

Summary of R software for Symbolic Data Analysis

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Introduction

Three main packages in R are available for the Analysis of Symbolic Data:

- RSDA R to Symbolic Data Analysis
- symbolic Data Analysis
- HistDAWass Histogram data analysis

RSDA R to Symbolic Data Analysis

R to Symbolic Data Analysis: Symbolic Data Analysis (SDA) was proposed by professor Edwin Diday in 1987, the main purpose of SDA is to substitute the set of rows (cases) in the data table for a concept (second order statistical unit). This package implements, to the symbolic case, certain techniques of automatic classification, as well as some linear models.

symbolic Data Analysis

Symbolic Data Analysis: Symbolic data analysis methods: importing/exporting data from ASSO XML Files, distance calculation for symbolic data (Ichino-Yaguchi, de Carvalho measure), zoom star plot, 3d interval plot, multidimensional scaling for symbolic interval data, dynamic clustering based on distance matrix, HINoV method for symbolic data, Ichino's feature selection method, principal component analysis for symbolic interval data, decision trees for symbolic data based on optimal split with bagging, boosting and random forest approach (+visualization), kernel discriminant analysis for symbolic data, Kohonen's self-organizing maps for symbolic data, replication and profiling, artificial symbolic data generation.

HistDAWass Histogram data analysis

Histogram data analysis: In the framework of Symbolic Data Analysis, a relatively new approach to the statistical analysis of multi-valued data, we consider histogram-valued data, i.e., data described by univariate histograms. The methods and the basic statistics for histogram-valued data are mainly based on the L2 Wasserstein metric between distributions, i.e., the Euclidean metric between quantile functions. The package contains unsupervised classification techniques, least square regression and tools for histogram-valued data and for histogram time series.

Some packages for download offical statistics microdata

- tidycensus package
 - An integrated R interface to several United States Census Bureau APIs
 (https://www.census.gov/data/developers/data-sets.html) and the US Census Bureau's geographic
 boundary files. Allows R users to return Census and ACS data as tidyverse-ready data frames, and
 optionally returns a list-column with feature geometry for mapping and spatial analysis.
- ipumsr package
 - An easy way to work with census, survey, and geographic data provided by IPUMS in R. Generate and download data through the IPUMS API and load IPUMS files into R with their associated metadata to make analysis easier. IPUMS data describing 1.4 billion individuals drawn from over 750 censuses and surveys is available free of charge from the IPUMS website https://www.ipums.org.



- eurostat R Tools for Eurostat Open Data
 - Tools to download data from the Eurostat database https://ec.europa.eu/eurostat together with search and manipulation utilities.
- rOpenGov is a community of R package developers on open government data analytics and related topics. See https://ropengov.github.io/giscoR/
 - giscoR is an API package that helps to retrieve data from Eurostat GISCO (the Geographic Information System of the COmmission). It also provides some lightweight data sets ready to use without downloading.
 - GISCO is a geospatial open data repository including several data sets as countries, coastal lines, labels or NUTS levels. The data sets are usually provided at several resolution levels (60M/20M/10M/03M/01M) and in 3 different projections (4326/3035/3857).
 - Note that the package does not provide metadata on the downloaded files, the information is available on the API webpage.
 - Full site with examples and vignettes on https://ropengov.github.io/giscoR/

RSDA R to Symbolic Data Analysis: examples

The package is provided with some datasets for showing some main procedures developed during the SODAS and ASSO project for the application of Symbolic Data Analysis to Official Statistics.

How is generated a symbolic data table from a classic data table in RSDA?

The classic.to.sym function allows to convert a traditional table into a symbolic one, to this we must indicate the following parameters.

```
1 classic.to.sym(
2     x = NULL,
3     concept = NULL,
4     variables = tidyselect::everything(),
5     default.numeric = sym.interval,
6     default.categorical = sym.modal,
7     ...
8 )
```

- x = a data.frame
- concept = variables to be used as a concept
- variables = variables to be used, conceptible with tidyselect options
- default.numeric = function that will be used by default for numerical values (sym.interval)
- default.categorical = functions to be used by default for categorical values (sym.model)

RSDA from classical to Symbolic Data Table (USCrime dataset 1,994 rows an 103 columns)

Show 10 v entries Search:												
	state 🔷	fold ♦	population 🔷	householdsize 🔷	racepctblack 🔷	racePctWhite 💠	racePctAsian 💠	racePctHisp 🝦	agePct12t21 🔷	agePct12t29 🔷	agePct16t24 🝦	agel
1	8	1	0.19	0.33	0.02	0.9	0.12	0.17	0.34	0.47	0.29	
2	53	1	0	0.16	0.12	0.74	0.45	0.07	0.26	0.59	0.35	
3	24	1	0	0.42	0.49	0.56	0.17	0.04	0.39	0.47	0.28	
4	34	1	0.04	0.77	1	0.08	0.12	0.1	0.51	0.5	0.34	
5	42	1	0.01	0.55	0.02	0.95	0.09	0.05	0.38	0.38	0.23	
6	6	1	0.02	0.28	0.06	0.54	1	0.25	0.31	0.48	0.27	
7	44	1	0.01	0.39	0	0.98	0.06	0.02	0.3	0.37	0.23	
8	6	1	0.01	0.74	0.03	0.46	0.2	1	0.52	0.55	0.36	
9	21	1	0.03	0.34	0.2	0.84	0.02	0	0.38	0.45	0.28	
10	29	1	0.01	0.4	0.06	0.87	0.3	0.03	0.9	0.82	0.8	
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Each row is a state (46 states are recorded)

```
# A tibble: 46 \times 4
 ViolentCrimesPerPop hist NumInShelters
                                            NumImmig ViolentCrimesPerPop
                <symblc h>
                              <symblc n>
                                            <symblc n>
                                                                <symblc n>
                    <hist> [0.00 : 0.32] [0.00 : 0.04]
                                                             [0.01 : 1.00]
                    <hist> [0.01 : 0.18] [0.01 : 0.09]
                                                             [0.05 : 0.36]
                    <hist> [0.00 : 1.00] [0.00 : 0.57]
                                                             [0.05 : 0.57]
                    <hist> [0.00 : 0.08] [0.00 : 0.02]
                                                             [0.02 : 1.00]
                    <hist> [0.00 : 1.00] [0.00 : 1.00]
                                                            [0.01 : 1.00]
                    <hist> [0.00 : 0.68] [0.00 : 0.23]
                                                             [0.07 : 0.75]
# i 40 more rows
```

The first <hist> codify

```
$breaks
[1] 0.0 0.2 0.4 0.6 0.8 1.0

$props
[1] 0.37209302 0.20930233 0.18604651 0.04651163 0.04651163
```



Example

A dataset with 130 rows and 5 variables about some suspects.

Show 10 - entries					Search:
	suspect \	age	hair	eyes	region
1	1	42	h_red	e_brown	Bronx
2	2	20	h_black	e_green	Bronx
3	3	64	h_brown	e_brown	Brooklyn
4	4	55	h_blonde	e_brown	Bronx
5	5	4	h_brown	e_green	Manhattan
6	6	61	h_blonde	e_green	Bronx
7	7	61	h_white	e_black	Queens
8	8	32	h_blonde	e_brown	Manhattan
9	9	39	h_blonde	e_black	Brooklyn
10	10	50	h_brown	e_brown	Manhattan
		Previo	ous 1 2		



The symbolic data table

```
# A tibble: 100 \times 4
                                  hair
                                                                          region
                                                      eyes
                age
                                                                     <symblc s>
        <symblc n>
                            <symblc s>
                                               <symblc s>
 1 [22.00 : 42.00]
                               {h red} {e brown,e black}
                                                                         {Bronx}
 2 [20.00 : 57.00] {h black,h blonde}
                                       {e green,e black}
                                                              {Bronx, Manhattan}
                     {h brown,h white} {e brown,e green}
 3 [29.00 : 64.00]
                                                              {Brooklyn, Queens}
 4 [14.00 : 55.00]
                            {h blonde}
                                       {e brown,e black}
                                                              {Bronx, Manhattan}
 5 [4.00 : 47.00]
                       {h brown,h red}
                                                {e green}
                                                              {Manhattan, Bronx}
 6 [32.00 : 61.00] {h blonde,h white}
                                         {e green, e blue}
                                                                 {Bronx, Queens}
 7 [49.00 : 61.00]
                       {h white, h red}
                                         {e black,e blue}
                                                                 {Queens, Bronx}
 8 [8.00 : 32.00] {h blonde,h white}
                                        {e brown,e black}
                                                           {Manhattan, Brooklyn}
 9 [39.00 : 67.00] {h blonde,h white}
                                       {e black,e brown}
                                                               {Brooklyn, Bronx}
                    {h brown,h black} {e brown,e green}
10 [50.00 : 68.00]
                                                              {Manhattan, Bronx}
# i 90 more rows
```



Basic statistics

Symbolic Mean

```
1 data(example3)
          2 head(example3)
# A tibble: 6 \times 7
     F1
                     F2
                                              F3
                                                    F4
                                                              F5
                                                                                F6
  <dbl>
             <symblc n>
                                     <symble m> <dbl> <symble >
                                                                       <symblc n>
   2.8
          [1.00 : 2.00] M1:0.10 M2:0.70 M3:0.20
                                                       {e,q,i,k}
                                                                    [0.00:90.00]
         [3.00 : 9.00] M1:0.60 M2:0.30 M3:0.10
                                                       \{a,b,c,d\} [-90.00 : 98.00]
    3.2 [-1.00 : 4.00] M1:0.20 M2:0.20 M3:0.60
                                                       \{2, b, 1, c\}
                                                                 [65.00 : 90.00]
        [0.00 : 2.00] M1:0.90 M2:0.00 M3:0.10
                                                       {a,3,4,c} [45.00 : 89.00]
   -2.1
        [-4.00 : -2.00] M1:0.60 M2:0.00 M3:0.40 -9.5 {e,g,i,k} [20.00 : 40.00]
    0.1 [10.00 : 21.00] M1:0.00 M2:0.70 M3:0.30 -1
                                                         {e,1,i}
                                                                     [5.00: 8.00]
# i 1 more variable: F7 <symble n>
          1 mean(example3$F1) #mean(example3[,1])
[1] 1.628571
          1 mean(example3$F2) #mean(example3[,2])
[1] 5
          1 mean(example3$F2, method = "interval") #mean(example3[,2], method = "interval")
<symbolic interval[1]>
[1] [1.86 : 8.14]
```



Symbolic median

```
1 median(example3$F1) #median(example3[,1])
[1] 1.4

1 median(example3$F2) #median(example3[,2])
[1] 1.5

1 median(example3$F6, method = 'interval') # median(example3[,6], method = 'interval')

<symbolic_interval[1]>
[1] [5.00 : 89.00]
```

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Symbolic correlation

```
1 cor(example3$F1, example3$F4) #cor(example3[,1], example3[,4])
[1] 0.2864553

1 cor(example3$F2, example3$F6, method = 'centers')
[1] -0.6693648

1 cor(example3$F2, example3$F6, method = 'billard')
[1] -0.6020041
```

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Radar plot for intervals (Oils data)

Each row in this table represents a class of oil described by four interval variables: 'specific gravity', 'freezing points', 'iodine value', 'saponification'

```
1 library(ggpolypath)
          2 data(oils)
          3 oils
\# A tibble: 8 \times 4
            GRA
                              FRE
                                                IOD
                                                                  SAP
     <symblc n>
                       <symblc n>
                                         <svmblc n>
                                                           <symblc n>
1 [0.93 : 0.94] [-27.00 : -18.00] [170.00 : 204.00] [118.00 : 196.00]
2 [0.93 : 0.94]
               [-5.00 : -4.00] [192.00 : 208.00] [188.00 : 197.00]
3 [0.92 : 0.92] [-6.00 : -1.00] [99.00 : 113.00] [189.00 : 198.00]
4 [0.92 : 0.93]
                [-6.00 : -4.00] [104.00 : 116.00] [187.00 : 193.00]
5 [0.92 : 0.92] [-25.00 : -15.00]
                                    [80.00 : 82.00] [189.00 : 193.00]
6 [0.91 : 0.92]
                [0.00 : 6.00]
                                    [79.00 : 90.00] [187.00 : 196.00]
                                    [40.00 : 48.00] [190.00 : 199.00]
7 [0.86 : 0.87]
                  [30.00 : 38.00]
8 [0.86: 0.86]
                  [22.00 : 32.00]
                                    [53.00: 77.00] [190.00: 202.00]
          1 attr(oils,"concept")
         "P" "Co" "S" "Ca" "O" "B" "H"
```

are the "Linseed", "Perilla", "Cottonseed", "Sesame", "Camellia", "Olive", "Beef", "Hog".



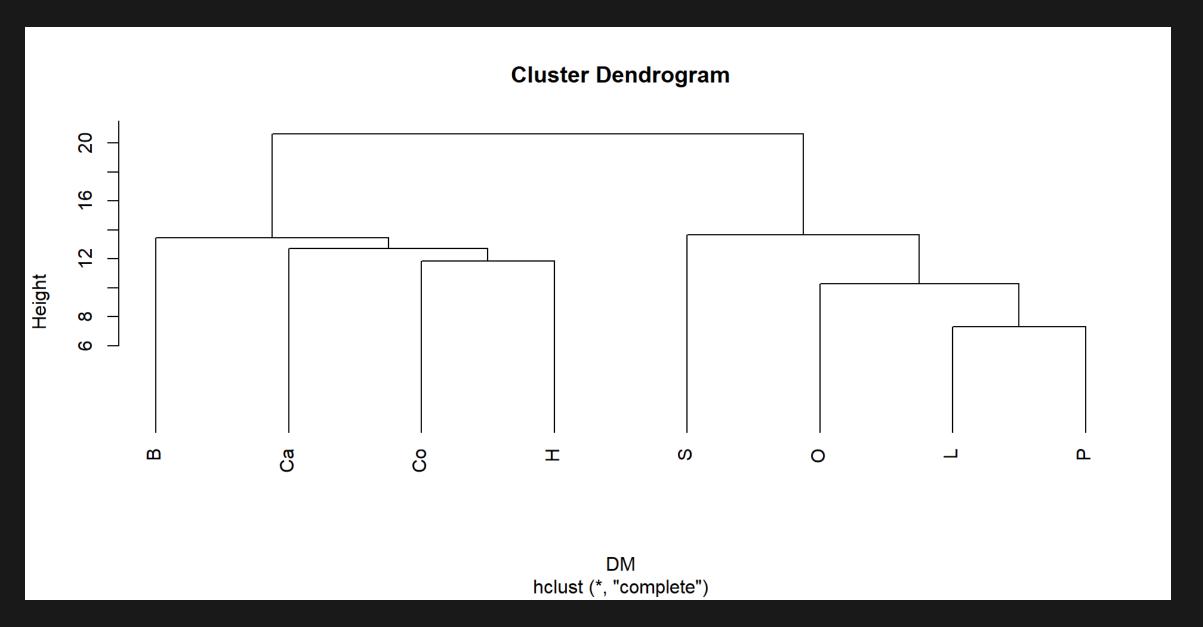
```
1 oils <- RSDA:::to.v3(RSDA:::to.v2(oils))
2 p1<-sym.radar.plot(oils[2:3,])
3 p2<-sym.radar.plot(oils[2:5,])
4 p1+p2</pre>
```



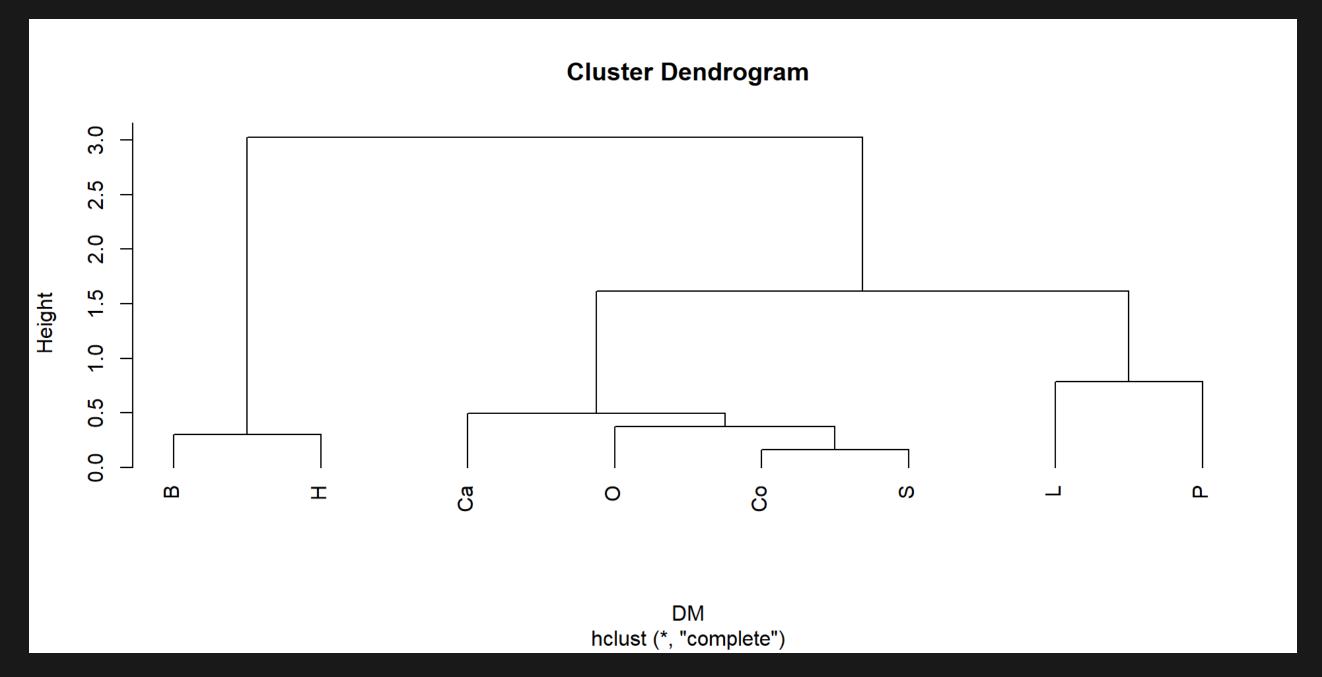


Distances for intervals

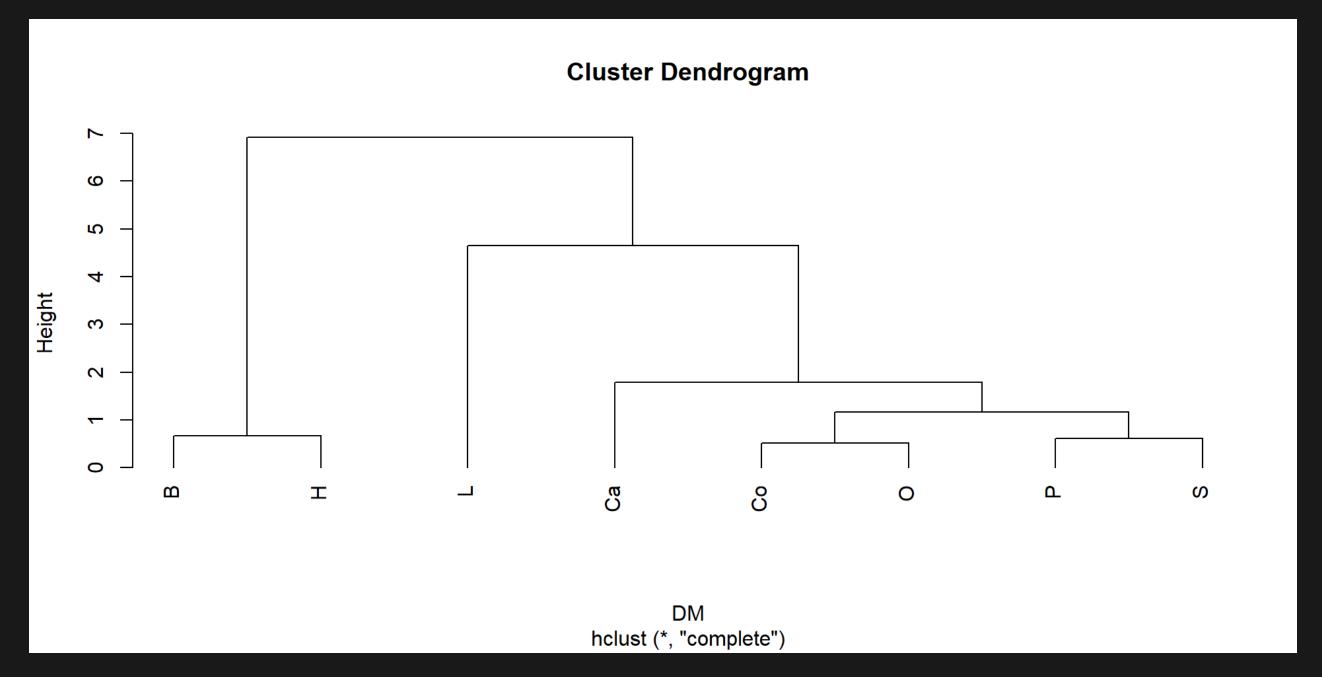
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The data is an object of class symbolic_tbl with 67 rows and 9 columns.

The data for this example come from a study by Stamey et al. (1989) that examined the correlation between the level of prostate specific antigen (PSA) and a number of clinical measures, in 97 men who were about to receive a radical prostatectomy. The goal is to predict the log of PSA (lpsa) from a number of measurements including log cancer volume (lcavol), log prostate weight lweight, age, log of benign prostatic hyperplasia amount lbph, seminal vesicle invasion svi, log of capsular penetration lcp, Gleason score gleason, and percent of Gleason scores 4 or 5 pgg45.

```
# A tibble: 67 \times 9
       <symblc n> <symblc n>
                                     <symblc n>
                                                    <symblc n>
 1 [-0.58 : -0.58] [2.77 : 2.78] [50.00 : 50.01] [-1.39 : -1.37] [0.00 : 0.02]
 2 [-1.00 : -0.99] [3.31 : 3.32] [58.00 : 58.00] [-1.39 : -1.32] [0.00 : 0.02]
 3 [-0.52 : -0.48] [2.69 : 2.70] [74.00 : 74.00] [-1.39 : -1.33] [0.00 : 0.01]
 4 [-1.21 : -1.17] [3.28 : 3.29] [58.00 : 58.00] [-1.39 : -1.34] [0.00 : 0.03]
 5 [0.73:0.78] [3.43:3.44] [61.99:62.01] [-1.39:-1.33] [0.00:0.03]
 6 [-1.05 : -1.01] [3.23 : 3.23] [50.00 : 50.01] [-1.39 : -1.39] [0.00 : 0.03]
    [0.69 : 0.72] [3.53 : 3.55] [58.00 : 58.01]
                                                [1.52 : 1.54] [0.00 : 0.02]
    [0.24:0.28] [3.60:3.61] [64.99:65.00] [-1.39:-1.35] [0.00:0.03]
 9 [-1.35 : -1.30] [3.59 : 3.60] [62.99 : 63.00] [1.24 : 1.29] [0.00 : 0.03]
    [1.59: 1.62] [3.02: 3.02] [63.00: 63.00] [-1.39: -1.38] [0.00: 0.02]
# i 57 more rows
# i 4 more variables: lcp <symblc n>, gleason <symblc n>, pgg45 <symblc n>,
# lpsa <symblc n>
```



Training

```
1 data(int_prost_train)
2 data(int_prost_test)
3 res.cm <- sym.lm(formula = lpsa~., sym.data = int_prost_train, method = 'cm')
4 res.cm</pre>
```

Call:

stats::lm(formula = formula, data = centers)

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	lcavol	lweight	age	lbph	svi
0.411537	0.579327	0.614128	-0.018659	0.143918	0.730937
lcp	gleason	pgg45			
-0.205536	-0.030924	0.009507			



Prediction

```
1 pred.cm <- sym.predict(model = res.cm, new.sym.data = int_prost_test)</pre>
```

Testing

```
1 RMSE.L(int_prost_test$lpsa, pred.cm$Fitted)
```

[1] 0.7229999

```
1 RMSE.U(int_prost_test$lpsa, pred.cm$Fitted)
```

[1] 0.7192467

```
1 R2.L(int_prost_test$lpsa, pred.cm$Fitted)
```

[1] 0.501419

```
1 R2.U(int_prost_test$lpsa, pred.cm$Fitted)
```

[1] 0.5058389

```
1 deter.coefficient(int_prost_test$lpsa, pred.cm$Fitted)
```

[1] 0.4962964

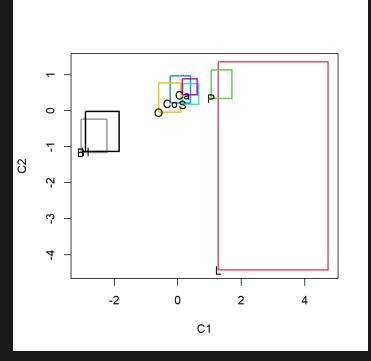


PCA for intervals

Example Oils data

```
2 oils
\# A tibble: 8 \times 4
            GRA
                                          <symblc n>
     <symblc n>
                       <symblc n>
                                                            <symblc n>
1 [0.93: 0.94] [-27.00: -18.00] [170.00: 204.00] [118.00: 196.00]
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                  [-6.00 : -1.00]
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                  [-6.00 : -4.00]
                                  [104.00 : 116.00] [187.00 : 193.00]
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                                     [80.00: 82.00] [189.00: 193.00]
                    [0.00 : 6.00]
                                    [79.00 : 90.00] [187.00 : 196.00]
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                  [30.00 : 38.00]
                                    [40.00 : 48.00] [190.00 : 199.00]
                  [22.00 : 32.00]
                                    [53.00 : 77.00] [190.00 : 202.00]
8 [0.86 : 0.86]
           1 res <- sym.pca(oils,'centers')</pre>
```





1 plot(res, choix = "var")

