

# Package ‘clusterGeneration’

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**Description** The package contains functions for generating random clusters, generating random covariance/correlation matrices, calculating a separation index (data and population version) for pairs of clusters or cluster distributions, and 1-D and 2-D projection plots to visualize clusters. The package also contains a function to generate random clusters based on factorial designs with factors such as degree of separation, number of clusters, number of variables, number of noisy variables.

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```
genPositiveDefMat  GENERATE A POSITIVE DEFINITE MATRIX/COVARIANCE MA-
                   TRIX
```

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### Description

Generate a positive definite matrix/covariance matrix.

### Usage

```
genPositiveDefMat(dim, covMethod=c("eigen", "onion", "c-vine", "unifcorrmat"),
                  alphad=1, eta=1, rangeVar=c(1,10), lambdaLow=1, ratioLambda=10)
```

### Arguments

dim	Dimension of the matrix to be generated.
covMethod	Method to generate positive definite matrices/covariance matrices. Choices are “eigen”, “onion”, “c-vine”, or “unifcorrmat”; see details below.
alphad	parameter for unifcorrmat method to generate random correlation matrix alphad=1 for uniform. alphad should be positive.
eta	parameter for “c-vine” and “onion” methods to generate random correlation matrix eta=1 for uniform. eta should be positive.
rangeVar	Range for variances of a covariance matrix (see details). The default range is [1, 10] which can generate reasonable variability of variances.
lambdaLow	Lower bound on the eigenvalues of cluster covariance matrices. If the argument covMethod="eigen", eigenvalues are generated for cluster covariance matrices. The eigenvalues are randomly generated from the interval [lambdaLow, lambdaLow*ratioLambda]. In our experience, lambdaLow= 1 and ratioLambda= 10 can give reasonable variability of the diameters of clusters. lambdaLow should be positive.
ratioLambda	The ratio of the upper bound of the eigenvalues to the lower bound of the eigenvalues of cluster covariance matrices. See lambdaLow.

### Details

The current version of the function `genPositiveDefMat` implements four methods to generate random covariance matrices. The first method, denoted by “eigen”, first randomly generates eigenvalues  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p)$  for the covariance matrix ( $\Sigma$ ), then uses columns of a randomly generated orthogonal matrix ( $Q = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p)$ ) as eigenvectors. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $Q * \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p) * Q^T$ .

The remaining methods, denoted as “onion”, “c-vine”, and “unifcorrmat” respectively, first generates a random correlation matrix ( $R$ ) via the method mentioned and proposed in Joe (2006), then randomly generates variances  $(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2)$  from an interval specified by the argument `rangeVar`. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $\text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p) * R * \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p)$ .

**Value**

egvalues        eigenvalues of Sigma  
 Sigma         positive definite matrix/covariance matrix

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**Examples**

```
genPositiveDefMat("unifcorrmat", dim=4)
genPositiveDefMat("eigen", dim=5)
```

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genRandomClust        *RANDOM CLUSTER GENERATION WITH SPECIFIED DEGREE OF SEPARATION*

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**Description**

Generate cluster data sets with specified degree of separation. The separation between any cluster and its nearest neighboring cluster can be set to a specified value. The covariance matrices of clusters can have arbitrary diameters, shapes and orientations.

**Usage**

```
genRandomClust (numClust,
                sepVal=0.01,
                numNonNoisy=2,
                numNoisy=0,
                numOutlier=0,
                numReplicate=3,
                fileName="test",
                clustszind=2,
                clustSizeEq=50,
                rangeN=c(50, 200),
```

```

clustSizes=NULL,
covMethod=c("eigen", "onion", "c-vine", "unifcorrmat"),
rangeVar=c(1, 10),
lambdaLow=1,
ratioLambda=10,
alphad=1,
eta=1,
rotateind=TRUE,
iniProjDirMethod=c("SL", "naive"),
projDirMethod=c("newton", "fixedpoint"),
alpha=0.05,
ITMAX=20,
eps=1.0e-10,
quiet=TRUE,
outputDatFlag=TRUE,
outputLogFlag=TRUE,
outputEmpirical=TRUE,
outputInfo=TRUE)

```

## Arguments

numClust	Number of clusters in a data set.
sepVal	Desired value of the separation index between a cluster and its nearest neighboring cluster. Theoretically, <code>sepVal</code> can take values within the interval $[-1, 1)$ (In practice, we set <code>sepVal</code> in $(-0.999, 0.999)$ ). The closer to 1 <code>sepVal</code> is, the more separated clusters are. The default value is 0.01 which is the value of the separation index for two univariate clusters generated from $N(0, 1)$ and $N(0, A)$ , respectively, where $A = 4$ . <code>sepVal = 0.01</code> indicates a close cluster structure. <code>sepVal = 0.21</code> ( $A = 6$ ) indicates a separated cluster structure. <code>sepVal = 0.34</code> ( $A = 8$ ) indicates a well-separated cluster.
numNonNoisy	Number of non-noisy variables.
numNoisy	Number of noisy variables. The default values of <code>numNoisy</code> and <code>numOutlier</code> are 0 so that we get <i>clean</i> data sets.
numOutlier	Number or ratio of outliers. If <code>numOutlier</code> is a positive integer, then <code>numOutlier</code> means the number of outliers. If <code>numOutlier</code> is a real number between $(0, 1)$ , then <code>numOutlier</code> means the ratio of outliers, i.e. the number of outliers is equal to $\text{round}(\text{numOutlier} * n_1)$ , where $n_1$ is the total number of non-outliers. If <code>numOutlier</code> is a real number greater than 1, then <code>numOutlier</code> is rounded to an integer. The default values of <code>numNoisy</code> and <code>numOutlier</code> are 0 so that we get 'clean' data sets.
numReplicate	Number of data sets to be generated for the same cluster structure specified by the other arguments of the function <code>genRandomClust</code> . The default value 3 follows the design in Milligan (1985).
fileName	The first part of the names of data files that record the generated data sets and associated information, such as cluster membership of data points, labels of noisy variables, separation index matrix, projection directions, etc. (see details). The default value of <code>fileName</code> is 'test'.

clustszind	Cluster size indicator. <code>clustszind= 1</code> indicates that all cluster have equal size. The size is specified by the argument <code>clustSizeEq</code> . <code>clustszind= 2</code> indicates that the cluster sizes are randomly generated from the range specified by the argument <code>rangeN</code> . <code>clustszind= 3</code> indicates that the cluster sizes are specified via the vector <code>clustSizes</code> . The default value is 2 so that the generated clusters are more realistic.
clustSizeEq	Cluster size. If the argument <code>clustszind= 1</code> , then all clusters will have the equal number <code>clustSizeEq</code> of data points. The value of <code>clustSizeEq</code> should be large enough to get non-singular cluster covariance matrices. We recommend the <code>clustSizeEq</code> is at least $10 * p$ , where $p$ is the total number of variables (including both non-noisy and noisy variables). The default value 100 is a reasonable cluster size.
rangeN	The range of cluster sizes. If <code>clustszind= 2</code> , then cluster sizes will be randomly generated from the range specified by <code>rangeN</code> . The lower bound of the number of clusters should be large enough to get non-singular cluster covariance matrices. We recommend the minimum cluster size is at least $10 * p$ , where $p$ is the total number of variables (including both non-noisy and noisy variables). The default range is [50, 200] which can produce reasonable variability of cluster sizes.
clustSizes	The sizes of clusters. If <code>clustszind= 3</code> , then cluster sizes will be specified via the vector <code>clustSizes</code> . We recommend the minimum cluster size is at least $10 * p$ , where $p$ is the total number of variables (including both non-noisy and noisy variables). The user needs to specify the value of <code>clustSizes</code> . Therefore, we set the default value of <code>clustSizes</code> as NULL.
covMethod	Method to generate covariance matrices for clusters (see details). The default method is 'eigen' so that the user can directly specify the range of the <i>diameters</i> of clusters.
rangeVar	Range for variances of a covariance matrix (see details). The default range is [1, 10] which can generate reasonable variability of variances.
lambdaLow	Lower bound of the eigenvalues of cluster covariance matrices. If the argument " <code>covMethod='eigen'</code> ", we need to generate eigenvalues for cluster covariance matrices. The eigenvalues are randomly generated from the interval [ <code>lambdaLow</code> , <code>lambdaLow*ratioLambda</code> ]. In our experience, <code>lambdaLow= 1</code> and <code>ratioLambda= 10</code> can give reasonable variability of the diameters of clusters. <code>lambdaLow</code> should be positive.
ratioLambda	The ratio of the upper bound of the eigenvalues to the lower bound of the eigenvalues of cluster covariance matrices. If the argument <code>covMethod='eigen'</code> , we need to generate eigenvalues for cluster covariance matrices. The eigenvalues are randomly generated from the interval [ <code>lambdaLow</code> , <code>lambdaLow*ratioLambda</code> ]. In our experience, <code>lambdaLow= 1</code> and <code>ratioLambda= 10</code> can give reasonable variability of the diameters of clusters. <code>ratioLambda</code> should be larger than 1.
alphad	parameter for <code>unifcorrmat</code> method to generate random correlation matrix <code>alphad=1</code> for uniform. <code>alphad</code> should be positive.
eta	parameter for "c-vine" and "onion" methods to generate random correlation matrix <code>eta=1</code> for uniform. <code>eta</code> should be positive.

rotateind	Rotation indicator. rotateind=TRUE indicates randomly rotating data in non-noisy dimensions so that we may not detect the full cluster structure from pair-wise scatter plots of the variables.
iniProjDirMethod	Indicating the method to get initial projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). iniProjDirMethod="SL", the default, indicates the initial projection direction is the sample version of the SL's projection direction (Su and Liu, 1993, JASA) $(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)^{-1}(\mu_2 - \mu_1)$ iniProjDirMethod="naive" indicates the initial projection direction is $\mu_2 - \mu_1$
projDirMethod	Indicating the method to get the optimal projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). projDirMethod="newton" indicates we use the modified Newton-Raphson method to search the optimal projection direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a). This requires the assumptions that both covariance matrices of the pair of clusters are positive-definite. If this assumption is violated, the "fixedpoint" method could be used. The "fixedpoint" method iteratively searches the optimal projection direction based on the first derivative of the separation index to the projection direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006b).
alpha	Tuning parameter reflecting the percentage in the two tails of a projected cluster that might be outlying. We set alpha= 0.05 like we set the significance level in hypothesis testing as 0.05.
ITMAX	Maximum iteration allowed when iteratively calculating the optimal projection direction. The actual number of iterations is usually much less than the default value 20.
eps	Convergence threshold. A small positive number to check if a quantity $q$ is equal to zero. If $ q  < \text{eps}$ , then we regard $q$ is equal to zero. eps is used to check if an algorithm converges. The default value is $1.0e - 10$ .
quiet	A flag to switch on/off the outputs of intermediate results and/or possible warning messages. The default value is TRUE.
outputDatFlag	Indicates if data set should be output to file.
outputLogFlag	Indicates if log info should be output to file.
outputEmpirical	Indicates if empirical separation indices and projection directions should be calculated. This option is useful when generating clusters with sizes which are not large enough so that the sample covariance matrices may be singular. Hence, by default, outputEmpirical=TRUE.
outputInfo	Indicates if theoretical and empirical separation information data frames should be output to a file with format '[fileName]_info.log'.

## Details

The function `genRandomClust` is an implementation of the random cluster generation method proposed in Qiu and Joe (2006a) which improve the cluster generation method proposed in Milligan

(1985) so that the degree of separation between any cluster and its nearest neighboring cluster could be set to a specified value while the cluster covariance matrices can be arbitrary positive definite matrices, and so that clusters generated might not be visualized by pair-wise scatterplots of variables. The separation between a pair of clusters is measured by the separation index proposed in Qiu and Joe (2006b).

The current version of the function `genRandomClust` implements two methods to generate covariance matrices for clusters. The first method, denoted by `eigen`, first randomly generates eigenvalues  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p)$  for the covariance matrix ( $\Sigma$ ), then uses columns of a randomly generated orthogonal matrix ( $Q = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p)$ ) as eigenvectors. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $Q * \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p) * Q^T$ . The second method, denoted as “unifcorrmax”, first generates a random correlation matrix ( $R$ ) via the method proposed in Joe (2006), then randomly generates variances  $(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2)$  from an interval specified by the argument `rangeVar`. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $\text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p) * R * \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p)$ .

For each data set generated, the function `genRandomClust` outputs four files: data file, log file, membership file, and noisy set file. All four files have the same format: ‘[fileName]\_[i].[extension]’, where  $i$  indicates the replicate number, and ‘extension’ can be ‘dat’, ‘log’, ‘mem’, and ‘noisy’.

The data file with file extension ‘dat’ contains  $n + 1$  rows and  $p$  columns, where  $n$  is the number of data points and  $p$  is the number of variables. The first row is the variable names. The log file with file extension ‘log’ contains information such as cluster sizes, mean vectors, covariance matrices, projection directions, separation index matrices, etc. The membership file with file extension ‘mem’ contains  $n$  rows and one column of cluster memberships for data points. The noisy set file with file extension ‘noisy’ contains a row of labels of noisy variables.

When generating clusters, population covariance matrices are all positive-definite. However sample covariance matrices might be semi-positive-definite due to small cluster sizes. In this case, the function `genRandomClust` will automatically use the “fixedpoint” method to search the optimal projection direction.

The current version of the function `genPositiveDefMat` implements four methods to generate random covariance matrices. The first method, denoted by “eigen”, first randomly generates eigenvalues  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p)$  for the covariance matrix ( $\Sigma$ ), then uses columns of a randomly generated orthogonal matrix ( $Q = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p)$ ) as eigenvectors. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $Q * \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p) * Q^T$ .

The remaining methods, denoted as “onion”, “c-vine”, and “unifcorrmat” respectively, first generates a random correlation matrix ( $R$ ) via the method mentioned and proposed in Joe (2006), then randomly generates variances  $(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2)$  from an interval specified by the argument `rangeVar`. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $\text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p) * R * \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p)$ .

## Value

The function outputs four data files for each data set (see details).

This function also returns separation information data frames `infoFrameTheory` and `infoFrameData` based on population and empirical mean vectors and covariance matrices of clusters for all the data sets generated. Both `infoFrameTheory` and `infoFrameData` contain the following seven columns:

- Column 1:        Labels of clusters  $(1, 2, \dots, \text{numClust})$ , where `numClust` is the number of clusters for the data set.
- Column 2:        Labels of the corresponding nearest neighbors.

Column 3: Separation indices of the clusters to their nearest neighboring clusters.  
 Column 4: Labels of the corresponding farthest neighboring clusters.  
 Column 5: Separation indices of the clusters to their farthest neighbors.  
 Column 6: Median separation indices of the clusters to their neighbors.  
 Column 7: Data file names with format '[fileName]\_[i]', where  $i$  indicates the replicate number.

datList: a list of data matrices for generated data sets.  
 memList: a list of cluster memberships for data points for generated data sets.  
 noisyList: a list of sets of noisy variables for generated data sets.

### Note

This function might be take a while to complete.

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### Examples

```
## Not run:
tmp1 <- genRandomClust(numClust=7, sepVal=0.3, numNonNoisy=5,
                      numNoisy=3, numOutlier=5, numReplicate=2, fileName="chk1")
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
tmp2 <- genRandomClust(numClust=7, sepVal=0.3, numNonNoisy=5,
                      numNoisy=3, numOutlier=5, numReplicate=2,
```

```

                                covMethod="unifcorrmat", fileName="chk2")
## End(Not run)
## Not run:
tmp3 <- genRandomClust(numClust=2, sepVal=-0.1, numNonNoisy=2,
                        numNoisy=6, numOutlier=30, numReplicate=1,
                        clustszind=1, clustSizeEq=80, rangeVar=c(10, 20),
                        covMethod="unifcorrmat", iniProjDirMethod="naive",
                        projDirMethod="fixedpoint", fileName="chk3")
## End(Not run)

```

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getSepProj

*OPTIMAL PROJECTION DIRECTION AND CORRESPONDING  
SEPARATION INDEX FOR PAIRS OF CLUSTERS*

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### Description

Optimal projection direction and corresponding separation index for pairs of clusters.

### Usage

```

getSepProjTheory(muMat, SigmaArray,
                 iniProjDirMethod=c("SL", "naive"),
                 projDirMethod=c("newton", "fixedpoint"),
                 alpha=0.05, ITMAX=20, eps=1.0e-10, quiet=TRUE)

getSepProjData(y, cl,
               iniProjDirMethod=c("SL", "naive"),
               projDirMethod=c("newton", "fixedpoint"),
               alpha=0.05, ITMAX=20, eps=1.0e-10, quiet=TRUE)

```

### Arguments

muMat	Matrix of mean vectors. Rows correspond to mean vectors for clusters.
SigmaArray	Array of covariance matrices. SigmaArray[, , i] record the covariance matrix of the i-th cluster.
y	Data matrix. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.
cl	Cluster membership vector.
iniProjDirMethod	Indicating the method to get initial projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). iniProjDirMethod="SL" indicates the initial projection direction is the sample version of the SL's projection direction (Su and Liu, 1993) $(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)^{-1}(\mu_2 - \mu_1)$ iniProjDirMethod="naive" indicates the initial projection direction is $\mu_2 - \mu_1$

projDirMethod	Indicating the method to get the optimal projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). projDirMethod="newton" indicates we use the Newton-Raphson method to search the optimal projection direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a). This requires the assumptions that both covariance matrices of the pair of clusters are positive-definite. If this assumption is violated, the "fixedpoint" method could be used. The "fixedpoint" method iteratively searches the optimal projection direction based on the first derivative of the separation index to the project direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006b).
alpha	Tuning parameter reflecting the percentage in the two tails of a projected cluster that might be outlying. We set alpha= 0.05 like we set the significance level in hypothesis testing as 0.05.
ITMAX	Maximum iteration allowed when to iteratively calculate the optimal projection direction. The actual number of iterations is usually much less than the default value 20.
eps	Convergence threshold. A small positive number to check if a quantity $q$ is equal to zero. If $ q  < \text{eps}$ , then we regard $q$ as equal to zero. eps is used to check if an algorithm converges. The default value is $1.0e - 10$ .
quiet	A flag to switch on/off the outputs of intermediate results and/or possible warning messages. The default value is TRUE.

## Details

When calculating the optimal projection direction and corresponding optimal separation index for a pair of cluster, if one or both cluster covariance matrices is/are singular, the 'newton' method can not be used. In this case, the functions `getSepProjTheory` and `getSepProjData` will automatically use the 'fixedpoint' method to search the optimal projection direction, even if the user specifies the value of the argument `projDirMethod` as 'newton'. Also, multiple initial projection directions will be evaluated.

Specifically,  $2 + 2p$  projection directions will be evaluated. The first projection direction is the "naive" direction  $\mu_2 - \mu_1$ . The second projection direction is the "SL" projection direction  $(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)^{-1}(\mu_2 - \mu_1)$ . The next  $p$  projection directions are the  $p$  eigenvectors of the covariance matrix of the first cluster. The remaining  $p$  projection directions are the  $p$  eigenvectors of the covariance matrix of the second cluster.

Each of these  $2 + 2 * p$  projection directions are in turn used as the initial projection direction for the 'fixedpoint' algorithm to obtain the optimal projection direction and the corresponding optimal separation index. We also obtain  $2 + 2 * p$  separation indices by projecting two clusters along each of these  $2 + 2 * p$  projection directions.

Finally, the projection direction with the largest separation index among the  $2 * (2 + 2 * p)$  optimal separation indices is chosen as the optimal projection direction. The corresponding separation index is chosen as the optimal separation index.

## Value

sepValMat	Separation index matrix
projDirArray	Array of projection directions for each pair of clusters

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**Examples**

```
n1<-50
mu1<-c(0,0)
Sigma1<-matrix(c(2,1,1,5),2,2)
n2<-100
mu2<-c(10,0)
Sigma2<-matrix(c(5,-1,-1,2),2,2)
projDir<-c(1,0)
muMat<-rbind(mu1, mu2)
SigmaArray<-array(0, c(2,2,2))
SigmaArray[,,1]<-Sigma1
SigmaArray[,,2]<-Sigma2

a<-getSepProjTheory(muMat, SigmaArray, iniProjDirMethod="SL")
# separation index for cluster distributions 1 and 2
a$sepValMat[1,2]
# projection direction for cluster distributions 1 and 2
a$projDirArray[1,2,]

library(MASS)
y1<-mvrnorm(n1, mu1, Sigma1)
y2<-mvrnorm(n2, mu2, Sigma2)
y<-rbind(y1, y2)
cl<-rep(1:2, c(n1, n2))

b<-getSepProjData(y, cl, iniProjDirMethod="SL", projDirMethod="newton")
# separation index for clusters 1 and 2
b$sepValMat[1,2]
# projection direction for clusters 1 and 2
b$projDirArray[1,2,]
```

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```
nearestNeighborSepVal
```

*SEPARATON INFORMATION MATRIX*

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### Description

Separation information matrix containing the nearest neighbor and farthest neighbor of each cluster.

### Usage

```
nearestNeighborSepVal (sepValMat)
```

### Arguments

`sepValMat` a  $K$  by  $K$  matrix, where  $K$  is the number of clusters. `sepValMat[i, j]` is the separation index between cluster  $i$  and  $j$ .

### Value

This function returns a separation information matrix containing  $K$  rows and the following six columns, where  $K$  is the number of clusters.

Column 1:	Labels of clusters $(1, 2, \dots, numClust)$ , where $numClust$ is the number of clusters for the data set.
Column 2:	Labels of the corresponding nearest neighbors.
Column 3:	Separation indices of the clusters to their nearest neighboring clusters.
Column 4:	Labels of the corresponding farthest neighboring clusters.
Column 5:	Separation indices of the clusters to their farthest neighbors.
Column 6:	Median separation indices of the clusters to their neighbors.

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**Examples**

```

n1<-50
mu1<-c(0,0)
Sigma1<-matrix(c(2,1,1,5),2,2)
n2<-100
mu2<-c(10,0)
Sigma2<-matrix(c(5,-1,-1,2),2,2)
n3<-30
mu3<-c(10,10)
Sigma3<-matrix(c(3,1.5,1.5,1),2,2)

projDir<-c(1, 0)
muMat<-rbind(mu1, mu2, mu3)
SigmaArray<-array(0, c(2,2,3))
SigmaArray[,,1]<-Sigma1
SigmaArray[,,2]<-Sigma2
SigmaArray[,,3]<-Sigma3

tmp<-getSepProjTheory(muMat, SigmaArray, iniProjDirMethod="SL")
sepValMat<-tmp$sepValMat
nearestNeighborSepVal(sepValMat)

```

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plot1DProjection    *PLOT A PAIR OF CLUSTERS AND THEIR DENSITY ESTIMATES, WHICH ARE PROJECTED ALONG A SPECIFIED 1-D PROJECTION DIRECTION*

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**Description**

Plot a pair of clusters and their density estimates, which are projected along a specified 1-D projection direction.

**Usage**

```

plot1DProjection(y1, y2, projDir,
  sepValMethod=c("normal", "quantile"), bw="nrd0",
  xlim=NULL, ylim=NULL,
  xlab="1-D projected clusters", ylab="density estimates",
  title="1-D Projected Clusters and their density estimates",
  font=2, font.lab=2, cex=1.2, cex.lab=1.2, cex.main=1.5,
  lwd=4, lty1=1, lty2=2, pch1=18, pch2=19, col1=2, col2=4,
  type="l", alpha=0.05, eps=1.0e-10, quiet=TRUE)

```

**Arguments**

y1	Data matrix of cluster 1. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.
y2	Data matrix of cluster 2. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.

projDir	1-D projection direction along which two clusters will be projected.
sepValMethod	Method to calculate separation index for a pair of clusters projected onto a 1-D space. <code>sepValMethod="quantile"</code> indicates the quantile version of separation index will be used: $sepVal = (L_2 - U_1)/(U_2 - L_1)$ where $L_i$ and $U_i$ , $i = 1, 2$ , are the lower and upper $\alpha/2$ sample percentiles of projected cluster $i$ . <code>sepValMethod="normal"</code> indicates the normal version of separation index will be used: $sepVal = [(xbar_2 - xbar_1) - z_{\alpha/2}(s_1 + s_2)]/[(xbar_2 - xbar_1) + z_{\alpha/2}(s_1 + s_2)]$ , where $xbar_i$ and $s_i$ are the sample mean and standard deviation of projected cluster $i$ .
bw	The smoothing bandwidth to be used by the function density.
xlim	Range of X axis.
ylim	Range of Y axis.
xlab	X axis label.
ylab	Y axis label.
title	Title of the plot.
font	An integer which specifies which font to use for text (see <code>par</code> ).
font.lab	The font to be used for x and y labels (see <code>par</code> ).
cex	A numerical value giving the amount by which plotting text and symbols should be scaled relative to the default (see <code>par</code> ).
cex.lab	The magnification to be used for x and y labels relative to the current setting of 'cex' (see <code>par</code> ).
cex.main	The magnification to be used for main titles relative to the current setting of 'cex' (see <code>par</code> ).
lwd	The line width, a <code>_positive_</code> number, defaulting to '1' (see <code>par</code> ).
lty1	Line type for cluster 1 (see <code>par</code> ).
lty2	Line type for cluster 2 (see <code>par</code> ).
pch1	Either an integer specifying a symbol or a single character to be used as the default in plotting points for cluster 1 (see <code>points</code> ).
pch2	Either an integer specifying a symbol or a single character to be used as the default in plotting points for cluster 2 (see <code>points</code> ).
col1	Color to indicates cluster 1.
col2	Color to indicates cluster 2.
type	What type of plot should be drawn (see <code>plot</code> ).
alpha	Tuning parameter reflecting the percentage in the two tails of a projected cluster that might be outlying.
eps	A small positive number to check if a quantity $q$ is equal to zero. If $ q  < \text{eps}$ , then we regard $q$ as equal to zero. <code>eps</code> is used to check the denominator in the formula of the separation index is equal to zero. Zero-value denominator indicates two clusters are totally overlapped. Hence the separation index is set to be $-1$ . The default value of <code>eps</code> is $1.0e - 10$ .
quiet	A flag to switch on/off the outputs of intermediate results and/or possible warning messages. The default value is <code>TRUE</code> .

**Details**

The ticks along X axis indicates the positions of points of the projected two clusters. The positions of  $L_i$  and  $U_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are also indicated on X axis, where  $L_i$  and  $U_i$  are the lower and upper  $\alpha/2$  sample percentiles of cluster  $i$  if `sepValMethod="quantile"`. If `sepValMethod="normal"`,  $L_i = \bar{x}_{i} - z_{\alpha/2}s_i$ , where  $\bar{x}_{i}$  and  $s_i$  are the sample mean and standard deviation of cluster  $i$ , and  $z_{\alpha/2}$  is the upper  $\alpha/2$  percentile of standard normal distribution.

**Value**

`sepVal` value of the separation index for the projected two clusters along the projection direction `projDir`.

`projDir` projection direction. To make sure the projected cluster 1 is on the left-hand side of the projected cluster 2, the input `projDir` might be changed to `-projDir`.

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**References**

Qiu, W.-L. and Joe, H. (2006) Separation Index and Partial Membership for Clustering. *Computational Statistics and Data Analysis*, **50**, 585–603.

**See Also**

[plot2DProjection](#) [viewClusters](#)

**Examples**

```
n1<-50
mu1<-c(0,0)
Sigma1<-matrix(c(2,1,1,5),2,2)
n2<-100
mu2<-c(10,0)
Sigma2<-matrix(c(5,-1,-1,2),2,2)
projDir<-c(1,0)

library(MASS)
set.seed(1234)
y1<-mvrnorm(n1, mu1, Sigma1)
y2<-mvrnorm(n2, mu2, Sigma2)
y<-rbind(y1, y2)
cl<-rep(1:2, c(n1, n2))

b<-getSepProjData(y, cl, iniProjDirMethod="SL", projDirMethod="newton")
# projection direction for clusters 1 and 2
projDir<-b$projDirArray[1,2,]

plot1DProjection(y1, y2, projDir)
```

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plot2DProjection *PLOT A PAIR OF CLUSTERS ALONG A 2-D PROJECTION SPACE*

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### Description

Plot a pair of clusters along a 2-D projection space.

### Usage

```
plot2DProjection(y1, y2, projDir,
  sepValMethod=c("normal", "quantile"),
  iniProjDirMethod=c("SL", "naive"),
  projDirMethod=c("newton", "fixedpoint"),
  xlim=NULL, ylim=NULL,
  xlab="1st projection direction",
  ylab="2nd projection direction",
  title="Scatter plot of 2-D Projected Clusters",
  font=2, font.lab=2, cex=1.2, cex.lab=1, cex.main=1.5,
  lwd=4, lty1=1, lty2=2, pch1=18, pch2=19, col1=2, col2=4,
  alpha=0.05, ITMAX=20, eps=1.0e-10, quiet=TRUE)
```

### Arguments

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|------------------|--|
| y1               | Data matrix of cluster 1. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.  |
| y2               | Data matrix of cluster 2. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.  |
| projDir          | 1-D projection direction along which two clusters will be projected.   |
| sepValMethod     | Method to calculate separation index for a pair of clusters projected onto a 1-D space. <code>sepValMethod="quantile"</code> indicates the quantile version of separation index will be used: $sepVal = (L_2 - U_1)/(U_2 - L_1)$ where $L_i$ and $U_i$ , $i = 1, 2$ , are the lower and upper $\alpha/2$ sample percentiles of projected cluster $i$ . <code>sepValMethod="normal"</code> indicates the normal version of separation index will be used: $sepVal = [(xbar_2 - xbar_1) - z_{\alpha/2}(s_1 + s_2)]/[(xbar_2 - xbar_1) + z_{\alpha/2}(s_1 + s_2)]$ , where $xbar_i$ and $s_i$ are the sample mean and standard deviation of projected cluster $i$ . |
| iniProjDirMethod | Indicating the method to get initial projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). <code>iniProjDirMethod="SL"</code> indicates the initial projection direction is the sample version of the SL's projection direction (Su and Liu, 1993) $(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)^{-1}(\mu_2 - \mu_1)$ <code>iniProjDirMethod="naive"</code> indicates the initial projection direction is $\mu_2 - \mu_1$   |
| projDirMethod    | Indicating the method to get the optimal projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b).   |

`projDirMethod="newton"` indicates we use the Newton-Raphson method to search the optimal projection direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a). This requires the assumptions that both covariance matrices of the pair of clusters are positive-definite. If this assumption is violated, the “fixedpoint” method could be used. The “fixedpoint” method iteratively searches the optimal projection direction based on the first derivative of the separation index to the project direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006b).

<code>xlim</code>	Range of X axis.
<code>ylim</code>	Range of Y axis.
<code>xlab</code>	X axis label.
<code>ylab</code>	Y axis label.
<code>title</code>	Title of the plot.
<code>font</code>	An integer which specifies which font to use for text (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>font.lab</code>	The font to be used for x and y labels (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>cex</code>	A numerical value giving the amount by which plotting text and symbols should be scaled relative to the default (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>cex.lab</code>	The magnification to be used for x and y labels relative to the current setting of ‘ <code>cex</code> ’ (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>cex.main</code>	The magnification to be used for main titles relative to the current setting of ‘ <code>cex</code> ’ (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>lwd</code>	The line width, a <code>_positive_</code> number, defaulting to ‘1’ (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>lty1</code>	Line type for cluster 1 (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>lty2</code>	Line type for cluster 2 (see <code>par</code> ).
<code>pch1</code>	Either an integer specifying a symbol or a single character to be used as the default in plotting points for cluster 1 (see <code>points</code> ).
<code>pch2</code>	Either an integer specifying a symbol or a single character to be used as the default in plotting points for cluster 2 (see <code>points</code> ).
<code>col1</code>	Color to indicates cluster 1.
<code>col2</code>	Color to indicates cluster 2.
<code>alpha</code>	Tuning parameter reflecting the percentage in the two tails of a projected cluster that might be outlying.
<code>ITMAX</code>	Maximum iteration allowed when iteratively calculating the optimal projection direction. The actual number of iterations is usually much less than the default value 20.
<code>eps</code>	A small positive number to check if a quantity $q$ is equal to zero. If $ q  < \text{eps}$ , then we regard $q$ as equal to zero. <code>eps</code> is used to check the denominator in the formula of the separation index is equal to zero. Zero-value denominator indicates two clusters are totally overlapped. Hence the separation index is set to be $-1$ . The default value of <code>eps</code> is $1.0e - 10$ .
<code>quiet</code>	A flag to switch on/off the outputs of intermediate results and/or possible warning messages. The default value is <code>TRUE</code> .

## Details

To get the second projection direction, we first construct an orthogonal matrix with first column `projDir`. Then we rotate the data points according to this orthogonal matrix. Next, we remove the first dimension of the rotated data points, and obtain the optimal projection direction `projDir2` for the rotated data points in the remaining dimensions. Finally, we rotate the vector `projDir3 = (0, projDir2)` back to the original space. The vector `projDir3` is the second projection direction.

The ticks along X axis indicates the positions of points of the projected two clusters. The positions of  $L_i$  and  $U_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , are also indicated on X axis, where  $L_i$  and  $U_i$  are the lower and upper  $\alpha/2$  sample percentiles of cluster  $i$  if `sepValMethod="quantile"`. If `sepValMethod="normal"`,  $L_i = \bar{x}_{bar_i} - z_{\alpha/2} s_i$ , where  $\bar{x}_{bar_i}$  and  $s_i$  are the sample mean and standard deviation of cluster  $i$ , and  $z_{\alpha/2}$  is the upper  $\alpha/2$  percentile of standard normal distribution.

## Value

<code>sepValx</code>	value of the separation index for the projected two clusters along the 1st projection direction.
<code>sepValy</code>	value of the separation index for the projected two clusters along the 2nd projection direction.
<code>Q2</code>	1st column is the 1st projection direction. 2nd column is the 2nd projection direction.

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## See Also

[plot1DProjection](#) [viewClusters](#)

## Examples

```
n1<-50
mu1<-c(0,0)
Sigma1<-matrix(c(2,1,1,5),2,2)
n2<-100
mu2<-c(10,0)
Sigma2<-matrix(c(5,-1,-1,2),2,2)
projDir<-c(1,0)

library(MASS)
set.seed(1234)
```

```

y1<-mvrnorm(n1, mu1, Sigma1)
y2<-mvrnorm(n2, mu2, Sigma2)
y<-rbind(y1, y2)
cl<-rep(1:2, c(n1, n2))

b<-getSepProjData(y, cl, iniProjDirMethod="SL", projDirMethod="newton")
# projection direction for clusters 1 and 2
projDir<-b$projDirArray[1,2,]

par(mfrow=c(2,1))
plot1DProjection(y1, y2, projDir)
plot2DProjection(y1, y2, projDir)

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rcorrmatrix	<i>GENERATE A RANDOM CORRELATION MATRIX BASED ON RANDOM PARTIAL CORRELATIONS</i>
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### Description

Generate a random correlation matrix based on random partial correlations.

### Usage

```
rcorrmatrix(d, alphad=1)
```

### Arguments

d	Dimension of the matrix. d should be a non-negative integer.
alphad	$\alpha$ parameter for partial of 1, d given $2, \dots, d - 1$ , for generating random correlation matrix based on the method proposed by Joe (2006), where d is the dimension of the correlation matrix. The default value alphad= 1 leads to a random matrix which is uniform over space of positive definite correlation matrices. Each correlation has a $Beta(a, a)$ distribution on $(-1, 1)$ where $a = alphad + (d - 2)/2$ . alphad should be a positive number.

### Value

A correlation matrix.

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### References

Joe, H. (2006) Generating Random Correlation Matrices Based on Partial Correlations. *Journal of Multivariate Analysis*, **97**, 2177–2189.

**Examples**

```
rcorrmatrix(3)
rcorrmatrix(5)
rcorrmatrix(5, alphas=2.5)
```

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sepIndex	<i>MEASURE THE MAGNITUDE OF THE GAP OR SPARSE AREA BETWEEN A PAIR OF CLUSTERS ALONG THE SPECIFIED PROJECTION DIRECTION</i>
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**Description**

Measure the magnitude of the gap or sparse area between a pair of clusters (or cluster distributions) along the specified projection direction.

**Usage**

```
sepIndexTheory(projDir, mu1, Sigma1, mu2, Sigma2,
               alpha=0.05, eps=1.0e-10, quiet=TRUE)

sepIndexData(projDir, y1, y2, alpha=0.05, eps=1.0e-10, quiet=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

projDir	Projection direction.
mu1	Mean vector of cluster 1.
Sigma1	Covariance matrix of cluster 1.
mu2	Mean vector of cluster 2.
Sigma2	Covariance matrix of cluster 2.
y1	Data matrix of cluster 1. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.
y2	Data matrix of cluster 2. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.
alpha	Tuning parameter reflecting the percentage in the two tails of a projected cluster that might be outlying. We set <code>alpha= 0.05</code> like we set the significance level in hypothesis testing as 0.05.
eps	Convergence threshold. A small positive number to check if a quantity $q$ is equal to zero. If $ q  < \text{eps}$ , then we regard $q$ is equal to zero. <code>eps</code> is used to check if an algorithm converges. The default value is $1.0e - 10$ .
quiet	A flag to switch on/off the outputs of intermediate results and/or possible warning messages. The default value is <code>TRUE</code> .

**Value**

The value of the separation index defined in Qiu and Joe (2006).

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**Examples**

```
n1<-50
mu1<-c(0,0)
Sigma1<-matrix(c(2,1,1,5),2,2)
n2<-100
mu2<-c(10,0)
Sigma2<-matrix(c(5,-1,-1,2),2,2)
projDir<-c(1,0)
sepIndexTheory(projDir, mu1, Sigma1, mu2, Sigma2)

library(MASS)
y1<-mvrnorm(n1, mu1, Sigma1)
y2<-mvrnorm(n2, mu2, Sigma2)
sepIndexData(projDir, y1, y2)
```

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 simClustDesign

*DESIGN FOR RANDOM CLUSTER GENERATION WITH SPECIFIED DEGREE OF SEPARATION*

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**Description**

Generating data sets via a factorial design, which has factors: degree of separation, number of clusters, number of non-noisy variables, number of noisy variables. The separation between any cluster and its nearest neighboring clusters can be set to a specified value. The covariance matrices of clusters can have arbitrary diameters, shapes and orientations.

**Usage**

```
simClustDesign(numClust=c(3,6,9),
               sepVal=c(0.01, 0.21, 0.342),
               sepLabels=c("L", "M", "H"),
               numNonNoisy=c(4,8,20),
               numNoisy=NULL,
               numOutlier=0,
               numReplicate=3,
               fileName="test",
               clustszind=2,
```

```

clustSizeEq=50,
rangeN=c(50,200),
clustSizes=NULL,
covMethod=c("eigen", "onion", "c-vine", "unifcorrmat"),
rangeVar=c(1, 10),
lambdaLow=1,
ratioLambda=10,
alphad=1,
eta=1,
rotateind=TRUE,
iniProjDirMethod=c("SL", "naive"),
projDirMethod=c("newton", "fixedpoint"),
alpha=0.05,
ITMAX=20,
eps=1.0e-10,
quiet=TRUE,
outputDatFlag=TRUE,
outputLogFlag=TRUE,
outputEmpirical=TRUE,
outputInfo=TRUE)

```

### Arguments

numClust	Vector of the number of clusters for data sets in the design.
sepVal	Vector of desired values of the separation index between clusters and their nearest neighboring clusters. Each element of <code>sepVal</code> can take values within the interval $[-1, 1)$ . The closer to 1 an element of <code>sepVal</code> is, the more separated the pair of clusters are. The values 0.01, 0.21, 0.34 are the values of the separation index for two univariate clusters generated from $N(0, 1)$ and $N(0, A)$ , where $A = 4, 6, 8$ , respectively. <code>sepVal = 0.01 (A = 4)</code> indicates a close cluster structure. <code>sepVal = 0.21 (A = 6)</code> indicates a separated cluster structure. <code>sepVal = 0.34 (A = 8)</code> indicates a well-separated cluster.
sepLabels	Labels for "close", "separated", and "well-separated" cluster structures. By default, "L" (low) means "close", "M" (medium) means "separated", "H" (high) means "well-separated".
numNonNoisy	Vector of the number of non-noisy variables.
numNoisy	Vectors of the number of noisy variables. The default value of <code>numNoisy</code> is NULL so that the program can automatically assign the value of <code>numNoisy</code> as a vector with elements $1, \text{round}(p1/2), p1$ .
numOutlier	The number or ratio of outliers. If <code>numOutlier</code> is a positive integer, then <code>numOutlier</code> means the number of outliers. If <code>numOutlier</code> is a real number between $(0, 1)$ , then <code>numOutlier</code> means the ratio of outliers, i.e. the number of outliers is equal to $\text{round}(\text{numOutlier} * n_1)$ , where $n_1$ is the total number of non-outliers. If <code>numOutlier</code> is a real number greater than 1, then <code>numOutlier</code> is rounded to an integer.
numReplicate	Number of data sets to be generated for the same cluster structure specified by the other arguments of the function <code>genRandomClust</code> . The default value 3 follows the design in Milligan (1985).

fileName	The first part of the names of data files that record the generated data sets and associated information, such as cluster membership of data points, labels of noisy variables, separation index matrix, projection directions, etc. (see details). The default value of fileName is "test".
clustszind	Cluster size indicator. clustszind= 1 indicates that all cluster have equal size. The size is specified by the argument clustSizeEq. clustszind= 2 indicates that the cluster sizes are randomly generated from the range specified by the argument rangeN. clustszind= 3 indicates that the cluster sizes are specified via the vector clustSizes. The default value is 2 so that the generated clusters are more realistic.
clustSizeEq	Cluster size. If the argument clustszind= 1, then all clusters will have the equal number clustSizeEq of data points. The value of clustSizeEq should be large enough to get non-singular cluster covariance matrices. We recommend the clustSizeEq is at least $10 * p$ , where $p$ is the total number of variables (including both non-noisy and noisy variables). The default value 100 is a reasonable cluster size.
rangeN	The range of cluster sizes. If clustszind= 2, then cluster sizes will be randomly generated from the range specified by rangeN. The lower bound of the number of clusters should be large enough to get non-singular cluster covariance matrices. We recommend the minimum cluster size is at least $10 * p$ , where $p$ is the total number of variables (including both non-noisy and noisy variables). The default range is [50, 200] which can produce reasonable variability of cluster sizes.
clustSizes	The sizes of clusters. If clustszind= 3, then cluster sizes will be specified by the vector clustSizes. We recommend the minimum cluster size is at least $10 * p$ , where $p$ is the total number of variables (including both non-noisy and noisy variables). The user needs to specify the value of clustSizes. Therefore, we set the default value of clustSizes as NULL.
covMethod	Method to generate covariance matrices for clusters (see details). The default method is 'eigen' so that the user can directly specify the range of the diameters of clusters.
rangeVar	Range for variances of a covariance matrix (see details). The default range is [1, 10] which can generate reasonable variability of variances.
lambdaLow	Lower bound of the eigenvalues of cluster covariance matrices. If the argument covMethod="eigen", we need to generate eigenvalues for cluster covariance matrices. The eigenvalues are randomly generated from the interval [lambdaLow, lambdaLow*ratioLambda]. In our experience, lambdaLow= 1 and ratioLambda= 10 can give reasonable variability of the diameters of clusters. lambdaLow should be positive.
ratioLambda	The ratio of the upper bound of the eigenvalues to the lower bound of the eigenvalues of cluster covariance matrices. If the argument covMethod="eigen", we need to generate eigenvalues for cluster covariance matrices. The eigenvalues are randomly generated from the interval [lambdaLow, lambdaLow*ratioLambda]. In our experience, lambdaLow= 1 and ratioLambda= 10 can give reasonable variability of the diameters of clusters. ratioLambda should be larger than 1.

alphad	parameter for <code>unifcorrmat</code> method to generate random correlation matrix <code>alphad=1</code> for uniform. <code>alphad</code> should be positive.
eta	parameter for “c-vine” and “onion” methods to generate random correlation matrix <code>eta=1</code> for uniform. <code>eta</code> should be positive.
rotateind	Rotation indicator. <code>rotateind=TRUE</code> indicates randomly rotating data in non-noisy dimensions so that we may not detect the full cluster structure from pair-wise scatter plots of the variables.
iniProjDirMethod	Indicating the method to get initial projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). <code>iniProjDirMethod=“SL”</code> , the default, indicates the initial projection direction is the sample version of the SL’s projection direction (Su and Liu, 1993, JASA) $(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2)^{-1}(\mu_2 - \mu_1)$ <code>iniProjDirMethod=“naive”</code> indicates the initial projection direction is $\mu_2 - \mu_1$
projDirMethod	Indicating the method to get the optimal projection direction when calculating the separation index between a pair of clusters (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a, 2006b). <code>projDirMethod=“newton”</code> indicates we use the modified Newton-Raphson method to search the optimal projection direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006a). This requires the assumptions that both covariance matrices of the pair of clusters are positive-definite. If this assumption is violated, the “fixedpoint” method could be used. The “fixedpoint” method iteratively searches the optimal projection direction based on the first derivative of the separation index to the projection direction (c.f. Qiu and Joe, 2006b).
alpha	Tuning parameter reflecting the percentage in the two tails of a projected cluster that might be outlying. We set <code>alpha= 0.05</code> like we set the significance level in hypothesis testing as 0.05.
ITMAX	Maximum iteration allowed when to iteratively calculating the optimal projection direction. The actual number of iterations is usually much less than the default value 20.
eps	Convergence threshold. A small positive number to check if a quantity $q$ is equal to zero. If $ q  < \text{eps}$ , then we regard $q$ as equal to zero. <code>eps</code> is used to check if an algorithm converges. The default value is $1.0e - 10$ .
quiet	A flag to switch on/off the outputs of intermediate results and/or possible warning messages. The default value is <code>TRUE</code> .
outputDatFlag	Indicates if data set should be output to file.
outputLogFlag	Indicates if log info should be output to file.
outputEmpirical	Indicates if empirical separation indices and projection directions should be calculated. This option is useful when generating clusters with sizes which are not large enough so that the sample covariance matrices may be singular. Hence, by default, <code>outputEmpirical=TRUE</code> .
outputInfo	Indicates if theoretical and empirical separation information data frames should be output to a file with format ‘[fileName]_info.log’.

## Details

The function `simClustDesign` is an implementation of the design for generating random clusters proposed in Qiu and Joe (2006a). In the design, the degree of separation between any cluster and its nearest neighboring cluster could be set to a specified value while the cluster covariance matrices can be arbitrary positive definite matrices, and so that clusters generated might not be visualized by pair-wise scatterplots of variables. The separation between a pair of clusters is measured by the separation index proposed in Qiu and Joe (2006b).

The current version of the function `simClustDesign` implements two methods to generate covariance matrices for clusters. The first method, denoted by `eigen`, first randomly generates eigenvalues  $(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p)$  for the covariance matrix ( $\Sigma$ ), then uses columns of a randomly generated orthogonal matrix ( $Q = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p)$ ) as eigenvectors. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $Q * \text{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_p) * Q^T$ . The second method, denoted as `unifcorrmat`, first generates a random correlation matrix ( $R$ ) via the method proposed in Joe (2006), then randomly generates variances  $(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_p^2)$  from an interval specified by the argument `rangeVar`. The covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  is then constructed as  $\text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p) * R * \text{diag}(\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p)$ .

For each data set generated, the function `simClustDesign` outputs four files: data file, log file, membership file, and noisy set file. All four files have the same format:

`'[fileName]J[j]G[g]v[p1]nv[p2]out[numOutlier]_[numReplicate].[extension]'`

where 'extension' can be 'dat', 'log', 'mem', or 'noisy'. 'J' indicates separation index, with 'j' indicating the level of the factor 'separation index'; 'G' indicates number of clusters, with 'g' indicating the level of the factor 'number of clusters'; 'v' indicates the number of non-noisy variables, with 'p1' indicating the level of the factor 'number of non-noisy variables'; 'nv' indicates the number of noisy variables, with 'p2' indicating the level of the factor 'number of noisy variables'; 'out' indicates number of outliers, with 'numOutlier' indicating the value of the argument `numOutlier` of the function `simClustDesign`; 'numReplicate' indicates the value of the argument `numReplicate` of the function `simClustDesign`.

The data file with file extension 'dat' contains  $n + 1$  rows and  $p$  columns, where  $n$  is the number of data points and  $p$  is the number of variables. The first row is the variable names. The log file with file extension 'log' contains information such as cluster sizes, mean vectors, covariance matrices, projection directions, separation index matrices, etc. The membership file with file extension 'mem' contains  $n$  rows and one column of cluster memberships for data points. The noisy set file with file extension 'noisy' contains a row of labels of noisy variables.

When generating clusters, population covariance matrices are all positive-definite. However sample covariance matrices might be semi-positive-definite due to small cluster sizes. In this case, the function `genRandomClust` will automatically use the "fixedpoint" method to search the optimal projection direction.

## Value

The function outputs four data files for each data set (see details).

This function also returns separation information data frames `infoFrameTheory` and `infoFrameData` based on population and empirical mean vectors and covariance matrices of clusters for all the data sets generated. Both `infoFrameTheory` and `infoFrameData` contain the following seven columns:

Column 1: Labels of clusters  $(1, 2, \dots, \text{numClust})$ , where `numClust` is the number of clusters for the data set.

Column 2: Labels of the corresponding nearest neighbors.  
 Column 3: Separation indices of the clusters to their nearest neighboring clusters.  
 Column 4: Labels of the corresponding farthest neighboring clusters.  
 Column 5: Separation indices of the clusters to their farthest neighbors.  
 Column 6: Median separation indices of the clusters to their neighbors.  
 Column 7: Data file names with format '[fileName]J[j]G[g]v[p1]nv[p2]out[numOutlier]\_[numReplicate]' (see details).  
 datList: a list of lists of data matrices for generated data sets.  
 memList: a list of lists of cluster memberships for data points for generated data sets.  
 noisyList: a list of lists of sets of noisy variables for generated data sets.

### Note

The speed of this function might be slow.

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### Examples

```
## Not run:
tmp<-simClustDesign(numClust=3,
  sepVal=c(0.01,0.21),
  sepLabels=c("L","M"),
  numNonNoisy=4,
  numOutlier=0,
  numReplicate=2,
  clustszind=2)
## End(Not run)
```

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viewClusters *PLOT ALL CLUSTERS IN A 2-D PROJECTION SPACE*

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### Description

Plot all clusters in a 2-D projection space.

### Usage

```
viewClusters(y, cl, outlierLabel=0,
  projMethod="Eigen", xlim=NULL, ylim=NULL,
  xlab="1st projection direction",
  ylab="2nd projection direction",
  title="Scatter plot of 2-D Projected Clusters",
  font=2, font.lab=2, cex=1.2, cex.lab=1.2)
```

### Arguments

y	Data matrix. Rows correspond to observations. Columns correspond to variables.
cl	Cluster membership vector.
outlierLabel	Label for outliers. Outliers are not involved in calculating the projection directions. Outliers will be represented by red triangles in the plot. By default, outlierLabel=0.
projMethod	Method to construct 2-D projection directions. projMethod="Eigen" indicates that we project data to the 2-dimensional space spanned by the first two eigenvectors of the between cluster distance matrix $B = \frac{2}{k_0} \sum_{i=1}^{k_0} \Sigma_i + \frac{2}{k_0(k_0-1)} \sum_{i<j} (\theta_i - \theta_j)(\theta_i - \theta_j)^T$ . projMethod="DMS" indicates that we project data to the 2-dimensional space spanned by the first two eigenvectors of the between cluster distance matrix $B = \sum_{i=2}^{k_0} \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} n_i n_j (\theta_i - \theta_j)(\theta_i - \theta_j)^T$ . "DMS" method is proposed by Dhillon et al. (2002).
xlim	Range of X axis.
ylim	Range of Y axis.
xlab	X axis label.
ylab	Y axis label.
title	Title of the plot.
font	An integer which specifies which font to use for text (see par).
font.lab	The font to be used for x and y labels (see par).
cex	A numerical value giving the amount by which plotting text and symbols should be scaled relative to the default (see par).
cex.lab	The magnification to be used for x and y labels relative to the current setting of 'cex' (see par).

**Value**

B	Between cluster distance matrix measuring the between cluster variation.
Q	Columns of Q are eigenvectors of the matrix B.
proj	Projected clusters in the 2-D space spanned by the first 2 columns of the matrix Q.

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**See Also**

[plot1DProjection](#) [plot2DProjection](#)

**Examples**

```
n1<-50
mu1<-c(0,0)
Sigma1<-matrix(c(2,1,1,5),2,2)
n2<-100
mu2<-c(10,0)
Sigma2<-matrix(c(5,-1,-1,2),2,2)
n3<-30
mu3<-c(10,10)
Sigma3<-matrix(c(3,1.5,1.5,1),2,2)
n4<-10
mu4<-c(0,0)
Sigma4<-50*diag(2)

library(MASS)
set.seed(1234)
y1<-mvrnorm(n1, mu1, Sigma1)
y2<-mvrnorm(n2, mu2, Sigma2)
y3<-mvrnorm(n3, mu3, Sigma3)
y4<-mvrnorm(n4, mu4, Sigma4)
y<-rbind(y1, y2, y3, y4)
cl<-rep(c(1:3, 0), c(n1, n2, n3, n4))

par(mfrow=c(2,1))
viewClusters(y, cl)
viewClusters(y, cl,projMethod="DMS")
```

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