

# Package ‘protr’

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AA2DACOR	<i>2D Autocorrelations Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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### Description

This dataset includes the 2D autocorrelations descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AA2DACOR)
```

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AA3DMoRSE

*3D-MoRSE Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the 3D-MoRSE descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AA3DMoRSE)
```

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AAACF

*Atom-Centred Fragments Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

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### Description

This dataset includes the atom-centred fragments descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAACF)
```

---

AABLOSUM100

*BLOSUM100 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### Description

BLOSUM100 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### Examples

```
data(AABLOSUM100)
```

---

AABLOSUM45

*BLOSUM45 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### **Description**

BLOSUM45 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### **Examples**

```
data(AABLOSUM45)
```

---

AABLOSUM50

*BLOSUM50 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### **Description**

BLOSUM50 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### **Examples**

```
data(AABLOSUM50)
```

---

AABLOSUM62

*BLOSUM62 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### **Description**

BLOSUM62 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### **Examples**

```
data(AABLOSUM62)
```

---

AABLOSUM80

*BLOSUM80 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### Description

BLOSUM80 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### Examples

```
data(AABLOSUM80)
```

---

AABurden

*Burden Eigenvalues Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the Burden eigenvalues descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AABurden)
```

---

AAConn

*Connectivity Indices Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the connectivity indices descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAConn)
```

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AAConst	<i>Constitutional Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the constitutional descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AAConst)
```

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AACPSA	<i>CPSA Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Discovery Studio</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the CPSA descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Discovery Studio (version 2.5) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Details**

All amino acid molecules had also been optimized with MOE 2011.10 (semiempirical AM1) before calculating these CPSA descriptors. The SDF file containing the information of the optimized amino acid molecules is included in this package. See [OptAA3d](#) for more information.

**Examples**

```
data(AACPSA)
```

---

AADescAll	<i>All 2D Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes all the 2D descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AADescAll)
```

---

AAEdgeAdj	<i>Edge Adjacency Indices Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the edge adjacency indices descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AAEdgeAdj)
```

---

AAEigIdx	<i>Eigenvalue-Based Indices Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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---

**Description**

This dataset includes the eigenvalue-based indices descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AAEigIdx)
```

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AAFGC	<i>Functional Group Counts Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the functional group counts descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AAFGC)
```

---

AAGeom

*Geometrical Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the geometrical descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAGeom)
```

---

AAGETAWAY

*GETAWAY Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the GETAWAY descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAGETAWAY)
```

---

AAindex

*AAindex Data of 544 Physicochemical and Biological Properties for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### Description

The data was extracted from the AAindex1 database ver 9.1 (<https://www.genome.jp/ftp/db/community/aaindex/old/ver9.1/aaindex1>) as of November, 2012 (data last modified on 2006-08-14).

### Details

With this dataset, users can investigate each property's accession number and other details. See <https://www.genome.jp/aaindex/> for more information.

### Examples

```
data(AAindex)
```

---

AAInfo	<i>Information Indices Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the information indices descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AAInfo)
```

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AAMetaInfo	<i>Meta Information for the 20 Amino Acids</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the meta information of the 20 amino acids used for the 2D and 3D descriptor calculation in this package. Each column represents:

AAName Amino acid name

Short One-letter representation

Abbreviation Three-letter representation

mol SMILES representation

PUBCHEM\_COMPOUND\_CID PubChem CID for the amino acid

PUBCHEM\_LINK PubChem link for the amino acid

**Examples**

```
data(AAMetaInfo)
```

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AAMOE2D	<i>2D Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by MOE 2011.10</i>
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**Description**

This dataset includes the 2D descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by MOE 2011.10 used for scales extraction in this package.

**Examples**

```
data(AAMOE2D)
```

---

AAMOE3D

*3D Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by MOE 2011.10*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the 3D descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by MOE 2011.10 used for scales extraction in this package. All amino acid molecules had also been optimized with MOE (semiempirical AM1) before calculating these 3D descriptors. The SDF file containing the information of the optimized amino acid molecules is included in this package. See [OptAA3d](#) for more information.

### Examples

```
data(AAMOE3D)
```

---

AAMolProp

*Molecular Properties Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

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### Description

This dataset includes the molecular properties descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAMolProp)
```

---

AAPAM120

*PAM120 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### Description

PAM120 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### Examples

```
data(AAPAM120)
```

---

AAPAM250

*PAM250 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

**Description**

PAM250 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

**Examples**

```
data(AAPAM250)
```

---

AAPAM30

*PAM30 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

**Description**

PAM30 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

**Examples**

```
data(AAPAM30)
```

---

AAPAM40

*PAM40 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

**Description**

PAM40 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

**Examples**

```
data(AAPAM40)
```

---

AAPAM70

*PAM70 Matrix for 20 Amino Acids*

---

### Description

PAM70 Matrix for the 20 amino acids. The matrix was extracted from the Biostrings package of Bioconductor.

### Examples

```
data(AAPAM70)
```

---

AARandic

*Randic Molecular Profiles Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the Randic molecular profiles descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AARandic)
```

---

AARDF

*RDF Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the RDF descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AARDF)
```

---

AATopo

*Topological Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the topological descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AATopo)
```

---

AATopoChg

*Topological Charge Indices Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the topological charge indices descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AATopoChg)
```

---

AAWalk

*Walk and Path Counts Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the walk and path counts descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAWalk)
```

---

AAWHIM

*WHIM Descriptors for 20 Amino Acids calculated by Dragon*

---

### Description

This dataset includes the WHIM descriptors of the 20 amino acids calculated by Dragon (version 5.4) used for scales extraction in this package.

### Examples

```
data(AAWHIM)
```

---

acc

*Auto Cross Covariance (ACC) for Generating Scales-Based Descriptors of the Same Length*

---

### Description

This function calculates the auto covariance and auto cross covariance for generating scale-based descriptors of the same length.

### Usage

```
acc(mat, lag)
```

### Arguments

**mat** A  $p \times n$  matrix. Each row represents one scale (total  $p$  scales), each column represents one amino acid position (total  $n$  amino acids).

**lag** The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.

### Value

A length  $lag \times p^2$  named vector, the element names are constructed by: the scales index (crossed scales index) and lag index.

### Note

Please see the references for details about auto cross covariance.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

## References

Wold, S., Jonsson, J., Sjorstrom, M., Sandberg, M., & Rannar, S. (1993). DNA and peptide sequences and chemical processes multivariately modelled by principal component analysis and partial least-squares projections to latent structures. *Analytica chimica acta*, 277(2), 239–253.

Sjostrom, M., Rannar, S., & Wieslander, A. (1995). Polypeptide sequence property relationships in *Escherichia coli* based on auto cross covariances. *Chemometrics and intelligent laboratory systems*, 29(2), 295–305.

## See Also

See [extractScales](#) for scales-based descriptors. For more details, see [extractDescScales](#) and [extractProtFP](#).

## Examples

```
p <- 8 # p is the scales number
n <- 200 # n is the amino acid number
lag <- 7 # the lag paramter
mat <- matrix(rnorm(p * n), nrow = p, ncol = n)
acc(mat, lag)
```

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crossSetSim

*Parallel Protein Sequence Similarity Calculation Between Two Sets  
Based on Sequence Alignment (In-Memory Version)*

---

## Description

Parallel calculation of protein sequence similarity based on sequence alignment between two sets of protein sequences.

## Usage

```
crossSetSim(
  protlist1,
  protlist2,
  type = "local",
  cores = 2,
  batches = 1,
  verbose = FALSE,
  submat = "BLOSUM62",
  gap.opening = 10,
  gap.extension = 4
)
```

**Arguments**

protlist1	A length n list containing n protein sequences, each component of the list is a character string, storing one protein sequence. Unknown sequences should be represented as "".
protlist2	A length n list containing m protein sequences, each component of the list is a character string, storing one protein sequence. Unknown sequences should be represented as "".
type	Type of alignment, default is "local", can be "global" or "local", where "global" represents Needleman-Wunsch global alignment; "local" represents Smith-Waterman local alignment.
cores	Integer. The number of CPU cores to use for parallel execution, default is 2. Users can use the availableCores() function in the parallelly package to see how many cores they could use.
batches	Integer. How many batches should we split the similarity computations into. This is useful when you have a large number of protein sequences, enough number of CPU cores, but not enough RAM to compute and fit all the similarities into a single batch. Defaults to 1.
verbose	Print the computation progress? Useful when batches > 1.
submat	Substitution matrix, default is "BLOSUM62", can be one of "BLOSUM45", "BLOSUM50", "BLOSUM62", "BLOSUM80", "BLOSUM100", "PAM30", "PAM40", "PAM70", "PAM120", or "PAM250".
gap.opening	The cost required to open a gap of any length in the alignment. Defaults to 10.
gap.extension	The cost to extend the length of an existing gap by 1. Defaults to 4.

**Value**

A n x m similarity matrix.

**Author(s)**

Sebastian Mueller <<https://alva-genomics.com>>

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# Be careful when testing this since it involves parallelization
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments

library("Biostrings")
library("foreach")
library("doParallel")

s1 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s2 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P08218.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s3 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P10323.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s4 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P20160.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
```

```
s5 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/Q9NZP8.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]

plist1 <- list(s1 = s1, s2 = s2, s4 = s4)
plist2 <- list(s3 = s3, s4_again = s4, s5 = s5, s1_again = s1)
psimmat <- crossSetSim(plist1, plist2)
colnames(psimmat) <- names(plist1)
rownames(psimmat) <- names(plist2)
print(psimmat)
#           s1           s2           s4
# s3      0.10236985 0.18858241 0.05819984
# s4_again 0.04921696 0.12124217 1.00000000
# s5      0.03943488 0.06391103 0.05714638
# s1_again 1.00000000 0.11825938 0.04921696

## End(Not run)
```

---

crossSetSimDisk	<i>Parallel Protein Sequence Similarity Calculation Between Two Sets Based on Sequence Alignment (Disk-Based Version)</i>
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### Description

Parallel calculation of protein sequence similarity based on sequence alignment between two sets of protein sequences. This version offloads the partial results in each batch to the hard drive and merges the results together in the end, which reduces the memory usage.

### Usage

```
crossSetSimDisk(
  protlist1,
  protlist2,
  cores = 2,
  batches = 1,
  path = tempdir(),
  verbose = FALSE,
  type = "local",
  submat = "BLOSUM62",
  gap.opening = 10,
  gap.extension = 4
)
```

### Arguments

protlist1	A length n list containing n protein sequences, each component of the list is a character string, storing one protein sequence. Unknown sequences should be represented as "".
protlist2	A length n list containing m protein sequences, each component of the list is a character string, storing one protein sequence. Unknown sequences should be represented as "".

cores	Integer. The number of CPU cores to use for parallel execution, default is 2. Users can use the availableCores() function in the parallelly package to see how many cores they could use.
batches	Integer. How many batches should we split the pairwise similarity computations into. This is useful when you have a large number of protein sequences, enough number of CPU cores, but not enough RAM to compute and fit all the pairwise similarities into a single batch. Defaults to 1.
path	Directory for caching the results in each batch. Defaults to the temporary directory.
verbose	Print the computation progress? Useful when batches > 1.
type	Type of alignment, default is "local", can be "global" or "local", where "global" represents Needleman-Wunsch global alignment; "local" represents Smith-Waterman local alignment.
submat	Substitution matrix, default is "BLOSUM62", can be one of "BLOSUM45", "BLOSUM50", "BLOSUM62", "BLOSUM80", "BLOSUM100", "PAM30", "PAM40", "PAM70", "PAM120", or "PAM250".
gap.opening	The cost required to open a gap of any length in the alignment. Defaults to 10.
gap.extension	The cost to extend the length of an existing gap by 1. Defaults to 4.

**Value**

A  $n \times m$  similarity matrix.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**See Also**

See [crossSetSim](#) for the in-memory version.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# Be careful when testing this since it involves parallelization
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments

library("Biostrings")
library("foreach")
library("doParallel")

s1 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s2 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P08218.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s3 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P10323.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s4 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P20160.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s5 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/Q9NZP8.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]

set.seed(1010)
```

```
plist1 <- as.list(c(s1, s2, s3, s4, s5)[sample(1:5, 100, replace = TRUE)])
plist2 <- as.list(c(s1, s2, s3, s4, s5)[sample(1:5, 100, replace = TRUE)])
psimmat <- crossSetSimDisk(
  plist1, plist2,
  cores = 2, batches = 10, verbose = TRUE,
  type = "local", submat = "BLOSUM62"
)

## End(Not run)
```

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extractAAC

*Amino Acid Composition Descriptor*

---

### Description

This function calculates the Amino Acid Composition descriptor (dim: 20).

### Usage

```
extractAAC(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

### Value

A length 20 named vector

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

M. Bhasin, G. P. S. Raghava. Classification of Nuclear Receptors Based on Amino Acid Composition and Dipeptide Composition. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 2004, 279, 23262.

### See Also

See [extractDC](#) and [extractTC](#) for Dipeptide Composition and Tripeptide Composition descriptors.

### Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractAAC(x)
```

---

extractAPAAC	<i>Amphiphilic Pseudo Amino Acid Composition (APseAAC) Descriptor</i>
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### Description

This function calculates the Amphiphilic Pseudo Amino Acid Composition (APseAAC, or APAAC) descriptor (dim:  $20 + (n * \lambda)$ ,  $n$  is the number of properties selected, default is 80).

### Usage

```
extractAPAAC(
  x,
  props = c("Hydrophobicity", "Hydrophilicity"),
  lambda = 30,
  w = 0.05,
  customprops = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
props	A character vector, specifying the properties used. 2 properties are used by default, as listed below: 'Hydrophobicity' Hydrophobicity value of the 20 amino acids 'Hydrophilicity' Hydrophilicity value of the 20 amino acids
lambda	The lambda parameter for the APAAC descriptors, default is 30.
w	The weighting factor, default is 0.05.
customprops	A $n \times 21$ named data frame contains $n$ customized property. Each row contains one property. The column order for different amino acid types is 'AccNo', 'A', 'R', 'N', 'D', 'C', 'E', 'Q', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'L', 'K', 'M', 'F', 'P', 'S', 'T', 'W', 'Y', 'V', and the columns should also be <i>exactly</i> named like this. The AccNo column contains the properties' names. Then users should explicitly specify these properties with these names in the argument props. See the examples below for a demonstration. The default value for customprops is NULL.

### Value

A length  $20 + n * \lambda$  named vector,  $n$  is the number of properties selected.

### Note

Note the default  $20 * 2$  prop values have already been independently given in the function. Users can also specify other (up to 544) properties with the Accession Number in the [AAindex](#) data, with or without the default three properties, which means users should explicitly specify the properties to use. For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use

some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

Kuo-Chen Chou. Prediction of Protein Cellular Attributes Using Pseudo-Amino Acid Composition. *PROTEINS: Structure, Function, and Genetics*, 2001, 43: 246-255.

Kuo-Chen Chou. Using Amphiphilic Pseudo Amino Acid Composition to Predict Enzyme Sub-family Classes. *Bioinformatics*, 2005, 21, 10-19.

JACS, 1962, 84: 4240-4246. (C. Tanford). (The hydrophobicity data)

PNAS, 1981, 78:3824-3828 (T.P.Hopp & K.R.Woods). (The hydrophilicity data)

### See Also

See [extractPAAC](#) for the pseudo amino acid composition (PseAAC) descriptor.

### Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractAPAAC(x)
```

```
myprops <- data.frame(
  AccNo = c("MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"),
  A = c(0.62, -0.5, 15), R = c(-2.53, 3, 101),
  N = c(-0.78, 0.2, 58), D = c(-0.9, 3, 59),
  C = c(0.29, -1, 47), E = c(-0.74, 3, 73),
  Q = c(-0.85, 0.2, 72), G = c(0.48, 0, 1),
  H = c(-0.4, -0.5, 82), I = c(1.38, -1.8, 57),
  L = c(1.06, -1.8, 57), K = c(-1.5, 3, 73),
  M = c(0.64, -1.3, 75), F = c(1.19, -2.5, 91),
  P = c(0.12, 0, 42), S = c(-0.18, 0.3, 31),
  T = c(-0.05, -0.4, 45), W = c(0.81, -3.4, 130),
  Y = c(0.26, -2.3, 107), V = c(1.08, -1.5, 43)
)
```

```
# use 2 default properties, 4 properties from the
# AAindex database, and 3 customized properties
extractAPAAC(
  x,
  customprops = myprops,
  props = c(
    "Hydrophobicity", "Hydrophilicity",
    "CIDH920105", "BHAR880101",
    "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102",
    "MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"
  )
)
```

## Description

This function calculates BLOSUM matrix-derived descriptors. For users' convenience, `protr` provides the BLOSUM45, BLOSUM50, BLOSUM62, BLOSUM80, BLOSUM100, PAM30, PAM40, PAM70, PAM120, and PAM250 matrices for the 20 amino acids to select from.

## Usage

```
extractBLOSUM(x, submat = "AABLOSUM62", k, lag, scale = TRUE, silent = TRUE)
```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
<code>submat</code>	Substitution matrix for the 20 amino acids. Should be one of AABLOSUM45, AABLOSUM50, AABLOSUM62, AABLOSUM80, AABLOSUM100, AAPAM30, AAPAM40, AAPAM70, AAPAM120, or AAPAM250. Default is "AABLOSUM62".
<code>k</code>	Integer. The number of selected scales (i.e. the first <code>k</code> scales) derived by the substitution matrix. This can be selected according to the printed relative importance values.
<code>lag</code>	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
<code>scale</code>	Logical. Should we auto-scale the substitution matrix ( <code>submat</code> ) before doing eigen decomposition? Default is TRUE.
<code>silent</code>	Logical. Whether we print the relative importance of each scales (diagonal value of the eigen decomposition result matrix <code>B</code> ) or not. Default is TRUE.

## Value

A length `lag * p^2` named vector, `p` is the number of scales selected.

## Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

## References

Georgiev, A. G. (2009). Interpretable numerical descriptors of amino acid space. *Journal of Computational Biology*, 16(5), 703–723.

## Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
blosum <- extractBLOSUM(x, submat = "AABLOSUM62", k = 5, lag = 7, scale = TRUE, silent = FALSE)
```

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`extractCTDC`*CTD Descriptors - Composition*

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**Description**

This function calculates the Composition descriptor of the CTD descriptors (dim: 21).

**Usage**

```
extractCTDC(x)
```

**Arguments**

`x` A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

**Value**

A length 21 named vector

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Stephen R. Holbrook and Sung-Hou Kim. Prediction of protein folding class using global description of amino acid sequence. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. USA, 1995, 92, 8700-8704.

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Christopher Mayor, Igor Dralyuk and Sung-Hou Kim. Recognition of a Protein Fold in the Context of the SCOP classification. *Proteins: Structure, Function and Genetics*, 1999, 35, 401-407.

**See Also**

See [extractCTDT](#) and [extractCTDD](#) for Transition and Distribution of the CTD descriptors.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractCTDC(x)
```

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extractCTDCClass	<i>CTD Descriptors - Composition (with customized amino acid classification support)</i>
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### Description

This function calculates the Composition descriptor of the CTD descriptors, with customized amino acid classification support.

### Usage

```
extractCTDCClass(x, aagroup1, aagroup2, aagroup3)
```

### Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
aagroup1	A named list which contains the first group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.
aagroup2	A named list which contains the second group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.
aagroup3	A named list which contains the third group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.

### Value

A length  $k * 3$  named vector,  $k$  is the number of amino acid properties used.

### Note

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Stephen R. Holbrook and Sung-Hou Kim. Prediction of protein folding class using global description of amino acid sequence. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. USA, 1995, 92, 8700-8704.

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Christopher Mayor, Igor Dralyuk and Sung-Hou Kim. Recognition of a Protein Fold in the Context of the SCOP classification. *Proteins: Structure, Function and Genetics*, 1999, 35, 401-407.

**See Also**

See [extractCTDTClass](#) and [extractCTDDClass](#) for Transition and Distribution of the CTD descriptors with customized amino acid classification support.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]

# using five customized amino acid property classification
group1 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("R", "K", "E", "D", "Q", "N"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "D", "C"),
  "polarizability" = c("G", "A", "S", "D", "T"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("E", "A", "L", "M", "Q", "K", "R", "H"),
  "solventaccess" = c("A", "L", "F", "C", "G", "I", "V", "W")
)

group2 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "H", "Y"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  "polarizability" = c("C", "P", "N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("V", "I", "Y", "C", "W", "F", "T"),
  "solventaccess" = c("R", "K", "Q", "E", "N", "D")
)

group3 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("C", "L", "V", "I", "M", "F", "W"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("M", "H", "K", "F", "R", "Y", "W"),
  "polarizability" = c("K", "M", "H", "F", "R", "Y", "W"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("G", "N", "P", "S", "D"),
  "solventaccess" = c("M", "S", "P", "T", "H", "Y")
)

extractCTDDClass(x, aagroup1 = group1, aagroup2 = group2, aagroup3 = group3)
```

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 extractCTDD

*CTD Descriptors - Distribution*


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**Description**

This function calculates the Distribution descriptor of the CTD descriptors (dim: 105).

**Usage**

```
extractCTDD(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

**Value**

A length 105 named vector

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Stephen R. Holbrook and Sung-Hou Kim. Prediction of protein folding class using global description of amino acid sequence. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. USA, 1995, 92, 8700-8704.

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Christopher Mayor, Igor Dralyuk and Sung-Hou Kim. Recognition of a Protein Fold in the Context of the SCOP classification. *Proteins: Structure, Function and Genetics*, 1999, 35, 401-407.

**See Also**

See [extractCTDC](#) and [extractCTDT](#) for Composition and Transition of the CTD descriptors.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractCTDD(x)
```

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extractCTDDClass	<i>CTD Descriptors - Distribution (with customized amino acid classification support)</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates the Distribution descriptor of the CTD descriptors, with customized amino acid classification support.

**Usage**

```
extractCTDDClass(x, aagroup1, aagroup2, aagroup3)
```

**Arguments**

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
aagroup1	A named list which contains the first group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.
aagroup2	A named list which contains the second group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.
aagroup3	A named list which contains the third group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.

**Value**

A length  $k * 15$  named vector,  $k$  is the number of amino acid properties used.

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Stephen R. Holbrook and Sung-Hou Kim. Prediction of protein folding class using global description of amino acid sequence. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. USA, 1995, 92, 8700-8704.

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Christopher Mayor, Igor Dralyuk and Sung-Hou Kim. Recognition of a Protein Fold in the Context of the SCOP classification. *Proteins: Structure, Function and Genetics*, 1999, 35, 401-407.

**See Also**

See [extractCTDCClass](#) and [extractCTDTClass](#) for Composition and Transition of the CTD descriptors with customized amino acid classification support.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]

# using five customized amino acid property classification
group1 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("R", "K", "E", "D", "Q", "N"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "D", "C"),
  "polarizability" = c("G", "A", "S", "D", "T"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("E", "A", "L", "M", "Q", "K", "R", "H"),
  "solventaccess" = c("A", "L", "F", "C", "G", "I", "V", "W")
)
```

```

group2 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "H", "Y"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  "polarizability" = c("C", "P", "N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("V", "I", "Y", "C", "W", "F", "T"),
  "solventaccess" = c("R", "K", "Q", "E", "N", "D")
)

group3 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("C", "L", "V", "I", "M", "F", "W"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("M", "H", "K", "F", "R", "Y", "W"),
  "polarizability" = c("K", "M", "H", "F", "R", "Y", "W"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("G", "N", "P", "S", "D"),
  "solventaccess" = c("M", "S", "P", "T", "H", "Y")
)

extractCTDDClass(x, aagroup1 = group1, aagroup2 = group2, aagroup3 = group3)

```

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extractCTDT

*CTD Descriptors - Transition*


---

## Description

This function calculates the Transition descriptor of the CTD descriptors (dim: 21).

## Usage

```
extractCTDT(x)
```

## Arguments

`x` A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

## Value

A length 21 named vector

## Note

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

## Author(s)

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## References

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Stephen R. Holbrook and Sung-Hou Kim. Prediction of protein folding class using global description of amino acid sequence. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. USA, 1995, 92, 8700-8704.

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Christopher Mayor, Igor Dralyuk and Sung-Hou Kim. Recognition of a Protein Fold in the Context of the SCOP classification. *Proteins: Structure, Function and Genetics*, 1999, 35, 401-407.

## See Also

See [extractCTDC](#) and [extractCTDD](#) for Composition and Distribution of the CTD descriptors.

## Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractCTDT(x)
```

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extractCTDTClass	<i>CTD Descriptors - Transition (with customized amino acid classification support)</i>
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## Description

This function calculates the Transition descriptor of the CTD descriptors, with customized amino acid classification support.

## Usage

```
extractCTDTClass(x, aagroup1, aagroup2, aagroup3)
```

## Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
aagroup1	A named list which contains the first group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.
aagroup2	A named list which contains the second group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.
aagroup3	A named list which contains the third group of customized amino acid classification. See example below.

## Value

A length  $k * 3$  named vector,  $k$  is the number of amino acid properties used.

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Stephen R. Holbrook and Sung-Hou Kim. Prediction of protein folding class using global description of amino acid sequence. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. USA, 1995, 92, 8700-8704.

Inna Dubchak, Ilya Muchink, Christopher Mayor, Igor Dralyuk and Sung-Hou Kim. Recognition of a Protein Fold in the Context of the SCOP classification. *Proteins: Structure, Function and Genetics*, 1999, 35, 401-407.

**See Also**

See [extractCTDCClass](#) and [extractCTDDClass](#) for Composition and Distribution of the CTD descriptors with customized amino acid classification support.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]

# using five customized amino acid property classification
group1 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("R", "K", "E", "D", "Q", "N"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "D", "C"),
  "polarizability" = c("G", "A", "S", "D", "T"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("E", "A", "L", "M", "Q", "K", "R", "H"),
  "solventaccess" = c("A", "L", "F", "C", "G", "I", "V", "W")
)

group2 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "H", "Y"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  "polarizability" = c("C", "P", "N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("V", "I", "Y", "C", "W", "F", "T"),
  "solventaccess" = c("R", "K", "Q", "E", "N", "D")
)

group3 <- list(
  "hydrophobicity" = c("C", "L", "V", "I", "M", "F", "W"),
  "normwaalsvolume" = c("M", "H", "K", "F", "R", "Y", "W"),
  "polarizability" = c("K", "M", "H", "F", "R", "Y", "W"),
  "secondarystruct" = c("G", "N", "P", "S", "D"),
  "solventaccess" = c("M", "S", "P", "T", "H", "Y")
)
```

```
extractCTDTClass(x, aagroup1 = group1, aagroup2 = group2, aagroup3 = group3)
```

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extractCTriad                      *Conjoint Triad Descriptor*

---

### Description

This function calculates the Conjoint Triad descriptor (dim: 343).

### Usage

```
extractCTriad(x)
```

### Arguments

x                      A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

### Value

A length 343 named vector

### Note

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

J.W. Shen, J. Zhang, X.M. Luo, W.L. Zhu, K.Q. Yu, K.X. Chen, Y.X. Li, H.L. Jiang. Predicting Protein-protein Interactions Based Only on Sequences Information. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. 007, 104, 4337–4341.

### Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractCTriad(x)
```

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extractCTriadClass	<i>Conjoint Triad Descriptor (with customized amino acid classification support)</i>
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### Description

This function calculates the Conjoint Triad descriptor, with customized amino acid classification support.

### Usage

```
extractCTriadClass(x, aaclass)
```

### Arguments

**x** A character vector, as the input protein sequence.  
**aaiclass** A list containing the customized amino acid classification. See example below.

### Value

A length  $k^3$  named vector, where  $k$  is the number of customized classes of the amino acids.

### Note

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

J.W. Shen, J. Zhang, X.M. Luo, W.L. Zhu, K.Q. Yu, K.X. Chen, Y.X. Li, H.L. Jiang. Predicting Protein-protein Interactions Based Only on Sequences Information. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. 007, 104, 4337–4341.

### Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]

# use customized amino acid classification (normalized van der Waals volume)
newclass <- list(
  c("G", "A", "S", "T", "P", "D", "C"),
  c("N", "V", "E", "Q", "I", "L"),
  c("M", "H", "K", "F", "R", "Y", "W")
)
```

```
extractCTriadClass(x, aaclass = newclass)
```

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extractDC

*Dipeptide Composition Descriptor*

---

### Description

This function calculates the Dipeptide Composition descriptor (dim: 400).

### Usage

```
extractDC(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

### Value

A length 400 named vector

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

M. Bhasin, G. P. S. Raghava. Classification of Nuclear Receptors Based on Amino Acid Composition and Dipeptide Composition. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 2004, 279, 23262.

### See Also

See [extractAAC](#) and [extractTC](#) for Amino Acid Composition and Tripeptide Composition descriptors.

### Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractDC(x)
```

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extractDescScales      *Scales-Based Descriptors with 20+ classes of Molecular Descriptors*

---

### Description

This function calculates the scales-based descriptors with molecular descriptors sets calculated by Dragon, Discovery Studio and MOE. Users can specify which molecular descriptors to select from one of these descriptor sets by specify the numerical or character index of the molecular descriptors in the descriptor set.

### Usage

```
extractDescScales(  
  x,  
  propmat,  
  index = NULL,  
  pc,  
  lag,  
  scale = TRUE,  
  silent = TRUE  
)
```

### Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
propmat	The matrix containing the descriptor set for the amino acids, which can be chosen from AAMOE2D, AAMOE3D, AACPSA, AADescAll, AA2DACOR, AA3DMORSE, AAACF, AABurden, AACConn, AACConst, AAEdgeAdj, AAeigIdx, AAFGC, AAGeom, AAGETAWAY, AAInfo, AAMolProp, AARandic, AARDF, AATopo, AATopoChg, AAWalk, and AAWHIM.
index	Integer vector or character vector. Specify which molecular descriptors to select from one of these descriptor sets by specify the numerical or character index of the molecular descriptors in the descriptor set. Default is NULL, which means selecting all the molecular descriptors in this descriptor set.
pc	Integer. The maximum dimension of the space which the data are to be represented in. Must be no greater than the number of amino acid properties provided.
lag	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
scale	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix (propmat) before doing MDS? Default is TRUE.
silent	Logical. Whether we print the standard deviation, proportion of variance and the cumulative proportion of the selected principal components or not. Default is TRUE.

### Value

A length lag \* p<sup>2</sup> named vector, p is the number of scales selected.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
descscales <- extractDescScales(
  x,
  propmat = "AATopo", index = c(37:41, 43:47),
  pc = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE
)
```

---

extractFAScales

*Scales-Based Descriptors derived by Factor Analysis*

---

**Description**

This function calculates scales-based descriptors derived by Factor Analysis (FA). Users can provide customized amino acid property matrices.

**Usage**

```
extractFAScales(
  x,
  propmat,
  factors,
  scores = "regression",
  lag,
  scale = TRUE,
  silent = TRUE
)
```

**Arguments**

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
propmat	A matrix containing the properties for the amino acids. Each row represent one amino acid type, each column represents one property. Note that the one-letter row names must be provided for we need them to seek the properties for each AA type.
factors	Integer. The number of factors to be fitted. Must be no greater than the number of AA properties provided.
scores	Type of scores to produce. The default is "regression", which gives Thompson's scores, "Bartlett" given Bartlett's weighted least-squares scores.
lag	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids number in the protein sequence.

scale	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix (propmat) before doing Factor Analysis? Default is TRUE.
silent	Logical. Whether we print the SS loadings, proportion of variance and the cumulative proportion of the selected factors or not. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A length  $\text{lag} * p^2$  named vector,  $p$  is the number of scales (factors) selected.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Atchley, W. R., Zhao, J., Fernandes, A. D., & Druke, T. (2005). Solving the protein sequence metric problem. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 102(18), 6395-6400.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
data(AATopo)
tprops <- AATopo[, c(37:41, 43:47)] # select a set of topological descriptors
fa <- extractFAScales(x, propmat = tprops, factors = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE)
```

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extractGeary

*Geary Autocorrelation Descriptor*

---

**Description**

This function calculates the Geary autocorrelation descriptor (dim:  $\text{length}(\text{props}) * \text{nlag}$ ).

**Usage**

```
extractGeary(
  x,
  props = c("CIDH920105", "BHAR880101", "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102", "CHOC760101",
    "BIGC670101", "CHAM810101", "DAYM780201"),
  nlag = 30L,
  customprops = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
props	A character vector, specifying the Accession Number of the target properties. 8 properties are used by default, as listed below: <b>AccNo. CIDH920105</b> Normalized average hydrophobicity scales (Cid et al., 1992) <b>AccNo. BHAR880101</b> Average flexibility indices (Bhaskaran-Ponnuswamy, 1988) <b>AccNo. CHAM820101</b> Polarizability parameter (Charton-Charton, 1982) <b>AccNo. CHAM820102</b> Free energy of solution in water, kcal/mole (Charton-Charton, 1982) <b>AccNo. CHOC760101</b> Residue accessible surface area in tripeptide (Chothia, 1976) <b>AccNo. BIGC670101</b> Residue volume (Bigelow, 1967) <b>AccNo. CHAM810101</b> Steric parameter (Charton, 1981) <b>AccNo. DAYM780201</b> Relative mutability (Dayhoff et al., 1978b)
nlag	Maximum value of the lag parameter. Default is 30.
customprops	A n x 21 named data frame contains n customized property. Each row contains one property. The column order for different amino acid types is 'AccNo', 'A', 'R', 'N', 'D', 'C', 'E', 'Q', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'L', 'K', 'M', 'F', 'P', 'S', 'T', 'W', 'Y', 'V', and the columns should also be <i>exactly</i> named like this. The AccNo column contains the properties' names. Then users should explicitly specify these properties with these names in the argument props. See the examples below for a demonstration. The default value for customprops is NULL.

**Value**

A length length(props) \* nlag named vector.

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

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Sokal, R.R. and Thomson, B.A. (2006) Population structure inferred by local spatial autocorrelation: an usage from an Amerindian tribal population. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*, 129, 121-131.

### See Also

See [extractMoreauBroto](#) and [extractMoran](#) for Moreau-Broto autocorrelation descriptors and Moran autocorrelation descriptors.

### Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractGeary(x)

myprops <- data.frame(
  AccNo = c("MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"),
  A = c(0.62, -0.5, 15), R = c(-2.53, 3, 101),
  N = c(-0.78, 0.2, 58), D = c(-0.9, 3, 59),
  C = c(0.29, -1, 47), E = c(-0.74, 3, 73),
  Q = c(-0.85, 0.2, 72), G = c(0.48, 0, 1),
  H = c(-0.4, -0.5, 82), I = c(1.38, -1.8, 57),
  L = c(1.06, -1.8, 57), K = c(-1.5, 3, 73),
  M = c(0.64, -1.3, 75), F = c(1.19, -2.5, 91),
  P = c(0.12, 0, 42), S = c(-0.18, 0.3, 31),
  T = c(-0.05, -0.4, 45), W = c(0.81, -3.4, 130),
  Y = c(0.26, -2.3, 107), V = c(1.08, -1.5, 43)
)

# Use 4 properties in the AAindex database, and 3 customized properties
extractGeary(
  x,
  customprops = myprops,
  props = c(
    "CIDH920105", "BHAR880101",
    "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102",
    "MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"
  )
)
```

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extractMDSScales

*Scales-Based Descriptors derived by Multidimensional Scaling*

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### Description

This function calculates scales-based descriptors derived by Multidimensional Scaling (MDS). Users can provide customized amino acid property matrices.

### Usage

```
extractMDSScales(x, propmat, k, lag, scale = TRUE, silent = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
propmat	A matrix containing the properties for the amino acids. Each row represent one amino acid type, each column represents one property. Note that the one-letter row names must be provided for we need them to seek the properties for each AA type.
k	Integer. The maximum dimension of the space which the data are to be represented in. Must be no greater than the number of AA properties provided.
lag	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
scale	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix (propmat) before doing MDS? Default is TRUE.
silent	Logical. Whether to print the k eigenvalues computed during the scaling process or not. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A length  $\text{lag} * p^2$  named vector, p is the number of scales (dimensionality) selected.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Venkatarajan, M. S., & Braun, W. (2001). New quantitative descriptors of amino acids based on multidimensional scaling of a large number of physical-chemical properties. *Molecular modeling annual*, 7(12), 445–453.

**See Also**

See [extractScales](#) for scales-based descriptors derived by Principal Components Analysis.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
data(AATopo)
tprops <- AATopo[, c(37:41, 43:47)] # select a set of topological descriptors
mds <- extractMDSScales(x, propmat = tprops, k = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE)
```

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extractMoran	<i>Moran Autocorrelation Descriptor</i>
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### Description

This function calculates the Moran autocorrelation descriptor (dim: length(props) \* nlag).

### Usage

```
extractMoran(
  x,
  props = c("CIDH920105", "BHAR880101", "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102", "CHOC760101",
            "BIGC670101", "CHAM810101", "DAYM780201"),
  nlag = 30L,
  customprops = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
props	<p>A character vector, specifying the Accession Number of the target properties. 8 properties are used by default, as listed below:</p> <p><b>AccNo. CIDH920105</b> Normalized average hydrophobicity scales (Cid et al., 1992)</p> <p><b>AccNo. BHAR880101</b> Average flexibility indices (Bhaskaran-Ponnuswamy, 1988)</p> <p><b>AccNo. CHAM820101</b> Polarizability parameter (Charton-Charton, 1982)</p> <p><b>AccNo. CHAM820102</b> Free energy of solution in water, kcal/mole (Charton-Charton, 1982)</p> <p><b>AccNo. CHOC760101</b> Residue accessible surface area in tripeptide (Chothia, 1976)</p> <p><b>AccNo. BIGC670101</b> Residue volume (Bigelow, 1967)</p> <p><b>AccNo. CHAM810101</b> Steric parameter (Charton, 1981)</p> <p><b>AccNo. DAYM780201</b> Relative mutability (Dayhoff et al., 1978b)</p>
nlag	Maximum value of the lag parameter. Default is 30.
customprops	<p>A n x 21 named data frame contains n customized property. Each row contains one property. The column order for different amino acid types is 'AccNo', 'A', 'R', 'N', 'D', 'C', 'E', 'Q', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'L', 'K', 'M', 'F', 'P', 'S', 'T', 'W', 'Y', 'V', and the columns should also be <i>exactly</i> named like this. The AccNo column contains the properties' names. Then users should explicitly specify these properties with these names in the argument props. See the examples below for a demonstration. The default value for customprops is NULL.</p>

### Value

A length length(props) \* nlag named vector.

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

AAindex: Amino acid index database. <https://www.genome.jp/dbget/aaindex.html>

Feng, Z.P. and Zhang, C.T. (2000) Prediction of membrane protein types based on the hydrophobic index of amino acids. *Journal of Protein Chemistry*, 19, 269-275.

Horne, D.S. (1988) Prediction of protein helix content from an autocorrelation analysis of sequence hydrophobicities. *Biopolymers*, 27, 451-477.

Sokal, R.R. and Thomson, B.A. (2006) Population structure inferred by local spatial autocorrelation: an usage from an Amerindian tribal population. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*, 129, 121-131.

**See Also**

See [extractMoreauBroto](#) and [extractGeary](#) for Moreau-Broto autocorrelation descriptors and Geary autocorrelation descriptors.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractMoran(x)
```

```
myprops <- data.frame(
  AccNo = c("MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"),
  A = c(0.62, -0.5, 15), R = c(-2.53, 3, 101),
  N = c(-0.78, 0.2, 58), D = c(-0.9, 3, 59),
  C = c(0.29, -1, 47), E = c(-0.74, 3, 73),
  Q = c(-0.85, 0.2, 72), G = c(0.48, 0, 1),
  H = c(-0.4, -0.5, 82), I = c(1.38, -1.8, 57),
  L = c(1.06, -1.8, 57), K = c(-1.5, 3, 73),
  M = c(0.64, -1.3, 75), F = c(1.19, -2.5, 91),
  P = c(0.12, 0, 42), S = c(-0.18, 0.3, 31),
  T = c(-0.05, -0.4, 45), W = c(0.81, -3.4, 130),
  Y = c(0.26, -2.3, 107), V = c(1.08, -1.5, 43)
)
```

```
# Use 4 properties in the AAindex database, and 3 customized properties
extractMoran(
  x,
  customprops = myprops,
  props = c(
    "CIDH920105", "BHAR880101",
```

```

    "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102",
    "MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"
  )
)
```

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extractMoreauBroto      *Normalized Moreau-Broto Autocorrelation Descriptor*

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## Description

This function calculates the normalized Moreau-Broto autocorrelation descriptor (dim: length(props) \* nlag).

## Usage

```

extractMoreauBroto(
  x,
  props = c("CIDH920105", "BHAR880101", "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102", "CHOC760101",
            "BIGC670101", "CHAM810101", "DAYM780201"),
  nlag = 30L,
  customprops = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
props	A character vector, specifying the Accession Number of the target properties. 8 properties are used by default, as listed below: <b>AccNo. CIDH920105</b> Normalized average hydrophobicity scales (Cid et al., 1992) <b>AccNo. BHAR880101</b> Average flexibility indices (Bhaskaran-Ponnuswamy, 1988) <b>AccNo. CHAM820101</b> Polarizability parameter (Charton-Charton, 1982) <b>AccNo. CHAM820102</b> Free energy of solution in water, kcal/mole (Charton-Charton, 1982) <b>AccNo. CHOC760101</b> Residue accessible surface area in tripeptide (Chothia, 1976) <b>AccNo. BIGC670101</b> Residue volume (Bigelow, 1967) <b>AccNo. CHAM810101</b> Steric parameter (Charton, 1981) <b>AccNo. DAYM780201</b> Relative mutability (Dayhoff et al., 1978b)
nlag	Maximum value of the lag parameter. Default is 30.
customprops	A n x 21 named data frame contains n customized property. Each row contains one property. The column order for different amino acid types is 'AccNo', 'A', 'R', 'N', 'D', 'C', 'E', 'Q', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'L', 'K', 'M', 'F', 'P', 'S', 'T', 'W', 'Y', 'V', and the columns should also be <i>exactly</i> named like this. The AccNo column contains the properties' names. Then users should explicitly specify these properties with these names in the argument props. See the examples below for a demonstration. The default value for customprops is NULL.

**Value**

A length length(props) \* nlag named vector.

**Note**

For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

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**References**

AAindex: Amino acid index database. <https://www.genome.jp/dbget/aaindex.html>

Feng, Z.P. and Zhang, C.T. (2000) Prediction of membrane protein types based on the hydrophobic index of amino acids. *Journal of Protein Chemistry*, 19, 269-275.

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Sokal, R.R. and Thomson, B.A. (2006) Population structure inferred by local spatial autocorrelation: an usage from an Amerindian tribal population. *American Journal of Physical Anthropology*, 129, 121-131.

**See Also**

See [extractMoran](#) and [extractGeary](#) for Moran autocorrelation descriptors and Geary autocorrelation descriptors.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractMoreauBroto(x)
```

```
myprops <- data.frame(
  AccNo = c("MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"),
  A = c(0.62, -0.5, 15), R = c(-2.53, 3, 101),
  N = c(-0.78, 0.2, 58), D = c(-0.9, 3, 59),
  C = c(0.29, -1, 47), E = c(-0.74, 3, 73),
  Q = c(-0.85, 0.2, 72), G = c(0.48, 0, 1),
  H = c(-0.4, -0.5, 82), I = c(1.38, -1.8, 57),
  L = c(1.06, -1.8, 57), K = c(-1.5, 3, 73),
  M = c(0.64, -1.3, 75), F = c(1.19, -2.5, 91),
  P = c(0.12, 0, 42), S = c(-0.18, 0.3, 31),
  T = c(-0.05, -0.4, 45), W = c(0.81, -3.4, 130),
  Y = c(0.26, -2.3, 107), V = c(1.08, -1.5, 43)
)
```

```
# Use 4 properties in the AAindex database, and 3 customized properties
extractMoreauBroto(
```

```

x,
customprops = myprops,
props = c(
  "CIDH920105", "BHAR880101",
  "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102",
  "MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"
)
)

```

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extractPAAC

*Pseudo Amino Acid Composition (PseAAC) Descriptor*


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### Description

This function calculates the Pseudo Amino Acid Composition (PseAAC) descriptor (dim: 20 + lambda, default is 50).

### Usage

```

extractPAAC(
  x,
  props = c("Hydrophobicity", "Hydrophilicity", "SideChainMass"),
  lambda = 30,
  w = 0.05,
  customprops = NULL
)

```

### Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
props	A character vector, specifying the properties used. 3 properties are used by default, as listed below: 'Hydrophobicity' Hydrophobicity value of the 20 amino acids 'Hydrophilicity' Hydrophilicity value of the 20 amino acids 'SideChainMass' Side-chain mass of the 20 amino acids
lambda	The lambda parameter for the PseAAC descriptors, default is 30.
w	The weighting factor, default is 0.05.
customprops	A n x 21 named data frame contains n customized property. Each row contains one property. The column order for different amino acid types is 'AccNo', 'A', 'R', 'N', 'D', 'C', 'E', 'Q', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'L', 'K', 'M', 'F', 'P', 'S', 'T', 'W', 'Y', 'V', and the columns should also be <i>exactly</i> named like this. The AccNo column contains the properties' names. Then users should explicitly specify these properties with these names in the argument props. See the examples below for a demonstration. The default value for customprops is NULL.

**Value**

A length 20 + lambda named vector

**Note**

Note the default 20 \* 3 prop values have already been independently given in the function. Users can also specify other (up to 544) properties with the Accession Number in the [AAindex](#) data, with or without the default three properties, which means users should explicitly specify the properties to use. For this descriptor type, users need to intelligently evaluate the underlying details of the descriptors provided, instead of using this function with their data blindly. It would be wise to use some negative and positive control comparisons where relevant to help guide interpretation of the results.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

See [extractAPAAC](#) for amphiphilic pseudo amino acid composition descriptor.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractPAAC(x)
```

```
myprops <- data.frame(
  AccNo = c("MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"),
  A = c(0.62, -0.5, 15), R = c(-2.53, 3, 101),
  N = c(-0.78, 0.2, 58), D = c(-0.9, 3, 59),
  C = c(0.29, -1, 47), E = c(-0.74, 3, 73),
  Q = c(-0.85, 0.2, 72), G = c(0.48, 0, 1),
  H = c(-0.4, -0.5, 82), I = c(1.38, -1.8, 57),
  L = c(1.06, -1.8, 57), K = c(-1.5, 3, 73),
  M = c(0.64, -1.3, 75), F = c(1.19, -2.5, 91),
```

```

P = c(0.12, 0, 42), S = c(-0.18, 0.3, 31),
T = c(-0.05, -0.4, 45), W = c(0.81, -3.4, 130),
Y = c(0.26, -2.3, 107), V = c(1.08, -1.5, 43)
)

# use 3 default properties, 4 properties from the
# AAindex database, and 3 customized properties
extractPAAC(
  x,
  customprops = myprops,
  props = c(
    "Hydrophobicity", "Hydrophilicity", "SideChainMass",
    "CIDH920105", "BHAR880101",
    "CHAM820101", "CHAM820102",
    "MyProp1", "MyProp2", "MyProp3"
  )
)

```

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extractProtFP

*Amino Acid Properties Based Scales Descriptors (Protein Fingerprint)*


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### Description

This function calculates amino acid properties based scales descriptors (protein fingerprint). Users can specify which AAindex properties to select from the AAindex database by specify the numerical or character index of the properties in the AAindex database.

### Usage

```
extractProtFP(x, index = NULL, pc, lag, scale = TRUE, silent = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
index	Integer vector or character vector. Specify which AAindex properties to select from the AAindex database by specify the numerical or character index of the properties in the AAindex database. Default is NULL, means selecting all the AA properties in the AAindex database.
pc	Integer. Use the first pc principal components as the scales. Must be no greater than the number of AA properties provided.
lag	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
scale	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix before PCA? Default is TRUE.
silent	Logical. Whether we print the standard deviation, proportion of variance and the cumulative proportion of the selected principal components or not. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A length  $\text{lag} * p^2$  named vector,  $p$  is the number of scales (principal components) selected.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
fp <- extractProtFP(x, index = c(160:165, 258:296), pc = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE)
```

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extractProtFPGap	<i>Amino Acid Properties Based Scales Descriptors (Protein Fingerprint) with Gap Support</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates amino acid properties based scales descriptors (protein fingerprint) with gap support. Users can specify which AAindex properties to select from the AAindex database by specify the numerical or character index of the properties in the AAindex database.

**Usage**

```
extractProtFPGap(x, index = NULL, pc, lag, scale = TRUE, silent = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A character vector, as the input protein sequence. Use '-' to represent gaps in the sequence.
<code>index</code>	Integer vector or character vector. Specify which AAindex properties to select from the AAindex database by specify the numerical or character index of the properties in the AAindex database. Default is NULL, means selecting all the AA properties in the AAindex database.
<code>pc</code>	Integer. Use the first <code>pc</code> principal components as the scales. Must be no greater than the number of AA properties provided.
<code>lag</code>	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
<code>scale</code>	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix before PCA? Default is TRUE.
<code>silent</code>	Logical. Whether we print the standard deviation, proportion of variance and the cumulative proportion of the selected principal components or not. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A length  $\text{lag} * p^2$  named vector,  $p$  is the number of scales (principal components) selected.

**Author(s)**

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**Examples**

```
# amino acid sequence with gaps
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/align.fasta", package = "protr"))$`IXI_235`
fp <- extractProtFPGap(x, index = c(160:165, 258:296), pc = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE)
```

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extractPSSM	<i>Compute PSSM (Position-Specific Scoring Matrix) for given protein sequence</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates the PSSM (Position-Specific Scoring Matrix) derived by PSI-Blast for given protein sequence or peptides.

**Usage**

```
extractPSSM(
  seq,
  start.pos = 1L,
  end.pos = nchar(seq),
  psiblast.path = NULL,
  makeblastdb.path = NULL,
  database.path = NULL,
  iter = 5,
  silent = TRUE,
  evalue = 10L,
  word.size = NULL,
  gapopen = NULL,
  gapextend = NULL,
  matrix = "BLOSUM62",
  threshold = NULL,
  seg = "no",
  soft.masking = FALSE,
  culling.limit = NULL,
  best.hit.overhang = NULL,
  best.hit.score.edge = NULL,
  xdrop.ungap = NULL,
  xdrop.gap = NULL,
  xdrop.gap.final = NULL,
  window.size = NULL,
  gap.trigger = 22L,
  num.threads = 1L,
  pseudocount = 0L,
```

```

    inclusion.ethresh = 0.002
)

```

### Arguments

<code>seq</code>	Character vector, as the input protein sequence.
<code>start.pos</code>	Optional integer denoting the start position of the fragment window. Default is 1, i.e. the first amino acid of the given sequence.
<code>end.pos</code>	Optional integer denoting the end position of the fragment window. Default is <code>nchar(seq)</code> , i.e. the last amino acid of the given sequence.
<code>psiblast.path</code>	Character string indicating the path of the <code>psiblast</code> program. If NCBI Blast+ was previously installed in the operation system, the path will be automatically detected.
<code>makeblastdb.path</code>	Character string indicating the path of the <code>makeblastdb</code> program. If NCBI Blast+ was previously installed in the system, the path will be automatically detected.
<code>database.path</code>	Character string indicating the path of a reference database (a FASTA file).
<code>iter</code>	Number of iterations to perform for PSI-Blast.
<code>silent</code>	Logical. Whether the PSI-Blast running output should be shown or not (May not work on some Windows versions and PSI-Blast versions), default is TRUE.
<code>evalue</code>	Expectation value (E) threshold for saving hits. Default is 10.
<code>word.size</code>	Word size for wordfinder algorithm. An integer $\geq 2$ .
<code>gapopen</code>	Integer. Cost to open a gap.
<code>gapextend</code>	Integer. Cost to extend a gap.
<code>matrix</code>	Character string. The scoring matrix name (default is "BLOSUM62").
<code>threshold</code>	Minimum word score such that the word is added to the BLAST lookup table. A real value $\geq 0$ .
<code>seg</code>	Character string. Filter query sequence with SEG ("yes", "window locut hicut", or "no" to disable). Default is "no".
<code>soft.masking</code>	Logical. Apply filtering locations as soft masks? Default is FALSE.
<code>culling.limit</code>	An integer $\geq 0$ . If the query range of a hit is enveloped by that of at least this many higher-scoring hits, delete the hit. Incompatible with <code>best.hit.overhang</code> and <code>best.hit.score.edge</code> .
<code>best.hit.overhang</code>	Best Hit algorithm overhang value (A real value $\geq 0$ and $\leq 0.5$ , recommended value: 0.1). Incompatible with <code>culling.limit</code> .
<code>best.hit.score.edge</code>	Best Hit algorithm score edge value (A real value $\geq 0$ and $\leq 0.5$ , recommended value: 0.1). Incompatible with <code>culling.limit</code> .
<code>xdrop.ungap</code>	X-dropoff value (in bits) for ungapped extensions.
<code>xdrop.gap</code>	X-dropoff value (in bits) for preliminary gapped extensions.

xdrop.gap.final	X-dropoff value (in bits) for final gapped alignment.
window.size	An integer $\geq 0$ . Multiple hits window size, To specify 1-hit algorithm, use 0.
gap.trigger	Number of bits to trigger gapping. Default is 22.
num.threads	Integer. Number of threads (CPUs) to use in the BLAST search. Default is 1.
pseudocount	Integer. Pseudo-count value used when constructing PSSM. Default is 0.
inclusion.ethresh	E-value inclusion threshold for pairwise alignments. Default is 0.002.

### Details

For given protein sequences or peptides, PSSM represents the log-likelihood of the substitution of the 20 types of amino acids at that position in the sequence. Note that the output value is not normalized.

### Value

The original PSSM, a numeric matrix which has `end.pos - start.pos + 1` columns and 20 named rows.

### Note

The function requires the `makeblastdb` and `psiblast` programs to be properly installed in the operation system or their paths provided.

The two command-line programs are included in the NCBI-BLAST+ software package. To install NCBI Blast+ for your operating system, see <https://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/doc/blast-help/downloadblastdata.html> for detailed instructions.

Ubuntu/Debian users can directly use the command `sudo apt-get install ncbi-blast+` to install NCBI Blast+. For OS X users, download `ncbi-blast-... .dmg` then install. For Windows users, download `ncbi-blast-... .exe` then install.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### References

Altschul, Stephen F., et al. "Gapped BLAST and PSI-BLAST: a new generation of protein database search programs." *Nucleic acids research* 25.17 (1997): 3389–3402.

Ye, Xugang, Guoli Wang, and Stephen F. Altschul. "An assessment of substitution scores for protein profile-profile comparison." *Bioinformatics* 27.24 (2011): 3356–3363.

Rangwala, Huzefa, and George Karypis. "Profile-based direct kernels for remote homology detection and fold recognition." *Bioinformatics* 21.23 (2005): 4239–4247.

### See Also

[extractPSSMFeature](#) [extractPSSMAcc](#)

**Examples**

```

if (Sys.which("makeblastdb") == "" | Sys.which("psiblast") == "") {
  cat("Cannot find makeblastdb or psiblast. Please install NCBI Blast+ first")
} else {
  x <- readFASTA(system.file(
    "protseq/P00750.fasta",
    package = "protr"
  ))[[1]]
  dbpath <- tempfile("tempdb", fileext = ".fasta")
  invisible(file.copy(from = system.file(
    "protseq/Plasminogen.fasta",
    package = "protr"
  ), to = dbpath))

  pssmmat <- extractPSSM(seq = x, database.path = dbpath)

  dim(pssmmat) # 20 x 562 (P00750: length 562, 20 Amino Acids)
}

```

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extractPSSMAcc	<i>Profile-based protein representation derived by PSSM (Position-Specific Scoring Matrix) and auto cross covariance</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates the feature vector based on the PSSM by running PSI-Blast and auto cross covariance transformation.

**Usage**

```
extractPSSMAcc(pssmmat, lag)
```

**Arguments**

pssmmat	The PSSM computed by <a href="#">extractPSSM</a> .
lag	The lag parameter. Must be less than the number of amino acids in the sequence (i.e. the number of columns in the PSSM matrix).

**Value**

A length  $lag * 20^2$  named numeric vector, the element names are derived by the amino acid name abbreviation (crossed amino acid name abbreviation) and lag index.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

## References

Wold, S., Jonsson, J., Sjorstrom, M., Sandberg, M., & Rannar, S. (1993). DNA and peptide sequences and chemical processes multivariately modelled by principal component analysis and partial least-squares projections to latent structures. *Analytica chimica acta*, 277(2), 239–253.

## See Also

[extractPSSM](#) [extractPSSMFeature](#)

## Examples

```
if (Sys.which("makeblastdb") == "" | Sys.which("psiblast") == "") {
  cat("Cannot find makeblastdb or psiblast. Please install NCBI Blast+")
} else {
  x <- readFASTA(system.file(
    "protseq/P00750.fasta",
    package = "protr"
  ))[[1]]
  dbpath <- tempfile("tempdb", fileext = ".fasta")
  invisible(file.copy(from = system.file(
    "protseq/Plasminogen.fasta",
    package = "protr"
  ), to = dbpath))

  pssmmat <- extractPSSM(seq = x, database.path = dbpath)
  pssmacc <- extractPSSMAcc(pssmmat, lag = 3)
  tail(pssmacc)
}
```

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extractPSSMFeature	<i>Profile-based protein representation derived by PSSM (Position-Specific Scoring Matrix)</i>
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## Description

This function calculates the profile-based protein representation derived by PSSM. The feature vector is based on the PSSM computed by [extractPSSM](#).

## Usage

```
extractPSSMFeature(pssmmat)
```

## Arguments

pssmmat            The PSSM computed by [extractPSSM](#).

**Details**

For a given sequence, the PSSM feature represents the log-likelihood of the substitution of the 20 types of amino acids at that position in the sequence.

Each PSSM feature value in the vector represents the degree of conservation of a given amino acid type. The value is normalized to interval (0, 1) by the transformation  $1/(1+e^{-x})$ .

**Value**

A numeric vector which has  $20 \times N$  named elements, where  $N$  is the size of the window (number of rows of the PSSM).

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Ye, Xugang, Guoli Wang, and Stephen F. Altschul. "An assessment of substitution scores for protein profile-profile comparison." *Bioinformatics* 27.24 (2011): 3356–3363.

Rangwala, Huzefa, and George Karypis. "Profile-based direct kernels for remote homology detection and fold recognition." *Bioinformatics* 21.23 (2005): 4239–4247.

**See Also**

[extractPSSM](#) [extractPSSMAcc](#)

**Examples**

```
if (Sys.which("makeblastdb") == "" | Sys.which("psiblast") == "") {
  cat("Cannot find makeblastdb or psiblast. Please install NCBI Blast+")
} else {
  x <- readFASTA(system.file(
    "protseq/P00750.fasta",
    package = "protr"
  ))[[1]]
  dbpath <- tempfile("tempdb", fileext = ".fasta")
  invisible(file.copy(from = system.file(
    "protseq/Plasminogen.fasta",
    package = "protr"
  ), to = dbpath))

  pssmmat <- extractPSSM(seq = x, database.path = dbpath)
  pssmfeature <- extractPSSMFeature(pssmmat)
  head(pssmfeature)
}
```

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`extractQSO`*Quasi-Sequence-Order (QSO) Descriptor*

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**Description**

This function calculates the Quasi-Sequence-Order (QSO) descriptor (dim:  $2\theta + 2\theta + (2 * nlag)$ , default is 100).

**Usage**

```
extractQSO(x, nlag = 30, w = 0.1)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
<code>nlag</code>	The maximum lag, default is 30.
<code>w</code>	The weighting factor, default is 0.1.

**Value**

A length  $2\theta + 2\theta + (2 * nlag)$  named vector

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

Kuo-Chen Chou. Prediction of Protein Subcellar Locations by Incorporating Quasi-Sequence-Order Effect. *Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications*, 2000, 278, 477-483.

Kuo-Chen Chou and Yu-Dong Cai. Prediction of Protein Sucellular Locations by GO-FunD-PseAA Predictor. *Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications*, 2004, 320, 1236-1239.

Gisbert Schneider and Paul Wrede. The Rational Design of Amino Acid Sequences by Artificial Neural Networks and Simulated Molecular Evolution: Do Novo Design of an Idealized Leader Cleavage Site. *Biophys Journal*, 1994, 66, 335-344.

**See Also**

See [extractSOCN](#) for sequence-order-coupling numbers.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractQSO(x)
```

---

`extractScales`*Scales-Based Descriptors derived by Principal Components Analysis*

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### Description

This function calculates scales-based descriptors derived by Principal Components Analysis (PCA). Users can provide customized amino acid property matrices. This function implements the core computation procedure needed for the scales-based descriptors derived by AA-Properties (AAindex) and scales-based descriptors derived by 20+ classes of 2D and 3D molecular descriptors (Topological, WHIM, VHSE, etc.) in the `protr` package.

### Usage

```
extractScales(x, propmat, pc, lag, scale = TRUE, silent = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

<code>x</code>	A character vector, as the input protein sequence.
<code>propmat</code>	A matrix containing the properties for the amino acids. Each row represent one amino acid type, each column represents one property. Note that the one-letter row names must be provided for we need them to seek the properties for each AA type.
<code>pc</code>	Integer. Use the first <code>pc</code> principal components as the scales. Must be no greater than the number of AA properties provided.
<code>lag</code>	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
<code>scale</code>	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix ( <code>propmat</code> ) before PCA? Default is TRUE.
<code>silent</code>	Logical. Whether we print the standard deviation, proportion of variance and the cumulative proportion of the selected principal components or not. Default is TRUE.

### Value

A length `lag * p^2` named vector, `p` is the number of scales (principal components) selected.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### See Also

See [extractDescScales](#) scales descriptors based on 20+ classes of molecular descriptors, and [extractProtFP](#) for amino acid property based scales descriptors (protein fingerprint).

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
data(AAindex)
AAidxmat <- t(na.omit(as.matrix(AAindex[, 7:26])))
scales <- extractScales(x, propmat = AAidxmat, pc = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE)
```

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extractScalesGap	<i>Scales-Based Descriptors derived by Principal Components Analysis (with Gap Support)</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates scales-based descriptors derived by Principal Components Analysis (PCA), with gap support. Users can provide customized amino acid property matrices. This function implements the core computation procedure needed for the scales-based descriptors derived by AA-Properties (AAindex) and scales-based descriptors derived by 20+ classes of 2D and 3D molecular descriptors (Topological, WHIM, VHSE, etc.) in the protr package.

**Usage**

```
extractScalesGap(x, propmat, pc, lag, scale = TRUE, silent = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

x	A character vector, as the input protein sequence. Use '-' to represent gaps in the sequence.
propmat	A matrix containing the properties for the amino acids. Each row represent one amino acid type, each column represents one property. Note that the one-letter row names must be provided for we need them to seek the properties for each AA type.
pc	Integer. Use the first pc principal components as the scales. Must be no greater than the number of AA properties provided.
lag	The lag parameter. Must be less than the amino acids.
scale	Logical. Should we auto-scale the property matrix (propmat) before PCA? Default is TRUE.
silent	Logical. Whether to print the standard deviation, proportion of variance and the cumulative proportion of the selected principal components or not. Default is TRUE.

**Value**

A length lag \* p^2 named vector, p is the number of scales (principal components) selected.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**See Also**

See [extractProtFPGap](#) for amino acid property based scales descriptors (protein fingerprint) with gap support.

**Examples**

```
# amino acid sequence with gaps
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/align.fasta", package = "protr"))$`IXI_235`
data(AAindex)
AAidxmat <- t(na.omit(as.matrix(AAindex[, 7:26])))
scales <- extractScalesGap(x, propmat = AAidxmat, pc = 5, lag = 7, silent = FALSE)
```

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extractSOCN

*Sequence-Order-Coupling Numbers*

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**Description**

This function calculates the Sequence-Order-Coupling Numbers (dim:  $nlag * 2$ , default is 60).

**Usage**

```
extractSOCN(x, nlag = 30)
```

**Arguments**

**x** A character vector, as the input protein sequence.  
**nlag** The maximum lag, default is 30.

**Value**

A length  $nlag * 2$  named vector

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

- Kuo-Chen Chou. Prediction of Protein Subcellar Locations by Incorporating Quasi-Sequence-Order Effect. *Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications*, 2000, 278, 477-483.
- Kuo-Chen Chou and Yu-Dong Cai. Prediction of Protein Sucellular Locations by GO-FunD-PseAA Predictor. *Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications*, 2004, 320, 1236-1239.
- Gisbert Schneider and Paul Wrede. The Rational Design of Amino Acid Sequences by Artificial Neural Networks and Simulated Molecular Evolution: Do Novo Design of an Idealized Leader Cleavage Site. *Biophys Journal*, 1994, 66, 335-344.

**See Also**

See [extractQSO](#) for quasi-sequence-order descriptors.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractSOCN(x)
```

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extractTC

*Tripeptide Composition Descriptor*

---

**Description**

This function calculates the Tripeptide Composition descriptor (dim: 8,000).

**Usage**

```
extractTC(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

**Value**

A length 8,000 named vector

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**References**

M. Bhasin, G. P. S. Raghava. Classification of Nuclear Receptors Based on Amino Acid Composition and Dipeptide Composition. *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, 2004, 279, 23262.

**See Also**

See [extractAAC](#) and [extractDC](#) for Amino Acid Composition and Dipeptide Composition descriptors.

**Examples**

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
extractTC(x)
```

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`getUniProt`*Retrieve Protein Sequences from UniProt by Protein ID*

---

**Description**

This function retrieves protein sequences from uniprot.org by protein ID(s).

**Usage**

```
getUniProt(id)
```

**Arguments**

`id` A character vector, as the protein ID(s).

**Value**

A list, each component contains one protein sequence.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**See Also**

See [readFASTA](#) for reading FASTA format files.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
# Network latency may slow down this example  
# Only test this when your connection is fast enough  
ids <- c("P00750", "P00751", "P00752")  
getUniProt(ids)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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OptAA3d	<i>OptAA3d.sdf - 20 Amino Acids Optimized with MOE 2011.10 (Semiempirical AM1)</i>
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**Description**

OptAA3d.sdf - 20 Amino Acids Optimized with MOE 2011.10 (Semiempirical AM1)

**Examples**

```
# this operation requires the rcdk package
# require(rcdk)
# optaa3d = load.molecules(system.file("sysdata/OptAA3d.sdf", package = "protr"))
# view.molecule.2d(optaa3d[[1]]) # view the first AA
```

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parGOSim	<i>Protein Similarity Calculation based on Gene Ontology (GO) Similarity</i>
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**Description**

This function calculates protein similarity based on Gene Ontology (GO) similarity.

**Usage**

```
parGOSim(
  golist,
  type = c("go", "gene"),
  ont = c("MF", "BP", "CC"),
  organism = "human",
  measure = "Resnik",
  combine = "BMA"
)
```

**Arguments**

golist	A list, each component contains a character vector of GO terms or one Entrez Gene ID.
type	Input type for golist, "go" for GO Terms, "gene" for gene ID.
ont	Default is "MF", can be one of "MF", "BP", or "CC" subontologies.
organism	Organism name. Default is "human", can be one of "anopheles", "arabidopsis", "bovine", "canine", "chicken", "chimp", "coelicolor", "ecolik12", "ecsakai", "fly", "human", "malaria", "mouse", "pig", "rat", "rhesus", "worm", "xenopus", "yeast" or "zebrafish". Before specifying the organism, please install the corresponding genome wide <b>annotation data package</b> for the selected organism.

measure Default is "Resnik", can be one of "Resnik", "Lin", "Rel", "Jiang" or "Wang".  
 combine Default is "BMA", can be one of "max", "average", "rcmax" or "BMA" for combining semantic similarity scores of multiple GO terms associated with proteins.

### Value

A n x n similarity matrix.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### See Also

See [twoGOSim](#) for calculating the GO semantic similarity between two groups of GO terms or two Entrez gene IDs. See [parSeqSim](#) for paralleled protein similarity calculation based on Smith-Waterman local alignment.

### Examples

```
## Not run:

# Be careful when testing this since it involves GO similarity computation
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments

library("GOSemSim")
library("org.Hs.eg.db")

# By GO Terms
# AP4B1
go1 <- c(
  "GO:0005215", "GO:0005488", "GO:0005515",
  "GO:0005625", "GO:0005802", "GO:0005905"
)
# BCAS2
go2 <- c(
  "GO:0005515", "GO:0005634", "GO:0005681",
  "GO:0008380", "GO:0031202"
)
# PDE4DIP
go3 <- c(
  "GO:0003735", "GO:0005622", "GO:0005840",
  "GO:0006412"
)
golist <- list(go1, go2, go3)
parGOSim(golist, type = "go", ont = "CC", measure = "Wang")

# By Entrez gene id
genelist <- list(c("150", "151", "152", "1814", "1815", "1816"))
parGOSim(genelist, type = "gene", ont = "BP", measure = "Wang")

## End(Not run)
```

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parSeqSim	<i>Parallel Protein Sequence Similarity Calculation Based on Sequence Alignment (In-Memory Version)</i>
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**Description**

Parallel calculation of protein sequence similarity based on sequence alignment.

**Usage**

```
parSeqSim(
  protlist,
  cores = 2,
  batches = 1,
  verbose = FALSE,
  type = "local",
  submat = "BLOSUM62",
  gap.opening = 10,
  gap.extension = 4
)
```

**Arguments**

protlist	A length n list containing n protein sequences, each component of the list is a character string, storing one protein sequence. Unknown sequences should be represented as "".
cores	Integer. The number of CPU cores to use for parallel execution, default is 2. Users can use the availableCores() function in the parallelly package to see how many cores they could use.
batches	Integer. How many batches should we split the pairwise similarity computations into. This is useful when you have a large number of protein sequences, enough number of CPU cores, but not enough RAM to compute and fit all the pairwise similarities into a single batch. Defaults to 1.
verbose	Print the computation progress? Useful when batches > 1.
type	Type of alignment, default is "local", can be "global" or "local", where "global" represents Needleman-Wunsch global alignment; "local" represents Smith-Waterman local alignment.
submat	Substitution matrix, default is "BLOSUM62", can be one of "BLOSUM45", "BLOSUM50", "BLOSUM62", "BLOSUM80", "BLOSUM100", "PAM30", "PAM40", "PAM70", "PAM120", or "PAM250".
gap.opening	The cost required to open a gap of any length in the alignment. Defaults to 10.
gap.extension	The cost to extend the length of an existing gap by 1. Defaults to 4.

**Value**

A n x n similarity matrix.

**Author(s)**

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

**See Also**

See [parSeqSimDisk](#) for the disk-based version.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:

# Be careful when testing this since it involves parallelization
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments

library("Biostrings")
library("foreach")
library("doParallel")

s1 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s2 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P08218.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s3 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P10323.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s4 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P20160.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s5 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/Q9NZP8.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
plist <- list(s1, s2, s3, s4, s5)
(psimmat <- parSeqSim(plist, cores = 2, type = "local", submat = "BLOSUM62"))

## End(Not run)
```

---

parSeqSimDisk

*Parallel Protein Sequence Similarity Calculation Based on Sequence Alignment (Disk-Based Version)*

---

**Description**

Parallel calculation of protein sequence similarity based on sequence alignment. This version offloads the partial results in each batch to the hard drive and merges the results together in the end, which reduces the memory usage.

**Usage**

```
parSeqSimDisk(  
  protlist,  
  cores = 2,  
  batches = 1,  
  path = tempdir(),  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  type = "local",  
  submat = "BLOSUM62",
```

```

    gap.opening = 10,
    gap.extension = 4
  )

```

### Arguments

protlist	A length n list containing n protein sequences, each component of the list is a character string, storing one protein sequence. Unknown sequences should be represented as "".
cores	Integer. The number of CPU cores to use for parallel execution, default is 2. Users can use the availableCores() function in the parallelly package to see how many cores they could use.
batches	Integer. How many batches should we split the pairwise similarity computations into. This is useful when you have a large number of protein sequences, enough number of CPU cores, but not enough RAM to compute and fit all the pairwise similarities into a single batch. Defaults to 1.
path	Directory for caching the results in each batch. Defaults to the temporary directory.
verbose	Print the computation progress? Useful when batches > 1.
type	Type of alignment, default is "local", can be "global" or "local", where "global" represents Needleman-Wunsch global alignment; "local" represents Smith-Waterman local alignment.
submat	Substitution matrix, default is "BLOSUM62", can be one of "BLOSUM45", "BLOSUM50", "BLOSUM62", "BLOSUM80", "BLOSUM100", "PAM30", "PAM40", "PAM70", "PAM120", or "PAM250".
gap.opening	The cost required to open a gap of any length in the alignment. Defaults to 10.
gap.extension	The cost to extend the length of an existing gap by 1. Defaults to 4.

### Value

A n x n similarity matrix.

### Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

### See Also

See [parSeqSim](#) for the in-memory version.

### Examples

```

## Not run:

# Be careful when testing this since it involves parallelization
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments

library("Biostrings")

```

```
library("foreach")
library("doParallel")

s1 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s2 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P08218.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s3 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P10323.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s4 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P20160.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
s5 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/Q9NZP8.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
set.seed(1010)
plist <- as.list(c(s1, s2, s3, s4, s5)[sample(1:5, 100, replace = TRUE)])
psimmat <- parSeqSimDisk(
  plist,
  cores = 2, batches = 10, verbose = TRUE,
  type = "local", submat = "BLOSUM62"
)

## End(Not run)
```

---

protcheck

*Protein sequence amino acid type sanity check*

---

## Description

This function checks if the protein sequence's amino acid types are in the 20 default types.

## Usage

```
protcheck(x)
```

## Arguments

x                    A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

## Value

Logical. TRUE if all of the amino acid types of the sequence are within the 20 default types.

## Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

## Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]
protcheck(x) # TRUE
protcheck(paste(x, "Z", sep = "")) # FALSE
```

---

protseg

*Protein Sequence Segmentation/Partition*

---

## Description

This function extracts the segmentations from the protein sequence.

## Usage

```
protseg(  
  x,  
  aa = c("A", "R", "N", "D", "C", "E", "Q", "G", "H", "I", "L", "K", "M", "F", "P", "S",  
         "T", "W", "Y", "V"),  
  k = 7  
)
```

## Arguments

**x** A character vector, as the input protein sequence.

**aa** A character, the amino acid type. One of 'A', 'R', 'N', 'D', 'C', 'E', 'Q', 'G', 'H', 'I', 'L', 'K', 'M', 'F', 'P', 'S', 'T', 'W', 'Y', 'V'.

**k** A positive integer, specifies the window size (half of the window), default is 7.

## Value

A named list, each component contains one of the segmentations (a character string), names of the list components are the positions of the specified amino acid in the sequence.

## Author(s)

Nan Xiao <<https://nanx.me>>

## Examples

```
x <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]  
protseg(x, aa = "R", k = 5)
```

---

`readFASTA`*Read Protein Sequences in FASTA Format*

---

**Description**

This function reads protein sequences in FASTA format.

**Usage**

```
readFASTA(  
  file = system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"),  
  legacy.mode = TRUE,  
  seqonly = FALSE  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>file</code>	Path to the file containing the protein sequences in FASTA format. If it does not contain an absolute or relative path, the file name is relative to the current working directory, <code>getwd</code> . The default here is to read the <code>P00750.fasta</code> file which is present in the <code>protseq</code> directory of the <code>protr</code> package.
<code>legacy.mode</code>	If set to <code>TRUE</code> , lines starting with a semicolon ( <code>;</code> ) are ignored. Default value is <code>TRUE</code> .
<code>seqonly</code>	If set to <code>TRUE</code> , only sequences are returned without attempt to modify them or to get their names and annotations (execution time is divided approximately by a factor 3). Default value is <code>FALSE</code> .

**Value**

Character vector of the protein sequences.

The three returned argument are just different forms of the same output. If one is interested in a Mahalanobis metric over the original data space, the first argument is all she/he needs. If a transformation into another space (where one can use the Euclidean metric) is preferred, the second returned argument is sufficient. Using `A` and `B` is equivalent in the following sense.

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**References**

Pearson, W.R. and Lipman, D.J. (1988) Improved tools for biological sequence comparison. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, **85**: 2444–2448.

**See Also**

See `getUniProt` for retrieving protein sequences from `uniprot.org`.

## Examples

```
P00750 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))
```

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readPDB

*Read Protein Sequences in PDB Format*

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## Description

This function reads protein sequences in PDB (Protein Data Bank) format, and return the amino acid sequences represented by single-letter code.

## Usage

```
readPDB(file = system.file("protseq/4HHB.pdb", package = "protr"))
```

## Arguments

**file** Path to the file containing the protein sequences in PDB format. If it does not contain an absolute or relative path, the file name is relative to the current working directory, `getwd`. The default here is to read the 4HHB.PDB file which is present in the protseq directory of the protr package.

## Value

Character vector of the protein sequence.

## Author(s)

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## References

Protein Data Bank Contents Guide: Atomic Coordinate Entry Format Description, Version 3.30. Accessed 2013-06-26. [https://files.wwpdb.org/pub/pdb/doc/format\\_descriptions/Format\\_v33\\_Letter.pdf](https://files.wwpdb.org/pub/pdb/doc/format_descriptions/Format_v33_Letter.pdf)

## See Also

See [readFASTA](#) for reading protein sequences in FASTA format.

## Examples

```
Seq4HHB <- readPDB(system.file("protseq/4HHB.pdb", package = "protr"))
```

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removeGaps	<i>Remove or replace gaps from protein sequences.</i>
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### Description

Remove/replace gaps or any irregular characters from protein sequences, to make them suitable for feature extraction or sequence alignment based similarity computation.

### Usage

```
removeGaps(x, pattern = "-", replacement = "", ...)
```

### Arguments

x	character vector, containing the input protein sequence(s).
pattern	character string contains the gap (or other irregular) character to be removed or replaced. Default is "-". For advanced usage, see <a href="#">gsub</a> .
replacement	a replacement for matched characters. Default is "" (remove the matched character).
...	additional parameters for <a href="#">gsub</a> .

### Value

a vector of protein sequence(s) with gaps or irregular characters removed/replaced.

### Author(s)

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### Examples

```
# amino acid sequences that contain gaps ("-")
aaseq <- list(
  "MHGDPTLHEYMLDLQPETTDLYCYEQLSDSSE-EEDEIDGPAGQAEPDRAHYNIIVTFCKCDSTLRLCVQS",
  "MHGDPTLHEYMLDLQPETTDLYCYEQLNDSSE-EEDEIDGPAGQAEPDRAHYNIIVTFCKCDSTLRLCVQS"
)
## Not run:
#' # gaps create issues for alignment
parSeqSim(aaseq)

# remove the gaps
nogapseq <- removeGaps(aaseq)
parSeqSim(nogapseq)

## End(Not run)
```

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twoGOSim	<i>Protein Similarity Calculation based on Gene Ontology (GO) Similarity</i>
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### Description

This function calculates the Gene Ontology (GO) similarity between two groups of GO terms or two Entrez gene IDs.

### Usage

```
twoGOSim(
  id1,
  id2,
  type = c("go", "gene"),
  ont = c("MF", "BP", "CC"),
  organism = "human",
  measure = "Resnik",
  combine = "BMA"
)
```

### Arguments

id1	Character vector. When length > 1: each element is a GO term; when length = 1: the Entrez Gene ID.
id2	Character vector. When length > 1: each element is a GO term; when length = 1: the Entrez Gene ID.
type	Input type of id1 and id2, 'go' for GO Terms, "gene" for gene ID.
ont	Default is "MF", can be one of "MF", "BP", or "CC" subontologies.
organism	Organism name. Default is "human", can be one of "anopheles", "arabidopsis", "bovine", "canine", "chicken", "chimp", "coelicolor", "ecolik12", "ecsakai", "fly", "human", "malaria", "mouse", "pig", "rat", "rhesus", "worm", "xenopus", "yeast" or "zebrafish". Before specifying the organism, please install the corresponding genome wide <b>annotation data package</b> for the selected organism.
measure	Default is "Resnik", can be one of "Resnik", "Lin", "Rel", "Jiang" or "Wang".
combine	Default is "BMA", can be one of "max", "average", "rcmax" or "BMA" for combining semantic similarity scores of multiple GO terms associated with proteins.

### Value

Similarity value.

### Author(s)

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## See Also

See [parGOSim](#) for protein similarity calculation based on Gene Ontology (GO) semantic similarity. See [parSeqSim](#) for paralleled protein similarity calculation based on Smith-Waterman local alignment.

## Examples

```
## Not run:

# Be careful when testing this since it involves GO similarity computation
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments

library("GOSemSim")
library("org.Hs.eg.db")

# By GO terms
go1 <- c("GO:0004022", "GO:0004024", "GO:0004023")
go2 <- c("GO:0009055", "GO:0020037")
twoGOSim(go1, go2, type = "go", ont = "MF", measure = "Wang")

# By Entrez gene id
gene1 <- "1956" # EGFR
gene2 <- "2261" # FGFR3
twoGOSim(gene1, gene2, type = "gene", ont = "BP", measure = "Lin")

## End(Not run)
```

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twoSeqSim

*Protein Sequence Alignment for Two Protein Sequences*

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## Description

Sequence alignment between two protein sequences.

## Usage

```
twoSeqSim(
  seq1,
  seq2,
  type = "local",
  submat = "BLOSUM62",
  gap.opening = 10,
  gap.extension = 4
)
```

**Arguments**

seq1	Character string, containing one protein sequence.
seq2	Character string, containing another protein sequence.
type	Type of alignment, default is "local", could be "global" or "local", where "global" represents Needleman-Wunsch global alignment; "local" represents Smith-Waterman local alignment.
submat	Substitution matrix, default is "BLOSUM62", can be one of "BLOSUM45", "BLOSUM50", "BLOSUM62", "BLOSUM80", "BLOSUM100", "PAM30", "PAM40", "PAM70", "PAM120", or "PAM250".
gap.opening	The cost required to open a gap of any length in the alignment. Defaults to 10.
gap.extension	The cost to extend the length of an existing gap by 1. Defaults to 4.

**Value**

A Biostrings object containing the alignment scores and other alignment information.

**Author(s)**

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**See Also**

See [parSeqSim](#) for paralleled pairwise protein similarity calculation based on sequence alignment.  
See [twoGOSim](#) for calculating the GO semantic similarity between two groups of GO terms or two Entrez gene IDs.

**Examples**

```
## Not run:  
  
# Be careful when testing this since it involves sequence alignment  
# and might produce unpredictable results in some environments  
  
library("Biostrings")  
  
s1 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P00750.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]  
s2 <- readFASTA(system.file("protseq/P10323.fasta", package = "protr"))[[1]]  
seqalign <- twoSeqSim(s1, s2)  
summary(seqalign)  
score(seqalign)  
  
## End(Not run)
```

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