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get.cdn	<i>Get the cell differentiation network from a fitted Kalman Reaction Network.</i>
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### Description

This function returns the cell differentiation network from a Kalman Reaction Network previously fitted on a clonal tracking dataset.

### Usage

```
get.cdn(res.fit, edges.lab = FALSE, AIC = FALSE, cell.cols = NULL)
```

### Arguments

res.fit	A list returned by get.fit() containing the information of a fitted Kalman Reaction Network.
edges.lab	(logical) Defaults to FALSE, in which case the labels (weights) will not be printed on the network edges.
AIC	(logical) Defaults to FALSE, in which case the Akaike Information Criterion is not reported.
cell.cols	Color legend for the cell types. Defaults to NULL, in which case no color legend for the cell types is provided.

### Value

No return value.

### Examples

```
rcts <- c("HSC->T", ## reactions
         "HSC->M",
         "T->0",
         "M->0")

cnstr <- c("theta[[\\'HSC->T\\']]=(theta[[\\'T->0\\']])",
          "theta[[\\'HSC->M\\']]=(theta[[\\'M->0\\']])")
latsts <- "HSC" ## latent cell types
```

```

ctps <- unique(setdiff(c(sapply(rcts, function(r){ ## all cell types
  as.vector(unlist(strsplit(r, split = ">", fixed = TRUE)))
}, simplify = "array")), c("0", "1")))

Y0 <- Y_CT$WAS[,setdiff(ctps,"HSC"),]
topClones <- 2
Y0 <- Y0[, ,names(head(sort(apply(Y0!=0, 3, sum), decreasing = TRUE), topClones)),drop=FALSE]

## cluster parameters:
cl <- parallel::makeCluster(2, type = "PSOCK")

## initial condition:
X0 <- rep(0, length(ctps))
names(X0) <- ctps
X0["HSC"] <- 1

## mean vector and covariance matrix of X0:
m_0 <- replicate(dim(Y0)[3], X0, simplify = "array")
colnames(m_0) <- dimnames(Y0)[[3]]
P_0 <- Matrix::Diagonal(length(ctps) * dim(Y0)[3], 10)
rownames(P_0) <- colnames(P_0) <- rep(dimnames(Y0)[[3]], each = length(ctps))

## fit Karen on data:
res.fit <- get.fit(rct.lst = rcts,
  constr.lst = cnstr,
  latSts.lst = latsts,
  ct.lst = ctps,
  Y = Y0,
  m0 = m_0,
  P0 = P_0,
  cl = cl,
  list(nLQR = 1,
    lmm = 0, ## needs to be >=5 for real applications
    pgtol = 0,
    relErrfct = 1e-5,
    tol = 1e-3,
    maxit = 0, ## needs to be increased for real applications
    maxitEM = 1, ## needs to be increased for real applications
    trace = 1,
    verbose = TRUE,
    FORCEP = FALSE))
parallel::stopCluster(cl)

get.cdn(res.fit)

```

**Description**

This function fits a state-space model to a clonal tracking dataset using an extended Kalman filter approach.

**Usage**

```
get.fit(
  rct.lst,
  constr.lst = NULL,
  latSts.lst,
  ct.lst,
  Y,
  m0,
  P0,
  cl = getDefaultCluster(),
  control = list(nLQR = 3, lmm = 25, pgtol = 0, relErrfct = 1e-05, tol = 1e-09, maxit =
    1000, maxitEM = 10, trace = 1, verbose = TRUE, FORCEP = TRUE)
)
```

**Arguments**

rct.lst	A list of biochemical reactions defining the cell differentiation network. A differentiation move from cell type "A" to cell type "B" must be coded as "A->B" Duplication of cell "A" must be coded as "A->1" Death of cell "A" must be coded as "A->0".
constr.lst	(defaults to NULL, when no constraints are needed) List of linear constraints that must be applied to the biochemical reactions. For example, if we need the constraint "A->B = B->C + B->D", this must be coded using the following syntax <code>c("theta[\A-&gt;B\]=theta[\B-&gt;C\] + theta[\B-&gt;D\]")</code> .
latSts.lst	List of the latent cell types. If for example counts are not available for cell types "A" and "B", then <code>latSts.lst = c("A", "B")</code> .
ct.lst	List of all the cell types involved in the network formulation. For example, if the network is defined by the biochemical reactions are A->B" and "A->C", then <code>ct.lst = c("A", "B", "C")</code> .
Y	A 3-dimensional array whose dimensions are the time, the cell type and the clone respectively.
m0	mean vector of the initial condition $x_0$
P0	covariance matrix of the initial condition $x_0$
cl	An object of class "cluster" specifying the cluster to be used for parallel execution. See <code>makeCluster</code> for more information. If the argument is not specified, the default cluster is used. See <code>setDefaultCluster</code> for information on how to set up a default cluster.
control	A a list of control parameters for the optimization routine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"nLQR"(defaults to 3) is an integer giving the order of the Gauss-Legendre approximation for integrals.</li> </ul>

- "Imm"(defaults to 25) is an integer giving the number of BFGS updates retained in the "L-BFGS-B" method.
- "pgtol"(defaults to 0 when check is suppressed) is a tolerance on the projected gradient in the current search direction of the "L-BFGS-B" method.
- "relErrfct"(defaults to 1e-5) is the relative error on the function value for the "L-BFGS-B" optimization. That is, the parameter "factr" of the optim() function is set to relErrfct/Machine\$double.eps.
- "tol"(defaults to 1e-9) is the relative error tolerance for the expectation-maximization algorithm of the extended Kalman filter optimization. That is, the optimization is run until the relative error of the function and of the parameter vector are lower than tol.
- "maxit"(defaults to 1000) The maximum number of iterations for the "L-BFGS-B" optimization.
- "maxitEM"(defaults to 10) The maximum number of iterations for the expectation-maximization algorithm.
- "trace"(defaults to 1) Non-negative integer. If positive, tracing information on the progress of the optimization is produced. This parameter is also passed to the optim() function. Higher values may produce more tracing information: for method "L-BFGS-B" there are six levels of tracing. (To understand exactly what these do see the source code: higher levels give more detail.)
- "verbose"(defaults to TRUE) Logical value. If TRUE, then information messages on the progress of the filtering/smoothing algorithm are printed to the console.
- "FORCEP"(defaults to TRUE) Logical value. If TRUE, then all the covariance matrices involved in the algorithm are forced to be positive-definite and it helps the convergence of the optimization.

## Value

A list containing the following:

- "fit"The output list returned by the optim() function (See documentation of optim() for more details).
- "bwd.res"First two-order moments of the estimated smoothing distribution.
- "m0.res"Mean vector of the smoothing distribution at time  $t = 0$ .
- "P0.res"Covariance matrix of the smoothing distribution at time  $t = 0$ .
- "AIC"Akaike Information Criterion (AIC) of the fitted model.
- "cloneChunks"List containing the chunks of clones that have been defined for parallel-computing.
- "V"The net-effect matrix associated to the differentiation network.
- "Y"The complete clonal tracking dataset that includes also the missing cell types.
- "rct.lst"The list of biochemical reactions.
- "constr.lst"The linear constraints applied on the reactions.
- "latSts.lst"The missing/latent cell types.

## Examples

```

rcts <- c("HSC->T", ## reactions
         "HSC->M",
         "T->0",
         "M->0")

cnstr <- c("theta\\[\\['HSC->T\\'\\]=theta\\[\\['T->0\\'\\]",
         "theta\\[\\['HSC->M\\'\\]=theta\\[\\['M->0\\'\\]")
latsts <- "HSC" ## latent cell types

ctps <- unique(setdiff(c(sapply(rcts, function(r){ ## all cell types
  as.vector(unlist(strsplit(r, split = ">", fixed = TRUE)))
}), simplify = "array")), c("0", "1")))

Y0 <- Y_CT$WAS[,setdiff(ctps,"HSC"),]
topClones <- 2
Y0 <- Y0[,names(head(sort(apply(Y0!=0, 3, sum), decreasing = TRUE), topClones)),drop=FALSE]

## cluster parameters:
cl <- parallel::makeCluster(2, type = "PSOCK")

## initial condition:
X0 <- rep(0, length(ctps))
names(X0) <- ctps
X0["HSC"] <- 1

## mean vector and covariance matrix of X0:
m_0 <- replicate(dim(Y0)[3], X0, simplify = "array")
colnames(m_0) <- dimnames(Y0)[[3]]
P_0 <- Matrix::Diagonal(length(ctps) * dim(Y0)[3], 10)
rownames(P_0) <- colnames(P_0) <- rep(dimnames(Y0)[[3]], each = length(ctps))

## fit Karen on data:
res.fit <- get.fit(rct.lst = rcts,
                  constr.lst = cnstr,
                  latSts.lst = latsts,
                  ct.lst = ctps,
                  Y = Y0,
                  m0 = m_0,
                  P0 = P_0,
                  cl = cl,
                  list(nLQR = 1,
                      lmm = 0, ## needs to be >=5 for real applications
                      pgtol = 0,
                      relErrfct = 1e-5,
                      tol = 1e-3,
                      maxit = 0, ## needs to be increased for real applications
                      maxitEM = 1, ## needs to be increased for real applications
                      trace = 1,

```

```
verbose = TRUE,
FORCEP = FALSE))
```

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get.sim.trajectories *Simulate a clonal tracking dataset from a given cell differentiation network.*

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### Description

This function simulates clone-specific trajectories for a cell differentiation network associated to a set of (constrained) biochemical reactions, cell types, and missing/latent cell types.

### Usage

```
get.sim.trajectories(
  rct.lst,
  constr.lst = NULL,
  latSts.lst,
  ct.lst,
  th,
  S,
  nCL,
  X0,
  s2 = 1e-08,
  r0 = 0,
  r1 = 0,
  f = 0,
  ntps,
  trunc = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

rct.lst	A list of biochemical reactions defining the cell differentiation network. A differentiation move from cell type "A" to cell type "B" must be coded as "A->B" Duplication of cell "A" must be coded as "A->1" Death of cell "A" must be coded as "A->0".
constr.lst	(defaults to NULL, when no constraints are needed) List of linear constraints that must be applied to the biochemical reactions. For example, if we need the constraint "A->B = B->C + B->D", this must be coded using the following syntax <code>c("theta['A-&gt;B']=(theta['B-&gt;C'] + theta['B-&gt;D'])")</code> .
latSts.lst	List of the latent cell types. If for example counts are not available for cell types "A" and "B", then <code>latSts.lst = c("A", "B")</code> .
ct.lst	List of all the cell types involved in the network formulation. For example, if the network is defined by the biochemical reactions are A->B" and "A->C", then <code>ct.lst = c("A", "B", "C")</code> .

th	The vector parameter that must be used for simulation. The length of th equals the number of unconstrained reactions plus 2 (for the noise parameters $(\rho_0, \rho_1)$ ). Only positive parameters can be provided.
S	The length of each trajectory.
nCL	An integer defining the number of distinct clones.
X0	A p-dimensional vector for the initial condition of the cell types, where p is the number of distinct cell types provided in ct.lst.
s2	(defaults to 1e-8) A positive value for the overall noise variance.
r0	(defaults to 0) A positive value for the intercept defining the noise covariance matrix $R_k = \rho_0 + \rho_1 G_k X_k$ .
r1	(defaults to 0) A positive value for the slope defining the noise covariance matrix $R_k = \rho_0 + \rho_1 G_k X_k$ .
f	(defaults to 0) The fraction of measurements that must be considered as missing/latent.
ntps	Number of time points to consider from the whole simulated clonal tracking dataset.
trunc	(defaults to FALSE) Logical, indicating whether sampling from a truncated multivariate normal must be performed.

### Value

A list containing the following:

- "X" The simulated process.
- "Y" The simulated noisy-corrupted measurements.

### Examples

```
rcts <- c("HSC->T", ## reactions
         "HSC->M",
         "T->0",
         "M->0")

cnstr <- NULL
latsts <- "HSC" ## latent cell types

ctps <- unique(setdiff(c(sapply(rcts, function(r){ ## all cell types
  as.vector(unlist(strsplit(r, split = ">", fixed = TRUE)))
}), simplify = "array")), c("0", "1"))

## simulation parameters:
S <- 100 ## trajectories length
nCL <- 2 ## number of clones
X0 <- rep(0, length(ctps)) ## initial condition
names(X0) <- ctps
X0["HSC"] <- 1
ntps <- 5 ## number of time-points
f_NA <- 0 ## fraction of observed data
```



```

th.true <- c(1.9538674, 1.0559815, 0.7232172, 0.7324133) ## dynamic parameters
names(th.true) <- rcts
s2.true <- 1e-8 ## additonal noise
r0.true <- .1 ## intercept noise parameter
r1.true <- .01 ## slope noise parameter

## simulate trajectories:
XY <- get.sim.trajectories(rct.lst = rcts,
                          constr.lst = cnstr,
                          latSts.lst = latsts,
                          ct.lst = ctps,
                          th = th.true,
                          S = S,
                          nCL = nCL,
                          X0 = X0,
                          s2 = s2.true,
                          r0 = r0.true,
                          r1 = r1.true,
                          f = f_NA,
                          ntps = ntps,
                          trunc = FALSE)

XY$X ## process
XY$Y ## measurements

```

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get.sMoments	<i>Get the first two-order smoothing moments from a fitted Kalman Reaction Network.</i>
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## Description

This function returns the first two-order smoothing moments from a Kalman Reaction Network previously fitted on a clonal tracking dataset.

## Usage

```
get.sMoments(res.fit, X = NULL, cell.cols = NULL)
```

## Arguments

res.fit	A list returned by get.fit() containing the information of a fitted Kalman Reaction Network.
X	Stochastic process. A 3-dimensional array whose dimensions are the time, the cell type and the clone respectively.
cell.cols	Color legend for the cell types. Defaults to NULL, in which case no color legend for the cell types is provided.

**Value**

No return value.

**Examples**

```

rcts <- c("HSC->T", ## reactions
         "HSC->M",
         "T->0",
         "M->0")

cnstr <- c("theta\\[\\['HSC->T\\'\\]=theta\\[\\['T->0\\'\\]",
          "theta\\[\\['HSC->M\\'\\]=theta\\[\\['M->0\\'\\]")
latsts <- "HSC" ## latent cell types

ctps <- unique(setdiff(c(sapply(rcts, function(r){ ## all cell types
  as.vector(unlist(strsplit(r, split = "->", fixed = TRUE)))
}, simplify = "array")), c("0", "1")))

Y0 <- Y_CT$WAS[,setdiff(ctps,"HSC"),]
topClones <- 2
Y0 <- Y0[, ,names(head(sort(apply(Y0!=0, 3, sum), decreasing = TRUE), topClones)),drop=FALSE]

## cluster parameters:
cl <- parallel::makeCluster(2, type = "PSOCK")

## initial condition:
X0 <- rep(0, length(ctps))
names(X0) <- ctps
X0["HSC"] <- 1

## mean vector and covariance matrix of X0:
m_0 <- replicate(dim(Y0)[3], X0, simplify = "array")
colnames(m_0) <- dimnames(Y0)[[3]]
P_0 <- Matrix::Diagonal(length(ctps) * dim(Y0)[3], 10)
rownames(P_0) <- colnames(P_0) <- rep(dimnames(Y0)[[3]], each = length(ctps))

## fit Karen on data:
res.fit <- get.fit(rct.lst = rcts,
                  constr.lst = cnstr,
                  latSts.lst = latsts,
                  ct.lst = ctps,
                  Y = Y0,
                  m0 = m_0,
                  P0 = P_0,
                  cl = cl,
                  list(nLQR = 1,
                      lmm = 0, ## needs to be >=5 for real applications
                      pgtol = 0,
                      relErrfct = 1e-5,

```

```

                                tol = 1e-3,
                                maxit = 0, ## needs to be increased for real applications
                                maxitEM = 1, ## needs to be increased for real applications
                                trace = 1,
                                verbose = TRUE,
                                FORCEP = FALSE))
parallel::stopCluster(cl)
oldpar <- par(no.readonly = TRUE)
par(mar = c(5,5,2,2), mfrow = c(1,3))
get.sMoments(res.fit)
par(oldpar)

```

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get.sMoments.avg      *Get the clone-average of the first two-order smoothing moments from a fitted Kalman Reaction Network.*

---

### Description

This function returns the clone-average of the first two-order smoothing moments from a Kalman Reaction Network previously fitted on a clonal tracking dataset.

### Usage

```
get.sMoments.avg(res.fit, X = NULL, cell.cols = NULL)
```

### Arguments

res.fit	A list returned by get.fit() containing the information of a fitted Kalman Reaction Network.
X	Stochastic process. A 3-dimensional array whose dimensions are the time, the cell type and the clone respectively.
cell.cols	Color legend for the cell types. Defaults to NULL, in which case no color legend for the cell types is provided.

### Value

No return value.

### Examples

```

rcts <- c("HSC->T", ## reactions
         "HSC->M",
         "T->0",
         "M->0")

cnstr <- c("theta[[\\'HSC->T\\'\\]]=theta[[\\'T->0\\'\\]]",
          "theta[[\\'HSC->M\\'\\]]=theta[[\\'M->0\\'\\]]")
latsts <- "HSC" ## latent cell types

```

```

ctps <- unique(setdiff(c(sapply(rcts, function(r){ ## all cell types
  as.vector(unlist(strsplit(r, split = ">", fixed = TRUE)))
}), simplify = "array")), c("0", "1")))

Y0 <- Y_CT$WAS[,setdiff(ctps,"HSC"),]
topClones <- 2
Y0 <- Y0[, ,names(head(sort(apply(Y0!=0, 3, sum), decreasing = TRUE), topClones)),drop=FALSE]

## cluster parameters:
cl <- parallel::makeCluster(2, type = "PSOCK")

## initial condition:
X0 <- rep(0, length(ctps))
names(X0) <- ctps
X0["HSC"] <- 1

## mean vector and covariance matrix of X0:
m_0 <- replicate(dim(Y0)[3], X0, simplify = "array")
colnames(m_0) <- dimnames(Y0)[[3]]
P_0 <- Matrix::Diagonal(length(ctps) * dim(Y0)[3], 10)
rownames(P_0) <- colnames(P_0) <- rep(dimnames(Y0)[[3]], each = length(ctps))

## fit Karen on data:
res.fit <- get.fit(rct.lst = rcts,
  constr.lst = cnstr,
  latSts.lst = latsts,
  ct.lst = ctps,
  Y = Y0,
  m0 = m_0,
  P0 = P_0,
  cl = cl,
  list(nLQR = 1,
    lmm = 0, ## needs to be >=5 for real applications
    pgtol = 0,
    relErrfct = 1e-5,
    tol = 1e-3,
    maxit = 0, ## needs to be increased for real applications
    maxitEM = 1, ## needs to be increased for real applications
    trace = 1,
    verbose = TRUE,
    FORCEP = FALSE))
parallel::stopCluster(cl)
get.sMoments.avg(res.fit)

```

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nearestPD

*Nearest Positive Definite Matrix*


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### Description

This function first check if a matrix  $A$  is positive definite, typically a correlation or variance-covariance matrix. If  $A$  is not positive definite, this function computes the nearest positive definite

matrix of A using the function `nearPD` from package `Matrix`.

### Usage

```
nearestPD(A, ...)
```

### Arguments

**A** numeric  $n \times n$  approximately positive definite matrix, typically an approximation to a correlation or covariance matrix. If A is not symmetric (and `ensureSymmetry` is not `false`), `symmpart(A)` is used.

**...** Further arguments to be passed to `nearPD` (see package `Matrix` for details).

### Value

The nearest positive definite matrix of A.

### Examples

```
nearestPD(diag(c(1,0,1)))
```

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Y\_CT

*Clonal tracking data from clinical trials*

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### Description

A dataset containing clonal tracking cell counts from three different clinical trials.

### Usage

```
Y_CT
```

### Format

A list containing the clonal tracking data for each clinical trial (WAS,  $\beta 0 \beta E$ ,  $\beta S \beta S$ ). Each clonal tracking dataset is a 3-dimensional array whose dimensions identify

- 1** time, in months
- 2** cell types: T, B, NK, Macrophages(M) and Granulocytes(G)
- 3** unique barcodes (clones)

### Source

[https://github.com/BushmanLab/HSC\\_diversity](https://github.com/BushmanLab/HSC_diversity)

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Y\_RM

*Rhesus Macaque clonal tracking dataset*

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**Description**

A dataset containing clonal tracking cell counts from a Rhesus Macaque study.

**Usage**

Y\_RM

**Format**

A list containing clonal tracking data for each animal (ZH33, ZH17, ZG66). Each clonal tracking dataset is a 3-dimensional array whose dimensions identify

- 1** time, in months
- 2** cell types: T, B, NK, Macrophages(M) and Granulocytes(G)
- 3** unique barcodes (clones)

**Source**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3979461/bin/NIHMS567927-supplement-02.xlsx>

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