# Package 'Trendy'

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Title Breakpoint analysis of time-course expression data **Version** 1.31.0 Author Rhonda Bacher and Ning Leng Maintainer Rhonda Bacher < rbacher@ufl.edu> **Description** Trendy implements segmented (or breakpoint) regression models to estimate breakpoints which represent changes in expression for each feature/gene in high throughput data with ordered conditions. **Depends** R (>= 3.4) Imports stats, utils, graphics, grDevices, segmented, gplots, parallel, magrittr, BiocParallel, DT, S4Vectors, SummarizedExperiment, methods, shiny, shinyFiles License GPL-3 **Encoding** UTF-8 LazyData true RoxygenNote 6.1.1 Suggests BiocStyle, knitr, rmarkdown, devtools VignetteBuilder knitr biocViews TimeCourse, RNASeq, Regression, ImmunoOncology URL https://github.com/rhondabacher/Trendy git\_url https://git.bioconductor.org/packages/Trendy git\_branch devel git\_last\_commit 2b74b37 git\_last\_commit\_date 2025-04-15 Repository Bioconductor 3.23

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breakpointDist

Distribution of breakpoints

# Description

calculates number of breakpoints at each time.

# Usage

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```
breakpointDist(topTrendyData, NDigits = 0)
```

# Arguments

topTrendyData results from topTrendy() function

NDigits how many digits to be used when rounding (default is 0 (return integers))

# Value

The function takes significant genes called from the topTrendyData() function. For any time point, this function calculates how many genes have a breakpoint at this time point. The output is the numbers of genes sorted by time point.

## Author(s)

Ning Leng

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# **Examples**

```
m1 <- matrix(c(c(rnorm(50,5,1),sort(rnorm(50, 15, 5))), rnorm(100, 50,10)), 2, 100, TRUE)
rownames(m1) <- c("g1","g2")
colnames(m1) <- paste0("time", seq_len(100))
myTrends <- results(trendy(m1))
topGenes <- topTrendy(myTrends)
bpDist <- breakpointDist(topGenes)</pre>
```

breakpointFit

break point fits

# Description

break point fits

# Usage

```
breakpointFit(J, tVectIn, lmLinear, numTry)
```

# **Arguments**

J	number of breakpoints in the model
tVectIn	a numerical vector indicating the time-points or the order of samples. If it is NULL (default), then the time/order will be assumed to be equaly spaced from $1:N$ (N is number of samples).
lmLinear	the linear model fit; no breakpoints
numTry	the number of different seeds to try. If all numTry runs fail, then the linear

regression (no breakpoints, one segment) model will be returned.

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Extract pattern from segmented regression

# Description

find dynamic genes that follow a given pattern

# Usage

```
extractPattern(trendyOutData, Pattern = NULL, adjR2Cut = 0.5,
   Delay = 0)
```

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## **Arguments**

trendyOutData output from trendy() function

Pattern vector containing pattern to search genes/features (e.g, c("up", "down")), no-

change is designated by "same". If length is one (e.g c("up")) then it will only

consider features with constant pattern across the entire time-course.

adjR2Cut only consider features with adjusted  $R^2 > adjR2Cut$ . Default = .5.

Delay search for pattern starting after certain time-point (e.g. only genes with a break-

point > 10).

#### Value

Genes: names of genes/features containing pattern and the breakpoints corresponding to the pattern.

## Author(s)

Rhonda Bacher

## **Examples**

```
myTrends <- trendy(trendyExampleData[seq_len(5),], tVect=seq_len(40))
myTrends <- results(myTrends)
#extractPattern(myTrends, Pattern = c("up")) #increasing only features
#extractPattern(myTrends, Pattern = c("same", "down"))
#extractPattern(myTrends, Pattern = c("up", "down"), Delay = 20)</pre>
```

fitSegBIC

Fit segmented regression models on a feature/gene

# **Description**

fits segmented regression models

## Usage

```
fitSegBIC(Data, maxK = 2, tVectIn = NULL, minNumInSeg = 5,
    pvalCut = 0.1, numTry = 5, keepFit = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

Data a matrix of normalized expression measurements. Rows are genes/features and

columns are samples.

maxK maximum number of breakpoints to consider. For each gene, trendy will fit

 $\max K + 1$  models containing 0 ->  $\max K$  breakpoints (1 ->  $(\max K + 1)$  segments). The model with the lowest BIC value will be selected (unless forceRsq

= TRUE, see below).

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tVectIn a numerical vector indicating the time-points or the order of samples. If it is

NULL (default), then the time/order will be assumed to be equaly spaced from

1:N (N is number of samples).

minNumInSeg minimum number of samples required to be within a segment. If a breakpoint

model has a segment with fewer than minNumInSeg point in any segment, then

the model is not considered valid.

p-valCut p-value cutoff. If the p-value of a segment is greater than PvalCut, then the

segment will be called as 'no change'.

numTry the number of different seeds to try. If all numTry runs fail, then the linear

regression (no breakpoints, one segment) model will be returned.

keepFit whether to report the fitted object (default is FALSE).

#### Value

Trend: direction of each sample; -1: down, 0: no change, 1: up Slope: fitted slopes, Slope.Trend: sign of fitted slopes, Slope.Pvalue: p value of each segment, Breakpoint: estimated breakpoints, Fitted.Values: fitted values AdjustedR2: adjusted r value of the model Fit: fit object

## Author(s)

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formatFunc internal helper function to format results

# **Description**

helper function to format result

# Usage

formatFunc(IN)

### **Arguments**

IN the object to be formatted

### Value

a formated matrix of results

#### Author(s)

Rhonda Bacher

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Function to format results for saving.

## **Description**

format data from Trendy which can be saved for later use.

# Usage

```
formatResults(topTrendyData, featureNames = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

```
topTrendyData results from topTrendy() function
```

featureNames an optional vector of features (if only interested in outputting a subset of fea-

tures/genes).

#### Value

The function will reformat the output from Trendy so that it can be easily save as a .txt or .csv file. If featureNames is supplied then only the information for those features/genes is returned.

## Author(s)

Rhonda Bacher

# **Examples**

```
data(trendyExampleData)
  myTrends <- trendy(Data=trendyExampleData[seq_len(2),])
  myTrends <- results(myTrends)
  topTrendyRes <- topTrendy(myTrends)
  resToSave <- formatResults(topTrendyRes)</pre>
```

getCounts

getCounts

# **Description**

Convenient helper function to extract the normalized expression matrix from the SummarizedExperiment

## Usage

```
getCounts(DATA)
```

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## Arguments

DATA An object of class SummarizedExperiment that contains expression data and

metadata

#### Value

A matrix which contains the expression data where genes/features are in rows and samples are in columns

## **Examples**

```
m1 <- matrix(c(c(rnorm(50,5,1),sort(rnorm(50, 15, 5))), rnorm(100, 50,10)), 2, 100, TRUE)
ExampleData <-
SummarizedExperiment::SummarizedExperiment(assays=list("Counts"=m1))
myData <- getCounts(ExampleData)</pre>
```

plotFeature

Plot features of interest

# **Description**

plot each feature with (or without) the fitted trend.

# Usage

```
plotFeature(Data, tVectIn = NULL, featureNames, showFit = TRUE,
    simple = FALSE, showLegend = TRUE, trendyOutData = NULL,
    cexLegend = 1, legendLocation = "side", xlab = "Time",
    ylab = "Normalized Expression", segColors = c("chartreuse3",
    "coral1", "black", "cornflowerblue"), customTitle = NULL,
    customLabels.x = NULL, spacing.x = NULL)
```

# Arguments

+\/+ T	a managinal acceptance in direction that time projects on the angles of compiler. If it is
	columns are samples.
рата	a matrix of normalized expression measurements. Rows are genes/features and

tVectIn a numerical vector indicating the time-points or the order of samples. If it is

NULL (default), then the time/order will be assumed to be equaly spaced from

1:N (N is number of samples).

featureNames a list of genes or features to plot

showFit whether to plot the segmented regression fitting (default is TRUE)

simple if TRUE the plot will not highlight the breakpoints and segments and will only

display a black fitted line. (default is FALSE)

showLegend if TRUE and simple=FALSE then a legend will be output (default = TRUE)

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trendyOutData segmented regression fitting result from running trendy(); if showFit is TRUE

and trendyOutData is NULL, then the segmented regression will be fit for each

of the genes and it may take longer to run

cexLegend cex option for sizing of legend text, default is 1.

legendLocation whether to place the legend to the right 'side' of each plot or at the 'bottom' of

a multo-panelled plot (default is 'side').

xlab x-axis name ylab y-axis name

segColors define colors for the 'breakpoint', and 'up', 'same', 'down' segments (default:

segColors = c("chartreuse3", "coral1", "black", "cornflowerblue"))

customTitle default is set the plot title as the name of the feature. Otherwise this should be a

named vector, with the featureName as the name and the element as the desired

plot title. (i.e. customTitle <- c("MyTitle" = gene1)).

customLabels.x specify x-axis tick labels instead of using the default values from tVectIn.

spacing.x specify x-axis tick spacing, smaller values give more tick marks.

#### Value

plot of gene expression and fitted line

#### Author(s)

Ning Leng and Rhonda Bacher

## **Examples**

```
\label{eq:d1 loop} $$d1 \leftarrow \mathrm{matrix}(c(c(rnorm(50,5,1),sort(rnorm(50,15,5))),\ rnorm(100,50,10)),\ 2,\ 100,\ TRUE)$$ rownames(d1) \leftarrow c("g1","g2")$$ colnames(d1) \leftarrow \mathrm{paste0}("time",\ seq\_len(100))$$ plotFeature(d1,\ featureNames=c("g1","g2"))$$
```

results results

#### **Description**

Convenient helper function to extract the results of running Trendy. Results data.frames/matrices are stored in the metadata slot and can also be accessed without the help of this convenience function by calling metadata().

# Usage

```
results(DATA, type = c("TrendyFits"))
```

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## **Arguments**

DATA An object of class SummarizedExperiment that contains normalized expression

and other metadata, and the output of the Trendy function.

type A character variable specifying which output is desired, with possible values

"TrendyFits". By default results() will return type="TrendyFits", which is the

matrix of normalized counts from SCnorm.

#### Value

A data.frame containing output as detailed in the description of the type input parameter

# **Examples**

```
data(trendyExampleData)
Conditions = rep(c(1), each= 90)
trendyOut <- trendy(Data=trendyExampleData[seq_len(2),])
trendyResults <- results(trendyOut)</pre>
```

topTrendy

obtain top genes from trendy results

# **Description**

reformats the list output for genes with a given adjusted R^2 cutoff

## Usage

```
topTrendy(trendyOutData, adjR2Cut = 0.5)
```

## **Arguments**

trendyOutData output from the trendy function

adjR2Cut cutoff for the adjusted R^2. Genes whose adjusted R^2 is greater than adjR2Cut

are called as significant.

# Value

only significant genes will be included in the output. The output is reformatted as: Trend direction of each sample; -1: down, 0: no change, 1: up Slope: fitted slopes, Slope.Trend: sign of fitted slopes, Slope.Pvalue: p value of each segment, Breakpoint: estimated breakpoints, Fitted.Values: fitted values AdjustedR2: adjusted r value of the model Fit: fit object

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## **Examples**

```
d1 <- matrix(c(c(rnorm(50,5,1),sort(rnorm(50, 15, 5))), rnorm(100, 50,10)), 2, 100, TRUE)
rownames(d1) <- c("g1","g2")
colnames(d1) <- paste0("time", seq_len(100))
seg.all <- trendy(d1)
seg.all <- results(seg.all)
top.genes <- topTrendy(seg.all)</pre>
```

trendHeatmap

Draw heatmap of gene expression trends

## **Description**

heatmap of the fitted trends

## Usage

```
trendHeatmap(topTrendyData, featureNames = NULL, cexRow = 0.5,
  cexCol = 0.5)
```

# **Arguments**

topTrendyData results from topTrendy() function.

featureNames names of features/genes to plot if the heatmap should be restricted. Deafult is to

plot all genes from topTrendy() function.

cexRow relative text size of row labels, default=.5.
cexCol relative text size of column labels, default=.5.

#### Value

The function takes significant genes/features called from the topTrendyData() function. These genes are further grouped into three groups: up, down, or no change in the first segment. Within each group, the genes are sorted by their first break point. The heatmap shows expression trends of these three groups of genes. In the heatmap, red/blue/black represents up/down/nochange. A list of genes in the heatmap order is returned.

#### Author(s)

Ning Leng and Rhonda Bacher

## **Examples**

```
m1 <- matrix(c(c(rnorm(50,5,1),sort(rnorm(50, 15, 5))), rnorm(100, 50,10)), 2, 100, TRUE)
rownames(m1) <- c("g1","g2")
colnames(m1) <- paste0("time", seq_len(100))
myTrends <- results(trendy(m1))
topGenes <- topTrendy(myTrends)
#makeHeat <- trendHeatmap(topGenes)</pre>
```

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# Description

Segmented regression models are fit for each gene. The number of model fits is 1 -> maxK.

# Usage

```
trendy(Data = NULL, tVectIn = NULL, saveObject = FALSE,
  fileName = NULL, meanCut = 10, maxK = 3, minNumInSeg = 5,
  pvalCut = 0.1, numTry = 5, keepFit = FALSE, NCores = NULL,
  featureNames = NULL)
```

# Arguments

Data	a matrix of normalized expression measurements. Rows are genes/features and columns are samples.
tVectIn	a numerical vector indicating the time-points or the order of samples. If it is NULL (default), then the time/order will be assumed to be equaly spaced from 1:N (N is number of samples).
saveObject	if TRUE then the trendy object produced will be saved to use in the Shiny app (default is FALSE).
fileName	the file name (and file path) to save the Trendy object, only used if saveObject=TRUE (default name is trendyOutputForShiny.RData).
meanCut	genes whose mean is less than MeanCut will not be considered, default is 10.
maxK	maximum number of breakpoints to consider. For each gene, trendy will fit $\max K + 1$ models containing $0 \rightarrow \max K$ breakpoints $(1 \rightarrow (\max K + 1) \text{ segments})$ . The model with the lowest BIC value will be selected (unless forceRsq = TRUE, see below).
minNumInSeg	minimum number of samples required to be within a segment. If a breakpoint model has a segment with fewer than minNumInSeg point in any segment, then the model is not considered valid.
pvalCut	p-value cutoff. If the p-value of a segment is greater than PvalCut, then the segment will be called as 'no change'.
numTry	the number of different seeds to try. If all numTry runs fail, then the linear regression (no breakpoints, one segment) model will be returned.
keepFit	whether to report the fitted object (default is FALSE).
NCores	number of cores to use, default is detectCores() - 1.
featureNames	optional parameter to specify an explicit subset of features/genes to fit the segmented regression model to.

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# Value

Trend: direction of each sample; -1: down, 0: no change, 1: up Slope: fitted slopes, Slope.Trend: sign of fitted slopes, Slope.Pvalue: p value of each segment, Breakpoint: estimated breakpoints, Fitted.Values: fitted values AdjustedR2: adjusted R squared value of the model Fit: fit object

#### Author(s)

Ning Leng and Rhonda Bacher

# **Examples**

```
m1 \leftarrow matrix(c(c(rnorm(50,5,1),sort(rnorm(50,15,5))), rnorm(100,50,10)), 2, 100, TRUE) rownames(m1) <- c("g1","g2") colnames(m1) <- paste0("time", seq_len(100)) myTrends <- trendy(m1)
```

trendyExampleData

Example dataset for Trendy

# **Description**

Example time-course dataset.

## Usage

```
data(trendyExampleData)
```

## Format

data matrix

# **Examples**

```
data(trendyExampleData)
```

trendyShiny

Trendy shiny app to interactively vizualize results after running trendy().

# **Description**

Trendy shiny app to interactively vizualize results after running trendy().

## Value

Opens a browser window with an interactive shiny app and visualize all precomputed Trendy fits.

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