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Description

facopy is an R package for fine-tuned cancer CNA association modeling. Association is measured directly at the genomic features of interest and, in the case of genes, downstream gene-set enrichment analysis can be performed thanks to novel internal processing of the data. The software opens a way to systematically scrutinize the differences in CNA distribution across tumoral phenotypes, such as those that relate to tumor type, location and progression. Currently, the output format from 11 different methods that analyze data from whole-genome/exome sequencing and SNP microarrays, is supported. Multiple genomes, alteration types and variable types are also supported.

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To analyze your data with facopy, first read copy number data through readCNData. Then, addVariables and addFeatures, and you are ready to start scrutinizing the data in multiple ways thanks to the many provided functions.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

addFeatures Add Feature Annotation

Description

Adds feature annotation to a facopyInfo object and calculates the overlapping frequency in the sample set for every combination of copy number and feature.

Usage

Arguments

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fad	facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data. Variable information should have been added beforehand on this object (see addVariables).
what	A character indicating the name of the feature set to use in subsequent analyses. If the name belongs to a set of features integrated in facopy, annotation is automatically loaded and the parameter data is not used.
genome	Reference genome build used in the copy number calling step prior to running facopy. Some feature sets may not be available depending on the selected genome.
lMargin	Number of base pairs with which to expand the left flanking side of each feature, increasing its chance to overlap alterations.
rMargin	Number of base pairs with which to expand the right flanking side of each feature, increasing its chance to overlap alterations.
minoverlap	Minimum overlap, in base pairs, between each feature and alteration.
data	If the genomic features of interest are not integrated within facopy, their information can be manually loaded using this parameter. Either a character or a data.frame. If a character, it indicates the file with the information, with headers and tab-delimited. In either case, the information shoul follow a structure with the following columns: - chr Chromosome in which the genomic feature lies.

- bp_st Starting genomic position of the feature within the arm.

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- bp_en Ending genomic position of the feature within the arm.
- feature Name of the feature.
- chr_q_arm Chromosome arm in which the feature lies.

Value

facopyInfo object with information on both variable and feature annotations.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
myStudy = addFeatures(myStudy, "oncogene", "hg18")
```

addVariables

Add Variable Annotation

Description

Attaches phenotypic information to a facopyInfo object that had been created from copy number data.

Usage

Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

varInfo A character or a data.frame. If it is a character, it should indicate the name

of the file with information on the variables. If it is a codedata.frame, a column

named code should contain the samples' unique identifiers.

varTypes A vector of characters with the same length as the number of variables whose

information will be loaded. Variables can be either categorical or quantitative. Planning ahead for subsequent analyses, it might be best to regard ordered variables as categorical. Vector elements should equal either "categorical" or

"quantitative".

varColumns An optional character vector. If the table with variable information contains

extra columns, this parameter allows the specification of those columns with

information on the variables to use.

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varValues An optional list of vectors. Each vector is either null or contains the subset of

values to be used in subsequent analyses for the corresponding variable.

varColumnsNames

An optional character vector with the names of the variables, if different from

the corresponding column names in the table.

 $var {\tt ValuesNames} \quad An optional \ list of \ vectors \ with \ the \ names \ of \ the \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \ if \ different \ from \ variable \ values, \$

the corresponding values in the columns. If a vector is null, the corresponding value names are not changed, which is useful for quantitative variables with

many possible values.

... Extra parameters passed to the function are in turn passed to read.table, such

as the presence of header and the column separation character. Only used if varInfo is a character that indicates the name of the file with variable informa-

tion.

Value

facopyInfo object with incorporated phenotypic information.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myCalls)
data(myVariables)

myStudy = addVariables(myCalls, myVariables, c("continuous","categorical"))
```

alterationSummary

Alteration Summary

Description

Summary of copy number calls in a facopyInfo object, by alteration type and chromosome arm.

Usage

```
alterationSummary(fad, filename = NULL)
```

Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

filename Optional. A character specifying the name of the file to which to output the

alteration summary table.

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Details

A data. frame is always returned, and optionally written to a file.

Value

A data. frame with alteration frequencies by arm and alteration type.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
alterationSummary(myStudy)
```

calculateCor

Calculate Correlation Between Copy Number and Expression

Description

Calculates the gene-wise correlation between copy number and expression data, which might come from: (1) the facopyInfo object and user-provided expression data or (2) from an external database.

Usage

```
calculateCor(fad, exprProfile, db = NULL)
```

Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

exprProfile Either a character or a data. frame. If db is NULL, a data. frame with the expres-

sion data or a character that indicates the file with the expression data, with headers and tab-delimited. Otherwise, a character indicating the the name of the ex-

pression profile in the Cancer Genomics Data Server. See http://www.cbioportal.org/public-porta

db A character indicating the the name of the dataset, in the Cancer Genomics Data

Server, from which to get the expression profile. See http://www.cbioportal.org/public-portal/cg

Details

Only use this function and facopyEnrichment if you selected some kind of gene collection as genomic features.

Value

The returned object is used to select genes in the enrichment process encapsulated in the facopyEnrichment function.

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Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
eCor = calculateCor(myStudy, "mrna_merged_median_Zscores", "coadread_tcga_pub")
head(eCor$cor)
```

facopy

Feature-Based Copy Number Association Analysis

Description

Main function in the facopy package. It performs statistical association between copy number data and further variables at each genomic feature of interest.

Usage

```
facopy(fad, alteration, model, nullModel = NULL,
    modelPart = c("response","predictor","unknown","whole")[1],
    strata = NULL, toOrdered = NULL, toIntervals = NULL,
    sel = NULL, plot = FALSE, pvalThr = 0.05, db = NULL,
    link = c("logit", "probit")[1], parametric = FALSE,
    design = c("binary", "versus", "lvog")[1],
    FUN, ...)
```

Arguments

fad

facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data. Feature information should have been added beforehand on this object (see addFeatures).

alteration

A character, the name of the combination of alterations to be considered for the analysis.

It should be one of the following:

- amplifications All amplifications (CN>2).
- deletions All deletions (CN<2).
- 1oh All loss of heterozygosity (LOH), regardless of copy number.
- cnas All copy number alterations (CN<>2).
- any Any kind of alteration.
- all Any kind of alteration, same as any.
- onlygain Only non-LOH amplifications.
- someloss All deletions plus LOH alterations.

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model A character. Model, or part of it (response or predictor), whose association will be measured.

If modelPart="response", the name of a single variable, representing the response of the association model.

If modelPart="predictor", a linear predictor of the copy number, using a combination of the variables.

If modelPart="unknown", the association is measured as the strenght of the relationship between copy number and the specified combination of variables. The model is limited to x1 + ... + xn | strata, see independence_test. If modelPart="whole", a character representation of a formula in compact symbolic form. Use the @ (at) symbol to refer to the copy number variable.

nullModel A character. The null model against which to evaluate the fitness of the associa-

tion model. Only used if modelPart="predictor" or modelPart="whole".

modelPart A character. Indicates what part of the association model is defined in the model

parameter.

strata A character. The name of a categorical variable that defines stratification blocks

in the association model. Only used if modelPart="response" or modelPart="unknown".

toOrdered Certain categorical variables can also be understood as ordered. This parameter

takes a list of named vectors, where the name of each vector is a variable name and its contents reflect the quantification of the variable values, in the same order

as defined in addVariables.

toIntervals Quantitative variables can be broken down into intervals. This parameter takes

a list of named vectors, where the name of each vector is a variable name and its contents reflect the breaks of the variable values (excluding bottom and top

limits).

sel A vector of feature names on which to perform the association. Leave to NULL

for genome-wide association over all the features specified in addFeatures.

Plotting will only be done if sel=NULL.

plot A logicil indicating whether to output a composite plot with an arm-wise display

of genome-wide alteration frequencies. If the model consists of a single variable, frequencies will be broken down by variable value. Features with significant associations and additional information pulled from external databases can be

displayed as overlaid layers.

pvalThr Significant associations under this threshold will be shaded in the output plot.

Only used if plot=TRUE.

db An optional string representing the name of a database whose data will be over-

laid in the output plot. Typically, the format is "[database]_[dataset]". The total amplification plus deletion frequencies will be displayed unless alteration indicates either amplification or deletion. In such cases, only the matching alterations are displayed. Only used if plot=TRUE. See getFacopyInfo for a list

of available data sets.

link A character, link function to be used with the multinomial error distribution in

logistic regression models. See glm.

parametric A logical that indicates whether to perform one-way ANOVA instead of Kruskal-

Wallis in the association of copy number with quantitative variables.

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design	Depending on the chosen alteration, different designs are available. The simplest design is binary: an alteration exists or it does not. The versus design, for CNAs, assigns a value of -1, 0 or 1 depending on whether a deletion, no copy number change or an amplification exists for a given feature. The vlog design, for all (any) alterations, assigns a value of -1, 0 or 1 depending on whether a deletion or LOH, no copy number change or an amplification without LOH exists.
FUN	A function that tests a model. Only used if modelPart="whole". Functions from the coin package and those that inherit from either the lm (such as glm) are supported, as well as those that directly return a pvalue. Thus, the function of interest can be wrapped in a wrapper function that provides the pvalue.
	Further arguments for the FUN function. Only used if modelPart="whole".

Details

Only the facopyInfo object, the alteration type and a simple model (e.g. the name of a variable) are required. The rest of the parameters tune up the association model and control the graphical output.

Alterations in the selected external database, if selected, are depicted as grey overlaid bars. Significant regions are depicted in turn as overlaid rectangles that go from top to bottom.

Value

A data. frame with the following columns:

feature	Name of the genomic feature.	
p_value	Pvalue from the association test under the given model at the genomic feature.	
chr_q_arm	Chromosome and arm in which the genomic feature lies.	
bp_st	Starting genomic position of the feature within the chromosome.	
bp_en	Ending genomic position of the feature within the chromosome.	

Author(s)

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```
data(myStudy) # load example study
genes = facopy(myStudy, "amp", "stage")
head(genes)
```

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facopyEnrichment	Gene-set Enrichment Analysis	

Description

Performs gene-set enrichment analysis of cancer copy number data, based on a gene table, a facopyInfo object and the correlations between gene copy number and expression data.

Usage

Arguments

fad	facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.
geneTable	A table with the format of facopy function's output, containing at least the columns regarding feature name, p-value and chromosome arm.
cor	A list generated by a call to calculateCor, containing information on correlation between gene copy number and expression data.
outFolder	The folder to which to write the enrichment results.
pvalThr	Maximum p-value required to consider a gene to be significantly associated.
corThr	Minimum R2 required to consider a gene's copy number and expression to be sufficiently correlated.
plotThr	Pathways from Biocarta, KEGG and Reactome with lower p-values than this integer will have their graphs plotted in the output folder.

Details

Only use this function and calculateCor if you selected some kind of gene collection as genomic features.

Value

The input gene table is returned with correlation values attached, ordered by p-value and then by R2.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

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Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study

# then perform an association analysis
# genes = facopy(myStudy, "amp", "stage")

# calculate expression-CN correlations
# eCor = calculateCor(myStudy, "mrna_merged_median_Zscores", "coadread_tcga_pub")

# and run facopy enrichment
# facopyEnrichment(myStudy, genes, eCor, "~/myFolder/stageAmpEnrichment")
```

facopyInfo-class

Class "facopyInfo"

Description

facopyInfo is the main unit of information used through the analysis of your data with facopy.

Content

These objects are generated by methods in the package and their basic information can be recovered by the summary method.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
showClass("facopyInfo")
```

facopyPlot

Plot a Genome-Wide Overview of Association Results

Description

The function plots alteration frequencies by genomic feature, broken down by variable value (if the variable is discrete). It also allows to plot relevant alteration frequencies within a specified external dataset.

Usage

```
facopyPlot(fad, alteration, varName, db = NULL)
```

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Arguments

fad

facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

alteration

A character describing the kinds of alteration to include. It should be one of the following:

- amplifications All amplifications (CN>2).
- deletions All deletions (CN<2).
- 10h All loss of heterozygosity (LOH), regardless of copy number.
- cnas All copy number alterations (CN<>2).
- any Any kind of alteration.
- all Any kind of alteration, same as any.
- onlygain Only non-LOH amplifications.
- someloss All deletions plus LOH alterations.

varName

A character indicating the variable of interest within the facopyInfo object. Call summary on your facopyInfo object to see the names of defined variables.

db

An optional string representing the name of a database whose data will be overlaid in the output plot. Typically, the format is "[database]_[dataset]". The total amplification plus deletion frequencies will be displayed unless alteration indicates either amplification or deletion. In such cases, only the matching al-

terations are displayed.

Details

Alterations in the selected external database, if selected, are depicted as grey overlaid bars.

Value

A plot is generated in the graphics device. Nothing is returned.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
facopyPlot(myStudy, "amp", "stage", db="gsk_colon")
```

getFacopyInfo

List Available facopy Input and Characteristics

Description

Lists of supported items are printed for reference.

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Usage

```
getFacopyInfo()
```

Details

The following lists of supported items are printed: variable types, alteration combinations, input formats for CN calls, genome builds, genomic features.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
getFacopyInfo()
```

myCalls

Example facopy Object with Just Copy Number Calls

Description

Example facopyInfo object with just the copy number calls, generated using the readCNData function.

Usage

```
data(myCalls)
```

Format

The format is: formal class 'facopyInfo'

```
data(myCalls)
summary(myCalls)
```

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Example Complete facopy Object

Description

Example facopyInfo object, generated using the readCNData, addVariables and addFeatures functions.

Usage

```
data(myStudy)
```

Format

The format is: formal class 'facopyInfo'

Examples

```
data(myStudy)
summary(myStudy)
```

myVariables

Example Phenotypic Annotation

Description

This data. frame contains three variables with annotation on phenotypes for 20 samples.

Usage

```
data(myVariables)
```

Format

A data frame with 20 observations (samples) on the following 3 variables.

code: a numeric vector age: a numeric vector stage: a numeric vector

```
data(myVariables)
head(myVariables)
```

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plotBar Overview of	Alterations by Chromosome Arm
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Description

The function plots amplification and deletion frequencies by chromosome arm, as well as LOH frequencies

Usage

Arguments

fad	facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.
byFeature	A logical. If TRUE, arm frequencies are calculated as the mean alteration frequencies across genomic features in each arm. If TRUE, they are calculated as the mean proportion of altered base pairs in each arm.
sel	A character vector with the chromosome arms that will be highlighted using the colors in selColors. Example: c("1q", "9p").
selColors	A vector of colors with the same length as the parameter sel. Each color in the vector will be used for the selected chromosome arm in the same position within sel.
ylim	A two integer vector indicating frequency limits in the plot. Deletion frequency is indicated with a negative number. Default is $c(-1,1)$.
baseColor	Base color of the triangles that indicate frequencies in the plot. Default is "black".
varName	Either NULL or a character indicating the variable of interest within the facopyInfo object. Call summary on your facopyInfo object to see the names of defined variables. If NULL, the frequencies across all samples are plotted. Otherwise, only samples with the variable value in the parameter value are selected for the computation. In this latter case, only categorical variables are allowed.
value	Value that the samples should have for the selected variable. Only these samples are selected for the frequency calculation.

Details

Amplification frequencies are depicted by chromosome arm over the horizontal line, while deletion frequencies appear below it. The frequencies of alterations with LOH are depicted as smaller triangles.

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Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
# select some chromosome arms to highlight
myArms = c("8q","13q","20q","8p","18q")
myColors = c(rainbow(15)[1:3], rainbow(15)[10:11])
plotBar(myStudy, TRUE, myArms, myColors, ylim=c(-0.5,1))
```

plotHist

Stacked Histograms

Description

The function plots a stacked histogram of chromosome arm alterations by variable value

Usage

```
plotHist(fad, alteration, varName,
         sel = NULL, selColors = NULL, selOnly = FALSE,
         baseColor = "black", bin = 0.05, xmax = 1, ymax)
```

Arguments

fad

facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

alteration

A character describing the kinds of alteration to include. It should be one of the following:

- amplifications All amplifications (CN>2).
- deletions All deletions (CN<2).
- 1oh All loss of heterozygosity (LOH), regardless of copy number.
- cnas All copy number alterations (CN<>2).
- any Any kind of alteration.
- all Any kind of alteration, same as any.
- onlygain Only non-LOH amplifications.
- someloss All deletions plus LOH alterations.

varName

A character indicating the variable of interest within the facopyInfo object. A stacked histogram will be generated for every value of the variable. Only

available for discrete variables.

Call summary on your facopyInfo object to see the names of defined variables.

sel

A character vector with the chromosome arms that will be highlighted using the colors in selColors. Example: c("1q", "9p").

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selColors	A vector of colors with the same length as the parameter sel. Each color in the vector will be used for the selected chromosome arm in the same position within sel.
selOnly	A logical indicating whether to only plot the frequencies of selected chromosome arms.
baseColor	Base color of the triangles that indicate frequencies in the plot. Default is "black".
bin	The width of the histogram cells. Default is 0.05.
xmax	The maximum limit of the x axis in the plot. Default is 1.
ymax	The maximum limit of the y axis in the plot.

Details

Alteration frequencies are calculated genomic feature-wise within each chromosome arm.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study

# select some chromosome arms to highlight
myArms = c("8q","13q","20q","8p","18q")
myColors = c(rainbow(15)[1:3], rainbow(15)[10:11])

plotHist(myStudy, "amp", "stage", myArms, myColors, bin=0.1, ymax=80)
```

plotPCA

facopy PCA

Description

Plot a PCA of the samples based on their similarity given a certain set of alterations.

Usage

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Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

alteration A character describing the kinds of alteration to include. It should be one of the

following:

- amplifications All amplifications (CN>2).

- deletions All deletions (CN<2).

- 10h All loss of heterozygosity (LOH), regardless of copy number.

- cnas All copy number alterations (CN<>2).

- any Any kind of alteration.

- all Any kind of alteration, same as any.

- onlygain Only non-LOH amplifications.

- someloss All deletions plus LOH alterations.

varName A character indicating the variable of interest within the facopyInfo object.

Points representing samples in the PCA will be colored according to the classi-

fication in such variable.

Call summary on your facopyInfo object to see the names of defined variables.

sel A character vector with the chromosome arms that will be taken into account in

the analysis. Example: c("1q", "9p").

design Depending on the chosen alteration, different designs are available. The simplest

design is binary: an alteration exists or it does not. The versus design, for CNAs, assigns a value of -1, 0 or 1 depending on whether a deletion, no copy number change or an amplification exists for a given feature. The vlog design, for all (any) alterations, assigns a value of -1, 0 or 1 depending on whether a deletion or LOH, no copy number change or an amplification without LOH

exists.

do.plot A logical indicating whether to produce graphical output.

by size A logical indicating whether the width of the points' border represents the fre-

quency of the selected alterations.

cex A numerical value giving the amount by which points in the plot should be

scaled relative to the base size. Default is 4.

Value

The results of the PCA are returned and the graphical output is optional.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
pca = plotPCA(myStudy, "any", "stage")
head(pca$eig)
```

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plotZoom	Zoom In to Plot a Chromosome Arm or a Genomic Feature

Description

The function shows the selected alterations either in a chromosome arm or near a genomic feature, color-coded by variable value.

Usage

Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

what Charcter indicating whether to plot selected alterations either near a genomic

feature or in a chromosome arm. Default is feature.

name Name of the genomic feature or chromosome arm of interest. Examples: "MIRN181A2",

"14q".

alteration A character describing the kinds of alteration to include. It should be one of the

following:

- amplifications All amplifications (CN>2).

- deletions All deletions (CN<2).

- 1oh All loss of heterozygosity (LOH), regardless of copy number.

- cnas All copy number alterations (CN<>2).

- any Any kind of alteration.

- all Any kind of alteration, same as any.

- onlygain Only non-LOH amplifications.

- someloss All deletions plus LOH alterations.

varName A character indicating the variable of interest within the facopyInfo object.

Bars representing alterations will be colored according to the classification of

the corresponding samples in such variable.

Call summary on your facopyInfo object to see the names of defined variables.

margin If parameter what is "feature", a margin downstream and upstream of the

genomic feature to consider when searching for overlapping alterations.

Details

One line per sample in the study is displayed in the case of chromosome arms, whereas only those samples with alterations are displayed in the case of genomic features.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

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Examples

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
plotZoom(myStudy, "feat", "RAD51L1", "amp", "stage")
plotZoom(myStudy, "arm", "8p", "del", "stage")
```

preview

Alteration and Varible Preview

Description

A wrapper function for variableSummary, alterationSummary and variableCor.

Usage

```
preview(fad, folder = NULL)
```

Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

folder Optional. A character specifying the name of the file to which to output the table

with variable correlations.

Details

A list of data. frame is always returned, and optionally written to files in a specified folder.

Value

A list of data.frame with the results of calling the functions variableSummary, alterationSummary and variableCor.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

```
data(myStudy) # load example study
myCallsPreview = preview(myStudy)
myCallsPreview$byVar
head(myCallsPreview$byAlt)
myCallsPreview$varCor
```

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readCNData	Read Copy Number Data	

Description

The function reads the copy number output generated by one of the supported copy number analysis

Usage

```
readCNData(folder, method = NULL, sex = c("X"), FUN = NULL, version = NULL,
          window = NULL, rankThr = NULL, pfbFilename, lengthThr = 10, ...)
```

Arguments

sex

FUN

folder	A character indicating the path where the files with copy number information are located. In order to avoid possible conflicts, try not to place any additional files within the folder.
method	Either NULL or a character. If a character, it specifies the method used generate the copy number output. Currently supported: "seqcna", "cnanorm", "patchwork", "freec", "oncosnp", "oncosnp-seq", "gap" and "exomecny".
	If NULL, a generic input will be assumed with the following columns: chromosome, segment start, segment end, segment length and segment type. The segment types should be coded as 1 (deletion), 2 (normal), 3 (amplification), 11

(LOH deletion), 12 (LOH normal) or 13 (LOH amplification).

Either NULL or a character vector. If a character vector, it should contain the names of the sexual chromosomes that should be read.

A pattern replacement function. Some copy number analysis tools add suffixes and file extension characters to the names of their output files. This function allows keeping just the sample names. Leave to NULL for default replacement

based on the selected method.

A character with the software version of the copy number analysis tool. The version

> output may vary between versions of the same method. Leave to NULL if unknown and check your software version if reading the copy number data is not successful.

window An integer. Required for output files from CNAnorm, which do not contain in-

formation on the window length used during the copy number analysis process.

rankThr An integer. Threshold on the Rank parameter provided by OncoSNP-SEQ and

the newer versions of OncoSNP (>1.3).

pfbFilename For GAP, name of a file with population B allele frequencies (PFB), the same

one used during the copy number analysis process.

lengthThr An integer. For GAP, filter those alterations that span less SNPs than this thresh-

If a method is not selected (NULL), further arguments passed to the read.delim

function, in charge of reading the input files from the selected folder.

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Value

A facopyInfo object with copy number data.

Author(s)

David Mosen-Ansorena

Examples

```
# myCalls = readCNData("~/myFolder/", "seqcna")
# myCalls = readCNData("~/myFolder/", "gap", pfbFilename="~/myPfb.pfb")
# myCalls = readCNData("~/myFolder/", "cnanorm", window=50000)
```

variableCor

Variable Correlations

Description

Correlations between pairs of variables in a facopyInfo object.

Usage

```
variableCor(fad, filename = NULL)
```

Arguments

fad facopyInfo object with a certain study's facopy data.

filename Optional. A character specifying the name of the file to which to output the table

with variable correlations.

Details

A data. frame is always returned, and optionally written to a file.

Value

A data. frame with alteration variable correlations, with a combination of the appropriate parametric and non-parametric tests.

Author(s)

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```
data(myStudy) # load example study
variableCor(myStudy)
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Description

For each pair of values in a variable, it performs a statistical test to see whether samples with such variable values present significantly different spans of a certain alteration type.

Usage

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variableSummary(fad, filename = NULL)
```

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filename Optional. A character specifying the name of the file to which to output the table

with variable correlations.

Details

A data. frame is always returned, and optionally written to a file.

Value

A data. frame with alteration spans and significance for each pair of values in a variable and alteration type.

Author(s)

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```
data(myStudy) # load example study
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