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References


AVS-class

Class "AVS": an S4 class for variant set enrichment analysis.

Description

This S4 class includes a series of methods to do enrichment analyses in Associated Variant Sets (AVSs).
Objects from the Class

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

Slots

- **markers**: Object of class "character", a data frame, a 'BED file' format with rs# markers mapped to the same genome build of the LD source in the RTNdata package.
- **validatedMarkers**: Object of class "data.frame", a data frame with genome positions of the validated markers.
- **variantSet**: Object of class "list", an associated variant set.
- **randomSet**: Object of class "list", a random associated variant set.
- **para**: Object of class "list", a list of parameters for variant set enrichment analysis.
- **results**: Object of class "list", a list of results (see return values in the AVS methods).
- **summary**: Object of class "list", a list of summary information for markers, para, and results.
- **status**: Object of class "character", a character value specifying the status of the AVS object based on the available methods.

Methods

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- `avs.vse` signature(object = "AVS"): see `avs.vse`
- `avs.evse` signature(object = "AVS"): see `avs.evse`
- `avs.get` signature(object = "AVS"): see `avs.get`

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See Also

TNA-class.

Examples

```r
# Not run:
#This example requires the RTNdata package! (currently available under request)
library(RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27)
data(bcarisk) #mapped to the same genome build of the RTNdata!
avs <- new("AVS", markers=bcarisk)
```

```r
# End(Not run)
```
**Description**

The VSE method (\textit{avs.vse}) provides a robust framework to cope with the heterogeneous structure of haplotype blocks, and has been designed to test enrichment in cistromes and epigenomes. In order to extend the variant set enrichment to genes this pipeline implements an additional step using expression quantitative trait loci (eQTLs).

**Usage**

\texttt{avs.evse(object, annotation, gxdata, snpdata, maxgap=250000, pValueCutoff=0.05, boxcox=TRUE, lab="annotation", glist=NULL, minSize=100, fineMapping=TRUE, verbose=TRUE)}

**Arguments**

- \texttt{object}: an object. When this function is implemented as the S4 method of class \texttt{AVS-class}, this argument is an object of class 'AVS'.
- \texttt{annotation}: a data frame with genomic annotations listing chromosome coordinates to which a particular property or function has been attributed. It should include the following columns: \texttt{CHROM}, \texttt{START}, \texttt{END} and \texttt{ID}. The \texttt{ID} column can be any genomic identifier, while values in \texttt{CHROM} should be listed in [\texttt{chr1}, \texttt{chr2}, \texttt{chr3} ..., \texttt{chrX}]. Both \texttt{START} and \texttt{END} columns correspond to chromosome positions mapped to the human genome assembly used to build the AVS object (see \texttt{avs.preprocess}).
- \texttt{gxdata}: object of class \"matrix\", a gene expression matrix.
- \texttt{snpdata}: either an object of class \"matrix\" or \"ff\", a single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) matrix.
- \texttt{maxgap}: a single integer value specifying the max distant (bp) between the AVS and the annotation used to compute the eQTL analysis.
- \texttt{pValueCutoff}: a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- \texttt{boxcox}: a single logical value specifying to use Box-Cox procedure to find a transformation of the null that approaches normality (when boxcox=TRUE) or not (when boxcox=FALSE). See \texttt{powerTransform} and \texttt{bcPower}.
- \texttt{lab}: a single character value specifying a name for the annotation dataset (this option is overrided if \texttt{glist} is used).
- \texttt{glist}: an optional list with character vectors mapped to the \texttt{annotation} data via \texttt{ID} column. This option can be used to run a batch mode for gene sets and regulons.
- \texttt{minSize}: if \texttt{glist} is provided, this argument is a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements for each gene set in the \texttt{glist}. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis. if \texttt{fineMapping=FALSE}, an alternative min size value can be provided as a vector of the form \texttt{c(minSize1, minSize2)} used to space the null distributions (see \texttt{fineMapping}).
fineMapping if 'glist' is provided, this argument is a single logical value specifying to compute individual null distributions, sized for each gene set (when fineMapping=TRUE). This option has a significant impact on the running time required to perform the computational analysis, especially for large gene set lists. When fineMapping=FALSE, a low resolution analysis is performed by pre-computing a fewer number of null distributions of different sizes (spaced by ’minSize’), and then used as a proxy of the nulls.

verbose a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

Author(s)
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See Also
AVS-class

Examples

## Not run:
#This example requires the RTNdata package! (currently available under request)
library(RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27)
data(bcarisk)
avs <- new("AVS", markers=bcarisk)
avs <- avs.preprocess(avs, nrand=100)
avs.get(avs)
## End(Not run)

### avs.get

Get information from individual slots in an AVS object.

Description
Get information from individual slots in an AVS object.

Usage

avs.get(object, what="summary", report=FALSE, pValueCutoff=NULL)

Arguments

object an object of class 'AVS' AVS-class.
what a single character value specifying which information should be retrieved from the slots. Options: 'markers', 'validatedMarkers', 'variantSet', 'randomSet', 'linkedMarkers', 'randomMarkers', 'vse', 'evse', 'summary' and 'status'.
report a single logical value indicating whether to return results from 'vse', 'evse' as a consolidated table (if TRUE), or as they are (if FALSE).
pValueCutoff an optional single numeric value specifying the cutoff to retrieve results for p-values considered significant.
**Value**

get the slot content from an object of class 'AVS' **AVS-class**.

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
#This example requires the RTNdata package! (currently available under request)
library(RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27)
data(bcarisk)
avs <- new("AVS", markers=bcarisk)
avs <- avs.preprocess(avs, nrand=100)
avs.get(avs)
## End(Not run)
```

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### avs.plot1

Plot results from AVS methods, single plots.

**Description**

This function takes an AVS object and plots results from the VSE and EVSE methods.

**Usage**

```r
avs.plot1(object, what="vse", fname=what, ylab="genomic annotation", xlab="Number of clusters mapping to genomic annotation", breaks="Sturges", maxy=200, pValueCutoff=1e-2, width=8, height=3)
```

**Arguments**

- `object`: an object of class 'AVS' **AVS-class**.
- `what`: a character value specifying which analysis should be used. Options: "vse" and "evse".
- `fname`: a character value specifying the name of output file.
- `ylab`: a character value specifying the y-axis label.
- `xlab`: a character value specifying the x-axis label.
- `breaks`: breaks in the histogram, see `hist` function.
- `maxy`: a numeric value specifying the max y-limit.
- `pValueCutoff`: a numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- `width`: a numeric value specifying the width of the graphics region in inches.
- `height`: a numeric value specifying the height of the graphics region in inches.

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro
Examples

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```r
avs.plot2

Introduction

This function takes an AVS object and plots results from the VSE and EVSE methods.

Usage

```r
avis.plot2(object, what="evse", fname=what, width=14, height=2.5, rmargin=1,
bxseq=seq(-4,8,2), decreasing=TRUE, ylab="Annotation",
xlab="Clusters of risk-associated and linked SNPs", tfs=NULL)
```

Arguments

- `object`: an object of class 'AVS' class.
- `what`: a single character value specifying which analysis should be used. Options: "vse" and "evse".
- `fname`: a character value specifying the name of output file.
- `height`: a numeric value specifying the height of the graphics region in inches.
- `width`: a numeric value specifying the width of the graphics region in inches.
- `rmargin`: a numeric value specifying the right margin size in inches.
- `bxseq`: a numeric vector specifying which x-axis tickpoints are to be drawn.
- `decreasing`: a logical value, used to sort by EVSE scores.
- `ylab`: a character value specifying the y-axis label.
- `xlab`: a character value specifying the x-axis label (on the top of the grid image).
- `tfs`: an optional vector with annotation identifiers (e.g. transcription factor).

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

Examples

###
**Description**

This is a generic function.

**Usage**

```r
avs.preprocess(object, nrand=1000, mergeColinked=TRUE, reldata="RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27", snpop="all", verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- **object**: an object. When this function is implemented as the S4 method of class `AVS-class`, this argument is an object of class 'AVS'.
- **nrand**: a single integer value specifying the size to the random variant set.
- **mergeColinked**: a single logical value specifying to merge co-linked markers eventually present in more than one cluster in the AVS (when mergeColinked=TRUE) or not (when mergeColinked=FALSE).
- **reldata**: a single character value specifying the RTNdata package used to build the associated variant set. Current options are "RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27" and "RTNdata.LD1000g.rel20130502" (for additional details on the Linkage Disequilibrium data, see the RTNdata package documentation).
- **snpop**: a single character value specifying the universe size used to build the null distributions for the VSE/EVSE analysis (i.e. random AVSs). Options: 'all' or 'ld'. The 1st option represents all the SNPs genotyped in the Linkage Disequilibrium (LD) dataset, while the 2nd represents all the SNPs observed after the LD threshold is applied. Alternativelly, 'snpop' can be a customized 'BED file' data frame with rs# identifiers.
- **verbose**: a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro

**See Also**

`AVS-class`

**Examples**

```r
## Not run:
#This example requires the RTNdata package! (currently available under request)
library(RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27)
data(bcarisk)
avs <- new("AVS", markers=bcarisk)
avs <- avs.preprocess(avs, nrand=100)
avs.get(avs)
## End(Not run)
```
**Description**

The VSE method tests the enrichment of an AVS for a particular trait in a genomic annotation.

**Usage**

```r
avs.vse(object, annotation, maxgap=0, pValueCutoff=0.05, boxcox=TRUE, lab="annotation", glist=NULL, minSize=100, verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `object`: an object. When this function is implemented as the S4 method of class `AVS-class`, this argument is an object of class 'AVS'.
- `annotation`: a data frame with genomic annotations listing chromosome coordinates to which a particular property or function has been attributed. It should include the following columns: `<CHROM>`, `<START>`, `<END>` and `<ID>`. The `<ID>` column can be any genomic identifier, while values in `<CHROM>` should be listed in ['chr1', 'chr2', 'chr3' ... 'chrX']. Both `<START>` and `<END>` columns correspond to chromosome positions mapped to the human genome assembly used to build the AVS object (see `avs.preprocess`).
- `maxgap`: a single integer value specifying the max distant (bp) between the AVS and the annotation used to compute the enrichment analysis.
- `pValueCutoff`: a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- `boxcox`: a single logical value specifying to use Box-Cox procedure to find a transformation of the null that approaches normality (when `boxcox=TRUE`) or not (when `boxcox=FALSE`). See `powerTransform` and `bcPower`.
- `lab`: a single character value specifying a name for the annotation dataset (this option is overrided if ‘glist’ is used).
- `glist`: an optional list with character vectors mapped to the 'annotation' data via `<ID>` column. This option can be used to run a batch mode for gene sets and regulons.
- `minSize`: if ‘glist’ is provided, this argument is a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements for each gene set in the ‘glist’. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
- `verbose`: a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when `verbose=TRUE`) or not (when `verbose=FALSE`).

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro

**See Also**

`AVS-class`
Examples

```r
# Not run:
# This example requires the RTNdata package! (currently available under request)
library(RTNdata.LDHapMap.rel27)
data(bcarisk)
avs <- new("AVS", markers=bcarisk)
avs <- avs.preprocess(avs, nrand=100)
avs.get(avs)
```

RTN.data  
A pre-processed dataset for the RTN package.

Description

A minimum dataset used to demonstrate RTN main functions.

Usage

```r
data(dt4rtn)
```

Format

dt4rtn List containing 6 R objects: 'gexp', 'gexpIDs', 'pheno', 'phenoIDs', 'hits' and 'tfs'.

Details

The dataset consists of 6 R objects used in the RTN vignettes. It should be regarded as a toy example for demonstration purposes only, despite being extracted, pre-processed and size-reduced from Fletcher et al. (2012) and Curtis et al. (2012).

- `dt4rtn$gexp` a named gene expression matrix with 50 samples (reduced for demonstration purposes only).
- `dt4rtn$gexpIDs` a data.frame of characters with probe ids matching a secondary annotation source (e.g. Probe-to-ENTREZ).
- `dt4rtn$pheno` a named numeric vector with differential gene expression data.
- `dt4rtn$phenoIDs` a data.frame of characters with probe ids matching a secondary annotation source (e.g. Probe-to-ENTREZ).
- `dt4rtn$hits` a character vector with genes differentially expressed.
- `dt4rtn$tfs` a named vector with transcriptions factors.

References


**Examples**

```r
data(dt4rtn)
```

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**TNA-class**

**Class "TNA": an S4 class for Transcriptional Network Analysis.**

**Description**

This S4 class includes a series of methods to do enrichment, synergy, shadow and overlap analyses in transcriptional networks.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("TNA", referenceNetwork, transcriptionalNetwork, transcriptionFactors, phenotype, hits)`.

**Slots**

- `referenceNetwork`: Object of class "matrix", an optional partial co-expression matrix.
- `transcriptionalNetwork`: Object of class "matrix", a partial co-expression matrix.
- `transcriptionFactors`: Object of class "char_Or_NULL", a vector of transcription factors.
- `phenotype`: Object of class "num_Or_int", a numeric or integer vector of phenotypes named by gene identifiers.
- `hits`: Object of class "character", a character vector of gene identifiers for those considered as hits.
- `annotation`: Object of class "data.frame", a data frame with transcriptional network annotation.
- `listOfReferenceRegulons`: Object of class "list", a list of regulons derived from the referenceNetwork.
- `listOfRegulons`: Object of class "list", a list of regulons derived from the transcriptionalNetwork (a 'regulon' is a vector of genes or potential transcription factor targets).
- `listOfModulators`: Object of class "list", a list of modulators derived from the `tni.conditional` analysis.
- `para`: Object of class "list", a list of parameters for transcriptional network analysis. These parameters are those listed in the functions `tna.mra, tna.overlap, tna.gsea1, tna.synergy, tna.shadow` and `tna.gsea2`.
- `results`: Object of class "list", a list of results (see return values in the functions `tna.mra, tna.gsea1, tna.overlap, tna.synergy, tna.shadow` and `tna.gsea2`)
- `summary`: Object of class "list", a list of summary information for transcriptionalNetwork, transcriptionFactors, phenotype, listOfRegulons, para, and results.
- `status`: Object of class "character", a character value specifying the status of the TNI object based on the available methods.
Methods

tna.mra signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.mra
ntn.aoverlap signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.overlap
ntn.agsea1 signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.gsea1
ntn.agsea2 signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.gsea2
ntn.asynergy signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.synergy
ntnashadow signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.shadow
ntnaget signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.get
ntnagraph signature(object = "TNA"): see tna.graph

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

See Also

TNI-class. tni2tna.preprocess.

Examples

## see ‘tni2tna.preprocess’ method!

**tna.get**

*Get information from individual slots in a TNA object.*

**Description**

Get information from individual slots in a TNA object. Available results from a previous analysis can be selected either by pvalue cutoff (default) or top significance.

**Usage**

```r
tna.get(object, what="summary", order=TRUE, ntop=NULL, reportNames=TRUE, idkey=NULL)
```

**Arguments**

- **object**: an object of class ‘TNA’ TNA-class.
- **order**: a single logical value specifying whether or not the output data should be ordered by significance. Valid only for ‘gsea1’, ‘gsea2’, ‘overlap’, ‘synergy’ or ‘shadow’ options.
tna.graph

Compute a graph from TNA objects.

Description

Extract results from a TNA object and compute a graph.

top

a single integer value specifying to select how many results of top significance from 'gsea', 'overlap', 'synergy' or 'shadow' options.

reportNames

a single logical value specifying to report regulons with 'names' (when reportNames=TRUE) or not (when reportNames=FALSE). This option is effective only if transcription factors were named with alternative identifiers in the pre-processing analysis. It takes effect on 'mra', 'gsea', 'overlap', 'synergy' and 'shadow' options.

idkey

an optional single character value specifying an ID name from the available 'TNA' annotation to be used as alias for data query outputs (obs. it has no effect on consolidated tables).

Value

get the slot content from an object of class 'TNA' TNA-class.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

Examples

data(dt4rtn)
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

# run MRA analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.mra(rtna)

# check summary
tna.get(rtna,what="summary")

# get results, e.g., MRA analysis
tna.get(rtna,what="mra")

## End(Not run)
Usage

```
tna.graph(object, tnet = "dpi", gtype="rmap", minRegulonSize=15, tfs=NULL, amapFilter="quantile", amapCutoff=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- **object**: an object of class 'TNA' TNA-class.
- **tnet**: a single character value specifying which network information should be used to compute the graph. Options: "ref" and "dpi".
- **gtype**: a single character value specifying the graph type. Options: "rmap" and "amap". The "rmap" option returns regulatory maps represented by TFs and targets (regulons) and "amap" computes association maps among regulons (estimates the overlap using the Jaccard Coefficient).
- **minRegulonSize**: a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon. Regulons with fewer than this number are removed from the graph.
- **tfs**: a vector with transcription factor identifiers.
- **amapFilter**: a single character value specifying which method should be used to filter association maps (only when gtype="amap"). Options: "phyper", "quantile" and "custom".
- **amapCutoff**: a single numeric value (>=0 and <=1) specifying the cutoff for the association map filter. When amapFilter="phyper", amapCutoff corresponds to a pvalue cut-off; when amapFilter="quantile", amapCutoff corresponds to a quantile threshold; and when amapFilter="custom", amapCutoff is a JC threshold.
- **...**: additional arguments passed to tna.graph function.

Value

A graph object.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

Examples

data(dt4rtn)

tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:

```
rtni<-tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni, eps=0.05)
```

# run MRA analysis pipeline

```
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)
rtna <- tna.mra(rtna)
```
# compute regulatory maps
g<-tna.graph(rtna, tnet="dpi", gtype="rmap", tfs=tfs4test)

# option: plot the igraph object using RedeR
#library(RedeR)
#rdp<-RedPort()
#calld(rdp)
#addGraph(rdp,g)
#relax(rdp,p1=50,p5=20)

# compute association maps
g<-tna.graph(rtna, tnet="ref", gtype="amap", tfs=tfs4test)

## End(Not run)

### tna.gsea1

**One-tailed Gene Set Enrichment Analysis (GSEA) over a list of regulons.**

**Description**

This function takes a TNA object and returns the results of the GSEA analysis over a list of regulons in a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).

**Usage**

```r
tna.gsea1(object, pValueCutoff=0.05, pAdjustMethod="BH", minRegulonSize=15, nPermutations=1000, exponent=1, tnet="dpi", orderAbsValue=TRUE, stepFilter=TRUE, tfs=NULL, verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `object` a preprocessed object of class `TNA` **TNA-class**.
- `pValueCutoff` a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- `pAdjustMethod` a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see `p.adjust` for details).
- `minRegulonSize` a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon that must map to elements of the gene universe. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
- `nPermutations` a single integer or numeric value specifying the number of permutations for deriving p-values in GSEA.
- `exponent` a single integer or numeric value used in weighting phenotypes in GSEA (see `gseaScores` function at HTSanalyzeR).
- `tnet` a single character value specifying which transcriptional network should be used to compute the GSEA analysis. Options: "dpi" and "ref".
- `orderAbsValue` a single logical value indicating whether the values should be converted to absolute values and then ordered (if TRUE), or ordered as they are (if FALSE).
- `stepFilter` a single logical value specifying to use a step-filter algorithm removing non-significant regulons derived from tna.mra (when stepFilter=TRUE) or not (when stepFilter=FALSE). It may have a substantial impact on the overall processing time.
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- **tfs**: an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers (this option overrides the `stepFilter` argument).
- **verbose**: a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when `verbose=TRUE`) or not (when `verbose=FALSE`).

**Value**

A data frame in the slot "results", see 'gsea1' option in `tna.get`.

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro, Xin Wang

**See Also**

`TNA-class` `<-` `tna.plot.gsea1`

**Examples**

data(dt4rtn)

tfs4test <- c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")

rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:

rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

# run GSEA1 analysis pipeline

rtna <- tna.gsea1(rtna,stepFilter=FALSE)

# get results

tna.get(rtna,what="gsea1")

# run parallel version with SNOW package!

library(snow)

options(cluster=makeCluster(3, "SOCK"))

rtna <- tna.gsea1(rtna,stepFilter=FALSE)

stopCluster(getOption("cluster"))

## End(Not run)

**tna.gsea2**

*Two-tailed Gene Set Enrichment Analysis (GSEA) over a list of regulons.*

**Description**

This function takes a TNA object and returns a CMAP-like analysis obtained by two-tailed GSEA over a list of regulons in a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).
Usage

```r
tna.gsea2(object, pValueCutoff=0.05, pAdjustMethod="BH", minRegulonSize=15, nPermutations=1000,
        exponent=1, tnet="dpi", stepFilter=TRUE, tfs=NULL, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

- `object` a preprocessed object of class 'TNA' **TNA-class**.
- `pValueCutoff` a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- `pAdjustMethod` a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see 'p.adjust' for details).
- `minRegulonSize` a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon that must map to elements of the gene universe. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
- `nPermutations` a single integer or numeric value specifying the number of permutations for deriving p-values in GSEA.
- `exponent` a single integer or numeric value used in weighting phenotypes in GSEA (see 'gseaScores' function at HTSanalyzeR).
- `tnet` a single character value specifying which transcriptional network should be used to compute the GSEA analysis. Options: "dpi" and "ref".
- `stepFilter` a single logical value specifying to use a step-filter algorithm removing non-significant regulons derived from `tna.mra` (when stepFilter=TRUE) or not (when stepFilter=FALSE). It may have a substantial impact on the overall processing time.
- `tfs` an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers (this option overrides the 'stepFilter' argument).
- `verbose` a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

Value

A data frame in the slot "results", see 'gsea2' option in **tna.get**.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

See Also

**TNA-class tna.plot.gsea2**

Examples

```r
data(dt4rtn)
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])
## Not run:
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
```
```r
rti <- tni.permutation(rtni)
rti <- tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rti <- tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna <- tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

# run GSEA2 analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.gsea2(rtna, stepFilter=FALSE)

# get results
tna.get(rtna, what="gsea2")

# run parallel version with SNOW package!
library(snow)
options(cluster=makeCluster(3, "SOCK"))
rtna <- tna.gsea2(rtna, stepFilter=FALSE)
stopCluster(getOption("cluster"))

## End(Not run)
```

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**tna.mra Master Regulator Analysis (MRA) over a list of regulons.**

**Description**

This function takes a TNA object and returns the results of the RMA analysis over a list of regulons from a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).

**Usage**

```r
tna.mra(object, pValueCutoff=0.05, pAdjustMethod="BH", minRegulonSize=15, tnet="dpi", verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `object` a preprocessed object of class 'TNA' **TNA-class**.
- `pValueCutoff` a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- `pAdjustMethod` a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see `p.adjust` for details).
- `minRegulonSize` a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon that must map to elements of the gene universe. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
- `tnet` a single character value specifying which transcriptional network should be used to compute the MRA analysis. Options: "dpi" and "ref".
- `verbose` a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

**Value**

A data frame in the slot "results", see 'rma' option in tna.get.

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro
Overlap analysis over a list of regulons.

This function takes a TNA object and returns the results of the overlap analysis among regulons in a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).

Usage

```r
tna.overlap(object, pValueCutoff=0.05, pAdjustMethod="BH", minRegulonSize=15, tnet="ref", tfs=NULL, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

- `object`: a preprocessed object of class 'TNA' `TNA-class`.
- `pValueCutoff`: a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
- `pAdjustMethod`: a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see 'p.adjust' for details).
- `minRegulonSize`: a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon that must map to elements of the gene universe. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
- `tnet`: a single character value specifying which transcriptional network should be used to compute the overlap analysis. Options: "dpi" and "ref".
tna.plot.gsea1

Plot enrichment analyses from TNA objects.

Description

This function takes a TNA object and plots the one-tailed GSEA results for individual regulons.

Usage

tna.plot.gsea1(object, labPheno="tma", file=labPheno, filepath=".", regulon.order="size", ntop=NULL, tfs=NULL, ylimPanels=c(0,0,3.5,0,0,0.8), heightPanels=c(1,1,3), width=5, height=4, ylabPanels=c("Phenotype","Regulon","Enrichment score"), xlab="Position in the ranked list of genes", alpha=0.5, sparsity=10, autoformat=TRUE, ...)

tfs
an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers.

verbose
a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

Value

a data frame in the slot "results", see ’overlap’ option in tna.get.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

See Also

TNA-class

Examples

data(dt4rtn)
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:

rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

#run overlap analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.overlap(rtna)

#get results
tna.get(rtna,what="overlap")

## End(Not run)
### Arguments

- **object**: an object of class 'TNA' \texttt{TNA-class}.
- **file**: a character string naming a file.
- **filepath**: a single character value specifying where to store GSEA figures.
- **regulon.order**: a single character value specifying whether regulons should be ordered by 'size', 'score', 'pvalue', 'adj.pvalue' and 'name' (or 'none' to keep the input ordering).
- **ntop**: a single integer value specifying how many regulons of top significance will be plotted.
- **tfs**: an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers (this option overrides the 'ntop' argument).
- **ylimPanels**: a numeric vector of length=4 specifying y coordinates ranges of the 1st and 3th plots (i.e. ylim for 'Phenotypes' and 'Running enrichment score').
- **heightPanels**: a numeric vector of length=3 specifying the relative height of each panel in the plot.
- **width**: a single numeric value specifying the width of the graphics region in inches.
- **height**: a single numeric value specifying the height of the graphics region in inches.
- **ylabPanels**: a character vector of length=3 specifying the the title for the y axes.
- **xlab**: a single character value specifying the the title for the x axis.
- **labPheno**: a single character value specifying a label for the phenotype (will also be used as the name of output file).
- **alpha**: a single numeric value in [0,1] specifying the transparency of the hits in the ranked list.
- **sparsity**: a single integer value (>1) specifying the density of the dots representing the running score.
- **autoformat**: a single logical value specifying to set the graph format using predefined themes. This option overrides the “ylimPanels” argument.
- ... other arguments used by the function pdf.

### Author(s)

Mauro Castro

### See Also

- \texttt{tna.gsea1}

### Examples

```r
data(dt4rtn)

tfs4test<-c("PTTG1", "E2F2", "FOXM1", "E2F3", "RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni, gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
```
rttni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rttna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

# run GSEA analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.gsea1(rtna, stepFilter=FALSE)

# plot available GSEA results
tna.plot.gsea1(rtna, labPheno="test")

## End(Not run)

---

### Description

This function takes a TNA object and plots the two-tailed GSEA results for individual regulons.

### Usage

```r
tna.plot.gsea2(object, labPheno="tna", file=labPheno, filepath=".", regulon.order="size", ntop=NULL, tfs=NULL, ylimPanels=c(-3.0,3.0,-0.5,0.5), heightPanels=c(2.0,0.8,5.0), width=2.7, height=3.0, ylabPanels=c("Phenotype","Regulon","Enrichment score"), xlab="Position in the ranked list of genes", alpha=1.0, sparsity=10, autoformat=TRUE, ...)
```

### Arguments

- **object**: an object of class 'TNA' `TNA-class`.
- **file**: a character string naming a file.
- **filepath**: a single character value specifying where to store GSEA2 figures.
- **regulon.order**: a single character value specifying whether regulons should be ordered by 'size', 'score', 'pvalue', 'adj.pvalue' and 'name' (or 'none' to keep the input ordering).
- **ntop**: a single integer value specifying how many regulons of top significance will be plotted.
- **tfs**: an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers (this option overrides the 'ntop' argument).
- **ylimPanels**: a numeric vector of length=4 specifying y coordinates ranges of the 1st and 3th plots (i.e. ylim for 'Phenotypes' and 'Running enrichment score').
- **heightPanels**: a numeric vector of length=3 specifying the relative height of each panel in the plot.
- **width**: a single numeric value specifying the width of the graphics region in inches.
- **height**: a single numeric value specifying the height of the graphics region in inches.
- **ylabPanels**: a character vector of length=3 specifying the the title for the y axes.
- **xlab**: a single character specifying the the title for the x axis.
- **labPheno**: a single character specifying a label for the phenotype (will also be used as the name of output file).
alpha: A single numeric value in [0,1] specifying the transparency of the hits in the ranked list.

sparsity: A single integer value (>1) specifying the density of the dots representing the running score.

autoformat: A single logical value specifying to set the graph format using predefined themes. This option overrides the "ylimPanels" argument.

... Other arguments used by the function pdf.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

See Also

tna.gsea2

Examples

data(dt4rtn)
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

# run GSEA2 analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.gsea2(rtina, stepFilter=FALSE)

# plot available GSEA2 results
tna.plot.gsea2(rtina, labPheno="test")

## End(Not run)

Description

This function takes a TNA object and returns the results of the shadow analysis over a list of regulons in a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).

Usage

tna.shadow(object, pValueCutoff=0.05, pAdjustMethod="BH", minRegulonSize=15, minIntersectSize=1, nPermutations=1000, exponent=1, tnet="ref", orderAbsValue=TRUE, stepFilter=TRUE, tfs=NULL, verbose=TRUE)
Arguments

object a preprocessed object of class 'TNA' TNA-class.
pValueCutoff a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
pAdjustMethod a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see 'p.adjust' for details).
minRegulonSize a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon that must map to elements of the gene universe. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
minIntersectSize a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in the intersect between any two regulons in the shadow analysis (as percentage value).
nPermutations a single integer or numeric value specifying the number of permutations for deriving p-values in GSEA.
exponent a single integer or numeric value used in weighting phenotypes in GSEA (see 'gseaScores' function at HTSanalyzeR).
tnet a single character value specifying which transcriptional network should be used to compute the shadow and shadow analyses. Options: "dpi" and "ref".
orderAbsValue a single logical value indicating whether the values should be converted to absolute values and then ordered (if TRUE), or ordered as they are (if FALSE).
stepFilter a single logical value specifying to use a step-filter algorithm removing non-significant regulons derived from tna.gsea1 (when stepFilter=TRUE) or not (when stepFilter=FALSE). It may have a substantial impact on the overall processing time.
tfs an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers (this option overrides the 'stepFilter' argument).
verbose a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

Value

a data frame in the slot "results", see 'shadow' in tna.get.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

See Also

TNA-class tna.shadow

Examples

data(dt4rtn)

tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni, gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

#run overlap analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.overlap(rtana)

#run shadow analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.shadow(rtana, stepFilter=FALSE)

#get results
tna.get(rtana, what="shadow")

# run parallel version with SNOW package!
library(snow)
options(cluster=makeCluster(4, "SOCK"))
rtna <- tna.shadow(rtana)
stopCluster(getOption("cluster"))

## End(Not run)

tna.synergy

Synergy analysis over a list of regulons.

Description
This function takes a TNA object and returns the results of the synergy analysis over a list of regulons in a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).

Usage
tna.synergy(object, pValueCutoff=0.05, pAdjustMethod="BH", minRegulonSize=15, minIntersectSize=1, nPermutations=1000, exponent=1, tnet="ref", orderAbsValue=TRUE, stepFilter=TRUE, tfs=NULL, verbose=TRUE)

Arguments

object  
a preprocessed object of class 'TNA'  
TNA-class.
pValueCutoff  
a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.
pAdjustMethod  
a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see 'p.adjust' for details).
minRegulonSize  
a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon that must map to elements of the gene universe. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.
minIntersectSize  
a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in the intersect between any two regulons in the synergy analysis (as percentage value).
nPermutations  a single integer or numeric value specifying the number of permutations for deriving p-values in GSEA.

exponent   a single integer or numeric value used in weighting phenotypes in GSEA (see 'gseaScores' function at HTSanalyzeR).

tnet   a single character value specifying which transcriptional network should to used to compute the synergy and shadow analyses. Options: "dpi" and "ref".

orderAbsValue   a single logical value indicating whether the values should be converted to absolute values and then ordered (if TRUE), or ordered as they are (if FALSE).

stepFilter   a single logical value specifying to use a step-filter algorithm removing non-significant regulons derived from tna.gsea1 (when stepFilter=TRUE) or not (when stepFilter=FALSE). It may have a substantial impact on the overall processing time.

tfs   an optional vector with transcription factor identifiers (this option overrides the 'stepFilter' argument).

verbose   a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

Value   a data frame in the slot "results", see 'synergy' in tna.get.

Author(s)   Mauro Castro

See Also   TNA-class tna.shadow

Examples

data(dt4rtn)
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

#run synergy analysis pipeline
rtna <- tna.synergy(rtna,stepFilter=FALSE)

#get results
tna.get(rtna,what="synergy")

# run parallel version with SNOW package!
library(snow)
options(cluster=makeCluster(4, "SOCK"))
rtna <- tna.synergy(rtna)
stopCluster(getOption("cluster"))

## End(Not run)

TNI-class

Class "TNI": an S4 class for Transcriptional Network Inference.

Description

This S4 class includes a series of methods to do transcriptional network inference for high-throughput gene expression.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("TNI", gexp, transcriptionFactors).

Slots

gexp: Object of class "matrix", a gene expression matrix.
transcriptionFactors: Object of class "char_Or_NULL", a vector with transcription factor identifiers.
modulators: Object of class "char_Or_NULL", a vector with modulator identifiers.
annotation: Object of class "data.frame", a data frame with probe-to-gene information.
para: Object of class "list", a list of parameters for transcriptional network inference. These parameters are those listed in the functions tni.permutation, tni.bootstrap and tni.dpi.filter.
results: Object of class "list", a list of results (see the returned values in the functions tni.permutation).
summary: Object of class "list", a list of summary information for gexp, transcriptionFactors, para, and results.
status: Object of class "character", a character value specifying the status of the TNI object based on the available methods.

Methods

tni.preprocess signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.preprocess
tni.permutation signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.permutation
tni.bootstrap signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.bootstrap
tni.dpi.filter signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.dpi.filter
tni.conditional signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.conditional
tni.get signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.get
tni.graph signature(object = "TNI"): see tni.graph
tni2tna.preprocess signature(object = "TNI"): see tni2tna.preprocess

Author(s)

Mauro Castro
Function: tni.bootstrap

Inference of transcriptional networks.

Description
This function takes a TNI object and returns the consensus transcriptional network.

Usage
```r
tni.bootstrap(object, estimator="pearson", nBootstraps=100, consensus=95, parChunks=10, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments
- `object`: a processed object of class 'TNI' TNI-class evaluated by the method tni.permutation.
- `estimator`: a character string indicating which estimator to be used for mutual information computation. One of "pearson" (default), "kendall", or "spearman", can be abbreviated.
- `nBootstraps`: a single integer or numeric value specifying the number of bootstraps for deriving a consensus between every TF-target association inferred in the mutual information analysis. If running in parallel, nBootstraps should be greater and multiple of parChunks.
- `consensus`: a single integer or numeric value specifying the consensus fraction (in percentage) under which a TF-target association is accepted.
- `parChunks`: an optional single integer value specifying the number of bootstrap chunks to be used in the parallel analysis.
- `verbose`: a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE)

Value
- a matrix in the slot "results" containing a reference transcriptional network, see 'tn.ref' option in tni.get.

Author(s)
- Mauro Castro

See Also
- TNI-class
- makeCluster
Examples

data(dt4rtn)

# just a few TFs for quick demonstration!
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")

# create a new TNI object
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
# preprocessing
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)

# linear version!
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)

# parallel version with SNOW package!
library(snow)
options(cluster=makeCluster(3, "SOCK"))
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
stopCluster(getOption("cluster"))

## End(Not run)

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### tni.conditional

Modulators of transcription factor (TF) activity assessed by conditional mutual information analysis.

#### Description

This function takes a TNI object and a list of candidate modulators, and computes the conditional mutual information over the TF-target interactions in a transcriptional network (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections). For each TF, the method measures the change in the mutual information between the TF and its targets conditioned to the gene expression of a modulator.

#### Usage

```
tni.conditional(object, modulators=NULL, tfs=NULL, sampling=35, pValueCutoff=0.01, pAdjustMethod="bonferroni", minRegulonSize=15, minIntersectSize=5, miThreshold="md", prob=0.99, pwtransform=FALSE, medianEffect=FALSE, verbose=TRUE, ...)
```

#### Arguments

- **object**: a processed object of class `TNI` *TNI-class* evaluated by the methods `tni.permutation`, `tni.bootstrap` and `tni.dpi.filter`.
- **modulators**: a vector with gene identifiers for those considered as candidate modulators. If NULL, the function will assess all TFs in the network, provided that the candidate passes all filtering steps.
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**tfs**
a vector with TF identifiers. If NULL, the function will assess all TFs in the network.

**sampling**
a single integer value specifying the percentage of the available samples that should be included in the analysis. For example, for each TF-target interaction of a given hub, 'sampling = 35' means that the conditional mutual information will be computed from the top and bottom 35% of the samples ranked by the gene expression of a given candidate modulator.

**pValueCutoff**
a single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.

**pAdjustMethod**
a single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see 'p.adjust' for details).

**minRegulonSize**
a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon. Gene sets with fewer than this number are removed from the analysis.

**minIntersectSize**
a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of observed modulated elements in a regulon (as percentage value).

**miThreshold**
a single character value specifying the underlying distribution used to estimate the mutual information threshold. Options: 'md' and 'md.tf'. In the 1st case, 'miThreshold' is estimated from a pooled null distribution representing random modulators, while in the 2nd case a specific mutual information threshold is estimated for each TF conditioned on the random modulators. In the two options the 'miThreshold' is estimated by permutation analysis (see 'prob'). Alternatively, users can either provide a custom mutual information threshold or a numeric vector with lower (a) and upper (b) bounds for the differential mutual information analysis (e.g. 'c(a,b)').

**prob**
a probability value in [0,1] used to estimate the 'miThreshold' based on the underlying quantile distribution.

**pwtransform**
a single logical value specifying whether a Box-Cox power transformation should be used to improve data symmetry (this procedure might be carefully used as a complementary test to check the validity of the inferred associations).

**medianEffect**
a single logical value specifying whether to assess the median effect of each modulator. This global statistics does not affect the inferential process over single TF-target interactions. This method is still experimental, it can be used as a complementary analysis to check the overall modulation effect onto all targets listed in a given regulon (this step may require substantial computation time).

**verbose**
a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE)

... additional arguments passed to tna.graph function.

**Value**
a data frame in the slot "results", see 'cdt' option in tni.get.

**Author(s)**
Mauro Castro

**References**

See Also

TNI-class

Examples

data(dt4rtn)

# a few TFs for quick demonstration!
tfs4test<-dt4rtn$tfs[c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOX1","E2F3","RUNX2")]

# create a new TNI object
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=tfs4test)

## Not run:
# preprocessing
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
# permutation analysis (infers the reference/relevance network)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
# dpi filter (infers the transcriptional network)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
# ..and a few candidate modulators for demonstration!
mod4test<rownames(rtni@gexp)[sample(1:nrow(rtni@gexp),200)]
# conditional analysis
rtni<tni.conditional(rtni, modulators=mod4test, pValueCutoff=1e-3)
#get results
cdt<-tni.get(rtni,what="cdt")

#get summary on a graph object
g<-tni.graph(rtni,gtype="mmap")

###---------------------------------------------
### optional: plot the igraph object using RedeR
library(RedeR)

#--load redeR interface
rdp<-RedPort()
callid(rdp)

#---add graph and legends
addGraph(rdp,g)
addLegend.shape(rdp,g)
addLegend.size(rdp,g)
addLegend.color(rdp,g,type="edge")
relax(rdp,pi=50,p5=20)
tni.dpi.filter

Data Processing Inequality (DPI) filter.

Description
This function takes a TNI object and returns the transcriptional network filtered by the data processing inequality algorithm.

Usage
```r
tni.dpi.filter(object, eps=0, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments
- `object`: a processed object of class `TNI` *TNI-class* evaluated by the methods `tni.permutation` and `tni.bootstrap`.
- `eps`: a single numeric value specifying the threshold under which Aracne algorithm should apply the dpi filter. For additional detail see `aracne`.
- `verbose`: a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE)

Value
a mutual information matrix in the slot "results" containing a dpi-filtered transcriptional network, see 'tn.dpi' option in `tni.get`.

Author(s)
Mauro Castro

See Also
- `TNI-class`

Examples
```r
data(dt4rtn)
# just a few TFs for quick demonstration!
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
# create a new TNI object
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])
## Not run:
# preprocessing
rtni <- tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
# permutation analysis (infers the reference/relevance network)
```
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)

# dpi filter (infers the transcriptional network)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)

### End(Not run)

---

### tni.get

*Get information from individual slots in a TNI object.*

#### Description

Get information from individual slots in a TNI object and any available results from a previous analysis.

#### Usage

```r
tni.get(object, what="summary", order=TRUE, ntop=NULL, reportNames=TRUE, idkey=NULL)
```

#### Arguments

- **object**: an object of class `TNI` [TNI-class](#).
- **what**: a single character value specifying which information should be retrieved from the slots. Options: 'gexp', 'tfs', 'para', 'refnet', 'tnet', 'refregulons', 'regulons', 'cdt', 'summary' and 'status'. Regulons can also be retrieved mapped to the assigned mode of action ('regulons.and.mode' or 'refregulons.and.mode').
- **order**: a single logical value specifying whether or not the output data should be ordered by significance. Valid only for 'cdt' option.
- **ntop**: a single integer value specifying to select how many results of top significance from 'cdt' option.
- **reportNames**: a single logical value specifying to report regulators with 'names' (when reportNames=TRUE) or not (when reportNames=FALSE). This option takes effect on 'cdt' option if regulators are named with alternative identifiers.
- **idkey**: an optional single character value specifying an ID name from the available 'TNI' annotation to be used as alias for data query outputs (obs. it has no effect on consolidated tables).

#### Value

get the slot content from an object of class `TNI` [TNI-class](#).

#### Author(s)

Mauro Castro
Examples

data(dt4rtn)

tfs4test<-c("PTTG1", "E2F2", "FOXM1", "E2F3", "RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:
rtni<-tni.preprocess(rtni,gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)

# check summary
tni.get(rtni,what="summary")

# get reference/relevance network
refnet<-tni.get(rtni,what="refnet")

# get transcriptional network
tnet<-tni.get(rtni,what="tnet")

# get status of the pipeline
tni.get(rtni,what="status")

## End(Not run)

---

**tni.graph**

Compute a graph from TNI objects.

Description

Extract results from a TNI object and compute a graph.

Usage

```
 tni.graph(object, tnet = "dpi", gtype="rmap", minRegulonSize=15, tfs=NULL, amapFilter="quantile", amapCutoff=NULL, ntop=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- **object**: an object of class 'TNI' **TNI-class**.
- **tnet**: a single character value specifying which network information should be used to compute the graph. Options: "ref" and "dpi".
- **gtype**: a single character value specifying the graph type. Options: "rmap", "amap", "mmap" and "mmapDetailed". The "rmap" option returns regulatory maps represented by TFs and targets (regulons); "amap" computes association maps among regulons (estimates the overlap using the Jaccard Coefficient); "mmap" and "mmapDetailed" return modulated maps derived from the `tni.conditional` function.
tni.graph

minRegulonSize  a single integer or numeric value specifying the minimum number of elements in a regulon. Regulons with fewer than this number are removed from the graph.

tfs  a vector with transcription factor identifiers.

amapFilter  a single character value specifying which method should be used to filter association maps (only when gtype="amap"). Options: "phyper", "quantile" and "custom".

amapCutoff  a single numeric value (>=0 and <=1) specifying the cutoff for the association map filter. When amapFilter="phyper", amapCutoff corresponds to a pvalue cutoff; when amapFilter="quantile", amapCutoff corresponds to a quantile threshold; and when amapFilter="custom", amapCutoff is a JC threshold.

ntop  when gtype="mmapDetailed", ntop is an optional single integer value (>=1) specifying the number of TF's targets that should be used to compute the modulated map. The n targets is derived from the top ranked TF-target interactions, as defined in the mutual information analysis used to construct the regulon set.

... additional arguments passed to tni.graph function.

Value

a graph object.

Author(s)

Mauro Castro

Examples

data(dt4rtn)
tfs4test<-c("PTTG1", "E2F2", "FOXM1", "E2F3", "RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[tfs4test])

## Not run:

rtni<-tni.preprocess(rtni, gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni, eps=0.05)

# compute regulatory maps
g<-tni.graph(rtni, tnet="dpi", gtype="rmap", tfs=tfs4test)

# option: plot the igraph object using RedeR
library(RedeR)
rdp<-RedPort()
callld(rdp)
addGraph(rdp, g)
addLegend.shape(rdp, g)
addLegend.color(rdp, g, type="edge")
relax(rdp, pl=50, p5=20)

# compute association maps
resetd(rdp)
g<-tni.graph(rtni, tnet="ref", gtype="amap", tfs=tfs4test)
## tni.permutation

*Inference of transcriptional networks.*

**Description**

This function takes a TNI object and returns a transcriptional network inferred by mutual information (with multiple hypothesis testing corrections).

**Usage**

```r
tni.permutation(object, pValueCutoff=0.01, pAdjustMethod="BH", globalAdjustment=TRUE, estimator="pearson", nPermutations=1000, pooledNullDistribution=TRUE, parChunks=50, verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- **object**
  - A preprocessed object of class `TNI`.

- **pValueCutoff**
  - A single numeric value specifying the cutoff for p-values considered significant.

- **pAdjustMethod**
  - A single character value specifying the p-value adjustment method to be used (see `p.adjust` for details).

- **globalAdjustment**
  - A single logical value specifying to run global p-value adjustments (when `globalAdjustment=TRUE`) or not (when `globalAdjustment=FALSE`).

- **estimator**
  - A character string indicating which estimator to be used for mutual information computation. One of "pearson" (default), "kendall", or "spearman", can be abbreviated.

- **nPermutations**
  - A single integer value specifying the number of permutations for deriving TF-target p-values in the mutual information analysis. If running in parallel, `nPermutations` should be greater and multiple of `parChunks`.

- **pooledNullDistribution**
  - A single logical value specifying to run the permutation analysis with pooled regulons (when `pooledNullDistribution=TRUE`) or not (when `pooledNullDistribution=FALSE`).

- **parChunks**
  - An optional single integer value specifying the number of permutation chunks to be used in the parallel analysis (effective only for "pooledNullDistribution = TRUE").

- **verbose**
  - A single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when `verbose=TRUE`) or not (when `verbose=FALSE`).

**Value**

A mutual information matrix in the slot "results" containing a reference transcriptional network, see 'tn.ref' option in `tni.get`.
tni.preprocess

A preprocessing function for objects of class TNI.

Description

This is a generic function.

Usage

tni.preprocess(object, gexpIDs=NULL, cvfilter=TRUE, verbose=TRUE)

Arguments

object an object. When this function is implemented as the S4 method of class TNI-class, this argument is an object of class 'TNI'.

gexpIDs an optional data frame or matrix with probe-to-gene annotation. Column 1 must provide all probe ids listed in the 'gexp' matrix. Ideally, col1 = <PROBEID>, col2 = <GENEID>, and col3 = <SYMBOL>. Additional annotation can be
tni2tna.preprocess

A preprocessing function for objects of class TNI.

Description

This is a generic function.

Usage

tni2tna.preprocess(object, phenotype=NULL, hits=NULL, phenoIDs=NULL, duplicateRemoverMethod="max", verbose=TRUE)

Arguments

object

a processed object of class 'TNI' TNI-class evaluated by the methods tni.permutation, tni.bootstrap and tni.dpi.filter.

phenotype

a numeric or integer vector of phenotypes named by gene identifiers. Required for gsea, synergy and shadow methods (see tna.gsea).

hits

a character vector of gene identifiers for those considered as hits. Required for tna.mra and tna.overlap methods.
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**phenoIDs**

an optional 2cols-matrix used to aggregate genes in the 'phenotype' (e.g. probe-to-gene ids; in this case, col 1 should correspond to probe ids).

**duplicateRemoverMethod**

a single character value specifying the method to remove the duplicates. The current version provides "min" (minimum), "max" (maximum), "average". Further details in 'duplicateRemover' function at the HTSanalyzeR package.

**verbose**

a single logical value specifying to display detailed messages (when verbose=TRUE) or not (when verbose=FALSE).

**Author(s)**

Mauro Castro

**See Also**

TNI-class TNA-class

**Examples**

data(dt4rtn)

tfs4test<-c("PTTG1","E2F2","FOXM1","E2F3","RUNX2")
rtni <- new("TNI", gexp=dt4rtn$gexp, transcriptionFactors=dt4rtn$tfs[[tfs4test]])

## Not run:
rtni<-tni.preprocess(rtni, gexpIDs=dt4rtn$gexpIDs)
rtni<-tni.permutation(rtni)
rtni<-tni.bootstrap(rtni)
rtni<-tni.dpi.filter(rtni)
rtna<-tni2tna.preprocess(rtni, phenotype=dt4rtn$pheno, hits=dt4rtn$hits, phenoIDs=dt4rtn$phenoIDs)

## End(Not run)
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