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## **Description**

Run gene set analysis with various statistical methods, from different gene level statistics and a wide range of gene-set collections. Furthermore, the Piano package contains functions for combining the results of multiple runs of gene set analyses.

## **Details**

The Piano package consists of two parts. The major part revolves around gene set analysis (GSA), and the central function for this is runGSA. There are some downstream functions (e.g. GSAsummaryTable and geneSetSummary) that handle the results from the GSA. By running runGSA multiple times with different settings it is possible to compute consensus gene set scores. Another set of functions (e.g. consensusScores and consensusHeatmap) take a list of result objects given by runGSA for this

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step. The second part of the Piano package contains a set of functions devoted for an easy-to-use approach on microarray analysis (wrapped around the **affy** and **limma** packages), which are constructed to integrate nicely with the downstream GSA part. The starting function in this case is loadMAdata.

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## See Also

runGSA and loadMAdata

consensusHeatmap

Heatmap of top consensus gene sets

## Description

Based on multiple result objects from the runGSA function, this function computes the consensus scores, based on rank aggregation, for each directionality class and produces a heatmap plot of the results.

## Usage

```
consensusHeatmap(
  resList,
  method = "median",
  cutoff = 5,
  adjusted = FALSE,
  plot = TRUE,
  ncharLabel = 25,
  cellnote = "consensusScore",
  columnnames = "full",
  colorkey = TRUE,
  colorgrad = NULL,
  cex = NULL
)
```

# Arguments

method

resList a list where each element is an object of class GSAres, as returned by the runGSA function

a character string selecting the method, either "mean", "median", "Borda" or

"Copeland".

cutoff the maximum consensus score of a gene set, in any of the directionality classes,

to be included in the heatmap.

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adjusted a logical, whether to use adjusted p-values or not. Note that if runGSA was run

with the argument adjMethod="none", the adjusted p-values will be equal to

the original p-values.

plot whether or not to draw the heatmap. Setting plot=FALSE allows you to save the

heatmap as a matrix without plotting it.

ncharLabel the number of characters to include in the row labels.

cellnote a character string selecting the information to be printed inside each cell of the

heatmap. Either "consensusScore", "medianPvalue", "nGenes" or "none". Note that the actual heatmap will always be based on the consensus scores.

columnnames either "full" (default) or "abbr" to use full or abbreviated column labels. Will

save some space for the heatmap if set to "abbr"

colorkey a logical (default TRUE), whether or not to display the colorkey. Will save some

space for the heatmap if turned off.

colorgrad a character vector giving the color names to use in the heatmap.

cex a numeric, to control the text size.

#### **Details**

This function computes the consensus gene set scores for each directionality class based on the results (gene set p-values) listed in resList, using the consensusScores function. For each class, only the GSAres objects in resList that contain p-values for that class are used as a basis for the rank aggregation. Hence, if not all classes are covered by at least 2 GSAres objects in the list, the consensusHeatmap function will not work. The results are displayed in a heatmap showing the consensus scores.

## Value

A list, returned invisibly, containing the matrix of consensus scores as represented in the heatmap as well as the matrix of corresponding median p-values and the matrix of number of genes in each gene set (including the subset of up and down regulated genes for the mixed directional classes).

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#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA
```

```
# Load some example GSA results:
data(gsa_results)
```

```
# Consensus heatmap:
dev.new(width=10,height=10)
consensusHeatmap(resList=gsa_results)
```

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```
# Store the output:
dev.new(width=10,height=10)
ch <- consensusHeatmap(resList=gsa_results)
# Access the median p-values for gene set s1:
ch$pMat["s1",]</pre>
```

consensusScores

Top consensus gene sets and boxplot

## **Description**

Calculates the consensus scores for the gene sets using multiple gene set analysis methods (with runGSA()). Optionally also produces a boxplot to visualize the results.

## Usage

```
consensusScores(
  resList,
  class,
  direction,
  n = 50,
  adjusted = FALSE,
  method = "median",
  plot = TRUE,
  cexLabel = 0.8,
  cexLegend = 1,
  showLegend = TRUE,
  rowNames = "names",
  logScale = FALSE,
  main
)
```

## **Arguments**

resList	a list where each element is an object of class GSAres, as returned by the runGSA function.
class	a character string determining the p-values of which directionality class that should be used as significance information for the plot. Can be one of "distinct", "mixed", "non".
direction	a character string giving the direction of regulation, can be either "up" or "down".
n	consensus rank cutoff. All gene sets with consensus rank (see details below) <=n will be included in the plot. Defaults to 50.

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adjusted a logical, whether to use adjusted p-values or not. Note that if runGSA was run

with the argument adjMethod="none", the adjusted p-values will be equal to

the original p-values.

method a character string selecting the method, either "mean", "median", "max", "Borda"

or "Copeland".

plot a logical, whether or not to draw the boxplot.

cexLabel the x- and y-axis label sizes.

cexLegend the legend text size.

showLegend a logical, whether or not to show the legend and the indivual method ranks as

points in the plot.

rowNames a character string determining which rownames to use, set to either "ranks"

for the consensus rank, "names" for the gene set names, or "none" to omit

rownames.

logScale a logical, whether or not to use log-scale for the x-axis.

main a character vector giving an alternative title of the plot.

#### **Details**

Based on the results given by the elements of resList, preferably representing similar runs with runGSA but with different methods, this function ranks the gene sets for each GSAres object, based on the selected directionality class. Next, the median rank for each gene set is taken as a score for top-ranking gene sets. The highest scoring gene-sets (with consensus rank, i.e. rank(rankScore, ties.method="min"), smaller or equal to n) are selected and depicted in a boxplot, showing the distribution of individual ranks (shown as colored points), as well as the median rank (shown as a red line). As an alternative of using the median rank as consensus score, it is possible to choose the mean or using the Borda or Copeland method, through the method argument. A more conservative approach can also be taken using the maximum rank as a consensus score, prioritizing gene-sets that are consistently ranked high across all GSA runs.

All elements of resList have to be objects containing results for the same number of gene-sets. The ranking procedure handles ties by giving them their minimum rank.

## Value

A list containing a matrix of the ranks for the top n gene sets, given by each run, as well as the corresponding matrix of p-values, given by each run.

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#### See Also

piano, runGSA

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## **Examples**

```
# Load some example GSA results:
data(gsa_results)

# Consensus scores for the top 50 gene sets (in the non-directional class):
cs <- consensusScores(resList=gsa_results,class="non")

# Access the ranks given to gene set s7 by each individual method:
cs$rankMat["s7",]</pre>
```

diffExp

Perform differential expression analysis

## **Description**

Identifies differentially expressed genes by using the linear model approach of **limma**. Optionally produces a Venn diagram, heatmap, Polar plot and volcano plot.

## Usage

#### **Arguments**

arrayData an object of class ArrayData.

contrasts a character vector giving the contrasts to be tested for differential expression.

Use extractFactors to get allowed contrasts.

chromosomeMapping

character string giving the name of the chromosome mapping file, or an object of class data. frame or similar containing the chromosome mapping. Required for the Polar plot if the ArrayData object lacks annotation information. See details below.

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fitMethod character string giving the fitting method used by lmFit. Can be either "ls" for

least squares (default) or "robust" for robust regression.

adjustMethod character string giving the method to use for adjustment of multiple testing.

Can be "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH", "BY", "fdr"

(default) or "none". See p.adjust for details.

significance number giving the significance cutoff level for the Venn diagram and the hori-

zontal line drawn in the volcano plot. Defaults to 0.001.

plot should plots be produced? Set either to TRUE (default) or FALSE to control all

plots, or to a character vector with any combination of "venn", "heatmap",

"polarplot" and "volcano", to control the single plots (e.g. plot=c("venn", "polarplot")

or plot="heatmap").

heatmapCutoff number giving the significance cutoff level for the heatmap. Defaults to 1e-10. volcanoFC number giving the x-coordinates of the vertical lines drawn in the volcano plot.

Defaults to 2.

colors character vector of colors to be used by the Venn diagram and Polar plot.

save should the figures and p-values be saved? Defaults to FALSE.

verbose verbose? Defaults to TRUE.

#### **Details**

This function uses **limma** to calculate p-values measuring differential expression in the given contrasts. The uniqueFactors given by extractFactors can be used to define a contrast vector, where each element should be a character string on the form "uniqueFactorA - uniqueFactorB", note the space surrounding the -. (See the example below and for extractFactors.)

If appropriate annotation is missing for the ArrayData object the user can suppply this as chromosomeMapping. This should be either a data. frame or a tab delimited text file and include the columns *chromosome* with the chromosome name and *chromosome location* containing the starting position of each gene. A – sign can be used to denote the antisense strand but this will be disregarded while plotting. The rownames should be *probe IDs* or, if using a text file, the first column with a column header should contain the *probe IDs*.

Note that the fitMethod="robust" may need longer time to run.

A Venn diagram can be drawn for up to five contrasts (diffExp() will use vennDiagram).

The heatmap shows normalized expression values of the genes that pass the heatmapCutoff in at least one contrast.

A volcano plot is produced for each contrast showing magnitude of change versus significance.

The Polar plot sorts the genes according to chromosomal location, for each chromosome starting with unknown positions followed by increasing number in the *chromosome location* column. Genes which do not map to any chromosome are listed as U for unknown. The radial lines in the Polar plot are -log10 scaled p-values, so that a longer line means a smaller p-value. This gives an overview of the magnitude of differential expression for each contrast.

Typical usages are:

```
# Identify significantly changed genes in
'm1' and 'm2' compared to 'wt': diffExp(arrayData, contrasts=c("m1 - wt",
"m2 - wt"))
```

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#### Value

#### A list with elements:

pValues data. frame containing adjusted p-values (according to argument adjustMethod)

for each contrast

foldChanges data.frame containing log2 fold changes for each contrast

resTable a list with an element for each contrast, each being a data.frame with full

result information

vennMembers list containing the gene members of each area of the Venn diagram (only re-

turned when a Venn diagram is drawn)

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# References

Smyth, G. K. (2005). Limma: linear models for microarray data. In: 'Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Solutions using R and Bioconductor'. R. Gentleman, V. Carey, S. Dudoit, R. Irizarry, W. Huber (eds), Springer, New York, pages 397–420.

## See Also

```
piano, loadMAdata, extractFactors, polarPlot, runGSA, limma, venn, heatmap. 2
```

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	exploreGSAres	Explore GSA results	
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## **Description**

Explore GSA results interactively in a web browser using shiny.

## Usage

```
exploreGSAres(gsaRes, browser = TRUE, geneAnnot = NULL, genesets)
```

## **Arguments**

gsaRes an object of class GSAres, as returned from runGSA() or an object returned from

runGSAhyper().

browser a logical, whether or not to open the Shiny app in a browser window. Set to

FALSE to open an interactive window directly in RStudio.

geneAnnot a data. frame, containing gene annotation. The first column should be gene IDs

matching those in gsares.

genesets a character vector or list (named or un-named) of character vectors containing

subsets of gene-set names that can be selected and displayed in the network plot.

## Details

Additional gene-level information, e.g. alternative names or description, can be supplied via the geneAnnot argument. This information will show up in the gene table and the gene summary tabs.

#### Value

Does not return any object.

## Author(s)

```
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```

#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA, GSAheatmap, networkPlot2
```

```
# Load example input data to GSA:
data("gsa_input")

# Load gene set collection:
gsc <- loadGSC(gsa_input$gsc)

# Run gene set analysis:</pre>
```

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extractFactors

Extracts ArrayData factors

## Description

Extracts the factors, given by an ArrayData object, that can be used by diffExp

# Usage

```
extractFactors(arrayData)
```

## **Arguments**

arrayData

an ArrayData object.

#### Value

A list with elements:

factors

Assigns one factor to each array

uniqueFactors

The unique factors that can be used to form contrasts

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## See Also

```
piano, diffExp
```

```
# Get path to example data and setup files:
dataPath <- system.file("extdata", package="piano")

# Load normalized data:
myArrayData <- loadMAdata(datadir=dataPath, dataNorm="norm_data.txt.gz", platform="yeast2")

#Extract the factors that can be used in the call to diffExp:
extractFactors(myArrayData)</pre>
```

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Gene set summary

## **Description**

Returns a summary of the statistics and gene members of a given gene set in a GSAres object.

## Usage

```
geneSetSummary(gsaRes, geneSet)
```

## **Arguments**

gsaRes an object of class GSAres, as returned from runGSA(). geneSet a character string giving the name of a gene-set.

## **Details**

This function can be used to access information on specific gene sets of interest. The same results are available for all gene sets using GSAsummaryTable.

#### Value

A list with the elements name, containing the gene-set name, geneLevelStats, containing the gene-level statistics of the member genes, directions, containing the directions of the member genes, and stats, a table of the gene set statistics and p-values.

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#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA, GSAsummaryTable
```

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GSAheatmap	Heatmap of top significant gene sets

## Description

This function selects the top scoring (most significant) gene sets for each directionality class and produces a heatmap plot of the results.

## Usage

```
GSAheatmap(
   gsaRes,
   cutoff = 5,
   adjusted = FALSE,
   ncharLabel = 25,
   cellnote = "pvalue",
   columnnames = "full",
   colorkey = TRUE,
   colorgrad = NULL,
   cex = NULL
)
```

## **Arguments**

gsaRes	an object of class GSAres, as returned from runGSA().
cutoff	an integer n, so that the top n gene sets (plus possible ties) in each directionality class will be included in the heatmap.
adjusted	a logical, whether to use adjusted p-values or not. Note that if runGSA was run with the argument adjMethod="none", the adjusted p-values will be equal to the original p-values.
ncharLabel	the number of characters to include in the row labels.
cellnote	a character string selecting the information to be printed inside each cell of the heatmap. Either "pvalue", "rank", "nGenes" or "none". Note that the actual heatmap will always be based on the gene set ranks.
columnnames	either "full" (default) or "abbr" to use full or abbreviated column labels. Will save some space for the heatmap if set to "abbr"
colorkey	a logical (default TRUE), whether or not to display the colorkey. Will save some space for the heatmap if turned off.
colorgrad	a character vector giving the color names to use in the heatmap.
cex	a numeric, to control the text size.

## **Details**

This function selects the top significant gene sets in each directionality class and draws a heatmap of the results. It provides a quick summary alternative to the GSAsummaryTable function or the networkPlot.

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## Value

A list, returned invisibly, containing the matrix of p-values (adjusted or non-adjusted depending on the settings) as represented in the heatmap as well as the matrix of corresponding ranks and the matrix of number of genes in each gene set (inlcuding the subset of up and down regulated genes for the mixed directional classes).

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#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA, GSAsummaryTable, networkPlot2, exploreGSAres
```

## **Examples**

GSAsummaryTable

Gene set analysis summary table

#### **Description**

Displays or saves a summary table of the results from runGSA.

#### Usage

```
GSAsummaryTable(gsaRes, save = FALSE, file = NULL)
```

## Arguments

gsaRes an object of class GSAres, as returned from runGSA().

save a logical, whether or not to save the table.

file a character string giving the file name to save to.

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## **Details**

The table is by default saved as an .xls file, if file is unused.

## Value

The summary table as a data.frame (returned invisibly if save=TRUE).

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#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA, networkPlot, GSAheatmap
```

## **Examples**

gsa\_input

Random input data for gene set analysis

## **Description**

This data set is completely randomly generated and contains p-values for 2000 genes, fold-changes for those genes and a gene set collection giving the connection between genes and 50 gene sets. Only intended to be used as example data for runGSA.

#### **Format**

A list containing 3 elements: gsa\_input\$pvals and gsa\_input\$directions are numeric vectors, gsa\_input\$gsc is a two-column matrix with gene names in the first column and gene set names in the second.

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gsa_results	Gene set analysis result data	

## Description

This data set contains gene set analysis results, as returned by the runGSA function, that is used as example data for downstream functions. The input data to runGSA was randomly generated and is accessible through data(gsa\_input).

## **Format**

A list where each element is an object of class GSAres, as returned by runGSA.

loadGSC	Load a gene set collection	

## Description

Load a gene set collection, to be used in runGSA, in GMT, SBML or SIF format, or optionally from a data. frame.

## Usage

```
loadGSC(file, type = "auto", addInfo)
```

# Arguments

file	a character string, giving the name of the file containing the gene set collection. Optionally an object that can be coerced into a two-column data.frame, the first column containing genes and the second gene sets, representing all "gene"-to-"gene set" connections.
type	a character string giving the file type. Can be either of "gmt", "sbml", "sif". If set to "auto" the type will be taken from the file extension. If the gene-set collection is loaded into R from another source and stored in a data.frame, it can be loaded with the setting "data.frame".
addInfo	an optional data.frame with two columns, the first containing the gene set names and the second containing additional information for each gene set. Some additional info may load automatically from the different file types.

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#### **Details**

This function is used to create a gene-set collection object to be used with runGSA.

The "gmt" files available from the Molecular Signatures Database (http://www.broadinstitute.org/gsea/msigdb/) can be loaded using loadGSC. This website is a valuable resource and contains several different collections of gene sets.

By using the functionality of e.g. the biomaRt package, a gene-set collection with custom gene names (matching the statistics used in runGSA) can easily be compiled into a two-column data.frame (column order: genes, gene sets) and loaded with type="data.frame".

If a sif-file is used it is assumed that the first column contains gene sets and the third column contains genes.

A genome-scale metabolic model in SBML format can be used to define gene sets. In this case, metabolites will be the gene sets, containing all the genes that code for enzymes catalyzing reactions in which the metabolite takes part in. In order to load an SBML-file it is required that libSBML and rsbml is installed. Note that the SBML loading is an experimental feature and is highly dependent on the version and format of the SBML file and requires it to contain gene associations for the reactions. By examining the returned GSC object it is easy to see if the correct gene sets were loaded.

#### Value

A list like object of class GSC containing two elements. The first is gsc, a list of the gene sets, each element a character vector of genes. The second element is addInfo, a data.frame containing the optional additional information.

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#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA
```

```
# Randomly generated gene sets:
g <- sort(paste("g",floor(runif(100)*500+1),sep=""))
g <- c(g,sort(paste("g",floor(runif(900)*1000+1),sep="")))
g <- c(g,sort(paste("g",floor(runif(1000)*2000+1),sep="")))
s <- paste("s",floor(rbeta(2000,0.9,1.7)*50+1),sep=""))
# Make data.frame:
gsc <- cbind(g,s)
# Load gene set collection from data.frame:
gsc <- loadGSC(gsc)</pre>
```

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Load and preprocess microarray data

## Description

Loads, preprocesses and annotates microarray data to be further used by downstream functions in the **piano** package.

## Usage

```
loadMAdata(
  datadir = getwd(),
  setup = "setup.txt",
  dataNorm,
  platform = "NULL",
  annotation,
  normalization = "plier",
  filter = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

# Arguments

datadir	character string giving the directory in which to look for the data. Defaults to getwd().
setup	character string giving the name of the file containing the experimental setup, or an object of class data.frame or similar containing the experimental setup. Defaults to "setup.txt", see details below for more information.
dataNorm	character string giving the name of the normalized data, or an object of class data. frame or similar containing the normalized data. Only to be used if the user wishes to start with normalized data rather then CEL files.
platform	character string giving the name of the platform, can be either "yeast2" or NULL. See details below for more information.
annotation	character string giving the name of the annotation file, or an object of class data.frame or similar containing the annotation information. The annotation should consist of the columns <i>Gene name</i> , <i>Chromosome</i> and <i>Chromosome location</i> . Not required if platform="yeast2".
normalization	character string giving the normalization method, can be either "plier", "rma" or "mas5". Defaults to "plier".
filter	should the data be filtered? If TRUE then probes not present in the annotation will be discarded. Defaults to TRUE.
verbose	verbose? Defaults to TRUE.
	additional arguments to be passed to ReadAffy.

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#### **Details**

This function requires at least two inputs: (1) data, either CEL files in the directory specified by datadir or normalized data specified by dataNorm, and (2) experimental setup specified by setup.

The setup shold be either a tab delimited text file with column headers or a data.frame. The first column should contain the names of the CEL files or the column names used for the normalized data, please be sure to use names valid as column names, e.g. avoid names starting with numbers. Additional columns should assign attributes in some category to each array. (For an example run the example below and look at the object myArrayData\$setup.)

The **piano** package is customized for yeast 2.0 arrays and annotation will work automatically, if the cdfName of the arrays equals *Yeast\_2*. If using normalized yeast 2.0 data as input, the user needs to set the argument platform="yeast2" to tell the function to use yeast annotation. If other platforms than yeast 2.0 is used, set platform=NULL (default) and supply appropriate annotation by the argument annotation. Note that the cdfName will override platform, so it can still be set to NULL for yeast 2.0 CEL files. Note also that annotation overrides platform, so if the user wants to use an alternative annotation for yeast, this can be done simply by specifying this in annotation.

The annotation should have the column headers *Gene name*, *Chromosome* and *Chromosome location*. The *Gene name* is used in the heatmap in diffExp and the *Chromosome* and *Chromosome location* is used by the polarPlot. The rownames (or first column if using a text file) should contain the *probe IDs*. If using a text file the first column should have the header *probeID* or similar. The filtering step discards all probes not listed in the annotation.

Normalization is performed on all CEL file data using one of the Affymetrix methods: PLIER ("plier") as implemented by justPlier, RMA (Robust Multi-Array Average) ("rma") expression measure as implemented by rma or MAS 5.0 expression measure "mas5" as implemented by mas5.

It is possible to pass additional arguments to ReadAffy, e.g. cdfname as this might be required for some types of CEL files.

## Value

An ArrayData object (which is essentially a list) with the following elements:

dataRaw raw data as an AffyBatch object

dataNorm data.frame containing normalized expression values

setup data. frame containing experimental setup

annotation data.frame containing annotation

Depending on input arguments the ArrayData object may not include dataRaw and/or annotation.

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## See Also

```
piano, runQC, diffExp, ReadAffy, expresso, justPlier, yeast2.db
```

## **Examples**

```
# Get path to example data and setup files:
dataPath <- system.file("extdata", package="piano")

# Load normalized data:
myArrayData <- loadMAdata(datadir=dataPath, dataNorm="norm_data.txt.gz", platform="yeast2")

# Print to look at details:
myArrayData</pre>
```

networkPlot

Gene set network plot

## **Description**

Draws a network with gene sets as nodes and the thickness of the edges correlating to the number of shared genes. The gene set significance is visualized as color intensities. Gives an overview of the influence of overlap on significant gene sets.

## Usage

```
networkPlot(
  gsaRes,
  class,
  direction,
  adjusted = FALSE,
  significance = 0.001,
  geneSets = NULL,
  overlap = 1,
  lay = 1,
  label = "names",
  cexLabel = 0.9,
  ncharLabel = 25,
  cexLegend = 1,
  nodeSize = c(10, 40),
  edgeWidth = c(1, 15),
  edgeColor = NULL,
  scoreColors = NULL,
  main
)
```

## Arguments

gsaRes an object of class GSAres, as returned from runGSA() or an object returned from runGSAhyper().

class a character string determining the p-values of which directionality class that

should be used as significance information for the plot. Can be one of "distinct", "mixed", "non". Has to be "non" if the result from runGSAhyper() is used.

direction a character string giving the direction of regulation, can be either "up", "down"

or "both" (for class="distinct" only).

adjusted a logical, if adjusted p-values should be used, or not. Note that if runGSA was

run with the argument adjMethod="none", the adjusted p-values will be equal

to the original p-values.

significance the significance cut-off that determines which gene sets are included in the plot.

Defaults to 0.001.

geneSets a character vector of gene set names, to be included in the plot. Defaults to NULL,

but if given, the argument significance will not be used.

overlap a positive numerical. Determines the smallest number of sharing genes between

two gene-sets that is needed in order to draw a line/edge between the gene-sets.

Defaults to 1.

lay a numerical between 1-5, or a layout function (see layout in the igraph pack-

age). 1-5 sets the layout to one of the five default layout for the network plot.

label a character string, either "names", "numbers", "numbersAndSizes" or "namesAndSizes",

determining the labels used for the nodes. The names are the gene set names, numbers is an arbritary numbered list of the gene sets used in the plot connected to the named list returned by the funtion. Sizes are the gene set sizes, e.g. the

number of genes.

cexLabel the text size of the node labels.

ncharLabel the number of characters to include in the node labels.

cexLegend the text size of the legend.

nodeSize a numerical vector of length 2 giving the maximum and minimum node sizes.

The node size represents the size of the gene set, and all values will be scaled to

the given interval.

edgeWidth a numerical vector of length 2 giving the maximum and minimum edge widths.

The edge width represents the number of shared genes between two gene sets,

and all values will be scaled to the given interval.

edgeColor a character vector giving the colors to use for increasing edge width. Can also

be set to a single color. Defaults to a gray-scale.

scoreColors a character vector giving the colors from which the gradient used for node color-

ing will be created. In the case of class="distinct" and direction="both" the first half of the vector will be used for the up-regulated gene sets and the

second part will be used for the down-regulated gene sets.

main an optional character vector setting the title of the plot.

#### **Details**

In the case of class="distinct" and direction="both", the distinct directional p-values (pDistinctDirUp and pDistinctDirDn, see runGSA) will be used in combination. Using the geneSets and lay arguments, multiple comparative plots (i.e. with the same layout) can be drawn, based for instance on the output gene set list from other network plots with different directionality classes.

#### Value

Returns a list with two components: geneSets containing the names and numbers of the gene sets in the plot, and layout, containing the saved layout of the plot, which can be passed back to the lay argument in order to draw a subsequent plot with the same layout.

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#### See Also

piano, runGSA, GSAheatmap, networkPlot2, exploreGSAres, layout

## **Description**

Draws a network with gene sets as nodes and the thickness of the edges correlating to the number of shared genes. The gene set significance is visualized as color intensities. Gives an overview of the influence of overlap on significant gene sets. Uses package visNetwork for plotting.

## Usage

```
networkPlot2(
  gsaRes,
  class,
  direction,
  adjusted = TRUE,
  significance = 0.001,
  geneSets = NULL,
  lay = "visNetwork",
  physics = TRUE,
  overlap = 0.1,
  label = "names",
  labelSize = 22,
  ncharLabel = 25,
  nodeSize = c(10, 40),
  edgeWidth = c(1, 15),
  edgeColor = NULL,
  scoreColors = NULL,
  naColor = "yellow",
  main,
  submain,
  seed = 1,
 maxAllowedNodes = Inf,
  shiny = FALSE
)
```

## **Arguments**

gsaRes	an object of class GSAres, as returned from runGSA() or an object returned from runGSAhyper().
class	a character string determining the p-values of which directionality class that should be used as significance information for the plot. Can be one of "distinct" mixed", "non". Has to be "non" if the result from runGSAhyper() is used.
direction	a character string giving the direction of regulation, can be either "up", "down" or "both" (for class="distinct" only).
adjusted	a logical, if adjusted p-values should be used, or not. Note that if runGSA was run with the argument adjMethod="none", the adjusted p-values will be equal to the original p-values.
significance	the significance cut-off that determines which gene sets are included in the plot. Defaults to 0.001.

geneSets a character vector of gene set names, to be included in the plot. Defaults to NULL,

but if given, the argument significance will be ignored.

lay One of "visNetwork" (or "1"), "layout\_nicely" (or "2"), "layout\_as\_star"

(or "3"), "layout\_with\_fr" (or "4"), "layout\_with\_kk" (or "5"), "layout\_with\_sugiyama"
(or "6"), "layout\_in\_circle" (or "7"), "layout\_on\_grid" (or "8"), "layout\_as\_tree",
"layout\_on\_sphere", "layout\_randomly", "layout\_with\_dh", "layout\_with\_gem",

"layout\_with\_graphopt", "layout\_with\_lgl", "layout\_with\_mds"

physics logical, whether or not to use physics simulation.

overlap a positive numerical. Determines the smallest number or fraction of sharing

genes between two gene-sets that is needed in order to draw a line/edge between the gene-sets. If  $\geq 1$ , the argument is interpreted as number of genes. If between 0 and 1, the argument is interpreted as the fraction of genes of the smalles

gene-set in a given pair. Defaults to 0.1.

label a character string, either "names", "numbers", "numbersAndSizes" or "namesAndSizes",

determining the labels used for the nodes. The names are the gene set names, numbers is an arbritary numbered list of the gene sets used in the plot connected to the named list returned by the funtion (see example). Sizes are the gene set

sizes, e.g. the number of genes.

labelSize the text size of the node labels.

ncharLabel the number of characters to include in the node labels.

nodeSize a numerical vector of length 2 giving the maximum and minimum node sizes.

The node size represents the size of the gene set, and all values will be scaled to

the given interval.

edgeWidth a numerical vector of length 2 giving the maximum and minimum edge widths.

The edge width represents the number of shared genes between two gene sets,

and all values will be scaled to the given interval.

edgeColor a character vector giving the colors to use for increasing edge width. Can also

be set to a single color. Defaults to a gray-scale.

scoreColors a character vector giving the colors from which the gradient used for node color-

ing will be created. In the case of class="distinct" and direction="both" the first half of the vector will be used for the up-regulated gene sets and the

second part will be used for the down-regulated gene sets.

naColor the color for gene-sets when selected p-value is NA
main an optional character vector setting the title of the plot.
submain an optional character vector setting the subtitle of the plot.

seed random seed for reproducible layouts

maxAllowedNodes

if the set parameters results in a network with more than maxAllowedNodes, a

error if given instead of drawing the network.

shiny Only for internal use. Set to FALSE by default.

## Details

In the case of class="distinct" and direction="both", the distinct directional p-values (pDistinctDirUp and pDistinctDirDn, see runGSA) will be used in combination.

#### Value

Returns an object of class visNetwork that can be further manipulated, see examples.

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#### See Also

```
piano, runGSA, GSAheatmap, exploreGSAres
```

```
# Load example input data to GSA:
data("gsa_input")
# Load gene set collection:
gsc <- loadGSC(gsa_input$gsc)</pre>
# Run gene set analysis:
gsares <- runGSA(geneLevelStats=gsa_input$pvals , directions=gsa_input$directions,</pre>
                 gsc=gsc, nPerm=500)
# Network plot:
networkPlot2(gsares, class="non", significance=0.1)
# Display number to gene-set name mapping:
res <- networkPlot2(gsares, class="non", significance=0.1)</pre>
res$x$nodes[,c("id","geneSetNames")]
# Examples of reusing res later:
# Draw same again:
require(visNetwork)
visNetwork(res$x$nodes,res$x$edges)
# os simly just:
res
# Draw only essential, rest is default:
visNetwork(res$x$nodes[,c("id","label")],res$x$edges[,c("from","to")])
# Add custom options:
visNetwork(res$x$nodes[,c("id","label")],res$x$edges[,c("from","to")]) %>%
visIgraphLayout("layout_in_circle")
# Other example:
res %>% visNodes(shadow=FALSE)
# See package visNetwork for more examples
```

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polarPlot

Polar plot

## Description

Produces a Polar plot, mapping p-values to chromosome location. This function is used by diffExp.

## Usage

```
polarPlot(
  pValues,
  chromosomeMapping,
  colors = c("red", "green", "blue", "yellow", "orange", "purple", "tan", "cyan",
        "gray60", "black"),
  save = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

pValues a data.frame containing p-values for different contrasts in different columns.

Column names are used as contrast names. Maximum number of columns al-

lowed are ten.

chromosomeMapping

character string giving the name of the chromosome mapping file, or an object of class data. frame or similar containing the chromosome mapping. See details

below.

colors character vector of colors to be used by the Polar plot.

save should the figures be saved? Defaults to FALSE.

verbose verbose? Defaults to TRUE.

## **Details**

This function is mainly used by diffExp but can also be used separately by the user.

The argument chromosomeMapping should be either a data.frame or a tab delimited text file and include the columns *chromosome* with the chromosome name and *chromosome location* containing the starting position of each gene. A – sign can be used to denote the antisense strand but this will be disregarded while plotting. The rownames should be *probe IDs* or, if using a text file, the first column with a column header should contain the *probe IDs*. If relying on an ArrayData object (called arrayData) and containing an annotation field, the chromosomeMapping can be set to arrayData\$annotation[,c(2,3)] (see the example below).

The Polar plot sorts the genes according to chromosomal location, for each chromosome starting with unknown positions followed by increasing number in the *chromosome location* column. Genes which do not map to any chromosome are listed as U for unknown. The radial lines in the Polar plot are -log10 scaled p-values, so that a longer line means a smaller p-value. This gives an overview of the magnitude of differential expression for each contrast.

## Value

Does not return any object.

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## See Also

```
piano, diffExp, radial.plot
```

## **Examples**

runGSA

Gene set analysis

## Description

Performs gene set analysis (GSA) based on a given number of gene-level statistics and a gene set collection, using a variety of available methods, returning the gene set statistics and p-values of different directionality classes.

# Usage

```
runGSA(
  geneLevelStats,
  directions = NULL,
  geneSetStat = "mean",
  signifMethod = "geneSampling",
```

```
adjMethod = "fdr",
gsc,
gsSizeLim = c(1, Inf),
permStats = NULL,
permDirections = NULL,
nPerm = 10000,
gseaParam = 1,
ncpus = 1,
verbose = TRUE
```

## **Arguments**

geneLevelStats a vector or a one-column data.frame or matrix, containing the gene level statis-

tics. Gene level statistics can be e.g. p-values, t-values or F-values.

directions a vector or a one-column data.frame or matrix, containing fold-change like val-

ues for the related gene-level statistics. This is mainly used if statistics are p-values or F-values, but not required. The values should be positive or negative, but only the sign information will be used, so the actual value will not matter.

geneSetStat the statistical GSA method to use. Can be one of "fisher", "stouffer",

"reporter", "tailStrength", "wilcoxon", "mean", "median", "sum", "maxmean",

"gsea", "fgsea" or "page". See below for details.

signifMethod the method for significance assessment of gene sets, i.e. p-value calculation.

Can be one of "geneSampling", "samplePermutation" or "nullDist"

adjMethod the method for adjusting for multiple testing. Can be any of the methods sup-

ported by p.adjust, i.e. "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH", "BY", "fdr" or "none". The exception is for geneSetStat="gsea", where only

the options "fdr" and "none" can be used.

gsc a gene set collection given as an object of class GSC as returned by the loadGSC

function.

gsSizeLim a vector of length two, giving the minimum and maximum gene set size (number

of member genes) to be kept for the analysis. Defaults to c(1, Inf).

permStats a matrix with permutated gene-level statistics (columns) for each gene (rows).

This should be calculated by the user by randomizing the sample labels in the original data, and recalculating the gene level statistics for each comparison a large number of times, thus generating a vector (rows in the matrix) of background statistics for each gene. This argument is required and only used if

signifMethod="samplePermutation".

permDirections similar to permStats, but should instead contain fold-change like values for the

related permutated statistics. This is mainly used if the statistics are p-values or F-values, but not required. The values should be positive or negative, but only the sign information will be used, so the actual value will not matter. This argument is only used if signifMethod="samplePermutation", but not required. Note however, that if directions is give then also permDirections is required,

and vice versa.

nPerm the number of permutations to use for gene sampling, i.e. if signifMethod="geneSampling".

The original Reporter features algorithm (geneSetStat="reporter" and signifMethod="nullDist")

also uses a permutation step which is controlled by nPerm.

gseaParam the exponent parameter of the GSEA and FGSEA approach. This defaults to 1,

as recommended by the GSEA authors.

ncpus the number of cpus to use. If larger than 1, the gene permutation part will be

run in parallel and thus decrease runtime. Requires R package **snowfall** to be installed. Should be set so that nPerm/ncpus is a positive integer. (Not used by

FGSEA.)

verbose a logical. Whether or not to display progress messages during the analysis.

#### **Details**

The rownames of geneLevelStats and directions should be identical and match the names of the members of the gene sets in gsc. If geneSetStat is set to "fisher", "stouffer", "reporter" or "tailStrength" only p-values are allowed as geneLevelStats. If geneSetStat is set to "maxmean", "gsea", "fgsea" or "page" only t-like geneLevelStats are allowed (e.g. t-values, fold-changes).

For geneSetStat set to "fisher", "stouffer", "reporter", "wilcoxon" or "page", the gene set p-values can be calculated from a theoretical null-distribution, in this case, set signifMethod="nullDist". For all methods signifMethod="geneSampling" or signifMethod="samplePermutation" can be used, except for "fgsea" where only signifMethod="geneSampling" is allowed. If signifMethod="geneSampling" gene sampling is used, meaning that the gene labels are randomized nPerm times and the gene set statistics are recalculated so that a background distribution for each original gene set is acquired. The gene set p-values are calculated based on this background distribution. Similarly if signifMethod="samplePermutation" sample permutation is used. In this case the argument permStats (and optionally permDirections) has to be supplied.

The runGSA function returns p-values for each gene set. Depending on the choice of methods and gene statistics up to three classes of p-values can be calculated, describing different aspects of regulation directionality. The three directionality classes are Distinct-directional, Mixed-directional and Non-directional. The non-directional p-values (pNonDirectional) are calculated based on absolute values of the gene statistics (or p-values without sign information), meaning that gene sets containing a high portion of significant genes, independent of direction, will turn up significant. That is, gene-sets with a low pNonDirectional should be interpreted to be significantly affected by gene regulation, but there can be a mix of both up and down regulation involved. The mixed-directional p-values (pMixedDirUp and pMixedDirDn) are calculated using the subset of the gene statistics that are up-regulated and down-regulated, respectively. This means that a gene set with a low pMixedDirUp will have a component of significantly up-regulated genes, disregardful of the extent of down-regulated genes, and the reverse for pMixedDirDn. This also means that one can get gene sets that are both significantly affected by down-regulation and significantly affected by up-regulation at the same time. Note that sample permutation cannot be used to calculate pMixedDirUp and pMixedDirDn since the subset sizes will differ. Finally, the distinct-directional p-values (pDistinctDirup and pDistinctDirDn) are calculated from statistics with sign information (e.g. t-statistics). In this case, if a gene set contains both up- and down-regulated genes, they will cancel out each other. A gene-set with a low pDistinctDirUp will be significantly affected by up-regulation, but not a mix of up- and down-regulation (as in the case of the mixed-directional and non-directional p-values). In order to be able to calculate distinct-directional gene set p-values

while using p-values as gene-level statistics, the gene-level p-values are transformed as follows: The up-regulated portion of the p-values are divided by 2 (scaled to range between 0-0.5) and the down-regulated portion of p-values are set to 1-p/2 (scaled to range between 1-0.5). This means that a significantly down-regulated gene will get a p-value close to 1. These new p-values are used as input to the gene-set analysis procedure to get pDistinctDirUp. Similarly, the opposite is done, so that the up-regulated portion is scaled between 1-0.5 and the down-regulated between 0-0.5 to get the pDistinctDirDn.

#### Value

A list-like object of class GSAres containing the following elements:

geneStatType The interpretated type of gene-level statistics geneSetStat The method for gene set statistic calculation signifMethod The method for significance estimation

adjMethod The method of adjustment for multiple testing

info A list object with detailed info number of genes and gene sets

gsSizeLim The selected gene set size limits

gsStatName The name of the gene set statistic type

nPerm The number of permutations

gseaParam The GSEA parameter

geneLevelStats The input gene-level statistics

directions The input directions

gsc The input gene set collection

nGenesTot The total number of genes in each gene set

nGenesUp The number of up-regulated genes in each gene set

nGenesDn The number of down-regulated genes in each gene set

statDistinctDir

Gene set statistics of the distinct-directional class

statDistinctDirUp

Gene set statistics of the distinct-directional class

statDistinctDirDn

Gene set statistics of the distinct-directional class

statNonDirectional

Gene set statistics of the non-directional class

statMixedDirUp Gene set statistics of the mixed-directional class statMixedDirDn Gene set statistics of the mixed-directional class pDistinctDirUp Gene set p-values of the distinct-directional class pDistinctDirDn Gene set p-values of the distinct-directional class

pNonDirectional

Gene set p-values of the non-directional class

pMixedDirUp Gene set p-values of the mixed-directional class

pMixedDirDn Gene set p-values of the mixed-directional class pAdjDistinctDirUp

Adjusted gene set p-values of the distinct-directional class

pAdjDistinctDirDn

Adjusted gene set p-values of the distinct-directional class

pAdjNonDirectional

Adjusted gene set p-values of the non-directional class

pAdjMixedDirUp Adjusted gene set p-values of the mixed-directional class pAdjMixedDirDn Adjusted gene set p-values of the mixed-directional class

runtime The execution time in seconds

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#### See Also

piano, loadGSC, GSAsummaryTable, geneSetSummary, networkPlot2, exploreGSAres, samr, limma, GSA, fgsea 32 runGSAhyper

## **Examples**

runGSAhyper

Gene set analysis with Fisher's exact test

## Description

Performs gene set analysis (GSA) based on a list of significant genes and a gene set collection, using Fisher's exact test, returning the gene set p-values.

## Usage

```
runGSAhyper(
  genes,
  pvalues,
  pcutoff,
  universe,
  gsc,
  gsSizeLim = c(1, Inf),
  adjMethod = "fdr"
)
```

## **Arguments**

genes	a vector of all genes in your experiment, or a small list of significant genes.
pvalues	a vector (or object to be coerced into one) of pvalues for genes or a binary vector with 0 for significant genes. Defaults to rep(0,length(genes)), i.e. genes is a vector of genes of interest.
pcutoff	p-value cutoff for significant genes. Defaults to 0 if pvalues are binary. If p-values are spread in [0,1] defaults to 0.05.
universe	a vector of genes that represent the universe. Defaults to genes if pvalues are not all 0. If pvalues are all 0, defaults to all unique genes in gsc.
gsc	a gene set collection given as an object of class GSC as returned by the loadGSC function.

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gsSizeLim a vector of length two, giving the minimum and maximum gene set size (number

of member genes) to be kept for the analysis. Defaults to c(1, Inf).

adjMethod the method for adjusting for multiple testing. Can be any of the methods sup-

ported by p.adjust, i.e. "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "bonferroni", "BH",

"BY", "fdr" or "none".

#### **Details**

The statistical test performed is a one-tailed Fisher's exact test on the contingency table with columns "In gene set" and "Not in gene set" and rows "Significant" and "Non-significant" (this is equivalent to a hypergeometric test).

Command run for gene set i:

fisher.test(res\$contingencyTable[[i]], alternative="greater"),

the res\$contingencyTable object is available from the object returned from runGSAhyper.

The main difference between runGSA and runGSAhyper is that runGSA uses the gene-level statistics (numerical values for each gene) to calculate the gene set p-values, whereas runGSAhyper only uses the group membership of each gene (in/not in gene set, significant/non-significant). This means that for runGSAhyper a p-value cut-off for determining significant genes has to be chosen by the user and after this, all significant genes will be seen as equally significant (i.e. the actual p-values are not used). The advantage with runGSAhyper is that you can use it to find enriched gene sets when you only have a list of interesting genes, without any statistics.

#### Value

A list-like object containing the following elements:

```
pvalues a vector of gene set p-values
```

p.adj a vector of gene set p-values, adjusted for multiple testing

resTab a full result table

contingencyTable

a list of the contingency tables used for each gene set

gsc the input gene set collection

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#### See Also

```
piano, loadGSC, runGSA, fisher.test, phyper, networkPlot
```

```
# Load example input data (dummy p-values and gene set collection):
data("gsa_input")

# Load gene set collection:
gsc <- loadGSC(gsa_input$gsc)</pre>
```

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```
# Randomly select 100 genes of interest (as an example):
genes <- sample(unique(gsa_input$gsc[,1]),100)

# Run gene set analysis using Fisher's exact test:
res <- runGSAhyper(genes, gsc=gsc)

# If you have p-values for the genes and want to make a cutoff for significance:
genes <- names(gsa_input$pvals) # All gene names
p <- gsa_input$pvals # p-values for all genes
res <- runGSAhyper(genes, p, pcutoff=0.001, gsc=gsc)

# If the 20 first genes are the interesting/significant ones they can be selected
# with a binary vector:
significant <- c(rep(0,20),rep(1,length(genes)-20))
res <- runGSAhyper(genes, significant, gsc=gsc)</pre>
```

runQC

Run quality control

## **Description**

Performs a set of quality control methods and produces the results as figures.

## Usage

```
runQC(
    arrayData,
    rnaDeg = TRUE,
    nuseRle = TRUE,
    hist = TRUE,
    boxplot = TRUE,
    pca = TRUE,
    colorFactor = 1,
    colors = c("red", "green", "blue", "yellow", "orange", "purple", "tan", "cyan",
        "gray60", "black", "white"),
    save = FALSE,
    verbose = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

```
arrayData an object of class ArrayData.

rnaDeg should RNA degradation be detected? Defaults to TRUE.
```

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nuseRle should Normalized Unscaled Standard Errors (NUSE) and Relative Log Expres-

sions (RLE) be calculated? Defaults to TRUE.

hist produce histograms of expression values? Defaults to TRUE. boxplot produce boxplots of expression values? Defaults to TRUE.

pca should PCA be run? Defaults to TRUE.

colorFactor a number specifying which column of the setup (given by the ArrayData object)

should be used for coloring information for the PCA. Defaults to 1.

colors a character vector of colors to be used in the PCA plot.

save should the figures be saved? Defaults to FALSE.

verbose verbose? Defaults to TRUE.

#### **Details**

This function is essentially a wrapper for various available quality control functions for AffyBatch objects and normalized microarray data. RNA degradation (rnaDeg=TRUE) and NUSE & RLE (nuseRle=TRUE) require raw data (a dataRaw element in the ArrayData object).

The PCA uses prcomp on centralized normalized data.

Typical usages are:

```
# Run all quality controls:
runQC(arrayData)
```

## Value

Does not return any object.

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## References

Brettschneider J, Collin F, Bolstad BM, and Speed TP. Quality assessment for short oligonucleotide arrays. *Technometrics*. (2007) In press

#### See Also

```
piano, loadMAdata, diffExp, AffyRNAdeg, fitPLM, AffyBatch, prcomp
```

```
# Get path to example data and setup files:
dataPath <- system.file("extdata", package="piano")

# Load normalized data:
myArrayData <- loadMAdata(datadir=dataPath, dataNorm="norm_data.txt.gz", platform="yeast2")

# Run PCA only:</pre>
```

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runQC(myArrayData,rnaDeg=FALSE, nuseRle=FALSE, hist=FALSE, boxplot=FALSE)

writeFilesForKiwi

Write files for Kiwi

## Description

Given a single object or a list of objects of class GSAres, extract the information needed for visualization in the external python function Kiwi and write it to files that can be used as input.

## Usage

```
writeFilesForKiwi(gsaRes, label = "", overwrite = FALSE)
```

## **Arguments**

gsaRes either an object of class GSAres or a list where each element is an object of class

GSAres, as returned by the runGSA function.

label a character string that will be appended to the names of the resulting files.

overwrite a logical, whether or not to overwrite existing files with identical names.

#### **Details**

This function takes the result from a gene set analysis as returned by the runGSA function and writes three files that can be directly used as input to Kiwi. Kiwi is a external function i python that can be used for network-based visualization of the GSA results (http://sysbio.se/kiwi).

#### Value

Three files are written in the current directory. GSC.txt contains the gene-gene set associations, i.e. the gene set collection. GLS.txt contains the gene-level statistics. GSS.txt contains the gene set statistics.

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#### See Also

piano, runGSA, networkPlot

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```
# Load some example GSA results:
data(gsa_results)

# Write the files:
writeFilesForKiwi(gsa_results,"exp1")
```

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