

# Package ‘bnem’

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perturbation experiments

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experiments of signalling nodes in cells are analysed for their effect  
on the global gene expression profile. Those profiles give evidence  
for the Boolean regulation of down-stream nodes in the network,  
e.g., whether two parents activate their child independently  
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| absorption | <i>Absorption</i> |
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**Description**

applies absorption law to a disjunctive normal form

**Usage**

absorption(bString, model = NULL)

**Arguments**

- bString            a disjunctive normal form or binary vector according to model
- model            Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing.

**Value**

bString after absorption law

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
graph <- c("A+B=C", "A=C")
absorption(graph)
```

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absorptionII

*Inverse absorption*

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**Description**

applies "inverse" absorption law to a disjunctive normal form

**Usage**

```
absorptionII(bString, model = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| bString | a disjunctive normal form or binary vector according to model                        |
| model   | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing. |

**Value**

bString after "inverse" absorption law

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
graph <- c("A+B=C", "A=C")
absorptionII(graph)
```

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| addNoise | <i>Add noise</i> |
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**Description**

Adds noise to simulated data

**Usage**

```
addNoise(sim, sd = 1)
```

**Arguments**

|     |                                           |
|-----|-------------------------------------------|
| sim | bnemsim object from simBoolGtn            |
| sd  | standard deviation for the rnorm function |

**Value**

noisy fold-change matrix

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
sim <- simBoolGtn(Sgenes = 10, maxEdges = 10, negation=0.1,layer=1)
fc <- addNoise(sim,sd=1)
```

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|-----|-------------------------------------------------|
| bcr | <i>B-Cell receptor signalling perturbations</i> |
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**Description**

Processed data from experiments with a stimulated B-Cell receptor (bcr) and perturbed signalling genes. The raw data is available at <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/> with accession id GSE68761. For the process steps we refer to the publication Martin PirkI, Elisabeth Hand, Dieter Kube, Rainer Spang, Analyzing synergistic and non-synergistic interactions in signalling pathways using Boolean Nested Effect Models, Bioinformatics, Volume 32, Issue 6, 15 March 2016, Pages 893–900, <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinform> Alternatively see also the function processDataBCR for details and for reproduction.

**Usage**

```
bcr
```

## References

Martin Pirkel, Elisabeth Hand, Dieter Kube, Rainer Spang, Analyzing synergistic and non-synergistic interactions in signalling pathways using Boolean Nested Effect Models, Bioinformatics, Volume 32, Issue 6, 15 March 2016, Pages 893–900, <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btv680>

## Examples

```
data(bcr)
```

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bnem

*Boolean Nested Effects Model main function*


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## Description

This function takes a prior network and normalized perturbation data as input and trains logical functions on that prior network

## Usage

```
bnem(
  search = "greedy",
  fc = NULL,
  expression = NULL,
  egenes = NULL,
  pkn = NULL,
  design = NULL,
  stimuli = NULL,
  inhibitors = NULL,
  signals = NULL,
  CNOList = NULL,
  model = NULL,
  sizeFac = 10^-10,
  NAFac = 1,
  parameters = list(cutOffs = c(0, 1, 0), scoring = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.9)),
  parallel = NULL,
  method = "cosine",
  relFit = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  reduce = TRUE,
  parallel2 = 1,
  initBstring = NULL,
  popSize = 100,
  pMutation = 0.5,
  maxTime = Inf,
  maxGens = Inf,
  stallGenMax = 10,
  relTol = 0.01,
```

```

priorBitString = NULL,
selPress = c(1.2, 1e-04),
fit = "linear",
targetBstring = "none",
elitism = NULL,
inversion = NULL,
selection = c("t"),
type = "SOCK",
exhaustive = FALSE,
delcyc = FALSE,
seeds = 1,
maxSteps = Inf,
node = NULL,
absorpII = TRUE,
draw = TRUE,
prior = NULL,
maxInputsPerGate = 2
)

```

## Arguments

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| search     | Type of search heuristic. Either "greedy", "genetic" or "exhaustive". "greedy" uses a greedy algorithm to move through the local neighbourhood of a initial hyper-graph. "genetic" uses a genetic algorithm. "exhaustive" searches through the complete search space and is not recommended. |
| fc         | m x l matrix of foldchanges of gene expression values or equivalent input (normalized pvalues, logodds, ...) for m E-genes and l contrasts. If left NULL, the gene expression data is used to calculate naive foldchanges.                                                                   |
| expression | Optional normalized m x l matrix of gene expression data for m E-genes and l experiments.                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| egenes     | list object; each list entry is named after an S-gene and contains the names of egenes which are potential children                                                                                                                                                                          |
| pkn        | Prior knowledge network as output by CellNOptR::readSIF.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| design     | Optional n x l design matrix with n S-genes and l experiments. If available. If kept NULL, bnem needs either stimuli, inhibitors or a CNolist object.                                                                                                                                        |
| stimuli    | Character vector of stimuli names.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| inhibitors | Character vector of inhibitors.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| signals    | Optional character vector of signals. Signals are S-genes, which can directly regulate E-genes. If left NULL, all stimuli and inhibitors are defined as signals.                                                                                                                             |
| CNolist    | CNolist object (see package CellNOptR), if available.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| model      | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing.                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| sizeFac    | Size factor penelizing the hyper-graph size.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| NAFac      | factor penelizing NAs in the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

|                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| parameters     | parameters for discrete case (not recommended); has to be a list with entries cutOffs and scoring: cutOffs = c(a,b,c) with a (cutoff for real zeros), b (cutoff for real effects), c = -1 for normal scoring, c between 0 and 1 for keeping only relevant between -1 and 0 for keeping only a specific quantile of E-genes, and c > 1 for keeping the top c E-genes; scoring = c(a,b,c) with a (weight for real effects), c (weight for real zeros), b (multiplier for effects/zeros between a and c); |
| parallel       | Parallelize the search. An integer value specifies the number of threads on the local machine or a list object as in list(c(1,2,3), c("machine1", "machine2", "machine3")) specifies the threads distributed on different machines (local or others).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| method         | Scoring method can be "cosine", a correlation, or a distance measure. See ?cor and ?dist for details.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| relFit         | if TRUE a relative fit for each E-gene is computed (not recommended)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| verbose        | TRUE for verbose output                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| reduce         | if TRUE reduces the search space for exhaustive search                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| parallel2      | if TRUE parallelises the starts and not the search itself                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| initBstring    | Binary vector for the initial hyper-graph.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| popSize        | Population size (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| pMutation      | Probability between 0 and 1 for mutation (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| maxTime        | Define a maximal time (seconds) for the search.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| maxGens        | Maximal number of generations (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| stallGenMax    | Maximum number of stall generations (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| relTol         | Score tolerance for networks defined as optimal but with a lower score as the real optimum (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| priorBitString | Binary vector defining hyper-edges which are added to every hyper-graph. E.g. if you know hyper-edge 55 is definitely there and to fix that, set priorBitString[55] <- 1 (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| selPress       | Selection pressure between 1 and 2 (if fit="linear") and greater 2 (for fit "non-linear") for the stochastic universal sampling (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| fit            | "linear" or "nonlinear fit for stochastic universal sampling                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| targetBstring  | define a binary vector representing a network; if this network is found, the computation stops                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| elitism        | Number of best hyper-graphs transferred to the next generation (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| inversion      | Number of worst hyper-graphs for which their binary strings are inversed (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| selection      | "t" for tournament selection and "s" for stochastic universal sampling (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| type           | type of the parallelisation on multiple machines (default: "SOCK")                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| exhaustive     | If TRUE an exhaustive search is conducted if the genetic algorithm would take longer (only "genetic").                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| delcyc         | If TRUE deletes cycles in all hyper-graphs (not recommended).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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| seeds            | how many starts for the greedy search? (default: 1); uses the n-dimensional cube (n = number of S-genes) to maximize search space coverage |
| maxSteps         | Maximal number of steps (only "greedy").                                                                                                   |
| node             | vector of S-gene names, which are used in the greedy search; if node = NULL all nodes are considered                                       |
| absorpII         | Use inverse absorption (default: TRUE).                                                                                                    |
| draw             | If TRUE draws the network evolution.                                                                                                       |
| prior            | Binary vector. A 1 specifies hyper-edges which should not be optimized (only "greedy").                                                    |
| maxInputsPerGate | If no model is supplied, one is created with maxInputsPerGate as maximum number of parents for each hyper-edge.                            |

### Value

List object including the optimized hyper-graph, its corresponding binary vector for full hyper-graph and optimized scores.

### Author(s)

Martin Pirkel

### See Also

nem

### Examples

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1,
maxInhibit = 2, signals = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)
initBstring <- rep(0, length(model$reacID))
res <- bnem(search = "greedy", model = model, CNolist = CNolist,
fc = fc, pkn = PKN, stimuli = "A", inhibitors = c("B","C","D"),
parallel = NULL, initBstring = initBstring, draw = FALSE, verbose = FALSE,
maxSteps = Inf)
```

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| bnemBs | <i>Bootstraped Network</i> |
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## Description

Runs Bootstraps on the data

## Usage

```
bnemBs(fc, x = 10, f = 0.5, replace = TRUE, startString = NULL, ...)
```

## Arguments

|             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| fc          | m x l matrix of foldchanges of gene expression values or equivalent input (normalized pvalues, logodds, ...) for m E-genes and l contrasts. If left NULL, the gene expression data is used to calculate naive foldchanges. |
| x           | number of bootstraps                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| f           | percentage to sample, e.g. f = 0.5 samples only 50 the amount of E-genes as the original data                                                                                                                              |
| replace     | if TRUE classical bootstrap, if FALSE sub-sampling without replacement                                                                                                                                                     |
| startString | matrix with each row being a string denoting a network to start inference several times with a specific network                                                                                                            |
| ...         | additional parameters for the bnem function                                                                                                                                                                                |

## Value

list with the accumulation of edges in x and the number of bootstraps in n

## Author(s)

Martin Pirkl

## Examples

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1,
maxInhibit = 2, signals = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)
```

```

initBstring <- rep(0, length(model$reacID))
res <- bnemBs(search = "greedy", model = model, CNolist = CNolist,
fc = fc, pk = PKN, stimuli = "A", inhibitors = c("B","C","D"),
parallel = NULL, initBstring = initBstring, draw = FALSE, verbose = FALSE,
maxSteps = Inf)

```

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computeFc

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*Compute differential effects*


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## Description

computes differential effects given an activation pattern (absolute gene expression or truth table)

## Usage

```
computeFc(CNolist, y)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                           |
|---------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| CNolist | CNolist object (see package CellNOptR), if available.     |
| y       | activation pattern according to the annotation in CNolist |

## Value

numeric matrix with annotated response scheme

## Author(s)

Martin Pirkel

## Examples

```

sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1, maxInhibit = 2,
signals = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)

```

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| convertGraph | <i>Convert normal form</i> |
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**Description**

converts a disjunctive normal form into a conjunctive normal form and vice versa; input graph as disjunctive normal form like that: c("A+B=D", "C=D", "G+F=U", ...); output is the dual element also in disjunctive normal form;

**Usage**

```
convertGraph(g)
```

**Arguments**

|   |                      |
|---|----------------------|
| g | graph in normal form |
|---|----------------------|

**Value**

converted graph normal form

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
g <- "A+B=C"
g2 <- convertGraph(g)
```

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|--------------|-----------------------------|
| dummyCNolist | <i>Create dummy CNolist</i> |
|--------------|-----------------------------|

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**Description**

creates a general CNolist object from meta information

**Usage**

```
dummyCNolist(  
  stimuli = NULL,  
  inhibitors = NULL,  
  maxStim = 0,  
  maxInhibit = 0,  
  signals = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

|                         |                                                                                                                                                                  |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>stimuli</code>    | Character vector of stimuli names.                                                                                                                               |
| <code>inhibitors</code> | Character vector of inhibitors.                                                                                                                                  |
| <code>maxStim</code>    | maximal number of stimulated genes for a single experiment                                                                                                       |
| <code>maxInhibit</code> | maximal number of inhibited genes for a single experiment                                                                                                        |
| <code>signals</code>    | Optional character vector of signals. Signals are S-genes, which can directly regulate E-genes. If left NULL, all stimuli and inhibitors are defined as signals. |

**Value**

CNolist object

**Author(s)**

Martin Pirkel

**Examples**

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1, maxInhibit = 2,
signals = c("A", "B","C","D"))
```

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epiNEM2Bg

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*Switch between epiNEM and B-NEM*


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**Description**

Convert epiNEM model into general Boolean graph. Only needed for comparing accuracy of inferred network for bnem and epiNEM.

**Usage**

```
epiNEM2Bg(t)
```

**Arguments**

|                |                   |
|----------------|-------------------|
| <code>t</code> | full epiNEM model |
|----------------|-------------------|

**Value**

differential effects pattern

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**See Also**

CreateTopology

**Examples**

```
topology <- epiNEM::CreateTopology(3, 1, force = TRUE)
topology <- unlist(unique(topology), recursive = FALSE)
extTopology <- epiNEM::ExtendTopology(topology$model, 100)
b <- epiNEM2Bg(extTopology)
```

findResiduals

*Compute residuals***Description**

calculates residuals (data and optimized network do not match) and visualizes them

**Usage**

```
findResiduals(
  bString,
  CN0list,
  model,
  fc = NULL,
  expression = NULL,
  egenes = NULL,
  parameters = list(cutOffs = c(0, 1, 0), scoring = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.9)),
  method = "s",
  sizeFac = 10^-10,
  main = "residuals for decoupled vertices",
  sub = paste0("green residuals are added effects (left positive,",
    " right negative) and red residuals are deleted ", "effects"),
  cut = TRUE,
  parallel = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

|         |                                                                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| bString | Binary vector denoting the network given a model                                     |
| CN0list | CN0list object (see package CellNOptR), if available.                                |
| model   | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing. |

|                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <code>fc</code>         | <code>m x l</code> matrix of foldchanges of gene expression values or equivalent input (normalized pvalues, logodds, ...) for <code>m</code> E-genes and <code>l</code> contrasts. If left <code>NULL</code> , the gene expression data is used to calculate naive foldchanges.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <code>expression</code> | Optional normalized <code>m x l</code> matrix of gene expression data for <code>m</code> E-genes and <code>l</code> experiments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <code>egenes</code>     | list object; each list entry is named after an S-gene and contains the names of egenes which are potential children                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <code>parameters</code> | parameters for discrete case (not recommended); has to be a list with entries <code>cutOffs</code> and <code>scoring</code> : <code>cutOffs = c(a,b,c)</code> with <code>a</code> (cutoff for real zeros), <code>b</code> (cutoff for real effects), <code>c = -1</code> for normal scoring, <code>c</code> between 0 and 1 for keeping only relevant between -1 and 0 for keeping only a specific quantile of E-genes, and <code>c &gt; 1</code> for keeping the top <code>c</code> E-genes; <code>scoring = c(a,b,c)</code> with <code>a</code> (weight for real effects), <code>c</code> (weight for real zeros), <code>b</code> (multiplier for effects/zeros between <code>a</code> and <code>c</code> ); |
| <code>method</code>     | Scoring method can be "cosine", a correlation, or a distance measure. See <code>?cor</code> and <code>?dist</code> for details.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <code>sizeFac</code>    | Size factor penalizing the hyper-graph size.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>main</code>       | Main title of the figure.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <code>sub</code>        | Subtitle of the figure.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <code>cut</code>        | If <code>TRUE</code> does not visualize experiments/S-genes which do not have any residuals.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <code>parallel</code>   | Parallelize the search. An integer value specifies the number of threads on the local machine or a list object as in <code>list(c(1,2,3), c("machine1", "machine2", "machine3"))</code> specifies the threads distributed on different machines (local or others).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <code>verbose</code>    | <code>TRUE</code> for verbose output                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <code>...</code>        | additional parameters for <code>epiNEM::HeatmapOP</code>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

### Value

numeric matrices indicating experiments and/or genes, where the network and the data disagree

### Author(s)

Martin Pirkel

### Examples

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1, maxInhibit = 2,
signal = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
```

```

expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)
initBstring <- rep(0, length(model$reacID))
res <- bnem(search = "greedy", CNolist = CNolist, fc = fc, model = model,
parallel = NULL, initBstring = initBstring, draw = FALSE, verbose = FALSE,
maxSteps = Inf)
rownames(fc) <- seq_len(nrow(fc))
## val <- validateGraph(CNolist = CNolist, fc = fc, model = model,
## bString = res$bString, Egenes = 10, Sgene = 4)
residuals <- findResiduals(res$bString, CNolist, model, fc = fc)

```

plot.bnem

*plot bnem object***Description**

plots the boolean network as disjunctive normal form

**Usage**

```

## S3 method for class 'bnem'
plot(x, ...)

```

**Arguments**

```

x                bnemsim object
...              further arguments; see function mnem::plotDnf

```

**Value**

plot of boolean network

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```

sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1,
maxInhibit = 2, signals = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)

```

```

expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)
initBstring <- rep(0, length(model$reacID))
res <- bnem(search = "greedy", model = model, CNolist = CNolist,
fc = fc, pkn = PKN, stimuli = "A", inhibitors = c("B","C","D"),
parallel = NULL, initBstring = initBstring, draw = FALSE, verbose = FALSE,
maxSteps = Inf, seeds = 10)
plot(res)

```

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plot.bnemBs

*Plot Bootstrap result*


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## Description

Shows the result of a Bootstrap with either edge frequencies or confidence intervals

## Usage

```

## S3 method for class 'bnemBs'
plot(
  x,
  scale = 3,
  shift = 0.1,
  cut = 0.5,
  dec = 2,
  ci = 0,
  cip = 0.95,
  method = "exact",
  ...
)

```

## Arguments

|        |                                                                                                   |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| x      | bnemBs object                                                                                     |
| scale  | numeric value for scaling the edgewidth                                                           |
| shift  | numeric value for shifting the edgewidth                                                          |
| cut    | shows only edges with a fraction larger than cut                                                  |
| dec    | integer for function round                                                                        |
| ci     | if TRUE shows confidence intervals                                                                |
| cip    | range for the confidence interval, e.g. 0.95                                                      |
| method | method to use for confidence interval computation (see function binom.confint from package binom) |
| ...    | additional parameters for the function mnem::plotDnf                                              |

**Value**

plot of the network from the bootstrap

**Author(s)**

Martin Pirkel

**Examples**

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1,
maxInhibit = 2, signals = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)
initBstring <- rep(0, length(model$reacID))
res <- bnemBs(search = "greedy", model = model, CNolist = CNolist,
fc = fc, pkn = PKN, stimuli = "A", inhibitors = c("B","C","D"),
parallel = NULL, initBstring = initBstring, draw = FALSE, verbose = FALSE,
maxSteps = Inf)
```

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plot.bnemsim

*plot simulation object*


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**Description**

plots the boolean network from a simulation as disjunctive normal form

**Usage**

```
## S3 method for class 'bnemsim'
plot(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x                      bnemsim object  
...                      further arguments; see function mnem::plotDnf

**Value**

plot of boolean network

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
sim <- simBoolGtn()
plot(sim)
```

processDataBCR

*BCR perturbation reproduction***Description**

Produce the application data from the BCR paper of PirkI, et al., 2016, Bioinformatics. Raw data is available at <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE68761>

**Usage**

```
processDataBCR(path = "", combsign = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

|          |                                                                               |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| path     | path to the CEL.gz/Cel files                                                  |
| combsign | if TRUE includes all covariates in ComBat analysis to estimate batch effects. |

**Value**

list with the full foldchanges and epxression matrix, a reduced foldchange matrix and the design matrix for the computations

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
processDataBCR()

## End(Not run)
data(bcr)
```

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|           |                           |
|-----------|---------------------------|
| randomDnf | <i>sample normal form</i> |
|-----------|---------------------------|

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**Description**

creates a random normal form or hyper-graph

**Usage**

```
randomDnf(  
  vertices = 10,  
  negation = TRUE,  
  max.edge.size = NULL,  
  max.edges = NULL,  
  dag = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

|               |                                            |
|---------------|--------------------------------------------|
| vertices      | number of vertices                         |
| negation      | if TRUE, negations (NOT gates) are allowed |
| max.edge.size | maximal number of inputs per edge          |
| max.edges     | maximal number of hyper-edges              |
| dag           | if TRUE, graph will be acyclic             |

**Value**

random hyper-graph in normal form

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
g <- randomDnf(10)
```

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|             |                     |
|-------------|---------------------|
| reduceGraph | <i>Reduce graph</i> |
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## Description

reduces the size of a graph, if possible, to an equivalent sub-graph

## Usage

```
reduceGraph(bString, model, CNolist)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| bString | binary vector indicating the sub-graph given a model                                 |
| model   | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing. |
| CNolist | CNolist object (see package CellNOptR), if available.                                |

## Value

equivalent sub-graph denoted by a bString

## Author(s)

Martin PirkI

## Examples

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1, maxInhibit = 2,
signal = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
bString <- reduceGraph(rep(1, length(model$reacID)), model, CNolist)
```

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|          |                                |
|----------|--------------------------------|
| scoreDnf | <i>score a boolean network</i> |
|----------|--------------------------------|

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## Description

computes the score of a boolean network given the model and data

## Usage

```
scoreDnf(
  bString,
  CN0list,
  fc,
  expression = NULL,
  model,
  method = "cosine",
  sizeFac = 10^-10,
  NAFac = 1,
  parameters = list(cutOffs = c(0, 1, 0), scoring = c(0.25, 0.5, 2)),
  NEmlist = NULL,
  relFit = FALSE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

## Arguments

|            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| bString    | binary string denoting the boolean network                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| CN0list    | CN0list object (see package CellNOptR), if available.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| fc         | m x l matrix of foldchanges of gene expression values or equivalent input (normalized pvalues, logodds, ...) for m E-genes and l contrasts. If left NULL, the gene expression data is used to calculate naive foldchanges.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| expression | Optional normalized m x l matrix of gene expression data for m E-genes and l experiments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| model      | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| method     | Scoring method can be "cosine", a correlation, or a distance measure. See ?cor and ?dist for details.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| sizeFac    | Size factor penelizing the hyper-graph size.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| NAFac      | factor penelizing NAs in the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| parameters | parameters for discrete case (not recommended); has to be a list with entries cutOffs and scoring: cutOffs = c(a,b,c) with a (cutoff for real zeros), b (cutoff for real effects), c = -1 for normal scoring, c between 0 and 1 for keeping only relevant between -1 and 0 for keeping only a specific quantile of E-genes, and c > 1 for keeping the top c E-genes; scoring = c(a,b,c) with a (weight for real effects), c (weight for real zeros), b (multiplicator for effects/zeros between a and c); |

|         |                                                                      |
|---------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| NEMlist | NEMlist object (optional)                                            |
| relFit  | if TRUE a relative fit for each E-gene is computed (not recommended) |
| verbose | TRUE for verbose output                                              |

**Value**

numeric value (score)

**Author(s)**

Martin Pirkl

**Examples**

```
sim <- simBoolGtn()
scoreDnf(sim$bString, sim$CNOList, sim$fc, model=sim$model)
```

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|            |                                                |
|------------|------------------------------------------------|
| simBoolGtn | <i>Sample random network and simulate data</i> |
|------------|------------------------------------------------|

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**Description**

Draws a random prior network, samples a ground truth from the full boolean extension and generates data

**Usage**

```
simBoolGtn(
  Sgenes = 10,
  maxEdges = 25,
  stimGenes = 2,
  layer = 1,
  frac = 0.1,
  maxInDeg = 2,
  dag = TRUE,
  maxSize = 2,
  maxStim = 2,
  maxInhibit = 1,
  Egenes = 10,
  flip = 0.33,
  reps = 1,
  keepsif = FALSE,
  negation = 0.25,
  allstim = FALSE,
  and = 0.25,
  positive = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```

**Arguments**

|            |                                                                                                                                |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sgenes     | number of S-genes                                                                                                              |
| maxEdges   | number of maximum edges (upper limit) in the DAG                                                                               |
| stimGenes  | number of stimulated S-genes                                                                                                   |
| layer      | scaling factor for the sampling of next Sgene layer of the prior. high (5-10) mean more depth and low (0-2) means more breadth |
| frac       | fraction of hyper-edges in the ground truth (GTN)                                                                              |
| maxInDeg   | maximum number of incoming hyper-edges                                                                                         |
| dag        | if TRUE, graph will be acyclic                                                                                                 |
| maxSize    | maximum number of S-genes in a hyper-edge                                                                                      |
| maxStim    | maximum of stimulated S-genes in an experiment (=data samples)                                                                 |
| maxInhibit | maximum number of inhibited S-genes in an experiment (=data samples)                                                           |
| Egenes     | number of E-genes per S-gene, e.g. 10 S-genes and 10 E-genes will return 100 E-genes overall                                   |
| flip       | fraction of inhibited E-genes                                                                                                  |
| reps       | number of replicates                                                                                                           |
| keepsif    | if TRUE does not delete sif file, which encodes the prior network                                                              |
| negation   | sample probability for negative or NOT edges                                                                                   |
| allstim    | full network in which all S-genes are also stimulated                                                                          |
| and        | probability for AND-gates in the GTN                                                                                           |
| positive   | if TRUE, sets all stimulation edges to activation, else samples inhibitory edges by 'negation' probability                     |
| verbose    | TRUE for verbose output                                                                                                        |

**Value**

list with the corresponding prior graph, ground truth network and data

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
sim <- simBoolGtn()
plot(sim)
```

---

simulateStatesRecursive

*Simulate states*


---

## Description

simulates the activation pattern (truth table) of a hyper-graph and annotated perturbation experiments

## Usage

```
simulateStatesRecursive(CNolist, model, bString, NEMlist = NULL)
```

## Arguments

|         |                                                                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CNolist | CNolist object (see package CellNOptR), if available.                                |
| model   | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing. |
| bString | binary vector denoting the sub-graph given model                                     |
| NEMlist | NEMlist object only for devel                                                        |

## Value

return the truth tables for certain perturbation experiments as a numeric matrix

## Author(s)

Martin Pirkel

## Examples

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1, maxInhibit = 2,
signal = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
states <- simulateStatesRecursive(CNolist, model,
rep(1, length(model$reacID)))
```

---

|            |                           |
|------------|---------------------------|
| transClose | <i>transitive closure</i> |
|------------|---------------------------|

---

**Description**

calculates transitive closure of a hyper-graph

**Usage**

```
transClose(g, max.iter = NULL, verbose = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

|          |                                    |
|----------|------------------------------------|
| g        | hyper-graph in normal form         |
| max.iter | maximal iteration till convergence |
| verbose  | TRUE for verbose output            |

**Value**

transitive closure in normal form

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
g <- c("A=B", "B=C")
gclose <- transClose(g)
```

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|          |                             |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| transRed | <i>transitive reduction</i> |
|----------|-----------------------------|

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**Description**

calculates transitive reduction of a hyper-graph in normal form

**Usage**

```
transRed(g, max.iter = NULL, verbose = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

|          |                                               |
|----------|-----------------------------------------------|
| g        | hyper-graph in normal form                    |
| max.iter | maximal number of iterations till convergence |
| verbose  | TRUE for verbose output                       |

**Value**

transitive reduction of the hyper-graph in normal form

**Author(s)**

Martin PirkI

**Examples**

```
g <- c("A=B", "A=C", "B=C", "B=D", "!A=D")
gred <- transRed(g)
```

---

validateGraph

*validate graph*

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**Description**

plotting the observed differential effects of an effect reporter and the expected differential effects of the regulating signalling gene

**Usage**

```
validateGraph(
  CNolist,
  fc = NULL,
  expression = NULL,
  model,
  bString,
  Egenes = 25,
  Sgene = 1,
  parameters = list(cutOffs = c(0, 1, 0), scoring = c(0.1, 0.2, 0.9)),
  plot = TRUE,
  disc = 0,
  affyIds = TRUE,
  relFit = FALSE,
  xrot = 25,
  Rowv = FALSE,
  Colv = FALSE,
  dendrogram = "none",
  soft = TRUE,
  colSideColors = NULL,
  affychip = "hgu133plus2",
  method = "s",
  ranks = FALSE,
  breaks = NULL,
  col = "RdYlGn",
  sizeFac = 10^-10,
```

```

    order = "rank",
    verbose = TRUE,
    ...
)

```

## Arguments

|               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CNOlist       | CNOlist object (see package CellNOptR), if available.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| fc            | m x l matrix of foldchanges of gene expression values or equivalent input (normalized pvalues, logodds, ...) for m E-genes and l contrasts. If left NULL, the gene expression data is used to calculate naive foldchanges.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| expression    | Optional normalized m x l matrix of gene expression data for m E-genes and l experiments.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| model         | Model object including the search space, if available. See CellNOptR::preprocessing.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| bString       | Binary string denoting the hyper-graph.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| Egenes        | Maximal number of visualized E-genes.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Sgene         | Integer denoting the S-gene. See colnames(getSignals(CNOlist)[[1]]) to match integer with S-gene name.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| parameters    | parameters for discrete case (not recommended); has to be a list with entries cutOffs and scoring: cutOffs = c(a,b,c) with a (cutoff for real zeros), b (cutoff for real effects), c = -1 for normal scoring, c between 0 and 1 for keeping only relevant between -1 and 0 for keeping only a specific quantile of E-genes, and c > 1 for keeping the top c E-genes; scoring = c(a,b,c) with a (weight for real effects), c (weight for real zeros), b (multiplicator for effects/zeros between a and c); |
| plot          | Plot the heatmap. If FALSE, only corresponding information is printed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| disc          | Discretize the data.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| affyIds       | Experimental. Turn Affymetrix Ids into HGNC gene symbols.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| relFit        | if TRUE a relative fit for each E-gene is computed (not recommended)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| xrot          | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Rowv          | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Colv          | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| dendrogram    | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| soft          | if TRUE, assigns weights to the expected pattern                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| colSideColors | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| affychip      | Define Affymetrix chip used to generate the data (optional and experimental).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| method        | Scoring method can be "cosine", a correlation, or a distance measure. See ?cor and ?dist for details.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ranks         | if TRUE, turns data into ranks                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| breaks        | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| col           | See function epiNEM::HeatmapOP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| sizeFac       | Size factor penelizing the hyper-graph size.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

|         |                                            |
|---------|--------------------------------------------|
| order   | Order by "rank", "name" or "none"          |
| verbose | TRUE for verbose output                    |
| ...     | additional arguments for epiNEM::HeatmapOP |

**Value**

lattice object with matrix information

**Author(s)**

Martin Pirkel

**Examples**

```
sifMatrix <- rbind(c("A", 1, "B"), c("A", 1, "C"), c("B", 1, "D"),
c("C", 1, "D"))
temp.file <- tempfile(pattern="interaction",fileext=".sif")
write.table(sifMatrix, file = temp.file, sep = "\t",
row.names = FALSE, col.names = FALSE,
quote = FALSE)
PKN <- CellNOptR::readSIF(temp.file)
CNolist <- dummyCNolist("A", c("B","C","D"), maxStim = 1, maxInhibit = 2,
signal = c("A", "B","C","D"))
model <- CellNOptR::preprocessing(CNolist, PKN, maxInputsPerGate = 100)
expression <- matrix(rnorm(nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues"))*10), 10,
nrow(slot(CNolist, "cues")))
fc <- computeFc(CNolist, expression)
initBstring <- rep(0, length(model$reacID))
res <- bnem(search = "greedy", CNolist = CNolist, fc = fc,
model = model, parallel = NULL, initBstring = initBstring, draw = FALSE,
verbose = FALSE, maxSteps = Inf)
rownames(fc) <- seq_len(nrow(fc))
val <- validateGraph(CNolist = CNolist, fc = fc, model = model,
bString = res$bString, Egenes = 10, Sgene = 4)
```

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