix of n observations on p variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p and let the p by p variance-covariance matrix of x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p be S . A vector a_1 of length p is found such that:

$$a_1^T S a_1$$

is maximized subject to

$$a_1^T a_1 = 1.$$

The variable $z_1 = \sum_{i=1}^p a_{1i} x_i$ is known as the first principal component and gives the linear combination of the variables that gives the maximum variation. A second principal component, $z_2 = \sum_{i=1}^p a_{2i} x_i$, is found such that:

$$a_2^T S a_2$$

is maximized subject to

$$a_2^T a_2 = 1$$

and

$$a_2^T a_1 = 0.$$

This gives the linear combination of variables that is orthogonal to the first principal component that gives the maximum variation. Further principal components are derived in a similar way.

The vectors a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p , are the eigenvectors of the matrix S and associated with each eigenvector is the eigenvalue, λ_i^2 . The value of $\lambda_i^2 / \sum \lambda_i^2$ gives the proportion of variation explained by the i th principal component. Alternatively, the a_i 's can be considered as the right singular vectors in a singular value decomposition with singular values λ_i of the data matrix centred about its mean and scaled by $1/\sqrt{(n-1)}$, X_s . This latter approach is used in nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac), with

$$X_s = V \Lambda P'$$

where Λ is a diagonal matrix with elements λ_i , P' is the p by p matrix with columns a_i and V is an n by p matrix with $V'V = I$, which gives the principal component scores.

Principal component analysis is often used to reduce the dimension of a dataset, replacing a large number of correlated variables with a smaller number of orthogonal variables that still contain most of the information in the original dataset.

The choice of the number of dimensions required is usually based on the amount of variation accounted for by the leading principal components. If k principal components are selected, then a test of the equality of the remaining $p - k$ eigenvalues is

$$(n - (2p + 5)/6) \left\{ - \sum_{i=k+1}^p \log(\lambda_i^2) + (p - k) \log \left(\sum_{i=k+1}^p \lambda_i^2 / (p - k) \right) \right\}$$

which has, asymptotically, a χ^2 distribution with $\frac{1}{2}(p - k - 1)(p - k + 2)$ degrees of freedom.

Equality of the remaining eigenvalues indicates that if any more principal components are to be considered then they all should be considered.

Instead of the variance-covariance matrix the correlation matrix, the sums of squares and cross-products matrix or a standardized sums of squares and cross-products matrix may be used. In the last case S is replaced by $\sigma^{-1/2} S \sigma^{-1/2}$ for a diagonal matrix σ with positive elements. If the correlation matrix is used, the χ^2 approximation for the statistic given above is not valid.

The principal component scores, F , are the values of the principal component variables for the observations. These can be standardized so that the variance of these scores for each principal component is 1.0 or equal to the corresponding eigenvalue.

Weights can be used with the analysis, in which case the matrix X is first centred about the weighted means then each row is scaled by an amount $\sqrt{w_i}$, where w_i is the weight for the i th observation.

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5 Arguments

- 1: **pcmatrix** – Nag_PrinCompMat *Input*
On entry: indicates for which type of matrix the principal component analysis is to be carried out.
pcmatrix = Nag_MatCorrelation
 It is for the correlation matrix.
pcmatrix = Nag_MatStandardised
 It is for the standardized matrix, with standardizations given by **s**.
pcmatrix = Nag_MatSumSq
 It is for the sums of squares and cross-products matrix.
pcmatrix = Nag_MatVarCovar
 It is for the variance-covariance matrix.
Constraint: **pcmatrix** = Nag_MatCorrelation, Nag_MatStandardised, Nag_MatSumSq or Nag_MatVarCovar.
- 2: **scores** – Nag_PrinCompScores *Input*
On entry: specifies the type of principal component scores to be used.
scores = Nag_ScoresStand
 The principal component scores are standardized so that $F'F = I$, i.e., $F = X_s P \Lambda^{-1} = V$.

scores = Nag_ScoresNotStand

The principal component scores are unstandardized, i.e., $F = X_s P = V \Lambda$.

scores = Nag_ScoresUnitVar

The principal component scores are standardized so that they have unit variance.

scores = Nag_ScoresEigenval

The principal component scores are standardized so that they have variance equal to the corresponding eigenvalue.

Constraint: **scores** = Nag_ScoresStand, Nag_ScoresNotStand, Nag_ScoresUnitVar or Nag_ScoresEigenval.

- 3: **n** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the number of observations, n .
Constraint: $n \geq 2$.
- 4: **m** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the number of variables in the data matrix, m .
Constraint: $m \geq 1$.
- 5: **x[n × tdx]** – const double *Input*
On entry: **x**[$i - 1$][$j - 1$] must contain the i th observation for the j th variable, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.
- 6: **tdx** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the stride separating matrix row elements in **x**.
Constraint: **tdx** $\geq m$
- 7: **isx[m]** – const Integer *Input*
On entry: **isx**[$j - 1$] indicates whether or not the j th variable is to be included in the analysis. If **isx**[$j - 1$] > 0 , then the variable contained in the j th column of **x** is included in the principal component analysis, for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.
Constraint: **isx**[$j - 1$] > 0 for **nvar** values of j
- 8: **s[m]** – double *Input/Output*
On entry: the standardizations to be used, if any.
 If **pcmatrix** = Nag_MatStandardised, then the first m elements of **s** must contain the standardization coefficients, the diagonal elements of σ .
Constraint: if **isx**[$j - 1$] > 0 , **s**[$j - 1$] > 0.0 , for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$.
On exit: if **pcmatrix** = Nag_MatStandardised, then **s** is unchanged on exit.
 If **pcmatrix** = Nag_MatCorrelation, then **s** contains the variances of the selected variables. **s**[$j - 1$] contains the variance of the variable in the j th column of **x** if **isx**[$j - 1$] > 0 .
 If **pcmatrix** = Nag_MatSumSq or Nag_MatVarCovar, then **s** is not referenced.
- 9: **wt[n]** – const double *Input*
On entry: the elements of **wt** must contain the weights to be used in the principal component analysis. The effective number of observations is the sum of the weights.
Constraints:
 $\mathbf{wt}[i - 1] \geq 0.0$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$;
 the sum of weights $\geq \mathbf{nvar} + 1$.

If $\mathbf{wt}[i - 1] = 0.0$ then the i th observation is not included in the analysis.

Note: If \mathbf{wt} is set to the null pointer **NULL**, i.e., $(\text{double } *)0$, then \mathbf{wt} is not referenced and the effective number of observations is n .

- 10: **nvar** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the number of variables in the principal component analysis, p .
Constraint: $1 \leq \mathbf{nvar} \leq \min(\mathbf{n} - 1, \mathbf{m})$.
- 11: **e[nvar × tde]** – double *Output*
On exit: the statistics of the principal component analysis. $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][0]$, the eigenvalues associated with the i th principal component, λ_i^2 , for $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][1]$, the proportion of variation explained by the i th principal component, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][2]$, the cumulative proportion of variation explained by the first i principal components, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][3]$, the χ^2 statistics, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][4]$, the degrees of freedom for the χ^2 statistics, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 If **pcmatrix** \neq Nag_MatCorrelation, then $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][5]$ contains the significance level for the χ^2 statistic, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, p$.
 If **pcmatrix** = Nag_MatCorrelation, then $\mathbf{e}[i - 1][5]$ is returned as zero.
- 12: **tde** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the stride separating matrix row elements in **e**.
Constraint: **tde** ≥ 6
- 13: **p[nvar × tdp]** – double *Output*
Note: the (i, j) th element of the matrix P is stored in $\mathbf{p}[(i - 1) \times \mathbf{tdp} + j - 1]$.
On exit: the first **nvar** columns of **p** contain the principal component loadings, a_i . The j th column of **p** contains the **nvar** coefficients for the j th principal component.
- 14: **tdp** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the stride separating matrix row elements in **p**.
Constraint: **tdp** $\geq \mathbf{nvar}$
- 15: **v[n × tdv]** – double *Output*
Note: the (i, j) th element of the matrix V is stored in $\mathbf{v}[(i - 1) \times \mathbf{tdv} + j - 1]$.
On exit: the first **nvar** columns of **v** contain the principal component scores. The j th column of **v** contains the **n** scores for the j th principal component.
 If weights are supplied in the array **wt**, then any rows for which $\mathbf{wt}[i - 1]$ is zero will be set to zero.
- 16: **tdv** – Integer *Input*
On entry: the stride separating matrix row elements in **v**.
Constraint: **tdv** $\geq \mathbf{nvar}$
- 17: **fail** – NagError * *Input/Output*
 The NAG error argument (see Section 3.6 in the Essential Introduction).

6 Error Indicators and Warnings

NE_2_INT_ARG_GE

On entry, **nvar** = $\langle value \rangle$ while **n** = $\langle value \rangle$. These arguments must satisfy **nvar** < **n**.

NE_2_INT_ARG_GT

On entry, **nvar** = $\langle value \rangle$ while **m** = $\langle value \rangle$. These arguments must satisfy **nvar** ≤ **m**.

NE_2_INT_ARG_LT

On entry, **tdp** = $\langle value \rangle$ while **nvar** = $\langle value \rangle$. These arguments must satisfy **tdp** ≥ **nvar**.

On entry, **tdv** = $\langle value \rangle$ while **nvar** = $\langle value \rangle$. These arguments must satisfy **tdv** ≥ **nvar**.

On entry, **tdx** = $\langle value \rangle$ while **m** = $\langle value \rangle$. These arguments must satisfy **tdx** ≥ **m**.

NE_ALLOC_FAIL

Dynamic memory allocation failed.

NE_BAD_PARAM

On entry, argument **pcmatrix** had an illegal value.

On entry, argument **scores** had an illegal value.

NE_INT_ARG_LT

On entry, **m** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: **m** ≥ 1.

On entry, **n** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: **n** ≥ 2.

On entry, **nvar** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: **nvar** ≥ 1.

On entry, **tde** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: **tde** ≥ 6.

NE_INTERNAL_ERROR

An internal error has occurred in this function. Check the function call and any array sizes. If the call is correct then please contact NAG for assistance.

NE_NEG_WEIGHT_ELEMENT

On entry, **wt**[$\langle value \rangle$] = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: when referenced, all elements of **wt** must be non-negative.

NE_OBSERV_LT_VAR

With weighted data, the effective number of observations given by the sum of weights = $\langle value \rangle$, while the number of variables included in the analysis, **nvar** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: effective number of observations > **nvar** + 1.

NE_SVD_NOT_CONV

The singular value decomposition has failed to converge. This is an unlikely error exit.

NE_VAR_INCL_INDICATED

The number of variables, **nvar** in the analysis = $\langle value \rangle$, while the number of variables included in the analysis via array **isx** = $\langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: these two numbers must be the same.

NE_VAR_INCL_STANDARD

On entry, the standardization element $s[\langle value \rangle] = \langle value \rangle$, while the variable to be included $isx[\langle value \rangle] = \langle value \rangle$.

Constraint: when a variable is to included, the standardization element must be positive.

NE_ZERO_EIGVALS

All eigenvalues/singular values are zero. This will be caused by all the variables being constant.

7 Accuracy

As nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac) uses a singular value decomposition of the data matrix, it will be less affected by ill-conditioned problems than traditional methods using the eigenvalue decomposition of the variance-covariance matrix.

8 Further Comments

None.

9 Example

A dataset is taken from Cooley and Lohnes (1971), it consists of ten observations on three variables. The unweighted principal components based on the variance-covariance matrix are computed and unstandardized principal component scores requested.

9.1 Program Text

```

/* nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac) Example Program.
 *
 * Copyright 1998 Numerical Algorithms Group.
 *
 * Mark 5, 1998.
 * Mark 8 revised, 2004.
 *
 */

#include <nag.h>
#include <nagx04.h>
#include <stdio.h>
#include <nag_stdlib.h>
#include <nagg03.h>

#define X(I, J) x[(I) *tdx + J]
#define P(I, J) p[(I) *tdp + J]
#define E(I, J) e[(I) *tde + J]
#define V(I, J) v[(I) *tdv + J]

int main(int argc, char *argv[])
{
    FILE                *fpin, *fpout;
    Integer              exit_status = 0, i, *isx = 0, j, m, n, nvar, tde = 6, tdp,
                        tdv, tdx;
    Nag_PrinCompMat     matrix;
    Nag_PrinCompScores  scores;
    Nag_Boolean          weight;
    char                nag_enum_arg[40];
    double               *e = 0, *p = 0, *s = 0, *v = 0, *wt = 0, *wtptr = 0;
    double               *x = 0;
    NagError             fail;

    INIT_FAIL(fail);

    /* Check for command-line IO options */
    fpin = nag_example_file_io(argc, argv, "-data", NULL);

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fpout = nag_example_file_io(argc, argv, "-results", NULL);

fprintf(fpout, "nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac) Example Program Results\n\n");

/* Skip heading in data file */
fscanf(fpin, "%*[\n]");

fscanf(fpin, "%s", nag_enum_arg);
/* nag_enum_name_to_value(x04nac).
 * Converts NAG enum member name to value
 */
matrix = (Nag_PrinCompMat) nag_enum_name_to_value(nag_enum_arg);
fscanf(fpin, "%s", nag_enum_arg);
scores = (Nag_PrinCompScores) nag_enum_name_to_value(nag_enum_arg);
fscanf(fpin, "%s", nag_enum_arg);
weight = (Nag_Boolean) nag_enum_name_to_value(nag_enum_arg);
fscanf(fpin, "%ld", &n);
fscanf(fpin, "%ld", &m);

if (n >= 2 && m >= 1)
{
    if (!(x = NAG_ALLOC((n)*(m), double)) ||
        !(wt = NAG_ALLOC(n, double)) ||
        !(s = NAG_ALLOC(m, double)) ||
        !(isx = NAG_ALLOC(m, Integer)))
    {
        fprintf(fpout, "Allocation failure\n");
        exit_status = -1;
        goto END;
    }
    tdx = m;
}
else
{
    fprintf(fpout, "Invalid n or m.\n");
    exit_status = 1;
    return exit_status;
}
if (!weight)
{
    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i)
    {
        for (j = 0; j < m; ++j)
            fscanf(fpin, "%lf", &X(i, j));
    }
}
else
{
    for (i = 0; i < n; ++i)
    {
        for (j = 0; j < m; ++j)
            fscanf(fpin, "%lf", &X(i, j));
        fscanf(fpin, "%lf", &wt[i]);
    }
    wtptr = wt;
}
for (j = 0; j < m; ++j)
{
    fscanf(fpin, "%ld", &isx[j]);
}
fscanf(fpin, "%ld", &nvar);
if (nvar >= 1 && nvar <= MIN(n-1, m))
{
    if (!(p = NAG_ALLOC(nvar*nvar, double)) ||
        !(e = NAG_ALLOC(nvar*6, double)) ||
        !(v = NAG_ALLOC(n*nvar, double)))
    {
        fprintf(fpout, "Allocation failure\n");
        exit_status = -1;
        goto END;
    }
}

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        tdp = nvar;
        tde = 6;
        tdv = nvar;
    }
else
    {
        fprintf(fpout, "Invalid nvar.\n");
        exit_status = 1;
        goto END;
    }

if (matrix == Nag_MatStandardised)
    {
        for (j = 0; j < m; ++j)
            fscanf(fpin, "%lf", &s[j]);
    }

/* nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac).
 * Principal component analysis
 */
nag_mv_prin_comp(matrix, scores, n, m, x, tdx, isx, s, wtptr, nvar,
                 e, tde, p, tdp, v, tdv, &fail);
if (fail.code != NE_NOERROR)
    {
        fprintf(fpout, "Error from nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac).\n%s\n",
                fail.message);
        exit_status = 1;
        goto END;
    }

fprintf(fpout,
        "Eigenvalues Percentage Cumulative Chisq DF Sig\n");
fprintf(fpout,
        "          variation variation\n\n");
for (i = 0; i < nvar; ++i)
    {
        for (j = 0; j < 6; ++j)
            fprintf(fpout, "%11.4f", E(i, j));
        fprintf(fpout, "\n");
    }
fprintf(fpout, "\nEigenvalues \n\n");
for (i = 0; i < nvar; ++i)
    {
        for (j = 0; j < nvar; ++j)
            fprintf(fpout, "%9.4f", P(i, j));
        fprintf(fpout, "\n");
    }
fprintf(fpout, "\nPrincipal component scores \n\n");
for (i = 0; i < n; ++i)
    {
        fprintf(fpout, "%2ld", i+1);
        for (j = 0; j < nvar; ++j)
            fprintf(fpout, "%9.3f", V(i, j));
        fprintf(fpout, "\n");
    }

END:
if (fpin != stdin) fclose(fpin);
if (fpout != stdout) fclose(fpout);
if (x) NAG_FREE(x);
if (wt) NAG_FREE(wt);
if (s) NAG_FREE(s);
if (isx) NAG_FREE(isx);
if (p) NAG_FREE(p);
if (e) NAG_FREE(e);
if (v) NAG_FREE(v);

return exit_status;
}

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9.2 Program Data

```
nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac) Example Program Data
Nag_MatVarCovar Nag_ScoresEigenval Nag_FALSE 10 3
7.0 4.0 3.0
4.0 1.0 8.0
6.0 3.0 5.0
8.0 6.0 1.0
8.0 5.0 7.0
7.0 2.0 9.0
5.0 3.0 3.0
9.0 5.0 8.0
7.0 4.0 5.0
8.0 2.0 2.0
  1  1  1  3
```

9.3 Program Results

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nag_mv_prin_comp (g03aac) Example Program Results
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Eigenvalues	Percentage variation	Cumulative variation	Chisq	DF	Sig
8.2739	0.6515	0.6515	8.6127	5.0000	0.1255
3.6761	0.2895	0.9410	4.1183	2.0000	0.1276
0.7499	0.0590	1.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

Eigenvalues

0.1376	0.6990	0.7017
0.2505	0.6609	-0.7075
-0.9583	0.2731	-0.0842

Principal component scores

1	2.151	-0.173	-0.107
2	-3.804	-2.887	-0.510
3	-0.153	-0.987	-0.269
4	4.707	1.302	-0.652
5	-1.294	2.279	-0.449
6	-4.099	0.144	0.803
7	1.626	-2.232	-0.803
8	-2.114	3.251	0.168
9	0.235	0.373	-0.275
10	2.746	-1.069	2.094
