Package 'TmCalculator'

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Description This tool is extended from methods in Bio.SeqUtils.MeltingTemp of python. The melt-
     ing temperature of nucleic acid sequences can be calculated in three method, the Wal-
     lace rule (Thein & Wallace (1986) <doi:10.1016/S0140-6736(86)90739-7>), empirical formu-
     las based on G and C content (Marmur J. (1962) <doi:10.1016/S0022-2836(62)80066-
     7>, Schildkraut C. (2010) <doi:10.1002/bip.360030207>, Wet-
     mur J G (1991) <doi:10.3109/10409239109114069>, Unter-
     gasser, A. (2012) < doi:10.1093/nar/gks596>, von Ah-
     sen N (2001) <doi:10.1093/clinchem/47.11.1956>) and nearest neighbor thermodynamics (Bressen N (2001) <doi:10.1093/clinchem/47.11.1956>)
     lauer K J (1986) <doi:10.1073/pnas.83.11.3746>, Sugi-
     moto N (1996) <doi:10.1093/nar/24.22.4501>, Allawi H (1998) <doi:10.1093/nar/26.11.2694>, San-
     cia J (2004) <doi:10.1146/annurev.biophys.32.110601.141800>, Freier S (1986) <doi:10.1073/pnas.83.24.9373>, Xia T (1986) 
     ito S (2000) <doi:10.1093/nar/28.9.1929>, Turner D H (2010) <doi:10.1093/nar/gkp892>, Sugi-
     moto N (1995) <doi:10.1016/S0048-9697(98)00088-
     6>, Allawi H T (1997) <doi:10.1021/bi962590c>, Santalu-
     cia N (2005) <doi:10.1093/nar/gki918>), and it can also be corrected with salt ions and chemi-
     cal compound (SantaLucia J (1996) <doi:10.1021/bi951907q>, SantaLu-
     cia J(1998) <doi:10.1073/pnas.95.4.1460>, Owczarzy R (2004) <doi:10.1021/bi034621r>, Owczarzy R (2008) <doi:10.102
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c2s	convert a vector of characters into a string	

Description

Simply convert a vector of characters such as c("H","e","l","o","W","o","r","l","d") into a single string "HelloWorld".

Usage

```
c2s(characters)
```

Arguments

characters A vector of characters

Value

Retrun a strings

Author(s)

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References

```
citation("TmCalculator")
```

```
c2s(c("H","e","1","1","o","W","o","r","1","d"))
```

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check_filter	Check and filter invalid base of nucleotide sequences	

Description

In general, whitespaces and non-base characters are removed and characters are converted to uppercase in given method.

Usage

```
check_filter(ntseq, method)
```

Arguments

ntseq Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the DNA nucleic acid duplex as string or

vector of characters

method TM_Wallace: check and return "A", "B", "C", "D", "G", "H", "I", "K", "M", "N", "R", "S", "T", "V", "W"

and "Y"

TM_GC: check and return "A", "B", "C", "D", "G", "H", "I", "K", "M", "N", "R", "S", "T", "V", "W",

"X" and "Y"

TM_NN: check and return "A", "C", "G", "I" and "T"

Value

Return a sequence which fullfils the requirements of the given method.

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References

```
citation("TmCalculator")
```

```
ntseq <- c("ATCGBDHKMNRVYWSqq")
check_filter(ntseq,method='Tm_Wallace')
check_filter(ntseq,method='Tm_NN')</pre>
```

chem_correction

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Corrections of melting temperature with chemical substances

Description

Corrections coefficient of melting temperature with DMSO and formamide and these corrections are rough approximations.

Usage

```
chem_correction(
  DMSO = 0,
  fmd = 0,
  DMSOfactor = 0.75,
  fmdmethod = c("concentration", "molar"),
  fmdfactor = 0.65,
  ptGC
)
```

Arguments

DMSO	Percent DMSO
fmd	Formamide concentration in percentage (fmdmethod="concentration") or molar (fmdmethod="molar").
DMSOfactor	Coefficient of Tm decreases per percent DMSO. Default=0.75 von Ahsen N (2001) < PMID:11673362 >. Other published values are 0.5, 0.6 and 0.675.
fmdmethod	"concentration" method for formamide concentration in percentage and "molar" for formamide concentration in molar
fmdfactor	Coefficient of Tm decrease per percent formamide. Default=0.65. Several papers report factors between 0.6 and 0.72.
ptGC	Percentage of GC(%).

Details

```
fmdmethod = "concentration"

Correction = - factor*percentage_of_formamide

fmdmethod = "molar"

Correction = (0.453*GC/100 - 2.88) x formamide
```

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References

von Ahsen N, Wittwer CT, Schutz E, et al. Oligonucleotide melting temperatures under PCR conditions: deoxynucleotide Triphosphate and Dimethyl sulfoxide concentrations with comparison to alternative empirical formulas. Clin Chem 2001, 47:1956-C1961.

Examples

```
chem_correction(DMS0=3)
chem_correction(fmd=1.25, fmdmethod="molar", ptGC=50)
```

complement

complement and reverse complement base of nucleotide sequences

Description

get reverse complement and complement base of nucleotide sequences

Usage

```
complement(ntseq, reverse = FALSE)
```

Arguments

ntseq Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the nucleic acid duplex as string or vector

of characters

reverse Logical value, TRUE is reverse complement sequence, FALSE is not.

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References

```
citation("TmCalculator")
```

```
complement("ATCGYCGYsWwsaVv")
complement("ATCGYCGYsWwsaVv",reverse=TRUE)
```

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GC

Calculate G and C content of nucleotide sequences

Description

Calculate G and C content of nucleotide sequences. The number of G and C in sequence is divided by length of sequence(when totalnt is TRUE) or the number of all A,T,C,G and ambiguous base.

Usage

```
GC(ntseq, ambiguous = FALSE, totalnt = TRUE)
```

Arguments

ntseq Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the nucleic acid duplex as string or vector

of characters.

ambiguous Ambiguous bases are taken into account to compute the G and C content when

ambiguous is TRUE.

totalnt Sum of 'G' and 'C' bases divided by the length of the sequence when totalnt is

TRUE.

Value

Content of G and C(range from 0 to 100

Author(s)

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Examples

```
GC(c("a","t","c","t","g","g","g","c","c","a","g","t","a"))#53.84615
GC("GCATSWSYK",ambiguous = TRUE)#55.55556
```

print.TmCalculator

Prints melting temperature from a TmCalculator object

Description

print.TmCalculator prints to console the melting temperature value from an object of class TmCalculator.

s2c

Usage

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

Arguments

x An object of class TmCalculator.

... Unused

Value

The melting temperature value.

s2c

convert a string into a vector of characters

Description

Simply convert a single string such as "HelloWorld" into a vector of characters such as c("H","e","l","o","W","o","r","l","d

Usage

```
s2c(strings)
```

Arguments

strings

A single string such as "HelloWorld"

Value

Retrun a vector of characters

Author(s)

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References

```
citation("TmCalculator")
```

```
s2c(c("HelloWorld"))
```

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salt_correction

Corrections of melting temperature with salt ions

Description

Corrections coefficient of melting temperature or entropy with different operations

Usage

Arguments

Na	Millimolar concentration of Na
K	Millimolar concentration of K
Tris	Millimolar concentration of Tris
Mg	Millimolar concentration of Mg
dNTPs	Millimolar concentration of dNTPs

method Method to be applied including "Schildkraut2010", "Wetmur1991", "SantaLucia1996",

"SantaLucia1998-1", "SantaLucia1998-2", "Owczarzy2004", "Owczarzy2008". First fourth methods correct Tm, fifth method corrects deltaS, sixth and seventh meth-

ods correct 1/Tm. See details for the method description.

ntseq Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the nucleic acid duplex as string or vector

of characters.

ambiguous Ambiguous bases are taken into account to compute the G and C content when

ambiguous is TRUE.

Details

The methods are:

```
1 Schildkraut C (2010) <doi:10.1002/bip.360030207>
```

2 Wetmur J G (1991) <doi:10.3109/10409239109114069>

3 SantaLucia J (1996) <doi:10.1021/bi951907q>

4 SantaLucia J (1998) <doi:10.1073/pnas.95.4.1460>

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5 SantaLucia J (1998) <doi:10.1073/pnas.95.4.1460>
6 Owczarzy R (2004) <doi:10.1021/bi034621r>
7 Owczarzy R (2008) <doi:10.1021/bi702363u>
methods 1-4: Tm(new) = Tm(old) + correction
method 5: deltaS(new) = deltaS(old) + correction
methods 6+7: Tm(new) = 1/(1/Tm(old) + correction)
```

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Wetmur J G . DNA Probes: Applications of the Principles of Nucleic Acid Hybridization[J]. CRC Critical Reviews in Biochemistry, 1991, 26(3-4):3

Santalucia, J, Allawi HT, Seneviratne PA. Improved Nearest-Neighbor Parameters for Predicting DNA Duplex Stability, [J]. Biochemistry, 1996, 35(11):3555-3562.

SantaLucia, J. A unified view of polymer, dumbbell, and oligonucleotide DNA nearest-neighbor thermodynamics[J]. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, 1998, 95(4):1460-1465.

Owczarzy R , You Y , Moreira B G , et al. Effects of Sodium Ions on DNA Duplex Oligomers: Improved Predictions of Melting Temperatures[J]. Biochemistry, 2004, 43(12):3537-3554.

Owczarzy R, Moreira BG, You Y, et al. Predicting Stability of DNA Duplexes in Solutions Containing Magnesium and Monovalent Cations[J]. Biochemistry, 2008, 47(19):5336-5353.

Examples

```
ntseq <- c("acgtTGCAATGCCGTAWSDBSYXX")
salt_correction(Na=390, K=20, Tris=0, Mg=10, dNTPs=25, method="Owczarzy2008", ntseq)</pre>
```

Tm_GC Calculate the melting temperature using empirical formulas based on GC content

Description

Calculate the melting temperature using empirical formulas based on GC content with different options

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Usage

```
Tm_GC(
  ntseq,
  ambiguous = FALSE,
 userset = NULL,
  variant = c("Primer3Plus", "Chester1993", "QuikChange", "Schildkraut1965",
  "Wetmur1991_MELTING", "Wetmur1991_RNA", "Wetmur1991_RNA/DNA", "vonAhsen2001"),
 Na = 0,
 K = 0,
  Tris = 0,
 Mg = 0,
  dNTPs = 0,
 saltcorr = c("Schildkraut2010", "Wetmur1991", "SantaLucia1996", "SantaLucia1998-1",
    "Owczarzy2004", "Owczarzy2008"),
 mismatch = TRUE,
 DMSO = 0,
  fmd = 0,
  DMSOfactor = 0.75,
  fmdfactor = 0.65,
  fmdmethod = c("concentration", "molar"),
  outlist = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

ntseq	Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the nucleic acid duplex as string or vector of characters.
ambiguous	Ambiguous bases are taken into account to compute the G and C content when ambiguous is TRUE.
userset	A vector of four coefficient values. Usersets override value sets.
variant	Empirical constants coefficient with 8 variant: Chester1993, QuikChange, Schild-kraut1965, Wetmur1991_MELTING, Wetmur1991_RNA, Wetmur1991_RNA/DNA, Primer3Plus and vonAhsen2001
Na	Millimolar concentration of Na, default is 0
K	Millimolar concentration of K, default is 0
Tris	Millimolar concentration of Tris, default is 0
Mg	Millimolar concentration of Mg, default is 0
dNTPs	Millimolar concentration of dNTPs, default is 0
saltcorr	Salt correction method should be chosen when provide 'userset'. Options are "Schildkraut2010", "Wetmur1991", "SantaLucia1996", "SantaLucia1998-1", "Owczarzy

y2004","Owczarzy:

Note that "SantaLucia1998-2" is not available for this function.

If 'True' (default) every 'X' in the sequence is counted as mismatch mismatch

DMSO

Formamide concentration in percentage (fmdmethod="concentration") or molar fmd

(fmdmethod="molar").

Tm_GC

DMSOfactor Coeffecient of Tm decreases per percent DMSO. Default=0.75 von Ahsen N
(2001) <PMID:11673362>. Other published values are 0.5, 0.6 and 0.675.

fmdfactor Coeffecient of Tm decrease per percent formamide. Default=0.65. Several papers report factors between 0.6 and 0.72.

fmdmethod "concentration" method for formamide concentration in percentage and "molar" for formamide concentration in molar

outlist output a list of Tm and options or only Tm value, default is TRUE.

Details

Empirical constants coefficient with 8 variant:

Chester 1993: $Tm = 69.3 + 0.41(Percentage_GC) - 650/N$

QuikChange: $Tm = 81.5 + 0.41(Percentage_GC) - 675/N - Percentage_mismatch$

Schildkraut1965: $Tm = 81.5 + 0.41(Percentage_GC) - 675/N + 16.6 \times log[Na+]$

Wetmur1991_MELTING: $Tm = 81.5 + 0.41(Percentage_GC) - 500/N + 16.6 \times log([Na+]/(1.0 + 0.7 \times [Na+])) - Percentage_mismatch$

Wetmur1991_RNA: $Tm = 78 + 0.7(Percentage_GC) - 500/N + 16.6 x log([Na+]/(1.0 + 0.7 x [Na+]))$ - Percentage_mismatch

 $Wetmur1991_RNA/DNA: Tm = 67 + 0.8(Percentage_GC) - 500/N + 16.6 \times log([Na+]/(1.0 + 0.7 \times [Na+])) - Percentage_mismatch$

Primer3Plus: $Tm = 81.5 + 0.41(Percentage_GC) - 600/N + 16.6 x log[Na+]$

vonAhsen2001: Tm = 77.1 + 0.41(Percentage_GC) - 528/N + 11.7 x log[Na+]

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Untergasser A , Cutcutache I , Koressaar T , et al. Primer3–new capabilities and interfaces[J]. Nucleic Acids Research, 2012, 40(15):e115-e115.

von Ahsen N, Wittwer CT, Schutz E, et al. Oligonucleotide melting temperatures under PCR conditions: deoxynucleotide Triphosphate and Dimethyl sulfoxide concentrations with comparison to alternative empirical formulas. Clin Chem 2001, 47:1956-1961.

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Examples

```
ntseq <- c("ATCGTGCGTAGCAGTACGATCAGTAG")
out <- Tm_GC(ntseq,ambiguous=TRUE,variant="Primer3Plus",Na=50,mismatch=TRUE)
out
out$Tm
out$Options</pre>
```

Tm_NN

Calculate melting temperature using nearest neighbor thermodynamics

Description

Calculate melting temperature using nearest neighbor thermodynamics

Usage

```
Tm_NN(
  ntseq,
  ambiguous = FALSE,
  comSeq = NULL,
  shift = 0,
 nn_table = c("DNA_NN4", "DNA_NN1", "DNA_NN2", "DNA_NN3", "RNA_NN1", "RNA_NN2",
    "RNA_NN3", "R_DNA_NN1"),
  tmm_table = "DNA_TMM1",
  imm_table = "DNA_IMM1",
  de_table = c("DNA_DE1", "RNA_DE1"),
  dnac1 = 25,
  dnac2 = 25,
  selfcomp = FALSE,
 Na = 0,
 K = 0,
  Tris = 0,
 Mg = 0,
  dNTPs = 0,
 saltcorr = c("Schildkraut2010", "Wetmur1991", "SantaLucia1996", "SantaLucia1998-1",
    "SantaLucia1998-2", "Owczarzy2004", "Owczarzy2008"),
 DMSO = 0,
  fmd = 0,
 DMSOfactor = 0.75,
  fmdfactor = 0.65,
  fmdmethod = c("concentration", "molar"),
  outlist = TRUE
)
```

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Arguments

ntseq Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the nucleic acid duplex as string or vector

of characters.

ambiguous Ambiguous bases are taken into account to compute the G and C content when

ambiguous is TRUE. Default is FALSE.

comSeq Complementary sequence. The sequence of the template/target in 3'->5' direc-

tion

shift Shift of the primer/probe sequence on the template/target sequence, default=0.

for example: when shift=0, the first nucleotide base at 5' end of primer align to first one at 3' end of template. When shift=-1, the second nucleotide base at 5'

end of primer align to first one at 3' end of template.

When shift=1, the first nucleotide base at 5' end of primer align to second one at 3' end of template. The shift parameter is necessary to align primer/probe and template/target if they have different lengths or if they should have dangling

ends.

nn_table Thermodynamic NN values, eight tables are implemented.

For DNA/DNA hybridizations: DNA_NN1,DNA_NN2,DNA_NN3,DNA_NN4

For RNA/RNA hybridizations: RNA NN1,RNA NN2,RNA NN3

For RNA/DNA hybridizations: R_DNA_NN1

tmm_table Thermodynamic values for terminal mismatches. Default: DNA_TMM1

imm_table Thermodynamic values for internal mismatches, may include insosine mismatches.

Default: DNA_IMM1

de_table Thermodynamic values for dangling ends. DNA_DE1(default) and RNA_DE1

dnac1 Concentration of the higher concentrated strand [nM]. Typically this will be the

primer (for PCR) or the probe. Default=25.

dnac2 Concentration of the lower concentrated strand [nM].

selfcomp Sequence self-complementary, default=False. If 'True' the primer is thought

binding to itself, thus dnac2 is not considered.

Na Millimolar concentration of Na, default is 0

K Millimolar concentration of K, default is 0

Tris Millimolar concentration of Tris, default is 0

Mg Millimolar concentration of Mg, default is 0

dNTPs Millimolar concentration of dNTPs, default is 0

saltcorr Salt correction method should be chosen when provide 'userset' Options are

"Schildkraut2010", "Wetmur1991", "SantaLucia1996", "SantaLucia1998-1", "SantaLucia1998-

2", "Owczarzy 2004", "Owczarzy 2008". Note that NA means no salt correction.

DMSO Percent DMSO

fmd Formamide concentration in percentage (fmdmethod="concentration") or molar

(fmdmethod="molar").

DMSOfactor Coeffecient of Tm decreases per percent DMSO. Default=0.75 von Ahsen N

(2001) <PMID:11673362>. Other published values are 0.5, 0.6 and 0.675.

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fmdfactor Coeffecient of Tm decrease per percent formamide. Default=0.65. Several pa-

pers report factors between 0.6 and 0.72.

fmdmethod "concentration" method for formamide concentration in percentage and "molar"

for formamide concentration in molar.

outlist output a list of Tm and options or only Tm value, default is TRUE.

Details

DNA_NN1: Breslauer K J (1986) <doi:10.1073/pnas.83.11.3746>

DNA_NN2: Sugimoto N (1996) <doi:10.1093/nar/24.22.4501>

DNA_NN3: Allawi H (1998) <doi:10.1093/nar/26.11.2694>

DNA_NN4: SantaLucia J (2004) <doi:10.1146/annurev.biophys.32.110601.141800>

RNA_NN1: Freier S (1986) <doi:10.1073/pnas.83.24.9373>

RNA_NN2: Xia T (1998) <doi:10.1021/bi9809425>

RNA_NN3: Chen JL (2012) <doi:10.1021/bi3002709>

R_DNA_NN1: Sugimoto N (1995)<doi:10.1016/S0048-9697(98)00088-6>

DNA_TMM1: Bommarito S (2000) <doi:10.1093/nar/28.9.1929>

DNA IMM1: Peyret N (1999) <doi:10.1021/bi9825091> & Allawi H T (1997) <doi:10.1021/bi962590c>

& Santalucia N (2005) <doi:10.1093/nar/gki918>

DNA_DE1: Bommarito S (2000) <doi:10.1093/nar/28.9.1929>

RNA_DE1: Turner D H (2010) <doi:10.1093/nar/gkp892>

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Allawi, H. Thermodynamics of internal C.T mismatches in DNA[J]. Nucleic Acids Research, 1998, 26(11):2694-2701.

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Freier S M, Kierzek R, Jaeger J A, et al. Improved free-energy parameters for predictions of RNA duplex stability.[J]. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, 1986, 83(24):9373-9377.

Xia T , Santalucia , J , Burkard M E , et al. Thermodynamic Parameters for an Expanded Nearest-Neighbor Model for Formation of RNA Duplexes with Watson-Crick Base Pairs,[J]. Biochemistry, 1998, 37(42):14719-14735.

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Bommarito S, Peyret N, Jr S L. Thermodynamic parameters for DNA sequences with dangling ends[J]. Nucleic Acids Research, 2000, 28(9):1929-1934.

Turner D H, Mathews D H. NNDB: the nearest neighbor parameter database for predicting stability of nucleic acid secondary structure[J]. Nucleic Acids Research, 2010, 38(Database issue):D280-D282.

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Peyret N , Seneviratne P A , Allawi H T , et al. Nearest-Neighbor Thermodynamics and NMR of DNA Sequences with Internal A-A, C-C, G-G, and T-T Mismatches, [J]. Biochemistry, 1999, 38(12):3468-3477.

Examples

Tm_Wallace

Calculate the melting temperature using the 'Wallace rule'

Description

The Wallace rule is often used as rule of thumb for approximate melting temperature calculations for primers with 14 to 20 nt length.

Usage

```
Tm_Wallace(ntseq, ambiguous = FALSE, outlist = TRUE)
```

Arguments

ntseq	Sequence (5' to 3') of one strand of the DNA nucleic acid duplex as string or vector of characters (Note: Non-DNA characters are ignored by this method).
ambiguous	Ambiguous bases are taken into account to compute the G and C content when ambiguous is TRUE.
outlist	output a list of Tm and options or only Tm value, default is TRUE.

Tm_Wallace

Author(s)

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```
ntseq = c('acgtTGCAATGCCGTAWSDBSY') #for wallace rule
out <- Tm_Wallace(ntseq,ambiguous = TRUE)
out
out$Options</pre>
```

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