# **ConsumerCheck**: PCA and preference mapping

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## Overview

### ConsumerCheck software

- > Overview
- Data sets for PCA and preference mapping
- ► PCA
- Preference mapping
- Example (apple data)







- Standalone software dedicated for analysis of consumer data
- PanelCheck-like software
  - easy-to-use
  - > Flexible
  - dedicated for sensory practitioners
- Visualize and analyze your data fast and efficient!
- Classical and advanced statistical methods:
  - Basic statistics (plots/tables)
  - PCA
  - Preference mapping (PLSR, PCR)
  - Conjoint analysis (mixed effects models)



#### ConsumerCheck GUI

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Example: Apple data 5 apples 108 consumers

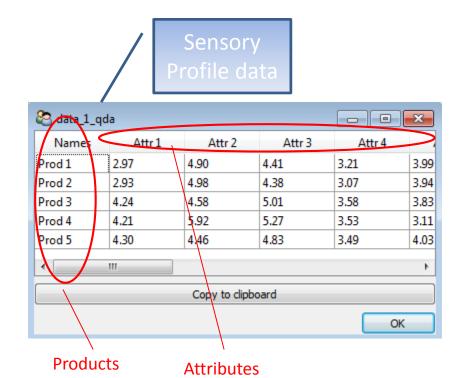
Consumer liking data

Assessors scored the same 5 apples according to 14 attributes

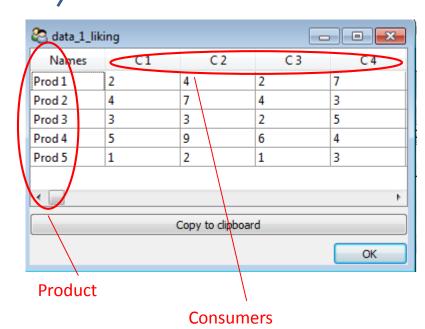
Sensory profiling data



#### PCA / Prefmap data sets



Consumer liking data



Data need to be balanced:

ALL assessors need to have tested ALL

products

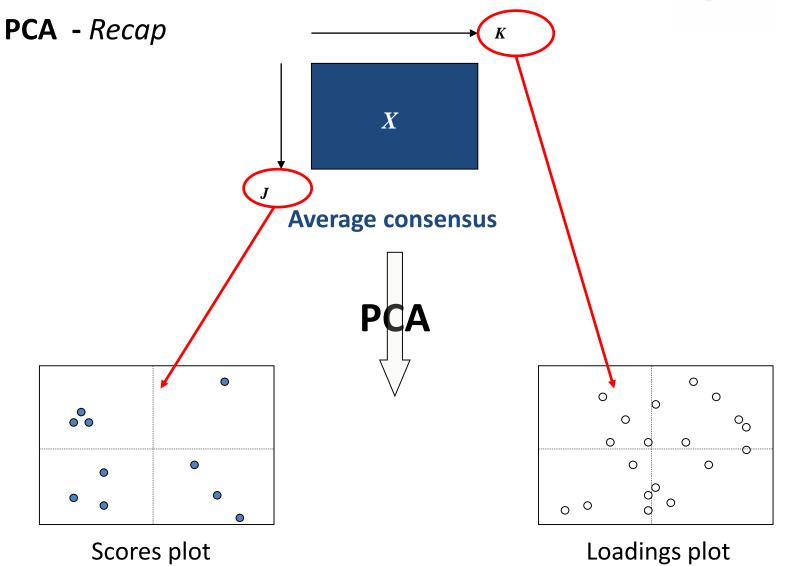
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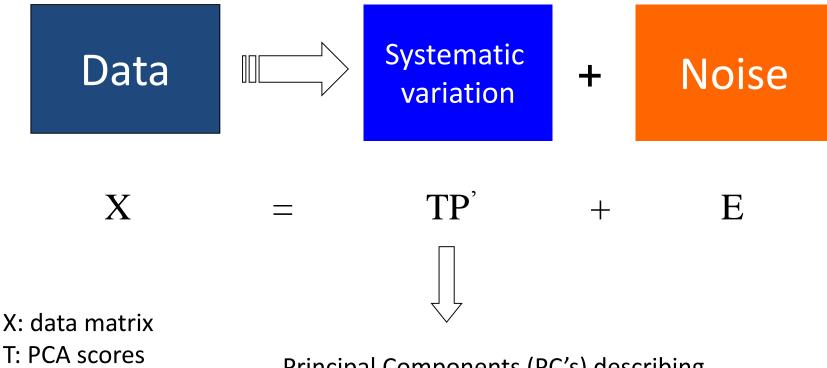
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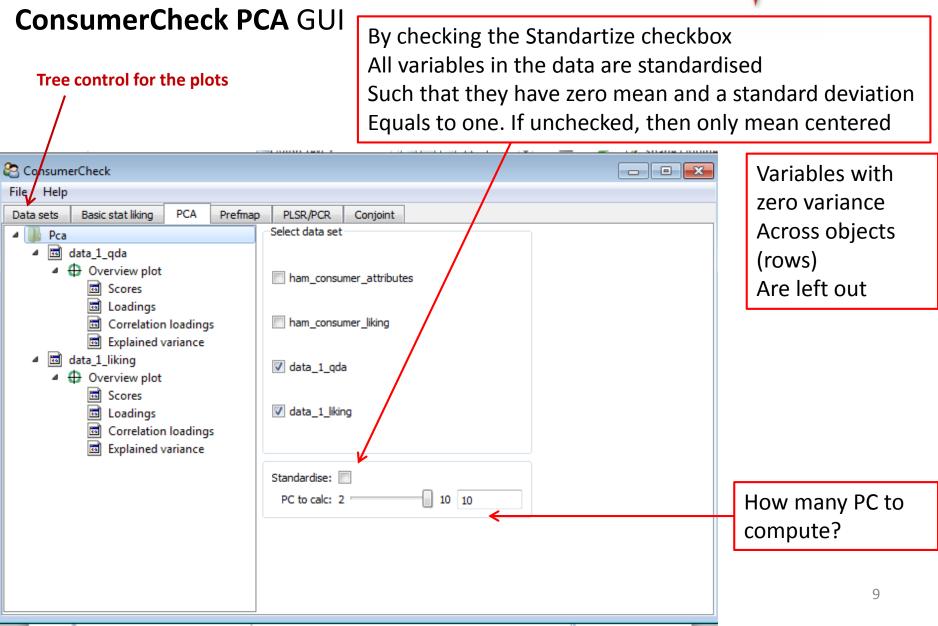






P: PCA loadings E: residuals /noise Principal Components (PC's) describing the systematic variation in the data

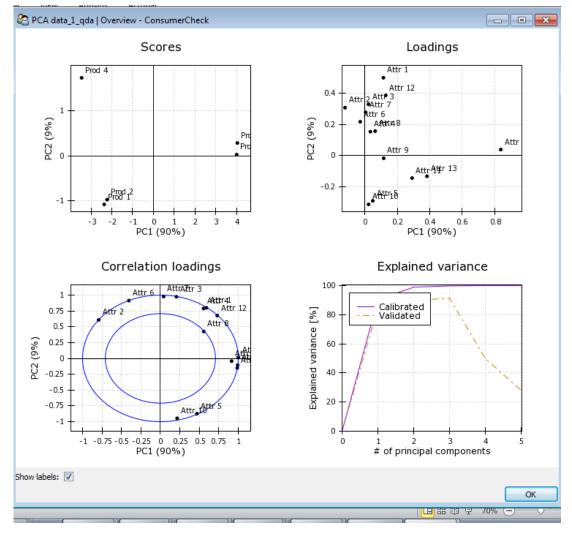






#### **PCA** (sensory profiling data)– Overview plot

PCA Scores Loadings Correlation loadings Explained variance



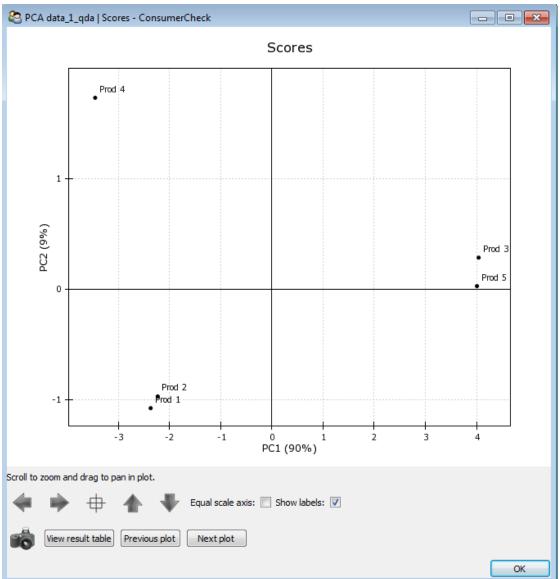


#### PCA (sensory profiling data) – Scores

Visualizes how objects (products) Are distributed across space Spanned by two principal components (PC)

PC1 and PC2 describe 99% of the variation in the data

Product 3 and 5 are very similar Products 1,2,4 are very different from 3 and 5



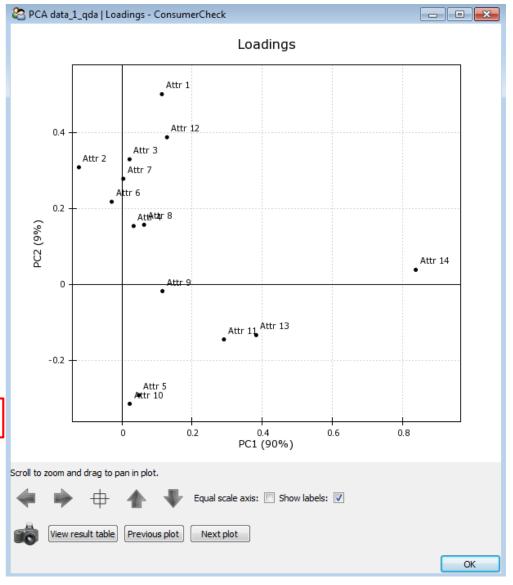


#### **PCA (sensory profiling data)** – *loadings*

Visualizes how the variables (sensory attributes) contribute to the variation in the data

Attribute 4 contributes much to the variation explained by PC1

PC2: attributes 5,10 versus 1,2,3,12



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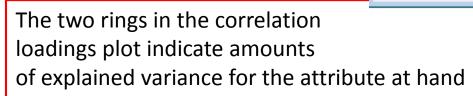


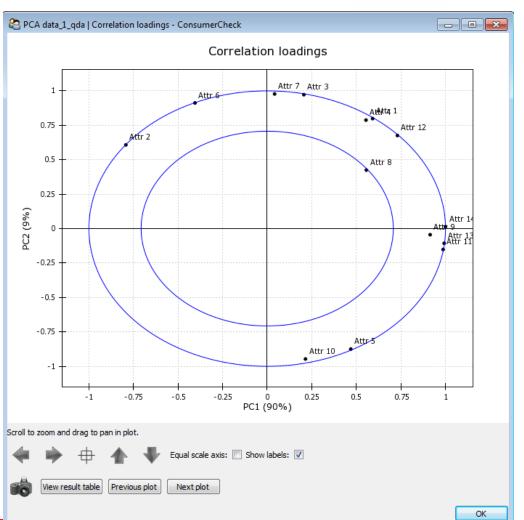
#### PCA – correlation loadings

Provides information on how systematic the variance of a variable is with regard to the computed PC's

Correlation loading = correlation between the original data of a specific variable and the scores of a specific PC

The outer ring represents 100% of the variance The ionnder 50%





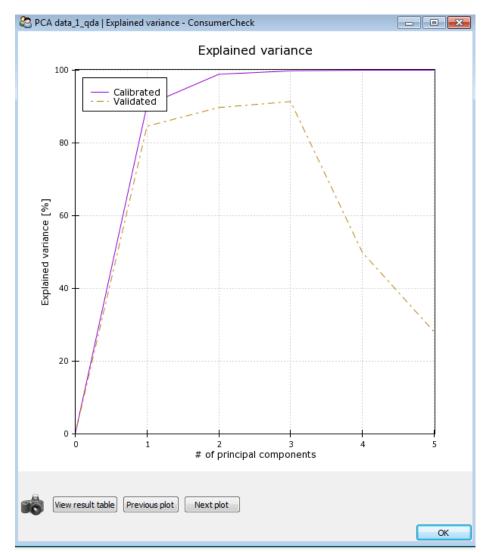


#### **PCA** – explained variances

Visualizes calibrated and v validated explained variances

The validated explained variance is computed by systematically leaving out objects/rows from the data, then computing new PCA models and using the new loadings to predict values of the data that were left out. The closer the predictions of the left out data are to the real values of the left out data, the more

robust the model.





#### **Preference mapping**

**Preference mapping** (Greenho and MacFie 1994; McEwan 1996) is a much used statistical method in the field of sensometrics that analyses *consumer liking* and d *sensory profling data* together.

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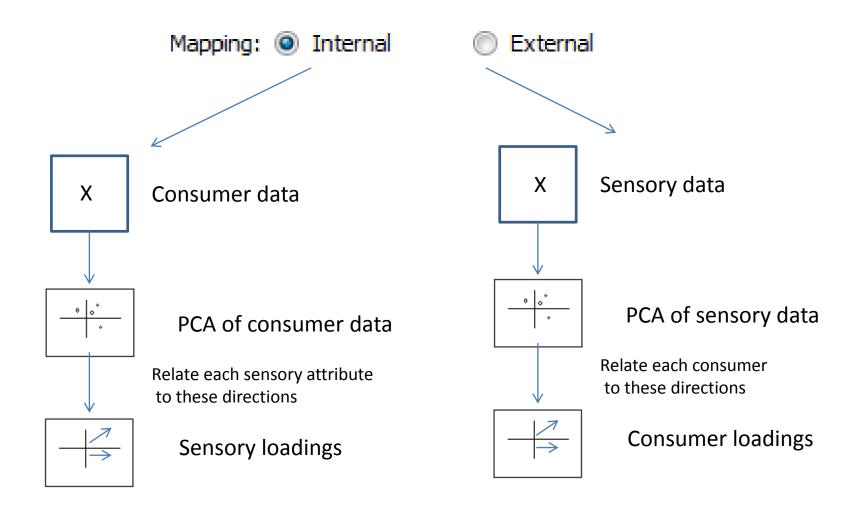
#### Preference mapping GUI

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Row order of the products needs to be the same



#### **Preference mapping**

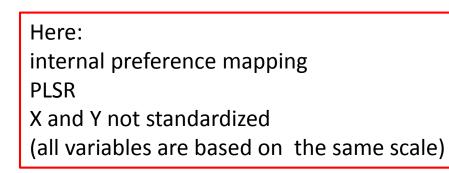


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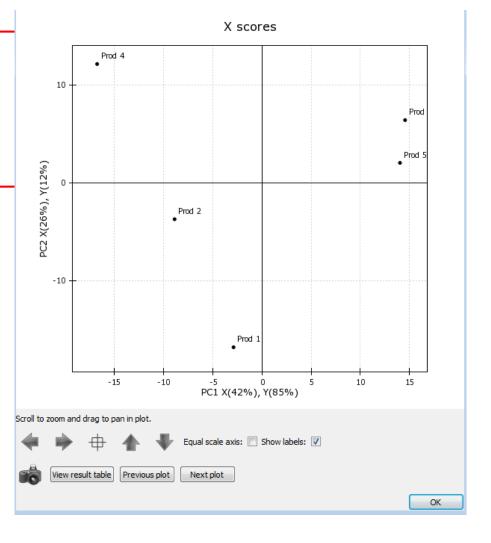


#### **Preference mapping** – X scores



X-scores: visualizes how the products related to each other in the space spanned by the first principal components

Only 68% from consumer liking data



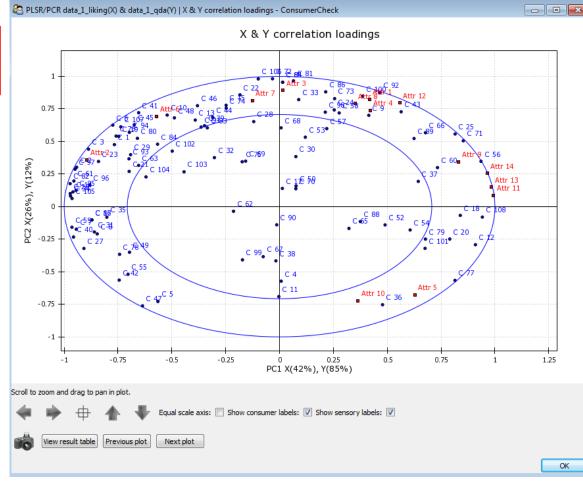


#### **Preference mapping** – X and Y correlation loadings

Correlation loadings from both X and Y are visualized

Correlation loadings belonging to X are blue

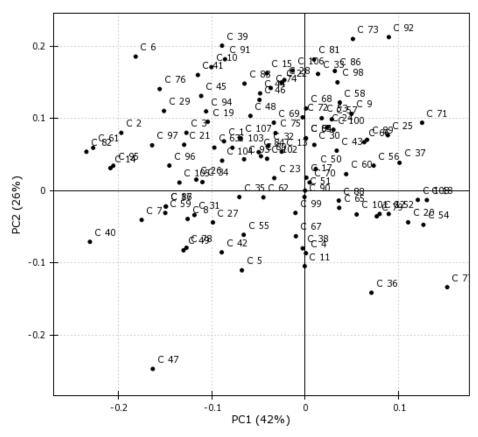
Many consumers prefer Products with high intensities of Attribute 2 and 6





#### **Preference mapping** – X loadings

X loadings: show how the variables of the X matrix (here consumer data) contribute to the common variation between X and Y for each PC

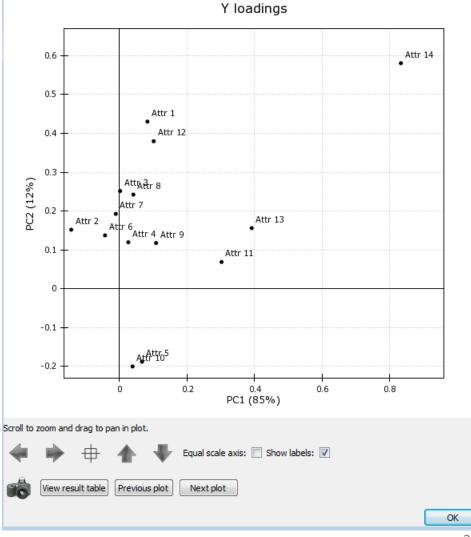






#### **Preference mapping** – Y correlation loadings

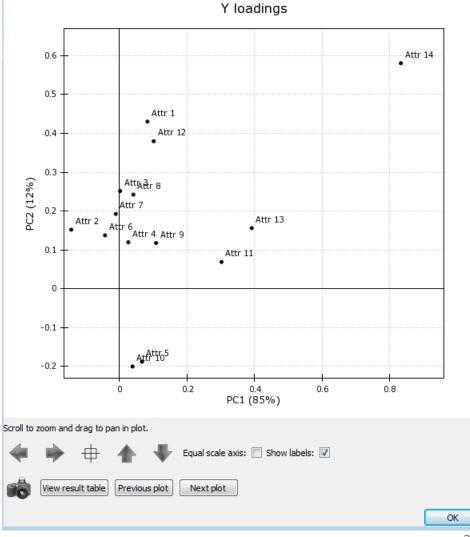
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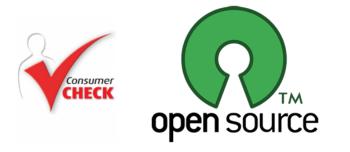


#### **Preference mapping** – Y correlation loadings

Y loadings: show how the variables of the Y matrix contribute to the common variation between X and Y for each PC



Summary ConsumerCheck



- Easy-to-use software for non-statisticians
- Proposes classical as well as advanced tools for analysis of consumer data
- Important methods:
  - + PCA
  - + Preference mapping
  - + Conjoint analysis