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Description Scalable implementation of generalized mixed models with highly optimized C++ implementation and integration with Genomic Data Structure (GDS) files. It is designed for single variant tests and set-based aggregate tests in large-scale Phenome-wide Association Studies (PheWAS) with millions of variants and samples, controlling for sample structure and case-control imbalance. The implementation is based on the SAIGE R package (v0.45, Zhou et al. 2018 and Zhou et al. 2020), and it is extended to include the state-of-the-art ACAT-O set-based tests. Benchmarks show that SAIGEgds is significantly faster than the SAIGE R package. Optional OpenCL-based GPU acceleration is supported for the GRM cross-product computation in null model fitting and for GRM construction.

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SAIGEgds-package	<i>Scalable Implementation of Generalized mixed models in Phenome-Wide Association Studies using GDS files</i>
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Description

Scalable and accurate implementation of generalized mixed model with the support of Genomic Data Structure (GDS) files and highly optimized C++ implementation. It is designed for single variant tests in large-scale phenome-wide association studies (PheWAS) with millions of variants and hundreds of thousands of samples, e.g., UK Biobank genotype data, controlling for case-control imbalance and sample structure in single variant association studies.

The implementation of SAIGEgds is based on the original SAIGE R package (v0.29.4.4) [Zhou et al. 2018] <https://github.com/weizhouUMICH/SAIGE/releases/tag/v0.29.4.4>. All of the calculations with single-precision floating-point numbers in SAIGE are replaced by the double-precision calculation in SAIGEgds. SAIGEgds also implements some of the SPAtest functions in C to speed up the calculation of Saddlepoint Approximation.

Details

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Author(s)

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References

Zheng X, Davis J.Wade. SAIGEgds – an efficient statistical tool for large-scale PheWAS with mixed models. **Bioinformatics** (2020). DOI: 10.1093/bioinformatics/btaa731.

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Zhou W, Zhao Z, Nielsen JB, Fritsche LG, LeFaive J, Taliun SAG, Bi W, Gabrielsen ME, Daly MJ, Neale BM, Hveem K, Abecasis GR, Willer CJ, et al. Scalable generalized linear mixed model for region-based association tests in large biobanks and cohorts. *Nat Genet.* 2020; 52: 634-9.

Zheng X, Gogarten S, Lawrence M, Stilp A, Conomos M, Weir BS, Laurie C, Levine D. SeqArray – A storage-efficient high-performance data format for WGS variant calls. **Bioinformatics** (2017). DOI: 10.1093/bioinformatics/btx145.

Examples

```
# open the GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, trait.type="binary",
  geno.sparse=FALSE)

# p-value calculation
assoc <- seqAssocGLMM_SPA(gdsfile, glmm, mac=10)

head(assoc)
```

```
# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

glmmHeritability	<i>Heritability estimation</i>
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Description

Get the heritability estimate from the SAIGE model.

Usage

```
glmmHeritability(modobj, adjust=TRUE)
```

Arguments

modobj	an R object for SAIGE model parameters
adjust	if TRUE and binary outcomes, uses adjusted tau estimate for the heritability estimation

Details

In SAIGE, penalized quasi-likelihood (PQL) is used to estimate the variance component parameter tau. It is known to produce biased estimate of the variance component tau using PQL. If `adjust=TRUE` for binary outcomes, tau is adjusted based on prevalence and observed tau using the data in Supplementary Table 7 (Zhou et al. 2018) to reduce the bias of PQL estimate of variance component.

Value

Return a liability scale heritability.

Author(s)

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See Also

[seqFitNullGLMM_SPA](#)

Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
```

```

head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, trait.type="binary")

glmmHeritability(glmm)

seqClose(gdsfile)

```

pACAT

Cauchy Combination Test

Description

P-value calculation from Cauchy combination test.

Usage

```

pACAT(p, w=NULL)
pACAT2(p, maf, wbeta=c(1,25))

```

Arguments

p	a numeric vector for p-values
w	weight for each p-value
maf	minor allele frequency for each p-value
wbeta	weights for per-variant effect, using beta distribution <code>dbeta()</code> according to variant's MAF

Value

Return a single number for the combined p-value.

References

Liu Y., Cheng S., Li Z., Morrison A.C., Boerwinkle E., Lin X.; ACAT: A Fast and Powerful p Value Combination Method for Rare-Variant Analysis in Sequencing Studies. *Am J Hum Genetics* 104, 410-421 (2019).

See Also

[seqFitNullGLMM_SPA](#), [seqAssocGLMM_SPA](#)

Examples

```

p1 <- 10^-4
p2 <- 10^-5
p3 <- 10^-(3:20)
sapply(p3, function(p) pACAT(c(p1, p2, p)))

pACAT2(c(10^-4, 10^-6), c(0.01, 0.005))

```

seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_O *ACAT-O tests*

Description

Set-based ACAT-O tests using mixed models.

Usage

```

seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_O(gdsfile, modobj, units, maxMAF=0.01, wbeta=AggrParamBeta,
  missing=0.05, collapse.mac=10, collapse.method=c("max", "sum"),
  ccimb.adj=TRUE, ER.mac=4.5, dsnode="",
  geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"),
  res.savfn="", res.compress="ZIP",
  parallel=FALSE, verbose=TRUE, verbose.maf=FALSE)
seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_O_GT(gt_lst, modobj, maxMAF=0.01, wbeta=AggrParamBeta,
  missing=0.05, collapse.mac=10, collapse.method=c("max", "sum"),
  ccimb.adj=TRUE, ER.mac=4.5,
  geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"),
  verbose=TRUE, verbose.maf=FALSE)

```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS filename, or a GDS object
<code>modobj</code>	an R object for SAIGE model parameters
<code>units</code>	a list of units of selected variants, with S3 class "SeqUnitListClass" defined in the SeqArray package
<code>maxMAF</code>	a numeric vector for MAF thresholds, e.g., <code>c(0.01, 0.001)</code> for rare variants, or <code>c(0.5, 0.1, 0.01)</code> for both common and rare variants
<code>wbeta</code>	weights for per-variant effect, using beta distribution <code>dbeta()</code> according to variant's MAF; a length-two vector, or a matrix with two rows for multiple beta parameters; by default, using <code>beta(1,1)</code> and <code>beta(1,25)</code> both
<code>missing</code>	missing threshold for variants (checking <code><= missing</code>), <code>NaN</code> for no filter
<code>collapse.mac</code>	a threshold of minor allele count for collapsing ultra rare variants used in ACAT-V and SKAT tests if <code>mac <= collapse.mac</code> , 10 by default
<code>collapse.method</code>	"max" (by default), "sum"

<code>ccimb.adj</code>	whether adjusting for case-control imbalance
<code>ER.mac</code>	the maximum sum of MAC for the variants with efficient resampling p-values
<code>dsnode</code>	"" for automatically searching the GDS nodes "genotype" and "annotation/format/DS", or use a user-defined GDS node in the file
<code>geno.model</code>	a character string for the genetic model: "additive" (default), "dominant" or "recessive"; the dominant model recodes dosages as $\min(G, 1)$, and the recessive model recodes as $\max(G-1, 0)$
<code>res.savefn</code>	an RData or GDS file name, "" for no saving
<code>res.compress</code>	the compression method for the output file, it should be one of LZMA, LZMA_RA, ZIP, ZIP_RA and none
<code>parallel</code>	FALSE (serial processing), TRUE (multicore processing), a numeric value for the number of cores, or other value; <code>parallel</code> is passed to the argument <code>cl</code> in seqParallel , see seqParallel for more details
<code>gt_lst</code>	a list of numeric genotype matrices (sample by variant) or <code>Matrix</code> objects, where rows correspond to the samples in the model and columns to variants; each list element is a unit
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information
<code>verbose.maf</code>	if TRUE, show summary of MAFs in units

Details

`seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_O()` reads genotype data from a GDS file and supports parallel computation. `seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_O_GT()` takes a list of in-memory genotype matrices `gt_lst` directly, which is useful when genotypes are already loaded or constructed outside of the GDS framework. The rows of each matrix must match the samples used in the null model.

`seqUnitFilterCond()` in the `SeqArray` package can be used to restrict the variant sets units to a range of MAC and/or MAF. ACAT-O combines the p-values from ACAT-V, burden and SKAT together to calculate the final p-value via Cauchy distribution.

For more details of the ACAT-O method, please refer to the ACAT paper [Liu et al. 2019] (see the reference section).

When `geno.model="dominant"`, the dosages are recoded as $\min(G, 1)$ after allele flipping to the minor allele, testing whether having at least one copy of the minor allele is associated with the trait. When `geno.model="recessive"`, dosages are recoded as $\max(G-1, 0)$, testing whether having two copies of the minor allele is associated. MAF/MAC filtering and the reported allele frequencies use the original (additive) genotype values regardless of the genetic model.

Value

Return a `data.frame` with the following components if not saving to a file:

<code>chr</code>	chromosome;
<code>start</code>	the starting position;
<code>end</code>	the ending position;
<code>maxMAF</code>	maximum of MAFs;

numvar	the number of variants in the window; if weight="Cauchy", it is the number of individual p-values in the Cauchy test
macmin	the minimum of MAC in the window;
macmed	the median of MAC in the window;
macmax	the maximum of MAC in the window;
summac	the sum of minor allele counts;
weight	the weighting strategy with the beta distribution parameters
pval	ACAT-O p-value;
n_collapse	the number of ultra rare variants for collapsing burden tests ($\leq$ collapse.mac);
p.burden	burden tests;
p.skot	SKAT tests;
p.acatv	ACAT-V tests;
burden.beta	beta coefficient of burden test;
burden.se	SE of burden beta coefficient;

Author(s)

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References

Liu Y., Chen S., Li Z., Morrison A.C., Boerwinkle E., Lin X. ACAT: A Fast and Powerful p Value Combination Method for Rare-Variant Analysis in Sequencing Studies. *Am J Hum Genetics* 104, 410-421 (2019).

See Also

[seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_V](#), [seqAssocGLMM_Burden](#), [seqAssocGLMM_SKAT](#), [seqUnitFilterCond](#)

Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

sp_grm_fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_sp_grm.rds", package="SAIGEgds")
sp_grm <- readRDS(sp_grm_fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, sp_grm,
  trait.type="binary")
```

```
# get a list of variant units for burden tests
units <- seqUnitSlidingWindows(gdsfile, win.size=50, win.shift=250)

a <- seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_O(gdsfile, glmm, units, maxMAF=c(0.1,0.01))
head(a)

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_V *ACAT-V tests*

Description

Set-based ACAT-V tests using mixed models.

Usage

```
seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_V(gdsfile, modobj, units, maxMAF=0.01, wbeta=AggrParamBeta,
  missing=0.05, ccimb.adj=TRUE, collapse.mac=10, ER.mac=4.5, dsnode="",
  geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"),
  res.savefn="", res.compress="ZIP", parallel=FALSE, verbose=TRUE,
  verbose.maf=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS filename, or a GDS object
<code>modobj</code>	an R object for SAIGE model parameters
<code>units</code>	a list of units of selected variants, with S3 class "SeqUnitListClass" defined in the SeqArray package
<code>maxMAF</code>	a numeric vector for MAF thresholds, e.g., <code>c(0.01, 0.001)</code> for rare variants, or <code>c(0.5, 0.1, 0.01)</code> for both common and rare variants
<code>wbeta</code>	weights for per-variant effect, using beta distribution <code>dbeta()</code> according to variant's MAF; a length-two vector, or a matrix with two rows for multiple beta parameters; by default, using <code>beta(1,1)</code> and <code>beta(1,25)</code> both
<code>missing</code>	missing threshold for variants (checking <code><= missing</code>), NaN for no filter
<code>ccimb.adj</code>	whether adjusting for case-control imbalance or not
<code>collapse.mac</code>	a threshold of minor allele count for collapsing ultra rare variants if <code>mac <= collapse.mac</code> , 10 by default
<code>ER.mac</code>	the maximum sum of MAC for the variants with efficient resampling p-values
<code>dsnode</code>	"" for automatically searching the GDS nodes "genotype" and "annotation/format/DS", or use a user-defined GDS node in the file
<code>geno.model</code>	a character string for the genetic model: "additive" (default), "dominant" or "recessive"; the dominant model recodes dosages as <code>min(G, 1)</code> , and the recessive model recodes as <code>max(G-1, 0)</code>

<code>res.savefn</code>	an RData or GDS file name, "" for no saving
<code>res.compress</code>	the compression method for the output file, it should be one of LZMA, LZMA_RA, ZIP, ZIP_RA and none
<code>parallel</code>	FALSE (serial processing), TRUE (multicore processing), a numeric value for the number of cores, or other value; <code>parallel</code> is passed to the argument <code>c1</code> in seqParallel , see seqParallel for more details
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information
<code>verbose.maf</code>	if TRUE, show summary of MAFs in units

Details

`seqUnitFilterCond()` in the SeqArray package can be used to restrict the variant sets units to a range of MAC and/or MAF.

For more details of the ACAT-V method, please refer to the ACAT paper [Liu et al. 2019] (see the reference section).

When `geno.model="dominant"`, the dosages are recoded as $\min(G, 1)$ after allele flipping to the minor allele, testing whether having at least one copy of the minor allele is associated with the trait. When `geno.model="recessive"`, dosages are recoded as $\max(G-1, 0)$, testing whether having two copies of the minor allele is associated. MAF/MAC filtering and the reported allele frequencies use the original (additive) genotype values regardless of the genetic model.

Value

Return a `data.frame` with the following components if not saving to a file:

<code>chr</code>	chromosome;
<code>start</code>	the starting position;
<code>end</code>	the ending position;
<code>maxMAF</code>	maximum of MAFs;
<code>numvar</code>	the number of variants in the window; if <code>weight="Cauchy"</code> , it is the number of individual p-values in the Cauchy test
<code>macmin</code>	the minimum of MAC in the window;
<code>macmed</code>	the median of MAC in the window;
<code>macmax</code>	the maximum of MAC in the window;
<code>summac</code>	the sum of minor allele counts;
<code>weight</code>	the weighting strategy with the beta distribution parameters
<code>n_single</code>	the number of variants running for single variant tests;
<code>n_collapse</code>	the number of ultra rare variants for collapsing burden tests ($\leq$ <code>collapse.mac</code>);
<code>pval</code>	ACAT-V p-value;

Author(s)

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References

Liu Y., Chen S., Li Z., Morrison A.C., Boerwinkle E., Lin X. ACAT: A Fast and Powerful p Value Combination Method for Rare-Variant Analysis in Sequencing Studies. *Am J Hum Genetics* 104, 410-421 (2019).

See Also

[seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_0](#), [seqAssocGLMM_Burden](#), [seqAssocGLMM_SKAT](#), [seqUnitFilterCond](#)

Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, trait.type="binary")

# get a list of variant units for burden tests
units <- seqUnitSlidingWindows(gdsfile, win.size=500, win.shift=250)

a <- seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_V(gdsfile, glmm, units, maxMAF=c(0.1,0.01))
head(a)

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

seqAssocGLMM_Burden	<i>Burden tests</i>
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Description

Set-based burden tests using mixed models.

Usage

```
seqAssocGLMM_Burden(gdsfile, modobj, units, maxMAF=0.01, wbeta=AggrParamBeta,
  missing=0.05, ccimb.adj=TRUE, ER.mac=4.5, dsnode="",
  geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"),
  res.savefn="", res.compress="ZIP", parallel=FALSE, verbose=TRUE,
  verbose.maf=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS filename, or a GDS object
<code>modobj</code>	an R object for SAIGE model parameters
<code>units</code>	a list of units of selected variants, with S3 class "SeqUnitListClass" defined in the SeqArray package
<code>maxMAF</code>	a numeric vector for MAF thresholds, e.g., <code>c(0.01, 0.001)</code> for rare variants, or <code>c(0.5, 0.1, 0.01)</code> for both common and rare variants
<code>wbeta</code>	weights for per-variant effect, using beta distribution <code>dbeta()</code> according to variant's MAF; a length-two vector, or a matrix with two rows for multiple beta parameters; by default, using <code>beta(1,1)</code> and <code>beta(1,25)</code> both
<code>missing</code>	missing threshold for variants (checking <code><= missing</code>), <code>NaN</code> for no filter
<code>ccimb.adj</code>	whether adjusting for case-control imbalance or not
<code>ER.mac</code>	the maximum sum of MAC for the variants with efficient resampling p-values
<code>dsnode</code>	"" for automatically searching the GDS nodes "genotype" and "annotation/format/DS", or use a user-defined GDS node in the file
<code>geno.model</code>	a character string for the genetic model: "additive" (default), "dominant" or "recessive"; the dominant model recodes dosages as <code>min(G, 1)</code> , and the recessive model recodes as <code>max(G-1, 0)</code>
<code>res.savefn</code>	an RData or GDS file name, "" for no saving
<code>res.compress</code>	the compression method for the output file, it should be one of LZMA, LZMA_RA, ZIP, ZIP_RA and none
<code>parallel</code>	FALSE (serial processing), TRUE (multicore processing), a numeric value for the number of cores, or other value; <code>parallel</code> is passed to the argument <code>c1</code> in seqParallel , see seqParallel for more details
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information
<code>verbose.maf</code>	if TRUE, show summary of MAFs in units

Details

`seqUnitFilterCond()` in the SeqArray package can be used to restrict the variant sets `units` to a range of MAC and/or MAF.

When `geno.model="dominant"`, the dosages are recoded as `min(G, 1)` after allele flipping to the minor allele, testing whether having at least one copy of the minor allele is associated with the trait. When `geno.model="recessive"`, dosages are recoded as `max(G-1, 0)`, testing whether having two copies of the minor allele is associated. MAF/MAC filtering and the reported allele frequencies use the original (additive) genotype values regardless of the genetic model.

Value

Return a `data.frame` with the following components if not saving to a file:

<code>chr</code>	chromosome;
<code>start</code>	the starting position;

end	the ending position;
maxMAF	maximum of MAFs;
numvar	the number of variants in the window; if weight="Cauchy", it is the number of individual p-values in the Cauchy test
macmin	the minimum of MAC in the window;
macmed	the median of MAC in the window;
macmax	the maximum of MAC in the window;
summac	the sum of minor allele counts;
weight	the weighting strategy with the beta distribution parameters
beta	beta coefficient, log odds ratio if binary outcomes (alternative allele vs. reference allele);
SE	standard error for beta coefficient;
pval	final p-value (if the Saddlepoint approximation or efficient resampling is applied);
method	"Normal": pval is calculated by assuming asymptotic normality; "SPA": using the Saddlepoint approximation method; "ER": using the efficient resampling
p.norm	p-values based on asymptotic normality (could be 0 if it is too small, e.g., $\text{pnorm}(-50) = 0$ in R; used for checking only
converged	whether the SPA algorithm converges or not for p-values.

Author(s)

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See Also
[seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_V](#), [seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_0](#), [seqAssocGLMM_SKAT](#), [seqUnitFilterCond](#)
Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, trait.type="binary")

# get a list of variant units for burden tests
units <- seqUnitSlidingWindows(gdsfile, win.size=500, win.shift=250)

a <- seqAssocGLMM_Burden(gdsfile, glmm, units, maxMAF=c(0.1,0.01))
```

```
head(a)

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

seqAssocGLMM_SKAT	<i>SKAT tests</i>
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Description

Set-based SKAT tests using mixed models.

Usage

```
seqAssocGLMM_SKAT(gdsfile, modobj, units, maxMAF=0.01, wbeta=AggrParamBeta,
  missing=0.05, collapse.mac=10, collapse.method=c("max", "sum"),
  ccimb.adj=TRUE, ER.mac=4.5, dsnode="",
  geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"),
  res.savefn="", res.compress="ZIP",
  parallel=FALSE, verbose=TRUE, verbose.maf=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS filename, or a GDS object
<code>modobj</code>	an R object for SAIGE model parameters
<code>units</code>	a list of units of selected variants, with S3 class "SeqUnitListClass" defined in the SeqArray package
<code>maxMAF</code>	a numeric vector for MAF thresholds, e.g., <code>c(0.01, 0.001)</code> for rare variants, or <code>c(0.5, 0.1, 0.01)</code> for both common and rare variants
<code>wbeta</code>	weights for per-variant effect, using beta distribution <code>dbeta()</code> according to variant's MAF; a length-two vector, or a matrix with two rows for multiple beta parameters; by default, using <code>beta(1,1)</code> and <code>beta(1,25)</code> both
<code>missing</code>	missing threshold for variants (checking <code><= missing</code>), NaN for no filter
<code>collapse.mac</code>	the mac threshold for collapsing ultra rare variants
<code>collapse.method</code>	maximum of dosages of rare variants ("max", by default), sum up rare genotypes ("sum")
<code>ccimb.adj</code>	whether adjusting for case-control imbalance
<code>ER.mac</code>	the maximum sum of MAC for the variants with efficient resampling p-values
<code>dsnode</code>	"" for automatically searching the GDS nodes "genotype" and "annotation/format/DS", or use a user-defined GDS node in the file
<code>geno.model</code>	a character string for the genetic model: "additive" (default), "dominant" or "recessive"; the dominant model recodes dosages as <code>min(G, 1)</code> , and the recessive model recodes as <code>max(G-1, 0)</code>

<code>res.savefn</code>	an RData or GDS file name, "" for no saving
<code>res.compress</code>	the compression method for the output file, it should be one of LZMA, LZMA_RA, ZIP, ZIP_RA and none
<code>parallel</code>	FALSE (serial processing), TRUE (multicore processing), a numeric value for the number of cores, or other value; <code>parallel</code> is passed to the argument <code>c1</code> in seqParallel , see seqParallel for more details
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information
<code>verbose.maf</code>	if TRUE, show summary of MAFs in units

Details

`seqUnitFilterCond()` in the SeqArray package can be used to restrict the variant sets `units` to a range of MAC and/or MAF.

For more details of the SAIGE-GENE method, please refer to the SAIGE paper [Zhou et al. 2020] (see the reference section).

When `geno.model="dominant"`, the dosages are recoded as $\min(G, 1)$ after allele flipping to the minor allele, testing whether having at least one copy of the minor allele is associated with the trait. When `geno.model="recessive"`, dosages are recoded as $\max(G-1, 0)$, testing whether having two copies of the minor allele is associated. MAF/MAC filtering and the reported allele frequencies use the original (additive) genotype values regardless of the genetic model.

Value

Return a `data.frame` with the following components if not saving to a file:

<code>chr</code>	chromosome;
<code>start</code>	the starting position;
<code>end</code>	the ending position;
<code>maxMAF</code>	maximum of MAFs;
<code>numvar</code>	the number of variants in the window; if <code>weight="Cauchy"</code> , it is the number of individual p-values in the Cauchy test
<code>macmin</code>	the minimum of MAC in the window;
<code>macmed</code>	the median of MAC in the window;
<code>macmax</code>	the maximum of MAC in the window;
<code>summac</code>	the sum of minor allele counts;
<code>weight</code>	the weighting strategy with the beta distribution parameters
<code>n_collapse</code>	the number of variants running for single variant tests;
<code>g_ncol</code>	the number of ultra rare variants for collapsing burden tests ($\leq$ <code>collapse.mac</code>);
<code>g_minMAC</code>	x
<code>pval</code>	SKAT p-value;

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See Also

[seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_V](#), [seqAssocGLMM_ACAT_0](#), [seqAssocGLMM_Burden](#), [seqUnitFilterCond](#)

Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

sp_grm_fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_sp_grm.rds", package="SAIGEgds")
sp_grm <- readRDS(sp_grm_fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, sp_grm,
  trait.type="binary")

# get a list of variant units for burden tests
units <- seqUnitSlidingWindows(gdsfile, win.size=50, win.shift=250)

a <- seqAssocGLMM_SKAT(gdsfile, glmm, units, maxMAF=c(0.1,0.01))
head(a)

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

seqAssocGLMM_SPA	<i>P-value calculation</i>
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Description

P-value calculations using variance approximation and an adjustment of Saddlepoint approximation in the mixed model framework.

Usage

```
seqAssocGLMM_SPA(gdsfile, modobj, maf=NaN, mac=10, missing=0.05, spa=TRUE,
  ER.mac=4.5, dsnode="",
  geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"), geno.ploidy=2L,
```

```

    res.savefn="", res.compress="ZIP",
    parallel=FALSE, load.balancing=TRUE,
    verbose.pval=c(0, 5e-10, 5e-8, 5e-6, 5e-4, 1), verbose=TRUE)
seqAssocGLMM_GT(gt, modobj, spa=TRUE, ER.mac=4.5,
    geno.model=c("additive", "dominant", "recessive"), geno.ploidy=2L,
    verbose=TRUE)

```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS filename, or a GDS object
<code>modobj</code>	an R object for SAIGE model parameters
<code>maf</code>	minor allele frequency threshold (checking $\geq$ maf), NaN for no filter
<code>mac</code>	minor allele count threshold (checking $\geq$ mac), NaN for no filter
<code>missing</code>	missing threshold for variants (checking $\leq$ missing), NaN for no filter
<code>spa</code>	TRUE for using the Saddlepoint approximation method for adjusting case-control imbalance
<code>ER.mac</code>	the maximum MAC for the variants with efficient resampling p-values
<code>dsnode</code>	"" for automatically searching the GDS nodes "genotype" and "annotation/format/DS", or use a user-defined GDS node in the file
<code>geno.model</code>	a character string for the genetic model: "additive" (default), "dominant" or "recessive"; the dominant model recodes dosages as $\min(G, 1)$ (having ≥ 1 copy of the minor allele), and the recessive model recodes as $\max(G-1, 0)$ (having 2 copies of the minor allele); only applicable when <code>geno.ploidy</code> > 0
<code>geno.ploidy</code>	specify the ploidy (2 by default); 0 or NA used for non-genotype data (e.g., CNV and <code>dsnode</code> should be specified for CNVs meanwhile)
<code>res.savefn</code>	an RData or GDS file name, "" for no saving
<code>res.compress</code>	the compression method for the output file, it should be one of ZIP, ZIP_RA, LZMA, LZMA_RA and none; see compression.gdsn for more details
<code>parallel</code>	FALSE (serial processing), TRUE (multicore processing), a numeric value for the number of cores, or other value; <code>parallel</code> is passed to the argument <code>c1</code> in seqParallel , see seqParallel for more details
<code>load.balancing</code>	load balancing for the calculation in parallel if TRUE
<code>gt</code>	a numeric genotype vector (for a single variant), a numeric matrix (sample by variant), or a Matrix object; rows correspond to the samples in the model and columns to variants
<code>verbose.pval</code>	NULL or a numeric vector for dividing p-values into the intervals and show the corresponding counts
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information

Details

`seqAssocGLMM_SPA()` reads genotype data from a GDS file and supports parallel computation. `seqAssocGLMM_GT()` takes an in-memory numeric vector (for a single variant) or matrix `gt` (sample by variant) directly, which is useful when genotypes are already loaded or generated outside of the

GDS framework. The rows of `gt` (or the length of the vector) must match the samples used in the null model.

For more details of SAIGE algorithm, please refer to the SAIGE paper [Zhou et al. 2018] (see the reference section).

When `geno.model="dominant"`, the dosages are recoded as $\min(G, 1)$ after allele flipping to the minor allele, testing whether having at least one copy of the minor allele is associated with the trait. When `geno.model="recessive"`, dosages are recoded as $\max(G-1, 0)$, testing whether having two copies of the minor allele is associated. MAF/MAC filtering and the reported allele frequencies use the original (additive) genotype values regardless of the genetic model.

Value

Return a `data.frame` with the following components if not saving to a file:

<code>id</code>	variant ID in the GDS file;
<code>chr</code>	chromosome;
<code>pos</code>	position;
<code>rs.id</code>	the RS IDs if it is available in the GDS file as a node "annotation/id";
<code>ref</code>	the reference allele;
<code>alt</code>	the alternative allele;
<code>AF.alt</code>	allele frequency for the alternative allele; the minor allele frequency is $\min(AF.alt, 1-AF.alt)$;
<code>mac</code>	minor allele count; the allele count for the alternative allele is $\text{ifelse}(AF.alt \leq 0.5, mac, 2*num-mac)$;
<code>num</code>	the number of samples with non-missing genotypes;
<code>beta</code>	beta coefficient, log odds ratio if binary outcomes (alternative allele vs. reference allele);
<code>SE</code>	standard error for beta coefficient;
<code>pval</code>	final p-value (if the Saddlepoint approximation or efficient resampling is applied);
<code>method</code>	"Normal": pval is calculated by assuming asymptotic normality; "SPA": using the Saddlepoint approximation method; "ER": using the efficient resampling
<code>p.norm</code>	p-values based on asymptotic normality (could be 0 if it is too small, e.g., $\text{pnorm}(-50) = 0$ in R; used for checking only
<code>converged</code>	whether the SPA algorithm converges or not for p-values.

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See Also

[seqFitNullGLMM_SPA](#), [seqSAIGE_LoadPval](#)

Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, trait.type="binary")

# p-value calculation
a <- seqAssocGLMM_SPA(gdsfile, glmm, mac=10)
head(a)

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

seqFitLDpruning

Linkage disequilibrium pruning

Description

Construct LD-pruned SNP sets for genetic relationship matrix (GRM).

Usage

```
seqFitLDpruning(gdsfile, sample.id=NULL, variant.id=NULL,
  ld.threshold=0.1, maf=0.01, missing.rate=0.005, autosome.only=TRUE,
  use.cateMAC=TRUE, num.marker=100L, num.total=100000L, save.gdsfn=NULL,
  seed=200L, parallel=FALSE, parallel.multi=NULL, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS file name, a GDS object for genotypes, or a character vector for a list of GDS file names when genotypes are split by chromosomes
<code>sample.id</code>	NULL for all samples, or sample IDs in GRM
<code>variant.id</code>	a list of variant IDs, used to construct GRM
<code>ld.threshold</code>	the LD threshold; see <code>snpGDS::LDpruning()</code>
<code>maf</code>	minor allele frequency threshold for genotypes in <code>gdsfile</code> (checking $\geq$ maf), if <code>variant.id=NULL</code> ; NaN for no filter

<code>missing.rate</code>	threshold of missing rate (checking $\leq$ <code>missing.rate</code>), if <code>variant.id=NULL</code> ; NaN for no filter
<code>autosome.only</code>	TRUE for using autosomes only
<code>use.cateMAC</code>	FALSE, to use a single global variance ratio; TRUE (equal to <code>use.cateMAC=c(1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5, 5.5, 10.5, 20.5)</code>) for MAC categories (0, 1.5), [1.5, 2.5), ... [10.5, 20.5) and [20.5, Inf); or a numeric vector (strictly increasing) for unique cut points
<code>num.marker</code>	the number of SNPs used to calculate the variance ratio in each MAC category
<code>num.total</code>	the total number of LD-pruned variants excluding ultra rare variants; if the number of variants selected by the process of LD pruning is larger than <code>num.total</code> , the random set is used
<code>save.gdsfn</code>	if a file name is specified, construct a GDS genotype file to include all selected variants
<code>parallel</code>	FALSE (serial processing), TRUE (multicore processing), a numeric value for the number of cores, or other value; <code>parallel</code> is passed to the argument <code>c1</code> in seqParallel , see seqParallel for more details
<code>parallel.multi</code>	only applicable when there are multiple input files in <code>gdsfile</code> and <code>save.gdsfn</code> is used; multiple GDS files can be extracted to create a sub GDS file in <code>parallel</code> via <code>parallel.multi</code> ; if NULL, use <code>parallel</code> instead; <code>parallel.multi</code> could have less CPU cores than <code>parallel</code> to reduce memory usage
<code>seed</code>	an integer passed to <code>set.seed()</code> as a seed for random numbers, or NULL for no action
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information

Details

This function calls [snpgdsLDpruning](#) in the SNPRelate package to perform linkage disequilibrium (LD) pruning. When `use.cateMAC` is not FALSE, the ultra rare variants will be selected according to the MAC categories, which could be used in the null model fitting.

Value

Returns variant IDs or a list of variant IDs for multiple input GDS files.

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See Also

[seqFitNullGLMM_SPA](#), [seqAssocGLMM_SPA](#), [snpgdsLDpruning](#)

Examples

```
library(SeqArray)
library(SAIGEgds)

# open a GDS file
gds_fn <- seqExampleFileName("KG_Phase1")

seqFitLDpruning(gds_fn, save.gdsfn="grm.gds")

# delete the temporary file
unlink("grm.gds", force=TRUE)
```

seqFitNullGLMM_SPA	<i>Fit the null model for the SAIGE mixed model framework</i>
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Description

Fit the null model in the mixed model framework with an optional genetic relationship matrix (GRM).

Usage

```
seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(formula, data, gdsfile=NULL, grm.mat=NULL,
  trait.type=c("binary", "quantitative", "survival"),
  sample.col="sample.id", event.time=NULL, maf=0.01,
  missing.rate=0.01, max.num.snp=1000000L, variant.id=NULL,
  variant.id.varratio=NULL, nsnp.sub.random=2000L, rel.cutoff=0.125,
  inv.norm=c("residuals", "quant", "none"), use.cateMAC=FALSE,
  cateMAC.inc.maf=TRUE, cateMAC.simu=TRUE, use.offset=FALSE, X.transform=TRUE,
  tol=0.02, maxiter=20L, nrun=30L, tolPCG=1e-5, maxiterPCG=500L,
  num.marker=30L, tau.init=c(0,0), traceCVcutoff=0.0025, ratioCVcutoff=0.001,
  geno.sparse=TRUE, use.gpu=FALSE, save.packed.geno=FALSE, num.thread=1L,
  model.savefn="", seed=200L, fork.loading, parallel.loading=FALSE,
  verbose=TRUE)
seqRefitNullGLMM(formula, data, model=NULL,
  sample.col="sample.id", event.time=NULL,
  inv.norm=c("residuals", "quant", "none"), use.offset=FALSE,
  X.transform=TRUE, tau.update=FALSE, recalcvr=FALSE,
  tol=0.02, maxiter=20L, nrun=30L, tolPCG=1e-5, maxiterPCG=500L,
  num.marker=30L, traceCVcutoff=0.0025, ratioCVcutoff=0.001,
  num.thread=1L, seed=200L, use.gpu=FALSE, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

formula	an object of class formula (or one that can be coerced to that class), e.g., $y \sim x_1 + x_2$, see lm
data	a data frame for the formulas

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS filename or a GDS object for genotypes used in the GRM calculation; see details
<code>grm.mat</code>	NULL, a user-defined GRM or an object of 'snpgdsGRMClass' returned from <code>SNPRelate::snpgdsGRM()</code> ; a dense numeric matrix or a sparse symmetric matrix 'sparseMatrix' defined in Matrix; colnames and rownames should be sample IDs; or TRUE, call <code>seqFitSparseGRM()</code> to get a sparse GRM; see details
<code>trait.type</code>	"binary" for binary outcomes, "quantitative" for continuous outcomes, or "survival" for time-to-event outcomes fitted with a Cox proportional-hazards frailty model (via the Breslow Cox-Poisson equivalence, cf. the GATE method); for "survival" the response in formula is the 0/1 event status (1=event, 0=censored) and <code>event.time</code> gives the follow-up time
<code>sample.col</code>	the column name of sample IDs corresponding to the GDS file
<code>event.time</code>	only used when <code>trait.type="survival"</code> : a column name in data giving the non-negative event/censoring time; the intercept is removed (absorbed by the baseline hazard) and <code>X.transform/use.offset</code> are forced to FALSE. If neither <code>gdsfile</code> nor <code>grm.mat</code> is given, a Cox proportional-hazards model without random effects is fitted (assuming independent samples) and the Poisson saddle-point approximation is still applied in the association tests. For <code>seqRefitNullGLMM()</code> the event time is not stored in model and must be re-supplied here (as a column of the new data)
<code>maf</code>	minor allele frequency threshold for genotypes in <code>gdsfile</code> (checking $\geq$ maf), if <code>variant.id=NULL</code> ; NaN for no filter
<code>missing.rate</code>	threshold of missing rate (checking $\leq$ missing.rate), if <code>variant.id=NULL</code> ; NaN for no filter
<code>max.num.snp</code>	the maximum number of SNPs used, or -1 for no limit
<code>variant.id</code>	a list of variant IDs, considered to be used in GRM; or NULL, all variants in the GDS file to be the candidate variants
<code>variant.id.varratio</code>	a list of variant IDs, to be used in the variance ratio estimation; or NULL to use the candidate variants according to <code>variant.id</code>
<code>nsnp.sub.random</code>	used in <code>seqFitSparseGRM()</code> when <code>grm.mat=TRUE</code> : the number of SNP markers randomly selected from the candidate variants for the initial scan of relatedness
<code>rel.cutoff</code>	relatedness threshold for treating two individuals as unrelated (check $\geq$ rel.cutoff), NaN or -Inf for no threshold; only applicable when <code>grm.mat=TRUE</code>
<code>use.cateMAC</code>	FALSE, to use a single global variance ratio; TRUE (equal to <code>use.cateMAC=c(1.5, 2.5, 3.5, 4.5, 5.5, 10.5, 20.5)</code>) for MAC categories (0, 1.5), [1.5, 2.5), ... [10.5, 20.5) and [20.5, Inf); or a numeric vector (strictly increasing) for unique cut points
<code>cateMAC.inc.maf</code>	TRUE to include a MAC cut point according to <code>MAF=maf</code> , or a numeric vector for MAF; only applicable if <code>use.cateMAC</code> is not FALSE
<code>cateMAC.simu</code>	TRUE for using simulated independent genotypes under Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium if there are not enough SNP markers in the MAC category; only applicable if <code>use.cateMAC</code> is not FALSE

inv.norm	"residuals" (by default), perform the inverse normal transformation on the residuals after fitting the fixed effects; "quant", perform the inverse normal transformation on the outcome variable directly (the same behavior as the SAIGE package); "none", no transformation. If inv.norm=TRUE, perform inv.norm="residuals"; if inv.norm=FALSE, it is as the same as inv.norm="none"; See the reference for more discussion [Sofer et al., 2019]
use.offset	if TRUE, use the estimated residual offset to avoid calculating each fixed effect coefficient
X.transform	if TRUE, perform QR decomposition on the design matrix
tol	overall tolerance for model fitting
maxiter	the maximum number of iterations for model fitting; maxiter=0 for using a fixed tau parameter in tau.init
nrun	the number of random vectors in the trace estimation
tolPCG	tolerance of PCG iterations
maxiterPCG	the maximum number of PCG iterations
num.marker	the number of SNPs used to calculate the variance ratio
tau.init	a 2-length numeric vector, the initial values for variance components, tau; for binary traits, the first element is always set to 1; if tau.init is not specified, the second element will be 0.5 for binary traits
traceCVcutoff	the threshold for coefficient of variation (CV) for the trace estimator, and the number of runs for trace estimation will be increased until the CV is below the threshold
ratioCVcutoff	the threshold for coefficient of variation (CV) for estimating the variance ratio, and the number of randomly selected markers will be increased until the CV is below the threshold
geno.sparse	if TRUE (by default), store the sparse structure for genotypes; otherwise, save genotypes in a 2-bit dense matrix; see details
save.packed.geno	if TRUE, save packed genotypes of GRM in the output model object; it can be used for refitting the null model with different fixed effects
num.thread	the number of threads, 1 by default
model.savefn	the filename of model output, R data file '.rda', '.RData', or '.rds'
seed	an integer passed to set.seed() as a seed for random numbers, or NULL for no action
fork.loading	deprecated, use parallel.loading instead
parallel.loading	load genotypes via parallel or not; multiple processes can reduce loading time of genotypes, but may increase the memory usage
model	a fitted null model object of class "ClassSAIGE_NullModel" created by seqFitNullGLMM_SPA() with save.packed.geno=TRUE
tau.update	if TRUE, re-estimate the variance components tau; otherwise use the tau values from the input model

recalcVR	if TRUE, recalculate the variance ratio; otherwise use the variance ratio from the input model
use.gpu	if TRUE, attempt to use OpenCL GPU acceleration for the GRM cross-product computation; falls back to CPU if no compatible GPU or OpenCL runtime is found
verbose	if TRUE, show information

Details

seqFitNullGLMM_SPA() fits the null model from scratch using genotype data from a GDS file and/or a genetic relationship matrix (GRM). seqRefitNullGLMM() refits the null model using packed genotypes saved from a previous call to seqFitNullGLMM_SPA() (with save.packed.geno=TRUE), allowing different fixed-effect covariates without reloading genotypes from the GDS file. By default, the variance components (tau) are kept from the input model (tau.update=FALSE) and the variance ratio is recalculated (recalcVR=TRUE).

Utilizing the sparse structure of genotypes could significantly improve the computational efficiency of model fitting, but it also increases the memory usage. For more details of SAIGE algorithm, please refer to the SAIGE paper [Zhou et al., 2018] (see the reference section).

Value

Returns a list with the following components:

coefficients	the beta coefficients for fixed effects;
tau	a numeric vector of variance components 'Sigma_E' and 'Sigma_G';
linear.predictors	the linear fit on link scale;
fitted.values	fitted values from objects returned by modeling functions using glm.fit;
residuals	residuals;
converged	whether the model is fitted or not;
obj.noK	internal use, returned object from the SPAtest package;
Sigma_inv	optional inverse covariance matrix when a GRM is used;
chol_inv_X_Sigma	optional projection matrix component when a GRM is used;
var.ratio	a data.frame with columns 'id' (variant.id), 'maf' (minor allele frequency), 'mac' (minor allele count), 'var1' (the variance of score statistic), 'var2' (a variance estimate without accounting for estimated random effects) and 'ratio' (var1/var2, estimated variance ratio for variance approximation);
trait.type	"binary", "quantitative" or "survival";
sample.id	the sample IDs used in the model fitting;
variant.id	the variant IDs used in the model fitting.

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See Also

[seqAssocGLMM_SPA](#), [seqFitSparseGRM](#)

Examples

```
# open a GDS file
fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(fn)

# load phenotype
phenofn <- system.file("extdata", "pheno.txt.gz", package="SAIGEgds")
pheno <- read.table(phenofn, header=TRUE, as.is=TRUE)
head(pheno)

# fit the null model
glmm <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(y ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile, trait.type="binary")
glmm

# fit a survival null model (Cox frailty via the GATE method):
# the response is the 0/1 event status and 'event.time' the follow-up time
set.seed(100)
pheno$status <- rbinom(nrow(pheno), 1, 0.5) # event indicator
pheno$atime <- rexp(nrow(pheno), exp(0.3*pheno$x1)) # event/censoring time
survmod <- seqFitNullGLMM_SPA(status ~ x1 + x2, pheno, gdsfile,
  trait.type="survival", event.time="atime")
survmod

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

Description

Construct sparse and dense genetic relationship matrix (GRM).

Usage

```
seqFitSparseGRM(gdsfile, sample.id=NULL, variant.id=NULL, nsnp.sub.random=2000L,
  rel.cutoff=0.125, maf=0.01, missing.rate=0.005, num.thread=1L,
  use.gpu=FALSE, return.ID=FALSE, seed=200L, verbose=TRUE)
seqFitDenseGRM(gdsfile, sample.id=NULL, variant.id=NULL, maf=0.01,
  missing.rate=0.005, num.thread=1L, use.gpu=FALSE, use.double=TRUE,
  return.ID=FALSE, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

<code>gdsfile</code>	a SeqArray GDS file name or a GDS object for genotypes used in the GRM calculation; see details
<code>sample.id</code>	NULL for all samples, or sample IDs in GRM
<code>variant.id</code>	candidate variant IDs used for constructing GRM; or NULL for using all available candidate variants
<code>nsnp.sub.random</code>	the number of SNP markers randomly selected from the candidate variants for the initial scan of relatedness; if <code>nsnp.sub.random=0</code> , use all candidate SNPs
<code>rel.cutoff</code>	relatedness threshold for treating two individuals as unrelated (check $\geq$ <code>rel.cutoff</code>); NaN or $-\infty$ for no threshold
<code>maf</code>	minor allele frequency threshold for genotypes in <code>gdsfile</code> (checking $\geq$ <code>maf</code>), if <code>variant.id=NULL</code> ; NaN for no filter
<code>missing.rate</code>	threshold of missing rate (checking $\leq$ <code>missing.rate</code>), if <code>variant.id=NULL</code> ; NaN for no filter
<code>num.thread</code>	the number of threads, 1 by default
<code>use.gpu</code>	if TRUE, attempt to use OpenCL GPU acceleration for GRM computation; falls back to CPU if no GPU is available
<code>use.double</code>	TRUE for using 64-bit double precision to calculate GRM; otherwise, to use 32-bit single precision
<code>return.ID</code>	if TRUE, return the IDs for samples, the full variant set and the subset of variants
<code>seed</code>	an integer passed to <code>set.seed()</code> as a seed for random numbers, or NULL for no action
<code>verbose</code>	if TRUE, show information

Details

The genetic relationship matrix (GRM) is defined as $\$grm_{ij} = \text{avg}_l [(g_{il} - 2*p_l)*(g_{jl} - 2*p_l) / 2*p_l*(1 - p_l)]$ for individuals i,j and locus l , where $\$g_{il}$ is 0, 1 or 2, and $\$p_l$ is the allele frequency at locus l . The missing genotypes are dropped from the calculation.

Value

If return.ID=TRUE, returns a list with sample.id for sample IDs, variant.id for the full set of variants, variant.sub.id for the subset of variants, and the GRM matrix. Otherwise, it returns a sparse or dense symmetric matrix for GRM, with sample IDs in colnames() and rownames().

Author(s)

Xiuwen Zheng

See Also

[seqFitNullGLMM_SPA](#), [seqFitLDpruning](#)

Examples

```
library(Matrix)

# open a GDS file
gds_fn <- system.file("extdata", "grm1k_10k_snp.gds", package="SAIGEgds")
gdsfile <- seqOpen(gds_fn)

seqSetFilter(gdsfile, variant.sel=1:100)
m <- seqFitSparseGRM(gdsfile, rel.cutoff=0.125)
is(m)
nnzero(m)           # num of non-zero
nnzero(m) / prod(dim(m)) # percentage of non-zero

m <- seqFitDenseGRM(gdsfile)
str(m)

# close the GDS file
seqClose(gdsfile)
```

seqGetGenoByGeno	<i>Genotype-by-Genotype Interaction Matrix</i>
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Description

Calculate the matrix for genotype-by-genotype interaction terms between two sets of variants, excluding interaction columns without variation.

Usage

```
seqGetGenoByGeno(gt1, gt2, use_colnm=TRUE)
```

Arguments

gt1	a numeric matrix or Matrix object (samples by variants) for the first set of genotypes
gt2	a numeric matrix or Matrix object (samples by variants) for the second set of genotypes
use_colnm	if TRUE, set column names in the output matrix using the column names of gt1 and gt2; if column names are missing, default names "a1", "a2", ... and "b1", "b2", ... are used

Details

The function computes element-wise products for all pairs of columns (one from gt1, one from gt2) to form interaction terms. Interaction columns with no variation (i.e., all zeros) are excluded from the result. The computation is performed using sparse matrix operations for efficiency, and the inputs are swapped internally if gt1 has more columns than gt2.

Value

A sparse matrix (dgCMatrix) where each column represents the interaction between a variant in gt1 and a variant in gt2. Column names are in the format "name1_x_name2" when use_colnm=TRUE.

Author(s)

Xiuwen Zheng

See Also

[seqAssocGLMM_SPA](#)

Examples

```
library(Matrix)

# dense matrix input
g1 <- matrix(c(0,1,2,0,1,0), nrow=3)
g2 <- matrix(c(1,0,1,2,1,0), nrow=3)
colnames(g1) <- c("snp1", "snp2")
colnames(g2) <- c("snp3", "snp4")

m <- seqGetGenoByGeno(g1, g2)
m

# sparse matrix input
g1s <- as(g1, "dgCMatrix")
g2s <- as(g2, "dgCMatrix")

m2 <- seqGetGenoByGeno(g1s, g2s)
m2
```

seqSAIGE_LoadPval	<i>Load the association results</i>
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Description

Load the association results from an RData, RDS or GDS file.

Usage

```
seqSAIGE_LoadPval(fn, varnm=NULL, index=NULL, verbose=TRUE)
```

Arguments

fn	RData, RDS or GDS file names, merging datasets if multiple files
varnm	NULL, or a character vector to include the column names; e.g., c("chr", "position", "rs.id", "ref", "alt", "pval")
index	NULL, or a logical/numeric vector for a set of rows
verbose	if TRUE, show information

Value

Return a data.frame including p-values.

Author(s)

Xiuwen Zheng

See Also

[seqFitNullGLMM_SPA](#), [seqAssocGLMM_SPA](#)

Examples

```
(fn <- system.file("unitTests", "saige_pval.rds", package="SAIGEgds"))
pval <- seqSAIGE_LoadPval(fn)

names(pval)
# [1] "id"      "chr"      "pos"      "rs.id"    "ref"
# [6] "alt"     "AF.alt"   "AC.alt"   "num"      "beta"
# [11] "SE"      "pval"     "pval.noadj" "converged"

head(pval)
```

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