

rebmix: Finite Mixture Modeling, Clustering & Classification

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Abstract

The **rebmix** package provides R functions for random univariate and multivariate finite mixture model generation, estimation, clustering, latent class analysis and classification. Variables can be continuous, discrete, independent or dependent and may follow normal, lognormal, Weibull, gamma, binomial, Poisson, Dirac or von Mises parametric families.

1 Introduction

To cite the REBMIX algorithm please refer to (Nagode and Fajdiga, 2011a,b; Nagode, 2015, 2018). For theoretical backgrounds please upload <http://doi.org/10.5963/JA00302001>.

2 What's new in version 2.11.0

Version 2.11.0 introduces the Expectation-Maximization (EM) algorithm for the improved estimation of Gaussian mixture model parameters (with diagonal and unrestricted covariance matrices). Here the REBMIX algorithm is used to assess the initial parameters of the EM algorithm. Two different variants of the EM algorithm are implemented, namely the original EM algorithm from (Dempster et al., 1977) and a k -means like variant of the EM algorithm (Classification EM) as described in (Celeux and Govaert, 1992). As the REBMIX algorithm estimates a wide range of parameters for the Gaussian mixture model for different numbers of components, three different strategies, named **exhaustive**, **best** and **single** have been implemented. The **exhaustive** strategy is used to run the EM algorithm (or variant) on each solution of Gaussian mixture model parameters provided by the REBMIX algorithm. The **best** strategy utilizes a voting scheme for the estimated parameters from the REBMIX algorithm and runs the EM algorithm only on selected optimal parameters. Best candidates are chosen based on the value of the likelihood function (the highest one) for each number of components c from a minimum specified `cmin` to a maximum specified `cmax`. The **single** strategy is useful when the single value of, for example, the number of bins in histogram preprocessing is supplied as input for the REBMIX algorithm. Otherwise, when multiple numbers of bins k are supplied, this strategy is the same as the **exhaustive** strategy. To tackle the slow linear convergence of the EM algorithm, simple acceleration methods are implemented which can be controlled with parameter `acceleration` and `acceleration.multiplier`. The increment of the EM algorithm in each iteration can be written as

$$\Delta\Theta = \Theta^{(i+1)} - \Theta^{(i)} \quad (1)$$

Instead of using a standard EM increment $\Delta\Theta$ to reduce the number of iterations needed for the EM algorithm, this increment can be multiplied with some multiplier a_{EM} which is referred to as `acceleration.multiplier`. Therefore the update in each EM iteration now becomes

$$\Theta^{i+1} = \Theta^{(i)} + a_{EM}\Delta\Theta \quad (2)$$

The safe range for the a_{EM} multiplier lies between 1.0 and 2.0, where 1.0 gives a standard EM increment and 2.0 doubles the EM increment. However, this does not necessarily mean that multiplication by a value of 2.0 will double the speed of the EM algorithm (i.e. by reducing the required number of

iterations by 2). Here, 1.5 is a safe value which mostly speeds up the EM algorithm whilst retaining good results for the estimated parameters. A value of 1.9 can significantly speed up the estimation process, yet it can also deteriorate the quality of the resulting estimated parameters. Therefore, the value of the multiplier needs to be set carefully. This value is set with `acceleration.multiplier` parameter. The other parameter `acceleration` controls how the a_{EM} multiplier is handled and can be one of **fixed**, **line** and **golden**. Selecting the **fixed** option means that the a_{EM} multiplier is specified via the `acceleration.multiplier` parameter and for each iteration of the EM algorithm the increment is increased by a specified value of a_{EM} . The **line** and **golden** options perform a, line and golden search (respectively) for the optimal value of a_{EM} for which the highest increase in the likelihood function of each EM iteration is achieved.

EM handling is carried out using the newly introduced class `"EM.Control"`. Classes `"REBMIX"` and `"REBMVNORM"` and its signature method `REBMIX` now accept the `"EM.Control"` object via the argument called `"EMcontrol"`. The class `EM.Control` has the same name convention for slots as the input argument `EMcontrol` (`strategy`, `variant`, `acceleration`, `tolerance`, `acceleration.multiplier` and `maximum.iterations`) as well as all accessor functions with the same name convention as `a.slot name` and setter function `a.slot name<-`.

3 Previous versions

Methods `Zp` and `coef` have been replaced by `a.Zp`, `a.theta1.all` and `a.theta2.all` getters. All slots can be accessed via accessors. Their names are generally composed of `a.` followed by the slot name and are used to read the slots. Class `"RNGMIX.Theta"` has been added to simplify random finite mixture model generation. Method `show` has been added for `"RCLS.chunk"` class. The minimum number of components `cmin` was added to `REBMIX` arguments and to the `"REBMIX"` class. The `"Parzen window"` preprocessing has been renamed to more commonly known `"kernel density estimation"`. Rough parameter estimation for binomial and Poisson parametric families has also been improved and the package is now broadened to latent class analysis in version 2.10.3. Method `split` has been improved and examples for its proper use are added.

GCC 8.1 notes and warnings in C++ functions have been eliminated in version 2.10.2. Cholesky decomposition is now used to calculate the logarithm of the determinant and inverse of variance-covariance matrices instead of LU decomposition. Special attention has been paid to resolving numerical problems related to high dimensional datasets.

Version 2.10.1 is the further debugged version of 2.10.0. Large K in combination with large dimension d can lead to histograms with numerous nonempty bins v . In order to restrain v , the well known RootN rule (Velleman, 1976) may intuitively be extended to multidimensions

$$v_{\max} = \frac{1+d}{d} n^{\frac{d}{1+d}}. \quad (3)$$

If $d = \infty$, then $v_{\max} = n$. If $d = 1$, then $v_{\max} = 2\sqrt{n}$. Minor debugging and function improvements have also been carried out in version 2.10.0. The acceleration rate is now progressively increasing. Each time the inner loop starts, the counter I_2 (see Nagode, 2015, for details) is initiated and constant

$$A = \frac{1 - a_r}{a_r(D_l w_l - D_{\min})} \Big|_{I_2=1} \quad (4)$$

is calculated. The acceleration rate a_r at $I_2 = 1$ always equals the value stored in the input argument `ar`. Otherwise

$$a_r = \frac{1}{A(D_l w_l - D_{\min}) + 1} \Big|_{I_2>1}. \quad (5)$$

The Newton-Raphson root finding in C++ functions was improved in version 2.9.3. This affects only Weibull, gamma and von Mises parametric families. A circular von Mises parametric family has been added and further debugging carried out in version 2.9.2. Version 2.9.1 is a further debugged version 2.8.4. The R code has been extended and rewritten in S4 class system. The background C code has also been extended and rewritten as object-oriented C++ code. The package can now more easily

be extended to other parametric families. Multivariate normal mixtures with unrestricted variance-covariance matrices have been added. Clustering has also been added and classification improved.

4 Examples

To illustrate the use of the REBMIX algorithm, univariate and multivariate datasets are considered. The `rebmix` is loaded and the prompt before starting new page is set to `TRUE`.

```
R> library("rebmix")
R> devAskNewPage(ask = TRUE)
```

4.1 Gamma datasets

Three gamma mixtures are considered (Wiper et al., 2001). The first has four well-separated components with means 2, 4, 6 and 8, respectively

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_1 &= 1/100 & \beta_1 &= 200 & n_1 &= 100 \\ \theta_2 &= 1/100 & \beta_2 &= 400 & n_2 &= 100 \\ \theta_3 &= 1/100 & \beta_3 &= 600 & n_3 &= 100 \\ \theta_4 &= 1/100 & \beta_4 &= 800 & n_4 &= 100.\end{aligned}$$

The second has equal means but different variances and weights

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_1 &= 1/27 & \beta_1 &= 9 & n_1 &= 40 \\ \theta_2 &= 1/270 & \beta_2 &= 90 & n_2 &= 360.\end{aligned}$$

The third is a mixture of a rather diffuse component with mean 6 and two lower weighted components with smaller variances and means of 2 and 10, respectively

$$\begin{aligned}\theta_1 &= 1/20 & \beta_1 &= 40 & n_1 &= 80 \\ \theta_2 &= 1 & \beta_2 &= 6 & n_2 &= 240 \\ \theta_3 &= 1/20 & \beta_3 &= 200 & n_3 &= 80.\end{aligned}$$

4.1.1 Finite mixture generation

```
R> n <- c(100, 100, 100, 100)
R> Theta <- new("RNGMIX.Theta", c = 4, pdf = "gamma")
R> a.theta1(Theta) <- rep(1/100, 4)
R> a.theta2(Theta) <- c(200, 400, 600, 800)
R> gamma1 <- RNGMIX(Dataset.name = "gamma1", n = n, Theta = a.Theta(Theta))
R> n <- c(40, 360)
R> Theta <- new("RNGMIX.Theta", c = 2, pdf = "gamma")
R> a.theta1(Theta) <- c(1/27, 1/270)
R> a.theta2(Theta) <- c(9, 90)
R> gamma2 <- RNGMIX(Dataset.name = "gamma2", n = n, Theta = a.Theta(Theta))
R> n <- c(80, 240, 80)
R> Theta <- new("RNGMIX.Theta", c = 3, pdf = "gamma")
R> a.theta1(Theta) <- c(1/20, 1, 1/20)
R> a.theta2(Theta) <- c(40, 6, 200)
R> gamma3 <- RNGMIX(Dataset.name = "gamma3", rseed = -4, n = n,
+   Theta = a.Theta(Theta))
```

4.1.2 Finite mixture estimation

```
R> gamma1est <- REBMIX(Dataset = a.Dataset(gamma1), Preprocessing = "kernel density estimation"
+   cmap = 8, Criterion = "BIC", pdf = "gamma")
R> gamma2est <- REBMIX(Dataset = a.Dataset(gamma2), Preprocessing = "histogram",
```

```

+      cmax = 8, Criterion = "BIC", pdf = "gamma")
R> gamma3est <- REBMIX(Dataset = a.Dataset(gamma3), Preprocessing = "histogram",
+      cmax = 8, Criterion = "BIC", pdf = "gamma", K = 23:27)

```

4.1.3 Plot method

```
R> plot(gamma3est, pos = 1, what = c("den", "dis"), ncol = 2, npts = 1000)
```

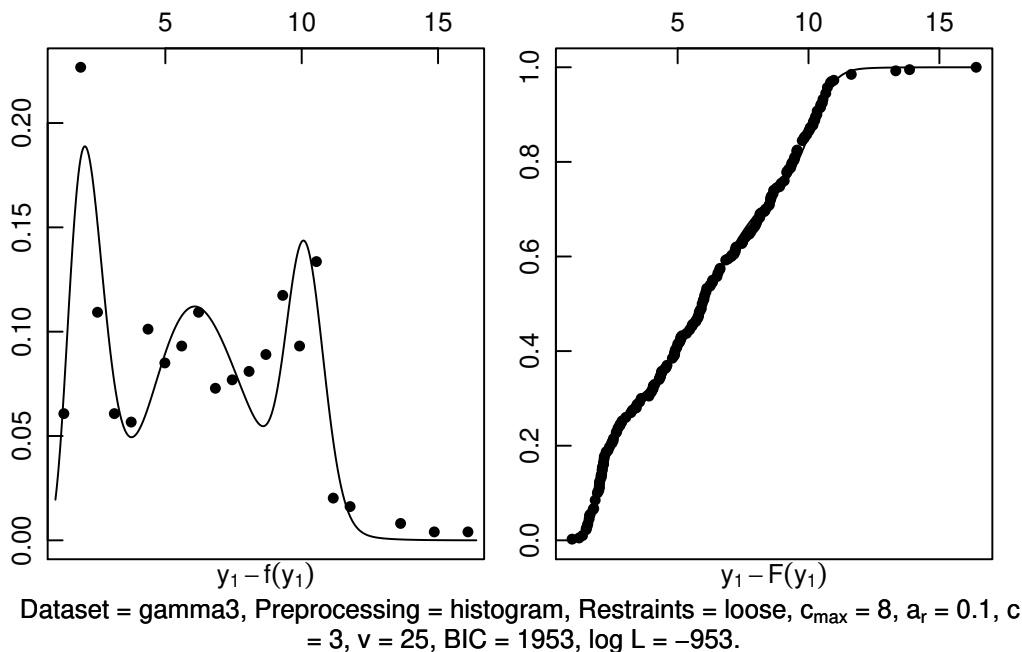


Figure 1: Gamma 3 dataset. Empirical density (circles) and predictive gamma mixture density in black solid line.

4.1.4 Summary, a.theta1.all and a.theta2.all methods

```
R> summary(gamma2est)
```

```

  Dataset Preprocessing Criterion c v/k   IC logL M
1  gamma2   histogram      BIC  2  16 -1321 676 5
Maximum logL = 676 at pos = 1.

```

```
R> a.theta1.all(gamma1est, pos = 1)
```

```

      [,1]
theta2.1 0.01027
theta2.2 0.00921
theta2.3 0.00870
theta2.4 0.01118

```

```
R> a.theta2.all(gamma1est, pos = 1)
```

```

      [,1]
theta2.1 195
theta2.2 437
theta2.3 918
theta2.4 535

```

4.1.5 Bootstrap methods

```
R> gamma3boot <- boot(x = gamma3est, pos = 1, Bootstrap = "p", B = 10)
R> gamma3boot
```

An object of class "REBMIX.boot"

Slot "c":

```
[1] 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3
```

Slot "c.se":

```
[1] 0
```

Slot "c.cv":

```
[1] 0
```

Slot "c.mode":

```
[1] 3
```

Slot "c.prob":

```
[1] 1
```

```
R> summary(gamma3boot)
```

w.cv

```
[1] 0.122 0.200 0.175
```

```
[,1]
```

theta1.1.cv 0.457

theta1.2.cv 0.840

theta1.3.cv 0.508

```
[,1]
```

theta2.1.cv 2.149

theta2.2.cv 0.697

theta2.3.cv 1.083

Mode probability = 1 at c = 3 components.

4.2 Poisson dataset

Dataset consists of $n = 600$ two dimensional observations obtained by generating data points separately from each of three Poisson distributions. The component dataset sizes and parameters, which are those studied in Ma et al. (2009), are displayed below

$$\begin{aligned}\boldsymbol{\theta}_1 &= (3, 2)^\top & n_1 &= 200 \\ \boldsymbol{\theta}_2 &= (9, 10)^\top & n_2 &= 200 \\ \boldsymbol{\theta}_3 &= (15, 16)^\top & n_3 &= 200\end{aligned}$$

For the dataset Ma et al. (2009) conduct 100 experiments by selecting different initial values of the mixing proportions. In all the cases, the adaptive gradient BYY learning algorithm leads to the correct model selection, i.e., finally allocating the correct number of Poissons for the dataset. In the meantime, it also results in an estimate for each parameter in the original or true Poisson mixture which generated the dataset. As the dataset of Ma et al. (2009) can not exactly be reproduced, 10 datasets are generated with random seeds r_{seed} ranging from -1 to -10 .

4.2.1 Finite mixture generation

```
R> n <- c(200, 200, 200)
```

```
R> Theta <- new("RNGMIX.Theta", c = 3, pdf = rep("Poisson", 2))
```

```
R> a.theta1(Theta, 1) <- c(3, 2)
```

```
R> a.theta1(Theta, 2) <- c(9, 10)
```

```
R> a.theta1(Theta, 3) <- c(15, 16)
```

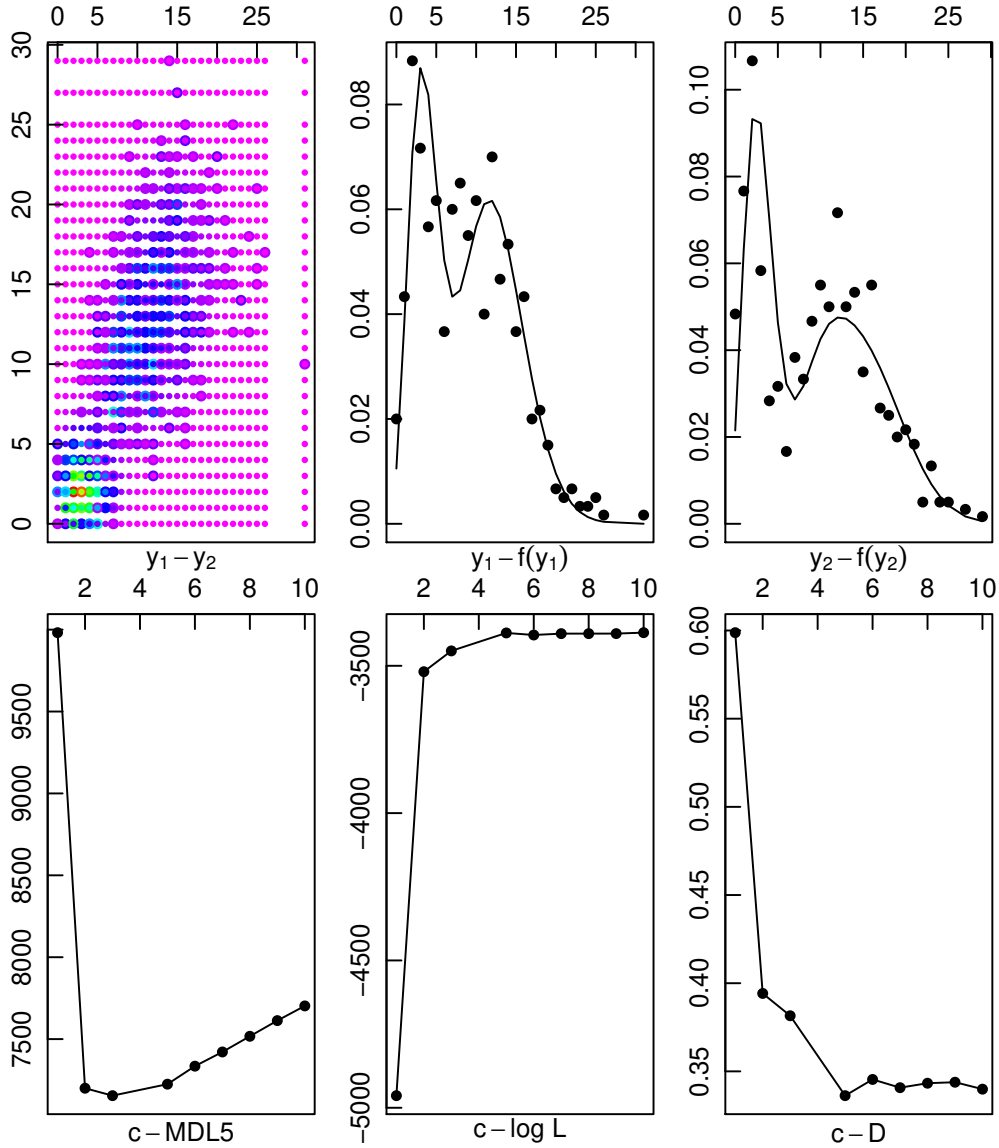
```
R> poisson <- RNGMIX(Dataset.name = paste("Poisson_", 1:10, sep = ""),
+                   n = n, Theta = a.Theta(Theta))
```

4.2.2 Finite mixture estimation

```
R> poissonest <- REBMIX(Dataset = a.Dataset(poisson), Preprocessing = "histogram",
+   cmax = 10, Criterion = "MDL5", pdf = rep("Poisson", 2), K = 1)
```

4.2.3 Plot method

```
R> plot(poissonest, pos = 9, what = c("dens", "marg", "IC", "D",
+   "logL"), nrow = 2, ncol = 3, npts = 1000)
```



Dataset = Poisson_9, Preprocessing = histogram, Restraints = loose, $c_{\max} = 10$, $a_r = 0.1$, $c = 3$, $v = 1$, MDL5 = 7155, $\log L = -3449$.

Figure 2: Poisson dataset. Empirical densities (coloured large circles), predictive multivariate Poisson-Poisson mixture density (coloured small circles), empirical densities (circles), predictive univariate marginal Poisson mixture densities and progress charts (solid line).

4.2.4 Clustering

```
R> poissonclu <- RCLRMIX(x = poissonest, pos = 9, Zt = a.Zt(poisson))
R> plot(poissonclu)
```

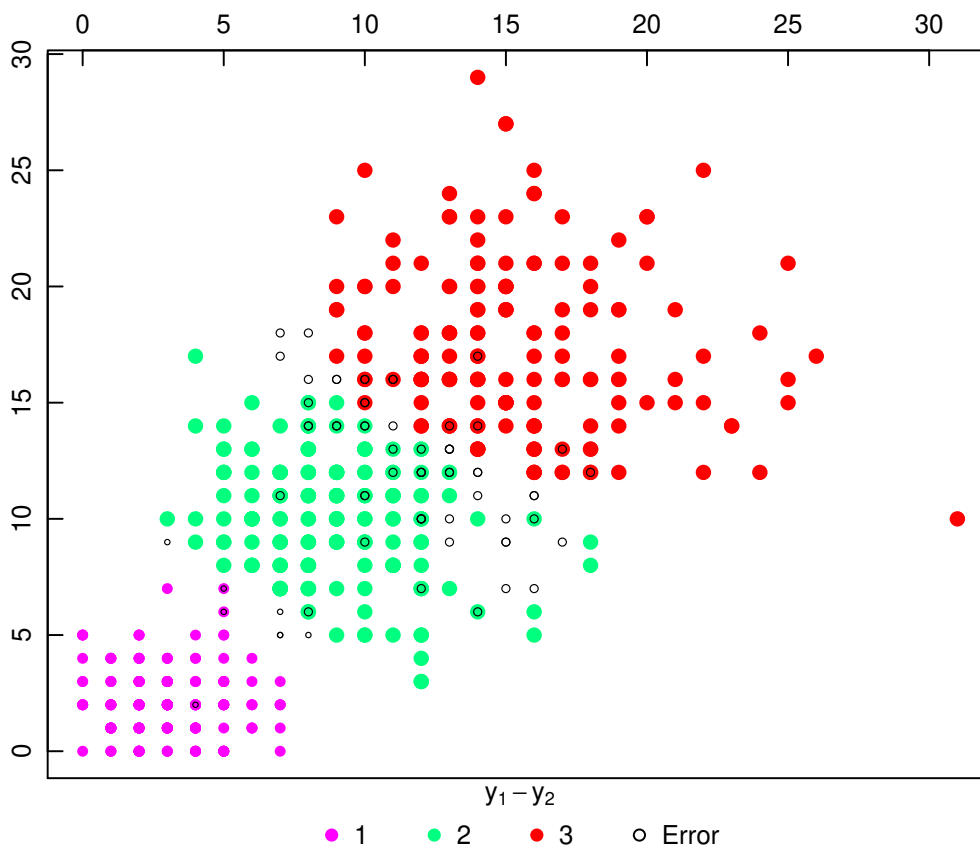


Figure 3: Poisson dataset. Predictive cluster membership (coloured circles), error (black circles).

4.2.5 Summary, a.theta1.all and a.theta2.all methods

```
R> summary(poissonest)
```

	Dataset	Preprocessing	Criterion	c	v/k	IC	logL	M
1	Poisson_1	histogram	MDL5	3	1	7040	-3392	8
2	Poisson_2	histogram	MDL5	5	1	7245	-3399	14
3	Poisson_3	histogram	MDL5	4	1	7174	-3411	11
4	Poisson_4	histogram	MDL5	3	1	7004	-3374	8
5	Poisson_5	histogram	MDL5	3	1	7074	-3409	8
6	Poisson_6	histogram	MDL5	4	1	7133	-3391	11
7	Poisson_7	histogram	MDL5	2	1	7303	-3572	5
8	Poisson_8	histogram	MDL5	3	1	7124	-3434	8
9	Poisson_9	histogram	MDL5	3	1	7155	-3449	8
10	Poisson_10	histogram	MDL5	3	1	7004	-3374	8

Maximum logL = -3374 at pos = 10.

```
R> a.theta1.all(poissonest, pos = 9)
```

```
      [,1] [,2]
theta2.1 3.65 2.94
theta2.2 10.84 10.87
theta2.3 13.90 16.75
```

```
R> a.theta2.all(poissonest, pos = 9)
```

```
      [,1] [,2]  
theta2.1  0    0  
theta2.2  0    0  
theta2.3  0    0
```

4.3 Multivariate normal wreath dataset

A wreath dataset (Fraley et al., 2005) consist of 1000 observations drawn from a 14-component normal mixture in which the covariances of the components have the same size and shape but differ in orientation.

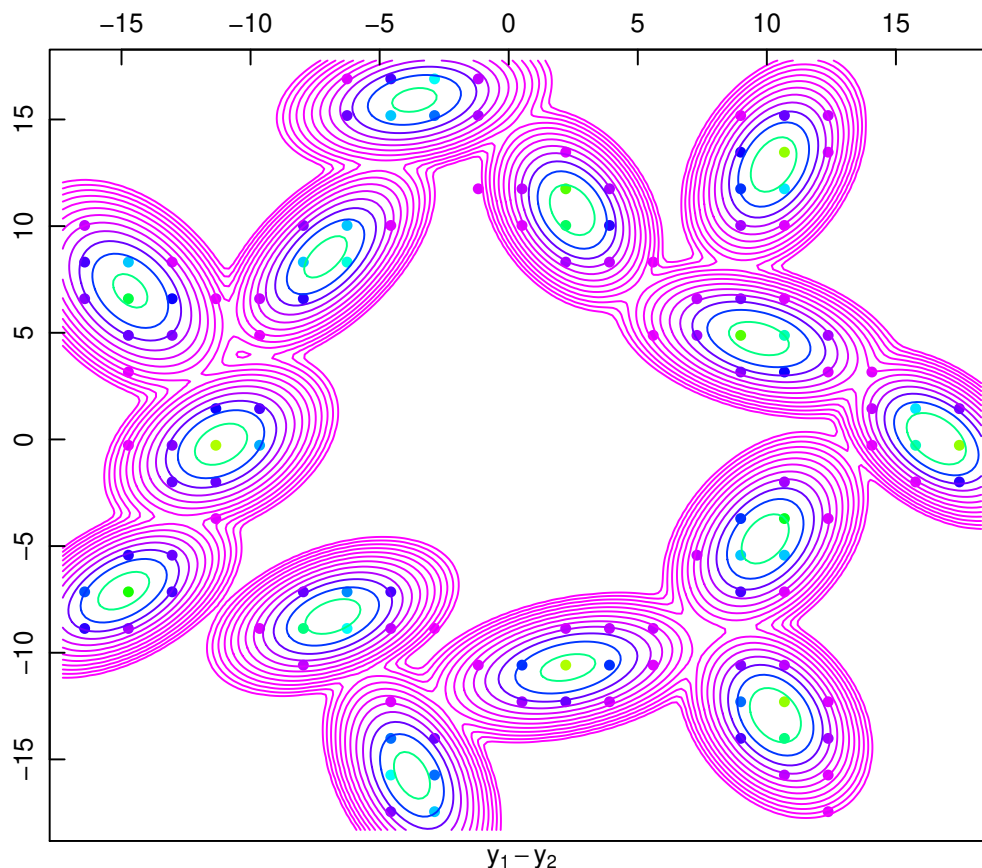
```
R> data("wreath", package = "mclust")
```

4.3.1 Finite mixture estimation

```
R> wreathest <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(wreath)),  
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 20, Criterion = "BIC")
```

4.3.2 Plot method

```
R> plot(wreathest)
```



Dataset = dataset1, Preprocessing = histogram, Restraints = loose, $c_{\max} = 20$, $a_r = 0.1$, $c = 14$, $v = 21$, BIC = 11174, $\log L = -5300$.

Figure 4: Dataset wreath. Empirical densities (coloured circles), predictive multivariate normal mixture density (coloured lines).

4.3.3 Clustering

```
R> wreathclu <- RCLRMIX(model = "RCLRMVNORM", x = wreathest)
R> plot(wreathclu, s = 14)
```

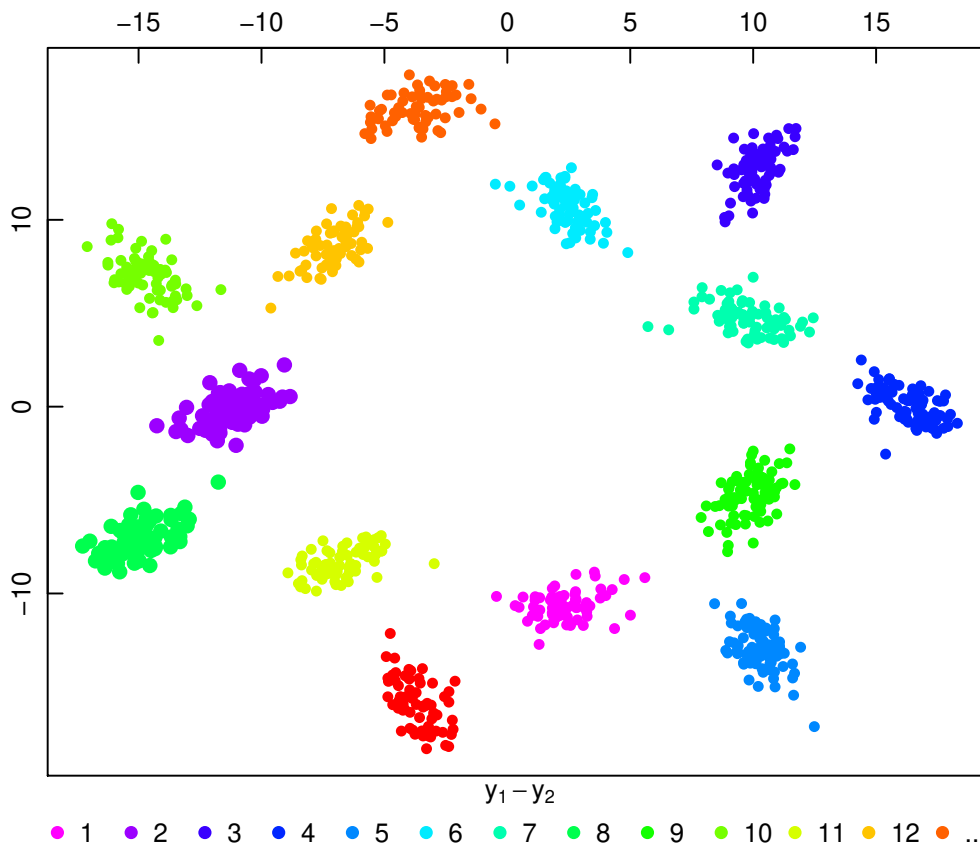


Figure 5: Dataset wreath. Predictive cluster membership (coloured circles).

4.3.4 Summary method

```
R> summary(wreathest)
```

```
Dataset Preprocessing Criterion c v/k IC logL M
1 dataset1 histogram BIC 14 21 11174 -5300 83
Maximum logL = -5300 at pos = 1.
```

4.3.5 Summary method

```
R> summary(wreathclu)
```

Number of clusters	1	2	3	4	5
From cluster	2	3	4	11	14
To cluster	1	2	3	1	1
Entropy	1.44e-14	9.88e-04	2.23e-03	4.09e-03	6.43e-03
Entropy decrease	0.000988	0.001239	0.001868	0.002335	0.005271
Number of clusters	6	7	8	9	10
From cluster	10	5	9	13	12
To cluster	2	1	5	4	10
Entropy	1.17e-02	2.13e-02	3.24e-02	4.96e-02	7.39e-02
Entropy decrease	0.009594	0.011101	0.017251	0.024271	0.027832

Number of clusters	11	12	13
From cluster	6	7	8
To cluster	4	4	2
Entropy	1.02e-01	1.31e-01	2.82e-01
Entropy decrease	0.029363	0.150611	0.607498

4.4 Multivariate normal ex4.1 dataset

A ex4.1 dataset (Baudry et al., 2010; Fraley et al., 2016) consist of 600 two dimensional observations.

```
R> data("Baudry_etal_2010_JCGS_examples", package = "mclust")
```

4.4.1 Finite mixture estimation using exhaustive REBMIX&EM strategy

```
R> EM <- new("EM.Control", strategy = "exhaustive", variant = "EM",
+   acceleration = "fixed", acceleration.multiplier = 1, tolerance = 1e-04,
+   maximum.iterations = 1000)
R> ex4.1est.dens <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(ex4.1)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 10, Criterion = "AIC",
+   EMcontrol = EM)
```

4.4.2 Plot method

```
R> plot(ex4.1est.dens, pos = 1, what = c("dens"), nrow = 1, ncol = 1)
```

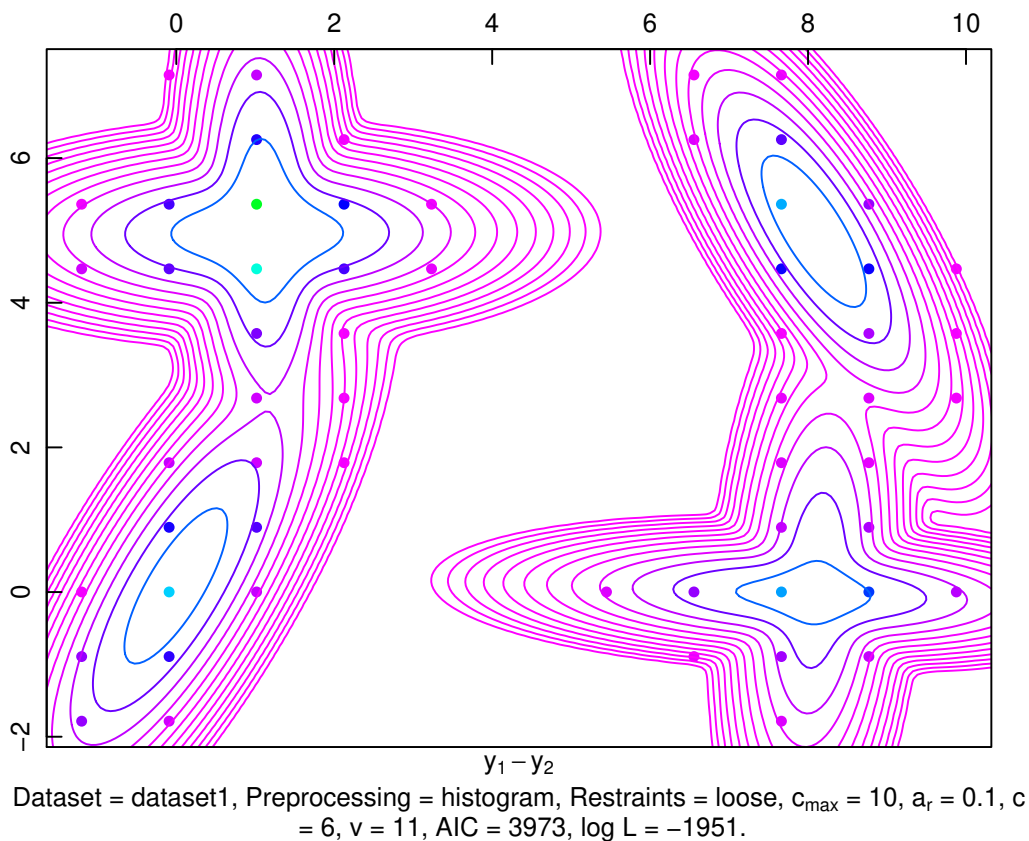


Figure 6: Dataset ex4.1. Empirical densities (coloured circles), predictive multivariate normal mixture density (coloured lines).

4.4.3 Clustering

```
R> ex4.1clu.dens <- RCLRMIX(model = "RCLRMVNORM", x = ex4.1est.dens)
R> plot(ex4.1clu.dens)
```

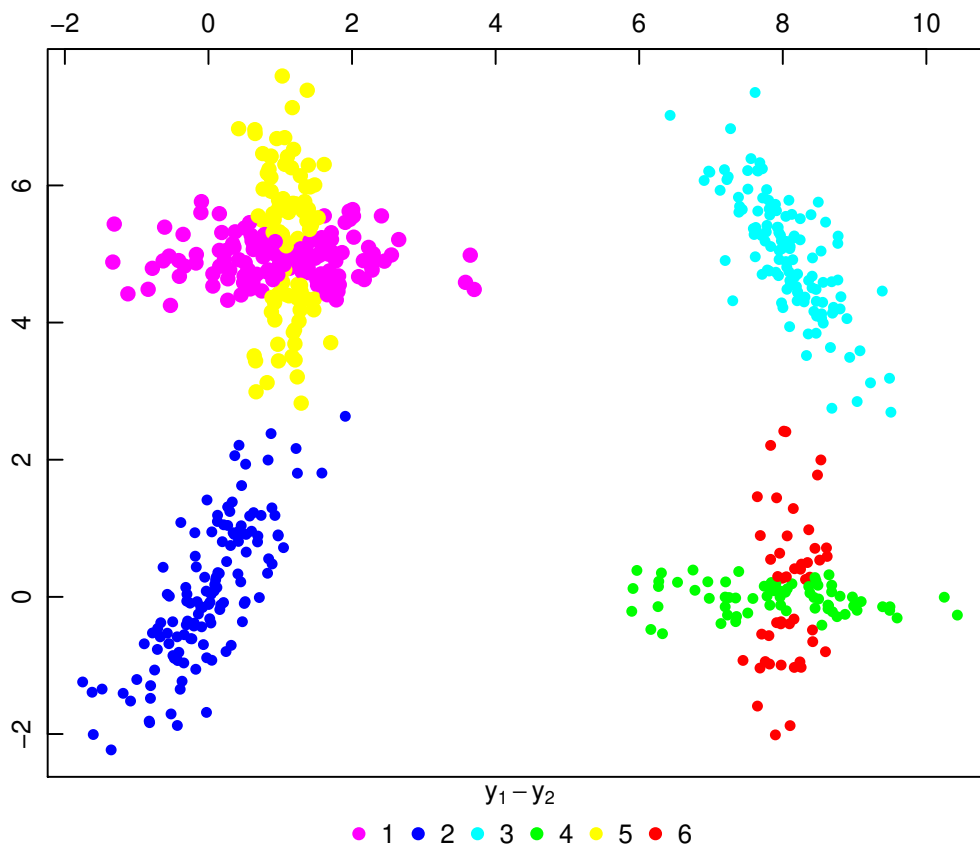


Figure 7: Dataset ex4.1. Predictive cluster membership (coloured circles).

4.4.4 Summary method

```
R> summary(ex4.1est.dens)
```

```
Dataset Preprocessing Criterion c v/k IC logL M
1 dataset1 histogram AIC 6 11 3973 -1951 35
Maximum logL = -1951 at pos = 1.
```

4.4.5 Summary method

```
R> summary(ex4.1clu.dens)
```

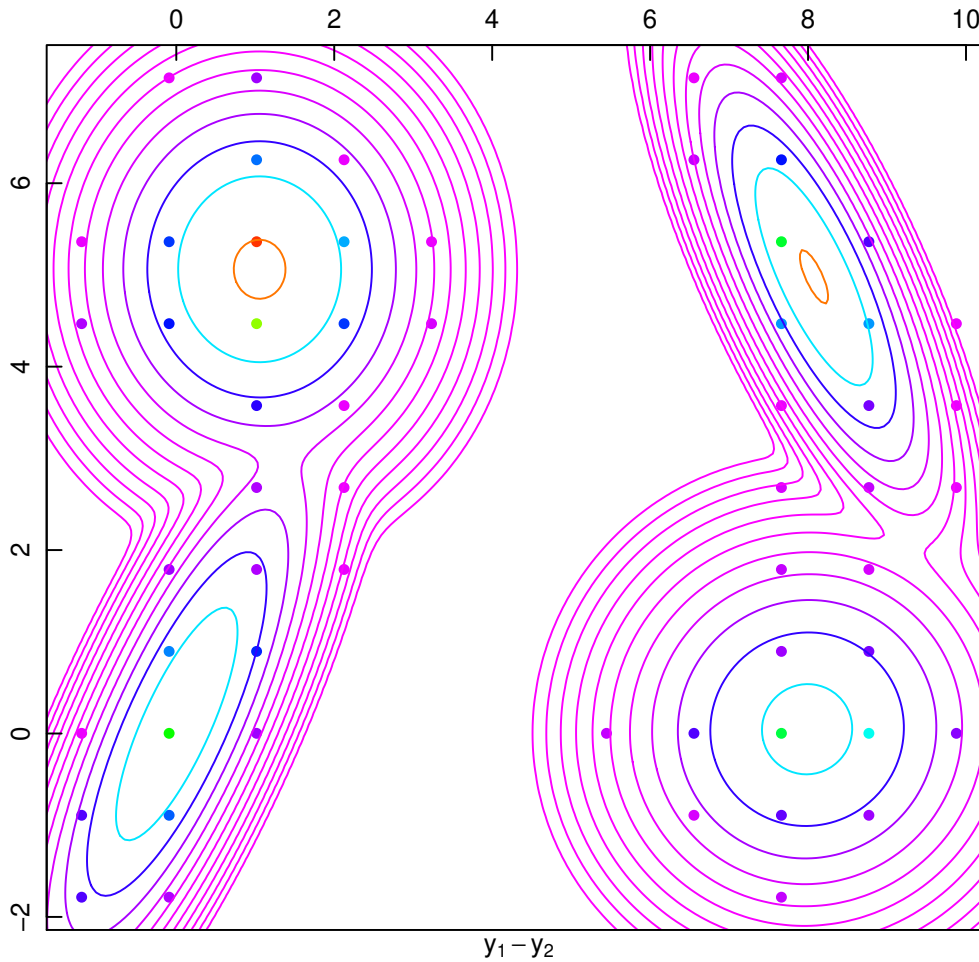
Number of clusters	1	2	3	4	5
From cluster	3	4	2	6	5
To cluster	1	3	1	4	1
Entropy	1.02e-14	1.04e-06	1.05e+00	4.77e+00	4.09e+01
Entropy decrease	1.04e-06	1.05e+00	3.72e+00	3.62e+01	8.11e+01

4.4.6 Clustering with exhaustive REBMIX&ECM strategy and ICL criterion

```
R> CEM <- new("EM.Control", strategy = "exhaustive", variant = "ECM",
+ acceleration = "fixed", acceleration.multiplier = 1, tolerance = 1e-04,
+ maximum.iterations = 1000)
```

```
R> ex4.1est <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(ex4.1)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 10, Criterion = "ICL",
+   EMcontrol = CEM)
```

```
R> plot(ex4.1est, pos = 1, what = c("dens"), nrow = 1, ncol = 1)
```



Dataset = dataset1, Preprocessing = histogram, Restraints = loose, $c_{\max} = 10$, $a_r = 0.1$, $c = 4$, $v = 11$, ICL = 4234, $\log L = -2041$.

Figure 8: Dataset ex4.1. Empirical densities (coloured circles), predictive multivariate normal mixture density (coloured lines).

```
R> summary(ex4.1est)
```

```
Dataset Preprocessing Criterion c v/k IC logL M
1 dataset1 histogram ICL 4 11 4234 -2041 23
Maximum logL = -2041 at pos = 1.
```

```
R> summary(ex4.1clu)
```

```
Number of clusters 1          2          3
From cluster      3          4          2
To cluster        1          3          1
Entropy           8.10e-15  3.18e-10  2.58e-01
Entropy decrease  3.18e-10  2.58e-01  2.99e+00
```

```
R> ex4.1clu <- RCLRMIX(model = "RCLRMVNORM", x = ex4.1est)
R> plot(ex4.1clu)
```

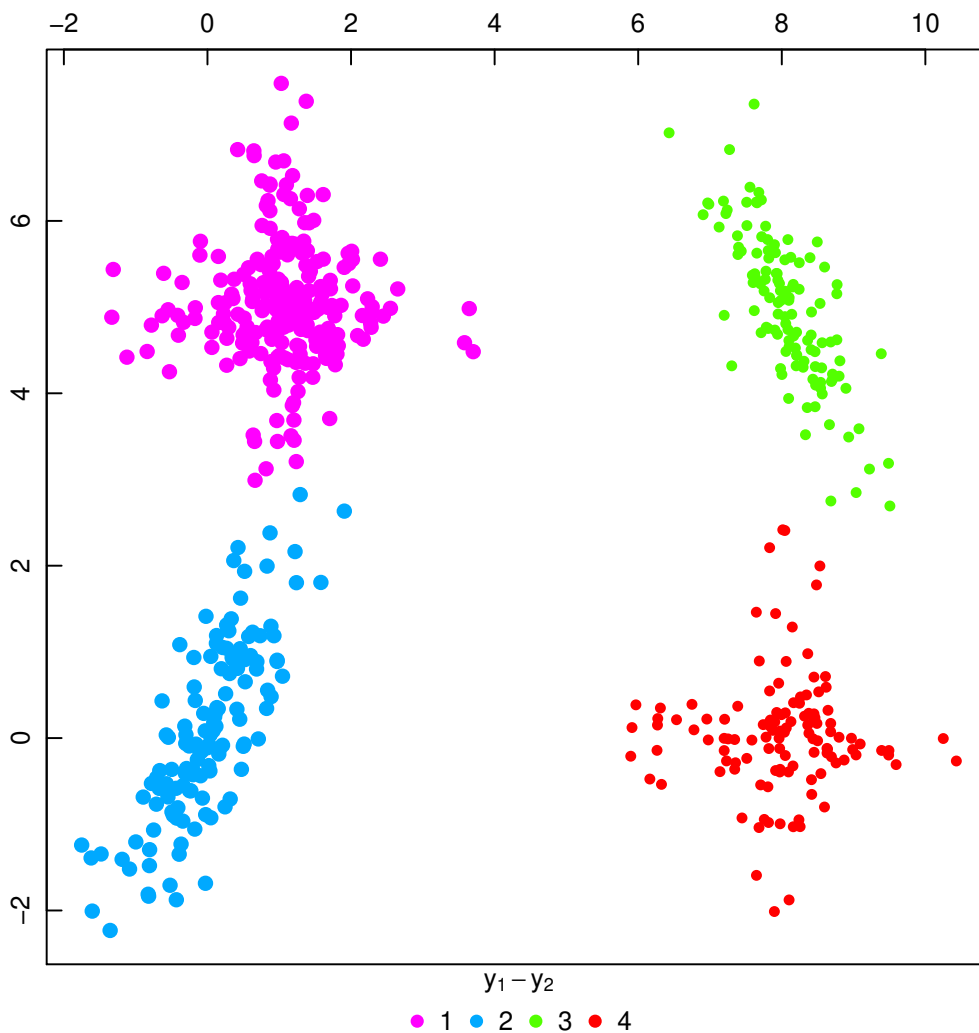


Figure 9: Dataset ex4.1. Predictive cluster membership (coloured circles).

4.4.7 Acceleration of EM algorithm

Standard EM algorithm with fixed acceleration.multiplier of $a_{EM} = 1.0$:

```
R> EM.normal <- new("EM.Control", strategy = "exhaustive", variant = "EM",
+   acceleration = "fixed", acceleration.multiplier = 1, tolerance = 1e-04,
+   maximum.iterations = 1000)
R> ex4.1est.em.normal <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(ex4.1)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 15, Criterion = "AIC",
+   EMcontrol = EM.normal)
R> cat("Total number of EM algorithm iterations: ", a.summary.EM(ex4.1est.em.normal,
+   pos = 1, col.name = "total.iterations.nbr"), ". Value of AIC: ",
+   a.summary(ex4.1est.em.normal, pos = 1, col.name = "IC"))
```

Total number of EM algorithm iterations: 1977 . Value of AIC: 3973

Standard EM algorithm with fixed acceleration.multiplier of $a_{EM} = 1.5$:

```
R> EM.fixed1.5 <- new("EM.Control", strategy = "exhaustive", variant = "EM",
+   acceleration = "fixed", acceleration.multiplier = 1.5, tolerance = 1e-04,
```

```

+     maximum.iterations = 1000)
R> ex4.1est.em.fixed1.5 <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(ex4.1)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 15, Criterion = "AIC",
+   EMcontrol = EM.fixed1.5)
R> cat("Total number of EM algorithm iterations: ", a.summary.EM(ex4.1est.em.fixed1.5,
+   pos = 1, col.name = "total.iterations.nbr"), ". Value of AIC: ",
+   a.summary(ex4.1est.em.fixed1.5, pos = 1, col.name = "IC"))

```

Total number of EM algorithm iterations: 1814 . Value of AIC: 3973

Standard EM algorithm with line search for optimal increment a_{EM} in each iteration:

```

R> EM.line <- new("EM.Control", strategy = "exhaustive", variant = "EM",
+   acceleration = "line", acceleration.multiplier = 1, tolerance = 1e-04,
+   maximum.iterations = 1000)
R> ex4.1est.em.line <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(ex4.1)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 15, Criterion = "AIC",
+   EMcontrol = EM.line)
R> cat("Total number of EM algorithm iterations: ", a.summary.EM(ex4.1est.em.line,
+   pos = 1, col.name = "total.iterations.nbr"), ". Value of AIC: ",
+   a.summary(ex4.1est.em.line, pos = 1, col.name = "IC"))

```

Total number of EM algorithm iterations: 1650 . Value of AIC: 3973

Standard EM algorithm with golden search for optimal increment a_{EM} in each iteration:

```

R> EM.golden <- new("EM.Control", strategy = "exhaustive", variant = "EM",
+   acceleration = "golden", acceleration.multiplier = 1, tolerance = 1e-04,
+   maximum.iterations = 1000)
R> ex4.1est.em.golden <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = list(as.data.frame(ex4.1)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = 15, Criterion = "AIC",
+   EMcontrol = EM.golden)
R> cat("Total number of EM algorithm iterations: ", a.summary.EM(ex4.1est.em.golden,
+   pos = 1, col.name = "total.iterations.nbr"), ". Value of AIC: ",
+   a.summary(ex4.1est.em.golden, pos = 1, col.name = "IC"))

```

Total number of EM algorithm iterations: 1682 . Value of AIC: 3974

4.5 Multivariate iris dataset

The well known set of iris data as collected originally by Anderson (1936) and first analysed by Fisher (1936) is considered here. It is available at Asuncion and Newman (2007) consisting of the measurements of the length and width of both sepals and petals of 50 plants for each of the three types of iris species setosa, versicolor and virginica. The iris dataset is loaded, split into three subsets for the three classes and the Class column is removed.

```

R> data("iris")
R> levels(iris[["Class"]])

[1] "iris-setosa"      "iris-versicolor" "iris-virginica"

```

```

R> set.seed(5)
R> Iris <- split(p = 0.75, Dataset = iris, class = 5)

```

4.5.1 Finite mixture estimation

```

R> irisest <- REBMIX(model = "REBMVNORM", Dataset = a.train(Iris),
+   Preprocessing = "kernel density estimation", cmax = 10, Criterion = "ICL-BIC")

```

4.5.2 Classification

```
R> iriscla <- RCLSMIX(model = "RCLSMVNORM", x = list(irisest), Dataset = a.test(Iris),  
+ Zt = a.Zt(Iris))
```

4.5.3 Show and summary methods

```
R> iriscla
```

An object of class "RCLSMVNORM"

Slot "CM":

	iris-setosa	iris-versicolor	iris-virginica
iris-setosa	13	0	0
iris-versicolor	0	13	0
iris-virginica	0	0	13

Slot "Error":

```
[1] 0
```

Slot "Precision":

```
[1] 1 1 1
```

Slot "Sensitivity":

```
[1] 1 1 1
```

Slot "Specificity":

```
[1] 1 1 1
```

Slot "Chunks":

```
[1] 1
```

```
R> summary(iriscla)
```

	Test	Predictive	Frequency
1	iris-setosa	iris-setosa	13
2	iris-versicolor	iris-setosa	0
3	iris-virginica	iris-setosa	0
4	iris-setosa	iris-versicolor	0
5	iris-versicolor	iris-versicolor	13
6	iris-virginica	iris-versicolor	0
7	iris-setosa	iris-virginica	0
8	iris-versicolor	iris-virginica	0
9	iris-virginica	iris-virginica	13

Error = 0.

4.5.4 Plot method

```
R> plot(iriscla, nrow = 3, ncol = 2)
```

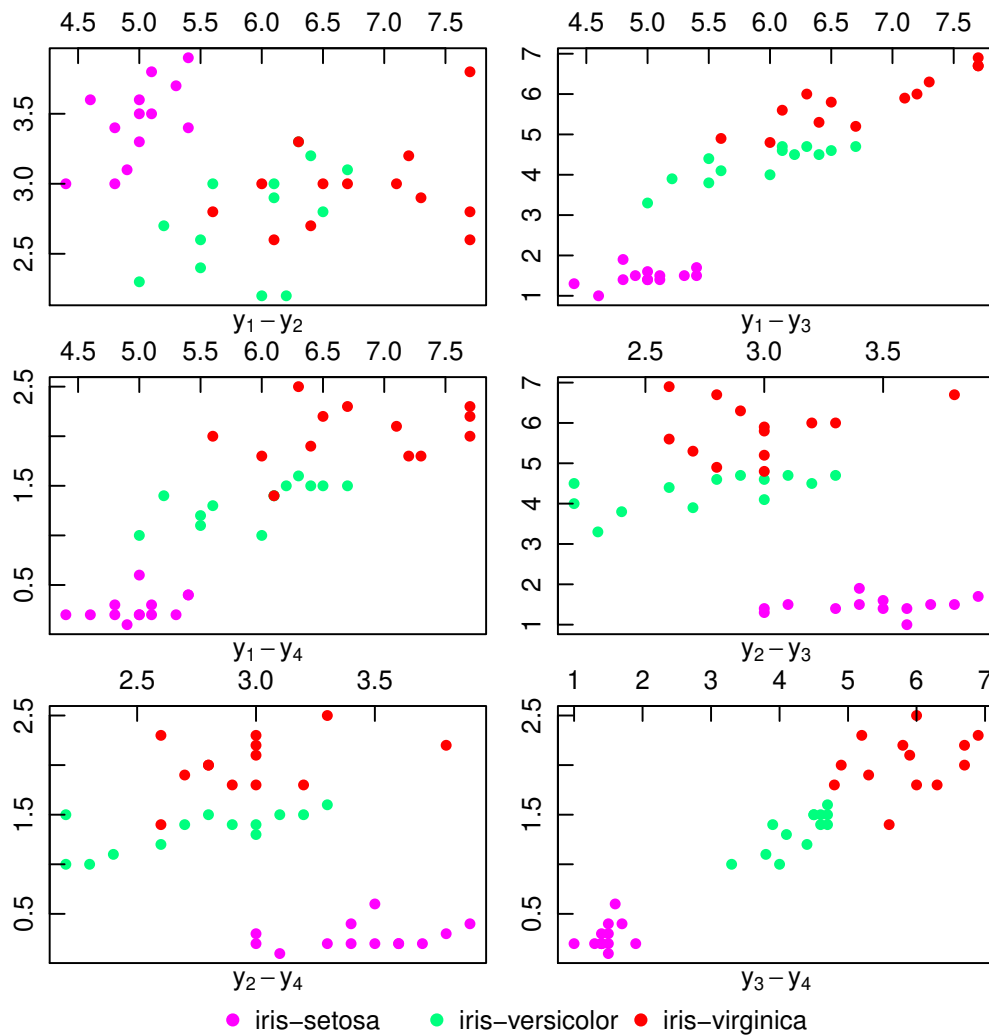


Figure 10: Dataset *iris*. Predictive class membership (coloured circles), error (black circles).

4.6 Multivariate adult dataset

The *adult* dataset containing 48842 instances with 16 continuous, binary and discrete variables was extracted from the census bureau database Asuncion and Newman (2007). Extraction was done by Barry Becker from the 1994 census bureau database. The *adult* dataset is loaded, complete cases are extracted and levels are replaced with numbers.

```
R> data("adult")
R> adult <- adult[complete.cases(adult), ]
R> adult <- as.data.frame(data.matrix(adult))
```

Numbers of unique values for variables are determined and displayed.

```
R> cmax <- unlist(lapply(apply(adult[, c(-1, -16)], 2, unique),
+ length))
R> cmax
```

Age	Workclass	Fnlwgt	Education	Education.Num
74	7	26741	16	16

Marital.Status	Occupation	Relationship	Race	Sex
7	14	6	5	2
Capital.Gain	Capital.Loss	Hours.Per.Week	Native.Country	
121	97	96	41	

The dataset is split into train and test subsets for the two incomes and the Type and Income columns are removed.

```
R> Adult <- split(p = list(type = 1, train = 2, test = 1), Dataset = adult,
+               class = 16)
```

4.6.1 Finite mixture estimation

Number of components, component weights and component parameters are estimated assuming that the variables are independent for the set of chunks $y_{1j}, y_{2j}, \dots, y_{14j}$.

```
R> adultest <- list()
R> for (i in 1:14) {
+   adultest[[i]] <- REBMIX(Dataset = a.train(chunk(Adult, i)),
+   Preprocessing = "histogram", cmax = min(120, cmax[i]),
+   Criterion = "BIC", pdf = "Dirac", K = 1)
+ }
```

4.6.2 Classification

The class membership prediction is based upon the best first search algorithm.

```
R> adultcla <- BFSMIX(x = adultest, Dataset = a.test(Adult), Zt = a.Zt(Adult))
```

4.6.3 Show and summary methods

```
R> adultcla
```

An object of class "RCLSMIX"
Slot "CM":

```
      1      2
1 10649   711
2  1397  2303
```

Slot "Error":

```
[1] 0.14
```

Slot "Precision":

```
[1] 0.937 0.622
```

Slot "Sensitivity":

```
[1] 0.884 0.764
```

Slot "Specificity":

```
[1] 1.228 0.943
```

Slot "Chunks":

```
[1] 11 12 4 8 1
```

```
R> summary(adultcla)
```

	Test	Predictive	Frequency
1	1	1	10649
2	2	1	1397
3	1	2	711
4	2	2	2303

Error = 0.14.

4.6.4 Plot method

```
R> plot(adultcla, nrow = 5, ncol = 2)
```

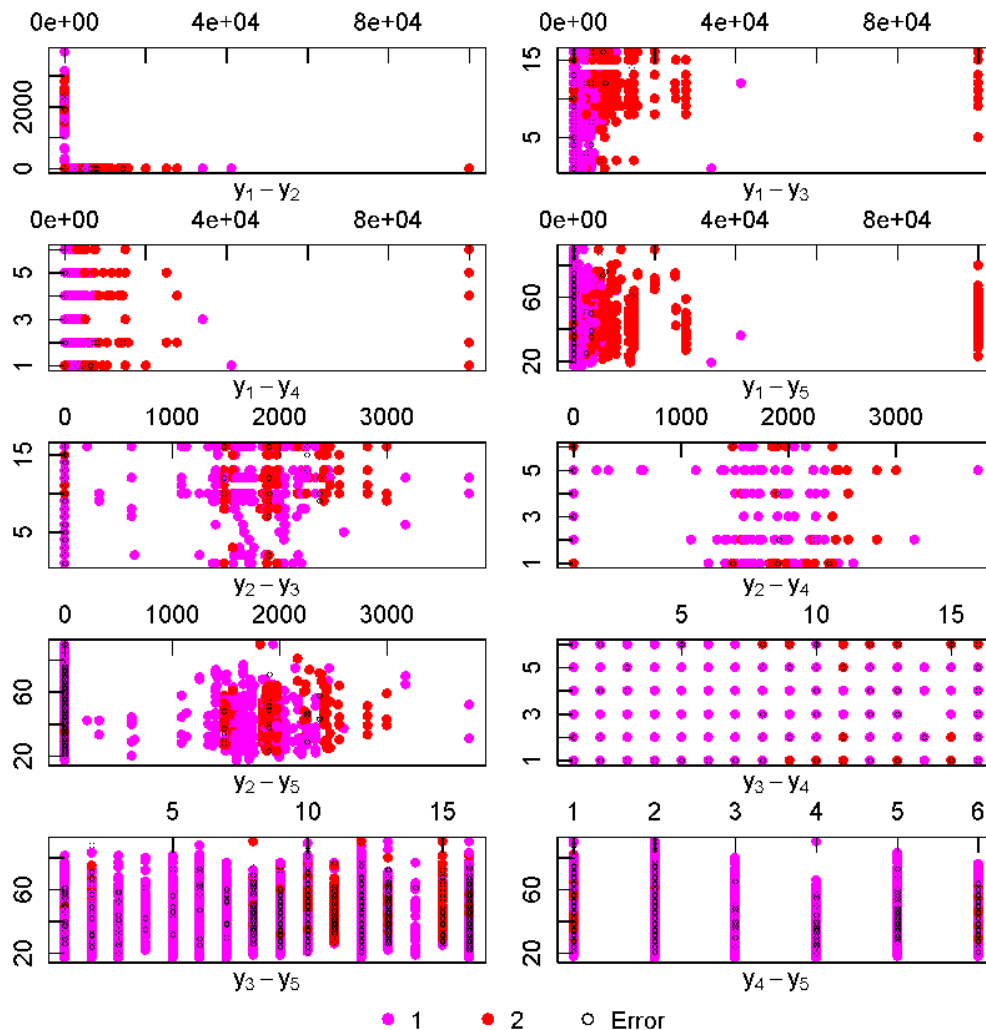


Figure 11: Dataset `adult`. Predictive class membership (coloured circles), error (black circles).

5 Summary

The users of the `rebmix` package are kindly encouraged to inform the author about bugs and wishes.

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