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Description This package contains the function to find marker genes for image-based spatial transcriptomics data. There are functions to create spatial vectors from the cell and transcript coordinates, which are passed as inputs to find marker genes. Marker genes are detected for every cluster by two approaches. The first approach is by permutation testing, which is implemented in parallel for finding marker genes for one sample study. The other approach is to build a linear model for every gene. This approach can account for multiple samples and background noise.

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jazzPanda-package	<i>jazzPanda: A hybrid approach to find spatially relevant marker genes in image-based spatial transcriptomics data</i>
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Description

jazzPanda package provides hybrid approaches to prioritize marker genes that uses the spatial coordinates of gene detections and cells making up clusters. We propose a binning approach `get_vectors` that summarises the number of genes and cells within a cluster as spatial vectors. We have developed two approaches to detect and prioritize marker genes. The first approach `compute_perm` is based on correlation coefficients between genes and cluster spatial vectors, where significance of the marker genes are assessed through permutation. The second approach `lasso_markers` is based on lasso regularisation and linear modeling of our defined spatial vectors. This second approach is more flexible and can account for multiple samples and background noise.

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<code>.check_binning</code>	<i>helper function to check the input of binning</i>
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Description

helper function to check the input of binning

Usage

```
.check_binning(bin_param, bin_type, range_list)
```

Arguments

<code>bin_param</code>	<p>A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only.</p> <p>For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <code>c(3, 4)</code> means 3 bins along the x-axis and 4 bins along the y-axis (a 3×4 grid). <code>c(5, 5)</code> means 5 bins along the x-axis and 5 bins along the y-axis (a 5×5 grid).
<code>bin_type</code>	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
<code>range_list</code>	A named list of spatial ranges for each sample. Each element should be a list with two components: <code>w_x</code> and <code>w_y</code> , which are numeric vectors of length 2 specifying the x- and y-axis ranges (e.g., from cell or transcript coordinates). The range is calculated with 5 within the window.

Value

the length of total bins

<code>.check_valid_input</code>	<i>helper function to check the inputs passed to marker detection function</i>
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Description

helper function to check the inputs passed to marker detection function

Usage

```
.check_valid_input(
  gene_mt,
  cluster_mt,
  sample_names,
  n_fold = 10,
  background = NULL
)
```

Arguments

<code>gene_mt</code>	A matrix contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene. The column names must be specified and refer to the genes. This can be the output from the function get_vectors .
<code>cluster_mt</code>	A matrix contains the number of cells in a specific cluster in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a cluster. The column names must be specified and refer to the clusters. Please do not assign integers as column names. This can be the output from the function get_vectors .
<code>sample_names</code>	A vector specifying the names for the samples.
<code>n_fold</code>	Optional. A positive number giving the number of folds used for cross validation. This parameter will pass to cv.glmnet to calculate a penalty term for every gene.
<code>background</code>	Optional. A matrix providing the background information. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to one category of background information. Number of rows must equal to the number of rows in <code>gene_mt</code> and <code>cluster_mt</code> . Can be obtained by only providing coordinates matrices <code>cluster_info</code> . to function get_vectors .

Value

a list of two matrices with the following components

<code>n_clusters</code>	Number of clusters
<code>cluster_names</code>	a vector of strings giving the name of the clusters

.check_valid_names *helper function to check the names of gene/cluster/sample*

Description

helper function to check the names of gene/cluster/sample

Usage

```
.check_valid_names(x, x_name)
```

Arguments

x	A character vector to check naming
x_name	A name specifying the type of x, for message purpose only

Value

A character vector of same length with valid names

.compute_observation *Compute observation statistic for permutation framework*

Description

Compute observation statistic for permutation framework

Usage

```
.compute_observation(  
  x,  
  cluster_info,  
  correlation_method,  
  n_cores,  
  test_genes,  
  bin_type,  
  bin_param,  
  use_cm  
)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a named list (of transcript detection coordinates) or <code>SingleCellExperiment</code> or <code>SpatialExperiment</code> or <code>SpatialFeatureExperiment</code> object. If a named list is provided, every list element is a dataframe containing the transcript detection coordinates and column names must include "feature_name" (gene name), "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate). The list names must match samples in <code>cluster_info</code> .
<code>cluster_info</code>	A dataframe/matrix containing the centroid coordinates, cluster label and sample for each cell. The column names must include "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate), "cluster" (cluster label) and "sample" (sample). It is strongly recommended to use syntactically valid names for columns clusters and samples. If invalid names are detected, the function <code>make.names</code> will be employed to generate valid names. A message will also be displayed to indicate this change.
<code>correlation_method</code>	A parameter pass to <code>cor</code> , indicating which correlation coefficient is to be computed. One of "pearson" (default), "kendall", or "spearman": can be abbreviated.
<code>n_cores</code>	A positive number specifying number of cores used for parallelizing permutation testing. Default is one core (sequential processing).
<code>test_genes</code>	A vector of strings giving the name of the genes you want to test correlation for.
<code>bin_type</code>	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
<code>bin_param</code>	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only.
<code>use_cm</code>	A boolean value that specifies whether to create spatial vectors for genes using the count matrix and cell coordinates instead of the transcript coordinates when both types of information are available. The default setting is FALSE.

Value

A named list with the following components

<code>obs.stat</code>	A matrix contains the observation statistic for every gene and every cluster. Each row refers to a gene, and each column refers to a cluster
<code>gene_mt</code>	contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene.

`.compute_permutation` *Compute permutation statistics for permutation framework*

Description

Compute permutation statistics for permutation framework

Usage

```
.compute_permutation(  
  cluster_info,  
  perm.size = 1000,  
  correlation_method = "pearson",  
  bin_type,  
  bin_param,  
  n_cores = 1,  
  gene_mt,  
  cluster_names,  
  window_range  
)
```

Arguments

<code>cluster_info</code>	A dataframe/matrix containing the centroid coordinates and cluster label for each cell. The column names should include "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate), and "cluster" (cluster label).
<code>perm.size</code>	A positive number specifying permutation times
<code>correlation_method</code>	A parameter pass to <code>cor</code> , indicating which correlation coefficient is to be computed. One of "pearson" (default), "kendall", or "spearman": can be abbreviated.
<code>bin_type</code>	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
<code>bin_param</code>	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only.
<code>n_cores</code>	A positive number specifying number of cores used for parallelizing permutation testing. Default is one core (sequential processing).
<code>gene_mt</code>	A matrix contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene.
<code>cluster_names</code>	A list of strings giving the name and order of the clusters
<code>window_range</code>	A list of spatial ranges for x and y. This list contains two components: <code>w_x</code> and <code>w_y</code> , which are numeric vectors of length 2 specifying the x- and y-axis ranges (e.g., from cell or transcript coordinates).

Value

A matrix with permutation statistics

<code>.convert_data</code>	<i>Convert SingleCellExperiment/SpatialExperiment/SpatialFeatureExperiment objects to list object for jazzPanda.</i>
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Description

This function takes an object of class `SingleCellExperiment`, `SpatialExperiment` or `SpatialFeatureExperiment` and returns a list object that is expected for the `get_vector` functions.

Usage

```
.convert_data(x, sample_names, test_genes)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a <code>SingleCellExperiment</code> or <code>SpatialExperiment</code> or <code>SpatialFeatureExperiment</code> object
<code>sample_names</code>	a vector of strings giving the sample names
<code>test_genes</code>	A vector of strings giving the name of the genes you want to create gene vector.

Value

outputs a list object with the following components

<code>trans_lst</code>	A list of named dataframes. Each dataframe refers to one sample and shows the transcript detection coordinates for each gene. The name matches the input <code>sample_names</code>
<code>cm_lst</code>	A list of named dataframes containing the count matrix for each sample. The name matches the input <code>sample_names</code>

<code>.create_cor_mg_result</code>	<i>Create a marker gene result object for correlation approach</i>
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Description

This function creates a structured output object named `'cor_mg_result'` for storing the permutation results. The object contains three matrices:

Usage

```
.create_cor_mg_result(obs.stat, perm.pval, perm.pval.adj)
```


Arguments

<code>obs.stat</code>	A matrix containing the correlation coefficients for each pair of genes and cluster vectors.
<code>perm.pval</code>	A matrix containing the raw permutation p-value for each pair of genes and cluster.
<code>perm.pval.adj</code>	A matrix containing the adjusted permutation p-value for each pair of genes and cluster.

Value

An S3 object of class 'cor_mg_result' which includes three matrices.

<code>.create_lm_mg_result</code>	<i>Create a marker gene result object for linear modelling approach</i>
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Description

This function creates a structured output object named 'glm_mg_result' for storing the marker gene results. The object contains two data frames: top results and full results.

Usage

```
.create_lm_mg_result(top_result, full_result)
```

Arguments

<code>top_result</code>	A data frame containing top results.
<code>full_result</code>	A data frame containing full results.

Value

An S3 object of class 'glm_mg_result' which includes both results data frames.

<code>.get_cluster_vectors</code>	<i>Create spatial vectors for clusters</i>
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Description

Create spatial vectors for clusters

Usage

```
.get_cluster_vectors(
  cluster_info,
  bin_length,
  bin_type,
  bin_param,
  range_list,
  sample_names
)
```

Arguments

cluster_info	A dataframe/matrix containing the centroid coordinates, cluster label and sample for each cell. The column names must include "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate), "cluster" (cluster label) and "sample" (sample).
bin_length	A positive integer giving the length of total bins
bin_type	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
bin_param	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the bin_type is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the bin_type is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c(3, 4) means 3 bins along the x-axis and 4 bins along the y-axis (a 3 × 4 grid). c(5, 5) means 5 bins along the x-axis and 5 bins along the y-axis (a 5 × 5 grid).
range_list	A named list of spatial ranges for each sample. Each element should be a list with two components: w_x and w_y, which are numeric vectors of length 2 specifying the x- and y-axis ranges (e.g., from cell or transcript coordinates). The range is calculated with 5 within the window.
sample_names	a vector of strings giving the sample names

Value

a matrix contains the cell count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a cluster.

.get_gene_vectors_cm *Create spatial vectors for genes from count matrix and cell coordinates*

Description

This function will build gene vectors with count matrix and cell locations

Usage

```
.get_gene_vectors_cm(
  cluster_info,
  cm_lst,
  bin_type,
  bin_param,
  test_genes,
  range_list
)
```

Arguments

<code>cluster_info</code>	A dataframe/matrix containing the centroid coordinates, cluster label and sample for each cell. The column names must include "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate), "cluster" (cluster label) and "sample" (sample).
<code>cm_lst</code>	A list of named matrices containing the count matrix for each sample. The name must match the sample column in <code>cluster_info</code> . If this input is provided, the <code>cluster_info</code> must be specified and contain an additional column "cell_id" to link cell location and count matrix. Default is NULL.
<code>bin_type</code>	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
<code>bin_param</code>	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>c(3, 4)</code> means 3 bins along the x-axis and 4 bins along the y-axis (a 3×4 grid). • <code>c(5, 5)</code> means 5 bins along the x-axis and 5 bins along the y-axis (a 5×5 grid).
<code>test_genes</code>	A vector of strings giving the name of the genes you want to test. This will be used as column names for one of the result matrix <code>gene_mt</code> .
<code>range_list</code>	A named list of spatial ranges for each sample. Each element should be a list with two components: <code>w_x</code> and <code>w_y</code> , which are numeric vectors of length 2 specifying the x- and y-axis ranges (e.g., from cell or transcript coordinates). The range is calculated with 5 within the window.

Value

a matrix contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene.

.get_gene_vectors_tr Create spatial vectors for genes from transcript coordinates

Description

This function will build gene vectors based on the transcript coordinates of every gene

Usage

```
.get_gene_vectors_tr(
  trans_lst,
  test_genes,
  bin_type,
  bin_param,
  bin_length,
  range_list
)
```

Arguments

<code>trans_lst</code>	If specified, it is a list of named dataframes. Each dataframe refers to one sample and shows the transcript detection coordinates for each gene. Optional parameter.
<code>test_genes</code>	A vector of strings giving the name of the genes you want to test. This will be used as column names for one of the result matrix <code>gene_mt</code> .
<code>bin_type</code>	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
<code>bin_param</code>	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the <code>bin_type</code> is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>c(3, 4)</code> means 3 bins along the x-axis and 4 bins along the y-axis (a 3×4 grid). • <code>c(5, 5)</code> means 5 bins along the x-axis and 5 bins along the y-axis (a 5×5 grid).
<code>bin_length</code>	A positive integer giving the length of total bins
<code>range_list</code>	A named list of spatial ranges for each sample. Each element should be a list with two components: <code>w_x</code> and <code>w_y</code> , which are numeric vectors of length 2 specifying the x- and y-axis ranges (e.g., from cell or transcript coordinates). The range is calculated with 5 within the window.

Value

a matrix contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene.

<code>.get_lasso_coef</code>	<i>help function to get lasso coefficient for every cluster for a given model</i>
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Description

help function to get lasso coefficient for every cluster for a given model

Usage

```
.get_lasso_coef(  
  i_gene,  
  gene_mt,  
  vec_cluster,  
  cluster_names,  
  n_fold = 10,  
  n_samples,  
  sample_names  
)
```

Arguments

<code>i_gene</code>	Name of the current gene
<code>gene_mt</code>	A matrix contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene. The column names must be specified and refer to the genes. This can be the output from the function get_vectors .
<code>vec_cluster</code>	A matrix of the spatial vectors for clusters.
<code>cluster_names</code>	A vector of strings giving the name of clusters
<code>n_fold</code>	Optional. A positive number giving the number of folds used for cross validation. This parameter will pass to cv.glmnet to calculate a penalty term for every gene.
<code>n_samples</code>	A positive number giving the number samples
<code>sample_names</code>	A vector specifying the names for the sample

Value

a list of two matrices with the following components

<code>coef_df</code>	A matrix giving the lasso coefficient of each cluster
<code>lambda.1se</code>	the <code>lambda.1se</code> value of best fitted model

compute_permp

Calculate a p-value for correlation with permutation.

Description

This function will run permutation framework to compute a p-value for the correlation between the vectorised genes and clusters each cluster for one sample.

Usage

```
compute_permp(
  x,
  cluster_info,
  perm.size,
  bin_type,
  bin_param,
  test_genes,
  correlation_method = "pearson",
  n_cores = 1,
  correction_method = "BH",
  use_cm = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

x	a named list (of transcript detection coordinates) or named SingleCellExperiment or named SpatialExperiment or named SpatialFeatureExperiment object. If a named list is provided, the list element is a dataframe containing the transcript detection coordinates and column names must include "feature_name" (gene name), "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate). The list name must match samples in cluster_info.
cluster_info	A dataframe/matrix containing the centroid coordinates and cluster label for each cell. The column names should include "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate), and "cluster" (cluster label).
perm.size	A positive number specifying permutation times
bin_type	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
bin_param	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the bin_type is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the bin_type is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only.
test_genes	A vector of strings giving the name of the genes you want to test correlation for. gene_mt.
correlation_method	A parameter pass to cor indicating which correlation coefficient is to be computed. One of "pearson" (default), "kendall", or "spearman": can be abbreviated.

n_cores	A positive number specifying number of cores used for parallelizing permutation testing. Default is one core (sequential processing).
correction_method	A character string pass to p.adjust specifying the correction method for multiple testing .
use_cm	A boolean value that specifies whether to create spatial vectors for genes using the count matrix and cell coordinates instead of the transcript coordinates when both types of information are available. The default setting is FALSE.

Details

To get a permutation p-value for the correlation between a gene and a cluster, this function will permute the cluster label for each cell randomly, and calculate correlation between the genes and permuted clusters. This process will be repeated for `perm.size` times, and permutation p-value is calculated as the probability of permuted correlations larger than the observation correlation.

Value

An object of class 'cor_mg_result'. To access specific components of the returned object:

- Use [get_cor](#) to retrieve the matrix of observed correlation coefficients.
- Use [get_perm_p](#) to access the matrix of raw permutation p-values.
- Use [get_perm_adjp](#) to obtain the matrix of adjusted permutation p-values.

Examples

```
library(SpatialExperiment)
library(BumpyMatrix)
set.seed(100)
# simulate coordinates for clusters
df_clA <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5), cluster="A")
df_clB <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5), cluster="B")
clusters <- rbind(df_clA, df_clB)
clusters$sample="sample1"
# simulate coordinates for genes
trans_info <- data.frame(rbind(cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                       y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                       feature_name="gene_A1"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                       y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                       feature_name="gene_A2"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                       y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                       feature_name="gene_B1"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                       y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                       feature_name="gene_B2"))))
trans_info$x<-as.numeric(trans_info$x)
```

```

trans_info$y<-as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell = rep(paste("cell",1:20, sep=""), times=2)
mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe_sample1 <- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = mol),sample_id ="sample1" )
set.seed(100)
corr_res <- compute_permp(x=spe_sample1,
  cluster_info=clusters,
  perm.size=10,
  bin_type="square",
  bin_param=c(2,2),
  test_genes=unique(trans_info$feature_name),
  correlation_method = "pearson",
  n_cores=1,
  correction_method="BH")

# raw permutation p-value
perm_p <- get_perm_p(corr_res)
# adjusted permutation p-value
adjusted_perm_p <- get_perm_adjp(corr_res)
# observed correlation
obs_corr <- get_cor(corr_res)

```

create_genesets

Convert the coordinates of set of genes into vectors.

Description

Convert the coordinates of set of genes into vectors.

Usage

```

create_genesets(
  x,
  name_lst,
  cluster_info,
  sample_names,
  bin_type,
  bin_param,
  use_cm = FALSE,
  n_cores = 1
)

```



```

        feature_name="B"),
      cbind(x = runif(10, min=10, max=24),
            y = runif(10, min=10, max=24),
            feature_name="C"))
trans$x = as.numeric(trans$x)
trans$y = as.numeric(trans$y)
trans$cell = sample(c("cell1", "cell2", "cell2"), replace=TRUE,
                    size=nrow(trans))
# create SpatialExperiment object
trans_mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans$feature_name, col = trans$cell )
repl_spe <- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = trans_mol), sample_id = "sample1" )
geneset_res <- create_genesets(x=repl_spe, sample=c("sample1"),
                              name_lst=list(dummy_A=c("A", "C"),
                                              dummy_B=c("A", "B", "C")),
                              bin_type="square",
                              bin_param=c(2,2), cluster_info=NULL)

```

get_cor

Get observed correlation cor_mg_result

Description

Accessor function to retrieve the observed correlation from an 'cor_mg_result' object.

Usage

```
get_cor(obj)
```

Arguments

obj An 'cor_mg_result' object.

Value

A matrix contains the observation statistic for every gene and every cluster. Each row refers to a gene, and each column refers to a cluster

Examples

```

library(SpatialExperiment)
library(BumpyMatrix)
set.seed(100)
# simulate coordinates for clusters
df_clA <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5), cluster="A")
df_clB <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),

```

```

      y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5), cluster="B")
clusters <- rbind(df_clA, df_clB)
clusters$sample="sample1"
# simulate coordinates for genes
trans_info <- data.frame(rbind(cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A1"),
                                cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A2"),
                                cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B1"),
                                cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B2"))))
trans_info$x<-as.numeric(trans_info$x)
trans_info$y<-as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell = rep(paste("cell",1:20, sep=""), times=2)
mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe_sample1 <- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = mol),sample_id = "sample1" )
set.seed(100)
corr_res <- compute_permp(x=spe_sample1,
  cluster_info=clusters,
  perm.size=10,
  bin_type="square",
  bin_param=c(2,2),
  test_genes=unique(trans_info$feature_name),
  correlation_method = "pearson",
  n_cores=1,
  correction_method="BH")
# observed correlation
obs_corr <- get_cor(corr_res)

```

get_full_mg

Get full lasso result from glm_mg_result

Description

Accessor function to retrieve the 'full_result' dataframe from an 'glm_mg_result' object.

Usage

```
get_full_mg(obj, coef_cutoff = 0)
```

Arguments

obj	An 'glm_mg_result' object.
coef_cutoff	A positive number giving the coefficient cutoff value. Genes whose cluster showing a coefficient value smaller than the cutoff will be removed. Default is 0.

Value

A data frame with detailed information for each gene and the most relevant cluster label.

- gene Gene name
- cluster The name of the significant cluster after
- glm_coef The coefficient of the selected cluster in the generalised linear model.
- pearson Pearson correlation between the gene vector and the selected cluster vector.
- max_gg_corr A number showing the maximum pearson correlation for this gene vector and all other gene vectors in the input gene_mt
- max_gc_corr A number showing the maximum pearson correlation for this gene vector and every cluster vectors in the input cluster_mt

Examples

```
library(SpatialExperiment)
set.seed(100)
# simulate coordinates for clusters
df_clA <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5), cluster="A")
df_clB <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5), cluster="B")

clusters <- rbind(df_clA, df_clB)
clusters$sample<-"sample1"

# simulate coordinates for genes
trans_info <- data.frame(rbind(cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A1"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A2"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B1"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B2"))
trans_info$x<-as.numeric(trans_info$x)
trans_info$y<-as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell<-sample(c("cell1", "cell2", "cell2"), replace=TRUE,
                       size=nrow(trans_info))
```

```

trans_mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe<- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = trans_mol),sample_id="sample1" )
vecs_lst <- get_vectors(x=spe,sample_names=c("sample1"),
  cluster_info = clusters,
  bin_type = "square",
  bin_param = c(20,20),
  test_genes =c("gene_A1","gene_A2","gene_B1","gene_B2"))
lasso_res <- lasso_markers(gene_mt=vecs_lst$gene_mt,
  cluster_mt = vecs_lst$cluster_mt,
  sample_names=c("sample1"),
  keep_positive=TRUE,
  background=NULL)

# the full result
full_result <- get_full_mg(lasso_res, coef_cutoff=0.05)

```

get_perm_adjp

*Get permutation adjusted p value from cor_mg_result***Description**

Accessor function to retrieve the permutation adjusted p-value from an 'cor_mg_result' object.

Usage

```
get_perm_adjp(obj)
```

Arguments

obj An 'cor_mg_result' object.

Value

A matrix contains the adjusted permutation p-value. Each row refers to a gene, and each column refers to a cluster.

Examples

```

library(SpatialExperiment)
library(BumpyMatrix)
set.seed(100)
# simulate coordinates for clusters
df_clA <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
  y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5), cluster="A")
df_clB <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
  y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5), cluster="B")
clusters <- rbind(df_clA, df_clB)
clusters$sample="sample1"

```

```

# simulate coordinates for genes
trans_info <- data.frame(rbind(cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A1"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A2"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B1"),
                              cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B2")))

trans_info$x<-as.numeric(trans_info$x)
trans_info$y<-as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell = rep(paste("cell",1:20, sep=""), times=2)
mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe_sample1 <- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = mol),sample_id ="sample1" )
set.seed(100)
corr_res <- compute_permp(x=spe_sample1,
  cluster_info=clusters,
  perm.size=10,
  bin_type="square",
  bin_param=c(2,2),
  test_genes=unique(trans_info$feature_name),
  correlation_method = "pearson",
  n_cores=1,
  correction_method="BH")
# adjusted permutation p-value
adjusted_perm_p <- get_perm_adjp(corr_res)

```

get_perm_p

Get permutation p value from cor_mg_result

Description

Accessor function to retrieve the raw permutation p-value from an 'cor_mg_result' object.

Usage

```
get_perm_p(obj)
```

Arguments

obj An 'cor_mg_result' object.

Value

A matrix contains the raw permutation p-value. Each row refers to a gene, and each column refers to a cluster.

Examples

```
library(SpatialExperiment)
library(BumpyMatrix)
set.seed(100)
# simulate coordinates for clusters
df_clA <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5), cluster="A")
df_clB <- data.frame(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                    y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5), cluster="B")
clusters <- rbind(df_clA, df_clB)
clusters$sample<-"sample1"
# simulate coordinates for genes
trans_info <- data.frame(rbind(cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A1"),
                               cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=20, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_A2"),
                               cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B1"),
                               cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
                                     feature_name="gene_B2"))))
trans_info$x<-as.numeric(trans_info$x)
trans_info$y<-as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell = rep(paste("cell",1:20, sep=""), times=2)
mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe_sample1 <- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = mol),sample_id = "sample1" )
set.seed(100)
corr_res <- compute_permp(x=spe_sample1,
  cluster_info=clusters,
  perm.size=10,
  bin_type="square",
  bin_param=c(2,2),
  test_genes=unique(trans_info$feature_name),
  correlation_method = "pearson",
  n_cores=1,
  correction_method="BH")

# raw permutation p-value
perm_p <- get_perm_p(corr_res)
```



```

        feature_name="gene_A1"),
      cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
        y = rnorm(n=100, mean=20, sd=5),
        feature_name="gene_A2"),
      cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
        y = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
        feature_name="gene_B1"),
      cbind(x = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
        y = rnorm(n=100, mean=100, sd=5),
        feature_name="gene_B2"))))
trans_info$x<-as.numeric(trans_info$x)
trans_info$y<-as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell<-sample(c("cell1","cell2","cell2"),replace=TRUE,
  size=nrow(trans_info))
trans_mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe<- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = trans_mol),sample_id = "sample1" )
vecs_lst <- get_vectors(x=spe,sample_names=c("sample1"),
  cluster_info = clusters,
  bin_type = "square",
  bin_param = c(20,20),
  test_genes =c("gene_A1","gene_A2","gene_B1","gene_B2"))
lasso_res <- lasso_markers(gene_mt=vecs_lst$gene_mt,
  cluster_mt = vecs_lst$cluster_mt,
  sample_names=c("sample1"),
  keep_positive=TRUE,
  background=NULL)

# the top result
top_result<- get_top_mg(lasso_res, coef_cutoff=0.05)

```

get_vectors

Vectorise the spatial coordinates

Description

This function will convert the coordinates into a numeric vector for genes and clusters.

Usage

```

get_vectors(
  x,
  cluster_info,
  sample_names,
  bin_type,
  bin_param,
  test_genes,
  use_cm = FALSE,

```

```

    n_cores = 1,
    return_boundary = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

x	a named list (of transcript detection coordinates) or SingleCellExperiment or SpatialExperiment or SpatialFeatureExperiment object. If a named list is provided, every list element is a dataframe containing the transcript detection coordinates and column names must include "feature_name" (gene name), "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate). The list names must match samples in cluster_info.
cluster_info	A dataframe/matrix containing the centroid coordinates, cluster label and sample for each cell. The column names must include "x" (x coordinate), "y" (y coordinate), "cluster" (cluster label) and "sample" (sample). It is strongly recommended to use syntactically valid names for columns clusters and samples. If invalid names are detected, the function <code>make.names</code> will be employed to generate valid names. A message will also be displayed to indicate this change.
sample_names	a vector of strings giving the sample names. It is strongly recommended to use syntactically valid names for columns clusters and samples. If invalid names are detected, the function <code>make.names</code> will be employed to generate valid names. A message will also be displayed to indicate this change.
bin_type	A string indicating which bin shape is to be used for vectorization. One of "square" (default), "rectangle", or "hexagon".
bin_param	A numeric vector indicating the size of the bin. If the bin_type is "square" or "rectangle", this will be a vector of length two giving the numbers of rectangular quadrats in the x and y directions. If the bin_type is "hexagonal", this will be a number giving the side length of hexagons. Positive numbers only. For example: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>c(3, 4)</code> means 3 bins along the x-axis and 4 bins along the y-axis (a 3 × 4 grid). • <code>c(5, 5)</code> means 5 bins along the x-axis and 5 bins along the y-axis (a 5 × 5 grid).
test_genes	A vector of strings giving the name of the genes you want to create gene vector. This will be used as column names for one of the result matrix <code>gene_mt</code> .
use_cm	A boolean value that specifies whether to create spatial vectors for genes using the count matrix and cell coordinates instead of the transcript coordinates when both types of information are available. The default setting is FALSE.
n_cores	A positive number specifying number of cores used for parallelizing permutation testing. Default is one core (sequential processing).
return_boundary	Logical. If TRUE, return the x- and y-coordinate limits ('xrange', 'yrange') of the enclosing box for each sample in addition to the main result. The default setting is FALSE.


```

        feature_name="gene_B1"),
      cbind(x = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
            y = rnorm(n=10, mean=100, sd=5),
            feature_name="gene_B2"))))
trans_info$x=as.numeric(trans_info$x)
trans_info$y=as.numeric(trans_info$y)
trans_info$cell = sample(c("cell1","cell2","cell2"),replace=TRUE,
                        size=nrow(trans_info))
# use named list as input
vecs_lst = get_vectors(x= list("sample1" = trans_info),
                      sample_names=c("sample1"),
                      cluster_info = clusters,
                      bin_type = "square",
                      bin_param = c(5,5),
                      test_genes =c("gene_A1","gene_A2","gene_B1","gene_B2"))
# use SpatialExperiment object as input
trans_mol <- BumpyMatrix::splitAsBumpyMatrix(
  trans_info[, c("x", "y")],
  row = trans_info$feature_name, col = trans_info$cell )
spe<- SpatialExperiment(
  assays = list(molecules = trans_mol),sample_id ="sample1" )
vecs_lst_spe = get_vectors(x=spe,sample_names=c("sample1"),
                          cluster_info = clusters,
                          bin_type = "square",
                          bin_param = c(5,5),
                          test_genes =c("gene_A1","gene_A2","gene_B1","gene_B2"))

```

lasso_markers

Find marker genes with spatial coordinates

Description

This function will find the most spatially relevant cluster label for each gene.

Usage

```

lasso_markers(
  gene_mt,
  cluster_mt,
  sample_names,
  keep_positive = TRUE,
  background = NULL,
  n_fold = 10
)

```

Arguments

gene_mt	A matrix contains the transcript count in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a gene. The column names must be specified and refer to the genes. This can be the output from the function get_vectors .
cluster_mt	A matrix contains the number of cells in a specific cluster in each grid. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to a cluster. The column names must be specified and refer to the clusters. Please do not assign integers as column names. This can be the output from the function get_vectors .
sample_names	A vector specifying the names for the samples.
keep_positive	A logical flag indicating whether to return positively correlated clusters or not.
background	Optional. A matrix providing the background information. Each row refers to a grid, and each column refers to one category of background information. Number of rows must equal to the number of rows in gene_mt and cluster_mt. Can be obtained by only providing coordinates matrices cluster_info. to function get_vectors .
n_fold	Optional. A positive number giving the number of folds used for cross validation. This parameter will pass to cv.glmnet to calculate a penalty term for every gene.

Details

This function will take the converted gene and cluster vectors from function [get_vectors](#), and return the most relevant cluster label for each gene. If there are multiple samples in the dataset, this function will find shared markers across different samples by including additional sample vectors in the input cluster_mt.

This function treats all input cluster vectors as features, and create a penalized linear model for one gene vector with lasso regularization. Clusters with non-zero coefficient will be selected, and these clusters will be used to formulate a generalised linear model for this gene vector.

- If the input keep_positive is TRUE, the clusters with positive coefficient and significant p-value will be saved in the output matrix lasso_full_result. The cluster with a positive coefficient and the minimum p-value will be regarded as the most relevant cluster to this gene and be saved in the output matrix lasso_result.
- If the input keep_positive is FALSE, the clusters with negative coefficient and significant p-value will be saved in the output matrix lasso_full_result. The cluster with a negative coefficient and the minimum p-value will be regarded as the most relevant cluster to this gene and be saved in the output matrix lasso_result.

If there is no clusters with significant p-value, the a string "NoSig" will be returned for this gene.

The parameter background can be used to capture unwanted noise pattern in the dataset. For example, we can include negative control genes as a background cluster in the model. If the most relevant cluster selected by one gene matches the background "clusters", we will return "NoSig" for this gene.


```

                                sample_names=c("sample1"),
                                keep_positive=TRUE,
                                background=NULL)
# the top result
top_result <- get_top_mg(lasso_res, coef_cutoff=0.05)
# the full result
full_result <- get_full_mg(lasso_res, coef_cutoff=0.05)

```

rep1_clusters

Rep1 selected cells

Description

A data frame file containing the coordinates and cluster label for each cell of the selected subset of rep1.

Usage

```
data(rep1_clusters)
```

Format

A data frame with 1705 rows and 6 variables:

anno the provided cell type annotation

cluster cluster label

x x coordinates

y y coordiantes

cells cell id

sample sample id

Value

data frame

Source

<https://cf.10xgenomics.com/samples/xenium/1.0.1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep1_outs.zip>

 rep1_neg

Rep1 negative control genes within the selected region.

Description

A SpatialExperiment object containing the coordinates for every negative control detection for rep1_sub

Usage

```
data(rep1_neg)
```

Format

A SpatialExperiment object. The molecules assay slot is a BumpyDataFrameMatrix object. Can retrieve DataFrame version by calling 'BumpyMatrix::unsplitAsDataFrame(molecules(rep1_neg))'. The molecules slot contains:

x x coordinates

y y coordinates

feature_name negative control probe name

category negative control category

Value

SpatialExperiment

Source

<https://cf.10xgenomics.com/samples/xenium/1.0.1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep1_outs.zip>

 rep1_sub

A small section of Xenium human breast cancer rep1.

Description

A SpatialExperiment object containing the coordinates for every transcript

Usage

```
data(rep1_sub)
```


Format

A SpatialExperiment object with 20 genes and 1713 cells. The molecules assay slot is a Bumpy-DataFrameMatrix object. Can retrieve DataFrame version by calling 'BumpyMatrix::unsplitAsDataFrame(molecules(rep2_s))'. The molecules assay contains 79576 rows and 3 variables:

x x coordinates
y y coordinates
feature_name transcript name

Value

SpatialExperiment

Source

<https://cf.10xgenomics.com/samples/xenium/1.0.1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep1_outs.zip>

rep2_clusters	<i>Rep2 selected cells</i>
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Description

A csv file containing the coordinates and cluster label for each cell of the selected subset of rep2.

Usage

```
data(rep2_clusters)
```

Format

A data frame with 1815 rows and 6 variables:

anno the provided cell type annotation
cluster cluster label
x x coordinates
y y coordinates
cells cell id
sample sample id

Value

data frame

Source

<https://cf.10xgenomics.com/samples/xenium/1.0.1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep2/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep2_outs.zip>

 rep2_neg

Rep2 negative control genes within the selected region.

Description

A data frame containing the coordinates for every negative control detection for rep2

Usage

```
data(rep2_neg)
```

Format

A SpatialExperiment object. The molecules assay slot is a BumpyDataFrameMatrix object. Can retrieve DataFrame version by calling 'BumpyMatrix::unsplitAsDataFrame(molecules(rep2_neg))'. The molecules slot contains:

x x coordinates

y y coordinates

feature_name negative control probe name .

category negative control category

Value

SpatialExperiment

Source

<https://cf.10xgenomics.com/samples/xenium/1.0.1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep2/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep2_outs.zip>

 rep2_sub

A small section of Xenium human breast cancer rep2.

Description

A SpatialExperiment object containing the coordinates for every negative control detection for rep2_sub

Usage

```
data(rep2_sub)
```

Format

A SpatialExperiment object with 20 genes and 1829 cells. The molecules assay slot is a Bumpy-DataFrameMatrix object. Can retrieve DataFrame version by calling `BumpyMatrix::unsplitAsDataFrame(molecules(rep2_sub, "molecules"))`. The molecules slot contains:

x x coordinates

y y coordinates

feature_name transcript name

Value

SpatialExperiment

Source

<https://cf.10xgenomics.com/samples/xenium/1.0.1/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep2/Xenium_FFPE_Human_Breast_Cancer_Rep2_outs.zip>

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