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It's a Modern K-Means clustering algorithm which works for data of any number of dimensions, has no limit with number of clusters expected, and can start with any initial cluster centers.

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MKMeans-package

*Modern K-Means (MKMeans) Clustering.*

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## Examples

```
# Example 1:

# Generate 20 bivariate samples
x<-rnorm(20,0,1)
y<-rnorm(20,1,1)
data.test<-cbind(x,y)

# Conduct MKMeans analysis with K=3 and taking the first 3 samples as initial cluster centers
Res<-MKMeans(data.test,3,1,iteration=1000,tol=.95,type=1)
Res<-Res
names(Res@Classes[[1]])<-rep("red",length(Res@Classes[[1]]))
names(Res@Classes[[2]])<-rep("blue",length(Res@Classes[[2]]))
names(Res@Classes[[3]])<-rep("green",length(Res@Classes[[3]]))
Cols<-names(sort(c(Res@Classes[[1]],Res@Classes[[2]],Res@Classes[[3]])))
plot(x,y,type="p",col=Cols,lwd=2)
points(Res@Centers,pch=15,col=c("red","blue","green"))

# Example 2:
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library(MASS)
# Generate 10 bivariate normal samples
mu1 <- c(0, 0)
sigma1 <- matrix(c(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1), nrow=2)
SP1 <- mvrnorm(n=10, mu=mu1, Sigma=sigma1)

# Generate another 10 bivariate normal samples
mu2<-c(1,1)
sigma2<-matrix(c(1,0,0,1),nrow=2)
SP2<-mvrnorm(n=10,mu=mu2,Sigma=sigma2)

# Generate 10 more new bivariate normal samples
mu3<-c(2,2)
sigma3<-matrix(c(1,0.5,0.5,1),nrow=2)
SP3<-mvrnorm(n=10,mu=mu3,Sigma=sigma3)

# Combine the three groups of bivariate normal samples
data<-rbind(SP1,SP2,SP3)

# Conduct MKMeans analysis with K=4 and randomly picking four samples as initial cluster centers
Res<-MKMeans(data,4,data[sample(1:30,4),,],iteration=1000,tol=.95,type=1)
names(Res@Classes[[1]])<-rep("red",length(Res@Classes[[1]]))
names(Res@Classes[[2]])<-rep("blue",length(Res@Classes[[2]]))
names(Res@Classes[[3]])<-rep("green",length(Res@Classes[[3]]))
names(Res@Classes[[4]])<-rep("black",length(Res@Classes[[4]]))
Cols<-names(sort(c(Res@Classes[[1]],Res@Classes[[2]],Res@Classes[[3]],Res@Classes[[4]])))
plot(data[,1],data[,2],type="p",pch=19,col=Cols,lwd=2,xlab="",ylab="")
points(Res@Centers,pch=5,col=c("red","blue","green","black"))

```

C.f

*Finding the center of a cluster.***Description**

It's a function of finding the center of a cluster.

**Usage**

```
C.f(dat, type)
```

**Arguments**

dat	Numeric. A cluster matrix with each row being an observaion.
type	Integer. The type of distance between observations. 1 for Euclidean distance. 2 for Manhattan distance. 3 for maximum deviation along dimensions.

**Value**

A vector.

**Author(s)**

Yarong Yang

**Examples**

```
x<-rnorm(5,0,1)
y<-rnorm(5,1,1)
data<-cbind(x,y)
Res<-C.f(dat=data, type=1)
```

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Dist

*Finding the distance between two observations.*

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**Description**

It's a function of finding the distance between two observations.

**Usage**

```
Dist(x,y,type)
```

**Arguments**

x	Numeric. A vector denoting an observation.
y	Numeric. A vector denoting an observation.
type	Integer. The type of distance between observations. 1 for Euclidean distance. 2 for Manhattan distance. 3 for maximum deviation among dimensions.

**Value**

A numeric number.

**Examples**

```
x<-rnorm(10,0,1)
y<-rnorm(10,1,1)
z<-rnorm(10,2,1)
data<-cbind(x,y,z)
Res<-Dist(data[1,],data[2,], type=1)
```

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MKMean

*Class to contain the results from function MKMeans.*

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### Description

The function MKMeans return object of class MKMean that contains the number of clusters, the center of each cluster, and the observations in each cluster.

### Objects from the Class

```
new("MKMean",K=new("numeric"),Centers=new("matrix"),Classes=new("list"),Clusters=new("list"))
```

### Slots

**K:** An integer being the number of clusters.

**Centers:** A numeric matrix with each row being center of a cluster.

**Classes:** An integer list showing the original indexes of the observations in each cluster.

**Clusters:** A numeric list showing the observations in each cluster.

### Author(s)

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### References

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### Examples

```
showClass("MKMean")
```

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MKMeans

*Modern K-Means clustering.*

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### Description

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### Usage

```
MKMeans(data, K, initial, iteration, tol, type)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	Numeric. An observation matrix with each row being an observation.
<code>K</code>	Integer. The number of clusters expected.
<code>initial</code>	Numeric. Either the selected initial center matrix with each row being an observation, or 1 for the first K rows of the data matrix being the initial center.
<code>iteration</code>	Integer. The number of the most iterations wanted for the clustering process.
<code>tol</code>	Numeric. The minimum acceptable percentage of stable observations to stop the clustering process, basically greater than 0.5 to guarantee the value of the results.
<code>type</code>	Integer. The type of distance between observations. 1 for Euclidean distance. 2 for Manhattan distance. 3 for maximum deviation among dimensions.

**Value**

An object of class MKMean.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

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**Examples**

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library(MASS)
# Generate 10 bivariate normal samples
mu1 <- c(0, 0)
sigma1 <- matrix(c(1, 0.5, 0.5, 1), nrow=2)
SP1 <- mvrnorm(n=10, mu=mu1, Sigma=sigma1)

# Generate another 10 bivariate normal samples
mu2<-c(1,1)
sigma2<-matrix(c(1,0,0,1),nrow=2)
SP2<-mvrnorm(n=10,mu=mu2,Sigma=sigma2)

# Generate 10 more new bivariate normal samples
mu3<-c(2,2)
sigma3<-matrix(c(1,0.5,0.5,1),nrow=2)
SP3<-mvrnorm(n=10,mu=mu3,Sigma=sigma3)

# Combine the three groups of bivariate normal samples
data<-rbind(SP1,SP2,SP3)

# Conduct MKMeans analysis with K=3 and randomly picking three samples as initial cluster centers
Res<-MKMeans(data,3,data[sample(1:30,3),],iteration=1000,tol=.95,type=1)
names(Res@Classes[[1]])<-rep("red",length(Res@Classes[[1]]))
```

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names(Res@Classes[[2]])<-rep("blue",length(Res@Classes[[2]])
names(Res@Classes[[3]])<-rep("green",length(Res@Classes[[3]])
Cols<-names(sort(c(Res@Classes[[1]],Res@Classes[[2]],Res@Classes[[3]])))
plot(data[,1],data[,2],type="p",pch=19,col=Cols,lwd=2,xlab="",ylab="")
points(Res@Centers,pch=5,col=c("red","blue","green"))

# Compare the clustering results with the original samples
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
plot(data[,1],data[,2],type="p",pch=19,col=rep(c("sky blue","orange","purple"),rep(10,3)),
      lwd=2,xlab="",ylab="",main="Original Data")
plot(data[,1],data[,2],type="p",pch=19,col=Cols,lwd=2,xlab="",ylab="",
      main="MKMeans Clustering Results")
points(Res@Centers,pch=5,col=c("red","blue","green"))

# conduct MKMeans analysis with K=4 and randomly picking four samples as initial cluster centers
Res<-MKMeans(data,4,data[sample(1:30,4),],iteration=1000,tol=.95,type=1)
names(Res@Classes[[1]])<-rep("red",length(Res@Classes[[1]])
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Cols<-names(sort(c(Res@Classes[[1]],Res@Classes[[2]],Res@Classes[[3]],Res@Classes[[4]])))
plot(data[,1],data[,2],type="p",pch=19,col=Cols,lwd=2,xlab="",ylab="")
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plot(data[,1],data[,2],type="p",pch=19,col=Cols,lwd=2,xlab="",ylab="",
      main="MKMeans Clustering Results")
points(Res@Centers,pch=5,col=c("red","blue","green","black"))

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