

# Re: factor analysis with dummy variables

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On Oct 15, 5:48 pm, alinashe <[alina...@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:alina...@xxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

I'm trying to figure out if it makes sense to use factor analysis when dealing exclusively with dummy variables. I'm worried that since I'll be randomly assigning numeric values to such parameters as gender, race, etc any sort of a correlation I find behind the variables will be pretty meaningless. Am I correct in this logic?

Correspondence analysis is thought to be the equivalent of principal components for tabular data. Perhaps that is what you are looking for?

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