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auto_cna_call	<i>Automated pipeline to call CNA</i>
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Description

Automated pipeline to call CNA

Usage

```
auto_cna_call(ge_df, comm_df, nb_metacells = 10, metacell_size = 3,
  trans_prob = 1e-04, baseline_cells = NULL,
  baseline_communities = NULL, prefix = "scCNAutils_out",
  nb_cores = 1, chrs = c(1:22, "X", "Y"), bin_mean_exp = 3,
  z_wins_th = 3, smooth_wsize = 3)
```

Arguments

ge_df	normalized gene expression of all cells (e.g. output from norm_ge).
comm_df	a data.frame with community information, output from find_communities .
nb_metacells	the number of metacells per community.
metacell_size	the number of cells in a metacell.
trans_prob	the transition probability for the HMM.
baseline_cells	cells to use as baseline.

baseline_communities	communities to use as baseline. Used if baseline.cells is NULL.
prefix	the prefix to use for the files created by this function (e.g. graphs).
nb_cores	the number of processors to use.
chrs	the chromosome names to keep. NULL to include all the chromosomes.
bin_mean_exp	the desired minimum mean expression in the bin.
z_wins_th	the threshold to winsorize Z-score. Default is 3
smooth_wnsize	the window size for smoothing. Default is 3.

Value

a data.frame with CNAs

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

auto_cna_signal	<i>Automated pipeline to compute CNA signal from scRNA expression</i>
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Description

Goes from reading raw gene counts to CNA-level signal, tSNE and community detection.

Usage

```
auto_cna_signal(data, genes_coord, prefix = "scCNAutils_out",
  nb_cores = 1, pause_after_qc = FALSE, use_cache = TRUE,
  sample_names = NULL, info_df = NULL, max_mito_prop = 0.2,
  min_total_exp = 0, cells_sel = NULL, chrs = c(1:22, "X", "Y"),
  cell_cycle = NULL, bin_mean_exp = 3, z_wins_th = 3,
  smooth_wnsize = 3, cc_sd_th = 3, nb_pcs = 10, comm_k = 100)
```

Arguments

data	a data.frame with gene expression or the path to the folder with the 'matrix.mtx', 'genes.tsv' and 'barcodes.tsv' files. A list if multiple samples.
genes_coord	either a file name or a data.frame with coordinates and gene names.
prefix	the prefix to use for the files created by this function (e.g. graphs).
nb_cores	the number of processors to use.
pause_after_qc	pause after the QC to pick custom QC thresholds.
use_cache	should intermediate files used and avoid redoing steps?
sample_names	the names of each sample. If NULL, tries to use data's names.

info_df	a data.frame with information about cells.
max_mito_prop	the maximum proportion of mitochondrial RNA.
min_total_exp	the minimum total cell expression
cells_sel	consider only these cells. Other cells filtered no matter what.
chrs	the chromosome names to keep. NULL to include all the chromosomes.
cell_cycle	if non-null, either a file or data.frame to compute cell cycle scores. See details.
bin_mean_exp	the desired minimum mean expression in the bin.
z_wins_th	the threshold to winsorize Z-score. Default is 3
smooth_wnsize	the window size for smoothing. Default is 3.
cc_sd.th	the number of SD used for the thresholds when defining cycling cells.
nb_pcs	the number of PCs used in the community detection or tSNE.
comm_k	the number of nearest neighbor for the KNN graph. Default 100.

Value

a data.frame with QC, community and tSNE for each cell.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

bin_genes	<i>Merge consecutive genes into expressed bins</i>
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Description

Merge consecutive genes into expressed bins

Usage

```
bin_genes(ge_df, mean_exp = 3, nb_cores = 1)
```

Arguments

ge_df	the input gene expression with coordinate columns (chr, start, end) and then one column per cell.
mean_exp	the desired minimum mean expression in the bin.
nb_cores	the number of processors to use.

Value

a data.frame with bin expression.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

call_cna	<i>Call CNA</i>
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Description

Calls CNA using a HMM approach.

Usage

```
call_cna(z_df, trans_prob = 1e-04, nb_cores = 1, mc_info = NULL)
```

Arguments

z_df	the Z-scores, from zscore .
trans_prob	the transition probability for the HMM.
nb_cores	the number of processor to use.
mc_info	the information about the metacells, if relevant. Default is NULL.

Value

a data.frame with the CNA calls.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

convert_to_coord	<i>Convert gene symbols to coordinates</i>
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Description

Convert the 'symbol' column (gene names) into three columns with gene coordinates 'chr', 'start' and 'end'.

Usage

```
convert_to_coord(ge_df, genes_coord, chrs = c(1:22, "X", "Y"),  
  rm_dup = TRUE)
```

Arguments

ge_df	the data.frame with gene expression and one column 'symbol' with gene names.
genes_coord	either a file name or a data.frame with coordinates and gene names.
chrs	the chromosome names to keep. NULL to include all the chromosomes.
rm_dup	remove duplicated coordinates? Default is TRUE.

Details

If *genes_coord* is a filename, the file is expected to be a tab-delimited file with four columns: 'chr', 'start', 'end', 'symbol'. The order of the columns is not important.

The gene names in column 'symbol' should match the gene names in the input *ge_df*.

Value

a data.frame with columns 'chr', 'start', 'end' columns with genes coordinates (and still one column per barcode).

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

define_cycling_cells	<i>Define cycling cells</i>
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Description

Using cell cycle scores, identify cells that are cycling.

Usage

```
define_cycling_cells(qc_df, sd_th = 3)
```

Arguments

qc_df	the output data.frame from qc_cells (ran with a non-null <i>cell_cycle</i> parameter)
sd_th	the number of SD used for the thresholds.

Value

a list with	
cells.noc	a vector with the names of non-cycling cells
graphs	a list of ggplot2 graphs

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

find_communities	<i>Community detection</i>
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Description

Build a KNN graph and run Louvain algorithm for community detection.

Usage

```
find_communities(pca_o, nb_pcs = 10, k = 100)
```

Arguments

pca_o	the output of run_pca
nb_pcs	the number of PCs to use. Default 10.
k	the number of nearest neighbor for the KNN graph. Default 100.

Value

a data.frame with two columns: 'cell' and 'community'.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

make_metacells	<i>Make metacells</i>
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Description

Randomly select cells in each community and merge them to create metacells with higher resolution.

Usage

```
make_metacells(ge_df, comm_df, nb_metacells = 10, metacell_size = 3,  
  baseline_cells = NULL, nb_cores = 1)
```

Arguments

ge_df	normalized gene expression of all cells (e.g. output from norm_ge).
comm_df	a data.frame with community information, output from find_communities .
nb_metacells	the number of metacells per community.
metacell_size	the number of cells in a metacell.
baseline_cells	the cells to use for baseline communities.
nb_cores	the number of processor to use.

Value

a list with

`ge` a data.frame with coordinates and gene expression for each metacell.
`info` information about which metacell correspond to which community.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

<code>merge_samples</code>	<i>Merge expression of multiple samples</i>
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Description

The expression of multiple samples are merged. New cell names are produced as SAMPLE_CELL.

Usage

```
merge_samples(ge_list, sample_names = NULL)
```

Arguments

`ge_list` a list of `ge_df` (e.g. read from [read_mtx](#)).
`sample_names` the names of each sample. If `NULL`, tries to use `ge_list`'s names.

Value

a list with

`ge` the merged gene expression data.frame
`info` a data.frame with new and original cell names, and corresponding sample name

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

norm_ge	<i>Normalize gene expression</i>
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Description

The expression of each cell is normalized to account for depth differences.

Usage

```
norm_ge(ge_df, method = c("tmm", "total"), nb_cores = 1)
```

Arguments

ge_df	the input gene expression
method	the normalization method
nb_cores	the number of processors to use.

Value

a data.frame with the normalized expression.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

plot_cna	<i>Heatmap of CNA</i>
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Description

Heatmap of CNA

Usage

```
plot_cna(cna_df, chrs_order = c(1:22, "X", "Y"))
```

Arguments

cna_df	CNA from call_cna .
chrs_order	order of the chromosomes in the graph.

Value

a ggplot2 graph

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

plot_communities	<i>Community graphs</i>
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Description

Graphs about the communities found by [find_communities](#). For example the size of the communities or the distribution of QC metrics in each community.

Usage

```
plot_communities(comm_df, qc_df = NULL, info_df = NULL)
```

Arguments

comm_df	the output data.frame from find_communities
qc_df	a data.frame with QC metrics (output from qc_cells). Default is NULL (i.e. not used)
info_df	a data.frame with sample merge info (output from merge_samples). Default is NULL (i.e. not used)

Details

If the QC data.frame is provided, the distribution of QC metrics is shown to investigate if some communities are batch effects.

If multiple samples were merged ([merge_samples](#)), the proportion of cells from each sample of origin can be shown if the info_df data.frame is provided.

If qc_df and/or info_df are null but their columns present in comm_df, their corresponding graphs will be generated. Hence a merged version of comm_df, qc_df and info_df works (e.g. output of [auto_cna_signal](#)).

Value

a list of ggplot2 graphs.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

Examples

```
## Not run:
ggpl = plot_communities(comm_df, qc_df)

## Print first graph
ggpl[[1]]

## Customize ggplot
ggpl[[1]] + ggtitle('First graph about communities')
```

```
## End(Not run)
```

plot_qc_cells	<i>QC graphs</i>
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Description

QC graphs

Usage

```
plot_qc_cells(qc_df, info_df = NULL)
```

Arguments

qc_df	the output data.frame from qc.cells
info_df	a data.frame with sample merge info (output from merge.samples). Default is NULL (i.e. not used)

Value

a list of ggplots

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

Examples

```
## Not run:
ggpl.1 = plot_qc_cells(qc_df)

## Print first graph
ggpl.1[[1]]

## Customize ggplot
ggpl.1[[1]] + ggtitle('First QC graph')

## End(Not run)
```

plot_tsne	<i>tSNE graphs</i>
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Description

tSNE graphs colored according to QC metrics or sample labels.

Usage

```
plot_tsne(tsne_df, qc_df = NULL, comm_df = NULL, info_df = NULL)
```

Arguments

tsne_df	the output data.frame from run_tsne (columns: cell, tsne1, tsne2)
qc_df	a data.frame with QC metrics (output from qc_cells). Default is NULL (i.e. not used)
comm_df	a data.frame with communities (output from find_communities). Default is NULL (i.e. not used)
info_df	a data.frame with sample merge info (output from merge_samples).

Details

If the QC data.frame is provided, the distribution of QC metrics is shown to investigate if some communities are batch effects.

If multiple samples were merged ([merge_samples](#)), the points can be colored by sample of origin by providing the info_df data.frame.

If any qc_df/comm_df/info_df are null but their columns present in tsne_df, their corresponding graphs will be generated. Hence a merged version of tsne_df, comm_df, qc_df and info_df works (e.g. output of [auto_cna_signal](#)).

Value

a list of ggplot objects

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

Examples

```
## Not run:
ggp.l = plot_tsne(tsne_df, qc_df, comm_df)

## Print first graph
ggp.l[[1]]

## Customize ggplot
```

```
ggpl.1[[1]] + ggtitle('First tSNE graph')

## End(Not run)
```

qc_cells	<i>Compute quality control metrics for each cell</i>
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Description

From raw gene expression, a few QC metrics are computed.

Usage

```
qc_cells(ge_df, cell_cycle = NULL)
```

Arguments

ge_df	the input gene expression with a 'symbol' column and then one column per cell.
cell_cycle	if non-null, either a file or data.frame to compute cell cycle scores. See details.

Details

If cell_cycle is provided it should be a data.frame (or a tsv file) with two columns: 'symbol' with gene names, and 'phase' with the cell cycle phase (e.g. either 'G1.S' or 'G2.M').

Value

a data.frame with qc metrics per cell.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

qc_filter	<i>Filter cells based on QC results</i>
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Description

Filter cells based on QC results

Usage

```
qc_filter(ge_df, qc_df, max_mito_prop = 0.2, min_total_exp = 0,
  cells_sel = NULL)
```

Arguments

<code>ge_df</code>	the input gene expression with a 'symbol' column and then one column per cell.
<code>qc_df</code>	the output data.frame from <code>qc.cells</code>
<code>max_mito_prop</code>	the maximum proportion of mitochondrial RNA.
<code>min_total_exp</code>	the minimum total cell expression
<code>cells_sel</code>	consider only these cells. Other cells filtered no matter what.

Value

`ge_df` with only the cells that passed the filters

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

<code>read_mtx</code>	<i>Read a trio of genes, barcodes and mtx files.</i>
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Description

Read a trio of genes, barcodes and mtx files.

Usage

```
read_mtx(mtx_file = "matrix.mtx", genes_file = "genes.tsv",
        barcodes_file = "barcodes.tsv", path = ".", rm_dup = TRUE,
        genes_col = 2)
```

Arguments

<code>mtx_file</code>	the path to the mtx file
<code>genes_file</code>	the path to the genes file.
<code>barcodes_file</code>	the path to the barcodes file
<code>path</code>	the path to the folder containing the files
<code>rm_dup</code>	remove duplicated gene names? Default is TRUE.
<code>genes_col</code>	the column to use in <code>genes_file</code> . Default is 2.

Value

a data.frame with a 'symbol' column with gene names and one column per barcode.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

run_pca

*Run PCA***Description**

PCA analysis, eventually using a subset of core cells for the PC construction.

Usage

```
run_pca(z_df, core_cells = NULL, out_pcs = 100)
```

Arguments

<code>z_df</code>	a data.frame with z-scores for each cell
<code>core_cells</code>	if non-NULL, a vector with the names of the cells to use as core cells. See details. Default is NULL.
<code>out_pcs</code>	the number of top PCs to report. Default is 100.

Details

Cells in `core_cells` are used to build the principal components to which all cells are then projected to. Usually used to reduce the effect of cell cycle in the PCA, by using only cells that don't cycle (see [qc.cells](#)) as `core_cells`.

The graph (*sdev.graph*) shows the standard deviation for the top 50 PCs. To show more/less PCs, add `xlim(1,N)` to the *sdev.graph*. See examples.

Value

a list with	
<code>x</code>	the PC matrix
<code>sdev</code>	the standard deviations of the PCs
<code>sdev.graph</code>	a ggplot graph of the sdev

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

Examples

```
## Not run:
pca.o = run_pca(z)

## Zoom in to the top 20 PCs
pca.o$sdev.graph + xlim(1,20)

## End(Not run)
```

run_tsne

Run tSNE

Description

tSNE from PCA results.

Usage

```
run_tsne(pca_o, nb_pcs = 10, nb_it = 1000)
```

Arguments

pca_o the output of [run_pca](#)
 nb_pcs the number of PCs to use. Default 10.
 nb_it the number of iterations. Default 1000.

Value

a data.frame with columns: cell, tsne1, tsne2

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

smooth_movingw

Moving-window smoothing

Description

The expression/score of a gene/bin is replaced by a summary of bins around. For example the median across 3 bins.

Usage

```
smooth_movingw(df, wsize = 3, nb_cores = 1, FUN = stats::median)
```

Arguments

df the input data.frame with coordinate columns (chr, start, end) and then one column per cell
 wsize the window size. Default is 3.
 nb_cores the number of processors to use.
 FUN the function to apply to each window. Default is median.

Value

a data.frame with smoothed signal.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

tsne_browser

Shiny application to visualize tSNE results

Description

Interactive application to visualize the tSNE results: zoom, hover information, different colors.

Usage

```
tsne_browser(cells_df, nb_points = 5000, plot_dim = 800)
```

Arguments

cells_df	the data.frame with tSNE and other information for each cell
nb_points	the default number of points to show. See details.
plot_dim	the dimension of the plot in pixels.

Details

Drawing thousands of points in a web-browser can be demanding. To reduce the number of points (cells) to draw, close-by cells are merged into bigger points. The merging is done separately for different samples/communities to be able to color them if necessary. The user can decide how many points to draw with the 'nb_points' parameter or directly within the application. In practice, increase the number of points until the app gets too slow.

Value

opens a Shiny app in a web-browser.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

zscore	<i>Compute Z-score</i>
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Description

Transform gene expression into a scaled score, either using all cells or a subset of cells as baseline.

Usage

```
zscore(ge_df, wins_th = 3, method = c("z", "norm"), normals = NULL)
```

Arguments

ge_df	the input expression data.frame
wins_th	the threshold to winsorize Z-score. Default is 3
method	the normalization method. Either 'z' or 'norm'.
normals	the cells to use as normals. If NULL (default) all cells are used as normals

Value

a data.frame with Z-scores.

Author(s)

Jean Monlong

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