

# Chromatoplots Manual

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## 1 Introduction

Metabolomics experiments often rely on Gas Chromatography - Mass Spectrometry (GC-MS) instruments for measuring the levels of metabolites. We have developed numerical methods and graphical diagnostics for converting raw GC-MS data into a dataset specifying the amount of each metabolite in each sample. In this manual, we present basic workflow and diagnostic windows.

This manual doesn't include the GUI yet, will be added later. And this manual doesn't focus on the algorithm, algorithm will be elucidated in another document later.

Now it's just for developer's communication, will be fulfilled while developing this package.

## 2 Installation

Please use the latest version of the following package, you can check out "commandr" and "chromatoplots" from their svn, and "xcms", "IRanges", from Bioconductor<sup>1</sup> dev 2.6 pool.

### **chromatoplots**

svn://had.co.nz/statgraphics/chromatoplots/trunk/chromatoplots

### **commandr**

svn://had.co.nz/statgraphics/commandr/trunk/commandr

### **xcms**

<http://www.bioconductor.org/packages/2.6/bioc/html/xcms.html>

### **IRanges**

<http://www.bioconductor.org/packages/2.6/bioc/html/IRanges.html>

Check the system and package dependencies before you install chromatoplots, install xcms first, then commandr, install chromatoplots last.

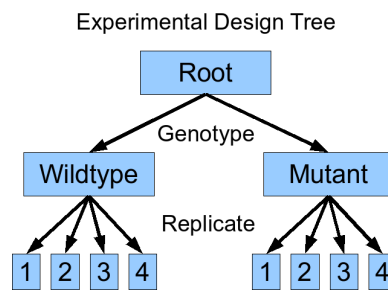
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<sup>1</sup>[www.bioconductor.org](http://www.bioconductor.org)

### 3 Workflow

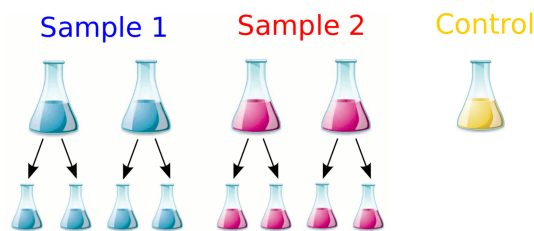
#### 3.1 Arrange Your File

First of all, you need to arrange all your raw data based on your experimental design.



**Figure 1:** Experimental design

In this study, my experimental design looks like this.



**Figure 2:** My calibrated data has two treatment, each treatment has four replicates.

So I arranged my file in the following way.

```
./raw/s1:
M0101A.CDF  M0101B.CDF  M0102A.CDF  M0102B.CDF
```

```
./raw/s2:
M0201A.CDF  M0201B.CDF  M0202A.CDF  M0202B.CDF
```

## 3.2 Raw Data Input

### Command Line

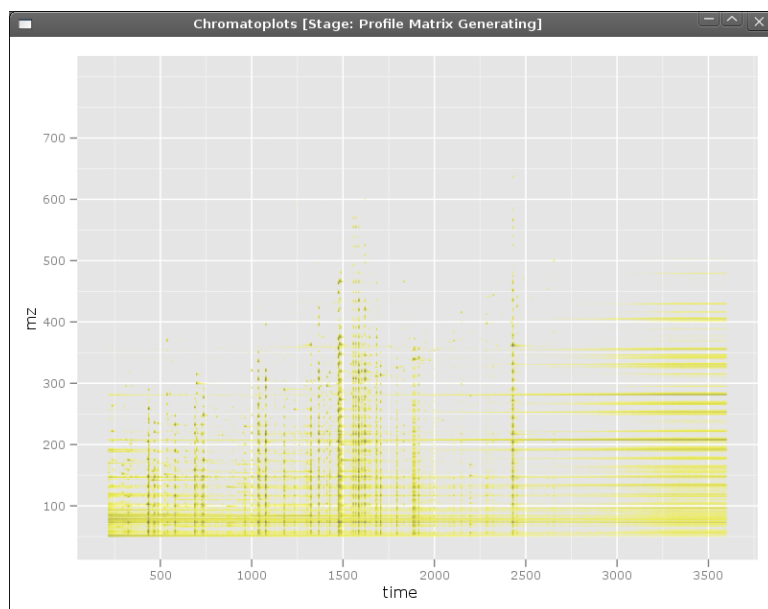
Specify a CDF data which contains GC-MS processed raw data by using the following command, and generate *profile matrix*<sup>1</sup>.

```
> file <- "raw/s1/M0101A.CDF"
> raw <- loadSample(file)
> raw_prof <- genProfile(raw) # generate profile matrix
```

### Graphic Diagnose

To call a diagnostic windows for this stage.

```
> explore(raw_prof)
```



**Figure 3:** Image of log of the profile matrix. Horizontal axis is time, and vertical axis is m/z. The color scale ranges from yellow to black. The darker the color, the higher the intensity. Gray indicates a time and m/z combination where nothing is detected.

### Low Level Graphic Functions

```
image(object) #profile matrix, slow(more than one minute)
```

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<sup>1</sup>Profile matrix has a row for each mass and a column for each scan, in order of time.

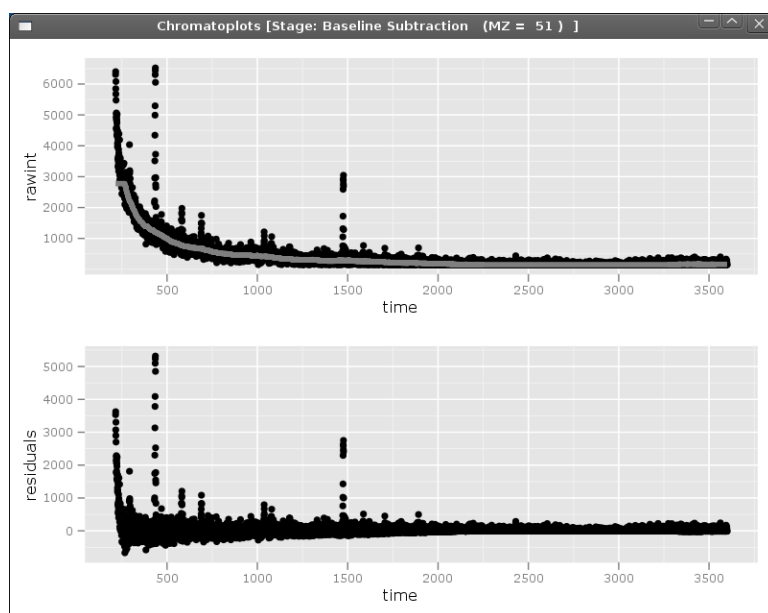
### 3.3 Baseline Subtraction

#### Command Line

```
> cor_prof <- removeBaseline(raw_prof, "median", scanrad = 100)
#if it works great, then accept correction.
> raw <- cor_prof
```

#### Graphic Diagnose

```
> explore(cor_prof, raw = raw_prof, mz=51)
```



**Figure 4:** Chromatogram of raw relative intensities from the row of the profile matrix corresponding to 51 m/z. A non-linear baseline is evident.

#### Low Level Graphic Functions

```
explore_prof_filter(object, protocol, raw, mz, subtract=TRUE)
```

### 3.4 Peak Detection

#### Command Line

```
> peaks <- findPeaks(raw, "gauss") # "gauss" protocol
```

You can read another file and do the previous step by simply running `permorn()` command.

```
> rep_file <- "raw/s1/M0102A.CDF"
> rep_raw <- perform(pipeline(raw), rep_file)
> rep_peaks <- perform(findPeaksProto(peaks), rep_raw)
```

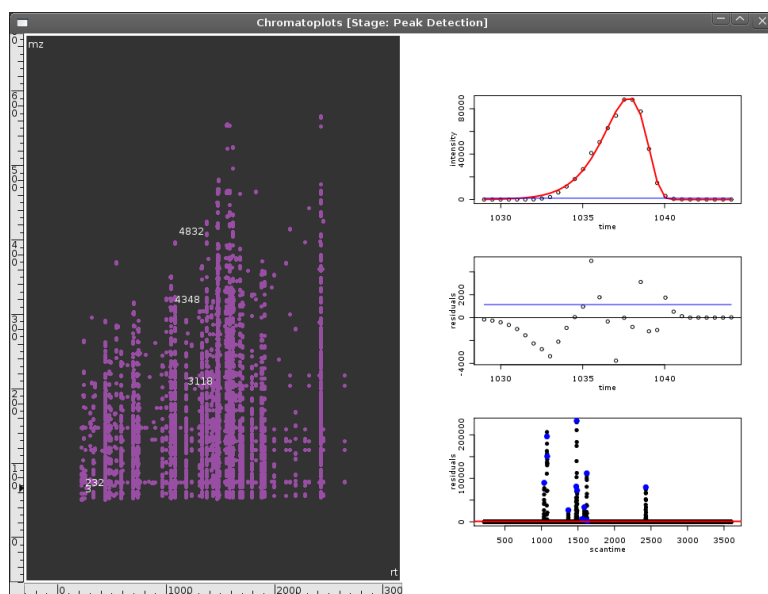
Or load all replicates within one treatment at once, the first argument specify the directory contains replicates raw files.

```
> s1_exp <- loadExperiment("raw/s1/", pipeline = pipeline(peaks))
```

## Graphic Diagnose

```
> explore(peaks, raw = raw, sample=NA,residuals=TRUE,island=TRUE)
```

“sample” controls which sample you want to show; residuals=TRUE if you want the residual graph, island=TRUE if you want the plot which shows a cutoff line(red) and peaks(blue) they find for a specific MZ value (identified by user).



**Figure 5:** Chromatoplots visualization window for the peak detection stage. The user selects points in the left image to view the baseline-corrected chromatogram at the corresponding m/z. The chromatogram is annotated with the quantile cutoff and the maxima of detected peaks(right bottom). On the right top is a GGobi visu- alization for exploring the peak fits.

## Low Level Graphic Functions

```
plot_peak(object,id, raw, cutoff, sample=NA,residuals = FALSE,island=FALSE)
cplotPeaks(obj,raw,mz) #show island only, ggplot2 function
cplotPeaks2(obj,raw,mz) #show island only, basic R graphic,faster
```

### 3.5 Components Detection

#### Command Line

To detect components, run the following command, the second method is essentially the same with the first one, but you can specify a quantity(TIC) filter and a peaks number filter. The reason here is to reduce components that contains very few peaks or quantity(if you want), these components may be falsely assigned to the wrong group, e.g. those only contains one m/z value maybe identified as one group with each other.

```
> xset_comps <- findComps(s1_exp, "sigma")
> xset_comps_filt <- findComps(s1_exp, "sigma_filt",
    tic.cutoff=0.69, npeaks.cutoff=0.7)
```

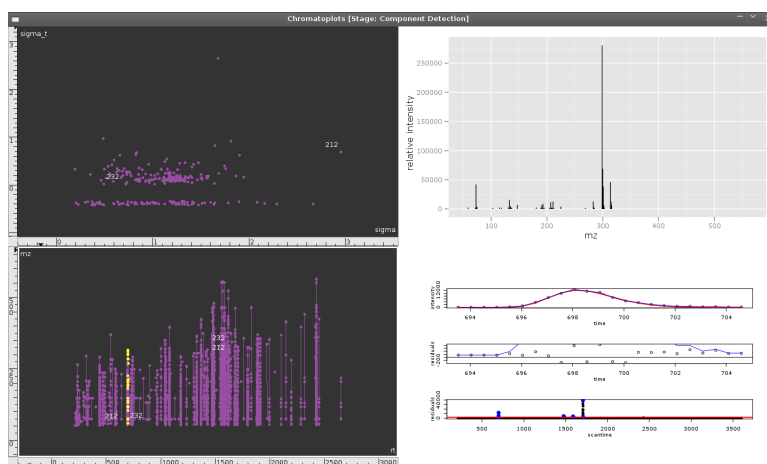
Then you could load all replicates in the whole experimental tree at once.

```
> samples <- c("raw/s1", "raw/s2")
> s1_s2_xset <- perform(pipeline(xset_comps), samples)
```

#### Graphic Diagnose

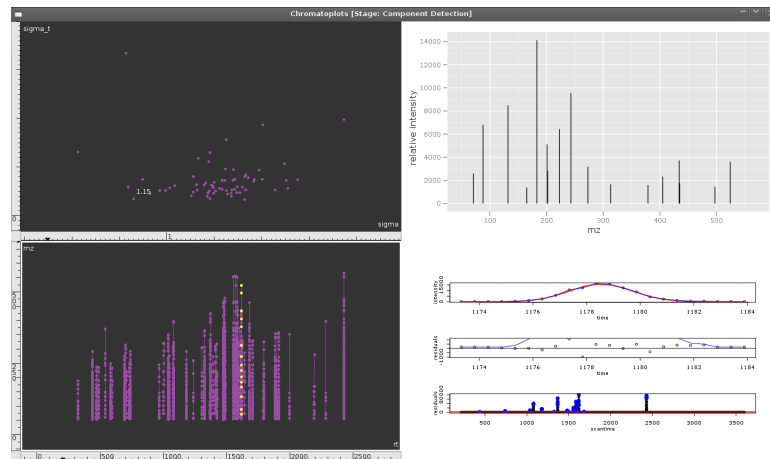
For graphic diagnose, run the following command, you could compare the result with filter.

```
> explore(xset_comps, sample=1, residual=TRUE, island=TRUE)
> explore(xset_comps_filt, sample=1, residual=TRUE, island=TRUE)
```



**Figure 6:** Chromatoplots visualization window for the component detection stage. When the user selects components in the top scatterplot, the mass spectrum for the component is displayed to the right and the corresponding chain of peaks is highlighted in the scatterplot on the bottom left. Selecting a peak in that plot displays the peak fit to the right.





**Figure 7:** This plot is the same with , but this is after compsfiler, components numbers are reduced a lot.

## Low Level Graphic Functions

`plot_comp(peaks, mz_range)`

### 3.6 Grouping Components

#### Command Line

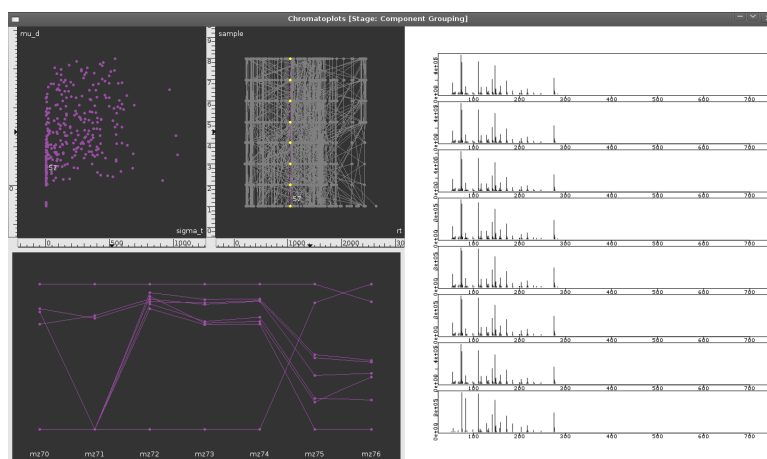
Two arguments used here, default `dist.cutoff=0.05`, `rt_window=-1` which means default setup never use `rt` windows filter.

```
> xset_groups <- groupComps(s1_s2_xset, "angle")
> xset_groups <- groupComps(s1_s2_xset, "angle", dist.cutoff=0.05, rt_window=1)
```

#### Graphic Diagnose

With this interactive graphic, you could diagnose spectra for each components within one group.

```
> explore(xset_groups)
```



**Figure 8:** Chromatoplots visualization window for the component grouping stage. The user selects a group in the top scatterplot to highlight the corresponding chain of components in the plot to its right and display the spectra of the components in the parallel coordinates plot at the bottom, and plot spectra for each components inside that group in the right graphic.

#### Low Level Graphic Functions

```
cplotSpec(object, sample=NA, comp=NA, group=NA, ...)
```

### 3.7 Retention Time Correction

#### Command Line

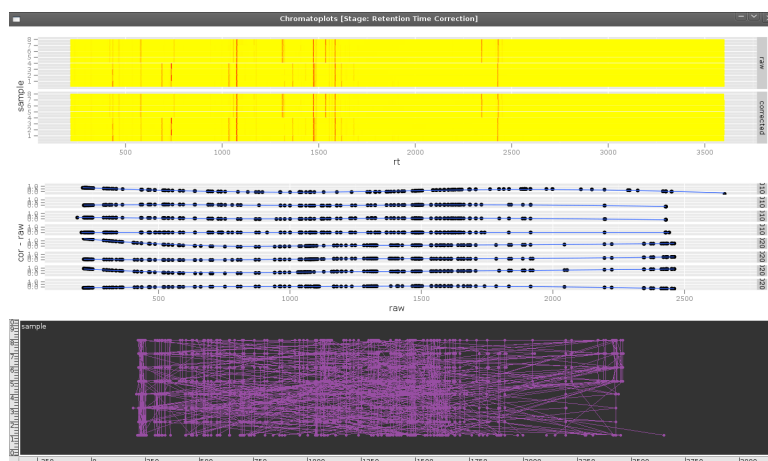
This stage based on the grouping result, which means if components are grouped in the wrong way, retention time will not be corrected in the right way, so you should pay attention to the last stage.

```
> xset_rtc<- rtc(xset_groups, "rloess")
```

#### Graphic Diagnose

We offer two ways to view the retention time, one is heatmap, the other one is lines, you can specify x-scale, samples you want to diagnose.(not interactive yet)

```
> explore(xset_rtc_filt,raw=xset_groups_filt,geom="heatmap")
```

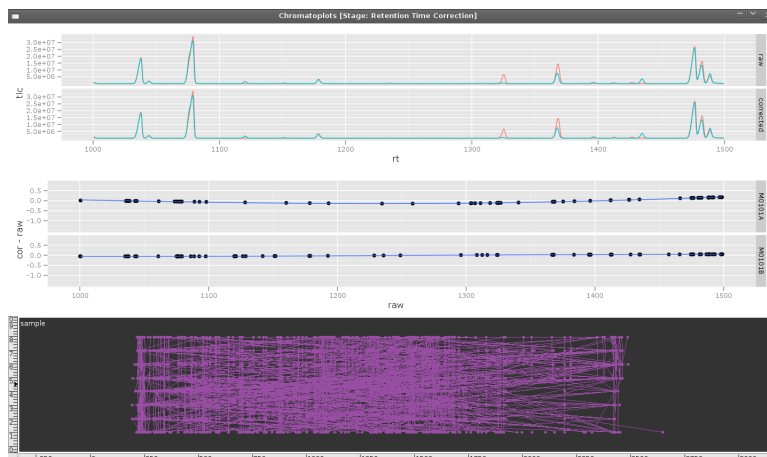


**Figure 9:** Chromatoplots visualization window for the retention time correction stage. Using “heatmap” method to plot for all the data

```
> explore(xset_rtc,raw=xset_groups,sample=1:2,xscale=c(1000,1500))
```

#### Low Level Graphic Functions

```
cplotRT(object,xscale=NA,geom=NA,sample=NA,log=F)#geom=NA or "heatmap"
cplotRtFit(object,raw,xscale=NA,sample=NA) #cor-fit plot
```



**Figure 10:** Chromatoplots visualization window for the peak detection stage. Using lines to show small group or scale of data

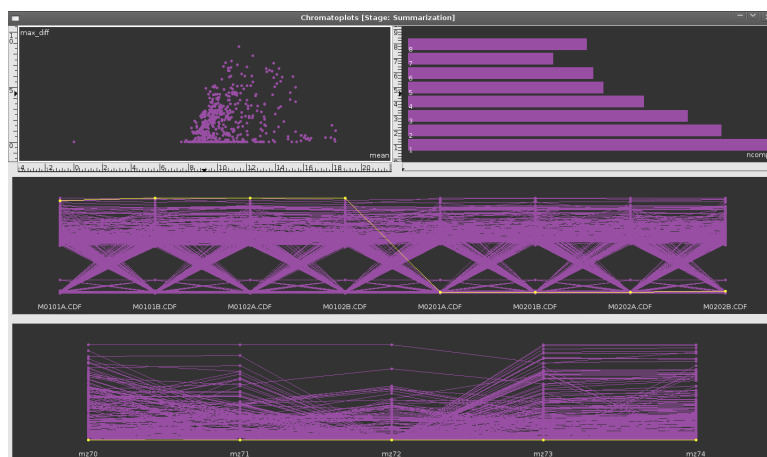
### 3.8 Summarization

#### Command Line

```
> xset_sum <- summarize(xset_groups,"common")
```

#### Graphic Diagnose

```
> explore(xset_sum)
```



**Figure 11:** Chromatoplots visualization window for the summarization stage. By selecting a group in the top-left scatterplot, the user can examine the trend of the group over the samples and compare the mass spectra of its components.

### 3.9 Normalization

#### Command Line

```
> xset_norm <- normalize(xset_sum, "scale")
```

#### Graphic Diagnose

No diagnose graphic for this stage yet.

### 3.10 Metabolite Identification

#### Command Line

MSP format could be read by AMDIS to identify metabolites based on the NIST library. So far we only offer MSP transform from our final result. Our recommendation is: first read the processed data into explorase, then find the metabolite of interest in your favorite way, pick up the id for those metabolite, then use the following command to finish the transformation. 'id' indicate the metabolite of interest, and 'file' argument specify a file name you want to output to.

```
> dump2msp(xset_norm1_filt,id=c(183,80),file="~/interest.msp")
```

MSP format looks like this, in each parenthesis, left number indicate M/Z ratio, and right number indicate quantity, this list store the information about spectra for specific metabolite.

NAME:ID= 183

COMMENT:

RI:

CASNO:

RT: 12.31059

SOURCE:

NUM PEAKS: 116

```
( 52      1914)( 53      2737)( 54      1816)( 55      13739)( 56      11831)
( 57      25260)( 58      49057)( 59      340150)( 60      28146)( 61      19998)
( 66      8410)( 67      1950)( 69      3679)( 70      18527)( 71      19182)
( 73      2520939)( 74      216013)( 75      163938)( 76      8531)( 77      2867)
( 82      1302)( 83      3869)( 84      8377)( 85      22143)( 86      738410)
( 87      78753)( 88      31147)( 89      5262)( 95      6570)( 97      1239)
( 98      4172)( 99      16189)(100      451355)(101      100048)(102      46618)
(103      35702)(104      6098)(105      13001)(106      1567)(109      1304)
(112      2416)(113      19520)(114      19720)(115      33595)(116      57323)
(117      159767)(118      26505)(119      52013)(120      6254)(121      2898)
(123      2658)(128      5611)(129      13716)(130      198813)(131      187114)
(132      54134)(133      600902)(134      88626)(135      45430)(136      4035)
(142      4978)(143      5232)(144      59164)(145      15154)(147      1876247)
(148      288850)(149      144728)(150      14222)(151      3035)(156      1950)
(158      100146)(159      28280)(160      37288)(161      12054)(162      3850)
(171      3126)(172      80766)(174      8348546)(175      1543325)(176      663500)
(177      103438)(178      17975)(179      3491)(187      5887)(188      58814)
(189      17957)(190      17487)(191      7612)(192      2102)(202      33007)
(203      6666)(204      41724)(205      11967)(206      5912)(207      1754)
(218      7095)(219      1808)(221      1818)(232      4204)(234      1909)
(246      120672)(248      1948382)(249      492673)(250      244634)(251      42950)
(252      9950)(262      10635)(263      2754)(264      1341)(276      665575)
(277      174492)(278      86643)(279      15637)(280      3916)(291      3736)
(292      1191)
```

NAME:ID= 80

COMMENT:

RI:

CASNO:

RT: 17.92231

SOURCE:

NUM PEAKS: 30

( 68	14601)	( 82	1207)	( 84	3577)	( 86	90239)	( 98	5911)
(100	55826)	(112	6396)	(114	15901)	(126	2180)	(140	15216)
(142	43639)	(144	24571)	(154	1505)	(156	21899)	(158	14960)
(170	3668)	(171	1918)	(172	57686)	(174	1541131)	(175	285225)
(176	121220)	(186	4869)	(200	3673)	(214	13901)	(246	79569)
(247	17734)	(248	6937)	(288	5245)	(302	1693)	(304	591876)

## 4 Other Graphic Function

Keep updating ...

```
cplotTIC (object,xintercept=NA,xscale=NA,color=NA) # plot TIC
```



## 5 Workflow Fast Reference

```
> file <- "raw/s1/M0101A.CDF"
> raw <- loadSample(file)      # load raw data
> raw_prof <- genProfile(raw) # generate profile matrix
> explore(raw_prof)           # view profile matrix, slow
> cor_prof <- removeBaseline(raw_prof, "median", scanrad = 100)
> raw <- cor_prof #if it works great, then accept correction.
> explore(cor_prof, raw = raw_prof, mz=51)
> peaks <- findPeaks(raw, "gauss") # "gauss" protocol
> rep_file <- "raw/s1/M0102A.CDF"
> rep_raw <- perform(pipeline(raw), rep_file)
> rep_peaks <- perform(findPeaksProto(peaks), rep_raw)
> s1_exp <- loadExperiment("raw/s1/", pipeline = pipeline(peaks))
> explore(peaks, raw = raw, sample=NA,residuals=TRUE,island=TRUE)
> xset_comps <- findComps(s1_exp, "sigma")
# you can use filter here
> xset_comps_filt <- findComps(s1_exp,"sigma_filt",
                             tic.cutoff=0.69,npeaks.cutoff=0.7)
> samples <- c("raw/s1", "raw/s2")
> s1_s2_xset <- perform(pipeline(xset_comps), samples)
> explore(xset_comps,sample=1,residual=TRUE,island=TRUE)
> xset_groups <- groupComps(s1_s2_xset, "angle")
# or use dist.cutoff and rt_window filter at the same time.
> xset_groups <- groupComps(s1_s2_xset, "angle",dist.cutoff=0.05,rt_window=1)
> explore(xset_groups)
> xset_rtc <- rtc(xset_groups, "rloess")
> explore(xset_rtc_filt,raw=xset_groups_filt,geom="heatmap")
# or use other ways to view this stage
> explore(xset_rtc,raw=xset_groups,sample=1:2,xscale=c(1000,1500))
> xset_sum <- summarize(xset_groups,"common") #summarization
> explore(xset_sum)
> xset_norm <- normalize(xset_sum, "scale") #normalization
> library(explorase)
# use explorase to pick up interest id.
> explorase(as(xset_norm,"ExpressionSet"))
# transfrom this id to MSP format
> dump2msp(xset_norm1_filt,id=c(183,80),file=~"/interest.msp")
# Identify your metabolite
```

## 6 Update List

### 6.1 2009-11-1

- Metabolite identification: `dump2msp()` transform final data to MSP format
- Remove legend for profile matrix.
- Using `stack_plots` to show profile matrix.
- Baseline subtraction: add arguments `mz` to `explore()` and related low level function, could be used for interactive from raw profile matrix later.
- Find Peaks: Diagnostic windows fixed, add interactive plot for `mz`, and find a way to embed three figures in one box.
- Find comps: remove 'prof' and 'raw' argument, compute them from the object based on `protocol@alpha`, add some other argument.
- `ProcessProtoRaw`, doesn't work so far, so use `sample` argument to retrieve the file path from `phenoData` slot.
- Retention time add some diagnostic graphic
- Grouping components: Add interactive spectra diagnostic window
- remove undefined `protocol` from namespace, so the package can be compiled
- Add retention time to feature data