

1 A factor can be considered to be an underlying latent variable:

- (a) on which people differ
- (b) that is explained by unknown variables
- (c) that cannot be defined
- (d) that is influenced by observed variables
- (e) none of these

2 Variables that are orthogonal are:

- (a) moderately correlated with each other
- (b) perfectly related to each other
- (c) rotated
- (d) totally unrelated to each other
- (e) none of these

3 Factor analysis is concerned with:

- (a) analysis of correlation matrices
- (b) correlating mean values
- (c) frequency counts
- (d) abstract concepts
- (e) none of the above

4 Factor analysis requires that variables:

- (a) Are measured at nominal level
- (b) Are abstract concepts
- (c) Are not related to each other
- (d) Are related to each other

(e) Are standardized

5 The decision about how many factors to retain is based on:

(a) personal choice

(b) Kaiser's rule

(c) Scree test

(d) Both (a) and (c)

(e) Both (b) and (c)

6) The unrotated matrix is rotated because:

(a) The calculations are easier

(b) More factors are extracted

(c) Rotated factors are significant

(d) Interpretation is easier

(e) all of these

7) Kaiser's rule says:

(a) Select all factors where $p < .5$

(b) Select factors with eigenvalues that add up to 1

(c) Select factors with eigenvalues 1 and above

(d) Select the factor with the biggest Eigen value

(e) None of the above

8. The problem statement, all variables and given/known data

1. If A is a real symmetric matrix, then there is a diagonal matrix D and an

orthogonal matrix P so that $D = P^{-1} A P$.

a. True

b. False

9. Given that λ_i and λ_j are distinct eigenvalues of the real symmetric matrix A and that v_1 and v_2 are the respective eigenvectors associated with these values, then v_1 and v_2 are orthogonal.

a. True

b. False

10. If $T(\theta)$ is a rotation of the Euclidean plane \mathbb{R}^2 counterclockwise through an angle θ , then T can be represented by an orthogonal matrix P whose eigenvalues are $\lambda_1 = 1$ and $\lambda_2 = -1$.

a. True

b. False

11. If A and B represent the same linear operator $T: U \rightarrow U$, then they have the same eigenvalues.

a. True

b. False

12. If A and B represent the same linear operator $T: U \rightarrow U$, then they have the same eigenvectors.

a. True

b. False

13. If A and B have the same eigenvalues, then they are similar matrices.

a. True

b. False

14. Which of the following statements is not true?

a. Similar matrices A and B have exactly the same determinant.

- b. Similar matrices A and B have exactly the same eigenvalues.
- c. Similar matrices A and B have the same characteristic polynomial.
- d. Similar matrices A and B have exactly the same eigenvectors.
- e. none of the above

15. Let the $n \times n$ matrix A have eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$ (not necessarily distinct). Then $\det (A) = \lambda_1\lambda_2 \dots \lambda_n$.

- a. True
- b. False

16. Every real matrix A with eigenvalues as in problem 8 is similar to the diagonal matrix $D = \text{diag} [\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots \lambda_n]$.

- a. True
- b. False

17. Eigenvectors corresponding to distinct eigenvalues for any $n \times n$ matrix A are always linearly independent.

- a. True
- b. False

18. Which method of analysis does not classify variables as dependent or independent?

- a. regression analysis
- b. discriminant analysis
- c. analysis of variance
- d. factor analysis

19. Factor analysis is a(n) _____ in that the entire set of interdependent relationships is examined.

- a. KMO measure of sampling adequacy
- b. orthogonal procedure
- c. interdependence technique
- d. varimax procedure

20. Factor analysis can be used in which of the following circumstances?
- a. To identify underlying dimensions, or factors, that explain the correlations among a set of variables.
 - b. To identify a new, smaller set of uncorrelated variables to replace the original set of correlated variables in subsequent multivariate analysis.
 - c. To identify a smaller set of salient variables from a larger set for use in subsequent multivariate analysis.
 - d. All are correct circumstances.

21. _____ are simple correlations between the variables and the factors.
- a. Factor scores
 - b. Factor loadings
 - c. Correlation loadings
 - d. Both a and b are correct

22. Factor analysis may not be appropriate in all of the following situations except:
- a. a small value for Barlett's test of sphericity is found
 - b. small values of the KMO statistic are found
 - c. the variables are not correlated
 - d. the variables are correlated

23. A principal components analysis was run and the following eigenvalue results were obtained: 2.731, 2.218, .442, .341, .183, .085. How many factors would you retain using the eigenvalues to determine the number of factors?
- a. 1
 - b. 2
 - c. 4
 - d. 6

24. _____ should be used when factors in the population are likely to be strongly correlated.

- a. Orthogonal rotation
- b. The varimax procedure
- c. Oblique rotation
- d. None of the above
- e.

25. Which of the following are eigenvectors of $[2310]$? (More than one answer may be correct.)

a) $[11]$ b) $[1-1]$ c) $[55]$

d) $[-26]$ e) $[1-3]$ f) $[-31]$