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Description

Get all univariate contrasts

Usage

.getAllUniContrasts(formula, data)

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Arguments

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates,

since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: ~ a + b +

(1|c) Formulas with only fixed effects also work

data data.frame with columns corresponding to formula

Value

Matrix testing each variable one at a time. Contrasts are on rows

.isMixedModelFormula Check if model contains a random effect

Description

Check if model contains a random effect

Usage

```
.isMixedModelFormula(formula)
```

Arguments

formula model formula

Description

These values are typically computed by eBayes

Usage

```
.standard_transform(fit, sigma = fit$sigma)
```

Arguments

fit result of dream (MArrayLM2)

sigma vector of standard errors used to compute t-statistic. Can be maximum likeli-

hood estimates, or posterior means

Value

MArrayLM2 object with values computed

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applyQualityWeights Apply pre-specified sample weights

Description

Apply pre-specified sample weights by scaling existing precision weights

Usage

```
applyQualityWeights(vobj, weights)
```

Arguments

vobj EList from voom or voomWithDreamWeights.

weights sample level weights

Details

Apply pre-specified sample-level weights to the existing precision weights estimated from the data. While the limma::voomWithQualityWeights function of Lui et al. (2015) estimates the sample-level weights from voom fit, here the weights are fixed beforehand.

References

Liu R, Holik AZ, Su S, Jansz N, Chen K, Leong HS, Blewitt ME, Asselin-Labat M, Smyth GK, Ritchie ME (2015). "Why weight? Modelling sample and observational level variability improves power in RNA-seq analyses." *Nucleic acids research*, **43**(15), e97–e97.

See Also

```
limma::voomWithQualityWeights
```

```
as.data.frame.var Part Results\\
```

Convert to data.frame

Description

Convert varPartResults to data.frame

```
## S3 method for class 'varPartResults'
as.data.frame(x, row.names = NULL, optional = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

```
x varPartResultsrow.names pass thru to genericoptional pass thru to genericother arguments.
```

Value

data.frame

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

# Fit model
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr[1:5, ], form, info)
# convert to matrix
as.data.frame(varPart)</pre>
```

```
\verb"as.matrix", \verb"varPartResults-method"
```

Convert to matrix

Description

Convert varPartResults to matrix

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'varPartResults'
as.matrix(x, ...)
```

Arguments

```
x varPartResults... other arguments.
```

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Value

matrix

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

# Fit model
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr[1:5, ], form, info)

# convert to matrix
as.matrix(varPart)</pre>
```

augmentPriorCount

Augment observed read counts with prior count

Description

Augment observed read counts with prior count since log of zero counts is undefined. The prior count added to each sample is scaled so that no variance is introduced

Usage

```
augmentPriorCount(
  counts,
  lib.size = colSums2(counts),
  prior.count = 0.5,
  scaledByLib = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

counts matrix of read counts with genes as rows and samples as columns

lib.size library sizes, the sum of all ready for each sample

prior.count average prior count added to each sample.

scaledByLib if TRUE, scale pseudocount by lib.size. Else to standard constant pseudocount addition

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Details

Adding prior counts removes the issue of evaluating the log of zero counts, and stabilizes the log transform when counts are very small. However, adding a constant prior count to all samples can introduced an artifact. Consider two samples each with zero counts for a given gene, but one as a library size of 1k and the other of 50k. After applying the prior count values become pc / 1k and pc / 50k. It appears that there is variance in the expression of this gene, even though no counts are observed. This is driven only by variation in the library size, which does not reflect biology. This issue is most problematic for small counts.

Instead, we make the reasonable assumption that a gene does not have expression variance unless supported sufficiently by counts in the numerator. Consider adding a different prior count to each sample so that genes with zero counts end up woth zero variance. This corresponds to adding prior.count * lib.size[i] / mean(lib.size) to sample i.

This is done in the backend of edgeR::cpm(), but this function allows users to apply it more generally.

Value

matrix with augmented counts

See Also

```
edgeR::cpm()
```

Examples

```
library(edgeR)

data(varPartDEdata)

# normalize RNA-seq counts
dge <- DGEList(counts = countMatrix)
dge <- calcNormFactors(dge)

countsAugmented <- augmentPriorCount( dge$counts, dge$samples$lib.size, 1)</pre>
```

BIC.MArrayLM

BIC from model fit

Description

BIC from model fit

```
## S3 method for class 'MArrayLM'
BIC(object, vobj, ...)
```

BIC.MArrayLM2

Arguments

```
object result of lmFit() or dream()
vobj EList used to fit model
... See ?stats::BIC
```

BIC.MArrayLM2

BIC from model fit

Description

BIC from model fit using edf

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MArrayLM2'
BIC(object, vobj, ...)
```

Arguments

object result of dream()
vobj EList used to fit model
... See ?stats::BIC

calcVarPart

Compute variance statistics

Description

Compute fraction of variation attributable to each variable in regression model. Also interpretable as the intra-class correlation after correcting for all other variables in the model.

```
calcVarPart(fit, returnFractions = TRUE, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'lm'
calcVarPart(fit, returnFractions = TRUE, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'lmerMod'
calcVarPart(fit, returnFractions = TRUE, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'glm'
calcVarPart(fit, returnFractions = TRUE, ...)
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'negbin'
calcVarPart(fit, returnFractions = TRUE, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'glmerMod'
calcVarPart(fit, returnFractions = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

```
fit model fit from lm() or lmer()
returnFractions

default: TRUE. If TRUE return fractions that sum to 1. Else return unscaled variance components.
... additional arguments (not currently used)
```

Details

For linear model, variance fractions are computed based on the sum of squares explained by each component. For the linear mixed model, the variance fractions are computed by variance component estimates for random effects and sum of squares for fixed effects.

For a generalized linear model, the variance fraction also includes the contribution of the link function so that fractions are reported on the linear (i.e. link) scale rather than the observed (i.e. response) scale. For linear regression with an identity link, fractions are the same on both scales. But for logit or probit links, the fractions are not well defined on the observed scale due to the transformation imposed by the link function.

The variance implied by the link function is the variance of the corresponding distribution:

```
logit -> logistic distribution -> variance is pi^2/3
```

probit -> standard normal distribution -> variance is 1

For the Poisson distribution with rate λ , the variance is $log(1+1/\lambda)$.

For the negative binomial distribution with rate λ and shape θ , the variance is $log(1+1/\lambda+1/\theta)$.

Variance decomposition is reviewed by Nakagawa and Schielzeth (2012), and expanded to other GLMs by Nakagawa, Johnson and Schielzeth (2017). See McKelvey and Zavoina (1975) for early work on applying to GLMs. Also see DeMaris (2002)

We note that Nagelkerke's pseudo R^2 evaluates the variance explained by the full model. Instead, a variance partitioning approach evaluates the variance explained by each term in the model, so that the sum of each systematic plus random term sums to 1 (Hoffman and Schadt, 2016; Nakagawa and Schielzeth, 2012).

Value

fraction of variance explained / ICC for each variable in the regression model

References

Nakagawa S, Johnson PC, Schielzeth H (2017). "The coefficient of determination R 2 and intraclass correlation coefficient from generalized linear mixed-effects models revisited and expanded." *Journal of the Royal Society Interface*, **14**(134), 20170213. canCorPairs 11

Nakagawa S, Schielzeth H (2013). "A general and simple method for obtaining R2 from generalized linear mixed-effects models." *Methods in ecology and evolution*, **4**(2), 133–142.

McKelvey RD, Zavoina W (1975). "A statistical model for the analysis of ordinal level dependent variables." *Journal of mathematical sociology*, **4**(1), 103–120.

DeMaris A (2002). "Explained variance in logistic regression: A Monte Carlo study of proposed measures." *Sociological Methods & Research*, **31**(1), 27–74.

Hoffman GE, Schadt EE (2016). "variancePartition: interpreting drivers of variation in complex gene expression studies." *BMC bioinformatics*, **17**(1), 1–13.

Examples

```
library(lme4)
data(varPartData)

# Linear mixed model
fit <- lmer(geneExpr[1, ] ~ (1 | Tissue) + Age, info)
calcVarPart(fit)

# Linear model
# Note that the two models produce slightly different results
# This is expected: they are different statistical estimates
# of the same underlying value
fit <- lm(geneExpr[1, ] ~ Tissue + Age, info)
calcVarPart(fit)</pre>
```

canCorPairs

canCorPairs

Description

Assess correlation between all pairs of variables in a formula

Usage

```
canCorPairs(formula, data, showWarnings = TRUE)
```

Arguments

formula standard additive linear model formula (doesn't support random effects cur-

rently, so just change the syntax)

data data.frame with the data for the variables in the formula

showWarnings default to true

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Details

Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA) is similar to correlation between two vectors, except that CCA can accommodate matricies as well. For a pair of variables, canCorPairs assesses the degree to which they co-vary and contain the same information. Variables in the formula can be a continuous variable or a discrete variable expanded to a matrix (which is done in the backend of a regression model). For a pair of variables, canCorPairs uses CCA to compute the correlation between these variables and returns the pairwise correlation matrix.

Statistically, let rho be the array of correlation values returned by the standard R function cancor to compute CCA. canCorPairs() returns sqrt(mean(rho^2)), which is the fraction of the maximum possible correlation. When comparing a two vectors, or a vector and a matrix, this gives the save value as the absolute correlation. When comparing two sets of categorical variables (i.e. expanded to two matricies), this is equivalent to Cramer's V statistic.

Note that CCA returns correlation values between 0 and 1.

Value

Matrix of correlation values between all pairs of variables.

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

# load simulated data:
data(varPartData)

# specify formula
form <- ~ Individual + Tissue + Batch + Age + Height

# Compute Canonical Correlation Analysis (CCA)
# between all pairs of variables
# returns absolute correlation value
C <- canCorPairs(form, info)

# Plot correlation matrix
plotCorrMatrix(C)</pre>
```

classifyTestsF

Multiple Testing Genewise Across Contrasts

Description

For each gene, classify a series of related t-statistics as up, down or not significant.

```
classifyTestsF(object, ...)
```

Arguments

object numeric matrix of t-statistics or an 'MArrayLM2' object from which the t-statistics may be extracted.
... additional arguments

Details

Works like limma::classifyTestsF, except object can have a list of covariance matrices object\$cov.coefficients.list, instead of just one in object\$cov.coefficients

See Also

```
limma::classifyTestsF

classifyTestsF,MArrayLM2-method

Multiple Testing Genewise Across Contrasts
```

Description

For each gene, classify a series of related t-statistics as up, down or not significant.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
classifyTestsF(
  object,
  cor.matrix = NULL,
  df = Inf,
  p.value = 0.01,
  fstat.only = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| object | numeric matrix of t-statistics or an 'MArrayLM2' object from which the t-statistics may be extracted. |
|------------|--|
| cor.matrix | covariance matrix of each row of t-statistics. Defaults to the identity matrix. |
| df | numeric vector giving the degrees of freedom for the t-statistics. May have length 1 or length equal to the number of rows of tstat. |
| p.value | numeric value between 0 and 1 giving the desired size of the test |
| fstat.only | logical, if 'TRUE' then return the overall F-statistic as for 'FStat' instead of classifying the test results |

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Details

Works like limma::classifyTestsF, except object can have a list of covariance matrices object\$cov.coefficients.list, instead of just one in object\$cov.coefficients

See Also

```
limma::classifyTestsF
```

colinearityScore

Collinearity score

Description

Collinearity score for a regression model indicating if variables are too highly correlated to give meaningful results

Usage

```
colinearityScore(fit)
```

Arguments

fit

regression model fit from lm() or lmer()

Value

Returns the collinearity score between 0 and 1, where a score > 0.999 means the degree of collinearity is too high. This function reports the correlation matrix between coefficient estimates for fixed effects. The collinearity score is the maximum absolute correlation value of this matrix. Note that the values are the correlation between the parameter estimates, and not between the variables themselves.

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

# load simulated data:
data(varPartData)
#
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

res <- fitVarPartModel(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info)

# evaluate the collinearity score on the first model fit
# this reports the correlation matrix between coefficients estimates
# for fixed effects
# the collinearity score is the maximum absolute correlation value</pre>
```

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```
# If the collinearity score > .999 then the variance partition
# estimates may be problematic
# In that case, a least one variable should be omitted
colinearityScore(res[[1]])
```

deviation

Deviation from expectation for each observation

Description

Given a model fit for each features, residuals are computed and transformed based on an absolute value or squaring transform.

Usage

```
deviation(fit, method = c("AD", "SQ"), scale = c("leverage", "none"))
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
deviation(fit, method = c("AD", "SQ"), scale = c("leverage", "none"))
```

Arguments

fit model fit from dream()

method transform the residuals using absolute deviation ("AD") or squared deviation

("SQ").

scale scale each observation by "leverage", or no scaling ("none")

Value

matrix of deviations from expection for each observation

See Also

```
diffVar()
```

```
# library(variancePartition)
library(edgeR)
data(varPartDEdata)

# filter genes by number of counts
isexpr <- rowSums(cpm(countMatrix) > 0.1) >= 5

# Standard usage of limma/voom
dge <- DGEList(countMatrix[isexpr, ])
dge <- calcNormFactors(dge)</pre>
```

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```
# make this vignette faster by analyzing a subset of genes
dge <- dge[1:1000, ]

# regression formula
form <- ~Disease

# estimate precision weights
vobj <- voomWithDreamWeights(dge, form, metadata)

# fit dream model
fit <- dream(vobj, form, metadata)
fit <- eBayes(fit)

# Compute deviation from expection for each observation
# using model residuals
z <- deviation(fit)
z[1:4, 1:4]</pre>
```

diffVar

Test differential variance

Description

Test the association between a covariate of interest and the response's deviation from expectation.

```
diffVar(
   fit,
   method = c("AD", "SQ"),
   scale = c("leverage", "none"),
   BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
   ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
diffVar(
   fit,
   method = c("AD", "SQ"),
   scale = c("leverage", "none"),
   BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
   ...
)
```

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Arguments

| fit | model fit from dream() |
|---------|--|
| method | transform the residuals using absolute deviation ("AD") or squared deviation ("SQ"). |
| scale | scale each observation by "leverage", or no scaling ("none") |
| BPPARAM | parameters for parallel evaluation |

... other parameters passed to dream()

Details

This method performs a test of differential variance between two subsets of the data, in a way that generalizes to multiple categories, continuous variables and metrics of spread beyond variance. For the two category test, this method is simular to Levene's test. This model was adapted from Phipson, et al (2014), extended to linear mixed models, and adapted to be compatible with dream().

This method is composed of multiple steps where 1) a typical linear (mixed) model is fit with dream(), 2) residuals are computed and transformed based on an absolute value or squaring transform, 3) a second regression is performed with dream() to test if a variable is associated with increased deviation from expectation. Both regression take advantage of the dream() linear (mixed) modelling framework followed by empirical Bayes shrinkage that extends the limma::voom() framework.

Note that diffVar() takes the results of the first regression as a parameter to use as a starting point.

Value

MArrayLM object storing differential results to be passed to topTable()

References

Phipson B, Oshlack A (2014). "DiffVar: a new method for detecting differential variability with application to methylation in cancer and aging." *Genome biology*, **15**(9), 1–16.

See Also

```
missMethyl::diffVar(), car::leveneTest()
```

```
# library(variancePartition)
library(edgeR)
data(varPartDEdata)

# filter genes by number of counts
isexpr <- rowSums(cpm(countMatrix) > 0.1) >= 5

# Standard usage of limma/voom
dge <- DGEList(countMatrix[isexpr, ])
dge <- calcNormFactors(dge)</pre>
```

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```
# make this vignette faster by analyzing a subset of genes
dge <- dge[1:1000, ]</pre>
# regression formula
form <- ~Disease</pre>
# estimate precision weights
vobj <- voomWithDreamWeights(dge, form, metadata)</pre>
# fit dream model
fit <- dream(vobj, form, metadata)</pre>
fit <- eBayes(fit)</pre>
# fit differential variance model
res <- diffVar(fit)</pre>
# extract results for differential variance based on Disease
topTable(res, coef = "Disease1", number = 3)
# Box plot of top hit
# Since ASCL3 has a negative logFC,
# the deviation from expectation is *smaller* in
# Disease==1 compared to baseline.
gene <- "ENST00000325884.1 gene=ASCL3"</pre>
boxplot(vobj$E[gene, ] ~ metadata$Disease, main = gene)
```

dream

Differential expression with linear mixed model

Description

Fit linear mixed model for differential expression and preform hypothesis test on fixed effects as specified in the contrast matrix L

```
dream(
   exprObj,
   formula,
   data,
   L,
   ddf = c("adaptive", "Satterthwaite", "Kenward-Roger"),
   useWeights = TRUE,
   control = vpcontrol,
   hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
   REML = TRUE,
   BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
   ...
)
```

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Arguments

expr0bj matrix of expression data (g genes x n samples), or ExpressionSet, or EList

returned by voom() from the limma package

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates,

since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: \sim a + b + (1|c) Formulas with only fixed effects also work, and lmFit() followed by

contrasts.fit() are run.

data data.frame with columns corresponding to formula

L contrast matrix specifying a linear combination of fixed effects to test

ddf Specifiy "Satterthwaite" or "Kenward-Roger" method to estimate effective degress

of freedom for hypothesis testing in the linear mixed model. Note that Kenward-Roger is more accurate, but is *much* slower. Satterthwaite is a good enough approximation for most datasets. "adaptive" (Default) uses KR for <= 20 sam-

ples.

useWeights if TRUE, analysis uses heteroskedastic error estimates from voom(). Value is

ignored unless exprObj is an EList() from voom() or weightsMatrix is spec-

ified

control control settings for lmer()

hideErrorsInBackend

default FALSE. If TRUE, hide errors in attr(., "errors") and attr(., "error.initial")

REML use restricted maximum likelihood to fit linear mixed model, default is TRUE.

See Details.

BPPARAM parameters for parallel evaluation

... Additional arguments for lmer() or lm()

Details

A linear (mixed) model is fit for each gene in exprObj, using formula to specify variables in the regression (Hoffman and Roussos, 2021). If categorical variables are modeled as random effects (as is recommended), then a linear mixed model us used. For example if formula is \sim a + b + (1|c), then the model is

fit <- lmer(expr0bj[j,] \sim a + b + (1|c), data=data)

useWeights=TRUE causes weightsMatrix[j,] to be included as weights in the regression model.

Note: Fitting the model for 20,000 genes can be computationally intensive. To accelerate computation, models can be fit in parallel using BiocParallel to run code in parallel. Parallel processing must be enabled before calling this function. See below.

The regression model is fit for each gene separately. Samples with missing values in either gene expression or metadata are omitted by the underlying call to lmer.

Hypothesis tests and degrees of freedom are producted by 1merTest and pbkrtest pacakges

While REML=TRUE is required by 1merTest when ddf='Kenward-Roger', ddf='Satterthwaite' can be used with REML as TRUE or FALSE. Since the Kenward-Roger method gave the best power with an accurate control of false positive rate in our simulations, and since the Satterthwaite method with REML=TRUE gives p-values that are slightly closer to the Kenward-Roger p-values, REML=TRUE is the default. See Vignette "3) Theory and practice of random effects and REML"

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Value

MArrayLM2 object (just like MArrayLM from limma), and the directly estimated p-value (without eBayes)

References

Hoffman GE, Roussos P (2021). "dream: Powerful differential expression analysis for repeated measures designs." *Bioinformatics*, **37**(2), 192–201.

```
# library(variancePartition)
# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of *normalized* gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)
form <- ~ Batch + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)</pre>
# Fit linear mixed model for each gene
# run on just 10 genes for time
# NOTE: dream() runs on *normalized* data
fit <- dream(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info)</pre>
fit <- eBayes(fit)</pre>
# view top genes
topTable(fit, coef = "Batch2", number = 3)
# get contrast matrix testing if the coefficient for Batch3 is
# different from coefficient for Batch2
# Name this comparison as 'compare_3_2'
# The variable of interest must be a fixed effect
L <- makeContrastsDream(form, info, contrasts = c(compare_3_2 = "Batch3 - Batch2"))
# plot contrasts
plotContrasts(L)
# Fit linear mixed model for each gene
# run on just 10 genes for time
fit2 <- dream(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info, L)</pre>
fit2 <- eBayes(fit2)</pre>
# view top genes for this contrast
topTable(fit2, coef = "compare_3_2", number = 3)
# Parallel processing using multiple cores with reduced memory usage
param <- SnowParam(4, "SOCK", progressbar = TRUE)</pre>
fit3 <- dream(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info, L, BPPARAM = param)</pre>
fit3 <- eBayes(fit3)</pre>
# Fit fixed effect model for each gene
```

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```
# Use lmFit in the backend
form <- ~Batch
fit4 <- dream(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info, L)
fit4 <- eBayes(fit4)

# view top genes
topTable(fit4, coef = "compare_3_2", number = 3)
# Compute residuals using dream
residuals(fit4)[1:4, 1:4]</pre>
```

dscchisq

Scaled chi-square

Description

Scaled chi-square density using a gamma distribution

Usage

```
dscchisq(x, a, b)
```

Arguments

- x vector of quantiles.
- a scale
- b degrees of freedom

eBayes, MArrayLM2-method

eBayes for MArrayLM2

Description

eBayes for result of linear mixed model for with dream() using residual degrees of freedom approximated with rdf.merMod()

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Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
eBayes(
   fit,
   proportion = 0.01,
   stdev.coef.lim = c(0.1, 4),
   trend = FALSE,
   robust = FALSE,
   winsor.tail.p = c(0.05, 0.1),
   legacy = NULL
)
```

Arguments

```
fit fit
proportion proportion
stdev.coef.lim stdev.coef.lim
trend trend
robust robust
winsor.tail.p winsor.tail.p
legacy legacy
```

Value

results of eBayes using approximated residual degrees of freedom

See Also

```
dream(), rdf.merMod(), limma::eBayes()
```

ESS

Effective sample size

Description

Compute effective sample size based on correlation structure in linear mixed model

```
ESS(fit, method = "full")
## S4 method for signature 'lmerMod'
ESS(fit, method = "full")
```

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Arguments

fit model fit from lmer()

method "full" uses the full correlation structure of the model. The "approximate" method

makes the simplifying assumption that the study has a mean of m samples in each of k groups, and computes m based on the study design. When the study design is evenly balanced (i.e. the assumption is met), this gives the same results

as the "full" method.

Details

Effective sample size calculations are based on:

Liu, G., and Liang, K. Y. (1997). Sample size calculations for studies with correlated observations. Biometrics, 53(3), 937-47.

"full" method: if

$$V_x = var(Y; x)$$

is the variance-covariance matrix of Y, the response, based on the covariate x, then the effective sample size corresponding to this covariate is

$$\Sigma_{i,j}(V_x^{-1})_{i,j}$$

. In R notation, this is: sum(solve(V_x)). In practice, this can be evaluted as sum(w), where R "approximate" method: Letting m be the mean number of samples per group,

k

be the number of groups, and

ρ

be the intraclass correlation, the effective sample size is

$$mk/(1 + \rho(m-1))$$

Note that these values are equal when there are exactly m samples in each group. If m is only an average then this an approximation.

Value

effective sample size for each random effect in the model

```
library(lme4)
data(varPartData)

# Linear mixed model
fit <- lmer(geneExpr[1, ] ~ (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue) + Age, info)

# Effective sample size
ESS(fit)</pre>
```

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extractVarPart

Extract variance statistics

Description

Extract variance statistics from list of models fit with lm() or lmer()

Usage

```
extractVarPart(modelList, ...)
```

Arguments

```
modelList list of lmer() model fits
... other arguments
```

Value

data. frame of fraction of variance explained by each variable, after correcting for all others.

```
# library(variancePartition)
library(BiocParallel)
# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)
# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)</pre>
# Step 1: fit linear mixed model on gene expresson
# If categoritical variables are specified, a linear mixed model is used
# If all variables are modeled as continuous, a linear model is used
# each entry in results is a regression model fit on a single gene
# Step 2: extract variance fractions from each model fit
# for each gene, returns fraction of variation attributable to each variable
# Interpretation: the variance explained by each variable
# after correction for all other variables
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)</pre>
# violin plot of contribution of each variable to total variance
plotVarPart(sortCols(varPart))
# Advanced:
```

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```
# Fit model and extract variance in two separate steps
# Step 1: fit model for each gene, store model fit for each gene in a list
results <- fitVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)
# Step 2: extract variance fractions
varPart <- extractVarPart(results)</pre>
```

fitExtractVarPartModel

Fit linear (mixed) model, report variance fractions

Description

Fit linear (mixed) model to estimate contribution of multiple sources of variation while simultaneously correcting for all other variables. Report fraction of variance attributable to each variable

```
fitExtractVarPartModel(
  expr0bj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
  BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'matrix'
fitExtractVarPartModel(
  expr0bj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
  BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
```

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```
fitExtractVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'EList'
fitExtractVarPartModel(
  expr0bj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'ExpressionSet'
fitExtractVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'sparseMatrix'
fitExtractVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
```

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```
control = vpcontrol,
hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
showWarnings = TRUE,
BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
...
)
```

Arguments

expr0bj matrix of expression data (g genes x n samples), or ExpressionSet, or EList

returned by voom() from the limma package

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates,

since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: ~ a + b +

(1|c)

data data.frame with columns corresponding to formula

REML use restricted maximum likelihood to fit linear mixed model. default is FALSE.

See Details.

useWeights if TRUE, analysis uses heteroskedastic error estimates from voom(). Value is

ignored unless exprObj is an EList() from voom() or weightsMatrix is spec-

ified

control control settings for lmer()

hideErrorsInBackend

default FALSE. If TRUE, hide errors in attr(., "errors") and attr(., "error.initial")

showWarnings default TRUE. Indicate model failures
BPPARAM parameters for parallel evaluation

... Additional arguments for lmer() or lm()

Details

A linear (mixed) model is fit for each gene in exprObj, using formula to specify variables in the regression. If categorical variables are modeled as random effects (as is recommended), then a linear mixed model us used. For example if formula is $\sim a + b + (1|c)$, then the model is

```
fit <- lmer( exprObj[j,] \sim a + b + (1|c), data=data)
```

If there are no random effects, so formula is $\sim a + b + c$, a 'standard' linear model is used:

```
fit <-lm(expr0bj[j,] \sim a + b + c, data=data)
```

In both cases, useWeights=TRUE causes weightsMatrix[j,] to be included as weights in the regression model.

Note: Fitting the model for 20,000 genes can be computationally intensive. To accelerate computation, models can be fit in parallel using BiocParallel to run in parallel. Parallel processing must be enabled before calling this function. See below.

The regression model is fit for each gene separately. Samples with missing values in either gene expression or metadata are omitted by the underlying call to lm/lmer.

REML=FALSE uses maximum likelihood to estimate variance fractions. This approach produced unbiased estimates, while REML=TRUE can show substantial bias. See Vignette "3) Theory and practice of random effects and REML"

Value

list() of where each entry is a model fit produced by lmer() or lm()

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)
library(BiocParallel)
# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)
# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)</pre>
# Step 1: fit linear mixed model on gene expression
# If categorical variables are specified, a linear mixed model is used
# If all variables are modeled as continuous, a linear model is used
# each entry in results is a regression model fit on a single gene
# Step 2: extract variance fractions from each model fit
# for each gene, returns fraction of variation attributable to each variable
# Interpretation: the variance explained by each variable
# after correction for all other variables
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)</pre>
# violin plot of contribution of each variable to total variance
plotVarPart(sortCols(varPart))
# Note: fitExtractVarPartModel also accepts ExpressionSet
data(sample.ExpressionSet, package = "Biobase")
# ExpressionSet example
form <- ~(1 | sex) + (1 | type) + score
info2 <- Biobase::pData(sample.ExpressionSet)</pre>
varPart2 <- fitExtractVarPartModel(sample.ExpressionSet, form, info2)</pre>
```

fitVarPartModel

Fit linear (mixed) model

Description

Fit linear (mixed) model to estimate contribution of multiple sources of variation while simultaneously correcting for all other variables.

```
fitVarPartModel(
  expr0bj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  fxn = identity,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'matrix'
fitVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  fxn = identity,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
fitVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  fxn = identity,
  control = vpcontrol,
  hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
  BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'EList'
fitVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
```

```
formula,
  data,
 REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  fxn = identity,
  control = vpcontrol,
 hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'ExpressionSet'
fitVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
 REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  fxn = identity,
  control = vpcontrol,
 hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'sparseMatrix'
fitVarPartModel(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
 REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  fxn = identity,
  control = vpcontrol,
 hideErrorsInBackend = FALSE,
  showWarnings = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
```

Arguments

expr0bj matrix of expression data (g genes x n samples), or ExpressionSet, or EList returned by voom() from the limma package

returned by voom() from the 11mma package

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates, since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: ~ a + b +

(1|c)

data data. frame with columns corresponding to formula

REML use restricted maximum likelihood to fit linear mixed model. default is FALSE.

See Details.

useWeights if TRUE, analysis uses heteroskedastic error estimates from voom(). Value is

ignored unless exprObj is an EList() from voom() or weightsMatrix is spec-

ified

fxn apply function to model fit for each gene. Defaults to identify function so it

returns the model fit itself

control control settings for lmer()

hideErrorsInBackend

default FALSE. If TRUE, hide errors in attr(., "errors") and attr(., "error.initial")

showWarnings default TRUE. Indicate model failures

BPPARAM parameters for parallel evaluation

... Additional arguments for lmer() or lm()

Details

A linear (mixed) model is fit for each gene in exprObj, using formula to specify variables in the regression. If categorical variables are modeled as random effects (as is recommended), then a linear mixed model us used. For example if formula is $\sim a + b + (1 \mid c)$, then the model is

```
fit \leftarrow lmer(expr0bj[j,] \sim a + b + (1|c), data=data)
```

If there are no random effects, so formula is ~ a + b + c, a 'standard' linear model is used:

```
fit <- lm(expr0bj[j,] ~a + b + c, data=data)
```

In both cases, useWeights=TRUE causes weightsMatrix[j,] to be included as weights in the regression model.

Note: Fitting the model for 20,000 genes can be computationally intensive. To accelerate computation, models can be fit in parallel using BiocParallel to run in parallel. Parallel processing must be enabled before calling this function. See below.

The regression model is fit for each gene separately. Samples with missing values in either gene expression or metadata are omitted by the underlying call to lm/lmer.

Since this function returns a list of each model fit, using this function is slower and uses more memory than fitExtractVarPartModel().

REML=FALSE uses maximum likelihood to estimate variance fractions. This approach produced unbiased estimates, while REML=TRUE can show substantial bias. See Vignette "3) Theory and practice of random effects and REML"

Value

list() of where each entry is a model fit produced by lmer() or lm()

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```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)
library(BiocParallel)
# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)
# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)</pre>
# Step 1: fit linear mixed model on gene expression
# If categorical variables are specified, a linear mixed model is used
# If all variables are modeled as continuous, a linear model is used
# each entry in results is a regression model fit on a single gene
# Step 2: extract variance fractions from each model fit
# for each gene, returns fraction of variation attributable to each variable
# Interpretation: the variance explained by each variable
# after correction for all other variables
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)</pre>
# violin plot of contribution of each variable to total variance
# also sort columns
plotVarPart(sortCols(varPart))
# Advanced:
# Fit model and extract variance in two separate steps
# Step 1: fit model for each gene, store model fit for each gene in a list
results <- fitVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)</pre>
# Step 2: extract variance fractions
varPart <- extractVarPart(results)</pre>
# Note: fitVarPartModel also accepts ExpressionSet
data(sample.ExpressionSet, package = "Biobase")
# ExpressionSet example
form <- \sim (1 | sex) + (1 | type) + score
info2 <- Biobase::pData(sample.ExpressionSet)</pre>
results2 <- fitVarPartModel(sample.ExpressionSet, form, info2)</pre>
```

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Description

Extract contrast matrix, L, testing a single variable. Contrasts involving more than one variable can be constructed by modifying L directly

Usage

```
getContrast(exprObj, formula, data, coefficient)
```

Arguments

exprObj matrix of expression data (g genes x n samples), or ExpressionSet, or EList

returned by voom() from the limma package

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates,

since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: ~ a + b +

(1|c) Formulas with only fixed effects also work

data data.frame with columns corresponding to formula

coefficient to use in the hypothesis test

Value

Contrast matrix testing one variable

```
# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# get contrast matrix testing if the coefficient for Batch2 is zero
# The variable of interest must be a fixed effect
form <- ~ Batch + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)
L <- getContrast(geneExpr, form, info, "Batch3")

# get contrast matrix testing if Batch3 - Batch2 = 0
form <- ~ Batch + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)
L <- getContrast(geneExpr, form, info, c("Batch3", "Batch2"))

# To test against Batch1 use the formula:
# ~ 0 + Batch + (1|Individual) + (1|Tissue)
# to estimate Batch1 directly instead of using it as the baseline</pre>
```

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getTreat

Test if coefficient is different from a specified value

Description

Test if coefficient is different from a specified value

Usage

```
getTreat(fit, lfc = log2(1.2), coef = 1, number = 10, sort.by = "p")
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
getTreat(fit, lfc = log2(1.2), coef = 1, number = 10, sort.by = "p")
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
getTreat(fit, lfc = log2(1.2), coef = 1, number = 10, sort.by = "p")
```

Arguments

fit fit

1fc a minimum log2-fold-change below which changes not considered scientifically

meaningful

coef which coefficient to test number number of genes to return

sort.by column to sort by

Value

results of getTreat

```
data(varPartData)

form <- ~ Age + Batch + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

fit <- dream(geneExpr, form, info)
fit <- eBayes(fit)

coef <- "Age"

# Evaluate treat()/topTreat() in a way that works seamlessly for dream()
getTreat(fit, lfc = log2(1.03), coef, sort.by = "none", number = 3)</pre>
```

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get_prediction

Compute predicted value of formula for linear (mixed) model

Description

Compute predicted value of formula for linear (mixed) model for with 1m or 1mer

Usage

```
get_prediction(fit, formula)
## S4 method for signature 'lmerMod'
get_prediction(fit, formula)
## S4 method for signature 'lm'
get_prediction(fit, formula)
```

Arguments

fit model fit with 1m or 1mer

formula formula of fixed and random effects to predict

Details

Similar motivation as lme4:::predict.merMod(), but that function cannot use just a subset of the fixed effects: it either uses none or all. Note that the intercept is included in the formula by default. To exclude it from the prediction use $\sim 0 + \dots$ syntax

Value

Predicted values from formula using parameter estimates from fit linear (mixed) model

```
library(lme4)

# Linear model
fit <- lm(Reaction ~ Days, sleepstudy)

# prediction of intercept
get_prediction(fit, ~1)

# prediction of Days without intercept
get_prediction(fit, ~ 0 + Days)

# Linear mixed model

# fit model</pre>
```

```
fm1 <- lmer(Reaction ~ Days + (Days | Subject), sleepstudy)

# predict Days, but exclude intercept
get_prediction(fm1, ~ 0 + Days)

# predict Days and (Days | Subject) random effect, but exclude intercept
get_prediction(fm1, ~ 0 + Days + (Days | Subject))</pre>
```

ggColorHue

Default colors for ggplot

Description

Return an array of n colors the same as the default used by ggplot2

Usage

```
ggColorHue(n)
```

Arguments

n

number of colors

Value

array of colors of length n

Examples

```
ggColorHue(4)
```

hatvalues, MArrayLM-method

Compute hatvalues

Description

Compute hatvalues from dream fit

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
hatvalues(model, vobj, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
hatvalues(model, ...)
```

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Arguments

model model fit from dream()

vobj EList returned by voom() or voomWithDreamWeights().

... other arguments, currently ignored

is Runable Formula

Test if formula is full rank on this dataset

Description

Test if formula is full rank on this dataset

Usage

```
isRunableFormula(exprObj, formula, data)
```

Arguments

expr0bj expression object

formula formula data

logLik.MArrayLM

Log-likelihood from model fit

Description

Log-likelihood from model fit

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MArrayLM'
logLik(object, vobj, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object result of lmFit() or dream()
vobj EList used to fit model
... See ?stats::logLik
```

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logLik.MArrayLM2

Log-likelihood from model fit

Description

Log-likelihood from model fit

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'MArrayLM2'
logLik(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object result of lmFit() or dream()
... See ?stats::logLik
```

 ${\tt makeContrastsDream}$

Construct Matrix of Custom Contrasts

Description

Construct the contrast matrix corresponding to specified contrasts of a set of parameters. Each specified set of contrast weights must sum to 1.

Usage

```
makeContrastsDream(
  formula,
  data,
    ...,
  contrasts = NULL,
  suppressWarnings = FALSE,
  nullOnError = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| formula | specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates, since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: \sim a + b + (1 c) Formulas with only fixed effects also work |
|---------|---|
| data | data.frame with columns corresponding to formula |
| | expressions, or character strings which can be parsed to expressions, specifying |

contrasts

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```
contrasts character vector specifying contrasts
suppressWarnings
(default FALSE). suppress warnings for univariate contrasts
nullOnError (default FALSE). When a contrast entry is invalid, throw warning and return
NULL for that contrast entry
```

Details

This function expresses contrasts between a set of parameters as a numeric matrix. The parameters are usually the coefficients from a linear (mixed) model fit, so the matrix specifies which comparisons between the coefficients are to be extracted from the fit. The output from this function is usually used as input to dream().

This function creates a matrix storing the contrasts weights that are applied to each coefficient.

Consider a variable v with levels c('A', 'B', 'C'). A contrast comparing A and B is 'vA - vB' and tests whether the difference between these levels is different than zero. Coded for the 3 levels this has weights c(1, -1, 0). In order to compare A to the other levels, the contrast is 'vA - (vB + vC)/2' so that A is compared to the average of the other two levels. This is encoded as c(1, -0.5, -0.5). This type of proper matching in testing multiple levels is enforced by ensuring that the contrast weights sum to 1. Based on standard regression theory only weighted sums of the estimated coefficients are supported.

This function is inspired by limma::makeContrasts() but is designed to be compatible with linear mixed models for dream()

Names in ... and contrasts will be used as column names in the returned value.

Value

matrix of linear contrasts between regression coefficients

See Also

```
plotContrasts()
```

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

form <- ~ 0 + Batch + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

# Define contrasts
# Note that for each contrass, the weights sum to 1
L <- makeContrastsDream(form, info, contrasts = c(Batch1_vs_2 = "Batch1 - Batch2", Batch3_vs_4 = "Batch3 - Batch4",</pre>
```

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```
# show contrasts matrix
L

# Plot to visualize contrasts matrix
plotContrasts(L)

# Fit linear mixed model for each gene
# run on just 10 genes for time
fit <- dream(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info, L = L)

# examine contrasts after fitting
head(coef(fit))

# show results from first contrast
topTable(fit, coef = "Batch1_vs_2")

# show results from second contrast
topTable(fit, coef = "Batch3_vs_4")

# show results from third contrast
topTable(fit, coef = "Batch1_vs_34")</pre>
```

MArrayLM2-class

Class MArrayLM2

Description

Class MArrayLM2

mvTest

Multivariate tests on results from dream()

Description

Evaluate multivariate tests on results from dream() using vcov() to compute the covariance between estimated regression coefficients across multiple responses. A joint test to see if the coefficients are jointly different from zero is performed using meta-analysis methods that account for the covariance.

Usage

```
mvTest(
   fit,
   vobj,
   features,
```

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```
method = c("FE.empirical", "FE", "RE2C", "tstat", "hotelling", "sidak", "fisher"),
 shrink.cov = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM, EList, vector'
mvTest(
 fit,
 vobj,
 features,
 coef,
 method = c("FE.empirical", "FE", "RE2C", "tstat", "hotelling", "sidak", "fisher"),
 shrink.cov = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM, EList, missing'
mvTest(
 fit,
 vobj,
 features,
 coef,
 method = c("FE.empirical", "FE", "RE2C", "tstat", "hotelling", "sidak", "fisher"),
 shrink.cov = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM, EList, list'
mvTest(
  fit,
  vobj,
 features,
 coef,
 method = c("FE.empirical", "FE", "RE2C", "tstat", "hotelling", "sidak", "fisher"),
 shrink.cov = TRUE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
## S4 method for signature 'mvTest_input, ANY, ANY'
mvTest(
  fit,
  vobj,
  features,
```

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Arguments

fit MArrayLM or MArrayLM2 returned by dream()
vobj matrix or EList object returned by voom()

features a) indeces or names of features to perform multivariate test on, b) list of indeces

or names. If missing, perform joint test on all features.

coef name of coefficient or contrast to be tested

method statistical method used to perform multivariate test. See details. 'FE' is a fixed

effect test that models the covariance between coefficients. 'FE.empirical' use compute empirical p-values by sampling from the null distribution and fitting with a gamma. 'RE2C' is a random effect test of heterogeneity of the estimated coefficients that models the covariance between coefficients, and also incorporates a fixed effects test too. 'tstat' combines the t-statistics and models the covariance between coefficients. 'hotelling' performs the Hotelling T2 test. 'sidak' returns the smallest p-value and accounting for the number of tests. 'fisher' combines the p-value using Fisher's method assuming indepen-

dent tests.

shrink.cov shrink the covariance matrix between coefficients using the Schafer-Strimmer

method

BPPARAM parameters for parallel evaluation

... other arugments

Details

See package remaCor for details about the remaCor::RE2C() test, and see remaCor::LS() for details about the fixed effect test. When only 1 feature is selected, the original p-value is returned and the test statistic is set to NA.

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For the "RE2C" test, the final test statistic is the sum of a test statistic for the mean effect (stat.FE) and heterogeneity across effects (stat.het). mvTest() returns 0 if stat.het is negative in extremely rare cases.

Value

Returns a data. frame with the statistics from each test, the pvalue from the test, n_{features} , method, and lambda from the Schafer-Strimmer method to shrink the estimated covariance. When shrink.cov=FALSE, lambda=0.

Examples

```
# library(variancePartition)
library(edgeR)
library(BiocParallel)
data(varPartDEdata)
# normalize RNA-seq counts
dge <- DGEList(counts = countMatrix)</pre>
dge <- calcNormFactors(dge)</pre>
# specify formula with random effect for Individual
form <- ~ Disease + (1 | Individual)</pre>
# compute observation weights
vobj <- voomWithDreamWeights(dge[1:20, ], form, metadata)</pre>
# fit dream model
fit <- dream(vobj, form, metadata)</pre>
fit <- eBayes(fit)</pre>
# Multivariate test of features 1 and 2
mvTest(fit, vobj, 1:2, coef = "Disease1")
# Test multiple sets of features
lst <- list(a = 1:2, b = 3:4)
mvTest(fit, vobj, lst, coef = "Disease1", BPPARAM = SnowParam(2))
```

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Class mvTest input

Description

Class mvTest_input work is with iterRowsSplit()

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plotCompareP

Compare p-values from two analyses

Description

 $Plot - log 10 \ p-values \ from \ two \ analyses \ and \ color \ based \ on \ donor \ component \ from \ variance Partition \ analysis$

Usage

```
plotCompareP(
   p1,
   p2,
   vpDonor,
   dupcorvalue,
   fraction = 0.2,
   xlabel = bquote(duplicateCorrelation ~ (-log[10] ~ p)),
   ylabel = bquote(dream ~ (-log[10] ~ p))
)
```

Arguments

p1 p-value from first analysisp2 p-value from second analysis

vpDonor donor component for each gene from variancePartition analysis

dupcorvalue scalar donor component from duplicateCorrelation fraction fraction of highest/lowest values to use for best fit lines

xlabel for x-axis ylabel label for y-axis

Value

ggplot2 plot

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)
```

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```
# Perform very simple analysis for demonstration

# Analysis 1
form <- ~Batch
fit <- dream(geneExpr, form, info)
fit <- eBayes(fit)
res <- topTable(fit, number = Inf, coef = "Batch3")

# Analysis 2
form <- ~ Batch + (1 | Tissue)
fit2 <- dream(geneExpr, form, info)
res2 <- topTable(fit2, number = Inf, coef = "Batch3")

# Compare p-values
plotCompareP(res$P.Value, res2$P.Value, runif(nrow(res)), .3)</pre>
```

plotContrasts

Plot representation of contrast matrix

Description

Plot contrast matrix to clarify interpretation of hypothesis tests with linear contrasts

Usage

```
plotContrasts(L)
```

Arguments

L contrast matrix

Details

This plot shows the contrasts weights that are applied to each coefficient.

Consider a variable v with levels c('A', 'B', 'C'). A contrast comparing A and B is 'vA - vB' and tests whether the difference between these levels is different than zero. Coded for the 3 levels this has weights c(1, -1, 0). In order to compare A to the other levels, the contrast is 'vA - (vB + vC)/2' so that A is compared to the average of the other two levels. This is encoded as c(1, -0.5, -0.5). This type of proper matching in testing multiple levels is enforced by ensuring that the contrast weights sum to 1. Based on standard regression theory only weighted sums of the estimated coefficients are supported.

Value

ggplot2 object

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See Also

```
makeContrastsDream()
```

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# 1) get contrast matrix testing if the coefficient for Batch2 is different from Batch3
form <- ~ Batch + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)
L <- makeContrastsDream(form, info, contrasts = c(Batch_3_vs_2 = "Batch3 - Batch2"))

# plot contrasts
plotContrasts(L)</pre>
```

plotCorrMatrix

plotCorrMatrix

Description

Plot correlation matrix

Usage

```
plotCorrMatrix(
   C,
   dendrogram = "both",
   sort = TRUE,
   margins = c(13, 13),
   key.xlab = "correlation",
   ...
)
```

ArgumentsC

dendrogram character string indicating whether to draw 'both' or none' sort sort rows and columns based on clustering margins spacing of plot

correlation matrix: R or R^2 matrix

key.xlab label of color gradient

... additional arguments to heatmap.2

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Details

Plots image of correlation matrix using customized call to heatmap.2

Value

Image of correlation matrix

Examples

```
# simulate simple matrix of 10 variables
mat <- matrix(rnorm(1000), ncol = 10)

# compute correlation matrix
C <- cor(mat)

# plot correlations
plotCorrMatrix(C)

# plot squared correlations
plotCorrMatrix(C^2, dendrogram = "none")</pre>
```

plotCorrStructure

plotCorrStructure

Description

Plot correlation structure of a gene based on random effects

Usage

```
plotCorrStructure(
   fit,
   varNames = names(coef(fit)),
   reorder = TRUE,
   pal = colorRampPalette(c("white", "red", "darkred")),
   hclust.method = "complete"
)
```

Arguments

fit linear mixed model fit of a gene produced by lmer() or fitVarPartModel()

varNames variables in the metadata for which the correlation structure should be shown.

Variables must be random effects

reorder how to reorder the rows/columns of the correlation matrix. reorder=FALSE

gives no reorder. reorder=TRUE reorders based on hclust. reorder can also be

an array of indices to reorder the samples manually

pal color palette

hclust.method clustering methods for hclust

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Value

Image of correlation structure between each pair of experiments for a single gene

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)
library(BiocParallel)
# load simulated data:
data(varPartData)
# specify formula
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)
# fit and return linear mixed models for each gene
fitList <- fitVarPartModel(geneExpr[1:10, ], form, info)</pre>
# Focus on the first gene
fit <- fitList[[1]]</pre>
# plot correlation sturcture based on Individual, reordering samples with hclust
plotCorrStructure(fit, "Individual")
# don't reorder
plotCorrStructure(fit, "Individual", reorder = FALSE)
# plot correlation sturcture based on Tissue, reordering samples with hclust
plotCorrStructure(fit, "Tissue")
# don't reorder
plotCorrStructure(fit, "Tissue", FALSE)
# plot correlation structure based on all random effects
# reorder manually by Tissue and Individual
idx <- order(info$Tissue, info$Individual)</pre>
plotCorrStructure(fit, reorder = idx)
# plot correlation structure based on all random effects
# reorder manually by Individual, then Tissue
idx <- order(info$Individual, info$Tissue)</pre>
plotCorrStructure(fit, reorder = idx)
```

plotPercentBars

Bar plot of gene fractions

Description

Bar plot of fractions for a subset of genes

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Usage

```
plotPercentBars(
 col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(x) - 1), "grey85"),
 genes = rownames(x),
 width = NULL,
)
## S4 method for signature 'matrix'
plotPercentBars(
 Х,
 col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(x) - 1), "grey85"),
 genes = rownames(x),
 width = NULL,
)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
plotPercentBars(
 col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(x) - 1), "grey85"),
 genes = rownames(x),
 width = NULL,
)
## S4 method for signature 'varPartResults'
plotPercentBars(
 col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(x) - 1), "grey85"),
 genes = rownames(x),
 width = NULL,
)
```

Arguments

| X | object storing fractions |
|-------|---------------------------------|
| col | color of bars for each variable |
| genes | name of genes to plot |
| width | specify width of bars |
| | other arguments |

Value

Returns ggplot2 barplot

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Examples

```
# library(variancePartition)
library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

# Fit model
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)

# Bar plot for a subset of genes showing variance fractions
plotPercentBars(varPart[1:5, ])

# Move the legend to the top
plotPercentBars(varPart[1:5, ]) + theme(legend.position = "top")</pre>
```

plotStratify

plotStratify

Description

Plot gene expression stratified by another variable

Usage

```
plotStratify(
  formula,
  data,
  xlab,
 ylab,
 main,
  sortBy,
  colorBy,
  sort = TRUE,
  text = NULL,
  text.y = 1,
  text.size = 5,
  pts.cex = 1,
 ylim = NULL,
  legend = TRUE,
  x.labels = FALSE
)
```

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Arguments

specify variables shown in the x- and y-axes. Y-axis should be continuous variformula able, x-axis should be discrete. data.frame storing continuous and discrete variables specified in formula data label x-asis. Defaults to value of xval xlab label y-asis. Defaults to value of yval ylab main main label name of column in geneExpr to sort samples by. Defaults to xval sortBy colorBy name of column in geneExpr to color box plots. Defaults to xval sort if TRUE, sort boxplots by median value, else use default ordering plot text on the top left of the plot text text.y indicate position of the text on the y-axis as a fraction of the y-axis range size of text text.size size of points pts.cex ylim specify range of y-axis legend show legend x.labels show x axis labels

Value

ggplot2 object

Examples

```
# Note: This is a newer, more convient interface to plotStratifyBy()
# load library
# library(variancePartition)
# load simulated data:
data(varPartData)
# Create data.frame with expression and Tissue information for each sample
GE <- data.frame(Expression = geneExpr[1, ], Tissue = info$Tissue)
# Plot expression stratified by Tissue
plotStratify(Expression ~ Tissue, GE)
# Omit legend and color boxes grey
plotStratify(Expression ~ Tissue, GE, colorBy = NULL)
# Specify colors
col <- c(B = "green", A = "red", C = "yellow")
plotStratify(Expression ~ Tissue, GE, colorBy = col, sort = FALSE)</pre>
```

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plotStratifyBy plotStratifyBy

Description

Plot gene expression stratified by another variable

Usage

```
plotStratifyBy(
  geneExpr,
  xval,
  yval,
  xlab = xval,
  ylab = yval,
  main = NULL,
  sortBy = xval,
  colorBy = xval,
  sort = TRUE,
  text = NULL,
  text.y = 1,
  text.size = 5,
  pts.cex = 1,
  ylim = NULL,
  legend = TRUE,
  x.labels = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

| geneExpr | data.frame of gene expression values and another variable for each sample. If there are multiple columns, the user can specify which one to use |
|-----------|--|
| xval | name of column in geneExpr to be used along x-axis to stratify gene expression |
| yval | name of column in geneExpr indicating gene expression |
| xlab | label x-asis. Defaults to value of xval |
| ylab | label y-asis. Defaults to value of yval |
| main | main label |
| sortBy | name of column in geneExpr to sort samples by. Defaults to xval |
| colorBy | name of column in geneExpr to color box plots. Defaults to xval |
| sort | if TRUE, sort boxplots by median value, else use default ordering |
| text | plot text on the top left of the plot |
| text.y | indicate position of the text on the y-axis as a fraction of the y-axis range |
| text.size | size of text |

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```
pts.cex size of points

ylim specify range of y-axis

legend show legend

x.labels show x axis labels
```

Value

ggplot2 object

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

# load simulated data:
data(varPartData)

# Create data.frame with expression and Tissue information for each sample
GE <- data.frame(Expression = geneExpr[1, ], Tissue = info$Tissue)

# Plot expression stratified by Tissue
plotStratifyBy(GE, "Tissue", "Expression")

# Omit legend and color boxes grey
plotStratifyBy(GE, "Tissue", "Expression", colorBy = NULL)

# Specify colors
col <- c(B = "green", A = "red", C = "yellow")
plotStratifyBy(GE, "Tissue", "Expression", colorBy = col, sort = FALSE)</pre>
```

plotVarianceEstimates Plot Variance Estimates

Description

Plot Variance Estimates

Usage

```
plotVarianceEstimates(
   fit,
   fitEB,
   var_true = NULL,
   xmax = quantile(fit$sigma^2, 0.999)
)
```

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Arguments

```
fit model fit from dream()

fitEB model fit from eBayes()

var_true array of true variance values from simulation (optional)

xmax maximum value on the x-axis
```

plotVarPart

Violin plot of variance fractions

Description

Violin plot of variance fraction for each gene and each variable

Usage

```
plotVarPart(
  obj,
  col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(obj) - 1), "grey85"),
  label.angle = 20,
 main = "",
 ylab = "",
  convertToPercent = TRUE,
)
## S4 method for signature 'matrix'
plotVarPart(
  obj,
  col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(obj) - 1), "grey85"),
 label.angle = 20,
 main = "",
 ylab = "",
  convertToPercent = TRUE,
)
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
plotVarPart(
  obj,
  col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(obj) - 1), "grey85"),
  label.angle = 20,
 main = "",
ylab = "",
  convertToPercent = TRUE,
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'varPartResults'
plotVarPart(
  obj,
  col = c(ggColorHue(ncol(obj) - 1), "grey85"),
  label.angle = 20,
  main = "",
  ylab = "",
  convertToPercent = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

```
obj varParFrac object returned by fitExtractVarPart or extractVarPart

col vector of colors

label.angle angle of labels on x-axis

main title of plot

ylab text on y-axis

convertToPercent multiply fractions by 100 to convert to percent values

... additional arguments
```

Value

Makes violin plots of variance components model. This function uses the graphics interface from ggplot2. Warnings produced by this function usually ggplot2 warning that the window is too small.

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)
# violin plot of contribution of each variable to total variance</pre>
```

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```
plotVarPart(sortCols(varPart))
```

rdf

Residual degrees of freedom

Description

Residual degrees of freedom

Usage

```
rdf(fit)
```

Arguments

fit

model fit from lm(), glm(), lmer()

See Also

rdf.merMod

Examples

```
library(lme4)
fit <- lm(Reaction ~ Days, sleepstudy)
rdf(fit)</pre>
```

rdf.merMod

Approximate residual degrees of freedom

Description

For a linear model with n samples and p covariates, $RSS/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2_{\nu}$ where $\nu = n-p$ is the residual degrees of freedom. In the case of a linear mixed model, the distribution is no longer exactly a chi-square distribution, but can be approximated with a chi-square distribution.

Given the hat matrix, H, that maps between observed and fitted responses, the approximate residual degrees of freedom is $\nu = tr((I-H)^T(I-H))$. For a linear model, this simplifies to the well known form $\nu = n-p$. In the more general case, such as a linear mixed model, the original form simplifies only to n-2tr(H)+tr(HH) and is an approximation rather than being exact. The third term here is quadratic time in the number of samples, n, and can be computationally expensive to evaluate for larger datasets. Here we develop a linear time algorithm that takes advantage of the fact that H is low rank.

H is computed as $A^TA + B^TB$ for A=CL and B=CR defined in the code. Since A and B are low rank, there is no need to compute H directly. Instead, the terms tr(H) and tr(HH) can be computed using the eigen decompositions of AA^T and BB^T which is linear time in the number of samples.

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Usage

```
rdf.merMod(model, method = c("linear", "quadratic"))
```

Arguments

model An object of class merMod

method Use algorithm that is "linear" (default) or quadratic time in the number of sam-

ples

Details

Compute the approximate residual degrees of freedom from a linear mixed model.

Value

residual degrees of freedom

See Also

rdf from matrices

Examples

```
library(lme4)
# Fit linear mixed model
fit <- lmer(Reaction ~ Days + (Days | Subject), sleepstudy)
# Evaluate the approximate residual degrees of freedom
rdf.merMod(fit)</pre>
```

rdf_from_matrices

Fast approximate residual degrees of freedom

Description

```
Defining H=A^TA+B^TB where A and B are low rank, compute n-2tr(H)+tr(HH) in O(np^2) instead of O(n^2p^2).
```

Usage

```
rdf_from_matrices(A, B)
```

Arguments

```
A a matrix or sparseMatrix
B a matrix or sparseMatrix
```

See Also

rdf.merMod

reOnly

Adapted from lme4:::reOnly

Description

Adapted from lme4:::reOnly

Usage

```
reOnly(f, response = FALSE)
```

Arguments

f formula

response (FALSE) is there a response in the formula

residuals, MArrayLM-method

residuals for MArrayLM

Description

residuals for MArrayLM

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
residuals(object, y, ..., type = c("response", "pearson"))
```

Arguments

object MArrayLM object from dream

y EList object used in dream()

other arguments, currently ignored

type compute either response or pearson residuals

Value

results of residuals

```
residuals, MArrayLM2-method residuals \ for \ MArrayLM2
```

Description

```
residuals for MArrayLM2
```

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
residuals(object, y, type = c("response", "pearson"), ...)
```

Arguments

object MArrayLM2 object from dream y EList object used in dream()

type compute either response or pearson residuals

... other arguments, currently ignored

Value

results of residuals

```
residuals, VarParFitList-method

*Residuals from model fit*
```

Description

Extract residuals for each gene from model fit with fitVarPartModel()

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'VarParFitList'
residuals(object, ...)
```

Arguments

```
object object produced by fitVarPartModel() ... other arguments.
```

Details

If model is fit with missing data, residuals returns NA for entries that were missing in the original data

Value

Residuals extracted from model fits stored in object

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)

# Fit model
modelFit <- fitVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)

# Extract residuals of model fit
res <- residuals(modelFit)</pre>
```

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Residuals for result of dream

Description

Residuals for result of dream

Usage

```
residuals.MArrayLM2(object, y, ..., type = c("response", "pearson"))
```

Arguments

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Shrinkage metric for eBayes

Description

Evaluates the coefficient from the linear regression of s2.post ~ sigmaSq. When there is no shrinkage, this value is 1. Values less than 1 indicate the amount of shrinkage.

Usage

```
shrinkageMetric(sigmaSq, s2.post)
```

Arguments

sigmaSq maximum likelihood residual variance for every gene

s2.post empirical Bayes posterior estimate of residual variance for every gene

Details

Shrinkage metric for eBayes quantifying the amount of shrinkage that is applied to shrink the maximum likelihood residual variance to the empirical Bayes posterior estimate

sortCols

Sort variance partition statistics

Description

Sort columns returned by extractVarPart() or fitExtractVarPartModel()

Usage

```
sortCols(
    x,
    FUN = median,
    decreasing = TRUE,
    last = c("Residuals", "Measurement.error"),
    ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'matrix'
sortCols(
    x,
    FUN = median,
    decreasing = TRUE,
    last = c("Residuals", "Measurement.error"),
```

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```
## S4 method for signature 'data.frame'
sortCols(
    x,
    FUN = median,
    decreasing = TRUE,
    last = c("Residuals", "Measurement.error"),
    ...
)

## S4 method for signature 'varPartResults'
sortCols(
    x,
    FUN = median,
    decreasing = TRUE,
    last = c("Residuals", "Measurement.error"),
    ...
)
```

Arguments

x object returned by extractVarPart() or fitExtractVarPartModel()

FUN function giving summary statistic to sort by. Defaults to median

decreasing logical. Should the sorting be increasing or decreasing?

columns to be placed on the right, regardless of values in these columns other arguments to sort

Value

data.frame with columns sorted by mean value, with Residuals in last column

Examples

```
# library(variancePartition)
library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)</pre>
```

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```
# Step 1: fit linear mixed model on gene expression
# If categorical variables are specified, a linear mixed model is used
# If all variables are modeled as continuous, a linear model is used
# each entry in results is a regression model fit on a single gene
# Step 2: extract variance fractions from each model fit
# for each gene, returns fraction of variation attributable to each variable
# Interpretation: the variance explained by each variable
# after correction for all other variables
varPart <- fitExtractVarPartModel(geneExpr, form, info)
# violin plot of contribution of each variable to total variance
# sort columns by median value
plotVarPart(sortCols(varPart))</pre>
```

topTable

Table of Top Genes from Linear Model Fit

Description

```
topTable generic MArrayLM topTable generic MArrayLM2
```

Usage

```
topTable(
  fit,
  coef = NULL,
 number = 10,
  genelist = fit$genes,
  adjust.method = "BH",
  sort.by = "B",
  resort.by = NULL,
  p.value = 1,
 1fc = 0,
  confint = FALSE
)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
topTable(
  fit,
  coef = NULL,
  number = 10,
  genelist = fit$genes,
  adjust.method = "BH",
  sort.by = "p",
```

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```
resort.by = NULL,
  p.value = 1,
  1fc = 0,
  confint = FALSE
)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
topTable(
  fit,
  coef = NULL,
  number = 10,
  genelist = fit$genes,
  adjust.method = "BH",
  sort.by = "p",
  resort.by = NULL,
  p.value = 1,
  1fc = 0,
  confint = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

fit fit coef coef number number genelist genelist adjust.method adjust.method sort.by sort.by resort.by resort.by p.value p.value 1fc 1fc confint confint

Value

results of toptable results of toptable results of toptable

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Class VarParCIList

Description

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Description

Class VarParFitList

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Class varParFrac

Description

Class varParFrac

varPartConfInf

Linear mixed model confidence intervals

Description

Fit linear mixed model to estimate contribution of multiple sources of variation while simultaneously correcting for all other variables. Then perform parametric bootstrap sampling to get a 95% confidence intervals for each variable for each gene.

Usage

```
varPartConfInf(
  exprObj,
  formula,
  data,
  REML = FALSE,
  useWeights = TRUE,
  control = vpcontrol,
  nsim = 1000,
  ...
)
```

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Arguments

expr0bj matrix of expression data (g genes x n samples), or ExpressionSet, or EList returned by voom() from the limma package

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates, since the rows of expr0bj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: ~ a + b + (1|c)

data data.frame with columns corresponding to formula

REML use restricted maximum likelihood to fit linear mixed model. default is FALSE. Strongly discourage against changing this option, but here for compatibility.

useWeights if TRUE, analysis uses heteroskedastic error estimates from voom(). Value is

ignored unless exprObj is an EList from voom() or weightsMatrix is specified

control control settings for lmer()
nsim number of bootstrap datasets

... Additional arguments for lmer() or lm()

Details

A linear mixed model is fit for each gene, and bootMer() is used to generate parametric bootstrap confidence intervals. use.u=TRUE is used so that the \hat{u} values from the random effects are used as estimated and are not re-sampled. This gives confidence intervals as if additional data were generated from these same current samples. Conversely, use.u=FALSE assumes that this dataset is a sample from a larger population. Thus it simulates \hat{u} based on the estimated variance parameter. This approach gives confidence intervals as if additional data were collected from the larger population from which this dataset is sampled. Overall, use.u=TRUE gives smaller confidence intervals that are appropriate in this case.

Value

list() of where each entry is the result for a gene. Each entry is a matrix of the 95% confidence interval of the variance fraction for each variable

Examples

```
# load library
# library(variancePartition)

library(BiocParallel)

# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

# Specify variables to consider
# Age is continuous so we model it as a fixed effect
# Individual and Tissue are both categorical, so we model them as random effects
form <- ~ Age + (1 | Individual) + (1 | Tissue)</pre>
```

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Compute bootstrap confidence intervals for each variable for each gene
resCI <- varPartConfInf(geneExpr[1:5,], form, info, nsim = 100)</pre>

varPartData

Simulation dataset for examples

Description

A simulated dataset of gene expression and metadata

A simulated dataset of gene counts

A simulated dataset of gene counts

A simulated dataset of gene counts

Usage

```
data(varPartData)
data(varPartData)
data(varPartData)
data(varPartData)
```

Format

A dataset of 100 samples and 200 genes

Details

- geneCounts gene expression in the form of RNA-seq counts
- geneExpr gene expression on a continuous scale
- info metadata about the study design
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- geneCounts gene expression in the form of RNA-seq counts
- geneExpr gene expression on a continuous scale
- info metadata about the study design

varPartDEdata

A simulated dataset of gene counts

Description

- geneCounts gene expression in the form of RNA-seq counts
- geneExpr gene expression on a continuous scale
- info metadata about the study design
- geneCounts gene expression in the form of RNA-seq counts
- geneExpr gene expression on a continuous scale
- info metadata about the study design

Usage

```
data(varPartData)
data(varPartData)
```

Format

A dataset of 24 samples and 19,364 genes

A dataset of 24 samples and 19,364 genes

varPartResults-class Class varPartResults

Description

Class varPartResults

vcov, MArrayLM-method *Co-variance matrix for* dream() *fit*

Description

Define generic vcov() for result of lmFit() and dream()

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
vcov(object, vobj, coef)
```

Arguments

object MArrayLM object return by lmFit() or dream()

vobj EList object returned by voom()
coef name of coefficient to be extracted

Value

variance-covariance matrix

vcov, MArrayLM2-method Co-variance matrix for dream() fit

Description

Define generic vcov() for result of lmFit() and dream()

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
vcov(object, vobj, coef)
```

Arguments

object MArrayLM object return by lmFit() or dream()

vobj EList object returned by voom()
coef name of coefficient to be extracted

Value

variance-covariance matrix

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vcovSqrt Sqrt of co-variance matrix for dream() fit

Description

Define generic vcovSqrt() for result of lmFit() and dream()

Usage

```
vcovSqrt(object, vobj, coef, approx = TRUE)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM'
vcovSqrt(object, vobj, coef, approx = TRUE)
## S4 method for signature 'MArrayLM2'
vcovSqrt(object, vobj, coef, approx = TRUE)
```

Arguments

object MArrayLM object return by lmFit() or dream()

vobj EList object returned by voom()
coef name of coefficient to be extracted

approx use fast approximation

Value

Computes factor of covariance matrix so that vcov(object) is the same as crossprod(vcovSqrt(object))

Examples

```
# load simulated data:
# geneExpr: matrix of *normalized* gene expression values
# info: information/metadata about each sample
data(varPartData)

form <- ~Batch

fit <- dream(geneExpr[1:2, ], form, info)
fit <- eBayes(fit)

# Compute covariance directly
Sigma <- vcov(fit, geneExpr[1:2, ])

# Compute factor of covariance
S <- crossprod(vcovSqrt(fit, geneExpr[1:2, ]))</pre>
```

Description

Transform count data to log2-counts per million (logCPM), estimate the mean-variance relationship and use this to compute appropriate observation-level weights. The data are then ready for linear mixed modelling with dream(). This method is the same as limma::voom(), except that it allows random effects in the formula

Usage

```
voomWithDreamWeights(
  counts,
  formula,
  data.
  lib.size = NULL,
  normalize.method = "none",
  span = 0.5,
 weights = NULL,
  prior.count = 0.5,
  prior.count.for.weights = prior.count,
  plot = FALSE,
  save.plot = TRUE,
  rescaleWeightsAfter = FALSE,
  scaledByLib = FALSE,
  priorWeightsAsCounts = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = SerialParam(),
)
```

Arguments

| counts | a numeric matrix containing raw counts, or an ExpressionSet containing raw | | |
|--------|--|--|--|
| | counts, or a DGEList object. Counts must be non-negative and NAs are not | | |

permitted.

formula specifies variables for the linear (mixed) model. Must only specify covariates,

since the rows of exprObj are automatically used as a response. e.g.: \sim a + b + (1|c) Formulas with only fixed effects also work, and lmFit() followed by

contrasts.fit() are run.

data data. frame with columns corresponding to formula

lib.size numeric vector containing total library sizes for each sample. Defaults to the

normalized (effective) library sizes in counts if counts is a DGEList or to the

columnwise count totals if counts is a matrix.

normalize.method

the microarray-style normalization method to be applied to the logCPM values (if any). Choices are as for the method argument of normalizeBetweenArrays when the data is single-channel. Any normalization factors found in counts will

still be used even if normalize.method="none".

span width of the lowess smoothing window as a proportion. Setting span="auto"

uses fANCOVA::loess.as() to estimate the tuning parameter from the data

weights Can be a numeric matrix of individual weights of same dimensions as the counts,

or a numeric vector of sample weights with length equal to ncol(counts)

prior.count average count to be added to each observation to avoid taking log of zero. The

count applied to each sample is normalized by library size so given equal log

CPM for a gene with zero counts across multiple samples

prior.count.for.weights

count added to regularize weights

plot logical, should a plot of the mean-variance trend be displayed?

save.plot logical, should the coordinates and line of the plot be saved in the output?

rescaleWeightsAfter

default = FALSE, should the output weights be scaled by the input weights

scaledByLib if TRUE, scale pseudocount by lib.size. Else to standard constant pseudocount

addition

priorWeightsAsCounts

if weights is NULL, set weights to be equal to counts, following delta method

for log2 CPM

BPPARAM parameters for parallel evaluation
... other arguments are passed to 1mer.

Details

Adapted from voom() in limma v3.40.2

Value

An EList object just like the result of limma::voom()

See Also

limma::voom()

Examples

```
# library(variancePartition)
```

library(edgeR)

library(BiocParallel)

data(varPartDEdata)

normalize RNA-seq counts

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```
dge <- DGEList(counts = countMatrix)
dge <- calcNormFactors(dge)

# specify formula with random effect for Individual
form <- ~ Disease + (1 | Individual)

# compute observation weights
vobj <- voomWithDreamWeights(dge[1:20, ], form, metadata)

# fit dream model
res <- dream(vobj, form, metadata)
res <- eBayes(res)

# extract results
topTable(res, coef = "Disease1", number = 3)</pre>
```

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Subseting for MArrayLM2

Description

Enable subsetting on MArrayLM2 object. Same as for MArrayLM, but apply column subsetting to df.residual and cov.coefficients.list

Arguments

| object | MArrayLM2 |
|--------|-----------|
| i | row |
| j | col |

Value

subset

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