

# Package ‘Thresher’

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**Description** The Thresher package defines the classes used to identify outliers (threshing) and compute the number of significant principal components and number of clusters (reaping) in a joint application of PCA and hierarchical clustering.

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**Description**

The Thresher package defines the classes used to identify outliers (threshing) and compute the number of significant principal components and number of clusters (reaping) in a joint application of PCA and hierarchical clustering.

**Details**

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Standard usage is to apply the Thresher function to a data set in order to estimate the principal component dimension and identify outliers. You then apply the Reaper function to actually remove the outliers and assign the remaining objects to clusters.

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**References**

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**See Also**

[PCDimension](#)

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fit or miss-class	Class "fit or miss"
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### Objects from the Class

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

### Methods

No methods defined with class "fit or miss" in the signature.

### Examples

```
showClass("fit or miss")
```

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getColors-methods	~~ Methods for Function getColors ~~
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### Description

~~ Methods for function getColors ~~

### Methods

```
signature(object = "Reaper")
signature(object = "Thresher")
```

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getSplit-methods	~~ Methods for Function getSplit ~~
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### Description

~~ Methods for function getSplit ~~

### Methods

```
signature(object = "Reaper")
signature(object = "Thresher")
```

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heat-methods	~~ Methods for Function heat ~~
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### Description

~~ Methods for function heat ~~

### Methods

```
signature(object = "Thresher")
```

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image-methods	<i>~~ Methods for Function image ~~</i>
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### Description

~~ Methods for function image ~~

### Methods

signature(x = "SimThresher")

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makeFigures-methods	<i>~~ Methods for Function makeFigures ~~</i>
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### Description

~~ Methods for function makeFigures ~~

### Methods

signature(object = "Reaper")  
signature(object = "SimThresher")  
signature(object = "Thresher")

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matchLabels	<i>Match Arbitrary Class Assignments Across Methods</i>
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### Usage

```
labelMatcher(tab, verbose = FALSE)
matchLabels(tab)
countAgreement(tab)
labelAccuracy(data, labels, linkage="ward.D2")
bestMetric(data, labels)
```

### Arguments

tab	A contingency table, represented as a square matrix or table as an R object. Both dimensions represent an assignment of class labels, with each row and column representing one of the labels. Entries should be non-negative integer counts of the number of objects having the labels represented by the row and column.
verbose	A logical value; should the routine print something out periodically so you know it's still working?
data	A matrix whose columns represent objects to be clustered and whose rows represent the anonymous features used to perform the clustering.
labels	A factor (or character vector) of class labels for the objects in the data matrix.
linkage	A linkage rule accepted by the <a href="#">hclust</a> function.

## Details

In the most general sense, clustering can be viewed as a function from the space of "objects" of interest into a space of "class labels". In less mathematical terms, this simply means that each object gets assigned an (arbitrary) class label. This is all well-and-good until you try to compare the results of running two different clustering algorithms that use different labels (or even worse, use the same labels – typically the integers  $1, 2, \dots, K$  – with different meanings). When that happens, you need a way to decide which labels from the different sets are closest to meaning the "same thing".

That's where this set of functions comes in. The core algorithm is implemented in the function `labelMatcher`, which works on a contingency table whose entries  $N_{ij}$  are the number of samples with row-label =  $i$  and column-label =  $j$ . To find the best match, one computes (heuristically) the values  $F_{ij}$  that describe the fraction of all entries in row  $i$  and column  $j$  represented by  $N_{ij}$ . Perfectly matched labels would consist of a row  $i$  and a column  $j$  where  $N_{ij}$  is the only nonzero entry in its row and column, so  $F_{ij} = 1$ . The largest value for  $F_{ij}$  (with ties broken simply by which entry is closer to the upper-left corner of the matrix) defines the best match. The matched row and column are then removed from the matrix and the process repeats recursively.

We apply this method to determine which distance metric, when used in hierarchical clustering, best matches a "gold standard" set of class labels. (These may not really be gold, of course; they can also be a set of labels determined by k-means or another clustering algorithm.) The idea is to cluster the samples using a variety of different metrics, and select the one whose label assignments best match the standard.

## Value

The `labelMatcher` function returns a list of two vectors of the same length. These contain the matched label-indices, in the order they were matched by the algorithm.

The `matchLabels` function is a user-friendly front-end to the `labelMatcher` function. It returns a matrix, with the rows and columns reordered so the labels match.

The `countAgreement` function returns an integer, the number of samples with the "same" labels, computed by summing the diagonal of the reordered matrix produced by `matchLabels`.

The `labelAccuracy` function returns a vector indexed by the set of nine distance metrics hard-coded in the function. Each entry is the fraction of samples whose hierarchical clusters match the prespecified labels.

The `bestMetric` function is a user-friendly front-end to the `labelAccuracy` function. It returns the name of the distance metric whose hierarchical clusters best match the prespecified labels.

## Note

The `labelAccuracy` function should probably allow the user to supply a list of distance metrics instead of relying on the hard-coded list internally.

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## See Also

Hierarchical clustering is implemented in the `hclust` function. We use the extended set of distance metrics provided by the `distanceMatrix` function from the `ClassDiscovery` package. This set includes all of the metrics from the `dist` function.

**Examples**

```
factor1 <- sample(c("A", "B", "C"), 30, replace=TRUE)
factor2 <- rep(c("X", "Y", "Z"), each=10)
tab <- table(factor1, factor2)
matchLabels(tab)
labelMatcher(tab)
```

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movMF-class	Class "movMF"
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**Objects from the Class**

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

**Slots**

.S3Class: Object of class "character" ~~

**Extends**

Class "oldClass", directly. Class "fit or miss", directly.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "movMF" in the signature.

**Examples**

```
showClass("movMF")
```

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number or miss-class	Class "number or miss"
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**Objects from the Class**

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "number or miss" in the signature.

**Examples**

```
showClass("number or miss")
```

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plot-methods

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~~ *Methods for Function plot* ~~

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## Description

~~ Methods for function plot ~~

## Methods

```
signature(x = "AuerGervini", y = "missing")
signature(x = "Thresher", y = "missing")
```

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Reaper

*Reaper*

## Usage

```
Reaper(thresher, useLoadings = FALSE, cutoff = 0.3,
       metric = NULL, linkage="ward.D2",
       maxSampleGroups = 0, verbose = TRUE, ...)
```

## Arguments

```
thresher
useLoadings
cutoff
metric
linkage
maxSampleGroups

verbose
...
```

## Examples

```
##---- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do help(data=index) for the standard data sets.

## The function is currently defined as
function (thresher, useLoadings = FALSE, cutoff = 0.3, metric = NULL,
         maxSampleGroups = 0, verbose = TRUE, ...)
{
  if (verbose)
    cat(thresher@name, "\n", file = stderr())
  keep <- thresher@delta > cutoff
  m <- ifelse(is.null(metric), "pearson", metric)
  cleaned <- Thresher(thresher@data[, keep], paste(thresher@name,
```

```

      "cleaned", sep = "."), metric = m, ...)
tab <- 0
counter <- 0
while (any(tab == 0) & counter < 5) {
  counter <- counter + 1
  fits <- .fitModels(cleaned, useLoadings)
  if (length(fits) == 0)
    next
  bic <- sapply(fits, BIC)
  woo <- which(bic == min(bic))
  ng <- as.integer(sub("NC=", "", names(woo)))
  fit <- fits[[woo]]
  gassign <- factor(predict(fit), levels = 1:ng)
  tab <- table(gassign)
}
if (length(fits) == 0) {
  bic <- ng <- fit <- NA
  metric <- "no fit"
  sigset <- new("SignalSet")
}
else {
  if (is.null(metric)) {
    pp <- factor(paste("G", predict(fit), sep = ""))
    metric <- bestMetric(cleaned@data, pp)
    cleaned@gc <- hclust(distanceMatrix(cleaned@data,
      metric, p = 1), "ward")
  }
  if (any(tab == 0)) {
    sigset <- new("SignalSet")
  }
  else {
    sigset <- .findSignals(cleaned, fit, ng)
  }
}
new("Reaper", cleaned, useLoadings = useLoadings, keep = keep,
  nGroups = ng, fit = fit, allfits = fits, bic = bic, metric = metric,
  signalSet = sigset, maxSampleGroups = maxSampleGroups)
}

```

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Reaper-class

Class "Reaper"

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## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("Reaper", ...)`.

## Slots

`useLoadings`: Object of class "logical" ~~

`keep`: Object of class "logical" ~~

`nGroups`: Object of class "number or miss" ~~

`fit`: Object of class "fit or miss" ~~

`allfits`: Object of class "list" ~~



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bic: Object of class "number or miss" ~~
metric: Object of class "character" ~~
signalSet: Object of class "SignalSet" ~~
maxSampleGroups: Object of class "numeric" ~~
name: Object of class "character" ~~
data: Object of class "matrix" ~~
spca: Object of class "SamplePCA" ~~
loadings: Object of class "matrix" ~~
gc: Object of class "hclust" ~~
pcdim: Object of class "numeric" ~~
delta: Object of class "numeric" ~~
ag: Object of class "AuerGervini" ~~

```

## Extends

Class "[Thresher](#)", directly.

## Methods

```

getColors signature(object = "Reaper"): ...
getSplit signature(object = "Reaper"): ...
makeFigures signature(object = "Reaper"): ...

```

## Examples

```
showClass("Reaper")
```

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samplePalette	<i>Color Palettes Used By Thresher Classes</i>
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## Usage

```

data(samplePalette)
data(thresherPalette)

```

## Format

The format is: chr [1:20] "gray" "blue" "red" "purple" "green" "cyan" ... The format is: chr [1:19] "#FF0000FF" "#0000FFFF" "#00BA38" "#AA00FFFF" ...

## Examples

```

data(samplePalette)
data(thresherpalette)

```

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scatter-methods	<i>~~ Methods for Function scatter ~~</i>
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**Description**

~~ Methods for function scatter ~~

**Methods**

signature(object = "Thresher")

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screepLOT-methods	<i>~~ Methods for Function screepLOT ~~</i>
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**Description**

~~ Methods for function screepLOT ~~

**Methods**

signature(x = "Thresher")

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SignalSet-class	<i>Class "SignalSet"</i>
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**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("SignalSet", ...)`.

**Slots**

members: Object of class "list" ~~  
 continuous: Object of class "matrix" ~~  
 binary: Object of class "matrix" ~~  
 continuousClusters: Object of class "hclust" ~~  
 binaryClusters: Object of class "hclust" ~~

**Methods**

No methods defined with class "SignalSet" in the signature.

**Examples**

`showClass("SignalSet")`

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SimThresher	<i>simt</i>
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## Usage

```
SimThresher(ss, nSample, nm = deparse(substitute(ss)), rho = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

```
ss
nSample
nm
rho
...
```

## Examples

```
##---- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do  help(data=index)  for the standard data sets.

## The function is currently defined as
function (ss, nSample, nm = deparse(substitute(ss)), rho = NULL,
  ...)
{
  if (is.null(rho)) {
    rho <- sort(unique(abs(ss[upper.tri(ss)])))[-1]
  }
  require(MASS)
  nFeature <- ncol(ss)
  mu <- rep(0, nFeature)
  simdata <- mvrnorm(nSample, mu, ss)
  colnames(simdata) <- paste("Pr", 1:ncol(simdata), sep = "")
  new("SimThresher", Thresher(simdata, nm, ...), nSample = nSample,
    covariance = ss, rho = rho)
}
```

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SimThresher-class	<i>Class "SimThresher"</i>
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## Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("SimThresher", ...)`.

**Slots**

nSample: Object of class "numeric" ~~  
 covariance: Object of class "matrix" ~~  
 rho: Object of class "numeric" ~~  
 name: Object of class "character" ~~  
 data: Object of class "matrix" ~~  
 spca: Object of class "SamplePCA" ~~  
 loadings: Object of class "matrix" ~~  
 gc: Object of class "hclust" ~~  
 pcdim: Object of class "numeric" ~~  
 delta: Object of class "numeric" ~~  
 ag: Object of class "AuerGervini" ~~

**Extends**

Class "[Thresher](#)", directly.

**Methods**

**image** signature(x = "SimThresher"): ...  
**makeFigures** signature(object = "SimThresher"): ...

**Examples**

```
showClass("SimThresher")
```

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summary-methods

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~~ *Methods for Function* summary ~~

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**Description**

~~ Methods for function summary ~~

**Methods**

signature(object = "AuerGervini")

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Thresher

*Thresher*


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## Usage

```
Thresher(data, nm = deparse(substitute(data)), FUZZ = 0.005,
          metric = "pearson", linkage="ward.D2",
          method = c("broken.stick", "auer.gervini"))
```

## Arguments

data

nm

FUZZ

metric

linkage

method

## Examples

```
##---- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do help(data=index) for the standard data sets.

## The function is currently defined as
function (data, nm = deparse(substitute(data)), FUZZ = 0.005,
          metric = "pearson", method = c("broken.stick", "auer.gervini"))
{
  std <- scale(data)
  spca <- SamplePCA(t(std))
  ag <- AuerGervini(spca)
  method <- match.arg(method)
  pcdim <- switch(method, broken.stick = bsDimension(spca),
                  auer.gervini = agDimension(ag))
  deltaDim <- max(1, pcdim)
  lambda <- sqrt(spca@variances)
  loadings <- sweep(spca@components, 2, lambda, "*")
  delta <- sqrt(apply(loadings[, 1:deltaDim, drop = FALSE]^2,
                     1, sum))
  gc <- hclust(distanceMatrix(std, metric), "ward")
  new("Thresher", name = nm, data = data, spca = spca, loadings = loadings,
      gc = gc, pcdim = pcdim, delta = delta, ag = ag)
}
```

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Thresher-class	<i>Class "Thresher"</i>
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### Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("Thresher", ...)`.

### Slots

```
name: Object of class "character" ~~
data: Object of class "matrix" ~~
spca: Object of class "SamplePCA" ~~
loadings: Object of class "matrix" ~~
gc: Object of class "hclust" ~~
pcdim: Object of class "numeric" ~~
delta: Object of class "numeric" ~~
ag: Object of class "AuerGervini" ~~
```

### Methods

```
getColors signature(object = "Thresher"): ...
getSplit signature(object = "Thresher"): ...
heat signature(object = "Thresher"): ...
makeFigures signature(object = "Thresher"): ...
plot signature(x = "Thresher", y = "missing"): ...
scatter signature(object = "Thresher"): ...
screepplot signature(x = "Thresher"): ...
```

### Examples

```
showClass("Thresher")
```

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unitize	<i>Convert a Vector to Unit Length</i>
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### Usage

```
unitize(mat)
```

### Arguments

```
mat
```

**Examples**

```
##---- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do help(data=index) for the standard data sets.

## The function is currently defined as
function (mat)
{
  enorm <- sqrt(apply(mat^2, 2, sum))
  sweep(mat, 2, enorm, "/")
}
```

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