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Description Single-cell mRNA sequencing can uncover novel cell-to-cell heterogeneity in gene expression levels in seemingly homogeneous populations of cells. However, these experiments are prone to high levels of technical noise, creating new challenges for identifying genes that show genuine heterogeneous expression within the population of cells under study. BASiCS (Bayesian Analysis of Single-Cell Sequencing data) is an integrated Bayesian hierarchical model to perform statistical analyses of single-cell RNA sequencing datasets in the context of supervised experiments (where the groups of cells of interest are known a priori, e.g. experimental conditions or cell types). BASiCS performs built-in data normalisation (global scaling) and technical noise quantification (based on spike-in genes). BASiCS provides an intuitive detection criterion for highly (or lowly) variable genes within a single group of cells. Additionally, BASiCS can compare gene expression patterns between two or more pre-specified groups of cells. Unlike traditional differential expression tools, BASiCS quantifies changes in expression that lie beyond comparisons of means, also allowing the study of changes in cell-to-cell heterogeneity. The latter can be quantified via a biological over-dispersion parameter that measures the excess of variability that is observed with respect to Poisson sampling noise, after normalisation and technical noise removal. Due to the strong mean/over-dispersion confounding that is typically observed for scRNA-seq datasets, BASiCS also tests for changes in residual over-dispersion, defined by residual values with respect to a global mean/over-dispersion trend.

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BASiCS-deprecated *Deprecated functions in package ‘BASiCS’*

Description

These functions are provided for compatibility with older versions of ‘BASiCS’ only, and will be defunct at the next release.

Details

The following functions are deprecated and will be made defunct; use the replacement indicated below:

- BASiCS_D_TestDE: [BASiCS_TestDE](#)

BASiCS_Chain *The BASiCS_Chain class*

Description

Container of an MCMC sample of the BASiCS’ model parameters as generated by the function [BASiCS_MCMC](#).

Slots

parameters List of matrices containing MCMC chains for each model parameter. Depending on the mode in which BASiCS was run, the following parameters can appear in the list:

- mu** MCMC chain for gene-specific mean expression parameters μ_i , biological genes only (matrix with `q.bio` columns, all elements must be positive numbers)
- delta** MCMC chain for gene-specific biological over-dispersion parameters δ_i , biological genes only (matrix with `q.bio` columns, all elements must be positive numbers)
- phi** MCMC chain for cell-specific mRNA content normalisation parameters ϕ_j (matrix with `n` columns, all elements must be positive numbers and the sum of its elements must be equal to `n`) This parameter is only used when spike-in genes are available.
- s** MCMC chain for cell-specific technical normalisation parameters s_j (matrix with `n` columns, all elements must be positive numbers)
- nu** MCMC chain for cell-specific random effects ν_j (matrix with `n` columns, all elements must be positive numbers)
- theta** MCMC chain for technical over-dispersion parameter(s) θ (matrix, all elements must be positive, each column represents 1 batch)

beta Only relevant for regression BASiCS model (Eling et al, 2017). MCMC chain for regression coefficients (matrix with k columns, where k represent the number of chosen basis functions + 2)

sigma2 Only relevant for regression BASiCS model (Eling et al, 2017). MCMC chain for the residual variance (matrix with one column, sigma2 represents a global parameter)

epsilon Only relevant for regression BASiCS model (Eling et al, 2017). MCMC chain for the gene-specific residual over-dispersion parameter (matrix with q columns)

RefFreq Only relevant for no-spikes BASiCS model (Eling et al, 2017). For each biological gene, this vector displays the proportion of times for which each gene was used as a reference (within the MCMC algorithm), when using the stochastic reference choice described in (Eling et al, 2017). This information has been kept as it is useful for the developers of this library. However, we do not expect users to need it.

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Examples

```
# A BASiCS_Chain object created by the BASiCS_MCMC function.
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data()

# To run the model without regression
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 100, Thin = 2, Burn = 2, Regression = FALSE)

# To run the model using the regression model
ChainReg <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 100, Thin = 2, Burn = 2, Regression = TRUE)
```

BASiCS_Chain-methods *'show' method for BASiCS_Chain objects*

Description

'show' method for [BASiCS_Chain](#) objects.

'updateObject' method for [BASiCS_Chain](#) objects. It is used to convert outdated [BASiCS_Chain](#) objects into a version that is compatible with the Bioconductor release of BASiCS. Do not use this method if [BASiCS_Chain](#) already contains a parameters slot.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'
show(object)

## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'
updateObject(object, ..., verbose = FALSE)
```

Arguments

object	A BASiCS_Chain object.
...	Additional arguments of updateObject generic method. Not used within BASiCS.
verbose	Additional argument of updateObject generic method. Not used within BASiCS.

Value

Prints a summary of the properties of object.

Returns an updated [BASiCS_Chain](#) object that contains all model parameters in a single slot object (list).

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Examples

```
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data()
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 50, Thin = 2, Burn = 2, Regression = FALSE)

# Not run
# New_Chain <- updateObject(Old_Chain)
```

BASiCS_DenoisedCounts *Calculates denoised expression counts*

Description

Calculates denoised expression counts by removing cell-specific technical variation. The latter includes global-scaling normalisation and therefore no further normalisation is required.

Usage

```
BASiCS_DenoisedCounts(Data, Chain)
```

Arguments

Data	an object of class SingleCellExperiment
Chain	an object of class BASiCS_Chain

Details

See vignette `browseVignettes("BASiCS")`

Value

A matrix of denoised expression counts. In line with global scaling normalisation strategies, these are defined as $X_{ij}/(\phi_j\nu_j)$ for biological genes and $X_{ij}/(\nu_j)$ for spike-in genes. For this calculation ϕ_j ν_j are estimated by their corresponding posterior medians. If spike-ins are not used, ϕ_j is set equal to 1.

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See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data(WithSpikes = TRUE)
## The N and Burn parameters used here are optimised for speed
## and should not be used in regular use.
## For more useful parameters,
## see the vignette (\code{browseVignettes("BASiCS")})
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 1000, Thin = 10, Burn = 500,
                    Regression = FALSE, PrintProgress = FALSE)

DC <- BASiCS_DenoisedCounts(Data, Chain)
```

BASiCS_DenoisedRates *Calculates denoised expression rates*

Description

Calculates normalised and denoised expression rates, by removing the effect of technical variation.

Usage

```
BASiCS_DenoisedRates(Data, Chain, Propensities = FALSE)
```

Arguments

Data	an object of class SingleCellExperiment
Chain	an object of class BASiCS_Chain
Propensities	If TRUE, returns underlying expression propensities ρ_{ij} . Otherwise, denoised rates $\mu_i\rho_{ij}$ are returned. Default: Propensities = FALSE.

Details

See vignette

Value

A matrix of denoised expression rates (biological genes only)

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See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data(WithSpikes = TRUE)
## The N and Burn parameters used here are optimised for speed
## and should not be used in regular use.
## For more useful parameters,
## see the vignette (\code{browseVignettes("BASiCS")})
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 1000, Thin = 10, Burn = 500,
                    Regression = FALSE, PrintProgress = FALSE)

DR <- BASiCS_DenoisedRates(Data, Chain)
```

BASiCS_DetectHVG	<i>Detection method for highly and lowly variable genes</i>
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Description

Functions to detect highly and lowly variable genes

Usage

```
BASiCS_DetectHVG(Chain, VarThreshold, ProbThreshold = NULL, EFDR = 0.1,
                 OrderVariable = "Prob", Plot = FALSE, ...)
```

```
BASiCS_DetectLVG(Chain, VarThreshold, ProbThreshold = NULL, EFDR = 0.1,
                 OrderVariable = "Prob", Plot = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

Chain	an object of class BASiCS_Chain
VarThreshold	Variance contribution threshold (must be a positive value, between 0 and 1)
ProbThreshold	Optional parameter. Posterior probability threshold (must be a positive value, between 0 and 1)
EFDR	Target for expected false discovery rate related to HVG/LVG detection (default = 0.10)
OrderVariable	Ordering variable for output. Possible values: 'GeneIndex', 'Mu', 'Delta', 'Sigma' and 'Prob'.

Plot If Plot = TRUE error control and expression versus HVG/LVG probability plots are generated

... Graphical parameters (see [par](#)).

Details

See vignette

Value

BASiCS_DetectHVG returns a list of 4 elements:

Table Matrix whose columns contain

GeneIndex Vector of length q.bio. Gene index as in the order present in the analysed [SingleCellExperiment](#)

GeneName Vector of length q.bio. Gene name as in the order present in the analysed [SingleCellExperiment](#)

Mu Vector of length q.bio. For each biological gene, posterior median of gene-specific mean expression parameters μ_i

Delta Vector of length q.bio. For each biological gene, posterior median of gene-specific biological over-dispersion parameter δ_i

Sigma Vector of length q.bio. For each biological gene, proportion of the total variability that is due to a biological heterogeneity component.

Prob Vector of length q.bio. For each biological gene, probability of being highly variable according to the given thresholds.

HVG Vector of length q.bio. For each biological gene, indicator of being detected as highly variable according to the given thresholds.

ProbThreshold Posterior probability threshold.

EFDR Expected false discovery rate for the given thresholds.

EFNR Expected false negative rate for the given thresholds.

BASiCS_DetectLVG produces a similar output, replacing the column HVG by LVG, an indicator of a gene being detected as lowly variable according to the given thresholds.

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References

Vallejos, Marioni and Richardson (2015). PLoS Computational Biology.

See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```
# See
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

BASiCS_D_TestDE	<i>Detection of genes with changes in expression.</i>
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Description

This function is no longer in use and will be removed from future releases of BASiCS. Please use [BASiCS_TestDE](#) instead.

Usage

```
BASiCS_D_TestDE(...)
```

Arguments

... Optional parameters.

Details

This function is no longer in use and will be removed from future releases of BASiCS.

Value

This function is no longer in use and will be removed from future releases of BASiCS. Please use [BASiCS_TestDE](#) instead.

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Examples

```
# Use 'BASiCS_TestDE' instead
help(BASiCS_TestDE)
```

BASiCS_Filter	<i>Filter for input datasets</i>
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Description

BASiCS_Filter indicates which transcripts and cells pass a pre-defined inclusion criteria. The output of this function can be combined with newBASiCS_Data to generate a the [SingleCellExperiment](#) object required to run BASiCS. For more systematic tools for quality control, please refer to the scater Bioconductor package.

Usage

```
BASiCS_Filter(Counts, Tech = rep(FALSE, nrow(Counts)),
  SpikeInput = NULL, BatchInfo = NULL, MinTotalCountsPerCell = 2,
  MinTotalCountsPerGene = 2, MinCellsWithExpression = 2,
  MinAvCountsPerCellsWithExpression = 2)
```

Arguments

Counts	Matrix of dimensions q times n whose elements corresponds to the simulated expression counts. First q .bio rows correspond to biological genes. Last q - q .bio rows correspond to technical spike-in genes.
Tech	Logical vector of length q . If Tech = FALSE the gene is biological; otherwise the gene is spike-in.
SpikeInput	Vector of length q - q .bio whose elements indicate the simulated input concentrations for the spike-in genes.
BatchInfo	Vector of length n whose elements indicate batch information. Not required if a single batch is present on the data. Default: BatchInfo = NULL.
MinTotalCountsPerCell	Minimum value of total expression counts required per cell (biological and technical). Default: MinTotalCountsPerCell = 2.
MinTotalCountsPerGene	Minimum value of total expression counts required per transcript (biological and technical). Default: MinTotalCountsPerGene = 2.
MinCellsWithExpression	Minimum number of cells where expression must be detected (positive count). Criteria applied to each transcript. Default: MinCellsWithExpression = 2.
MinAvCountsPerCellsWithExpression	Minimum average number of counts per cells where expression is detected. Criteria applied to each transcript. Default value: MinAvCountsPerCellsWithExpression = 2.

Value

A list of 2 elements

Counts Filtered matrix of expression counts

Tech Filtered vector of spike-in indicators

SpikeInput Filtered vector of spike-in genes input molecules

BatchInfo Filtered vector of the 'BatchInfo' argument

IncludeGenes Inclusion indicators for transcripts

IncludeCells Inclusion indicators for cells

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Examples

```
set.seed(1)
Counts <- matrix(rpois(50*10, 2), ncol = 10)
rownames(Counts) <- c(paste0('Gene', 1:40), paste0('Spike', 1:10))
Tech <- c(rep(FALSE,40),rep(TRUE,10))
set.seed(2)
SpikeInput <- rgamma(10,1,1)
SpikeInfo <- data.frame('SpikeID' = paste0('Spike', 1:10),
                      'SpikeInput' = SpikeInput)

Filter <- BASiCS_Filter(Counts, Tech, SpikeInput,
```

```

        MinTotalCountsPerCell = 2,
        MinTotalCountsPerGene = 2,
        MinCellsWithExpression = 2,
        MinAvCountsPerCellsWithExpression = 2)
SpikeInfoFilter <- SpikeInfo[SpikeInfo$SpikeID %in% rownames(Filter$Counts),]
FilterData <- newBASiCS_Data(Filter$Counts, Filter$Tech, SpikeInfoFilter)

```

BASiCS_LoadChain	<i>Loads pre-computed MCMC chains generated by the BASiCS_MCMC function</i>
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Description

Loads pre-computed MCMC chains generated by the [BASiCS_MCMC](#) function, creating a [BASiCS_Chain](#) object

Usage

```

BASiCS_LoadChain(RunName, StoreDir = getwd(),
  StoreUpdatedChain = FALSE)

```

Arguments

RunName	String used to index ‘.Rds’ file containing the MCMC chain (produced by the BASiCS_MCMC function, with <code>StoreChains = TRUE</code>)
StoreDir	Directory where ‘.Rds’ file is stored. Default: <code>StoreDir = getwd()</code>
StoreUpdatedChain	Only required when the input files contain an outdated version of a BASiCS_Chain object. If <code>StoreUpdatedChain = TRUE</code> , an updated object is saved (this overwrites original input file, if it was an ‘.Rds’ file).

Value

An object of class [BASiCS_Chain](#).

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See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```

Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data()
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 50, Thin = 5, Burn = 5, Regression = FALSE,
  StoreChains = TRUE, StoreDir = tempdir(),
  RunName = 'Test')
ChainLoad <- BASiCS_LoadChain(RunName = 'Test', StoreDir = tempdir())

```

BASiCS_MCMC

*BASiCS MCMC sampler***Description**

MCMC sampler to perform Bayesian inference for single-cell mRNA sequencing datasets using the model described in Vallejos et al (2015).

Usage

```
BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N, Thin, Burn, Regression, WithSpikes = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

Data	A SingleCellExperiment object. If <code>WithSpikes = TRUE</code> , this MUST be formatted to include the spike-ins information (see vignette).
N	Total number of iterations for the MCMC sampler. Use $N \geq \max(4, \text{Thin})$, N being a multiple of Thin.
Thin	Thinning period for the MCMC sampler. Use $\text{Thin} \geq 2$.
Burn	Burn-in period for the MCMC sampler. Use $\text{Burn} \geq 1$, $\text{Burn} < N$, Burn being a multiple of Thin.
Regression	If <code>Regression = TRUE</code> , BASiCS exploits a joint prior formulation for mean and over-dispersion parameters to estimate a measure of residual over-dispersion is not confounded by mean expression. Recommended setting is <code>Regression = TRUE</code> .
WithSpikes	If <code>WithSpikes = TRUE</code> , BASiCS will use reads from added spike-ins to estimate technical variability. If <code>WithSpikes = FALSE</code> , BASiCS depends on replicated experiments (batches) to estimate technical variability. In this case, please supply the <code>BatchInfo</code> vector in <code>colData(Data)</code> . Default: <code>WithSpikes = TRUE</code> .
...	Optional parameters.
	<code>PriorDelta</code> Specifies the prior used for delta. Possible values are 'gamma' ($\text{Gamma}(a.\text{theta}, b.\text{theta})$ prior) and 'log-normal' ($\text{log-Normal}(\theta, s2.\text{delta})$ prior).. Default value: <code>PriorDelta = 'log-normal'</code> .
	<code>PriorParam</code> List of 7 elements, containing the hyper-parameter values required for the adopted prior (see Vallejos et al, 2015, 2016). All elements must be positive real numbers.
	<code>s2.mu</code> Scale hyper-parameter for the $\text{log-Normal}(\theta, s2.\text{mu})$ prior that is shared by all gene-specific expression rate parameters μ_i . Default: <code>s2.mu = 0.5</code> .
	<code>s2.delta</code> Only used when ' <code>PriorDelta == 'log-normal'</code> '. Scale hyper-parameter for the $\text{log-Normal}(\theta, s2.\text{delta})$ prior that is shared by all gene-specific over-dispersion parameters δ_i . Default: <code>s2.delta = 0.5</code> .
	<code>a.delta</code> Only used when ' <code>PriorDelta == 'gamma'</code> '. Shape hyper-parameter for the $\text{Gamma}(a.\text{delta}, b.\text{delta})$ prior that is shared by all gene-specific biological over-dispersion parameters δ_i . Default: <code>a.delta = 1</code> .
	<code>b.delta</code> Only used when ' <code>PriorDelta == 'gamma'</code> '. Rate hyper-parameter for the $\text{Gamma}(a.\text{delta}, b.\text{delta})$ prior that is shared by all gene-specific biological over-dispersion hyper-parameters δ_i . Default: <code>b.delta = 1</code> .
	<code>p.phi</code> Dirichlet hyper-parameter for the joint of all (scaled by n) cell-specific mRNA content normalising constants ϕ_j/n . Default: <code>p.phi = rep(1, n)</code> .

- a.s Shape hyper-parameter for the Gamma(a.s,b.s) prior that is shared by all cell-specific capture efficiency normalising constants s_j . Default: a.s = 1.
- b.s Rate hyper-parameter for the Gamma(a.s,b.s) prior that is shared by all cell-specific capture efficiency normalising constants s_j . Default: b.s = 1.
- a.theta Shape hyper-parameter for the Gamma(a.theta,b.theta) prior for technical noise parameter θ . Default: a.theta = 1.
- b.theta Rate hyper-parameter for the Gamma(a.theta,b.theta) prior for technical noise parameter θ . Default: b.theta = 1.
- eta Only used when Regression = TRUE. eta specifies the degrees of freedom for the residual term. Default: eta = 5..
- k Only used when Regression = TRUE. k specifies the number of regression Gaussian Radial Basis Functions (GRBF) used within the correlated prior adopted for gene-specific over-dispersion and mean expression parameters. Default: k = 12.
- Var Only used when Regression = TRUE. Var specifies the GRBF scaling parameter. Default: Var = 1.2.
- AR Optimal acceptance rate for adaptive Metropolis Hastings updates. It must be a positive number between 0 and 1. Default (and recommended): AR = 0.44.
- StopAdapt Iteration at which adaptive proposals are no longer adapted. Use StopAdapt >= 1. Default: StopAdapt = Burn.
- StoreChains If StoreChains = TRUE, the generated BASiCS_Chain object is stored as a '.Rds' file (RunName argument used to index the file name). Default: StoreChains = FALSE.
- StoreAdapt If StoreAdapt = TRUE, trajectory of adaptive proposal variances (in log-scale) for all parameters is stored as a list in a '.Rds' file (RunName argument used to index file name). Default: StoreAdapt = FALSE.
- StoreDir Directory where output files are stored. Only required if StoreChains = TRUE and/or StoreAdapt = TRUE). Default: StoreDir = getwd().
- RunName String used to index '.Rds' files storing chains and/or adaptive proposal variances.
- PrintProgress If PrintProgress = FALSE, console-based progress report is suppressed.
- Start Starting values for the MCMC sampler. We do not advise to use this argument. Default options have been tuned to facilitate convergence. If changed, it must be a list containing the following elements: mu0, delta0, phi0, s0, nu0, theta0, ls.mu0, ls.delta0, ls.phi0, ls.nu0 and ls.theta0

Value

An object of class [BASiCS_Chain](#).

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References

- Vallejos, Marioni and Richardson (2015). PLoS Computational Biology.
 Vallejos, Richardson and Marioni (2016). Genome Biology.
 Eling et al (2018). Cell Systems

Examples

```
# Built-in simulated dataset
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data()
# To analyse real data, please refer to the instructions in:
# https://github.com/catavallejos/BASiCS/wiki/2.-Input-preparation

# Only a short run of the MCMC algorithm for illustration purposes
# Longer runs might be required to reach convergence
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 50, Thin = 2, Burn = 10, Regression = FALSE,
  PrintProgress = FALSE, WithSpikes = TRUE)

# To run the regression version of BASiCS, use:
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 50, Thin = 2, Burn = 10, Regression = TRUE,
  PrintProgress = FALSE, WithSpikes = TRUE)

# To run the non-spike version BASiCS requires the data to contain at least
# 2 batches:
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data(WithBatch = TRUE)
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 50, Thin = 2, Burn = 10, Regression = TRUE,
  PrintProgress = FALSE, WithSpikes = FALSE)

# For illustration purposes we load a built-in 'BASiCS_Chain' object
# (obtained using the 'BASiCS_MCMC' function)
data(ChainSC)

# `displayChainBASiCS` can be used to extract information from this output.
# For example:
head(displayChainBASiCS(ChainSC, Param = 'mu'))

# Traceplot (examples only)
plot(ChainSC, Param = 'mu', Gene = 1)
plot(ChainSC, Param = 'phi', Cell = 1)
plot(ChainSC, Param = 'theta', Batch = 1)

# Calculating posterior medians and 95% HPD intervals
ChainSummary <- Summary(ChainSC)

# `displaySummaryBASiCS` can be used to extract information from this output
# For example:
head(displaySummaryBASiCS(ChainSummary, Param = 'mu'))

# Graphical display of posterior medians and 95% HPD intervals
# For example:
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'mu', main = 'All genes')
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'mu', Genes = 1:10, main = 'First 10 genes')
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'phi', main = 'All cells')
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'phi', Cells = 1:5, main = 'First 5 cells')
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'theta')
```

```

# To contrast posterior medians of cell-specific parameters
# For example:
par(mfrow = c(1,2))
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'phi', Param2 = 's', SmoothPlot = FALSE)
# Recommended for large numbers of cells
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'phi', Param2 = 's', SmoothPlot = TRUE)

# To contrast posterior medians of gene-specific parameters
par(mfrow = c(1,2))
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'mu', Param2 = 'delta', log = 'x',
     SmoothPlot = FALSE)
# Recommended
plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'mu', Param2 = 'delta', log = 'x',
     SmoothPlot = TRUE)

# Highly and lowly variable genes detection (within a single group of cells)
DetectHVG <- BASiCS_DetectHVG(ChainSC, VarThreshold = 0.60,
                             EFDR = 0.10, Plot = TRUE)
DetectLVG <- BASiCS_DetectLVG(ChainSC, VarThreshold = 0.40,
                             EFDR = 0.10, Plot = TRUE)

plot(ChainSummary, Param = 'mu', Param2 = 'delta', log = 'x', col = 8)
with(DetectHVG$Table, points(Mu[HVG == TRUE], Delta[HVG == TRUE],
                             pch = 16, col = 'red', cex = 1))
with(DetectLVG$Table, points(Mu[LVG == TRUE], Delta[LVG == TRUE],
                             pch = 16, col = 'blue', cex = 1))

# If variance thresholds are not fixed
BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchHVG(ChainSC,
                             VarThresholdsGrid = seq(0.55,0.65,by=0.01),
                             EFDR = 0.10)
BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchLVG(ChainSC,
                             VarThresholdsGrid = seq(0.35,0.45,by=0.01),
                             EFDR = 0.10)

# To obtain denoised rates / counts, see:
help(BASiCS_DenoisedRates)
help(BASiCS_DenoisedCounts)

# For examples of differential analyses between 2 populations of cells see:
help(BASiCS_TestDE)

```

BASiCS_showFit-BASiCS_Chain-method

Plotting the trend after Bayesian regression

Description

Plotting the trend after Bayesian regression using a [BASiCS_Chain](#) object

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'
BASiCS_showFit(object, xlab = "log(mu[i])",
  ylab = "log(delta[i])", pch = 16, col = "blue", bty = "n",
  smooth = TRUE, variance = 1.2, ...)
```

Arguments

object	an object of class <code>BASiCS_Chain</code>
xlab	As in <code>par</code> .
ylab	As in <code>par</code> .
pch	As in <code>par</code> .
col	As in <code>par</code> .
bty	As in <code>par</code> .
smooth	Logical to indicate whether the <code>smoothScatter</code> function is used to plot the scatter plot.
variance	Variance used to build GRBFs for regression
...	Additional parameters for plotting.

Value

A plot object

Author(s)

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References

Eling et al (2018). Cell Systems <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cels.2018.06.011>

Examples

```
data(ChainRNAREg)
BASiCS_showFit(ChainRNAREg)
```

BASiCS_Sim	<i>Generates synthetic data according to the model implemented in BASiCS</i>
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Description

BASiCS_Sim creates a simulated dataset from the model implemented in BASiCS.

Usage

```
BASiCS_Sim(Mu, Mu_spikes, Delta, Phi, S, Theta)
```


Arguments

Mu	Gene-specific mean expression parameters μ_i for all biological genes (vector of length <code>q.bio</code> , all elements must be positive numbers)
Mu_spikes	μ_i for all technical genes defined as true input molecules (vector of length <code>q-q.bio</code> , all elements must be positive numbers)
Delta	Gene-specific biological over-dispersion parameters δ_i , biological genes only (vector of length <code>q.bio</code> , all elements must be positive numbers)
Phi	Cell-specific mRNA content normalising parameters ϕ_j (vector of length <code>n</code> , all elements must be positive numbers and the sum of its elements must be equal to <code>n</code>)
S	Cell-specific technical normalising parameters s_j (vector of length <code>n</code> , all elements must be positive numbers)
Theta	Technical variability parameter θ (must be positive)

Value

An object of class `SingleCellExperiment`, including synthetic data generated by the model implemented in BASiCS.

Author(s)

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References

Vallejos, Marioni and Richardson (2015). PLoS Computational Biology.

Examples

```
# Simulated parameter values for 10 genes
# (7 biological and 3 spike-in) measured in 5 cells
Mu <- c(8.36, 10.65, 4.88, 6.29, 21.72, 12.93, 30.19)
Mu_spike <- c(1010.72, 7.90, 31.59)
Delta <- c(1.29, 0.88, 1.51, 1.49, 0.54, 0.40, 0.85)
Phi <- c(1.00, 1.06, 1.09, 1.05, 0.80)
S <- c(0.38, 0.40, 0.38, 0.39, 0.34)
Theta <- 0.39

Data <- BASiCS_Sim(Mu, Mu_spike, Delta, Phi, S, Theta)
head(counts(Data))
dim(counts(Data))
metadata(Data)$SpikeInput
SingleCellExperiment::isSpike(Data)
```

Description

Container of a summary of a `BASiCS_Chain` object. In each element of the parameters slot, first column contains posterior medians; second and third columns respectively contain the lower and upper limits of an high posterior density interval (for a given probability).

Slots

`parameters` List of parameters in which each entry contains a matrix: first column contains posterior medians, second column contains the lower limits of an high posterior density interval and third column contains the upper limits of high posterior density intervals.

mu Posterior medians (1st column), lower (2nd column) and upper (3rd column) limits of gene-specific mean expression parameters μ_i .

delta Posterior medians (1st column), lower (2nd column) and upper (3rd column) limits of gene-specific biological over-dispersion parameters δ_i , biological genes only

phi Posterior medians (1st column), lower (2nd column) and upper (3rd column) limits of cell-specific mRNA content normalisation parameters ϕ_j

s Posterior medians (1st column), lower (2nd column) and upper (3rd column) limits of cell-specific technical normalisation parameters $s[j]$

nu Posterior medians (1st column), lower (2nd column) and upper (3rd column) limits of cell-specific random effects ν_j

theta Posterior median (1st column), lower (2nd column) and upper (3rd column) limits of technical over-dispersion parameter(s) θ (each row represents one batch)

beta Posterior median (first column), lower (second column) and upper (third column) limits of regression coefficients β

sigma2 Posterior median (first column), lower (second column) and upper (third column) limits of residual variance σ^2

epsilon Posterior median (first column), lower (second column) and upper (third column) limits of gene-specific residual over-dispersion parameter ϵ

Examples

```
# A BASiCS_Summary object created by the Summary method.
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data()
Chain <- BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N = 100, Thin = 2, Burn = 2, Regression = FALSE)
ChainSummary <- Summary(Chain)
```

 BASiCS_Summary-methods

'show' method for BASiCS_Summary objects

Description

'show' method for [BASiCS_Summary](#) objects.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Summary'
show(object)
```

Arguments

object A [BASiCS_Summary](#) object.

Value

Prints a summary of the properties of object.

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Examples

```
# See
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

 BASiCS_TestDE

Detection of genes with changes in expression

Description

Function to assess changes in expression between two groups of cells (mean and over-dispersion)

Usage

```
BASiCS_TestDE(Chain1, Chain2, EpsilonM = log2(1.5),
  EpsilonD = log2(1.5), EpsilonR = log2(1.5)/log2(exp(1)),
  ProbThresholdM = NULL, ProbThresholdD = NULL,
  ProbThresholdR = NULL, OrderVariable = "GeneIndex",
  GroupLabel1 = "Group1", GroupLabel2 = "Group2", Plot = TRUE,
  PlotOffset = TRUE, Offset = TRUE, EFDR_M = 0.1, EFDR_D = 0.1,
  EFDR_R = 0.1, GenesSelect = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

Chain1	an object of class <code>BASiCS_Chain</code> containing parameter estimates for the first group of cells
Chain2	an object of class <code>BASiCS_Chain</code> containing parameter estimates for the second group of cells
EpsilonM	Minimum fold change tolerance threshold for detecting changes in overall expression (must be a positive real number). Default value: $\text{EpsilonM} = \log_2(1.5)$ (i.e. 50% increase).
EpsilonD	Minimum fold change tolerance threshold for detecting changes in biological over-dispersion (must be a positive real number). Default value: $\text{EpsilonD} = \log_2(1.5)$ (i.e. 50% increase).
EpsilonR	Minimum distance threshold for detecting changes in residual over-dispersion (must be a positive real number). Default value: $\text{EpsilonR} = \log_2(1.5) / \log_2(\exp(1))$ (i.e. 50% increase).
ProbThresholdM	Optional parameter. Probability threshold for detecting changes in overall expression (must be a positive value, between 0 and 1)
ProbThresholdD	Optional parameter. Probability threshold for detecting changes in cell-to-cell biological over-dispersion (must be a positive value, between 0 and 1)
ProbThresholdR	Optional parameter. Probability threshold for detecting changes in residual over-dispersion (must be a positive value, between 0 and 1)
OrderVariable	Ordering variable for output. Possible values: 'GeneIndex', 'GeneName' and 'Prob'.
GroupLabel1	Label assigned to reference group. Default: <code>GroupLabel1 = 'Group1'</code>
GroupLabel2	Label assigned to reference group. Default: <code>GroupLabel2 = 'Group2'</code>
Plot	If <code>Plot = TRUE</code> , MA and volcano plots are generated.
PlotOffset	If <code>Plot = TRUE</code> , the offset effect is visualised.
Offset	Optional argument to remove a fix offset effect (if not previously removed from the MCMC chains). Default: <code>Offset = TRUE</code> .
EFDR_M	Target for expected false discovery rate related to the comparison of means. Default <code>EFDR_M = 0.10</code> .
EFDR_D	Target for expected false discovery rate related to the comparison of dispersions. Default <code>EFDR_D = 0.10</code> .
EFDR_R	Target for expected false discovery rate related to the comparison of residual over-dispersions. Default <code>EFDR_D = 0.10</code> .
GenesSelect	Optional argument to provide a user-defined list of genes to be considered for the comparison. Default: <code>GenesSelect = NULL</code> . When used, this argument must be a vector of TRUE (include gene) / FALSE (exclude gene) indicator, with the same length as the number of intrinsic genes and following the same order as how genes are displayed in the table of counts. This argument is necessary in order to have a meaningful EFDR calibration when the user decides to exclude some genes from the comparison.
...	Graphical parameters (see par).

Value

BASiCS_TestDE returns a list of 4 elements:

TableMean A `data.frame` containing the results of the differential mean test

GeneName	Gene name
MeanOverall	For each gene, the estimated mean expression parameter μ_i is averaged across both groups of cells (weighted by sample size).
Mean1	Estimated mean expression parameter μ_i for each biological gene in the first group of cells.
Mean2	Estimated mean expression parameter μ_i for each biological gene in the second group of cells.
MeanFC	Fold change in mean expression parameters between the first and second groups of cells.
MeanLog2FC	Log2-transformed fold change in mean expression between the first and second groups of cells.
ProbDiffMean	Posterior probability for mean expression difference between the first and second groups of cells.
ResultDiffExp	Indicator if a gene has a higher mean expression in the first or second groups of cells.

TableDisp A `data.frame` containing the results of the differential dispersion test (excludes genes for which the mean does not changes).

GeneName	Gene name
MeanOverall	For each gene, the estimated mean expression parameter μ_i is averaged across both groups of cells (weighted by sample size).
DispOverall	For each gene, the estimated over-dispersion parameter δ_i is averaged across both groups of cells (weighted by sample size).
Disp1	Estimated over-dispersion parameter δ_i for each biological gene in the first group of cells.
Disp2	Estimated over-dispersion parameter δ_i for each biological gene in the second group of cells.
DispFC	Fold change in over-dispersion parameters between the between the first and second groups of cells.
DispLog2FC	Log-transformed fold change in over-dispersion between the first and second groups of cells.
ProbDiffDisp	Posterior probability for over-dispersion difference between the first and second groups of cells.
ResultDiffDisp	Indicator if a gene has a higher over-dispersion in the first or second groups of cells. Genes labelled with "ExcludedFromTest" were detected as showing differential mean expression.

TableResDisp A `data.frame` containing the results of the differential residual over-dispersion test.

GeneName	Gene name
MeanOverall	For each gene, the estimated mean expression parameter μ_i is averaged across both groups of cells (weighted by sample size).
ResDispOverall	For each gene, the estimated residual over-dispersion parameter δ_i is averaged across both groups of cells (weighted by sample size).
ResDisp1	Estimated residual over-dispersion parameter ϵ_i for each biological gene in the first group of cells.

ResDisp2 Estimated residual over-dispersion parameter ϵ_i for each biological gene in the second group of cells.

ResDispDistance Difference in residual over-dispersion between the first and second groups of cells.

ProbDiffResDisp Posterior probability for residual over-dispersion difference between the first and second groups of cells.

ResultDiffResDisp Indicator if a gene has a higher residual over-dispersion in the first or second groups of cells. Genes labelled with "ExcludedFromTest" were not expressed in at least 2 cells per condition.

DiffMeanSummary A list containing the following information for the differential mean expression test:

- ProbThreshold Posterior probability threshold.
- EFDR Expected false discovery rate for the given thresholds.
- EFNR Expected false negative rate for the given thresholds.

DiffDispSummary A list containing the following information for the differential over-dispersion test:

- ProbThreshold Posterior probability threshold.
- EFDR Expected false discovery rate for the given thresholds.
- EFNR Expected false negative rate for the given thresholds.

DiffResDispSummary A list containing the following information for the differential residual over-dispersion test:

- ProbThreshold Posterior probability threshold.
- EFDR Expected false discovery rate for the given thresholds.
- EFNR Expected false negative rate for the given thresholds.

Chain1_offset an [BASiCS_Chain](#) object: Chain1 after offset removal.

Chain2_offset an [BASiCS_Chain](#) object: Chain2 after offset removal (this is only provided for completeness; Chain2 is not affected by the offset).

OffsetChain MCMC chain calculated for the offset effect.

Offset Estimated offset (posterior median of OffsetChain). Default value set equal to 1 when offset correction is not performed.

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Examples

```
# Loading two 'BASiCS_Chain' objects (obtained using 'BASiCS_MCMC')
data(ChainSC)
data(ChainRNA)

Test <- BASiCS_TestDE(Chain1 = ChainSC, Chain2 = ChainRNA,
                     GroupLabel1 = 'SC', GroupLabel2 = 'P&S',
                     EpsilonM = log2(1.5), EpsilonD = log2(1.5),
                     Offset = TRUE)

# Results for the differential mean test
```

```

head(Test$TableMean)

# Results for the differential over-dispersion test
# This only includes genes marked as 'NoDiff' in Test$TableMean
head(Test$TableDisp)

# For testing differences in residual over-dispersion, two chains obtained
# via 'BASiCS_MCMC(Data, N, Thin, Burn, Regression=TRUE)' need to be provided
data(ChainSCReg)
data(ChainRNAREg)

Test <- BASiCS_TestDE(Chain1 = ChainSCReg, Chain2 = ChainRNAREg,
                     GroupLabel1 = 'SC', GroupLabel2 = 'P&S',
                     EpsilonM = log2(1.5), EpsilonD = log2(1.5),
                     EpsilonR = log2(1.5)/log2(exp(1)),
                     Offset = TRUE)

```

BASiCS_VarianceDecomp *Decomposition of gene expression variability according to BASiCS*

Description

Function to decompose total variability of gene expression into biological and technical components.

Usage

```

BASiCS_VarianceDecomp(Chain, OrderVariable = "BioVarGlobal",
                      Plot = TRUE, ...)

```

Arguments

Chain	an object of class BASiCS_Chain
OrderVariable	Ordering variable for output. Possible values: 'GeneName', 'BioVarGlobal', 'TechVarGlobal' and 'ShotNoiseGlobal'. Default: OrderVariable = "BioVarGlobal".
Plot	If TRUE, a barplot of the variance decomposition (global and by batches, if any) is generated. Default: Plot = TRUE.
...	Other arguments to be passed to barplot

Details

See vignette

Value

A [data.frame](#) whose first 4 columns correspond to

GeneName Gene name (as indicated by user)

BioVarGlobal Percentage of variance explained by a biological component (overall across all cells)

TechVarGlobal Percentage of variance explained by the technical component (overall across all cells)

ShotNoiseGlobal Percentage of variance explained by the shot noise component (baseline Poisson noise, overall across all cells)

If more than 1 batch of cells are being analysed, the remaining columns contain the corresponding variance decomposition calculated within each batch.

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References

Vallejos, Marioni and Richardson (2015). PLoS Computational Biology.

See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```
# For illustration purposes we load a built-in 'BASiCS_Chain' object
# (obtained using the 'BASiCS_MCMC' function)
data(ChainSC)

VD <- BASiCS_VarianceDecomp(ChainSC)
```

BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchHVG

Detection method for highly and lowly variable genes using a grid of variance contribution thresholds

Description

Detection method for highly and lowly variable genes using a grid of variance contribution thresholds

Usage

```
BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchHVG(Chain, VarThresholdsGrid, EFDR = 0.1,
  Progress = TRUE)
```

```
BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchLVG(Chain, VarThresholdsGrid, EFDR = 0.1,
  Progress = TRUE)
```


Arguments

Chain	an object of class BASiCS_Chain
VarThresholdsGrid	Grid of values for the variance contribution threshold (they must be contained in (0,1))
EFDR	Target for expected false discovery rate related to HVG/LVG detection. Default: EFDR = 0.10.
Progress	If Progress = TRUE, partial output is printed in the console. Default: Progress = TRUE.

Details

See vignette

Value

`BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchHVG` A table displaying the results of highly variable genes detection for different variance contribution thresholds.

`BASiCS_VarThresholdSearchLVG` A table displaying the results of lowly variable genes detection for different variance contribution thresholds.

Author(s)

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References

Vallejos, Marioni and Richardson (2015). PLoS Computational Biology.

See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```
# See  
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

ChainRNA

Extract from the chain obtained for the Grun et al (2014) data: pool-and-split samples

Description

Small extract (75 MCMC iterations, 350 randomly selected genes) from the chain obtained for the pool-and-split samples (this corresponds to the RNA 2i samples in Grun et al, 2014).

Usage

ChainRNA

Format

An object of class [BASiCS_Chain](#) containing 75 MCMC iterations.

References

Grun, Kester and van Oudenaarden (2014). Nature Methods.

ChainRNAREg	<i>Extract from the chain obtained for the Grun et al (2014) data: pool-and-split samples (regression model)</i>
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Description

Small extract (75 MCMC iterations, 350 randomly selected genes) from the chain obtained for the pool-and-split samples (this corresponds to the RNA 2i samples in Grun et al, 2014).

Usage

ChainRNAREg

Format

An object of class [BASiCS_Chain](#) containing 75 MCMC iterations.

References

Grun, Kester and van Oudenaarden (2014). Nature Methods.

ChainSC	<i>Extract from the chain obtained for the Grun et al (2014) data: single-cell samples</i>
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Description

Small extract (75 MCMC iterations, 350 randomly selected genes) from the chain obtained for the pool-and-split samples (this corresponds to the SC 2i samples in Grun et al, 2014).

Usage

ChainSC

Format

An object of class [BASiCS_Chain](#) containing 75 MCMC iterations.

References

Grun, Kester and van Oudenaarden (2014). Nature Methods.

ChainSReg	<i>Extract from the chain obtained for the Grun et al (2014) data: single-cell samples (regression model)</i>
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Description

Small extract (75 MCMC iterations, 350 randomly selected genes) from the chain obtained for the pool-and-split samples (this corresponds to the SC 2i samples in Grun et al, 2014).

Usage

```
ChainSReg
```

Format

An object of class `BASiCS_Chain` containing 75 MCMC iterations.

References

Grun, Kester and van Oudenaarden (2014). Nature Methods.

colnames	<i>'colnames' method for BASiCS_Chain objects</i>
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Description

Returns the labels of cell-specific BASiCS parameters

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'  
colnames(x)
```

Arguments

x A `BASiCS_Chain` object.

Value

An vector of labels

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Examples

```
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

displayChainBASiCS-BASiCS_Chain-method

Accessors for the slots of a BASiCS_Chain object

Description

Accessors for the slots of a [BASiCS_Chain](#)

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'
displayChainBASiCS(object, Param = "mu")
```

Arguments

object	an object of class BASiCS_Chain
Param	Name of the slot to be used for the accessed. Possible values: 'mu', 'delta', 'phi', 's', 'nu', 'theta', 'beta', 'sigma2' and 'epsilon'.

Value

The requested slot of a [BASiCS_Chain](#) object

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See Also

[BASiCS_Chain](#)

Examples

```
# See
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

displaySummaryBASiCS-BASiCS_Summary-method

Accessors for the slots of a BASiCS_Summary object

Description

Accessors for the slots of a [BASiCS_Summary](#) object

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Summary'
displaySummaryBASiCS(object, Param = "mu")
```

Arguments

object	an object of class BASiCS_Summary
Param	Name of the slot to be used for the accessed. Possible values: 'mu', 'delta', 'phi', 's', 'nu', 'theta', 'beta', 'sigma2' and 'epsilon'.

Value

The requested slot of a [BASiCS_Summary](#) object

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See Also

[BASiCS_Summary](#)

Examples

```
# See
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

```
makeExampleBASiCS_Data
```

Create a synthetic SingleCellExperiment example object with the format required for BASiCS

Description

A synthetic [SingleCellExperiment](#) object is generated by simulating a dataset from the model underlying BASiCS. This is used to illustrate BASiCS in some of the package and vignette examples.

Usage

```
makeExampleBASiCS_Data(WithBatch = FALSE, WithSpikes = TRUE)
```

Arguments

WithBatch	If TRUE, 2 batches are generated (each of them containing 15 cells). Default: WithBatch = FALSE.
WithSpikes	If TRUE, the simulated dataset contains 20 spike-in genes. If WithSpikes = FALSE, WithBatch is automatically set to TRUE. Default: WithSpikes = TRUE

Value

An object of class [SingleCellExperiment](#), with synthetic data simulated from the model implemented in BASiCS. If WithSpikes = TRUE, it contains 70 genes (50 biological and 20 spike-in) and 30 cells. Alternatively, it contains 50 biological genes and 30 cells.

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Examples

```
Data <- makeExampleBASiCS_Data()
is(Data, 'SingleCellExperiment')
```

newBASiCS_Chain	<i>Creates a BASiCS_Chain object from pre-computed MCMC chains</i>
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Description

BASiCS_Chain creates a [BASiCS_Chain](#) object from pre-computed MCMC chains.

Usage

```
newBASiCS_Chain(parameters)
```

Arguments

parameters List of matrices containing MCMC chains for each model parameter.

mu MCMC chain for gene-specific mean expression parameters μ_i , biological genes only (matrix with q.bio columns, all elements must be positive numbers)

delta MCMC chain for gene-specific biological over-dispersion parameters δ_i , biological genes only (matrix with q.bio columns, all elements must be positive numbers)

phi MCMC chain for cell-specific mRNA content normalisation parameters ϕ_j (matrix with n columns, all elements must be positive numbers and the sum of its elements must be equal to n). This parameter is only used when spike-in genes are available.

s MCMC chain for cell-specific technical normalisation parameters s_j (matrix with n columns, all elements must be positive numbers)

nu MCMC chain for cell-specific random effects ν_j (matrix with n columns, all elements must be positive numbers)

theta MCMC chain for technical over-dispersion parameter(s) θ (matrix, all elements must be positive, each column represents 1 batch)

beta Only used for regression model. MCMC chain for regression coefficients (matrix with k columns, where k represent the number of chosen basis functions + 2)

sigma2 Only used for regression model. MCMC chain for the residual variance (matrix with one column, sigma2 represents a global parameter)

epsilon Only used for regression model. MCMC chain for the gene specific residual over-dispersion parameter (mean corrected variability) (matrix with q columns)


```
epsilon = ChainEpsilon))
```

newBASiCS_Data	<i>Creates a SingleCellExperiment object from a matrix of expression counts and experimental information about spike-in genes</i>
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Description

newBASiCS_Data creates a [SingleCellExperiment](#) object from a matrix of expression counts and experimental information about spike-in genes.

Usage

```
newBASiCS_Data(Counts, Tech = rep(FALSE, nrow(Counts)),
  SpikeInfo = NULL, BatchInfo = NULL, SpikeType = "ERCC")
```

Arguments

Counts	Matrix of dimensions q times n whose elements contain the expression counts to be analyses (including biological and technical spike-in genes). Gene names must be stored as <code>rownames(Counts)</code> .
Tech	Logical vector of length q. If <code>Tech = FALSE</code> the gene is biological; otherwise the gene is spike-in. Default value: <code>Tech = rep(FALSE, nrow(Counts))</code> .
SpikeInfo	<code>data.frame</code> whose first and second columns contain the gene names assigned to the spike-in genes (they must match the ones in <code>rownames(Counts)</code>) and the associated input number of molecules, respectively. If <code>SpikeInfo = NULL</code> , only the horizontal integration implementation (no spikes) can be run. Default value: <code>SpikeInfo = NULL</code> .
BatchInfo	Vector of length n whose elements indicate batch information. Not required if a single batch is present on the data. Default value: <code>BatchInfo = NULL</code> .
SpikeType	Character to indicate what type of spike-ins are in use. For more details see argument 'type' in 'help(ke, package = "SingleCellExperiment)'. Default value: <code>SpikeType = "ERCC"</code> .

Value

An object of class [SingleCellExperiment](#).

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See Also

[SingleCellExperiment](#)

Param	Name of the slot to be used for the plot. Possible values: 'mu', 'delta', 'phi', 's', 'nu', 'theta', 'beta', 'sigma2' and 'epsilon'.
Gene	Specifies which gene is requested. Required only if Param = 'mu' or 'delta'
Cell	Specifies which cell is requested. Required only if Param = 'phi', 's' or 'nu'
Batch	Specifies which batch is requested. Required only if Param = 'theta'
RegressionTerm	Specifies which regression coefficient is requested. Required only if Param = 'beta'
ylab	As in par .
xlab	As in par .
...	Other graphical parameters (see par).

Value

A plot object

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Examples

```
# See
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

plot-BASiCS_Summary-method

'plot' method for BASiCS_Summary objects

Description

'plot' method for [BASiCS_Summary](#) objects

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Summary,ANY'
plot(x, Param = "mu", Param2 = NULL,
     Genes = NULL, Cells = NULL, Batches = NULL,
     RegressionTerms = NULL, xlab = "", ylab = "", xlim = "",
     ylim = "", pch = 16, col = "blue", bty = "n",
     SmoothPlot = TRUE, ...)
```

Arguments

x	A BASiCS_Summary object.
Param	Name of the slot to be used for the plot. Possible values: 'mu', 'delta', 'phi', 's', 'nu', 'theta', 'beta', 'sigma2' and 'epsilon'.
Param2	Name of the second slot to be used for the plot. Possible values: 'mu', 'delta', 'epsilon', 'phi', 's' and 'nu' (combinations between gene-specific and cell-specific parameters are not admitted).
Genes	Specifies which genes are requested. Required only if Param = 'mu', 'delta' or 'epsilon'.
Cells	Specifies which cells are requested. Required only if Param = 'phi', 's' or 'nu'
Batches	Specifies which batches are requested. Required only if Param = 'theta'
RegressionTerms	Specifies which regression coefficients are requested. Required only if Param = 'beta'
xlab	As in par .
ylab	As in par .
xlim	As in par .
ylim	As in par .
pch	As in par .
col	As in par .
bty	As in par .
SmoothPlot	Logical parameter. If TRUE, transparency will be added to the color of the dots.
...	Other graphical parameters (see par).

Value

A plot object

Author(s)

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Examples

```
# See
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

rownames	<i>'rownames' method for BASiCS_Chain objects</i>
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Description

Returns the labels of gene-specific BASiCS parameters

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'
rownames(x)
```

Arguments

x A [BASiCS_Chain](#) object.

Value

An vector of labels

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Examples

```
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

subset	<i>A 'subset' method for 'BASiCS_Chain' objects</i>
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Description

This can be used to extract a subset of a 'BASiCS_Chain' object. The subset can contain specific genes, cells or MCMC iterations

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'
subset(x, Genes = NULL, Cells = NULL,
       Iterations = NULL)
```

Arguments

x A [BASiCS_Chain](#) object.

Genes A vector of characters indicating what genes will be extracted.

Cells A vector of characters indicating what cells will be extracted.

Iterations Numeric vector of positive integers indicating which MCMC iterations will be extracted. The maximum value in Iterations must be less or equal than the total number of iterations contained in the original [BASiCS_Chain](#) object.

Value

An object of class [BASiCS_Chain](#).

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Examples

```
help(BASiCS_MCMC)
```

Summary

'Summary' method for BASiCS_Chain objects

Description

For each of the BASiCS parameters (see Vallejos et al 2015), `Summary` returns the corresponding posterior medians and limits of the high posterior density interval (probability equal to `prob`)

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'BASiCS_Chain'  
Summary(x, prob = 0.95)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	A BASiCS_Chain object.
<code>prob</code>	<code>prob</code> argument for HPDinterval function.

Value

An object of class [BASiCS_Summary](#).

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