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# Description

# [Stable]

If the user is unsatisfied with the clonal expansion plot that was generated from RunAPOTC() and APOTCPlot(), this function has a range of arguments to modify the data and/or parameters of the visualization. Note that some of the arguments may conflict with each other.

# Usage

```
AdjustAPOTC(
   seurat_obj,
   reduction_base = NULL,
   clonecall = NULL,
   ...,
   extra_filter = NULL,
   run_id = NULL,
   new_rad_scale_factor = NULL,
```

```
new_clone_scale_factor = NULL,
  repulse = FALSE,
  repulsion_threshold = 1,
  repulsion_strength = 1,
 max_repulsion_iter = 10L,
  relocate_cluster = NULL,
  relocation_coord = NULL,
  nudge_cluster = NULL,
  nudge_vector = NULL,
  recolor_cluster = NULL,
  new_color = NULL,
  rename_label = NULL,
  new_label = NULL,
  relocate_label = NULL,
  label_relocation_coord = NULL,
  nudge_label = NULL,
  label_nudge_vector = NULL,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

seurat\_obj The seurat object to be adjusted.

reduction\_base character. The seurat reduction to base the clonal expansion plotting on. De-

faults to 'umap' but can be any reduction present within the reductions slot of the input seurat object, including custom ones. If "pca", the cluster coordinates will be based on PC1 and PC2. However, generally APackOfTheClones is used for displaying UMAP and occasionally t-SNE versions to intuitively highlight

clonal expansion.

clonecall character. The column name in the seurat object metadata to use. See scRepertoire documentation for more information about this parameter that is central to both

> packages. additional "subsetting" keyword arguments indicating the rows corresponding to

elements in the seurat object metadata that should be filtered by. E.g., seurat\_clusters = c(1, 9, 10) will filter the cells to those in the seurat\_clusters column with any of the values 1, 9, and 10. Unfortunately, column names in the seurat object metadata cannot conflict with the keyword arguments. MAJOR NOTE if any subsetting keyword arguments are a prefix of any preceding argument names (e.g. a column named reduction is a prefix of the reduction\_base argument) R will interpret it as the same argument unless both arguments are named. Ad-

ditionally, this means any subsequent arguments must be named.

extra\_filter

character. An additional string that should be formatted *exactly* like a statement one would pass into dplyr::filter that does additional filtering to cells in the seurat object - on top of the other keyword arguments - based on the metadata. This means that it will be logically AND'ed with any keyword argument filters. This is a more flexible alternative / addition to the filtering keyword arguments. For example, if one wanted to filter by the length of the amino acid sequence of

TCRs, one could pass in something like extra\_filter = "nchar(CTaa) - 1 > 10". When involving characters, ensure to enclose with single quotes.

run\_id

character. This will be the ID associated with the data of a run, and will be used by other important functions like APOTCPlot() and AdjustAPOTC. Defaults to NULL, in which case the ID will be generated in the following format: reduction\_base; clonecall; keyword\_arguments; extra\_filter

where if keyword arguments and extra\_filter are underscore characters if there was no input for the ... and extra\_filter parameters.

new\_rad\_scale\_factor

a single numeric in (0, 1]. changes the radius scaling factor of all circles.

new\_clone\_scale\_factor

a single numeric in (0, 1]. changes the clone\_scale\_factor

repulse If T

If TRUE, will attempt to push overlapping clusters away from each other.

repulsion\_threshold

numeric. The radius that clonal circle clusters overlap is acceptable when repulsing.

repulsion\_strength

numeric. The smaller the value the less the clusters repulse each other per iteration, and vice versa.

max\_repulsion\_iter

integer. The number of repulsion iterations.

relocate\_cluster

Numeric or Character. Indicates which cluster(s) based on the index or label to relocate to new coordinates.

relocation\_coord

numeric of length two or a list of numerics of length two of length of relocate\_cluster. If its a list, indicates each coordinate that the clusters in relocate\_cluster should move to. If its just a numeric, then will relocate all clusters in relocate\_cluster to the input, which is likely not desired behavior, so this should only be convenience syntax if relocate\_cluster has length 1.

nudge\_cluster

Numeric or Character. Indicates which cluster(s) based on the index or label to "nudge"/translate their coordinate(s) by.

nudge\_vector

numeric of length two or a list of numerics of length two of length of nudge\_cluster. If its a list, indicates each translation vector (in other words, x-y coordinates) that the clusters in nudge\_cluster should be translate by. If its just a numeric, then will translate all clusters in nudge\_cluster by the input - which mostly is syntactic sugar for translating a single cluster if the input of nudge\_cluster is of length 1.

recolor\_cluster

Numeric or Character. Indicates which cluster(s) based on the index or label to change their color by.

new\_color

character of arbitrary length. Indicates the corresponding new colors that selected clusters in recolor\_cluster should be changed to.

rename\_label

Numeric or character. Indicates the index or name of label(s) to be renamed.

new\_label

Character. Indicates the corresponding new label(s) that selected label(s) in rename\_label should be changed to.

relocate\_label Numeric or character. Indicates the index or name of label(s) to be relocated. label\_relocation\_coord

Numeric of length two or a list of numerics of length two of length of relocate\_label. If it's a list, indicates each coordinate that the labels in relocate\_label should move to. If it's just a numeric, then will relocate all labels in relocate\_label to the input, which is likely not desired behavior, so this should only be convenience syntax if relocate\_label has length 1.

nudge\_label Numeric or character. Indicates the index or name of label(s) to be "nudged"/translated. label\_nudge\_vector

Numeric of length two or a list of numerics of length two of length of nudge\_label. If it's a list, indicates each translation vector (in other words, x-y coordinates) that the labels in nudge\_label should be translated by. If it's just a numeric, then will translate all labels in nudge\_label by the input - which mostly is syntactic sugar for translating a single label if the input of nudge\_label is of length 1.

verbose

logical. Decides if visual cues are displayed to the R console of the progress.

#### Value

The adjusted seurat\_obj

## **Examples**

```
# do an APackOfTheClones run
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(get(data("combined_pbmc")), verbose = FALSE)</pre>
# adjust the rad_scale_factor, and nudge cluster 1 by x = 1, y = 1
pbmc <- AdjustAPOTC(</pre>
    pbmc,
    new_rad_scale_factor = 0.9,
    nudge_cluster = 1,
    nudge\_vector = c(1, 1),
    verbose = FALSE
)
# plot the result
APOTCPlot(pbmc)
# rename some labels
pbmc <- AdjustAPOTC(</pre>
    pbmc, rename_label = c(2, 5), new_label = c("Foo", "Bar")
# perhaps multiple clusters need to be relocated and repulsed
pbmc <- AdjustAPOTC(</pre>
   pbmc,
    relocate_cluster = c("Foo", "C10"), # using labels works too
    relocation_coord = list(c(2, 3.5), c(0, 5)),
```

```
repulse = TRUE,
  verbose = FALSE
)

# plot again to check results
APOTCPlot(pbmc, show_labels = TRUE, verbose = FALSE)
```

**APOTCPlot** 

Various variations of visualizations of clonal expansion post-RunAPOTC

# Description

## [Stable]

Given a seurat object with an 'apotc' (APackOfTheClones) object from running RunAPOTC(), this function will read the information and return a customizable ggplot2 object of the clonal expansion with a circle size legend. If the user is unhappy about certain aspects of the plot, many parameters can be adjusted with the AdjustAPOTC function.

The specific APackOfTheClones run to be plotted can be identified in two ways: either by inputting the run\_id associated with the run that was either defined / auto-generated during RunAPOTC(), or by inputting the reduction\_base, clonecall, extra\_filter and any other keyword arguments that corresponded to the run. Its heavily recommended to use the run\_id. If none of these parameters are inputted, the function defaults to returning the plot of the latest run.

## Usage

```
APOTCPlot(
  seurat_obj,
  reduction_base = NULL,
  clonecall = NULL,
  extra_filter = NULL,
  run_id = NULL,
  show_shared = NULL,
  only_link = NULL,
  clone_link_width = "auto",
  clone_link_color = "black",
  clone_link_alpha = 0.5,
  res = 360L,
  linetype = "blank",
  use_default_theme = TRUE,
  retain_axis_scales = FALSE,
  alpha = 1,
  show_labels = FALSE,
  label_size = 5,
  add_size_legend = TRUE,
```

```
legend_sizes = "auto",
legend_position = "auto",
legend_buffer = 0.2,
legend_color = "#808080",
legend_spacing = "auto",
legend_label = "Clone sizes",
legend_text_size = 5,
add_legend_background = TRUE,
add_legend_centerspace = 0,
detail = TRUE,
verbose = TRUE
```

## **Arguments**

seurat\_obj

A seurat object that has been integrated with clonotype data and has had a valid run of RunAPOTC().

reduction\_base

character. The seurat reduction to base the clonal expansion plotting on. Defaults to 'umap' but can be any reduction present within the reductions slot of the input seurat object, including custom ones. If ''pca'", the cluster coordinates will be based on PC1 and PC2. However, generally APackOfTheClones is used for displaying UMAP and occasionally t-SNE versions to intuitively highlight clonal expansion.

clonecall

character. The column name in the seurat object metadata to use. See scRepertoire documentation for more information about this parameter that is central to both packages.

. . .

additional "subsetting" keyword arguments indicating the rows corresponding to elements in the seurat object metadata that should be filtered by. E.g., seurat\_clusters = c(1, 9, 10) will filter the cells to those in the seurat\_clusters column with any of the values 1, 9, and 10. Unfortunately, column names in the seurat object metadata cannot conflict with the keyword arguments. **MAJOR NOTE** if any subsetting keyword arguments are a *prefix* of any preceding argument names (e.g. a column named reduction is a prefix of the reduction\_base argument) R will interpret it as the same argument unless *both* arguments are named. Additionally, this means any subsequent arguments *must* be named.

extra\_filter

character. An additional string that should be formatted *exactly* like a statement one would pass into dplyr::filter that does *additional* filtering to cells in the seurat object - on top of the other keyword arguments - based on the metadata. This means that it will be logically AND'ed with any keyword argument filters. This is a more flexible alternative / addition to the filtering keyword arguments. For example, if one wanted to filter by the length of the amino acid sequence of TCRs, one could pass in something like extra\_filter = "nchar(CTaa) - 1 > 10". When involving characters, ensure to enclose with single quotes.

run\_id

character. This will be the ID associated with the data of a run, and will be used by other important functions like APOTCPlot() and AdjustAPOTC. Defaults to NULL, in which case the ID will be generated in the following format: reduction\_base; clonecall; keyword\_arguments; extra\_filter

where if keyword arguments and extra\_filter are underscore characters if there was no input for the . . . and extra\_filter parameters.

show\_shared

The output of getSharedClones can be inputted here, and the resulting plot will overlay lines between clone circles if that clonotype is common between clusters. Note that the input **must** be generated from data in the correct APackOfTheClones run, and the behavior is undefined otherwise and will likely error. The next 4 arguments allow for aesthetic customization of these line links.

only\_link

Optional integer indicating to only display clone links originating from this cluster if showing shared clones.

clone\_link\_width

numeric. The width of the lines that connect shared clones. Defaults to "auto" which will estimate a reasonable value depending on circle sizes.

clone\_link\_color

character. The color of the lines that connect shared clones. Defaults to "blend" which will use the average colors of the two connected clones. Else, any hex color or valid color string input will work, and the corresponding color will be applied on all links.

clone\_link\_alpha

numeric. The alpha of the lines that connect shared clones.

res

The number of points on the generated path per full circle. From plot viewers, if circles seem slightly too pixelated, it is recommended to first try to export the plot as an .svg before increasing res due to increased plotting times from ggforce::geom\_circle.

linetype

The type of outline each circle should have. defaults to "blank meaning no outline. More information is in the function documentation of ggforce::geom\_circle.

use\_default\_theme

logical that defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the resulting plot will have the same theme as the seurat reference reduction plot. Else, the plot will simply have a blank background.

retain\_axis\_scales

If TRUE, approximately maintains the axis scales of the original reduction plot. However, it will only attempt to extend the axes and never shorten. Users are recommended to set this to TRUE especially if working with subsetted versions of the clonal data to better preserve the geometric relation to the original dimensional reduction.

alpha numeric. The alpha of the circles in (0, 1]. Defaults to 1.

show\_labels If TRUE, will label each circle cluster at the centroid, defaulting to "C0, C1, ...".

label\_size The text size of labels if shown. Defaults to 5.

add\_size\_legend

If TRUE, adds a legend to the plot visualizing the relative sizes of clones. Note that it is simply an overlay and not a real ggplot2 legend.

legend\_sizes

numeric vector. Indicates the circle sizes to be displayed on the legend, and will always be sorted from smallest to greatest. Defaults to "auto" which estimate a reasonable range of sizes to display.

#### legend\_position

character or numeric. Can be set to either "top\_left", "top\_right", "bottom\_left", "bottom\_right" and places the legend roughly in the corresponding position.

Otherwise, can be a numeric vector of length 2 indicating the x and y position

of the topmost (smallest) circle of the legend.

legend\_buffer numeric. Indicates how much to "push" the legend towards the center of the plot

from the selected corner. If negative, will push away

legend\_color character. Indicates the hex color of the circles displayed on the legend. Defaults

to the hex code for a gray tone

legend\_spacing numeric. Indicates the horizontal distance between each stacked circle on the

size legend. Defaults to "auto" which will use an estimated value depending on

plot size

legend\_label character. The title of the legend, which defaults to "clone sizes.

legend\_text\_size

numeric. The text size of the letters and numbers on the legend

add\_legend\_background

logical. If TRUE, will add a border around the legend and fill the background to

be white, overlaying anything else.

add\_legend\_centerspace

numeric. An additional amount of distance changed between the circle sizes on the left side of the legend and the numbers on the right. Useful to set to around 0.5 (or more / less) when there are particularly large clone sizes that may cover

the numbers.

detail logical. If FALSE, will only plot entire clusters as one large circle, which may

be useful in cases where there are a high number of clones resulting in a large number of circles on the resulting ggplot, which has increased plotting times, and certain aspects of the plot needs to be finely adjusted with AdjustAPOTC or simply inspected. This should not be set to FALSE for the actual clonal expansion

plot.

verbose logical. Decides if visual cues are displayed to the R console of the progress.

## Value

A ggplot object of the APackOfTheClones clonal expansion plot of the seurat object. There is an additional 10th element in the object named "APackOfTheClones" used by other functions in this package and shouldn't interfere with any other ggplot functionality. (As far as currently known)

#### See Also

AdjustAPOTC

# Examples

```
data("combined_pbmc")
combined_pbmc <- RunAPOTC(
    combined_pbmc, run_id = "run1", verbose = FALSE</pre>
```

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```
# plotting with default arguments will plot the latest "run1"
clonal_packing_plot <- APOTCPlot(combined_pbmc)</pre>
```

combined\_pbmc

Example Multi-sampled T-cell seurat object with integrated TCR library

# Description

## [Stable]

Generated with scRepertoire::combineExpression. To construct this object from scratch, try: scRepertoire::combineExpression(scRepertoire::combineTCR(get(data("contig\_list", , package = "scRepertoire")), samples = c("P17B", "P17L", "P18B", , "P18L", "P19B", "P19L", "P20B", "P20L"), removeNA = FALSE, , removeMulti = FALSE, filterMulti = FALSE), get(data("scRep\_example", , package = "scRepertoire")), cloneCall = "gene", proportion = TRUE)

#### Usage

```
data("combined_pbmc")
```

#### **Format**

A Seurat object with the following slots filled

assays Currently only contains one assay ("RNA" - scRNA-seq expression data)

counts - Raw expression data

- data Normalized expression data
- scale.data Scaled expression data
- var.features names of the current features selected as variable
- meta.features Assay level metadata such as mean and variance

meta.data Cell level metadata with a combined TCR contig list from scRepertoire

active.assay Current default assay

active.ident Current default idents

graphs Neighbor graphs computed, currently stores the SNN

reductions Dimensional reductions: UMAP

version Seurat version used to create the object

commands Command history, including the one used to create this object "combineExpression"

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containsApotcRun

Check for the existence of an APackOfTheClones run with its run id

# Description

# [Stable]

A convenience function to check for the existence of an APackOfTheClones run with its run id, regardless of if any run has been made

## Usage

```
containsApotcRun(seurat_obj, run_id)
```

# **Arguments**

```
seurat_obj a seurat object
run_id character. The id of the associated ApotcRun.
```

## Value

A logical indicating whether the run exists.

# **Examples**

```
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(
    seurat_obj = get(data("combined_pbmc")),
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "strict",
    run_id = "run1",
    verbose = FALSE
)

containsApotcRun(pbmc, "run1")
#> [1] TRUE

containsApotcRun(pbmc, "run2")
#> [1] FALSE
```

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countCloneSizes

count the number of clonotype sizes in a seurat object combined with a VDJ library overall or by cluster

## **Description**

## [Stable]

Get clonotype frequencies from a seurat object's metadata, either as one whole table, or in a list of tables, based on the current / some custom ident of each cell. Note that depending on the ident (indicated by the by\_cluster argument) there may be more or less clonotypes counted based on the number of rows containing NA for that column of that ident if it isn't the active ident.

## Usage

```
countCloneSizes(
  seurat_obj,
  clonecall = "strict",
  extra_filter = NULL,
   ...,
  by_cluster = TRUE,
  sort_decreasing = NULL
)
```

#### **Arguments**

seurat\_obj

a seurat object combined with a VDJ library with scRepertoire.

clonecall

character. The column name in the seurat object metadata to use. See scRepertoire documentation for more information about this parameter that is central to both packages.

extra\_filter

character. An additional string that should be formatted *exactly* like a statement one would pass into dplyr::filter that does *additional* filtering to cells in the seurat object - on top of the other keyword arguments - based on the metadata. This means that it will be logically AND'ed with any keyword argument filters. This is a more flexible alternative / addition to the filtering keyword arguments. For example, if one wanted to filter by the length of the amino acid sequence of TCRs, one could pass in something like extra\_filter = "nchar(CTaa) - 1 > 10". When involving characters, ensure to enclose with single quotes.

. . .

additional "subsetting" keyword arguments indicating the rows corresponding to elements in the seurat object metadata that should be filtered by. E.g., seurat\_clusters = c(1, 9, 10) will filter the cells to those in the seurat\_clusters column with any of the values 1, 9, and 10. Unfortunately, column names in the seurat object metadata cannot conflict with the keyword arguments. **MAJOR NOTE** if any subsetting keyword arguments are a *prefix* of any preceding argument names (e.g. a column named reduction is a prefix of the reduction\_base argument) R will interpret it as the same argument unless *both* arguments are named. Additionally, this means any subsequent arguments *must* be named.

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by\_cluster

Logical or Character. If TRUE, will output a list of table objects, with the table at each index corresponding to level in Idents(). Each table's names are the clonotype name indicated by clonecall after filtering, while the values are the actual clone sizes. If FALSE, outputs just the aggregate clone sizes for all cells. Note that if FALSE, the output should be identical to that produced by mergeCloneSizes(countCloneSizes(..., by\_cluster = TRUE)). Otherwise, this argument can also be a character indicating some column in the seurat object metadata to use a cell identity guiding (e.g. "seurat\_clusters").

sort\_decreasing

a logical or NULL. If TRUE/FALSE, sorts each/the table by clonotype frequency with largest/smallest clones first with a stable sorting algorithm, and if NULL, no order is guaranteed but the output is deterministic.

#### Value

A list of tables or a single table depending on by\_cluster

## See Also

mergeCloneSizes

## **Examples**

```
data("combined_pbmc")
countCloneSizes(combined_pbmc)
countCloneSizes(combined_pbmc, "aa")
countCloneSizes(combined_pbmc, "nt", orig.ident = c("P17B", "P17L"))
```

deleteApotcData

Delete the results of an APackOfTheClones run

## **Description**

#### [Stable]

A convenience function to erase all data associated with a particular run, including the ApotcData and command in seurat\_obj@command. The run\_id would be no longer accessible afterwards.

## Usage

```
deleteApotcData(seurat_obj, run_id)
```

#### **Arguments**

seurat\_obj a seurat object that has had RunAPOTC ran on it before in order of the functions

being called.

run\_id character. The id of the associated ApotcRun.

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## Value

The modified input seurat object

## **Examples**

```
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(
    seurat_obj = get(data("combined_pbmc")),
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "strict",
    run_id = "run1",
    verbose = FALSE
)

getApotcDataIds(pbmc)
#> [1] "run1"

# delete the data
pbmc <- deleteApotcData(pbmc, "run1")

getApotcDataIds(pbmc)
#> NULL
```

getApotcDataIds

Get all run ids of previous RunAPOTC runs on a seurat object

# Description

## [Stable]

A convenience function to get all run ids of previous RunAPOTC run IDs

## Usage

```
getApotcDataIds(seurat_obj)
```

## **Arguments**

seurat\_obj

a seurat object that has had RunAPOTC ran on it before in order of the functions being called.

## Value

a character vector of all run ids of previous RunAPOTC runs, in the order they were ran in. If there are no runs on the object, it returns NULL.

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## **Examples**

```
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
    seurat_obj = get(data("combined_pbmc")),
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "strict",
    verbose = FALSE
)
getApotcDataIds(pbmc)
#> [1] "umap;CTstrict;_;_"
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
    seurat_obj = pbmc,
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "gene",
    verbose = FALSE
)
getApotcDataIds(pbmc)
#> [1] "umap;CTstrict;_;_" "umap;CTgene;_;_"
```

getLastApotcDataId

Get the object id of the most recent RunAPOTC run on a seurat object

## **Description**

# [Stable]

A convenience function to get the object id of the most recent valid RunAPOTC() run, to be used by APOTCPlot() and AdjustAPOTC

## Usage

```
getLastApotcDataId(seurat_obj)
```

## **Arguments**

seurat\_obj

a seurat object that has had RunAPOTC ran on it before in order of the functions being called.

## Value

```
a character of the object id of the last RunAPOTC() call
```

## **Examples**

```
# first run
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
    seurat_obj = get(data("combined_pbmc")),
    reduction_base = "umap",
   clonecall = "strict",
    verbose = FALSE
)
getLastApotcDataId(pbmc)
#> [1] "umap;CTstrict;_;_"
# second run with a different clonecall
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
   seurat_obj = pbmc,
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "gene",
    verbose = FALSE
)
getLastApotcDataId(pbmc)
#> [1] "umap; CTgene;_;_"
```

getReductionCentroids Calculate seurat cluster centroids based on a Dimensional reduction

## **Description**

## [Stable]

Utility function to calculate the physical xy coordinates of each seurat cluster based on a dimensional reduction already present in the object. The results are returned in a list with the length of the number of distinct seurat clusters based on the seurat\_obj meta.data.

## Usage

```
getReductionCentroids(seurat_obj, reduction)
```

## **Arguments**

seurat\_obj input seurat object with the dimensional reduction of choice already present, and

seurat clusters computed.

reduction character. The reduction that the centroid calculation should be based on.

## Value

A list of the length of the number of distinct clusters in the seurat object metadata, where each element of the list is a numeric vector of length 2, with the numbers corresponding to the x and y coordinate respectively of the seurat cluster with the corresponding index.

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## **Examples**

```
data("combined_pbmc")
getReductionCentroids(combined_pbmc, reduction = "umap")
```

getSharedClones

Compute a list of clonotypes that are shared between seurat clusters

## **Description**

#### [Stable]

This function allows users to get a list of clonotypes that are shared between clusters based on the levels of the active cell identities / some custom identity based on the alt\_ident. A list is returned with its **names** being the shared clonotypes, and the values are numeric vectors indicating the index of the clusters that clonotype is found in. The index corresponds to the index in the default levels of the factored identities.

If run\_id is inputted, then the function will attempt to get the shared clonotypes from the corresponding APackOfTheClones run generated from RunAPOTC(). Otherwise, it will use the filtering / subsetting parameters to generate the shared clones.

## Usage

```
getSharedClones(
    seurat_obj,
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "strict",
    ...,
    extra_filter = NULL,
    alt_ident = NULL,
    run_id = NULL,
    top = NULL,
    top_per_cl = NULL,
    intop = NULL,
    intop_per_cl = NULL,
    publicity = c(2L, Inf)
)
```

## **Arguments**

seurat\_obj

Seurat object with one or more dimension reductions and already have been integrated with a TCR/BCR library with scRepertoire::combineExpression.

reduction\_base

character. The seurat reduction to base the clonal expansion plotting on. Defaults to 'umap' but can be any reduction present within the reductions slot of the input seurat object, including custom ones. If ''pca'", the cluster coordinates will be based on PC1 and PC2. However, generally APackOfTheClones is used for displaying UMAP and occasionally t-SNE versions to intuitively highlight clonal expansion.

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clonecall

character. The column name in the seurat object metadata to use. See scRepertoire documentation for more information about this parameter that is central to both packages.

additional "subsetting" keyword arguments indicating the rows corresponding to elements in the seurat object metadata that should be filtered by. E.g., seurat\_clusters = c(1, 9, 10) will filter the cells to those in the seurat\_clusters column with any of the values 1, 9, and 10. Unfortunately, column names in the seurat object metadata cannot conflict with the keyword arguments. MAJOR NOTE if any subsetting keyword arguments are a prefix of any preceding argument names (e.g. a column named reduction is a prefix of the reduction\_base argument) R will interpret it as the same argument unless both arguments are named. Additionally, this means any subsequent arguments must be named.

extra\_filter

character. An additional string that should be formatted exactly like a statement one would pass into dplyr::filter that does additional filtering to cells in the seurat object - on top of the other keyword arguments - based on the metadata. This means that it will be logically AND'ed with any keyword argument filters. This is a more flexible alternative / addition to the filtering keyword arguments. For example, if one wanted to filter by the length of the amino acid sequence of TCRs, one could pass in something like extra\_filter = "nchar(CTaa) - 1 > 10". When involving characters, ensure to enclose with single quotes.

alt\_ident

character. By default, cluster identity is assumed to be whatever is in Idents(seurat\_obj), and clones will be grouped by the active ident. However, alt\_ident could be set as the name of some column in the meta data of the seurat object to be grouped by. This column is meant to have been a product of Seurat::StashIdent or manually added.

run\_id

character. This will be the ID associated with the data of a run, and will be used by other important functions like APOTCPlot() and AdjustAPOTC. Defaults to NULL, in which case the ID will be generated in the following format: reduction\_base; clonecall; keyword\_arguments; extra\_filter where if keyword arguments and extra filter are underscore characters if there

was no input for the ... and extra\_filter parameters.

top

integer or numeric in (0, 1) - if not null, filters the output clones so that only the shared clonotypes with counts the top top count / proportion (for numeric in (0, 1) input) shared clones are kept. For cases where several clonotypes tie in size, the clonotype(s) added are not guaranteed but deterministic given the other arguments are identical.

top\_per\_cl

integer or numeric in (0, 1) - if not null, filters the output clones so that for each seurat cluster, only the clonotypes with the top\_per\_cl frequency/count is preserved when aggregating shared clones, in the same way as the above. Note that if inputted in conjunction with top, it will get the *intersection* of the clonotypes filtered each way. For cases where several clonotypes tie in size, the clonotype(s) added are not guaranteed but deterministic given the other arguments are identical.

intop

integer or numeric in (0, 1) - if not null, filters the raw clone sizes before computing the shared clonotypes so that only the clonotypes that have their overall size in the top intop largest sizes (if it is integer, else the intop proportion) are

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kept. To emphasize, this argument **does not necessarily** return the top shared clones and likely a little less, because this filters the raw clone sizes, of which, its very likely that not all those clones end up being shared.

intop\_per\_cl

integer or numeric in (0, 1) - if not null, filters the raw *clustered* clone sizes before computing shared clones, so that for every clone in a seurat cluster, the top intop\_per\_cl count / proportion (for numeric in (0, 1) input) clones are kept.

publicity

numeric pair. A simple filter range of c(lowerbound, upperbound) to retain only shared clones with their "publicity" - number of clusters they are present in - within this range.

## Value

a named list where each name is a clonotype, each element is a numeric indicating which seurat cluster(s) its in, in no particular order. If no shared clones are present, the output is an empty list.

## **Examples**

```
data("combined_pbmc")
getSharedClones(combined_pbmc)
getSharedClones(
    combined_pbmc,
    orig.ident = c("P17B", "P18B"), # a named subsetting parameter
    clonecall = "aa"
# extract shared clones from a past RunAPOTC run
combined_pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
    combined_pbmc, run_id = "foo", verbose = FALSE
)
getSharedClones(
    combined_pbmc, run_id = "foo", top = 5
)
# doing a run and then getting the clones works too
combined_pbmc <- RunAPOTC(combined_pbmc, run_id = "run1", verbose = FALSE)</pre>
getSharedClones(combined_pbmc, run_id = "run1")
```

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## **Description**

The list of clustered clonotype frequencies from countCloneSizes can be merged by this function to a frequency table of all clonotypes similar to the data that can be seen in the seurat object metadata. By default, this function sorts the table with largest clonotypes first, and this may be useful for quickly gauging which clonotypes are the most expanded overall.

## Usage

```
mergeCloneSizes(clustered_clone_sizes, sort_decreasing = TRUE)
```

## **Arguments**

a logical or NULL. If TRUE/FALSE, sorts the table by clonotype frequency with largest/smallest clones first, and if NULL, no order is guaranteed but the output is deterministic.

#### Value

a table object

#### See Also

countCloneSizes

## **Examples**

```
clustered_clone_sizes <- countCloneSizes(get(data("combined_pbmc")))
mergeCloneSizes(clustered_clone_sizes)</pre>
```

overlayLegend

overlay a clone size legend on an APackOfTheClones plot

# Description

#### [Stable]

This function has most of the parameters related to legend in APOTCPlot(), and can plot a new / override the current legend. However, it is very important that the input plot to the function is a plot generated solely by APOTCPlot() or vizAPOTC() due to it being a custom ggplot object. It will not override or erase any additional layers that the user/other functions have added. To just remove the legend, see removeLegend.

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## Usage

```
overlayLegend(
  apotc_ggplot,
  legend_sizes = "auto",
  legend_position = "auto",
  legend_buffer = 0.2,
  legend_color = "#808080",
  legend_spacing = "auto",
  legend_label = "Clone sizes",
  legend_text_size = 5,
  add_legend_background = TRUE,
  add_legend_centerspace = 0,
  linetype = "blank",
  res = 360L
)
```

## **Arguments**

apotc\_ggplot a ggplot object that is the output of APOTCPlot() or vizAPOTC()

legend\_sizes numeric vector. Indicates the circle sizes to be displayed on the legend, and will

always be sorted from smallest to greatest. Defaults to "auto" which estimate a

reasonable range of sizes to display.

legend\_position

character or numeric. Can be set to either "top\_left", "top\_right", "bottom\_left", "bottom\_right" and places the legend roughly in the corresponding position.

Otherwise, can be a numeric vector of length 2 indicating the x and y position

of the topmost (smallest) circle of the legend.

legend\_buffer numeric. Indicates how much to "push" the legend towards the center of the plot

from the selected corner. If negative, will push away

legend\_color character. Indicates the hex color of the circles displayed on the legend. Defaults

to the hex code for a gray tone

legend\_spacing numeric. Indicates the horizontal distance between each stacked circle on the

size legend. Defaults to "auto" which will use an estimated value depending on

plot size

legend\_label character. The title of the legend, which defaults to "clone sizes.

legend\_text\_size

numeric. The text size of the letters and numbers on the legend

add\_legend\_background

logical. If TRUE, will add a border around the legend and fill the background to be white, overlaying anything else.

add\_legend\_centerspace

numeric. An additional amount of distance changed between the circle sizes on the left side of the legend and the numbers on the right. Useful to set to around 0.5 (or more / less) when there are particularly large clone sizes that may cover the numbers.

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linetype The type of outline each circle should have. defaults to "blank meaning no out-

line. More information is in the function documentation of ggforce::geom\_circle.

res The number of points on the generated path per full circle. From plot viewers,

if circles seem slightly too pixelated, it is recommended to first try to export the plot as an .svg before increasing res due to increased plotting times from

ggforce::geom\_circle.

#### **Details**

The size legend on APackOfTheClones plots are simply a collection of annotation layers of the rect, text, circle geoms. Therefore it isn't quite a ggplot legend. In the actual ggplot object, the \$layers element should all be named with an empty character "", and those that comprise the annotation layers of the legend should be named whatever APackOfTheClones:::.ApotcLegendLayerName is. Note that this is simply an implementation detail that the user should not interfere with.

#### Value

A ggplot object of the APackOfTheClones clonal expansion plot of the seurat object. There is an additional 10th element in the object named "APackOfTheClones" used by other functions in this package and shouldn't interfere with any other ggplot functionality. (As far as currently known)

#### See Also

removeLegend

## **Examples**

```
library(dplyr)

# create a plot with a legend
apotc_plot <- vizAPOTC(get(data("combined_pbmc")), verbose = FALSE)

# reposition the legend to top right
overlayLegend(apotc_plot, legend_position = "top right")

# use different sizes and label - may be nice to use the pipe
apotc_plot %>% overlayLegend(
    legend_sizes = c(1, 3, 7, 9),
    legend_label = "odd sizes"
)
```

removeLegend

Remove current APackOfTheClones legend

## **Description**

#### [Stable]

Removes the clone size legend on an APackOfTheClones plot, if one is present. Will preserve any additional ggplot layers.

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## Usage

```
removeLegend(apotc_ggplot)
```

## **Arguments**

```
apotc_ggplot a ggplot object that is the output of APOTCPlot() or vizAPOTC()
```

#### Value

A ggplot object of the APackOfTheClones clonal expansion plot of the seurat object. There is an additional 10th element in the object named "APackOfTheClones" used by other functions in this package and shouldn't interfere with any other ggplot functionality. (As far as currently known)

## See Also

```
overlayLegend
```

## **Examples**

```
# create an APackOfTheClones plot with a legend
apotc_plot <- vizAPOTC(
    get(data("combined_pbmc")),
    add_size_legend = TRUE,
    verbose = FALSE
)

# remove the legend
apotc_plot <- removeLegend(apotc_plot)
apotc_plot</pre>
```

renameApotcRun

Rename an APackOfTheClones run

# Description

## [Stable]

A function to rename an APackOfTheClones run identified by its run id in a Seurat object.

## Usage

```
renameApotcRun(seurat_obj, old_run_id, new_run_id)
```

## Arguments

seurat_obj	A Seurat object containing APackOfTheClones data - the output of RunAPOTC()
old_run_id	Character. The current id of the APackOfTheClones run to be renamed.
new_run_id	Character. The new id to assign to the APackOfTheClones run.

#### Value

A Seurat object with the APackOfTheClones run renamed.

## **Examples**

```
pbmc <- RunAPOTC(
    seurat_obj = get(data("combined_pbmc")),
    reduction_base = "umap",
    clonecall = "strict",
    run_id = "run1",
    verbose = FALSE
)

pbmc <- renameApotcRun(pbmc, "run1", "new_run")
# Now "run1" has been renamed to "new_run"</pre>
```

**RunAPOTC** 

Run the APackOfTheClones method on a combined Seurat object for downstream visualization of clonal expansion

## **Description**

#### [Stable]

Computes necessary information for an APackOfTheClones clonal expansion plot (APOTCPlot()) and stores it in the seurat object. Gets sizes of unique clones and utilizes a circle-packing algorithm to pack circles representing individual clones in approximately the same dimensional reduction (reduction\_base) coordinates based on some cell ident (defaults to the active ident).

The parameter extra\_filter along with an unlimited number of additional keyword arguments can be used to filter the cells by certain conditions in the metadata, and new results will be stored in addition to other runs the users may have done.

Each APackOfTheClones run is uniquely identified by the parameters reduction\_base, clonecall, extra\_filter, and any additional keywords passed to filter the metadata. Each distinct run result is stored in the seurat object and has an associated Id generated from the aforementioned parameters. To view the id of the latest run, call getLastApotcDataId. To view all the ids of previous runs, call getApotcDataIds. To work further with a specific run (most importantly, plotting), the user can use this id in the arguments with is slightly more convenient than passing in the original RunAPOTC parameters again but both ways work.

If the user wishes to manually customize/fix the expansion plot generated, the circular packing information can be modified with the AdjustAPOTC function.

#### **Usage**

```
RunAPOTC(
  seurat_obj,
  reduction_base = "umap",
```

```
clonecall = "strict",
  extra_filter = NULL,
  alt_ident = NULL,
  run_id = NULL,
  clone_scale_factor = "auto",
  rad_scale_factor = 0.95,
 order_clones = TRUE,
  try_place = FALSE,
  repulse = TRUE,
  repulsion_threshold = 1,
  repulsion_strength = 1,
 max_repulsion_iter = 20L,
 override = FALSE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

#### **Arguments**

seurat\_obj

Seurat object with one or more dimension reductions and already have been integrated with a TCR/BCR library with scRepertoire::combineExpression.

reduction\_base character. The seurat reduction to base the clonal expansion plotting on. Defaults to 'umap' but can be any reduction present within the reductions slot of the input seurat object, including custom ones. If "pca", the cluster coordinates will be based on PC1 and PC2. However, generally APackOfTheClones is used for displaying UMAP and occasionally t-SNE versions to intuitively highlight clonal expansion.

clonecall

character. The column name in the seurat object metadata to use. See scRepertoire documentation for more information about this parameter that is central to both packages.

. . .

additional "subsetting" keyword arguments indicating the rows corresponding to elements in the seurat object metadata that should be filtered by. E.g., seurat\_clusters = c(1, 9, 10) will filter the cells to those in the seurat\_clusters column with any of the values 1, 9, and 10. Unfortunately, column names in the seurat object metadata cannot conflict with the keyword arguments. MAJOR NOTE if any subsetting keyword arguments are a *prefix* of any preceding argument names (e.g. a column named reduction is a prefix of the reduction\_base argument) R will interpret it as the same argument unless *both* arguments are named. Additionally, this means any subsequent arguments must be named.

extra\_filter

character. An additional string that should be formatted exactly like a statement one would pass into dplyr::filter that does additional filtering to cells in the seurat object - on top of the other keyword arguments - based on the metadata. This means that it will be logically AND'ed with any keyword argument filters. This is a more flexible alternative / addition to the filtering keyword arguments. For example, if one wanted to filter by the length of the amino acid sequence of TCRs, one could pass in something like extra\_filter = "nchar(CTaa) - 1 > 10". When involving characters, ensure to enclose with single quotes.

alt\_ident character. By default, cluster identity is assumed to be whatever is in Idents(seurat\_obj),

and clones will be grouped by the active ident. However, alt\_ident could be set as the name of some column in the meta data of the seurat object to be grouped by. This column is meant to have been a product of Seurat::StashIdent or manually added.

manually added.

run\_id character. This will be the ID associated with the data of a run, and will be used

by other important functions like APOTCPlot() and AdjustAPOTC. Defaults to NULL, in which case the ID will be generated in the following format: reduction\_base; clonecall; keyword\_arguments; extra\_filter

where if keyword arguments and extra\_filter are underscore characters if there was no input for the . . . and extra\_filter parameters.

clone\_scale\_factor

Dictates how much to scale each circle(between 0,1) radius when converting from clonotype counts into circles that represent individual clonotypes. The argument defaults to the character "auto", and if so, the most visually pleasing

factor will be estimated.

rad\_scale\_factor

numeric between 0 and 1. This value decreases the radius of the smallest clones by this scale factor. And the absolute value of this decrease will be applied to all packed circles, effectively shrinking all circles on the spot, and introduce more

constant spacing in between.

order\_clones logical. Decides if the largest clone circles should be near cluster centroids.

This is highly recommended to be set to TRUE for increased intuitiveness of the visualization, as resulting plots tend to give an improved impression of the proportion of expanded clones. If FALSE, will randomly scramble the positions of each circle. For the sake of being replicable, a random seed is recommended

to be set with set.seed.

try\_place If TRUE, always minimizes distance from a newly placed circle to the origin in

the circle packing algorithm.

repulse If TRUE, will attempt to push overlapping clusters away from each other.

repulsion\_threshold

numeric. The radius that clonal circle clusters overlap is acceptable when re-

pulsing.

repulsion\_strength

numeric. The smaller the value the less the clusters repulse each other per itera-

tion, and vice versa.

max\_repulsion\_iter

integer. The number of repulsion iterations.

override logical. If TRUE, will override any existing APackOfTheClones run data with

the same run\_id.

verbose logical. Decides if visual cues are displayed to the R console of the progress.

## Details

Note that the subsetting arguments ... and extra\_filter are only a quick convenience to subset based on metadata, and the subset S3 method defined in Seurat is much more mature are has more

features. Additionally, users need to work with data subsets are recommended to and likely already are working with seurat objects subsetted/split with Seurat::SplitObject.

All APackOfTheClones run data is stored in the Seurat object under seurat\_object@misc\$APackOfTheClones, which is a list of S4 objects of the type "ApotcData", with each element corresponding to a unique run. The id of each run is the name of each element in the list. The user **really shouldn't** manually modify anything in the list as it may cause unexpected behavior with many other functions.

Additionally, it logs a seurat command associated with the run in the seurat\_object@commands slot as a "SeuratCommand" object (from Seurat), where the name of the object in the list is formatted as RunAPOTC.run\_id.

#### Value

A modified version of the input seurat object, which harbors data necessary for visualizing the clonal expansion of the cells with APOTCPlot() and has a friendly user interface to modify certain attributes with AdjustAPOTC.

#### Cluster labelling

For the ident that was used to cluster the clones, labels for each cluster are inferred and stored in the run so that they can be used by other functions and optionally overlaid on the plot over clusters. If the levels of the ident used is a naturally ordered integer sequence, then the labels generated would be "C1", "C2", "C3" ..., else they would be the actual ident levels themselves.

#### See Also

```
APOTCPlot(), AdjustAPOTC, getApotcDataIds
```

## **Examples**

```
data("combined_pbmc")
# this is the recommended approach to use a custom run_id with default params
combined_pbmc <- RunAPOTC(combined_pbmc, run_id = "default", verbose = FALSE)</pre>
# here's a seperate run with some filters to the meta data, where
# `orig.ident` is a custom column in the example data. Notice that it is not
# a `RunAPOTC()` parameter but a user keyword argument
combined_pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
    combined_pbmc, run_id = "sample17", orig.ident = c("P17B", "P17L"),
    verbose = FALSE
)
# the exact same thing can be achieved with the `extra_filter` parameter
combined_pbmc <- RunAPOTC(</pre>
    combined_pbmc,
    run_id = "sample17",
    extra_filter = "substr(orig.ident, 2, 3) == '17'",
    override = TRUE,
    verbose = FALSE
)
```

showCloneHighlight

showCloneHighlight

Highlight specific clones on an APackOfTheClones ggplot

## **Description**

## [Experimental]

This is an analogue for scRepertoire::highlightClones that can highlight certain clonotypes on an APackOfTheClones clonal expansion plot. For most combinations of the arguments, there will be a ggplot fill legend on the right side that correspond to each (existing) clonotype.

# Usage

```
showCloneHighlight(
  apotc_ggplot,
  clonotype,
  color_each = TRUE,
  default_color = "#808080",
  scale_bg = 1,
  fill_legend = TRUE
)
```

## **Arguments**

apotc\_ggplot

A ggplot object that is the output of APOTCPlot() or vizAPOTC() of an APack-

OfTheClones plot to be highlighted on.

clonotype

character vector of the sequence(s) to highlight. Note that it must be of the clonecall of the code that created the plot. A warning will be shown if any of .

the sequences are not present.

color\_each

Either a logical of length 1, or a character(s). It is TRUE by default, which assigns a unique default ggplot color to each highlighted clone. If FALSE, each highlighted clone will retain its current color and no legend based on color is shown. A possible application here is to simply gauge the distribution of any shared clone. It can also indicate the uniform color of each highlighted clone: if it is a character of length 1, all highlighted clones will be of that color. Else it must be a character vector of the same length as clonotype, with each color corresponding to the clone. Here is a suitable place to use any palette function from the many other CRAN palette packages such as "viridis" or "RColorBrewer". Note that currently, the user must ensure clonotype contains only unique characters.

acters.

default\_color

A character of length 1 or NULL indicating the color of non-highlighted clones. If NULL, all un-highlighted sequences will retain their original color in sc.data. Else, if it is a character, it should be a valid color that all un-highlighted clones are. Defaults to the hex code for gray.

scale\_bg

A positive numeric. Scales the brightness value of each color of the non-highlighted clones by itself as a scaling factor. Defaults to 1 which will not alter the current

brightness. Note that if color\_each = FALSE and default\_color = NULL, this is equivalent to not highlighting any clones - in this case, it may be useful to alter scale\_bg slightly so that the non-highlighted clones are darkened/brightened.

fill\_legend

logical indicating whether a ggplot legend of the "fill" of each clonotype should be displayed.

#### **Details**

Under the hood, this function simply mutates the plotting data.frame under \$data in the ggplot object, and operates on a column named color.

Note that if color\_each = FALSE and default\_color = NULL, this is equivalent to simply not high-lighting anything and a warning will be shown.

## Value

A ggplot object with the data modified to the highlighted colors

#### **Examples**

vizAPOTC

Directly visualize clonal expansion of a combined seurat object

## **Description**

## [Stable]

This function combines the functionality of both RunAPOTC() and APOTCPlot(). Given a Seurat object, it first runs the APackOfTheClones method (RunAPOTC()) to compute clonal expansion information, and then generates a ggplot2 object of the clonal expansion plot with a circle size legend. (APOTCPlot())

## Usage

```
vizAPOTC(
  seurat_obj,
  reduction_base = "umap",
  clonecall = "strict",
  . . . ,
  extra_filter = NULL,
  alt_ident = NULL,
  clone_scale_factor = "auto",
  rad_scale_factor = 0.95,
  order_clones = TRUE,
  try_place = FALSE,
  repulse = TRUE,
  repulsion_threshold = 1,
  repulsion_strength = 1,
  max_repulsion_iter = 20L,
  show_shared = NULL,
  only_link = NULL,
  clone_link_width = "auto",
  clone_link_color = "black",
  clone_link_alpha = 0.5,
  res = 360L,
  linetype = "blank",
  use_default_theme = TRUE,
  retain_axis_scales = FALSE,
  alpha = 1,
  show_labels = FALSE,
  label_size = 5,
  add_size_legend = TRUE,
  legend_sizes = "auto",
  legend_position = "auto",
  legend_buffer = 0.2,
  legend_color = "#808080",
  legend_spacing = "auto",
  legend_label = "Clone sizes",
  legend_text_size = 5,
  add_legend_background = TRUE,
  add_legend_centerspace = 0,
  detail = TRUE,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

## Arguments

seurat\_obj A seurat object that has been integrated with clonotype data with scRepertoire::combineExpression.

reduction\_base character. The seurat reduction to base the clonal expansion plotting on. Defaults to 'umap' but can be any reduction present within the reductions slot of the input seurat object, including custom ones. If ''pca'", the cluster coordinates

will be based on PC1 and PC2. However, generally APackOfTheClones is used for displaying UMAP and occasionally t-SNE versions to intuitively highlight clonal expansion.

clonecall

character. The column name in the seurat object metadata to use. See scRepertoire documentation for more information about this parameter that is central to both packages.

. . .

additional "subsetting" keyword arguments indicating the rows corresponding to elements in the seurat object metadata that should be filtered by. E.g., seurat\_clusters = c(1, 9, 10) will filter the cells to those in the seurat\_clusters column with any of the values 1, 9, and 10. Unfortunately, column names in the seurat object metadata cannot conflict with the keyword arguments. **MAJOR NOTE** if any subsetting keyword arguments are a *prefix* of any preceding argument names (e.g. a column named reduction is a prefix of the reduction\_base argument) R will interpret it as the same argument unless *both* arguments are named. Additionally, this means any subsequent arguments *must* be named.

extra\_filter

character. An additional string that should be formatted *exactly* like a statement one would pass into dplyr::filter that does *additional* filtering to cells in the seurat object - on top of the other keyword arguments - based on the metadata. This means that it will be logically AND'ed with any keyword argument filters. This is a more flexible alternative / addition to the filtering keyword arguments. For example, if one wanted to filter by the length of the amino acid sequence of TCRs, one could pass in something like extra\_filter = "nchar(CTaa) - 1 > 10". When involving characters, ensure to enclose with single quotes.

alt\_ident

character. By default, cluster identity is assumed to be whatever is in Idents(seurat\_obj), and clones will be grouped by the active ident. However, alt\_ident could be set as the name of some column in the meta data of the seurat object to be grouped by. This column is meant to have been a product of Seurat::StashIdent or manually added.

#### clone\_scale\_factor

Dictates how much to scale each circle(between 0,1) radius when converting from clonotype counts into circles that represent individual clonotypes. The argument defaults to the character "auto", and if so, the most visually pleasing factor will be estimated.

#### rad\_scale\_factor

numeric between 0 and 1. This value decreases the radius of the smallest clones by this scale factor. And the absolute value of this decrease will be applied to all packed circles, effectively shrinking all circles on the spot, and introduce more constant spacing in between.

 $order\_clones$ 

logical. Decides if the largest clone circles should be near cluster centroids. This is highly recommended to be set to TRUE for increased intuitiveness of the visualization, as resulting plots tend to give an improved impression of the proportion of expanded clones. If FALSE, will randomly scramble the positions of each circle. For the sake of being replicable, a random seed is recommended to be set with set.seed.

try\_place

If TRUE, always minimizes distance from a newly placed circle to the origin in the circle packing algorithm.

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repulse If TRUE, will attempt to push overlapping clusters away from each other.

repulsion\_threshold

numeric. The radius that clonal circle clusters overlap is acceptable when repulsing.

repulsion\_strength

numeric. The smaller the value the less the clusters repulse each other per iteration, and vice versa.

max\_repulsion\_iter

integer. The number of repulsion iterations.

show\_shared The output of getSharedClones can be inputted here, and the resulting plot will

overlay lines between clone circles if that clonotype is common between clusters. Note that the input **must** be generated from data in the correct APackOfTheClones run, and the behavior is undefined otherwise and will likely error. The next 4

arguments allow for aesthetic customization of these line links.

only\_link Optional integer indicating to only display clone links originating from this clus-

ter if showing shared clones.

clone\_link\_width

numeric. The width of the lines that connect shared clones. Defaults to "auto" which will estimate a reasonable value depending on circle sizes.

clone\_link\_color

character. The color of the lines that connect shared clones. Defaults to "blend" which will use the average colors of the two connected clones. Else, any hex color or valid color string input will work, and the corresponding color will be applied on all links.

clone\_link\_alpha

numeric. The alpha of the lines that connect shared clones.

res The number of points on the generated path per full circle. From plot viewers,

if circles seem slightly too pixelated, it is recommended to first try to export the plot as an .svg before increasing res due to increased plotting times from

ggforce::geom\_circle.

linetype The type of outline each circle should have. defaults to "blank meaning no outline. More information is in the function documentation of ggforce::geom\_circle.

use\_default\_theme

logical that defaults to TRUE. If TRUE, the resulting plot will have the same theme as the seurat reference reduction plot. Else, the plot will simply have a blank

background.

retain\_axis\_scales

If TRUE, approximately maintains the axis scales of the original reduction plot. However, it will only attempt to extend the axes and never shorten. Users are recommended to set this to TRUE especially if working with subsetted versions of the clonal data to better preserve the geometric relation to the original dimen-

sional reduction.

alpha numeric. The alpha of the circles in (0, 1]. Defaults to 1.

show\_labels If TRUE, will label each circle cluster at the centroid, defaulting to "C0, C1, ...".

label\_size The text size of labels if shown. Defaults to 5.

add\_size\_legend

If TRUE, adds a legend to the plot visualizing the relative sizes of clones. Note that it is simply an overlay and not a real ggplot2 legend.

legend\_sizes

numeric vector. Indicates the circle sizes to be displayed on the legend, and will always be sorted from smallest to greatest. Defaults to "auto" which estimate a reasonable range of sizes to display.

legend\_position

character or numeric. Can be set to either "top\_left", "top\_right", "bottom\_left", "bottom\_right" and places the legend roughly in the corresponding position.

Otherwise, can be a numeric vector of length 2 indicating the x and y position of the *topmost* (*smallest*) *circle* of the legend.

legend\_buffer numeric. Indicates how much to "push" the legend towards the center of the plot

from the selected corner. If negative, will push away

legend\_color charac

character. Indicates the hex color of the circles displayed on the legend. Defaults to the hex code for a gray tone

legend\_spacing

numeric. Indicates the horizontal distance between each stacked circle on the size legend. Defaults to "auto" which will use an estimated value depending on plot size

legend\_label cha

character. The title of the legend, which defaults to "clone sizes.

legend\_text\_size

numeric. The text size of the letters and numbers on the legend

add\_legend\_background

logical. If TRUE, will add a border around the legend and fill the background to be white, overlaying anything else.

add\_legend\_centerspace

numeric. An additional amount of distance changed between the circle sizes on the left side of the legend and the numbers on the right. Useful to set to around 0.5 (or more / less) when there are particularly large clone sizes that may cover the numbers.

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detail logical. If FALSE, will only plot entire clusters as one large circle, which may

be useful in cases where there are a high number of clones resulting in a large number of circles on the resulting ggplot, which has increased plotting times, and certain aspects of the plot needs to be finely adjusted with AdjustAPOTC or simply inspected. This should not be set to FALSE for the actual clonal expansion

plot.

verbose logical. Decides if visual cues are displayed to the R console of the progress.

#### **Details**

Note that the subsetting arguments ... and extra\_filter are only a quick convenience to subset based on metadata, and the subset S3 method defined in Seurat is much more mature are has more features. Additionally, users need to work with data subsets are recommended to and likely already are working with seurat objects subsetted/split with Seurat::SplitObject.

## Value

A ggplot object of the APackOfTheClones clonal expansion plot of the seurat object. There is an additional 10th element in the object named "APackOfTheClones" used by other functions in this package and shouldn't interfere with any other ggplot functionality. (As far as currently known)

## Cluster labelling

For the ident that was used to cluster the clones, labels for each cluster are inferred and stored in the run so that they can be used by other functions and optionally overlaid on the plot over clusters. If the levels of the ident used is a naturally ordered integer sequence, then the labels generated would be "C1", "C2", "C3" ..., else they would be the actual ident levels themselves.

## See Also

AdjustAPOTC

## **Examples**

```
data("combined_pbmc")

# plot with default parameters
vizAPOTC(combined_pbmc, verbose = FALSE)

# use arguments from RunAPOTC and APOTCPlot
vizAPOTC(
    combined_pbmc, try_place = TRUE, show_labels = TRUE, verbose = FALSE
)
```

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