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Description

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Main functions:

- format_mQTL: generates the proper format of animal crosses data

- `format_mGWA`: generates the proper format of human data
- `align_mQTL`: peak alignment
- `normalise_mQTL`: normalisation of metabolomic data using different approaches (Probabilistic quotient, constant sum,...)
- `pre_mQTL`: dimension reduction by statistical recoupling of variables or binning
- `process_mQTL`: computes LODs using extended Haley-Knott method for animal crosses
- `process_mGWA`: computes p-values using a standard linear regression approach for human
- `post_mQTL`: plots the results of a given run
- `summary_mQTL`: provides the results as a table
- `simple.plot`: Plots a region of NMR profile
- `SRV.plot`: Plots the regions identified by SRV in NMR profiles
- `ppersp`: Plot 3-D profile of LODs as function of genomic position and chemical shift
- `pplot`: Plot a color scale layer
- `Top_SRV.plot`: Plot top SRV clusters for structural assignment
- `circle_mQTL`: Plot a circular genome-metabolome plot

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References

- L. HEDJAZI, D. GAUGUIER, P. ZALLOUA, J. NICHOLSON, M-E DUMAS and J-B CAZIER, mQTL-NMR: an integrated suite for genetic mapping of quantitative variations of ¹H NMR-based metabolic profiles, *Analytical Chemistry*, 2015, doi: 10.1021/acs.analchem.5b00145.

Examples

```
# Download data files

load_datafiles()

# Format data

format_mQTL(phenofile,genofile,physiodat,cleandat,cleangen)

# Constant Sum normalisation
nmeth<-'CS'
normalise_mQTL(cleandat,CSnorm,nmeth)

# Alignment
align_mQTL(CSnorm,aligdat)

# Dimensionality reduction
met="rectangle" # choose the statistical summarizing measure ("max","sum","trapez",...)
RedMet="SRV" # reduction method ("SRV" or "bin")

pre_mQTL(aligdat, reducedF, RedMet="SRV",met, corrT=0.9)
```

```

# mQTL mapping
results<- list() # a list to stock the mQTL mapping results
nperm<- 0 # number of permutations if required
results<-process_mQTL(reducedF, cleangen, nperm)

## Post-Process
post_mQTL(results)

## Summarize
redfile<-"rectangle_SRV.ppm"
summary_mQTL(results,redfile,T=8)

#plot circular genome
circle_mQTL(results, Th=8,spacing=0)

## visualisation and metabolite identification
#plot NMR profile
simple.plot(file=cleandat,lo=3.02,hi=3.08,k=1:20,title="NMR profile")

#plot SRV regions
SRV.plot(file1=cleandat,file2=rectangle_SRV,lo=3.02,hi=3.08,k=1:20,title="Cluster plot")

#plot lod for the region of interest
SRV_lod.plot(results,rectangle_SRV,Th=1)

#plot top lod SRV regions
Top_SRV.plot(file1=cleandat,file2=rectangle_SRV,results=results,met=met,intMeth="mean")

```

alignSp

Base function for Spectrum Alignment

Description

Alignment of spectrum segment to the spectrum of interest

Usage

```
alignSp(refSp, refSegments, intSp, intSegments, recursion, MAX_DIST_FACTOR, MIN_RC)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| refSp | a vector specifying the reference spectrum |
| refSegments | a list characterizing the reference segments (start, end, peaks, ...) |
| intSp | a vector specifying the spectrum of interest |
| intSegments | a list characterizing the segment of interest (start, end, peaks, ...) |
| recursion | A list defining default values of the parameters of recursive alignment (minimal segment width, recursion step, resamblance, acceptance, ...) |
| MAX_DIST_FACTOR | distance matching parameter (0.5*peak width) |
| MIN_RC | minimum resamblance coefficient |

Value

alignedSpectrum
aligned spectrum as a vector

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[align_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
## Data
load_datafiles()
Sp<-t(read.table(phenofile))
ppm<-as.numeric(colnames(Sp))

## Normalization
normSp<-normalise(abs(Sp), 'CS')

##Segmentation and matching parameters
setupRSPA(ppm)

##reference spectrum selection
attach(normSp)
index<-selectRefSp(Sp,recursion$step)
refSp<-Sp[index,]

##segmentate a reference spectrum
refSegments<- segmentateSp(refSp, peakParam)

##segmentate a test spectrum
testSegments<- segmentateSp(Sp[1,], peakParam)

##attach test and reference segments
attachedSegs<-attachSegments(refSegments, testSegments)

##Match test and reference segments
attach(attachedSegs)
Segs<-matchSegments(refSp, Sp[1,], testSegmentsNew, refSegmentsNew, MAX_DIST_FACTOR, MIN_RC)

##Align test spectrum
attach(Segs)
SpAlg<- alignSp(refSp, refSegs, Sp[1,], testSegs, recursion, MAX_DIST_FACTOR, MIN_RC)
```

Description

Recursive Segment-Wise Peak Alignment (RSPA) for accounting peak position variation across metabolomic data

Usage

```
align_mQTL(datafile, outdat, idx)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| datafile | The main input file of raw spectra in the csvs format |
| outdat | The output file of aligned spectra in the csvs format |
| idx | index of reference spectrum |

Details

The algorithm is based on the following workflow:

1. Automatic selection of a reference spectrum (if required).
2. Segmentate a reference spectrum.
3. Then for each test spectrum:
 - segmentate a test spectrum.
 - match test and reference segments.
 - align a test spectrum.

Value

It returns a file with aligned data in the csvs format.

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Veselkov, K. et al (2009) Recursive Segment-Wise Peak Alignment of Biological ¹H NMR Spectra for Improved Metabolic Biomarker Recovery, *Anal. Chem.*, 81(1), 56-66.

See Also

[alignSp](#), [attachSegments](#), [matchSegments](#), [segmentateSp](#), [format_mQTL](#), [format_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
# Download data files
load_datafiles()

# Format data
format_mQTL(phenofile, genofile, physiodat, cleandat, cleangen)
```

```
# Constant Sum normalisation
nmeth<-'CS'
normalise_mQTL(cleandat,CSnorm,nmeth)

# Alignment
align_mQTL(CSnorm,aligdat)
```

attachSegments *Concatenation of test and reference segments*

Description

Concatenation of test and reference segments to ensure one-to-one correspondence.

Usage

```
attachSegments(refSegments, testSegments)
```

Arguments

refSegments a list characterizing the segments of the reference spectrum (start, end, peaks, center)

testSegments a list characterizing the segments of the test spectrum (start,end, peaks, center)

Details

The algorithm:

1. For each reference segment within segment boundaries, i.e. between initial and final positions, find all centre (middle) positions of test segments and merge those segments, if more than one centre position is found
2. Apply the same procedure for each test segment

Value

A list:

segments\$start a vector specifying the starting of each concatenated test segment

segments\$PeakLeftBoundary
 a list defining the peak left boundary of each concatenated test segment

segments\$PeakRightBoundary
 a list defining the peak right boundary of each concatenated test segment

segments\$Peaks a list specifying the peaks information of each concatenated test segment (max position, start position, end position,...)

segments\$end a vector specifying the end of each concatenated test segment

segments\$center a vector specifying the center of each concatenated test segment

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Veselkov, K. et al (2009) Recursive Segment-Wise Peak Alignment of Biological ¹H NMR Spectra for Improved Metabolic Biomarker Recovery, *Anal. Chem.*, 81(1), 56-66.

See Also

[matchSegments](#)

Examples

```
## Data
load_datafiles()
Sp<-t(read.table(phenofile))
ppm<-as.numeric(colnames(Sp))

## Normalization
normSp<-normalise(abs(Sp), 'CS')

## Segmentation and matching parameters
setupRSPA(ppm)

## reference spectrum selection
attach(normSp)
index<-selectRefSp(Sp, recursion$step)
refSp<-Sp[index,]

## segmentate a reference spectrum
refSegments<- segmentateSp(refSp, peakParam) # segmentate reference spectrum

## segmentate a test spectrum
testSegments<- segmentateSp(Sp[1,], peakParam) # segmentate test spectrum (1st sample)

## attach test and reference segments
attachedSegs<-attachSegments(refSegments, testSegments)
```

circle_mQTL

Circular genome-metabolome plot for mQTL.NMR

Description

shows mQTL locations and relations with the metabolome on a central chemical axis

Usage

```
circle_mQTL(results, Th = 0, chr = 9, spacing = 25)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|--|
| results | a list containing mQTL mapping results generated by mQTL.NMR package |
| Th | a numerical parameter specifying LOD threshold |
| chr | a numerical value defining the chromosomes to show if necessary |

spacing a numerical parameter specifying the spacing between chromosomes on the circular genome

Value

A circular plot where the central horizontal line corresponds to the NMR chemical axis, the circle represents the chromosomal positions, and the colored lines significant association between a shift and genomic location.

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[pplot](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()
load(results)

circle_mQTL(results, Th=8, spacing=0)
```

configureRSPA *segmentation and recursive alignment parameters*

Description

The routine used to change and improve the RSPA algorithm performance

Usage

```
configureRSPA(ppm)
```

Arguments

ppm a numerical vector defining the chemical shift scale

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier

See Also

[setupRSPA](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()

load(results)
ppm<-results$ppm
configureRSPA(ppm)
```

| | |
|-------------|--|
| format_mGWA | <i>Routine to reformat the data into the required format to perform mG-WAS</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

This function enables to reformat data into the proper format. The user should provides in input metabolomic file, Genotype file, map file and a file containing sex, age and individual IDs.

Usage

```
format_mGWA(datafile, genofile1, genofile2, covarfile, outdat, outgeno)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| datafile | metabolomic data file |
| genofile1 | genotype file in the "ped" format |
| genofile2 | map file containing more information on SNP marker (position, ...) |
| covarfile | a text file contains covariates such as age or sex |
| outdat | output data file with formatted phenotype data in csvs format |
| outgeno | output data file with formatted genotype data in csvs format |

Value

formatted phenotype and genotype data files (in format csvs) are written to the user working directory (it is therefore preferable that the user create a new directory to be used throughout the study)

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[format_mQTL](#), [process_mGWA](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()
format_mGWA(human.pheno, human.geno, humanMap, covarFile,cleandat, cleangen)
```

| | |
|-------------|--|
| format_mQTL | <i>Routine to reformat the data of animal crosses into the required format to perform mQTL mapping</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

This function enables to reformat data into the proper format. The user should provides in input metabolomic file, Genotype file and a file containing sex and pgm (parental grandmother).

Usage

```
format_mQTL(datafile, genofile, physdat, outdat, outgeno)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| datafile | metabolomic data file in text format |
| genofile | genotype data file in text format |
| physdat | a file containing sex and pgm in text format |
| outdat | Output data file with formatted phenotype data (metabolomic data + sex + pgm) in the format csvs |
| outgeno | Output data file with formatted genotype data in the csvs format |

Value

formatted phenotype and genotype data files (in format csvs) are written to the user working directory (it is therefore preferable that the user create a new directory to be used throughout the study)

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[align_mQTL](#),

Examples

```
# Download data files
load_datafiles()

# Format data

format_mQTL(phenofile,genofile,physiodat,cleandat,cleangen)
```

| | |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|
| load_datafiles | <i>Load data files for examples</i> |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|

Description

Data files are downloaded from the extdata directory to the user's working directory.

Usage

```
load_datafiles()
```

Value

Loaded data files concern four datasets: raw metabolomic data ('phenofile.txt'), genomic data ('genofile.txt'), additional data ('physiodat.txt').

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[format_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
# Load data files
load_datafiles()
```

| | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| load_demo_data | <i>Load demo data files</i> |
|----------------|-----------------------------|

Description

Data files are downloaded from the sourceforge.net website to the user's working directory.

Usage

```
load_demo_data()
```

Value

Loaded data files concern four datasets: raw metabolomic data (Metabofile.txt), genomic data (Genofile.txt), additional data (physiodat.txt), formatted metabolomic data (met.clean.txt) and formatted genomic data (gen.clean.txt). Data files specifying additional information and results are also provided such as: result of SRV clustering (ur.rectangle.alig.txt), aligned data (ur.alig.txt), normalized data by CS and PQN methods (cs.norm.txt and pqn.norm.txt) and SRV clusters parameters (rectangle_SRV.txt)

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also[format_mQTL](#)**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# Load demo data files
load_demo_data()

## End(Not run)
```

matchSegments

Matching the segment of interest to the corresponding reference

Description

The algorithm makes use of a fuzzy logic approach to match the segment of interest to the corresponding reference

Usage

```
matchSegments(refSp, intSp, intSegments, refSegments, MAX_DIST_FACTOR, MIN_RC)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| refSp | a vector specifying the spectrum of reference |
| intSp | a vector specifying the spectrum of interest (test spectrum) |
| intSegments | a list characterizing the segments of spectrum of interest |
| refSegments | a list characterizing the segments of the reference spectrum (start, end, peaks, center) |
| MAX_DIST_FACTOR | distance matching parameter (0.5*peak_width) |
| MIN_RC | minimum resamblance coefficient |

Details

Algorithm:

1. pick-up segment of interest
2. pick-up reference segments
3. calculate relative distance between them
4. calculate relative resamblance between them
5. find min value of relative distance and resamblance
6. use it as representative of similiarity between target and reference segments
7. find the segment that has the highest value of both relative distance and resamblance

Value

A list:

| | |
|----------|--|
| testSegs | a list characterizing the matched test segments |
| refSegs | a list characterizing the matched reference segments |

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Veselkov, K. et al (2009) Recursive Segment-Wise Peak Alignment of Biological ¹H NMR Spectra for Improved Metabolic Biomarker Recovery, *Anal. Chem.*, 81(1), 56-66.

See Also

[attachSegments](#)

Examples

```
## Data
load_datafiles()
Sp<-t(read.table(phenofile))
ppm<-as.numeric(colnames(Sp))

## Normalization
normSp<-normalise(abs(Sp), 'CS')

##Segmentation and matching parameters
setupRSPA(ppm)

##reference spectrum selection
attach(normSp)
index<-selectRefSp(Sp, recursion$step)
refSp<-Sp[index,]

##segmentate a reference spectrum
refSegments<- segmentateSp(refSp, peakParam) # segmentate reference spectrum

##segmentate a test spectrum
testSegments<- segmentateSp(Sp[1,], peakParam) # segmentate test spectrum (1st sample)

##attach test and reference segments
attachedSegs<-attachSegments(refSegments, testSegments)

##Match test and reference segments
attach(attachedSegs)
Segs<-matchSegments(refSp, Sp[1,], testSegmentsNew, refSegmentsNew, MAX_DIST_FACTOR, MIN_RC)
```

| | |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| normalise | <i>Base function of normalisation</i> |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|

Description

Removing dilutions between biofluid samples (normalisation of spectra)

Usage

```
normalise(X, method, refIdx, noiseInt)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| X | A matrix specifying metabolomic data |
| method | A character defining the normalization method. Constant sum normalisation (method<-'CS'), Constant noise normalisation (method<-'CN'), Quotient probabilistic method (method<-'PQN'), Linear baseline normalisation (method<-'LBN'), Auto scaling (method<-'AS'), Pareto scaling (method<-'PS'). |
| refIdx | index of reference individual (set by the user if necessary) |
| noiseInt | noise region on the resonance axis as an interval (ex. [11,12] ppm) |

Value

A matrix defining normalised spectrum

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

- Probabilistic quotient normalisation: Dieterle, F., Ross, A., Schlotterbeck, G., & Senn, H. (2006). Probabilistic quotient normalization as robust method to account for dilution of complex biological mixtures. Application to 1H NMR metabolomics. *Analytical Chemistry*, 78, 4281-4290.
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See Also

[normalise_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
## Data
Sp=matrix(rnorm(10*5000,mean=0,sd=1), nrow=10,ncol=5000)

## Quotient probabilistic normalisation
NormDat<-normalise(abs(Sp), 'PQN')
```

| | |
|----------------|--|
| normalise_mQTL | <i>Normalisation of metabolomic data</i> |
|----------------|--|

Description

Takes use of the base function [normalise](#) to provide a normalised metabolomic data file.

Usage

```
normalise_mQTL(infile,outfile,method,refIdx=1, noiseInt=c(11,12))
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| infile | a text file with non-normalised spectra profiles |
| outfile | a text file with normalised spectra profiles |
| method | a character defining the normalization method: - Constant sum normalisation (method<-'CS') - Constant noise normalisation (method<-'CN') - Qoutient probabilistic method (method<-'PQN') - Linear baseline normalisation (method<-'LBN') - Auto-scaling (method<-'AS') - Pareto scaling (method<-'PS') |
| refIdx | index of reference individual (set by the user) |
| noiseInt | noise region on the resonance axis as an interval (ex. [11,12] ppm) |

Value

a file containing normalised spectra profiles

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[normalise](#)

Examples

```
# Download data files
load_datafiles()

# Format data

format_mQTL(phenofile,genofile,physiodat,cleandat,cleangen)

# Constant Sum normalisation
nmeth<-'CS'
normalise_mQTL(cleandat,CSnorm,nmeth)
```

peakPeaks

Peak picking algorithm

Description

Identification of peaks in metabolomic data based on the calculation of smoothed derivatives using Savitzky-Golay filter. The peak is identified if derivative crosses zero, i.e. $\text{sign}(X'(i)) > \text{sign}(X'(i+1))$.

Usage

```
peakPeaks(SpSmooth, dpDerivs, Sp)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| SpSmooth | a vector specifying smoothed spectrum |
| dpDerivs | a vector specifying smoothed derivative of the spectrum |
| Sp | a vector specifying the spectrum of interest |

Value

identified peaks

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Veselkov, K. et al (2009) Recursive Segment-Wise Peak Alignment of Biological ¹H NMR Spectra for Improved Metabolic Biomarker Recovery, *Anal. Chem.*, 81(1), 56-66.

See Also

[sgolayDeriv](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()
Sp<-t(read.table(phenofile))

## Peak picking
Spectrum<-Sp[1,]
iOrder <- 3
iFrameLen<- 11

SpDerivs<-sgolayDeriv(Spectrum,iOrder,iFrameLen,2)
SpSmooth<-sgolayDeriv(Spectrum,iOrder,iFrameLen,1)
peaks<-peakPeaks(SpSmooth,SpDerivs,Spectrum)
```

post_mQTL

Plot top LOD results

Description

plot the results of a given run

Usage

```
post_mQTL(results, probs = c(0.95, 0.99, 0.999, 0.9999))
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|--|
| results | a list containing the results of mQTL analysis. |
| probs | a numerical vector of probabilities with values in [0,1]. (Values up to 2e-14 outside that range are accepted and moved to the nearby endpoint). |

Details

This function plots differents results corresponding to top LOD marker

Value

It returns one window gathering all figures of the mQTL analysis. Each figure is also saved separately in the user's working space.

Author(s)

Hedjazi Lyamine

See Also

[pre_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
# Download data files
load_datafiles()

# mQTL mapping results
load(results)

# Plot mQTL mapping results
post_mQTL(results)
```

ppersp

Plot a 3-D profile of LODs

Description

Plot 3-D profile of LODs as function of genomic position and chemical shift

Usage

```
ppersp(z, ppm, title, theta=-15, phi=15, r=50)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|---|
| z | a matrix specifying metabolome genome-wide mQTL mapping results |
| ppm | a vector of chemical shift |
| title | plot title |
| theta | angle defining the viewing direction (azimuthal direction) |
| phi | angle defining the viewing direction (colatitude direction) |
| r | the distance of the eyepoint from the centre of the plotting box. |

Value

plot 2D-profile

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier

See Also

[pplot](#)

Examples

```
# Download data files
load_datafiles()

# mQTL mapping results
load(results)
```

```
## Plot 3D profile
dev.new(width=5,height=5,pointsize=5)
ppersp(results$res, results$ppm, title="Example plot")
```

pplot

Plot a color scale layer

Description

Plot the results with a color scale y layer over 3 in 2D

Usage

```
pplot(z, title, ppm, res, LT = c(5,10,15,20))
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|--|
| z | a matrix specifying metabolome genome-wide mQTL mapping results |
| title | figure title |
| ppm | a vector of chemical shift |
| res | mQTL results to be plotted (scanone object) |
| LT | quantil(res,probs), res: matrix of mQTL mapping results and probs: vector of probabilities |

Value

plot of 2-D profile

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier

See Also

[ppersp](#)

Examples

```
# Download data files
load_datafiles()

# mQTL mapping results
load(results)

## Plot 3D profile

dev.new(width=5,height=5,pointsize=5)

probs=c(0.95,0.99,0.999,0.9999) ## probabilities

pplot(results$res,"Full 2D Profile", results$ppm, results$best, quantile(results$res,probs=probs))
```

| | |
|----------|--|
| pre_mQTL | <i>Statistical Recoupling of variables for mQTL analysis</i> |
|----------|--|

Description

Makes use of SRV to preprocess metabolomic data for dimensionality reduction by statistical recoupling of variables

Usage

```
pre_mQTL(infile, outfile, RedMet="SRV", met="sum", corrT = 0.9, BinWidth=0.01)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| infile | metabolomic datafile in csvs format |
| outfile | reduced metabolomic datafile in csvs format |
| met | a charcater specifying the used statistical summary |
| RedMet | a charcater indicating the used dimensionality reduction method: Redmet="SRV" for statistical recoupling of variables and Redmet="bin" to apply the bining approach |
| corrT | a numerical parameter indicating correlation threshold |
| BinWidth | a numerical parameter indicating the bining width |

Details

mQTL-NMR package implements two dimensionality reduction methods. The first one concerns the SRV algorithm which forms clusters of variables using a measure of a local spectral dependency. The second one concerns the classical bining method which divides the spectra into evenly spaced windows (bins) whose width commonly ranges between 0.001 and 0.05 ppm.

Value

variables are associated into a series of clusters (or bins). This function provides in output the paramaters of the clusters (min and max borders, mean,...)

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

- Blaise,B. et al (2009) Statistical recoupling prior to significance testing in nuclear magnetic resonance based metabonomics, Anal. Chem., 81(15), 6242-6251. - S praul, M.; Neidig, P.; Klauck, U.; Kessler, P.; Holmes, E.; Nicholson, J. K.; Sweatman, B.C.; Salman, S.R.; Farrant, R.D.; Rahr, E.; et al. J.Pharm. Biomed. Anal. 1994, 12, 1215-1225.

See Also

[SRV](#),[post_mQTL](#)

Examples

```

# Download data files

load_datafiles()

# Format data

format_mQTL(phenofile,genofile,physiodat,cleandat,cleangen)

# Constant Sum normalisation
nmeth<-'CS'
normalise_mQTL(cleandat,CSnorm,nmeth)

# Alignment
align_mQTL(CSnorm,aligdat)

# Dimensionality reduction
met="rectangle" # choose the statistical summarizing measure ("max","sum","trapez",...)
RedMet="SRV" # reduction method ("SRV" or "bin")

pre_mQTL(aligdat, reducedF, RedMet="SRV",met, corrT=0.9)

```

| | |
|--------------|--|
| process_mGWA | <i>Metabolomic Genome-Wide Association analysis for a set of independent individuals</i> |
|--------------|--|

Description

Test for association between a trait and genetic polymorphism

Usage

```
process_mGWA(phenofile = phenofile, genofile = genofile, nperm = 0, gtmodel = "overdominant", covarList = covarList)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|---|
| phenofile | a text file with phenotype data |
| genofile | a text file with genotype data |
| nperm | number of permutations |
| gtmodel | genetic model ("additive", "recessive", "dominant", "overdominant") |
| covarList | covariate variables ("sex" and/or "age") |

Details

This function makes use of metabolomic and genotype data to perform genome-wide association analysis using a standard regression method based on the GenABEL package.

Value

2D score tables (-log₁₀(p-value))

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Aulchenko, Y.S.; Ripke, S.; Isaacs, A.; van Duijn, C.M. *Bioinformatics* 2007, 23, 1294-1296.

See Also

[format_mGWA](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()
format_mGWA(human.pheno, human.geno, humanMap, covarFile,hcleandat, hcleangen)

# mQTL mapping
results<- list() # a list to stock the mQTL mapping results
nperm<- 0 # number of permutations if required

results<-process_mGWA(phenofile=hreducedF, genofile=hcleangen,nperm=0, gtmodel="additive")
```

process_mQTL

mQTL mapping

Description

Function to process the tissue extract of the individuals for QTL analysis

Usage

```
process_mQTL(datfile, genfile, nperm = 0)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---------------------------------|
| datfile | a text file with phenotype data |
| genfile | a text file with genotype data |
| nperm | nperm |

Details

This function makes use of metabolomic and genotype data to perform QTL analysis based on the R/QTL package, for mapping quantitative trait loci. In particular, it makes use of the extended Haley-Knott method to optimize the LOD score evaluation and avoid problems with missing genotypes.

Value

2D LOD score table

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier and Hedjazi Lyamine

References

Broman, K., et al (2006) R/qtl: QTL mapping in experimental crosses, *Bioinformatics*, 19(7), 889-890.

See Also

[post_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
# Download data files

load_datafiles()

# mQTL mapping
results<- list() # a list to stock the mQTL mapping results
nperm<- 0 # number of permutations if required
results<-process_mQTL(reducedF, cleangen, nperm)
```

segmentateSp

Segmentation of a spectrum of interest

Description

Determination of highly intensive peaks in the spectrum of interest and subsequent concatenation of closely located peaks into larger segments

Usage

```
segmentateSp(Sp, peakParam)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------|--|
| Sp | a vector defining the spectrum |
| peakParam | a list: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ampThr: amplitude threshold [default 2*median(peaksMax Values)] • iFrameLen: Savitzky-Golay frame length • iOrder: polynomial order of Savitzky - Golay filter • iFrameLen: Savitzky-Golay frame length • minPeakWidth: min peak size • ppmDist: distance to concatenate adjacent peaks |

Value

A list:

testSegmentsNew

a list specifying the new test segments

refSegmentsNew a list specifying the new reference segments

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Veselkov, K. et al (2009) Recursive Segment-Wise Peak Alignment of Biological ¹H NMR Spectra for Improved Metabolic Biomarker Recovery, *Anal. Chem.*, 81(1), 56-66.

See Also

[attachSegments](#), [matchSegments](#)

Examples

```
## Data
load_datafiles()
Sp<-t(read.table(phenofile))
ppm<-as.numeric(colnames(Sp))

## Normalization
normSp<-normalise(abs(Sp), 'CS')

## Segmentation and matching parameters
setupRSPA(ppm)

## reference spectrum selection
attach(normSp)
index<-selectRefSp(Sp, recursion$step)
refSp<-Sp[index,]

## segmentate a reference spectrum
refSegments<- segmentateSp(refSp, peakParam) # segmentate reference spectrum
```

selectRefSp

Automated selection of a reference spectrum

Description

The selection of reference spectrum among all spectrums is based on the highest similarity to all other spectra

Usage

```
selectRefSp(X, step)
```

Arguments

X matrix of spectra
step a numerical parameter used to scale spectral regions down to specific bin size

Value

returns the index of selected spectrum

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[alignSp](#)

Examples

```
# Data
Sp=matrix(rnorm(10*5000,mean=0,sd=1), nrow=10,ncol=5000)

# Reference spectrum selection

step=0.02 # Recursion step (default 0.02)
index<-selectRefSp(Sp,step)
```

setupRSPA

setup of alignment parameters

Description

Configuration of the RSPA algorithm invariant parameters

Usage

```
setupRSPA(ppm)
```

Arguments

ppm a vector defining chemical shift scale

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier

See Also

[configureRSPA](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()

load(results)
ppm<-results$ppm
setupRSPA(ppm)
```

sgolay

Find the matrix of differentiation filters

Description

designs a Savitzky-Golay (polynomial) FIR smoothing filter. The polynomial order must be less than the frame size which must be odd.

Usage

```
sgolay(k,F,W)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| k | a numerical value of polynomial order |
| F | a numerical value of frame size |
| W | weighting matrix |

Value

matrix of differentiators

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

References

Sophocles J. Orfanidis, INTRODUCTION TO SIGNAL PROCESSING, Prentice-Hall, 1995, Chapter 8

See Also

[sgolayDeriv](#)

Examples

```
k <- 3
F <- 11

Sg=sgolay(k,F)
```

`sgolayDeriv`*Calculate smoothed derivates*

Description

Calculate smoothed derivates using Savitzky-Golay filter

Usage

```
sgolayDeriv(dpSpectr, iOrder, iFrameLen, j)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------|---|
| <code>dpSpectr</code> | a vector specifying the input spectrum |
| <code>iOrder</code> | polynomial order of Savitzky - Golay filter |
| <code>iFrameLen</code> | Savitzky-Golay frame length in ppm scale |
| <code>j</code> | order of derivative |

Value

jth derivitative of the spectrum

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[sgolay](#)

Examples

```
## Data

Sp=matrix(rnorm(10*13454,mean=0,sd=1), nrow=10,ncol=13454)

## Peak picking
Spectrum<-Sp[10,]
iOrder <- 3
iFrameLen<- 11
j<-2

SpDerivs<-sgolayDeriv(Spectrum,iOrder,iFrameLen,j)
```

`simple.plot`*Plot NMR profile plus SRV regions*

Description

Plot NMR profile plus SRV regions and consensus across the various statistics

Usage

```
simple.plot(file,lo,hi,k,title)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <code>file</code> | a text file containing NMR data |
| <code>lo</code> | starting point on the chemical axis |
| <code>hi</code> | ending point on the chemical axis |
| <code>k</code> | number of samples |
| <code>title</code> | title of the plot |

Value

NMR profile and SRV region plot with peak calling consensus

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier

See Also

[SRV.plot](#)

Examples

```
# Load data files
load_datafiles()

# Format data
format_mQTL(phenofile,genofile,physiodat,cleandat,cleangen)

# Plot NMR profile
simple.plot(file=cleandat,lo=3.02,hi=3.08,k=1:20,title="NMR profile")
```

Description

Base function for dimensionality reduction by statistical recoupling of variables

Usage

```
SRV(X, minsize, correl, clustf = median)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|--|
| X | matrix of metabolomic data |
| minsize | a numerical value defining the singlet size |
| correl | a numerical value defining the bucketting resolution |
| clustf | a numerical value defining the correlation threshold |

Value

A list:

| | |
|-------------|--|
| indicesdebf | a vector indicating the starting border of superclusters |
| indicesfinf | a vector indicating the ending border of superclusters |
| Xcluster | matrix of reduced data |

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier

References

Blaise,B. et al (2009) Statistical recoupling prior to significance testing in nuclear magnetic resonance based metabonomics, *Anal. Chem.*, 81(15), 6242-6251.

See Also

[pre_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
# Load data files

load_datafiles()

Sp<-read.table(phenofile, as.is=TRUE, header=TRUE, sep='\t')

# Perform the SRV analysis to reduce the number of dimension of Spectra #data (Sp)

corrT=0.9 # correlation threshold
minsize=10 # singlet size
```

```
met="rectangle" # summary measure  
SRV<-SRV(t(Sp), minsize, corrT, clustf=met)
```

SRV.plot

Plot SRV clusters

Description

Plot arrows defined by SRV on data

Usage

```
SRV.plot(file1, file2, lo, hi, k, title)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------|----------------------------------|
| file1 | a text file with NMR data |
| file2 | a text file with SRV results |
| lo | starting point on chemical shift |
| hi | ending point on chemical shift |
| k | number of samples |
| title | title of the plot |

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[simple.plot](#)

Examples

```
# Load data files  
load_datafiles()  
  
# Format data  
format_mQTL(phenofile, genofile, physiodat, cleandat, cleangen)  
  
## Plot SRV profile  
SRV.plot(file1=cleandat, file2=rectangle_SRV, lo=3.02, hi=3.08, k=1:168, title="Cluster plot")
```

| | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|
| SRV_lod.plot | <i>Plot top lod SRV clusters</i> |
|--------------|----------------------------------|

Description

Plot all SRV clusters associated with the top lod locus

Usage

```
SRV_lod.plot(results, file, Th)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| results | a list specifying the results of mQTL mapping |
| file | a text file contains resulting clusters |
| Th | a numerical value of LOD threshold |

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[SRV.plot](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()
load(results)

## Plot LOD profile
SRV_lod.plot(results,rectangle_SRV,T=1)
```

| | |
|--------------|---|
| summary_mQTL | <i>Function to summarize the mQTL mapping results of all the runs and their differences</i> |
|--------------|---|

Description

This function generates a table containing the genetic markers and thier associated metabolomic variables and estimated LOD score.

Usage

```
summary_mQTL(results, redfile,Th = 5)
```


Arguments

| | |
|---------|---|
| results | a list specifying the mQTL mapping results |
| redfile | a text file containing the parameters of identified clusters(.PPM file) |
| Th | a numerical parameter indicating the threshold of top accepted score (LOD or $-\log_{10}(\text{p-value})$) |

Details

Generates a text file containing a table of summary of mQTL mapping results

Value

returns Summaries

Author(s)

Jean-Baptiste Cazier and Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[pre_mQTL](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()
load(results)

Th<-10 ## LOD threshold
summary_mQTL(results,rectangle_SRV,Th)## summarizes mQTL results in a table
```

| | |
|--------------|------------------------------|
| Top_SRV.plot | <i>Plot top SRV clusters</i> |
|--------------|------------------------------|

Description

Plot lines defined by SRV on top SRV clusters

Usage

```
Top_SRV.plot(file1,file2,results,met,intMeth,clustidx)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|--|
| file1 | a text file with NMR data |
| file2 | a text file with SRV clusters |
| results | a list containinig results of mQTL mapping |
| met | a character specifying the summarizing statistical measure of peaks |
| intMeth | a character specifying summarizing method across samples ("mean" or "max") |
| clustidx | index specifying the SRV cluser of interest (optinal) |

Author(s)

Lyamine Hedjazi

See Also

[SRV.plot](#)

Examples

```
load_datafiles()

load(results)

# Format data

format_mQTL(phenofile, genofile, physiodat, cleandat, cleangen)

## Plot SRV profile
Top_SRV.plot(file1=cleandat, file2=rectangle_SRV, results=results, met=met, intMeth="mean")
```

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