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distEuclidean	<i>Euclidean Distance</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the Euclidean distance between two matrices with k columns.

**Usage**

```
distEuclidean(x, y)
```

**Arguments**

x	a matrix of size n x k.
y	a matrix of size m x k.

**Value**

a distance matrix of size n x m.

**See Also**

[dist](#)

**Examples**

```
## The function is currently defined as
function (x, y)
{
  z <- matrix(0, nrow = nrow(x), ncol = nrow(y))
  for (k in 1:nrow(y)) {
    z[, k] <- sqrt(colSums((t(x) - y[k, ])^2))
  }
  return(z)
}
```

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kMeans	<i>K-Means Clustering</i>
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**Description**

Performs k-means clustering `m` times on a data matrix. `fitted` returns a vector with the class labels of the best run.

**Usage**

```
kMeans(X, k, m=10, ind, max.iter=50, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'kMeans'  
fitted(object)
```

**Arguments**

<code>X</code>	a numeric matrix of data.
<code>k</code>	the desired number of clusters.
<code>m</code>	the number of times to run the clustering algorithm. The default is 10.
<code>ind</code>	a numeric vector of columns indicating the variables used in the clustering.
<code>max.iter</code>	the maximum number of iterations for a single run of the clustering algorithm. The default is 50.
<code>...</code>	not used.

**Details**

The matrix data given by `X` is clustered by the standard k-means method, also known as Lloyd-Forgy method (1957 & 1965). This method aims at minimizing the within-cluster sum of squares objective and thus assigns the clusters by the smallest Euclidean distance of observation to the cluster center.

The Random Partition method as described by Hamerly and Elkan (2002) is used for computing the initial cluster means.

**Value**

`kMeans` returns an object of class `kMeans` which has a `print`, `summary`, `predict`, `plot` and a `fitted` method. It is a list with the following components:

<code>Cbest</code>	the vector of the best group labels.
<code>ObjBest</code>	the value of the objective function for the best solution.
<code>CentroidsBest</code>	the matrix containing the centroids of the best solution.
<code>m</code>	the number of repetitions.
<code>k</code>	the number of groups.
<code>Xname</code>	name of the data set used for the clustering.
<code>Ind</code>	the value of input <code>ind</code> .
<code>Y</code>	the data used for the clustering.



```
#Mean: 3543.455
#Q3: 3546.504
#Max: 3546.504
```

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plot.kMeans

*Plot Method for K-Means Clustering*

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### Description

Plot method for objects of class "kMeans". Calls [plot](#) function to produce a scatter plot of the data values and cluster assignments provided by the given kMeans object.

### Usage

```
plot.kMeans(X, col, pch, ...)
```

### Arguments

X	an object of the class kMeans.
col	a specification for the plotting color.
pch	either an integer specifying a symbol or a single character to be used as the default in plotting points. See <a href="#">points</a> for possible values and their interpretation.
...	further arguments to be passed to or from methods.

### See Also

[par](#)

### Examples

```
set.seed(63555)
exampleData <- matrix(nrow=90, ncol=1)
exampleData[1:30, 1] <- rnorm(30, mean=3, sd=1)
exampleData[31:60, 1] <- rnorm(30, mean=6, sd=1)
exampleData[61:90, 1] <- rnorm(30, mean=9, sd=1)
kMeansResult <- kMeans(exampleData, k=3)
plot(kMeansResult)
```

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predict.kMeans

*Predict Method for K-Means Clustering*

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### Description

This function assigns observations in the data matrix newData the most likeliest clusters using the best solution from a kMeans object.

### Usage

```
predict.kMeans(X, newData)
```

## Arguments

X	object of class kMeans.
newData	a data matrix or data frame having the same columns as the original X when kMeans was called.

## Value

Returns a vector of cluster assignments for `newData` based on the `kMeans` object.

## See Also

## kMeans

## Examples

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