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Description Functions for multiple knockoff inference using summary statistics, e.g. Z-scores. The knockoff inference is a general procedure for controlling the false discovery rate (FDR) when performing variable selection. This package provides a procedure which performs knockoff inference without ever constructing individual knockoffs (GhostKnockoff). It additionally supports multiple knockoff inference for improved stability and reproducibility. Moreover, it supports meta-analysis of multiple overlapping studies.

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GhostKnockoff.filter *GhostKnockoff filter*

Description

This function calculates Q-values to select variants associated with the outcome, given the feature importance scores

Usage

```
GhostKnockoff.filter(T_0,T_k)
```

Arguments

T_0	A $p \times 1$ matrix. The feature importance score for the original variants.
T_k	A $p \times M$ matrix where M is the number of hypothetical knockoffs. The knockoff feature importance scores.

Value

q	A vector of length p, where each element is a Q-value. Variants with $q \leq \text{target FDR}$ will be selected.
kappa	A vector of length p. Multiple knockoff statistics kappa.
tau	A vector of length p. Multiple knockoff statistics tau.

Examples

```
# We use genetic data as an example
library(GhostKnockoff)

# load example vcf file from package "seqminer", this serves as the reference panel
vcf.filename = system.file("vcf/1000g.phase1.20110521.CFH.var.anno.vcf.gz", package = "seqminer")

## this is how the actual genotype matrix from package "seqminer" looks like
example.G <- t(readVCFtoMatrixByRange(vcf.filename, "1:196621007-196716634", annoType='')[[1]])
example.G <- example.G[,apply(example.G,2,sd)!=0]
example.G <- example.G[,1:100]

# compute correlation among variants
cor.G<-matrix(as.numeric(corpcor::cor.shrink(example.G)), nrow=ncol(example.G))

# fit null model
fit.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim(cor.G,M=5,method='asdp',max.size=500)

### if only one study is involved
Zscore_0<-as.matrix(rnorm(nrow(cor.G))) # hypothetical Z-scores
Zscore_0<-Zscore_0+rbinom(nrow(cor.G),size=2,0.1) # set causal
n.study<-c(5000)
```

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# knockoff scores for each block, this can be run in parallel too
GK.stat<-GhostKnockoff.fit(Zscore_0,n.study,fit.prelim,gamma=1,weight.study=NULL)

# knockoff filter
GK.filter<-GhostKnockoff.filter(GK.stat$T_0,GK.stat$T_k)
GK.filter$q

### if multiple studies are involved, for a meta-analysis

# compute study correlation
Zscore_0<-cbind(rnorm(nrow(cor.G)),rnorm(nrow(cor.G))) # hypothetical Z-scores
Zscore_0<-Zscore_0+rbinom(nrow(cor.G),size=2,0.1) # set causal
cor.study<-GhostKnockoff.GetCorStudy(Zscore_0,fit.prelim)

# note that all steps above can be run in parallel for nonoverlapping blocks of the genome.
# Then the overall study correlation can be computed by averaging cor.study of all blocks.

# compute optimal weights and study dependency using overall study correlaton
n.study<-c(5000,7500)
Meta.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim.Meta(cor.study, n.study)
gamma<-Meta.prelim$gamma
weight.study<-Meta.prelim$w_opt

# knockoff scores for each block, this can be run in parallel too
GK.stat<-GhostKnockoff.fit(Zscore_0,n.study,fit.prelim,gamma=gamma,weight.study=weight.study)

# knockoff filter
GK.filter<-GhostKnockoff.filter(GK.stat$T_0,GK.stat$T_k)
GK.filter$q

```

GhostKnockoff.fit	<i>Feature importance score generator</i>
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Description

Generate original and knockoff feature importance scores given original Z-scores from multiple studies.

Usage

```
GhostKnockoff.fit(Zscore_0,n.study,fit.prelim,gamma=1,weight.study=NULL)
```

Arguments

Zscore_0	A $p \times K$ Z-score matrix, where p is the number of variants and K is the number of studies. Variants not observed in the study should be coded as NA.
n.study	A vector of length K , where each element is the study sample size.

<code>fit.prelim</code>	The output of function "GhostKnockoff.prelim".
<code>gamma</code>	The estimated study dependency. See function "GhostKnockoff.GetGamma".
<code>weight.study</code>	The weights to combine multiple studies. The default is based on sample size. The optimal weights can be estimated using function "GhostKnockoff.prelim.Meta".

Value

<code>GK.Zscore_0</code>	A vector of length p , where each element is weighted combination of original Z-scores
<code>GK.Zscore_k</code>	A $p \times M$ matrix, where each column is a knockoff copy of <code>GK.Zscore_0</code> .
<code>T_0</code>	Feature importance score of original data: square of <code>GK.Zscore_0</code> .
<code>T_k</code>	Feature importance score of knockoff copies: square of <code>GK.Zscore_k</code> .

Examples

```
# We use genetic data as an example
library(GhostKnockoff)

# load example vcf file from package "seqminer", this serves as the reference panel
vcf.filename = system.file("vcf/1000g.phase1.20110521.CFH.var.anno.vcf.gz", package = "seqminer")

## this is how the actual genotype matrix from package "seqminer" looks like
example.G <- t(readVCFtoMatrixByRange(vcf.filename, "1:196621007-196716634", annoType='')[[1]])
example.G <- example.G[,apply(example.G,2,sd)!=0]
example.G <- example.G[,1:100]

# compute correlation among variants
cor.G<-matrix(as.numeric(corpcor::cor.shrink(example.G)), nrow=ncol(example.G))

# fit null model
fit.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim(cor.G,M=5,method='asdp',max.size=500)

### if only one study is involved
Zscore_0<-as.matrix(rnorm(nrow(cor.G))) # hypothetical Z-scores
Zscore_0<-Zscore_0+rbinom(nrow(cor.G),size=2,0.1) # set causal
n.study<-c(5000)

# knockoff scores for each block, this can be run in parallel too
GK.stat<-GhostKnockoff.fit(Zscore_0,n.study,fit.prelim,gamma=1,weight.study=NULL)

### if multiple studies are involved, for a meta-analysis

# compute study correlation
Zscore_0<-cbind(rnorm(nrow(cor.G)),rnorm(nrow(cor.G))) # hypothetical Z-scores
Zscore_0<-Zscore_0+rbinom(nrow(cor.G),size=2,0.1) # set causal
cor.study<-GhostKnockoff.GetCorStudy(Zscore_0,fit.prelim)

# note that all steps above can be run in parallel for nonoverlapping blocks of the genome.
# Then the overall study correlation can be computed by averaging cor.study of all blocks.
```

```
# compute optimal weights and study dependency using overall study correlaton
n.study<-c(5000,7500)
Meta.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim.Meta(cor.study, n.study)
gamma<-Meta.prelim$gamma
weight.study<-Meta.prelim$w_opt

# knockoff scores for each block, this can be run in parallel too
GK.stat<-GhostKnockoff.fit(Zscore_0,n.study,fit.prelim,gamma=gamma,weight.study=weight.study)
```

GhostKnockoff.GetCorStudy

Calculate study correlation

Description

This function computes correlation among studies given Z-scores and the output of GhostKnockoff.prelim.

Usage

```
GhostKnockoff.GetCorStudy(Zscore_0, fit.prelim)
```

Arguments

Zscore_0	A $p \times K$ Z-score matrix, where p is the number of variants and K is the number of studies. Variants not observed in the study should be coded as NA.
fit.prelim	The output of function "GhostKnockoff.prelim".

Value

cor.study	The correlation among studies.
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Examples

```
# We use genetic data as an example
library(GhostKnockoff)

# load example vcf file from package "seqminer", this serves as the reference panel
vcf.filename = system.file("vcf/1000g.phase1.20110521.CFH.var.anno.vcf.gz", package = "seqminer")

## this is how the actual genotype matrix from package "seqminer" looks like
example.G <- t(readVCFtoMatrixByRange(vcf.filename, "1:196621007-196716634", annoType='')[[1]])
example.G <- example.G[,apply(example.G,2,sd)!=0]
example.G <- example.G[,1:100]

# compute correlation among variants
cor.G<-matrix(as.numeric(corpcor::cor.shrink(example.G)), nrow=ncol(example.G))
```

```
# fit null model
fit.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim(cor.G,M=5,method='asdp',max.size=500)

# compute study correlation
Zscore_0<-cbind(rnorm(nrow(cor.G)),rnorm(nrow(cor.G))) # hypothetical Z-scores
Zscore_0<-Zscore_0+rbinom(nrow(cor.G),size=2,0.1) # set causal
cor.study<-GhostKnockoff.GetCorStudy(Zscore_0,fit.prelim)
```

GhostKnockoff.prelim *Preliminary data management for GhostKnockoff*

Description

This function does the preliminary data management and pre-computes matrices for GhostKnockoff inference, given pre-computed correlation matrix of the variants (e.g. using reference panel in genetic studies). The output will be passed to the other functions.

Usage

```
GhostKnockoff.prelim(cor.G,M=5,method='asdp',max.size=500)
```

Arguments

<code>cor.G</code>	The pre-computed correlation matrix of the variants.
<code>M</code>	Hypothetical number of knockoffs per variant. The default is 5 for multiple knockoff inference.
<code>method</code>	Either "sdp" or "asdp" (default: "asdp"). This determines the method that will be used to minimize the correlation between the original variables and the knock-offs.
<code>max.size</code>	The maximum number in each cluster in the "asdp" method. The default is 500. It will be ignored for "sdp".

Value

It returns a list that will be passed to function GhostKnockoff.fit().

Examples

```
# We use genetic data as an example
library(GhostKnockoff)

# load example vcf file from package "seqminer", this serves as the reference panel
vcf.filename = system.file("vcf/1000g.phase1.20110521.CFH.var.anno.vcf.gz", package = "seqminer")

## this is how the actual genotype matrix from package "seqminer" looks like
example.G <- t(readVCFtoMatrixByRange(vcf.filename, "1:196621007-196716634", annoType='')[[1]])
example.G <- example.G[,apply(example.G,2,sd)!=0]
```

```

example.G <- example.G[,1:100]

# compute correlation among variants
cor.G<-matrix(as.numeric(corpcor::cor.shrink(example.G)), nrow=ncol(example.G))

# fit null model
GhostKnockoff.prelim(cor.G,M=5,method='asdp',max.size=500)

```

GhostKnockoff.prelim.Meta

Additional preliminary data management for GhostKnockoff if multiple studies are involved

Description

This function compute study dependency gamma and the optimal weights to combine multiple studies.

Usage

```
GhostKnockoff.prelim.Meta(cor.study, n.study)
```

Arguments

<code>cor.study</code>	The correlation among studies.
<code>n.study</code>	A vector of length K, where each element is the study sample size.

Value

<code>w_opt</code>	Optimal weights to combine multiple studies.
<code>gamma</code>	study dependency.

Examples

```

# We use genetic data as an example
library(GhostKnockoff)

# load example vcf file from package "seqminer", this serves as the reference panel
vcf.filename = system.file("vcf/1000g.phase1.20110521.CFH.var.anno.vcf.gz", package = "seqminer")

## this is how the actual genotype matrix from package "seqminer" looks like
example.G <- t(readVCFToMatrixByRange(vcf.filename, "1:196621007-196716634",annoType='')[[1]])
example.G <- example.G[,apply(example.G,2,sd)!=0]
example.G <- example.G[,1:100]

# compute correlation among variants
cor.G<-matrix(as.numeric(corpcor::cor.shrink(example.G)), nrow=ncol(example.G))

# fit null model

```

```
fit.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim(cor.G,M=5,method='asdp',max.size=500)

# compute study correlation
Zscore_0<-cbind(rnorm(nrow(cor.G)),rnorm(nrow(cor.G))) # hypothetical Z-scores
Zscore_0<-Zscore_0+rbinom(nrow(cor.G),size=2,0.1) # set causal
cor.study<-GhostKnockoff.GetCorStudy(Zscore_0,fit.prelim)

# compute optimal weights and study dependency
n.study<-c(5000,7500)
Meta.prelim<-GhostKnockoff.prelim.Meta(cor.study, n.study)
```


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