Exercise 12

Consider again the data set introduced during the course session, which contains the head sizes of the first two sons of several families. Perform a principal component analysis (PCA) on the full data set, have a look at the coefficients of the principal components (the 'loadings'), and visualize the variance explained by the PCA.

Exercise 13

Obtain principal components based on the following correlation matrix, which was computed from physical attributes of 3000 convicted criminals (MacDonnell, 1902).

| | Head length | / 1.000 | 0.402 | 0.396 | 0.301 | 0.305 | 0.339 | 0.340 \ |
|-----|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|
| R = | Head breadth | 0.402 | 1.000 | 0.618 | 0.150 | 0.135 | 0.206 | 0.183 |
| | Face breadth | 0.396 | 0.618 | 1.000 | 0.321 | 0.289 | 0.363 | 0.345 |
| | Left finger length | 0.301 | 0.150 | 0.321 | 1.000 | 0.846 | 0.759 | 0.661 |
| | Left forearm length | 0.305 | 0.135 | 0.289 | 0.846 | 1.000 | 0.797 | 0.800 |
| | Left foot length | 0.339 | 0.206 | 0.363 | 0.759 | 0.797 | 1.000 | 0.736 |
| | Height | $\setminus 0.340$ | 0.183 | 0.345 | 0.661 | 0.800 | 0.736 | 1.000 / |

Interpret the resulting principal components, and make a proposal on how many components might be appropriate here.

Exercise 14

Load the data set measure.txt into R. It contains chest, waist and hip girth (in inches) as well as the gender of 20 persons. Perform a principal component analysis with an appropriate R function based on the variables chest, waist and hips. Visualize the data in the space spanned by the principal components, by plotting the scores of each individual person on the first two PCs into a coordinate system (scatter plot of the scores). Indicate female and male persons by using different plotting symbols and/or colors. Give an interpretation of the first two principal components.

Aufgabe 15

Load the data set jet.txt into R. It contains different characteristics of fighter jets, namely:

FFD: first flight date, in months after January 1940;

SPR: specific power, proportional to power per unit weight;

RGF: flight range factor;

PLF: payload as a fraction of gross weight of aircraft;

SLF: sustained load factor;

CAR: a binary variable that takes the value 1 if the aircraft

can land on a carrier and 0 otherwise.

- (a) Visualize the data by using appropriate scatter plots, and indicate jets which have the ability to land on a carrier by a triangle plotting symbol.
- (b) Perform a principal component analysis based on the variables SPR, RGF, PLF and SLF. How many components are appropriate here?
- (c) Now visualize the data by plotting the scores of each individual jet on the first two PCs into a coordinate system (scatter plot of scores). Again, indicate those jets with the ability to land on a carrier by a triangle plotting symbol.