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decompTumor2Sig-package

*decompTumor2Sig - Decomposition of individual tumors into mutational signatures by signature refitting*

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## Description

The decompTumor2Sig package uses quadratic programming to decompose the somatic mutation catalog from an individual tumor sample (or multiple individual tumor samples) into a set of given mutational signatures (either of the "Alexandrov model" by Alexandrov et al, Nature 500(7463):415-421, 2013, or the "Shiraishi model" by Shiraishi et al, PLoS Genet 11(12):e1005657, 2015), thus computing weights (or "exposures") that reflect the contributions of the signatures to the mutation load of the tumor.

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The package provides the following functions:

<code>composeGenomesFromExposures()</code> :	(re-)construct tumor genome mutation frequencies from the signatures and their corresponding exposures, or contributions.
<code>computeExplainedVariance()</code> :	determine the variance explained by estimated signature contributions (i.e., exposures to signatures).
<code>convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi()</code> :	convert a set of Alexandrov signatures to Shiraishi signatures.
<code>convertGenomesFromVRanges()</code> :	convert a genome or set of genomes from a <code>VariantAnnotation::VRanges</code> object.
<code>decomposeTumorGenomes()</code> :	determine the weights/contributions of a set of signatures to each of a set of individual tumor genomes.
<code>determineSignatureDistances()</code> :	for a given signature compute its distances to each of a set of target signatures.
<code>downgradeShiraishiSignatures()</code> :	downgrade Shiraishi signatures by removing flanking bases and/or the transcription direction.
<code>evaluateDecompositionQuality()</code> :	evaluate the quality of a decomposition by comparing the re-composed (=re-constructed) tumor mutation frequencies to those actually observed in the tumor genome.
<code>getGenomesFromMutFeatData()</code> :	extract the genomes from a <code>MutationFeatureData</code> object as provided by, for example, <code>pmsignature::readMPFile</code> .
<code>getSignaturesFromEstParam()</code> :	extract a set of signatures from an <code>EstimatedParameters</code> object as returned by function <code>getPMSignature</code> of the <code>pmsignature</code> package.
<code>mapSignatureSets()</code> :	find a mapping from one signature set to another.
<code>plotDecomposedContribution()</code> :	plot the decomposition of a genome into mutational signatures (i.e., the contributions of, or exposures to, the signatures).
<code>plotExplainedVariance()</code> :	plot the variance of a genome's mutation patterns which can be explained with an increasing number of signatures.
<code>plotMutationDistribution()</code> :	plot a single signature or the mutation frequency data for a single genome.

readAlexandrovSignatures():	read Alexandrov signatures in the COSMIC format from a flat file or URL.
readGenomesFromMPF():	read a genome or set of genomes from a Mutation Position Format (MPF) file.
readGenomesFromVCF():	read a genome or set of genomes from a Variant Call Format (VCF) file.
readShiraishiSignatures():	read Shiraishi signatures from flat files.

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composeGenomesFromExposures

*Compose tumor genomes from exposures.*

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### Description

‘composeGenomesFromExposures()’ re-composes (or predicts) tumor genomes (i.e., their mutation frequencies) from the given mutational signatures and their corresponding exposures, or contributions. The (re-)composition is performed by computing the weighted sum of the mutational signatures, where the weights are the exposures (=contributions) of the corresponding signatures. This can, for example, be used to verify that a decomposition obtained from decomposeTumorGenomes is meaningful.

### Usage

```
composeGenomesFromExposures(exposures, signatures)
```

### Arguments

exposures	(Mandatory) A single vector or list of vectors containing the estimated signature contributions/exposures as computed by the function decomposeTumorGenomes. A list of vectors is used if the (re-)composition shall be performed for multiple genomes. The number of elements of each exposure vector must correspond to the number of signatures.
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**signatures** (Mandatory) The list of signatures (vectors, data frames or matrices) for which the exposures were obtained. Each of the list objects represents one mutational signature. Vectors are used for Alexandrov signatures, data frames or matrices for Shiraishi signatures.

### Value

A list of "predicted" genomes, i.e., the frequencies of their mutational patterns computed as weighted sums of the mutational signatures, where the weights correspond to the contributions of, i.e., exposures to, the corresponding signatures.

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### See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)

### Examples

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### load preprocessed breast cancer genomes (object 'genomes') from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-genomes-Alexandrov_3bases.Rdata",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(gfile)

### compute exposures
exposures <- decomposeTumorGenomes(genomes, signatures, verbose=FALSE)

### re-compose (predict) tumor genome features from exposures
predGenomes <- composeGenomesFromExposures(exposures, signatures)
```

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```
computeExplainedVariance
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*Compute the explained variance.*

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## Description

‘computeExplainedVariance()’ computes for one or more tumors the variance which is explained by the estimated contributions (exposures) of a set of signatures when compared to the observed genomes.

## Usage

```
computeExplainedVariance(exposures, signatures, genomes)
```

## Arguments

exposures	(Mandatory) A single vector or list of vectors containing the estimated signature contributions/exposures as provided by the function <code>decomposeTumorGenomes</code> . A list of vectors is used if the explained variance shall be computed for multiple genomes. The number of exposure vectors must correspond to the number of genomes. The number of elements of each exposure vector must correspond to the number of signatures.
signatures	(Mandatory) The list of signatures (vectors, data frames or matrices) for which the exposures were obtained. Each of the list objects represents one mutational signature. Vectors are used for Alexandrov signatures, data frames or matrices for Shiraishi signatures.
genomes	(Mandatory) Can be either a vector, a data frame or a matrix (for an individual tumor genome), or a list of one of these object types (for multiple tumors). Each tumor genome must be of the same form as the signatures.

## Value

A numeric vector of explained variances, one for each genome.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)  
[plotExplainedVariance](#)

**Examples**

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### load preprocessed breast cancer genomes (object 'genomes') from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-genomes-Alexandrov_3bases.Rdata",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(gfile)

### compute exposures
exposures <- decomposeTumorGenomes(genomes, signatures, verbose=FALSE)

### compute explained variance for the tumor genomes
computeExplainedVariance(exposures, signatures, genomes)
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`convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi`

*Convert Alexandrov-type signatures to Shiraishi signatures*

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**Description**

‘convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi()’ converts a set Alexandrov signatures to the Shiraishi model of signatures, summing the respective frequencies of base changes, and upstream and downstream flanking bases. The resulting Shiraishi signatures don’t provide information on the transcription strand, as this is not part of the Alexandrov signatures. [Attention: this conversion entails a loss of specificity and the applicability of Shiraishi signatures derived from Alexandrov signatures has not been extensively explored!]

**Usage**

```
convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi(signatures)
```

**Arguments**

signatures	(Mandatory) A list of Alexandrov signatures with named elements as produced by readAlexandrovSignatures.
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**Value**

A list of Shiraishi signatures that can be used for decomposeTumorGenomes.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[readAlexandrovSignatures](#)  
[readShiraishiSignatures](#)

**Examples**

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signAlexandrov <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### convert them to the Shiraishi model
signShiraishi <- convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi(signAlexandrov)
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convertGenomesFromVRanges

*Convert genomes from a VRanges object*

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**Description**

‘convertGenomesFromVRanges()’ converts the SNVs of a single tumor genome (sample) or a set of genomes from a VRanges object (package VariantAnnotation) and determines the mutation frequencies according to a specific model of mutational signatures (Alexandrov or Shiraishi), such that the resulting format can be used as genomes input for decomposeTumorGenomes.



**Usage**

```
convertGenomesFromVRanges(vranges, numBases=5, type="Shiraishi",
trDir=TRUE,
refGenome=BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19,
transcriptAnno=
TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene,
verbose=TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

vranges	(Mandatory) The VRanges object which specifies the mutations.
numBases	(Mandatory) Total number of bases (mutated base and flanking bases) to be used for sequence patterns. Must be odd. Default: 5
type	(Mandatory) Signature model or type ("Alexandrov" or "Shiraishi"). Default: "Shiraishi"
trDir	(Mandatory) Specifies whether the transcription direction is taken into account in the signature model. If so, only mutations within genomic regions with a defined transcription direction can be considered. Default: TRUE
refGenome	(Mandatory) The reference genome (BSgenome) needed to extract sequence patterns. Default: BSgenome object for hg19.
transcriptAnno	(Optional) Transcript annotation (TxDb object) used to determine the transcription direction. This is required only if trDir is TRUE. Default: TxDb object for hg19.
verbose	(Optional) Print information about reading and processing the mutation data. Default: TRUE

**Value**

A list containing the genomes in terms of frequencies of the mutated sequence patterns. This list of genomes can be used for decomposeTumorGenomes.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)  
[readGenomesFromVCF](#)

**Examples**

```
### load the reference genome and the transcript annotation database
refGenome <- BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19
transcriptAnno <-
  TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene

### take the breast cancer genomes from Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-VCF-convertedfromMPF.vcf.gz",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")

### get the corresponding VRanges object (using the VariantAnnotation
### package)
library(VariantAnnotation)
vr <- readVcfAsVRanges(gfile, genome="hg19")

### convert the VRanges object to the decompTumor2Sig format
genomes <- convertGenomesFromVRanges(vr, numBases=5, type="Shiraishi",
  trDir=TRUE, refGenome=refGenome, transcriptAnno=transcriptAnno,
  verbose=FALSE)
```

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decomposeTumorGenomes *Decompose tumor genomes into mutational signatures*

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**Description**

‘decomposeTumorGenomes()’ is the core function of this package. It decomposes tumor genomes into a given set of mutational signatures by computing their contributions (exposures) to the mutational load. The function takes a set of mutational signatures and the mutation features of one or more tumor genomes and computes weights, i.e., contributions for each of the signatures in each individual genome. Alternatively, the function can determine for each genome only a subset of signatures whose contributions are sufficient to exceed a user-given minimum threshold for the explained variance of the genome’s mutation patterns.

**Usage**

```
decomposeTumorGenomes(genomes, signatures, minExplainedVariance=NULL,
  minNumSignatures=2, maxNumSignatures=NULL, greedySearch=FALSE,
  constrainToMaxContribution=FALSE, tolerance=0.1, verbose=FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

genomes	(Mandatory) Can be either a vector, a data frame or a matrix (for an individual tumor genome), or a list of one of these object types (for multiple tumors). Each tumor genome must be of the same form as the signatures.
signatures	(Mandatory) A list of vectors, data frames or matrices. Each of the objects represents one mutational signature. Vectors are used for Alexandrov signatures, data frames or matrices for Shiraishi signatures.
minExplainedVariance	(Optional) If NULL (default), exactly maxNumSignatures (see below; default: all) will be taken for decomposing each genome. If a numeric value between 0 and 1 is specified for minExplainedVariance, for each genome the function will select the smallest number of signatures which is sufficient to explain at least the specified fraction of the variance of the genome's mutation patterns. E.g., if minExplainedVariance=0.99 the smallest subset of signatures that explains at least 99% of the variance is taken. Please note: depending on the number of signatures, this may take quite a while because for each number K of signatures, all possible subsets composed of K signatures will be tested to identify the subset that explains the highest part of the variance. If not enough variance is explained, K will be incremented by one. Notes: 1) to speed up the search, the parameters minNumSignatures, maxNumSignatures and greedySearch can be used; 2) for genomes for which none of the possible subsets of signatures explains enough variance, the returned exposure vector will be set to NULL.
minNumSignatures	(Optional) Used if minExplainedVariance is specified (see above). To find the smallest subset of signatures which explain the variance, at least this number of signatures will be taken. This can be used to reduce the search space in a time-consuming search over a large number of signatures.
maxNumSignatures	(Optional) If minExplainedVariance is specified to find the smallest subset of signatures which explain the variance, at most maxNumSignatures will be taken. This can be used to reduce the search space in a time-consuming search over a large number of signatures. If minExplainedVariance is NULL, then exactly maxNumSignatures signatures will be used. The default for maxNumSignatures is NULL (all signatures).
greedySearch	(Optional) Used only in case minExplainedVariance has been specified. If greedySearch is TRUE then not all possible combinations of minNumSignatures to maxNumSignatures signatures will be checked. Instead, first all possible combinations for exactly minNumSignatures will be checked to select the best starting set, then iteratively the next best signature will be added (maximum increase in explained variability) until minExplainedVariance of the variance can be explained (or maxNumSignatures is exceeded). NOTE: this approximate search is highly recommended for large sets of signatures (>15)!
constrainToMaxContribution	(Optional) [Note: this is EXPERIMENTAL and is usually not needed!] If TRUE, the maximum contribution that can be attributed to a signature will be constraint by the variant feature counts (e.g., specific flanking bases) observed in the individual tumor genome. If, for example, 30% of all observed variants have a spe-

	cific feature and 60% of the variants produced by a mutational process/signature will manifest the feature, then the signature can have contributed up to 0.3/0.6 (=0.5 or 50%) of the observed variants. The lowest possible contribution over all signature features will be taken as the allowed maximum contribution of the signature. This allowed maximum will additionally be increased by the value specified as tolerance (see below). For the illustrated example and tolerance=0.1 a contribution of up to $0.5+0.1 = 0.6$ (or 60%) of the signature would be allowed.
tolerance	(Optional) If constrainToMaxContribution is TRUE, the maximum contribution computed for a signature is increased by this value (see above). If the parameter constrainToMaxContribution is FALSE, the tolerance value is ignored. Default: 0.1.
verbose	(Optional) If TRUE some information about the processed genome and used number of signatures will be printed.

### Value

A list of signature weight vectors (also called 'exposures'), one for each tumor genome. E.g., the first vector element of the first list object is the weight/contribution of the first signature to the first tumor genome. **IMPORTANT:** If minExplainedVariance is specified, then the exposures of a genome will NOT be returned if the minimum explained variance is not reached within the requested minimum and maximum numbers of signatures (minNumSignatures and maxNumSignatures)! The corresponding exposure vector will be set to NULL.

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### See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)

### Examples

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### load reference genome
refGenome <- BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19
```

```
### read breast cancer genomes from Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-VCF-convertedfromMPF.vcf.gz",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
genomes <- readGenomesFromVCF(gfile, numBases=3, type="Alexandrov",
  trDir=FALSE, refGenome=refGenome, verbose=FALSE)

### compute exposures
exposures <- decomposeTumorGenomes(genomes, signatures, verbose=FALSE)

### (for further examples on searching subsets, please see the vignette)
```

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determineSignatureDistances

*Determine differences between a given signature and a set of target signatures.*

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## Description

`determineSignatureDistances()` determines all distances (i.e., differences) between a given signature (of type Alexandrov or Shiraishi) and a set of target signatures (of the same type). This can help to compare signatures that have been determined in different ways or from different datasets. Different distance measures can be used (see details below).

## Usage

```
determineSignatureDistances(fromSignature, toSignatures,
  method="euclidean")
```

## Arguments

<code>fromSignature</code>	(Mandatory) A single signature of the Alexandrov (vector) or Shiraishi type (data frame or matrix).
<code>toSignatures</code>	(Mandatory) The list of target signatures for which to compute the distances to <code>fromSignature</code> . These target signatures must be of the same type and format as <code>fromSignature</code> .
<code>method</code>	(Optional) The distance measure to be used. This can be one of the following: "frobenius" for Frobenius distance between matrices (only for Shiraishi signatures); "rss" for the residual sum of squares (squared error); or any distance measure available for the function <code>dist</code> of the <code>stats</code> package. Default: "euclidean".

## Details

Distances that can be used are:

"frobenius"	Forbenius distance between real-valued matrices (or Shiraishi signatures) A and B: $F = \sqrt{\text{trace}((A-B) \%*\% t(A-B))}$
"rss"	Residual sum of squares (i.e., squared error): $\text{rss} = \text{sum}((A-B)^2)$
"euclidean"	(see ?dist for details)
"maximum"	(see ?dist for details)
"manhattan"	(see ?dist for details)
"canberra"	(see ?dist for details)
"binary"	(see ?dist for details)
"minkowski"	(see ?dist for details)

## Value

A signature-named vector containing all distances. This vector has the same order as the target signature list, so it is not sorted according to distance.

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## See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[mapSignatureSets](#)

## Examples

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signAlexandrov <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### convert them to Shiraishi signatures
signAlex2Shi <- convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi(signAlexandrov)

### define an arbitrary signature just for testing
```

```
### (similar to signature 1)
testSig <- matrix(c(0.1,  0, 0.7, 0.1, 0.1,  0,
                   0.3, 0.2, 0.3, 0.2,  0,  0,
                   0.2, 0.1, 0.5, 0.2,  0,  0), nrow=3, byrow=TRUE)

### compute distances of the test signature to the converted
### Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
determineSignatureDistances(testSig, signAlex2Shi, method="frobenius")
```

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downgradeShiraishiSignatures

*Downgrade Shiraishi-type signatures.*

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## Description

‘downgradeShiraishiSignatures()’ downgrades/trims signatures of the Shiraishi type by discarding flanking bases (reducing the length of the sequence pattern) and/or the transcription direction. The downgrade doesn’t pose a problem because the flanking bases and the transcription direction are considered as independent features according to the Shiraishi model of mutational signatures.

## Usage

```
downgradeShiraishiSignatures(signatures, numBases=NULL,
                              removeTrDir=FALSE)
```

## Arguments

signatures	(Mandatory) A list of Shiraishi signatures that need to be downgraded/trimmed.
numBases	(Conditionally optional) The total number of bases (mutated base plus flanking bases around the mutated base) that should be kept. All further flanking bases farther away from the mutated bases are dropped. If specified, numBases must be odd and smaller than the current number of bases of the signatures. If NULL, no flanking bases will be dropped. At least one of numBases or removeTrDir must be specified.
removeTrDir	(Conditionally optional) Logical value that specifies whether information on the transcript direction should be dropped (if present at all). At least one of numBases or removeTrDir must be specified.

## Value

A list of Shiraishi signatures that have been accordingly downgraded.

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## See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)

## Examples

```
### Load 15 Shiraishi signatures obtained from 435 tumor genomes from
### Alexandrov et al. (number of bases: 5, transcription direction: yes)
sfile <- system.file("extdata",
                     "Alexandrov_P MID_23945592_435_tumors-pmsignature-15sig.Rdata",
                     package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(sfile)

### downgrade the signatures to include only 3 bases and drop the
### transcription direction
downgradeShiraishiSignatures(signatures, numBases=3, removeTrDir=TRUE)
```

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evaluateDecompositionQuality

*Evaluate tumor decomposition quality.*

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## Description

'evaluateDecompositionQuality()' evaluates the quality of the decomposition into exposures of a single tumor. The function evaluates the quality of a decomposition obtained from the function `decomposeTumorGenomes` by comparing the re-composed (=re-constructed) tumor genome mutation frequencies to those actually observed in the tumor genome. Tumor genome mutation frequencies are reconstructed using `composeGenomesFromExposures` and the results can optionally be plotted.

## Usage

```
evaluateDecompositionQuality(exposure, signatures, genome,
                             plot=FALSE)
```



**Arguments**

exposure	(Mandatory) A single vector containing the estimated signature contributions, or exposures, of a single tumor as provided by <code>decomposeTumorGenomes</code> . The number of elements of the exposure vector must correspond to the number of signatures (see below).
signatures	(Mandatory) The list of signatures (vectors, data frames or matrices) for which the exposures were obtained. Each of the list objects represents one mutational signature. Vectors are used for Alexandrov signatures, data frames or matrices for Shiraishi signatures.
genome	(Mandatory) A single tumor genome in form of mutation frequencies specified either in the Alexandrov or the Shiraishi format (must match the format used for signatures, see above).
plot	(Optional) If FALSE (default), the numerical results (see below) will be returned. If TRUE, the reconstructed mutation frequencies will be plotted against the original, observed mutation frequencies and the numerical results will be integrated as text labels in the plot.

**Value**

A named list object containing measurements for the Pearson correlation coefficient between the reconstructed and observed mutation frequencies, and the explained variance; or alternatively, a plot with these measurements (see option `plot` above).

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)  
[composeGenomesFromExposures](#)  
[computeExplainedVariance](#)

## Examples

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### load preprocessed breast cancer genomes (object 'genomes') from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-genomes-Alexandrov_3bases.Rdata",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(gfile)

### compute exposures
exposures <- decomposeTumorGenomes(genomes, signatures, verbose=FALSE)

### evaluate the decomposition by comparing to the original data
evaluateDecompositionQuality(exposures[[1]], signatures, genomes[[1]])
```

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```
getGenomesFromMutFeatData
```

*Get genomes (mutation frequencies) from MutationFeatureData.*

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## Description

‘getGenomesFromMutFeatData()’ takes a MutationFeatureData object (mutation count data) as read by the ‘pmsignature’ package (e.g., by pmsignature::readMPFile) and extracts the mutation counts of the genomes therein. For passing the genomes to decomposeTumorGenomes, the mutation counts must be normalized to mutation frequencies, which is done by default. [IMPORTANT: set normalize to FALSE only if you are interested in full integer counts, but do not pass unnormalized counts to decomposeTumorGenomes!]

## Usage

```
getGenomesFromMutFeatData(mutFeatData, normalize=TRUE)
```

## Arguments

mutFeatData	(Mandatory) A MutationFeatureData object as constructed, for example, by pmsignature::readMPFile.
normalize	(Optional) Boolean value to specify whether to normalize the mutation count data to mutation fractions between 0 and 1. This is the default and NECESSARY in case you want to pass the return value to decomposeTumorGenomes. Set normalize to FALSE only if you are interested in full integer counts, but do not pass unnormalized counts to decomposeTumorGenomes!

**Value**

A list of (normalized) mutation counts, one object per genome. The format is the same table used by the corresponding Shiraishi signatures.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)

**Examples**

```
### get breast cancer genomes from  
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084) in the format produced by  
### pmsignature (PMID: 26630308)  
pmsigdata <- system.file("extdata",  
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-pmsignature-G.Rdata",  
  package="decompTumor2Sig")  
load(pmsigdata)  
  
### extract the genomes from the pmsignature G object  
  
genomes <- getGenomesFromMutFeatData(G, normalize=TRUE)
```

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getSignaturesFromEstParam

*Get signatures from an EstimatedParameters object.*

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**Description**

‘getSignaturesFromEstParam()’ takes an EstimatedParameters object (signatures data) as computed by the ‘pmsignature’ package (by pmsignature::getPMSignature) and extracts the signature information. The signatures can then be passed to decomposeTumorGenomes.

**Usage**

```
getSignaturesFromEstParam(Param)
```

**Arguments**

Param (Mandatory) A `pmsignature::EstimatedParameters` object as those produced by the `de novo` signature construction method `pmsignature::getPMSignature`.

**Value**

A list of Shiraishi signatures, one object per signature. Please see `readShiraishiSignatures`, the `pmsignature` package, or the `decompTumor2Sig` vignette for more information on the format of Shiraishi signatures.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[readShiraishiSignatures](#)

**Examples**

```
### load signatures for breast cancer genomes from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084) in the format produced by
### pmsignature (PMID: 26630308)
pmsigdata <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-pmsignature-Param.Rdata",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(pmsigdata)

### extract the signatures from the pmsignature Param object

signatures <- getSignaturesFromEstParam(Param)
```

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mapSignatureSets	<i>Map one signature set to another.</i>
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### Description

'mapSignatureSets()' determines a mapping from one set of signatures to another. Both Alexandrov and Shiraishi signatures can be handled, but both sets must be of the same type. The mapping can either be a unique (one-to-one) mapping or identify best matches while allowing multiple signatures to be mapped to the same target signature if it is the best match for more than one signature. Different distance measures can be used (see details below).

### Usage

```
mapSignatureSets(fromSignatures, toSignatures, method="euclidean",
unique=FALSE)
```

### Arguments

fromSignatures	(Mandatory) A set (list) of signatures of the Alexandrov (vector) or Shiraishi type (data frame or matrix), that has to be mapped to the signatures of a second set (toSignatures).
toSignatures	(Mandatory) The set (list) of signatures to which the set of fromSignatures has to be mapped.
method	(Optional) The distance measure to be used. This can be one of the following: "frobenius" for Frobenius distance between matrices (only for Shiraishi signatures); "rss" for the residual sum of squares (squared error); or any distance measure available for the function dist() of the stats package. Default: "euclidean".
unique	(Optional) If set to FALSE (default), then for each signature of fromSignatures the best match (minimum distance) from toSignatures is selected. The selected signatures need not be unique, i.e., one signature of toSignatures may be the best match for multiple signatures of fromSignatures. If set to TRUE, i.e., if a unique (one-to-one) mapping is required, an iterative approach is performed: in each step, the best matching pair from fromSignatures and toSignatures is mapped and then removed from the list of signatures that remain to be mapped, such that they cannot be selected again.

### Details

Distances that can be used are:

"frobenius"	Frobenius distance between real-valued matrices (or Shiraishi signatures) A and B: $F = \sqrt{\text{trace}((A-B) \%*\% t(A-B))}$
"rss"	Residual sum of squares (i.e., squared error): $\text{rss} = \text{sum}((A-B)^2)$

"euclidean" (see ?dist for details)  
 "maximum" (see ?dist for details)  
 "manhattan" (see ?dist for details)  
 "canberra" (see ?dist for details)  
 "binary" (see ?dist for details)  
 "minkowski" (see ?dist for details)

## Value

A vector having as elements the mapped signatures of toSignatures, and as names the signatures of fromSignatures with which they have been associated.

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## See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[determineSignatureDistances](#)

## Examples

```

### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signAlexandrov <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### convert them to Shiraishi signatures
signAlex2Shi <- convertAlexandrov2Shiraishi(signAlexandrov)

### define a small set of arbitrary signatures just for testing
### (similar to signatures 1, 5 and 13, respectively)
test1 <- matrix(c( 0.1, 0, 0.7, 0.1, 0.1, 0,
                  0.3, 0.2, 0.3, 0.2, 0, 0,
                  0.2, 0.1, 0.5, 0.2, 0, 0 ), nrow=3, byrow=TRUE)

test2 <- matrix(c( 0.1, 0.1, 0.3, 0.1, 0.3, 0.1,
                  0.3, 0.25, 0.2, 0.25, 0, 0,
                  0.3, 0.2, 0.2, 0.3, 0, 0 ), nrow=3, byrow=TRUE)

```

```
test3 <- matrix(c( 0.1, 0.7, 0.2, 0, 0, 0,
                  0, 0, 0, 1.0, 0, 0,
                  0.5, 0.1, 0, 0.4, 0, 0 ), nrow=3, byrow=TRUE)

fromSig <- list(sig1=test1, sig2=test2, sig3=test3)

### compute distances of the test signature to the converted
### Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
mapSignatureSets(fromSig, signAlex2Shi, method="frobenius", unique=TRUE)
```

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plotDecomposedContribution

*Plot the decomposition (contributions/exposures) of a tumor genome.*


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## Description

‘plotDecomposedContribution()’ plots the decomposition of a tumor genome, i.e., the contributions/exposures obtained from decomposeTumorGenomes for a set of signatures.

## Usage

```
plotDecomposedContribution(decomposition, signatures=NULL,
                           removeNA=TRUE)
```

## Arguments

decomposition	(Mandatory) A decomposition vector (exposure vector) obtained for a single tumor genome.
signatures	(Optional) A list object containing the signatures used to compute the decomposition. If specified, the signature labels used in the plot will be taken from the element names of the list; otherwise signatures will be named from sign_1 to sign_N.
removeNA	(Optional) If TRUE (default), signatures with an NA as exposure will not be included on the x-axis of the the plot. Exposures can be NA if they have been determined with a greedy search.

## Value

Returns (or draws) a plot of the decomposed tumor genome (i.e., contributions of the single signatures).

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## See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)

## Examples

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### load preprocessed breast cancer genomes (object 'genomes') from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-genomes-Alexandrov_3bases.Rdata",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(gfile)

### compute exposures
exposures <- decomposeTumorGenomes(genomes, signatures, verbose=FALSE)

### plot signature composition of the first genome
plotDecomposedContribution(exposures[[1]], signatures=NULL)
```

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plotExplainedVariance *Plot the explained variance as a function of the number of signatures*

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## Description

‘plotExplainedVariance()’ plots the explained variance of a single tumor genome’s mutation patterns as a function of the number of signatures (increasing subsets of signatures) used for decomposition. For each number K of signatures, the highest variance explained by any possible subset of K signatures will be plotted (full or greedy search, see below). This can help to evaluate what minimum threshold for the explained variance can be used to decompose tumor genomes with the function decomposeTumorGenomes.

## Usage

```
plotExplainedVariance(genome, signatures, minExplainedVariance=NULL,
  minNumSignatures=2, maxNumSignatures=NULL, greedySearch=FALSE)
```



**Arguments**

- genome** (Mandatory) The mutation load of a single genome in Alexandrov- or Shiraishi-format, i.e. as vector or matrix. The format must be the same as the one used for the signatures (see below).
- signatures** (Mandatory) The list of signatures (vectors, data frames or matrices) which are to be evaluated. Each of the list objects represents one mutational signature. Vectors are used for Alexandrov signatures, data frames or matrices for Shiraishi signatures.
- minExplainedVariance** (Optional) If a numeric value between 0 and 1 is specified, the plot highlights the smallest subset of signatures which is sufficient to explain at least the specified fraction of the variance of the genome's mutation patterns. If, for example, minExplainedVariance is 0.99 the smallest subset of signatures that explains at least 99% of the variance will be highlighted.
- minNumSignatures** (Optional) The plot will be generated only for  $K \geq \text{minNumSignatures}$ .
- maxNumSignatures** (Optional) The plot will be generated only for  $K \leq \text{maxNumSignatures}$ .
- greedySearch** (Optional) If greedySearch is set to TRUE then not all possible combinations of minNumSignatures to maxNumSignatures signatures will be checked. Instead, first all possible combinations for exactly minNumSignatures will be checked to select the best starting set, then iteratively the next best signature will be added (maximum increase in explained variability) until maxNumSignatures is reached). NOTE: while this is only an approximation, it is highly recommended for large sets of signatures (>15)!

**Value**

Returns (or draws) a plot of the explained variance as a function of the number of signatures.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)  
[computeExplainedVariance](#)

**Examples**

```

### get 15 pre-processed Shiraishi signatures computed (object 'signatures')
### from 435 tumor genomes Alexandrov et al (PMID: 23945592)
### using the pmsignature package
sfile <- system.file("extdata",
                     "Alexandrov_PMIID_23945592_435_tumors-pmsignature-15sig.Rdata",
                     package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(sfile)

### load preprocessed breast cancer genomes (object 'genomes') from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
                     "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-genomes-Shiraishi_5bases_trDir.Rdata",
                     package="decompTumor2Sig")
load(gfile)

### plot the explained variance for 2 to 6 signatures of the first genome
plotExplainedVariance(genomes[[1]], signatures,
                      minExplainedVariance=0.98, minNumSignatures=2, maxNumSignatures=6)

```

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plotMutationDistribution

*Plot mutation frequency data of a mutational signature or tumor genome.*

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**Description**

‘plotMutationDistribution()’ plots a single signature or the mutation frequency data for a single genome. This works for signatures or genome data of both the Shiraishi and the Alexandrov type. [IMPORTANT: The function requires the ‘pmsignature’ package to be installed (Shiraishi et al. PLoS Genet 11(12):e1005657, 2015).]

**Usage**

```
plotMutationDistribution(mutData)
```

**Arguments**

mutData	(Mandatory) The signature or genome mutation frequency data to be plotted. This can either be a matrix (Shiraishi model) or a numeric vector (Alexandrov model).
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**Value**

Returns (or draws) a plot according to the Alexandrov or Shiraishi model of mutational signatures.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)

**Examples**

```
### Attention: using plotMutationDistribution requires the package
### pmsignature to be installed!

### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()

### plot the first Alexandrov signature

plotMutationDistribution(signatures[[1]])

### read four Shiraishi signatures for breast cancer genomes from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084) from flat files
sigfiles <- system.file("extdata",
  paste0("Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-pmsignature-sig",1:4,".tsv"),
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
signatures <- readShiraishiSignatures(sigfiles)

### plot the first Shiraishi signature

plotMutationDistribution(signatures[[1]])
```

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readAlexandrovSignatures

*Read Alexandrov-type signatures (COSMIC format).*


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## Description

'readAlexandrovSignatures()' reads a set of Alexandrov-type signatures (COSMIC format) from a flat file or URL. Signatures must be specified in the tab-separated format used by the COSMIC website; see details below or

<http://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic/signatures> -> "Download signatures".

## Usage

```
readAlexandrovSignatures(file)
```

## Arguments

file (Mandatory) Can be a file name or an URL for download. Default (COSMIC): "[http://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cancergenome/assets/signatures\\_probabilities.txt](http://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cancergenome/assets/signatures_probabilities.txt)"

## Details

COSMIC format for Alexandrov signatures:

Subst.	Trinucleotide	Mutation Type	Signature 1	Signature 2	...
C>A	ACA	A[C>A]A	0.0110983262	0.0006827082	...
C>A	ACC	A[C>A]C	0.0091493407	0.0006191072	...
C>A	ACG	A[C>A]G	0.0014900705	0.0000992790	...
C>A	ACT	A[C>A]T	0.0062338852	0.0003238914	...
[...]					
T>G	TTG	T[T>G]G	0.0020310769	0.0002066152	...
T>G	TTT	T[T>G]T	0.0040301281	0.0000235982	...

## Value

A list of Alexandrov signatures that can be used for decomposeTumorGenomes.

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### See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[readShiraishiSignatures](#)

### Examples

```
### get Alexandrov signatures from COSMIC
signatures <- readAlexandrovSignatures()
```

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readGenomesFromMPF	<i>Read tumor genomes from an MPF file (Mutation Position Format).</i>
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### Description

‘readGenomesFromMPF()’ reads somatic mutations of a single tumor genome (sample) or a set of genomes from an MPF file (Mutation Position Format; see details below) and determines the mutation frequencies according to a specific model of mutational signatures (Alexandrov or Shiraishi).

### Usage

```
readGenomesFromMPF(file, numBases=5, type="Shiraishi", trDir=TRUE,
  refGenome=BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19,
  transcriptAnno=
  TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene,
  verbose=TRUE)
```

### Arguments

file	(Mandatory) The name of the MPF file (can be compressed with gzip).
numBases	(Mandatory) Total number of bases (mutated base and flanking bases) to be used for sequence patterns. Must be odd. Default: 5
type	(Mandatory) Signature model or type ("Alexandrov" or "Shiraishi"). Default: "Shiraishi"
trDir	(Mandatory) Specifies whether the transcription direction is taken into account in the signature model. If so, only mutations within genomic regions with a defined transcription direction can be considered. Default: TRUE
refGenome	(Mandatory) The reference genome (BSgenome) needed to extract sequence patterns. Default: BSgenome object for hg19.

**transcriptAnno** (Optional) Transcript annotation (TxDb object) used to determine the transcription direction. This is required only if **trDir** is TRUE. Default: TxDb object for hg19.

**verbose** (Optional) Print information about reading and processing the mutation data. Default: TRUE

### Details

An MPF file has the following format (one line per mutation and patient/sample):

```
[sampleID]<tab>[chrom]<tab>[position]<tab>[ref_bases]<tab>[alt_bases]
```

### Value

A list containing the genomes in terms of frequencies of the mutated sequence patterns. This list of genomes can be used for `decomposeTumorGenomes`.

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### See Also

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)  
[readGenomesFromVCF](#)  
[getGenomesFromMutFeatData](#)

### Examples

```
### load reference genome and transcript annotation (if direction is needed)
refGenome <- BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19
transcriptAnno <-
  TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene

### read breast cancer genomes from Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata", "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-MPF.txt.gz",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
genomes <- readGenomesFromMPF(gfile, numBases=5, type="Shiraishi",
  trDir=TRUE, refGenome=refGenome, transcriptAnno=transcriptAnno,
```

```
verbose=FALSE)
```

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readGenomesFromVCF	<i>Read tumor genomes from a VCF file (Variant Call Format).</i>
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## Description

'readGenomesFromVCF()' reads somatic mutations of a single tumor genome (sample) or a set of genomes from a VCF file (Variant Call Format) and determines the mutation frequencies according to a specific model of mutational signatures (Alexandrov or Shiraishi).

## Usage

```
readGenomesFromVCF(file, numBases=5, type="Shiraishi", trDir=TRUE,
  refGenome=BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19,
  transcriptAnno=
  TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene,
  verbose=TRUE)
```

## Arguments

file	(Mandatory) The name of the VCF file (can be compressed with gzip).
numBases	(Mandatory) Total number of bases (mutated base and flanking bases) to be used for sequence patterns. Must be odd. Default: 5
type	(Mandatory) Signature model or type ("Alexandrov" or "Shiraishi"). Default: "Shiraishi"
trDir	(Mandatory) Specifies whether the transcription direction is taken into account in the signature model. If so, only mutations within genomic regions with a defined transcription direction can be considered. Default: TRUE
refGenome	(Mandatory) The reference genome (BSgenome) needed to extract sequence patterns. Default: BSgenome object for hg19.
transcriptAnno	(Optional) Transcript annotation (TxDb object) used to determine the transcription direction. This is required only if trDir is TRUE. Default: TxDb object for hg19.
verbose	(Optional) Print information about reading and processing the mutation data. Default: TRUE

## Value

A list containing the genomes in terms of frequencies of the mutated sequence patterns. This list of genomes can be used for decomposeTumorGenomes.

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**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[decomposeTumorGenomes](#)  
[readGenomesFromMPF](#)  
[getGenomesFromMutFeatData](#)

**Examples**

```
### load reference genome and transcript annotation (if direction is needed)
refGenome <- BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19::BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19
transcriptAnno <-
  TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene

### read breast cancer genomes from Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084)
gfile <- system.file("extdata",
  "Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-VCF-convertedfromMPF.vcf.gz",
  package="decompTumor2Sig")
genomes <- readGenomesFromVCF(gfile, numBases=5, type="Shiraishi",
  trDir=TRUE, refGenome=refGenome, transcriptAnno=transcriptAnno,
  verbose=FALSE)
```

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```
readShiraishiSignatures
```

*Read a set of Shiraishi signatures.*

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**Description**

‘readShiraishiSignatures()’ reads one or more Shiraishi-type signatures from flat files (one file per signature). The signatures must be specified as matrices without headers and row names (see details below).



**Usage**

```
readShiraishiSignatures(files)
```

**Arguments**

files (Mandatory) Can be a single file name, a vector of file names, or a list of file names.

**Details**

Format (see Shiraishi et al. PLoS Genetics 11(12):e1005657, 2015):

First line: Frequencies of the base changes C>A, C>G, C>T, T>A, T>C, and T>G

Following 2k lines (for k up- and downstream flanking bases): Frequencies of the bases A, C, G, and T, followed by two 0 values

Final line (only if transcription direction is considered): Frequencies of occurrences on the transcription strand, and on the opposite strand, followed by four 0 values.

Example:

1.8874e-14	0.10974	0.045918	0.11308	0.07429	0.65697
3.8079e-01	0.12215	0.191456	0.30561	0.00000	0.00000
1.5311e-01	0.34214	0.179774	0.32497	0.00000	0.00000
1.2378e-01	0.10243	0.163461	0.61032	0.00000	0.00000
3.4891e-01	0.15346	0.156687	0.34094	0.00000	0.00000
5.6435e-01	0.43565	0.000000	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000

**Value**

A list of Shiraishi signatures that can be used for decomposeTumorGenomes.

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**References**

<http://rmpiro.net/decompTumor2Sig/>

Krueger, Piro (2017) Identification of Mutational Signatures Active in Individual Tumors. NETTAB 2017 - Methods, Tools & Platforms for Personalized Medicine in the Big Data Era, October 16-18, 2017, Palermo, Italy. PeerJ Preprints 5:e3257v1, 2017.

**See Also**

[decompTumor2Sig](#)  
[readAlexandrovSignatures](#)

`getSignaturesFromEstParam`

### **Examples**

```
### read four Shiraishi signatures for breast cancer genomes from
### Nik-Zainal et al (PMID: 22608084) from flat files
sigfiles <- system.file("extdata",
  paste0("Nik-Zainal_PMIID_22608084-pmsignature-sig",1:4,".tsv"),
  package="decompTumor2Sig")

signatures <- readShiraishiSignatures(sigfiles)
```

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