

# Package ‘GeneNMF’

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### findVariableFeatures\_wfilters

*Find variable features*

#### Description

Select highly variable genes (HVG) from an expression matrix. Genes from a blocklist (e.g. cell cycling genes, mitochondrial genes) can be excluded from the list of variable genes, as well as genes with very low or very high average expression

#### Usage

```
findVariableFeatures_wfilters(
  obj,
  nfeatures = 2000,
  genesBlockList = NULL,
  min.exp = 0.01,
  max.exp = 3
)
```

#### Arguments

<code>obj</code>	A Seurat object containing an expression matrix
<code>nfeatures</code>	Number of top HVG to be returned
<code>genesBlockList</code>	Optionally takes a vector or list of vectors of gene names. These genes will be ignored for HVG detection. This is useful to mitigate effect of genes associated with technical artifacts or batch effects (e.g. mitochondrial, heat-shock response). If set to 'NULL' no genes will be excluded
<code>min.exp</code>	Minimum average normalized expression for HVG. If lower, the gene will be excluded
<code>max.exp</code>	Maximum average normalized expression for HVG. If higher, the gene will be excluded

**Value**

Returns the input Seurat object obj with the calculated highly variable features accessible through VariableFeatures(obj)

**Examples**

```
data(sampleObj)
sampleObj <- findVariableFeatures_wfilters(sampleObj, nfeatures=100)
```

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**getDataMatrix***Extract data matrix from Seurat object*

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**Description**

Get the gene expression matrix from a Seurat object, optionally centered and/or subset on highly variable genes

**Usage**

```
getDataMatrix(
  obj,
  assay = "RNA",
  slot = "data",
  hvg = NULL,
  do_centering = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

obj	Seurat object
assay	Get data matrix from this assay
slot	Get data matrix from this slot (=layer)
hvg	List of variable genes to subset the matrix. If NULL, uses all genes
do_centering	Whether to center the data matrix

**Value**

Returns a sparse data matrix (cells per genes), subset according to the given parameters

**Examples**

```
data(sampleObj)
matrix <- getDataMatrix(sampleObj)
```

getMetaPrograms

*Extract consensus gene programs (meta-programs)*

## Description

Run it over a list of NMF models obtained using [multiNMF](#); it will determine gene programs that are consistently observed across samples and values of k.

## Usage

```
getMetaPrograms(
  nmf.res,
  method = 0.5,
  max.genes = 200,
  hclust.method = "ward.D2",
  nprograms = 10,
  min.confidence = 0.2,
  remove.empty = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

nmf.res	A list of NMF models obtained from <a href="#">multiNMF</a>
method	Parameter passed to <a href="#">extractFeatures</a> to obtain top genes for each program
max.genes	Max number of genes for each programs
hclust.method	Method to build similarity tree between individual programs
nprograms	Total number of meta-programs
min.confidence	Percentage of programs in which a gene is seen (out of programs in the corresponding program tree branch/cluster), to be retained in the consensus metaprograms
remove.empty	Whether to remove meta-programs with no genes above confidence threshold

## Value

Returns a list with i) 'metaprograms.genes' top genes for each meta-program; ii) 'metaprograms.metrics' dataframe with meta-programs statistics: a) freq. of samples where the MP is present, b) average silhouette width, c) mean Jaccard similarity, d) number of genes in MP, e) number of gene programs in MP; iii) 'programs.jaccard': matrix of Jaccard similarities between meta-programs; iv) 'programs.tree': hierarchical clustering of meta-programs (hclust tree); v) 'programs.clusters': meta-program identity for each program

## Examples

```
library(Seurat)
data(sampleObj)
geneNMF_programs <- multiNMF(list(sampleObj), k=5)
geneNMF_metaprograms <- getMetaPrograms(geneNMF_programs, nprograms=3)
```

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getNMFgenes

*Get list of genes for each NMF program*

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## Description

Run it over a list of NMF models obtained using `multiNMF()`

## Usage

```
getNMFgenes(nmf.res, method = 0.5, max.genes = 200)
```

## Arguments

<code>nmf.res</code>	A list of NMF models obtained using <code>multiNMF()</code>
<code>method</code>	Parameter passed to <code>extractFeatures</code> to obtain top genes for each program. When 'method' is a number between 0 and 1, it indicates the minimum relative basis contribution above which the feature is selected, i.e. how specific is a gene for a given program.
<code>max.genes</code>	Max number of genes for each program

## Value

Returns a list of top genes for each gene program found by `multiNMF()`

## Examples

```
library(Seurat)
data(sampleObj)
geneNMF_programs <- multiNMF(list(sampleObj), k=5)
geneNMF_genes <- getNMFgenes(geneNMF_programs)
```

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multiNMF*Run NMF on a list of Seurat objects*

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**Description**

Given a list of Seurat objects, run non-negative matrix factorization on each sample individually, over a range of target NMF components (k).

**Usage**

```
multiNMF(
  obj.list,
  assay = "RNA",
  slot = "data",
  k = 5:6,
  hvg = NULL,
  nfeatures = 2000,
  L1 = c(0, 0),
  min.exp = 0.01,
  max.exp = 3,
  do_centering = TRUE,
  min.cells.per.sample = 10,
  hvg.blocklist = NULL,
  seed = 123
)
```

**Arguments**

obj.list	A list of Seurat objects
assay	Get data matrix from this assay
slot	Get data matrix from this slot (=layer)
k	Number of target components for NMF (can be a vector)
hvg	List of pre-calculated variable genes to subset the matrix. If hvg=NULL it calculates them automatically
nfeatures	Number of HVG, if calculate_hvg=TRUE
L1	L1 regularization term for NMF
min.exp	Minimum average log-expression value for retaining genes
max.exp	Maximum average log-expression value for retaining genes
do_centering	Whether to center the data matrix
min.cells.per.sample	Minimum numer of cells per sample (smaller samples will be ignored)

<code>hvg.blocklist</code>	Optionally takes a vector or list of vectors of gene names. These genes will be ignored for HVG detection. This is useful to mitigate effect of genes associated with technical artifacts and batch effects (e.g. mitochondrial), and to exclude TCR and BCR adaptive immune(clone-specific) receptors. If set to 'NULL' no genes will be excluded
<code>seed</code>	Random seed

**Value**

Returns a list of NMF programs, one for each sample and for each value of 'k'. The format of each program in the list follows the structure of [nmf](#) factorization models.

**Examples**

```
library(Seurat)
data(sampleObj)
geneNMF_programs <- multiNMF(list(sampleObj), k=5)
```

**Description**

Generates a clustered heatmap for meta-program similarities (by Jaccard index). This function is intended to be run on the object generated by [getMetaPrograms](#), which contains a pre-calculated tree of pairwise similarities between clusters (as a 'hclust' object).

**Usage**

```
plotMetaPrograms(
  mp.res,
  jaccard.cutoff = c(0, 0.8),
  scale = "none",
  palette = viridis(100, option = "A", direction = -1),
  annotation_colors = NULL,
  main = "Clustered Heatmap",
  show_rownames = FALSE,
  show_colnames = FALSE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>mp.res</code>	The meta-programs object generated by <a href="#">getMetaPrograms</a>
<code>jaccard.cutoff</code>	Min and max values for plotting the Jaccard index
<code>scale</code>	Heatmap rescaling (passed to pheatmap as 'scale')

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palette      Heatmap color palette (passed to pheatmap as 'color')
annotation_colors   Color palette for MP annotations
main        Heatmap title
show_rownames Whether to display individual program names as rows
show_colnames Whether to display individual program names as cols
...          Additional parameters for pheatmap

```

### Value

Returns a clustered heatmap of MP similarities, in ggplot2 format

### Examples

```

library(Seurat)
data(sampleObj)
geneNMF_programs <- multiNMF(list(sampleObj), k=5)
geneNMF_metaprograms <- getMetaPrograms(geneNMF_programs, nprograms=3)
plotMetaPrograms(geneNMF_metaprograms)

```

## runGSEA

*Run Gene set enrichment analysis*

### Description

Utility function to run Gene set enrichment analysis (GSEA) against gene sets from MSigDB.

### Usage

```

runGSEA(
  genes,
  universe = NULL,
  category = "H",
  subcategory = NULL,
  species = "Homo sapiens",
  pval.thr = 0.05
)

```

### Arguments

genes	A vector of genes
universe	Background universe of gene symbols (passed on to fgsea::fora)
category	GSEA main category (e.g. "H" or "C5")
subcategory	GSEA subcategory
species	Species for GSEA analysis. For a list of the available species, type msigdbr::msigdbr_species()
pval.thr	Min p-value to include results

**Value**

Returns a table of enriched gene programs from GSEA

**Examples**

```
data(sampleObj)
geneset <- c("BANK1", "CD22", "CD79A", "CD19", "IGHD", "IGHG3", "IGHM")
gsea_res <- runGSEA(geneset, universe=rownames(sampleObj), category = "C8")
```

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**runNMF**

*Compute NMF as a low-dim embedding for Seurat*

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**Description**

Compute NMF embeddings for single-cell dataset, and store them in the Seurat data structure. They can be used as an alternative to PCA for downstream analyses.

**Usage**

```
runNMF(
  obj,
  assay = "RNA",
  slot = "data",
  k = 10,
  new.reduction = "NMF",
  seed = 123,
  L1 = c(0, 0),
  hvg = NULL,
  do_centering = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

obj	A seurat object
assay	Get data matrix from this assay
slot	Get data matrix from this slot (=layer)
k	Number of components for low-dim representation
new.reduction	Name of new dimensionality reduction
seed	Random seed
L1	L1 regularization term for NMF
hvg	Which genes to use for the reduction
do_centering	Whether to center the data matrix

**Value**

Returns a Seurat object with a new dimensionality reduction (NMF)

**Examples**

```
data(sampleObj)
sampleObj <- runNMF(sampleObj, k=8)
```

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sampleObj

*Sample dataset to test GeneNMF installation*

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**Description**

A Seurat object containing single-cell transcriptomes (scRNA-seq) for 50 cells and 20729 genes. Single-cell UMI counts were normalized using a standard log-normalization: counts for each cell were divided by the total counts for that cell and multiplied by 10,000, then natural-log transformed using ‘log1p’.

This a subsample of 25 predicted B cells and 25 predicted NK cells from the large scRNA-seq PBMC dataset published by Hao et al. ([doi:10.1101/2021.04.04.538048](https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.04.04.538048)) and available as UMI counts at [https://atlas.fredhutch.org/data/nygc/multimodal/pbmc\\_multimodal.h5seurat](https://atlas.fredhutch.org/data/nygc/multimodal/pbmc_multimodal.h5seurat)

**Usage**

```
sampleObj
```

**Format**

A sparse matrix of 50 cells and 20729 genes.

**Source**

[doi:10.1101/2021.04.04.538048](https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.04.04.538048)

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