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Title Spillover Compensation in Mass Cytometry Data

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Description Channel interference in mass cytometry can cause spillover and may result in miscounting of protein markers. We develop a nonparametric finite mixture model and use the mixture components to estimate the probability of spillover. We implement our method using expectation-maximization to fit the mixture model.

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| compCytof | <i>Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover</i> |
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Description

Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover

Usage

```
compCytof(
  sce,
  sce_bead,
  marker_to_barcode,
  impute_value,
  overwrite = FALSE,
  n_cores = 1,
  naive = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

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| sce | SingleCellExperiment for the real cells |
| sce_bead | SingleCellExperiment for the bead experiment |
| marker_to_barcode | Table that maps the marker to the barcode in the beads experiment |
| impute_value | Imputed value for counts that are declared as spillover |
| overwrite | logical; if TRUE data are overwritten if FALSE data are saved in new columns |
| n_cores | Number of computing cores |
| naive | logical; if TRUE use the naive version |

Value

A [SingleCellExperiment](#) object

Examples

```

library(CATALYST)
library(dplyr)
bc_key <- c(139, 141:156, 158:176)
sce_bead <- prepData(ss_exp)
sce_bead <- assignPrelim(sce_bead, bc_key, verbose = FALSE)
sce_bead <- applyCutoffs(estCutoffs(sce_bead))
sce_bead <- computeSpillmat(sce_bead)
data(mp_cells, package = "CATALYST")
sce <- prepData(mp_cells)
marker_to_barcode <- rowData(sce_bead)[, c("channel_name", "is_bc")] |>
  as_tibble() |>
  filter(is_bc == TRUE) |>
  mutate(barcode = bc_key) |>
  select(marker = channel_name, barcode)
spillR::compCytOf(sce, sce_bead, marker_to_barcode, impute_value = NA)

```

compensate

Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover

Description

Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover

Usage

```

compensate(
  tb_real,
  tb_bead,
  target_marker,
  spillover_markers,
  impute_value = NA,
  n_iter = 1000
)

```

Arguments

| | |
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| tb_real | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts of real experiment |
| tb_bead | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts of bead experiment |
| target_marker | Marker name in real experiment |
| spillover_markers | Marker names in bead experiment |
| impute_value | Value for counts that are declared as spillover |
| n_iter | Maximum number of EM steps |

Value

A list of class `spillr` containing

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| <code>tb_compensate</code> | corrected real cells |
| <code>tb_spill_prob</code> | probability curve |
| <code>convergence</code> | covergence table of EM algorithm |
| <code>tb_real</code> | input real cells |
| <code>tb_bead</code> | input bead cells |
| <code>target_marker</code> | input marker in real experiment |
| <code>spillover_markers</code> | input markers in bead experiment |

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| <code>compensate_naive</code> | <i>Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover from beads only</i> |
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Description

Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover from beads only

Usage

```
compensate_naive(
  tb_real,
  tb_bead,
  target_marker,
  spillover_markers,
  impute_value = NA
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <code>tb_real</code> | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts of real experiment |
| <code>tb_bead</code> | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts of bead experiment |
| <code>target_marker</code> | Marker name in real experiment |
| <code>spillover_markers</code> | Marker names in bead experiment |
| <code>impute_value</code> | Value for counts that are declared as spillover |

Value

A list of class `spillr` containing

- `tb_compensate` corrected real cells
- `tb_spill_prob` probability curve
- `convergence` covergence table of EM algorithm
- `tb_real` input real cells
- `tb_bead` input bead cells
- `target_marker` input marker in real experiment
- `spillover_markers` input markers in bead experiment

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| <code>generate_bead</code> | <i>Generate dataset for vignettes and simulation studies</i> |
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Description

Generate dataset for vignettes and simulation studies

Usage

```
generate_bead()
```

Value

`tibble` data frame

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
generate_bead()
```

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| <code>generate_real</code> | <i>Generate dataset for vignettes and simulation studies</i> |
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Description

Generate dataset for vignettes and simulation studies

Usage

```
generate_real()
```

Value

`tibble` data frame

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
generate_real()
```

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| plotDiagnostics | <i>Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover</i> |
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Description

Compute spillover probability and correct for spillover

Usage

```
plotDiagnostics(sce, ch)
```

Arguments

| | |
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| sce | A <code>SingleCellExperiment</code> object |
| ch | Character string specifying the channel to plot |

Value

A list of `ggplot2` plots

Examples

```
library(CATALYST)
library(dplyr)
bc_key <- c(139, 141:156, 158:176)
sce_bead <- prepData(ss_exp)
sce_bead <- assignPrelim(sce_bead, bc_key, verbose = FALSE)
sce_bead <- applyCutoffs(estCutoffs(sce_bead))
sce_bead <- computeSpillmat(sce_bead)
data(mp_cells, package = "CATALYST")
sce <- prepData(mp_cells)
marker_to_barcode <- rowData(sce_bead)[, c("channel_name", "is_bc")] |>
  as_tibble() |>
  filter(is_bc == TRUE) |>
  mutate(barcode = bc_key) |>
  select(marker = channel_name, barcode)
sce <- spillR::compCytof(sce, sce_bead, marker_to_barcode, impute_value = NA)
plotDiagnostics(sce, "Yb173Di")
```

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| tfm | <i>Variance stabilizing transform of counts</i> |
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Description

Variance stabilizing transform of counts

Usage

tfm(x)

Arguments

x Raw count

Value

A transformed count

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