# Package 'methyLImp2'

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beta	A subset of GSE199057 dataset for vignette demonstration	

# Description

The GSE199057 Gene Expression Omnibus dataset contains 68 mucosa samples from non-colon-cancer patients, from which we randomly sampled 24. Methylation data were measured on EPIC arrays and after removal of sex chromosomes and SNPs loci, it contains 816 126 probes. Preprocessing can be found on the \_methyLImp2\_simulation github page https://github.com/annaplaksienko/methyLImp2\_simulation github page https://github.com/annaplaksienko/methyLImp2\_simulation.

# Usage

data(beta)

# Format

A numeric matrix

# Value

A numeric matrix

## **Source**

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi

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beta_meta	Metadata information for GSE199057 dataset for vignette demonstra-
	tion

# Description

The GSE199057 Gene Expression Omnibus dataset contains 68 mucosa samples from non-colon-cancer patients, from which we randomly sampled 24. Dataset contains metadata for those.

## Usage

```
data(beta_meta)
```

### **Format**

A data.frame

## Value

A data.frame.

### **Source**

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi

## **Description**

A snippet from an annotation for 450K methylation dataset from ChAMPdata package. Only 5 CpGs are chosen simply to provide an example of the data frame organization.

# Usage

```
data(custom_anno_example)
```

## **Format**

A data.frame

### Value

A data.frame.

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evaluatePerformance

Evaluate performance metrics: root mean square error (RMSE), mean absolute error (MAE), mean absolute percentage error (MAPE) and Pearson correlation coefficient (PCC).

## Description

This function computes performance metrics as an element-wise difference between two matrices (skipping NA elements that were not imputed):  $RMSE = \sqrt{\sum_i (true_i - est_i)^2 / \#NAs)}; * MAE = \sum_i |true_i - est_i| / \#NAs; * MAPE = \frac{100}{n} \sum_i |true_i - est_i / true_i| \text{ (here we omit the true beta-values equal to 0 and their predicted values to avoid an indeterminate measure); * <math display="block"> PCC = \frac{\sum_i (true_i - tr\bar{u}e_i) \sum_i (est_i - e\bar{s}t_i)}{\sqrt{\sum_i (true_i - tr\bar{u}e_i)^2}} \sqrt{\sum_i (est_i - e\bar{s}t_i)^2}.$ 

## Usage

evaluatePerformance(beta\_true, beta\_imputed, na\_positions)

## **Arguments**

beta\_true first numeric data matrix.
beta\_imputed second numeric data matrix

na\_positions a list where each eleme

a list where each element is a list of two elements: column id and ids of rows with NAs in that column (structure matches the output of generateMissingData function). We need this because some NAs in the dataset are from real data and not artificial, so we can't evaluate the performance of the method on them since we do not know real value. Therefore, we need to know the positions of artificial NAs.

#### Value

A numerical vector of four numbers: root mean square error (RMSE), mean absolute error (MAE), mean absolute percentage error (MAPE) and Pearson correlation coefficient (PCC).

### **Examples**

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extract_values	Extract a vector of beta values of interest out of a matrix, given the
	positions of artificial NAs

### **Description**

Extract a vector of beta values of interest out of a matrix, given the positions of artificial NAs

# Usage

```
extract_values(beta, na_positions)
```

## **Arguments**

beta numeric data matrix

na\_positions a list where each element is a list of two elements: column id and ids of rows

with NAs in that column (structure matches the output of generateMissingData function). We need this because some NAs in the dataset are from real data and not artificial, so we can't evaluate the performance of the method on them since we do not know real value. Therefore, we need to know the positions of artificial

NAs.

#### Value

A numerical vector of beta values

generateMissingData Generation of artificial missing values

## **Description**

This function generates missing values for the simulation purposes (to apply *methyLImp* method and then compare the imputed values with the true ones that have been replaced by NAs). First, we randomly choose 3% of all probes. Then for each of the chosen probes, we randomly define the number of NAs from a Poisson distribution with  $\lambda$ , appropriate to the sample size of the dataset (unless specified by the user, here we use  $\lambda = 0.15*\#samples + 0.2$ ). Finally, these amount of NAs is randomly placed among the samples.

## Usage

```
generateMissingData(beta, lambda = NULL)
```

# Arguments

beta a numeric data matrix into which one wants to add some missing values

lambda a number, parameter of the Poisson distribution that will indicate how many

samples will have missing values in each selected probe.

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### Value

A list with two slots: a numeric data matrix with generated NAs in some entries and a list of positions of those NAs.

# **Examples**

```
data(beta)
beta_with_nas <- generateMissingData(beta, lambda = 3.5)</pre>
```

inv.plogit

Inverse of the pseudo-logit function.

# Description

Inverse of the pseudo-logit function.

# Usage

```
inv.plogit(X, min = 0, max = 1)
```

# Arguments

X a numeric matrix

min a number, default value is 0 max a number, default value is 1

### Value

A numeric matrix

methyLImp2

Impute missing values in methylation dataset

# Description

This function performs missing value imputation specific for DNA methylation data. The method is based on linear regression since methylation levels show a high degree of inter-sample correlation. Implementation is parallelised over chromosomes to improve the running time.

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#### Usage

```
methyLImp2(
   input,
   which_assay = NULL,
   type = c("450K", "EPIC", "user"),
   annotation = NULL,
   groups = NULL,
   range = NULL,
   skip_imputation_ids = NULL,
   BPPARAM = BiocParallel::bpparam(),
   minibatch_frac = 1,
   minibatch_reps = 1,
   overwrite_res = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

input

either a numeric data matrix with missing values to be, with named samples in rows and variables (probes) in named columns, or a SummarizedExperiment object, with an assay with variables in rows and samples in columns, as standard.

which\_assay

a character specifying the name of assay of the SummarizedExperiment object to impute. By default the first one will be imputed.

type

a type of data, 450K or EPIC. Type is used to split CpGs across chromosomes. Match of CpGs to chromosomes is taken from ChAMPdata package. If you wish to provide your own match, specify "user" in this argument and provide a data frame in the next argument.

annotation

a data frame, user provided match between CpG sites and chromosomes. Must contain two columns: cpg and chr. Choose "user" in the previous argument to be able to provide user annotation.

groups

a vector of the same length as the number of samples that identifies what groups does each sample correspond, e.g. c(1, 1, 2, 3) or c("group1", "group1", "group2", "group3"). Unique elements of the vector will be identified as groups and data will be split accordingly. Imputation will be done for each group separately consecutively. The default is NULL, so all samples are considered as one group.

range

a vector of two numbers, min and max, specifying the range of values in the data. Since we assume the beta-value representation of the methylation data, the default range is [0,1]. However, if a user wishes to apply the method to the other kind of data, they can change the range in this argument.

skip\_imputation\_ids

a numeric vector of ids of the columns with NAs for which *not* to perform the imputation. If NULL, all columns are considered.

**BPPARAM** 

set of options for parallelization through BiocParallel package. For details we refer to their documentation. The one thing most users probably wish to customize is the number of cores. By default it is set to #cores - 2. If you wish to change is, supply BBPARAM = SnowParam(workers = ncores) with your desired ncores. If the default or user-specified number of workers is higher than number of chromosomes, it will be overwritten. We also recommend setting exportglobals = FALSE since it can help reduce running time.

minibatch\_frac a number between 0 and 1, what fraction of samples to use for mini-batch computation. Remember that if your data has several groups, mini-batch will be applied to each group separately but with the same fraction, so choose it accordingly. However, if your chosen fraction will be smaller than a matrix dimension for some groups, mini-batch will be just ignored. We advise to use mini-batch only if you have large number of samples, order of hundreds. The default is 1

(i.e., 100% of samples are used, no mini-batch).

minibatch\_reps a number, how many times to repeat computations with a fraction of samples

specified above (more times -> better performance but more runtime). The default is 1 (as a companion to default fraction of 100%, i.e. no mini-batch).

overwrite\_res a boolean specifying whether to overwrite an imputed slot of the Summarized-

Experiment object or to add another slot with imputed data. The default is TRUE

to reduced the object size.

#### Value

Either a numeric matrix with imputed data or a SummarizedExperiment object.

## **Examples**

methyLImp2\_internal

Impute missing values in methylation dataset

### **Description**

Impute missing values in methylation dataset

# Usage

```
methyLImp2_internal(
  dat,
  min,
  max,
  skip_imputation_ids,
  minibatch_frac,
  minibatch_reps
)
```

### **Arguments**

dat a numeric data matrix with missing values, with samples in rows and variables

(probes) in columns.

min a number, minimum value for bounded-range variables. Default is 0 (we assume beta-value representation of the methylation data). Can be user provided in case

of other types of data.

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max

a number, maximum value for bounded-range variables. Default is 1 (we assume beta-value representation of the methylation data). Can be user provided in case of other types of data.

skip\_imputation\_ids

a numeric vector of ids of the columns with NAs for which *not* to perform the imputation. If NULL, all columns are considered.

minibatch\_frac a number, what percentage of samples to use for mini-batch computation. The default is 1 (i.e., 100% of samples are used, no mini-batch).

minibatch\_reps a number, how many times repeat computations with a fraction of samples (more times - better performance). The default is 1 (as a companion to default fraction of 100%. i.e. no mini-batch).

# Value

A numeric matrix out with imputed data is returned.

pinvr

Computes the Moore-Penrose generalized inverse of a matrix. Allows rank reduction of the generalized inverse. This function is directly taken from MASS package (code on GPLv3 license) and modified in order to include the rank reduction option. The added code for rank reduction is commented in the implementation.

## **Description**

Computes the Moore-Penrose generalized inverse of a matrix. Allows rank reduction of the generalized inverse. This function is directly taken from MASS package (code on GPLv3 license) and modified in order to include the rank reduction option. The added code for rank reduction is commented in the implementation.

## Usage

```
pinvr(X, max.sv = min(dim(X)), tol = sqrt(.Machine$double.eps))
```

## Arguments

X a numeric matrix

tol a number

#### Value

A numeric matrix

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Pseudo-logit function

## **Description**

Pseudo-logit function

## Usage

```
plogit(X, min = 0, max = 1)
```

#### **Arguments**

X a numeric matrix

min a number, default value is 0 max a number, default value is 1

### Value

A numeric matrix

split\_by\_chromosomes Split methylation dataset into a list by chromosomes

## **Description**

This function split a given methylation dataset into a list of datasets according to a given annotation.

### Usage

```
split_by_chromosomes(data, type = c("450K", "EPIC", "user"), annotation = NULL)
```

## Arguments

data a numeric data matrix with with samples in rows and variables (probes) in named

columns.

type a type of data, 450K or EPIC. Type is used to split CpGs across chromosomes.

Match of CpGs to chromosomes is taken from ChAMPdata package. If you wish to provide your own match, specify "user" in this argument and provide a

data frame in the next argument.

annotation a data frame, user provided match between CpG sites and chromosomes. Must

contain two columns: cpg and chr. Choose "user" in the previous argument to

be able to provide user annotation.

#### Value

A list of numeric data matrices where each matrix contains probes from one chromosome.

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