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Description

Calculates contamination scores using a random forest classification

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Usage

```
calcContamination(
  cells,
  markers = NULL,
  num.trees = 100,
  verbose = FALSE,
  missingReplacement = 0,
  assay = "intensities",
  cellType = "cellType",
  redDimName = "contaminations"
)
```

Arguments

cells A SingleCellExperiment or SpatialExperiment with a cellType column as well

as marker intensity information corresponding to each cell.

markers A vector of markers that proxy a cell's state. If NULL, all markers will be used.

num. trees Number of trees to be used in the random forest classifier

verbose A logical indicating whether information about the final random forest model

should be outputted.

missingReplacement

A default value to replace missing marker intensities for classification.

assay The assay in the SingleCellExperiment object that contains the desired marker

expressions.

cellType The name of the column in colData that stores the cell types.

redDimName to store the output in the sce.

Examples

```
data("kerenSCE")
singleCellDataDistancesContam <- calcContamination(
   kerenSCE
)</pre>
```

calcStateChanges

First layer wrapper function to build linear models measuring state changes

Description

Builds linear models measuring marker based state changes in a cell type based of the proximity or abundance of another cell type. The function provides the option to build robust and mixed linear model variants

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Usage

```
calcStateChanges(
  cells,
 marker = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  image = NULL,
  type = "distances",
  assay = 1,
  cellType = "cellType",
  imageID = "imageID",
  contamination = NULL,
  test = "g",
 minCells = 20,
  verbose = FALSE,
  timeout = 10,
  nCores = 1
)
```

Arguments

timeout

nCores

cells	A dataframe with a imageID, cellType, and marker intensity column along with covariates (e.g. distance or abundance of the nearest cell type) to model cell state changes
marker	A vector of markers that proxy a cell's state. If NULL, all markers will be used.
from	A vector of cell types to use as the primary cells. If NULL, all cell types will be used.
to	A vector of cell types to use as the interacting cells. If NULL, all cell types will be used.
image	A vector of images to filter to. If null all images will be used.
type	What type of state change. This value should be in reduced dimensions.
assay	The assay in the SingleCellExperiment object that contains the marker expressions.
cellType	The column in colData that stores the cell types.
imageID	The column in colData that stores the image ids.
contamination	If TRUE, use the contamination scores that have previously been calculate. Otherwise a name of which reduced dimension contains the scores.
test	The type of test to perform. By default this will assume the data is Gaussian. A value of "nb" will use a negative binomial to model the expression.
minCells	The minimum number of cells required to fit a model.
verbose	A logical indicating if messages should be printed

when building rlm mixed linear models Number of cores for parallel processing

A maximum time allowed to build each model. Setting this may be important

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Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data("kerenSCE")

kerenSCE <- kerenSCE[, kerenSCE$imageID %in% c(5, 6)]

kerenSCE <- getDistances(kerenSCE,
   maxDist = 200,
)

imageModels <- calcStateChanges(
   cells = kerenSCE,
   from = "Macrophages",
   to = "Tumour"
)</pre>
```

distanceCalculator

Calculate pairwise distance between cell types

Description

Calculates the euclidean distance from each cell to the nearest cell of each type for a single image

Usage

```
distanceCalculator(data, maxDist = 200, distFun = "min")
```

Arguments

data the single cell data of interest

maxDist Maximum distance between pairs of points to be counted as close pairs.

distFun How to merge duplicate entries.

getAbundances

Wrapper to calculate imhomogenous K function between a cell and surrounding types on each image

Description

Calculate the imhomogenous K function (a measure of cell type abundance) for each cell to other cell types

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Usage

```
getAbundances(
  cells,
  r = 200,
  distFun = "abundance",
  redDimName = "abundances",
  cellType = "cellType",
  imageID = "imageID",
  spatialCoords = c("x", "y"),
  nCores = 1
)
```

Arguments

cells A dataframe with a cellType column as well as x and y spatial coordinates. The

dataframe must contain a imageID column and cellID (unique cell identifier's)

column as well

r Radius to include in that calculation of pairwise abundance (K-function) be-

tween cells (can be a numeric or vector of radii)

distFun What distance function to use.

redDimName Name of the reduced dimension to store in sce.

cellType The name of the column in colData that stores the cell types.

imageID The name of the column in colData that Stores the image ids.

spatialCoords The names of the columns in colData that store the spatial coordinates.

nCores Number of cores for parallel processing

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data("kerenSCE")

singleCellDataCounts <- getAbundances(kerenSCE,
    r = 200,
)</pre>
```

getDistances

Wrapper to calculate pairwise distance between cell types by image

Description

Calculates the euclidean distance from each cell to the nearest cell of each type

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Usage

```
getDistances(
  cells,
  maxDist = NULL,
  imageID = "imageID",
  spatialCoords = c("x", "y"),
  cellType = "cellType",
  redDimName = "distances",
  distFun = "min",
  nCores = 1
)
```

Arguments

cells A dataframe with a cellType column as well as x and y spatial coordinates. The

dataframe must contain a imageID column and cellID (unique cell identifier's)

column as well

maxDist The maximum distance considered.

imageID The name of the colData column that stores in the image ID.

spatialCoords The columns that store the spatial coordinates.

redDimName The name of the colData column that stores the cell types.

The name of the reduced dimension to store the distances in.

distFun What distance function to use. Can be min or abundance.

nCores Number of cores for parallel processing.

Examples

```
data("kerenSCE")
kerenSCE <- getDistances(kerenSCE,
   maxDist = 200
)</pre>
```

getMarkerMeans

Extract the average expression for all markers for each cell type in each region defined by lisaClust

Description

Takes a SingleCellExperiment and outputs a dataframe in a convenient format for cross validation

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Usage

```
getMarkerMeans(
  data,
  imageID = NULL,
  cellType = NULL,
  region = NULL,
  markers = NULL,
  assay = 1,
  replaceVal = 0
)
```

Arguments

data A SingleCellExperiment object with intensities data in the assays slot and regions information in colData generated by lisaClust. imageID The colData column that stores the image IDs. cellType The colData column that store the cell types. The colData column that stores the regions. region markers A string vector of markers that proxy a cell's state. If NULL, all markers will be used. Which assay do you want to use for the expression data. assay replaceVal A value to replace missing values with.

Examples

```
data(kerenSCE)
kerenSCE <- kerenSCE[, kerenSCE$imageID %in% c("5", "6")]
regionSCE <- lisaClust::lisaClust(kerenSCE, k = 5)
lisaClustOutput <- getMarkerMeans(regionSCE)</pre>
```

getParentPhylo

Extract parent and all children from a Phylo object

Description

This function takes in a 'phylo' object or a 'treekoR' result from the getClusterTree function, and converts its into a named list of each and children to input into parentCombinations.

Note: Parent populations with one child will be pruned. Make sure to include this cell type in the 'all' vector when using parentCombinations to ensure this cell type is included in pairwise calculations.

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Usage

```
getParentPhylo(phylo_tree)
```

Arguments

phylo_tree

a phylo object or a treekoR result.

Value

A named list of parents and their respective children.

isKontextual

Test whether an object is a kontextualResult

Description

Test whether an object is a kontextualResult

Usage

```
isKontextual(kontextualResult)
```

Arguments

```
kontextualResult a object to test
```

Examples

```
data <- data.frame()
if (!isKontextual(data)) print("Not a kontextualResult")</pre>
```

kerenKontextual

Kontextual results from kerenSCE

Description

This is a kontextual results data.frame created using Kontextual on the kerenSCE dataset.

Usage

```
data(kerenKontextual)
```

Format

kerenKontextual a kontextual results object.

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kerenSCE

MIBI-TOF Breast cancer intensities

Description

This is a single MIBI-TOF data of breast cancer from patient 6 of the Keren et al 2018 dataset.

Usage

```
data(kerenSCE)
```

Format

kerenSCE a SingleCellExperiment object

References

Keren, L., Bosse, M., Marquez, D., Angoshtari, R., Jain, S., Varma, S., Yang, S. R., Kurian, A., Van Valen, D., West, R., Bendall, S. C., & Angelo, M. (2018). A Structured Tumor-Immune Microenvironment in Triple Negative Breast Cancer Revealed by Multiplexed Ion Beam Imaging. Cell, 174(6), 1373-1387.e1319. ([DOI](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cell.2018.08.039))

kontextCurve

Evaluation of Kontextual over a range of radii.

Description

This function obtains 'Kontextual' values over a range of radii, standard deviations for each value can be obtained using permutation for significance testing. To obtain estimates for standard deviations specify 'se = TRUE'.

Usage

```
kontextCurve(
  cells,
  from,
  to,
  parent,
  image = NULL,
  rs = seq(10, 100, 10),
  inhom = FALSE,
  edge = TRUE,
  se = FALSE,
  nSim = 20,
  cores = 1,
  imageID = "imageID",
```

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```
cellType = "cellType",
    ...
)
```

Arguments

cells	A single image from a SingleCellExperiment object
from	The first cell type to be evaluated in the pairwise relationship.
to	The second cell type to be evaluated in the pairwise relationship.
parent	The parent population of the from cell type (must include from cell type).
image	A vector of images to subset the results to. If NULL we default to all images.
rs	A vector of radii to evaluate kontextual over.
inhom	A logical value indicating whether to perform an inhomogeneous L function.
edge	A logical value indicating whether to perform edge correction.
se	A logical value to indicate if the standard deviation of kontextual should be calculated to construct error bars.
nSim	Number of randomisations to perform using relabelKontextual, which will be used to calculated the SE.
cores	Number of cores for parallel processing.
imageID	The column in colData that stores the image ids.
cellType	The column in colData that stores the cell types.
	Any arguments passed into Kontextual.

Value

A data frame of original L values and Kontextual values evaluated over a range of radii.

Examples

```
data("kerenSCE")
kerenImage6 <- kerenSCE[, kerenSCE$imageID == "6"]
rsDf <- kontextCurve(
  cells = kerenSCE,
  from = "CD4_Cell",
   to = "Keratin_Tumour",
  parent = c("CD4_Cell", "Macrophages"),
  rs = seq(10, 510, 100),
  cores = 2
)</pre>
```

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kontextPlot

Plotting the original and kontextual L values over a range of radii.

Description

This function takes outputs from rsCurve and plots them in ggplot. If standard deviation is estimated in rsCurve, then confidence intervals will be constructed based on the standard deviation. If the confidence interval overlaps with 0, then the relationship is insignificant for that radius.

Usage

```
kontextPlot(rsDf)
```

Arguments

rsDf

A data frame from kontextCurve.

Value

A ggplotly object showing the original and kontextual L function values over a range of radii

Examples

```
data("kerenSCE")
kerenImage6 <- kerenSCE[, kerenSCE$imageID == "6"]
rsDf <- kontextCurve(
  cells = kerenImage6,
  from = "p53",
  to = "Immune",
  parent = c("p53", "Keratin+Tumour"),
  rs = seq(10, 510, 100),
  cores = 2
)
kontextPlot(rsDf)</pre>
```

Kontextual

Evaluation of pairwise cell relationships, conditional on a 3rd population.

Description

Kontextual identifies the relationship between two cell types which are conditional on the spatial behaviour of a 3rd cell population, for a particular radius (r).

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Usage

```
Kontextual(
  cells,
  r,
  parentDf = NULL,
  from = NULL,
  to = NULL,
  parent = NULL,
  image = NULL,
  inhom = FALSE,
  edgeCorrect = TRUE,
 window = "convex",
 window.length = NA,
  includeOriginal = TRUE,
  spatialCoords = c("x", "y"),
  cellType = "cellType",
  imageID = "imageID",
  cores = 1
)
```

Arguments

cells A SingleCellExperiment, SpatialExperiment or a list of data.frames containing

columns specifying the imageID, cellType, and x and y spatial coordinates.

r Radii to evaluated pairwise relationships between from and to cells.

parentDf A data frame from parentCombinations

from The first cell type to be evaluated in the pairwise relationship.

to The second cell type to be evaluated in the pairwise relationship.

parent The parent population of the from cell type (must include from cell type).

A vector of images to subset the results to. If NULL we default to all images.

inhom A logical value indicating whether to account for inhomogeneity.

A logical value indicating whether to perform edge correction.

window Type of window for data, either 'square', 'convex' or 'concave', passed into

makeWindow

window.length A tuning parameter for controlling the level of concavity when estimating con-

cave windows. Passed into makeWindow

includeOriginal

A logical value to return the original L function values along with the kontextual

values.

spatialCoords The columns which contain the x and y spatial coordinates.

cellType The column which contains the cell types.
imageID The column which contains image identifiers.

cores Number of cores for parallel processing.

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Value

A kontextualResult object

Examples

```
# Load data
data("kerenSCE")

CD4_Kontextual <- Kontextual(
   cells = kerenSCE,
   r = 50,
   from = "Macrophages",
   to = "Keratin_Tumour",
   parent = c("Macrophages", "CD4_Cell"),
   image = "6"
)</pre>
head(CD4_Kontextual)
```

makeWindow

Creates a window for a PPP object

Description

This function creates a window for a 'spatstat::ppp' object, the type of window can be specified using the 'window' argument.

Usage

```
makeWindow(data, window = "square", window.length = NULL)
```

Arguments

A single image data frame from a SingleCellExperiment object or PPP object.

window

The shape of window around the regions, can be 'square', 'convex' or 'concave'

window.length

A tuning parameter for controlling the level of concavity when estimating concave windows.

Value

Creates an 'owin' class, representing the observation window for the image.

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Examples

```
data <- data.frame(x = rnorm(10), y = rnorm(10))
ow <- makeWindow(data, window = "square")
spatstat.geom::ppp(x = data$x, y = data$y, window = ow)</pre>
```

parentCombinations

Create all combinations of cell type relationships from a list of parents

Description

This function takes in named vectors of all the parent populations in the dataset, and creates a data frame containing all pairwise cell relationships, this data frame can be inputed into the 'parentDf' argument in 'Kontextual'.

Usage

```
parentCombinations(all, ..., parentList = NULL)
```

Arguments

all A list of all the 'to' cell types Kontextual is evaluated over.

... Vectors of each parent population.

parentList

a named list where the names correspond to parent names and the values contain a vector of children for that parent. Note: If parentList is specified the '...' argument will be ignored, see examples.

Value

A data frame containing all pairwise cell relationships and their corresponding parent

Examples

```
# Example 1, using `parentList`

parentList <- list(
   "tcells" = c("CD4", "CD8"),
   "tissue" = c("epithelial", "stromal")
)

allCells <- c("tumour", "CD4", "CD8", "epithelial", "stromal")

parentCombinations(all = allCells, parentList = parentList)

# Example 2, with `...` operator
tcells <- c("CD4", "CD8")</pre>
```

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```
tissue <- c("epithelial", "stromal")
allCells <- c("tumour", tissue, tcells)
parentCombinations(all = allCells, tcells, tissue)</pre>
```

plotStateChanges

Visualise Cell-Cell Marker Relationships

Description

Helper functions to visualise OLS model fits for image based state models

Usage

```
plotStateChanges(
  cells,
  image,
  from,
  to,
 marker,
  type = "distances",
  assay = 1,
  cellType = "cellType",
  imageID = "imageID",
  spatialCoords = c("x", "y"),
  size = 1,
  shape = 19,
  interactive = FALSE,
 plotModelFit = FALSE,
 method = "lm"
)
```

Arguments

cells	A SingleCellExperiment that has had distances already calculated.
image	An image to subset to.
from	A character indicating the name of the cell type (from the cellType column) whose cell state is being investigated in
to	A character indicating the name of the cell type (from the cellType column) who may be influencing the cell state of another cell type
marker	The marker of interest.
type	The name of the reduced dimension to use for the x-axis.
assay	Name of the assay that stores the marker expression.
cellType	The name of the column in colData that stores the cell types.

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imageID The name of the column in colData that stores the image ids. The names of the columns in colData that store the spatial coordinates. spatialCoords Aesthetic numerical variable determining the size of the displayed cells size shape Aesthetic variable determining the shape grouping of the displayed cells interactive Logical indicating if the output visualisation should be a interactive (plotly) plotModelFit Logical indicating if fitted values should be plotted or actual intensities for marker specified. The default is to plot actual intensities method The method to build the model with. Currently the only option is "lm". However, capabilities may be expanded in the future

Details

image,

Examples

```
library(dplyr)
data("kerenSCE")
kerenSCE <- getDistances(kerenSCE)</pre>
p <- plotStateChanges(</pre>
 cells = kerenSCE,
 type = "distances",
 image = "6",
 from = "Keratin_Tumour",
 to = "Macrophages",
 marker = "p53",
 size = 1,
 shape = 19,
 interactive = FALSE,
 plotModelFit = FALSE,
 method = "lm"
)
p
```

prepMatrix Convert Kontextual or state changes result to a matrix for classification

Description

Convert Kontextual or state changes result to a matrix for classification

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Usage

```
prepMatrix(result, replaceVal = 0, column = NULL, test = NULL)
```

Arguments

result a kontextual or state changes result data.frame.

replaceVal value which NAs are replaced with.

column The column which contains the scores that you want to select.

test A column containing which will be the column names of the expanded matrix.

Examples

```
data("kerenSCE")

CD4_Kontextual <- Kontextual(
   cells = kerenSCE,
   r = 50,
   from = "Macrophages",
   to = "Keratin_Tumour",
   parent = c("Macrophages", "CD4_Cell"),
   image = "6"
)</pre>
kontextMat <- prepMatrix(CD4_Kontextual)</pre>
```

relabelKontextual

Cell permutation for Kontextual

Description

Function which randomises specified cells in an image and calculates the 'Kontextual' value. This can be used to estimate the null distribution, of the parent cell population for significance testing.

This function relabels all specified cells within a single image, to estimate the null distribution of cell population specified.

Usage

```
relabelKontextual(
  cells,
  nSim = 1,
  r,
  from,
  to,
  parent,
```

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```
image = NULL,
returnImages = FALSE,
inhom = TRUE,
edge = FALSE,
cores = 1,
spatialCoords = c("x", "y"),
cellType = "cellType",
imageID = "imageID",
...
)
```

Arguments

cells	A single image	data frame from a	a SingleCellExperi	ment object
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nSim Number of randomisations which will be calculated.

r Radius to evaluated pairwise relationships between from and to cells.

from The first cell type to be evaluated in the pairwise relationship.

to The second cell type to be evaluated in the pairwise relationship.

parent The parent population of the from cell type (must include from cell type).

image A single image from a Single Cell Experiment object.

returnImages A logical value to indicate whether the function should return the randomised

images along with the Kontextual values.

inhom A logical value indicating whether to account for inhomogeneity.

edge A logical value indicating whether to perform edge correction.

cores Number of cores for parallel processing.

spatialCoords A character vector containing the names of the two spatial dimansions in the

data. Defaults to 'c("x", "y")'.

cellType The name of the cell type field in the data. Defualts to "cellType".

imageID The name of the image ID field in the data. Defualts to "imageID".

... Any arguments passed into Kontextual

labels A vector of CellTypes labels to be permuted If NULL all cells labels will be

radomised.

Value

A data frame containing Kontextual value for each randomised image. If 'returnImages = TRUE' function will return a list with Kontextual values and the randomised images.

A data frame containing all pairwise cell relationships and their corresponding parent

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Examples

```
data("kerenSCE")
kerenImage6 <- kerenSCE[, kerenSCE$imageID == "6"]</pre>
relabelResult <- relabelKontextual(</pre>
  cells = kerenImage6,
  nSim = 5,
  r = 250,
  from = "CD4_Cell",
  to = "Keratin_Tumour",
parent = c("CD4_Cell", "Macrophages"),
  cores = 2
)
data("kerenSCE")
kerenImage6 <- kerenSCE[, kerenSCE$imageID == "6"]</pre>
kerenImage6 <- kerenImage6 |>
  SingleCellExperiment::colData() |>
  data.frame()
# Permute CD8 T cells and T cell labels in the image
relabeledImage <- relabel(kerenImage6, labels = c("p53", "Keratin+Tumour"))</pre>
plot(relabeledImage)
```

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