





conclusions

- informative and heterogeneous pattern
- clusters of equally structured regions visible
- sum of indicators visually difficult to interpret
- → statistical approach required: factor analysis & clustering



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Data reduction: factor analysis

objective:

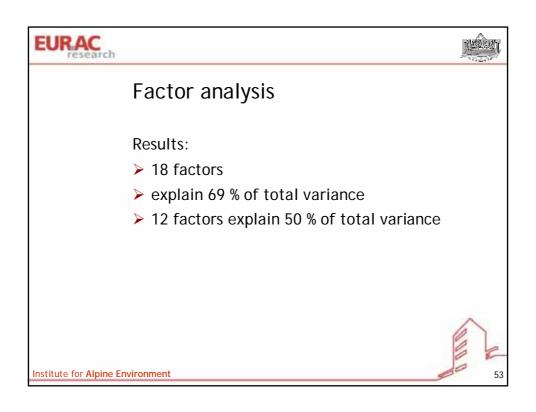
- 1. Data reduction
- 2. Identification of a structure in the relationship between the indicators (classification of the indicators)

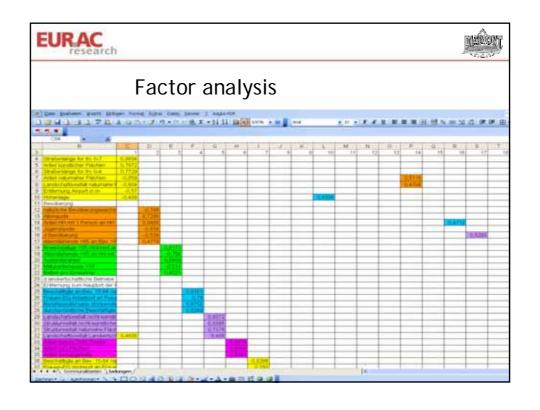
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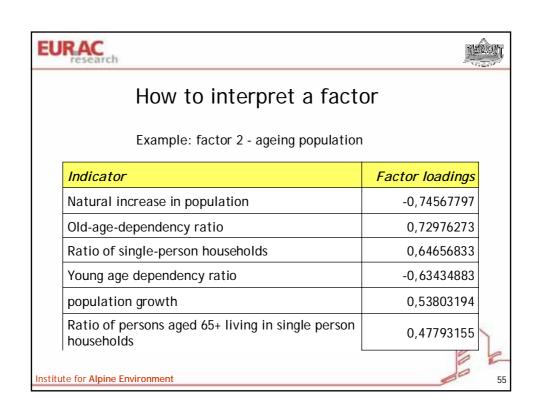
- Factor loadings: coefficient with which a factor explains the variable (importance of the factor for each variable)
- Factor values: for each factor we compute factor values for all municipalities

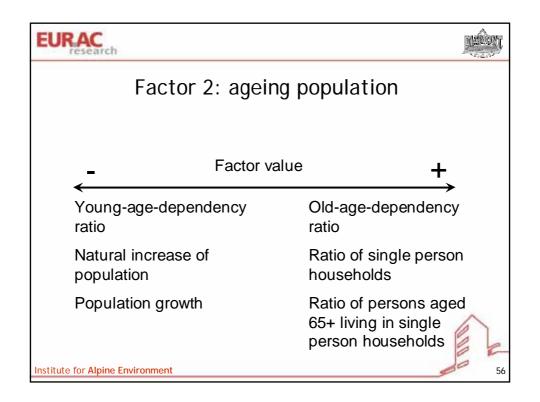


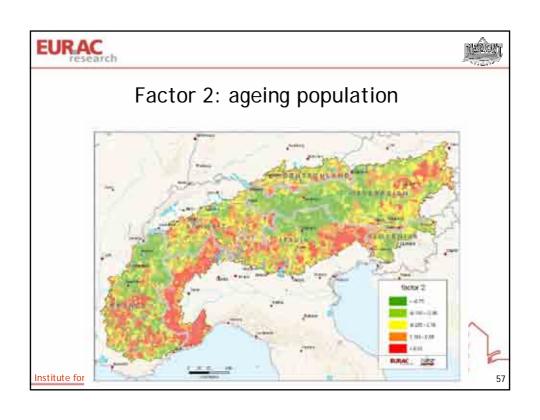
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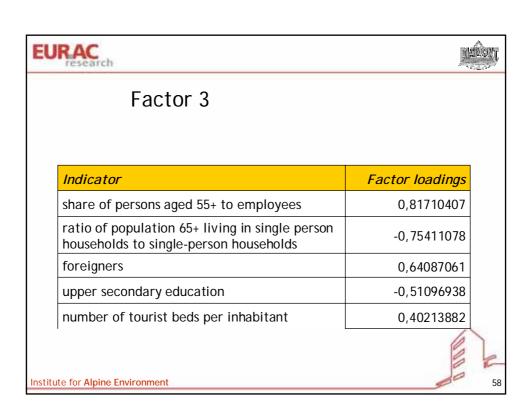


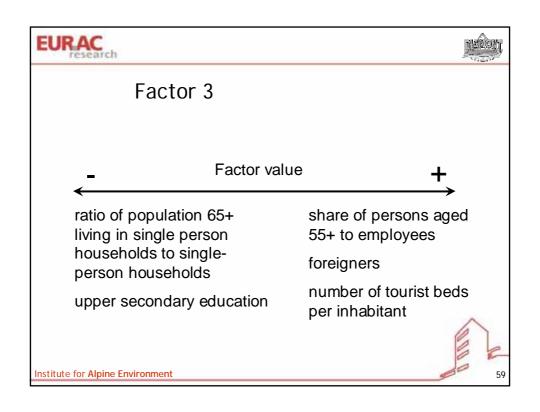


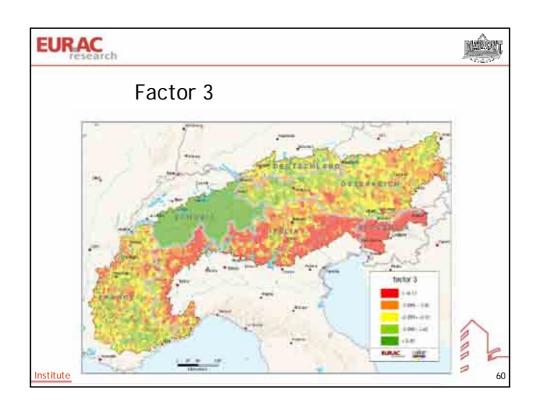


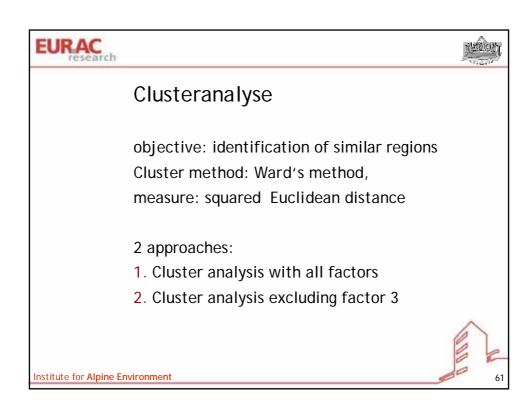


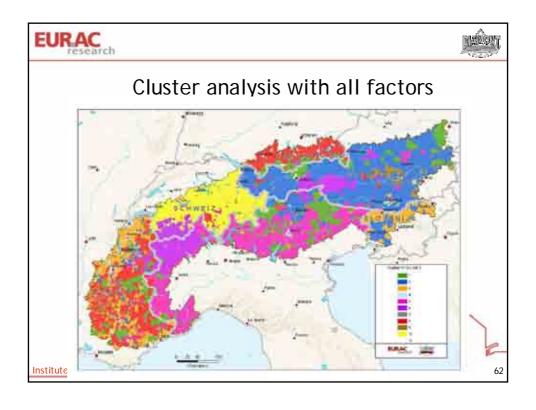


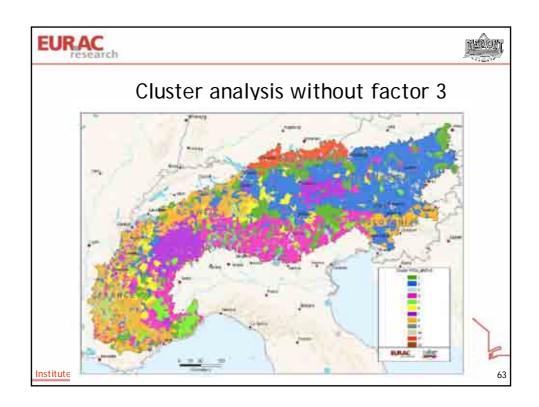
















Cluster 3: urban centers

- 12.000 inhabitants, increasing
- Economic structure: very well balanced, big enterprises (8,5 employees), few but big hotels, many jobs, increasing employment, positive commuter balance
- Increasing population, balanced age-pyramid, very good educational attainment, many foreigners
- Low type variety, high structural variety, high dissection, low share of protected areas
- High accessibility, altitude: ca. 400 m

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Cluster 6: tourism

- 1200 inhabitants, high altitude (1250 m) but good accessibility
- Very high employment rates and many jobs, rather unbalanced economic structure with many and big hotels and a big tertiary sector; many enterprises and many self-employed, positive commuter balance
- Growing population due to strong natural increase of population and low emigration; low old-agedependency ratio
- Big share of semi-natural areas and many protected areas, little dissection

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Cluster 10: degraded municipalities

- 200-250 inhabitants
- bad accessibility, altitude: 600 m
- Declining economy: extremely unbalanced economic structure, few and small enterprises, few and decreasing jobs, low employment rate, many selfemployed
- Decreasing population, high old-age-dependency ratio
- Low share of artificial area, average type variety and structural variety

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