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all.equal.bGWAS	<i>Equality test for bGWAS objects</i>
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Description

Equality test for bGWAS objects

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'equal.bGWAS'
all(target, current, ...)
```

Arguments

target	an object of class bGWAS
current	an object of class bGWAS
...	further arguments

Value

all.equal

bGWAS

*bGWAS - main function***Description**

Performs a Bayesian GWAS from Summary Statistics, using publicly available results to calculate the prior effects of the SNPs and compare it to observed z-scores

Usage

```
bGWAS(
  name,
  GWAS,
  Z_matrices = "~/ZMatrices/",
  prior_studies = NULL,
  MR_threshold = 1e-06,
  MR_ninstruments = 3,
  MR_pruning_dist = 500,
  MR_pruning_LD = 0,
  MR_shrinkage = 1,
  stepwise_threshold = NULL,
  prior_shrinkage = NULL,
  sign_method = "p",
  sign_thresh = 5e-08,
  use_permutations = FALSE,
  res_pruning_dist = 500,
  res_pruning_LD = 0,
  save_files = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

name	The name of the analysis (character)
GWAS	The path to the conventional GWAS of interest, the ID of the GWAS from the list of studies available (prior GWASs), or a <code>data.frame</code> (character, numeric or <code>data.frame</code>)
Z_matrices	The path to the folder containing Z-Matrices, default="~/ZMatrices/" (character)
prior_studies	The IDs of prior GWASs to use for the analysis, default=NULL, will include all the prior GWASs available (numeric vector)
MR_threshold	The threshold used to select strong instruments for MR, should be lower than 1e-5, default=1e-6 (numeric)
MR_ninstruments	The minimum number of strong instruments needed to use a prior GWAS, should be between 2 and 8, default=3 (numeric)
MR_pruning_dist	The distance used for pruning MR instruments (in Kb), should be between 10 and 1000, default=500 (numeric)

MR_pruning_LD	The LD threshold used for pruning MR instruments, should be between 0 and 1 (if 0, distance-based pruning is used), default=0 (numeric)
MR_shrinkage	The p-value threshold used for shrinkage before performing MR, should be between MR_threshold and 1 (no shrinkage), default=1 (numeric)
stepwise_threshold	The p-value threshold used for inclusion/exclusion of Prior GWASs during the stepwise selection approach, should be between 0.05 and 0.0005, default=NULL will use 0.05 divided by the number of Prior GWASs tested (numeric)
prior_shrinkage	The p-value threshold used for shrinkage before calculating the prior, should be between MR_threshold and 1, default=NULL will use MR_shrinkage (numeric)
sign_method	The method used to identify significant SNPs, should be "p" for p-value or "fdr" for false discovery rate, default="p" (character)
sign_thresh	The threshold used to identify significant SNPs, default="5e-8" (numeric)
use_permutations	A logical indicating if BF p-values should be estimated using the permutation approach, default=FALSE
res_pruning_dist	The distance used for pruning results (in Kb), should be between 10 and 1000, (if set to NULL, no pruning is done), default=500 (numeric)
res_pruning_LD	The LD threshold used for pruning results, should be between 0 and 1 (if 0, distance-based pruning is used), default=0 (numeric)
save_files	A logical indicating if the results should be saved as files, default=FALSE
verbose	A logical indicating if information on progress should be reported, default=TRUE

Details

Name and GWAS are required arguments. If GWAS is a path to a file (regular or .gz) or a data.frame, it should contain the following columns :

SNPID (rs numbers) should be : rs, rsid, snp, snpid, rnpid

A1 should be : a1, alt, alts

A2 should be : a2, a0, ref

Z should be : z, Z, zscore

If Z is not present, it can be calculated from BETA and SE.

BETA should be : b, beta, beta1

SE should be : se, std

Note: in order to get rescaled (prior/posterior/corrected) effects, BETA and SE should be provided.

Z-Matrix files, containing Z-scores for all prior GWASs should be downloaded separately and stored in "~/ZMatrices" or in the folder specified with the argument Z_matrices.

See [here](https://github.com/n-mounier/bGWAS) for more informations.

Use `list_priorGWASs()` to see all the prior GWASs available. Using one of them as your conventional GWAS (argument GWAS = numeric ID) will automatically remove it from the list of prior GWASs used to build the prior.

Use `select_priorGWASs()` to automatically select the prior GWASs to be included/excluded when building the prior (argument prior_studies).

Value

bGWAS() returns an object of class "bGWAS".

Additionally, if save_files=T, several files are created in the folder ./name/ :

- "PriorGWASs.tsv" - contains information about all prior GWASs (general info + status (used/excluded) + MR coefficients)
- "CoefficientsByChromosome.csv" - contains the MR estimates when masking the focal chromosome (22 coefficients / prior GWASs used for prior estimation)
- "PriorBFp.csv" - contains BF and p-values, prior, posterior and direct effects estimates for all SNPs
- "SignificantSNPs.csv" - contains BF and p-values, prior, posterior and direct effects estimates for a subset of significant SNPs

Examples

```
# Permorm bGWAS, using a small conventional GWAS included in the package (data.frame)
# and selecting a subset of studies for the prior
## Not run: top
data("SmallGWAS_Timmers2019")
MyStudies = select_priorGWASs(include_traits=c("Blood Pressure", "Education"),
                              include_files=c("cardiogram_gwas_results.txt",
                                                "All_ancestries_SNP_gwas_mc_merge_nogc.tbl.uniq.gz"))

# 6 Prior GWASs used
list_priorGWASs(MyStudies)

A = bGWAS(name="Test_UsingSmallDataFrame",
          GWAS = SmallGWAS_Timmers2019,
          prior_studies=MyStudies,
          MR_threshold = 1e-6,
          stepwise_threshold=0.05,
          save_files=T)

## End(Not run)

# Permorm bGWAS, using a conventional GWAS from the list of prior GWASs
## Not run: MyGWAS = 3
list_priorGWASs(MyGWAS)
# Coronary Artery Disease GWAS (CARDIoGRAM)
B = bGWAS(name = "Test_UsingGWASfromPriorGWASs",
          GWAS = MyGWAS)

## End(Not run)
```

coefficients_plot_bGWAS

Coefficients Plot from bGWAS results

Description

Creates a Coefficients Plot (causal effect of each Prior GWASs)

Usage

```
coefficients_plot_bGWAS(obj, save_file = F, file_name = NULL)
```

Arguments

obj	an object of class bGWAS created using bGWAS()
save_file	A logical indicating if the graphic should be saved, default=FALSE, graphic will be displayed on the on-screen device
file_name	The name of the file saved (is save_file is TRUE) default=NULL, will used NameOfYourAnalysis_CoefficientsPlot.png

Value

a Coefficients Plot

```
extract_MRcoeffs_bGWAS
```

Extract MR coefficients from bGWAS results

Description

Extracts MR coefficients (multivariable genome-wide and per-chromosome estimates)

Usage

```
extract_MRcoeffs_bGWAS(obj)
```

Arguments

obj	an object of class bGWAS created using bGWAS()
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Value

a tibble containing the MR coefficients (1 estimate using all chromosomes + 22 estimates with 1 chromosome masked)

```
extract_results_bGWAS
```

Extract SNPs results from bGWAS results

Description

Extracts SNPs results from bGWAS results (BFs, p-value, prior, posterior and direct effects, depending on the value of the parameter results)

Usage

```
extract_results_bGWAS(obj, SNPs = "significant", results = "BF")
```

Arguments

obj an object of class bGWAS created using `bGWAS()`
 SNPs, "all" / "significant", default="significant"
 results, "BF" / "posterior" / "direct" / "everything", default="BF"

Details

For all value of results, basic informations about the SNPs will be returned:

rsid : rs number
 chr_{UK10K} : chromosome (obtained from UK10K data)
 pos_{UK10K} : position (obtained from UK10K data)
 alt : alternative (effect) allele
 ref : reference allele
 beta : observed effect size (if possible)
 se : observed effect size (if possible)
 z_obs : observed Z-score

In addition, if results = "BF" the following information will be returned:

mu_prior_estimate : prior effect estimate (z-score scale)
 mu_prior_std_error : prior effect standard error (z-score scale)
 beta_prior_estimate : prior effect estimate (beta scale, if possible)
 beta_prior_std_error : prior effect standard error (beta scale, if possible)
 BF : Bayes Factor
 BF_p : Bayes Factor p-value
 BF_fdr : Bayes Factor FDR (only if FDR used to identify significant SNPs)

Alternatively, if results = "posterior" the following information will be returned:

mu_posterior_estimate : posterior effect estimate (z-score scale)
 mu_posterior_std_error : posterior effect standard error (z-score scale)
 beta_posterior_estimate : posterior effect estimate (beta scale, if possible)
 beta_posterior_std_error : posterior effect standard error (beta scale, if possible)
 z_posterior : posterior Z-score
 p_posterior : posterior effect p-value
 fdr_posterior : posterior effect FDR (only if FDR used to identify significant SNPs)

Alternatively, if results = "direct" the following information will be returned:

mu_direct_estimate : direct effect estimate (z-score scale)
 mu_direct_std_error : direct effect standard error (z-score scale)
 beta_direct_estimate : direct effect estimate (beta scale, if possible)
 beta_direct_std_error : direct effect standard error (beta scale, if possible)
 z_direct : direct Z-score
 p_direct : direct effect p-value
 fdr_direct : direct effect FDR (only if FDR used to identify significant SNPs)
 CRR : corrected to raw ratio (ratio between direct effect and observed effect)

Alternatively, if results = "everything" all the results described above will be returned (possible only if SNPs = "all").

Value

a tibble containing the results for all / significant SNPs

get_RSquared_bGWAS	<i>Get squared correlation between observed and prior effects from bGWAS results</i>
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Description

Returns squared correlation between observed and prior effects, for different subsets of SNPs (all, the ones having at least a moderate effects - p-value < 0.001 -, MR instruments)

Usage

```
get_RSquared_bGWAS(obj, SNPs = "all")
```

Arguments

obj	an object of class bGWAS created using bGWAS()
SNPs,	"all" / "moderate" / "instruments"

Value

a squared correlation

heatmap_bGWAS	<i>Heatmap of SNP effects on prior traits from bGWAS results</i>
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Description

Creates a heatmap of SNP effects on prior traits

Usage

```
heatmap_bGWAS(obj, SNPs = NULL, save_file = F, file_name = NULL)
```

Arguments

obj	an object of class bGWAS created using bGWAS()
SNPs	A data.frame containing the SNPs (rsid) to use in the first column, and optionally the text that should be plotted in addition to rsid in the second column default=NULL.
save_file	A logical indicating if the graphic should be saved, default=FALSE, graphic will be displayed on the on-screen device
file_name	The name of the file saved (is save_file is TRUE) default=NULL, will used NameOfYourAnalysis_Heatmap.png

Value

a Heatmap

list_files	<i>List prior GWASs files</i>
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Description

Lists the filenames of the prior GWASs

Usage

```
list_files(IDs = NULL, Z_matrices = "~/ZMatrices/")
```

Arguments

IDs	the IDs of the studies to print, default="~/ZMatrices/" will list all of them (numeric),
Z_matrices	The path to the folder containing Z-Matrices, default="~/ZMatrices/" (character)

Value

List of files

list_priorGWASs	<i>List prior GWASs</i>
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Description

Lists the studies that can be used as prior GWASs

Usage

```
list_priorGWASs(IDs = NULL, Z_matrices = "~/ZMatrices/")
```

Arguments

IDs	the IDs of the studies to print, default="~/ZMatrices/" will list all of them (numeric),
Z_matrices	The path to the folder containing Z-Matrices, default="~/ZMatrices/" (character)

Value

a tibble containing prior GWASs information

list_traits	<i>List prior GWASs traits Lists the traits of the prior GWASs</i>
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Description

List prior GWASs traits Lists the traits of the prior GWASs

Usage

```
list_traits(Z_matrices = "~/ZMatrices/")
```

Arguments

Z_matrices	The path to the folder containing Z-Matrices, default="~/ZMatrices/" (character)
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Value

List of traits

manhattan_plot_bGWAS	<i>Manhattan Plot from bGWAS results</i>
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Description

Creates a Manhattan Plot from bGWAS results (for performance, only SNPs with p-value or FDR < 0.05 are plotted)

Usage

```
manhattan_plot_bGWAS(
  obj,
  save_file = F,
  file_name = NULL,
  annotate = T,
  SNPs = NULL,
  results = "BF"
)
```

Arguments

obj	an object of class bGWAS created using bGWAS()
save_file	A logical indicating if the graphic should be saved, default=FALSE, graphic will be displayed on the on-screen device
file_name	The name of the file saved (if save_file is TRUE) default=NULL, will used NameOfYourAnalysis_ManhattanPlot.png

annotate	A logical indicating if the significant SNPs identified in the analysis should be annotated on the plot, default=TRUE. If your results are not pruned or if you have a high number of significant SNPs, be aware that annotate=TRUE might decrease readability of the figure. You could define a set of SNPs to annotate using SNPs.
SNPs	A data.frame containing the SNPs (rsid) to annotate in the first column, and optionnally the text that should be plotted in the second column, and the color in the third column, default=NULL, only evaluated if annotate=TRUE.
results,	"BF" / "posterior" / "direct", default="BF"

Details

If results = "BF", BF p-values / fdr-values will be used.

If results = "direct", direct effect p-values / fdr-values will be used.

If results = "posterior", posterior effect p-values / fdr-values will be used.

Value

a Manhattan Plot

print.bGWAS	<i>Print a bGWAS object</i>
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Description

Print a bGWAS object

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'bGWAS'
print(x, ...)
```

Arguments

x	an object of class bGWAS
...	further arguments

Value

print

print_log_bGWAS	<i>Print log from bGWAS results</i>
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Description

Prints the log (everything that is printed during a bGWAS analysis) with verbose=TRUE)

Usage

```
print_log_bGWAS(obj)
```

Arguments

obj	an object of class bGWAS created using bGWAS()
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select_priorGWASs	<i>Select prior GWASs</i>
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Description

Allow the quick selection of a subset of prior GWASs based on 2 criteria. First, include all the files specified (if all including parameters are NULL, include all studies), and then remove all the files specified (if all excluding parameters are NULL, keep all studies included at the step before)

Usage

```
select_priorGWASs(
  include_files = NULL,
  include_traits = NULL,
  exclude_files = NULL,
  exclude_traits = NULL,
  Z_matrices = "~/ZMatrices/",
  verbose = F
)
```

Arguments

include_files	list of file names (see list_files()) (character)
include_traits	list of trait (see list_traits()) (character)
exclude_files	list of file names (see list_files()) (character)
exclude_traits	list of trait (see list_traits()) (character)
Z_matrices	The path to the folder containing Z-Matrices, default="~/ZMatrices/" (character)
verbose	boolean, default = FALSE

Value

IDs (numeric) of studies that meet the criteria

Examples

```
## Not run:
AllStudies = list_priorGWASs()
list_traits()
MyStudies = select_priorGWASs(include_traits=c("Heart Rate", "Body Mass Index", "Smoking"))
AllStudies[AllStudies$ID %in% MyStudies, c("ID", "Name", "Trait", "File")]
## End(Not run)
```

SmallGWAS_Timmers2019 *Association results between genotypes and parental lifespan (LifeGen Consortium).*

Description

Subset of the original dataset containing the estimated effect of SNPs on parental survival

Usage

```
SmallGWAS_Timmers2019
```

Format

A data frame with 100000 rows and 5 variables:

rsid rsid of the SNP

a1 effect allele for the SNP

a0 reference allele for the SNP

beta estimated effect size for the SNP

se standard error of the estimated effect size for the SNP

Source

<https://datashare.is.ed.ac.uk/handle/10283/3209>

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