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compose

*Compose Permutations*

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### Description

This function composes two permutations or a permutation with a collection of permutations. If one of the arguments is a collection of permutations, the function will compose each permutation in the collection with the other argument. Note that both arguments cannot be collections of permutations at the same time.

**Usage**

```
compose(perm1, perm2)
```

**Arguments**

perm1	A single permutation (as a vector) or a collection of permutations (as a list of vectors).
perm2	A single permutation (as a vector) or a collection of permutations (as a list of vectors).

**Value**

The composition of the permutations. If one of the arguments is a collection, the result will be a list of composed permutations.

**Examples**

```
# Compose two single permutations
compose(c(3, 1, 2, 4), c(4, 1, 3, 2))
```

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count.perms	<i>Count permutations at a distance</i>
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**Description**

Given a distance (kendall, cayley, hamming or ulam), the number of items in the permutations perm.length and distance value d, how many permutations are there at distance d from any permutation? It can be used to count the number of derangements and the permutations with k cycles (Stirling numbers of the first kind)

**Usage**

```
count.perms(perm.length, dist.value, dist.name = "kendall", disk = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

perm.length	number of items in the permutations
dist.value	the distance
dist.name	optional. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam
disk	optional can only be true if counting the permutations at each Ulam distance. Instead of generating the whole set of SYT and count of permutations per distance, it loads the info from a file in the disk

**Value**

The number of permutations at the given distance

**Examples**

```

count.perms(4,2,"kendall")
count.perms(4,2,"ulam")
count.perms(4,2,"hamming")
count.perms(4,2,"cayley")
# The number of derangements of length 6 is computed as follows
len <- 6
count.perms(perm.length = len, dist.value = len, dist.name = "h")
# The number of permutations with one cycle is computed as follows
num.cycles <- 1
count.perms(perm.length = len, dist.value = len - num.cycles, dist.name = "c")

```

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cycle2str

*Friendly display the cycles*

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**Description**

Given a list with the cycles of a permutation, displays them in the standard cycle notation

**Usage**

```
cycle2str(cy)
```

**Arguments**

cy                    a list with the set of cycles

**Examples**

```
cycle2str(perm2cycles(c(1,5,2,3,4)))
```

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cycles2perm

*Get the permutation given the cycles*

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**Description**

Get the permutation as a vector given the set of cycles in which it factorizes

**Usage**

```
cycles2perm(cycles)
```

**Arguments**

cycles                a list with the set of disjoint cycles

**Value**

The permutation in vector notation

**Examples**

```
cycles2perm(perm2cycles(c(1,5,2,3,4)))
```

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data.apa	<i>Sample of permutations APA</i>
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**Description**

A rda file containing a sample of permutations of the American Psychology Association

**Format**

Each row is a permutation

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data.order	<i>Sample of permutations</i>
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**Description**

A rda file containing a sample of permutations

**Format**

Each row is a permutation

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decomp2perm	<i>Get a permutation consistent with a decomposition vector</i>
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**Description**

Given a distance decomposition vector and a distance name, generate uniformly at random a permutation consistent with the decomposition vector.

**Usage**

```
decomp2perm(vec, dist.name = "kendall")
```

**Arguments**

vec                    the permutation  
 dist.name            optional the name of the distance. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming

**Value**

The distance decomposition vector of the given permutation and distance

**Examples**

```
decomp2perm(c(1,0,1,0,0), "kendall")
decomp2perm(c(1,0,1,0,0), "cayley")
decomp2perm(c(1,0,1,0,0), "hamming")
```

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 dgmm

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*Calculate the probability of a permutation in a GMM*


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**Description**

Calculate the probability of a permutation sigma in a GMM of center sigma0, dispersion parameter theta and under the specified distance

**Usage**

```
dgmm(
  perm,
  sigma0 = identity.permutation(length(perm)),
  theta,
  dist.name = "kendall"
)
```

**Arguments**

perm                    permutation whose probability wants to be known  
 sigma0                central permuation of the GMM, by default the identity  
 theta                  vector dispersion parameter of the GMM  
 dist.name            optional name of the distance used in the GMM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming

**Value**

The probability of sigma in the given GMM

**Examples**

```

data <- matrix(c(1,2,3,4, 1,4,3,2, 1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
sig <- c(1,2,3,4)
th <- c(0.1, 0.2, 0.3,1)
log.prob <- apply(data,MARGIN=1,FUN=function(x){log(dgmm(x,sig, th, "hamming"))})
sum(log.prob)
dgmm (c(1,2,3,4), theta=c(1,1,1))
dgmm (c(1,2,3,4), theta=c(1,1,1), dist.name="cayley")

```

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distance	<i>Compute the distance between permutations</i>
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**Description**

Compute the distance between two given permutations. If only one permutation is given the other one is assumed to be the identity (1,2,3,...,n) The distance can be kendall, cayley, hamming and ulam

**Usage**

```

distance(
  perm1,
  perm2 = identity.permutation(length(perm1)),
  dist.name = "kendall"
)

```

**Arguments**

perm1	a permutation
perm2	optional a permutation
dist.name	optional. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam

**Value**

The distance between the permutations

**Examples**

```

distance(c(1,2,3,5,4))
distance(c(1,2,3,5,4), c(1,2,3,5,4))
distance(c(1,2,3,5,4), c(1,4,2,3,5), "cayley")

```

dmm

*Calculate the probability of a permutation in a MM***Description**

Calculate the probability of a permutation  $\sigma$  in a MM of center  $\sigma_0$ , dispersion parameter  $\theta$  and under the specified distance

**Usage**

```
dmm(
  perm,
  sigma0 = identity.permutation(length(perm)),
  theta,
  dist.name = "kendall"
)
```

**Arguments**

perm	permutation whose probability is asked for
sigma0	optional central permutation of the MM, by default the identity
theta	dispersion parameter of the MM
dist.name	optional name of the distance used in the MM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam

**Value**

The probability of  $\sigma$  in the given MM

**Examples**

```
data <- matrix(c(1,2,3, 4,1,4,3,2,1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
sig<-c(1,2,3,4)
log.prob <- apply(data,MARGIN=1,FUN=function(x){log(dmm(x,sig, 1,"cayley"))})
sum(log.prob)
dmm(c(1,3,2,4), theta=0.1)
dmm(c(1,3,2,4), theta=0.1, dist.name="cayley")
dmm(c(1,3,2,4), theta=0.1, dist.name="hamming")
dmm(c(1,3,2,4), theta=0.1, dist.name="ulam")
```

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expectation.gmm	<i>Compute the expected distance, GMM under the Hamming distance</i>
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**Description**

Compute the expected distance in the GMM under the Hamming distance

**Usage**

```
expectation.gmm(theta, dist.name = "kendall")
```

**Arguments**

theta	n dimensional real vector with the dispersion parameters
dist.name	optional name of the distance used in the GMM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming

**Value**

The expected distance decomposition vector under the GMM

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. Journal of Statistical Software, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
expectation.gmm(c(0.38, 0.44, 0.1, 0.2, 1, 0.1))
expectation.gmm(c(2, 2, 2, 2), "cayley")
expectation.gmm(c(0.3, 0.1, 0.5, 0.1), "hamming")
```

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expectation.mm	<i>Compute the expected distance, MM under the Hamming distance</i>
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**Description**

Compute the expected distance in the MM under the Hamming distance

**Usage**

```
expectation.mm(theta, perm.length, dist.name = "kendall")
```

**Arguments**

theta            real dispersion parameter  
perm.length    length of the permutation in the considered model  
dist.name       optional name of the distance used in the MM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam

**Value**

The expected distance under the MM

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
expectation.mm( 1, 7, "kendall" )  
expectation.mm( 2, 5, "cayley" )  
expectation.mm( 2, 4, "hamming" )  
expectation.mm( 1, 6, "ulam" )
```

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freq.matrix

*Compute the frequency matrix*

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**Description**

Compute the first order marginal probability. In other words, given at least one permutation, calculate the proportion of them that have each item in each position

**Usage**

```
freq.matrix(perm)
```

**Arguments**

perm            a permutation or a collection of them

**Value**

A matrix with n rows and n columns with the proportion of the permutations in the input that have each item in each position

**Examples**

```
freq.matrix(c(1,3,2,4,5))
```

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generate.aux.files      *Generates the files for Ulam*

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**Description**

Generates files for Ulam which are aimed to accelerate the processes of counting the number of permutations at each distance, sampling and learning IFF these operations are going to be computed more than once

**Usage**

```
generate.aux.files(perm.length)
```

**Arguments**

perm.length      number of items in the permutations

**Value**

Nothing. Only writes in the current folder the auxiliary files

**Examples**

```
generate.aux.files(4)
```

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identity.permutation      *Generate identity the permutation*

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**Description**

This function generates the identity permutation of a given number of items

**Usage**

```
identity.permutation(perm.length)
```

**Arguments**

perm.length      number of items in the permutation

**Value**

The identity permutation of the specified number of items

**Examples**

```
identity.permutation(3)  
identity.permutation(7)
```

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insert	<i>Insert operator</i>
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**Description**

Given a permutation and two positions i, j, move item in position i to position j

**Usage**

```
insert(perm, i, j)
```

**Arguments**

perm	a permutation
i	position of the permutation
j	position of the permutation

**Value**

The permutation in the input in which the operation has been applied

**Examples**

```
insert(c(1,2,3,4,5),5,2)
insert(c(1,2,3,4,5),2,5)
```

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inverse.perm	<i>Generate inverse permutation</i>
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**Description**

This function generates the inverse of a given permutation. If the input is a matrix of permutations, invert all the permutations in the input.

**Usage**

```
inverse.perm(perm)
```

**Arguments**

perm	a permutation or matrix of permutations
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**Value**

The inverse permutation. If the input is a matrix, the matrix with the inverses

**Examples**

```
inverse.perm(c(1,2,3,4))
inverse.perm(c(2,3,4,1))
data <- matrix(c(1,2,3, 4,1,4,3,2,1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
inverse.perm(data)
```

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inversion	<i>Inversion operator</i>
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**Description**

Given a permutation and a position, swap positions  $i$  and  $i+1$

**Usage**

```
inversion(perm, i)
```

**Arguments**

perm	a permutation
i	position of the permutation

**Value**

The permutation in the input with an inversion at the specified position

**Examples**

```
inversion(c(1,2,3,4,5),2)
```

---

is.permutation	<i>Check if its argument is a permutation</i>
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**Description**

This function tests if the given argument is a permutation of the first  $n$  natural integers (excluding 0)

**Usage**

```
is.permutation(perm)
```

**Arguments**

perm	a vector (or a bidimensional matrix)
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**Value**

TRUE iff perm is a valid permutation (or a matrix of valid permutations)

**Examples**

```
is.permutation(c(3,1,2,4))
is.permutation(c(6,1,2,3))
is.permutation(matrix(c(1,2,3, 4,1,4,3,2,1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE))
```

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 lgmm

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*Learn a Generalized Mallows Model*


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**Description**

Learn the parameter of the distribution of a sample of n permutations coming from a Generalized Mallows Model (GMM).

**Usage**

```
lgmm(
  data,
  sigma_0_ini = identity.permutation(dim(data)[2]),
  dist.name = "kendall",
  estimation = "approx"
)
```

**Arguments**

data	the matrix with the permutations to estimate
sigma_0_ini	optional the initial guess for the consensus permutation
dist.name	optional name of the distance used by the GMM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming
estimation	optional select the approximated or the exact. One of: approx, exact

**Value**

A list with the parameters of the estimated distribution: the mode and the dispersion parameter vector

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. Journal of Statistical Software, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
data <- matrix(c(1,2,3,4, 1,4,3,2, 1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
lgmm(data, dist.name="kendall", estimation="approx")
lgmm(data, dist.name="cayley", estimation="approx")
lgmm(data, dist.name="cayley", estimation="exact")
lgmm(data, dist.name="hamming", estimation="approx")
```

lgmm.theta

*MLE for theta - Generalized Mallows Model***Description**

Compute the MLE for the dispersion parameter ( $\theta$ ) given a sample of  $n$  permutations and a central permutation

**Usage**

```
lgmm.theta(
  data,
  sigma_0 = identity.permutation(dim(data)[2]),
  dist.name = "kendall"
)
```

**Arguments**

data	the matrix with the permutations to estimate
sigma_0	optional the initial guess for the consensus permutation. If not given it is assumed to be the identity permutation
dist.name	optional name of the distance used by the GMM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming

**Value**

The MLE for the dispersion parameter

**Examples**

```
data <- matrix(c(1,2,3,4, 1,4,3,2, 1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
lgmm.theta(data, dist.name="kendall")
lgmm.theta(data, dist.name="cayley")
lgmm.theta(data, dist.name="cayley", sigma_0=c(1,4,3,2))
lgmm.theta(data, dist.name="hamming")
```

**Description**

Learn the parameter of the distribution of a sample of  $n$  permutations coming from a Mallows Model (MM).

**Usage**

```
lmm(
  data,
  sigma_0_ini = identity.permutation(dim(data)[2]),
  dist.name = "kendall",
  estimation = "approx",
  disk = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>data</code>	the matrix with the permutations to estimate
<code>sigma_0_ini</code>	optional the initial guess for the consensus permutation
<code>dist.name</code>	optional the name of the distance used by the model. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam
<code>estimation</code>	optional select the approximated or the exact. One of: approx, exact
<code>disk</code>	optional can only be true if estimating a MM under the Ulam distance. Instead of generating the whole set of SYT and count of permutations per distance, it loads the info from a file in the disk

**Value**

A list with the parameters of the estimated distribution: the mode and the dispersion parameter

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
data <- matrix(c(1,2,3,4, 1,4,3,2, 1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
lmm(data, dist.name="kendall", estimation="approx")
lmm(data, dist.name="cayley", estimation="approx")
lmm(data, dist.name="cayley", estimation="exact")
lmm(data, dist.name="hamming", estimation="exact")
lmm(data, dist.name="ulam", estimation="approx")
```

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Imm.theta	<i>MLE for theta - Mallows Model</i>
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### Description

Compute the MLE for the dispersion parameter ( $\theta$ ) given a sample of  $n$  permutations and a central permutation

### Usage

```
Imm.theta(
  data,
  sigma_0 = identity.permutation(dim(data)[2]),
  dist.name = "kendall",
  disk = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

data	the matrix with the permutations to estimate
sigma_0	optional the consensus permutation. If not given it is assumed to be the identity permutation
dist.name	optional the name of the distance used by the model. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam
disk	optional can only be true if estimating a MM under the Ulam distance. Instead of generating the whole set of SYT and count of permutations per distance, it loads the info from a file in the disk

### Value

The MLE for the dispersion parameter

### Examples

```
data <- matrix(c(1,2,3,4, 1,4,3,2, 1,2,4,3), nrow = 3, ncol = 4, byrow = TRUE)
Imm.theta(data, dist.name="kendall")
Imm.theta(data, dist.name="cayley")
Imm.theta(data, dist.name="cayley", sigma_0=c(1,4,3,2))
Imm.theta(data, dist.name="hamming")
Imm.theta(data, dist.name="ulam")
```

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marginal	<i>Compute the marginal probability, GMM under the Hamming distance</i>
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**Description**

Compute the marginal probability, GMM under the Hamming distance, of a distance decomposition vector for which some positions are known and some are not

**Usage**

```
marginal(h, theta)
```

**Arguments**

h	n dimensional distance decomposition vector where $h_j = 0$ means that $j$ is a fixed point, $h_j = 1$ means that $j$ is an unfixed point and otherwise $j$ is not known
theta	n dimensional distance decomposition vector with the dispersion parameters

**Value**

The marginal probability

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
marginal(c(1,0,1,NA,NA), c(0.1, 0.3, 0.7, 0.1, 1))
marginal(c(NA,0,1,NA,NA,0), c(0.1, 0.3, 0.7, 0.1, 0.7, 1))
```

---

maxi.dist	<i>Get the maximum value of the distance ebtween permutations</i>
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**Description**

Compute the maximum posible value for the distance between two given permutations. The distance can be kendall, cayley, hamming and ulam

**Usage**

```
maxi.dist(perm.length, dist.name = "kendall")
```

**Arguments**

perm.length      number of items in the permutations  
 dist.name        optional. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam

**Value**

The maximum value for the distance between the permutations

**Examples**

```
maxi.dist(4, "cayley")
maxi.dist(10, "ulam")
maxi.dist(4)
```

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order.ratings	<i>Convert rating to permutation</i>
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**Description**

This function is given a collection of ratings and converts each row to a permutation

**Usage**

```
order.ratings(ratings)
```

**Arguments**

ratings            a matrix in which each row is a vector of ratings of several items

**Value**

A matrix in which each row is the corresponding permutation of the items

**Examples**

```
order.ratings(c(0.1, 4, 0.5, -4))
```

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perm.sample.med	<i>Sample of permutations</i>
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**Description**

A rda file containing a sample of permutations

**Format**

Each row is a permutation

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perm.sample.small	<i>Sample of permutations</i>
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**Description**

A rda file containing a sample of permutations

**Format**

Each row is a permutation

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perm2cycles	<i>Decompose a permutation in a set of cycles</i>
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**Description**

Factor a given a permutation in the set of independent cycles

**Usage**

```
perm2cycles(perm)
```

**Arguments**

perm            a permutation

**Value**

The permutation in the input in which the operation has been applied

**Examples**

```
perm2cycles(c(1,5,2,3,4))
```

---

perm2decomp                    *Get the decomposition vector*

---

### Description

Given a permutation and a distance name generate the decomposition vector

### Usage

```
perm2decomp(perm, dist.name = "kendall")
```

### Arguments

perm                    the permutation  
 dist.name              optional the name of the distance. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming

### Value

The distance decomposition vector of the given permutation and distance. For the Kendall distance is the inversion vector

### Examples

```
perm2decomp(c(1,2,4,3,5), "kendall")
perm2decomp(c(1,2,4,3,5), "cayley")
perm2decomp(c(1,2,4,3,5), "hamming")
```

---

permutations.of                *Generate every permutation of perm.length item*

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### Description

This functions returns a matrix in which each of rows is a different permutation of the specified number of items

### Usage

```
permutations.of(perm.length, alert = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

perm.length            number of items in the permutation  
 alert                    optional ask for confirmation when the number of permutations to show is very large

**Value**

A collection of every permutation of the specified number of items

**Examples**

```
permutations.of(3)
permutations.of(10)
```

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```
rdist.perm
```

*Generate a collection of permutations at a given distance*

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**Description**

Given a number of permutations, the number of items in the permutations, a distance value and a distance name, generate a sample of permutations with the specified length at the given distance. Can be used to generate derangements and permutations of a given number of cycles

**Usage**

```
rdist.perm(n, perm.length, dist.value, dist.name = "kendall")
```

**Arguments**

n	number of permutations in the sample
perm.length	number of items in the permutations
dist.value	distance value
dist.name	distance name. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam

**Value**

A sample of permutations at the given distance

**Examples**

```
rdist.perm(1, 4, 2 )
rdist.perm(1, 4, 2, "ulam")
len <- 3
rdist.perm(n = 1, perm.length = len, dist.value = len, "h") #derangement
cycles <- 2
rdist.perm(n = 1, perm.length = len, dist.value = len - cycles, "c") #permutation with 2 cycles
```

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read.perms	<i>Read a text file with a collection of permutations</i>
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**Description**

This function reads the text file in the specified path and checks if each row is a proper permutation

**Usage**

```
read.perms(path)
```

**Arguments**

path	string with a path
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**Value**

A collection of permutations in matrix form

**Examples**

```
path = system.file("test.txt", package="PerMallows")
sample = read.perms(path)
```

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rgmm	<i>Sample a Generalized Mallows Model</i>
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**Description**

Generate a sample of n permutations from a Generalized Mallows Model (GMM).

**Usage**

```
rgmm(n, sigma0, theta, dist.name = "kendall", sampling.method = "multistage")
```

**Arguments**

n	the number of permutations to be generated
sigma0	central permutation of the GMM
theta	dispersion parameter vector of the GMM
dist.name	optional used name of the distance used in the GMM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming
sampling.method	optional name of the sampling algorithm. One of: multistage, gibbs (default)

**Value**

A matrix containing a sample of permutations from the specified distribution

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
rgmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),c(1,1,1,1),"kendall", "multistage")
rgmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),c(1,1,1,1),"cayley", "multistage")
rgmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),c(1,1,1,1,1),"hamming", "multistage")
rgmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),c(1,1,1,1),"cayley", "gibbs")
rgmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),c(1,1,1,1,1),"hamming", "gibbs")
```

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rmm

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*Sample a Mallows Model*


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**Description**

Generate a sample of  $n$  permutations from a Mallows Model (MM).

**Usage**

```
rmm(
  n,
  sigma0,
  theta,
  dist.name = "kendall",
  sampling.method = NULL,
  disk = FALSE,
  alert = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>n</code>	the number of permutations to be generated
<code>sigma0</code>	central permutation of the MM
<code>theta</code>	dispersion parameter of the MM
<code>dist.name</code>	optional name of the distance used in the MM. One of: kendall (default), cayley, hamming, ulam
<code>sampling.method</code>	optional name of the sampling algorithm. One of: distances, multistage, gibbs (default)

disk	optional can only be true if using the Distances sampling algorithm for generating under the Ulam distance. Instead of generating the whole set of SYT and count of permutations per distance, it loads the info from a file in the disk
alert	check consistency of the parameters. TRUE by default

**Value**

A matrix containing a sample of permutations from the specified distribution

**References**

"Ekhine Irurozki, Borja Calvo, Jose A. Lozano (2016). PerMallows: An R Package for Mallows and Generalized Mallows Models. *Journal of Statistical Software*, 71(12), 1-30. doi:10.18637/jss.v071.i12"

**Examples**

```
rmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),1,"kendall", "distances")
rmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),1,"cayley", "distances")
rmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),1,"hamming", "distances")
rmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),1,"ulam", "distances")
rmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),1,"kendall", "multistage")
rmm(2,c(1,2,3,4,5),1,"cayley", "multistage")
```

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runif.permutation      *Random permutation*

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**Description**

Generate a collection of n permutations uniformly at random

**Usage**

```
runif.permutation(n = 1, perm.length)
```

**Arguments**

n	optional number of permutations to generate
perm.length	length of the permutations generated

**Value**

A single permutation or a matrix with n rows, each being a permutation. Every permutation is drawn uniformly at random and has length perm.length

**Examples**

```
runif.permutation(1,5)
```

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`swap`*Swap two items of a permutation*

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**Description**

Given a permutation and two position, swap both positions

**Usage**

```
swap(perm, i, j)
```

**Arguments**

<code>perm</code>	a permutation
<code>i</code>	position of the permutation
<code>j</code>	position of the permutation

**Value**

The permutation in the input in which the two speicified items have been swapped

**Examples**

```
swap(c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5), 2, 5)
```

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