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centers_data

Prediction of clusters centroid position

Description

This function calculates the coodintaes of all clusters centroid.

Usage

```
centers_data(sample.subquality, sample.table, referenceDB)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'centers_data'
plot(x, ..., sample = "all")
```

Arguments

```
sample.subquality
```

	an object of class read_sample, inherited from read_sample.
<pre>sample.table</pre>	object of class sample_table, inherited from read_sampleTable.
referenceDB	an object of class reference_dbscan, inherited from reference_dbscan
x	an object of class centers_data
	Arguments to be passed to methods
sample	'all' to show all samples, or a numeric vector indicating the row number of samples in the sample table.

cmeans_clus

Value

An object of class centers_data containing a sublist for each sample. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	quality threshold used in read_sample.
reference	reference ID.
centers	a data frame with the centroids coordinates.
data	a data frame with the fluorescence intensities.

Examples

library(dPCP)

```
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata",package = "dPCP")</pre>
```

```
#Reference DBSCAN clustering
dbref <- reference_dbscan(ref, sample.table, save.template = FALSE)</pre>
```

#Predict position of clusters centroid from reference DBSCAN results
cent <- centers_data(samp, sample.table,dbref)</pre>

```
plot(cent, sample = "all")
```

cmeans_clus

```
Cluster analysis with fuzzy c-means algorithm
```

Description

This function carries out the c-means cluster analysis, using the centroids position as initial values for cluster centers.

Usage

```
cmeans_clus(centers.data)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'cmeans_clus'
plot(x, ..., sample = "all", color.blind = FALSE)
```

Arguments

centers.data	an object of class centers_data, inherited from centers_data.
x	an object of class cmeans_clus
	Arguments to be passed to methods
sample	'all' to show all samples, or a numeric vector indicating the row number of samples in the sample table.
color.blind	logical. If TRUE colors optimized for colorblind readers are used.

Value

An object of class cmeans_clus containing a sublist for each sample. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	quality threshold used in read_sample.
reference	reference ID.
centers	a data frame with the centroids coordinates.
data	a data frame with the fluorescence intensities and clusters name.
membership	a matrix with the membership values of the data elements to the clusters. See also cmeans

Examples

library(dPCP)

```
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata",package = "dPCP")</pre>
```

```
#Read samples files
samp <- read_sample(sample.table, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
```

```
file.location = fileLoc)
#Reference DBSCAN clustering
dbref <- reference_dbscan(ref, sample.table, save.template = FALSE)
#Predict position of clusters centroid from reference DBSCAN results
cent <- centers_data(samp, sample.table,dbref)
#Fuzzy c-means clustering
cmclus <- cmeans_clus(cent)
plot(cmclus, sample = "all")</pre>
```

dbscan_combination Test eps and minPts combinations for DBSCAN analysis

Description

This function tests all combinations of eps and minPts for DBSCAN analysis of reference samples indicated in refID. The results are represented in scatterplots exported to a pdf file.

Usage

```
dbscan_combination(
  refID,
  system = NULL,
  file.location = ".",
  reference.quality = 0.5,
  eps = c(120, 150, 180, 200),
  minPts = c(20, 50, 80, 100)
)
```

Arguments

refID	a string or a character vector of chipID (Thermo Fisher) or the complete file name with the extension (Bio-Rad) of reference sample(s) to be analysed.	
system	character. The name of digital PCR system used to generate the data. It must be either Thermo Fisher or Bio-Rad. Abbreviations are also accepted.	
file.location	character. Full path name to reference and sample files location. The default corresponds to the working directory, (getwd). Tilde expansion (see (path.expand)) is performed.	
reference.quality		
	numeric. Between 0 and 1. Quality threshold to subset the data (just for Thermo Fisher). If different thresholds have to be applied to various reference samples, a vectror of the same length of refID has to be provided.	

	a numeric vector of values to be tested. Maximum distance between elements within a cluster in a DBSCAN analysis. See also dbscan.
minPts	a numeric vector of values to be tested. Number of minimum elements to as- semble a cluster in a DBSCAN analysis. See also dbscan.

Value

A pdf file containing the scatterplots of DBSCAN analysis performed with all combinations of eps and minPts. Each reference generates a different pdf file.

Examples

```
library(dPCP)
```

```
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata", package = "dPCP")</pre>
```

```
unlink("dilution20200313_B01_Amplitude.pdf")
```

dPCP

Automated analysis of digital PCR data

Description

This function carries out the autometed clustering of digital PCR data.

Usage

```
dPCP(
   file,
   system = NULL,
   file.location = ".",
   reference.quality = 0.5,
   sample.quality = 0.5,
   eps = 200,
   minPts = 50,
   save.template = FALSE,
   rain = TRUE,
   QC.reference = FALSE,
```

```
partition.volume = NULL
)
## S3 method for class 'dPCP'
plot(
    x,
    ...,
    sample = "all",
    reference = "all",
    type = "dPCP",
    color.blind = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

file	character. The name or the path of csv file to be read. If it does not contain an absolute path, the file name is relative to the current working directory, (getwd).
system	character. The name of digital PCR system used to generate the data. It must be either Thermo Fisher or Bio-Rad. Abbreviations are also accepted.
file.location	character. Full path name to reference and sample files location. The default cor- responds to the working directory, (getwd). Tilde expansion (see (path.expand)) is performed.
reference.quali	ty
	numeric. Between 0 and 1. Quality threshold to subset the data. If different thresholds have to be applied to various reference samples, a vectror of the same length of number of reference samples has to be provided. Used only when the system is Thermo Fisher.
sample.quality	numeric. Between 0 and 1. Quality threshold to subset data. If different thresholds have to be applied to various samples, a vectror of the same length of number of samples has to be provided. Used only when the system is Thermo Fisher.
eps	numeric. Input parameter for the DBSCAN algorithm. It represents the maxi- mum distance between the elements within a cluster. See also dbscan. If differ- ent values have to be applied to various reference samples, a vectror of the same length of number of reference samples has to be provided.
minPts	numeric. Input parameter for the DBSCAN algorithm. It represents the number of minimum elements to assemble a cluster. See also dbscan. If different values have to be applied to various reference samples, a vectror of the same length of number of reference samples has to be provided.
save.template	logical. If TRUE a template of DBSCAN analysis of reference samples is saved. When system is Thermo Fisher, save.template can be also a character vector indicating the chipID.
rain	logical. If TRUE the rain analysis is carried out.
QC.reference	logical. If TRUE the fraction of rain elements in the reference samples is carried out. Warning messages are displayed when the percentage of rain is high.

partition.volume		
	numeric. This parameters is taken into account when the parameter 'system' is set on Other. Indicate the partion volume in microliters spcific to the digital PCR system.	
x	an object of class dPCP	
	Arguments to be passed to methods	
sample	'all' to show all samples, or a numeric vector indicating the row number of samples in the sample table.	
reference	'all' to show all reference samples, or a character vector with chip ID (Thermo Fisher) or the file name (Bio-rad) of reference samples to be showed.	
type	string. Type of plot to be showed. Available plots: 'reference dbscan', 'centers', 'cmeans', 'rain', 'dPCP'. @param color.blind logical. If TRUE colors optimized for colorblind readers are used.	
color.blind	logical. If TRUE colors optimized for colorblind readers are used.	

Value

An object of class dPCP containing the following components:

referenceDB	an object of class reference_dbscan.
samples	a list of samples. Each sample sublist contains the information about the cluster analysis.
results	an object of class replicates_quant.

Examples

library(dPCP)

```
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata", package = "dPCP")</pre>
```

```
plot(results, sample = 1, type = "dPCP")
```

export_csv

Description

This function exports dPCP analysis results to a csv file.

Usage

```
export_csv(data, filename)
```

Arguments

data	an object of class dPCP, target_quant or replicates_quant.
filename	character. File name (no extension) for csv and pdf files to create on disk.

Value

A csv file with the information and results of dPCP analysis.

Examples

manual_correction *Manual correction of dPCP cluster analysis*

Description

This function builds an interactive app to manually correct the dPCP cluster analysis.

Usage

```
manual_correction(
   data,
   filename,
   save.plot = FALSE,
   format = "png",
   dpi = 300,
   color.blind = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

data	an object of class dPCP, inherited from dPCP.
filename	character. File name (no extension) for csv and pdf files to create on disk.
save.plot	logical. If TRUE the plots are exported to a file.
format	a string indicating the file format for the export. Available formats: 'eps', 'ps', 'tex', 'pdf', 'jpeg', 'tiff', 'png', 'bmp', 'svg', 'wmf'.
dpi	numeric. Image resolution.
color.blind	logical. If TRUE colors optimized for colorblind readers are used.

Value

A Shiny session.

Examples

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Description

This function identifies the "rain" elements and re-clusters them using the Mahalanobis distance. Each "rain" element is assigned to the cluster whose Mahalanobis distance is the lowest.

Usage

```
rain_reclus(cmeans.cluster)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'rain_reclus'
plot(x, ..., sample = "all", color.blind = FALSE)
```

Arguments

<pre>cmeans.cluster</pre>	an object of class cmeans_clus, inherited from cmeans_clus.
x	an object of class rain_reclus
	Arguments to be passed to methods
sample	'all' to show all samples, or a numeric vector indicating the row number of samples in the sample table.
color.blind	logical. If TRUE colors optimized for colorblind readers are used.

Value

An object of class rain_reclus containing a sublist for each sample. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	quality threshold used in read_sample.
reference	reference ID.
centers	a data frame with the centroids coordinates.
data	a data frame with the fluorescence intensities and clusters name.

Examples

```
library(dPCP)
```

```
sample.table <- read_sampleTable(sampleTable, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
                                   file.location = fileLoc)
#Read reference files
ref <- read_reference(sample.table, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
                       file.location = fileLoc)
#Read samples files
samp <- read_sample(sample.table, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
                    file.location = fileLoc)
#Reference DBSCAN clustering
dbref <- reference_dbscan(ref, sample.table, save.template = FALSE)</pre>
#Predict position of clusters centroid from reference DBSCAN results
cent <- centers_data(samp, sample.table,dbref)</pre>
#Fuzzy c-means clustering
cmclus <- cmeans_clus(cent)</pre>
#Rain classification.
rainclus <- rain_reclus(cmclus)</pre>
plot(rainclus, sample = "all")
```

read_reference Read reference files

Description

This function reads the results files of reference samples listed in the sample table. Fluoresce intensity and quality value (just for Thermo Fisher) are collected. If a reference_dbscan template file with the same input paramters (reference ID, eps, minPts) is available, fluorescence data, quality value and dbscan analysis results are retrived from the template file.

Usage

```
read_reference(
  sample.table,
  system = NULL,
  file.location = ".",
  reference.quality = 0.5,
  eps = NULL,
  minPts = NULL
)
```

read_reference

Arguments

<pre>sample.table</pre>	object of class sample_table, inherited from read_sampleTable.
system	character. The name of digital PCR system used to generate the data. It must be either Thermo Fisher or Bio-Rad. Abbreviations are also accepted.
file.location	character. Full path name to reference and sample files location. The default cor- responds to the working directory, (getwd). Tilde expansion (see (path.expand)) is performed.
reference.quality	
	numeric. Between 0 and 1. Quality threshold to subset the data. If different thresholds have to be applied to various reference samples, a vectror of the same length of number of reference samples has to be provided. Used only when the system is Thermo Fisher.
eps, minPts	numeric. Input parameters for the DBSCAN algorithm. If they match the paramters of reference_dbscan template file, the data are retrived from the template.

Value

An object of class read_reference containing a sublist for each reference. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	value of the reference.quality parameter.
data	a matrix with the fluorescence intensities and quality values.
dbscan	an object of class dbscan_fast, inherited from dbscan. This component is available only if a reference_dbscan template file is used to retrive the data.

Examples

library(dPCP)

fileLoc <- system.file("extdata", package = "dPCP")</pre>

read_sample

Description

This function reads the results files of samples listed in the sample table. Fluoresce intensity and quality value (just for Thermo Fisher) are collected.

Usage

```
read_sample(
   sample.table,
   system = NULL,
   file.location = ".",
   sample.quality = 0.5,
   partition.volume = NULL
)
```

Arguments

<pre>sample.table</pre>	object of class sample_table, inherited from read_sampleTable.
system	character. The name of digital PCR system used to generate the data. It must be either Thermo Fisher or Bio-Rad. Abbreviations are also accepted.
file.location	character. Full path name to reference and sample files location. The default corresponds to the working directory, (getwd). Tilde expansion (see (path.expand)) is performed.
sample.quality	numeric. Between 0 and 1. Quality threshold to subset data. If different thresholds have to be applied to various samples, a vectror of the same length of number of samples has to be provided. Used only when the system is Thermo Fisher.
partition.volum	le
	numeric. This parameters is taken into account when the parameter 'system' is set on Other. Indicate the partion volume in microliters spcific to the digital PCR system.

Value

An object of class read_sample containing a sublist for each sample. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	value of the sample.quality parameter.
data	a matrix with the fluorescence intensities and quality values.

read_sampleTable

Examples

library(dPCP)

read_sampleTable Read sample table

Description

This function reads a file containing the essential information about the samples and experimental settings. The file has to be filled out by the user and formatted as described in the vignette.

Usage

```
read_sampleTable(file, system = NULL, file.location = ".")
```

Arguments

file	character. The name or the path of csv file to be read. If it does not contain an absolute path, the file name is relative to the current working directory, (getwd).
system	character. The name of digital PCR system used to generate the data. It must be either Thermo Fisher or Bio-Rad. Abbreviations are also accepted.
file.location	character. Full path name to reference and sample files location. The default corresponds to the working directory, (getwd). Tilde expansion (see (path.expand)) is performed.

Value

An object of class sample_table.

Examples

reference_dbscan	Find the empty partitions and single target clusters in the reference
	sample

Description

This function computes a DBSCAN analysis to identify single target clusters in the reference samples listed in the sample table. If a reference_dbscan template file with the same input paramters (reference ID, eps, minPts) is available, data are retrived from the template file.

Usage

```
reference_dbscan(
  reference.subquality,
  sample.table,
  eps = 200,
  minPts = 50,
  save.template = FALSE
)
### S3 method for class 'reference_dbscan'
```

plot(x, ..., reference = "all")

Arguments

reference.subquality

an object of class read_reference, inherited from read_reference.

Sample. table object of class sample_table, interfied from read_sample able.	sample.table	<pre>object of class sample_table, inherited from read_sampleTable.</pre>
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- eps, minPts numeric. Input parameters for the DBSCAN algorithm. If they match the parameters of reference_dbscan template file, the data are retrived from the template.
- save.template logical. If TRUE a template of DBSCAN analysis of reference samples is saved. When system is Thermo Fisher, save.template can be also a character vector indicating the chipID.

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х	an object of class reference_dbscan
	Arguments to be passed to methods
reference	'all' to show all reference samples, or a character vector with chip ID (Thermo Fisher) or the file name (Bio-rad) of reference samples to be showed.

Value

An object of class reference_dbscan containing a sublist for each reference. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	quality threshold used in read_reference.
data	a matrix with the fluorescence intensities and quality values.
dbscan	an object of class dbscan_fast, inherited from dbscan.

Examples

```
library(dPCP)
```

```
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata",package = "dPCP")</pre>
```

```
#Reference DBSCAN clustering
dbref <- reference_dbscan(ref, sample.table, save.template = FALSE)
plot(dbref, reference = "all")
```

replicates_quant Calculation of targets concentration, pooling the sample replicates

Description

This function calculates the concentration of the targets, combining the results of the replicates of each sample.

Usage

```
replicates_quant(raw.results, sample.table)
```

Arguments

raw.results	an object of class target_quant, inherited from target_quant.
sample.table	object of class sample_table, inherited from read_sampleTable.

Value

An object of class replicates_quant containing a sublist for every sample. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	quality threshold used in read_sample.	
reference	reference ID.	
raw results	a data frame with the results of quantification.	
replicates results		
	a data frame with the results of quantification of pooled replicates.	

Examples

library(dPCP)

```
#Find path of sample table and location of reference and input files
sampleTable <- system.file("extdata", "Template_sampleTable.csv",</pre>
                      package = "dPCP")
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata", package = "dPCP")</pre>
#Read sample table file
sample.table <- read_sampleTable(sampleTable, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
                                   file.location = fileLoc)
#Read reference files
ref <- read_reference(sample.table, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
                       file.location = fileLoc)
#Read samples files
samp <- read_sample(sample.table, system = "bio-rad",</pre>
                   file.location = fileLoc)
#Reference DBSCAN clustering
dbref <- reference_dbscan(ref, sample.table, save.template = FALSE)</pre>
#Predict position of clusters centroid from reference DBSCAN results
cent <- centers_data(samp, sample.table,dbref)</pre>
#Fuzzy c-means clustering
cmclus <- cmeans_clus(cent)</pre>
```

report_dPCP

```
#Rain classification.
rainclus <- rain_reclus(cmclus)
#Quantification
quantcm <- target_quant(cmclus, sample.table)
quant <- target_quant(rainclus, sample.table)
#Replicates pooling
rep.quant <- replicates_quant(quant, sample.table)</pre>
```

report_dPCP

```
Export dPCP analysis results to a pdf report
```

Description

This function generates a pdf report of the dPCP analysis.

Usage

```
report_dPCP(data, filename, sample = "all", color.blind = FALSE)
```

Arguments

data	an object of class dPCP, inherited from dPCP.
filename	character. File name (no extension) for csv and pdf files to create on disk.
sample	'all' to show all samples, or a numeric vector indicating the row number of samples in the sample table.
color.blind	logical. If TRUE colors optimized for colorblind readers are used.

Value

A pdf file with the information and results of the dPCP analysis.

Examples

```
library(dPCP)
```

```
eps = 200, minPts = 50, save.template = FALSE,
rain = TRUE)
report_dPCP(results, filename = "dPCRproject_1")
```

target_quant Calculation of targets concentration.

Description

This function calculates the concentration of the targets according to the Poisson distribution.

Usage

target_quant(data.cluster, sample.table)

Arguments

data.cluster	an object of class rain_reclus or cmeans_clus.
sample.table	<pre>object of class sample_table, inherited from read_sampleTable.</pre>

Value

An object of class target_quant containing a sublist for each sample. Each sublist has the following components:

quality	quality threshold used in read_sample.
reference	reference ID.
raw results	a data frame with the results of the quantification.

Examples

```
library(dPCP)
```

```
fileLoc <- system.file("extdata", package = "dPCP")</pre>
```

target_quant

quant <- target_quant(rainclus, sample.table)</pre>

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