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# Description

This function is a helper function to create the cyclic ggplot color legend.

# Usage

```
circle_scale_legend(hue.colors = c("#2E22EA", "#9E3DFB", "#F86BE2", "#FCCE7B", "#C4E416", "#4BBA0F hue.n = 500, alpha = 0.6, y.inner = 1.5, y.outer = 3, y.text = 3.8, ymax = 4.5, text.size = 3, addStag G1.pos = 0, S.pos = 2.2, G2M.pos = 3.9)
```

# **Arguments**

hue.colors	The string vector gives the cyclic colors. The first color should look very similar to the last one. Default: c("#2E22EA", "#9E3DFB", "#F86BE2", "#FCCE7B", "#C4E416", "#4BBA0F", "#447D87", "#2C24E9")
hue.n	The number of breaks of color scheme. Default: 500
alpha	The alpha value (transparency). Default: 0.6
y.inner	The radius of inner circle of the donut. Default: 1.5
y.outer	The radius of outer circle of the donut. Default: 3
y.text	The radius of text position. Default: 3.8
ymax	The value control the border of the legend. Default: 4.5
text.size	The size of the text Default: 3
addStageLabel	Whether to add approximate discrete stage labels. Default: FALSE
G1.pos	Approximate radius value of G1 label position. Default: 0
S.pos	Approximate radius value of S label position. Default: 2.2
G2M.pos	Approximate radius value of G2M label position. Default: 3.9

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#### **Details**

The function will make a donut shape to serve as the cyclic color legend. The arguments should match the argument used in plot\_emb\_circle\_scale.

## Value

A ggplot object

## Author(s)

Shijie C. Zheng

## **Examples**

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diagnose\_totalumi

Diagnostic function for UMI based datasets

# Description

The function will fit loess line for total UMIs numbers over cell cycle position to diagnose non-fitting data, of which cells are not cycling.

# Arguments

theta.v	The cell cycle position - a numeric vector with range between 0 to 2pi.
totalumis	The total UMIs number for each cell (without log2 transformation) - a numeric vector with the same length as theta.v.
span	The parameter $\alpha$ which controls the degree of smoothing. See loess. Default: 0.3
length.out	The number of data points on the fitted lines to be output in the prediction data.frame. Default: 200
plot	If TRUE, a ggplot scatter plot will be included in the output list. The figure will plot log2(totalumis) ~ theta.v with points and the fitted loess line. Default: TRUE
fig.title	The title of the figure. Default: NULL
point.size	The size of the point in scatter plot used by geom_scattermore. Default: 2.1
point.alpha	The alpha value (transparency) of the point in scatter plot used by ${\tt geom\_scattermore}$ . Default: $0.6$
line.size	The size of the fitted line, used by geom_path. Default: 0.8
line.alpha	The alpha value (transparency) of the fitted line, used by geom_path. Default: 0.8
x_lab	Title of x-axis. Default: " $\theta$ "
y_lab	Title of y-axis. Default: "log2(totalumis)"
	Other arguments input to loess.

#### **Details**

This function fit a loess line between cell cycle position and log2 transformed total UMI number, as described in fit\_periodic\_loess. If almost all cells are not cycling in a dataset, the estimated cell cycle positions might be incorrect due to the shifted embedding center. Using the fact that the cell should have highest total UMI number at the end of S phase and almost half of that highest total UMI number at M phase, we could detect those datasets which should be analysesd and intepreted carefully when using tricycle package. For such probelmatic datasets, the defaul embedding center (0, 0) could lead to wrong inference. Thus, We don't rececommend using cell cycle position values if you get warnings from the diagnose\_totalumi function.

#### Value

A diagnostic message and a list with the following elements:

- fitted The fitted vaues on the loess line. A vector of the length of y.
- residual The residual values from the fitted loess line, i.e. y y.fit. A vector of the length of y.
- pred.df The prediction data.frame by uniformly sampling theta from 0 2\*pi. Names of variables: x and y. The number of rows equals to length.out.
- loess.o The fitted loess object.
- rsquared The coefficient of determination R2. Calculated as 1 residual sum of squares / the total sum of squares.
- fig When plot is TRUE, a ggplot scatter plot object will be returned with other items.

# Author(s)

Shijie C. Zheng

## See Also

```
fit_periodic_loess.
```

## **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example)
diagnose.l <- diagnose_totalumi(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition,
neurosphere_example$TotalUMIs, plot = TRUE)</pre>
```

```
estimate\_cycle\_position
```

Assign cell cycle position

# Description

Assign cell cycle position by the angle formed by PC1 and PC2 in the cell cycle space. If the cell cycle projection does not exist, the function will project the data.

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#### Usage

```
estimate_cycle_position(
    x,
    exprs_values = "logcounts",
    dimred = "tricycleEmbedding",
    center.pc1 = 0,
    center.pc2 = 0,
    altexp = NULL,
    ...
)
```

#### **Arguments**

A numeric matrix of \*\*log-expression\*\* values where rows are features and

columns are cells. Alternatively, a SummarizedExperiment or SingleCellExper-

iment containing such a matrix.

exprs\_values Integer scalar or string indicating which assay of x contains the \*\*log-expression\*\*

values, which will be used for projection. If the projection already exists, you

can ignore this value. Default: 'logcounts'

dimred The name of reducedDims in SingleCellExperiment (reducedDims). If the

dimred already exists, it will be used to assign cell cycle position. If dimred does not exist, the projection will be calculated first by project\_cycle\_space

and stored with name dimred in x. Default: 'tricycleEmbedding'

center.pc1 The center of PC1 when defining the angle. Default: 0

center.pc2 The center of PC2 when defining the angle. Default: 0

altexp String or integer scalar specifying an alternative experiment containing the \*\*log-

expression\*\* data, which will be used for projection. If the projection is already calculated and stored in the SingleCellExperiment as a dimred, leave this value

to default NULL.

... Arguments to be used by project\_cycle\_space. If x is a SingleCellExperi-

ment, and the projection is already in the reducedDim with name dimred. The dimred will be directly used to assign cell cycle position withou new projection.

#### **Details**

The function will use assign the cell cycle position by the angle formed by the PC1 and PC2 of cell cycle projections. If the input is a numeric matrix or a SummarizedExperiment, the projection will be calculated with the input \*\*log-expression\*\* values. For SingleCellExperiment, the projection will also be calculated if the designated dimred does not exist. Ohterwise, the dimred will directly be used to assign cell cycle position. Therefore, this function is a wrapper function if the input is a SingleCellExperiment. Refer to project\_cycle\_space to all arguments during the projection.

The estimated cell cycle position is bound between 0 and 2pi. Note that we strive to get high resolution of cell cycle state, and we think the continuous position is more appropriate when describing the cell cycle. However, to help users understand the position variable, we also note that users can approximately relate 0.5pi to be the start of S stage, pi to be the start of G2M stage, 1.5pi to be the middle of M stage, and 1.75pi-0.25pi to be G1/G0 stage.

#### Value

If the input is a numeric matrix, the cell cycle position - a numeric vector bound between  $0\sim 2\pi$  with the same length as the number of input coumlum will be returned.

If the input is SummarizedExperiment, the original SummarizedExperiment with cell cycle position stored in colData with name 'tricyclePosition' will be returned.

If the input is SingleCellExperiment, the original SingleCellExperiment with cell cycle position stored in colData with name 'tricyclePosition' will be returned and the projection will be stored in reducedDims(..., dimred) if it does not exist before.

#### Author(s)

```
Shijie C. Zheng
```

#### References

Zheng SC, et al. *Universal prediction of cell cycle position using transfer learning*. Genome Biology (2022) 23: 41 doi:10.1186/s13059-021-02581-y.

#### See Also

project\_cycle\_space, for projecting new data with a pre-learned reference

#### **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example)
reducedDimNames(neurosphere_example)
plot(reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding"))
plot(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition,
  reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding")[, 1])
plot(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition,
  reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding")[, 2])</pre>
```

```
estimate_Schwabe_stage
```

Assign cell cycle stages using Schwabe method

#### **Description**

The function is a re-implementation of cell cycle stage assignment method proposed in Schwabe et al.(2020), with a little modification. The core assignment method is not designed by the authors of this package!

```
estimate_Schwabe_stage(
    x,
    exprs_values = "logcounts",
    batch.v = NULL,
    altexp = NULL,
    cycleGene.l = NULL,
    gname = NULL,
    gname.type = c("ENSEMBL", "SYMBOL"),
    species = c("mouse", "human"),
    AnnotationDb = NULL,
```

```
corThres = 0.2,
tolerance = 0.3
)
```

#### **Arguments**

Χ	A numeric matrix of **log-expression** values where rows are features and
	columns are cells. Alternatively, a SummarizedExperiment or SingleCellExper-

iment containing such a matrix.

exprs\_values Integer scalar or string indicating which assay of x contains the \*\*log-expression\*\*

values, which will be used for projection. If the projection already exists, you

can ignore this value. Default: 'logcounts'

batch.v A string specifies which column in colData of SummarizedExperiment or Sin-

gleCellExperiment to use as the batch variable. Or it can be a vector, of which the number of elements equals to the number of columns of x. The 5 stage cell cycle assignments are preformed for each batch separately. No NA is permitted.

Default: NULL

altexp String or integer scalar specifying an alternative experiment containing the \*\*log-

expression\*\* data, which will be used for projection. If the projection is already calculated and stored in the SingleCellExperiment as a dimred, leave this value

to default NULL.

cycleGene.1 A list contains the marker genes for each stage. The stage names should be

included as names of the elements. If user feed custom list, they should make sure that the same gene id type for x and cycleGene.1. If not custom list is

given, RevelioGeneList will be used. Default: NULL

gname Alternative rownames of x. If provided, this will be used to map genes within x

with genes in ref.m. If not provided, the rownames of x will be used instead.

Default: NULL

gname.type The type of gene names as in gname or rownames of x. It can be either 'EN-

SEMBL' or 'SYMBOL'. If the user uses custom ref.m, this value will have no

effect. Default: 'ENSEMBL'

species The type of species in x. It can be either 'mouse' or 'human'. If the user uses

custom cycleGene.1, this value will have no effect. Default: 'mouse'

AnnotationDb An AnnotationDb objects. It is used to map ENSEMBL IDs to gene SYMBOLs.

If no AnnotationDb object being given, the function will use org.Hs.eg.db or

org.Mm.eg.db for human and mouse respectively.

corThres For each batch and each stage, correlations between expression of each gene and

the mean of all genes belonging to that stage will be calculated to filter the final gene list used for inference. The genes with a correlation between corThres

will not be used for calculating z-scores. Default: 0.2

tolerance For each cell, the function will compare the largest two *z*-scores. If the difference

between those two z-scores is less than tolerance, the cell will be treated un-

assignable with NA value returned for that cell. Default: 0.3

#### **Details**

The function is a re-implementation of cell cycle stage assignment method proposed in Schwabe et al.(2020), with a little modification. We include this function only for the purpose of convenience. The core assignment method is not designed by the authors of this package! Breiefly, the function assigns cells to discretized cell cycle stages by comparing the *z*-scores calculated for each stage

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markers. Without cycleGene.l input, RevelioGeneList will be used. If you use this function, you should cite Schwabe et al.(2020).

#### Value

If the input is a numeric matrix, the discretized cell cycle stages - a factor vector corresponding to each cell will be returned.

If the input is SummarizedExperiment, the original SummarizedExperiment with the discretized cell cycle stages stored in colData with name 'CCStage' will be returned.

If the input is SingleCellExperiment, the original SingleCellExperiment with the discretized cell cycle stages stored in colData with name 'CCStage' will be returned.

## Author(s)

Shijie C. Zheng

#### References

Schwabe D, et al. *The transcriptome dynamics of single cells during the cell cycle*. Molecular Systems Biology (2020) 16: e9946 doi:10.15252/msb.20209946.

Zheng SC, et al. *Universal prediction of cell cycle position using transfer learning*. Genome Biology (2022) 23: 41 doi:10.1186/s13059-021-02581-y.

## **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_Schwabe_stage(neurosphere_example,
  gname.type = "ENSEMBL", species = "mouse")
neurosphere_example2 <- estimate_Schwabe_stage(neurosphere_example, batch.v = "sample")
neurosphere_example3 <- estimate_Schwabe_stage(neurosphere_example,
  batch.v = neurosphere_example$sample)
neurosphere_example <- project_cycle_space(neurosphere_example)
plot(reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding"),
  col = neurosphere_example$CCStage)</pre>
```

fit\_periodic\_loess

Fit periodic loess line with circular predictor

#### **Description**

The function will fit a loess line using cell cycle position and other variables, such as expression levels of a gene or log-transformed totalUMIs numbers. The circular nature of cell cycle position is taken into account by making 3 copies inside the function. For convenience, the function will also return a scatter plot with fitted line if needed.

## **Arguments**

theta.v The cell cycle position - a numeric vector with range between 0 to 2pi. 
y The response variable - a numeric vector with the same length as theta.v. 
span The parameter  $\alpha$  which controls the degree of smoothing. See loess. Default: 0.3

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length.out	The number of data points on the fitted lines to be output in the prediction data.frame. Default: 200
plot	If TRUE, a ggplot scatter plot will be included in the output list. The figure will plot y ~ theta.v with points and the fitted loess line. Default: FALSE
fig.title	The title of the figure. Default: NULL
point.size	The size of the point in scatter plot used by geom_scattermore. Default: 2.1
point.alpha	The alpha value (transparency) of the point in scatter plot used by geom_scattermore. Default: 0.6
line.size	The size of the fitted line, used by geom_path. Default: 0.8
line.alpha	The alpha value (transparency) of the fitted line, used by geom_path. Default: 0.8
color.vars	Optional. A vector of categorical variable of the same length of theta.v, and it will be used to color points in figure. Default: NULL
color.name	The name of the color variables. Used as the name for legend. Default: NULL
x_lab	Title of x-axis. Default: " $\theta$ "
y_lab	Title of y-axis. Default: "y"
hue.colors	The string vector gives custom colors. If not given, the default scale_color_discrete will be used. Default: NULL
	Other arguments input to loess.

#### **Details**

This function fit a normal loess line, but take the circularity of cell cycle position into account by making theta.v 3 periods (c(theta.v - 2 \* pi, theta.v, theta.v + 2 \* pi)) and repeating y 3 times. Only the fitted values corresponding to original theta.v will be returned. For convenience, the function will also return a scatter plot with fitted line if needed. Or user can use pred.df to visualize the loess line themselves.

#### Value

A list with the following elements:

- fitted The fitted vaues on the loess line. A vector of the length of y.
- residual The residual values from the fitted loess line, i.e. y y.fit. A vector of the length of y.
- pred.df The prediction data.frame by uniformly sampling theta from 0 2\*pi. Names of variables: x and y. The number of rows equals to length.out.
- loess.o The fitted loess object.
- rsquared The coefficient of determination R2. Calculated as 1 residual sum of squares / the total sum of squares.
- fig When plot is TRUE, a ggplot scatter plot object will be returned with other items.

#### Author(s)

Shijie C. Zheng

# See Also

estimate\_cycle\_position, for inferring cell cycle position.

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#### **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example)
top2a.idx <- which(rowData(neurosphere_example)$Gene == "Top2a")
fit.1 <- fit_periodic_loess(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition,
   assay(neurosphere_example, "logcounts")[top2a.idx, ], plot = TRUE)
fit.1$fig</pre>
```

neuroRef

Pre-learned reference projection matrix from the Neurosphere dataset

## **Description**

Default reference projection matrix learned from the Neurosphere dataset.

# Usage

data(neuroRef)

#### **Format**

An object of class ''data.frame'', with 5 variables. Normally, user won't call this data directly as it will be automatically used in project\_cycle\_space if no custom reference projection matrix is provided. Each row is gene, and rotation scores for PC1 and PC2, mouse ENSEMBL IDs, and mouse gene SYMBOLs are included. The 'SYMBOL' values are just the upper-case 'symbol' values.

#### References

Zheng SC, et al. *Universal prediction of cell cycle position using transfer learning*. Genome Biology (2022) 23: 41 doi:10.1186/s13059-021-02581-y.

## **Examples**

data(neuroRef)

neurosphere\_example

Example SingleCellExperiment dataset

#### **Description**

This a subset of mouse Neurosphere data. 200 cells from sample AX1 and AX2 were randonly sampled from the full data. All genes in the GO cell cycle gene list and RevelioGeneList as well as other random 573 genes were included.

```
data(neurosphere_example)
```

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#### **Format**

A SingleCellExperiment object of 1500 genes and 400 cells.

## **Examples**

data(neurosphere\_example)

plot\_ccposition\_den

Plot cell cycle position kernel density stratified by a factor

# **Description**

The function will compute and plot cell cycle position kernel density.

## **Arguments**

theta.v	The cell cycle position - a numeric vector with range between 0 to 2pi.
color_var.v	A factor variable to stratify theta.v, such as samples or 'CCStage'. The length of it should equal to the length of theta.v.
color_name	The name of the color_var.v to be used in the legend.
palette.v	A string vector to give the color names. It should has the length of the number of levels of color_var.v. If not given, the 'Set1' palette will be used. (See display.brewer.all) If the number of levels of color_var.v is greater than 8, only the top 8 levels of most cell will be shown. You can show them all by feeding enough colors in palette.v. Default: NULL
fig.title	The title of the figure. Default: NULL
type	It can be either of 'linear' or 'circular'. 'linear' corresponds to Cartesian coordinate system and 'circular' for polar coordinate system. Default: 'linear'
bw	The smoothing bandwidth to be used. It is equal to the concentration parameter of the von Mises distribution. See density.circular. Default: 30
weighted	Whether the density should be weighted on the percentage of each level of color_var.v. Default: FALSE
line.size	The size of the line used by geom_path. Default: 0.5
line.alpha	The alpha value of the line used by geom_path. Default: 0.5
addRug	Whether to add rug on the bottom of the linear density plot or an inner circle on the circular plot to show the continuous scale of theta. Default: TRUE
RugPalette.v	The palette used for the rug plot. If not given, it will used the same default palette as in plot_emb_circle_scale.
• • •	Other arguments accepted by geom_path.

## **Details**

The function first estimates kernel density using the von Mises distribution. Then, it plots out the density in the polar coordinate system or Cartesian coordinate system. Different colors represents different levels of color\_var.v and the dashed black line is the marginal distribution of all cells.

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#### Value

A ggplot object

#### Author(s)

Shijie C. Zheng

## See Also

estimate\_Schwabe\_stage, for inferring 5 stages of cell cycle

# **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example)
plot_ccposition_den(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition, neurosphere_example$sample, "sample")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_Schwabe_stage(neurosphere_example,
    gname.type = "ENSEMBL", species = "mouse")
plot_ccposition_den(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition, neurosphere_example$CCStage, "CCStage")</pre>
```

 $\verb"plot_emb_circle_scale" \textit{ Plot embedding with cyclic cell cycle position}$ 

#### **Description**

Generate scat plot of embedding with cyclic cell cycle position or other cyclic variables

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# **Arguments**

sce.o	A SingleCellExperiment contains the embbing to be plotted against.
color_by	The name of variable in colData(sce.o) to be used to show colors. Default: "tricyclePosition"
facet_by	The name of variable in colData(sce.o) to be used to facet scatter plots. If used, the function will return a list of ggplot objects. If NULL, no faceted panels will be returned. Default: NULL
dimred	The name or index of reducedDims in SingleCellExperiment (reducedDims). Default: 1
dim	The indices of dimred to be plotted. At the moment, it has to be two integers. Default: 1:2
fig.title	The title of the figure. Default: NULL
point.size	The size of the point in scatter plot used by geom_scattermore. Default: 2.1
point.alpha	The alpha value (transparency) of the point in scatter plot used by geom_scattermore. Default: 0.6
x_lab	Title of x-axis. If not given, the colname of dimred will be used. Default: NULL
y_lab	Title of y-axis. If not given, the colname of dimred will be used. Default: NULL
hue.colors	The string vector gives the cyclic colors. The first color should look very similar to the last one. Default: c("#2E22EA", "#9E3DFB", "#F86BE2", "#FCCE7B", "#C4E416", "#4BBA0F", "#447D87", "#2C24E9")
hue.n	The number of breaks of color scheme. Default: 500
plot.legend	Whether the legend should be plotted with the scatter plot. We recommend not to use this legend but use the cyclic legend produced by circle_scale_legend instead. Default: FALSE

## **Details**

This function help users plot embedding scater plot colored by cyclic variables, such as cell cycle position, which is bound between 0 - 2pi. It will take a SingleCellExperiment object as input, and plot out its dimred such as PCA, UMAP, and etc with a cyclic color scheme.

## Value

A ggplot object or a list of ggplot objects. If facet\_by is not assigned, a single ggplot plot of the scatter plot will be return, Otherwise, apart from the first scatter plot showing all cells together, other faceted scatter plots will also be given in the list.

# Author(s)

```
Shijie C. Zheng
```

#### **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example)
plot_emb_circle_scale(neurosphere_example, point.size = 3.1, point.alpha = 0.8)</pre>
```

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project\_cycle\_space Project data into the cell cycle pattern space

## **Description**

Project mouse and human single cell RNAseq data into a cell cycle embedding by a pre-learned reference projection matrix.

# Usage

```
project_cycle_space(
    x,
    exprs_values = "logcounts",
    altexp = NULL,
    name = "tricycleEmbedding",
    ref.m = NULL,
    gname = NULL,
    gname.type = c("ENSEMBL", "SYMBOL"),
    species = c("mouse", "human"),
    AnnotationDb = NULL
)
```

# **Arguments**

х	A numeric matrix of **log-expression** values where rows are features and columns are cells. Alternatively, a SummarizedExperiment or SingleCellExperiment containing such a matrix.
exprs_values	Integer scalar or string indicating which assay of x contains the **log-expression*: values. Default: 'logcounts'
altexp	String or integer scalar specifying an alternative experiment containing the input data.
name	String specifying the name to be used to store the result in the reducedDims of the output. Default: 'tricycleEmbedding'
ref.m	A custom reference projection matrix to project the new data, where rows are features and columns are dimensions. Users need to use the same type of gname(or rownames of x) as for the ref.m. If no custom ref.m is given, the internal reference neuroRef will be used.
gname	Alternative rownames of x. If provided, this will be used to map genes within x with genes in ref.m. If not provided, the rownames of x will be used instead. Default: NULL
gname.type	The type of gene names as in gname or rownames of x. It can be either 'EN-SEMBL' or 'SYMBOL'. If the user uses custom ref.m, this value will have no effect. Default: 'ENSEMBL'
species	The type of species in x. It can be either 'mouse' or 'human'. If the user uses custom ref.m, this value will have no effect. Default: 'mouse'
AnnotationDb	An AnnotationDb objects. If the user uses the internal reference to project human data, and provide rownames in the format of Ensembl IDs, this object will be used to map Ensembl IDs to gene SYMBOLs. If no AnnotationDb object

being given, the function will use org. Hs.eg.db.

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#### **Details**

The function will use pre-learned cell cycle pattern to project new data to show the cell cycle progression. If the user uses internal Neuropshere reference, the expression values must be \*\*log-transformed\*\*. Besides, we would assume the input data has been already preprocessed, library size normalized at least. The projection process is to take sum of weighted mean-centered expression of chosen genes, so the mean expression of a given gene could be affected without library size normalization.

## Value

If the input is a numeric matrix or a SummarizedExperiment, a projection matrix with rows cells and column dimensions will be returned. The actual rotation matrix used to project the data is included in the attributes with name 'rotation'.

For SingleCellExperiment, an updated SingleCellExperiment is returned containing projection matrix in reducedDims(..., name).

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#### References

Zheng SC, et al. *Universal prediction of cell cycle position using transfer learning*. Genome Biology (2022) 23: 41 doi:10.1186/s13059-021-02581-y.

#### See Also

estimate\_cycle\_position, for inferring cell cycle position.

## **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
neurosphere_example <- project_cycle_space(neurosphere_example)
reducedDimNames(neurosphere_example)
head(reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding"))
plot(reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding"))
names(attributes(reducedDim(neurosphere_example, "tricycleEmbedding"))))</pre>
```

RevelioGeneList

5 stage cell cycle gene marker list from Revelio

## **Description**

This 5 stage cell cycle gene marker list is directly from Revelio package. Within the list, 5 vectors corresponds to highly expressed genes at the cell cycle stage. The genes are given as the human gene SYMBOLS. This gene list is originally from the Whitfield et al.(2020).

```
data(RevelioGeneList)
```

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#### **Format**

An list of 5 string vector. The names of the elements are the names of cell cycle stages with the order of: G1S, S, G2, G2M, MG1.

## References

Whitfield ML, et al. *Identification of Genes Periodically Expressed in the Human Cell Cycle and Their Expression in Tumors*. Molecular Biology of the Cell (2002) 13: 1977-2000 doi:10.1091/mbc.02-02-0030.

## **Examples**

data(RevelioGeneList)

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Run PCA on Gene Ontology cell cycle genes

# Description

Run PCA on Gene Ontology cell cycle genes abd get a new SingleCellExperiment. User could use this function to learn new reference projection matrix.

# **Arguments**

sce.o	A SingleCellExperiment contains library size normalized **log-expression** matrix.
gname	Alternative rownames of sce.o. If provided, this will be used to map genes within Gene Ontology cell cycle gene list. If not provided, the rownames of sce.o will be used instead. Default: NULL
exprs_values	Integer scalar or string indicating which assay of sce.o contains the **log-expression** values, which will be used to run PCA. Default: 'logcounts'
gname.type	The type of gene names as in gname or rownames of sce.o. It can be either 'ENSEMBL' or 'SYMBOL'. Default: 'ENSEMBL'
species	The type of species in sce.o. It can be either 'mouse' or 'human'. If the user uses custom cycleGene.l, this value will have no effect. Default: 'mouse'
AnnotationDb	An AnnotationDb objects. It is used to map ENSEMBL IDs to gene SYMBOLs. If no AnnotationDb object being given, the function will use org.Hs.eg.db or org.Mm.eg.db for human and mouse respectively.
ntop	The number of genes with highest variance to use when calculating PCA, as in calculatePCA. Default: 500
ncomponents	The number of component components to obtain, as in calculatePCA. Default: 20
name	String specifying the name to be used to store the result in the reducedDims of the output. Default: 'PCA'

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#### **Details**

The function require an output of a SingleCellExperiment object which contains the library size normalized \*\*log-expression\*\* matrix. The full dataset will be subsetted to genes in the Gene Ontology cell cycle gene list (GO:0007049). The corresponding AnnotationDb object will be org.Mm.eg.db and org.Hs.eg.db for mouse and human respectively. If runSeuratBy is set, the data will be integrated to remove batch effect between samples/batches by Seurat.

User can use this function to make new reference projection matrix by getting the 'rotation' attribute in PCA results. Such as attr(reducedDim(sce.o, 'PCA'), 'rotation')[, 1:2]. See examples for more details.

#### Value

A subset SingleCellExperiment object with only GO cell cycle genes will be return. The PCA resulting will be save in reducedDims with chosen name reducedDims(..., name). If Seurat integration is performed, another reducedDims with name 'matched.'+name will also be included in the SingleCellExperiment.

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#### **Examples**

```
data(neurosphere_example, package = "tricycle")
### Use internal NeuroRef to project and infer tricyclePosition
neurosphere_example <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example)

### Build new reference
gocc_sce.o <- run_pca_cc_genes(neurosphere_example)
new.ref <- attr(reducedDim(gocc_sce.o, "PCA"), "rotation")[, seq_len(2)]

### Use new reference to project and infer tricyclePosition
new_sce <- estimate_cycle_position(neurosphere_example, ref.m = new.ref,
dimred = "tricycleEmbedding2")
plot(neurosphere_example$tricyclePosition, new_sce$tricyclePosition)</pre>
```

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