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| cytoflexmix | <i>Logistic mixture regression</i> |
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Description

Logistic mixture regression

Usage

```
cytoflexmix(
  df_samples_subset,
  protein_names,
  condition,
  group = "donor",
  cell_n_min = Inf,
  cell_n_subsample = 0,
  ks = seq_len(10),
  num_cores = 1
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| df_samples_subset | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| protein_names | A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis |
| condition | The column name of the condition variable |
| group | The column name of the group variable |
| cell_n_min | Remove samples that are below this cell counts threshold |
| cell_n_subsample | Subsample samples to have this maximum cell count |
| ks | A vector of cluster sizes |
| num_cores | Number of computing cores |

Value

A list of class `cytoglm` containing

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| flexmixfits | list of <code>flexmix</code> objects |
| df_samples_subset | possibly subsampled <code>df_samples_subset</code> table |
| protein_names | input protein names |
| condition | input condition variable |
| group | input group names |
| cell_n_min | input <code>cell_n_min</code> |
| cell_n_subsample | input <code>cell_n_subsample</code> |
| ks | input <code>ks</code> |
| num_cores | input <code>num_cores</code> |

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
mix_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoflexmix(df,
                                protein_names = protein_names,
                                condition = "condition",
                                group = "donor",
                                ks = 2)

mix_fit
```

cytoglm

*Fit GLM with bootstrap resampling***Description**

Fit GLM with bootstrap resampling

Usage

```
cytoglm(
  df_samples_subset,
  protein_names,
  condition,
  group = "donor",
  covariate_names = NULL,
  cell_n_min = Inf,
  cell_n_subsample = 0,
  num_boot = 100,
  num_cores = 1
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <code>df_samples_subset</code> | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| <code>protein_names</code> | A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis |
| <code>condition</code> | The column name of the condition variable |
| <code>group</code> | The column name of the group variable |
| <code>covariate_names</code> | The column names of covariates |
| <code>cell_n_min</code> | Remove samples that are below this cell counts threshold |
| <code>cell_n_subsample</code> | Subsample samples to have this maximum cell count |
| <code>num_boot</code> | Number of bootstrap samples |
| <code>num_cores</code> | Number of computing cores |

ValueA list of class `cytoglm` containing

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <code>tb_coef</code> | coefficient table |
| <code>df_samples_subset</code> | possibly subsampled <code>df_samples_subset</code> table |
| <code>protein_names</code> | input protein names |
| <code>condition</code> | input condition variable |
| <code>group</code> | input group names |
| <code>covariate_names</code> | input covariates |

```

cell_n_min      input cell_n_min
cell_n_subsample
                 input cell_n_subsample

unpaired        true if unpaired samples were provided as input
num_boot        input num_boot
num_cores       input num_cores
formula_str     formula use in the regression model

```

Examples

```

set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
glm_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoglm(df,
                             protein_names = protein_names,
                             condition = "condition",
                             group = "donor",
                             num_boot = 10) # in practice >=1000

glm_fit

```

cytogroup

Group-specific fixed effects model

Description

Group-specific fixed effects model

Usage

```

cytogroup(
  df_samples_subset,
  protein_names,
  condition,
  group = "donor",
  cell_n_min = Inf,
  cell_n_subsample = 0
)

```

Arguments

```

df_samples_subset      Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information
protein_names          A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis
condition              The column name of the condition variable
group                  The column name of the group variable
cell_n_min             Remove samples that are below this cell counts threshold
cell_n_subsample       Subsample samples to have this maximum cell count

```

Value

A list of class `cytoglm` containing

```

groupfit      glm object
df_samples_subset  possibly subsampled df_samples_subset table
protein_names input protein names
condition     input condition variable
group         input group names
cell_n_min    input cell_n_min
cell_n_subsample input cell_n_subsample

```

Examples

```

set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
group_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytogroup(df,
                                protein_names = protein_names,
                                condition = "condition",
                                group = "donor")

group_fit

```

cytostab

Evaluate parameter stability with respect to gating scheme

Description

Evaluate parameter stability with respect to gating scheme

Usage

```

cytostab(
  df_samples_subset,
  protein_names,
  condition,
  group = "donor",
  cell_n_min = Inf,
  cell_n_subsample = 0
)

```

Arguments

```

df_samples_subset  Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information
protein_names      A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis
condition          The column name of the condition variable

```

group The column name of the group variable
 cell_n_min Remove samples that are below this cell counts threshold
 cell_n_subsample Subsample samples to have this maximum cell count

Value

A data frame

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
stab <- CytoGLMM::cytostab(df,
                           protein_names = protein_names,
                           condition = "condition",
                           group = "donor")
stab
```

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|------------|---|
| cyto_check | <i>Check if input to cytoxxx function have errors</i> |
|------------|---|

Description

Check if input to cytoxxx function have errors

Usage

```
cyto_check(cell_n_subsample, cell_n_min, protein_names)
```

Arguments

cell_n_subsample Subsample samples to have this maximum cell count
 cell_n_min A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis
 protein_names A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis

Value

NULL.

| | |
|---------------|--|
| generate_data | <i>Generate dataset for vignettes and simulation studies</i> |
|---------------|--|

Description

Generate dataset for vignettes and simulation studies

Usage

```
generate_data()
```

Value

`tibble` data frame

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
str(df)
df
```

| | |
|-------------|--|
| is_unpaired | <i>Check if samples match or paired on condition</i> |
|-------------|--|

Description

Check if samples match or paired on condition

Usage

```
is_unpaired(df_samples_subset, condition, group)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| df_samples_subset | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| condition | The column name of the condition variable |
| group | The column name of the group variable |

Value

A boolean

| | |
|------------------|--|
| plot.cytoflexmix | <i>Plot all components of mixture regression</i> |
|------------------|--|

Description

Plot all components of mixture regression

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cytoflexmix'  
plot(x, k = NULL, separate = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| x | A cytoflexmix class |
| k | Number of clusters |
| separate | create two separate ggplot2 objects |
| ... | Other parameters |

Value

[ggplot2](#) object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)  
df <- generate_data()  
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]  
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))  
mix_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoflexmix(df,  
                                protein_names = protein_names,  
                                condition = "condition",  
                                group = "donor",  
                                ks = 2)  
  
plot(mix_fit)
```

| | |
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| plot.cytoglm | <i>Plot bootstrapped coefficients</i> |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|

Description

Plot bootstrapped coefficients

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cytoglm'  
plot(x, order = FALSE, separate = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| x | A cytoglm class |
| order | Order the markers according to the mangintute of the coefficients |
| separate | create two separate ggplot2 objects |
| ... | Other parameters |

Value

[ggplot2](#) object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
glm_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoglm(df,
                             protein_names = protein_names,
                             condition = "condition",
                             group = "donor",
                             num_boot = 10) # in practice >=1000

plot(glm_fit)
```

plot.cytogroup

Plot fixded coefficients of group-specific fixed effects model

Description

Plot fixded coefficients of group-specific fixed effects model

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cytogroup'
plot(x, order = FALSE, separate = FALSE, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------|---|
| x | A cytoglmm class |
| order | Order the markers according to the mangintute of the coefficients |
| separate | create two separate ggplot2 objects |
| ... | Other parameters |

Value

[ggplot2](#) object

Examples

```

set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
group_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytogroup(df,
                                protein_names = protein_names,
                                condition = "condition",
                                group = "donor")

plot(group_fit)

```

plot_coeff

*Helper function to plot regression coefficient***Description**

Helper function to plot regression coefficient

Usage

```

plot_coeff(
  tb,
  title_str,
  title_str_right,
  xlab_str,
  redline = 0,
  order = FALSE,
  separate = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| tb | A data frame |
| title_str | Title string for summary plot |
| title_str_right | Title for bootstrap sample plot |
| xlab_str | Label on x-axis |
| redline | Point on x-axis to draw the red line |
| order | Order the markers according to the magnitude of the coefficients |
| separate | Plot both summary and bootstrap samples |

Value

`ggplot2` object or list of two objects if separate is true

`plot_heatmap`*Heatmap of median marker expression*

Description

Heatmap of median marker expression

Usage

```
plot_heatmap(  
  df_samples,  
  sample_info_names,  
  protein_names,  
  arrange_by_1,  
  arrange_by_2 = "",  
  cluster_cols = FALSE,  
  fun = median  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------------------|--|
| <code>df_samples</code> | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| <code>sample_info_names</code> | Column names that contain information about the cell, e.g. donor, condition, file name, or cell type |
| <code>protein_names</code> | A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis |
| <code>arrange_by_1</code> | Column name |
| <code>arrange_by_2</code> | Column name |
| <code>cluster_cols</code> | Apply hierarchical cluster to columns |
| <code>fun</code> | Summary statistics of marker expression |

Value

`pheatmap` object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)  
df <- generate_data()  
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]  
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))  
CytoGLMM::plot_heatmap(df,  
  protein_names = protein_names,  
  sample_info_names = c("donor", "condition"),  
  arrange_by_1 = "condition")
```

| | |
|----------|---------------------------------|
| plot_lda | <i>LDA on marker expression</i> |
|----------|---------------------------------|

Description

LDA on marker expression

Usage

```
plot_lda(  
  df_samples,  
  protein_names,  
  group,  
  cor_scaling_factor = 1,  
  arrow_color = "black",  
  marker_color = "black",  
  marker_size = 5  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| df_samples | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| protein_names | A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis |
| group | The column name of the group variable |
| cor_scaling_factor | Scaling factor of circle of correlations |
| arrow_color | Color of correlation circle |
| marker_color | Colors of marker names |
| marker_size | Size of markerr names |

Value

[ggplot2](#) object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)  
df <- generate_data()  
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]  
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))  
df$condition <- rep(c("A", "B", "C", "D"), each = length(df$condition)/4)  
CytoGLMM::plot_lda(df,  
  protein_names = protein_names,  
  group = "condition",  
  cor_scaling_factor = 2)
```

| | |
|----------|--|
| plot_mds | <i>MDS on median marker expression</i> |
|----------|--|

Description

MDS on median marker expression

Usage

```
plot_mds(  
  df_samples,  
  protein_names,  
  sample_info_names,  
  color,  
  sample_label = ""  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| df_samples | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| protein_names | A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis |
| sample_info_names | Column names that contain information about the cell, e.g. donor, condition, file name, or cell type |
| color | Column name |
| sample_label | Column name |

Value

`cowplot` object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)  
df <- generate_data()  
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]  
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))  
CytoGLMM::plot_mds(df,  
  protein_names = protein_names,  
  sample_info_names = c("donor", "condition"),  
  color = "condition")
```

plot_model_selection *Plot model selection to choose number optimal number of clusters*

Description

Plot model selection to choose number optimal number of clusters

Usage

```
plot_model_selection(fit, k = NULL)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----|---------------------|
| fit | A cytoflexmix class |
| k | Number of clusters |

Value

cowplot object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
mix_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoflexmix(df,
                                protein_names = protein_names,
                                condition = "condition",
                                group = "donor",
                                ks = 1:2)

plot_model_selection(mix_fit)
```

plot_prcomp *Plot PCA of subsampled data using ggplot*

Description

Plot PCA of subsampled data using ggplot

Usage

```
plot_prcomp(
  df_samples,
  protein_names,
  color_var = "treatment",
  subsample_size = 10000,
  repel = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| df_samples | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| protein_names | A vector of column names of protein to use in the analysis |
| color_var | A column name |
| subsample_size | Subsample per color_var variable |
| repel | Repel labels |

Value

cowplot object

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
CytoGLMM::plot_prcomp(df,
  protein_names = protein_names,
  color_var = "condition")
```

print.cytoglm

Extact and print bootstrap GLM fit

Description

Extact and print bootstrap GLM fit

Usage

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

Arguments

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| x | A cytoglm class |
| ... | Other parameters |

Value

NULL.

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
glm_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoglm(df,
  protein_names = protein_names,
  condition = "condition",
```



```

                                group = "donor",
                                num_boot = 10) # in practice >=1000
print(glm_fit)

```

| | |
|----------------|--|
| remove_samples | <i>Remove samples based on low cell counts</i> |
|----------------|--|

Description

Remove samples based on low cell counts

Usage

```
remove_samples(df_samples_subset, condition, group, unpaired, cell_n_min)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-------------------|--|
| df_samples_subset | Data frame or tibble with proteins counts, cell condition, and group information |
| condition | The column name of the condition variable |
| group | The column name of the group variable |
| unpaired | true if unpaired samples were provided as input |
| cell_n_min | Remove samples that are below this cell counts threshold |

Value

NULL.

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| summary.cytoglm | <i>Extract and calculate p-values of bootstrap GLM fit</i> |
|-----------------|--|

Description

Extract and calculate p-values of bootstrap GLM fit

Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'cytoglm'
summary(object, method = "BH", ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|--------|---------------------------------------|
| object | A cytoglm class |
| method | Multiple comparison adjustment method |
| ... | Other parameters |

Value

[tibble](#) data frame

Examples

```
set.seed(23)
df <- generate_data()
protein_names <- names(df)[3:12]
df <- dplyr::mutate_at(df, protein_names, function(x) asinh(x/5))
glm_fit <- CytoGLMM::cytoglm(df,
                             protein_names = protein_names,
                             condition = "condition",
                             group = "donor",
                             num_boot = 10) # in practice >=1000

summary(glm_fit)
```

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