

Package ‘PECA’

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Description Calculates Probe-level Expression Change Averages (PECA) to identify differential expression in Affymetrix gene expression microarray studies or in proteomic studies using peptide-level measurements respectively.

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PECA *PECA differential gene expression*

Description

Calculates the PECA ordinary or modified t-statistic to determine differential expression between two groups of samples in Affymetrix gene expression studies or peptide-based proteomic studies.

Usage

```
## Read AffyBatch object
PECA_AffyBatch(affy=NULL, normalize=FALSE, test="t", type="median", paired=FALSE)

## Read CEL-files
PECA_CEL(samplenames1=NULL, samplenames2=NULL, normalize=FALSE, test="t",
type="median", paired=FALSE)

## Read tab separated text file
PECA_tsv(file=NULL, samplenames1=NULL, samplenames2=NULL, normalize=FALSE, test="t",
type="median", paired=FALSE)
```

Arguments

<code>affy</code>	AffyBatch object
<code>normalize</code>	a logical indicating whether quantile normalization is applied
<code>test</code>	a character string indicating whether the ordinary ("t") or modified ("modt") t-test is performed.
<code>type</code>	a character string indicating whether ("median") or ("tukey") is used when calculating gene/protein values
<code>paired</code>	a logical indicating whether a paired test is performed
<code>file</code>	filename of tab separated data
<code>samplenames1</code>	a character vector containing the names of the .CEL-files/columns in the first group
<code>samplenames2</code>	a character vector containing the names of the .CEL-files/columns in the second group

Details

PECA determines differential gene expression using directly the probe-level measurements from Affymetrix gene expression microarrays or proteomic datasets. An expression change between two groups of samples is first calculated for each probe/peptide on the array. The gene/protein-level expression changes are then defined as medians over the probe-level changes. For more details about the probe-level expression change averaging (PECA) procedure, see Elo et al. (2005), Laajala et al. (2009) and Suomi et al.

PECA calculates the probe-level expression changes using the ordinary or modified t-statistic. The ordinary t-statistic is calculated using the function `rowttests` in the Bioconductor `genefilter` package. The modified t-statistic is calculated using the linear modeling approach in the Bioconductor `limma` package. Both paired and unpaired tests are supported.

The significance of an expression change is determined based on the analytical p-value of the gene-level test statistic. Unadjusted p-values are reported along with the corresponding p-values looked up from beta distribution. The quality control and filtering of the data (e.g. based on low intensity or probe specificity) is left to the user.

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Examples

```
## Load spike-in example
library(SpikeIn)
data(SpikeIn95)

## Subset the data
data <- SpikeIn95[,13:20]

## Run the test
results <- PECA_AffyBatch(affy=data)

## Show portion of the results
head(results)
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