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cut_by_logit2NES	<i>Trim the table of results.</i>
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Description

This function trims the table of results from massiveGST function retaining the rows with a logit2NES below the specified threshold.

Usage

```
cut_by_logit2NES(ttable, logit2NES_threshold = 0.58)
```

Arguments

ttable	a data frame of "mGST" class coming from massiveGST function.
logit2NES_threshold	a real value

Value

A data frame.

Note

the functions cut_by_NES, cut_by_logit2NES, and cut_by_significance can be nested.

Author(s)

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References

Cerulo, Pagnotta (2022) [doi:10.3390/e24050739](https://doi.org/10.3390/e24050739)

See Also

[massiveGST](#), [cut_by_NES](#), [cut_by_significance](#),
[summary.mGST](#), [plot.mGST](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")

head(ans)

cut_by_logit2NES(ans)
cut_by_logit2NES(cut_by_significance(ans))

plot(cut_by_logit2NES(ans))
```

cut_by_NES

Trim the table of results.

Description

This function trims the table of results from massiveGST function retaining the rows with a NES below the specified threshold.

Usage

```
cut_by_NES(ttable, NES_threshold = 0.6)
```

Arguments

ttable a data frame of 'mGST' class coming from massiveGST function.
NES_threshold a real value between 0.0 and 1.

Value

A data frame.

Note

the functions cut_by_NES, cut_by_logit2NES, and cut_by_significance can be nested. In the case the test has alternative = 'two.sided', it is better to use cut_by_logit2NES for a symmetric trim of both directions.

Author(s)

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References

Cerulo, Pagnotta (2022) [doi:10.3390/e24050739](https://doi.org/10.3390/e24050739)

See Also

[massiveGST](#), [cut_by_logit2NES](#), [cut_by_significance](#), [summary.mGST](#), [plot.mGST](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdbr(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "greater")

head(ans)
cut_by_NES(ans, NES_threshold = .65)
summary(cut_by_NES(ans, NES_threshold = .65))
```

cut_by_significance *Trim the table of results.*

Description

This function trims the table of results from massiveGST function according to the significance required.

Usage

```
cut_by_significance(ttable,
  level_of_significance = 0.05,
  where = c("BH.value", "bonferroni", "p.value")
)
```

Arguments

`ttable` a data frame of "mGST" class coming from massiveGST function.
`level_of_significance`
a real value between 0.0 and 1.
`where` a character string specifying where the level_of_significance has to be applied to the output; must be one of "p.value", "BH.value" (default), and "bonferroni"

Details

BH.value is the adjustment of p-values according to Benjamini and Hockberg's method; B.value is the adjustment of p-values according to Bonferroni's method.

Value

A data frame.

Note

the functions `cut_by_NES`, `cut_by_logit2NES`, and `cut_by_significance` can be nested.

Author(s)

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References

Cerulo, Pagnotta (2022) [doi:10.3390/e24050739](https://doi.org/10.3390/e24050739)

See Also

[massiveGST](#), [cut_by_logit2NES](#), [cut_by_NES](#), [summary.mGST](#), [plot.mGST](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")

head(ans)
cut_by_significance(ans)
```

```
cut_by_significance(ans, level_of_significance = 0.05, where = "p")
cut_by_logit2NES(cut_by_significance(ans))

summary(cut_by_significance(ans, level_of_significance = 0.05, where = "bonferroni"))

plot(cut_by_significance(ans, level_of_significance = 0.05, where = "bonferroni"))
```

get_geneProfile	<i>Load a gene-profile from a txt file.</i>
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Description

Load a gene-profile from a txt file.

Usage

```
get_geneProfile(ffile)
```

Arguments

ffile a character string or a list of a character pointing to a local file

Details

The txt file contains two columns separated by a tabulation. The first column is the gene name (or entrez, ensembl, etc); the second column are the numeric values associated with each gene. The profile do not need to be sorted.

As an example, see the file in /massiveGST/extdata/pre_ranked_list.txt

See the path in the example below.

Value

A named list of numeric values.

Author(s)

Stefano M. Pagnotta

See Also

[pre_ranked_list](#)

Examples

```
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
fname
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)
class(geneProfile)
head(geneProfile)
tail(geneProfile)
```

`get_geneSets_from_local_files`

Load the gene-sets collection from local gmt files

Description

Load the gene-sets collection from local gmt files

Usage

```
get_geneSets_from_local_files(ffiles)
```

Arguments

`ffiles` a character string or a list of a character pointing to local files

Value

A vector list of gene-sets

Author(s)

Stefano M. Pagnotta

See Also

[get_geneSets_from_msigdbr](#), [write_geneSets_to_gmt](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

tmp <- get_geneSets_from_msigdbr(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

fname1 <- file.path(tempdir(), "h1.gmt")
write_geneSets_to_gmt(tmp, fileName = fname1)

fname2 <- file.path(tempdir(), "h2.gmt")
write_geneSets_to_gmt(tmp, fileName = fname2)
```

```
# getting one collection
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_local_files(fname1)
length(geneSets)

# getting two collections
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_local_files(c(fname1, fname2))
length(geneSets)
```

```
get_geneSets_from_msigdb
```

Get the gene-sets from the msigdb package.

Description

This is a wrapper for extraction a gene-sets collection as a vector list to match the data structure for massiveGST function.

Usage

```
get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category, what, subcategory = NULL, species = "Homo sapiens")
```

Arguments

category	MSigDB collection abbreviation, such as H or C1.
what	a character string specifying the code representation of the genes; must be one of "gene_symbol", "entrez_gene", "ensembl_gene", "human_gene_symbol", "human_entrez_gene", "human_ensembl_gene";
subcategory	MSigDB sub-collection abbreviation, such as CGP or BP; NULL (default)
species	Species name, such as 'Homo sapiens' or 'Mus musculus'.

Value

A vector list of gene-sets

Author(s)

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See Also

[msigdb](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

class(geneSets)
head(geneSets, 3)
```

massiveGST

massive Gene-Sets Test with Mann-Whitney-Wilcoxon statistics.

Description

Perform a competitive gene set enrichment analysis by applying the Mann-Whitney-Wilcoxon test.

Usage

```
massiveGST(gene_profile, gene_sets,
  cols_to_remove = NULL,
  alternative = c("two.sided", "less", "greater")
)
```

Arguments

gene_profile	a named list of values; the names have to match the names fo genes in the gene-set.
gene_sets	a character vector of gene-sets
cols_to_remove	a list of colnames to eventually remove from the output
alternative	a character string specifying the alternative hypothesis of the MWW test; must be one of "two.sided" (default), "greater" or "less".

Value

A data frame with columns

size	Original size of the gene-set
actualSize	Size of the gene-set after the match with the gene-profile
NES	(Normalized Enrichment Score) the strength of the association of the gene-set with the gene profile; also the percentile rank of the gene-set in the universe of the genes outside the gene-set.
odd	odd transformation of the NES
logit2NES	logit transformation of the NES
abs_logit2NES	absolute value of the logit2NES in the case of "two.sided" alternative
p.value	p-values associated with the gene-set

BH.value	Benjamini and Hockberg adjustment of the p.values
B.value	Bonferroni adjustment of the p.values
relevance	marginal ordering of the table

Author(s)

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References

Cerulo, Pagnotta (2022) [doi:10.3390/e24050739](https://doi.org/10.3390/e24050739)

See Also

[summary.mGST](#), [plot.mGST](#), [cut_by_logit2NES](#), [cut_by_NES](#), [cut_by_significance](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")

ans
```

plot.mGST

Graphical rendering of the enrichment analysis.

Description

This function displays the enrichment analysis results both as a bar-plot and a network of gene-sets.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mGST'
plot(x,
     gene_sets = NULL,
     order_by = "logit2NES",
     top = 30,
```

```

    eps = 0.25,
    as.network = FALSE,
    similarity_threshold = 1/3,
    manipulation = FALSE,
    autoResize = TRUE,
    ...
)

```

Arguments

x	a data structure coming from the massiveGST function
gene_sets	a character vector of gene-sets; mandatory for the network display
order_by	a character string specifying which should be the ordering in the bar-plot; must be one of "relevance", "NES", "logit2NES" (default), "p.value", "BH.value", and "bonferroni". These are the same options of summary.mGST
top	an integer value controlling how many gene-sets have to be displayed in the bar-plot; top = 30 (default)
as.network	a logical value to switch to a network display; as.network = FALSE (default)
similarity_threshold	a real value to cut the similarities between gene-sets below this value; similarity_threshold = 1/3 (default)
eps	a real value between 0.0 and 1.0 controlling the contribution of the Jaccard and overlap similarities to their convex combination; eps = 0.25 (default), see details.
manipulation	a logical value allowing to manipulate the network; manipulation = FALSE (default); see visOptions
autoResize	a logical value allowing to resize the network; autoResize = TRUE (default); see visOptions
...	other graphical parameters

Details

This function display the results of enrichment analysis both as a bar-plot and a network.

The network rendering is with the `visNetwork` package.

The similarity between the gene-set is computed a convex combination of the Jaccard and overlap similarities. See the reference for further details.

Value

In the case of network display, an object from the `visNetwork` package.

Author(s)

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References

Cerulo, Pagnotta (2022) [doi:10.3390/e24050739](https://doi.org/10.3390/e24050739)

See Also

[massiveGST](#), [visNetwork](#), [visOptions](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")

# to get the bar-plot
plot(cut_by_significance(ans, level_of_significance = 0.01))

# to get the network of the gene-sets
plot(cut_by_significance(ans, level_of_significance = 0.01),
     gene_sets = geneSets, as.network = TRUE)
```

pre_ranked_list

FGFR3-TACC3 fusion positive gene profile

Description

This gene-profile comes from the paper in reference. It compares 9 FGFR3-TACC3 fusion positive samples versus 535 other samples in the GBM study from TCGA (Agilent platform).

Author(s)

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References

Frattini et al. "A metabolic function of FGFR3-TACC3 gene fusions in cancer" *Nature volume 553*, 2018 [doi:10.1038/nature25171](https://doi.org/10.1038/nature25171)

`save_as_tsv`*Save the results in tab-separated value file*

Description

Save the data frame coming from the massiveGST function as tab-separated value.

Usage

```
save_as_tsv(x, file_name = "massiveGST.tsv", sep = "\t", ...)
```

Arguments

<code>x</code>	a data frame of "mGST" class coming from massiveGST function.
<code>file_name</code>	a character value ("massiveGST.tsv" as default)
<code>sep</code>	a character value
<code>...</code>	Arguments to be passed to methods

Value

No return value.

Author(s)

Stefano M. Pagnotta

See Also

[massiveGST](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdbr(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")

# save the results
fname <- file.path(tempdir(), "massiveGST_results.tsv")
```

```
save_as_tsv(ans, file_name = fname)
```

save_as_xls

Save the results in xls file format

Description

Save the data frame coming from the massiveGST function as Excel 2003 (XLS) or Excel 2007 (XLSX) files

Usage

```
save_as_xls(x, file_name = "massiveGST.xls", ...)
```

Arguments

x	a data frame of "mGST" class coming from massiveGST function.
file_name	a character value ("massiveGST.xls" as default)
...	Arguments to be passed to methods

Value

No return value.

Author(s)

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See Also

[WriteXLS](#), [massiveGST](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")
```

```
# save the results
fname <- file.path(tempdir(), "massiveGST_results.xls")
save_as_xls(ans, file_name = fname)
```

summary.mGST

Generate summary tables

Description

This method handles the result of massiveGST function, to provide views of the table.

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'mGST'
summary(object,
  cols_to_remove = "link",
  order_by = c("relevance", "NES", "logit2NES", "p.value", "BH.value", "bonferroni"),
  top = NULL,
  as.formattable = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

object	a data structure coming from the massiveGST function
cols_to_remove	A character list of the columns to remove from the output.
order_by	a character string specifying which marginal ordering has to be applied to the output; must be one of "relevance" (default), "NES", "logit2NES", "p.value", "BH.value", and "bonferroni"
top	an integer to trim the table to the first 'top' rows.
as.formattable	a logical value (default = FALSE) to provide a formatted output with the help of formattable package.
...	Arguments to be passed to methods

Value

A data frame.

Author(s)

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See Also

[massiveGST](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene profile
fname <- system.file("extdata", package="massiveGST")
fname <- file.path(fname, "pre_ranked_list.txt")
geneProfile <- get_geneProfile(fname)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# run the function
ans <- massiveGST(geneProfile, geneSets, alternative = "two.sided")

summary(ans)
summary(ans, as.formattable = TRUE, order_by = "NES", top = 10)
```

write_geneSets_to_gmt *Save a collection of gene-sets in a .gmt file format.*

Description

Write a collection of gene sets as arranged in this package in a gmt file format.

Usage

```
write_geneSets_to_gmt(gs, fileName)
```

Arguments

gs	a character vector of gene-sets
fileName	a character value; "gene_sets.gmt" (default)

Value

No return value.

Author(s)

Stefano M. Pagnotta

See Also

[get_geneSets_from_msigdb](#), [get_geneSets_from_local_files](#)

Examples

```
library(massiveGST)

# get the gene-sets
geneSets <- get_geneSets_from_msigdb(category = "H", what = "gene_symbol")

# save the gene-sets
fname <- file.path(tempdir(), "hallmarks.gmt")
write_geneSets_to_gmt(geneSets, fileName = fname)
```

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