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Determine which peaks are absent / present in a sample class

### **Description**

Determine which peaks are absent / present in a sample class

# **Arguments**

object xcmsSet-class object

class Name of a sample class from sampclass

minfrac minimum fraction of samples necessary in the class to be absent/present

#### **Details**

Determine which peaks are absent / present in a sample class The functions treat peaks that are only present because of fillPeaks correctly, i.e. does not count them as present.

### Value

An logical vector with the same length as nrow(groups(object)).

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" absent(object, ...) present(object, ...)
```

### See Also

group diffreport

AutoLockMass-methods

Automatic parameter for Lock mass fixing AutoLockMass ~~

# Description

AutoLockMass - This function decides where the lock mass scans are in the xcmsRaw object. This is done by using the scan time differences.

# **Arguments**

object An xcmsRaw-class object

# Value

AutoLockMass A numeric vector of scan locations corresponding to lock Mass scans

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" signature(object = "xcmsRaw")
```

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### **Examples**

```
## Not run: library(xcms)
library(faahKO) ## These files do not have this problem to correct for but just for an example
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
xr<-xcmsRaw(cdffiles[1])
xr
##Lets assume that the lockmass starts at 1 and is every 100 scans
lockMass<-xcms:::makeacqNum(xr, freq=100, start=1)
## these are equalvent
lockmass2<-AutoLockMass(xr)
all((lockmass == lockmass2) == TRUE)

ob<-stitch(xr, lockMass)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

c-methods

Combine xcmsSet objects

# **Description**

Combines the samples and peaks from multiple xcmsSet objects into a single object. Group and retention time correction data are discarded. The profinfo list is set to be equal to the first object.

# **Arguments**

# Value

A xcmsSet object.

### Methods

```
xs1 = "xcmsRaw" c(xs1, ...)
```

# Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### See Also

```
xcmsSet-class
```

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| calibrate-methods | Calibrate peaks for correcting unprecise m/z values |
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# **Description**

Calibrate peaks of a xcmsSet via a set of known masses

# **Arguments**

object a xcmsSet object with uncalibrated mz

calibrants a vector or a list of vectors with reference m/z-values

method the used calibrating-method, see below

mzppm the relative error used for matching peaks in ppm (parts per million)

mzabs the absolute error used for matching peaks in Da

neighbours the number of neighbours from wich the one with the highest intensity is used

(instead of the nearest)

plotres can be set to TRUE if wanted a result-plot showing the found m/z with the

distances and the regression

# Value

object a xcmsSet with one ore more samples

calibrants for each sample different calibrants can be used, if a list of m/z-vectors is given.

The length of the list must be the same as the number of samples, alternatively

a single vector of masses can be given which is used for all samples.

method "shift" for shifting each m/z, "linear" does a linear regression and adds a linear

term to each m/z. "edgeshift" does a linear regression within the range of the

mz-calibrants and a shift outside.

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" calibrate(object, calibrants,method="linear", mzabs=0.0001, mzppm=5,
```

#### See Also

xcmsSet-class,

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| collect-methods Collect MS^n peaks into xcmsFragments |  |
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### **Description**

Collecting Peaks into xcmsFragmentss from several MS-runs using xcmsSet and xcmsRaw.

### **Arguments**

object (empty) xcmsFragments-class object

xs A xcmsSet-class object which contains picked ms1-peaks from several exper-

iments

compMethod ("floor", "round", "none"): compare-method which is used to find the parent

peak of a MSnpeak through comparing the MZ-values of the MS1peaks with

the MSnParentPeaks.

snthresh, mzgap, uniq

these are the parameters for the getspec-peakpicker included in xcmsRaw.

### **Details**

After running collect(xFragments,xSet) The peak table of the xcmsFragments includes the ms1Peaks from all experiments stored in a xcmsSet-object. Further it contains the relevant msN-peaks from the xcmsRaw-objects, which were created temporarily with the paths in xcmsSet.

# Value

A matrix with columns:

peakID unique identifier of every peak

MSnParentPeakID

PeakID of the parent peak of a msLevel>1 - peak, it is 0 if the peak is msLevel

1.

msLevel The msLevel of the peak.

rt retention time of the peak midpoint

mz the mz-Value of the peak intensity the intensity of the peak

sample the number of the sample from the xcmsSet

GroupPeakMSn Used for grouped xcmsSet groups

CollisionEnergy

The collision energy of the fragment

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsFragments" collect(object, ...)
```

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# **Description**

Create a report showing the most significant differences between two sets of samples. Optionally create extracted ion chromatograms for the most significant differences.

### **Arguments**

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| object   | the xcmsSet object  |
|----------|---|
| class1   | character vector with the first set of sample classes to be compared  |
| class2   | character vector with the second set of sample classes to be compared   |
| filebase | base file name to save report, .tsv file and $\_\texttt{eic}$ will be appended to this name for the tabular report and EIC directory, respectively. if blank nothing will be saved  |
| eicmax   | number of the most significantly different analytes to create EICs for  |
| eicwidth | width (in seconds) of EICs produced   |
| sortpval | logical indicating whether the reports should be sorted by p-value  |
| classeic | character vector with the sample classes to include in the EICs   |
| value    | intensity values to be used for the diffreport.  If value="into", integrated peak intensities are used.  If value="maxo", maximum peak intensities are used.  If value="intb", baseline corrected integrated peak intensities are used (only available if peak detection was done by findPeaks.centWave). |
| metlin   | mass uncertainty to use for generating link to Metlin metabolite database. the sign of the uncertainty indicates negative or positive mode data for M+H or M-H calculation. a value of FALSE or 0 removes the column  |
| h        | Numeric variable for the height of the eic and boxplots that are printed out.   |
| W        | Numeric variable for the width of the eic and boxplots print out made.  |
| mzdec    | Number of decimal places of title m/z values in the eic plot.   |
|          | optional arguments to be passed to mt.teststat  |
|          |   |

### **Details**

This method handles creation of summary reports with statistics about which analytes were most significantly different between two sets of samples. It computes Welch's two-sample t-statistic for each analyte and ranks them by p-value. It returns a summary report that can optionally be written out to a tab-separated file.

Additionally, it does all the heavy lifting involved in creating superimposed extracted ion chromatograms for a given number of analytes. It does so by reading the raw data files associated with the samples of interest one at a time. As it does so, it prints the name of the sample it is currently reading. Depending on the number and size of the samples, this process can take a long time.

If a base file name is provided, the report (see Value section) will be saved to a tab separated file. If EICs are generated, they will be saved as 640x480 PNG files in a newly created subdirectory.

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However this parameter can be changed with the commands arguments. The numbered file names correspond to the rows in the report.

Chromatographic traces in the EICs are colored and labeled by their sample class. Sample classes take their color from the current palette. The color a sample class is assigned is dependent its order in the xcmsSet object, not the order given in the class arguments. Thus levels(sampclass(object))[1] would use color palette()[1] and so on. In that way, sample classes maintain the same color across any number of different generated reports.

When there are multiple sample classes, xcms will produce boxplots of the different classes and will generate a single anova p-value statistic. Like the eic's the plot number corresponds to the row number in the report.

# Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| fold           | mean fold change (always greater than 1, see tstat for which set of sample classes was higher)   |
|----------------|--|
| tstat          | Welch's two sample t-statistic, positive for analytes having greater intensity in class2, negative for analytes having greater intensity in class1 |
| pvalue         | p-value of t-statistic   |
| anova          | p-value of the anova statistic if there are multiple classes   |
| mzmed          | median m/z of peaks in the group   |
| mzmin          | minimum m/z of peaks in the group  |
| mzmax          | maximum m/z of peaks in the group  |
| rtmed          | median retention time of peaks in the group  |
| rtmin          | minimum retention time of peaks in the group   |
| rtmax          | maximum retention time of peaks in the group   |
| npeaks         | number of peaks assigned to the group  |
| Sample Classes | number samples from each sample class represented in the group   |
| metlin         | A URL to metlin for that mass  |

# Methods

Sample Names

```
object = "xcmsSet" diffreport(object, class1 = levels(sampclass(object))[1],
```

class2

one column for every sample class

one column for every sample

integrated intensity value for every sample

### See Also

```
{\tt xcmsSet-class}, {\tt mt.teststat}, {\tt palette}
```

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etg Empirically Transformed Gaussian function

# Description

A general function for asymmetric chromatographic peaks.

# Usage

```
etg(x, H, t1, tt, k1, kt, lambda1, lambdat, alpha, beta)
```

# Arguments

| X       | times to evaluate function at          |
|---------|--|
| Н       | peak height                            |
| t1      | time of leading edge inflection point  |
| tt      | time of trailing edge inflection point |
| k1      | leading edge parameter                 |
| kt      | trailing edge parameter                |
| lambda1 | leading edge parameter                 |
| lambdat | trailing edge parameter                |
| alpha   | leading edge parameter                 |
| beta    | trailing edge parameter                |
|         |  |

# Value

The function evaluated at times x.

# Author(s)

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# References

Jianwei Li. Development and Evaluation of Flexible Empirical Peak Functions for Processing Chromatographic Peaks. Anal. Chem., 69 (21), 4452-4462, 1997. http://dx.doi.org/10.1021/ac970481d

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# **Description**

For each sample, identify peak groups where that sample is not represented. For each of those peak groups, integrate the signal in the region of that peak group and create a new peak.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object method the filling method

# **Details**

After peak grouping, there will always be peak groups that do not include peaks from every sample. This method produces intensity values for those missing samples by integrating raw data in peak group region. According to the type of raw-data there are 2 different methods available. for filling gcms/lcms data the method "chrom" integrates raw-data in the chromatographic domain, whereas "MSW" is used for peaklists without retention-time information like those from direct-infusion spectra.

#### Value

A xcmsSet objects with filled in peak groups.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" fillPeaks(object, method="")
```

# See Also

xcmsSet-class, getPeaks

```
fillPeaks.chrom-methods
```

Integrate areas of missing peaks

# **Description**

For each sample, identify peak groups where that sample is not represented. For each of those peak groups, integrate the signal in the region of that peak group and create a new peak.

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### **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object

nSlaves number of slaves/cores to be used for parallel peak filling. MPI is used if in-

stalled, otherwise the snow package is employed for multicore support. If none of the two packages is available it uses the parallel package for parallel process-

ing on multiple CPUs of the current machine.

expand.mz Expansion factor for the m/z range used for integration.

expand.rt Expansion factor for the rentention time range used for integration.

#### **Details**

After peak grouping, there will always be peak groups that do not include peaks from every sample. This method produces intensity values for those missing samples by integrating raw data in peak group region. In a given group, the start and ending retention time points for integration are defined by the median start and end points of the other detected peaks. The start and end m/z values are similarly determined. Intensities can be still be zero, which is a rather unusual intensity for a peak. This is the case if e.g. the raw data was threshholded, and the integration area contains no actual raw intensities, or if one sample is miscalibrated, such thet the raw data points are (just) outside the integration area.

Importantly, if retention time correction data is available, the alignment information is used to more precisely integrate the propper region of the raw data. If the corrected retention time is beyond the end of the raw data, the value will be not-a-number (NaN).

#### Value

A xcmsSet objects with filled in peak groups (into and maxo).

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" fillPeaks.chrom(object, nSlaves=0,expand.mz=1,expand.rt=1)
```

# See Also

xcmsSet-class, getPeaks fillPeaks

### **Description**

For each sample, identify peak groups where that sample is not represented. For each of those peak groups, integrate the signal in the region of that peak group and create a new peak.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object

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#### **Details**

After peak grouping, there will always be peak groups that do not include peaks from every sample. This method produces intensity values for those missing samples by integrating raw data in peak group region. In a given group, the start and ending m/z values for integration are defined by the median start and end points of the other detected peaks.

### Value

A xcmsSet objects with filled in peak groups.

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" fillPeaks.MSW(object)
```

### See Also

xcmsSet-class, getPeaks fillPeaks

findMZ

Find fragment ions in xcmsFragment objects

# **Description**

This is a method to find a fragment mass with a ppm window in a xcmsFragment object

# Usage

```
findMZ(object, find, ppmE=25, print=TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

object xcmsFragment object type

find The fragment ion to be found

ppmE the ppm error window for searching

print If we should print a nice little report

### **Details**

The method simply searches for a given fragment ion in an xcmsFragment object type given a certain ppm error window

### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

PrecursorMz The precursor m/z of the fragment

MSnParentPeakID

An index ID of the location of the precursor peak in the xcmsFragment object

msLevel The level of the found fragment ion rt the Retention time of the found ion

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mz the actual m/z of the found fragment ion

intensity The intensity of the fragment ion

sample Which sample the fragment ion came from

GroupPeakMSn an ID if the peaks were grouped by an xcmsSet grouping

CollisionEnergy

The collision energy of the precursor scan

### Author(s)

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#### References

H. Paul Benton, D.M. Wong, S.A.Strauger, G. Siuzdak " $XCMS^2$ " Analytical Chemistry 2008

### See Also

findneutral,

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(msdata)
mzdatapath <- system.file("iontrap", package = "msdata")
mzdatafiles<-list.files(mzdatapath, pattern = "extracted.mzData", recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
xs <- xcmsSet(mzdatafiles, method = "MS1")
##takes only one file from the file set
xfrag <- xcmsFragments(xs)
found<-findMZ(xfrag, 657.3433, 50)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

findneutral

Find neutral losses in xcmsFragment objects

# **Description**

This is a method to find a neutral loss with a ppm window in a xcmsFragment object

# Usage

```
findneutral(object, find, ppmE=25, print=TRUE)
```

# **Arguments**

object xcmsFragment object type find The neutral loss to be found

ppmE the ppm error window for searching print If we should print a nice little report

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#### **Details**

The method searches for a given neutral loss in an xcmsFragment object type given a certain ppm error window. The neutral losses are generated between neighbouring ions. The resulting data frame shows the whole scan in which the neutral loss was found.

# Value

A data frame with the following columns:

PrecursorMz The precursor m/z of the neutral losses

MSnParentPeakID

An index ID of the location of the precursor peak in the xcmsFragment object

rt the Retention time of the found fragment ion

mz the actual m/z of the found fragment ion

intensity The intensity of the fragment ion

sample Which sample the fragment ion came from

GroupPeakMSn an ID if the peaks were grouped by an xcmsSet grouping

CollisionEnergy

The collision energy of the precursor scan

### Author(s)

H. Paul Benton, <hpbenton@scripps.edu>

#### References

H. Paul Benton, D.M. Wong, S.A.Strauger, G. Siuzdak "XCMS2" Analytical Chemistry 2008

### See Also

findMZ,

### **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(msdata)
mzdatapath <- system.file("iontrap", package = "msdata")
mzdatafiles<-list.files(mzdatapath, pattern = "extracted.mzData", recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
xs <- xcmsSet(mzdatafiles, method = "MS1")
##takes only one file from the file set
xfrag <- xcmsFragments(xs)
found<-findneutral(xfrag, 58.1455, 50)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

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| findPeaks-methods | Feature detection for GC/MS and LC/MS Data - methods |
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# **Description**

A number of peak pickers exist in XCMS. findPeaks is the generic method.

### **Arguments**

object xcmsRaw-class object

method Method to use for peak detection. See details.

... Optional arguments to be passed along

### **Details**

Different algorithms can be used by specifying them with the method argument. For example to use the matched filter approach described by Smith et al (2006) one would use: findPeaks(object, method="matchedFilt This is also the default.

Further arguments given by . . . are passed through to the function implementing the method.

A character vector of *nicknames* for the algorithms available is returned by getOption("BioC")\$xcms\$findPeaks.meth If the nickname of a method is called "centWave", the help page for that specific method can be accessed with ?findPeaks.centWave.

### Value

A matrix with columns:

mz weighted (by intensity) mean of peak m/z across scans

mzmin m/z of minimum step mzmax m/z of maximum step

rt retention time of peak midpoint
rtmin leading edge of peak retention time
rtmax trailing edge of peak retention time
into integrated area of original (raw) peak
maxo maximum intensity of original (raw) peak

and additional columns depending on the choosen method.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks(object, ...)
```

### See Also

findPeaks.matchedFilter findPeaks.centWave findPeaks.addPredictedIsotopeFeatures
findPeaks.centWaveWithPredictedIsotopeROIs xcmsRaw-class

findPeaks.addPredictedIsotopeFeatures-methods

Feature detection based on predicted isotope features for high resolution LC/MS data

### **Description**

Peak density and wavelet based feature detection aiming at isotope peaks for high resolution LC/MS data in centroid mode

### **Arguments**

object xcmsSet object

ppm maxmial tolerated m/z deviation in consecutive scans, in ppm (parts per million)

peakwidth Chromatographic peak width, given as range (min,max) in seconds

prefilter = c(k, I). Prefilter step for the first phase. Mass traces are only re-

tained if they contain at least k peaks with intensity  $\geq$  I.

mzCenterFun Function to calculate the m/z center of the feature: wMean intensity weighted

mean of the feature m/z values, mean mean of the feature m/z values, apex use m/z value at peak apex, wMeanApex3 intensity weighted mean of the m/z value at peak apex and the m/z value left and right of it, meanApex3 mean of the m/z

value at peak apex and the m/z value left and right of it.

integrate Integration method. If =1 peak limits are found through descent on the mexican

hat filtered data, if =2 the descent is done on the real data. Method 2 is very accurate but prone to noise, while method 1 is more robust to noise but less

exact.

mzdiff minimum difference in m/z for peaks with overlapping retention times, can be

negative to allow overlap

fitgauss logical, if TRUE a Gaussian is fitted to each peak

scan range to process

noise optional argument which is useful for data that was centroided without any inten-

sity threshold, centroids with intensity < noise are omitted from ROI detection

sleep number of seconds to pause between plotting peak finding cycles

verbose.columns

logical, if TRUE additional peak meta data columns are returned

xcmsPeaks peak list picked using the centWave algorithm with parameter verbose.columns

set to TRUE (columns scmin and scmax needed)

snthresh signal to noise ratio cutoff, definition see below.

max. number of the isotope charge.

maxiso max. number of the isotope peaks to predict for each detected feature.

mzIntervalExtension

logical, if TRUE predicted isotope ROIs (regions of interest) are extended in the m/z dimension to increase the detection of low intensity and hence noisy peaks.

#### **Details**

This algorithm is most suitable for high resolution LC/{TOF,OrbiTrap,FTICR}-MS data in centroid mode. In the first phase of the method isotope ROIs (regions of interest) in the LC/MS map are predicted. In the second phase these mass traces are further analysed. Continuous wavelet transform (CWT) is used to locate chromatographic peaks on different scales. The resulting peak list and the given peak list (xcmsPeaks) are merged and redundant peaks are removed.

### Value

### A matrix with columns:

mz weighted (by intensity) mean of peak m/z across scans

mzmin m/z peak minimum
mzmax m/z peak maximum

rt retention time of peak midpoint
rtmin leading edge of peak retention time
rtmax trailing edge of peak retention time

into integrated peak intensity

intb baseline corrected integrated peak intensity

maxo maximum peak intensity

sn Signal/Noise ratio, defined as (maxo - baseline)/sd, where

maxo is the maximum peak intensity, baseline the estimated baseline value and

sd the standard deviation of local chromatographic noise.

egauss RMSE of Gaussian fit

if verbose.columns is TRUE additionally:

mu Gaussian parameter mu sigma Gaussian parameter sigma h Gaussian parameter h

f Region number of m/z ROI where the peak was localised

dppm m/z deviation of mass trace across scans in ppm

scale Scale on which the peak was localised scpos Peak position found by wavelet analysis

scmin Left peak limit found by wavelet analysis (scan number)
scmax Right peak limit found by wavelet analysis (scan number)

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.centWave(object, ppm=25, peakwidth=c(20,50), prefilter=c(3,10)
```

# Author(s)

Ralf Tautenhahn

### References

Ralf Tautenhahn, Christoph B\"ottcher, and Steffen Neumann "Highly sensitive feature detection for high resolution LC/MS" BMC Bioinformatics 2008, 9:504\ Hendrik Treutler and Steffen Neumann. "Prediction, detection, and validation of isotope clusters in mass spectrometry data" Submitted to Metabolites 2016, Special Issue "Bioinformatics and Data Analysis"

# See Also

findPeaks.centWave findPeaks-methods xcmsRaw-class

findPeaks.centWave-methods

Feature detection for high resolution LC/MS data

# Description

Peak density and wavelet based feature detection for high resolution LC/MS data in centroid mode

# **Arguments**

verbose.columns

| object      | xcmsSet object  |
|-------------|---|
| ppm         | maxmial tolerated m/z deviation in consecutive scans, in ppm (parts per million)  |
| peakwidth   | Chromatographic peak width, given as range (min,max) in seconds   |
| snthresh    | signal to noise ratio cutoff, definition see below.   |
| prefilter   | prefilter= $c(k,I)$ . Prefilter step for the first phase. Mass traces are only retained if they contain at least k peaks with intensity $>= I$ .  |
| mzCenterFun | Function to calculate the m/z center of the feature: wMean intensity weighted mean of the feature m/z values, mean mean of the feature m/z values, apex use m/z value at peak apex, wMeanApex3 intensity weighted mean of the m/z value at peak apex and the m/z value left and right of it, meanApex3 mean of the m/z value at peak apex and the m/z value left and right of it. |
| integrate   | Integration method. If =1 peak limits are found through descent on the mexican hat filtered data, if =2 the descent is done on the real data. Method 2 is very accurate but prone to noise, while method 1 is more robust to noise but less exact.  |
| mzdiff      | minimum difference in $m/z$ for peaks with overlapping retention times, can be negative to allow overlap  |
| fitgauss    | logical, if TRUE a Gaussian is fitted to each peak  |
| scanrange   | scan range to process   |
| noise       | optional argument which is useful for data that was centroided without any intensity threshold, centroids with intensity < noise are omitted from ROI detection   |
| sleep       | number of seconds to pause between plotting peak finding cycles   |

logical, if TRUE additional peak meta data columns are returned

ROI.list A optional list of ROIs that represents detected mass traces (ROIs). If this list is

empty (default) then centWave detects the mass trace ROIs, otherwise this step is skipped and the supplied ROIs are used in the peak detection phase. Each ROI object in the list has the following slots: scmin start scan index, scmax end scan index, mzmin minimum m/z, mzmax maximum m/z, length number of scans,

intensity summed intensity.

firstBaselineCheck

logical, if TRUE continuous data within ROI is checked to be above 1st baseline

roiScales numeric, optional vector of scales for each ROI in ROI.list to be used for the

centWave-wavelets

### **Details**

This algorithm is most suitable for high resolution LC/{TOF,OrbiTrap,FTICR}-MS data in centroid mode. In the first phase of the method mass traces (characterised as regions with less than ppm m/z deviation in consecutive scans) in the LC/MS map are located. In the second phase these mass traces are further analysed. Continuous wavelet transform (CWT) is used to locate chromatographic peaks on different scales.

#### Value

#### A matrix with columns:

mz weighted (by intensity) mean of peak m/z across scans

mzmin m/z peak minimum mzmax m/z peak maximum

rt retention time of peak midpoint
rtmin leading edge of peak retention time
rtmax trailing edge of peak retention time

into integrated peak intensity

intb baseline corrected integrated peak intensity

maxo maximum peak intensity

sn Signal/Noise ratio, defined as (maxo - baseline)/sd, where

maxo is the maximum peak intensity, baseline the estimated baseline value and

sd the standard deviation of local chromatographic noise.

egauss RMSE of Gaussian fit

if verbose. columns is TRUE additionally:

mu Gaussian parameter mu sigma Gaussian parameter sigma h Gaussian parameter h

f Region number of m/z ROI where the peak was localised

dppm m/z deviation of mass trace across scans in ppm

scale Scale on which the peak was localised scpos Peak position found by wavelet analysis

scmin Left peak limit found by wavelet analysis (scan number)
scmax Right peak limit found by wavelet analysis (scan number)

pre

### Methods

object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.centWave(object, ppm=25, peakwidth=c(20,50), snthresh=10,

# Author(s)

Ralf Tautenhahn

#### References

Ralf Tautenhahn, Christoph B\"ottcher, and Steffen Neumann "Highly sensitive feature detection for high resolution LC/MS" BMC Bioinformatics 2008, 9:504

#### See Also

findPeaks-methods xcmsRaw-class

 $\verb|findPeaks.centWaveWithPredictedIsotopeROIs-methods|\\$ 

scan range to process

Feature detection with centWave and additional isotope features

# Description

Peak density and wavelet based feature detection for high resolution LC/MS data in centroid mode with additional peak picking of isotope features on basis of isotope peak predictions

# Arguments

scanrange

| object      | xcmsSet object  |
|-------------|---|
| ppm         | $maxmial\ tolerated\ m/z\ deviation\ in\ consecutive\ scans,\ in\ ppm\ (parts\ per\ million)$   |
| peakwidth   | Chromatographic peak width, given as range (min,max) in seconds   |
| snthresh    | signal to noise ratio cutoff, definition see below.   |
| prefilter   | $\label{eq:prefilter} \begin{picture}(c) prefilter = c(k,I). Prefilter step for the first phase. Mass traces are only retained if they contain at least k peaks with intensity >= I.$   |
| mzCenterFun | Function to calculate the m/z center of the feature: wMean intensity weighted mean of the feature m/z values, mean mean of the feature m/z values, apex use m/z value at peak apex, wMeanApex3 intensity weighted mean of the m/z value at peak apex and the m/z value left and right of it, meanApex3 mean of the m/z value at peak apex and the m/z value left and right of it. |
| integrate   | Integration method. If =1 peak limits are found through descent on the mexican hat filtered data, if =2 the descent is done on the real data. Method $2$ is very accurate but prone to noise, while method $1$ is more robust to noise but less exact.  |
| mzdiff      | minimum difference in $m/z$ for peaks with overlapping retention times, can be negative to allow overlap  |
| fitgauss    | logical, if TRUE a Gaussian is fitted to each peak  |

noise optional argument which is useful for data that was centroided without any inten-

sity threshold, centroids with intensity < noise are omitted from ROI detection

sleep number of seconds to pause between plotting peak finding cycles

verbose.columns

logical, if TRUE additional peak meta data columns are returned

ROI.list A optional list of ROIs that represents detected mass traces (ROIs). If this list is

empty (default) then centWave detects the mass trace ROIs, otherwise this step is skipped and the supplied ROIs are used in the peak detection phase. Each ROI object in the list has the following slots: scmin start scan index, scmax end scan index, mzmin minimum m/z, mzmax maximum m/z, length number of scans,

intensity summed intensity.

firstBaselineCheck

logical, if TRUE continuous data within ROI is checked to be above 1st baseline

roiScales numeric, optional vector of scales for each ROI in ROI.list to be used for the

centWave-wavelets

snthreshIsoROIs

signal to noise ratio cutoff for predicted isotope ROIs, definition see below.

max. number of the isotope charge.

maxiso max. number of the isotope peaks to predict for each detected feature.

mzIntervalExtension

logical, if TRUE predicted isotope ROIs (regions of interest) are extended in the m/z dimension to increase the detection of low intensity and hence noisy peaks.

#### **Details**

This algorithm is most suitable for high resolution LC/{TOF,OrbiTrap,FTICR}-MS data in centroid mode. The centWave algorithm is applied in two peak picking steps as follows. In the first peak picking step ROIs (regions of interest, characterised as regions with less than ppm m/z deviation in consecutive scans) in the LC/MS map are located and further analysed using continuous wavelet transform (CWT) for the localization of chromatographic peaks on different scales. In the second peak picking step isotope ROIs in the LC/MS map are predicted further analysed using continuous wavelet transform (CWT) for the localization of chromatographic peaks on different scales. The peak lists resulting from both peak picking steps are merged and redundant peaks are removed.

#### Value

#### A matrix with columns:

mz weighted (by intensity) mean of peak m/z across scans

mzmin m/z peak minimum mzmax m/z peak maximum

rt retention time of peak midpoint
rtmin leading edge of peak retention time
rtmax trailing edge of peak retention time

into integrated peak intensity

intb baseline corrected integrated peak intensity

maxo maximum peak intensity

| sn | Signal/Noise ratio, | defined as (maxo | <ul><li>baseline)/sd, where</li></ul> |
|----|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|
|----|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|

maxo is the maximum peak intensity, baseline the estimated baseline value and

sd the standard deviation of local chromatographic noise.

egauss RMSE of Gaussian fit

if verbose.columns is TRUE additionally:

mu Gaussian parameter mu sigma Gaussian parameter sigma h Gaussian parameter h

f Region number of m/z ROI where the peak was localised

dppm m/z deviation of mass trace across scans in ppm

scale Scale on which the peak was localised scpos Peak position found by wavelet analysis

scmin Left peak limit found by wavelet analysis (scan number)
scmax Right peak limit found by wavelet analysis (scan number)

#### Methods

object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.centWaveWithPredictedIsotopeROIs(object, ppm=25, peakwidth=c(20))

### Author(s)

Ralf Tautenhahn

### References

Ralf Tautenhahn, Christoph B\"ottcher, and Steffen Neumann "Highly sensitive feature detection for high resolution LC/MS" BMC Bioinformatics 2008, 9:504\ Hendrik Treutler and Steffen Neumann. "Prediction, detection, and validation of isotope clusters in mass spectrometry data" Submitted to Metabolites 2016, Special Issue "Bioinformatics and Data Analysis"

### See Also

 $find Peaks. add Predicted I so tope Features find Peaks. cent Wave find Peaks-methods \verb|xcmsRaw-class| find Peaks. cent Wave find Peaks-methods | find Pea$ 

 $\verb|findPeaks.massifquant-methods||$ 

Feature detection for XC-MS data.

# Description

Massifquant is a Kalman filter (KF) based feature detection for XC-MS data in centroid mode (currently in experimental stage). Optionally allows for calling the method "centWave" on features discovered by Massifquant to further refine the feature detection; to do so, supply any additional parameters specific to centWave (even more experimental). The method may be conveniently called through the xcmsSet(...) method.

### **Arguments**

The following arguments are specific to Massifquant. Any additional arguments supplied must correspond as specified by the method findPeaks.centWave.

An xcmsRaw object.

objectal Value

Numeric: Suggested values: (0.1-3.0). This setting helps determine the the Kalman Filter prediciton margin of error. A real centroid belonging to a bonafide feature must fall within the KF prediction margin of error. Much like in the construction of a confidence interval, criticalVal loosely translates to be a multiplier of the standard error of the prediction reported by the Kalman Filter. If the features in the XC-MS sample have a small mass deviance in ppm error, a smaller critical value might be better and vice versa.

#### consecMissedLimit

Integer: Suggested values:(1,2,3). While a feature is in the proces of being detected by a Kalman Filter, the Kalman Filter may not find a predicted centroid in every scan. After 1 or more consecutive failed predictions, this setting informs Massifquant when to stop a Kalman Filter from following a candidate feature.

prefilter

Numeric Vector: (Positive Integer, Positive Numeric): The first argument is only used if (withWave = 1); see centWave for details. The second argument specifies the minimum threshold for the maximum intensity of a feature that must be met.

peakwidth

Integer Vector: (Positive Integer, Positive Integer): Only the first argument is used for Massifquant, which specifices the minimum feature length in time scans. If centWave is used, then the second argument is the maximum feature length subject to being greater than the minimum feature length.

ppm

The minimum estimated parts per million mass resolution a feature must possess.

unions

Integer: set to 1 if apply t-test union on segmentation; set to 0 if no t-test to be applied on chromatographically continous features sharing same m/z range. Explanation: With very few data points, sometimes a Kalman Filter stops tracking a feature prematurely. Another Kalman Filter is instantiated and begins following the rest of the signal. Because tracking is done backwards to forwards, this algorithmic defect leaves a real feature divided into two segments or more. With this option turned on, the program identifies segmented features and combines them (merges them) into one with a two sample t-test. The potential danger of this option is that some truly distinct features may be merged.

withWave

Integer: set to 1 if turned on; set to 0 if turned off. Allows the user to find features first with Massifquant and then filter those features with the second phase of centWave, which includes wavelet estimation.

checkBack

Integer: set to 1 if turned on; set to 0 if turned off. The convergence of a Kalman Filter to a feature's precise m/z mapping is very fast, but sometimes it incorporates erroneous centroids as part of a feature (especially early on). The "scan-Back" option is an attempt to remove the occasional outlier that lies beyond the converged bounds of the Kalman Filter. The option does not directly affect identification of a feature because it is a postprocessing measure; it has not shown to be a extremely useful thus far and the default is set to being turned off.

### **Details**

This algorithm's performance has been tested rigorously on high resolution LC/{OrbiTrap, TOF}-MS data in centroid mode. Simultaneous kalman filters identify features and calculate their area

under the curve. The default parameters are set to operate on a complex LC-MS Orbitrap sample. Users will find it useful to do some simple exploratory data analysis to find out where to set a minimum intensity, and identify how many scans an average feature spans. The "consecMissedLimit" parameter has yielded good performance on Orbitrap data when set to (2) and on TOF data it was found best to be at (1). This may change as the algorithm has yet to be tested on many samples. The "criticalValue" parameter is perhaps most dificult to dial in appropriately and visual inspection of peak identification is the best suggested tool for quick optimization. The "ppm" and "checkBack" parameters have shown less influence than the other parameters and exist to give users flexibility and better accuracy.

#### Value

If the method findPeaks.massifquant(...) is used, then a matrix is returned with rows corresponding to features, and properties of the features listed with the following column names. Otherwise, if centWave feature is used also (withWave = 1), or Massifquant is called through the xcmsSet(...) method, then their corresponding return values are used.

| mz    | weighted m/z mean (weighted by intensity) of the feature    |
|-------|---|
| mzmin | m/z lower boundary of the feature                           |
| mzmax | m/z upper boundary of the feature                           |
| rtmin | starting scan time of the feature                           |
| rtmax | starting scan time of the feature                           |
| into  | the raw quantitation (area under the curve) of the feature. |
| area  | feature area that is not normalized by the scan rate.       |

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.massifquant(object, ppm=10, peakwidth=c(20,50), snthresh=10,
```

### Author(s)

**Christopher Conley** 

### References

Submitted for review. Christopher Conley, Ralf J .O Torgrip. Ryan Taylor, and John T. Prince. "Massifquant: open-source Kalman filter based XC-MS feature detection". August 2013.

#### See Also

findPeaks-methods xcmsSet xcmsRaw xcmsRaw-class

### **Examples**

```
library(faahKO)
library(xcms)
#load all the wild type and Knock out samples
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
# run the massifquant analysis

xset <- xcmsSet(cdffiles, method = "massifquant",</pre>
```

```
consecMissedLimit = 1,
snthresh = 10,
criticalValue = 1.73,
ppm = 10,
peakwidth= c(30, 60),
prefilter= c(1,3000),
withWave = 0);
```

findPeaks.matchedFilter-methods

Feature detection in the chromatographic time domain

# Description

Find peaks in the chromatographic time domain of the profile matrix.

# Arguments

| object    | xcmsRaw object  |
|-----------|---|
| fwhm      | full width at half maximum of matched filtration gaussian model peak. Only used to calculate the actual sigma, see below. |
| sigma     | standard deviation (width) of matched filtration model peak   |
| max       | maximum number of peaks per extracted ion chromatogram  |
| snthresh  | signal to noise ratio cutoff  |
| step      | step size to use for profile generation   |
| steps     | number of steps to merge prior to filtration  |
| mzdiff    | minimum difference in m/z for peaks with overlapping retention times  |
| index     | return indicies instead of values for m/z and retention times   |
| sleep     | number of seconds to pause between plotting peak finding cycles   |
| scanrange | scan range to process   |

# **Details**

The method calculates the profile matrix (i.e. intensities in bins along the M/Z dimension) on the fly using one of the methods described on the profBin help page.

# Value

A matrix with columns:

| mz    | weighted (by intensity) mean of peak m/z across scans |
|-------|---|
| mzmin | m/z of minimum step                                   |
| mzmax | m/z of maximum step                                   |
| rt    | retention time of peak midpoint                       |
| rtmin | leading edge of peak retention time                   |
| rtmax | trailing edge of peak retention time                  |
| into  | integrated area of original (raw) peak                |

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| intf | integrated area of filtered peak               |
|------|--|
| maxo | maximum intensity of original (raw) peak       |
| maxf | maximum intensity of filtered peak             |
| i    | rank of peak identified in merged EIC (<= max) |
| sn   | signal to noise ratio of the peak              |

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.matchedFilter(object, fwhm = 30, sigma = fwhm/2.3548, max = 5,
```

### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### See Also

findPeaks-methods xcmsRaw-class

```
findPeaks.MS1-methods Collecting MS1 precursor peaks
```

### **Description**

Collecting Tandem MS or MS\$^n\$ Mass Spectrometry precursor peaks as annotated in XML raw file

### **Arguments**

object xcmsRaw object

### **Details**

Some mass spectrometers can acquire MS1 and MS2 (or MS\$^n\$ scans) quasi simultaneously, e.g. in data dependent tandem MS or DDIT mode.

Since xcmsFragments attaches *all* MS\$^n\$ peaks to MS1 peaks in xcmsSet, it is important that findPeaks and xcmsSet do not miss any MS1 precursor peak.

To be sure that all MS1 precursor peaks are in an xcmsSet, findPeaks.MS1 does not do an actual peak picking, but simply uses the annotation stored in mzXML, mzData or mzML raw files.

This relies on the following XML tags:

Several mzXML and mzData converters are known to create incomplete files, either without intensities (they will be set to 0) or without the precursor retention time (then a reasonably close rt will be chosen. NYI).

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#### Value

```
A matrix with columns:
```

```
mz, mzmin, mzmax
annotated MS1 precursor selection mass
rt, rtmin, rtmax
annotated MS1 precursor retention time
into, maxo, sn annotated MS1 precursor intensity
```

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.MS1(object)
```

# Author(s)

Steffen Neumann, <sneumann@ipb-halle.de>

# See Also

findPeaks-methods xcmsRaw-class

findPeaks.MSW-methods Feature detection for single-spectrum non-chromatography MS data

### **Description**

Processing Mass Spectrometry direct-injection spectrum by using wavelet based algorithm.

# **Arguments**

object xcmsSet object

snthresh signal to noise ratio cutoff

scales scales of CWT

nearbyPeak Determine whether to include the nearby small peaks of major peaks. TRUE by

default

sleep number of seconds to pause between plotting peak finding cycles

verbose.columns

additional peak meta data columns are returned

# Details

This is a wrapper around the peak picker in the bioconductor package MassSpecWavelet calling 'cwt', 'get.localMaximum.cwt', 'get.ridge', 'identify.majorPeaks' and tuneIn.peakInfo.

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#### Value

A matrix with columns:

mz m/z value of the peak at the centroid position

mzmin m/z value at the start-point of the peak
mzmax m/z value at the end-point of the peak

rt always-1 rtmin always-1 rtmax always-1

into integrated area of original (raw) peak

maxo intensity of original (raw) peak at the centroid position

intf always NA

maxf maximum MSW-filter response of the peak

sn Signal/Noise ratio

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" findPeaks.MSW(object, snthresh=3, scales=seq(1,22,3), nearbyPeak=TRUE,
```

### Author(s)

Steffen Neumann, Joachim kutzera, <sneumann|jkutzer@ipb-halle.de>

# See Also

findPeaks-methods xcmsRaw-class peakDetectionCWT

| getEIC-methods Get extracted ion chromatograms for specified m/z ranges |  |
|---|--|
|---|--|

# Description

Generate multiple extracted ion chromatograms for m/z values of interest. For xcmsSet objects, reread original raw data and apply precomputed retention time correction, if applicable.

Note that this method will *always* return profile, not raw data (with profile data being the binned data along M/Z). See details for further information.

### **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw or xcmsSet object

mzrange Either a two column matrix with minimum or maximum m/z or a matrix of any

dimensions containing columns mzmin and mzmax. If not specified, the method for xcmsRaw returns the base peak chromatogram (BPC, i.e. the most intense

signal for each RT across all m/z).

For xcmsSet objects the group data will be used if mzrange is not provided.

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| rtrange   | A two column matrix the same size as mzrange with minimum and maximum retention times between which to return EIC data points. If not specified, the method returns the chromatogram for the full RT range. |
|-----------|---|
|           | For xcmsSet objects, it may also be a single number specifying the time window around the peak to return EIC data points  |
| step      | step (bin) size to use for profile generation. Note that a value of step = $\emptyset$ is not supported.  |
| groupidx  | either character vector with names or integer vector with indicies of peak groups for which to get EICs   |
| sampleidx | either character vector with names or integer vector with indicies of samples for which to get EICs   |
| rt        | "corrected" for using corrected retention times, or "raw" for using raw retention times   |

# **Details**

In contrast to the rawEIC method, that extracts the actual raw values, this method extracts them from the object's profile matrix (or if the provided step argument does not match the profStep of the object the profile matrix is calculated on the fly and the values returned).

# Value

For xcmsSet and xcmsRaw objects, an xcmsEIC object.

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" getEIC(object, mzrange, rtrange = NULL, step = 0.1)
object = "xcmsSet" getEIC(object, mzrange, rtrange = 200, groupidx, sampleidx = sampname
```

# See Also

```
xcmsRaw-class, xcmsSet-class, xcmsEIC-class, rawEIC
```

| getPeaks-methods | Get peak intensities for specified regions |  |
|------------------|--|--|
|------------------|--|--|

# Description

Integrate extracted ion chromatograms in pre-defined defined regions. Return output similar to findPeaks.

# **Arguments**

| object    | the xcmsSet object  |
|-----------|---|
| peakrange | matrix or data frame with 4 columns: mzmin, mzmax, rtmin, rtmax (they must be in that order or named) |
| step      | step size to use for profile generation   |

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#### Value

A matrix with columns:

i rank of peak identified in merged EIC (<= max), always NA mz weighted (by intensity) mean of peak m/z across scans

mzmin m/z of minimum step mzmax m/z of maximum step

ret retention time of peak midpoint
retmin leading edge of peak retention time
retmax trailing edge of peak retention time
into integrated area of original (raw) peak
intf integrated area of filtered peak, always NA
maxo maximum intensity of original (raw) peak
maxf maximum intensity of filtered peak, always NA

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" getPeaks(object, peakrange, step = 0.1)
```

#### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

getScan-methods Get m/z and intensity values for a single mass scan

# **Description**

Return the data from a single mass scan using the numeric index of the scan as a reference.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

scan integer index of scan. if negative, the index numbered from the end

mzrange limit data points returned to those between in the range, range (mzrange)

### Value

A matrix with two columns:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{mz} & \text{m/z values} \\ \text{intensity} & \text{intensity values} \end{array}$ 

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" getScan(object, scan, mzrange = numeric()) getMsnScan(object, scan, mzrange = n
```

### See Also

```
xcmsRaw-class, getSpec
```

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| getSpec-methods | Get average m/z and intensity values for multiple mass scans |
|-----------------|--|
| getSpec-methods | Get average m/z and intensity values for multiple mass scans |

# Description

Return full-resolution averaged data from multiple mass scans.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

... arguments passed to profRange used to sepecify the spectral segments of inter-

est for averaging

### **Details**

Based on the mass points from the spectra selected, a master unique list of masses is generated. Every spectra is interpolated at those masses and then averaged.

### Value

A matrix with two columns:

mz m/z values intensity intensity values

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" getSpec(object, ...)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, profRange, getScan

getXcmsRaw-methods Load the raw data for one or more files in the xcmsSet

# Description

Reads the raw data applies evential retention time corrections and waters Lock mass correction and returns it as an xcmsRaw object (or list of xcmsRaw objects) for one or more files of the xcmsSet object.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object

sampleidx The index of the sample for which the raw data should be returned. Can be a

single number or a numeric vector with the indices. Alternatively, the file name

can be specified.

profmethod The profile method. profstep The profile step.

rt Whether corrected or raw retention times should be returned.
... Additional arguments submitted to the xcmsRaw function.

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#### Value

A single xcmsRaw object or a list of xcmsRaw objects.

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" getXcmsRaw(object, sampleidx=1, profmethod=profinfo(object)$method, profsteps
```

### Author(s)

Johannes Rainer, < johannes . rainer@eurac . edu>

#### See Also

```
xcmsRaw-class,
```

group-methods

Group peaks from different samples together

### **Description**

A number of grouping (or alignment) methods exist in XCMS. group is the generic method.

### **Arguments**

object xcmsSet-class object

method Method to use for grouping. See details.
... Optional arguments to be passed along

#### **Details**

Different algorithms can be used by specifying them with the method argument. For example to use the density-based approach described by Smith et al (2006) one would use: group(object, method="density"). This is also the default.

Further arguments given by ... are passed through to the function implementing the method.

A character vector of *nicknames* for the algorithms available is returned by getOption("BioC")\$xcms\$group.methods. If the nickname of a method is called "mzClust", the help page for that specific method can be accessed with ?group.mzClust.

### Value

An xcmsSet object with peak group assignments and statistics.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" group(object, ...)
```

### See Also

```
{\tt group.density\ group.mzClust\ group.nearest\ xcmsSet-class},
```

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| group.density | Group peaks from different samples together |
|---------------|---|
|               |   |

# Description

Group peaks together across samples using overlapping m/z bins and calculation of smoothed peak distributions in chromatographic time.

# Arguments

| object  | the xcmsSet object   |
|---------|--|
| minfrac | minimum fraction of samples necessary in at least one of the sample groups for it to be a valid group  |
| minsamp | minimum number of samples necessary in at least one of the sample groups for it to be a valid group  |
| bw      | bandwidth (standard deviation or half width at half maximum) of gaussian smoothing kernel to apply to the peak density chromatogram  |
| mzwid   | width of overlapping m/z slices to use for creating peak density chromatograms and grouping peaks across samples   |
| max     | maximum number of groups to identify in a single m/z slice   |
| sleep   | seconds to pause between plotting successive steps of the peak grouping algorithm. peaks are plotted as points showing relative intensity. identified groups are flanked by dotted vertical lines. |

# Value

An xcmsSet object with peak group assignments and statistics.

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" group(object, bw = 30, minfrac = 0.5, minsamp = 1, mzwid = 0.25, max = 50,
```

# See Also

```
xcmsSet-class, density
```

| group.mzClust | Group Peaks via High Resolution Alignment |  |
|---------------|---|--|
|---------------|---|--|

# Description

Runs high resolution alignment on single spectra samples stored in a given xcmsSet.

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### **Arguments**

object a xcmsSet with peaks

mzppm the relative error used for clustering/grouping in ppm (parts per million)

mzabs the absolute error used for clustering/grouping
minsamp set the minimum number of samples in one bin
minfrac set the minimum fraction of each class in one bin

### Value

Returns a xcmsSet with slots groups and groupindex set.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" group(object, method="mzClust", mzppm = 20, mzabs = 0, minsamp = 1, minfrace
```

#### References

Saira A. Kazmi, Samiran Ghosh, Dong-Guk Shin, Dennis W. Hill and David F. Grant *Alignment of high resolution mass spectra: development of a heuristic approach for metabolomics*. Metabolomics, Vol. 2, No. 2, 75-83 (2006)

### See Also

```
xcmsSet-class,
```

# **Examples**

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Group peaks from different samples together

# Description

Group peaks together across samples by creating a master peak list and assigning corresponding peaks from all samples. It is inspired by the alignment algorithm of mzMine. For further details check http://mzmine.sourceforge.net/ and

Katajamaa M, Miettinen J, Oresic M: MZmine: Toolbox for processing and visualization of mass spectrometry based molecular profile data. Bioinformatics (Oxford, England) 2006, 22:634?636.

Currently, there is no equivalent to minfrac or minsamp.

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### **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object

mzVsRTbalance Multiplicator for mz value before calculating the (euclidean) distance between

two peaks.

mzCheck Maximum tolerated distance for mz.

rtCheck Maximum tolerated distance for RT.

kNN Number of nearest Neighbours to check

### Value

An xcmsSet object with peak group assignments and statistics.

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" group(object, mzVsRTbalance=10, mzCheck=0.2, rtCheck=15, kNN=10)
```

### See Also

```
xcmsSet-class, group.density and group.mzClust
```

gxset.post@groups<-gxset@groups[idx,]</pre>

# **Examples**

```
## Not run: library(xcms)
library(faahKO) ## These files do not have this problem to correct for but just for an example
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")</pre>
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)</pre>
xset<-xcmsSet(cdffiles)</pre>
gxset<-group(xset, method="nearest")</pre>
## this is the same as
# gxset<-group.nearest(xset)</pre>
nrow(gxset@groups) == 1096 ## the number of features before minFrac
post.minFrac<-function(object, minFrac=0.5){</pre>
ix.minFrac<-sapply(1:length(unique(sampclass(object))), function(x, object, mf){</pre>
meta<-groups(object)</pre>
minFrac.idx<-numeric(length=nrow(meta))</pre>
idx<-which(meta[,levels(sampclass(object))[x]] >= mf*length(which(levels(sampclass(object))[x] == sampclass(object))[x]
minFrac.idx[idx]<-1</pre>
return(minFrac.idx)
}, object, minFrac)
ix.minFrac<-as.logical(apply(ix.minFrac, 1, sum))</pre>
ix<-which(ix.minFrac == TRUE)</pre>
return(ix)
\ensuremath{\mbox{\#\#}} using the above function we can get a post processing \ensuremath{\mbox{minFrac}}
idx<-post.minFrac(gxset)</pre>
gxset.post<-gxset ## copy the xcmsSet object</pre>
gxset.post@groupidx<-gxset@groupidx[idx]</pre>
```

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```
nrow(gxset.post@groups) == 465 ## this is the number of features after minFrac
## End(Not run)
```

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Generate unque names for peak groups

### **Description**

Allow linking of peak group data between classes using unique group names that remain the same as long as no re-grouping occurs.

### **Arguments**

the xcmsSet or xcmsEIC object object

mzdec number of decimal places to use for m/z

rtdec number of decimal places to use for retention time

template a character vector with existing group names whose format should be emulated

#### Value

A character vector with unique names for each peak group in the object. The format is M[m/z]T[time in seconds].

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" (object, mzdec = 0, rtdec = 0, template = NULL)
object = "xcmsEIC" (object)
```

### See Also

xcmsSet-class, xcmsEIC-class

groupval-methods

Extract a matrix of peak values for each group

### **Description**

Generate a matrix of peak values with rows for every group and columns for every sample. The value included in the matrix can be any of the columns from the xcmsSet peaks slot matrix. Collisions where more than one peak from a single sample are in the same group get resolved with one of several user-selectable methods.

# Arguments

| object    | the xcmsSet object   |
|-----------|--|
| method    | conflict resolution method, "medret" to use the peak closest to the median retention time or "maxint" to use the peak with the highest intensity |
| value     | name of peak column to enter into returned matrix, or "index" for index to the corresponding row in the peaks slot matrix                        |
| intensity | if method == "maxint", name of peak column to use for intensity  |

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### Value

A matrix with with rows for every group and columns for every sample. Missing peaks have NA values.

### Methods

### See Also

xcmsSet-class

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Plot log intensity image of a xcmsRaw object

# Description

Create log intensity false-color image of a xcmsRaw object plotted with m/z and retention time axes

### **Arguments**

```
x xcmsRaw object
```

col vector of colors to use for for the image

... arguments for profRange

# Methods

```
x = "xcmsRaw" image(x, col = rainbow(256), ...)
```

# Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

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| levelplot-methods | Plot log intensity image of a xcmsRaw object |  |
|-------------------|--|--|
|-------------------|--|--|

### **Description**

Create an image of the raw (profile) data m/z against retention time, with the intensity color coded.

### **Arguments**

x xcmsRaw object.

log Whether the intensity should be log transformed.

col.regions The color ramp that should be used for encoding of the intensity.

rt wheter the original (rt="raw") or the corrected (rt="corrected") retention times should be used.

... Arguments for profRange.

### Methods

```
x = "xcmsRaw" levelplot(x, log=TRUE, col.regions=colorRampPalette(brewer.pal(9, "YlOrRd"))
x = "xcmsSet" levelplot(x, log=TRUE, col.regions=colorRampPalette(brewer.pal(9, "YlOrRd")))
```

## Author(s)

Johannes Rainer, <johannes.rainer@eurac.edu>

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, xcmsSet-class

| loadRaw-methods | Read binary data from a source |  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|--|
|                 |                                |  |

### **Description**

This function extracts the raw data which will be used an xcmsRaw object. Further processing of data is done in the xcmsRaw constructor.

# Arguments

object Specification of a data source (such as a file name or database query)

### Details

The implementing methods decide how to gather the data.

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#### Value

A list containing elements describing the data source. The rt, scanindex, tic, and acquisitionNum components each have one entry per scan. They are "parallel" in the sense that rt[1], scanindex[1], and acquisitionNum[1] all refer to the same scan. The list containst he following components:

rt Numeric vector with acquisition time (in seconds) for each scan

tic Numeric vector with Total Ion Count for each scan

scanindex Integer vector with starting positions of each scan in the mz and intensity

components. It is an exclusive offset, so scanindex[i] is the offset in mz and intensity *before* the beginning of scan i. This means that the mz (respectively intensity) values for scan i would be from scanindex[i] + 1 to

scanindex[i + 1]

mz Concatenated vector of m/z values for all scans intensity Concatenated vector of intensity values for all scans

#### Methods

signature(object = "xcmsSource") Uses loadRaw, xcmsSource-method to extract raw data.
Subclasses of xcmsSource can provide different ways of fetching data.

### Author(s)

Daniel Hackney, <dan@haxney.org>

#### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, xcmsSource

medianFilter

Apply a median filter to a matrix

#### **Description**

For each element in a matix, replace it with the median of the values around it.

## Usage

```
medianFilter(x, mrad, nrad)
```

# **Arguments**

x numeric matrix to median filter

number of rows on either side of the value to use for median calculation nrad number of rows on either side of the value to use for median calculation

### Value

A matrix whose values have been median filtered

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### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### **Examples**

```
mat <- matrix(1:25, nrow=5)
mat
medianFilter(mat, 1, 1)</pre>
```

msn2xcmsRaw

Copy MSn data in an xcmsRaw to the MS slots

# Description

The MS2 and MSn data is stored in separate slots, and can not directly be used by e.g. findPeaks(). msn2xcmsRaw() will copy the MSn spectra into the "normal" xcmsRaw slots.

### Usage

```
msn2xcmsRaw(xmsn)
```

### **Arguments**

xmsn

an object of class xcmsRaw that contains spectra read with includeMSn=TRUE

### **Details**

The default gap value is determined from the 90th percentile of the pair-wise differences between adjacent mass values.

# Value

An xcmsRaw object

# Author(s)

Steffen Neumann < sneumann@ipb-halle.de>

### See Also

xcmsRaw,

# **Examples**

```
msnfile <- system.file("microtofq/MSMSpos20_6.mzML", package = "msdata")
xrmsn <- xcmsRaw(msnfile, includeMSn=TRUE)
xr <- msn2xcmsRaw(xrmsn)
p <- findPeaks(xr, method="centWave")</pre>
```

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### **Description**

Plot extracted ion chromatograms for many peaks simultaneously, indicating peak integration start and end points with vertical grey lines.

### **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

peaks matrix with peak information as produced by findPeaks

figs two-element vector describing the number of rows and the number of columns of peaks to plot, if missing then an approximately square grid that will fit the number of peaks supplied

width width of chromatogram retention time to plot for each peak

### **Details**

This function is intended to help graphically analyze the results of peak picking. It can help estimate the number of false positives and improper integration start and end points. Its output is very compact and tries to waste as little space as possible. Each plot is labeled with rounded m/z and retention time separated by a space.

## Methods

```
signature(object = "xcmsSet") plotPeaks(object, peaks, figs, width = 200)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, findPeaks, split.screen

| peakTable-methods | Create report of aligned peak intensities |  |
|-------------------|---|--|
|                   |   |  |

### **Description**

Create a report showing all aligned peaks.

## Arguments

| object   | the xcmsSet object   |
|----------|--|
| filebase | base file name to save report, .tsv file and $\_\texttt{eic}$ will be appended to this name for the tabular report and EIC directory, respectively. if blank nothing will be saved |
|          | arguments passed down to groupval, which provides the actual intensities.  |

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### **Details**

This method handles creation of summary reports similar to diffreport. It returns a summary report that can optionally be written out to a tab-separated file.

If a base file name is provided, the report (see Value section) will be saved to a tab separated file.

### Value

A data frame with the following columns:

| mz             | median m/z of peaks in the group                               |
|----------------|--|
| mzmin          | minimum m/z of peaks in the group                              |
| mzmax          | maximum m/z of peaks in the group                              |
| rt             | median retention time of peaks in the group                    |
| rtmin          | minimum retention time of peaks in the group                   |
| rtmax          | maximum retention time of peaks in the group                   |
| npeaks         | number of peaks assigned to the group                          |
| Sample Classes | number samples from each sample class represented in the group |
|                | one column for every sample class                              |
| Sample Names   | integrated intensity value for every sample                    |
|                | one column for every sample                                    |

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" peakTable(object, filebase = character(), ...)
```

# See Also

```
xcmsSet-class,
```

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(faahKO)
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
xs<-xcmsSet(cdf files)
xs<-group(xs)
peakTable(xs, filebase="peakList")
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

plot.xcmsEIC

| proc.xcmserc I tot extracted ton chromatograms from multiple files | plot.xcmsEIC | Plot extracted ion chromatograms from multiple files |  |
|--|--------------|--|--|
|--|--------------|--|--|

# Description

Batch plot a list of extracted ion chromatograms to the current graphics device.

# **Arguments**

| X         | the xcmsEIC object   |
|-----------|--|
| У         | optional xcmsSet object with peak integration data   |
| groupidx  | either character vector with names or integer vector with indicies of peak groups for which to plot EICs   |
| sampleidx | either character vector with names or integer vector with indicies of samples for which to plot EICs   |
| rtrange   | a two column matrix with minimum and maximum retention times between which to return EIC data points   |
|           | if it has the same number of rows as the number groups in the xcmsEIC object, then sampleidx is used to subset it. otherwise, it is repeated over the length of sampleidx  |
|           | it may also be a single number specifying the time window around the peak for which to plot EIC data   |
| col       | color to use for plotting extracted ion chromatograms. if missing and y is specified, colors are taken from unclass(sampclass(y)) and the default palette if it is the same length as the number groups in the xcmsEIC object, then sampleidx is used to subset it. otherwise, it is repeated over the length of sampleidx |
| legtext   | text to use for legend. if NULL and y is specified, legend text is taken from the sample class information found in the xcmsSet  |
| peakint   | logical, plot integrated peak area with darkened lines (requires that y also be specified)   |
| sleep     | seconds to pause between plotting EICs   |
|           | other graphical parameters   |
|           |  |

# Value

A xcmsSet object.

# Methods

```
x = "xcmsEIC" plot.xcmsEIC(x, y, groupidx = groupnames(x), sampleidx = sampnames(x), rtrange = x6
```

# Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

# See Also

```
xcmsEIC-class, png, pdf, postscript,
```

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| plotChrom-methods       | Plot extracted ion chromatograms from the profile matrix  |
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# Description

Uses the pre-generated profile mode matrix to plot averaged or base peak extracted ion chromatograms over a specified mass range.

### Arguments

object the xcmsRaw object
base logical, plot a base-peak chromatogram
ident logical, use mouse to identify and label peaks
fitgauss logical, fit a gaussian to the largest peak
vline numeric vector with locations of vertical lines
... arguments passed to profRange

#### Value

If ident == TRUE, an integer vector with the indecies of the points that were identified. If fitgauss == TRUE, a nls model with the fitted gaussian. Otherwise a two-column matrix with the plotted points.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotChrom(object, base = FALSE, ident = FALSE,
```

fitgauss = FALSE,

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

### **Description**

Plot extracted ion chromatogram for m/z values of interest. The raw data is used in contrast to plotChrom which uses data from the profile matrix.

### **Arguments**

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|-----------|--|
| object    | xcmsRaw object   |
| mzrange   | m/z range for EIC. Uses the full m/z range by default.                       |
| rtrange   | retention time range for EIC. Uses the full retention time range by default. |
| scanrange | scan range for EIC   |
| mzdec     | Number of decimal places of title m/z values in the eic plot.                |
| type      | Speficies how the data should be plotted (by default as a line).             |
| add       | If the EIC should be added to an existing plot.                              |
|           | Additional parameters passed to the plotting function (e.g. col etc).        |

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#### Value

A two-column matrix with the plotted points.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotEIC(object, mzrange = numeric(), rtrange = numeric(), scanrange = num
```

# Author(s)

Ralf Tautenhahn

### See Also

```
rawEIC,xcmsRaw-class
```

plotPeaks-methods

Plot a grid of a large number of peaks

### **Description**

Plot extracted ion chromatograms for many peaks simultaneously, indicating peak integration start and end points with vertical grey lines.

### **Arguments**

| object | the xcmsRaw object   |
|--------|--|
| peaks  | matrix with peak information as produced by findPeaks  |
| figs   | two-element vector describing the number of rows and the number of columns of peaks to plot, if missing then an approximately square grid that will fit the number of peaks supplied |
| width  | width of chromatogram retention time to plot for each peak   |

### **Details**

This function is intended to help graphically analyze the results of peak picking. It can help estimate the number of false positives and improper integration start and end points. Its output is very compact and tries to waste as little space as possible. Each plot is labeled with rounded m/z and retention time separated by a space.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotPeaks(object, peaks, figs, width = 200)
```

# See Also

```
xcmsRaw-class, findPeaks, split.screen
```

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| plotQC | Plot m/z and RT deviations for QC purposes without external reference data |
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### **Description**

Use "democracy" to determine the average m/z and RT deviations for a grouped xcmsSet, and dependency on sample or absolute m/z

### Usage

```
plotQC(object, sampNames, sampColors, sampOrder, what)
```

### **Arguments**

object A grouped xcmsSet

sampNames Override sample names (e.g. with simplified names)
sampColors Provide a set of colors (default: monochrome?)

sampOrder Override the order of samples, e.g. to bring them in order of measurement to

detect time drift

what A vector of which QC plots to generate. "mzdevhist": histogram of mz devia-

tions. Should be gaussian shaped. If it is multimodal, then some peaks seem to have a systematically higher m/z deviation "rtdevhist": histogram of RT deviations. Should be gaussian shaped. If it is multimodal, then some peaks seem to have a systematically higher RT deviation "mzdevmass": Shows whether m/z deviations are absolute m/z dependent, could indicate miscalibration "mzdevtime": Shows whether m/z deviations are RT dependent, could indicate instrument drift "mzdevsample": median mz deviation for each sample, indicates outliers "rtdevsample": median RT deviation for each sample, indicates outliers

# **Details**

plotQC() is a warpper to create a set of diagnostic plots. For the m/z deviations, the median of all m/z withon one group are assumed.

### Value

No return value

## Author(s)

Michael Wenk, Michael Wenk <michael.wenk@student.uni-halle.de>

# **Examples**

```
library(faahKO)
xsg <- group(faahko)

plotQC(xsg, what="mzdevhist")
plotQC(xsg, what="rtdevhist")
plotQC(xsg, what="mzdevmass")</pre>
```

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```
plotQC(xsg, what="mzdevtime")
plotQC(xsg, what="mzdevsample")
plotQC(xsg, what="rtdevsample")
```

plotRaw-methods

Scatterplot of raw data points

# Description

Produce a scatterplot showing raw data point location in retention time and m/z. This plot is more useful for centroided data than continuum data.

# Arguments

| object    | the xcmsRaw object   |
|-----------|--|
| mzrange   | numeric vector of length >= 2 whose range will be used to select the masses to plot          |
| rtrange   | numeric vector of length >= 2 whose range will be used to select the retention times to plot |
| scanrange | numeric vector of length >= 2 whose range will be used to select scans to plot               |
| log       | logical, log transform intensity   |
| title     | main title of the plot   |

### Value

A matrix with the points plotted.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotRaw(object, mzrange = numeric(), rtrange = numeric(),
```

# See Also

xcmsRaw-class

| plotrt-methods Plot retention | on time | deviation | profiles |
|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|
|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|----------|

# Description

Use corrected retention times for each sample to calculate retention time deviation profiles and plot each on the same graph.

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### **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object

col vector of colors for plotting each sample

ty vector of line and point types for plotting each sample

leg logical plot legend with sample labels

densplit logical, also plot peak overall peak density

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" plotrt(object, col = NULL, ty = NULL, leg = TRUE, densplit = FALSE)
```

#### See Also

xcmsSet-class, retcor

plotScan-methods Plot a single mass scan

### **Description**

Plot a single mass scan using the impulse representation. Most useful for centroided data.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

scan integer with number of scan to plot

mzrange numeric vector of length >= 2 whose range will be used to select masses to plot

ident logical, use mouse to interactively identify and label individual masses

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotScan(object, scan, mzrange = numeric(), ident = FALSE)
```

## See Also

xcmsRaw-class

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| plotSpec-methods | Plot mass spectra from the profile matrix |  |
|------------------|---|--|
|------------------|---|--|

# Description

Uses the pre-generated profile mode matrix to plot mass spectra over a specified retention time range.

# Arguments

```
object the xcmsRaw object

ident logical, use mouse to identify and label peaks

vline numeric vector with locations of vertical lines

... arguments passed to profRange
```

### Value

If ident == TRUE, an integer vector with the indecies of the points that were identified. Otherwise a two-column matrix with the plotted points.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotSpec(object, ident = FALSE, vline = numeric(0), ...)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

| plotSurf-methods | Plot profile matrix 3D surface using OpenGL |
|------------------|---|
|------------------|---|

# Description

This method uses the rgl package to create interactive three dimensonal representations of the profile matrix. It uses the terrain color scheme.

### **Arguments**

| object | the xcmsRaw object   |
|--------|--|
| log    | logical, log transform intensity   |
| aspect | numeric vector with aspect ratio of the m/z, retention time and intensity components of the plot |
|        | arguments passed to profRange  |

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### **Details**

The rgl package is still in development and imposes some limitations on the output format. A bug in the axis label code means that the axis labels only go from 0 to the aspect ratio constant of that axis. Additionally the axes are not labeled with what they are.

It is important to only plot a small portion of the profile matrix. Large portions can quickly overwhelm your CPU and memory.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotSurf(object, log = FALSE, aspect = c(1, 1, .5), ...)
```

#### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

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Plot total ion count

### **Description**

Plot chromatogram of total ion count. Optionally allow identification of target peaks and viewing/identification of individual spectra.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

ident logical, use mouse to identify and label chromatographic peaks

msident logical, use mouse to identify and label spectral peaks

### Value

If ident == TRUE, an integer vector with the indecies of the points that were identified. Otherwise a two-column matrix with the plotted points.

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" plotTIC(object, ident = FALSE, msident = FALSE)
```

## See Also

xcmsRaw-class

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# Description

Apply a median filter of given size to a profile matrix.

### **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

number of m/z grid points on either side to use for median calculation scanrad number of scan grid points on either side to use for median calculation

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" profMedFilt(object, massrad = 0, scanrad = 0)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, medianFilter

profMethod-methods Get

Get and set method for generating profile data

# Description

These methods get and set the method for generating profile (matrix) data from raw mass spectral data. It can currently be bin, binlin, binlinbase, or intlin.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" profMethod(object)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, profMethod, profBin, plotSpec, plotChrom, findPeaks

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#### **Description**

Specify a subset of the profile mode matrix given a mass, time, or scan range. Allow flexible user entry for other functions.

### **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw object

mzrange single numeric mass or vector of masses

rtrange single numeric time (in seconds) or vector of times scanrange single integer scan index or vector of indecies

... arguments to other functions

#### **Details**

This function handles selection of mass/time subsets of the profile matrix for other functions. It allows the user to specify such subsets in a variety of flexible ways with minimal typing.

Because R does partial argument matching, mzrange, scanrange, and rtrange can be specified in short form using m=, s=, and t=, respectively. If both a scanrange and rtrange are specified, then the rtrange specification takes precedence.

When specifying ranges, you may either enter a single number or a numeric vector. If a single number is entered, then the closest single scan or mass value is selected. If a vector is entered, then the range is set to the range() of the values entered. That allows specification of ranges using shortened, slightly non-standard syntax. For example, one could specify 400 to 500 seconds using any of the following: t=c(400,500), t=c(500,400), or t=400:500. Use of the sequence operator (:) can save several keystrokes when specifying ranges. However, while the sequence operator works well for specifying integer ranges, fractional ranges do not always work as well.

#### Value

A list with the folloing items:

mzrange numeric vector with start and end mass

masslab textual label of mass range
massidx integer vector of mass indecies

scanrange integer vector with stat ane end scans

scanlab textual label of scan range scanidx integer vector of scan range

rtrange numeric vector of start and end times

timelab textual label of time range

### Methods

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#### See Also

```
xcmsRaw-class
```

profStep-methods

Get and set m/z step for generating profile data

### **Description**

These methods get and set the m/z step for generating profile (matrix) data from raw mass spectral data. Smaller steps yield more precision at the cost of greater memory usage.

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" profStep(object)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, profMethod

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(faahKO)
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
xset <- xcmsRaw(cdffiles[1])

xset
plotSurf(xset, mass=c(200,500))

profStep(xset)<-0.1 ## decrease the bin size to get better resolution
plotSurf(xset, mass=c(200, 500))
##works nicer on high resolution data.
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

rawEIC-methods

Get extracted ion chromatograms for specified m/z range

# Description

Generate extracted ion chromatogram for m/z values of interest. The raw data is used in contrast to getEIC which uses data from the profile matrix (i.e. values binned along the M/Z dimension).

### Arguments

object xcmsRaw object mzrange m/z range for EIC

rtrange retention time range for EIC

scanrange scan range for EIC

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### Value

A list of:

scan scan number

intensity added intensity values

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" rawEIC(object, mzrange = numeric(), rtrange = numeric(), scanrange = numeric
```

# Author(s)

Ralf Tautenhahn

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

rawMat-methods Get a raw data matrix

### **Description**

Returns a matrix with columns for time, m/z, and intensity that represents the raw data from a chromatography mass spectrometry experiment.

# Arguments

object The container of the raw data

mzrange Subset by m/z range

rtrange Subset by retention time range scanrange Subset by scan index range

log Whether to log transform the intensities

### Value

A numeric matrix with three columns: time, mz and intensity.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" rawMat(object, mzrange = numeric(), rtrange = numeric(), scanrange = numeric
```

### Author(s)

Michael Lawrence

### See Also

plotRaw for plotting the raw intensities

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| retcor-methods Correct retention time from different sam | ples |
|--|------|
|--|------|

### **Description**

To correct differences between retention times between different samples, a number of of methods exist in XCMS. retcor is the generic method.

### **Arguments**

object xcmsSet-class object
method Method to use for retention time correction. See details.
... Optional arguments to be passed along

#### **Details**

Different algorithms can be used by specifying them with the method argument. For example to use the approach described by Smith et al (2006) one would use: retcor(object, method="loess"). This is also the default.

Further arguments given by ... are passed through to the function implementing the method.

A character vector of *nicknames* for the algorithms available is returned by getOption("BioC")\$xcms\$retcor.methods If the nickname of a method is called "loess", the help page for that specific method can be accessed with ?retcor.loess.

### Value

An xcmsSet object with corrected retntion times.

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" retcor(object, ...)
```

#### See Also

retcor.loess retcor.obiwarp xcmsSet-class,

retcor.obiwarp

Align retention times across samples with Obiwarp

## **Description**

Calculate retention time deviations for each sample. It is based on the code at <a href="http://obi-warp.sourceforge.net/">http://obi-warp.sourceforge.net/</a>. However, this function is able to align multiple samples, by a center-star strategy.

For the original publication see

Chromatographic Alignment of ESI-LC-MS Proteomics Data Sets by Ordered Bijective Interpolated Warping John T. Prince and, Edward M. Marcotte Analytical Chemistry 2006 78 (17), 6140-6152

### **Arguments**

| object         | the xcmsSet object  |
|----------------|---|
| plottype       | if deviation plot retention time deviation  |
| profStep       | step size (in m/z) to use for profile generation from the raw data files  |
| center         | the index of the sample all others will be aligned to. If center==NULL, the sample with the most peaks is chosen as default.  |
| col            | vector of colors for plotting each sample   |
| ty             | vector of line and point types for plotting each sample   |
| response       | Responsiveness of warping. 0 will give a linear warp based on start and end points. 100 will use all bijective anchors  |
| distFunc       | DistFunc function: cor (Pearson's R) or cor_opt (default, calculate only 10% diagonal band of distance matrix, better runtime), cov (covariance), prd (product), euc (Euclidean distance) |
| gapInit        | Penalty for Gap opening, see below  |
| gapExtend      | Penalty for Gap enlargement, see below  |
| factorDiag     | Local weighting applied to diagonal moves in alignment.   |
| factorGap      | Local weighting applied to gap moves in alignment.  |
| localAlignment | Local rather than global alignment  |
| initPenalty    | Penalty for initiating alignment (for local alignment only) Default: 0  |
|                | Default gap penalties: (gapInit, gapExtend) [by distFunc type]: 'cor' = '0.3,2.4' 'cov' = '0,11.7' 'prd' = '0,7.8' 'euc' = '0.9,1.8'  |

### Value

An xcmsSet object

# Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" retcor(object, method="obiwarp", plottype = c("none", "deviation"), prof-
Step=1, center=NULL, col = NULL, ty = NULL, response=1, distFunc="cor_opt", gapInit=NULL,
gapExtend=NULL, factorDiag=2, factorGap=1, localAlignment=0, initPenalty=0)
```

### See Also

xcmsSet-class,

retcor.peakgroups-methods

Align retention times across samples

# Description

These two methods use "well behaved" peak groups to calculate retention time deviations for every time point of each sample. Use smoothed deviations to align retention times.

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### **Arguments**

| object   | the xcmsSet object   |
|----------|--|
| missing  | number of missing samples to allow in retention time correction groups   |
| extra    | number of extra peaks to allow in retention time correction correction groups  |
| smooth   | either "loess" for non-linear alignment or "linear" for linear alignment   |
| span     | degree of smoothing for local polynomial regression fitting  |
| family   | if gaussian fitting is by least-squares with no outlier removal, and if symmetric a re-descending M estimator is used with Tukey's biweight function, allowing outlier removal |
| plottype | if deviation plot retention time deviation points and regression fit, and if mdevden also plot peak overall peak density and retention time correction peak density            |
| col      | vector of colors for plotting each sample  |
| ty       | vector of line and point types for plotting each sample  |

### Value

An xcmsSet object

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" retcor(object, missing = 1, extra = 1, smooth = c("loess", "linear"),
```

# See Also

```
xcmsSet-class, loess retcor.obiwarp
```

| retexp | Set retention time window to a specified width |  |
|--------|--|--|
|        |  |  |

# Description

Expands (or contracts) the retention time window in each row of a matrix as defined by the retmin and retmax columns.

# Usage

```
retexp(peakrange, width = 200)
```

# **Arguments**

peakrange maxtrix with columns retmin and retmax

width new width for the window

### Value

The altered matrix.

### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

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#### See Also

```
getEIC
```

sampnames-methods

Get sample names

### **Description**

Return sample names for an object

### Value

A character vector with sample names.

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsEIC" sampnames(object)
object = "xcmsSet" sampnames(object)
```

### See Also

```
xcmsSet-class, xcmsEIC-class
```

specDist-methods

Distance methods for xcmsSet, xcmsRaw and xsAnnotate

#### **Description**

There are several methods for calculating a distance between two sets of peaks in xcms. specDist is the generic method.

### **Arguments**

object a xcmsSet or xcmsRaw.

method Method to use for distance calculation. See details.

... mzabs, mzppm and parameters for the distance function.

#### **Details**

Different algorithms can be used by specifying them with the method argument. For example to use the "meanMZmatch" approach with xcmsSet one would use: specDist(object, peakIDs1, peakIDs2, method="mea This is also the default.

Further arguments given by . . . are passed through to the function implementing the method.

A character vector of *nicknames* for the algorithms available is returned by getOption("BioC")\$xcms\$specDist.method If the nickname of a method is called "meanMZmatch", the help page for that specific method can be accessed with ?specDist.meanMZmatch.

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#### Value

mzabs maximum absolute deviation for two matching peaks
mzppm relative deviations in ppm for two matching peaks
symmetric use symmetric pairwise m/z-matches only, or each match

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" specDist(object, peakIDs1, peakIDs2,...)
object = "xsAnnotate" specDist(object, PSpec1, PSpec2,...)
```

### Author(s)

Joachim Kutzera, <jkutzer@ipb-halle.de>

specDist.cosine a Distance function based on matching peaks

# Description

This method calculates the distance of two sets of peaks using the cosine-distance.

### Usage

```
specDist.cosine(peakTable1, peakTable2, mzabs=0.001, mzppm=10, mzExp=0.6, intExp=3, nPdiff=2, nPm
```

### **Arguments**

peakTable1 a Matrix containing at least m/z-values, row must be called "mz"

peakTable2 the matrix for the other mz-values

mzabs maximum absolute deviation for two matching peaks
mzppm relative deviations in ppm for two matching peaks

symmetric use symmetric pairwise m/z-matches only, or each match

mzExp the exponent used for mz intExp the exponent used for intensity

nPdiff the maximum nrow-difference of the two peaktables
nPmin the minimum absolute sum of peaks from both praktables

### **Details**

The result is the cosine-distance of the product from weighted factors of mz and intensity from matching peaks in the two peaktables. The factors are calculated as wFact = mz^mzExp\* int^intExp. if no distance is calculated (for example because no matching peaks were found) the return-value is NA.

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### Author(s)

Joachim Kutzera, <jkutzer@ipb-halle.de>

specDist.meanMZmatch a Distance function based on matching peaks

### **Description**

This method calculates the distance of two sets of peaks.

# Usage

```
specDist.mean MZ match (peak Table 1, peak Table 2, match dist=1, match rate=1, mzabs=0.001, mzppm=10, symplement of the symplement of t
```

# Arguments

peakTable1 a Matrix containing at least m/z-values, row must be called "mz"

peakTable2 the matrix for the other mz-values

mzabs maximum absolute deviation for two matching peaks
mzppm relative deviations in ppm for two matching peaks

symmetric use symmetric pairwise m/z-matches only, or each match

matchdist the weight for value one (see details)

matchrate the weight for value two

### **Details**

The result of the calculation is a weighted sum of two values. Value one is the mean absolute difference of the matching peaks, value two is the relation of matching peaks and non matching peaks if no distance is calculated (for example because no matching peaks were found) the return-value is NA.

# Methods

# Author(s)

Joachim Kutzera, <jkutzer@ipb-halle.de>

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```
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```

a Distance function based on matching peaks

### Description

This method calculates the distance of two sets of peaks by just returning the number of matching peaks (m/z-values).

### Usage

```
specDist.peakCount(peakTable1, peakTable2, mzabs=0.001, mzppm=10, symmetric=FALSE)
```

### **Arguments**

peakTable1 a Matrix containing at least m/z-values, row must be called "mz"

peakTable2 the matrix for the other mz-values

mzabs maximum absolute deviation for two matching peaks
mzppm relative deviations in ppm for two matching peaks

symmetric use symmetric pairwise m/z-matches only, or each match

### Methods

# Author(s)

Joachim Kutzera, <jkutzer@ipb-halle.de>

specNoise

Calculate noise for a sparse continuum mass spectrum

# Description

Given a sparse continuum mass spectrum, determine regions where no signal is present, substituting half of the minimum intensity for those regions. Calculate the noise level as the weighted mean of the regions with signal and the regions without signal. If there is only one raw peak, return zero.

## Usage

```
specNoise(spec, gap = quantile(diff(spec[, "mz"]), 0.9))
```

## Arguments

spec matrix with named columns mz and intensity

gap threshold above which to data points are considerd to be separated by a blank

region and not bridged by an interpolating line

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### **Details**

The default gap value is determined from the 90th percentile of the pair-wise differences between adjacent mass values.

#### Value

A numeric noise level

### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

#### See Also

```
getSpec, specPeaks
```

specPeaks

Identify peaks in a sparse continuum mode spectrum

# Description

Given a spectrum, identify and list significant peaks as determined by several criteria.

# Usage

```
specPeaks(spec, sn = 20, mzgap = 0.2)
```

# Arguments

spec matrix with named columns mz and intensity

sn minimum signal to noise ratio

mzgap minimal distance between adjacent peaks, with smaller peaks being excluded

### **Details**

Peaks must meet two criteria to be considered peaks: 1) Their s/n ratio must exceed a certain threshold. 2) They must not be within a given distance of any greater intensity peaks.

### Value

A matrix with columns:

mz m/z at maximum peak intensity
intensity maximum intensity of the peak
fwhm full width at half max of the peak

### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### See Also

```
getSpec, specNoise
```

split.xcmsSet

| split.xcmsRaw | Divide an xcmsRaw object |
|---------------|--------------------------|
|               |                          |

# Description

Divides the scans from a xcmsRaw object into a list of multiple objects. MS\$^n\$ data is discarded.

# **Arguments**

| X    | xcmsRaw object   |
|------|--|
| f    | factor such that $factor(f)$ defines the scans which go into the new xcmsRaw objects               |
| drop | logical indicating if levels that do not occur should be dropped (if 'f' is a 'factor' or a list). |
|      | further potential arguments passed to methods.   |

### Value

A list of xcmsRaw objects.

### Methods

```
xr = "xcmsRaw" split(x, f, drop = TRUE, ...)
```

# Author(s)

Steffen Neumann, <sneumann(at)ipb-halle.de>

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class

| split.xcmsSet | Divide an xcmsSet object |  |
|---------------|--------------------------|--|
|               |                          |  |

# Description

Divides the samples and peaks from a xcmsSet object into a list of multiple objects. Group data is discarded.

# Arguments

| xs   | xcmsSet object   |
|------|--|
| f    | factor such that factor(f) defines the grouping  |
| drop | logical indicating if levels that do not occur should be dropped (if 'f' is a 'factor' or a list). |
|      | further potential arguments passed to methods.   |

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### Value

A list of xcmsSet objects.

### Methods

```
xs = "xcmsSet" split(x, f, drop = TRUE, ...)
```

### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### See Also

xcmsSet-class

**SSgauss** 

Gaussian Model

#### **Description**

This selfStart model evalueates the Gaussian model and its gradient. It has an initial attribute that will evalueate the inital estimates of the parameters mu, sigma, and h.

# Usage

```
SSgauss(x, mu, sigma, h)
```

### **Arguments**

x a numeric vector of values at which to evaluate the model

mu mean of the distribution function

sigma standard deviation of the distribution fuction

h height of the distribution function

# **Details**

Initial values for mu and h are chosen from the maximal value of x. The initial value for sigma is determined from the area under x divided by h\*sqrt(2\*pi).

### Value

A numeric vector of the same length as x. It is the value of the expression h\*exp(-(x-mu)^2/(2\*sigma^2), which is a modified gaussian function where the maximum height is treated as a separate parameter not dependent on sigma. If arguments mu, sigma, and h are names of objects, the gradient matrix with respect to these names is attached as an attribute named gradient.

### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

### See Also

```
nls, selfStart
```

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| stitch-methods | Correct gaps in data |
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### **Description**

Fixes gaps in data due to calibration scans or lock mass. Automatically detects file type and calls the relevant method. The mzXML file keeps the data the same length in time but overwrites the lock mass scans. The netCDF version adds the scans back into the data thereby increasing the length of the data and correcting for the unseen gap.

### **Arguments**

object An xcmsRaw-class object

lockMass A dataframe of locations of the gaps freq The intervals of the lock mass scans

start The starting lock mass scan location, default is 1

#### **Details**

makeacqNum takes locates the gap using the starting lock mass scan and it's intervals. This data frame is then used in stitch to correct for the gap caused by the lock mass. Correction works by using scans from either side of the gap to fill it in.

#### Value

stitch A corrected xcmsRaw-class object makeacqNum A numeric vector of scan locations corresponding to lock Mass scans

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" stitch(object, lockMass=numeric())
object = "xcmsRaw" makeacqNum(object, freq=numeric(), start=1)
```

# Author(s)

Paul Benton, <hpaul.benton08@imperial.ac.uk>

# **Examples**

```
## Not run: library(xcms)
library(faahKO) ## These files do not have this problem to correct for but just for an example
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)
xr<-xcmsRaw(cdffiles[1])
xr
##Lets assume that the lockmass starts at 1 and is every 100 scans
lockMass<-xcms:::makeacqNum(xr, freq=100, start=1)
## these are equcal
lockmass<-AutoLockMass(xr)
ob<-stitch(xr, lockMass)
ob</pre>
```

```
#plot the old data before correction
foo<-rawEIC(xr, m=c(200,210), scan=c(80,140))
plot(foo$scan, foo$intensity, type="h")

#plot the new corrected data to see what changed
foo<-rawEIC(ob, m=c(200,210), scan=c(80,140))
plot(foo$scan, foo$intensity, type="h")

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

updateObject,xcmsSet-method

Update an xcmsSet object

### **Description**

This method updates an *old* xcmsSet object to the latest definition.

# Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'xcmsSet'
updateObject(object, ..., verbose = FALSE)
```

# **Arguments**

object The xcmsSet object to update.

... Optional additional arguments. Currently ignored.

verbose Currently ignored.

### Value

An updated xcmsSet containing all data from the input object.

## Author(s)

Johannes Rainer

 $value {\tt Count2ScanIndex} \quad \textit{Create index vector for internal $C$ calls}$ 

# Description

Simple helper function that converts the number of values per scan/spectrum to an integer vector that can be passed to the base xcms functions/downstream C functions.

### Usage

```
valueCount2ScanIndex(valCount)
```

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## **Arguments**

valCount Numeric vector representing the number of values per spectrum.

### Value

An integer vector with the index (0-based) in the mz or intensity vectors indicating the start of a spectrum.

# Author(s)

Johannes Rainer

verify.mzQuantM

Verify an mzQuantML file

# Description

Export in XML data formats: verify the written data

### Usage

verify.mzQuantML(filename, xsdfilename)

### **Arguments**

filename (may include full path) for the output file. Pipes or URLs are not

allowed.

xsdfilename Filename of the XSD to verify against (may include full path)

# **Details**

The verify.mzQuantML() function will verify an PSI standard format mzQuantML document against the XSD schemda, see http://www.psidev.info/mzquantml

# Value

None.

### See Also

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Save an xcmsRaw object to file

### **Description**

Write the raw data to a (simple) CDF file.

### Arguments

object the xcmsRaw object

filename (may include full path) for the CDF file. Pipes or URLs are not allowed.

### **Details**

Currently the only application known to read the resulting file is XCMS. Others, especially those which build on the AndiMS library, will refuse to load the output.

### Value

None.

#### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" write.cdf(object, filename)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, xcmsRaw,

write.mzdata-methods S

Save an xcmsRaw object to a file

### **Description**

Write the raw data to a (simple) mzData file.

# Arguments

object the xcmsRaw object

filename (may include full path) for the mzData file. Pipes or URLs are not

allowed.

### **Details**

This function will export a given xcmsRaw object to an mzData file. The mzData file will contain a <spectrumList> containing the <spectrum> with mass and intensity values in 32 bit precision. Other formats are currently not supported. Any header information (e.g. additional <software> information or <cvParams>) will be lost. Currently, also any MSn information will not be stored.

### Value

None.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsRaw" write.mzdata(object, filename)
```

### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, xcmsRaw,

write.mzQuantML-methods

Save an xcmsSet object to an PSI mzQuantML file

### **Description**

Export in XML data formats: Write the processed data in an xcmsSet to mzQuantML.

### **Arguments**

object the xcmsRaw or xcmsSet object

filename (may include full path) for the output file. Pipes or URLs are not

allowed.

### **Details**

The write.mzQuantML() function will write a (grouped) xcmsSet into the PSI standard format mzQuantML, see http://www.psidev.info/mzquantml

#### Value

None.

### Methods

```
object = "xcmsSet" write.mzQuantML(object, filename)
```

### See Also

xcmsSet-class, xcmsSet, verify.mzQuantML,

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writeMzTab

Save a grouped xcmsSet object in mzTab-1.1 format file

## **Description**

Write the grouped xcmsSet to an mzTab file.

# **Arguments**

object the xcmsSet object

filename (may include full path) for the mzTab file. Pipes or URLs are not

allowed.

### **Details**

The mzTab file format for MS-based metabolomics (and proteomics) is a lightweight supplement to the existing standard XML-based file formats (mzML, mzIdentML, mzQuantML), providing a comprehensive summary, similar in concept to the supplemental material of a scientific publication. mzTab files from xcms contain small molecule sections together with experimental metadata and basic quantitative information. The format is intended to store a simple summary of the final results.

### Value

None.

### Usage

```
object = "xcmsSet" writeMzTab(object, filename)
```

### See Also

```
xcmsSet-class, xcmsSet,
```

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xcms-deprecated

Deprecated functions in package 'xcms'

### **Description**

These functions are provided for compatibility with older versions of 'xcms' only, and will be defunct at the next release.

#### **Details**

The following functions/methods are deprecated.

• xcmsPapply: this function is no longer available and the use of bplapply is suggested.

xcmsEIC-class

Class xcmsEIC, a class for multi-sample extracted ion chromatograms

# **Description**

This class is used to store and plot parallel extracted ion chromatograms from multiple sample files. It integrates with the xcmsSet class to display peak area integrated during peak identification or fill-in.

# **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created with the getEIC method of the xcmsSet class. Objects can also be created by calls of the form new("xcmsEIC", ...).

### **Slots**

eic: list containing named entries for every sample. for each entry, a list of two column EIC matricies with retention time and intensity

```
mzrange: two column matrix containing starting and ending m/z for each EIC rtrange: two column matrix containing starting and ending time for each EIC rt: either "raw" or "corrected" to specify retention times contained in the object groupnames: group names from xcmsSet object used to generate EICs
```

#### Methods

```
groupnames signature(object = "xcmsEIC"): get groupnames slot
mzrange signature(object = "xcmsEIC"): get mzrange slot
plot signature(x = "xcmsEIC"): plot the extracted ion chromatograms
rtrange signature(object = "xcmsEIC"): get rtrange slot
sampnames signature(object = "xcmsEIC"): get sample names
```

### Note

No notes yet.

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#### Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

## See Also

getEIC

xcmsFileSource-class Base class for loading raw data from a file

# **Description**

Data sources which read data from a file should inherit from this class. The xcms package provides classes to read from netCDF, mzData, mzXML, and mzML files using xcmsFileSource.

This class should be considered virtual and will not work if passed to loadRaw-methods. The reason it is not explicitly virtual is that there does not appear to be a way for a class to be both virtual and have a data part (which lets functions treat objects as if they were character strings).

This class validates that a file exists at the path given.

# **Objects from the Class**

xcmsFileSource objects should not be instantiated directly. Instead, create subclasses and instantiate those.

# **Slots**

.Data: Object of class "character". File path of a file from which to read raw data as the object's data part

# **Extends**

```
Class "character", from data part. Class "xcmsSource", directly.
```

#### Methods

xcmsSource signature(object = "character"): Create an xcmsFileSource object referencing the given file name.

# Author(s)

Daniel Hackney <dan@haxney.org>

# See Also

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xcmsFragments

Constructor for xcmsFragments objects which holds Tandem MS peaks

# **Description**

#### EXPERIMANTAL FEATURE

xcmsFragments is an object similar to xcmsSet, which holds peaks picked (or collected) from one or several xcmsRaw objects.

There are still discussions going on about the exact API for MS\$^n\$ data, so this is likely to change in the future. The code is not yet pipeline-ified.

# Usage

```
xcmsFragments(xs, ...)
```

# **Arguments**

A xcmsSet-class object which contains picked ms1-peaks from one or several experiments

... further arguments to the collect method

# **Details**

After running collect(xFragments,xSet) The peaktable of the xcmsFragments includes the ms1Peaks from all experinemts stored in a xcmsSet-object. Further it contains the relevant MSn-peaks from the xcmsRaw-objects, which were created temporarily with the paths in xcmsSet.

# Value

An xcmsFragments object.

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# See Also

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 ${\tt xcmsFragments-class}$ 

Class xcmsFragments, a class for handling Tandem MS and MS\$^n\$

# **Description**

This class is similar to xcmsSet because it stores peaks from a number of individual files. However, xcmsFragments keeps Tandem MS and e.g. Ion Trap or Orbitrap MS\$^n\$ peaks, including the parent ion relationships.

# **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created with the xcmsFragments constructor and filled with peaks using the collect method.

#### **Slots**

- peaks: matrix with colmns peakID (MS1 parent in corresponding xcmsSet), MSnParentPeakID (parent peak within this xcmsFragments), msLevel (e.g. 2 for Tandem MS), rt (retention time in case of LC data), mz (fragment mass-to-charge), intensity (peak intensity extracted from the original xcmsSet), sample (the index of the rawData-file).
- MS2spec: This is a list of matrixes. Each matrix in the list is a single collected spectra from collect. The column ID's are mz, intensity, and full width half maximum(fwhm). The fwhm column is only relevant if the spectra came from profile data.
- specinfo: This is a matrix with reference data for the spectra in MS2spec. The column id's are preMZ, AccMZ, rtmin, rtmax, ref, CollisionEnergy. The preMZ is precursor mass from the MS1 scan. This mass is given by the XML file. With some instruments this mass is only given as nominal mass, therefore a AccMZ is given which is a weighted average mass from the MS1 scan of the collected spectra. The retention time is given by rtmin and rtmax. The ref column is a pointer to the MS2spec matrix spectra. The collisionEnergy column is the collision Energy for the spectra.

# Methods

collect signature(object = "xcmsFragments"): gets a xcmsSet-object, collects ms1-peaks
from it and the msn-peaks from the corresponding xcmsRaw-files.

plotTree signature(object = "xcmsFragments"): prints a (text based) pseudo-tree of the peaktable to display the dependencies of the peaks among each other.

show signature(object = "xcmsFragments"): print a human-readable description of this object to the console.

# Note

No notes yet.

# Author(s)

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#### References

A parallel effort in metabolite profiling data sharing: http://metlin.scripps.edu/

#### See Also

xcmsRaw

xcmsPapply Deprecated: xcmsPapply

#### **Description**

This function is deprecated, use bplapply instead.

An apply-like function which uses Rmpi to distribute the processing evenly across a cluster. Will use a non-MPI version if distributed processing is not available.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

a list, where each item will be given as an argument to papply\\_action arg\_sets A function which takes one argument. It will be called on each element of papply\_action arg\ sets papply\_commondata A list containing the names and values of variables to be accessible to the papply\\_action. 'attach' is used locally to import this list. If set to TRUE, overrides Rmpi's default, and messages for errors which occur show\_errors in R slaves are produced. If set to TRUE, causes the papply\\_action function to be traced. i.e. Each statedo\_trace ment is output before it is executed by the slaves. If supplied an array of function names, as strings, tracing will also occur for the also\_trace specified functions.

#### **Details**

Similar to apply and lapply, applies a function to all items of a list, and returns a list with the corresponding results.

Uses Rmpi to implement a pull idiom in order to distribute the processing evenly across a cluster. If Rmpi is not available, or there are no slaves, implements this as a non-parallel algorithm.

xcmsPapply is a modified version of the papply function from package papply 0.2 (Duane Currie). Parts of the slave function were wrapped in try() to make it failsafe and progress output was added.

Make sure Rmpi was installed properly by executing the example below. Rmpi was tested with

- OpenMPI: Unix, http://www.open-mpi.org/, don't forget to export MPI\_ROOT before installing Rmpi e.g. export MPI\_ROOT=/usr/lib/openmpi
- DeinoMPI: Windows, http://mpi.deino.net/, also see http://www.stats.uwo.ca/faculty/ yu/Rmpi/

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#### Value

A list of return values from papply\\_action. Each value corresponds to the element of arg\\_sets used as a parameter to papply\\_action

## Note

Does not support distributing recursive calls in parallel. If papply is used inside papply\\_action, it will call a non-parallel version

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## References

```
http://ace.acadiau.ca/math/ACMMaC/software/papply/
```

# **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(Rmpi)
library(xcms)

number_lists <- list(1:10,4:40,2:27)

mpi.spawn.Rslaves(nslaves=2)

results <- xcmsPapply(number_lists,sum)
results

mpi.close.Rslaves()

## End(Not run)</pre>
```

xcmsPeaks-class

A matrix of peaks

# Description

A matrix of peak information. The actual columns depend on how it is generated (i.e. the findPeaks method).

# **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form new("xcmsPeaks", ...).

# Slots

.Data: The matrix holding the peak information

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#### **Extends**

```
Class "matrix", from data part. Class "array", by class "matrix", distance 2. Class "structure", by class "matrix", distance 3. Class "vector", by class "matrix", distance 4, with explicit coerce.
```

# Methods

None yet. Some utilities for working with peak data would be nice.

# Author(s)

Michael Lawrence

## See Also

findPeaks for detecting peaks in an xcmsRaw.

xcmsRaw

Constructor for xcmsRaw objects which reads NetCDF/mzXML files

# Description

This function handles the task of reading a NetCDF/mzXML file containing LC/MS or GC/MS data into a new xcmsRaw object. It also transforms the data into profile (maxrix) mode for efficient plotting and data exploration.

# Usage

```
xcmsRaw(filename, profstep = 1, profmethod = "bin", profparam =
list(), includeMSn=FALSE, mslevel=NULL, scanrange=NULL)
deepCopy(object)
```

# Arguments

| filename   | path name of the NetCDF or mzXML file to read  |
|------------|--|
| profstep   | step size (in m/z) to use for profile generation   |
| profmethod | method to use for profile generation   |
| profparam  | extra parameters to use for profile generation   |
| includeMSn | only for XML file formats: also read MS $^n$ (Tandem-MS of Ion-/Orbi- Trap spectra)      |
| mslevel    | move data from mslevel into normal MS1 slots, e.g. for peak picking and visualisation $$ |
| scanrange  | scan range to read   |
| object     | An xcmsRaw object  |

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#### **Details**

The scanrange to import can be restricted, otherwise all MS1 data is read. If profstep is set to 0, no profile matrix is generated. Unless includeMSn=TRUE only first level MS data is read, not MS/MS, etc.

deepCopy(xraw) will create a copy of the xcmsRaw object with its own copy of mz and intensity data in xraw@env.

#### Value

A xcmsRaw object.

# Author(s)

Colin A. Smith, <csmith@scripps.edu>

#### References

```
NetCDF file format: http://my.unidata.ucar.edu/content/software/netcdf/http://www.astm.org/Standards/E2077.htm http://www.astm.org/Standards/E2078.htm mzXML file format: http://sashimi.sourceforge.net/software_glossolalia.html PSI-MS working group who developed mzData and mzML file formats: http://www.psidev.info/index.php?q=node/80 Parser used for XML file formats: http://tools.proteomecenter.org/wiki/index.php?title=Software:RAMP
```

#### See Also

xcmsRaw-class, profStep, profMethod xcmsFragments

## **Examples**

```
## Not run:
library(xcms)
library(faahKO)
cdfpath <- system.file("cdf", package = "faahKO")</pre>
cdffiles <- list.files(cdfpath, recursive = TRUE, full.names = TRUE)</pre>
xr<-xcmsRaw(cdffiles[1])</pre>
##This gives some information about the file
names(attributes(xr))
## Lets have a look at the structure of the object
str(xr)
##same but with a preview of each slot in the object
##SO... lets have a look at how this works
head(xr@scanindex)
      0 429 860 1291 1718 2140
#[1]
xr@env$mz[425:430]
#[1] 596.3 597.0 597.3 598.1 599.3 200.1
##We can see that the 429 index is the last mz of scan 1 therefore...
mz.scan1<-xr@env$mz[(1+xr@scanindex[1]):xr@scanindex[2]]</pre>
intensity.scan1<-xr@env$intensity[(1+xr@scanindex[1]):xr@scanindex[2]]</pre>
plot(mz.scan1, intensity.scan1, type="h", main=paste("Scan 1 of file", basename(cdffiles[1]), sep=""))
```

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```
##the easier way :p
scan1<-getScan(xr, 1)
head(scan1)
plotScan(xr, 1)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

xcmsRaw-class

Class xcmsRaw, a class for handling raw data

# Description

This class handles processing and visualization of the raw data from a single LC/MS or GS/MS run. It includes methods for producing a standard suite of plots including individual spectra, multi-scan average spectra, TIC, and EIC. It will also produce a feature list of significant peaks using matched filtration.

## **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created with the xcmsRaw constructor which reads data from a NetCDF file into a new object.

#### **Slots**

```
acquisitionNum: acquisitionNum
env: environment with three variables: mz - concatenated m/z values for all scans, intensity -
     corresponding signal intensity for each m/z value, and profile - matrix represention of the
     intensity values with columns representing scans and rows representing equally spaced m/z
     values
filepath: Path to the raw data file
gradient: matrix with first row, time, containing the time point for interpolation and successive
     columns representing solvent fractions at each point
msnAcquisitionNum: for each scan a unique acquisition number as reported via "spectrum id"
     (mzData) or "<scan num=...>" and "<scanOrigin num=...>" (mzXML)
msnCollisionEnergy: "CollisionEnergy" (mzData) or "collisionEnergy" (mzXML)
msnLevel: for each scan the "msLevel" (both mzData and mzXML)
msnPrecursorCharge: "ChargeState" (mzData) and "precursorCharge" (mzXML)
msnPrecursorIntensity: "Intensity" (mzData) or "precursorIntensity" (mzXML)
msnPrecursorMz: "MassToChargeRatio" (mzData) or "precursorMz" (mzXML)
msnPrecursorScan: "spectrumRef" (both mzData and mzXML)
msnRt: Retention time of the scan
msnScanindex: msnScanindex
mzrange: numeric vector of length 2 with minimum and maximum m/z values represented in the
     profile matrix
polarity: polarity
profmethod: characer value with name of method used for generating the profile matrix
```

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```
profparam: profparam
    scanindex: integer vector with starting positions of each scan in the mz and intensity variables
         (note that index values are based off a 0 initial position instead of 1)
    scantime: numeric vector with acquisition time (in seconds) for each scan
    tic: numeric vector with total ion count (intensity) for each scan
    mslevel: Numeric representing the MS level that is present in MS1 slot. This slot should be
         accessed through its getter method mslevel.
    scanrange: Numeric of length 2 specifying the scan range (or NULL for the full range). This slot
         should be accessed through its getter method scanrange.
Methods
    findPeaks signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): feature detection using matched filtration in the
         chromatographic time domain
    getEIC signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get extracted ion chromatograms in specified m/z
         ranges. This will return the total ion chromatogram (TIC) if the m/z range corresponds to the
         full m/z range (i.e. sum of all signals per retention time across all m/z).
    getPeaks signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get data for peaks in specified m/z and time ranges
    getScan signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get m/z and intensity values for a single mass scan
    getSpec signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get average m/z and intensity values for multiple
         mass scans
    image signature(x = "xcmsRaw"): get data for peaks in specified m/z and time ranges
    levelplot Create an image of the raw (profile) data m/z against retention time, with the intensity
         color coded.
    mslevel Getter method for the mslevel slot.
    plotChrom signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): plot a chromatogram from profile data
    plotRaw signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): plot locations of raw intensity data points
    plotScan signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): plot a mass spectrum of an individual scan from
         the raw data
    plotSpec signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): plot a mass spectrum from profile data
    plotSurf signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): experimental method for plotting 3D surface of
         profile data with rgl.
    plotTIC signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): plot total ion count chromatogram
    profinfo signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): returns a list containing the profile generation method
         and step (profile m/z step size) and eventual additional parameters to the profile function.
    profMedFilt signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): median filter profile data in time and m/z di-
         mensions
    profMethod<- signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): change the method of generating the profile</pre>
    profMethod signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get the method of generating the profile ma-
    profMz signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get vector of m/z values for each row of the profile
         matrix
```

profRange signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): interpret flexible ways of specifying subsets of

the profile matrix

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```
profStep<- signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): change the m/z step used for generating the
    profIle matrix

profStep signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): get the m/z step used for generating the profile
    matrix

revMz signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): reverse the order of the data points for each scan
scanrange Getter method for the scanrange slot.</pre>
```

sortMz signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): sort the data points by increasing m/z for each scan
stitch signature(object = "xcmsRaw"): Raw data correction for lock mass calibration gaps.

#### Note

No notes yet.

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#### References

A parallel effort in metabolite profiling data sharing: http://metlin.scripps.edu/

#### See Also

xcmsRaw

xcmsSet

Constructor for xcmsSet objects which finds peaks in NetCDF/mzXML files

# Description

This function handles the construction of xcmsSet objects. It finds peaks in batch mode and presorts files from subdirectories into different classes suitable for grouping.

# Usage

# **Arguments**

files path names of the NetCDF/mzXML files to read snames sample names. By default the file name without extension is used. sclass sample classes.

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phenoData data.frame or AnnotatedDataFrame defining the sample names and classes

and other sample related properties. If not provided, the argument sclass or the subdirectories in which the samples are stored will be used to specify sample

grouping.

profmethod Method to use for profile generation. Supported values are "bin", "binlin",

"binlinbase" and "intlin" (for methods profBin, profBinLin, profBinLinBase and profIntLin, respectively). See help on profBin for a complete list of avail-

able methods and their supported parameters.

profparam parameters to use for profile generation.

polarity filter raw data for positive/negative scans

lockMassFreq Performs correction for Waters LockMass function mslevel perform peak picking on data of given mslevel nSlaves DEPRECATED, use BPPARAM argument instead.

progressCallback

function to be called, when progressInfo changes (useful for GUIs)

scan range to read

BPPARAM a BiocParallel parameter object to control how and if parallel processing

should be performed. Such objects can be created by the SerialParam, MulticoreParam

or SnowParam functions.

... further arguments to the findPeaks method of the xcmsRaw class

#### **Details**

The default values of the files, snames, sclass, and phenoData arguments cause the function to recursively search for readable files. The filename without extention is used for the sample name. The subdirectory path is used for the sample class. If the files contain both positive and negative spectra, the polarity can be selected explicitly. The default (NULL) is to read all scans.

If phenoData is provided, it is stored to the phenoData slot of the returned xcmsSet class. If that data.frame contains a column named "class", its content will be returned by the sampclass method and thus be used for the group/class assignment of the individual files (e.g. for peak grouping etc.). For more details see the help of the xcmsSet-class.

The step size (in m/z) to use for profile generation can be submitted either using the profparam argument (e.g. profparam=list(step=0.1)) or by submitting step=0.1. By specifying a value of 0 the profile matrix generation can be skipped.

The feature/peak detection algorithm can be specified with the method argument which defaults to the "matchFilter" method (findPeaks.matchedFilter). Possible values are returned by getOption("BioC")\$xcms\$findPeaks.methods.

The lock mass correction allows for the lock mass scan to be added back in with the last working scan. This correction gives better reproducibility between sample sets.

## Value

A xcmsSet object.

# Note

The arguments profmethod and profparam have no influence on the feature/peak detection. The step size parameter step for the profile generation in the findPeaks.matchedFilter peak detection algorithm can be passed using the . . . .

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#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

xcmsSet-class, findPeaks, profStep, profMethod, profBin, xcmsPapply

xcmsSet-class

Class xcmsSet, a class for preprocessing peak data

# **Description**

This class transforms a set of peaks from multiple LC/MS or GC/MS samples into a matrix of preprocessed data. It groups the peaks and does nonlinear retention time correction without internal standards. It fills in missing peak values from raw data. Lastly, it generates extracted ion chromatograms for ions of interest.

#### **Details**

The phenoData slot (and phenoData parameter in the xcmsSet function) is intended to contain a data. frame describing all experimental factors, i.e. the samples along with their properties. If this data. frame contains a column named "class", this will be returned by the sampclass method and will thus be used by all methods to determine the sample grouping/class assignment (e.g. to define the colors in various plots or for the group method).

The sampclass<- method adds or replaces the "class" column in the phenoData slot. If a data. frame is submitted to this method, the interaction of its columns will be stored into the "class" column.

Also, similar to other classes in Bioconductor, the \$ method can be used to directly access all columns in the phenoData slot (e.g. use xset\$name on a xcmsSet object called "xset" to extract the values from a column named "name" in the phenoData slot).

# **Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created with the xcmsSet constructor which gathers peaks from a set NetCDF files. Objects can also be created by calls of the form new("xcmsSet", ...).

#### **Slots**

peaks: matrix containing peak data

filled: a vector with peak indices of peaks which have been added by a fillPeaks method,

groups: matrix containing statistics about peak groups

groupidx: list containing indices of peaks in each group

phenoData: a data frame containing the experimental design factors

rt: list containing two lists, raw and corrected, each containing retention times for every scan of every sample

filepaths: character vector with absolute path name of each NetCDF file

profinfo: list containing the values method - profile generation method, and step - profile m/z step size and eventual additional parameters to the profile function.

dataCorrection logical vector filled if the waters Lock mass correction parameter is used.

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```
polarity: a string ("positive" or "negative" or NULL) describing whether only positive or negative
         scans have been used reading the raw data.
    progressInfo: progress informations for some xcms functions (for GUI)
    progressCallback: function to be called, when progressInfo changes (for GUI)
    mslevel: Numeric representing the MS level on which the peak picking was performed (by default
         on MS1). This slot should be accessed through its getter method mslevel.
    scanrange: Numeric of length 2 specifying the scan range (or NULL for the full range). This slot
         should be accessed through its getter method scanrange.
Methods
    c signature("xcmsSet"): combine objects together
    filepaths<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set filepaths slot</pre>
    filepaths signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get filepaths slot
    diffreport signature(object = "xcmsSet"): create report of differentially regulated ions in-
         cluding EICs
    fillPeaks signature(object = "xcmsSet"): fill in peak data for groups with missing peaks
    getEIC signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get list of EICs for each sample in the set
    getXcmsRaw signature(object = "xcmsSet", sampleidx = 1,profmethod = profMethod(object), profstep
         read the raw data for one or more files in the xcmsSet and return it. The default parameters
         will apply all settings used in the original xcmsSet call to generate the xcmsSet object to be
         applied also to the raw data. Parameter sampleidx allows to specify which raw file(s) should
         be loaded. Argument BPPARAM allows to setup parallel processing.
    groupidx<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set groupidx slot</pre>
    groupidx signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get groupidx slot
    groupnames signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get textual names for peak groups
    groups<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set groups slot</pre>
    groups signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get groups slot
    groupval signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get matrix of values from peak data with a row for
         each peak group
    group signature(object = "xcmsSet"): find groups of peaks across samples that share similar
         m/z and retention times
    mslevel Getter method for the mslevel slot.
    peaks<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set peaks slot</pre>
    peaks signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get peaks slot
    plotrt signature(object = "xcmsSet"): plot retention time deviation profiles
    profinfo<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set profinfo slot</pre>
    profinfo signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get profinfo slot
```

profMethod signature(object = "xcmsSet"): extract the method used to generate the profile

profStep signature(object = "xcmsSet"): extract the profile step used for the generation of

retcor signature(object = "xcmsSet"): use initial grouping of peaks to do nonlinear loess

matrix.

the profile matrix.

retention time correction

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sampclass<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): Replaces the column "class" in the phenoData
slot. See details for more information.</pre>

**sampclass** signature(object = "xcmsSet"): Returns the content of the column "class" from the phenoData slot or, if not present, the interaction of the experimental design factors (i.e. of the phenoData data.frame). See details for more information.

phenoData<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set the phenoData slot
phenoData signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get the phenoData slot
progressCallback<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set the progressCallback slot
progressCallback signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get the progressCallback slot
scanrange Getter method for the scanrange slot.</pre>

sampnames<- signature(object = "xcmsSet"): set rownames in the phenoData slot
sampnames signature(object = "xcmsSet"): get rownames in the phenoData slot</pre>

**split** signature("xcmsSet"): divide the xcmsSet into a list of xcmsSet objects depending on the provided factor. Note that only peak data will be preserved, i.e. eventual peak grouping information will be lost.

object\$name, object\$name<-value Access and set name column in phenoData

object[, i] Conducts subsetting of a xcmsSet instance. Only subsetting on columns, i.e. samples, is supported. Subsetting is performed on all slots, also on groups and groupidx. Parameter i can be an integer vector, a logical vector or a character vector of sample names (matching sampnames).

#### Note

No notes yet.

#### Author(s)

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# References

A parallel effort in metabolite profiling data sharing: http://metlin.scripps.edu/

#### See Also

xcmsSet

xcmsSource-class

Virtual class for raw data sources

# Description

This virtual class provides an implementation-independent way to load mass spectrometer data from various sources for use in an xcmsRaw object. Subclasses can be defined to enable data to be loaded from user-specified sources. The virtual class xcmsFileSource is included out of the box which contains a file name as a character string.

When implementing child classes of xcmsSource, a corresponding loadRaw-methods method must be provided which accepts the xcmsSource child class and returns a list in the format described in loadRaw-methods.

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# **Objects from the Class**

A virtual Class: No objects may be created from it.

# Author(s)

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## See Also

xcmsSource-methods for creating xcmsSource objects in various ways.

xcmsSource-methods

Create an xcmsSource object in a flexible way

# Description

Users can define alternate means of reading data for xcmsRaw objects by creating new implementations of this method.

# Methods

signature(object = "xcmsSource") Pass the object through unmodified.

## Author(s)

Daniel Hackney, <dan@haxney.org>

## See Also

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