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ALLSPICE	<i>ALLSPICE</i>
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Description

ALLSPICE (ALLelic Spectrum of Pleiotropy Informed Correlated Effects)

Usage

```
ALLSPICE(  
  data,  
  pheno_corr,  
  n_ind,  
  gene = "GENENAME",  
  pheno1 = "PHENO1",  
  pheno2 = "PHENO2",  
  beta1_field = "BETA1",  
  beta2_field = "BETA2",  
  af_field = "AF"  
)
```

Arguments

data	Input data with number of rows indicating number of variants, three columns are required: 1) effect sizes of variants for phenotype 1, 2) effect sizes of variants for phenotype 2, 3) allele frequency of variants Note: this should include variants from ONE gene that is associated with the two phenotypes, preferably of the SAME functional category after being filtered to variants with allele frequency below a certain threshold (e.g. 1e-4)
pheno_corr	phenotypic correlation between the two phenotypes being tested
n_ind	total number of individuals
gene	name of the gene being tested, default 'GENENAME'
pheno1	descriptive name of phenotype 1, default 'PHENO1'
pheno2	descriptive name of phenotype 2, default 'PHENO2'
beta1_field	field name for effect sizes of variants on phenotype 1, default 'BETA1'
beta2_field	field name for effect sizes of variants on phenotype 2, default 'BETA2'
af_field	field name for allele frequencies of variants, default 'AF'

Value

A list of summary statistics from ALLSPICE test including phenotype names, gene names, MLE of slope c , ALLSPICE test statistic - λ , pvalue from a chi-square distribution, total number of variants being tested

Examples

```
data <- data.frame(x = rnorm(10), y = rnorm(10), z = runif(10, 0,1))
ALLSPICE(data,pheno_corr=0.5,n_ind=10000,beta1_field='x',beta2_field='y',af_field='z')
```

ALLSPICE_simulation	<i>ALLSPICE_simulation</i>
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Description

Simulate data and run ALLSPICE

Usage

```
ALLSPICE_simulation(n_ind, n_var, c, r, pi, sigma, mle = TRUE, null = TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>n_ind</code>	total number of individuals
<code>n_var</code>	total number of variants
<code>c</code>	slope between the two sets of variant effect sizes, only applicable when ‘null’ == TRUE
<code>r</code>	phenotypic correlation between the two phenotypes
<code>pi</code>	probability of variant of having no effect on the phenotype
<code>sigma</code>	variance of the two sets of effect sizes
<code>mle</code>	whether to use MLE of c to compute the test statistic, use true c value if FALSE
<code>null</code>	whether to simulate data under the null hypothesis (no linear relationship) or the alternative hypothesis

Value

A list of two pieces of results: 1) ALLSPICE test results 2) effect size table: true effect size simulated, effect size estimate from linear model, effect size estimated from MLE

Examples

```
ALLSPICE_simulation(n_ind=10000, n_var=100, c=0.6, r=0.5, pi=0.5, sigma=1, mle = TRUE, null=TRUE)
```

format_ALLSPICE_data	<i>format_ALLSPICE_data</i>
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Description

data formatting function: format raw data to be loaded into ALLSPICE

Usage

```
format_ALLSPICE_data(data, beta1_field, beta2_field, af_field)
```

Arguments

data	raw input data
beta1_field	field name of effect size for the first phenotype
beta2_field	field name of effect size for the second phenotype
af_field	field name of allele frequency information

Value

a data frame containing effect sizes of variants on two phenotypes and their allele frequency information

Examples

```
data <- data.frame(x = rnorm(10), y = rnorm(10), z = runif(10, 0,1))
data <- format_ALLSPICE_data(data=data, beta1_field = 'x', beta2_field = 'y', af_field = 'z')
```

get_ac_mat	<i>get_ac_mat</i>
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Description

simulation function: simulate allele count information for 'n_var' variants, with a maximum allele count 'max_cnt'

Usage

```
get_ac_mat(n_var, max_cnt = 100)
```

Arguments

n_var	total number of variants
max_cnt	maximum allele count, default 100

Value

A 'n_var'x'n_var' diagonal matrix of allele count information for 'n_var' variants

Examples

```
ac_mat <- get_ac_mat(n_var=100, max_cnt = 100)
```

get_af_mat

get_af_mat

Description

simulation function: compute allele frequency information variants with allele counts stored in diagonal matrix 'AC' from a population of sample size 'n_ind'

Usage

```
get_af_mat(AC, n_ind)
```

Arguments

AC	a diagonal matrix of allele count information for all variants
n_ind	total number of individuals in the population

Value

A 'n_var'x'n_var' diagonal matrix of allele frequency information for 'n_var' (dimension of 'AC') variants

Examples

```
af_mat <- get_af_mat(AC = c(20, 50, 10, 1, 5), n_ind = 10000)
```

get_beta_hat

get_beta_hat

Description

simulation function: compute effect sizes estimated from linear regression model

Usage

```
get_beta_hat(Y, X, A, n_ind)
```

Arguments

Y	phenotype information
X	genotype information
A	Allele frequency information
n_ind	total number of individuals

Value

A 2x‘n_var‘ matrix of estimated effect size information (first row corresponds to the first phenotype, second row corresponds to the second phenotype)

Examples

```
AC <- get_ac_mat(n_var=100)
A <- get_af_mat(AC=AC, n_ind=10000)
X <- get_geno_mat(AC, n_ind=10000)
b <- get_true_beta(n_var=100, c=0.6, pi=0.5, sigma=1, null=TRUE)
Y <- get_pheno_pair(b=b, X=X, r=0.5)
b_hat <- get_beta_hat(Y=Y, X=X, A=A, n_ind=10000)
```

<i>get_c_hat</i>	<i>get_c_hat</i>
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Description

ALLSPICE function: compute the slope ‘c‘ that maximize the likelihood (maximum likelihood estimate - MLE)

Usage

```
get_c_hat(b1_hat, b2_hat, A, r)
```

Arguments

b1_hat	estimated effect size of the first phenotype across all variants
b2_hat	estimated effect size of the second phenotype across all variants
A	Allele frequency information
r	phenotypic correlation between the two phenotypes

Value

the MLE of slope between two sets of effect sizes

Examples

```

AC <- get_ac_mat(n_var=100)
A <- get_af_mat(AC=AC, n_ind=10000)
X <- get_geno_mat(AC, n_ind=10000)
b <- get_true_beta(n_var=100, c=0.6, pi=0.5, sigma=1, null=TRUE)
Y <- get_pheno_pair(b=b, X=X, r=0.5)
b_hat <- get_beta_hat(Y=Y, X=X, A=A, n_ind=10000)
b1_hat <- matrix(b_hat[1, ], nrow = 1)
b2_hat <- matrix(b_hat[2, ], nrow = 1)
c_hat <- get_c_hat(b1_hat=b1_hat, b2_hat=b2_hat, A=A, r=0.5)

```

get_geno_mat

*get_geno_mat***Description**

simulation function: simulate genotype information for a set of loci with allele counts ‘AC’

Usage

```
get_geno_mat(AC, n_ind)
```

Arguments

AC	allele counts of loci (length ‘m’)
n_ind	total number of indications

Value

An ‘n_ind’x‘m’ matrix of genotype information of ‘n_ind’ individuals and ‘m’ variants

Examples

```
geno_mat <- get_geno_mat(AC = c(20, 50, 10, 1, 5), n_ind = 10000)
```

get_likelihood_test_stats

*get_likelihood_test_stats***Description**

ALLSPICE function: compute the maximum likelihood ratio of the ALLSPICE test statistic

Usage

```
get_likelihood_test_stats(n_ind, r, b1_hat, b2_hat, c, A)
```

Arguments

n_ind	total number of individuals
r	phenotypic correlation between the two phenotypes
b1_hat	estimated effect size of the first phenotype across all variants
b2_hat	estimated effect size of the second phenotype across all variants
c	MLE of the slope between the two sets of variant effect sizes
A	Allele frequency information

Value

A single numeric value representing the test statistic of ALLSPICE (maximum likelihood ratio)

Examples

```
AC <- get_ac_mat(n_var=100)
A <- get_af_mat(AC=AC, n_ind=10000)
X <- get_geno_mat(AC, n_ind=10000)
b <- get_true_beta(n_var=100, c=0.6, pi=0.5, sigma=1, null=TRUE)
Y <- get_pheno_pair(b=b, X=X, r=0.5)
b_hat <- get_beta_hat(Y=Y, X=X, A=A, n_ind=10000)
b1_hat <- matrix(b_hat[1, ], nrow = 1)
b2_hat <- matrix(b_hat[2, ], nrow = 1)
c_hat <- get_c_hat(b1_hat=b1_hat, b2_hat=b2_hat, A=A, r=0.5)
lambda <- get_likelihood_test_stats(n_ind=10000, r=0.5, b1_hat=b1_hat, b2_hat=b2_hat, c=c_hat, A=A)
```

get_mle_beta

get_mle_beta

Description

ALLSPICE function: compute the effect size estimates that maximize the likelihood (maximum likelihood estimate - MLE) conditioning on c

Usage

```
get_mle_beta(b1_hat, b2_hat, c, r, null = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b1_hat	estimated effect size of the first phenotype across all variants
b2_hat	estimated effect size of the second phenotype across all variants
c	slope between the two sets of variant effect sizes, only applicable when 'null' == TRUE
r	phenotypic correlation between the two phenotypes
null	whether to simulate data under the null hypothesis (no linear relationship) or the alternative hypothesis

Value

A 2x'n_var' matrix of MLE estimated effect size information (first row corresponds to the first phenotype, second row corresponds to the second phenotype)

Examples

```
AC <- get_ac_mat(n_var=100)
A <- get_af_mat(AC=AC, n_ind=10000)
X <- get_geno_mat(AC, n_ind=10000)
b <- get_true_beta(n_var=100, c=0.6, pi=0.5, sigma=1, null=TRUE)
Y <- get_pheno_pair(b=b, X=X, r=0.5)
b_hat <- get_beta_hat(Y=Y, X=X, A=A, n_ind=10000)
b1_hat <- matrix(b_hat[1, ], nrow = 1)
b2_hat <- matrix(b_hat[2, ], nrow = 1)
b_mle <- get_mle_beta(b1_hat=b1_hat, b2_hat=b2_hat, c=0.6, r=0.5, null=TRUE)
```

get_pheno_pair	<i>get_pheno_pair</i>
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Description

simulation function: simulate true phenotype values of a pair of phenotypes

Usage

```
get_pheno_pair(b, X, r)
```

Arguments

b	true effect size matrix of variants on the two phenotypes
X	genotype matrix
r	phenotypic correlation between the two phenotypes

Value

A 2x'n_ind' matrix of phenotype information (first row corresponds to the first phenotype, second row corresponds to the second phenotype)

Examples

```
AC <- get_ac_mat(n_var=100)
X <- get_geno_mat(AC, n_ind=10000)
b <- get_true_beta(n_var=100, c=0.6, pi=0.5, sigma=1, null=TRUE)
Y <- get_pheno_pair(b=b, X=X, r=0.5)
```

get_single_geno	<i>get_single_geno</i>
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Description

simulation function: simulate genotype information for one locus, where 'cnt' samples out of 'n_ind' has the mutation

Usage

```
get_single_geno(cnt, n_ind)
```

Arguments

cnt	number of individuals with the mutation
n_ind	total number of individuals

Value

A binary vector representing the genotype information of 'n_ind' individuals for a particular locus, where 'cnt' entries has value 1.

Examples

```
geno <- get_single_geno(cnt = 100, n_ind = 10000)
```

get_true_beta	<i>get_true_beta</i>
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Description

simulation function: simulate true effect size information of 'n_var' variants for two phenotypes

Usage

```
get_true_beta(n_var, c, pi, sigma, null = TRUE)
```

Arguments

n_var	total number of variants
c	slope between the two sets of variant effect sizes, only applicable when 'null' == TRUE
pi	probability of variant of having no effect on the phenotype
sigma	variance of the two sets of effect sizes
null	whether to simulate data under the null hypothesis (no linear relationship) or the alternative hypothesis

Value

A 2x'n_var' matrix of effect size information for 'n_var' variants (first row corresponds to the first phenotype, second row corresponds to the second phenotype)

Examples

```
true_beta <- get_true_beta(n_var=100, c=0.6, pi=0.5, sigma=1, null=TRUE)
```

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