

# Package ‘SurprisalAnalysis’

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**Title** Information Theoretic Analysis of Gene Expression Data

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**Description** Implements Surprisal analysis for gene expression data such as RNA-seq or microarray experiments. Surprisal analysis is an information-theoretic method that decomposes gene expression data into a baseline state and constraint-associated deviations, capturing coordinated gene expression patterns under different biological conditions. References: Kravchenko-Balasha N. et al. (2014) <[doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0108549](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0108549)>. Zadravan S. et al. (2014) <[doi:10.1073/pnas.1414714111](https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1414714111)>. Su Y. et al. (2019) <[doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1007034](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1007034)>. Boggaert K. A. et al. (2018) <[doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0195142](https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0195142)>.

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**VignetteBuilder** knitr

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GO\_analysis\_surprisal\_analysis

*Perform Gene ontology analysis on a pattern of interest*

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### Description

Perform Gene ontology analysis on a pattern of interest

### Usage

```
GO_analysis_surprisal_analysis(
  transcript_weights,
  percentile_GO,
  lambda_no,
  key_type = "SYMBOL",
  flip = FALSE,
  species.db.str = "org.Hs.eg.db",
  ont = "BP",
  pAdjustMethod = "BH",
  top_GO_terms = 15
)
```

### Arguments

transcript_weights	a dataframe containing the weight of transcripts in each pattern
percentile_GO	the percentile of transcript to be used for GO analysis, for example 95 will run GO on transcripts in the 95th percentile and above
lambda_no	the lambda pattern the user is interested in analyzing
key_type	type of transcripts which can be either SYMBOL, ENTREZID, ENSEMBL, or PROBEID
flip	a boolean variable which can either be true or false, if it is set to true, the lambda values will be multiplied by -1
species.db.str	the type of species used for GO analysis, by default set to Homo sapiens, can be either 'org.Hs.eg.db' or 'org.Mm.eg.db'
ont	the ontology term for GO enrichment analysis. Can be either "BP", "MF" or "CC". They stand for "Biological Process", "Molecular Function" or "Cellular Component". Set to "BP" by default
pAdjustMethod	multiple testing correction method. Could be one of "BH", "bonferroni", "holm", "hochberg", "hommel", "BY", or "none". The default setting is "BH"
top_GO_terms	number of GO terms returns, by default set to 15

### Value

dataframe, the important GO terms related to a lambda gene pattern

**Examples**

```

csv.path <- system.file(
  "extdata", "helper_T_cell_0_test.csv",
  package = "SurprisalAnalysis"
)

expr.df <- utils::read.csv(csv.path, check.names = FALSE)
expr.df[1:700,]->expr.df
sa.res <- surprisal_analysis(expr.df, zero.handling = "log1p")
alph.all <- sa.res[[2]]

go_top <- GO_analysis_surprisal_analysis(
  transcript_weights = alph.all,
  percentile_GO      = 99,
  lambda_no          = "lambda_1",
  key_type           = "SYMBOL",
  flip               = FALSE,
  species.db.str     = "org.Hs.eg.db",
  ont                = "BP",
  pAdjustMethod      = "BH",
  top_GO_terms       = 15
)

```

runSurprisalApp

*Launch the SurprisalAnalysis Shiny App***Description**

Launch the SurprisalAnalysis Shiny App

**Usage**

```

runSurprisalApp(
  port = getOption("shiny.port", 3838),
  host = getOption("shiny.host", "127.0.0.1"),
  launch.browser = getOption("shiny.launch.browser", TRUE),
  run = TRUE,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

port	port to run the app on (passed to shiny::runApp)
host	host to listen on
launch.browser	should launch a browser? set to TRUE by default
run	boolean value, is set to TRUE by default. If set to FALSE it will not launch the graphical user interface
...	Further arguments passed along to shiny::runApp

**Value**

no return value, running the function will launch an application with graphical user interface

**Examples**

```
runSurprisalApp(port = httpuv::randomPort(), run = FALSE)
```

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surprisal\_analysis      *This function performs surprisal analysis on transcriptomics data*

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**Description**

This function performs surprisal analysis on transcriptomics data

**Usage**

```
surprisal_analysis(input.data, zero.handling = "pseudocount")
```

**Arguments**

`input.data`      transcriptomics data stores as dataframe  
`zero.handling`    zero handling method. Can be either 'pseudocount' or 'log1p'. By default it is set to 'pseudocount'

**Value**

a list containing two matrix array objects, first one holding the lambda values representing the constraints or Lagrange multipliers and the second one holding the corresponding weights of transcripts stored (G matrix)

**Examples**

```
expr.df <- data.frame(gene_id = paste0("Gene", 1:6),  
  S1 = c(0, 12, 3, 0, 50, 7),  
  S2 = c(5, 0, 2, 9, 0, 4),  
  S3 = c(8, 15, 0, 1, 25, 0),  
  S4 = c(0, 7, 6, 0, 40, 3),  
  check.names = FALSE)  
surprisal_analysis(expr.df, zero.handling = "pseudocount")
```

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