# dPvalAggregate

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Function to aggregate p values

### **Description**

dPvalAggregate is supposed to aggregate a input matrix p-values into a vector of aggregated p-values. The aggregate operation is applied to each row of input matrix, each resulting in an aggregated p-value. The method implemented can be based on the order statistics of p-values or according to Fisher's method.

## Usage

```
dPvalAggregate(pmatrix, method = c("orderStatistic", "fishers"),
order = ncol(pmatrix))
```

# **Arguments**

pmatrix a data frame or matrix of p-values

method the method used. It can be either "orderStatistic" for the method based on the

order statistics of p-values, or "fishers" for Fisher's method

order an integeter specifying the order used for the aggregation according to on the

order statistics of p-values

# Value

• ap: a vector with the length nrow(pmatrix), containing aggregated p-values

## Note

For each row of input matrix with the c columns, there are c p-values that are uniformly independently distributed over [0,1] under the null hypothesis (uniform distribution). According to the order statisites, they follow the Beta distribution with the paramters a = order and b = c - order + 1. According to the Fisher's method, after transformation by  $-2 * \sum^c log(pvalue)$ , they follow Chi-Squared distribution.

#### See Also

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# **Examples**

```
# 1) generate an iid uniformly-distributed random matrix of 1000x3
pmatrix <- cbind(runif(1000), runif(1000), runif(1000))
# 2) aggregate according to the ordre statistics</pre>
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ap <- dPvalAggregate(pmatrix, method="orderStatistic")</pre>

# 3) aggregate according to the Fisher's method
ap <- dPvalAggregate(pmatrix, method="fishers")</pre>