

# Case Study 1: Clustering the epileptic.qol Dataset

latent class mixed effect model using the lcmm package

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# install.packages("joineRML")
library(joineRML)
data(epileptic.qol)
# convert days to months
epileptic.qol$time_month <- epileptic.qol$time/30.25
# sort by id and time
epileptic.qol <- epileptic.qol[order(epileptic.qol$id,epileptic.qol$time_month),]

# scaling the clustering variables prior to analysis
epileptic.qol$anxiety_scale <- as.numeric(scale(epileptic.qol$anxiety))
epileptic.qol$depress_scale <- as.numeric(scale(epileptic.qol$depress))
epileptic.qol$aep_scale <- as.numeric(scale(epileptic.qol$aep))
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## latent class mixed effect model (lcmm package)

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# install.packages("lcmm")
library(lcmm)

## Warning: package 'randtoolbox' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Warning: package 'rngWELL' was built under R version 4.2.2
# fitting lcmm with K=1 to obtain initial values for models with K > 1
# each model assumes random intercept and random slope
mult1a <- multilcmm(anxiety_scale + depress_scale + aep_scale ~ time_month,
  random =~ time_month ,
  subject='id',
  data = epileptic.qol,
  randomY = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE,
  ng = 1)

# not run to reduce compiling time
#BIC <- NULL
#for (kk in 2:8){
#fit.multilcmm <- multilcmm(anxiety_scale + depress_scale + aep_scale ~ time_month,
#  mixture = ~ time_month,
#  random =~ time_month ,
#  subject='id',
#  data = epileptic.qol,
#  randomY = TRUE,
#  ng = kk,
#  B =mult1a  )
#BIC <- c(BIC,fit.multilcmm$BIC)
#}
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# print the number of clusters with the smallest BIC
# num.clust.mltlcmm <- which.min(BIC) + 1; num.clust.mltlcmm

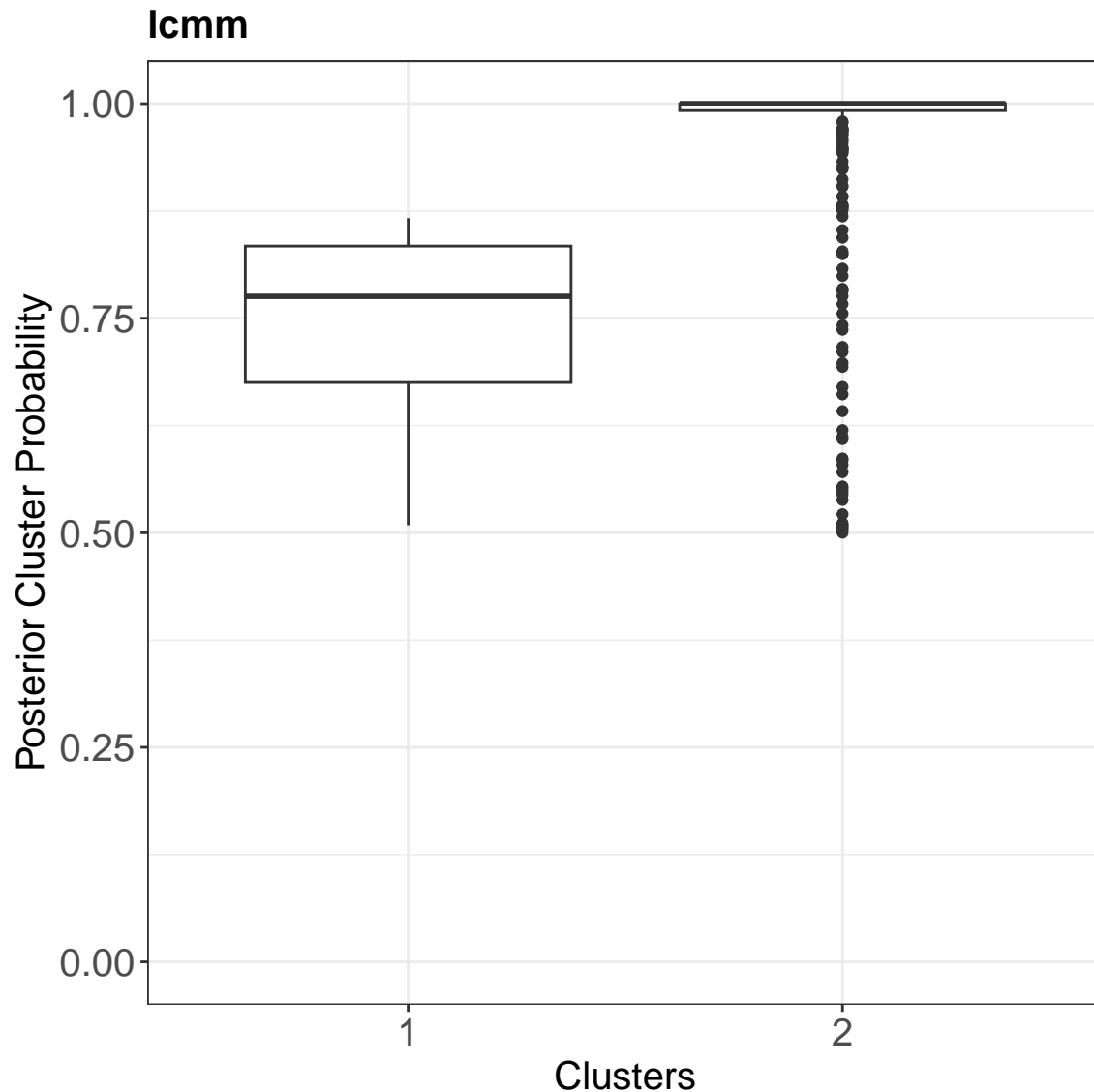
num.clust.mltlcmm <- 2 # optimal number of clusters based on bic
ptm <- proc.time()
# fitting the final model
fit.mltlcmm <- multlcmm(anxiety_scale + depress_scale + aep_scale ~ time_month,
  mixture = ~ time_month,
  random = ~ time_month ,
  subject='id',
  data = epileptic.qol,
  randomY = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE,
  nwg = TRUE,
  ng = num.clust.mltlcmm, B =mult1a )
run.time.lcmm <- as.numeric((proc.time() - ptm)[3])
postprob <- apply(fit.mltlcmm$postprob[, -c(1,2)], 1, max)

# relabel cluster if needed
# here no relabeling is performed as the labels are appropriate
cluster.re <- fit.mltlcmm$postprob$class
dnew_uq <- epileptic.qol[!duplicated(epileptic.qol$id, fromLast=TRUE),] # Keep last observation per id
dnew_uq$postprob <- postprob
dnew_uq$cluster.lcmm <- cluster.re

# Posterior cluster probability
library(ggplot2)

## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.2.2
bp.lcmm <- ggplot(dnew_uq, aes(x=factor(cluster.lcmm), y=postprob)) +
  geom_boxplot() + ggtitle("lcmm") +
  xlab("Clusters") + ylab("Posterior Cluster Probability") +
  ylim(c(0,1)) +
  theme_bw() +
  theme(legend.position = "none",
    plot.title = element_text(size = 15, face = "bold"),
    axis.text=element_text(size=15),
    axis.title=element_text(size=15),
    axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 0 ),
    strip.text.x = element_text(size = 15, angle = 0),
    strip.text.y = element_text(size = 15, face="bold"))
bp.lcmm

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N <- length(unique(epileptic.qol$id))
per <- paste(round(100*table(cluster.re)/N,1),"%",sep="")
cluster.lcmm <- factor(cluster.re, label=paste("Cluster ",1:num.clust.mutlcmm," (",per,")",sep=""))
dat.cluster <- data.frame(fit.mutlcmm$pprob$id,cluster.lcmm)
colnames(dat.cluster) <- c("id","cluster.mutlcmm")
dnew_uq <- merge(dnew_uq,dat.cluster,by="id")
dnew <- merge(epileptic.qol,dat.cluster,by="id")
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library(ggplot2)
library(cowplot)
# plotting the first feature (anxiety) by clusters
p1.lcmm <- ggplot(data =dnew, aes(x =time_month, y = anxiety,
                                color=cluster.mutlcmm,
                                linetype=cluster.mutlcmm,
                                fill=cluster.mutlcmm))+
  ggtitle("lcmm") +
  geom_smooth(aes(x =time_month, y = anxiety,
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        color=cluster.multlcmm,
        linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
        fill=cluster.multlcmm), method = "loess",
        linewidth = 3,se = FALSE,span=2)+
theme_bw() +
theme(legend.position = "none",
      plot.title = element_text(size = 15, face = "bold"),
      axis.text=element_text(size=15),
      axis.title=element_text(size=15),
      axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 0 ),
      strip.text.x = element_text(size = 15, angle = 0),
      strip.text.y = element_text(size = 15,face="bold")) +
guides(  fill=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE),
        color=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE),
        linetype=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE)) +
xlab("Time (months)") + ylab("anxiety") +
ylim(c(min(dnew$anxiety,na.rm=TRUE),max(dnew$anxiety,na.rm=TRUE)))+
scale_color_manual(values=c("green", "black"))+
scale_fill_manual(values=c("green", "black"))

# plotting the second feature (depress) by clusters
p2.lcmm <- ggplot(data =dnew, aes(x =time_month, y = depress,
                                color=cluster.multlcmm,
                                linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
                                fill=cluster.multlcmm))+

ggtitle("lcmm") +
geom_smooth(aes(x =time_month, y = depress,
                color=cluster.multlcmm,
                linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
                fill=cluster.multlcmm),
            method = "loess", linewidth = 3,se = FALSE,span=2)+
theme_bw() +
theme(legend.position = "none",
      plot.title = element_text(size = 15, face = "bold"),
      axis.text=element_text(size=15),
      axis.title=element_text(size=15),
      axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 0 ),
      strip.text.x = element_text(size = 15, angle = 0),
      strip.text.y = element_text(size = 15,face="bold")) +
guides(fill=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE),
      color=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE),
      linetype=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE)) +
xlab("Time (months)") + ylab("depress") +
ylim(c(min(dnew$depress,na.rm=TRUE),max(dnew$depress,na.rm=TRUE)))+
scale_color_manual(values=c("green", "black"))+
scale_fill_manual(values=c("green", "black"))

# plotting the third feature (aep) by clusters
p3.lcmm <- ggplot(data =dnew, aes(x =time_month, y = aep,
                                color=cluster.multlcmm,
                                linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
                                fill=cluster.multlcmm))+
ggtitle("lcmm") +

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geom_smooth(aes(x =time_month, y = aep,
               color=cluster.multlcmm,
               linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
               fill=cluster.multlcmm), method = "loess",
             linewidth= 3,se = FALSE,span=2)+
theme_bw() +
theme(legend.position = "none",
      plot.title = element_text(size = 15, face = "bold"),
      axis.text=element_text(size=15),
      axis.title=element_text(size=15),
      axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 0 ),
      strip.text.x = element_text(size = 15, angle = 0),
      strip.text.y = element_text(size = 15,face="bold")) +
guides(fill=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE),
       color=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE),
       linetype=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1,byrow=TRUE)) +
xlab("Time (months)") + ylab("aep") +
ylim(c(min(dnew$aep,na.rm=TRUE),max(dnew$aep,na.rm=TRUE)))+
scale_color_manual(values=c("green", "black")) +
scale_fill_manual(values=c("green", "black"))

#-----#
# extract a legend
legend.lcmm <- get_legend(ggplot(data =dnew, aes(x =time_month, y = depress,
               color=cluster.multlcmm,
               linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
               fill=cluster.multlcmm))+
  ggtitle("lcmm") +
  geom_smooth(aes(x =time_month, y = depress,
               color=cluster.multlcmm,
               linetype=cluster.multlcmm,
               fill=cluster.multlcmm),
             method = "loess", linewidth = 3,se = FALSE,span=2))+
theme_bw() +
theme(legend.position = c(0.5,0.5),
      legend.text = element_text(size = 12),
      plot.title = element_text(size = 15, face = "bold"),
      axis.text=element_text(size=15),
      axis.title=element_text(size=15),
      axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 0 ),
      strip.text.x = element_text(size = 15, angle = 0),
      strip.text.y = element_text(size = 15,face="bold")) +
guides(fill=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 2,byrow=TRUE),
       color=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 2,byrow=TRUE),
       linetype=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 2,byrow=TRUE)) +
xlab("Time (months)") + ylab("depress") +
ylim(c(min(dnew$depress,na.rm=TRUE),max(dnew$depress,na.rm=TRUE)))+
scale_color_manual(values=c("green", "black"))+
scale_fill_manual(values=c("green", "black"))
)

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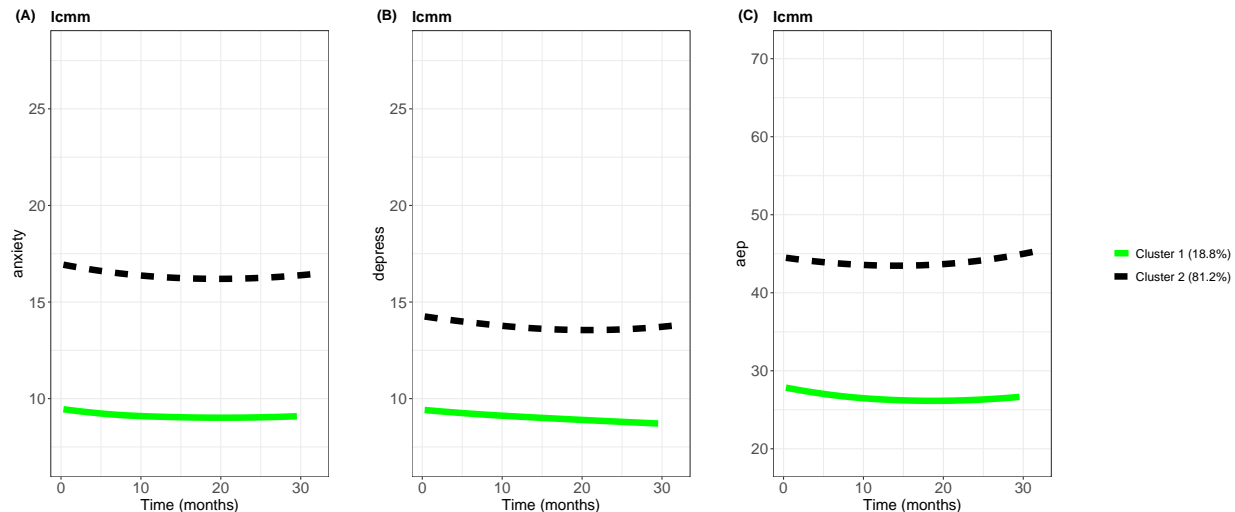
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## Warning: Removed 53 rows containing non-finite values (‘stat_smooth()`).
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plot_grid(p1.lcmm,NULL,p2.lcmm,NULL,p3.lcmm,NULL,legend.lcmm,
  labels=c("(A)", "", "(B)", "", "(C)", "", ""),
  ncol = 7,
  rel_widths = c(1,0.1,1,0.1,1,0.1,0.5))
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## Warning: Removed 57 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_smooth()`).
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## Removed 53 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_smooth()`).
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## Warning: Removed 93 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_smooth()`).
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# Use Cox model to evaluate the association between
# clusters and time to treatment failure
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dnew_uq$with.time.month <- dnew_uq$with.time/30.25
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fit <- survfit(Surv(with.time.month, with.status2) ~ cluster.mltlcmm,
  data = dnew_uq)
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res.cox <- coxph(Surv(with.time.month, with.status2) ~ cluster.mltlcmm,
  weights=postprob,data = dnew_uq)
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pvalue <- ifelse(summary(res.cox)$sctest[3] >= 0.0001,
  summary(res.cox)$sctest[3], '<0.0001')
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# Visualize with survminer package
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library(survminer)
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## Warning: package 'ggpubr' was built under R version 4.2.2
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library(survival)
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names(fit$strata) <- paste("Cluster ",1:num.clust.mltlcmm," (",per,")",sep="")
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gp_survival.lcmm <- ggsurvplot(fit, data = dnew_uq, title="lcmm",
  risk.table = TRUE,
  risk.table.y.text.col = TRUE,
  pval = pvalue,
  legend = "bottom", # conf.int = TRUE,
  xlab = "Time (months)",
  legend.title="Clusters",
  ggtheme = theme_bw() +
  theme(legend.position = "none",legend.title=element_blank(),
  plot.title = element_text(size = 15, face = "bold"),
  axis.text=element_text(size=15),
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axis.title=element_text(size=15),
strip.text.x = element_text(size=15),
strip.text.y = element_text(size=15)))

gp_survival.lcmm$plot <- gp_survival.lcmm$plot +
  guides(fill=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1, byrow=TRUE),
         color=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1, byrow=TRUE),
         linetype=guide_legend(title=NULL,nrow = 1, byrow=TRUE))+
  scale_color_manual(values=c("green", "black"))+
  scale_fill_manual(values=c("green", "black"))
gp_survival.lcmm$plot

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