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# Description

The input is a data frame containing feature evidence with corrected retention times, e.g. a 'calibrated.retention.time' column.

# Usage

alignmentCheck(data, referenceFile)

#### **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns 'calibrated.retention.time', 'id', 'modified.sequence',

'charge', 'raw.file' and 'fraction' (if present)

referenceFile A raw file name as occuring in data\$raw.file, serving as alignment reference

(when no fractions are used).

#### **Details**

Note that this function must be given real MS/MS identifications only (type "MULTI-MSMS") in order to work correctly!

For each peptide sequence (and charge) in the reference Raw file, this function looks up the already calibrated retention time difference of the same feature in all other files. For every comparison made, we report the RT difference. If alignment worked perfectly, the differences are very small (<1 min).

An 'id' column must be present, to enable mapping the result of this function to the original data frame.

A reference Raw file can be identified using 'findAlignReference()'. If Maxquants experimental design included pre-fractionation, a column named 'fraction' should be given and 'referenceFile' should be empty. This function will pick the one Raw file for each fraction (the first in order) to use as reference. Only the immediately neighbouring fractions will be matched to this reference.

#### Value

A data.frame containing the RT diff for each feature found in a Raw file and the reference.

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Add the value of a variable to an environment (fast append)	
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#### **Description**

The environment must exist, and its name must be given as string literal in 'env\_name'! The value of the variable 'v' will be stored under the name given in 'v\_name'. If 'v\_name' is not given, a variable name will be created by increasing an internal counter and using the its value padded with zeros as name (i.e., "0001", "0002" etc).

## Usage

```
appendEnv(env_name, v, v_name = NULL)
```

#### **Arguments**

env\_name String of the environment variable

v Value to be inserted

v\_name String used as variable name. Automatically generated if omitted.

#### Value

Always TRUE

assembleMZQC	Collects all 'mzQC' members from each entry in lst_qcMetrics and stores them in an overall mzQC object, which can be written to disk (see writeMZQC()) or augmented otherwise

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Collects all 'mzQC' members from each entry in lst\_qcMetrics and stores them in an overall mzQC object, which can be written to disk (see writeMZQC()) or augmented otherwise

#### Usage

```
assembleMZQC(lst_qcMetrics, raw_file_mapping)
```

# Arguments

1st\_qcMetrics A list of qcMetric objects which have their mzQC member populated with "MzQCrun-Quality" and/or "MzQCsetQuality" objects

raw\_file\_mapping

A data.frame with cols 'from', to' and maybe 'best.effort' (if shorting was unsuccessful), as e.g. obtained by a FilenameMapper\$raw\_file\_mapping

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## Value

An MzQCmzQC object (root object of an mzQC document)

assignBlocks

Assign set numbers to a vector of values.

## **Description**

Each set has size set\_size (internally optimized using correctSetSize), holding values from 'values'. This gives n such sets and the return value is just the set index for each value.

## Usage

```
assignBlocks(values, set_size = 5, sort_values = TRUE)
```

#### **Arguments**

values Vector of values

set\_size Number of distinct values allowed in a set

sort\_values Before assigning values to sets, sort the values?

# Value

Vector (same length as input) with set numbers

## **Examples**

```
#library(PTXQC)
assignBlocks(c(1:11, 1), set_size = 3, sort_values = FALSE)
## --> 1 1 1 2 2 2 3 3 3 4 4 1
```

boxplotCompare

Boxplots - one for each condition (=column) in a data frame.

## **Description**

Given a data.frame with two/three columns in long format (name, value, [contaminant]; in that order), each group (given from 1st column) is plotted as a bar. Contaminants (if given) are separated and plotted as yellow bars.

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#### Usage

```
boxplotCompare(
  data,
  log2 = TRUE,
  ylab = "intensity",
  mainlab = ylab,
  sublab = "",
  boxes_per_page = 30,
  abline = NA,
  coord_flip = TRUE,
  names = NA
)
```

#### **Arguments**

data	Data frame	in long	format with	numerical	expression data
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log2 Apply log2 to the data (yes/no)

ylab Label on Y-axis

mainlab Main title sublab Sub title

boxes\_per\_page Maximum number of boxplots per plot. Yields multiple plots if more groups are

given.

abline Draw a horizontal green line at the specified y-position (e.g. to indicate target

median values)

coord\_flip Exchange Y and X-axis for better readability

names An optional data.frame(long=.., short=..), giving a renaming scheme (long->short)

for the 'name' column

## **Details**

Boxes are shaded: many NA or Inf lead to more transparency. Allows to easily spot sparse groups

#### Value

List of ggplot objects

brewer.pal.Safe Return color brew palettes, but fail hard if number of requested colors

is larger than the palette is holding.

# Description

Internally calls 'brewer.pal(n, palette)', checking 'n' beforehand.

byX

#### Usage

```
brewer.pal.Safe(n = 3, palette = "Set1")
```

#### **Arguments**

n Number of colours

palette Name of palette (e.g. "set1")

#### Value

character vector of colors

byX Calls FUN on a subset of data in blocks of size 'subset\_size' of unique

indices.

## **Description**

One subset consists of 'subset\_size' unique groups and thus of all rows which in 'data' which have any of these groups. The last subset might have less groups, if the number of unique groups is not dividable by subset\_size.

## Usage

```
byX(data, indices, subset_size = 5, FUN, sort_indices = TRUE, ...)
```

# Arguments

data Data.frame whose subsets to use on FUN

indices Vector of group assignments, same length as nrow(data)

subset\_size Number of groups to use in one subset FUN Function applied to subsets of data

... More arguments to FUN

#### **Details**

FUN is applied on each subset.

#### Value

list of function result (one entry for each subset)

#### **Examples**

```
byX(data.frame(d=1:10), 1:10, 2, sum)
```

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byXflex	Same as byX, but with more flexible group size, to avoid that the last group has only a few entries (<50% of desired size).
	group has only a few entries (<50% of desired size).

## **Description**

The 'subset\_size' param is internally optimized using correctSetSize and then byX is called.

#### Usage

```
byXflex(data, indices, subset_size = 5, FUN, sort_indices = TRUE, ...)
```

# Arguments

data	Data.frame whose subset to use on FUN
indices	Vector of group assignments, same length as nrow(data)
subset_size	Ideal number of groups to use in one subset – this can be changed internally, from $75\%150\%$
FUN	function Applied to subsets of data
sort_indices	Groups are formed by their sorted character(!) names
	More arguments to FUN

## Value

list of function result (one entry for each subset)

# **Examples**

```
stopifnot(
  byXflex(data.frame(d=1:10), 1:10, 2, sum, sort_indices = FALSE) ==
  c(3, 7, 11, 15, 19)
)
```

checkEnglishLocale

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#### Usage

```
checkEnglishLocale(df_evd)
```

#### **Arguments**

df\_evd

Evidence table from which we only need the 'charge' column

computeMatchRTFractions

Combine several data structs into a final picture for segmentation incurred by 'Match-between-runs'.

#### **Description**

qMBRSeg\_Dist\_inGroup might be empty if there are only singlets (transferred and genuine), but then the scores will be pretty boring as well (100

## Usage

```
computeMatchRTFractions(qMBR, qMBRSeg_Dist_inGroup)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
qMBR A data.frame as computed by peakSegmentation()
qMBRSeg_Dist_inGroup
A data.frame as computed by inMatchWindow()
```

#### Value

A data.frame which details the distribution of singlets and pairs (inRT and outRT) for each Raw file and genuine vs. all

correctSetSize Re-estimate a new set size to split a number of items into equally sized sets.

## **Description**

This is useful for plotting large datasets where multiple pages are needed. E.g. you know that you need 101 barplots, but you only want to fit about 25 per page. Naively one would now do five plots, with the last one only containing a single barplot. Using this function with correctSetSize(101, 25) would tell you to use 26 barplots per page, so you end up with four plots, all roughly equally filled. It also works the other extreme case, where your initial size is chosen slightly too high, e.g. Sets of size 5 for just 8 items is too much, because we can reduce the set size to 4 and still need two sets but now they are much more equally filled (correctSetSize(8, 5) == 4).

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#### Usage

```
correctSetSize(item_count, initial_set_size)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
item_count Known number of items which need to assigned to sets initial_set_size
```

Desired number of items a single set should hold

## **Details**

We allow for up to set sizes of 150% from default, to avoid the last set being sparse (we remove it and distribute to the other bins) 150 Once the number of sets is fixed, we distribute all items equally.

E.g. 6 items & initial\_set\_size=5, would result in 2 bins (5 items, 1 item), but we'd rather have one bin of 6 items or 8 items & initial\_set\_size=5, would result in 2 bins (5+3 items), since the last set is more than half full, but we'd rather have 4+4

#### Value

re-estimated set size which a set should hold in order to avoid underfilled sets

# Examples

```
stopifnot(
  correctSetSize(8, 5) == 4
)
stopifnot(
  correctSetSize(101, 25) == 26
)
```

createReport

Create a quality control report (in PDF format).

#### **Description**

This is the main function of the package and the only thing you need to call directly if you are just interested in getting a QC report.

# Usage

```
createReport(
  txt_folder = NULL,
  mztab_file = NULL,
  yaml_obj = list(),
  report_filenames = NULL,
  enable_log = FALSE
)
```

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#### Arguments

txt_folder	Path to txt output folder of MaxQuant (e.g. "c:/data/Hek293/txt")							
mztab_file	Alternative to **txt_folder**, you can provide a single mzTab file which contains PSM, PEP and PRT tables							
yaml_obj	A nested list object with configuration parameters for the report. Useful to switch off certain plots or skip entire sections.							
report_filename	report_filenames							
	Optional list with names (as generated by getReportFilenames). If not provided, will be created internally by calling getReportFilenames.							
enable_log	If TRUE all console output (including warnings and errors) is logged to the file given in **report_filenames\$log_file**. Note: warnings/errors can only be shown in either the log **or** the console, not both!							

#### **Details**

You need to provide either a) the folder name of the 'txt' output, as generated by MaxQuant or an mzTab file or b) an mzTab file as generated by the OpenMS QualityControl TOPP tool (other mzTab files will probably not work)

Optionally, provide a YAML configuration object, which allows to (de)activate certain plots and holds other parameters. The yaml\_obj is complex and best obtained by running this function once using the default (empty list). A full YAML configuration object will be written in the 'txt' folder you provide and can be loaded using yaml.load.

The PDF and the config file will be stored in the given txt folder.

#### Value

List with named filename strings, e.g. \$yaml\_file, \$report\_file etc..

#### Note

You need write access to the txt/mzTab folder!

For updates, bug fixes and feedback please visit https://github.com/cbielow/PTXQC.

createYaml	Creates a yaml file storing the parameters that are used for creating
	the PTXQC report and returns these parameters as well as a list of
	available qc-Metrics objects.
	avanable ge-menies objects.

# Description

 $Valid\ parameters\ are:\ param\_useMQPAR,\ add\_fs\_col,\ id\_rate\_bad,\ id\_rate\_great\ ,\ pg\_ratioLabIncThresh\ ,\ param\_PG\_intThresh,\ param\_EV\_protThresh\ ,\ param\_EV\_intThresh,\ param\_EV\_pepThresh\ ,\ yaml\_contaminants,\ param\_EV\_MatchingTolerance,\ param\_evd\_mbr\ ,\ param\_EV\_PrecursorTolPPM,\ param\_EV\_PrecursorOutOfCalSD\ ,\ param\_EV\_PrecursorTolPPMmainSearch,\ param\_MSMSScans\_ionInjThresh,\ param\_OutputFormats\ and\ param\_PageNumbers$ 

Please provide them as a list() of this format: list\$parameter\_name

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## Usage

```
createYaml(
  yc,
  param = list(),
  DEBUG_PTXQC = FALSE,
  txt_files = NULL,
  metrics = NULL
)
```

# Arguments

yc A yaml class object created by YAMLClass\$new()

param list of parameters sorted by names; if empty, will be populated with defaults

DEBUG\_PTXQC print some debugging information; default FALSE

txt\_files list of paths to MaxQuant files; if NULL, it is assumed that the parameters are

for mzTab-mode

metrics list of metric names that should be plotted; if NULL, will be populated with

defaults

#### Value

list of parameters used for creating the report and list of qc-Metrics objects

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Coefficient of variation (CV)

# Description

```
Computes sd(x) / mean(x)
```

## Usage

CV(x)

# **Arguments**

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Vector of numeric values

# Value

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CVDictionarySingleton Define a Singleton class which can hold a CV dictionary (so we do not have to load the .obo files over and over again)

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#### Super class

```
R6P::Singleton -> CVDictionarySingleton
```

#### **Public fields**

data Stores the data of the singleton. Set the data once before using the singleton all over the place

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

• CVDictionarySingleton\$clone()

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

CVDictionarySingleton\$clone(deep = FALSE)

Arguments:

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

darken

Make a color (given as name or in RGB) darker by factor x = [0 = black, 1=unchanged]

## **Description**

Make a color (given as name or in RGB) darker by factor x = [0 = black, 1=unchanged]

## Usage

```
darken(color, factor = 0.8)
```

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#### **Arguments**

color A color as understood by col2rgb

factor Between 0 (make black) and 1 (leave color as is)

## Value

darkened color

del0

Replace 0 with NA in a vector

#### **Description**

Replace 0 with NA in a vector

#### Usage

del0(x)

#### **Arguments**

X

A numeric vector

#### Value

Vector of same size as 'x', with 0's replaced by NA

delLCP

Removes the longest common prefix (LCP) from a vector of strings.

## **Description**

You should provide only unique strings (to increase speed). If only a single string is given, the empty string will be returned unless minOutputLength is set.

#### Usage

```
delLCP(x, min_out_length = 0, add_dots = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

x Vector of strings with common prefix

 $min\_out\_length$  Minimal length of the shortest element of x after LCP removal [default: 0, i.e.

empty string is allowed]. If the output would be shorter, the last part of the LCP

is kept.

add\_dots Prepend output with '..' if shortening was done.

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#### Value

Shortened vector of strings

#### **Examples**

```
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1"), min_out_length=0)
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1"), min_out_length=4)
## "5_H1"
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1"), min_out_length=4, add_dots = TRUE)
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2"), min_out_length=4)
## "5_H1" "5_H2"
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2"), min_out_length=4, add_dots = TRUE)
## "..5_H1" "..5_H2"
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2"), min_out_length=8)
## "12345_H1", "12345_H2"
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2"), min_out_length=8, add_dots = TRUE)
## "TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2" (unchanged, since '..' would add another two)
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2"), min_out_length=60)
## "TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2" (unchanged)
delLCP(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2"), min_out_length=60, add_dots = TRUE)
## "TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2" (unchanged)
```

delLCS

Removes the longest common suffix (LCS) from a vector of strings.

#### **Description**

Removes the longest common suffix (LCS) from a vector of strings.

## Usage

```
delLCS(x)
```

## **Arguments**

x Vector of strings with common suffix

#### Value

Shortened vector of strings

#### **Examples**

```
delLCS(c("TK12345_H1")) ## ""
delLCS(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12345_H2")) ## "TK12345_H1" "TK12345_H2"
delLCS(c("TK12345_H1", "TK12!45_H1")) ## "TK123" "TK12!"
```

FilenameMapper-class

Make sure to call \$readMappingFile(some\_file) if you want to support a user-defined file mapping. Otherwise, calls to \$getShortNames() will create/augment the mapping for filenames.

## Description

Make sure to call \$readMappingFile(some\_file) if you want to support a user-defined file mapping. Otherwise, calls to \$getShortNames() will create/augment the mapping for filenames.

#### **Fields**

raw\_file\_mapping Data.frame with columns 'from', 'to' and maybe 'best.effort' (if shorting was unsuccessful)

mapping.creation how the current mapping was obtained (user or auto)

external.mapping.file Filename of user-defined mapping file; only defined if readMapping-File() was called

#### Methods

getShortNamesStatic(raw.files, max\_len, fallbackStartNr = 1) Static method: Shorten a set of Raw file names and return a data frame with the mappings. Mapping will have: \$from, \$to and optionally \$best.effort (if shorting was unsuccessful and numbers had to be used)

- raw.files Vector of Raw files.
- max\_len Maximal length of shortening results, before resorting to canonical names (file 1,...).
- fallbackStartNr Starting index for canonical names.

Return Value: data.frame with mapping.

## **Examples**

```
a = FilenameMapper$new()
a$readMappingFile('filenamemapping.txt')
```

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findAlignReference	Return list of raw file names which were reported by MaxQuant as reference point for alignment.

## Description

There is only one reference point which has '0' in 'retention.time.calibration' column in evidence.txt as corrected RT. This is true for most MaxQuant versions and also true for fractions. However, some evidence.txt files show 0.03 as an averaged minimum per Raw file. We use the raw.file with the smallest average as reference.

#### Usage

findAlignReference(data)

#### **Arguments**

data

The data frame with columns 'retention time calibration' and 'raw file'

#### **Details**

Note that MaxQuant uses a guide tree to align the Raw files, so the order of files does not influence the alignment. But the first file will always be used as reference point when reporting delta-RTs. And this file is also used by PTXQC as reference file vs all other files to find the real calibration function (see alignmentCheck()).

This function might return multiple raw file names (if MQ decides to change its mind at some point in the future). In this case the result should be treated with caution or (better) regarded as failure.

# Value

List of reference raw files (usually just one)

fixCalibration	Detect (and fix) MaxQuant mass recalibration columns, since they
	sometimes report wrong values.

## **Description**

Returns a list of items for both diagnostics and possibly a fixed evidence data.frame. Also two strings with messages are returned, which can serve as user message for pre and post calibration status.

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#### Usage

```
fixCalibration(
  df_evd,
  df_idrate = NULL,
  tolerance_sd_PCoutOfCal = 2,
  low_id_rate = 1
)
```

# Arguments

df\_evd Evidence data.frame with columns ()

df\_idrate Data.frame from summary.txt, giving ID rates for each raw file (cols: "ms.ms.identified....",

"fc.raw.file"). Can also be NULL.

tolerance\_sd\_PCoutOfCal

Maximal standard deviation allowed before considered 'failed'

low\_id\_rate Minimum ID rate in Percent before a Raw file is considered 'failed'

#### Value

list of data (stats, affected\_raw\_files, df\_evd, recal\_message, recal\_message\_post)

flattenList

Flatten lists of lists with irregular depths to just a list of items, i.e. a list of the leaves (if you consider the input as a tree).

## **Description**

Flatten lists of lists with irregular depths to just a list of items, i.e. a list of the leaves (if you consider the input as a tree).

#### Usage

```
flattenList(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

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List of 'stuff' (could be lists or items or a mix)

#### Value

A flat list

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fromDatatoMzQC Allow conversion of plain named lists to mzQC objects
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#### Description

The plain-R representation of your mzQC objects must be wrapped in an outer list, if your mzQC object representation is already a list because upon detecting lists, this function will call 'class\$fromData(element)' for every element.

## Usage

```
fromDatatoMzQC(mzqc_class, data)
```

#### **Arguments**

mzqc\_class Prototype of the class to convert 'data' into

data A datastructure of R lists/arrays as obtained by 'jsonlite::fromJSON()'

## **Examples**

```
data = MzQCcvParameter$new("acc", "myName", "value")
data_recovered = fromDatatoMzQC(MzQCcvParameter, list(jsonlite::fromJSON(jsonlite::toJSON(data))))
data_recovered
```

getAbundanceClass

Assign a relative abundance class to a set of (log10) abundance values

# Description

Abundances (should be logged already) are grouped into different levels, starting from the smallest values ("low") to the highest values ("high"). Intermediate abundances are either assigned as "mid", or "low-mid". If the range is too large, only "low" and "high" are assigned, the intermediate values are just numbers.

#### Usage

```
getAbundanceClass(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

X

Vector of numeric values (in log10)

#### Details

```
Example: getAbundanceClass(c(12.4, 17.1, 14.9, 12.3)) ## -> factor(c("low", "high", "mid", "low"))
```

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#### Value

Vector of factors corresponding to input with abundance class names (e.g. low, high)

getCVDictionary Parse the content of 'qc-cv.obo' and 'psi-ms.obo' from the 'PTXQC/cv/' folder and return their union as ontology

# Description

Parse the content of 'qc-cv.obo' and 'psi-ms.obo' from the 'PTXQC/cv/' folder and return their union as ontology

#### Usage

```
getCVDictionary()
```

#### Value

a list with 'id', 'name', 'def', 'parents', 'children' which contains the CV entries

getCVTemplate Fills a MzQCcvParameter object with id(accession) and name. The value (if any) needs to be set afterwards.

# Description

Fills a MzQCcvParameter object with id(accession) and name. The value (if any) needs to be set afterwards.

#### Usage

```
getCVTemplate(accession, mzcv_dict = CVDictionarySingleton$new()$data)
```

# Arguments

accession The ID (=accession) of the term in the CV

mzcv\_dict A CV dictionary, as obtained by getCVDictionary(); defaults to a singleton,

which needs to be filled manually beforehand

## Value

An instance of MzQCcvParameter

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getECDF

Estimate the empirical density and return it

#### **Description**

Estimate the empirical density and return it

#### Usage

```
getECDF(samples, y_eval = (1:100)/100)
```

## **Arguments**

samples Vector of input values (samples from the distribution)

y\_eval Vector of points where CDF is evaluated (each percentile by default)

#### Value

Data.frame with columns 'x', 'y'

# **Examples**

```
plot(getECDF(rnorm(1e4)))
```

getFragmentErrors

Extract fragment mass deviation errors from a data.frame from msms.txt

# **Description**

Given a data.frame as obtainable from a msms.txt with - a 'mass.analyzer' column which contains only a single value for the whole column - a 'mass.deviations..da.' and (if available) 'mass.deviations..ppm.' - a 'masses' column (only required if 'mass.deviations..ppm.' is unavailable and the mass.analyzer indicates hig-res data)

# Usage

```
getFragmentErrors(x, recurse = 0)
```

#### **Arguments**

x Data frame in long format with numerical expression data

recurse Internal usage only. Leave at 0 when calling.

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#### **Details**

Mass deviations are extracted from the columns, e.g. each cell containing values separated by semicolons is split into single values. The appropriate unit is chosen (Da or ppm, depending on ITMS or FTMS data). Also the fragmentation type can be used: CID indicates ITMS, HCD to FTMS. This is not 100

Sometimes, peptides are identified purely based on MS1, i.e. have no fragments. These will be ignored.

If ppm mass deviations are not available, errors in Da will be converted to ppm using the corresponding mass values.

#### Value

Data frame with mass errors ('msErr') and their 'unit' (Da or ppm) or NULL (if no fragments were given)

getHTMLTable

Create an HTML table with an extra header row

## **Description**

Create an HTML table with an extra header row

#### Usage

```
getHTMLTable(data, caption = NA)
```

## Arguments

data A data.frame which serves as table

caption A set of headlines, e.g. c("top line", "bottom line")

#### Value

table as html character string for cat()'ing into an html document

# Examples

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getMaxima	Find the local maxima in a vector of numbers.	
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#### **Description**

A vector of booleans is returned with the same length as input which contains TRUE when there is a maximum. Simply sum up the vector to get the number of maxima.

## Usage

```
getMaxima(x, thresh_rel = 0.2)
```

## **Arguments**

x Vector of numbers

thresh\_rel Minimum relative intensity to maximum intensity of 'x' required to be a maxi-

mum (i.e., a noise threshold). Default is 20%.

## Value

Vector of bool's, where TRUE indicates a local maximum.

## **Examples**

```
 \begin{split} r &= \text{getMaxima}(c(1,0,3,4,5,0)) \\ \text{all}(r &== c(\text{TRUE},\text{FALSE},\text{FALSE},\text{TRUE},\text{FALSE})) \\ \text{getMaxima}(c(1, NA, 3, 2, 3, NA, 4, 2, 5)) \end{split}
```

getMetaData

Extract meta information (orderNr, metric name, category) from a list of Qc metric objects

## **Description**

Extract meta information (orderNr, metric name, category) from a list of Qc metric objects

#### Usage

```
getMetaData(lst_qcMetrics)
```

## **Arguments**

```
lst_qcMetrics List of qcMetrics
```

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#### Value

data.frame with columns 'name', 'order' and 'cat' (category)

getMetricsObjects

Get all currently available metrics

#### **Description**

Get all currently available metrics

#### **Usage**

```
getMetricsObjects(DEBUG_PTXQC = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

DEBUG\_PTXQC

Use qc objects from the package (FALSE) or from environment (TRUE/DEBUG)

#### Value

List of matric objects

getMQPARValue

Retrieve a parameter value from a mapar.xml file

# **Description**

If the file has the param, then return it as string. If the file is missing, warning is shown and NULL is returned. If the param (i.e. XML tag) is unknown or cannot be extracted, the program will quit (since this is a hard error). When multiple occurrences of the param are found (usually due to parameter groups), we test if the values are all identical. If so, the value is returned. If the values are different, a warning is emitted and NULL is returned unless 'allow\_multiple = TRUE'

#### Usage

```
getMQPARValue(mgpar_filename, xpath, allow_multiple = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

mqpar\_filename Filename (incl. absolute or relative path) to the mqpar.xml file xpath An XPath to extract the content of XML tag(s), e.g. '//firstSearchTol'

allow\_multiple If the XPath expression returns more than one value, all values must be identical

(not allowing multiple different values) or 'stop()' is called

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#### **Details**

E.g. calling getMQPARValue("mqpar.xml", "//firstSearchTol") will look up the line <firstSearchTol>20</firstSearchTol> and return "20" (string!).

#### Value

The stored value as string(!)

dimensions.	getPCA	Create a principal component analysis (PCA) plot for the first two dimensions.
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## **Description**

Create a principal component analysis (PCA) plot for the first two dimensions.

## Usage

```
getPCA(data, do_plot = TRUE, connect_line_order = NA, gg_layer)
```

#### **Arguments**

data Matrix(!) where each row is one high-dimensional point, with ncol dimensions,

e.g. a mouse as an array of protein expressions rownames (data) give classes for

colouring (can be duplicates in matrices, as opposed to data.frames)

do\_plot Show PCA plot? if ==2, then shows correlations plot as well

connect\_line\_order

Connect points by lines, the order is given by this vector. Default: NA (no lines)

gg\_layer More parameters added to a ggplot object  $(ggplot(x) + gg_layer)$ 

#### Value

invisible Named list with "PCA": The PCA object as returned by prcomp, access \$x for PC values and "plots": list of plot objects (one or two)

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getPeptideCounts Extract the number of peptides observed per Raw file from a table.	an evidence
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# Description

Required columns are "fc.raw.file", "modified.sequence" and "is.transferred".

## Usage

```
getPeptideCounts(df_evd)
```

#### **Arguments**

df\_evd

Data.frame of evidence.txt as read by MQDataReader

#### **Details**

If match-between-runs was enabled during the MaxQuant run, the data.frame returned will contain separate values for 'transferred' evidence plus an 'MBRgain' column, which will give the extra MBR evidence in percent.

#### Value

Data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'counts', 'category', 'MBRgain'

getProteinCounts

Extract the number of protein groups observed per Raw file from an evidence table.

#### **Description**

Required columns are "protein.group.ids", "fc.raw.file" and "is.transferred".

#### Usage

```
getProteinCounts(df_evd)
```

## **Arguments**

df\_evd

Data.frame of evidence.txt as read by MQDataReader

#### **Details**

If match-between-runs was enabled during the MaxQuant run, the data.frame returned will contain separate values for 'transferred' evidence plus an 'MBRgain' column, which will give the extra MBR evidence in percent.

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## Value

Data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'counts', 'category', 'MBRgain'

getQCHeatMap

Generate a Heatmap from a list of QC measurements.

## **Description**

Each list entry is a data.frame with two columns. The first one contains the Raw file name (or the short version). and should be named 'raw.file' (or 'fc.raw.file'). The second column's name must be an expression (see 'plotmath) and contains quality values in the range [0,1]. If values are outside this range, a warning is issued and values are cut to the nearest allowed value (e.g. '1.2' becomes '1'). List entries are merged and columns are ordered by name.

All substrings enclosed by X[0-9]X will be removed (can be used for sorting columns). The resulting string is evaluated as an expression. E.g. parse(text = <colname>)

#### Usage

```
getQCHeatMap(lst_qcMetrics, raw_file_mapping)
```

## **Arguments**

```
lst_qcMetrics List of QCMetric objects
raw_file_mapping
```

Data.frame with 'from' and 'to' columns for name mapping to unify names from list entries

#### **Details**

To judge the overall quality of each raw file a summary column is added, values being the mean of all other columns per row.

#### Value

A ggplot object for printing

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```
getQualityMetricTemplate
```

Fills a MzQCqualityMetric object with id(accession) and name. The value (if any) and unit (if any) need to be set afterwards.

## **Description**

Fills a MzQCqualityMetric object with id(accession) and name. The value (if any) and unit (if any) need to be set afterwards.

#### Usage

```
getQualityMetricTemplate(
   accession,
   mzcv_dict = CVDictionarySingleton$new()$data
)
```

#### **Arguments**

accession The ID (=accession) of the term in the CV

mzcv\_dict A CV dictionary, as obtained by getCVDictionary(); defaults to a singleton,

which needs to be filled manually beforehand

#### Value

An instance of MzQCqualityMetric

getReportFilenames

Assembles a list of output file names, which will be created during reporting.

## **Description**

You can combine \*\*report\_name\_has\_folder\*\* (and \*\*mzTab\_filename\*\* for mzTab files) to obtain report filenames which are even more robust to moving around (since they contain infixes of the mzTab filename and the folder), e.g. '@em 'report\_HEK293-study\_myProjects.html", where the input was 'mzTab\_filename='HEK293-study.mzTab' and 'folder='c:/somePath/myProjects/'.

# Usage

```
getReportFilenames(
  folder,
  report_name_has_folder = TRUE,
  mzTab_filename = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

folder Directory where the MaxQuant output (txt folder) or the mzTab file resides report\_name\_has\_folder

> Boolean: Should the report files (html, pdf) contain the name of the deepest(=last) subdirectory in \*\*txt\_folder\*\* which is not 'txt'? Useful for discerning different reports in a PDF viewer. E.g. when flag is FALSE: 'report\_v0.91.0.html'; and 'report\_v0.91.0\_bloodStudy.html' when flag is TRUE (and the txt folder is '.../bloodStudy/txt/' or '...bloodStudy/')

mzTab\_filename If input is an mzTab, specify its name, so that the filenames can use its basename as infix E.g. when 'mzTab\_filename = 'HEK293-study.mzTab' then the output will be 'report\_HEK293-study.html'. This allows to get reports on multiple mzTabs in the same folder without overwriting report results.

#### Value

```
List of output file names (just names, no file is created) with list entries: **yaml_file**, **heatmap_values_file**,
**R_plots_file**, **filename_sorting**, **mzQC_file**, **log_file**, **report_file_prefix**, **re-
port_file_PDF**, **report_file_HTML**
```

getRunQualityTemplate Get an mzQC runQuality without actual metrics, but with full metadata

#### **Description**

Get an mzQC runQuality without actual metrics, but with full metadata

# Usage

```
getRunQualityTemplate(fc.raw.file, raw_file_mapping)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
fc.raw.file
                For which run
raw_file_mapping
```

A data.frame with cols 'from', 'to' and maybe 'best.effort' (if shorting was unsuccessful), as e.g. obtained by a FilenameMapper\$raw file mapping

#### Value

An MzQCrunQuality object

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ggAxisLabels

Function to thin out the number of labels shown on an axis in GGplot

#### **Description**

By default, 20 labels (or up to 40 see below) are shown. If the number of items is less than twice the number of desired labels, all labels will be shown (to avoid irregular holes for some labels). I.e. if n=20, and x has 22 entries, there would be only two labels removed, giving a very irregular picture. It only becomes somewhat regular if after any label there is at least one blank, i.e. at most half the entries are labeled. #' Example: ## p is any ggplot object  $p + scale_y\_discrete(breaks = ggAxisLabels)$  ## customize 'n' my.ggAxisLabels = function(x) ggAxisLabels(x, n = 4) p + scale\_y\\_discrete(breaks = my.ggAxisLabels)

#### Usage

```
ggAxisLabels(x, n = 20)
```

#### **Arguments**

x Vector of labels (passed by GGplot)

n Number of labels to show

#### Value

Shortened version of 'x'

ggText

Plot a text as graphic using ggplot2.

#### **Description**

Plot a text as graphic using ggplot2.

#### Usage

```
ggText(title, text, col = "black")
```

## **Arguments**

title The title of the plot

text Centered text, can contain linebreaks
col Colour of text (excluding the title)

# Value

ggplot object

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grepv

Grep with values returned instead of indices.

# Description

The parameter 'value' should not be passed to this function since it is passed internally already.

## Usage

```
grepv(reg, data, ...)
```

## **Arguments**

```
reg regex param
data container
```

... other params forwarded to grep()

#### Value

values of data which matched the regex

# **Examples**

```
grepv("x", c("abc", "xyz"))
## --> "xyz"
```

 $has {\tt FileSuffix}$ 

Checks if filepath ends in suffix. If suffix does not start with a '.' it is prepended automatically.

# Description

Checks if filepath ends in suffix. If suffix does not start with a '.' it is prepended automatically.

## Usage

```
hasFileSuffix(filepath, suffix)
```

## **Arguments**

filepath A relative or absolute path to a file, whose suffix is checked

suffix This is the suffix we expect (the '.' is prepended internally if missing)

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#### Value

TRUE if yes, FALSE otherwise

#### **Examples**

```
hasFileSuffix("bla.txt", "txt") # TRUE
hasFileSuffix("bla.txt", ".txt") # TRUE
hasFileSuffix("bla.txt", "doc") # FALSE
hasFileSuffix("bla.txt", ".doc") # FALSE
hasFileSuffix("fo", ".doc") # FALSE
hasFileSuffix("", ".doc") # FALSE
hasFileSuffix("", ".doc") # FALSE
```

idTransferCheck

Check how close transferred ID's after alignment are to their genuine IDs within one Raw file.

#### **Description**

The input is a data.frame containing feature evidence with corrected retention times, e.g. a 'calibrated.retention.time' column.

#### Usage

```
idTransferCheck(df_evd_all)
```

## **Arguments**

```
df_evd_all A data.frame with columns 'type', 'calibrated.retention.time', 'modified.sequence', 'charge', 'raw.file'
```

#### **Details**

Note that this function must be given MS/MS identifications of type "MULTI-MSMS" and "MSMS-MATCH". It will stop() otherwise.

We compare for each peptide sequence (and charge) the RT difference within groups of either genuine as well as mixed pairs. For every comparison made, we report the RT span If alignment worked perfectly, the span are very small (<1 min), for the mixed group, i.e. the pairs are accidentally split 3D peaks. Alignment performance has no influence on the genuine-only groups.

Note: We found early MaxQuant versions (e.g. 1.2.2.5) to have an empty 'modified.sequence' column for 'MULTI-MATCH' entries. The sequence which SHOULD be present is equal to the immediate upper row. This is what we use to guess the sequence. However, this relies on the data.frame not being subsetted before (we can sort using the 'id' column)!

#### Value

A data frame containing the RT diff for each ID-group found in a Raw file (bg = genuine).

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For grouped peaks: separate them into in-width vs. out-width class.

## Description

Looking at groups only: Compute the fraction of 3D-peak pair groups per Raw file which have an acceptable RT difference after alignment using the result from 'idTransferCheck()', i.e. compute the fraction of groups which are within a certain RT tolerance.

#### Usage

```
inMatchWindow(data, df.allowed.deltaRT)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'rtdiff_mixed', 'rtdiff_genuine' df.allowed.deltaRT
```

The allowed matching difference for each Raw file (as data.frame(fc.rawfile, m))

#### **Details**

Returned value is between 0 (bad) and 1 (all within tolerance).

#### Value

A data.frame with one row for each raw.file and columns 'raw.file' and score 'withinRT' (0-1)

isUndefined	Tell if a string is undefined (NA or NULL); If yes, and its required by
	the mzQC standard, we can raise an error

## **Description**

You can pass multiple strings, which are all checked. If any of them is undefined, the function returns TRUE

# Usage

```
isUndefined(s, ..., verbose = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

s A string to be checked for NA/NULL

... More strings to be checked

verbose If TRUE and 's' is NULL/NA, will print the name of the variable which was

passed in

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#### **Examples**

```
isUndefined(NA)  ## TRUE
isUndefined(NULL)  ## TRUE
isUndefined(NA, NULL) ## TRUE
isUndefined("")  ## FALSE
isUndefined("", NA)  ## TRUE
isUndefined(1)  ## FALSE
myVar = NA
isUndefined(myVar)  ## TRUE, with warning "variable 'myVar' is NA/NULL!"
```

is Valid Mz QC

Checks validity (= completeness) of mzQC objects - or lists (JSON arrays) thereof

#### **Description**

Note: Returns TRUE for empty lists!

#### Usage

```
isValidMzQC(x, ...)
```

#### **Arguments**

x An mzQC refclass (or list of them), each will be subjected to 'isValidMzQC()'
... Ellipsis, for recursive argument splitting

#### **Details**

You can pass multiple arguments, which are all checked individually. All of them need to be valid, for TRUE to be returned. The reason for combining list support for arguments and ellipsis (...) into this function is that JSON arrays are represented as lists and you can simply pass them as a single argument (without the need for do.call()) and get the indices of invalid objects (if any). The ellipsis is useful to avoid clutter, i.e. if (!isValidMzQC(a)  $\parallel$  !isValidMzQC(b)) doStuff() is harder to read than if (!isValidMzQC(a,b)) doStuff()

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lcpCount

Count the number of chars of the longest common prefix

# Description

Count the number of chars of the longest common prefix

# Usage

```
lcpCount(x)
```

# Arguments

Χ

Vector of strings with common prefix

#### Value

Length of LCP

LCS

Compute longest common substring of two strings.

# Description

Implementation is very inefficient (dynamic programming in R) -> use only on small instances

# Usage

```
LCS(s1, s2)
```

# Arguments

s1	String one
s2	String two

# Value

String containing the longest common substring

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Count the number of chars of the longest common suffix

# Description

Count the number of chars of the longest common suffix

#### Usage

lcsCount(x)

## **Arguments**

Х

Vector of strings with common suffix

#### Value

Length of LCS

LCSn

Find longest common substring from 'n' strings.

# Description

Warning: greedy heuristic! This is not guaranteed to find the best solution (or any solution at all), since its done pairwise with the shortest input string as reference.

# Usage

```
LCSn(strings, min_LCS_length = 0)
```

# Arguments

```
strings A vector of strings in which to search for LCS
min_LCS_length Minimum length expected. Empty string is returned if the result is shorter
```

#### Value

longest common substring (or "" if shorter than min\_LCS\_length)

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#### **Examples**

longestCommonPrefix

Get the longest common prefix from a set of strings.

## **Description**

Input is converted to character (e.g. from factor) first.

## Usage

```
longestCommonPrefix(strings)
```

#### **Arguments**

strings

Vector of strings

### Value

```
Single string - might be empty ("")
```

```
longestCommonPrefix(c("CBA.321", "CBA.77654", "")) ## ""
longestCommonPrefix(c("CBA.321", "CBA.77654", "CB")) ## "CB"
longestCommonPrefix(c("ABC.123", "ABC.456")) ## "ABC."
longestCommonPrefix(c("nothing", "in", "common")) ## ""
```

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 ${\tt longestCommonSuffix}$ 

*Like longestCommonPrefix(), but on the suffix.* 

## **Description**

Like longestCommonPrefix(), but on the suffix.

# Usage

```
longestCommonSuffix(strings)
```

# Arguments

strings

Vector of strings

## Value

```
Single string - might be empty ("")
```

## **Examples**

```
\label{longestCommonSuffix} $$ \log S C ("123.ABC", "45677.ABC", "BC") $$ \#$ "BC" $$ \log S C C ("123.ABC", "", "BC") $$ \#$ "" $$ \log S C C ("123.ABC", "45677.ABC") $$ \#$ ".ABC" $$ \log S C C C ("nothing", "in", "common") $$ #$ ""$ $$
```

mosaicize

Prepare a Mosaic plot of two columns in long format.

## **Description**

Found at http://stackoverflow.com/questions/19233365/how-to-create-a-marimekko-mosaic-plot-inggplot2 Modified (e.g. to pass R check)

#### Usage

```
mosaicize(data)
```

# **Arguments**

data

A data.frame with exactly two columns

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## **Details**

Returns a data frame, which can be used for plotting and has the following columns: 'Var1' - marginalized values from 1st input column 'Var2' - marginalized values from 2nd input column 'Freq' - relative frequency of the combination given in [Var1, Var2] 'margin\_var1' - frequency of the value given in Var1 'var2\_height' - frequency of the value given in Var2, relative to Var1 'var1 center' - X-position when plotting (large sets get a larger share)

#### Value

Data.frame

## **Examples**

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S5-RefClass to read MaxQuant .txt files

## **Description**

This class is used to read MQ data tables using MQDataReader::readMQ() while holding the internal raw file -> short raw file name mapping (stored in a member called 'fn\_map') and updating/using it every time MQDataReader::readMQ() is called.

# **Arguments**

file	(Relative) path to a MQ txt file.
filter	Searched for "C" and "R". If present, [c]ontaminants and [r]everse hits are removed if the respective columns are present. E.g. to filter both, filter = "C+R"
type	Allowed values are: "pg" (proteinGroups) [default], adds abundance index columns (*AbInd*, replacing 'intensity') "sm" (summary), splits into three row subsets (raw.file, condition, total) "ev" (evidence), will fix empty modified.sequence cells for older MQ versions (when MBR is active) Any other value will not add any special columns
col_subset	A vector of column names as read by read.delim(), e.g., spaces are replaced by dot already. If given, only columns with these names (ignoring lower/uppercase) will be returned (regex allowed) E.g. col_subset=c("^lfq.intensity.", "protein.name")
add_fs_col	If TRUE and a column 'raw.file' is present, an additional column 'fc.raw.file' will be added with common prefix AND common substrings removed (simplifyNames) E.g. two rawfiles named 'OrbiXL_2014_Hek293_Control', 'OrbiXL_2014_Hek293_Treated' will give 'Control', 'Treated' If add_fs_col is a number AND the longest shortname is still longer, the names are discarded and replaced by a running ID of the

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> form 'file <x>', where <x> is a number from 1 to N. If the function is called again and a mapping already exists, this mapping is used. Should some raw.files be unknown (ie the mapping from the previous file is incomplete), they will be augmented

check\_invalid\_lines

After reading the data, check for unusual number of NA's to detect if file was

corrupted by Excel or alike

[For type=='pg' only] An additional custom LFQ column ('cLFQ...') is cre-LFQ\_action

> ated where zero values in LFQ columns are replaced by the following method IFF(!) the corresponding raw intensity is >0 (indicating that LFQ is erroneusly 0) "toNA": replace by NA "impute": replace by lowest LFQ value >0 (simulat-

ing 'noise')

Additional parameters passed on to read.delim()

Name of the column (e.g. 'contaminants') in the mq.data table colname

valid\_entries Vector of values to be replaced (must contain all values expected in the column

- fails otherwise)

Vector of values inserted with the same length as valid\_entries. replacements

#### **Details**

Since MaxQuant changes capitalization and sometimes even column names, it seemed convenient to have a function which just reads a txt file and returns unified column names, irrespective of the MQ version. So, it unifies access to columns (e.g. by using lower case for ALL columns) and ensures columns are identically named across MQ versions:

protease enzyme protein.descriptions fasta.headers potential.contaminant contaminant mass.deviations mass.deviationsd	alternative term	new term
potential contaminant	protein.descriptions	fasta.headers
basepeak.intensity base.peak.intensit	mass.deviations	mass.deviationsda. base.peak.intensity

We also correct 'reporter.intensity.\*' naming issues to MQ 1.6 convention, when 'reporter.intensity.not.corrected' is present. MQ 1.5 uses: reporter.intensity.X and reporter.intensity.not.corrected.X MQ 1.6 uses: reporter.intensity.X and reporter.intensity.corrected.X

Note: you must find a regex which matches both versions, or explicitly add both terms if you are requesting only a subset of columns!

Example of usage:

```
mq = MQDataReader$new()
d_evd = mq$readMQ("evidence.txt", type="ev", filter="R", col_subset=c("proteins", "Retention.Length"
```

If the file is empty, this function shows a warning and returns NULL. If the file is present but cannot be read, the program will stop.

Wrapper to read a MQ txt file (e.g. proteinGroups.txt).

#### Value

A data.frame of the respective file

Replaces values in the mq.data member with (binary) values. Most MQ tables contain columns like 'contaminants' or 'reverse', whose values are either empty strings or "+", which is inconvenient and can be much better represented as TRUE/FALSE. The params valid\_entries and replacements contain the matched pairs, which determine what is replaced with what.

Returns TRUE if successful.

#### Methods

getInvalidLines() Detect broken lines (e.g. due to Excel import+export)

When editing a MQ txt file in Microsoft Excel, saving the file can cause it to be corrupted, since Excel has a single cell content limit of 32k characters (see http://office.microsoft.com/en-001/excel-help/excel-specifications-and-limits-HP010342495.aspx) while MQ can easily reach 60k (e.g. in oxidation sites column). Thus, affected cells will trigger a line break, effectively splitting one line into two (or more).

If the table has an 'id' column, we can simply check the numbers are consecutive. If no 'id' column is available, we detect line-breaks by counting the number of NA's per row and finding outliers. The line break then must be in this line (plus the preceding or following one). Depending on where the break happened we can also detect both lines right away (if both have more NA's than expected).

Currently, we have no good strategy to fix the problem since columns are not aligned any longer, which leads to columns not having the class (e.g. numeric) they should have. (thus one would need to un-do the linebreak and read the whole file again)

[Solution to the problem: try LibreOffice 4.0.x or above – seems not to have this limitation] @return Returns a vector of indices of broken (i.e. invalid) lines

MzQCanalysisSoftware-class

Details of the software used to create the QC metrics

## **Description**

Details of the software used to create the QC metrics

#### **Fields**

accession Accession number identifying the term within its controlled vocabulary (pattern:  $^[A-Z]+:[A-Z0-9]+$ \$).

name Name of the controlled vocabulary term describing the software tool.

version Version number of the software tool.

uri Publicly accessible URI of the software tool or documentation.

description [optional] Definition of the controlled vocabulary term.

value [optional] Value of the software tool.

MzQCbaseQuality-class Base class of runQuality/setQuality

## **Description**

Base class of runQuality/setQuality

#### **Fields**

```
metadata The metadata for this run/setQuality
qualityMetrics Array of MzQCqualityMetric objects
```

MzQCcontrolledVocabulary-class

An controlled vocabulary document, usually pointing to an .obo file

## **Description**

An controlled vocabulary document, usually pointing to an .obo file

## **Fields**

```
name Full name of the controlled vocabulary.

uri Publicly accessible URI of the controlled vocabulary.

version [optional] Version of the controlled vocabulary.
```

```
MzQCcontrolledVocabulary$new(
   "Proteomics Standards Initiative Quality Control Ontology",
   "https://github.com/HUPO-PSI/mzQC/blob/master/cv/qc-cv.obo",
   "1.2.0")
```

MzQCcvParameter-class An controlled vocabulary parameter, as detailed in the OBO file

#### **Description**

An controlled vocabulary parameter, as detailed in the OBO file

#### **Fields**

```
accession Accession number identifying the term within its controlled vocabulary (pattern: ^[A-Z]+:[A-Z0-9]+$).

name Name of the controlled vocabulary term describing the parameter.
```

value [optional] Value of the parameter.

description [optional] Definition of the controlled vocabulary term.

# **Examples**

MzQCDateTime-class

An mzQC-formatted date+time, as required by the mzQC spec doc

## **Description**

The format is "

### **Fields**

datetime A correctly formatted date time (use as read-only)

```
dt1 = MzQCDateTime$new("1900-01-01")
dt2 = MzQCDateTime$new(Sys.time())
## test faulty input
## errors with 'character string is not in a standard unambiguous format'
try(MzQCDateTime$new('lala'), silent=TRUE)
## test roundtrip conversion from/to JSON
dt2$fromData(jsonlite::fromJSON(jsonlite::toJSON(dt1)))
```

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MzQCinputFile-class

An inputfile within metadata for a run/setQuality

## **Description**

An inputfile within metadata for a run/setQuality

#### **Fields**

name The name MUST uniquely match to a location (specified below) listed in the mzQC file.

location Unique file location, REQUIRED to be specified as a URI. The file URI is RECOM-MENDED to be publicly accessible.

fileFormat A MzQCcvParameter with 'accession' and 'name'.

fileProperties An array of MzQCcvParameter, usually with 'accession', 'name' and 'value'. Recommended are at least two entries: a) Completion time of the input file (MS:1000747) and b) Checksum of the input file (any child of: MS:1000561! data file checksum type).

MzQCmetadata-class

The metadata for a run/setQuality

# Description

The metadata for a run/setQuality

#### **Fields**

label Unique name for the run (for runQuality) or set (for setQuality).
inputFiles Array/list of MzQCinputFile objects
analysisSoftware Array/list of MzQCanalysisSoftware objects
cvParameters [optional] Array of cvParameters objects

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Root element of an mzQC document

#### **Description**

At least one of runQualities or setQualities MUST be present.

### **Fields**

```
version Version of the mzQC format.

creationDate Creation date of the mzQC file.

contactName Name of the operator/creator of this mzQC file.

contactAddress Contact address (mail/e-mail or phone)

description Description and comments about the mzQC file contents.

runQualities Array of MzQCrunQuality;

setQualities Array of MzQCsetQuality

controlledVocabularies Array of CV domains used (obo files)
```

MzQCqualityMetric-class

The central class to store QC information

## **Description**

The central class to store QC information

#### **Fields**

accession Accession number identifying the term within its controlled vocabulary (pattern: ^[A-Z]+:[A-Z0-9]+\$).

name Name of the controlled vocabulary element describing the metric.

description [optional] Definition of the controlled vocabulary term.

value [optional] Value of the metric (single value, n-tuple, table, matrix). The structure is not checked by our mzQC implementation and must be handled by the caller

unit [optional] Array of unit(s), stored as MzQcvParameter

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MzTabReader-class	Class to read an mzTab file and store the tables internally.
	· ·

# Description

The 'sections' field is initialized after \$readMzTab was called. The 'fn\_map' fields should be initialized via ...\$fn\_map\$readMappingFile(...) manually if user-defined filename mappings are desired and is automatically updated/queried when \$readMzTab is called.

#### **Fields**

sections MzTab sections as list. Valid list entries are: "MTD", "PRT", "PEP", "PSM", "SML", "filename" and "comments"

fn\_map FilenameMapper which can translate raw filenames into something shorter

#### Methods

RTUnitCorrection(dt) Convert all RT columns from seconds (OpenMS default) to minutes (MaxQuant default)

getEvidence() Basically the PSM table and additionally columns named 'raw.file' and 'fc.raw.file'.

getMSMSScans(identified\_only = FALSE) Basically the PSM table (partially renamed columns) and additionally two columns 'raw.file' and 'fc.raw.file'. If identified\_only is TRUE, only MS2 scans which were identified (i.e. a PSM) are returned – this is equivalent to msms.txt in MaxQuant.

getParameters() Converts internal mzTab metadata section to a two column key-value data.frame similar to MaxQuants parameters.txt.

getProteins() Basically the PRT table ...

getSummary() Converts internal mzTab metadata section to a two data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'ms.ms.identified....' similar to MaxQuants summary.txt.

renameColumns(dt, namelist) Renames all columns and throws a warning if a column does not exist in the data

NULL_to_charNA	converts a NULL to NA_character_; or returns the argument unchanged otherwise

### Description

This is useful for missing list elements (which returns NULL), but when the missing element in refClass should be NA\_character\_ (and NULL would return an error)

#### Usage

```
NULL_to_charNA(char_or_NULL)
```

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#### **Arguments**

```
char_or_NULL A string or NULL
```

#### **Examples**

```
NULL_to_charNA(NA) ## NA
NULL_to_charNA(NULL) ## NA_character_
NULL_to_charNA("hi") ## "hi"
```

NULL\_to\_NA

converts a NULL to NA; or returns the argument unchanged otherwise

# Description

This is useful for missing list elements (which returns NULL), but when the missing element in refClass should be NA (and NULL would return an error)

# Usage

```
NULL_to_NA(var_or_NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

var\_or\_NULL A variable of any kind or NULL

#### **Examples**

```
NULL_to_NA(NA) ## NA
NULL_to_NA(NULL) ## NA
NULL_to_NA("hi") ## "hi"
```

parseOBO

Get the information of each CV term from an obo file.

# **Description**

Get the information of each CV term from an obo file.

# Usage

```
parseOBO(cv_obo_file)
```

#### **Arguments**

```
cv_obo_file A path to an .obo file
```

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## Value

A list containing CV term information

pasten

paste with newline as separator

# Description

paste with newline as separator

# Usage

```
pasten(...)
```

## **Arguments**

... Arguments forwarded to paste()

#### Value

```
return value of paste()
```

## **Examples**

```
pasten("newline","separated")
## --> "newline\nseparated"
```

pastet

paste with tab as separator

# Description

```
paste with tab as separator
```

# Usage

```
pastet(...)
```

# Arguments

.. Arguments forwarded to paste()

# Value

```
return value of paste()
```

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### **Examples**

```
pastet("tab","separated")
## --> "tab\tseparated"
```

peakSegmentation

Determine fraction of evidence which causes segmentation, i.e. sibling peaks at different RTs confirmed either by genuine or transferred MS/MS.

# **Description**

Sometimes, MQ splits a feature into 2 or more if the chromatograpic conditions are not optimal and there is a drop in RT intensity. If both features contain successful MS/MS scans, we will find the same peptide twice (with slightly different RT) in the same charge state. This constitutes a natively split peak and is rare (95

#### Usage

```
peakSegmentation(df_evd_all)
```

#### **Arguments**

df\_evd\_all A

A data.frame of evidences containing the above columns

#### **Details**

If Match-between-runs is used and the RT alignment is not perfect, then a peptide might be inferred at a wrong RT position, even though this Raw file already contains MS/MS evidence of this peptide. Usually the number of peak duplicates rises drastically (e.g. only 75 In most cases, the RT is too far off to be a split peak. It's rather a lucky hit with accidentally the same mass-to-charge, and thus the intensity is random. To find by how much these peak pairs differ in RT, use idTransferCheck() and inMatchWindow().

Required columns are 'is.transferred', 'fc.raw.file', 'modified.sequence', 'charge', 'type'.

Note that this function must be given MS/MS identifications of type "MULTI-MSMS" and "MSMS-MATCH". It will stop() otherwise.

#### Value

A data.frame with one row per Raw file and three columns: 1) 2) 3)

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peakWidthOverTime

Discretize RT peak widths by averaging values per time bin.

# **Description**

Should be applied for each Raw file individually.

## Usage

```
peakWidthOverTime(data, RT_bin_width = 2)
```

# Arguments

data Data.frame with columns 'retention.time' and 'retention.length'

RT\_bin\_width Bin size in minutes

#### **Details**

Returns a data.frame, where 'bin' gives the index of each bin, 'RT' is the middle of each bin and 'peakWidth' is the averaged peak width per bin.

#### Value

Data.frame with columns 'bin', 'RT', 'peakWidth'

# **Examples**

```
data = data.frame(retention.time = seq(30,200, by=0.001)) ## one MS/MS per 0.1 sec
data$retention.length = seq(0.3, 0.6, length.out = nrow(data)) + rnorm(nrow(data), 0, 0.1)
d = peakWidthOverTime(data)
plot(d$RT, d$peakWidth)
```

plotTable

Plot a table with row names and title

#### **Description**

Restriction: currently, the footer will be cropped at the table width.

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# Usage

```
plotTable(
  data,
  title = "",
  footer = "",
  col_names = colnames(data),
  fill = c("grey90", "grey70"),
  col = "black",
  just = "centre"
)
```

#### Arguments

data A data.frame with columns as described above
title Table title
footer Footer text
col\_names Column names for Table
fill Fill pattern (by row)
col Text color (by column)
just (ignored)

#### Value

gTree object with class 'PTXQC\_table'

# **Examples**

plotTableRaw

Colored table plot.

### Description

 $Code\ taken\ from\ http://stackoverflow.com/questions/23819209/change-text-color-for-cells-using-table grobin-r$ 

# Usage

```
plotTableRaw(data, colours = "black", fill = NA, just = "centre")
```

### **Arguments**

data Table as Data.frame

colours Single or set of colours (col-wise)

fill Cell fill (row-wise)

just (ignored)

#### Value

gTable

# Description

Boxes are optionally colored to indicate that a MQ bug was detected or if PTXQC detected a too narrow search window.

## Usage

```
plot_CalibratedMSErr(
  data,
  MQBug_raw_files,
  stats,
  y_lim,
  extra_limit = NA,
  title_sub = ""
)
```

# Arguments

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'mass.error..ppm.'

 ${\tt MQBug\_raw\_files}$ 

List of Raw files with invalid calibration values

stats A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'outOfCal'

y\_lim Range of y-axis

extra\_limit Position where a v-line is plotted (for visual guidance)

title\_sub Subtitle

#### Value

GGplot object

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#### **Examples**

plot\_Charge

The plots shows the charge distribution per Raw file. The output of 'mosaicize()' can be used directly.

# Description

The input is a data.frame with columns 'Var1' - name of the Raw file 'Var2' - charge (used as fill color) 'Var1\_center' - contains X-position of the Raw file 'Var2\_height' - relative frequency of the charge 'Margin\_var1' - where each row represents one peptide sequence.

#### Usage

```
plot_Charge(d_charge)
```

# Arguments

d\_charge

A data frame with columns as described above

#### Value

GGplot object

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plot\_ContEVD

Plot contaminants from evidence.txt, broken down into top5-proteins.

# Description

Plot contaminants from evidence.txt, broken down into top5-proteins.

#### **Usage**

```
plot_ContEVD(data, top5)
```

# **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'contaminant', 'pname', 'intensity' top5 Name of the Top-5 Proteins (by relative intensity or whatever seems relevant)

#### Value

GGplot object

## **Examples**

plot\_ContsPG

Plot contaminants from proteinGroups.txt

# **Description**

Plot contaminants from proteinGroups.txt

# Usage

```
plot_ContsPG(data)
```

# **Arguments**

data

A data.frame with columns 'group', 'cont\_pc', 'logAbdClass'

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## Value

GGplot object

#### **Examples**

```
data = data.frame( 'group' = letters[1:10], 'cont_pc' = 2:11, 'logAbdClass' = c("low", "high"))
plot_ContsPG(data)
```

plot\_ContUser

Plot user-defined contaminants from evidence.txt

# Description

Kolmogorov-Smirnoff p-values are plotted on top of each group. High p-values indicate that Andromeda scores for contaminant peptides are equal or higher compared to sample peptide scores, i.e. the probability that sample peptides scores are NOT greater than contaminant peptide scores.

### Usage

```
plot_ContUser(data, name_contaminant, extra_limit, subtitle = NULL)
```

# Arguments

```
data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'variable', 'value'
name_contaminant
Name of the contaminant shown in title
extra_limit Position where a h-line is plotted (for visual guidance)
subtitle Optional subtitle for plot
```

#### Value

GGplot object

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plot_ContUserScore Plot Andron peptides.	neda score distribution of contaminant peptide vs. matrix
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# Description

The data is expected to be an ECDF already, x being the Andromeda score, y being the culmulative probability. The Score is the probability of a Kolm.-Smirnoff test that the contaminant scores are larger (i.e. large p-values indicate true contamination). You will only see this plot if the but high-scoring contaminant peptides, which would erroneously give you a large p-value and make you believe your sample is contaminated although that's not the case.

### Usage

```
plot_ContUserScore(data, raw.file, score)
```

### **Arguments**

data	A data.frame with columns 'x', 'y', 'condition'
raw.file	Name of Raw file for which the data is displayed (will become part of the plot title)
score	Score of how distinct the distributions are (will become part of the title)

#### Value

GGplot object

## **Examples**

plot\_CountData

Plot Protein groups per Raw file

### **Description**

The input is a data.frame with protein/peptide counts, where 'category' designates the origin of information (genuine ID, transferred ID, or both).

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#### Usage

```
plot_CountData(data, y_max, thresh_line, title)
```

#### **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'counts', 'category'
y\_max Plot limit of y-axis
thresh\_line Position of a threshold line, indicating the usual target value

thresh\_line Position of a threshold line, indicating the usual target value title Main title, and optional subtitle (if vector of length 2 is provided)

#### Value

GGplot object

## **Examples**

plot\_DataOverRT

Plot some count data over time for each Raw file.

# Description

The input is a data.frame with columns 'RT' - RT in seconds, representing one bin 'counts' - number of counts at this bin 'fc.raw.file' - name of the Raw file where each row represents one bin in RT.

# Usage

```
plot_DataOverRT(
  data,
  title,
  y_lab,
  x_lim = range(data$RT),
  y_max = max(data$counts)
```

#### **Arguments**

data	A data frame with columns as described above
title	The plot title
y_lab	Label of y-axis
x_lim	Limits of the x-axis (2-tuple)
y_max	Maximum of the y-axis (single value)

plot\_IDRate

#### **Details**

At most nine(!) Raw files can be plotted. If more are given, an error is thrown.

#### Value

GGplot object

## **Examples**

plot\_IDRate

Plot percent of identified MS/MS for each Raw file.

#### **Description**

Useful for a first overall impression of the data.

# Usage

```
plot_IDRate(data, id_rate_bad, id_rate_great, label_ID)
```

# **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns as described above

id\_rate\_bad Number below which the ID rate is considered bad

id\_rate\_great Number above which the ID rate is considered great

label\_ID Named vector with colors for the categories given in data\$cat

#### **Details**

The input is a data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file' - name of the Raw file 'ms.ms.identified....' - fraction of identified MS/MS spectra in percent 'cat' - identification category as arbitrary string where each row represents one Raw file.

#### Value

GGplot object

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### **Examples**

plot\_IDsOverRT

Plot IDs over time for each Raw file.

## **Description**

Uses plot\_DataOverRT() internally.

## Usage

```
plot_IDsOverRT(data, x_lim = range(data$RT), y_max = max(data$counts))
```

## **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns as described above

x\_lim Limits of the x-axis (2-tuple)

y\_max Maximum of the y-axis (single value)

#### Value

GGplot object

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```
plot_IonInjectionTimeOverRT
```

Plot line graph of TopN over Retention time.

# Description

Number of Raw files must be 6 at most. Function will stop otherwise.

## Usage

```
plot_IonInjectionTimeOverRT(data, stats, extra_limit)
```

## **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'rRT', 'medIIT'
stats A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'mean'
extra\_limit Visual guidance line (maximum acceptable IIT)

#### Value

GGplot object

#### **Examples**

plot\_MBRAlign

Plot MaxQuant Match-between-runs alignment performance.

## **Description**

The plots shows the correction function applied by MaxQuant, and the residual RT (ideally 0) of each peptide to its reference. Uncalibrated peptides are shown in red, calibrated ones in green. The MaxQuant RT correction which was applied prior is shown in blue. The range of this function can give hints if the allowed RT search window (20min by default) is sufficient or if MaxQuant should be re-run with more tolerant settings.

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## Usage

```
plot_MBRAlign(data, y_lim, title_sub, match_tol)
```

## **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns as described above

y\_lim Plot range of y-axis

title\_sub Subtitle

match\_tol Maximal residual RT delta to reference (usually ~1 min)

#### **Details**

The input is a data.frame with columns 'calibrated.retention.time' - resulting (hopefully) calibratated RT after MQ-recal (the X-axis of the plot) 'retention.time.calibration' - delta applied by MaxQuant 'rtdiff' - remaining RT diff to reference peptide of the same sequence 'RTdiff\_in' - is the feature aligned (within 'match\_tol')? 'fc.raw.file\_ext' - raw file where each row represents one peptide whose RT was corrected by MaxQuant.

#### Value

GGplot object

# Examples

plot\_MBRgain

Plot MaxQuant Match-between-runs id transfer performance.

# **Description**

The plots shows the different categories of peak classes

# Usage

```
plot_MBRgain(data, title_sub = "")
```

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### **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns as described above

title\_sub Subtitle text

#### **Details**

The input is a data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file' - raw file name 'single' - fraction of peptides with are represent only once 'multi.inRT' - fraction of peptides with are represent multiple times, but within a certain RT peak width 'multi.outRT' - fraction of peptides with are represent multiple times, with large RT distance 'sample' - raw file where each row represents one peptide sequence.

#### Value

GGplot object

### **Examples**

plot\_MBRIDtransfer

Plot MaxQuant Match-between-runs id transfer performance.

### **Description**

The plots shows the different categories of peak classes

#### Usage

```
plot_MBRIDtransfer(data)
```

#### **Arguments**

data

A data frame with columns as described above

### **Details**

The input is a data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file' - raw file name 'single' - fraction of peptides with are represent only once 'multi.inRT' - fraction of peptides with are represent multiple times, but within a certain RT peak width 'multi.outRT' - fraction of peptides with are represent multiple times, with large RT distance 'sample' - raw file where each row represents one peptide sequence.

#### Value

GGplot object

plot\_MissedCleavages 65

### **Examples**

plot\_MissedCleavages Plot bargraph of missed cleavages.

## **Description**

Per Raw file, an arbitrary number of missed cleavage classes (one per column) can be given. The total fraction of 3D-peaks must sum to 1 (=100 Columns are ordered by name.

#### Usage

```
plot_MissedCleavages(data, title_sub = "")
```

#### **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', '...' (missed cleavage classes) title\_sub Plot's subtitle

#### **Details**

A visual threshold line is drawn at 75

#### Value

GGplot object

```
\label{eq:data} \begin{array}{lll} \mbox{data = data.frame(fc.raw.file = letters[1:5],} \\ \mbox{MC0 = $c(0.8, 0.5, 0.85, 0.2, 0.9),} \\ \mbox{MC1 = $c(0.1, 0.4, 0.05, 0.7, 0.0),} \\ \mbox{"MS2+" = $c(0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1),} \\ \mbox{check.names = $FALSE)} \\ \mbox{plot\_MissedCleavages(data, "contaminant inclusion unknown")} \end{array}
```

plot\_MS2Decal

Plot bargraph of oversampled 3D-peaks.

# Description

Per Raw file, at most three n's must be given, i.e. the fraction of 3D-peaks for n=1, n=2 and n=3(or more). The fractions must sum to 1 (=100

## Usage

```
plot_MS2Decal(data)
```

# Arguments

data

A data.frame with columns 'file', 'msErr', 'type'

#### Value

GGplot object

# **Examples**

# **Description**

Per Raw file, at most three n's must be given, i.e. the fraction of 3D-peaks for n=1, n=2 and n=3(or more). The fractions must sum to 1 (=100

## Usage

```
plot_MS2Oversampling(data)
```

# **Arguments**

data

A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'n', 'fraction'

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## Value

GGplot object

#### **Examples**

plot\_RatiosPG

Plot ratios of labeled data (e.g. SILAC) from proteinGroups.txt

# **Description**

The 'x' values are expected to be log2() transformed already.

### Usage

```
plot_RatiosPG(df_ratios, d_range, main_title, main_col, legend_title)
```

## **Arguments**

```
df_ratios A data.frame with columns 'x', 'y', 'col', 'ltype'
d_range X-axis range of plot
main_title Plot title
main_col Color of title
legend_title Legend text
```

#### Value

GGplot object

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Plot RT peak width over time

# **Description**

The input is a data.frame with already averaged counts over binned RT-slices.

## Usage

```
plot_RTPeakWidth(data, x_lim, y_lim)
```

# **Arguments**

data	A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'RT', 'peakWidth'
x_lim	Plot range of x-axis
y_lim	Plot range of y-axis

#### Value

GGplot object

# **Examples**

plot\_ScanIDRate

Plot line graph of TopN over Retention time.

## **Description**

Number of Raw files must be 6 at most. Function will stop otherwise.

# Usage

```
plot_ScanIDRate(data)
```

# **Arguments**

data

A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'scan.event.number', 'ratio', 'count'

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## Value

GGplot object

# **Examples**

plot\_TIC

Plot Total Ion Count over time

## **Description**

The input is a data.frame with already averaged counts over binned RT-slices.

## Usage

```
plot_TIC(data, x_lim, y_lim)
```

# Arguments

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'RT', 'intensity'
x\_lim Plot range of x-axis
y\_lim Plot range of y-axis

## Value

GGplot object

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plot\_TopN

Plot line graph of TopN over Retention time.

# Description

Number of Raw files must be 6 at most. Function will stop otherwise.

# Usage

```
plot_TopN(data)
```

## **Arguments**

data

A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'scan.event.number', 'n'

#### Value

GGplot object

## **Examples**

plot\_TopNoverRT

Plot line graph of TopN over Retention time.

## **Description**

Number of Raw files must be 6 at most. Function will stop otherwise.

# Usage

```
plot_TopNoverRT(data)
```

# Arguments

data

A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'rRT', 'topN'

#### Value

GGplot object

#### **Examples**

plot\_UncalibratedMSErr

A boxplot of uncalibrated mass errors for each Raw file.

#### **Description**

Boxes are optionally colored to indicate that a MQ bug was detected or if PTXQC detected a too narrow search window.

# Usage

```
plot_UncalibratedMSErr(
  data,
  MQBug_raw_files,
  stats,
  y_lim,
  extra_limit,
  title_sub
)
```

## **Arguments**

data A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'uncalibrated.mass.error..ppm.'

MQBug\_raw\_files

List of Raw files with invalid calibration values

stats A data.frame with columns 'fc.raw.file', 'sd', 'outOfCal'

y\_lim Range of y-axis

extra\_limit Position where a v-line is plotted (for visual guidance)

title\_sub Subtitle

#### Value

GGplot object

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### **Examples**

pointsPutX

Distribute a set of points with fixed y-values on a stretch of the x-axis.

# Description

```
#' Usage: ggplot(...) + geom_X(...) + pointsPutX(...)
```

## Usage

```
pointsPutX(x\_range, x\_section, y, col = NA)
```

# Arguments

x_range	[min,max] valid range of x-values
x_section	[min,max] fraction in which to distribute the values (in [0,1] for min,max, e.g. $c(0.03,\!0.08)$ for 3-8%)
У	Y-values
col	Colour of the points (used as argument to aes(colour=))

# Value

ggplot object with new geom\_point

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helper S3 class, enabling print(some-plot\_Table-object)

# Description

helper S3 class, enabling print(some-plot\_Table-object)

# Usage

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

# Arguments

x Some Grid object to plot

Further arguments (not used, but required for consistency with other print meth-

ods)

printWithFooter

Augment a ggplot with footer text

# **Description**

Augment a ggplot with footer text

#### Usage

```
printWithFooter(gg_obj, bottom_left = NULL, bottom_right = NULL)
```

# Arguments

gg\_obj ggplot2 object to be printed
bottom\_left Footer text for bottom left side
bottom\_right Footer text for bottom right side

# Value

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PTXQC	PTXQC: A package for computing Quality Control (QC) metrics for Proteomics (PTX)

## **Description**

The following sections describe the main components:

# Input

Valid input data are either the files from MaxQuant's .txt folder (all versions from MaxQuant >= 1.0 upwards are supported) or a single mzTab file. All mzTab files will work, but most metrics can be obtained from OpenMS' mzTab as produced by the QualityControl TOPP tool (from OpenMS 2.5 onwards).

#### **Important functions**

The central function of this package is called createReport and it accepts either MaxQuant or mzTab data, along with a configuration (optional). There is a parser for mzTab MzTabReader and MaxQuant txt files MQDataReader, as well as a plethora of QC metrics derived from a common qcMetric class and scoring functions qual..., e.g. qualGaussDev.

## Configuration

The user can modify the behaviour of PTXQC, e.g. to enable/disable certain metrics or change scoring thresholds, via a YAML object/file. By default a Yaml file is written automatically side-by-side to the input files upon running PTXQC for the first time on a particular input. A custom Yaml object can be passed to the main createReport function for customization. Use yaml::yaml.load\_file(input = 'myYAML.yaml') to load an existing file and pass the Yaml object along.

#### Output

Either a PDF and/or Html report which contains QC plots and a description of the metrics.

QCMetaFilenames	Define a Singleton class which holds the full raw filenames (+path) and their PSI-MS CV terms for usage in the mzQC metadata

## Description

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## Super class

```
R6P::Singleton -> QCMetaFilenames
```

#### **Public fields**

data Stores the data of the singleton. Set the data once before using the singleton all over the place

#### Methods

#### **Public methods:**

• QCMetaFilenames\$clone()

Method clone(): The objects of this class are cloneable with this method.

Usage:

QCMetaFilenames\$clone(deep = FALSE)

Arguments:

deep Whether to make a deep clone.

qcMetric-class

Class which can compute plots and generate mzQC output (usually for a single metric).

# Description

Reference class which is instanciated with a metric description and a worker function (at initialization time, i.e. in the package) and can produce plots and mzQC values (at runtime, when data is provided) using setData().

#### Fields

helpText Description (lengthy) of the metric and plot elements

workerFcn Function which generates a result (usually plots). Data is provided using setData().

plots List of plots (after setData() was called)

qcScores Data.frame of scores from a qcMetric (computed within workerFcn())

mzQC An named list of mzQC MzQCqualityMetric's (named by their fc.raw.file for runQuality or concatenated fc.raw.files for setQualities (e.g. "file 1;file4")) (valid after setData() was called)

qcCat QC category (LC, MS, or prep)

qcName Name of the qcScore in the heatmap

orderNr Column index during heatmap generation and for the general order of plots

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# **Examples**

```
require(ggplot2)
dd = data.frame(x=1:10, y=11:20)
a = qcMetric$new(helpText="small help text",
                 ## arbitrary arguments, matched during setData()
                 workerFcn=function(.self, data, gtit)
                   ## usually some code here to produce ggplots
                   pl = lapply(1:2, function(xx) {
                       ggplot(data) +
                         geom_point(aes(x=x*xx,y=y)) +
                         ggtitle(gtit)
                     })
                   return(list(plots = pl))
                 },
                 qcCat="LC",
                 qcName="MS/MS Peak shape",
                 orderNr = 30)
## test some output
a$setData(dd, "my title")
a$plots ## the raw plots
a$getPlots(TRUE) ## same as above
a$getPlots(FALSE) ## plots without title
a$getTitles() ## get the titles of the all plots
a$helpText
a$qcName
```

qcMetric\_MSMSScans\_TopNoverRT-class

Metric for msmsscans.txt, showing TopN over RT.

# **Description**

Metric for msmsscans.txt, showing TopN over RT.

qualBestKS

From a list of vectors, compute all vs. all Kolmogorov-Smirnoff distance statistics (D)

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## **Description**

... and report the row of the matrix which has maximum sum (i.e the best "reference" distribution). The returned data.frame has as many rows as distributions given and two columns. The first column 'name' gives the name of the list element, the second column 'ks\_best' gives '1-statistic' of the Kolmogorov-Smirnoff test to the "reference" distribution (which was picked by maximising the sum of 'ks\_best'). Thus, the row with a 'ks\_best' of 1 is the reference distribution.

#### Usage

```
qualBestKS(x)
```

#### **Arguments**

Х

List of vectors, where each vector holds a distribution

#### Value

A data frame with ks-test values of the "reference" to all other distributions (see Details)

qualCentered

Quality metric for 'centeredness' of a distribution around zero.

#### Description

Ranges between 0 (worst score) and 1 (best score). A median of zero gives the best score of 1. The closer the median is to the most extreme value of the distribution, the smaller the score (until reaching 0). Can be used for calibrated mass errors, as a measure of how well they are centered around 0. E.g. if the median is 0.1, while the range is [-0.5,0.5], the score will be 0.8 (punishing the 20 If the range of data is asymmetric, e.g. [-1.5,-0.5] and does not include zero, the score cannot reach 1, since the median can never be zero.

# Usage

```
qualCentered(x)
```

## **Arguments**

Numeric values (e.g. ppm errors)

# Value

Value between [0, 1]

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qualCenteredRef	Quality metric for 'centeredness' of a distribution around zero with a user-supplied range threshold.
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# **Description**

Ranges between 0 (worst score) and 1 (best score). The best score is achieved when the median of 'x' is close to the center of the interval [-tol, tol]. If median of 'x' is close to the border (on either side), the score decreases linearly to zero. Can be used for uncalibrated mass errors, as a measure of how well they are centered around 0.

#### **Usage**

```
qualCenteredRef(x, tol)
```

# **Arguments**

tol

Vector of values (hopefully in interval [-tol, tol]) Χ Border of interval (must be positive)

# **Details**

NA's are removed for all computations.

#### Value

```
Value between [0, 1]
```

qualGaussDev Compute probability of Gaussian ( $mu=m$ , $sd=s$ ) at a position 0, with reference to the max obtainable probability of that Gaussian at its center:	
--	--

# Description

Measure for centeredness around 0. Highest score is 1, worst score is 0.

# Usage

```
qualGaussDev(mu, sd)
```

# **Arguments**

mu	Center of Gaussian
sd	SD of Gaussian

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# Value

```
quality, ranging from 0 (bad agreement) to 1 (perfect, i.e. centered at 0)
```

qualHighest

Score an empirical density distribution of values, where the best possible distribution is right-skewed.

# Description

The score is computed according to

# Usage

```
qualHighest(x, N)
```

# Arguments

v Vector of numeric values (e.g. height of histogram bins)

N Length of x (just a precaution currently)

# **Details**

```
q = ((N-1) - sum_i(((N-i-1)*x_i)) / (N-1)
```

Scores range from 0 (worst), to 1 (best). E.g. c(0,0,0,16) would yield a score of 1. c(16,0,0,0,0) gives a score of 0.

# Value

Quality score in the range of [0,1]

# **Examples**

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qualLinThresh	Quality metric with linear response to input, reaching the maximum score at the given threshold.

# Description

Ranges between 0 (worst score) and 1 (best score). Useful for performance measures where reaching a certain reference threshold 't' will be enough to reach 100%. The input range from [0, t] is scored from 0-100%.

# Usage

```
qualLinThresh(x, t = 1)
```

#### **Arguments**

x Numeric value(s) between [0, inf]

t Threshold value, which indicates 100%

# Value

Value between [0, 1]

qualMedianDist

Quality metric which measures the absolute distance from median.

# Description

Ranges between 0 (worst score) and 1 (best score). Input must be between [0,1]. Deviations from the median of the sample represent the score for each sample point.

# Usage

```
qualMedianDist(x)
```

# **Arguments**

x A vector numeric values between [0,1]

# Value

A vector of the same size as x, with quality values between [0, 1]

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qualUniform

Compute deviation from uniform distribution

# **Description**

The score ranges between 0 (worst score) and 1 (best score). Input 'x' is a vector of counts (or probabilities) for equally spaced bins in a histogram. A uniform distribution (e.g. c(3,3,3) will get a score of 1. The worst possible case (e.g. c(4,0,0)), will get a score of 0, and a linear increasing function (e.g. c(1,2,3)) will get something in between (0.585 here)

#### Usage

```
qualUniform(x, weight = vector())
```

#### **Arguments**

Vector of numeric intensity/count values (e.g. ID's per RT bin); bins are assumed to have equal widths
 Vector of weights for values in 'x' (same length as 'x').

#### **Details**

In addition, bin values can be weighted (e.g. by their confidence). The total sum of weights is normalized to 1 internally.

The distance function used is the square root of the absolute difference between a uniform distribution and the input 'x' (summed for each element of 'x'). This distance is normalized to the worst possible input (e.g. one bin with 100

#### Value

Value between [0, 1]

# **Examples**

```
 \begin{split} & \text{stopifnot}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(3,3,3)) == 1) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(4,0,0)) == 0) \\ & \# \text{how 'uniform' is a vector where only a single index has weight?-- answer: very } \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(4,0,0),\ \text{c}(1,0,0)) == 1) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(4,0,0),\ \text{c}(0,1,0)) == 1) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(0,4,0)) == 0) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(3,2,1)) - 0.58578) < 0.0001) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(1,2,3)) - 0.58578) < 0.0001) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(1,2,3),\ \text{c}(0,1,0)) == 1) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(1,2,3),\ \text{c}(0,1,1)) - 0.590316) < 0.0001) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(2,3),\ \text{c}(1,1)) - 0.552786) < 0.0001) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(2,3),\ \text{c}(1,1)) - 0.552786) < 0.0001) \\ & \text{stopifnot}(\text{abs}(\text{qualUniform}(\text{c}(1:120) - 0.38661) < 0.0001) \\ \end{aligned}
```

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read.MQ

Convenience wrapper for MQDataReader when only a single MQ file should be read and file mapping need not be stored.

# **Description**

For params, see MQDataReader::readMQ().

# Usage

```
read.MQ(
   file,
   filter = "",
   type = "pg",
   col_subset = NA,
   add_fs_col = 10,
   LFQ_action = FALSE,
   ...
)
```

# **Arguments**

#### Value

```
see MQDataReader::readMQ()
```

removeSuffix

Removes the last suffix (including the last dot) from a filename. If no dot exists, the full string is returned.

# **Description**

Removes the last suffix (including the last dot) from a filename. If no dot exists, the full string is returned.

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# Usage

```
removeSuffix(filepath)
```

# **Arguments**

filepath

A filename (with optional path – which is retained!)

#### Value

The input with removed suffix

# **Examples**

```
removeSuffix("test.tar.gz") # --> 'test.tar'
removeSuffix("test.mzML") # --> 'test'
removeSuffix("/path/to/test.mzML") # --> '/path/to/test'
removeSuffix("test_no_dot") # --> 'test_no_dot'
```

renameFile

Given a vector of (short/long) filenames, translate to the (long/short) version

# Description

Given a vector of (short/long) filenames, translate to the (long/short) version

#### Usage

```
renameFile(f_names, mapping)
```

# Arguments

f\_names

Vector of filenames

 ${\tt mapping}$ 

A data.frame with from,to columns

# Value

A vector of translated file names as factor (ordered by mapping!)

RSD RSD

repEach

Repeat each element  $x_i$  in X,  $n_i$  times.

# Description

Repeat each element x\_i in X, n\_i times.

# Usage

```
repEach(x, n)
```

# **Arguments**

x Values to be repeated

n Number of repeat for each x\_i (same length as x)

# Value

Vector with values from x, n times

# **Examples**

```
repEach(1:3, 1:3) ## 1, 2, 2, 3, 3, 3
```

RSD

Relative standard deviation (RSD)

# Description

```
Simply CV*100
```

# Usage

RSD(x)

# **Arguments**

Х

Vector of numeric values

# Value

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RTalignmentTree	Return a tree plot with a possible alignment tree.

# **Description**

This allows the user to judge which Raw files have similar corrected RT's (i.e. where aligned successfully). If there are clear sub-clusters, it might be worth introducing artifical fractions into MaxQuant, to avoid ID-transfer between these clusters (use the MBR-Align and MBR-ID-Transfer metrics to support the decision).

## Usage

```
RTalignmentTree(df_evd, col_fraction = c())
```

# **Arguments**

df_evd	Evidence table containing calibrated retention times and sequence information.
col_fraction	Empty vector or 1-values vector giving the name of the fraction column (if existing)

#### **Details**

If the input contains fractions, leaf nodes will be colored accordingly. Distinct sub-clusters should have their own color. If not, MaxQuant's fraction settings should be optimized. Note that introducing fractions in MaxQuant will naturally lead to a clustering here (it's somewhat circular).

# Value

ggplot object containing the correlation tree

scale01linear	Scales a vector of values linearly to $[0, 1]$ If all input values are equal, returned values are all $0$
	returned values are all 0

# **Description**

Scales a vector of values linearly to [0, 1] If all input values are equal, returned values are all 0

## Usage

```
scale01linear(X)
```

## **Arguments**

X Vector of values

# Value

Scaled vector

```
scale_x_discrete_reverse
```

*Inverse the order of items on the x-axis (for discrete scales)* 

# Description

Inverse the order of items on the x-axis (for discrete scales)

## Usage

```
scale_x_discrete_reverse(values, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

values The vector of values as given to the x aestetic
... Other arguments forwarded to 'scale\_y\_discrete()'

#### Value

ggplot object, concatenatable with '+'

```
scale_y_discrete_reverse
```

Inverse the order of items on the y-axis (for discrete scales)

# Description

Inverse the order of items on the y-axis (for discrete scales)

# Usage

```
scale_y_discrete_reverse(values, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

values The vector of values as given to the y aestetic
... Other arguments forwarded to 'scale\_y\_discrete()'

# Value

```
ggplot object, concatenatable with '+'
```

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ScoreInAlignWindow	Compute the fraction of features per Raw file which have an acceptable RT difference after alignment

# **Description**

Using the result from 'alignmentCheck()', score the features of every Raw file and see if they have been properly aligned. Returned value is between 0 (bad) and 1 (all aligned).

# Usage

```
ScoreInAlignWindow(data, allowed.deltaRT = 1)
```

# **Arguments**

```
data A data.frame with columns 'rtdiff' and 'raw.file' allowed.deltaRT

The allowed matching difference (1 minute by default)
```

# Value

A data.frame with one row for each raw.file and columns 'raw.file' and 'withinRT' (0-1)

shortenStrings	Shorten a string to a maximum length and indicate shorting by ap-
G	pending ''
	penuing

# Description

Some axis labels are sometimes just too long and printing them will either squeeze the actual plot (ggplot) or make the labels disappear beyond the margins (graphics::plot) One ad-hoc way of avoiding this is to shorten the names, hoping they are still meaningful to the viewer.

## Usage

```
shortenStrings(x, max_len = 20, verbose = TRUE, allow_duplicates = FALSE)
```

#### **Arguments**

x Vector of input strings
max\_len Maximum length allowed

verbose Print which strings were shortened

allow\_duplicates

If shortened strings are not discernible any longer, consider the short version valid (not the default), otherwise (default) return the full string (-> no-op)

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#### **Details**

This function should be applied AFTER you tried more gentle methods, such as delLCP or simplifyNames.

#### Value

A vector of shortened strings

#### See Also

```
delLCP, simplifyNames
```

#### **Examples**

```
r = shortenStrings(c("gamg_101", "gamg_101230100451", "jurkat_06_100731121305", "jurkat_06_1"))
all(r == c("gamg_101", "gamg_101230100...", "jurkat_06_1007...", "jurkat_06_1"))
```

simplifyNames

Removes common substrings (infixes) in a set of strings.

#### **Description**

Usually handy for plots, where condition names should be as concise as possible. E.g. you do not want names like 'TK20130501\_H2M1\_010\_IMU008\_CISPLA\_E3\_R1.raw' and 'TK20130501\_H2M1\_026\_IMU008\_CISPLA\_E3\_R1.raw' and 'TK..\_010\_I..\_E3\_R1.raw' and 'TK..\_026\_I..\_E7\_R2.raw'

If multiple such substrings exist, the algorithm will remove the longest first and iterate a number of times (two by default) to find the second/third etc longest common substring. Each substring must fulfill a minimum length requirement - if its shorter, its not considered worth removing and the iteration is aborted.

# Usage

```
simplifyNames(
   strings,
   infix_iterations = 2,
   min_LCS_length = 7,
   min_out_length = 7
)
```

# **Arguments**

```
strings A vector of strings which are to be shortened infix_iterations

Number of successive rounds of substring removal

min_LCS_length Minimum length of the longest common substring (default:7, minimum: 6)

min_out_length Minimum length of shortest element of output (no shortening will be done which
```

causes output to be shorter than this threshold)

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#### Value

A list of shortened strings, with the same length as the input

### **Examples**

suffixToCV

For a given filename, check the suffix and translate it to an PSI-MS CV term, e.g. 'MS:1000584'

#### **Description**

The following mapping is currently known: .raw: MS:1000563! Thermo RAW format .mzML: MS:1000584! mzML format .mzData: MS:1000564! PSI mzData format .wiff: MS:1000562! ABI WIFF format .pkl: MS:1000565! Micromass PKL format .mzXML: MS:1000566! ISB mzXML format .yep: MS:1000567! Bruker/Agilent YEP format .dta: MS:1000613! Sequest DTA format .mzMLb: MS:1002838! mzMLb format

#### Usage

```
suffixToCV(filepath)
```

#### Arguments

filepath

A filename (with optional path)

#### **Details**

Falls back to 'MS:1000560! mass spectrometer file format' if no match could be found.

## Value

A CV term accession as string, e.g. 'MS:1000584'

#### **Examples**

```
suffixToCV("test.mZmL") # MS:1000584
suffixToCV("test.raw") # MS:1000563
suffixToCV(c("test.raw", "bla.mzML"))
```

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supCount

Compute shortest prefix length which makes all strings in a vector uniquely identifyable.

#### **Description**

If there is no unique prefix (e.g. if a string is contained twice), then the length of the longest string is returned, i.e. if the return value is used in a call to substr, nothing happens e.g. substr(x, 1, supCount(x)) == x

#### Usage

```
supCount(x, prefix_l = 1)
```

# **Arguments**

Χ

Vector of strings

prefix\_1

Starting prefix length, which is incremented in steps of 1 until all prefixes are unique (or maximum string length is reached)

# Value

Integer with minimal prefix length required

# **Examples**

```
supCount(c("abcde...", "abcd...", "abc...")) ## 5
x = c("doubled", "doubled", "aLongDummyString")
all( substr(x, 1, supCount(x)) == x )
## TRUE (no unique prefix due to duplicated entries)
```

theme\_blank

A blank theme (similar to the deprecated theme\_blank())

## **Description**

A blank theme (similar to the deprecated theme\_blank())

#### Usage

```
theme_blank()
```

# Value

A ggplot2 object, representing an empty theme

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thinOut	Thin out a data.frame by removing rows with similar numerical values in a certain column.
	т и сетит сошт.

# Description

All values in the numerical column 'filterColname' are assigned to bins of width 'binsize'. Only one value per bin is retained. All other rows are removed and the reduced data frame will all its columns is returned.

#### **Usage**

```
thinOut(data, filterColname, binsize)
```

#### **Arguments**

data The data.frame to be filtered

filterColname Name of the filter column as string

binsize Width of a bin

#### Value

Data.frame with reduced rows, but identical input columns

thinOutBatch	Apply 'thinOut' on all subsets of a data.frame, split by a batch column

# Description

The binsize is computed from the global data range of the filter column by dividing the range into binCount bins.

## Usage

```
thinOutBatch(data, filterColname, batchColname, binCount = 1000)
```

# Arguments

data The data.frame to be split and filtered(thinned)

filterColname Name of the filter column as string batchColname Name of the split column as string

binCount Number of bins in the 'filterColname' dimension.

#### Value

Data.frame with reduced rows, but identical input columns

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wait\_for\_writable Check if a file is writable and blocks an interactive session, waiting for user input.

#### **Description**

This functions gives the user a chance to make the output file writeable before a write attempt is actually made by R to avoid having run the whole program again upon write failure.

# Usage

```
wait_for_writable(
  filename,
  prompt_text = paste0("The file '", filename,
    "' is not writable. Please close all applications using this file. Press '",
    abort_answer, "' to abort!"),
  abort_answer = "n"
)
```

# **Arguments**

filename The file to test for writable

prompt\_text If not writable, show this prompt text to the user

abort\_answer If the user enters this string into the prompt, this function will stop()

#### **Details**

Note: The file will not be overwritten or changed by this function.

# Value

TRUE if writable, FALSE if aborted by user or (not-writeable and non-interactive)

writeMZQC

Writes a full mzQC object to disk

# Description

Writes a full mzQC object to disk

# Usage

```
writeMZQC(filepath, mzqc_obj)
```

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#### **Arguments**

filepath	A filename (with path) to write to. Should have '.mzQC' as suffix.
mzqc_obj	An mzQC object, which is serialized to JSON and then written to disk

YAMLClass-class

Query a YAML object for a certain parameter.

# **Description**

If the object has the param, then return it. If the param is unknown, create it with the given default value and return the default.

#### Fields

```
yaml0bj A Yaml object as created by yaml.load
```

#### Methods

getYAML(param\_name, default, min = NA, max = NA) Query this YAML object for a certain parameter and return its value. If it does not exist it is created with a default value. An optional min/max range can be specified and will be enforced if the value is known (default will be used upon violation).

setYAML(param\_name, value) Set a YAML parameter to a certain value. Overwrites the old value or creates a new entry if hithero unknown.

writeYAML(filename) Write YAML config (including some documentation) to a YAML file. Returns TRUE on success (always), unless writing the file generates an error.

# **Examples**

```
yc = YAMLClass$new(list())
val = yc$getYAML("cat$subCat", "someDefault")
val ## someDefault
val = yc$setYAML("cat$subCat", "someValue")
val ## someValue
yc$getYAML("cat$subCat", "someDefault") ## still 'someValue' (since its set already)
```

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# Description

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# Usage

a %+% b

# Arguments

a Char vector

b Char vector

# Value

Concatenated string (no separator)

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