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Description This package provides a framework to perform Non-negative Matrix Factorization (NMF). It implements a set of already published algorithms and seeding methods, and provides a framework to test, develop and plug new/custom algorithms. Most of the built-in algorithms have been optimized in C++, and the main interface function provides an easy way of performing parallel computations on multicore machines.

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NMF-package

NMF Package Overview

Description

The NMF package provides methods to perform Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF) , as well as a framework to develop and test new NMF algorithms.

A number of standard algorithms and seeding methods are implemented. Tuned visualisation and post-analysis methods help in the evaluation of the algorithms' performances or in the interpretation of the results.

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References

If you use the 'NMF' package in publications cite:

Renaud Gaujoux, Cathal Seoighe (2010). A flexible R package for nonnegative matrix factorization. *BMC Bioinformatics* 2010, **11**:367 <http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2105/11/367>

For pointers on further readings, please see references therein.

Definition of Nonnegative Matrix Factorization in its modern formulation:

Lee D.D. and Seung H.S. (1999). Learning the parts of objects by non-negative matrix factorization. *Nature*, **401**, 788–791.

Historical first definition and algorithms:

Paatero, P., Tapper, U. (1994). Positive matrix factorization: A non-negative factor model with optimal utilization of error estimates of data values. *Environmetrics*, **2**, 111–126, doi:10.1002/env.3170050203.

See Also

[NMF-class](#), [nmf](#), [Biobase](#)

Examples

```
# run default NMF algorithm on a random matrix
V <- matrix(runif(10000), 500, 20)
res <- nmf(V, 3)
res

# compute some quality measures
summary(res)

# Visualize the results as heatmaps
## Not run: metaheatmap(res) # mixture coefficients
## Not run: metaheatmap(res, 'features') # basis vectors

# run default NMF algorithm on a random matrix with actual patterns
set.seed(123456)
V <- syntheticNMF(500, 3, 20, noise=TRUE)
res <- nmf(V, 3)
res

# compute some quality measures
summary(res)

# Visualize the results as heatmaps
## Not run: metaheatmap(res) # mixture coefficients
## Not run: metaheatmap(res, 'features') # basis vectors
```

advanced*Advanced usage of package NMF*

Description

The functions documented here provide advanced functionalities useful when developing within the framework implemented in the NMF package.

Usage

```
isNMFfit(object, recursive=TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	any R object.
<code>recursive</code>	if TRUE and <code>object</code> is a list then the check is performed on each element of the list. Note that the recursivity only applies in the case of lists that are not themselves NMFfit objects, unlike <code>NMFfitXn</code> objects for which the result of <code>isNMFfit</code> will always be TRUE (a single logical value).

Details

isNMFfit tells if an object results from an NMF fit. That is it checks if `object` inherits from class `NMFfit` or from class `NMFfitX`, which are returned by the function `nmf`. If `object` is a list and `recursive=TRUE`, then the check is performed on each element of the list, and the return value is a vector (or a list if `object` is a list of list) of the same length as `object`.

Value

For `isNMFfit`, a logical vector (or a list if `object` is a list of list) of the same length as `object`.

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See Also

[NMFfit](#), [NMFfitX](#)

Examples

```
# generate a random 50 x 10 matrix
V <- rmatrix(50, 10)

# single run
res <- nmf(V, 3)
isNMFfit(res)

# multiple runs - keeping single fit
resm <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=3)
isNMFfit(resm)

# multiple runs - keeping all fits
resM <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=3, .opt='k')
isNMFfit(resM)

# with a list of results
isNMFfit(list(res, resm, resM, 'not a result'))
isNMFfit(list(res, list(resm, resM), 'not a result')) # list of list
isNMFfit(list(res, resm, resM, 'not a result'), recursive=FALSE)
```

basis/coef

Get/Set the matrix factors in a NMF model

Description

`basis` and `basis<-` are S4 generic functions which respectively extract and set the matrix of basis vectors (i.e. the first matrix factor) of a NMF model. For example, in the case of the standard NMF model $V \equiv WH$, method `basis` will return matrix W .

`coef` and `coef<-` are S4 methods defined for the associated generic functions from package `stats` (See [coef](#)). They respectively extract and set the matrix of mixture coefficients (i.e. the second matrix factor) of a NMF model. For example, in the case of the standard NMF model $V \equiv WH$, method `coef` will return matrix H .

Methods `coefficients` and `coefficients<-` are simple aliases for methods `coef` and `coef<-` respectively.

Methods

basis `signature(object = "NMF")`: Extracts the matrix of basis vectors from NMF model object.

Note that it is implemented as a pure virtual method, that must be overloaded by sub-classes that implement concrete NMF models. It throws an error if directly called. See [NMF](#) for more details.

basis`<-` signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): Sets the matrix of basis vectors from NMF model object.

Note that it is implemented as a pure virtual method, that must be overloaded by sub-classes that implement concrete NMF models. It throws an error if directly called. See [NMF](#) for more details.

coef signature(object = "NMF"): Extracts the matrix of mixture coefficients from NMF model object.

Note that it is implemented as a pure virtual method, that must be overloaded by sub-classes that implement concrete NMF models. It throws an error if directly called. See [NMF](#) for more details.

coef`<-` signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): Sets the matrix of mixture coefficients from NMF model object.

Note that it is implemented as a pure virtual method, that must be overloaded by sub-classes that implement concrete NMF models. It throws an error if directly called. See [NMF](#) for more details.

See Also

NMF, NMFstd, NMFfit

Comparing the results of different NMF runs
Comparing Results from Different NMF Runs

Description

This functions allow to compare the results of different NMF runs. The results do not need to be from the same algorithm, nor even of the same dimension.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'ANY':
as.NMFList(..., unlist=FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'list':
compare(object, ..., unlist=FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFList':
plot(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFList':
summary(object, sort.by=NULL, select=NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>object</code>	A list or an object of class <code>NMFList</code> .
<code>select</code>	the columns to be output in the result <code>data.frame</code> . The column are given by their names (partially matched). The column names are the names of the summary measures returned by the <code>summary</code> methods of the corresponding NMF results.
<code>sort.by</code>	the sorting criteria, i.e. a partial match of a column name, by which the result <code>data.frame</code> is sorted. The sorting direction (increasing or decreasing) is computed internally depending on the chosen criteria (e.g. decreasing for the cophenetic coefficient, increasing for the residuals).
<code>unlist</code>	boolean to specify if the arguments should be unlisted before wrapping them into a <code>NMFList</code> object or comparing them.
<code>x</code>	An object of class <code>NMFList</code> .
<code>...</code>	Used to pass extra arguments to subsequent calls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in <code>as.NMFList</code> the list of NMF results to wrap into a <code>NMFList</code> object. • in <code>plot</code>: graphical parameters passed to the <code>plot</code> function. • in <code>compare</code> and <code>summary</code>: extra arguments passed to the <code>summary</code> method of each result object (cf. <code>summary, NMF-method</code>).

Details

as.NMFList : wrap the arguments into a `NMFList` object.

compare : shortcut for `summary(as.NMFList(object))` (cf. `summary` method below).

plot : plot on a single graph the residuals tracks for each element in `x`. See function `nmf` for details on how to enable the tracking of residuals.

runtime : returns the computational time used to compute all the results in the list, as stored in slot `runtime` of object.

The time is computed using the function `system.time` which returns object of class `proc_time`.

Note that argument `...` is not used.

summary : `summary` method for objects of class `NMFList`.

It compute summary measures for each NMF result in the list and return them in rows in a `data.frame`. By default all the measures are included in the result, and NA values are used where no data is available or the measure does not apply to the result object (e.g. the dispersion for single NMF runs is not meaningful). This method is very useful to compare and evaluate the performance of different algorithms.

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References

Metagenes and molecular pattern discovery using matrix factorization Brunet, J.-P., Tamayo, P., Golub, T.-R., and Mesirov, J.-P. (2004) Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 101(12), 4164–4169.

Sparse non-negative matrix factorizations via alternating non-negativity-constrained least squares for microarray data analysis Kim, H. & Park, H. (2007) Bioinformatics. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btm134>.

See Also

[NMFfitX1](#), [NMFfitXn](#), [summary](#)

Examples

```
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes: 50 features, 18 samples (5+5+8)
n <- 50; counts <- c(5, 5, 8);
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)
## Not run: metaHeatmap(V)

# build the class factor
groups <- as.factor(do.call('c', lapply(seq(3), function(x) rep(x, counts[x]))))

# perform multiple runs of NMF (keep best only)
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5)
res

# compute summary measures
summary(res)

# compute more summary measures
summary(res, target=V, class=groups)

# plot a heatmap of the consensus matrix with extra annotations
## Not run: metaHeatmap(res, class=groups)

# retrieve the predicted clusters of samples
predict(res)

# perform multiple runs of NMF and keep all the runs
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5, .options='k')
res

# extract best fit
fit(res)

# compute/show computational times
runtime.all(res)
seqtime(res)
```


Description

The original data is related to Golub et al., and this version is the one used and referenced in Brunet et al. The samples are from 27 patients with acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL) and 11 patients with acute myeloid leukemia (AML).

The samples were assayed using Affymetrix Hgu6800 chips and the original data on the expression of 7129 genes (Affymetrix probes) are available on the Broad Institute web site (see references below).

The data in `esGolub` were obtained from the web site related to Brunet et al.'s publication on an application of Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (see link in section *Source*).

They contain the 5,000 most highly varying genes according to their coefficient of variation, and were installed in an object of class `ExpressionSet-class`.

Usage

```
data(esGolub)
```

Format

There are 3 covariates listed.

- Samples: The original sample labels.
- ALL.AML: Whether the patient had AML or ALL. It is a `factor` with levels `c('ALL', 'AML')`.
- Cell: ALL arises from two different types of lymphocytes (T-cell and B-cell). This specifies which for the ALL patients; There is no such information for the AML samples. It is a `factor` with levels `c('T-cell', 'B-cell', NA)`.

Source

<http://www.broadinstitute.org/publications/broad872>

References

Metagenes and molecular pattern discovery using matrix factorization Brunet, J.-P., Tamayo, P., Golub, T.-R., and Mesirov, J.-P. (2004) Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 101(12), 4164–4169.

Molecular Classification of Cancer: Class Discovery and Class Prediction by Gene Expression Monitoring, Science, 531-537, 1999, T. R. Golub and D. K. Slonim and P. Tamayo and C. Huard and M. Gaasenbeek and J. P. Mesirov and H. Coller and M.L. Loh and J. R. Downing and M. A. Caligiuri and C. D. Bloomfield and E. S. Lander

Original data from Golub et al.: http://www-genome.wi.mit.edu/mpr/data_set_ALL_AML.html

Examples

```
data(esGolub)
esGolub
## Not run: pData(esGolub)
```

fcnnls

Fast Combinatorial Non-Negative Least-Square

Description

This function solves the following non-negative least square linear problem using normal equations and the fast combinatorial strategy from Benthem and Keenan (2004):

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \|Y - XK\|_F \\ \text{s.t. } & K \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $\|\cdot\|_F$ is the Frobenius norm.

The resulting algorithm is very fast to converge compared to other approaches.

Within the NMF package, this algorithm is used internally by the SNMF/R(L) algorithm from Kim and Park (2007) to solve general Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF) problems, using alternating non-negative constrained least-squares. That is by iteratively and alternatively estimate each matrix factor (see section *References*).

It is provided separately so that it can be used to solve other types of non-negative least squares problem. For faster computation, please the internal – non-exported – function `NMF:::fcnnls`. The code is a port from the original MATLAB code used in Kim and Park (2007) (see references).

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'matrix,matrix':
fcnnls(x, y, verbose=FALSE, pseudo=TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	the coefficient matrix
<code>y</code>	the target matrix to be approximated by XK .
<code>verbose</code>	toggle verbosity (default is <code>FALSE</code>).
<code>pseudo</code>	By default (<code>pseudo=FALSE</code>) the algorithm uses Gaussian elimination to solve the successive internal linear problems, using the <code>solve</code> function. If <code>pseudo=TRUE</code> the algorithm uses Moore-Penrose generalized <code>pseudoinverse</code> from the <code>corpcor</code> package instead of <code>solve</code> .
<code>...</code>	extra arguments passed to the internal function <code>.fcnnls</code> . Currently not used.

Details

Given two real matrices Y and X , of dimension $n \times p$ and $n \times r$ respectively, this algorithm solves for the optimal nonnegative matrix K ($r \times p$) such that:

$$\begin{aligned} \min & \|Y - XK\|_F \\ \text{s.t. } & K \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where $\|\cdot\|_F$ is the Frobenius norm.

It is based on the active/passive set method. It uses the unconstrained solution K_u obtained from the unconstrained least squares problem, i.e. $\min \|Y - XK\|_F^2$, so as to determine the initial passive sets.

Value

The returned value is a list containing the following components:

<code>x</code>	the estimated optimal matrix K .
<code>fitted</code>	the fitted matrix XK .
<code>residuals</code>	the residual matrix $Y - XK$.
<code>deviance</code>	the residual sum of squares between the fitted matrix XK and the target matrix Y . That is the sum of the square residuals.
<code>passive</code>	a rxp logical matrix containing the passive set, that is the set of entries in K that are not null (i.e. strictly positive).
<code>pseudo</code>	a logical that is <code>TRUE</code> if the computation was performed using the pseudoinverse. See argument <code>pseudo</code> .

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References

M. H. van Benthem and M. R. Keenan (2004). Fast algo-rithm for the solution of large-scale non-negativity-constrained least squares problems. *J. Chemometrics* 2004, **18**:441-450.

Kim, H. and Park, H. (2007). Sparse non-negative matrix factorizations via alternating non-negativity-constrained least squares for microarray data analysis. *Bioinformatics* 2007; **23**(12):1495-502.

Original MATLAB code from Van Benthem and Keenan, slightly modified by H. Kim: <http://www.cc.gatech.edu/~hpark/soft>

See Also

[nmf](#)

Examples

```
## Define a random non-negative matrix matrix
n <- 200; p <- 20; r <- 3
V <- matrix(runif(n*p), n, p)

## Compute the optimal matrix K for a given X matrix
X <- matrix(runif(n*r), n, r)
res <- fcnnls(X, V)

## Compute the same thing using the Moore-Penrose generalized pseudoinverse
res <- fcnnls(X, V, pseudo=TRUE)

## It also works in the case of single vectors
y <- runif(n)
res <- fcnnls(X, y)
# or
res <- fcnnls(X[,1], y)
```

Handling the results of multiple NMF runs

Handling Results from Multiple NMF Runs

Description

The NMF package provides an easy way to perform multiple runs of a given NMF algorithm on a target matrix.

The result from the `nmf` method is a `NMFfitX` object that holds either all or only the best run, depending on the running options:

```
# keep only the best run object <- nmf(X, r, nrun=20) # keep all the
runs object <- nmf(X, r, nrun=20, .options='k')
```

The methods documented here are used to handle such results. They are usually independent of the type of result and can be used without change in either situation (all runs kept or only the best one).

Note that when only the best result is kept, the result object conveniently inherits from all the methods available for single runs. Therefore it can be handled as if it had been computed by a single NMF run and all the methods defined for such results can be used (cf. `NMFfit` and `NMFutils`).

See `NMFfitXn` and `NMFfitX1` for details on the classes that implement respectively the case where all the runs are kept and only the best run is kept.

Usage

```
consensus(object, ...)
```

```
cophcor(object, ...)
```

```

dispersion(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfitX':
fit(object)

nrun(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfitX':
metaHeatmap(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfitXn':
predict(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfitX':
runtime.all(object)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfitXn':
runtime.all(object, null=FALSE, warning=TRUE)

seqtime(object, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfitX':
summary(object, ...)

```

Arguments

<code>null</code>	used in method <code>runtime.all</code> for <code>NMFfitXn</code> objects to specify if the result should be <code>NULL</code> when the object has no time data is stored the total computation time. In this case, if <code>null=FALSE</code> (default), the method returns the sequential time (cf. <code>seqtime</code> below) instead of <code>NULL</code> . It also emits a warning which can be toggle with argument <code>warning</code> .
<code>object</code>	A matrix or an object that inherits from class <code>NMFfitX</code> or <code>NMFfit</code> – depending on the method.
<code>warning</code>	used in method <code>runtime.all</code> for <code>NMFfitXn</code> objects to specify if a warning should be emitted when the object has no time data the total computation time and the sequential time is returned instead of <code>NULL</code> (cf. argument <code>null</code>).
<code>...</code>	Used to pass extra arguments to subsequent calls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in <code>metaHeatmap</code>: graphical parameters passed to function <code>heatmap.2</code> • in <code>predict</code>: extra arguments passed to function <code>predict, NMF-method</code> • in <code>summary</code>: extra arguments like <code>target</code> or <code>class</code> passed to the method <code>summary, NMFfit-method</code>.

Details

consensus :

Computes the consensus matrix associated to the multiple NMF runs described by `object`. It is computed as the mean connectivity matrix of all the runs.

It's been proposed by *Brunet et al. (2004)* to help visualising and measuring the stability of the clusters obtained by NMF approaches.

For objects of class `NMF` (e.g. results of a single NMF run, or NMF models), the consensus matrix reduces to the connectivity matrix.

Note that argument `...` is not used.

cophcor Computes the cophenetic correlation coefficient of consensus matrix `object`, generally obtained from multiple NMF runs.

The cophenetic correlation coefficient is based on the consensus matrix (i.e. the average of connectivity matrices) and was proposed by *Brunet et al. (2004)* to measure the stability of the clusters obtained from NMF.

It is defined as the Pearson correlation between the samples' distances induced by the consensus matrix (seen as a similarity matrix) and their cophenetic distances from a hierarchical clustering based on these very distances (by default an average linkage is used). See *Brunet et al. (2004)*.

Note that argument `...` is not used.

dispersion Computes the dispersion coefficient of consensus matrix `object`, generally obtained from multiple NMF runs.

The dispersion coefficient is based on the consensus matrix (i.e. the average of connectivity matrices) and was proposed by *Kim and Park (2007)* to measure the reproducibility of the clusters obtained from NMF. It is defined as:

$$\rho = \sum_{i,j=1}^n 4(C_{ij} - \frac{1}{2})^2.$$

, where n is the total number of samples.

We have $0 \leq \rho \leq 1$ and $\rho = 1$ only for a perfect consensus matrix, where all entries 0 or 1. A perfect consensus matrix is obtained only when all the connectivity matrices are the same, meaning that the algorithm gave the same clusters at each run. See *Kim and Park (2007)*

Note that argument `...` is not used.

fit : returns the element that achieves the lowest residual approximation error across the runs.

For `NMFfitX1` objects it coerces `object` into a `NMFfit` object. For `NMFfitXn` objects it builds and searches the vector of residuals of all the fits and returns the one with the minimum value.

Note that argument `...` is not used.

metaHeatmap Produces a heatmap of the consensus matrix using a heatmap-like custom function, with parameters tuned for displaying such result.

The function used to draw the heatmap is a mixture of the function `heatmap.2` from the `gplots` package, and the function `heatmap.plus` from the `heatmap.plus` package. It allows to add extra annotation rows using the `ColSideColor` argument. See [heatmap.2](#) and [heatmap.plus](#).

nrun returns the number of NMF runs performed to compute `object`.

In the case of a `NMFfitXn` object it returns its length – as it is also a list. In the case of a `NMFfitX1` object it returns the value of its slot `nrun`. In the case of a `NMFfit` object it always returns 1 (this method exists to create a uniform access interface to NMF results).

Note that argument `...` is not used.

predict returns a `factor` that gives the predicted cluster index for each sample (resp. for each feature) based on the *best NMF factorization* stored in `object`.

The index correspond to the basis vector that most contributes to the sample (resp. to which the feature contributes the most). See [predict](#) for more details.

runtime.all : returns the computational time used to compute all the runs and create `object`. The time is computed using base function `system.time` which returns object of class `proc_time`.

For `NMFfitXn` objects, there is also another time measure returned by the `seqtime` method, which computes the sequential computational time, that is the sum of the computational time used by each run.

Note that argument `...` is not used.

seqtime : returns the sequential CPU time spent of all the runs in the `object` – which must be an instance of class `NMFfitXn`. It is the sum of the CPU time used to compute each run. It returns `NULL` if the `object` is empty.

Note that argument `...` is not used.

summary : summary method for objects of class `NMFfitX`.

It computes a set of measures to help evaluate the quality of the *best factorization* of the set. The result is similar to the result from the `summary` method of `NMFfit` objects. See [NMF](#) for details on the computed measures. In addition, the cophenetic correlation coefficient and the dispersion coefficient of the consensus matrix are returned, as well as the total computational time. See the related methods above.

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Sparse non-negative matrix factorizations via alternating non-negativity-constrained least squares for microarray data analysis Kim, H. & Park, H. (2007) Bioinformatics. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btm134>.

See Also

[NMFfitX1](#), [NMFfitXn](#), [summary](#)

Examples

```
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes: 50 features, 18 samples (5+5+8)
n <- 50; counts <- c(5, 5, 8);
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)
## Not run: metaHeatmap(V)

# build the class factor
```

```
groups <- as.factor(do.call('c', lapply(seq(3), function(x) rep(x, counts[x]))))

# perform multiple runs of NMF (keep best only)
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5)
res

# compute summary measures
summary(res)

# compute more summary measures
summary(res, target=V, class=groups)

# plot a heatmap of the consensus matrix with extra annotations
## Not run: metaHeatmap(res, class=groups)

# retrieve the predicted clusters of samples
predict(res)

# perform multiple runs of NMF and keep all the runs
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5, .options='k')
res

# extract best fit
fit(res)

# compute/show computational times
runtime.all(res)
seqtime(res)
```

NMF - integration with Bioconductor

Layer to use the NMF package within Bioconductor

Description

The package NMF provides an optional layer for working with common objects defined in the Bioconductor platform.

It provides:

- computation functions that support `ExpressionSet` objects as inputs.
- alias functions whose names are more intuitive when NMF is applied to bioinformatics data.
- specialized vizualization methods that adapt the titles and legend using bioinformatics terminology.
- functions to link the results with annotations, etc...

Methods

distance signature(target = "ExpressionSet", x = "NMF", method, ...): returns the distance between the expression matrix and a NMF model, according to a given measure. If both argument target and x are missing, this function returns the function defined by argument method. The later can either be a function or a character string that correspond to a registered distance metric. For the moment only the metrics 'KL' and 'euclidean' are defined.

metagenes signature(object = "NMF"): returns the metagenes matrix according to the model defined in object. It is a simple alias to method [basis](#).

metagenes<- signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): sets the metagenes matrix in object, and returns the updated object. It is a simple alias to method [basis<-](#).

metaprofiles signature(object = "NMF"): returns the metaprofiles matrix according to the model defined in object. It is a simple alias to method [coef](#).

metaprofiles<- signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): sets the metaprofiles matrix in object, and returns the updated object. It is a simple alias to method [coef<-](#).

nmeta signature(object = "NMF"): returns the number of metagenes use in NMF model object. It's an alias to [nbasis](#).

See Also

NMF, NMF-utils

NMF dimensions

Dimension names for NMF objects

Description

The methods `dimnames`, `rownames`, `colnames` and `basisnames` and their respective replacement form allow to get and set the dimension names of the matrix factors in a NMF model.

They behave as their equivalent on `matrix` objects, and ensure that the dimension names are handled in a consistent way on both factors – especially `basisnames<-` which affects both matrix factors simultaneously.

The methods `dimnames` and `basisnames` are implemented as S4 methods, while the methods `rownames` and `colnames` are the default ones that make use of the result from `dimnames`.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
basisnames(x)
## S3 method for class 'NMF':
basisnames(x, ...) <- value

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
```

```
dimnames(x)
## S3 replacement method for class 'NMF':
dimnames(x) <- value
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class NMF .
<code>value</code>	a character vector, or <code>NULL</code> or, in the case of <code>dimnames<-</code> , a list 2 or 3-length list of character vectors. See section <i>Details</i> for more details.
<code>...</code>	extra argument to pass to internal methods. Not used.

Details

basisnames, basisnames<- : returns (resp. simultaneously sets) the names of the columns of the matrix of basis vectors and the rows of the mixture coefficient matrix.

colnames, colnames<- : returns/sets the names of the columns of the mixture coefficient matrix. Note that the standard arguments `do.NULL`, `prefix` as described in [colnames](#) must not be used.

rownames, rownames<- : returns/sets the names of the columns of the basis vector matrix. Note that the standard arguments `do.NULL`, `prefix` as described in [rownames](#) must not be used.

dimnames `signature(x = "NMF")`: returns the dimension names of the NMF model `x`. It returns a 3-length list containing the row names of the basis matrix, the column names of the mixture coefficient matrix, and the column names of the basis matrix (i.e. the basis vector names).

dimnames<- `signature(x = "NMF", value)`: sets the dimension names of the NMF model `x`. `value` can be `NULL` which resets all dimension names, or a 2 or 3-length list providing names at least for the rows of the basis vector matrix and the columns of the mixture coefficient matrix. If present, the optional third element of `value` is used to set both the names of the columns of the basis vector matrix and the rows of the mixture coefficient matrix. If a third element is not present these dimension names are set to `NULL`.

Examples

```
# create a random NMF object
a <- nmfModel(3, 10, 5)
a <- rn timer(a)

# set dimensions
dims <- list( features=paste('f', 1:nrow(a), sep=''), samples=paste('s', 1:ncol(a), sep=''),
dimnames(a) <- dims
dimnames(a)
basis(a)
coef(a)

# access the dimensions separately
```

```

rownames(a)
colnames(a)
basisnames(a)

# set only the two first dimensions (rows and columns of basis and coef respectively)
dimnames(a) <- dims[1:2]
dimnames(a)
basis(a)

# set each dimensions separately
rownames(a) <- paste('X', 1:nrow(a), sep='') # only affect rows of basis
basis(a)

colnames(a) <- paste('Y', 1:ncol(a), sep='') # only affect columns of coef
coef(a)

basisnames(a) <- paste('Z', 1:nbasis(a), sep='') # affect both basis and coef matrices
basis(a)
coef(a)

```

NMF-class

Interface Class for Nonnegative Matrix Factorisation Models

Description

This is a *virtual class* that defines a common interface to handle Nonnegative Matrix Factorisation models (NMF models) in a generic way.

It provides the definition for a minimum set of generic methods that are used in common computations and tasks in the context of Nonnegative Matrix Factorisations.

Class NMF makes it easy to develop new models that integrates well into the general framework implemented by the *NMF* package.

Following a few simple guidelines, new models benefit from all the functionalities available to built-in NMF models – that derive themselves from class NMF. See section *Defining new NMF models* below.

See section [NMFstd](#), references and links therein for details on the standard NMF model and its – built-in – extensions.

Slots

This class contains a single slot, that is used internally during the computations.

misc: A list that is used internally to temporarily store algorithm parameters during the computation.

The purpose of this class is to define a common interface for NMF models as a collection of generic methods. Classes that inherits from class NMF are responsible for the management of data storage and the implementation of the interface's pure virtual methods.

Defining new NMF models

The minimum requirement to define a new NMF model that integrates into the framework of the *NMF* package are the followings:

- Define a class that inherits from class `NMF` and implements the new model. Say class `myNMF`.
 - Implement the following S4 methods for the new class `myNMF`:
 - fitted** signature(object = "myNMF", value = "matrix"): Must return the estimation of the target matrix as fitted by the NMF model object.
 - basis** signature(object = "myNMF"): Must return the matrix of basis vectors (e.g. the first matrix factor in the standard NMF model).
 - basis<-** signature(object = "myNMF", value = "matrix"): Must return object with the matrix of basis vectors set to value.
 - coef** signature(object = "myNMF"): Must return the matrix of mixture coefficients (e.g. the second matrix factor in the standard NMF model).
 - coef<-** signature(object = "myNMF", value = "matrix"): Must return object with the matrix of mixture coefficients set to value.
- The *NMF* package ensures these methods are defined for classes that inherits from class `NMF`, as the methods defined for signatures (object='NMF', ...) and (object='NMF', value='matrix') throw an error when called.
- Optionally, implement method `rnmf(signature(object="myNMF", target="numeric"))`. This method should fill model object (of class `myNMF`) with random values to fit a target matrix, whose dimension is given by the 2-length numeric vector `target`.

For concrete examples of NMF models implementations, see class `NMFstd` and its extensions (e.g. classes `NMFOffset` or `NMFns`).

Objects from the Class

Strictly speaking, because class `NMF` is virtual, no object of class `NMF` can be instantiated, only objects from its sub-classes. However, those objects are sometimes shortly referred in the documentation as "NMF objects" instead of "objects that inherits from class `NMF`".

For built-in models or for models that inherit from the standard model class `NMFstd`, the factory method `nmfModel` enables to easily create valid NMF objects in a variety of common situations. See `nmfModel` for more details.

Methods

[signature(x = "NMF", i, j, ..., drop=FALSE): sub-setting method for object of class `NMF`. Row subsets are applied to the basis matrix rows, while column subsets are applied to the mixture coefficient matrix. A third index can be provided to subset on the basis components (e.g `x[,1:3]`).

See `NMF?subset` or `method?'[,NMF'`.

basis signature(object = "NMF"): returns the matrix of basis vectors according to the model defined in object. This is a *pure virtual* method that needs to be defined for the sub-classes of class `NMF` that implements concrete models. See also `basis`.

- basis**`<-` signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): sets the matrix of basis vectors in object, and returns the updated object. This is a *pure virtual* method that needs to be defined for the sub-classes of class NMF that implements concrete models. See also [basis](#).
- basisnames** signature(object = "NMF"): returns the names of the columns of the matrix of basis vectors, that are also always the names of the rows of the mixture coefficient matrix. See [basisnames](#).
- basisnames**`<-` signature(object = "NMF", value='ANY'): simultaneously sets the names of the columns of the matrix of basis vectors AND the rows of the mixture coefficient matrix. See [basisnames](#)`<-`.
- coef** signature(object = "NMF"): returns the matrix of mixture coefficients according to the model defined in object. This is a *pure virtual* method that needs to be defined for the sub-classes of class NMF that implements concrete models. See also [coef](#).
- coef**`<-` signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): sets the matrix of mixture coefficients in object, and returns the updated object. This is a *pure virtual* method that needs to be defined for the sub-classes of class NMF that implements concrete models. See also [coef](#)`<-`.
- coefficients** signature(object = "NMF"): This is a simple alias to method [coef](#). See also [coefficients](#).
- coefficients**`<-` signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): This is a simple alias to method [coef](#)`<-`. See also [coef](#).
- connectivity** signature(x = "NMF"): returns the connectivity matrix associated to the clusters based on NMF factorization x. The connectivity matrix C of a clustering is the symmetric matrix that shows the shared membership of the samples: entry C_{ij} is 1 if samples i and j belong to the same cluster, 0 otherwise.
- consensus** signature(object = "NMF"): returns the consensus matrix associated with multiple runs of NMF, as the the mean connectivity matrix across the runs. For objects of class NMF, it reduces to the connectivity matrix, and the method is defined to create a uniform access interface to NMF results.
- dim** signature(x = "NMF"): returns a 3-length vector containing the dimension of the target matrix together with the NMF factorization rank. For example `c(2000, 30, 3)` for a NMF object that fits a 2000x30 target matrix using 3 basis vectors.
- dimnames** signature(x = "NMF"): returns the dimension names of the NMF model x. See [dimnames-NMF](#).
- dimnames**`<-` signature(x = "NMF", value): sets the dimension names of the NMF model x. See [dimnames-NMF](#).
- distance** signature(target = "matrix", x = "NMF", method, ...): returns the distance between a target matrix and a NMF model, according to a given measure. If both argument `target` and `x` are missing, this function returns the function defined by argument `method`. The later can either be a function or a character string that correspond to a registered distance metric. For the moment only the metric 'KL' and 'euclidean' are defined.
- entropy** signature(x = "NMF", class = "factor"): computes the entropy of NMF model x given a priori known groups of samples. See generic function [entropy](#) for more details.
- evvar** signature(object = "NMF", target): computes the explained variance of NMF model object that approximates target. See generic function [evvar](#) for more details.

- featureNames** signature(object = "NMF"): returns the row names of the basis matrix. If BioConductor is installed this method is defined for the generic function `featureNames` from the Biobase package.
- featureNames<-** signature(object = "NMF", value = "ANY"): sets the row names of the basis matrix. Argument value must be in a format accepted by the `rownames` method defined for matrices. If BioConductor is installed this method is defined for the generic function `featureNames<-` from the Biobase package.
- fitted** signature(object = "NMF"): computes the target matrix estimated by NMF model object. This is a *pure virtual* method that needs to be implemented by the sub-classes of class NMF that implements concrete models.
- featureScore** signature(x = "NMF"): Computes a score for each feature that reflects its specificity to one of the basis vector. The definition of the score follows *Kim and Park (2007)*. See references for more details.
- extractFeatures** signature(x = "NMF"): extract the features that are the most specific to each basis vector. It follows *Kim and Park (2007)*'s methodology. See references for more details.
- is.empty.nmf** signature(object = "NMF"): Tells if object is an empty the NMF model, that is it contains no data. It returns TRUE if the matrices of basis vectors and mixture coefficients have respectively zero rows and zero columns. It returns FALSE otherwise. This means that an empty model can still have a non-zero number of basis vectors. For example, this happens in the case of NMF models created using factory method `nmfModel` with no initialisation for any factor matrices.
- metaHeatmap** Produces a heatmap of the basis or mixture matrix using function `heatmap.2` with parameters tuned for displaying NMF results. See `metaHeatmap` for more details.
- modelName**: returns the name of the model fitted by the object. It corresponds to the name of the S4 class of the object.
- nbasis** signature(x = "NMF"): returns the number of basis vectors used in NMF model x. It is the number of columns of the matrix of basis vectors.
- predict** signature(object = "NMF"): returns a factor that gives the predicted cluster index for each sample (resp. for each feature) based on NMF factorization object. The index correspond to the basis vector that most contribute to the sample (resp. to which the feature contribute the most). See `predict` details on extra arguments.
- purity** signature(x = "NMF", class = "factor"): computes the purity of NMF model x given a priori known groups of samples. The purity definition can be found in *Kim and Park (2007)*. See references for more details.
- rnmf** signature(x = "NMF", target): seeds NMF model x with random values drawn from a uniform distribution. The result is a NMF model of the same class as x with basis and mixture matrices filled with random values.
- Argument target can be either:
- numeric it must be of length 2 (resp. 1), and give the dimension of the target matrix (resp. symmetric matrix) to fit. The result is a random NMF model.
 - missing it returns `rnmf(x, c(nrow(x), ncol(x)))`, that is a random NMF model with the same dimensions as defined in model x.

matrix it returns `rmnf(x, dim(target))`, that is a random NMF model that fits a matrix of the same dimension as `target`. The values are drawn within the interval `[0, max(target)]`.

This method's version with signature `(object='NMF', target='numeric')` might need to be overloaded if the initialisation of the specific NMF model requires setting values for data other than the basis and mixture matrices. The overloading methods must call the generic version using function `callNextMethod`.

rss signature(`object = "NMF"`): returns the Residual Sum of Squares (RSS) between the target matrix and its estimation by the NMF model `object`. *Hutchins et al. (2008)* used the variation of the RSS in combination with *Lee and Seung's* algorithm to estimate the correct number of basis vectors. See `rss` for details on its usage.

sampleNames signature(`object = "NMF"`): returns the column names of the mixture coefficient matrix. If BioConductor is installed this method is defined for the generic function `sampleNames` from the Biobase package.

sampleNames<- signature(`object = "NMF", value = "ANY"`): sets the columns names of the basis matrix. Argument `value` must be in a format accepted by the `colnames` method defined for matrices. If BioConductor is installed this method is defined for the generic function `sampleNames<-` from the Biobase package.

show signature(`object = "NMF"`): standard generic show method for objects of class NMF. It displays the model class (i.e. the name of the sub-class that implements the concrete model), the dimension of the target matrix, and the number of basis vectors.

sparseness signature(`x = "NMF"`): compute the average sparseness of the basis vectors and mixture coefficients. See *Hoyer (2004)* for more details.

summary signature(`x = "NMF"`): standard generic summary method for objects of class NMF. It computes a set of measures to evaluate the quality of the factorization.

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See Also

Main interface to perform NMF in [nmf-methods](#).

Built-in NMF models and factory method in [nmfModel](#).

Method [seed](#) to set NMF objects with values suitable to start algorithms with.

Examples

```
# show all the NMF models available (i.e. the classes that inherit from class NMF)
nmfModel()
# show all the built-in NMF models available
nmfModel(builtin.only=TRUE)

# class NMF is a virtual class so cannot be instantiated:
# the following generates an error
## Not run: new('NMF')

# To instantiate a NMF model, use factory method nmfModel. see ?nmfModel
nmfModel(3)
nmfModel(3, model='NMFns')
```

nmf-methods

Main Interface to run NMF algorithms

Description

This method implements the main interface to launch NMF algorithms within the framework defined in package NMF. It allows to combine NMF algorithms with seeding methods. The returned object can be directly passed to visualisation or comparison methods.

For a tutorial on how to use the interface, please see the package's vignette: `vignette('NMF')`

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'matrix,numeric,function':
nmf(x, rank, method, name, objective='euclidean', model='NMFstd',
    , mixed=FALSE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'matrix,numeric,character':
nmf(x, rank, method, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'matrix,numeric,NMFStrategy':
nmf(x, rank, method, seed=nmf.getOption('default.seed'),
    , nrun=1, model=NULL, .options=list(),
    , .pbackend = nmf.getOption("parallel.backend"))
```



```
, .callback = NULL
, ...)
```

Arguments

method	<p>The algorithm to use to perform NMF on <code>x</code>. Different formats are allowed: character, function. If missing, the method to use is retrieved from the NMF package's specific options by <code>nmf.getOption("default.algorithm")</code> (the default built-in option is <code>'brunet'</code>). See section <i>Methods</i> for more details on how each format is used.</p>
mixed	<p>Boolean that states if the algorithm requires a nonnegative input matrix (<code>mixed=FALSE</code> which is the default value) or accepts mixed sign input matrices (<code>mixed=TRUE</code>). An error is thrown if the sign required is not fulfilled. This parameter is useful to plug-in algorithms such as semi-NMF, that typically does not impose nonnegativity constraints on both the input and the basis component matrices. If <code>NULL</code> then the NMF model is used</p>
model	<p>When <code>method</code> is a function, argument <code>model</code> must be either a single character string (default to <code>'NMFstd'</code>) or a list that specifies values for slots in the NMF model. The NMF model to be instantiated can optionally be given by its class name in the first element of the list [note: A NMF model is defined by a S4 class that extends class <code>NMF</code>]. If no class name is specified then the default model is used, see <code>NMFstd</code>.</p> <p>When <code>method</code> is a single character string or a <code>NMFStrategy</code> object, argument <code>model</code> must be <code>NULL</code> (default) or a list. Note that in this case the NMF model is defined by the NMF strategy itself and cannot be changed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If a single character string, argument <code>model</code> must be the name of the class that defines the NMF model to be instantiated. Arguments in <code>...</code> are handled in the same way as when <code>model</code> is <code>NULL</code>, see below. • If a list all and only its elements are used to initialise the NMF model's slots. • if <code>NULL</code>, the arguments in <code>...</code> that have the same name as slots in the NMF model associated with the NMF strategy of name <code>method</code> are used to initialise these slots. <p>Important: Values to initialise the NMF model's slots can be passed in <code>...</code>. However, if argument <code>model</code> is a list – even empty – then all and only its elements are used to initialise the model, those in <code>...</code> are directly passed to the algorithm.</p> <p>So to pass a parameter to the NMF algorithm, that has the same name as a slot in the NMF model, argument <code>model</code> MUST be a list – possibly empty – and contains all the values one wants to use for the NMF model slots.</p> <p>If a variable appears in both argument <code>model</code> and <code>...</code>, the former will be used to initialise the NMF model, the latter will be passed to the NMF algorithm. See code examples for an illustration of this situation.</p>
name	<p>A character string to be used as a name for the custom NMF algorithm.</p>

<code>nrun</code>	Used to perform multiple runs of the algorithm. It specifies the number of runs to perform <code>.</code> . This argument is useful to achieve stability when using a random seeding method.
<code>objective</code>	Used when <code>method</code> is a function. It must be A character string giving the name of a built-in distance method or a function to be used as the objective function. It is used to compute the residuals between the target matrix and its NMF estimate.
<code>.callback</code>	<p>Used when option <code>keep.all=FALSE</code> (default). It allows to pass a callback function that is called after each run when performing multiple runs (i.e. with <code>nrun>1</code>). This is useful for example if one is also interested in saving summary measures or process the result of each NMF fit before it gets discarded. After each run, the callback function is called with only one argument, the <code>NMFfit</code> object that as just been fitted: <code>.callback(res)</code> Therefore all other arguments should have default values.</p> <p>The results of the different calls to the callback function are stored in a miscellaneous slot accessible by <code>result\$.callback</code> (assuming one ran <code>result <- nmf(...)</code>). If no error occurs <code>result\$.callback</code> contains the list "simplified" by applying the <code>sapply</code> function, which will try to convert a list with similar components into a vector, a matrix or a data.frame. If any error occurs in one of the callback calls, then global computation is NOT stopped, but the error is still stored in <code>result\$.callback</code>, which is then a list.</p> <p>See the examples for a sample code.</p>
<code>.options</code>	<p>this argument is used to set some runtime options. It can be list containing the named options and their values, or, in the case only boolean options need to be set, a character string that specifies which options are turned on or off. The string must be composed of characters that correspond to a given option. Characters '+' and '-' are used to explicitly specify on and off respectively. E.g. <code>.options='tv'</code> will toggle on options <code>track</code> and <code>verbose</code>, while <code>.options='t-v'</code> will toggle on option <code>track</code> and off option <code>verbose</code>. Note that '+' and '-' apply to all option character found after them. The default behaviour is to assume that <code>.options</code> starts with a '+'. The following options are available (note the characters that correspond to each option, to be used when <code>.options</code> is passed as a string):</p> <p>debug - d Toggle debug mode. Like option <code>verbose</code> but with more information displayed.</p> <p>keep.all - k used when performing multiple runs (<code>nrun>1</code>): if toggled on, all factorizations are saved and returned, otherwise only the factorization achieving the minimum residuals is returned.</p> <p>parallel - p this option is useful on multicore *nix or Mac machine only, when performing multiple runs (<code>nrun > 1</code>). If toggled on, the runs are performed using the parallel backend defined in argument <code>.pbackend</code>. If this is set to <code>'mc'</code> then one tried to perform the runs using multiple cores with package <code>link[package:doMC]{doMC}</code> – which therefore needs to be installed.</p> <p>Unlike option 'P' (capital 'P'), if the computation cannot be performed in parallel, then it will still be carried on sequentially.</p>

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR MAC OS X USERS: The parallel computation is based on the `doMC` and `multicore` packages, so the same care should be taken as stated in the vignette of `doMC`: “*it is not safe to use doMC from R.app on Mac OS X. Instead, you should use doMC from a terminal session, starting R from the command line.*”

parallel.required - P Same as `p`, but an error is thrown if the computation cannot be performed in parallel.

restore.seed - r used when seeding the NMF computation with a numeric seed. When `TRUE` (default) the random seed (`.Random.seed`) is restored to its value as before the call to the `nmf` function.

track - t enables (resp. disables) error tracking. When `TRUE`, the returned object's slot `residuals` contains the trajectory of the objective values. This tracking functionality is available for all built-in algorithms.

verbose - v Toggle verbosity. If on, messages about the configuration and the state of the current run(s) are displayed.

<code>.pbackend</code>	define the parallel backend (from the <code>foreach</code> package) to use when running in parallel mode. See options <code>p</code> and <code>P</code> in argument <code>.options</code> . Currently it accepts the following values: <code>'mc'</code> or a number that specifies the number of cores to use, <code>'seq'</code> or <code>NULL</code> to use sequential backend.
<code>rank</code>	The factorization rank to achieve [i.e a single positive numeric]
<code>seed</code>	The seeding method to use to compute the starting point passed to the algorithm. See section <i>Seeding methods</i> for more details on the possible classes and types for argument <code>seed</code> .
<code>x</code>	The target object to estimate. It can be a <code>matrix</code> , a <code>data.frame</code> , an <code>ExpressionSet</code> object (this requires the <code>Biobase</code> package to be installed). See section <i>Methods</i> for more details.
<code>...</code>	Extra parameters passed to the NMF algorithm's <code>run</code> method or used to initialise the NMF model slots. If argument <code>model</code> is not supplied as a <code>list</code> , ANY of the arguments in <code>...</code> that have the same name as slots in the NMF model to be instantiated will be used to initialise these slots. See also the <i>Important</i> paragraph in argument <code>model</code> .

Value

The returned value depends on the run mode:

Single run: An object that inherits from class `NMF`.

Multiple runs, single method:

When `nrun > 1` and `method` is NOT a `list`, this method returns an object of class `NMFfitX`.

Multiple runs, multiple methods:

When `nrun > 1` and `method` is a `list`, this method returns an object of class `NMFList`.

Methods

x = "matrix", rank = "numeric", method = "list" Performs NMF on matrix `x` for each algorithm defined in the `list method`.

- x = "data.frame", rank = "ANY", method = "ANY"** Performs NMF on a `data.frame`: the target matrix is the converted `data.frame` as `as.matrix(x)`
- x = "ExpressionSet", rank = "ANY", method = "ANY"** Performs NMF on an `ExpressionSet`: the target matrix is the expression matrix `exprs(x)`.
- This method requires the `Biobase` package to be installed. Special methods for bioinformatics are provided in an optional layer, which is automatically loaded when the `Biobase` is installed. See [NMF-bioc](#).
- x = "matrix", rank = "numeric", method = "character"** Performs NMF on a `matrix` using an algorithm whose name is given by parameter `method`. The name provided must partially match the name of a registered algorithm. See section *Algorithms* below or the package's vignette for a list of the implemented algorithms and their respective names.
- x = "matrix", rank = "numeric", method = "function"** Performs NMF using a custom algorithm defined by a `function`. It must have signature `(x=matrix, start=NMF, ...)` and return an object that inherits from class `NMF`. It should use its argument `start` as a starting point.

NMF Algorithms

All algorithms are accessible by their respective names listed below. The following algorithms are available:

- brunet** Standard NMF. Based on Kullbach-Leibler divergence, it uses simple multiplicative updates from *Lee and Seung (2000)*, enhanced to avoid numerical underflow. See *Brunet et al. (2004)*.
- lee** Standard NMF. Based on euclidean distance, it uses simple multiplicative updates. See *Lee and Seung (2000)*.
- nsNMF** Nonsmooth NMF. Uses a modified version of Lee and Seung's multiplicative updates for Kullbach-Leibler divergence to fit a extension of the standard NMF model. It is meant to give sparser results. See *Pascual-Montatno et al. (2006)*.
- offset** Uses a modified version of Lee and Seung's multiplicative updates for euclidean distance, to fit a NMF model that includes an intercept. See *Badea (2008)*.
- pe-nmf** Pattern-Expression NMF. Uses multiplicative updates to minimize an objective function based on the Euclidean distance and regularized for effective expression of patterns with basis vectors. See *Zhang et al. (2008)*.
- snmf/r, snmf/l** Alternating Least Square (ALS) approach from *Kim and Park (2007)*.

Optimized C++ vs. plain R

Lee and Seung's multiplicative updates are used by several NMF algorithms. To improve speed and memory usage, a C++ implementation of the specific matrix products is used whenever possible. It directly computes the updates for each entry in the updated matrix, instead of using multiple standard matrix multiplication.

The algorithms that benefit from this optimization are: `'brunet'`, `'lee'`, `'nsNMF'` and `'offset'`. However there still exists plain R versions for these methods, which implement the updates as standard matrix products. These are accessible by adding the prefix `'R#'` to their name: `'R#brunet'`, `'R#lee'`, `'R#nsNMF'` and `'R#offset'`.

Seeding methods

The purpose of seeding methods is to compute initial values for the factor matrices in a given NMF model. This initial guess will be used as a starting point by the chosen NMF algorithm.

The seeding method to use in combination with the algorithm can be passed to interface `nmf` through argument `seed`. Detailed examples of how to specify the seeding method and its parameters can be found in the *Examples* section of this man page and in the package's vignette.

Argument `seed` accepts the following formats:

- a character string:** giving the name of a *registered* seeding method. The corresponding method will be called to compute the starting point.
- a list:** giving the name of a *registered* seeding method and, optionally, extra parameters to pass to it.
- a single numeric:** that is used to seed the random number generator. The value will be used in a call to the `set.seed` function before computing a starting point with the 'random' seeding method.
- an object that inherits from `NMF`:** it should contain the data of an initialised NMF model, that is it must contain valid basis and mixture coefficient matrices. It will be directly passed to the algorithm's method – via its argument `seed`.
- a function:** that computes the starting point. It must have signature `(object=NMF, target=matrix, ...)` and return an object that inherits from class `NMF`. Argument `object` should be used as a template for the returned object.

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See Also

class `NMF`, `NMF-utils`, package's vignette

Examples

```
## DATA
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes: 100 features, 23 samples (10+5+8)
n <- 100; counts <- c(10, 5, 8); p <- sum(counts)
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)
dim(V)

# build the class factor
groups <- as.factor(do.call('c', lapply(seq(3), function(x) rep(x, counts[x]))))

## RUN NMF ALGORITHMS

# run default algorithm
res <- nmf(V, 3)
res
summary(res, class=groups)

# run default algorithm multiple times (only keep the best fit)
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=10)
res
summary(res, class=groups)

# run default algorithm multiple times keeping all the fits
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=10, .options='k')
res
summary(res, class=groups)

## Not run:
## Note: one could have equivalently done
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=10, .options=list(keep.all=TRUE))

## End(Not run)

# run nonsmooth NMF algorithm
res <- nmf(V, 3, 'nsNMF')
res
summary(res, class=groups)

## Not run:
## Note: partial match also works
nmf(V, 3, 'ns')
```

```

## End(Not run)

## Not run:
# Non default values for the algorithm's parameters can be specified in '...'
res <- nmf(V, 3, 'nsNMF', theta=0.8)

## End(Not run)

# compare some NMF algorithms (tracking the residual error)
res <- nmf(V, 3, list('brunet', 'lee', 'nsNMF'), seed=123456, .opt='t')
res
summary(res, class=groups)
# plot the track of the residual errors
## Not run: plot(res)

# run on an ExpressionSet (requires package Biobase)
## Not run:
data(esGolub)
nmf(esGolub, 3)

## End(Not run)

## USING SEEDING METHODS

# run default algorithm with the Non-negative Double SVD seeding method ('nndsvd')
nmf(V, 3, seed='nndsvd')

## Not run:
## Note: partial match also works
nmf(V, 3, seed='nn')

## End(Not run)

# run nsNMF algorithm, fixing the seed of the random number generator
nmf(V, 3, 'nsNMF', seed=123456)

# run default algorithm specifying the starting point following the NMF standard model
start.std <- nmfModel(W=matrix(0.5, n, 3), H=matrix(0.2, 3, p))
nmf(V, seed=start.std)

# to run nsNMF algorithm with an explicit starting point, this one
# needs to follow the 'NMFns' model:
start.ns <- nmfModel(model='NMFns', W=matrix(0.5, n, 3), H=matrix(0.2, 3, p))
nmf(V, seed=start.ns)
# Note: the method name does not need to be specified as it is inferred from the
# when there is only one algorithm defined for the model.

# if the model is not appropriate (as defined by the algorithm) an error is thrown
# [cf. the standard model doesn't include a smoothing parameter used in nsNMF]
## Not run: nmf(V, method='ns', seed=start.std)

## Callback functions
# Pass a callback function to only save summary measure of each run

```

```

res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=3, .callback=summary)
# the callback results are simplified into a matrix
res$.callback

# Pass a custom callback function
cb <- function(obj){ sparseness(obj) >= 0.5 }
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=3, .callback=cb)
res$.callback

# Pass a callback function which throws an error
cb <- function(){ i<-0; function(object){ i <- i+1; if( i == 1 ) stop('SOME BIG ERROR'); su
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=3, .callback=cb())

```

NMF-utils

Class and Utility Methods for NMF objects

Description

Define generic interface methods for class `NMF`, which is the base – virtual – class of the results from any NMF algorithms implemented within package NMF's framework.

Usage

```

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
connectivity(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF,factor':
entropy(x, class, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
evar(object, target)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfit':
residuals(object, track=FALSE, ...)

rss(object, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
rss(object, target)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
featureScore(object, method=c('kim', 'max'))

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
extractFeatures(object, method=c('kim', 'max')
, format=c('list', 'combine', 'subset'))

```



```
## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
metaHeatmap(object, what=c('samples', 'features'), filter=FALSE, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
nmfApply(object, MARGIN, FUN, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMFfit':
plot(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
predict(object, what = c('samples', 'features'), prob=FALSE)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF,factor':
purity(x, class, ...)

randomize(x, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
sparseness(x)

syntheticNMF(n, r, p, offset=NULL, noise=FALSE, return.factors=FALSE)
```

Arguments

class	<p>A factor giving a known class membership for each sample.</p> <p>In methods <code>entropy</code> and <code>purity</code>, argument <code>class</code> is coerce to a factor if necessary.</p>
filter	<p>Relevant when <code>what='features'</code>. It specifies how to filter the features that will appear in the heatmap. When <code>FALSE</code> (default), all the features are used.</p> <p>Other possible values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>TRUE</code>: only the features that are basis-specific are used, using Kim and Park's method (cf. references below and method <code>extractFeatures</code>). • a single character string that specifies the filtering method to be used to select the basis-specific features that should appear in the heatmap (cf. argument <code>method</code> for function <code>extractFeatures</code> below). • a logical vector of length <code>nrow(object)</code> (i.e. the number of features) that specifies which features that should appear in the heatmap. • a numeric vector of length <code>nrow(object)</code> (i.e. the number of features) that specifies the index of the features that should appear in the heatmap.
format	<p>the output format of the extracted features. Possible values are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>list</code> (default) a list with one element per basis vector, each containing the indices of the basis-specific features. • <code>combine</code> a single integer vector containing the indices of the basis-specific features for ALL the basis. • <code>subset</code> the object <code>object</code> subset to contain only the basis-specific features.

<code>FUN</code>	the function to be applied: see 'Details'. In the case of functions like <code>+</code> , <code>%*%</code> , etc., the function name must be backquoted or quoted. See <code>link[base]{apply}</code> for more details.
<code>MARGIN</code>	a vector giving the subscripts which the function will be applied over. <code>1</code> indicates rows, <code>2</code> indicates columns, <code>c(1, 2)</code> indicates rows and columns. See <code>link[base]{apply}</code> for more details.
<code>method</code>	Method used to compute the feature scores and selecting the features. Possible values are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <code>kim</code> (default) to use Kim and Park (2007) scoring schema and feature selection method. The features are first scored using the function <code>featureScore</code>. Then only the features that fulfil both following criteria are retained: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - score greater than $\hat{\mu} + 3\hat{\sigma}$, where $\hat{\mu}$ and $\hat{\sigma}$ are the median and the median absolute deviation (MAD) of the scores respectively; - the maximum contribution to a basis component is greater than the median of all contributions (i.e. of all elements of W) See <i>Kim and Park (2007)</i>. • <code>max</code> where the score is the maximum contribution of each feature to the basis vectors and the selection method is the one described in <i>Carmona-Saez (2006)</i>. Briefly, for each basis vector, the features are first sorted in descending order by their contribution to the basis vector. Then, one selects only the first consecutive features from the sorted list whose highest contribution in the basis matrix is found in the considered basis (see section <i>References</i>).
<code>n</code>	Number of rows of the synthetic target matrix.
<code>noise</code>	if <code>TRUE</code> , a random noise is added the target matrix.
<code>object</code>	A <code>matrix</code> or an object that inherits from class <code>NMF</code> or <code>NMFfit</code> – depending on the method.
<code>offset</code>	a vector giving the offset to add to the synthetic target matrix. Its length should be equal to the number of rows <code>n</code> .
<code>prob</code>	Should the probability associated with each cluster prediction be computed and returned.
<code>p</code>	Number of columns of the synthetic target matrix. Not used if parameter <code>r</code> is a vector (see description of argument <code>r</code>).
<code>r</code>	Underlying factorization rank. If a single <code>numeric</code> is given, the classes are randomly generated from a multinomial distribution. If a numerical vector is given, then it should contain the counts in the different classes (i.e integers). In such a case argument <code>p</code> is not used and the number of columns is forced to be the sum of the counts.
<code>return.factors</code>	If <code>TRUE</code> , the underlying matrices W and H are also returned.
<code>target</code>	the target object estimated by model <code>object</code> . It can be a <code>matrix</code> or an <code>ExpressionSet</code> .
<code>track</code>	if <code>TRUE</code> , the whole residuals track is returned. Otherwise only the last residuals computed is returned.

<code>what</code>	Specifies on which matrix, basis components (<code>what='features'</code>) or mixture coefficients (<code>what='samples'</code>) the computation should be performed.
<code>x</code>	for <code>randomize</code> : the <code>matrix</code> or <code>ExpressionSet</code> object whose entries will be randomised. for <code>plot</code> : An object that inherits from class <code>NMFfit</code> . otherwise: An object that inherits from class <code>NMF</code> .
<code>...</code>	Used to pass extra parameters to subsequent calls: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in <code>metaHeatmap</code>: Graphical parameters passed to function <code>heatmap.2</code> • in <code>nmfApply</code>: optional arguments to function <code>FUN</code>. • in <code>randomize</code>: passed to the <code>sample</code> function. • in <code>residuals</code>: not used.

Details

connectivity Computes the connectivity matrix for the samples based on their mixture coefficients.
The connectivity matrix of a clustering is a matrix C containing only 0 or 1 entries such that:

$$C_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if sample } i \text{ belongs to the same cluster as sample } j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

entropy The entropy is a measure of performance of a clustering method, in recovering classes defined by factor a priori known (i.e. one knows the true class labels). Suppose we are given l categories, while the clustering method generates k clusters. Entropy is given by:

$$Entropy = -\frac{1}{n \log_2 l} \sum_{q=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^l n_q^j \log_2 \frac{n_q^j}{n_q}$$

, where:

- n is the total number of samples;
- n is the total number of samples in cluster q ;
- n_q^j is the number of samples in cluster q that belongs to original class j ($1 \leq j \leq l$).

The smaller the entropy, the better the clustering performance.

See *Kim and Park (2007)*.

evan Computes the explained variance of the NMF model object.

For a target V It is defined as:

$$evan = 1 - \frac{RSS}{\sum_{i,j} v_{ij}^2}$$

,

where RSS is the residual sum of squares.

It is usefull to compare the performance of different models and their ability to accurately reproduce the original target matrix. Note that a possible caveat is that some methods explicitly aim at minimizing the RSS (i.e. maximizing the explained variance), while others do not.

extractFeatures Identify the most basis-specific features, using different methods. See details of argument `method`.

featureScore Computes the feature scores as suggested in *Kim and Park (2007)*.

The score for feature i is defined as:

$$S_i = 1 + \frac{1}{\log_2 k} \sum_{q=1}^k p(i, q) \log_2 p(i, q),$$

where $p(i, q)$ is the probability that the i -th feature contributes to basis q :

$$p(i, q) = \frac{W(i, q)}{\sum_{r=1}^k W(i, r)}$$

The feature scores are real values within the range $[0, 1]$. The higher the feature score the more basis-specific the corresponding feature.

metaHeatmap Produces a heatmap of the basis components or mixture coefficients using a `heatmap`-like custom function, with parameters tuned for displaying NMF results.

The function used to draw the heatmap is a mixture of the function `heatmap.2` from the `gplots` package, and the function `heatmap.plus` from the `heatmap.plus` package. It allows to add extra annotation rows using the `ColSideColor` argument. See [heatmap.2](#) and [heatmap.plus](#).

nmfApply `apply`-like method for objects of class `NMF`.

When argument `MARGIN=1`, it calls the base method `apply` to apply function `FUN` to the *rows* of the basis component matrix.

When `MARGIN=2`, it calls the base method `apply` to apply function `FUN` on the *columns* of the mixture coefficient matrix.

See [apply](#) for more details on the output format.

plot plots the residuals track of the run that computed object `x`. See function `nmf` for details on how to enable the tracking of residuals.

predict Computes the dominant basis component for each sample (resp. feature) based on its associated entries in the mixture coefficient matrix (i.e in H) (resp. basis component matrix (i.e in W)).

When `what='samples'` the computation is performed on the mixture coefficient matrix, or on the transposed basis matrix when `what='features'`.

For each column, the dominant basis component is computed as the row index for which the entry is the maximum within the column.

If argument `prob=FALSE` (default), the result is a `factor`. Otherwise it returns a list with two elements: element `predict` contains the computed indexes (as a `factor`) and element `prob` contains the vector of the associated probabilities, that is the relative contribution of the maximum entry within each column.

purity Computes the purity of a clustering given a known factor.

The purity is a measure of performance of a clustering method, in recovering the classes defined by a factor a priori known (i.e. one knows the true class labels). Suppose we are given l categories, while the clustering method generates k clusters. Purity is given by:

$$Purity = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{q=1}^k \max_{1 \leq j \leq l} n_q^j$$

, where:

- n is the total number of samples;

- n_q^j is the number of samples in cluster q that belongs to original class j ($1 \leq j \leq l$).

The purity is therefore a real number in $[0, 1]$. The larger the purity, the better the clustering performance.

See *Kim and Park (2007)*.

randomize permute the row entries within each column of x , using a different permutation for each column.

The extra arguments in `...` are passed to the `sample` function, and will be used for each column.

The result is a `matrix` of the same dimension as x (or `exprs(x)` in the case x is an `ExpressionSet` object.).

residuals returns the – final – residuals between the target matrix and the NMF result object. They are computed using the objective function associated to the NMF algorithm that returned object. When called with `track=TRUE`, the whole residuals track is returned, if available. Note that method `nmf` does not compute the residuals track, unless explicitly required.

It is a S4 methods defined for the associated generic functions from package `stats` (See [residuals](#))

See `nmf` and `NMFfit`.

rss returns the Residual Sum of Squares (RSS) between the target object `target` and its estimation by the object. *Hutchins et al. (2008)* used the variation of the RSS in combination with *Lee and Seung's* algorithm to estimate the correct number of basis vectors. The optimal rank is chosen where the graph of the RSS first shows an inflexion point. See references.

Note that this way of estimation may not be suitable for all models. Indeed, if the NMF optimization problem is not based on the Frobenius norm, the RSS is not directly linked to the quality of approximation of the NMF model.

sparseness Generic method that computes the sparseness of an object as defined in *Hoyer (2004)*.

This sparseness measure quantifies how much energy of a vector is packed into only few components. It is defined by:

$$Sparseness(x) = \frac{\sqrt{n} - \frac{\sum |x_i|}{\sqrt{\sum x_i^2}}}{\sqrt{n} - 1}$$

, where n is the length of x .

The sparseness is a real number in $[0, 1]$. It is equal to 1 if and only if x contains a single nonzero component, and is equal to 0 if and only if all components of x are equal. It interpolates smoothly between these two extreme values. The closer to 1 is the sparseness the sparser is the vector.

The basic definition is for a `numeric` vector. The sparseness of a `matrix` is the mean sparseness of its column vectors. The sparseness of an object of class `NMF`, is the a 2-length vector that contains the sparseness of the basis and mixture coefficient matrices.

syntheticNMF Generate a synthetic matrix according to an underlying NMF model. It can be used to quickly test NMF algorithms.

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See Also

[NMF](#), [summary](#)

Examples

```
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes: 50 features, 18 samples (5+5+8)
n <- 50; counts <- c(5, 5, 8);
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)
## Not run: metaHeatmap(V)

# build the class factor
groups <- as.factor(do.call('c', lapply(seq(3), function(x) rep(x, counts[x]))))

# perform default NMF
res <- nmf(V, 2)
res

## Not run: metaHeatmap(res, class=groups)
## Not run: metaHeatmap(res, 'features')
# see the predicted clusters of samples
predict(res)
# compute entropy and purity
entropy(res, class=groups)
purity(res, class=groups)

# perform NMF with the right number of basis components
res <- nmf(V, 3)

## Not run: metaHeatmap(res)
## Not run: metaHeatmap(res, 'features')
entropy(res, class=groups)
```

```
purity(res, class=groups)
```

nmfEstimateRank	<i>Estimate optimal rank for Nonnegative Matrix Factorization (NMF) models</i>
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Description

A critical parameter in NMF algorithms is the factorization rank r . It defines the number of basis effects used to approximate the target matrix. Function `nmfEstimateRank` helps in choosing an optimal rank by implementing simple approaches proposed in the literature.

Usage

```
nmfEstimateRank(x, range, method = nmf.getOption("default.algorithm"), nrun = 30, v
plot.NMF.rank(x, what = c('all', 'cophenetic', 'rss', 'residuals'
, 'dispersion', 'evan', 'sparseness'
, 'sparseness.basis', 'sparseness.coef')
, ref=NULL, na.rm=FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

<code>method</code>	A single NMF algorithm, in one of the format accepted by interface <code>nmf</code> .
<code>na.rm</code>	single logical that specifies if the rank for which the measures are NA values should be removed from the graph or not (default to <code>FALSE</code>). This is useful when plotting results which include NAs due to error during the estimation process. See argument <code>stop</code> for <code>nmfEstimateRank</code> below.
<code>nrun</code>	a numeric giving the number of run to perform for each value in <code>range</code> .
<code>range</code>	a numeric vector containing the ranks of factorization to try.
<code>ref</code>	reference object of class <code>NMF.rank</code> , as returned by function <code>nmfEstimateRank</code> . The measures contained in <code>ref</code> are used and plotted as a reference. The associated curves are drawn in <i>red</i> , while those from <code>x</code> are drawn in <i>blue</i> .
<code>verbose</code>	toggle verbosity. This parameter only affects the verbosity of the outer loop over the values in <code>rank</code> . To print verbose (resp. debug) messages from each NMF run, one can use <code>.options='v'</code> (resp. <code>.options='d'</code>) that will be passed to the <code>nmf</code> method.
<code>stop</code>	logical flag for running the estimation process with fault tolerance. When <code>TRUE</code> , the whole execution will stop if any error is raised. When <code>FALSE</code> (default), the runs that raise an error will be skipped, and the execution will carry on. The summary measures for the runs with errors are set to NA values, and a warning is thrown.
<code>what</code>	a character string that partially matches one of the following item: <code>'all'</code> , <code>'cophenetic'</code> , <code>'rss'</code> , <code>'residuals'</code> , <code>'dispersion'</code> . It specifies which measure must be plotted (<code>what='all'</code> plots all the measures).

`x` For `nmfEstimateRank` a target object to be estimated, in one of the format accepted by interface `nmf`.
 For `plot.NMF.rank` an object of class `NMF.rank` as returned by function `nmfEstimateRank`.

`...` For `nmfEstimateRank`, these are extra parameters passed to interface `nmf`. Note that the same parameters are used for each value of the rank. See `nmf`.
 For `plot.NMF.rank`, these are extra graphical parameter passed to the standard function `plot`. See `plot`.

Details

Given a NMF algorithm and the target matrix, a common way of estimating r is to try different values, compute some quality measures of the results, and choose the best value according to this quality criteria. See *Brunet et al. (2004)* and *Hutchins et al. (2008)*.

The function `nmfEstimateRank` allow to launch this estimation procedure. It performs multiple NMF runs for a range of rank of factorization and, for each, returns a set of quality measures together with the associated consensus matrice.

Value

A S3 object (i.e. a list) of class `NMF.rank` with the following slots:

<code>measures</code>	a <code>data.frame</code> containing the quality measures for each rank of factorizations in range. Each row correspond to a measure, each column to a rank.
<code>consensus</code>	a list of consensus matrices, indexed by the rank of factorization (as a character string).

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See Also

`nmf`

Examples

```
set.seed(123456)
n <- 50; r <- 3; m <- 20
V <- syntheticNMF(n, r, m, noise=TRUE)

# Use a seed that will be set before each first run
## Not run: res.estimate <- nmfEstimateRank(V, seq(2,5), method='brunet', nrun=10, seed=1234
```



```
# plot all the measures
## Not run: plot(res.estimate)
# or only one: e.g. the cophenetic correlation coefficient
## Not run: plot(res.estimate, 'cophenetic')
```

NMFfit-class

Base Class for to store Nonnegative Matrix Factorisation results

Description

Base class to handle the results of general **Non-negative Matrix Factorisation** algorithms (NMF).

It provides a general structure and generic functions to manage the results of NMF algorithms. It contains a slot with the fitted NMF model (see slot `fit`) as well as data about the methods and parameters used to compute the factorization.

Details

The purpose of this class is to handle in a generic way the results of NMF algorithms. Its slot `fit` contains the fitted NMF model as an object of class [NMF](#).

Other slots contains data about how the factorization has been computed, such as the algorithm and seeding method, the computation time, the final residuals, etc...

Class `NMFfit` acts as a wrapper class for its slot `fit`. It inherits from interface class [NMF](#) defined for generic NMF models. Therefore, all the methods defined by this interface can be called directly on objects of class `NMFfit`. The calls are simply dispatched on slot `fit`, i.e. the results are the same as if calling the methods directly on slot `fit`.

Slots

fit: An object that inherits from class "NMF". It contains the fitted NMF model.

Note that class "NMF" is a virtual class. The default class for this slot is `NMFstd`, that implements the standard NMF model.

residuals: A "numeric" vector that contains the final residuals or the residuals track between the target matrix and its NMF estimate(s). Default value is `numeric()`.

See method [residuals](#) for details on accessor methods and main interface [nmf](#) for details on how to compute NMF with residuals tracking.

method: A single "character" string that contains the name of the algorithm used to fit the model. Default value is `"`.

seed: A single "character" string that contains the name of the seeding method used to seed the algorithm that computed the NMF. Default value is `"`. See [nmf-methods](#) for more details.

distance: Either a single "character" string that contains the name of the built-in objective function, or a function that measures the residuals between the target matrix and its NMF estimate.

parameters: A "list" that contains the extra parameters specific to the algorithm used to fit the model.

runtime: Object of class "proc_time" that contains various measures of the time spent to fit the model. See [system.time](#)

options: A "list" that contains the options used to compute the object.

extra: A "list" that contains extra miscellaneous data for internal usage only. For example it can be used to store extra parameters or temporary data, without the need to explicitly extend the NMFfit class. Currently built-in algorithms only use this slot to store the number of iterations performed to fit the object. Data that need to be easily accessible by the end-user should be stored using the \$ and \$<- methods that access and set the list slot misc inherited from class NMF.

Extends

Class "NMF", directly.

Validity checks

The validity method for class NMFfit checks

- slot `fit` calling the suitable validity function on this object of class NMF (see [NMF](#) for more details).
- the validity of slot `objective` that must be either a function definition or a *non-empty* character string.

Objects from the Class

Object of class NMFfit using the standard operator [new](#).

However, there is usually no need to directly create such an object, as interface methods [nmf](#) and [seed](#) take care of it.

Methods

Class-specific methods:

algorithm signature(object = "NMFfit"): Access slot method.

algorithm<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value="ANY"): Set slot method.

basis signature(object = "NMFfit"): Extract the matrix of basis vectors from the fitted NMF model. It returns `basis(fit(object))`.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

basis<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value = "matrix"): Sets the matrix of basis vectors of the fitted NMF model. It calls `basis(fit(object), value)`.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

coef signature(object = "NMFfit"): Extract the matrix of mixture coefficients from the fitted NMF model. It returns `coef(fit(object))`.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

coef<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value = "matrix"): Sets the matrix of mixture coefficients of the fitted NMF model. It calls `coef(fit(object), value)`.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

distance signature(target = "matrix", x = "NMFfit"): return the value of the loss function given a target matrix and a NMF fit. It calls method `distance` on slot `fit`. If a distance method is NOT supplied in argument `method`, it uses the objective function from slot `objective`.

plot signature(x = "NMFfit"): plot the residuals track of the run that computed object `x`. See function [nmf](#) for details on how to enable the tracking of residuals.

fitted signature(object = "NMFfit"): compute the estimated target matrix according to the NMF model stored in slot `fit`. It actually dispatches the call to slot `fit`, returning `fitted(fit(object))`.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

fit signature(object = "NMFfit"): return the NMF object stored in slot `fit`.

fit<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value = "NMF"): set the value of the NMF object stored in slot `fit`.

modelname: returns the name of the model fitted by the object. It corresponds to the name of the S4 class of slot `fit`.

niter signature(object = "NMFfit"): return the number of iterations performed to compute object. If the number of iterations has not explicitly been set, then it returns `NULL`.

niter<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value="numeric"): set the number of iterations (i.e. a non-negative single numeric) performed to compute object. This method is usually called by a NMF algorithm.

nrun signature(object = "NMFfit"): return the number of NMF runs performed to compute object. In the case of a NMFfit object, this method always returns 1, as it is the result of a single NMF run and the method exists to create a uniform access interface to NMF results.

objective signature(object = "NMFfit"): return slot `distance` or compute the objective value if a target is passed in argument `x`.

objective<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value = "character"): sets slot `distance` to a built-in distance metric identified by a character string.

objective<- signature(object = "NMFfit", value = "function"): sets slot `distance` to a custom function. The function should return a single positive numeric and must take the target (a matrix) as its first parameter, and an object that inherits from class NMF as its second parameter. Extra parameters are passed.

residuals signature(object = "NMFfit"): Access slot `residuals`. See function [residuals](#) for details on extra parameters.

residuals<- signature(object = "NMFFit", value="numeric"): Set slot residuals to value value.

runtime signature(object = "NMFFit"): return the time spent to fit NMF model object. The time is computed using base function `system.time` which returns object of class `proc_time`.

runtime.all signature(object = "NMFFit"): return the CPU time used to perform all the runs to compute the object. In the case of a NMFFit object, this method is an alias to method `runtime` (see above), as the object is the result of a single NMF run. The method exists to create a uniform access interface to NMF results.

seeding signature(object = "NMFFit"): returns the seeding method used to seed the algorithm that fitted NMF model object. See section [nmf-methods](#).

seeding<- signature(object = "NMFFit"): sets the seeding method used to seed the algorithm that fitted NMF model object.

show signature(object = "NMFFit"): standard generic show method for objects of class NMF.

summary signature(x = "NMFFit"): standard generic summary method for objects of class NMF. It returns a numeric vector that contains the summary of the fitted NMF model (slot `fit`), plus the computation time and the final residuals.

\$ signature(x = "NMFFit", name): Access element name in slot `misc` (which is a list) partially matching argument name. It is equivalent to `x@misc[[name, exact=FALSE]]`.

\$<- signature(x = "NMFFit", name, value): Set the value in of element name in slot `misc` (which is a list). Note that it does not partially match argument name.

Class NMFFit inherits from all the methods defined on class NMF to manipulate and interpret NMF models. For those methods, class NMFFit act as a wrapper class, dispatching the calls to slot `fit`. Some useful methods are: `dim`, `nbasis`, `predict`, `sparseness`. See [NMF](#) for more details.

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See Also

Main interface to perform NMF in [nmf-methods](#).

Method `seed` to set NMF objects with values suitable to start algorithms with.

Examples

```
# run default NMF algorithm on a random matrix
n <- 50; r <- 3; p <- 20
V <- matrix(runif(n*p), n, p)
res <- nmf(V, r)

# result class is NMFFit
class(res)
```

```
# show result
res

# compute summary measures
summary(res)
```

NMFfitX-class	<i>Virtual Class to Handle Results from Multiple Runs of a NMF Algorithms</i>
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Description

This class defines a common interface to handle the results from multiple runs of a single NMF algorithm, performed with the `nmf` method.

Currently, this interface is implemented by two classes, `NMFfitX1` and `NMFfitXn`, which respectively handle the case where only the best fit is kept, and the case where the list of all the fits is returned.

See `nmf-multiple` for more details on the method arguments.

Slots

`runtime.all`: Object of class "proc_time" that contains various measures of the time spent to perform all the runs.

Methods

consensus :

Computes the consensus matrix associated to the multiple NMF runs described by `object`. It's been proposed by *Brunet et al. (2004)* to help visualising and measuring the stability of the clusters obtained by NMF approaches. See `consensus`.

Technical note: this method is defined as a pure virtual method in the sense that an error is thrown if it is not overloaded by the classes that implement the interface (i.e. that extends class NMFfitX).

cophcor :

Computes the cophenetic correlation coefficient of the consensus matrix associated to the multiple NMF runs described by the object. It's been proposed by *Brunet et al. (2004)* to measure the stability of the clusters obtained by NMF approaches. See `cophcor` for more details.

dispersion :

Computes the dispersion coefficient of the consensus matrix associated to the multiple NMF runs described by the object. It's been proposed by *Kim and Park (2007)* to measure the reproducibility of the clusters. See `dispersion` for more details.

featureNames : returns the row names of the basis matrix from the best fit of the set of results.

If BioConductor is installed this method is defined for the generic function `featureNames` from the `Biobase` package.

fit : returns the element that achieves the lowest residual approximation error across all the runs. See [fit](#) for more details.

Technical note: this method is defined as a pure virtual method in the sense that an error is thrown if it is not overloaded by the classes that implement the interface (i.e. that extends class NMFfitX).

nrun : returns the number of runs performed to create the object.

Note that because the `nmf` method allows to run the NMF computation keeping only the best fit, `nrun` may return a value greater than one, while only the result of the best run is stored in the object (cf. option 'k' in method `nmf`).

See [nmf](#) and [NMFfitX1](#).

Technical note: this method is defined as a pure virtual method in the sense that an error is thrown if it is not overloaded by the classes that implement the interface (i.e. that extends class NMFfitX).

metaHeatmap Produces a heatmap of the consensus matrix using function [heatmap.2](#). See [metaHeatmap](#).

runtime.all : returns the total time spent to compute all the runs. See [runtime.all](#) for more details.

sampleNames : returns the column names of the mixture coefficient matrix from the best fit of the set of results. If BioConductor is installed this method is defined for the generic function [featureNames](#) from the Biobase package.

show : show method for objects of class NMFfitX.

summary : standard generic `summary` method for objects of class NMFfitX. It computes a set of measures to evaluate the quality of the *best factorization* of the set. The result is similar to the result from the `summary` method of NMFfit objects. See [NMFfit](#) for details on the computed measures. In addition, the cophenetic correlation coefficient and the dispersion coefficient of the consensus matrix are returned. See methods `cophcor` and `dispersion` above.

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See Also

[nmf-methods](#), [nmf-multiple](#), [NMFfitX1](#), [NMFfitXn](#)

Examples

```
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes
n <- 50; counts <- c(5, 5, 8);
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)

# perform multiple runs of one algorithm (default is to keep only best fit)
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5)
str(res)

# perform multiple runs of one algorithm (keep all the fits)
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5, .options='k')
str(res)
```

NMFfitX1-class	<i>Class to Store the Result from Multiple Runs of a NMF Algorithm when Only the Best Fit is Kept</i>
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Description

This class is used to return the result from a multiple run of a single NMF algorithm performed with function `nmf` with the – default – option `keep.all=FALSE` (cf. `nmf`).

It extends both classes `NMFfitX` and `NMFfit`, and stores a the result of the best fit in its `NMFfit` structure.

Beside the best fit, this class allows to hold data about the computation of the multiple runs, such as the number of runs, the CPU time used to perform all the runs, as well as the consensus matrix.

Due to the inheritance from class `NMFfit`, objects of class `NMFfitX1` can be handled exactly as the results of single NMF run – as if only the best run had been performed.

Slots

`consensus`: object of class "matrix" used to store the consensus matrix based on all the runs.

`nrun`: an integer that contains the number of runs performed to compute the object.

`runtime.all`: object of class "proc_time" that contains various measures of the time spent to perform all the runs (inherited from `NMFfitX`)

Extends

Class "`NMFfitX`", directly. Class "`NMFfit`", directly. Class "`NMF`", by class "`NMFfit`", distance 2.

Validity

There is currently no validity check for this class.

Methods

consensus : returns the pre-computed consensus matrix associated with the runs. It is calculated during the NMF computations itself, and is stored in slot `consensus`. If this slot is of length zero, then it returns `NULL`.

It's been proposed by *Brunet et al. (2004)* to help visualising and measuring the stability of the clusters obtained by NMF approaches. See [consensus](#).

fit : returns the best fit as an `NMFFit` object.

nrun : returns the number of NMF runs performed to compute the object, as stored in slot `nrun`.

runtime.all returns the CPU time used to compute all the runs in the list, as stored in slot `runtime.all` (inherited from class `NMFFitX`).

show : show method for class `NMFFitX1`.

Besides these above methods, class `NMFFitX1` inherits from all the methods from class `NMFFit` and as such can be handled exactly as the result of a single NMF run.

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See Also

[NMFFitX](#), [nmf-methods](#), [nmf-multiple](#)

Examples

```
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes
n <- 50; counts <- c(5, 5, 8);
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)

# build the class factor
groups <- as.factor(do.call('c', lapply(seq(3), function(x) rep(x, counts[x]))))

# perform multiple runs of one algorithm, keeping only the best fit (default)
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5)
res
#NOTE: the implicit nmf options are .options=list(keep.all=FALSE) or .options='-k'

# compute summary measures
summary(res)
# get more info
summary(res, target=V, class=groups)

# show computational time
runtime.all(res)
```

NMFfitXn-class	<i>Class to Store the Result from Multiple Runs of a NMF Algorithm when Keeping All the Fits</i>
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Description

This class is used to return the result from a multiple run of a single NMF algorithm performed with function `nmf` with option `keep.all=TRUE` (cf. `nmf`).

It extends both classes `NMFfitX` and `list`, and stores the result of each run (i.e. a `NMFfit` object) in its `list` structure.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This class is designed to be **read-only**, even though all the `list`-methods can be used on its instances. Adding or removing elements would most probably lead to incorrect results in subsequent calls. Capability for concatenating and merging NMF results is for the moment only used internally, and should be included and supported in the next release of the package.

Slots

`.Data`: standard slot that contains the S3 `list` object data. See R documentation on S4 classes for more details.

Extends

Class "`NMFfitX`", directly. Class "`list`", from data part. Class "`vector`", by class "`list`", distance 2. Class "`AssayData-class`", by class "`list`", distance 2.

Validity

`NMFfitXn` objects are designed to store results of single runs of the same NMF algorithm, that have the same dimensions. The following checks are performed in the class validity method:

- All elements must be the result of a single NMF run. That is they must be of class `NMFfit`, and objects of class `NMFfitX` are not allowed.
- All elements must be the result of the same NMF algorithm.
- The dimension of the fitted problem must be the same for all elements: same dimension of the target matrix, and same factorisation rank.

Methods

algorithm : returns the name of the common algorithm used to compute all the runs.

Since all elements in the list are results from the same algorithm, the returned name is taken from the first element. The method returns `NULL` if the list is empty.

consensus : Computes the consensus matrix associated with the list of runs, i.e. the mean connectivity matrix of all the fits in the list. It's been proposed by *Brunet et al. (2004)* to help visualising and measuring the stability of the clusters obtained by NMF approaches. See `consensus`.

dim : returns the common dimension of the NMF problem fitted by all the runs – based on the dimension of the first fit in the list. See [dim](#), [NMF-method](#) for more details on the returned value.

entropy : computes the mean (resp. the best) entropy of the list of NMF fit. Which value is computed depends on argument `method`. See [entropy](#) for more details.

fit : returns the element of the list that achieves the lowest residual approximation error. See [residuals](#).

nrun : returns the number of NMF runs performed to compute the object, i.e. its length – as a list.

purity : computes the mean (resp. the best) purity of the list of NMF fit. Which value is computed depends on argument `method`. See [purity](#) for details.

residuals : computes the mean (resp. the best) residual error of the list of NMF fit. Which value is computed depends on argument `method`. See [residuals](#) for details.

predict : returns the predicted cluster index based on the *best* NMF factorization in the list. See [predict](#) for more details.

runtime.all `signature(object = "NMFFitXn", null=FALSE, warning=TRUE):` returns the CPU time used to compute all the runs in the list, as stored in slot `runtime.all` (inherited from class `NMFFitX`).

When the computation is performed in parallel, the result may be very different from the sequential computation time returned by the `seqtime` method (see below).

When no time data is available in slot `runtime.all`, the `runtime.all` method for class `NMFFitXn` differs from the one defined in its parent class `NMFFitX`. Indeed, in the case no time data is stored in slot `runtime.all`, setting the extra argument `null` to `FALSE` (default) forces the method to return the sequential computation time instead and a warning is thrown unless argument `warning` is `FALSE`. Otherwise, in such a case, a call with `null=TRUE` would return `NULL`.

seqtime : returns the sequential CPU time spent of all the runs in the list. It is the sum of the CPU time used to compute each run. It returns `NULL` if the list is empty.

show : show method for class `NMFFitXn`.

Besides these above methods, class `NMFFitXn` inherits all the methods from class `NMFFitX` like: `summary`, `metaHeatmap`.

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See Also

[NMFFitX](#), [nmf-methods](#), [nmf-multiple](#)

Examples

```
# generate a synthetic dataset with known classes
n <- 50; counts <- c(5, 5, 8);
V <- syntheticNMF(n, counts, noise=TRUE)
```

```
# build the class factor
groups <- as.factor(do.call('c', lapply(seq(3), function(x) rep(x, counts[x]))))

# perform multiple runs of one algorithm, keeping all the fits
res <- nmf(V, 3, nrun=5, .options='k') # .options=list(keep.all=TRUE) also works
res
summary(res)
# get more info
summary(res, target=V, class=groups)

# compute/show computational times
runtime.all(res)
seqtime(res)
```

NMFList-class

*Class "NMFList" to Handle the Comparison of NMF Results***Description**

Class "NMFList" is used to wrap into a list the results of different NMF runs with the objective to compare them.

While it handles indifferently any kind of NMF result, it is usually used to compare NMF results from different algorithms.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form `as.NMFList(...)`.

Slots

runtime: Object of class "proc_time" that stores the CPU time used to compute all the results in the list.

.Data: Object of class "list", inherited from class list.

Extends

Class "[list](#)", from data part. Class "[vector](#)", by class "list", distance 2. Class "[AssayData-class](#)", by class "list", distance 2.

Methods

algorithm : returns the character vector of the names of the algorithms of the results in the list.

plot plots the error track of each result in the list onto a single plot. To work properly, the results must be computed with argument `.options='t'` or `.options=list(track=TRUE, ...)`. See [nmf-compare](#) for more details.

runtime : returns the CPU time used to compute all the results in the list, as stored in slot `runtime`. If no time data is available then it returns `NULL`.

show : show method for class `NMFList`.

summary returns a `data.frame` whose lines are the summary measures of each result in the list.

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See Also

[nmf-compare](#), [nmf-multiple](#), [nmf](#)

Examples

```
showClass("NMFList")
```

```
nmfModel - NMF Model: Factory method
Factory Method for NMF Models
```

Description

`nmfModel` is a generic function which provides a convenient way to build NMF models.

It provides a unique interface to create NMF objects that can follow different NMF models, and is designed to resolve potential inconsistencies in the matrices dimensions.

Details

NMF models are defined by S4 classes that inherit from class `NMF`.

`nmfModel` methods act as factory methods to help in the creation of NMF model objects in common situations: creating an empty model, a model with given dimensions, a model with dimensions compatible with a given target matrix, ...

All methods return an object that inherits from class `NMF`, except for the call with no argument, which lists the NMF models defined in the session (built-in and user-defined).

The returned `NMF` objects are suitable for seeding NMF algorithms via argument `seed` of the [nmf](#) method. In this case the factorisation rank is implicitly set by the number of columns of the basis vector matrix.

Methods

```
signature(rank = "missing", target = "missing", builtin.only=FALSE, ...)
```

When called with no argument or argument `builtin.only` only, the method returns a character vector that contains the name of all the NMF models currently defined. These are the classes that inherits from class `NMF`, but not from `NMFfit`. If argument `builtin.only=TRUE`, only the models provided by the package itself are returned, discarding the user-defined models.

When called with extra arguments in ..., then the argument `builtin.only` is discarded and the method is equivalent to the call `nmfModel(0, 0, ...)`. See the description of the appropriate method below.

```
signature(rank = "numeric", target = "numeric" , ncol=NULL, model='NMFstd', W, H, .
```

This call creates an object of class `model`, using the extra parameters `...` to initialise slots that are specific to the given model. All NMF models implement get/set methods to access the matrix factors, which can be initialised via arguments `W` and `H`. For example, all the built-in models derive from class `NMFstd`, which has two slots, `W` and `H`, to hold the two factors.

If only argument `rank` is provided, the method creates a NMF model of dimension $0 \times \text{rank} \times 0$. That is that the basis and mixture coefficient matrices, `W` and `H`, have dimension $0 \times \text{rank}$ and $\text{rank} \times 0$ respectively.

If target dimensions are also provided in argument `target` as a 2-length vector, then the method creates a NMF object compatible to fit a target matrix of dimension `target[1] x target[2]`. That is that the basis and mixture coefficient matrices, `W` and `H`, have dimension `target[1] x rank` and `rank x target[2]` respectively. The target dimensions can also be specified using both arguments `target` and `ncol` to define the number of rows and the number of columns of the target matrix respectively. If no other argument is provided, these matrices are filled with NAs.

If arguments `W` and/or `H` are provided, the method creates a NMF model where the basis and mixture coefficient matrices, `W` and `H`, are initialised using the values of `W` and/or `H`.

The dimensions given by `target`, `W` and `H`, must be compatible. However, whenever possible, the method will reduce the dimensions to the achieve dimension compatibility.

When `W` and `H` are both provided, the NMF object created is suitable to seed a NMF algorithm in a call to the `nmf` method. Note that in this case the factorisation rank is implicitly set by the number of basis vectors.

```
signature(rank = "numeric", target = "matrix") This call is equivalent to nmfModel(rank,
  dim(target), ...). That is that the returned NMF object fits a target matrix of the same
  dimension as target.
```

```
signature(rank = "missing", target = "ANY", ...) This call is equivalent to
  nmfModel(0, target, ...).
```

```
signature(rank = "NULL", target = "ANY") This call is equivalent to nmfModel(0,
  target, ...).
```

```
signature(rank = "numeric", target = "missing") This call is equivalent to nmfModel(rank,
  0, ...).
```

```
signature(rank = "matrix", target = "ANY") This call is equivalent to nmfModel(0,
  target=rank, ...). This allows to call the nmfModel function with arguments rank
  and target swapped. It exists for convenience:
```

- * allows typing `nmfModel(V)` instead of `nmfModel(target=V)` to create a model compatible with a given matrix `V` (i.e. of dimension `nrow(V)`, `0`, `ncol(V)`)

- * one can pass the arguments in any order (the one that comes to the user's mind first) and it still works as expected...

Examples

```
# List all NMF models
nmfModel()
# or list only the built-in models
nmfModel(builtin.only=TRUE)
```

```

# create a NMF object based on one random matrix: the missing matrix is deduced
# Note this only works when using factory method NMF
n <- 50; r <- 3;
w <- rmatrix(n, r)
nmfModel(W=w)

# create a NMF object based on random (compatible) matrices
p <- 20
h <- rmatrix(r, p)
mod <- nmfModel(W=w, H=h)

# For example use the model as a seed (initialization) for the default NMF algorithm to fit
V <- rmatrix(n, p)
nmf(V, seed=mod)

# create an empty NMF model compatible with a given target matrix
nmfModel(V)

# create a r-ranked NMF model with a given target matrix
nmfModel(r, V)

# create a r-ranked NMF model with a given target dimensions n x p as a 2-length vector
nmfModel(r, c(n,p)) # directly
nmfModel(r, dim(V)) # or from an existing matrix <=> nmfModel(r, V)
# or alternatively passing each dimension separately
nmfModel(r, n, p)

# create a NMF object based on incompatible matrices: generate an error
h <- matrix(runif((r+1)*p), r+1, p)
## Not run: new('NMFstd', W=w, H=h)

# same thing using the factory method: dimensions are corrected and a warning
# is thrown saying that the dimensions used are reduced
nmfModel(W=w, H=h)

```

NMFns-class

Nonsmooth Nonnegative Matrix Factorization

Description

Class that implements the *Nonsmooth Nonnegative Matrix Factorization* (nsNMF) model, required by the Nonsmooth NMF algorithm.

The Nonsmooth NMF algorithm is defined by Pascual-Montano et al. (2006) as a modification of the standard divergence based NMF algorithm (see section Details and references below). It aims at obtaining sparser factor matrices, by the introduction of a smoothing matrix.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'NMFns':
fitted(object, W, H, S, ...)
## S4 method for signature 'NMFns':
smoothing(x, theta)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>NMFns</code>
<code>object</code>	an object of class <code>NMFns</code>
<code>W</code>	the matrix of basis vectors, i.e. the first matrix factor in the non-smooth NMF model.
<code>H</code>	the matrix of mixture coefficients, i.e. the third matrix factor the non-smooth NMF model.
<code>S</code>	the smoothing matrix, i.e. the middle matrix factor in the non-smooth NMF model.
<code>theta</code>	a single numeric to be used as smoothing parameter (see section Details).
<code>...</code>	extra parameters passed to method <code>smoothing</code> . So typically used to pass a value for <code>theta</code> .

Details

The Nonsmooth NMF algorithm is a modification of the standard divergence based NMF algorithm (see [NMF](#)). Given a non-negative $n \times p$ matrix V and a factorization rank r , it fits the following model:

$$V \equiv WS(\theta)H,$$

where:

- W and H are such as in the standard model, that is non-negative matrices of dimension $n \times r$ and $r \times p$ respectively;
- S is a $r \times r$ square matrix whose entries depends on an extra parameter $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ in the following way:

$$S = (1 - \theta)I + \frac{\theta}{r}11^T,$$

where I is the identity matrix and 1 is a vector of ones.

The interpretation of S as a smoothing matrix can be explained as follows: Let X be a positive, nonzero, vector. Consider the transformed vector $Y = SX$. If $\theta = 0$, then $Y = X$ and no smoothing on X has occurred. However, as $\theta \rightarrow 1$, the vector Y tends to the constant vector with all elements almost equal to the average of the elements of X . This is the smoothest possible vector in the sense of non-sparseness because all entries are equal to the same nonzero value, instead of having some values close to zero and others clearly nonzero.

Algorithm

The Nonsmooth NMF algorithm uses a modified version of the multiplicative update equations in Lee & Seung's method for Kullback-Leibler divergence minimization. The update equations are modified to take into account the – constant – smoothing matrix. The modification reduces to using matrix WS instead of matrix W in the update of matrix H , and similarly using matrix SH instead of matrix H in the update of matrix W .

After matrix W have been updated, each of its columns is scaled so that it sums up to 1.

Objects from the Class

Object of class `NMFns` can be created using the standard way with operator `new`

However, as for all the classes that extend class `NMFstd`, objects of class `NMFns` should be created using factory method `nmfModel` :

```
new('NMFns', theta=0.8)
nmfModel(model='NMFns')
nmfModel(model='NMFns', theta=0.8)
```

See `nmfModel` for more details on how to use the factory method.

Slots

Class `NMFns` extends `NMF` adding a single slot:

`theta`: Single "numeric" that contains the smoothing parameter. Default prototype value is 0.5.

Extends

Class "`NMF`", directly.

Methods

fitted signature(object = "NMFns"): returns the estimated target matrix according to the Nonsmooth-NMF model object:

$$\hat{V} = \hat{V}(\theta) = WS(\theta)H$$

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF model, as defined by class `NMF`.

smoothing returns the smoothing matrix $S(\theta)$. See section *Details*.

show signature(object = "NMFns"): standard generic show method for objects of class `NMFns`. It calls the parent class show method (i.e. for class `NMF`) and add the value of parameter `theta` to the display.

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References

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See Also

[NMF](#) , [nmf-methods](#)

Examples

```
# create a completely empty NMF object
new('NMFns')

# create a NMF object based on random (compatible) matrices
n <- 50; r <- 3; p <- 20
w <- matrix(runif(n*r), n, r)
h <- matrix(runif(r*p), r, p)
nmfModel(model='NMFns', W=w, H=h)

# apply Nonsmooth NMF algorithm to a random target matrix
V <- matrix(runif(n*p), n, p)
## Not run: nmf(V, r, 'ns')
```

NMFOffset-class	<i>Nonnegative Matrix Factorization with Offset</i>
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Description

Class that implements the *Nonnegative Matrix Factorization with Offset* model, required by the NMF with Offset algorithm.

The NMF with Offset algorithm is defined by Badea (2008) as a modification of Lee & Seung's euclidean based NMF algorithm (see section Details and references below). It aims at obtaining 'cleaner' factor matrices, by the introduction of an offset matrix, explicitly modelling a feature specific baseline – constant across samples.

Objects from the Class

Object of class `NMFOffset` can be created using the standard way with operator `new`

However, as for all the classes that extend class `NMFstd`, objects of class `NMFOffset` should be created using factory method `nmfModel` :

```
new('NMFOffset')
nmfModel(model='NMFOffset')
nmfModel(model='NMFOffset', W=w, offset=rep(1, nrow(w)))
```

See `nmfModel` for more details on how to use the factory method.

Slots

Class `NMFOffset` extends `NMF` adding a single slot:

offset: A "numeric" vector to handle the common baseline for each feature. Its length will always be equal to the number of features, i.e. the number of rows in slot `W`.

Extends

Class "`NMF`", directly.

Methods

fitted `signature(object = "NMFOffset")`: returns the estimated target matrix according to the NMF with Offset model object:

$$\hat{V} = WH + offset$$

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF model, as defined by class `NMF`.

initialize `initialize` method for class `NMFOffset`. It ensures consistency between slots `W` and slot `offset`.

offset `signature(object = "NMFOffset")`: return the value of slot `offset`.

rnmf returns the object with slots `W`, `H` and `offset` filled with random values drawn from a uniform distribution. This method first calls method `rnmf` for `NMF` object to set the entries of slots `W` and `H`, then sets the entries in slot `offset` within the interval $[0, \max(\max(W), \max(H))]$.

show `signature(object = "NMFOffset")`: standard generic `show` method for objects of class `NMFOffset`. It calls the parent class `show` method (i.e. for class `NMF`) and add the value of vector `offset` to the display (only the first five elements are displayed).

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References

Badea (2008). Extracting Gene Expression Profiles Common To Colon And Pancreatic Adenocarcinoma Using Simultaneous Nonnegative Matrix Factorization. In *Pacific Symposium on Biocomputing*, **13**, 279-290

See Also

`NMF`, `nmf-methods`

Examples

```
# create a completely empty NMF object
new('NMFOffset')

# create a NMF object based on random (compatible) matrices
n <- 50; r <- 3; p <- 20
w <- matrix(runif(n*r), n, r)
h <- matrix(runif(r*p), r, p)
nmfModel(model='NMFOffset', W=w, H=h, offset=rep(0.5, nrow(w)))

# apply Nonsmooth NMF algorithm to a random target matrix
V <- matrix(runif(n*p), n, p)
## Not run: nmf(V, r, 'offset')
```

NMFSet-class	<i>Deprecated Class to store results from multiple runs of NMF algorithms</i>
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Description

This class is deprecated and replaced by class [NMFfitX](#) and its extensions. It remains only for backward compatibility and will be defunct in the next release.

It extends the base class `list` to store the result from a multiple run of NMF algorithms.

The elements are of class NMF.

Slots

consensus: Object of class "matrix" used to store the consensus matrix when multiple runs have been performed with option `keep.all=FALSE`. In this case, only the best factorization is returned, so the object is of length 1. However the consensus matrix across all runs is still computed and stored in this slot.

nrun: an integer that contains the number of runs when NMF is performed with option `keep.all=FALSE`. See [nmf](#).

runtime: Object of class "proc_time" that contains various measures of the time spent to perform all the runs.

.Data: standard slot that contains the S3 list object data. See R documentation on S4 classes for more details.

Methods

All the methods for this class have been removed from the package and are substituted by methods for [NMFfitX](#) objects.

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See Also

[NMFfitX](#), [NMF](#), [nmf-methods](#), [nmf-multiple](#)

NMFstd-class

Implement of the standard NMF model

Description

Class that implements the standard model of Nonnegative Matrix Factorisation.

It provides a general structure and generic functions to manage factorizations that follow NMF standard model.

Details

Let V be a $n \times m$ non-negative matrix and r a positive integer. In its standard form (see references below), a NMF of V is commonly defined as a pair of matrices (W, H) such that:

$$V \equiv WH,$$

where:

- W and H are $n \times r$ and $r \times m$ matrices respectively with non-negative entries;
- \equiv is to be understood with respect to some loss function. Common choices of loss functions are based on Frobenius norm or Kullback-Leibler divergence.

Integer r is called the *factorization rank*. Depending on the context of application of NMF, the columns of W and H take different names:

columns of W basis vector, metagenes, factors, source, image basis

columns of H mixture coefficients, metagenes expression profiles, weights

NMF approach has been successfully applied to several fields. Package NMF was implemented trying to use names as generic as possible for objects and methods. The following terminology is used:

samples the columns of the target matrix V

features the rows of the target matrix V

basis matrix the first matrix factor W

basis vectors the columns of first matrix factor W

mixture matrix the second matrix factor H

mixtures coefficients the columns of second matrix factor H

However, because package NMF was primarily implemented to work with gene expression microarray data, it also provides a layer to easily and intuitively work with objects from the Bioconductor base framework. See [NMF-bioc](#) for more details.

Slots

W: A "matrix" that contains the *first* matrix factor of the factorisation

H: A "matrix" that contains the *second* matrix factor of the factorisation

Validity checks

The validity method for class NMF checks for compatibility of slots W and H, as those matrices must be compatible with respect to the matrix product. It also checks the relevance of the factorisation, and throws a warning when the factorisation rank is greater than the number of columns in H.

Objects from the Class

Factory method

The more convenient way of creating NMF objects is to use factory method `nmfModel`:

```
nmfModel(rank=0, target=0, model='NMFstd', ...)
```

It provides a unique interface to create NMF objects that can follow different NMF models, and is designed to resolve potential inconsistencies in the matrices dimensions. See [nmfModel](#).

For example, to build a 5-rank NMF model compatible to fit a given matrix V, one calls:

```
nmfModel(5, V)
```

If the factors *W* and *H* are already available, they can be used to initialise the model:

```
nmfModel(5, V, W=w, H=h)
```

Standard way

Objects can still be created by calls of the usual form:

```
new("NMF")
```

```
new("NMF", W=w, H=h)
```

Methods

distance signature(target = "matrix", x = "NMF"): return the value of the loss function given a target matrix and a NMF fit.

fitted signature(object = "NMF"): compute the estimated target matrix according to the standard NMF model object, i.e. as the matrix product of slots W and H.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF model, as defined by class [NMF](#).

basis signature(object = "NMF"): Returns slot W, the matrix of basis vectors in NMF model object.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class [NMF](#). See [NMF](#).

basis<- signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): Sets the value of slot W, the matrix of basis vectors in NMF model object.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class [NMF](#). See [NMF](#).

coef signature(object = "NMF"): Returns slot H, the matrix of mixture coefficients in the NMF model object.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

coef<- signature(object = "NMF", value = "matrix"): Set the value of slot H, the matrix of mixture coefficients in the NMF model object.

Note that this method is part of the minimum interface for NMF models, as defined by class NMF. See [NMF](#).

rmnf signature(x = "NMF", target): seed NMF model x with random values drawn from a random distribution. If a target is specified as a matrix, then the values are drawn within the interval $[0, \max(\text{target})]$.

show signature(object = "NMF"): standard generic show method for objects of class NMF.

summary signature(x = "NMF"): standard generic summary method for objects of class NMF.

Class NMFstd inherits from all the methods defined on class NMF to manipulate and interpret NMF models. Some useful are: dim, nbasis, predict, sparseness. See [NMF](#) for more details.

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Hoyer (2004). Non-negative matrix factorization with sparseness constraints. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, **5**, 1457-1469.

See Also

Main interface to perform NMF in [nmf-methods](#).

Method [seed](#) to set NMF objects with values suitable to start algorithms with.

Examples

```
# create a completely empty NMF object (i.e. 0 features, 0 basis components, 0 samples)
new('NMFstd')

# create a NMF object based on one random matrix: the missing matrix is deduced
# Note this only works when using factory method NMF
n <- 50; r <- 3;
w <- matrix(runif(n*r), n, r)
nmfModel(W=w)

# create a NMF object based on random (compatible) matrices
p <- 20
h <- matrix(runif(r*p), r, p)
nmfModel(W=w, H=h)

# create a NMF object based on incompatible matrices: generate an error
h <- matrix(runif((r+1)*p), r+1, p)
## Not run: new('NMFstd', W=w, H=h)

# same thing using the factory method: dimensions are corrected and a warning
# is thrown saying that the dimensions used are reduced
nmfModel(W=w, H=h)

# apply default NMF algorithm to a random target matrix
V <- matrix(runif(n*p), n, p)
## Not run: nmf(V, r)
```

options

Package Specific Option Management

Description

Allow the user to get/set/define package NMF specific options in the same way as with base functions [options](#) and [getOption](#).

Usage

```
nmf.options(..., runtime = FALSE)
nmf.getOption(name)
nmf.options.reset()
nmf.options.runtime()
```

Arguments

...	any options can be defined, using 'name = value' or by passing a list of such tagged values. However, only the ones below are used in package NMF. Further, 'nmf.options('name') == nmf.options()['name']', see the example.
name	a character string holding an option name.
runtime	a boolean used to specify if main interface function <code>nmf</code> should store the option into the initial <code>NMF</code> object before performing the computation.

Details

nmf.getOption get the value of a single option.

nmf.options gets/sets/defines options in the way of base function `options`. Invoking 'nmf.options()' with no arguments returns a list with the current values of the options. To access the value of a single option, one should use `nmf.getOption("error.track")`, e.g., rather than `nmf.options("error.track")` which is a list of length one.

nmf.options.reset Reset all *built-in options* to their default values. Note that only built-in are reset. The options defined by the user during the current session will keep their values.

Value

For `nmf.getOption`, the current value set for option name, or NULL if the option is unset.

For `nmf.options()`, a list of all set options sorted by name. For `options(name)`, a list of length one containing the set value, or NULL if it is unset. For uses setting one or more options, a list with the previous values of the options changed (returned invisibly).

Options set in package NMF

debug logical. Similar to option 'verbose' (see below), but reports more information.

default.algorithm character. The default NMF algorithm used by the `nmf` method when called without argument `method`.

default.seed character. The default seeding method used by the `nmf` method when called without argument `seed`.

error.track logical. Should the estimation error be tracked during the computations? If set to TRUE then the error track can be plotted using method `plot`. The step size of the error track is set via option `track.interval` (see below).

parallel.backend character or numeric. The default parallel backend used by the `nmf` method when called with argument `nrun` greater than 1.

Currently it accepts the following values: 'mc' or a number that specifies the number of cores to use, 'seq' or NULL to use sequential backend for `foreach`, and the empty string "" to completely disable the parallel computation.

track.interval numeric. The number of iterations performed between two consecutive error points. For performance reason, this value should be too small, as the computation of the estimation error can be time consuming (Default value is 30).

verbose logical. Should R report extra information about the computations?

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See Also

[options](#)

Examples

```
# save all options value
op <- nmf.options();
utils::str(op) # op may contain functions.

nmf.getOption("track.interval") == nmf.options()$track.interval # the latter needs more

x <- matrix(runif(50*10), 50, 10) # create a random target matrix
# or define a synthetic data with a hidden pattern using function syntheticNMF (see ?syn
## Not run: x <- syntheticNMF(50, 5, 10, noise=TRUE)

# perform default NMF computation
res <- nmf(x, 3)

# Toogle on verbose mode
nmf.options(verbose = TRUE)
res <- nmf(x, 3)

# Toogle on debug mode
nmf.options(debug = TRUE)
res <- nmf(x, 3)

# set the error track step size, and save previous value
old.o <- nmf.options(track.interval = 5)
old.o

# check options
utils::str(nmf.options())
# reset to default values
nmf.options.reset()
utils::str(nmf.options())
```

rmatrix

Generates a Random Matrix Using Any Given Distribution Function

Description

This function provides a short-cut to generate a random matrix whose entries are drawn any given random distribution, as soon as this one is implemented as an R function similar to: `runif`, `rnorm`, etc ...

It basically wraps the following call:

```
matrix(dist(nrow*ncol, ...), nrow, ncol)
```

in a quicker and intuitive call:

```
rmatrix(nrow, ncol, dist, ...)
```

Usage

```
rmatrix(nrow, ncol, dist = runif, byrow = FALSE, dimnames = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

nrow	the desired number of rows of the generated matrix.
ncol	the desired number of columns of the generated matrix.
dist	the distribution function from which to draw the matrix entries. It must be a – distribution – function whose first parameter is the number of draws <i>n</i> to be done, and return a vector of length <i>n</i> .
byrow	logical. If FALSE (the default) the matrix is filled by columns, otherwise the matrix is filled by rows. See matrix .
dimnames	A dimnames attribute for the matrix: NULL or a list of length 2 giving the row and column names respectively. An empty list is treated as NULL, and a list of length one as row names. The list can be named, and the list names will be used as names for the dimensions. See matrix .
...	any extra parameters to pass to function <i>dist</i> .

Value

a matrix of dimension *nrow* x *ncol* whose entries are drawn from distribution *dist*

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See Also

[runif](#), [rnorm](#) or any other *rABCDE* similar distribution functions.

Examples

```
##---- Should be DIRECTLY executable !! ----
##-- ==> Define data, use random,
##--or do  help(data=index)  for the standard data sets.

## The function is currently defined as
function(nrow, ncol, dist=runif, ...){
  # check that 'dist' is a function.
  if( !is.function(dist) )
```

```
stop("NMF::rmatrix - invalid value for argument 'dist': must be a function [class(dist)=''",
# build the random matrix using the distribution function
matrix(dist(nrow*ncol, ...), nrow, ncol)
}
```

Sub-setting NMF objects

Subset method for objects of class NMF

Description

This method provide a convenient way of sub-setting objects of class `NMF`, using a matrix-like syntax.

It allows to consistently subset one or both matrix factors in the NMF model, as well as retrieving part of the basis components or part of the mixture coefficients with a reduced amount of code.

Read section *Value* for more details on the returned value.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'NMF':
[(x, i, j, ..., drop=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	an object of class <code>NMF</code> to be subset.
<code>i</code>	index used to subset on the rows of the basis matrix (i.e. the features). It can be a numeric, logical, or character vector (whose elements must match the row names of <code>x</code>). In the case of a logical vector the entries are recycled if necessary.
<code>j</code>	index used to subset on the columns of the mixture coefficient matrix (i.e. the samples). It can be a numeric, logical, or character vector (whose elements must match the column names of <code>x</code>). In the case of a logical vector the entries are recycled if necessary.
<code>...</code>	used to specify a third index to subset on the basis components, i.e. on both the columns and rows of the basis matrix and mixture coefficient respectively. It can be a numeric, logical, or character vector (whose elements must match the basis names of <code>x</code>). In the case of a logical vector the entries are recycled if necessary. Only the first extra subset index is used. A warning is thrown if more than one extra argument is passed.

drop single logical value used to drop the NMF-class wrapping and extract parts of the factor matrices.

When `drop=FALSE` it returns the NMF object `x` with the basis matrix and/or mixture coefficient matrix subset accordingly to the values in `i`, `j`, and ...

When `drop=TRUE` it returns the matrix that is subset "the more" (see section *Value*).

Note that in the case where both indexes `i` and `j` are provided, argument `drop` is ignored: `x[i, j, drop=TRUE]` (resp. `x[i, j, k, drop=TRUE]`) is identical to `x[i, j, drop=FALSE]` (resp. `x[i, j, k, drop=FALSE]`).

Value

The returned value depends on the number of subset index passed and the value of argument `drop`:

- No index as in `x[]` or `x[,]`: the value is the object `x` unchanged.
- One single index as in `x[i]`: the value is the basis matrix subset by `i`. Precisely the call `x[i]` is equivalent to `basis(x)[, i, drop=TRUE]`. If argument `drop` is present then it is used: `x[i, drop=TRUE.or.FALSE] <=> basis(x)[, i, drop=TRUE.or.FALSE]`.
- More than one index with `drop=FALSE` (default) as in `x[i, j]`, `x[i,]`, `x[, j]`, `x[i, j, k]`, `x[, , k]`, etc...: the value is a NMF object whose basis and/or mixture coefficient matrices have been subset accordingly. The third index `k` affects simultaneously the columns of the basis matrix AND the rows of the mixture coefficient matrix.
- More than one index with `drop=TRUE` and `i` xor `j` missing: the value returned is the matrix that is the more affected by the subset index. That is that `x[i, , drop=TRUE]` and `x[i, , k, drop=TRUE]` return the basis matrix subset by `[i,]` and `[i, k]` respectively, while `x[, j, drop=TRUE]` and `x[, j, k, drop=TRUE]` return the mixture coefficient matrix subset by `[, j]` and `[k, j]` respectively.

Examples

```
# create a dummy NMF object that highlight the different way of subsetting
a <- nmfModel(W=outer(seq(1,5),10^(0:2)), H=outer(10^(0:2),seq(-1,-10)))
basisnames(a) <- paste('b', 1:nbasis(a), sep='')
rownames(a) <- paste('f', 1:nrow(a), sep='')
colnames(a) <- paste('s', 1:ncol(a), sep='')

# or alternatively:
# dimnames(a) <- list( features=paste('f', 1:nrow(a), sep=''), samples=paste('s', 1:ncol(a), sep=''))

# look at the resulting NMF object
a
basis(a)
coef(a)

# extract basis components
a[1]
a[1, drop=FALSE] # not dropping matrix dimension
a[2:3]
```

```
# subset on the features
a[1,]
a[2:4,]
# dropping the NMF-class wrapping => return subset basis matrix
a[2:4,, drop=TRUE]

# subset on the samples
a[,1]
a[,2:4]
# dropping the NMF-class wrapping => return subset coef matrix
a[,2:4, drop=TRUE]

# subset on the basis => subsets simultaneously basis and coef matrix
a[, ,1]
a[, ,2:3]
a[4:5,,2:3]
a[4:5,,2:3, drop=TRUE] # return subset basis matrix
a[,4:5,2:3, drop=TRUE] # return subset coef matrix

# 'drop' has no effect here
a[, ,2:3, drop=TRUE]
```

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