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bivTM

*Bivalent transition matrix function*


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**Description**

Bivalent transition matrix function

**Usage**

bivTM(r)

**Arguments**

r                    recombination frequency

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BLUE	<i>Calculate Best Linear Unbiased Estimates using linear mixed model from nlme package</i>
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### Description

Calculation of BLUEs from data frame of genotype names and phenotypes (assuming repeated measurements)

### Usage

```
BLUE(data, model, random, genotype.ID)
```

### Arguments

data	Data frame of genotype codes and corresponding phenotypes
model	The model specification of fixed terms, eg. Yield ~ Clones
random	The random component of the model (repeat structure, can be nested), eg. ~1   Blocks if only Blocks are used
genotype.ID	The colname used to describe genotypes, e.g. "Clones"

### Value

A data-frame with columns "geno" for the genotype names, and "blue" for the BLUEs.

### Examples

```
data("Phenotypes_4x")
blue <- BLUE(data = Phenotypes_4x, model = pheno~geno, random = ~1|year, genotype.ID = "geno")
```

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BLUEs.pheno	<i>A data-frame of best linear unbiased predicted (BLUE) phenotypes (4x)</i>
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### Description

A data-frame of best linear unbiased predicted (BLUE) phenotypes (4x)

### Usage

```
BLUEs.pheno
```

### Format

An object of class `data.frame` with 50 rows and 2 columns.

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bx	<i>Rcpp internal function Backward from forward-backward algorithm</i>
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**Description**

Rcpp internal function Backward from forward-backward algorithm

**Usage**

bx

**Format**

An object of class function of length 1.

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colour.bar	<i>Add colour bar scale to heatmap</i>
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**Description**

Function to generate a scale for heatplots

**Usage**

```
colour.bar(  
  col.data,  
  min,  
  max = -min,  
  cex.ticks = 1.2,  
  nticks = 11,  
  ticks = seq(min, max, len = nticks),  
  title = "",  
  ylab = "",  
  cex.lab = 1  
)
```

**Arguments**

col.data	vector of colours
min	minimum colour
max	maximum colour
cex.ticks	size of ticks on colour bar
nticks	number of ticks on colour bar
ticks	vector of positions of ticks on colour bar

title	optional title for colour bar
ylab	optional y-axis label for colour bar
cex.lab	size of labels on colour bar

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```
convert_mappoly_to_phased.maplist
```

*Function to extract the phased map from a mappoly.map object*

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### Description

Convert MAPpoly.map object into a phased maplist, needed for IBD estimation

### Usage

```
convert_mappoly_to_phased.maplist(mappoly_object)
```

### Arguments

mappoly\_object An object of class 'mappoly.map', for example output of the function `mappoly::est_rf_hmm_sequential`

### Value

A phased.maplist, with linkage group names LG1 etc. Each list item is a data.frame with columns marker, position followed by the phased map, coded in 1 and 0 for presence/absence of SNP (alternative) allele on parental homologues (h) numbered 1:ploidy for parent 1 and ploidy + 1 : 2\*ploidy for parent 2.

### Examples

```
data(maps.hexafake, package = "mappoly")
phased.maplist <- convert_mappoly_to_phased.maplist(maps.hexafake)
```

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```
count_recombinations Predict recombination breakpoints using IBD probabilities
```

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### Description

The function `count_recombinations` returns a list of all predicted recombination breakpoints. The output can be passed using the argument `recombination_data` to the function `visualiseHaplo`, where the predicted breakpoints overlay the haplotypes. Alternatively, a genome-wide visualisation of the recombination landscape both per linkage group and per individual can be generated using the function `plotReCLS`, which can be useful in identifying problematic areas of the linkage maps, or problematic individuals in the population.

**Usage**

```
count_recombinations(IBD_list, plausible_pairing_prob = 0.4)
```

**Arguments**

**IBD\_list** List of IBD\_probabilities as estimated using one of the various methods available (e.g. `estimate_IBD`), assuming bivalent pairing.

**plausible\_pairing\_prob** The minimum probability of a pairing configuration needed to analyse an individual's IBD data. The default setting of 0.4 is rather low - but accommodates scenarios where e.g. two competing plausible pairing scenarios are possible. In such situations, both pairing configurations (also termed "valencies") would be expected to have a probability close to 0.5. Both are then considered, and the output contains the probability of both situations. These can then be used to generate a probabilistic recombination landscape. If a more definite set of predictions is required, simply increase `plausible_pairing_prob` to eliminate such uncertainty. These individuals will then be returned with a NA value.

**Value**

A nested list corresponding to each linkage group. Within each LG, a list with 3 items is returned, specifying the `plausible_pairing_prob`, the map and the predicted recombinations in each individual in the mapping population. Per individual, all valencies with a probability greater than `plausible_pairing_prob` are returned, specifying both the `Valent_probability` and the best estimate of the cM position of the recombination\_breakpoints involving pairs of homologues A, B, C etc. (in the order parent 1, parent 2). If no recombinations are predicted, a NA value is given instead.

**Examples**

```
data("IBD_4x")
recom.ls <- count_recombinations(IBD_4x)
```

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 estimate\_GIC

*Estimate the Genotypic Information Coefficient (GIC)*


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**Description**

Function to estimate the GIC per homologue using IBD probabilities

**Usage**

```
estimate_GIC(IBD_list)
```

**Arguments**

**IBD\_list** List of IBD probabilities

**Value**

A nested list; each list element (per linkage group) contains the following items:

- GIC : Matrix of GIC values estimated from the IBD probabilities
- map : Integrated linkage map positions of markers used in IBD calculation
- parental\_phase : The parental marker phasing, coded in 1 and 0's

**Examples**

```
data("IBD_4x")
GIC_4x <- estimate_GIC(IBD_list = IBD_4x)
```

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estimate_IBD	<i>Generate IBD probabilities from marker genotypes and a phased linkage map</i>
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**Description**

estimate\_IBD is a function for creating identity-by-descent (IBD) probabilities. Two computational methods are offered: by default IBD probabilities are estimated using hidden Markov models, but a heuristic method based on Bourke et al. (2014) is also included. Basic input data for this function are marker genotypes (either discrete marker dosages (ie scores 0, 1, ..., ploidy representing the number of copies of the marker allele), or the probabilities of these dosages) and a phased linkage map. Details on each of the methods are included under method

**Usage**

```
estimate_IBD(
  input_type = "discrete",
  genotypes,
  phased_maplist,
  method = "hmm",
  remove_markers = NULL,
  ploidy,
  ploidy2 = NULL,
  parent1 = "P1",
  parent2 = "P2",
  individuals = "all",
  log = NULL,
  map_function = "haldane",
  bivalent_decoding = TRUE,
  error = 0.01,
  verbose = FALSE,
  ncores = 1,
  fix_threshold = 0.1,
  factor_dist = 1
)
```



**Arguments**

input_type	Can be either one of 'discrete' or 'probabilistic'. For the former (default), dosage_matrix must be supplied, while for the latter probgeno_df must be supplied. Note that probabilistic genotypes can only be accepted if the method is default ('hmm').
genotypes	Marker genotypes, either a 2d matrix of integer marker scores or a data.frame of dosage probabilities. Details are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• discrete : If input_type is 'discrete', genotypes is a matrix of marker dosage scores with markers in rows and individuals in columns. Both (marker) rownames and (individual or sample) colnames are needed.</li> <li>• probabilistic : If input_type is 'probabilistic', genotypes is a data frame as read from the scores file produced by function saveMarkerModels of R package fitPoly, or alternatively, a data frame containing at least the following columns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– SampleName : Name of the sample (individual)</li> <li>– MarkerName : Name of the marker</li> <li>– P0 : Probabilities of dosage score '0'</li> <li>– P1, P2... etc. : Probabilities of dosage score '1' etc. (up to max offspring dosage, e.g. P4 for tetraploid population)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
phased_maplist	A list of phased linkage maps, the output of polymapR::create_phased_maplist
method	The method used to estimate IBD probabilities, either "hmm" or "heur". By default, the Hidden Markov Model (hmm) method is used. This uses an approach developed by Zheng et al (2016), and implemented in the 'TetraOrigin' package. However, unlike the original TetraOrigin software, it does not re-estimate parental linkage phase, as this is assumed to have been generated during map construction. Alternatively, a heuristic algorithm can be employed (method = "heur"), providing computational efficiency at higher ploidy levels (hexaploid, octoploid etc.), but at the cost of some accuracy. If method = "hmm" is specified, only diploid, triploid, autotetraploid and autohexaploid populations are currently allowed, while method = "heur" caters for all possible ploidy levels. Furthermore, the argument bivalent_decoding can only be set to FALSE in the case of the 'hmm' method (i.e. allowing for the possibility of multivalent formation and double reduction).
remove_markers	Optional vector of marker names to remove from the maps. Default is NULL.
ploidy	Integer. Ploidy of the organism.
ploidy2	Optional integer, by default NULL. Ploidy of parent 2, if different from parent 1.
parent1	Identifier of parent 1, by default assumed to be "P1"
parent2	Identifier of parent 2, by default assumed to be "P2"
individuals	By default "all" offspring are included, but otherwise a subset can be selected, using a vector of offspring indexing numbers (1,2, etc.) according to their order in dosage_matrix
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.

map_function	Mapping function to use when converting map distances to recombination frequencies. Currently only "haldane" or "kosambi" are allowed.
bivalent_decoding	Option to consider only bivalent pairing during formation of gametes (ignored for diploid populations, as only bivalents possible there), by default TRUE
error	The (prior) probability of errors in the offspring dosages, usually assumed to be small but non-zero
verbose	Logical, by default TRUE. Should progress messages be written?
ncores	How many CPU cores should be used in the evaluation? By default 1 core is used.
fix_threshold	If method = "heur", the threshold to fix the IBD probabilities while correcting for the sum of probabilities.
factor_dist	If method = "heur", the factor by which to increase or decrease the recombination frequencies as calculated from the map distances.

### Value

A list of IBD probabilities, organised by linkage group (as given in the input `phased_maplist`). Each list item is itself a list containing the following:

- `IBDtype`: The type of IBD; for this function only "genotypeIBD" are calculated.
- `IBDarray`: A 3d array of IBD probabilities, with dimensions marker, genotype-class and F1 individual.
- `map`: A 3-column data-frame specifying chromosome, marker and position (in cM)
- `parental_phase`: Phasing of the markers in the parents, as given in the input `phased_maplist`
- `biv_dec`: Logical, whether bivalent decoding was used in the estimation of the F1 IBD probabilities.
- `gap`: The size of the gap (in cM) used when interpolating the IBD probabilities. See function [spline\\_IBD](#) for details.
- `genocodes`: Ordered list of genotype codes used to represent different genotype classes.
- `pairing`: log likelihoods of each of the different pairing scenarios considered (can be used e.g. for post-mapping check of preferential pairing)
- `ploidy`: ploidy of parent 1
- `ploidy2`: ploidy of parent 2
- `method`: The method used, either "hmm" (default) or "heur". See argument `method`
- `error`: The error prior used, if method "hmm" was used, otherwise NULL

### References

- Durbin R, Eddy S, Krogh A, Mitchison G (1998) Biological sequence analysis: Probabilistic models of proteins and nucleic acids. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- Hackett et al. (2013) Linkage analysis and QTL mapping using SNP dosage data in a tetraploid potato mapping population. PLoS One 8(5): e63939

- Zheng et al. (2016) Probabilistic multilocus haplotype reconstruction in outcrossing tetraploids. *Genetics* 203: 119-131
- Bourke P.M. (2014) QTL analysis in polyploids: Model testing and power calculations. Wageningen University (MSc thesis)

### Examples

```
data("phased_maplist.4x", "SNP_dosages.4x")
estimate_IBD(phased_maplist=phased_maplist.4x,genotypes=SNP_dosages.4x,ploidy=4)
```

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exploreQTL	<i>Explore the possible segregation type of a QTL peak using Schwarz Information Criterion</i>
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### Description

Function to explore the possible segregation type at a QTL position using the Schwarz Information Criterion

### Usage

```
exploreQTL(
  IBD_list,
  Phenotype.df,
  genotype.ID,
  trait.ID,
  linkage_group,
  LOD_data,
  cM = NULL,
  QTLconfig = NULL,
  plotBIC = TRUE,
  deltaBIC = 6,
  testAllele_Effects = TRUE,
  log = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities
Phenotype.df	A data.frame containing phenotypic values
genotype.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the population identifiers (F1 names) (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
trait.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the response variable to use in the model (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
linkage_group	Numeric identifier of the linkage group being tested, based on the order of IBD_list. Only a single linkage group is allowed.

LOD_data	Output of <code>QTLscan</code> function
cM	By default NULL, in which case the position of maximum LOD score is taken as the position of interest. Otherwise, the cM position to be explored.
QTLconfig	Nested list of homologue configurations and modes of action of QTL to be explored and compared, the output of <code>segMaker</code> . Note that a default List is available of all possible bi-allelic QTL if none is provided. Each list element is itself a list with components <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>homs</code> : a vector of length at least 1, describing the proposed homologues the functional allele Q is on</li> <li>• <code>mode</code> : Vector of same length as <code>homs</code> with codes "a" for additive and "d" for dominant.</li> </ul>
plotBIC	Logical, with default TRUE - should the calculated BIC values be plotted?
deltaBIC	Numeric, by default 6. Configurations within this distance of the minimum BIC are considered plausible.
testAllele_Effects	Logical, with default TRUE - should the effects of the different alleles be tested using the most likely QTL configuration?
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.

### Value

List with the following items:

- `BIC` : Vector of BIC values corresponding to elements of `QTLconfig` provided for testing
- `Allele.effects` : Summary of the means and standard errors of groups with (+) and without(-) the specified allele combinations for the most likely `QTLconfig` if `testAllele_Effects` = TRUE (NULL otherwise).

### Examples

```
data("IBD_4x", "BLUEs.pheno", "qtl_LODs.4x")
exploreQTL(IBD_list = IBD_4x,
           Phenotype.df = BLUEs.pheno,
           genotype.ID = "Geno",
           trait.ID = "BLUE",
           linkage_group = 1,
           LOD_data = qtl_LODs.4x)
```

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fast\_IBD

*Extremely fast estimation of identity-by-descent (IBD) probabilities.*

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### Description

The method of "quick-and-dirty" IBD estimation was originally developed by Bourke (2014) for tetraploid data only, and was subsequently generalised by van Geest et al. (2017). Can be useful for a first quick analysis, particularly in large hexaploid datasets. However, the higher accuracy of IBD probabilities generated by `hmm_IBD` makes that function the preferred choice.

**Usage**

```
fast_IBD(
  phased_maplist,
  dosage_matrix,
  map_function = "haldane",
  ploidy,
  ploidy2 = NULL,
  fix_threshold = 0.1,
  factor_dist = 1,
  ncores = 1
)
```

**Arguments**

phased_maplist	A list of linkage maps calculated by <code>polymapR::create_phased_maplist</code>
dosage_matrix	An integer matrix with markers in rows and individuals in columns
map_function	The mapping function to calculate recombination frequency based on map distance (haldane or kosambi)
ploidy	Ploidy level of parents or of the first parent
ploidy2	Ploidy level of the second parent. By default NULL, if parents have equal ploidy levels.
fix_threshold	The threshold to fix the IBD probabilities while correcting for the sum of probabilities.
factor_dist	Factor to increase or decrease the recombination frequencies as calculated from the map distances.
ncores	Number of cores to use for multi-core processing.

**Value**

A nested list (with the same length as `phased_maplist`). Each list element contains the following items:

IBDtype	Always "haplotypeIBD" for the output of this function
IBDarray	An array of IBD probabilities. The dimensions of the array are: markers, homologues and individuals.
map	Integrated linkage map positions of markers used in IBD calculation
parental_phase	The parental marker phasing, coded in 1 and 0's
biv_dec	NULL
gap	The gap size used in IBD interpolation, by default NULL. See <a href="#">spline_IBD</a>
genocodes	NULL
pairing	NULL
ploidy	ploidy of parent 1
ploidy2	ploidy of parent 2
method	The method used, here "heur" (heuristic)
error	The error prior used, not relevant here thus NULL

## References

Bourke P.M. (2014) QTL analysis in polyploids: Model testing and power calculations. Wageningen University (MSc thesis)

## Examples

```
data("phased_maplist.4x", "SNP_dosages.4x")
IBD_list.4x <- fast_IBD(phased_maplist = phased_maplist.4x,
                       dosage_matrix = SNP_dosages.4x,
                       ploidy = 4)
```

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fast_permute	<i>Extension of the <a href="#">QTLscan</a> function, offering an optimised permutation test when the experimental setting (i.e. phenotype structure) is simple</i>
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## Description

Function to run optimised QTL permutation test using IBD probabilities

## Usage

```
fast_permute(
  IBD_list,
  Phenotype.df,
  genotype.ID,
  trait.ID,
  ploidy,
  ploidy2 = NULL,
  N_perm = 1000,
  alpha = 0.05,
  ncores = 1,
  log = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities
Phenotype.df	A data.frame containing phenotypic values
genotype.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the offspring identifiers (F1 names)
trait.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the response variable to use in the model
ploidy	Integer. The ploidy of parent 1
ploidy2	The ploidy of parent 2, by default NULL i.e. assumed (unless specified) to be equal to the ploidy of parent 1.
N_perm	The number of permutations to run, by default this is 1000.

alpha	The P-value to be used in the selection of a threshold, by default 0.05 (i.e. the 0.95 quantile).
ncores	Number of cores to use, by default 1 only. Works both for Windows and UNIX (using doParallel). Use <code>parallel::detectCores()</code> to find out how many cores you have available.
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.

### Value

A nested list; each list element (per linkage group) contains the following items:

- `QTL.res` : Single matrix of QTL results with columns chromosome, position, LOD
- `Perm.res` : List of the results of the permutation test, with (at least) list items "quantile", "threshold" and "scores". Quantile refers to which quantile of scores was used to determine the threshold. Note that scores are each of the maximal LOD scores across the entire genome scan per permutation, thus returning a genome-wide threshold rather than a chromosome-specific threshold. If the latter is preferred, restricting the `IBD_list` to a single chromosome and re-running the permutation test will provide the desired threshold.
- `Map` : Original map of genetic marker positions upon which the IBDs were based, most often used for adding rug of marker positions to QTL plots.

### Examples

```
data("IBD_4x", "Phenotypes_4x")
qtl_LODs.4x <- fast_permute(IBD_list = IBD_4x,
                           Phenotype.df = Phenotypes_4x,
                           genotype.ID = "geno",
                           trait.ID = "pheno",
                           ploidy = 4)
```

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fx

*Rcpp internal function Forward from forward-backward algorithm*


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### Description

Rcpp internal function Forward from forward-backward algorithm

### Usage

```
fx
```

### Format

An object of class function of length 1.

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GIC_4x	<i>A list of GIC estimates (4x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of GIC estimates (4x)

**Usage**

GIC\_4x

**Format**

An object of class `list` of length 2.

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hexa.list	<i>A list of hexaploid bivalent pairing configurations</i>
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**Description**

A list of hexaploid bivalent pairing configurations

**Usage**

hexa.list

**Format**

An object of class `list` of length 15.

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hexTM	<i>Hexavalent transition matrix function</i>
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**Description**

Hexavalent transition matrix function

**Usage**

hexTM(r)

**Arguments**

r                      recombination frequency



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hmm_IBD	<i>Generate IBD probabilities from marker genotypes and a phased linkage map using HMM</i>
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## Description

hmm\_IBD is a function for creating identity-by-descent (IBD) probabilities using hidden Markov models, from marker genotypes (either discrete marker dosages (ie scores 0, 1, ..., ploidy representing the number of copies of the marker allele), or the probabilities of these dosages) and a phased linkage map. Unlike the original TetraOrigin software, it does not re-estimate parental linkage phase, and has been generalised for use in diploid, triploid, tetraploid and hexaploid populations.

## Usage

```
hmm_IBD(
  input_type = "discrete",
  genotypes,
  phased_maplist,
  remove_markers = NULL,
  ploidy,
  ploidy2 = NULL,
  parent1 = "P1",
  parent2 = "P2",
  individuals = "all",
  log = NULL,
  map_function = "haldane",
  bivalent_decoding = TRUE,
  error = 0.01,
  verbose = FALSE,
  ncores = 1
)
```

## Arguments

- |            |  |
|------------|--|
| input_type | Can be either one of 'discrete' or 'probabilistic'. For the former (default), dosage_matrix must be supplied, while for the latter probgeno_df must be supplied  |
| genotypes  | Marker genotypes, either a 2d matrix of integer marker scores or a data.frame of dosage probabilities. Details are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• discrete : If input_type is 'discrete', genotypes is a matrix of marker dosage scores with markers in rows and individuals in columns. Both (marker) rownames and (individual or sample) colnames are needed.</li> <li>• probabilistic : If input_type is 'probabilistic', genotypes is a data frame as read from the scores file produced by function saveMarkerModels of R package fitPoly, or alternatively, a data frame containing at least the following columns:</li> </ul> |

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– SampleName : Name of the sample (individual)</li> <li>– MarkerName : Name of the marker</li> <li>– P0 : Probabilities of dosage score '0'</li> <li>– P1, P2... etc. : Probabilities of dosage score '1' etc. (up to max offspring dosage, e.g. P4 for tetraploid population)</li> </ul>
phased_maplist	A list of phased linkage maps, the output of <code>polymapR::create_phased_maplist</code>
remove_markers	Optional vector of marker names to remove from the maps. Default is NULL.
ploidy	Integer. Ploidy of the organism.
ploidy2	Optional integer, by default NULL. Ploidy of parent 2, if different from parent 1.
parent1	Identifier of parent 1, by default assumed to be "P1"
parent2	Identifier of parent 2, by default assumed to be "P2"
individuals	By default "all" offspring are included, but otherwise a subset can be selected, using a vector of offspring indexing numbers (1,2, etc.) according to their order in <code>dosage_matrix</code>
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.
map_function	Mapping function to use when converting map distances to recombination frequencies. Currently only "haldane" or "kosambi" are allowed.
bivalent_decoding	Option to consider only bivalent pairing during formation of gametes (ignored for diploid populations, as only bivalents possible there), by default TRUE
error	The (prior) probability of errors in the offspring dosages, usually assumed to be small but non-zero
verbose	Logical, by default TRUE. Should progress messages be written?
ncores	How many CPU cores should be used in the evaluation? By default 1 core is used.

## Value

A list of IBD probabilities, organised by linkage group (as given in the input `phased_maplist`). Each list item is itself a list containing the following:

- `IBDtype`: The type of IBD; for this function only "genotypeIBD" are calculated.
- `IBDarray`: A 3d array of IBD probabilities, with dimensions marker, genotype-class and F1 individual.
- `map`: A 3-column data-frame specifying chromosome, marker and position (in cM)
- `parental_phase`: Phasing of the markers in the parents, as given in the input `phased_maplist`
- `biv_dec`: Logical, whether bivalent decoding was used in the estimation of the F1 IBD probabilities.
- `gap`: The size of the gap (in cM) used when interpolating the IBD probabilities, if performed.
- `genocodes`: Ordered list of genotype codes used to represent different genotype classes.
- `pairing`: log likelihoods of each of the different pairing scenarios considered (can be used e.g. for post-mapping check of preferential pairing)

- ploidy: ploidy of parent 1
- ploidy2: ploidy of parent 2
- method : The method used, here "hmm" (Hidden Markov Model)
- error : The error prior used

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## Examples

```
data("phased_maplist.4x", "SNP_dosages.4x")  
hmm_IBD(phased_maplist=phased_maplist.4x, genotypes=SNP_dosages.4x, ploidy=4)
```

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IBD\_4x

*A list of identity-by-descent probabilities (4x)*

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## Description

A list of identity-by-descent probabilities (4x)

## Usage

IBD\_4x

## Format

An object of class `list` of length 2.

import\_IBD

*Import IBD probabilities as estimated by TetraOrigin***Description**

Imports the summarised IBD probability output of TetraOrigin (which estimates IBD probabilities at all marker positions), and interpolates these at a grid of positions at user-defined spacing.

**Usage**

```
import_IBD(
  folder = NULL,
  filename.vec,
  bivalent_decoding = TRUE,
  error = 0.01,
  log = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

folder	The path to the folder in which the TetraOrigin output is contained, default is NULL if files are in working directory.
filename.vec	A vector of the character filename(s) of the .csv file(s) containing the output of TetraOrigin. Should be in order according to LG/chromosome numbering.
bivalent_decoding	Logical, if TRUE then only bivalent pairing was allowed in TetraOrigin, specify FALSE if multivalent pairing was also allowed.
error	The offspring error prior used in the offspring decoding step, here assumed to be 0.01
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.

**Value**

Returns a list with the following items:

IBDtype :	Always "genotypeIBD" for the output of TetraOrigin
IBDarray :	An array of IBD probabilities. The dimensions of the array are: markers, genotype classes and individuals.
map :	Integrated linkage map positions of markers used in IBD calculation
parental_phase :	The parental marker phasing as used by TetraOrigin, recoded in 1 and 0's
biv_dec :	Logical, the bivalent_decoding parameter specified.
gap :	The gap size used in IBD interpolation, by default NULL. See <a href="#">spline_IBD</a>
genocodes :	Ordered list of genotype codes used to represent different genotype classes.

pairing :	log likelihoods of each of the different pairing scenarios considered (can be used e.g. for post-mapping check of preferential pairing)
ploidy :	The ploidy of parent 1, by default assumed to be 4
ploidy2 :	The ploidy of parent 2, by default assumed to be 4
method :	The method used, always returned as "hmm_TO" (Hidden Markov Model TetraOrigin)
error :	The error prior used in the calculation, assumed to be 0.01

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impute_dosages	<i>Re-estimate marker dosages given IBD input estimated using a high error prior.</i>
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### Description

Function to correct marker dosage scores given a list of previously estimated IBD probabilities. This may prove useful to correct genotyping errors. Running the [estimate\\_IBD](#) function with a high error prior (e.g. 0.6) will result in suppressed predictions of double recombination events, associated with genotyping errors. By forcing the HMM to penalise double recombinations heavily, a smoothed haplotype landscape is achieved in which individual genotype observations are down-weighted. This smoothed output is then used to re-estimate marker dosages, dependent on (correct) parental scores.

### Usage

```
impute_dosages(
  IBD_list,
  dosage_matrix,
  parent1 = "P1",
  parent2 = "P2",
  rounding_error = 0.05,
  min_error_prior = 0.5,
  verbose = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities
dosage_matrix	An integer matrix with markers in rows and individuals in columns. Note that probabilistic genotypes are not currently catered for here.
parent1	The identifier of parent 1, by default "P1"
parent2	The identifier of parent 2, by default "P2"
rounding_error	The maximum deviation from an integer value that an imputed value can have, by default 0.05. For example, an imputed score of 2.97 or 3.01 would both be rounded to a dosage of 3, while 2.87 would be deemed too far from an integer score, and would be made missing. If you find the output contains too many missing values, a possibility would be to increase the rounding_error. However this may also introduce more errors in the output!

min\_error\_prior      Suggestion for a suitably high error prior to be used in IBD calculations to ensure IBD smoothing is achieved

verbose              Should messages be written to standard output?

### Examples

```
## Not run:
# Toy example only, as this will result in an Error: the original error prior was too low
data("IBD_4x", "SNP_dosages.4x")
impute_dosages(IBD_list=IBD_4x, dosage_matrix=SNP_dosages.4x)

## End(Not run)
```

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list.depth	<i>Find depth of a list</i>
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### Description

Recursive function checking list depth to determine subsequent subsetting rules

### Usage

```
list.depth(obj, objdepth = 0)
```

### Arguments

obj                    An input object, may be a (nested) list

objdepth             Counter to record how deep the recursion has gone

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mapseq	<i>Generate a sequence of map positions for splining function</i>
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### Description

Function to return a sequence of map positions at steps of size gap from given input

### Usage

```
mapseq(cMvect, gap)
```

### Arguments

cMvect                Vector of map positions

gap                    Gap size in cM

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meiosis_report	<i>Generate a 'report' of predicted meiotic behaviour in an F1 population</i>
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### Description

Function to extract the chromosome pairing predictions as estimated by `estimate_IBD`. Apart from producing an overview of the pairing during parental meiosis (including counts of multivalents, per linkage group per parent), the function also applies a simple chi-squared test to look for evidence of non-random pairing behaviour from the bivalent counts (deviations from a polysomic model)

### Usage

```
meiosis_report(IBD_list, visualise = TRUE)
```

### Arguments

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities as estimated by <code>estimate_IBD</code> using method 'hmm', or externally (e.g. using TetraOrigin)
visualise	Logical, by default TRUE, in which case a plot of the pairing results is produced per LG. In order to flag extreme deviations from the expected numbers (associated with polysomic inheritance, considered the Null hypothesis), barplots are coloured according to the level of significance of the X2 test. Plots showing red bars indicate extreme deviations from a polysomic pattern.

### Value

The function returns a nested list, with one element per linkage group in the same order as the input IBD list. Per linkage group, a list is returned containing the following components:

- P1\_multivalents: The count of multivalents in parent 1 (only relevant if `bivalent_decoding = FALSE` during IBD calculation)
- P2\_multivalents: Similarly, the count of multivalents in parent 2
- P1\_pairing: The counts of each bivalent pairing predicted in parent 1, with an extra column `Pr(X2)` which gives the p-value of the X2 test of the off-diagonal terms in the matrix. In the case of a tetraploid, pairing A with B automatically implies C with D pairing, so the count table contains a lot of redundancy. The table should be read using both row and column names, so row A and column B corresponds to the count of individuals with A and B pairing (and hence C and D pairing). In a hexaploid, A-B pairing does not imply a particular pairing configuration in the remaining homologues. In this case, row A and column B is the count of individuals where A and B were predicted to have paired, summed over all three bivalent configurations with A and B paired (AB-CD-EF, AB-CE-DF, AB-CF,DE).
- P2\_pairing: Same as P1\_pairing, except using parent 2

### Examples

```
data("IBD_4x")
meiosis_report(IBD_list = IBD_4x)
```

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NettletonDoerge      *Nettleton and Doerge 2000*

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**Description**

Nettleton and Doerge 2000

**Usage**

NettletonDoerge(N = 100, alpha = 0.05, gamma = 0.05)

**Arguments**

N	number of permutations
alpha	The threshold level, ie. (1 - alpha) quantile of sorted LOD scores defines threshold
gamma	The confidence interval specifier, usually 0.05

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Nstates.fun      *Error handling on ploidy and ploidy2, and determine the number of genotype classes for general ploidy level and pairing behaviour*

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**Description**

Error handling on ploidy and ploidy2, and determine the number of genotype classes for general ploidy level and pairing behaviour

**Usage**

Nstates.fun(biv\_dec, p1, p12)

**Arguments**

biv_dec	Either TRUE for bivalents only or FALSE to also allow quadrivalents and double reduction
p1	ploidy level of parent 1, assumed to be even and greater than 4
p12	ploidy level of parent 2, assumed to be even and greater than 2



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phased_maplist.4x	<i>A list of phased maps (4x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of phased maps (4x)

**Usage**

```
phased_maplist.4x
```

**Format**

An object of class `list` of length 2.

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Phenotypes_4x	<i>A data-frame of phenotypes (4x)</i>
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**Description**

A data-frame of phenotypes (4x)

**Usage**

```
Phenotypes_4x
```

**Format**

An object of class `data.frame` with 150 rows and 3 columns.

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plotLinearQTL	<i>Plot the results of genome-wide QTL analysis along a single track</i>
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**Description**

QTL plotting function that plots output of `QTLscan` function along a single track, useful for overlaying plots. Only works for scan over multiple chromosomes.

**Usage**

```

plotLinearQTL(
  LOD_data,
  inter_chm_gap = 5,
  overlay = FALSE,
  ylimits = NULL,
  sig.unit = "LOD",
  plot_type = c("lines", "points"),
  add_xaxis = TRUE,
  add_rug = TRUE,
  add_thresh = TRUE,
  override_thresh = NULL,
  thresh.lty = 3,
  thresh.lwd = 2,
  thresh.col = "darkred",
  return_plotData = FALSE,
  show_thresh_CI = TRUE,
  use_LG_names = FALSE,
  axis_label.cex = 1,
  custom_LG_names = NULL,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

LOD_data	Output of <a href="#">QTLscan</a> function.
inter_chm_gap	The gap size (in cM) between successive chromosomes - by default a gap of 5 cM is used.
overlay	Add to an existing plot (should be produced by a comparable call to this function) or not? By default FALSE, in which case a new plot is drawn. Can be useful for displaying results of multiple analyses together. However, an alternative approach, when significance thresholds have been calculated for multiple comparable scans, that plots be rescaled so that significance thresholds overlap perfectly. For this, the <a href="#">plotLinearQTL_list</a> function is advised.
ylimits	Use to specify ylimits of plot region, though by default NULL in which case a suitable plot region is automatically used.
sig.unit	Label to use on the y-axis for significance units, by default assumed to be LOD score.
plot_type	Plots can be either in line drawings ("lines") or scatter plot format ("points").
add_xaxis	Should an x-axis be drawn? If multiple QTL analyses are performed on different traits, specifying this to be FALSE and using <code>par(mar=c(0, 4.1, 4.1, 2.1))</code> allows subsequent plots to be neatly stacked.
add_rug	Logical, by default TRUE - should original marker points be added to plot?
add_thresh	Logical, by default TRUE - should a significance threshold be added to plot?

override_thresh	By default NULL. Can be used to specify a value for the significance threshold, overriding any stored in LOD_data.
thresh.lty	Gives user control over the line type of the significance threshold to be drawn.
thresh.lwd	Gives user control over the line width of the significance threshold to be drawn.
thresh.col	Gives user control over the line colour of the significance threshold to be drawn.
return_plotData	Logical, by default FALSE. If TRUE, then the x and y coordinates of the plot data are returned, which can be useful for subsequent plot manipulations and overlays.
show_thresh_CI	Logical, by default TRUE. Should confidence interval bounds around LOD threshold be shown?
use_LG_names	Logical, by default FALSE. Should original character LG names be used as axis labels, or should numbering be used instead?
axis_label.cex	Argument to adjust the size of the axis labels, can be useful if there are many linkage groups to plot
custom_LG_names	Specify a vector that contains custom linkage group names. By default NULL
...	Arguments passed to <code>plot</code> , and <code>lines</code> or <code>points</code> as appropriate (see argument <code>plot_type</code> ).

**Value**

The plot data, if `return_plotData = TRUE`. Otherwise NULL

**Examples**

```
## Not run:
data("qtl_LODs.4x")
plotLinearQTL(LOD_data = qtl_LODs.4x)

## End(Not run)
```

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plotLinearQTL_list	<i>Overlay the results of a number of genome-wide QTL analysis for which significance thresholds are available.</i>
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**Description**

Extension of the `plotLinearQTL` function, taking as input a list generated from combining the output of `QTLscan`. Its distinguishing characteristic is that overlaid plots are re-scaled so that the significance thresholds overlap. This can be useful if there are multiple results being plotted together for comparison, all of which may have different thresholds. The resulting plot can help quickly compare the power of different analyses. Warning - the y axis LOD scale is only correct for the first list element / set of results. Also as before, this function only works for QTL scan over multiple chromosomes.

**Usage**

```

plotLinearQTL_list(
  LOD_data.ls,
  inter_chm_gap = 5,
  ylimits = NULL,
  sig.unit = "LOD",
  plot_type,
  add_xaxis = TRUE,
  add_rug = TRUE,
  colours = c("black", "red", "dodgerblue", "sienna4"),
  ylab.at = 2.5,
  main.size = 2,
  main.lty = 1,
  thresh.lty = 3,
  thresh.lwd = 2,
  thresh.col = "darkred",
  return_plotData = FALSE,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

LOD_data.ls	A list, each element of which is a separate output of <a href="#">QTLscan</a> , for which the setting <code>perm_test = TRUE</code> was used each time.
inter_chm_gap	The gap size (in cM) between successive chromosomes - by default a gap of 5 cM is used.
ylimits	Use to specify ylimits of plot region, though by default NULL in which case a suitable plot region is automatically used.
sig.unit	Label to use on the y-axis for significance units, by default assumed to be "LOD".
plot_type	Plots can be either in line drawings or scatter plot format. If multiple types are required, supply as a vector of same length as LOD_data.ls
add_xaxis	Should an x-axis be drawn? If multiple QTL analyses are performed on different traits, specifying this to be FALSE and using <code>par(mar=c(0, 4.1, 4.1, 2.1))</code> allows subsequent plots to be neatly stacked.
add_rug	Logical, by default TRUE - should original marker points be added to plot?
colours	Vector of colours to be used in the plotting. A default set of 4 colours is provided.
ylab.at	Distance from the y-axis to place label (by default at 2.5 points)
main.size	Size of line (or point) to plot the "main" data, the first set of results in the LOD_data.ls input list, by default 2.
main.lty	Line type for the "main" data, by default a normal line (lty = 1).
thresh.lty	Gives user control over the line type of the significance threshold to be drawn.
thresh.lwd	Gives user control over the line width of the significance threshold to be drawn.
thresh.col	Gives user control over the line colour of the significance threshold to be drawn, by default "darkred"

```

return_plotData
    Logical, by default FALSE. If TRUE, then the x and y coordinates of the plot
    data are returned, which can be useful for subsequent plot manipulations and
    overlays.
...
    Arguments passed to lines or points as appropriate (see argument plot_type).

```

### Value

The plot data, if `return_plotData = TRUE`. Otherwise NULL

### Examples

```

## Not run:
data("qtl_LODs.4x")
## Introduce some arbitrary noise for the sake of this example:
qtl_LODs.4x_2 <- qtl_LODs.4x
qtl_LODs.4x_2$Perm.res$threshold <- 2.5
qtl_LODs.4x_2$QTL.res$LOD <- qtl_LODs.4x_2$QTL.res$LOD + rnorm(length(qtl_LODs.4x_2$QTL.res$LOD), 2)
plotLinearQTL_list(list(qtl_LODs.4x, qtl_LODs.4x_2), plot_type="lines")

## End(Not run)

```

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plotQTL

*Plot the results of a previous QTL analysis*

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### Description

Basic QTL plotting function, taking map positions and significance levels as input

### Usage

```

plotQTL(
  LOD_data,
  support_interval = 0,
  ylimits = NULL,
  multiplot = NULL,
  plot_type = "lines",
  overlay = FALSE,
  add_xaxis = TRUE,
  add_rug = TRUE,
  mainTitle = FALSE,
  log = NULL,
  ...
)

```

**Arguments**

LOD_data	Output list from <a href="#">QTLscan</a> with items QTL.res and Perm.res (the latter can be NULL)
support_interval	Numeric. If 0 (by default) then there is no support interval returned. If greater than zero, then a LOD support interval is shown on output plot and the bounds are returned.
ylimits	Use to specify ylimits of plot region, though by default NULL in which case a suitable plot region is automatically used.
multiplot	Vector of integers. By default NULL. If LOD_data contains results from multiple linkage groups, you can define the number of rows and columns in the plot layout.
plot_type	How should be plots be drawn, either "lines" or "points" are possible
overlay	Add to an existing plot (should be produced by a comparable call to this function) or not? By default FALSE, in which case a new plot is drawn. Can be useful for displaying results of multiple analyses together.
add_xaxis	Should an x-axis be drawn? If multiple QTL analyses are performed on different traits, specifying this to be FALSE and using <code>par(mar=c(0, 4.1, 4.1, 2.1))</code> allows subsequent plots to be neatly stacked.
add_rug	Logical, by default TRUE - should original marker points be added to plot?
mainTitle	Vector of plot titles (single character vector also allowed and will be recycled). For no plot titles, leave as FALSE
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.
...	Extra arguments passed to plotting functions (plot, lines / points)

**Value**

The cM bounds of the LOD support interval, if `support_interval > 0`.

**Examples**

```
data("qtl_LODs.4x")
plotQTL(LOD_data = qtl_LODs.4x, multiplot = c(1,2), ylimits = c(0,5), plot_type = "points")
```

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plotRecLS

*Plot the recombination landscape across the genome*


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**Description**

Function which visualises the recombination landscape in two ways: per linkage group, and per individual. For the first analysis, a rudimentary spline is also fitted to estimate the recombination rate along a grid of positions defined by `gap`, which is also returned by the function.

**Usage**

```
plotRecLS(recombination_data, gap = 1, ...)
```

**Arguments**

`recombination_data` Data on predicted recombination events, as returned by the function [count\\_recombinations](#)

`gap` The size (in cM) of the gap used to define the grid of positions to define the window in which to estimate recombination rate. By default 1 cM. Interpolated positions are taken to be the centre of an interval, so a 1 cM gap would result in predictions for positions 0.5 cM, 1.5 cM etc.

`...` Option to pass extra arguments to the [plot](#) function for the `per_LG` plots. This may lead to conflicts with arguments already declared internally (such as `main` for example).

**Value**

A list with two elements, `per_LG` and `per_individual`. The first of these is itself a list with the same length as `recombination_data`, giving the estimated recombination rates along the linkage group. This rate is simply estimated as the (weighted) count of recombination breakpoints divided by the population size.

**Examples**

```
data("Rec_Data_4x")
plotRecLS(Rec_Data_4x)
```

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polyqtLR	<i>QTL analysis in polyploid species using identity-by-descent probabilities</i>
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**Description**

R package to perform QTL analysis using marker data from polyploid species.

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probgeno_df_to_array	<i>Convert a probgeno_df data.frame to a 3d array</i>
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**Description**

Convert a `probgeno_df` data.frame to a 3d array

**Usage**

```
probgeno_df_to_array(probgeno_df, ploidy)
```

**Arguments**

probgeno_df	<p>A data frame as read from the scores file produced by function <code>saveMarkerModels</code> of R package <code>fitPoly</code>, or alternatively, a data frame containing at least the following columns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <code>SampleName</code> : Name of the sample (individual)</li> <li>• <code>MarkerName</code> : Name of the marker</li> <li>• <code>P0</code> Probabilities of dosage score '0'</li> <li>• <code>P1, P2... etc.</code> : Probabilities of dosage score '1' etc. (up to max offspring dosage, e.g. <code>P4</code> for tetraploid population)</li> </ul>
ploidy	Ploidy of the F1 population (can be 2, 3, 4 or 6)

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PVE	<i>Function to determine the percentage variance explained (PVE) of a (maximal) QTL model, and explore sub-models.</i>
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**Description**

This function builds a (maximal) QTL model from previously detected QTL peaks and outputs the percentage variance explained (PVE) of the full QTL model and all sub-models. It uses a similar approach to the fitting of genetic co-factors in the function `QTLscan`. The PVE is very similar to but not exactly equal to the adjusted R2 returned in `QTLscan` at each position (and note: in the former case, these R2 values are per-locus, while this function can estimate the PVE combined over multiple loci). The discrepancy has to do with how PVE is calculated using the formula  $100(1 - \text{RSS0}/\text{RSS1})$ , where `RSS0` and `RSS1` are the residual sums of squares of the NULL and QTL models, respectively.

**Usage**

```
PVE(
  IBD_list,
  Phenotype.df,
  genotype.ID,
  trait.ID,
  block = NULL,
  QTL_df = NULL,
  folder = NULL,
  filename.short,
  prop_Pheno_rep = 0.5,
  log = NULL,
  verbose = FALSE
)
```



**Arguments**

<code>IBD_list</code>	List of IBD probabilities
<code>Phenotype.df</code>	A data.frame containing phenotypic values
<code>genotype.ID</code>	The colname of <code>Phenotype.df</code> that contains the offspring identifiers (F1 names)
<code>trait.ID</code>	The colname of <code>Phenotype.df</code> that contains the response variable to use in the model
<code>block</code>	The blocking factor to be used, if any (must be colname of <code>Phenotype.df</code> ). By default NULL, in which case no blocking structure (for unreplicated experiments)
<code>QTL_df</code>	A 3-column data frame of previously detected QTLs containing the following columns: column 1 gives linkage group identifiers, column 2 specifies the fitted QTL type, i.e. whether the fitted QTL is a "marker" or "position", and column 3 gives the marker/position IDs of the fitted QTL. If not specified, an error results.
<code>folder</code>	If markers are to be used as fitted QTL and TetraOrigin was used for IBD estimation, the path to the folder in which the imported IBD probabilities is contained can be provided here. By default this is NULL, if files are in working directory.
<code>filename.short</code>	If a fitted QTL is a specific marker and TetraOrigin was used for IBD estimation, the shortened stem of the filename of the .csv files containing the output of TetraOrigin, i.e. without the tail "_LinkageGroupX_Summary.csv" which is added by default to all output of TetraOrigin.
<code>prop_Pheno_rep</code>	The minimum proportion of phenotypes represented across blocks. If less than this, the individual is removed from the analysis. If there is incomplete data, the missing phenotypes are imputed using the mean values across the recorded observations.
<code>log</code>	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.
<code>verbose</code>	Should messages be written to standard output?

**Value**

A list with percentage variance explained of maximal QTL model and all sub-models

**Examples**

```
data("IBD_4x", "Phenotypes_4x")
PVE(IBD_list = IBD_4x,
    Phenotype.df = Phenotypes_4x,
    genotype.ID = "geno", trait.ID = "pheno",
    block = "year",
    QTL_df = data.frame(LG=1, type="position", id=12.3))
```

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QTLscan	<i>General QTL function that allows for co-factors, completely randomised block designs and the possibility to derive LOD thresholds using a permutation test</i>
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## Description

Function to run QTL analysis using IBD probabilities given (possibly replicated) phenotypes, assuming randomised experimental design

## Usage

```
QTLscan(
  IBD_list,
  Phenotype.df,
  genotype.ID,
  trait.ID,
  block = NULL,
  folder = NULL,
  filename.short,
  cofactor_df = NULL,
  prop_Pheno_rep = 0.5,
  perm_test = FALSE,
  N_perm.max = 1000,
  alpha = 0.05,
  gamma = 0.05,
  ncores = 1,
  log = NULL,
  ...
)
```

## Arguments

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities
Phenotype.df	A data.frame containing phenotypic values
genotype.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the offspring identifiers (F1 names)
trait.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the response variable to use in the model
block	The blocking factor to be used, if any (must be colname of Phenotype.df). By default NULL, in which case no blocking structure (for unreplicated experiments)
folder	If markers are to be used as co-factors, the path to the folder in which the imported IBD probabilities is contained can be provided here. By default this is NULL, if files are in working directory.

<code>filename.short</code>	If TetraOrigin was used and co-factors are being included, the shortened stem of the filename of the <code>.csv</code> files containing the output of TetraOrigin, i.e. without the tail <code>"_LinkageGroupX_Summary.csv"</code> which is added by default to all output of TetraOrigin.
<code>cofactor_df</code>	A 3-column data frame of co-factor(s); column 1 gives linkage group identifiers, column 2 specifies the co-factor type, i.e. whether the co-factor is a "marker" or "position", and column 3 gives the marker/position IDs of the co-factors. By default NULL, in which case no co-factors are included in the analysis.
<code>prop_Pheno_rep</code>	The minimum proportion of phenotypes represented across blocks. If less than this, the individual is removed from the analysis. If there is incomplete data, the missing phenotypes are imputed using the mean values across the recorded observations.
<code>perm_test</code>	Logical, by default FALSE. If TRUE, a permutation test will be performed to determine a genome-wide significance threshold.
<code>N_perm.max</code>	The maximum number of permutations to run if <code>perm_test</code> is TRUE; by default this is 1000.
<code>alpha</code>	The P-value to be used in the selection of a threshold if <code>perm_test</code> is TRUE, by default 0.05 (i.e. the 0.95 quantile).
<code>gamma</code>	The width of the confidence intervals used around the permutation test threshold using the approach of Nettleton & Doerge (2000), by default 0.05.
<code>ncores</code>	Number of cores to use if parallel computing is required. Works both for Windows and UNIX (using <code>doParallel</code> ). Use <code>parallel::detectCores()</code> to find out how many cores you have available.
<code>log</code>	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.
<code>...</code>	Arguments passed to <a href="#">plot</a>

### Value

A nested list; each list element (per linkage group) contains the following items:

- `QTL.res` : Single matrix of QTL results with columns chromosome, position, LOD and `expl.var` (rate of variance explained at each position).
- `Perm.res` : If `perm_test = FALSE`, this will be NULL. Otherwise, `Perm.res` contains a list of the results of the permutation test, with list items "quantile", "threshold" and "scores". Quantile refers to which quantile of scores was used to determine the threshold. Note that scores are each of the maximal LOD scores across the entire genome scan per permutation, thus returning a genome-wide threshold rather than a chromosome-specific threshold. If the latter is preferred, restricting the `IBD_list` to a single chromosome and re-running the permutation test will provide the desired threshold.
- `Residuals` : If a blocking factor or co-factors are used, this is the (named) vector of residuals used as input for the QTL scan. Otherwise, this is the set of (raw) phenotypes used in the QTL scan.
- `Map` : Original map of genetic marker positions upon which the IBDs were based, most often used for adding rug of marker positions to QTL plots.
- `LG_names` : Names of the linkage groups

**Examples**

```
data("IBD_4x", "Phenotypes_4x")
qtl_LODs.4x <- QTLscan(IBD_list = IBD_4x,
                      Phenotype.df = Phenotypes_4x,
                      genotype.ID = "geno",
                      trait.ID = "pheno",
                      block = "year")
```

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qtl\_LODs.4x                    *A list of QTL results (4x)*

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**Description**

A list of QTL results (4x)

**Usage**

```
qtl_LODs.4x
```

**Format**

An object of class list of length 4.

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quadTM                    *Quadrivalent transition matrix function*

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**Description**

Quadrivalent transition matrix function

**Usage**

```
quadTM(r)
```

**Arguments**

r                    recombination frequency

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Rec_Data_4x	<i>A list of recombination count data (4x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of recombination count data (4x)

**Usage**

Rec\_Data\_4x

**Format**

An object of class list of length 2.

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rem.hex	<i>Redundant genotype classes in hexavalent transition matrix (6x)</i>
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**Description**

Redundant genotype classes in hexavalent transition matrix (6x)

**Usage**

rem.hex

**Format**

An object of class integer of length 166.

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rem.quad	<i>Redundant genotype classes in quadrivalent transition matrix (4x)</i>
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**Description**

Redundant genotype classes in quadrivalent transition matrix (4x)

**Usage**

rem.quad

**Format**

An object of class integer of length 6.

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segList_2x	<i>A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (2x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (2x)

**Usage**

segList\_2x

**Format**

An object of class list of length 8.

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segList_3x	<i>A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (3x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (3x)

**Usage**

segList\_3x

**Format**

An object of class list of length 27.

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segList_4x	<i>A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (4x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (4x)

**Usage**

segList\_4x

**Format**

An object of class list of length 224.

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segList_6x	<i>A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (6x)</i>
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**Description**

A list of all possible bi-allelic QTL segregation types (6x)

**Usage**

```
segList_6x
```

**Format**

An object of class list of length 3735.

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segMaker	<i>Create a list of possible QTL segregation types</i>
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**Description**

Function to generate list of segregation types for the [exploreQTL](#) function

**Usage**

```
segMaker(ploidy, segtypes, modes = c("a", "d"))
```

**Arguments**

ploidy	The ploidy of the population. Currently assumed to be an even number for this function.
segtypes	List of QTL segregation types to consider, so e.g. c(1,0) would mean all possible simplex x nulliplex QTL (ie. 4 QTL, on each of homologues 1 - 4 of parent 1). Note that symmetrical QTL types that cannot be distinguished are not automatically removed and need to be manually identified. If this is an issue, use the inbuilt list for tetraploids provided with the package to search the full model space. Such an inbuilt list is currently only available for tetraploids, and is available from the <a href="#">exploreQTL</a> function.
modes	Character vector of modes of QTL action to consider, with options "a" for "additive" and "d" for dominant QTL action.

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 singleMarkerRegression

*Run a single marker regression using marker dosages*


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## Description

Function to run a single marker regression using marker dosages

## Usage

```
singleMarkerRegression(
  dosage_matrix,
  Phenotype.df,
  genotype.ID,
  trait.ID,
  maplist = NULL,
  perm_test = FALSE,
  N_perm = 1000,
  alpha = 0.05,
  ncores = 1,
  return_R2 = FALSE,
  log = NULL
)
```

## Arguments

dosage_matrix	An integer matrix with markers in rows and individuals in columns. All markers in this matrix will be tested for association with the trait.
Phenotype.df	A data.frame containing phenotypic values
genotype.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the population identifiers (F1 names) (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
trait.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the response variable to use in the model (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
maplist	Option to include linkage map in the format returned by MDSMap_from_list from polymapR. If maplist is not specified (by default NULL) then no ordering of markers from dosage-matrix is performed. Note that all markers in dosage_matrix are tested; markers with dosages that were not on the maplist will be assigned unordered to linkage group 0 with dummy cM positions 1,2,3 etc.
perm_test	Logical, by default FALSE. If TRUE, a permutation test will be performed to determine a genome-wide significance threshold.
N_perm	Integer. The number of permutations to run if perm_test is TRUE; by default this is 1000.
alpha	Numeric. The P-value to be used in the selection of a threshold if perm_test is TRUE; by default 0.05 (i.e. the 0.95 quantile).



ncores	Number of cores to use if parallel processing required. Works both for Windows and UNIX (using doParallel). Use <code>parallel::detectCores()</code> to find out how many cores you have available.
return_R2	Should the (adjusted) R2 of the model fit also be determined?
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.

### Value

A list containing the following components:

- `fit` : The LOD (actually the  $-\log(p)$ ) of the model fit) and, if requested, R2 values associated with fitting a linear model at the marker specified
- `means` : The means of each dosage class at the marker position

### Examples

```
data("SNP_dosages.4x", "BLUES.pheno")
Trait_1.smr <- singleMarkerRegression(dosage_matrix = SNP_dosages.4x,
Phenotype.df = BLUES.pheno, genotype.ID = "Geno", trait.ID = "BLUE")
```

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SNP_dosages.4x	<i>A matrix of SNP marker dosages (4x)</i>
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### Description

A matrix of SNP marker dosages (4x)

### Usage

```
SNP_dosages.4x
```

### Format

An object of class `matrix` (inherits from `array`) with 186 rows and 52 columns.

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spline_IBD	<i>Fit splines to IBD probabilities</i>
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**Description**

Fits splines to IBD probabilities at a grid of positions at user-defined spacing.

**Usage**

```
spline_IBD(IBD_list, gap, ncores = 1, log = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities
gap	The size (in centiMorgans) of the gap between splined positions
ncores	Number of cores to use, by default 1 only. Works both for Windows and UNIX (using doParallel). Use <code>parallel::detectCores()</code> to find out how many cores you have available. Note that with large datasets, using multiple cores will use large amounts of memory (RAM). Single-core or e.g. 2-core evaluations, although slower, is less memory-intensive.
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is send to stdout.

**Value**

Returns a list of similar format as IBD\_list, with a splined IBD\_array in place of the original IBD\_array

**Examples**

```
data("IBD_4x")
IBD_4x.spl <- spline_IBD(IBD_list = IBD_4x, gap = 1)
```

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state_fun	<i>Function to return the list of possible pairing states, given parental ploidies and meiotic pairing model</i>
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**Description**

Function to return the list of possible pairing states, given parental ploidies and meiotic pairing model

**Usage**

```
state_fun(ploidy, ploidy2, bivalent_decoding)
```

**Arguments**

ploidy            Ploidy of parent 1  
ploidy2          Ploidy of parent 2  
bivalent\_decoding  
                 Logical, if FALSE then multivalent pairing assumed

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test\_dosage\_matrix    *Error and warning handling for dosage\_matrix*

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**Description**

Error and warning handling for dosage\_matrix

**Usage**

```
test_dosage_matrix(dosage_matrix)
```

**Arguments**

dosage\_matrix    An integer matrix with markers in rows and individuals in columns

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test\_IBD\_list        *Error and warning handling for IBD\_list as estimated by estimate\_IBD*

---

**Description**

Error and warning handling for IBD\_list as estimated by estimate\_IBD

**Usage**

```
test_IBD_list(IBC_list)
```

**Arguments**

IBC\_list          List of IBD probabilities

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test_probgeno_df	<i>Error and warning handling for probgeno_df data-frame of probabilistic genotypes (scores)</i>
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### Description

Error and warning handling for probgeno\_df data-frame of probabilistic genotypes (scores)

### Usage

```
test_probgeno_df(probgeno_df, ploidy)
```

### Arguments

probgeno_df	A data frame as read from the scores file produced by function saveMarkerModels of R package fitPoly, or alternatively, a data frame containing at least the following columns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SampleName : Name of the sample (individual)</li> <li>• MarkerName : Name of the marker</li> <li>• P0 : Probabilities of dosage score '0'</li> <li>• P1, P2... etc. : Probabilities of dosage score '1' etc. (up to max offspring dosage, e.g. P4 for tetraploid population)</li> </ul>
ploidy	Ploidy of the F1 population (can be 2, 3, 4 or 6)

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thinmap	<i>Thin out map data</i>
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### Description

thinmap is a function for thinning out an integrated map, in order that IBD estimation runs more quickly. Especially useful for maps with very high marker densities for which the [estimate\\_IBD](#) function is to be used.

### Usage

```
thinmap(
  maplist,
  dosage_matrix,
  bin_size = 1,
  bounds = NULL,
  remove_markers = NULL,
  plot_maps = TRUE,
  parent1 = "P1",
  parent2 = "P2",
  log = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

maplist	A list of maps. In the first column marker names and in the second their position.
dosage_matrix	An integer matrix with markers in rows and individuals in columns.
bin_size	Numeric. Size (in cM) of the bins to include. By default, a bin size of 1 cM is used. Larger bin_size results in fewer markers being left on the resulting map.
bounds	Numeric vector. If NULL (by default) then all positions are included, however if specified then output is limited to a specific region, which may be useful if fine-mapping a region of interest.
remove_markers	Optional vector of marker names to remove from the maps. Default is NULL.
plot_maps	Logical. Plot the marker positions of the selected markers using <code>polymapR::plot_map</code> .
parent1	Identifier of parent 1, by default assumed to be "P1"
parent2	Identifier of parent 2, by default assumed to be "P2"
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is sent to stdout.

**Value**

A maplist of the same structure as the input maplist, but with fewer markers based on the bin\_size.

**Examples**

```
data("phased_maplist.4x", "SNP_dosages.4x")
maplist_thin<-thinmap(maplist=phased_maplist.4x,dosage_matrix=SNP_dosages.4x)
```

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 TM.biv.2

*Bivalent-pairing transition matrix function, diploid*


---

**Description**

Bivalent-pairing transition matrix function, diploid

**Usage**

```
TM.biv.2(m1, r_vect)
```

**Arguments**

m1	marker
r_vect	Vector of adjacent recombination frequencies

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TM.biv.4	<i>Bivalent-pairing transition matrix function, tetraploid</i>
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**Description**

Bivalent-pairing transition matrix function, tetraploid

**Usage**

TM.biv.4(m1, r\_vect)

**Arguments**

m1	marker
r_vect	Vector of adjacent recombination frequencies

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TM.biv.6	<i>Bivalent-pairing transition matrix function, hexaploid</i>
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**Description**

Bivalent-pairing transition matrix function, hexaploid

**Usage**

TM.biv.6(m1, r\_vect)

**Arguments**

m1	marker
r_vect	Vector of adjacent recombination frequencies

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TM.hex	<i>Hexavalent-pairing transition matrix function, hexaploid</i>
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**Description**

Hexavalent-pairing transition matrix function, hexaploid

**Usage**

TM.hex(m1, r\_vect, rem\_hex = rem.hex)

**Arguments**

m1	marker
r_vect	Vector of adjacent recombination frequencies
rem_hex	Index of genotype classes to remove, work-around from overly-general transition matrix with redundant classes

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TM.quad	<i>Quadrivalent-pairing transition matrix function, tetraploid</i>
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**Description**

Quadrivalent-pairing transition matrix function, tetraploid

**Usage**

TM.quad(m1, r\_vect, rem\_quad = rem.quad)

**Arguments**

m1	marker
r_vect	Vector of adjacent recombination frequencies
rem_quad	Index of genotype classes to remove, work-around from overly-general transition matrix with redundant classes

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TMfun.2x\_B                      *Diploid bi-parental transition matrix*

---

**Description**

Diploid bi-parental transition matrix

**Usage**

TMfun.2x\_B(m1, r\_vect)

**Arguments**

m1	marker
r_vect	Vector of adjacent recombination frequencies

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TMfun.3x\_BB                      *Triploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-bivalent pairing*

---

**Description**

Triploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-bivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.3x\_BB(...)

**Arguments**

...	Arguments passed to parental TM functions
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TMfun.3x\_QB                      *Triploid bi-parental transition matrix, quadrivalent-bivalent pairing*

---

**Description**

Triploid bi-parental transition matrix, quadrivalent-bivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.3x\_QB(...)

**Arguments**

...	Arguments passed to parental TM functions
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TMfun.4x_BB	<i>Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-bivalent pairing</i>
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**Description**

Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-bivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.4x\_BB(...)

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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TMfun.4x_BQ	<i>Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-quadrivalent pairing</i>
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**Description**

Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-quadrivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.4x\_BQ(...)

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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TMfun.4x_QB	<i>Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, quadrivalent-bivalent pairing</i>
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---

**Description**

Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, quadrivalent-bivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.4x\_QB(...)

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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TMfun.4x_QQ	<i>Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, quadrivalent-quadrivalent pairing</i>
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**Description**

Tetraploid bi-parental transition matrix, quadrivalent-quadrivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.4x\_QQ(...)

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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TMfun.6x_BB	<i>Hexaploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-bivalent pairing</i>
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**Description**

Hexaploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-bivalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.6x\_BB(...)

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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TMfun.6x_BH	<i>Hexaploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-hexavalent pairing</i>
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**Description**

Hexaploid bi-parental transition matrix, bivalent-hexavalent pairing

**Usage**

TMfun.6x\_BH(...)

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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TMfun.6x_HB	<i>Hexaploid bi-parental transition matrix, hexavalent-bivalent pairing</i>
-------------	---

---

**Description**

Hexaploid bi-parental transition matrix, hexavalent-bivalent pairing

**Usage**

```
TMfun.6x_HB(...)
```

**Arguments**

... Arguments passed to parental TM functions

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visualiseGIC	<i>Visualise Genotypic Information Coefficient</i>
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**Description**

Function to visualise the GIC of a certain region

**Usage**

```
visualiseGIC(
  GIC_list,
  add_rug = TRUE,
  add_leg = FALSE,
  ylimits = NULL,
  gic.cex = 1,
  show_markers = TRUE,
  add.mainTitle = TRUE,
  plot.cols = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

GIC_list	List of GIC data, the output of <a href="#">estimate_GIC</a>
add_rug	Should original marker positions be added to the plot?
add_leg	Should a legend be added to the plot?
ylimits	Optional argument to control the plotting area, by default NULL
gic.cex	Option to increase the size of the GIC
show_markers	Should markers be shown?
add.mainTitle	Should a main title be added to the plot?
plot.cols	Optional argument to specify plot colours, otherwise suitable contrasting colours are chosen

**Value**

The phased map data for the specified region, recoded into 1's and 0's.

**Examples**

```
data("GIC_4x")
visualiseGIC(GIC_list = GIC_4x)
```

---

visualiseHaplo

*Visualise haplotypes in certain individuals in a certain region*

---

**Description**

Function to visualise the haplotypes of a certain region in certain individuals

**Usage**

```
visualiseHaplo(
  IBD_list,
  display_by = c("phenotype", "name"),
  linkage_group = NULL,
  Phenotype.df = NULL,
  genotype.ID = NULL,
  trait.ID = NULL,
  pheno_range = NULL,
  cM_range = "all",
  highlight_region = NULL,
  select_offspring = NULL,
  recombinant_scan = NULL,
  allele_fish = NULL,
  presence_threshold = 0.95,
  xlabl = TRUE,
  ylabl = TRUE,
  mainTitle = NULL,
  multiplot = NULL,
  append = FALSE,
  colPal = c("white", "navyblue", "darkred"),
  hap.wd = 0.4,
  recombination_data = NULL,
  log = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

IBD\_list            List of IBD probabilities

display_by	Option to display a subset of the population's haplotypes either by "phenotype" or "name". If "phenotype" is supplied, then Phenotype.df.genotype.ID,trait.ID and pheno_range must also be specified. if "name" is supplied, then select_offspring must be specified.
linkage_group	Numeric identifier of the linkage group being examined, based on the order of IBD_list. Only a single linkage group is allowed. If IBD_list corresponds to a single linkage group, default value of NULL will suffice
Phenotype.df	A data.frame containing phenotypic values, which can be used to select a subset of the population to visualise (with extreme phenotypes for example). By default NULL, in which case a subset of the population may be selected using the select_offspring argument.
genotype.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the population identifiers (F1 names) (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
trait.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the response variable to use in the model (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
pheno_range	Vector of numeric bounds of the phenotypic scores to include (offspring selection).
cM_range	Vector of numeric bounds of the genetic region to be explored. If none are specified, the default of "all" means all cM positions will be included.
highlight_region	Option to highlight a particular genetic region on the plot; can be a single position or a vector of 2 positions. By default NULL.
select_offspring	Vector of offspring identifiers to visualise, must be supplied if display_by = "name". Specifying "all" will result in all offspring haplotypes being visualised.
recombinant_scan	Vector of homologue numbers between which to search for recombinant offspring in the visualised region and selected individuals. By default NULL, in which case no search is preformed.
allele_fish	Vector of homologue numbers of interest, for which to search for offspring that carry these homologues (in the visualised region). By default NULL, in which case no search ("fishing") is performed.
presence_threshold	Numeric. The minimum probability used to declare presence of a homologue in an individual. This is only needed if a recombinant_scan is performed. By default a value of 0.95 is used. When searching for recombinants, this value is also used to denote the proportion of loci carrying the required number of homologues (i.e. by default 95 per cent of loci should have between 0.95 and 1.1 copies of the specified recombinant homologues).
xlabl	Logical, by default TRUE. Should an x-axis label be used?
ylabl	Logical, by default TRUE. Should a y-axis label be used?
mainTitle	Option to override default plot titles with a (vector of) captions. By default NULL.
multiplot	Vector of integers. By default NULL so haplotypes are plotted singly; otherwise a vector specifying the number of rows and columns in the plot layout.

append	Option to allow user to append new plots to spaces generated by multiplot, otherwise these are filled with blank plots. By default FALSE. If TRUE, then a large enough multiplot grid should be generated to make this option meaningful.
colPal	Colour palette to use in the visualisation (best to provide 3 colours).
hap.wd	The width of the haplotype tracks to be plotted, generally recommended to be about 0.4 (default value)
recombination_data	List object as returned by the function <code>count_recombinations</code> . By default NULL, in which case no overlay of predicted recombination events is performed. However, it can be useful to visualise predicted recombination events, particularly as this might help inform the choice of argument <code>plausible_pairing_prob</code> of that function. See <a href="#">count_recombinations</a> for more details.
log	Character string specifying the log filename to which standard output should be written. If NULL log is sent to stdout.

**Value**

If `recombinant_scan` vector is supplied, a vector of recombinant offspring ID in the region of interest (otherwise NULL).

**Examples**

```
data("IBD_4x")
visualiseHaplo(
  IBD_list = IBD_4x,
  display_by = "name",
  linkage_group = 1,
  select_offspring = "all",
  multiplot = c(3,3))
```

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visualiseQTLeffects     *Visualise QTL homologue effects around a QTL position*

---

**Description**

Function to visualise the effect of parental homologues around a QTL peak across the population.

**Usage**

```
visualiseQTLeffects(
  IBD_list,
  Phenotype.df,
  genotype.ID,
  trait.ID,
  linkage_group,
  LOD_data,
  cM_range = NULL,
```

```

col.pal = c("purple4", "white", "seagreen"),
point.density = 50,
zero.sum = FALSE,
return_plotData = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

IBD_list	List of IBD probabilities
Phenotype.df	A data.frame containing phenotypic values
genotype.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the population identifiers (F1 names) (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
trait.ID	The colname of Phenotype.df that contains the response variable to use in the model (must be a colname of Phenotype.df)
linkage_group	Numeric identifier of the linkage group being tested, based on the order of IBD_list. Only a single linkage group is allowed.
LOD_data	Output of <a href="#">QTLscan</a> function
cM_range	If required, the plotting region can be restricted to a specified range of centiMorgan positions (provided as a vector of start and end positions).
col.pal	Vector of colours to use in the visualisations (it is best to provide two or three colours for simplicity). By default, effects will be coloured from purple to green through white.
point.density	Parameter to increase the smoothing of homologue effect tracks
zero.sum	How allele substitution effect should be defined. If FALSE (by default), the effect of each homologue is computed relative to the overall phenotypic mean, otherwise contrasts (against offspring without the inherited homologue) are used.
return_plotData	Logical, by default FALSE. If TRUE, plot data is returned, otherwise NULL.

## Value

The estimated effects of the homologues, used in the visualisation

## Examples

```

data("IBD_4x", "BLUES.pheno", "qt1_LODs.4x")
visualiseQTLeffects(IBD_list = IBD_4x,
                    Phenotype.df = BLUES.pheno,
                    genotype.ID = "Geno",
                    trait.ID = "BLUE",
                    linkage_group = 2,
                    LOD_data = qt1_LODs.4x)

```

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weighted.var	<i>Calculate the weighted variance</i>
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**Description**

Generalisation of the variance to include weights

**Usage**

```
weighted.var(x, w, na.rm = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

x	Vector of interest
w	Vector of weights
na.rm	Should missing values be removed? By default, FALSE

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write.logheader	<i>Write a header for the log file</i>
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**Description**

Functionalized writing of function name and arguments as start for log paragraph.

**Usage**

```
write.logheader(matc, log)
```

**Arguments**

matc	A object of class call
log	A character string specifying the log file



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