

# Package ‘singleCellHaystack’

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(=single Cell Data)

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**Description** Identification of differentially expressed genes (DEGs) is a key step in single-cell transcriptomics data analysis. 'singleCellHaystack' predicts DEGs without relying on clustering of cells into arbitrary clusters. Single-cell RNA-seq (scRNA-seq) data is often processed to fewer dimensions using Principal Component Analysis (PCA) and represented in 2-dimensional plots (e.g. t-SNE or UMAP plots). 'singleCellHaystack' uses Kullback-Leibler divergence to find genes that are expressed in subsets of cells that are non-randomly positioned in a these multi-dimensional spaces or 2D representations. For the theoretical background of 'singleCellHaystack' we refer to Vandenberg and Diez (2019) <doi:10.1101/557967>.

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dat.expression            *Single cell RNA-seq dataset.*

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### Description

Single cell RNA-seq dataset.

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dat.tsne                    *Single cell tSNE coordingates.*

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### Description

Single cell tSNE coordingates.

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default\_bandwidth.nrd *Default function given by function bandwidth.nrd in MASS. No changes were made to this function.*

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### Description

Default function given by function bandwidth.nrd in MASS. No changes were made to this function.

### Usage

```
default_bandwidth.nrd(x)
```

### Arguments

x                    A numeric vector

### Value

A suitable bandwidth.

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get\_density                    *Function to get the density of points with value TRUE in the (x,y) plot*

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### Description

Function to get the density of points with value TRUE in the (x,y) plot

### Usage

```
get_density(
  x,
  y,
  detection,
  rows.subset = 1:nrow(detection),
  high.resolution = FALSE
)
```

### Arguments

x                    x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)

y                    y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation

detection           A logical matrix showing which gens (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)

rows.subset        Indices of the rows of 'detection' for which to get the densities. Default: all.

high.resolution    Logical: should high resolution be used? Default is FALSE.

**Value**

A 3-dimensional array (dim 1: genes/rows of expression, dim 2 and 3: x and y grid points) with density data

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get_dist_two_sets	<i>Calculate the pairwise Euclidean distances between the rows of 2 matrices.</i>
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**Description**

Calculate the pairwise Euclidean distances between the rows of 2 matrices.

**Usage**

```
get_dist_two_sets(set1, set2)
```

**Arguments**

set1	A numerical matrix.
set2	A numerical matrix.

**Value**

A matrix of pairwise distances between the rows of 2 matrices.

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get_D_KL	<i>Calculates the Kullback-Leibler divergence between distributions.</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the Kullback-Leibler divergence between distributions.

**Usage**

```
get_D_KL(classes, parameters, reference.prob, pseudo)
```

**Arguments**

classes	A logical vector. Values are T is the gene is expressed in a cell, F is not.
parameters	Parameters of the analysis, as set by function 'get_parameters_haystack'
reference.prob	A reference distribution to calculate the divergence against.
pseudo	A pseudocount, used to avoid log(0) problems.

**Value**

A numerical value, the Kullback-Leibler divergence

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get_D_KL_highD	<i>Calculates the Kullback-Leibler divergence between distributions for the high-dimensional version of haystack().</i>
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**Description**

Calculates the Kullback-Leibler divergence between distributions for the high-dimensional version of haystack().

**Usage**

```
get_D_KL_highD(classes, density.contributions, reference.prob, pseudo = 0)
```

**Arguments**

classes	A logical vector. Values are T is the gene is expressed in a cell, F is not.
density.contributions	A matrix of density contributions of each cell (rows) to each center point (columns).
reference.prob	A reference distribution to calculate the divergence against.
pseudo	A pseudocount, used to avoid log(0) problems.

**Value**

A numerical value, the Kullback-Leibler divergence

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get_euclidean_distance	<i>Calculate the Euclidean distance between x and y.</i>
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**Description**

Calculate the Euclidean distance between x and y.

**Usage**

```
get_euclidean_distance(x, y)
```

**Arguments**

x	A numerical vector.
y	A numerical vector.

**Value**

A numerical value, the Euclidean distance.

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get_grid_points	<i>A function to decide grid points in a higher-dimensional space</i>
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**Description**

A function to decide grid points in a higher-dimensional space

**Usage**

```
get_grid_points(input, method = "centroid", grid.points = 100)
```

**Arguments**

input	A numerical matrix with higher-dimensional coordinates (columns) of points (rows)
method	The method to decide grid points. Should be "centroid" (default) or "seeding".
grid.points	The number of grid points to return. Default is 100.

**Value**

Coordinates of grid points in the higher-dimensional space.

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get_log_p_D_KL	<i>Estimates the significance of the observed Kullback-Leibler divergence by comparig to randomizations.</i>
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**Description**

Estimates the significance of the observed Kullback-Leibler divergence by comparig to randomizations.

**Usage**

```
get_log_p_D_KL(T.counts, D_KL.observed, D_KL.randomized, output.dir = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

T.counts	The number of cells in which a gene is detected.
D_KL.observed	A vector of observed Kullback-Leibler divergences.
D_KL.randomized	A matrix of Kullback-Leibler divergences of randomized datasets.
output.dir	Optional parameter. Default is NULL. If not NULL, some files will be written to this directory.

**Value**

A vector of log<sub>10</sub> p values, not corrected for multiple testing using the Bonferroni correction.

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`get_parameters_haystack`

*Function that decides most of the parameters that will be during the "Haystack" analysis.*

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**Description**

Function that decides most of the parameters that will be during the "Haystack" analysis.

**Usage**

```
get_parameters_haystack(x, y, high.resolution = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)
<code>y</code>	y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation
<code>high.resolution</code>	Logical: should high resolution be used? Default is FALSE.

**Value**

A list containing various parameters to use in the analysis.

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`get_reference`

*Get reference distribution*

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**Description**

Get reference distribution

**Usage**

```
get_reference(param, use.advanced.sampling = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

<code>param</code>	Parameters of the analysis, as set by function 'get_parameters_haystack'
<code>use.advanced.sampling</code>	If NULL naive sampling is used. If a vector is given (of length = no. of cells) sampling is done according to the values in the vector.

**Value**

A list with two components, Q for the reference distribution and pseudo.

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haystack

*The main Haystack function*

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## Description

The main Haystack function

## Usage

```
haystack(x, ...)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'matrix'
```

```
haystack(  
  x,  
  dim1 = 1,  
  dim2 = 2,  
  detection,  
  method = "highD",  
  use.advanced.sampling = NULL,  
  dir.randomization = NULL,  
  scale = TRUE,  
  grid.points = 100,  
  grid.method = "centroid",  
  ...  
)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
```

```
haystack(  
  x,  
  dim1 = 1,  
  dim2 = 2,  
  detection,  
  method = "highD",  
  use.advanced.sampling = NULL,  
  dir.randomization = NULL,  
  scale = TRUE,  
  grid.points = 100,  
  grid.method = "centroid",  
  ...  
)
```

```
## S3 method for class 'Seurat'
```

```
haystack(  
  x,  
  assay = "RNA",  
  slot = "data",  
  coord = "pca",
```



```

    cutoff = 1,
    method = NULL,
    ...
)

## S3 method for class 'SingleCellExperiment'
haystack(x, assay = "counts", coord = "TSNE", cutoff = 1, method = NULL, ...)

```

## Arguments

<code>x</code>	a matrix or other object from which coordinates of cells can be extracted.
<code>...</code>	further parameters passed down to methods.
<code>dim1</code>	column index or name of matrix for x-axis coordinates.
<code>dim2</code>	column index or name of matrix for y-axis coordinates.
<code>detection</code>	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
<code>method</code>	choose between highD (default) and 2D haystack.
<code>use.advanced.sampling</code>	If NULL naive sampling is used. If a vector is given (of length = no. of cells) sampling is done according to the values in the vector.
<code>dir.randomization</code>	If NULL, no output is made about the random sampling step. If not NULL, files related to the randomizations are printed to this directory.
<code>scale</code>	Logical (default=TRUE) indicating whether input coordinates in x should be scaled to mean 0 and standard deviation 1.
<code>grid.points</code>	An integer specifying the number of centers (gridpoints) to be used for estimating the density distributions of cells. Default is set to 100.
<code>grid.method</code>	The method to decide grid points for estimating the density in the high-dimensional space. Should be "centroid" (default) or "seeding".
<code>assay</code>	name of assay data for Seurat method.
<code>slot</code>	name of slot for assay data for Seurat method.
<code>coord</code>	name of coordinates slot for specific methods.
<code>cutoff</code>	cutoff for detection.

## Value

An object of class "haystack"

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`haystack_2D`*The main Haystack function, for 2-dimensional spaces.*

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**Description**

The main Haystack function, for 2-dimensional spaces.

**Usage**

```
haystack_2D(  
  x,  
  y,  
  detection,  
  use.advanced.sampling = NULL,  
  dir.randomization = NULL  
)
```

**Arguments**

<code>x</code>	x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)
<code>y</code>	y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation
<code>detection</code>	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
<code>use.advanced.sampling</code>	If NULL naive sampling is used. If a vector is given (of length = no. of cells) sampling is done according to the values in the vector.
<code>dir.randomization</code>	If NULL, no output is made about the random sampling step. If not NULL, files related to the randomizations are printed to this directory.

**Value**

An object of class "haystack"

**Examples**

```
# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package  
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)  
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1  
  
# running haystack in default mode  
res <- haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, method = "2D")  
# list top 10 biased genes  
show_result_haystack(res, n =10)
```

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haystack_highD	<i>The main Haystack function, for higher-dimensional spaces.</i>
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### Description

The main Haystack function, for higher-dimensional spaces.

### Usage

```
haystack_highD(
  x,
  detection,
  grid.points = 100,
  use.advanced.sampling = NULL,
  dir.randomization = NULL,
  scale = TRUE,
  grid.method = "centroid"
)
```

### Arguments

x	Coordinates of cells in a 2D or higher-dimensional space. Rows represent cells, columns the dimensions of the space.
detection	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
grid.points	An integer specifying the number of centers (gridpoints) to be used for estimating the density distributions of cells. Default is set to 100.
use.advanced.sampling	If NULL naive sampling is used. If a vector is given (of length = no. of cells) sampling is done according to the values in the vector.
dir.randomization	If NULL, no output is made about the random sampling step. If not NULL, files related to the randomizations are printed to this directory.
scale	Logical (default=TRUE) indicating whether input coordinates in x should be scaled to mean 0 and standard deviation 1.
grid.method	The method to decide grid points for estimating the density in the high-dimensional space. Should be "centroid" (default) or "seeding".

### Value

An object of class "haystack", including the results of the analysis, and the coordinates of the grid points used to estimate densities.

### Examples

```
# I need to add some examples.
# A toy example will be added too.
```

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hclust_haystack	<i>Function for hierarchical clustering of genes according to their expression distribution in 2D or multi-dimensional space</i>
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**Description**

Function for hierarchical clustering of genes according to their expression distribution in 2D or multi-dimensional space

**Usage**

```
hclust_haystack(x, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'matrix'  
hclust_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'data.frame'  
hclust_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a matrix or other object from which coordinates of cells can be extracted.
...	further parameters passed down to methods.
dim1	column index or name of matrix for x-axis coordinates.
dim2	column index or name of matrix for y-axis coordinates.

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hclust_haystack_highD	<i>Function for hierarchical clustering of genes according to their distribution in a higher-dimensional space.</i>
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**Description**

Function for hierarchical clustering of genes according to their distribution in a higher-dimensional space.

**Usage**

```
hclust_haystack_highD(  
  x,  
  detection,  
  genes,  
  method = "ward.D",  
  grid.coordinates = NULL,  
  scale = TRUE  
)
```

**Arguments**

x	Coordinates of cells in a 2D or higher-dimensional space. Rows represent cells, columns the dimensions of the space.
detection	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
genes	A set of genes (of the 'detection' data) which will be clustered.
method	The method to use for hierarchical clustering. See '?hclust' for more information. Default: "ward.D".
grid.coordinates	Coordinates of grid points in the same space as 'x', to be used to estimate densities for clustering.
scale	whether to scale data.

**Value**

An object of class hclust, describing a hierarchical clustering tree.

**Examples**

```
# to be added
```

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`hclust_haystack_raw` *Function for hierarchical clustering of genes according to their distribution on a 2D plot.*

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**Description**

Function for hierarchical clustering of genes according to their distribution on a 2D plot.

**Usage**

```
hclust_haystack_raw(x, y, detection, genes, method = "ward.D")
```

**Arguments**

x	x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)
y	y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation
detection	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
genes	A set of genes (of the 'detection' data) which will be clustered.
method	The method to use for hierarchical clustering. See '?hclust' for more information. Default: "ward.D".

**Value**

An object of class hclust, describing a hierarchical clustering tree.

**Examples**

```

# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1

# running haystack in default mode
res <- haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, method = "2D")

# get biased genes, store in variable gene.subset
sorted.table <- show_result_haystack(res, p.value.threshold = 1e-5)
gene.subset <- row.names(sorted.table)

# hierarchical clustering, and cutting into 5 clusters
hc <- hclust_haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, genes=gene.subset)
hc.clusters <- cutree(hc,k = 5)

```

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kde2d_faster	<i>Based on the MASS kde2d() function, but heavily simplified; it's just tcrossprod() now.</i>
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**Description**

Based on the MASS kde2d() function, but heavily simplified; it's just tcrossprod() now.

**Usage**

```
kde2d_faster(dens.x, dens.y)
```

**Arguments**

dens.x	Contribution of all cells to densities of the x-axis grid points.
dens.y	Contribution of all cells to densities of the y-axis grid points.

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kmeans_haystack	<i>Function for k-means clustering of genes according to their expression distribution in 2D or multi-dimensional space</i>
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**Description**

Function for k-means clustering of genes according to their expression distribution in 2D or multi-dimensional space

**Usage**

```
kmeans_haystack(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
kmeans_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
kmeans_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	a matrix or other object from which coordinates of cells can be extracted.
...	further paramters passed down to methods.
dim1	column index or name of matrix for x-axis coordinates.
dim2	column index or name of matrix for y-axis coordinates.

---

kmeans\_haystack\_highD *Function for k-means clustering of genes according to their distribution in a higher-dimensional space.*

---

**Description**

Function for k-means clustering of genes according to their distribution in a higher-dimensional space.

**Usage**

```
kmeans_haystack_highD(
  x,
  detection,
  genes,
  grid.coordinates = NULL,
  k,
  scale = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

**Arguments**

x	Coordinates of cells in a 2D or higher-dimensional space. Rows represent cells, columns the dimensions of the space.
detection	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
genes	A set of genes (of the 'detection' data) which will be clustered.
grid.coordinates	Coordinates of grid points in the same space as 'x', to be used to estimate densities for clustering.

k	The number of clusters to return.
scale	whether to scale data.
...	Additional parameters which will be passed on to the kmeans function.

**Value**

An object of class kmeans, describing a clustering into 'k' clusters

**Examples**

```
# to be added
```

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kmeans\_haystack\_raw *Function for k-means clustering of genes according to their distribution on a 2D plot.*

---

**Description**

Function for k-means clustering of genes according to their distribution on a 2D plot.

**Usage**

```
kmeans_haystack_raw(x, y, detection, genes, k, ...)
```

**Arguments**

x	x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)
y	y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation
detection	A logical matrix showing which genes (rows) are detected in which cells (columns)
genes	A set of genes (of the 'detection' data) which will be clustered.
k	The number of clusters to return.
...	Additional parameters which will be passed on to the kmeans function.

**Value**

An object of class kmeans, describing a clustering into 'k' clusters



**Examples**

```

# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1

# running haystack in default mode
res <- haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, method = "2D")

# get biased genes, store in variable gene.subset
sorted.table <- show_result_haystack(res, p.value.threshold = 1e-5)
gene.subset <- row.names(sorted.table)

# k-means clustering into 5 clusters
km <- kmeans_haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, genes=gene.subset, k=5)
km.clusters <- km$cluster

```

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plot\_gene\_haystack      *Visualizing the detection/expression of a gene in a 2D plot*

---

**Description**

Visualizing the detection/expression of a gene in a 2D plot

**Usage**

```

plot_gene_haystack(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
plot_gene_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
plot_gene_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)

## S3 method for class 'SingleCellExperiment'
plot_gene_haystack(
  x,
  dim1 = 1,
  dim2 = 2,
  assay = "counts",
  coord = "TSNE",
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'Seurat'
plot_gene_haystack(
  x,
  dim1 = 1,
  dim2 = 2,

```

```

    assay = "RNA",
    slot = "data",
    coord = "tsne",
    ...
)

```

### Arguments

x	a matrix or other object from which coordinates of cells can be extracted.
...	further paramters passed to plot_gene_haystack_raw().
dim1	column index or name of matrix for x-axis coordinates.
dim2	column index or name of matrix for y-axis coordinates.
assay	name of assay data for Seurat method.
coord	name of coordinates slot for specific methods.
slot	name of slot for assay data for Seurat method.

---

plot\_gene\_haystack\_raw

*Visualizing the detection/expression of a gene in a 2D plot*

---

### Description

Visualizing the detection/expression of a gene in a 2D plot

### Usage

```

plot_gene_haystack_raw(
  x,
  y,
  gene,
  expression,
  detection = NULL,
  high.resolution = FALSE,
  point.size = 1,
  order.by.signal = FALSE
)

```

### Arguments

x	x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)
y	y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation
gene	name of a gene that is present in the input expression data, or a numerical index
expression	a logical/numerical matrix showing detection/expression of genes (rows) in cells (columns)

detection	an optional logical matrix showing detection of genes (rows) in cells (columns). If left as NULL, the density distribution of the gene is not plotted.
high.resolution	logical (default: FALSE). If set to TRUE, the density plot will be of a higher resolution
point.size	numerical value to set size of points in plot. Default is 1.
order.by.signal	If TRUE, cells with higher signal will be put on the foreground in the plot. Default is FALSE.

**Value**

A plot

**Examples**

```
# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1
# various ways of plotting gene expression patterns
plot_gene_haystack(dat.tsne, expression=dat.expression, gene="gene_242",
  detection = dat.detection, high.resolution = TRUE)
plot_gene_haystack(dat.tsne, expression=dat.expression, gene="gene_242",
  detection = dat.detection, high.resolution = TRUE, point.size = .1)
```

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plot\_gene\_set\_haystack

*Visualizing the detection/expression of a set of genes in a 2D plot*

---

**Description**

Visualizing the detection/expression of a set of genes in a 2D plot

**Usage**

```
plot_gene_set_haystack(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'matrix'
plot_gene_set_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)

## S3 method for class 'data.frame'
plot_gene_set_haystack(x, dim1 = 1, dim2 = 2, ...)

## S3 method for class 'SingleCellExperiment'
plot_gene_set_haystack(
  x,
  dim1 = 1,
```

```

    dim2 = 2,
    assay = "counts",
    coord = "TSNE",
    ...
)

## S3 method for class 'Seurat'
plot_gene_set_haystack(
  x,
  dim1 = 1,
  dim2 = 2,
  assay = "RNA",
  slot = "data",
  coord = "tsne",
  ...
)

```

### Arguments

x	a matrix or other object from which coordinates of cells can be extracted.
...	further paramters passed to plot_gene_haystack_raw().
dim1	column index or name of matrix for x-axis coordinates.
dim2	column index or name of matrix for y-axis coordinates.
assay	name of assay data for Seurat method.
coord	name of coordinates slot for specific methods.
slot	name of slot for assay data for Seurat method.

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plot\_gene\_set\_haystack\_raw

*Visualizing the detection/expression of a set of genes in a 2D plot*

---

### Description

Visualizing the detection/expression of a set of genes in a 2D plot

### Usage

```

plot_gene_set_haystack_raw(
  x,
  y,
  genes = NA,
  detection,
  high.resolution = TRUE,
  point.size = 1,
  order.by.signal = FALSE
)

```

**Arguments**

x	x-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation (e.g. resulting from PCA or t-SNE)
y	y-axis coordinates of cells in a 2D representation
genes	Gene names that are present in the input expression data, or a numerical indices. If NA, all genes will be used.
detection	a logical matrix showing detection of genes (rows) in cells (columns)
high.resolution	logical (default: TRUE). If set to FALSE, the density plot will be of a lower resolution
point.size	numerical value to set size of points in plot. Default is 1.
order.by.signal	If TRUE, cells with higher signal will be put on the foreground in the plot. Default is FALSE.

**Value**

A plot

**Examples**

```
# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1

# define a set of genes that we want to visualize
# this might be a set of differentially expressed genes
# predicted by haystack and clustered together by hclust_haystack
gene_set <- c("gene_9", "gene_59", "gene_112", "gene_137", "gene_155",
             "gene_216", "gene_234", "gene_275", "gene_291", "gene_317",
             "gene_339", "gene_340", "gene_351", "gene_400", "gene_424", "gene_479")

# visualize the expression pattern of the set of genes
plot_gene_set_haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, genes=gene_set)
```

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read\_haystack                      *Function to read haystack results from file.*

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**Description**

Function to read haystack results from file.

**Usage**

```
read_haystack(file)
```

**Arguments**

file                    A file containing 'haystack' results to read

**Value**

An object of class "haystack"

**Examples**

```
# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1

# running haystack in default mode
res <- haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, method = "2D")

outfile <- file.path(tempdir(), "output.csv")

# write result to file outfile.csv
write_haystack(res, file = outfile)

# read in result from file
res.copy <- read_haystack(file = outfile)
```

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show\_result\_haystack    *Shows the results of the 'haystack' analysis in various ways, sorted by significance. Priority of params is genes > p.value.threshold > n.*

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**Description**

Shows the results of the 'haystack' analysis in various ways, sorted by significance. Priority of params is genes > p.value.threshold > n.

**Usage**

```
show_result_haystack(res.haystack, n = NA, p.value.threshold = NA, gene = NA)
```

**Arguments**

res.haystack    A 'haystack' result variable

n                If defined, the top "n" significant genes will be returned. Default: NA, which shows all results.

p.value.threshold    If defined, genes passing this p-value threshold will be returned.

gene             If defined, the results of this (these) gene(s) will be returned.

**Value**

A table with a sorted subset of the 'haystack' result according to input parameters.

**Examples**

```
# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1

# running haystack in default mode
res <- haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, method = "2D")

# below are variations for showing the results in a table
# 1. list top 10 biased genes
show_result_haystack(res.haystack = res, n =10)
# 2. list genes with p value below a certain threshold
show_result_haystack(res.haystack = res, p.value.threshold=1e-10)
# 3. list a set of specified genes
set <- c("gene_497", "gene_386", "gene_275")
show_result_haystack(res.haystack = res, gene = set)
```

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write_haystack	<i>Function to write haystack result data to file.</i>
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**Description**

Function to write haystack result data to file.

**Usage**

```
write_haystack(res.haystack, file)
```

**Arguments**

res.haystack	A 'haystack' result variable
file	A file to write to

**Examples**

```
# using the toy example of the singleCellHaystack package
# define a logical matrix with detection of each gene (rows) in each cell (columns)
dat.detection <- dat.expression > 1

# running haystack in default mode
res <- haystack(dat.tsne, detection=dat.detection, method = "2D")

outfile <- file.path(tempdir(), "output.csv")

# write result to file outfile.csv
write_haystack(res, file = outfile)

# read in result from file
res.copy <- read_haystack(file = outfile)
```

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