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.apply_diff_op *Perform data diffusion*

Description

Apply diffusion operator to data in order to perform imputation.

Usage

```
.apply_diff_op(gex, pcs, aff, dft, t_max, tol, exact_solver)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------|--|
| gex | matrix or Matrix Gene expression matrix |
| pcs | matrix Principal components matrix |
| aff | dgCMatrix Markov affinity matrix |
| dft | NULL or integer(1) Diffusion time |
| t_max | integer(1) Maximum diffusion time |
| tol | numeric(1) Tolerance for Procrustes disparity |
| exact_solver | logical(1) Perform imputation in gene space |

Value

list(matrix, integer(1)) Imputed matrix and diffusion time used

.calc_diff_op *Compute diffusion operator*

Description

Calculate graph diffusion operator (Markov affinity matrix).

Usage

```
.calc_diff_op(pcs, knn, ka, dist_metric)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------|---|
| pcs | matrix Principal components matrix (used for kNN search) |
| knn | integer(1) Number of nearest neighbors to search for |
| ka | integer(1) Number of nearest neighbors to use for adaptive kernel |
| dist_metric | character(1) Type of metric to use for distance calculations during kNN search |

Value

dgCMatrix Markov affinity matrix

*.calc_pca**PCA wrapper*

Description

Calculate leading principal components (via truncated singular value decomposition).

Usage

```
.calc_pca(gex, npc, scale)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| <code>gex</code> | matrix or Matrix Gene expression matrix (without any zero variance genes) |
| <code>npc</code> | numeric(1) Number of leading principal components to compute |
| <code>scale</code> | logical(1) Whether to scale genes to unit variance |

Value

list PC loading/rotation matrices as well as centering/scaling vectors

*.check_params**Parameter validation*

Description

Checks that all parameters used in `impute` are valid.

Usage

```
.check_params(args)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|---|
| <code>args</code> | list The arguments to the <code>magic_impute</code> function |
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Value

NULL (but stops execution for invalid parameters)

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| .gene_indices | <i>Finds row indices of signature genes</i> |
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Description

For converting from character to integer based indexing

Usage

.gene_indices(mat, gss)

Arguments

- mat **matrix-like** Gene expression data (genes x cells)
- gss **named list of character** Signature genes (with same nomenclature system as mat)

Value

integer 0-based indices (for passing to Rcpp function) of signature genes

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| .invert_pca | <i>PCA inversion</i> |
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Description

Reverses operations done for PCA: back-rotation, unscaling, and uncentering.

Usage

.invert_pca(pcs, rot, ctr, sdv, low_mem)

Arguments

- pcs **matrix** The principal components (scaled left singular vectors)
- rot **matrix** The rotation matrix (right singular vectors)
- ctr **integer** The centering vector
- sdv **integer or NULL** The scaling vector (or NULL if no scaling was applied)
- low_mem **logical(1)** Whether to use delayed operations to reduce memory usage

Value

matrix or DelayedMatrix $rot \%*\% t(pcs) * sdv + ctr$

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| <code>.minmax_scale</code> | <i>Minmax transform</i> |
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Description

Scales input vector to unit range

Usage

```
.minmax_scale(x)
```

Arguments

`x` **numeric** Values to be scaled

Value

numeric Minmax transformed values

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| <code>.normalize</code> | <i>LogCP10K transform</i> |
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Description

Simple normalization method for scRNA-seq data.

Usage

```
.normalize(gex)
```

Arguments

`gex` **matrix or Matrix** Gene expression matrix (cells x genes)

Value

matrix or Matrix Transformed (normalized) matrix

.procrustes *Procrustes disparity*

Description

Calculates symmetric Procrustes distance (adapted from MATLAB procrustes).

Usage

```
.procrustes(x, y)
```

Arguments

| | |
|---|---------------|
| x | matrix |
| y | matrix |

Value

numeric(1) Procrustes disparity between input matrices

impute *MAGIC imputation (van Dijk et al. 2018)*

Description

Calculates a graph diffusion operator for the given input matrix and applies it to produce an imputed matrix.

Usage

```
impute(  
  gex,  
  transpose = TRUE,  
  do_norm = FALSE,  
  pca = NULL,  
  npc = 100L,  
  scale = TRUE,  
  knn = 16L,  
  ka = 6L,  
  dist_metric = "euclidean",  
  dft = NULL,  
  t_max = 16L,  
  tol = 0.001,  
  exact_solver = TRUE,  
  conserve_memory = FALSE,
```

```

    env_ret = FALSE,
    verbose = FALSE
  )

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>gex</code> | matrix or Matrix Gene expression values (that has passed quality control). |
| <code>transpose</code> | logical(1) Whether to transpose <code>gex</code> (make it cells x genes) prior to downstream operations. |
| <code>do_norm</code> | logical(1) Whether to perform LogCP10K normalization on <code>gex</code> . |
| <code>pca</code> | matrix (cells x PCs) or NULL Precomputed principal component matrix (or NULL to derive it from <code>gex</code>). |
| <code>npc</code> | integer(1) Number of principal components (min = 1) to calculate. |
| <code>scale</code> | logical(1) Whether to scale columns of input matrix to unit variance prior to PCA. |
| <code>knn</code> | integer(1) Number of nearest neighbors (min = 2) to consider during distance calculation. |
| <code>ka</code> | integer(1) Number of nearest neighbors (min = 2, max <= <code>knn</code>) to use for the adaptive kernel. |
| <code>dist_metric</code> | character(1) Type of metric to use for distance calculations during kNN search. |
| <code>dft</code> | NULL or integer(1) Automatic (NULL) or user-defined (integer) diffusion time (min = 1, max = 16). |
| <code>t_max</code> | integer(1) Maximum diffusion time to test when using automatic diffusion time (min = 1, max = 16). |
| <code>tol</code> | numeric(1) Threshold for Procrustes disparity (min = 0, max = 1) between successive diffusion times. |
| <code>exact_solver</code> | logical(1) Whether to perform imputation in gene space (TRUE) or PCA space (FALSE). |
| <code>conserve_memory</code> | logical(1) Whether to avoid allocating a large dense matrix when <code>exact_solver</code> = FALSE. |
| <code>env_ret</code> | logical(1) Return all variables in the environment (TRUE) or just the imputed matrix (FALSE). |
| <code>verbose</code> | logical(1) Whether to print messages at different major parts of the algorithm. |

Value

matrix-like or list If `env_ret` = FALSE, then just the imputed matrix. Otherwise the function environment as a list containing all parameters (possibly modified) as well as

- `imp` **matrix or DelayedMatrix** Imputed matrix.
- `aff` **dgCMatrix** Markov affinity matrix (graph diffusion operator).
- `pca` **list** Possibly computed (if `pca` was NULL), yielding a four element list, where:
 - `x` **matrix (cells x PCs)** The principal components matrix (scaled left singular vectors).

- **v matrix (genes x PCs)** The rotation matrix (right singular vectors).
- center **integer (cells)** The centering vector.
- scale **integer (cells) or NULL** The scaling vector (or NULL if no scaling was applied).

Examples

```

box::use(
  TENxPBMCData[TENxPBMCData],
  SingleCellExperiment[rowData, logcounts],
  scuttle[quickPerCellQC, logNormCounts],
  scater[runUMAP, plotReducedDim],
  patchwork[wrap_plots])

# PBMC data, basic processing pipeline
dat <- TENxPBMCData(dataset = "pbmc3k")
dimnames(dat) <- list(
  rowData(dat)[["Symbol_TENx"]],
  dat[["Barcode"]])
dat <- dat |>
  quickPerCellQC() |>
  logNormCounts() |>
  runUMAP()

# MAGIC imputation
imp <- logcounts(dat) |>
  as("dgCMatrx") |>
  impute()

# Visualize unimputed versus imputed expression
# on UMAP plots for a gene of interest (GOI)
goi <- "CD19"
dat[["Imputed_GOI"]] <- imp[goi, ]
p1 <- plotReducedDim(dat, "UMAP", color_by = goi)
p2 <- plotReducedDim(dat, "UMAP", color_by = "Imputed_GOI")
wrap_plots(p1, p2, ncol = 2)

```

score

Seqtometry scoring (Kousnetsov et al. 2024)

Description

Computes signature scores (a weighted KS-like statistic) for single cell expression data

Usage

```
score(mat, signatures, minmax = TRUE)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>mat</code> | matrix, Matrix, or DelayedMatrix Gene expression data (genes x cells) |
| <code>signatures</code> | named list of character Signature genes (with same nomenclature system used in <code>mat</code>) |
| <code>minmax</code> | logical(1) Whether to perform minmax transform on scoring results (default: TRUE) |

Value

data.table Single cell scores (cells x signatures) for each signature, where cell barcodes are stored in the "id" column

Examples

```

box::use(
  TENxPBMCData[TENxPBMCData],
  SingleCellExperiment[rowData, logcounts],
  scuttle[quickPerCellQC, logNormCounts],
  scater[runUMAP, plotReducedDim],
  patchwork[wrap_plots])

# PBMC data, basic processing pipeline
dat <- TENxPBMCData(dataset = "pbmc3k")
dimnames(dat) <- list(
  rowData(dat)[["Symbol_TENx"]],
  dat[["Barcode"]])
dat <- dat |>
  quickPerCellQC() |>
  logNormCounts() |>
  runUMAP()

# MAGIC imputation
imp <- logcounts(dat) |>
  as("dgCMatrix") |>
  impute()

# Score with a B cell signature (gene set)
options(future.globals.maxSize = 1024^3)
b_cell_sig <- list("B_cell" = c("CD19", "MS4A1", "CD79A", "CD79B"))
dat[["B cell signature"]] <- Seqtometry::score(imp, b_cell_sig)[["B_cell"]]

# Visualize a hallmark B cell gene versus a B cell signature score
p1 <- plotReducedDim(dat, "UMAP", color_by = "CD19")
p2 <- plotReducedDim(dat, "UMAP", color_by = "B cell signature")
wrap_plots(p1, p2, ncol = 2)

```

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| wks | <i>Helper function for performing a weighted Kolmogorov-Smirnov-like procedure.</i> |
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Description

Helper function for performing a weighted Kolmogorov-Smirnov-like procedure.

Usage

```
wks(gex, gss, mus, sds)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|--|
| gex | numeric: normalized gene expression values |
| gss | list: indices of genes in each gene set |
| mus | numeric: means of all genes |
| sds | numeric: standard deviations of all genes |

Value

Modified Kuiper statistic (sum of minimal and maximal deviations during running sum)

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