# Package 'DEGRE'

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Title Inferring Differentially Expressed Genes using Generalized Linear Mixed Models

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Description Genes that are differentially expressed between two or more experimental conditions can be detected in RNA-Seq. A high biological variability may impact the discovery of these genes once it may be divergent between the fixed effects. However, this variability can be covered by the random effects. 'DEGRE' was designed to identify the differentially expressed genes considering fixed and random effects on individuals. These effects are identified earlier in the experimental design matrix. 'DEGRE' has the implementation of preprocessing procedures to clean the near zero gene reads in the count matrix, normalize by 'RLE' published in the 'DESeq2' package, 'Love et al. (2014)' <doi:10.1186/s13059-014-0550-8> and it fits a regression for each gene using the Generalized Linear Mixed Model with the negative binomial distribution, followed by a Wald test to assess the regression coefficients.

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BarGraphDEGRE

*Create a bar plot showing the number of downregulated and upregulated genes.* 

### Description

Create a bar plot showing the number of downregulated and upregulated genes.

#### Usage

```
BarGraphDEGRE(
   results,
   log2FC_cutoff = 1,
   downregulated_color = "coral2",
   upregulated_color = "cornflowerblue",
   xlab = "Regulation",
   ylab = "Number of genes",
   font.x = 10,
   font.tickslab = 10,
   legend_position = "right",
   legend.title = "Regulation"
)
```

#### Arguments

results	a data.frame object. It receives the output of the DEGRE function, filtered o not, as input.
log2FC_cutoff	it stores the cutoff of the log2FoldChange. The default is 1.
downregulated_	color
	the bar color related to the number of downregulated genes. The default is
	"coral2".

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upregulated_color						
	the bar color related to the number of upregulated genes. The default is "corn-flowerblue".					
xlab	the x lab text. The default is "Regulation".					
ylab	the y lab text. The default is "Number of genes".					
font.x	the font size of the x axis. The default is 10.					
font.y	the font size of the y axis. The default is 10.					
font.tickslab legend_positior	the font size of the ticks lab. The default is 10.					
	you need to specify here the position of the legend. The default is "right".					
legend.title	the title of the legend. The default is "Regulation".					

#### Value

No return value, called for side effects

#### Examples

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Infer the Differentially Expressed Genes

#### Description

The DEGRE function acts inferring the differentially expressed genes fitting them using generalized linear mixed models and then applies the Wald test to the regression coefficients. It offers Benjamini-Hochberg or Bonferroni P-values techniques to adjust the P-values.

#### Usage

```
DEGRE(count_matrix, p_value_adjustment = "BH", formula, design_matrix)
```

#### Arguments

count_matrix	a data.frame object. It receives the raw matrix as input.
p_value_adjust	ment
	a data.frame object. It receives the experimental design matrix. The sample names must be identified in the first column. This matrix can also have more columns with information for the fixed and the random effects for the samples.
formula	it receives fixed and random effects descriptions.
design_matrix	All the P-values computed must be corrected and the DEGRE package offers two possibilities: "BH" (Benjamini-Hochberg) correction (default) and "BON" (Bonferroni) correction.

#### Value

dataframe object

#### Examples

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#### Description

Genes that are differentially expressed (DEGs) between two or more experimental conditions can be found in investigations using RNA-Seq data. The gene reads matrix is a count matrix that is used to infer DEGs, and fixed effects are often utilized in this inference. A high biological variability may impact the discovery of DEGs once it may be divergent between the fixed effects. This variability can be covered by the random effects. The DEGRE R package was designed to identify DEGs in RNA-Seq experiments considering fixed and the random effects on individuals. These effects are identified earlier in the experimental design matrix. DEGRE has the implementation of preprocessing procedures to clean the count matrix of the gene reads, and it fits a regression for each gene using the Generalized Linear Mixed Model with the negative binomial distribution,followed by a Wald test to test to assess the regression coefficients.

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*Create a volcano plot to visualize the proportion of downregulated and upregulated genes by applying a log2FC cutoff.* 

#### Description

Create a volcano plot to visualize the proportion of downregulated and upregulated genes by applying a log2FC cutoff.

#### Usage

```
VolcanoDEGRE(
   results,
   log2FC_cutoff = 1,
   padj = 0.05,
   font.x = 10,
   font.tickslab = 10,
   downregulated_color = "coral2",
   upregulated_color = "cornflowerblue",
   xlab = "log2Foldchange",
   ylab = "-log10(P-value)",
   legend_position = "right",
   legend.title = "Regulation"
)
```

#### Arguments

results	a data.frame object. It receives the output of the DEGRE function, filtered or not, as input.
log2FC_cutoff	it stores the cutoff of the log2FoldChange. The default is 1.
padj	it stores the cutoff of the P-adjusted value (Q-value). The default is 0.05.
font.x	the font size of the x axis. The default is 10.
font.y	the font size of the y axis. The default is 10.
<pre>font.tickslab downregulated_c</pre>	the font size of the ticks lab. The default is 10. color
	the colors of the downregulated genes. The default is "coral2".
upregulated_col	or
	the colors of the upregulated genes. The default is "cornflowerblue".
xlab	the x lab text. The default is "log2Foldchange".
ylab	the y lab text. The default is "-log10(P-value)".
legend_position	1
	you need to specify here the position of the legend. The default is "right".
legend.title	the title of the legend. The default is "Regulation".

#### Value

No return value, called for side effects

#### Examples

```
dir <- system.file("extdata", package = "DEGRE")
results_DEGRE_example <- read.csv(file.path(dir,"results_DEGRE_example.csv"))
# Running the VolcanoDEGRE function
VolcanoDEGRE(results = results_DEGRE_example,
            log2FC_cutoff = 1,
            padj = 0.05,
            font.x = 10,
            font.y = 10,
            font.tickslab = 10,
            downregulated_color = "coral2",
            upregulated_color = "corflowerblue",
            xlab = "log2Foldchange",
            ylab = "-log10(P-value)",
            legend_position = "right",
            legend.title = "Regulation")</pre>
```

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