# Package 'mSigAct'

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      'mSigAct' stands for mutational Signature Activity. mSigAct can estimate (conservatively)
      whether there is evidence that a particular set of mutational signatures is present in a
      spectrum. It can also determine a *minimal* subset of signatures needed to plausibly
      reconstruct an observed spectrum. This sparse assign signatures functionality is
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AnySigSubsetPresent

For each combination of several signatures, determine if the combination is plausibly needed to reconstruct a spectrum.

# Description

Please see **Details**.

# Usage

```
AnySigSubsetPresent(
   spect,
   all.sigs,
   Ha.sigs.indices,
   eval_f = mSigAct::ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK,
   m.opts,
   max.mc.cores = NULL
)
```

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### **Arguments**

	spect	The spectrum to be reconstructed, as single column matrix or ICAMS catalog.	
	all.sigs	The matrix or catalog of all signatures of possible interest, which consist of the signatures for $H_0$ and for the alternative hypotheses.	
Ha.sigs.indices			
		An integer vector of the indices of the signatures that are in the various $H_a$ 's.	
	eval_f	$ Usually \ one \ of \ \texttt{ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK} \ or \ \texttt{ObjFnBinomMaxLHMustRound}. $ For background see $ \texttt{nloptr}. $	
	m.opts	Controls the numerical search for maximum likelihood reconstructions of spect plus some additional flags; see <code>DefaultManyOpts</code> .	
	max.mc.cores	The maximum number of cores to use. If NULL defaults to $2^{n_a}-1$ , where $n_a$ is the length of Ha.sigs.indices – except on MS Windows machines, where it defaults to 1.	

#### Details

Let  $H_0$  be the likelihood that the signatures specified by all.sigs[,-Ha.sigs.indicies, drop = FALSE] generated the observed spectrum, spect. For each non-empty subset, S, of Ha.sigs.indices let  $H_a$  be the likelihood that all the signatures in  $H_0$  plus the signatures specified by S generated spect. Return a list with the results of likelihood ratio tests of all  $H_a$ 's against  $H_0$ .

### Value

A list with two elements:

HO.info contains the sub-elements

log1h The log likelihood associated with  $H_0$ .

exposure The signature attributions (exposures) corresponding to the  $H_0$  log likelihood.

 $\label{localize} \mbox{everything.else $A$ sub-list with information on the output of the numerical optimization that provided $\log 1 h$.}$ 

all. Ha.info A list with one sub-element for each non-empty subset of Ha.sigs.indices. Each sub-element is a list with elements that include

sigs.added The identifiers of the (additional) signatures tested.

- p The p value for the likelihood-ratio test. This this p value can be NaN when the likelihoods of  $(H_0 \text{ and } H_a)$  are both -Inf. This can occur if there are are mutation classes in the spectra that are > 0 but that have 0 probability in all the available input signatures. This is unlikely to occur, since most spectra have non-0 (albeit very small) probabilities for most mutation classes. This is not an error is using  $\texttt{eval}_{\texttt{f}} = \texttt{ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK}$ . However, if p == NaN when using  $\texttt{eval}_{\texttt{f}} = \texttt{ObjFnBinomMaxLHMustRound}$ , switch to ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK.
- df The degrees of freedom of the likelihood-ratio test (equal to the number of signatures in sigs.added).

WARNING: tests all non-empty subsets of Ha.sigs.indices, so will get very slow for large numbers of Ha.sigs.indices.

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cossim

Cosine similarity with useful argument types..

# Description

Calls cosine.

### Usage

```
cossim(v1, v2)
```

# Arguments

v1 A vector or single-column matrix

v2 A vector or single-column matrix

DefaultManyOpts

*Set default options for many functions, especially* nloptr.

# Description

Set default options for many functions, especially nloptr.

### Usage

```
DefaultManyOpts()
```

### Value

A list with the following elements

```
global.opts Options for nloptr, q.v., for the global optimization phase.
```

local.opts Options for nloptr, q.v., for the local optimization phase.

**nbinom.size** The dispersion parameter for the negative binomial distribution; smaller is more dispersed. See NegBinomial.

**trace** If > 0 print progress messages.

LLHSpectrumNegBinom

Likelihood that 1 observed spectrum was generated from a vector of expected mutation counts.

### **Description**

Likelihood that 1 observed spectrum was generated from a vector of expected mutation counts.

### Usage

```
LLHSpectrumNegBinom(spectrum, expected.counts, nbinom.size, verbose = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

```
An observed spectrum (a numeric vector)

expected.counts

A vector of (integer) expected mutation counts, one expected count for each mutation type. We want to know the likelihood that this model generated the observed spectrum, assuming each mutational types generates counts according to a negative binomial distribution with the given expected.counts (argument mu to NegBinomial) and dispersion parameter nbinom.size.

The dispersion parameter for the negative binomial distribution; smaller is more dispersed. See NegBinomial.

verbose

If TRUE print messages under some circumstances.
```

### Value

log(likelihood(spectrum | expected.counts)), or, in more detail, the sum of the negative binomial likelihoods that each each element of the spectrum (i.e., the count for each mutation type e.g. ACT > AAT) was generated from the expected count for that mutation type.

MAPAssignActivity1 Component of SparseAssignActivity for one spectrum.

### **Description**

Component of SparseAssignActivity for one spectrum.

## Usage

```
MAPAssignActivity1(
   spect,
   sigs,
   sigs.presence.prop,
   max.level = 5,
   p.thresh = 0.05,
   eval_f,
   m.opts,
```

```
max.mc.cores = min(20, 2^max.level),
max.subsets = 1000
)
```

### **Arguments**

spect A single spectrum.

sigs A numerical matrix, possibly an ICAMS catalog.

sigs.presence.prop

The proportions of samples that contain each signature. A numerical vector (values between 0 and 1), with names being the same as colnames (sigs).

max.level The maximum number of signatures to try removing.

p.thresh The p value threshold for deciding if a set of signatures is necessary.

eval\_f See nloptr.

m.opts See DefaultManyOpts.

max.mc.cores The maximum number of cores to use. On Microsoft Windows machines it is

silently changed to 1.)

ObjFnBinomMaxLHMustRound

A deprecated negative binomial maximum likelihood objective func-

# Description

Use ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK instead.

# Usage

```
ObjFnBinomMaxLHMustRound(exp, spectrum, sigs, nbinom.size)
```

### Arguments

exp The matrix of exposures ("activities").

spectrum The spectrum to assess.
sigs The matrix of signatures.

 $\verb|nbinom.size| The dispersion parameter for the negative binomial distribution; smaller is more$ 

dispersed. See NegBinomial.

### **Details**

This function will lead to errors in some situations when the rounded reconstructed signature contains 0s for mutations classes for which the target spectrum is > 0.

ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK

The preferred negative binomial maximum likelihood objective function.

### **Description**

Can be used as the objective function for SparseAssignActivity, SparseAssignActivity1, and SignaturePresenceTest1. (Internally used by by nloptr.)

### Usage

```
ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK(exp, spectrum, sigs, nbinom.size)
```

### **Arguments**

exp The matrix of exposures ("activities").

spectrum The spectrum to assess.

sigs The matrix of signatures.

nbinom.size The dispersion parameter for the negative binomial distribution; smaller is more

dispersed. See NegBinomial.

### Value

-1 \* log(likelihood(spectrum | reconstruction))
nloptr minimizes the objective function, so the lower the objective function, the better.

OneMAPAssignTest Run one test of MAPAssignActivity1

# Description

Run one test of MAPAssignActivity1

## Usage

```
OneMAPAssignTest(
   spect,
   reference.exp,
   cancer.type,
   mutation.type,
   exposure.mutation.type,
   max.subsets = 1000,
   max.level = 5,
   max.mc.cores = 100,
   out.dir = NULL,
   p.thresh
)
```

OptimizeExposure

Optimize the reconstruction of a spectrum from a set of signatures.

# Description

Optimize the reconstruction of a spectrum from a set of signatures.

# Usage

```
OptimizeExposure(spectrum, sigs, m.opts, eval_f, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

spectrum	The spectrum to be reconstructed.
sigs	The available signatures.
m.opts	$Options \ that \ govern \ the \ numerical \ optimization. \ For \ documentation \ see \ \texttt{DefaultManyOpts}.$
eval_f	$The \ objective \ function \ for \ \verb nloptr . \ We \ have \ only \ tested \ \verb ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK .$
	Additional arguments for eval_f.
	Returns a list with elements
	loglh The log likelihood of the best solution (set of exposures) found. For a more general objective function this might be NULL.
	exposure The vector of exposures that generate loglh, i.e. the number of mutations ascribed to each signature.
	obj.fn.value The objective function value associated with exposure.
	everything.else Everything returned by the function NloptrlTumor.

OptimizeExposureQP Quadratic programming optimization of signature activities

# Description

Quadratic programming optimization of signature activities

# Usage

```
OptimizeExposureQP(spectrum, signatures)
```

# **Arguments**

spectrum	Mutational signature spectrum as vector or single column data frame or matrix.
signatures	Matrix or data frame of signatures from which reconstruct spectrum. Rows
	are mutation types and columns are signatures. Should have column names for
	interpretable results.

### Value

A vector of exposures with names being the colnames from signatures Code adapted from SignatureEstimation::decomposeQP.

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PCAWGMAPTest	Run MAPAssignSignature1	on one	sample from the PCAWG
	platinum data set.		

# Description

Run MAPAssignSignature1 on one sample from the PCAWG platinum data set.

# Usage

```
PCAWGMAPTest(
   cancer.type,
   sample.index,
   mutation.type,
   max.level = 5,
   max.mc.cores,
   out.dir = NULL,
   p.thresh = 0.01
)
```

### **Arguments**

ReconstructSpectrum

Given signatures (sigs) and exposures (exp), return a spectrum or spectra

# Description

Given signatures (sigs) and exposures (exp), return a spectrum or spectra

### Usage

```
ReconstructSpectrum(sigs, exp, use.sig.names = FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

Signature as a matrix or or data frame, with each row one mutation type (g.e. CCT > CAT or CC > TT) and each column a signature.

exp

The exposures for one or more samples as a matrix or data.frame, with each row a signature and each column a sample.

use.sig.names

If TRUE check that rownames (exp) is a subset of colnames (sigs), and use only the columns in sigs that are present in exp.

### **Details**

Does not care or check if colSums (sigs) == 1. Error checking is minimal since this function is called often.

```
SignaturePresenceTest
```

Test whether a given signature is plausibly present in a catalog

# Description

Test whether a given signature is plausibly present in a catalog

# Usage

```
SignaturePresenceTest(
   spectra,
   sigs,
   target.sig.index,
   m.opts = NULL,
   eval_f,
   mc.cores = 10
)
```

# Arguments

spectra	The catalog (matrix) to analyze. This could be an ${\tt ICAMS}$ catalog or a numerical matrix.			
sigs	A catalog of signatures from which to choose. This could be and ${\tt ICAMS}$ catalog or a numerical matrix.			
target.sig.index				
	The index of the signature the presence of which we want to test.			
m.opts	If ${\tt NULL}$ use the return from calling <code>DefaultManyOpts</code> . For documentation see <code>DefaultManyOpts</code> .			
eval_f	See nloptr.			
mc.cores	Number of cores to use. Always silently changed to 1 on Microsoft Windows.			

```
SparseAssignActivity
```

Find known signatures that can most sparsely reconstruct each spectrum in a catalog.

# Description

Find known signatures that can most sparsely reconstruct each spectrum in a catalog.

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### Usage

```
SparseAssignActivity(
   spectra,
   sigs,
   max.level = 5,
   p.thresh = 0.05,
   eval_f = ObjFnBinomMaxLHNoRoundOK,
   m.opts = NULL,
   num.parallel.samples = 5,
   mc.cores.per.sample = min(20, 2^max.level)
)
```

# **Arguments**

spectra The spectra (multiple spectra) to be reconstructed. sigs The known signatures to use in reconstruction. max.level The largest number of signatures to consider discarding in the reconstruction. The maximum p value based on which it is decided to retain a signature in a p.thresh reconstruction. The objective function for nloptr. eval\_f For documentation see DefaultManyOpts. m.opts num.parallel.samples The (maximum) number of samples to run in parallel; each sample in turn can require multiple cores, as governed by mc.cores.per.sample. mc.cores.per.sample

The maximum number of cores to use for each sample. On Microsoft Windows machines it is silently changed to 1.

### Value

A list with the inferred exposure matrix as element exposure.

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