Mixture Models

You need to install the package mclust for the following exercises.

Exercise 1 One dimensional mixture of Gaussians

- 1. Simulate a sample of size 1000 of a one dimensional mixture of two gaussians with respective means, variances and proportions $\mu_1 = 0$, $\mu_2 = 4$ $\sigma_1 = 1$, $\sigma_2 = \frac{1}{2}$, $\pi_1 = \frac{1}{3}$.
- 2. Use the kmeans algorithm to find two clusters.
- 3. From the kmeans output (classification) estimate the parameters of the mixture.
- 4. Use the Mclust function of the mlust package to estimate the parameters of the mixture:
 - try Mclust with modelNames="E"
 - try Mclust with modelNames="V"
- 5. Comment the diffrences between the three previous estimations.

Exercise 2 Bi-dimensional mixture

- 1. Load the dataset faithful (from the mclust library.
- 2. Plot and describe the data.
- 3. Run Mclust on the data and decribe the result:
 - The number of cluster.
 - The parameters (variance matrices, means vectors and proportions.
 - The classification.
- 4. Plot the output of the Mclust procedure and describe each of the 4 plots.
- 5. Run the hclust on the data using the Ward Criterion and compare the clustering of hclust and the clustering of Mclust for two clusters.
- 6. Run the hclust on the data using the Ward Criterion and compare the clustering of hclust and the clustering of Mclust for three clusters.
- 7. Comment on the results of the two previous questions.