# Package 'twilight'

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Title Estimation of local false discovery rate

**Description** In a typical microarray setting with gene expression data observed under two conditions, the local false discovery rate describes the probability that a gene is not differentially expressed between the two conditions given its corrresponding observed score or p-value level. The resulting curve of p-values versus local false discovery rate offers an insight into the twilight zone between clear differential and clear non-differential gene expression. Package 'twilight' contains two main functions: Function twilight.pval performs a two-condition test on differences in means for a given input matrix or expression set and computes permutation based p-values. Function twilight performs a stochastic downhill search to estimate local false discovery rates and effect size distributions. The package further provides means to filter for permutations that describe the null distribution correctly. Using filtered permutations, the influence of hidden confounders could be diminished.

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# **Description**

Application of function twilight on twilight object data(expval).

The function call was exfdr <- twilight(expval, B=1000).

## Usage

data(exfdr)

# **Format**

A twilight object.

## References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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Example of twilight.pval result

## **Description**

Application of function twilight.pval on leukemia data set of Golub et al. (1999), as given in data(Golub\_Merge) in library(golubEsets).

First step was the variance-stabilizing normalization of Huber et al. (2002) in library(vsn): golubNorm <- justvsn(Golub\_Merge).

The function call was then expval <- twilight.pval(golubNorm,id) with id <- as.numeric(Golub\_Merge\$ALL.AM

## Usage

data(expval)

#### **Format**

A twilight object.

# References

Golub TR, Slonim DK, Tamayo P, Huard C, Gaasenbeek M, Mesirov JP, Coller H, Loh ML, Downing JR, Caligiuri MA, Bloomfield CD and Lander ES (1999): Molecular Classification of Cancer: Class Discovery and Class Prediction by Gene Expression Monitoring, *Science* **286**, 531–537.

Huber W, von Heydebreck A, Sultmann H, Poustka A and Vingron M (2002): Variance stabilization applied to microarray data calibration and to the quantification of differential expression, *Bioinformatics* **18**, suppl. 1, S96–S104.

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plot.twilight	Plot function for twilight
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# **Description**

Interface to plotting of twilight objects. Produces one of five possible plots.

## Usage

```
## S3 method for class 'twilight'
plot(x, which = NULL, grayscale = FALSE, legend = TRUE, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

X	An object of class twilight.
which	A character string specifying the plot to be made.
grayscale	Logical value. Specifying whether plots should be colored or grayscaled. Only necessary for "scores" and "fdr".
legend	Logical value. Produces a legend for "scores" and "effectsize". A legend for "fdr" is only available if bootstrap estimates exist.

... Additional graphical arguments.

#### Details

Option which="scores" plots the expected versus the observed test statistics and draws confidence lines calculated from permutations. This plot is similar to plots in Tusher et al. (2001).

Option which="qvalues" plots *q*-values versus the number of rejected hypotheses.

Option which="fdr" plots p-values versus 1 - local false discovery rate, that is the conditional probability of being significant given the corresponding p-value, plus bootstrap estimates if computed. Bottom ticks are 1%-quantiles of p-values.

Option which="volcano" results in the volcano plot, that is observed score versus 1 - local false discovery rate. Bottom ticks are 1%-quantiles of scores.

Option which="effectsize" plots the observed fold change equivalent score distribution overlaid by the estimated effect size distribution, that is distribution of scores under the alternative. This plot is only available if function twilight.pval was applied with method="fc" as fold change equivalent scores are computed from log ratios.

Option which="table" tabulates histogram "effectsize".

#### Value

No value is returned except for "table".

# Author(s)

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#### References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

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## See Also

```
twilight.pval, twilight
```

## **Examples**

```
### contains a twilight object created by function twilight
data(exfdr)
plot(exfdr)
```

print.twilight

Print function for twilight objects

## **Description**

Extract and print information about a twilight object.

## Usage

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

## **Arguments**

x Input object of class twilight.

... Additional printing arguments.

# Value

No value is returned.

# Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

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#### References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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## See Also

```
plot.twilight
```

## **Examples**

```
### contains a twilight object created by function twilight
data(exfdr)
print(exfdr)
```

twilight

Estimation of the local false discovery rate

# **Description**

The function performs the successive exclusion procedure (SEP) as described in Scheid and Spang (2004).

# Usage

```
twilight(xin, lambda = NULL, B = 0, boot.ci = 0.95, clus = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

xin	Numerical vector of p-values or a twilight object.
lambda	Numerical value denoting the penalty factor. If not specified, the function searchs for an appropriate regularization parameter.
В	Numerical value specifying the number of bootstrap samples. If not specified, no bootstrap estimates are calculated.
boot.ci	Numerical value denoting the probability value for bootstrap confidence intervals of local false discovery rate and prior pi0.
clus	A list or numerical value to be passed to makeCluster(clus,) in library(snow). If specified, bootstrapping is performed in parallel. No checks on clus are performed. Please make sure that makeCluster(clus) works properly in your environment.
verbose	Logical value for message printing.

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#### **Details**

In short, the successive exclusion procedure divides the set of p-values into two parts. The first part is chosen such that it resembles a uniform distribution while containing as many p-values as possible. This set of p-values represents the set of p-values derived from non-induced genes. The height of the uninform distribution is a natural estimate for the mixture parameter pi0. The p-value not contained in the uniform part serve as representatives of p-values derived from induced genes. Their distribution is the basis of the final estimate of the local false discovery rate.

NOTE: Library(snow) has to be loaded manually. It is not loaded as part of 'suggests' or 'depends' because it is only available under UNIX. If twilight does not work with the current version of snow, please send a report.

#### Value

Returns a twilight object consisting of a data. frame named result with variables

pvalue Sorted input vector.

qvalue q-values computed as described in Storey and Tibshirani (2003) with new esti-

mate pi0.

index Index of the original ordering.

fdr Local false discovery rate averaged over 10 runs of SEP.

mean.fdr Bootstrap estimate of local false discovery rate.

lower.fdr Lower boot.ci-bootstrap confidence bound.

upper.fdr Upper boot.ci-bootstrap confidence bound.

Values are sorted by pvalue.

## Note

Additional output consists of

lambda Regularization parameter. pi0 SEP estimate of prior probability.

boot.pi0 Bootstrap estimate and boot.ci-bootstrap confidence bounds.

boot.ci Passes boot.ci for plotting.

effect Histogram of effect size distributions averaged over 10 runs of SEP.

If xin is of class twilight, the remaining slots are filled with corresponding input values. If xin is not of class twilight, these slots remain empty.

# Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

## References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

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Storey JD and Tibshirani R (2003): Statistical significance for genomewide studies, *PNAS* **100(16)**, 9440–9445.

#### See Also

```
twilight.pval, plot.twilight, exfdr
```

## **Examples**

```
### twilight object created with B=1000 bootstrap samples
data(exfdr)
print(exfdr)
plot(exfdr)
```

twilight.combi

All permutations of a binary vector

# **Description**

For a given binary input vector, the function completely enumerates all possible permutations.

# Usage

```
twilight.combi(xin, pin, bin)
```

# **Arguments**

xin Binary input vector, e.g. class labels.

pin Logical value. TRUE if samples are paired, FALSE if not.

bin Logical value. TRUE if permutations should be balanced, FALSE if not.

#### **Details**

Please note, that the resulting permutations are always as "balanced" as possible. The balancing is done for the smaller subsample. If its sample size is odd, say 5, twilight.combi computes all permutations with 2 or 3 samples unchanged. In the paired case, the output matrix contains only one half of all permutations. The second half is simply 1-output which leads to the same absolute test statistics in a paired test.

## Value

Returns a matrix where each row contains one permuted vector. Note that even for balanced permutations, the first row always contains the original vector. If the number of rows exceeds 10000, NULL is returned.

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#### Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

# References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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#### See Also

```
twilight.permute.pair, twilight.permute.unpair
```

#### **Examples**

```
x <- c(rep(0,4),rep(1,3))
y <- twilight.combi(x,pin=FALSE,bin=FALSE)</pre>
```

twilight.filtering

Permutation filtering

## **Description**

The function call invokes the filtering for permutations of class labels that produce a set of complete null scores. Depending on the test setting, the algorithm iteratively generates valid permutations of the class labels and computes scores. These are transformed to pooled p-values and each set of permutation p-values is tested for uniformity. Permutations with acceptable uniform p-value distributions are kept. The search stops if either the number num.perm of wanted permutations is reached or if the number of possible unique(!) permutations is smaller than num.perm. The default values are similar to function twilight.pval but please note the details below.

## Usage

```
twilight.filtering(xin, yin, method = "fc", paired = FALSE, s0 = 0, verbose = TRUE, num.perm = 1000,
```

#### **Arguments**

yin

xin Either an expression set (ExpressionSet) or a data matrix with rows corresponding to features and columns corresponding to samples.

A numerical vector containing class labels. The higher label denotes the case, the lower label the control samples to test case vs. control. For correlation scores, yin can be any numerical vector of length equal to the number of sam-

ples.

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m	ethod	Character string: "fc" for fold change equivalent test (that is log ratio test), "t" for t-test, and "z" for Z-test. With "pearson" or "spearman", the test statistic is either Pearson's correlation coefficient or Spearman's rank correlation coefficient.
р	paired	Logical value. Depends on whether the samples are paired. Ignored if method="pearson" or method="spearman".
S	60	Fudge factor for variance correction in the Z-test. Takes effect only if method="z". If s0=0: The fudge factor is set to the median of the pooled standard deviations.
٧	erbose	Logical value for message printing.
n	num.perm	Number of permutations. Within twilight.pval, num.perm is set to B.
n	um.take	Number of permutations kept in each step of the iterative filtering. Within twilight.pval, num. take is set to the minimum of 50 and ceiling(num.perm/20).

#### **Details**

See vignette.

#### Value

Returns a matrix with permuted input labels yin as rows. Please note that this matrix is already translated into binary labels for two-sample testing or to ranks if Spearman's correlation was chosen. The resulting permutation matrix can be directly passed into function twilight.pval. Please note that the first row always contains the original input yin to be consistent with the other permutation functions in package twilight.

## Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

# References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

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## See Also

```
twilight.pval
```

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
### Leukemia data set of Golub et al. (1999).
library(golubEsets)
data(Golub_Train)
```

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```
### Variance-stabilizing normalization of Huber et al. (2002).
library(vsn)
golubNorm <- justvsn(Golub_Train)</pre>
### A binary vector of class labels.
id <- as.numeric(Golub_Train$ALL.AML)</pre>
### Do an unpaired t-test.
### Let's have a quick example with 50 filtered permutations only.
### With num.take=10, we only need 5 iteration steps.
yperm <- twilight.filtering(golubNorm,id,method="t",num.perm=50,num.take=10)</pre>
dim(yperm)
### Let's check that the filtered permutations really produce uniform p-value distributions.
\ensuremath{\texttt{\###}} The first row is the original labeling, so we try the second permutation.
yperm <- yperm[-1,]</pre>
b <- twilight.pval(golubNorm,yperm[1,],method="t",yperm=yperm)</pre>
hist(b$result$pvalue)
## End(Not run)
```

twilight.getlambda

Internal function to compute regularization parameter lambda

## **Description**

The SEP method optionally includes a penalty term in order to estimate the percentage of non-significant differences/genes.

## Usage

```
twilight.getlambda(xin, verbose = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

xin A numerical vector containing *p*-values. verbose Logical value for message printing.

# Details

The function finds a suitable regularization parameter  $\lambda$ . For a sequence of lambdas, the objective function of SEP is computed for subsamples of the p-value vector xin. The final estimate is chosen based upon a Wilcoxon test comparison between objective function values of  $\lambda=0$  and each  $\lambda>0$ . The penalized objective function should not differ a lot from the unpenalized one. Therefore, the highest lambda that leads to a non-significant difference in means is chosen.

## Value

Returns numerical value.

## Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

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#### References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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#### See Also

twilight

twilight.getmatrix

Internal function to extract the gene expression matrix from an expression set

## **Description**

If the input object is of class ExpressionSet, the function extracts the gene expression matrix.

## Usage

```
twilight.getmatrix(xin)
```

## **Arguments**

xin

Input object of class ExpressionSet.

# Value

Returns the matrix of gene expression values.

## Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

#### References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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#### See Also

```
twilight.pval
```

twilight.permute.pair Permutation matrix of paired class labels

# **Description**

The function returns a matrix where each row is a (un)balanced permutation of the input twosample class labels.

## Usage

```
twilight.permute.pair(v, m, bal = TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

V	A binary vector representing class labels in original order. Pairs must be in the same order.
m	A numerical value giving the number of permutations.
bal	Logical value. Results in balanced or unbalanced permutations.

## Value

Returns a matrix where each row contains one permuted vector of class labels. Note that even for balanced permutations, the first row always contains the original vector.

## Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

# References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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#### See Also

```
twilight.permute.unpair, twilight.combi
```

```
twilight.permute.unpair
```

Permutation matrix of unpaired class labels

## **Description**

The function returns a matrix where each row is a (un)balanced permutation of the input twosample class labels.

#### **Usage**

```
twilight.permute.unpair(v, m, bal = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

v A binary vector representing class labels in original order.

M A numerical value giving the number of permutations.

bal Logical value. Results in balanced or unbalanced permutations.

#### Value

Returns a matrix where each row contains one permuted vector of class labels. Note that even for balanced permutations, the first row always contains the original vector.

# Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

#### References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

Scheid S and Spang R (2005): twilight; a Bioconductor package for estimating the local false discovery rate, *Bioinformatics* **21(12)**, 2921–2922.

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# See Also

```
twilight.permute.pair, twilight.combi
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twilight.pval Compute p-values from expression sets
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# Description

A function to compute two-sample t, Z and fold change equivalent test statistics (paired or unpaired) and correlation coefficients. Based on permutations, expected test statistics as given in Tusher et al. (2001) and empirical p-values are computed. Additional output are q-values computed as given in Storey and Tibshirani (2003). The resulting object is of class twilight and can be passed to functions twilight or plot.twilight.

# Usage

twilight.pval(xin, yin, method = "fc", paired = FALSE, B = 1000, yperm = NULL, balance = FALSE, quant

# **Arguments**

xin	Either an expression set (ExpressionSet) or a data matrix with rows corresponding to features and columns corresponding to samples.
yin	A numerical vector containing class labels. The higher label denotes the case, the lower label the control samples to test case vs. control. For correlation scores, yin can be any numerical vector of length equal to the number of samples.
method	Character string: "fc" for fold change equivalent test (that is log ratio test), "t" for t-test, and "z" for Z-test. With "pearson" or "spearman", the test statistic is either Pearson's correlation coefficient or Spearman's rank correlation coefficient.
paired	Logical value. Depends on whether the samples are paired. Ignored if method="pearson" or method="spearman".
В	Numerical value specifying the number of permutations.
yperm	Optional matrix containing in each row a permutation of the class labels in binary(!) format for two-sample testing. For computation of correlation scores, the rows of yperm have to contain the appropriate values or ranks. Use this argument carefully! If yperm is specified, no other permutation will be done. Please note that the first row of yperm MUST be the input vector yin. Otherwise, the <i>p</i> -value calculation will be incorrect.
balance	Logical value. Depends on whether balanced or unbalanced permutations should be done. Ignored if method="pearson" or method="spearman".
quant.ci	Probability value for confidence lines. Lines are symmetric and denote the quant.ci-quantile of maximal absolute differences between each permutatin and the expected scores.
s0	Fudge factor for variance correction in the Z-test. Takes effect only if method="z". If s0=NULL: The fudge factor is set to the median of the pooled standard deviations.
verbose	Logical value for message printing.
filtering	Logical value for filtering for permutations of class labels that produce a set of complete null scores. Invokes function twilight.filtering. If yperm is specified, no filtering will be done. Note that the filtering is done on unbalanced permutations even if balance=TRUE.

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#### **Details**

Please see vignette for detailed information.

#### Value

Returns a twilight object consisting of a data. frame named result with variables

observed Observed test statistics.

expected Mean of order statistics of the permutation statistics.

candidate Binary vector. "1" for observations exceeding the confidence lines.

pvalue Empirical *p*-values from two-sided hypothesis tests.

q-value q-values computed as described in Storey and Tibshirani (2003).

index Index of the original ordering.

Values are sorted by absolute observed scores.

#### Note

Additional output consists of

ci.line Quantile corresponding to quant.ci, passed for plotting.

pi0 Estimated prior probability.

s0 Estimated fudge factor if method="z". call Character string of function arguments.

quant.ci Passes quant.ci for plotting.

The remaining slots are left empty for function twilight.

# Author(s)

Stefanie Scheid

# References

Scheid S and Spang R (2004): A stochastic downhill search algorithm for estimating the local false discovery rate, *IEEE TCBB* **1(3)**, 98–108.

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## See Also

```
twilight, plot.twilight, twilight.combi, twilight.filtering, expval, twilight.teststat
```

# **Examples**

```
### twilight object created from Golub data set
data(expval)
print(expval)
plot(expval)
```

twilight.teststat

Interface to the test statistics provided within 'twilight'

# Description

A function to compute two-sample t, Z and fold change equivalent test statistics (paired or unpaired) and correlation coefficients.

# Usage

```
twilight.teststat(xin, yin, method = "fc", paired = FALSE, s0 = NULL)
```

## **Arguments**

xin	Either an expression set (ExpressionSet) or a data matrix with rows corresponding to features and columns corresponding to samples.
yin	A numerical vector containing class labels. The higher label denotes the case, the lower label the control samples to test case vs. control. For correlation scores, yin can be any numerical vector of length equal to the number of samples.
method	Character string: "fc" for fold change equivalent test (that is log ratio test), "t" for t-test, and "z" for Z-test of Tusher et al. (2001). With "pearson" or "spearman", the test statistic is either Pearson's correlation coefficient or Spearman's rank correlation coefficient.
paired	Logical value. Depends on whether the samples are paired. Ignored if method="pearson" or method="spearman".
s0	Fudge factor for variance correction in the Z-test. Takes effect only if method="z". If s0=NULL: The fudge factor is set to the median of the pooled standard deviations.

# **Details**

Please see vignette for detailed information.

# Value

Returns a list with two components: a numerical vector of observed test statistics observed. Each entry corresponds to one row of the input data matrix. Also, the estimated fudge factor s0 is returned. In any other case except method="z", s0 is zero.

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#### See Also

```
twilight.pval
```

## **Examples**

```
### Z-test on random values
M <- matrix(rnorm(20000),nrow=1000)
id <- c(rep(1,10),rep(0,10))
stat <- twilight.teststat(M,id,method="z")

### Pearson correlation
id <- 1:20
stat <- twilight.teststat(M,id,method="pearson")</pre>
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