Class 8 Mini Project

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Background

In today's class we will be employing all the R techniques for dada analysis that we have learned thus far - including the machine learning methods of clustering and PCA - to analyse real breast cancer biopsy data.

Values in this data set describe characteristics of the cell nuclei present in digitized images of a fine needle aspiration (FNA) of a breast mass.

FNA is a type of biopsy procedure where a very thin needle is inserted into an area of abnormal tissue or cells with a guide of CT scan or ultrasound monitors. The collected sample is then transferred to a pathologist to study it under a microscope and examine whether cells in the biopsy are normal or not.

Features measured from the digitized images include:

radius: mean of distances from nucleus center to points on the perimeter; texture: a measure of nucleus roughness taken from the standard deviation of gray-scale values; perimeter: total boundary length of the nucleus, area: total area of the nucleus; smoothness: local variation in radius lengths, i.e. how "bumpy" the edge is; compactness: measures how circular vs. irregular the shape is; concavity: how deeply indented, and symmetry: how symmetric the nucleus is.

```
wisc.df <- read.csv("WisconsinCancer.csv", row.names=1)
```

wee peak at the data

```
head(wisc.df, 3)
```

```
         diagnosis radius_mean texture_mean perimeter_mean area_mean
842302           M       17.99        10.38          122.8      1001
842517           M       20.57        17.77          132.9      1326
84300903         M       19.69        21.25          130.0      1203
         smoothness_mean compactness_mean concavity_mean concave.points_mean
842302           0.11840          0.27760         0.3001             0.14710
842517           0.08474          0.07864         0.0869             0.07017
84300903         0.10960          0.15990         0.1974             0.12790
         symmetry_mean fractal_dimension_mean radius_se texture_se perimeter_se
842302          0.2419                0.07871    1.0950     0.9053        8.589
842517          0.1812                0.05667    0.5435     0.7339        3.398
84300903        0.2069                0.05999    0.7456     0.7869        4.585
         area_se smoothness_se compactness_se concavity_se concave.points_se
842302    153.40      0.006399        0.04904      0.05373           0.01587
842517     74.08      0.005225        0.01308      0.01860           0.01340
84300903   94.03      0.006150        0.04006      0.03832           0.02058
         symmetry_se fractal_dimension_se radius_worst texture_worst
842302       0.03003             0.006193        25.38         17.33
842517       0.01389             0.003532        24.99         23.41
84300903     0.02250             0.004571        23.57         25.53
         perimeter_worst area_worst smoothness_worst compactness_worst
842302             184.6       2019           0.1622            0.6656
842517             158.8       1956           0.1238            0.1866
84300903           152.5       1709           0.1444            0.4245
         concavity_worst concave.points_worst symmetry_worst
842302            0.7119               0.2654         0.4601
842517            0.2416               0.1860         0.2750
84300903          0.4504               0.2430         0.3613
         fractal_dimension_worst
842302                   0.11890
842517                   0.08902
84300903                 0.08758
```

Q. How many observations are in this dataset

```
nrow(wisc.df)
```

```
[1] 569
```

Q. How many observations have a malignant diagnosis?

```
sum(wisc.df$diagnosis == "M")
```

```
[1] 212
```

or

```
table(wisc.df$diagnosis)
```

```
  B   M
357 212
```

Q. How mnay variables/features in the data are suffixed with _mean?

```
colnames(wisc.df)
```

```
 [1] "diagnosis"               "radius_mean"
 [3] "texture_mean"            "perimeter_mean"
 [5] "area_mean"               "smoothness_mean"
 [7] "compactness_mean"        "concavity_mean"
 [9] "concave.points_mean"     "symmetry_mean"
[11] "fractal_dimension_mean"  "radius_se"
[13] "texture_se"              "perimeter_se"
[15] "area_se"                 "smoothness_se"
[17] "compactness_se"          "concavity_se"
[19] "concave.points_se"       "symmetry_se"
[21] "fractal_dimension_se"    "radius_worst"
[23] "texture_worst"           "perimeter_worst"
[25] "area_worst"              "smoothness_worst"
[27] "compactness_worst"       "concavity_worst"
[29] "concave.points_worst"    "symmetry_worst"
[31] "fractal_dimension_worst"
```

```
length(grep("_mean", colnames(wisc.df)))
```

```
[1] 10
```

We need to remove the `diagnosis` column before we do any further analysis of this dataset - we don't want to pass this to PCA etc. We will save it as a separate wee vector that we can use later to compare out findings tho those of experts.

```
diagnosis <- wisc.df$diagnosis
wisc.data <- wisc.df[,-1]
```

Principle Component Analysis (PCA)

The main function in base R is called `prcomp()` we will use the optional `scale=TRUE` here as the data columns/features/dimenstions are on very different scales in the orginial data set.

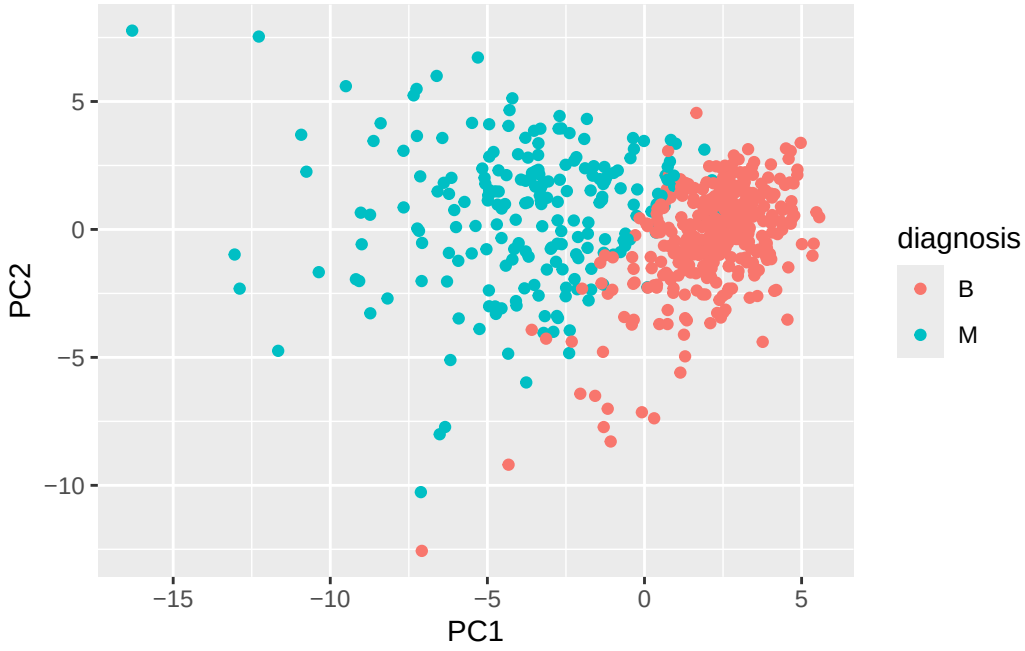
```
wisc.pr <- prcomp(wisc.data, scale=T)
```

```
attributes(wisc.pr)
```

```
$names
[1] "sdev"     "rotation" "center"   "scale"    "x"

$class
[1] "prcomp"
```

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(wisc.pr$x) +
  aes(PC1, PC2, col=diagnosis) +
  geom_point()
```




```
summary(wisc.pr)
```

```
Importance of components:
                          PC1    PC2     PC3     PC4     PC5     PC6     PC7
Standard deviation     3.6444 2.3857 1.67867 1.40735 1.28403 1.09880 0.82172
Proportion of Variance 0.4427 0.1897 0.09393 0.06602 0.05496 0.04025 0.02251
Cumulative Proportion  0.4427 0.6324 0.72636 0.79239 0.84734 0.88759 0.91010
                           PC8    PC9    PC10   PC11    PC12    PC13    PC14
Standard deviation     0.69037 0.6457 0.59219 0.5421 0.51104 0.49128 0.39624
Proportion of Variance 0.01589 0.0139 0.01169 0.0098 0.00871 0.00805 0.00523
Cumulative Proportion  0.92598 0.9399 0.95157 0.9614 0.97007 0.97812 0.98335
                          PC15    PC16    PC17    PC18    PC19    PC20   PC21
Standard deviation     0.30681 0.28260 0.24372 0.22939 0.22244 0.17652 0.1731
Proportion of Variance 0.00314 0.00266 0.00198 0.00175 0.00165 0.00104 0.0010
Cumulative Proportion  0.98649 0.98915 0.99113 0.99288 0.99453 0.99557 0.9966
                          PC22    PC23   PC24    PC25    PC26    PC27    PC28
Standard deviation     0.16565 0.15602 0.1344 0.12442 0.09043 0.08307 0.03987
Proportion of Variance 0.00091 0.00081 0.0006 0.00052 0.00027 0.00023 0.00005
Cumulative Proportion  0.99749 0.99830 0.9989 0.99942 0.99969 0.99992 0.99997
                          PC29    PC30
Standard deviation     0.02736 0.01153
Proportion of Variance 0.00002 0.00000
Cumulative Proportion  1.00000 1.00000
```

Q4. From your results, what proportion of the original variance is captured by the first principal component (PC1)?

0.4427

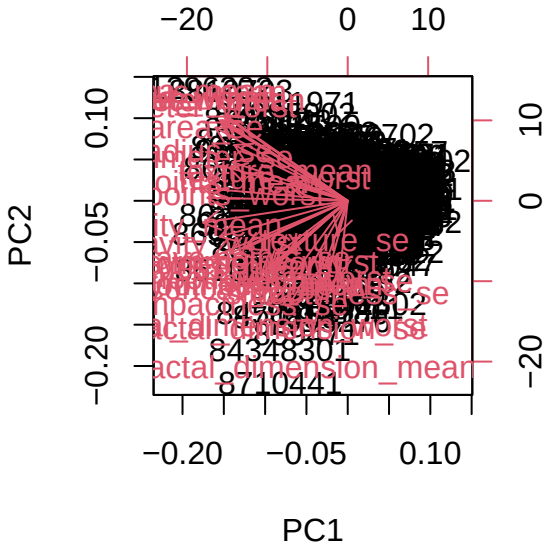
Q5. How many principal components (PCs) are required to describe at least 70% of the original variance in the data?

PC3 onwards

Q6. How many principal components (PCs) are required to describe at least 90% of the original variance in the data?

PC7 onwards

```
biplot(wisc.pr)
```

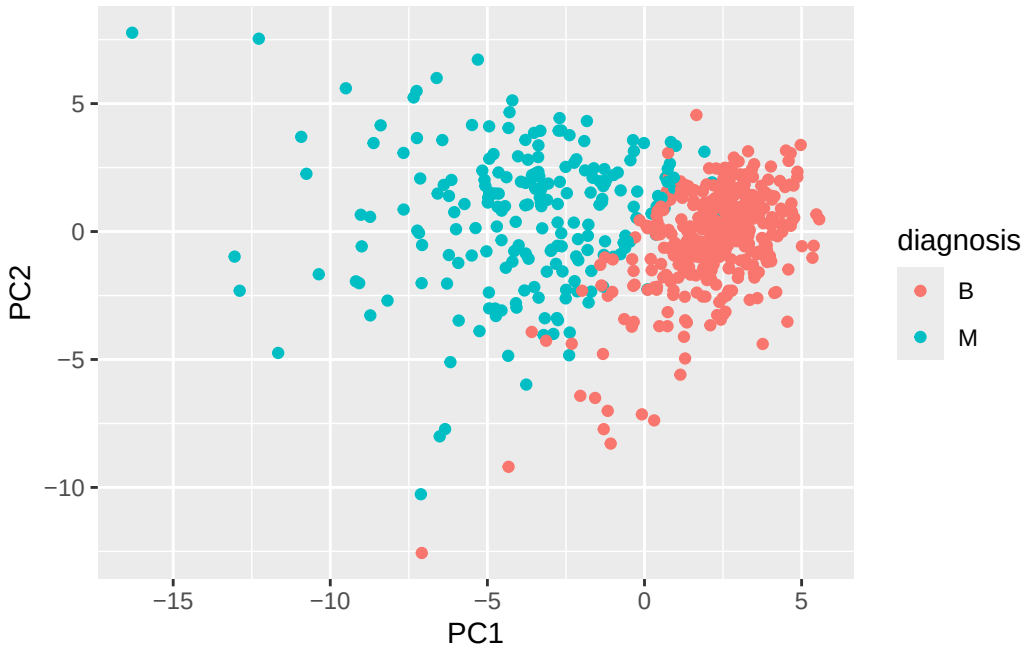


Q7. What stands out to you about this plot? Is it easy or difficult to understand? Why?

Very chaotic! Very difficult to understand. So lets generate a more standard scatter plot of each observation along principal components 1 and 2.

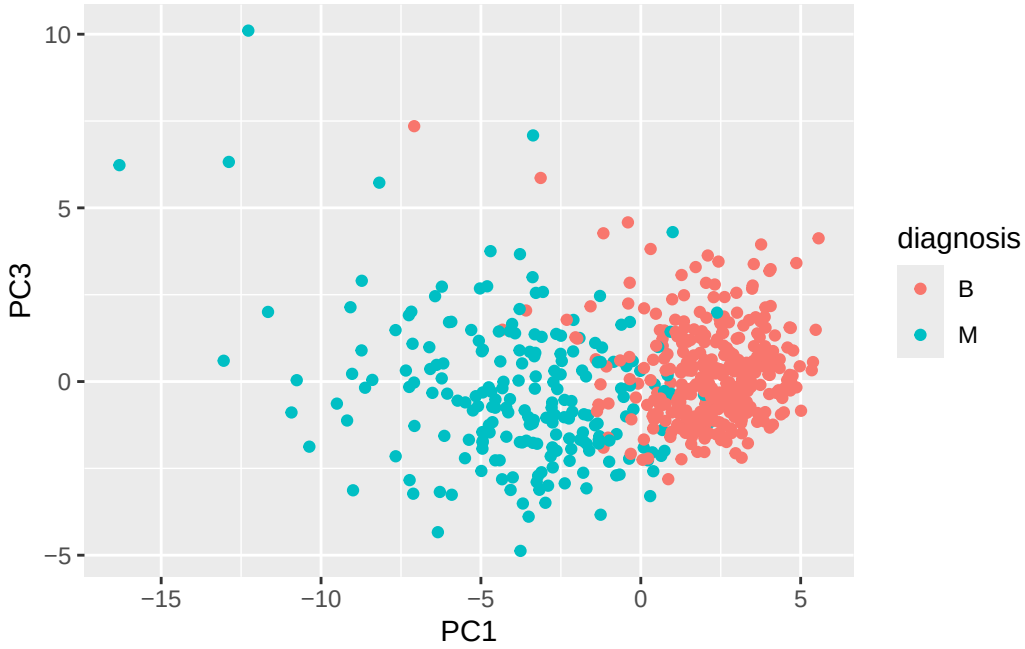
this is the graph from above:

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(wisc.pr$x) +
  aes(PC1, PC2, col=diagnosis) +
  geom_point()
```



Q8. Generate a similar plot for principal components 1 and 3. What do you notice about these plots?

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(wisc.pr$x) +
  aes(PC1, PC3, col=diagnosis) +
  geom_point()
```



This plot is relatively different to PC1 vs PC2, but essentially shows the same distribution of B vs M.

Variance explained

A scree plot shows how much variance each PC captures. We typically look for an "elbow" — a point where adding more PCs gives diminishing returns. This can help us decide how many PCs to consider for further analysis. (Spoiler: some real data sets don't have a perfect elbow, so folks will often use a threshold like 70% or 90% cumulative variance instead.)

```
pr.var <- wisc.pr$sdev^2
head(pr.var)
```

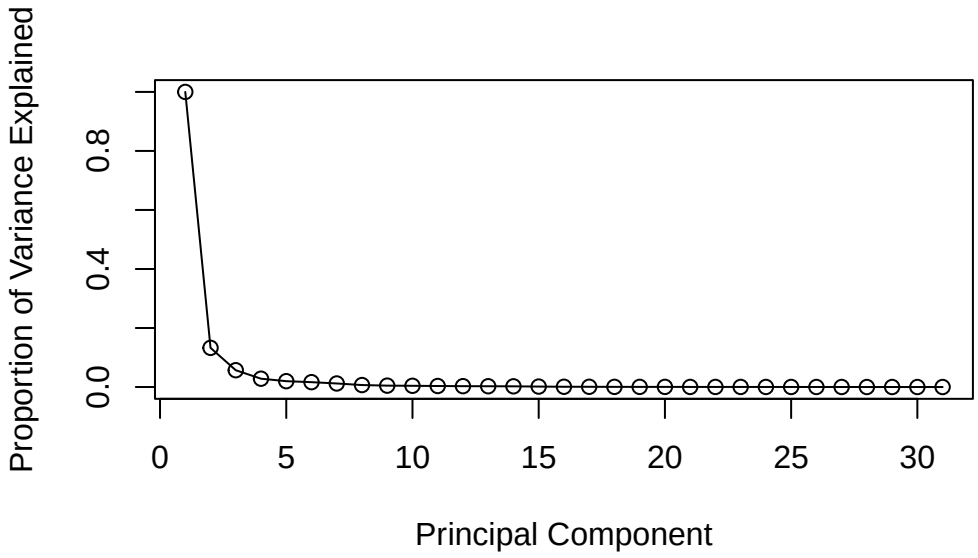
```
[1] 13.281608  5.691355  2.817949  1.980640  1.648731  1.207357
```

Calculate the variance explained by each principal component by dividing by the total variance explained of all principal components. Assign this to a variable called pve and create a plot of variance explained for each principal component.

```
pve <- (c(pr.var))/100
head(pve)
```

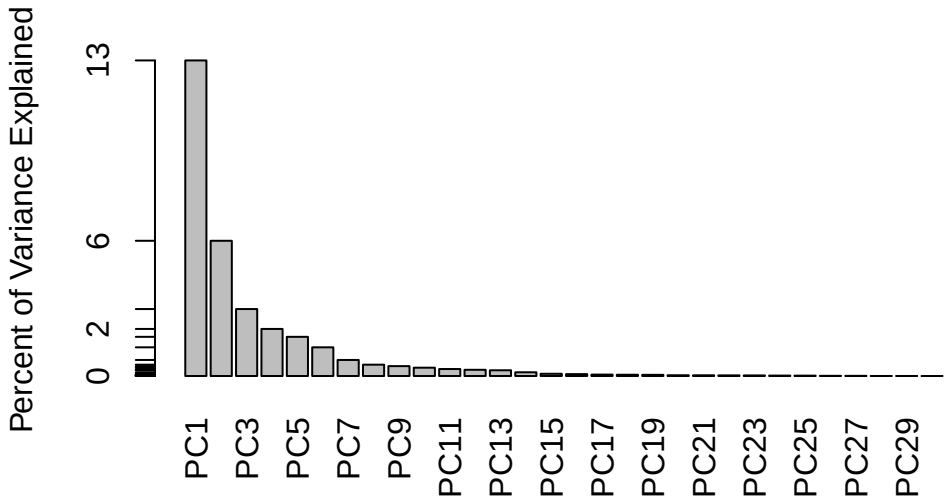
```
[1] 0.13281608 0.05691355 0.02817949 0.01980640 0.01648731 0.01207357
```

```
plot(c(1,pve), xlab="Principal Component", ylab = "Proportion of Variance Explained",
     ylim = c(0, 1), type = "o")
```



Or an alternative barplot:

```
barplot(pve, ylab = "Percent of Variance Explained",
     names.arg=paste0("PC",1:length(pve)), las=2, axes = FALSE)
axis(2, at=pve, labels=round(pve,2)*100 )
```



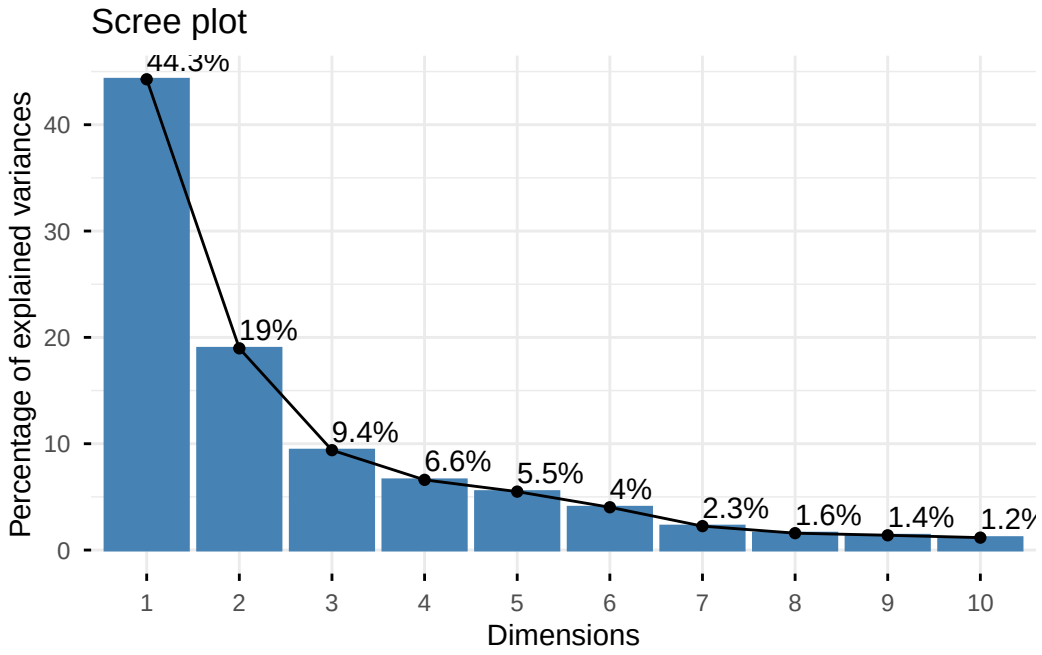
OPTIONAL: There are quite a few CRAN packages that are helpful for PCA. This includes the factoextra package. Feel free to explore this package. For example:

```
library(factoextra)
```

```
Welcome! Want to learn more? See two factoextra-related books at https://goo.gl/ve3WBa
```

```
fviz_eig(wisc.pr, addlabels = TRUE)
```

```
Warning in geom_bar(stat = "identity", fill = barfill, color = barcolor, :
Ignoring empty aesthetic: `width`.
```



Communicating PCA results

In this section we will check your understanding of the PCA results, in particular the "loadings" and "variance explained".

The loading vector (`wisc.pr$rotation`) tells us which original measurements contribute most to each PC.

A large PC1 loading value (positive or negative) for one of the 30 original measurements (i.e. features/columns we started with), for example, would suggest that this feature is an important driver of the variation we see in the score plot and thus helpful for distinguishing "M" from "B" samples. Let's check which features matter most to PC1.

> Q9. For the first principal component, what is the component of the loading vector (i.e. wisc.pr$rotation[,1]) for the feature concave.points_mean? This tells us how much this original feature contributes to the first PC. Are there any features with larger contributions than this one?

```
wisc.pr$rotation[8,1]
```

```
[1] -0.2608538
```

```
wisc.pr$rotation[,1]
```

```
            radius_mean            texture_mean          perimeter_mean
             -0.21890244              -0.10372458              -0.22753729
              area_mean         smoothness_mean        compactness_mean
             -0.22099499              -0.14258969              -0.23928535
         concavity_mean     concave.points_mean           symmetry_mean
             -0.25840048              -0.26085376              -0.13816696
 fractal_dimension_mean               radius_se              texture_se
             -0.06436335              -0.20597878              -0.01742803
           perimeter_se                 area_se           smoothness_se
             -0.21132592              -0.20286964              -0.01453145
         compactness_se           concavity_se       concave.points_se
             -0.17039345              -0.15358979              -0.18341740
           symmetry_se    fractal_dimension_se            radius_worst
             -0.04249842              -0.10256832              -0.22799663
          texture_worst         perimeter_worst              area_worst
             -0.10446933              -0.23663968              -0.22487053
       smoothness_worst       compactness_worst         concavity_worst
             -0.12795256              -0.21009588              -0.22876753
   concave.points_worst          symmetry_worst fractal_dimension_worst
             -0.25088597              -0.12290456              -0.13178394
```

so, no, there are no features with larger contributions.

Hiercharchical Clustering

The goal of this section is to do hierarchical clustering of the original datato see if there is any obvious grouping into malignant and benign clusters.

Recall from class that hierarchical clustering does not assume in advance the number of natural groups that exist in the data (unlike K-means clustering).

As part of the preparation for hierarchical clustering, the distance between all pairs of observations needs to be calculated. This "distance matrix" will be the input for the hclust() function.

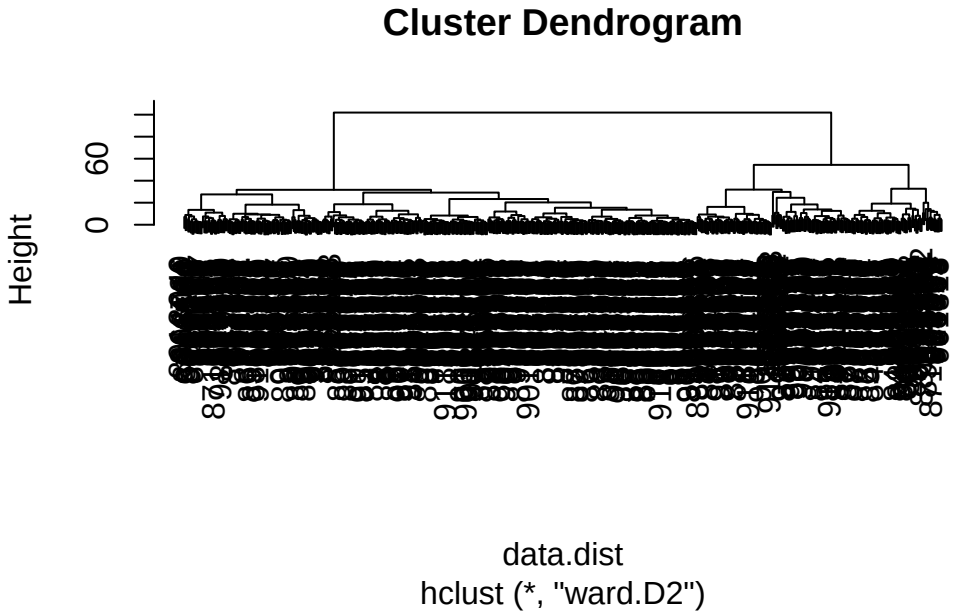
One of the optional arguments to hclust() allows you to pick different ways (a.k.a. "methods") to link clusters together, with single, complete, and average being the most common "linkage methods". You can explore the effectes of these different methods in this section.

```
data.scaled <-scale(wisc.data)
```

```
data.dist <- dist(data.scaled)
```

```
wisc.hclust <- hclust(data.dist, method= "ward.D2")
```

```
plot(wisc.hclust)
abline(wisc.hclust, col="red", lty=2)
```



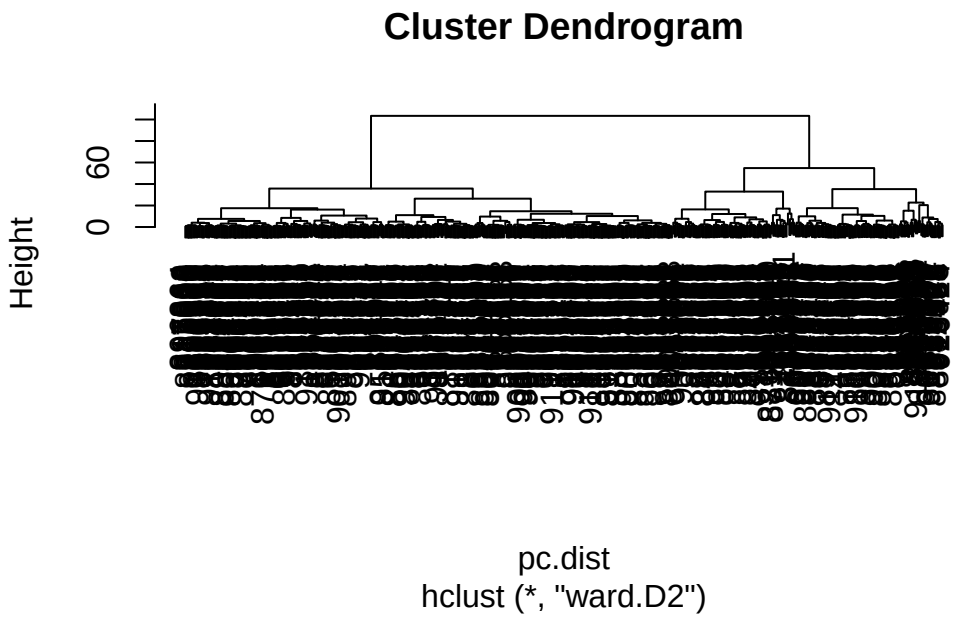
Q12. Which method gives your favorite results for the same data.dist dataset? Explain your reasoning.

I like `method=ward.D2` as it seems to give a clearer, less chaotic dendrogram.

Combining methods

The idea here is that I can take my new variables (the PCs `wisc.pr$x`) that are better descriptors of the data-set than the original features (ie the 30 columns in `wisc.data`) and use these as a basis for clustering.

```
pc.dist <- dist(wisc.pr$x[, 1:3])
wisc.pr.hclust <- hclust(pc.dist, method= "ward.D2")
plot(wisc.pr.hclust)
```



The next section covers Q13-14.

```
grps <- cutree(wisc.pr.hclust, k=2)
table (grps)
```

```
grps
  1   2
203 366
```

I can now run table() with both my lcustering `grps` and the expert `diagnosis`

```
table(grps, diagnosis)
```

```
    diagnosis
grps   B   M
   1  24 179
   2 333  33
```

```
wisc.pr.hclust.clusters <- cutree(wisc.pr.hclust, k=2)
```

Our cluster "1" has 179 "M" diagnosis Our cluster "2" has 333 "B" diagnosis So cluster "1" is malignant and "2" is benign.

179 TP (true positive) 24 FP 333 TN 33 FN

Sensitivity refers to a test's ability to correctly detect ill patients who do have the condition. In our example here the sensitivity is the total number of samples in the cluster identified as predominantly malignant (cancerous) divided by the total number of known malignant samples. In other words: TP/(TP+FN).

> Q14. How well do the hierarchical clustering models you created in the previous sections (i.e. without first doing PCA) do in terms of separating the diagnoses? Again, use the table() function to compare the output of each model (wisc.hclust.clusters and wisc.pr.hclust.clusters) with the vector containing the actual diagnoses.

```
table(wisc.pr.hclust.clusters, diagnosis)
```

```
                    diagnosis
wisc.pr.hclust.clusters   B   M
                      1  24 179
                      2 333  33
```

It does better because it shows the false positives/false nagatives that we can now not use.

Sensitivity: TP/(TP+FN)

```
179/(179+33)
```

```
[1] 0.8443396
```

sensitvity of 1 would be perfect.

Specificity relates to a test's ability to correctly reject healthy patients without a condition. In our example specificity is the proportion of benign (not cancerous) samples in the cluster identified as predominantly benign that are known to be benign. In other words: TN/(TN+FP).

Specificity: TN/(TN+FP).

```
333/(333+24)
```

```
[1] 0.9327731
```

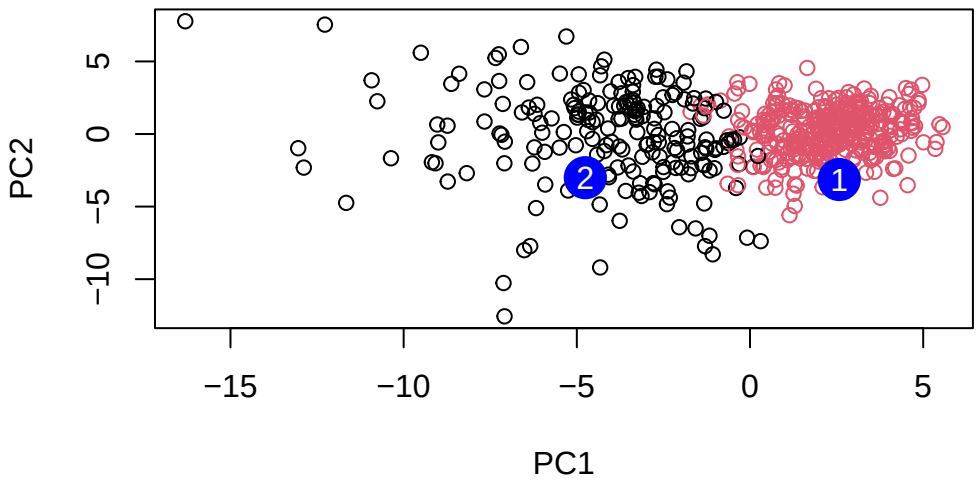
Prediction

We can see our PCA model prediction

```
url <- "https://tinyurl.com/new-samples-CSV"
new <- read.csv(url)
npc <- predict(wisc.pr, newdata=new)
npc
```

```
          PC1       PC2        PC3        PC4       PC5        PC6        PC7
[1,]  2.576616 -3.135913  1.3990492 -0.7631950  2.781648 -0.8150185 -0.3959098
[2,] -4.754928 -3.009033 -0.1660946 -0.6052952 -1.140698 -1.2189945  0.8193031
           PC8       PC9       PC10      PC11      PC12      PC13     PC14
[1,] -0.2307350 0.1029569 -0.9272861 0.3411457  0.375921 0.1610764 1.187882
[2,] -0.3307423 0.5281896 -0.4855301 0.7173233 -1.185917 0.5893856 0.303029
          PC15       PC16        PC17        PC18        PC19       PC20
[1,] 0.3216974 -0.1743616 -0.07875393 -0.11207028 -0.08802955 -0.2495216
[2,] 0.1299153  0.1448061 -0.40509706  0.06565549  0.25591230 -0.4289500
          PC21       PC22       PC23       PC24        PC25         PC26
[1,]  0.1228233 0.09358453 0.08347651  0.1223396  0.02124121  0.078884581
[2,] -0.1224776 0.01732146 0.06316631 -0.2338618 -0.20755948 -0.009833238
             PC27        PC28         PC29         PC30
[1,]  0.220199544 -0.02946023 -0.015620933  0.005269029
[2,] -0.001134152  0.09638361  0.002795349 -0.019015820
```

```
plot(wisc.pr$x[,1:2], col=grps)
points(npc[,1], npc[,2], col="blue", pch=16, cex=3)
text(npc[,1], npc[,2], c(1,2), col="white")
```



Q16. Which of these new patients should we prioritize for follow up based on your results?

We need to prioritise group 2.