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**Description** recall (Calibrated Clustering with Artificial Variables) is a method for protecting against over-clustering by controlling for the impact of double-dipping. The approach can be applied to any clustering algorithm (implemented are the Louvain and Leiden algorithms with plans for K-means, and hierarchical clustering algorithms). The method provides state-of-the-art clustering performance and can rapidly analyze large-scale scRNA-seq studies and is compatible with the Seurat library (V4 and V5).

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compute\_knockoff\_filter

*Returns the genes selected by the knockoff filter*

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## Description

Given two Seurat objects, returns the the genes selected by the knockoff filter and their W statistics.

## Usage

```
compute_knockoff_filter(
  seurat_obj,
  cluster1,
  cluster2,
  q,
  return_all = FALSE,
  num_cores = 1,
  shared_memory_max
)
```

## Arguments

seurat_obj	A Seurat object
cluster1	The Idents of the cluster of interest in seurat_obj1
cluster2	The Idents of the cluster of interest in seurat_obj2
q	The desired rate to control the FDR at
return_all	Determines if the returned object will contain all genes or just the selected genes.
num_cores	The number of cores for computing marker genes in parallel.
shared_memory_max	The maximum size for shared global variables.

**Value**

todo

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estimate\_negative\_binomial

*Maximum likelihood estimation for the negative binomial distribution.*

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**Description**

Given data, computes the maximum likelihood estimators for the negative binomial distribution with parameters: size and mu.

**Usage**

```
estimate_negative_binomial(data, verbose = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

data	The data to estimate parameters from.
verbose	Whether or not to show all logging.

**Value**

Maximum likelihood estimators size and mu for the negative binomial distribution

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estimate\_negative\_binomial\_copula

*todo*

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**Description**

Given data, computes todo

Given data, computes todo

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Given data, computes todo

**Usage**

```
estimate_zi_poisson_copula(data_matrix, cores)
```

```
estimate_negative_binomial_copula(data_matrix, cores)
```

```
estimate_poisson_copula(data_matrix, cores)
```

```
estimate_gaussian_copula(data_matrix, cores)
```

**Arguments**

`data_matrix`      The data to estimate parameters from.  
`cores`              The number of CPU cores to use in estimation by `scDesign3`.

**Value**

todo  
 todo  
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`estimate_zi_poisson`      *Maximum likelihood estimation for the zero-inflated Poisson distribution with Poisson parameter lambda and zero proportion prop.zero.*

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**Description**

Given data, computes the maximum likelihood estimators for the zero-inflated Poisson distribution.

**Usage**

```
estimate_zi_poisson(data)
```

**Arguments**

`data`                  The data to estimate parameters from.

**Value**

Maximum likelihood estimators of the zero-inflated Poisson distribution

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`FindClustersCountsSplit`  
*Runs a typical Seurat workflow on a Seurat object (up to dimensionality reduction and clustering).*

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**Description**

Given a Seurat object, returns a new Seurat that has been normalized, had variable features identified, scaled, had principal components computed, had clusters identified, and had tSNE and UMAP embeddings determined.

**Usage**

```
FindClustersCountsplit(
  seurat_obj,
  resolution_start = 0.8,
  reduction_percentage = 0.2,
  num_clusters_start = 20,
  dims = 1:10,
  algorithm = "louvain",
  null_method = "ZIP",
  assay = "RNA",
  cores = 1,
  shared_memory_max = 8000 * 1024^2,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

seurat_obj	The Seurat object that will be analyzed.
resolution_start	The starting resolution to be used for the clustering algorithm (Louvain and Leiden algorithms).
reduction_percentage	The amount that the starting parameter will be reduced by after each iteration (between 0 and 1).
num_clusters_start	The starting number of clusters to be used for the clustering algorithm (K-means and Hierarchical clustering algorithms).
dims	The dimensions to use as input features (i.e. 1:10).
algorithm	The clustering algorithm to be used.
null_method	The generating distribution for the synthetic null variables (ZIP, NB, ZIP-copula, NB-copula)
assay	The assay to generate artificial variables from.
cores	The number of cores to compute marker genes in parallel.
shared_memory_max	The maximum size for shared global variables. Increased this variable if you see the following error: The total size of the X globals that need to be exported for the future expression ('FUN()') is X GiB. This exceeds the maximum allowed size of 500.00 MiB (option 'future.globals.maxSize'). The X largest globals are ...
verbose	Whether or not to show all logging.

**Value**

Returns a Seurat object where the idents have been updated with the clusters determined via the countsplit algorithm. Latest clustering results will be stored in the object metadata under countsplit\_clusters'. Note that 'countsplit\_clusters' will be overwritten ever time FindClustersCountsplit is run.

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FindClustersRecall	<i>Runs a typical Seurat workflow on a Seurat object (up to dimensionality reduction and clustering).</i>
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### Description

Given a Seurat object, returns a new Seurat that has been normalized, had variable features identified, scaled, had principal components computed, had clusters identified, and had tSNE and UMAP embeddings determined.

### Usage

```
FindClustersRecall(
  seurat_obj,
  resolution_start = 0.8,
  reduction_percentage = 0.2,
  num_clusters_start = 20,
  dims = 1:10,
  algorithm = "louvain",
  null_method = "ZIP",
  assay = "RNA",
  cores = 1,
  shared_memory_max = 8000 * 1024^2,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

seurat_obj	The Seurat object that will be analyzed.
resolution_start	The starting resolution to be used for the clustering algorithm (Louvain and Leiden algorithms).
reduction_percentage	The amount that the starting parameter will be reduced by after each iteration (between 0 and 1).
num_clusters_start	The starting number of clusters to be used for the clustering algorithm (K-means and Hierarchical clustering algorithms).
dims	The dimensions to use as input features (i.e. 1:10).
algorithm	The clustering algorithm to be used.
null_method	The generating distribution for the synthetic null variables (ZIP, NB, ZIP-copula, NB-copula)
assay	The assay to generate artificial variables from.
cores	The number of cores to compute marker genes in parallel.

shared_memory_max	The maximum size for shared global variables. Increased this variable if you see the following error: The total size of the X globals that need to be exported for the future expression ('FUN()') is X GiB. This exceeds the maximum allowed size of 500.00 MiB (option 'future.globals.maxSize'). The X largest globals are ...
verbose	Whether or not to show all logging.

**Value**

Returns a Seurat object where the idents have been updated with the clusters determined via the recall algorithm. Latest clustering results will be stored in the object metadata under 'recall\_clusters'. Note that 'recall\_clusters' will be overwritten every time FindClustersRecall is run.

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get\_seurat\_obj\_with\_artificial\_variables  
*Returns a Seurat object that contains additional (fake) RNA expression counts.*

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**Description**

Given a Seurat object, returns a new Seurat object whose RNA expression counts includes the variable features from the original object and an equal number of artificial features.

**Usage**

```
get_seurat_obj_with_artificial_variables(
  seurat_obj,
  assay = "RNA",
  null_method = "ZIP",
  verbose = TRUE,
  cores
)
```

**Arguments**

seurat_obj	A Seurat object containing RNA expression counts.
assay	The assay to generate artificial variables from.
null_method	The generating distribution for the synthetic null variables (ZIP, NB, ZIP-copula, NB-copula)
verbose	Whether or not to show logging.
cores	The number of cores to use in generating synthetic null variables.

**Value**

A Seurat object that contains the original variable features and an equal number of artificial features.

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rzipoisson	<i>Random data generation for the zero-inflated Poisson distribution with Poisson parameter lambda and zero proportion prop.zero.</i>
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### Description

Given the number of samples desired, a Poisson parameter, lambda, and a zero proportion, prop.zero, simulates the number of desired samples from ZIP(lambda, prop.zero).

### Usage

```
rzipoisson(n, lambda, prop.zero)
```

### Arguments

n	The number of samples to be simulated.
lambda	The Poisson rate parameter.
prop.zero	The proportion of excess zeroes.

### Value

Simulated data from ZIP(lambda, prop.zero).

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seurat_workflow	<i>Runs a typical Seurat workflow on a Seurat object (up to dimensional-reduction and clustering).</i>
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### Description

Given a Seurat object, returns a new Seurat that has been normalized, had variable features identified, scaled, had principal components computed, had clusters identified, and had tSNE and UMAP embeddings determined.

### Usage

```
seurat_workflow(  
  seurat_obj,  
  num_variable_features,  
  resolution_param = 0.8,  
  visualization_method = "umap",  
  num_dims = 10,  
  algorithm = "louvain"  
)
```

**Arguments**

`seurat_obj` A Seurat object that will be analyzed.  
`num_variable_features` The number of variable features to use in the analysis.  
`resolution_param` The resolution parameter to use when clustering.  
`visualization_method` Either "umap" or "tsne".  
`num_dims` The number of principal components to use.  
`algorithm` The clustering algorithm to use, either "louvain" or "leiden".

**Value**

A Seurat object containing the relevant analysis results.

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