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aucDisc

*Calculate Area Under a (ROC/PR) Curve*

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## Description

aucDisc calculates the Area under a Curve giving the coordinate of each point.

## Usage

```
aucDisc(fpr, tpr)
```

## Arguments

- fpr               the false positive rate (precision/abscissa) that forms the curve.  
tpr               the true positive rate (recall/ordinate) that forms the curve.

## Details

It uses the 2nd order Taylor series in order to calculate the area under the curve.

## Value

The aucDisc returns a real number representing the Area Under the given Curve.

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**See Also**

[performanceIndex](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
valML <- performanceIndex(miML, adjMat)

AUROC <- aucDisc(valML[, "FPR"], valML[, "Recall"])
AUPR <- aucDisc(valML[, "Recall"], valML[, "Precision"])
```

DiscriminantPower      *Discriminant Power*

**Description**

The Discriminant Power summarizes sensitivity and specificity.

**Usage**

```
DiscriminantPower(resTable)
```

**Arguments**

resTable	the data.frame generated from the <code>performanceNET</code> (or one of the row of the matrix generated from the <code>performanceIndex</code> ) function.
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**Value**

The `DiscriminantPower` function returns the value of the Discriminant Power for a given predicted adjacency matrix.

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**See Also**

[YoudenIndex](#), [Likelihoods](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
miML <- aracne.a(miML, eps = 0.5)

valML <- performanceNET(miML, adjMat)
DP <- DiscriminantPower(valML)
```

entropyBayes

*Bayesian Entropy Estimate***Description**

Computing the Maximul Likelihood Entropy Estimate of cellCounts.

**Usage**

```
entropyBayes(cellCounts, unit = unit,
             priorHyperParam = priorHyperParam)
```

**Arguments**

- |                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| cellCounts      | an integer vector (or matrix) representing the number of times each particular count is obtained.   |
| unit            | the unit in which entropy is measured. One of "bit" (log2, default), "ban" (log10) or "nat" (natural units).  |
| priorHyperParam | the prior distribution type for the Bayes estimation. One of "Jeffreys" (default, Jeffreys Prior, Krichevsky and Trofimov Estimator), "BLUnif" (Bayes-Laplace uniform Prior, Holste Estimator), "Perks" (Perks Prior, Schurmann and Grassberger Estimator), or "Minimax" (Minimax Prior), can be abbreviated. |

**Value**

The entropyBayes function returns the value of the entropy of that gene  $H(X)$  (or pair of genes  $H(X, Y)$ ).

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## See Also

[entropyML](#), [entropyMM](#), [entropyCS](#), [entropyShrink](#)

## Examples

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
cellCounts <- table(simData$counts[, ])
eBJ <- entropyBayes(cellCounts, unit = "nat", priorHyperParam = "Jeffreys")
eBB <- entropyBayes(cellCounts, unit = "nat", priorHyperParam = "BLUnif")
eBP <- entropyBayes(cellCounts, unit = "nat", priorHyperParam = "Perks")
eBM <- entropyBayes(cellCounts, unit = "nat", priorHyperParam = "Minimax")
```

entropyCS

*Chao-Shen Entropy Estimate*

## Description

Computing the Chao-Shen Entropy Estimate of `cellCounts`.

## Usage

```
entropyCS(cellCounts, unit = unit)
```

## Arguments

- |                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>cellCounts</code> | an integer vector (or matrix) representing the number of times each particular count is obtained.            |
| <code>unit</code>       | the unit in which entropy is measured. One of "bit" (log2, default), "ban" (log10) or "nat" (natural units). |

**Value**

The entropyCS function returns the value of the entropy of that gene  $H(X)$  (or pair of genes  $H(X, Y)$ ).

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**See Also**

[entropyML](#), [entropyMM](#), [entropyBayes](#), [entropyShrink](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
cellCounts <- table(simData$counts[, ])
eCS <- entropyCS(cellCounts, unit = "nat")
```

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entropyML

*Maximum Likelihood Entropy Estimate*

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**Description**

Computing the Maximul Likelihood Entropy Estimate of `cellCounts`.

**Usage**

```
entropyML(cellCounts, unit = unit)
```

**Arguments**

- |                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>cellCounts</code> | an integer vector (or matrix) representing the number of times each particular count is obtained.  |
| <code>unit</code>       | the unit in which entropy is measured. One of "bit" ( <code>log2</code> , default), "ban" ( <code>log10</code> ) or "nat" (natural units). |

**Value**

The `entropyML` function returns the value of the entropy of that gene  $H(X)$  (or pair of genes  $H(X, Y)$ ).

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- Strong S., Koberle R., de Ruyter van Steveninck R.R., Bialek W. (1998). Entropy and Information in Neural Spike Trains. *Physical Review Letters*, vol. 80 pp. 197-202.

**See Also**

[entropyMM](#), [entropyBayes](#), [entropyCS](#), [entropyShrink](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
cellCounts <- table(simData$counts[1, ])
eML <- entropyML(cellCounts, unit = "nat")
```

**entropyMM**

*Miller-Madow corrected Entropy Estimate*

**Description**

Computing the Miller-Madow corrected Entropy Estimate of `cellCounts`.

**Usage**

```
entropyMM(cellCounts, unit = unit)
```

**Arguments**

- |                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| <code>cellCounts</code> | an integer vector (or matrix) representing the number of times each particular count is obtained.  |
| <code>unit</code>       | the unit in which entropy is measured. One of "bit" ( <code>log2</code> , default), "ban" ( <code>log10</code> ) or "nat" (natural units). |

**Value**

The `entropyMM` function returns the value of the entropy of that gene  $H(X)$  (or pair of genes  $H(X, Y)$ ).

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**See Also**

[entropyML](#), [entropyBayes](#), [entropyCS](#), [entropyShrink](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
cellCounts <- table(simData$counts[1, ])
eMM <- entropyMM(cellCounts, unit = "nat")
```

**entropyShrink**

*James-Stein Shrinkage Entropy Estimate*

**Description**

Computing the James-Stein Shrinkage Entropy Estimate of `cellCounts`.

**Usage**

```
entropyShrink(cellCounts, unit = unit, shrinkageTarget = shrinkageTarget)
```

**Arguments**

- |                              |  |
|------------------------------|--|
| <code>cellCounts</code>      | an integer vector (or matrix) representing the number of times each particular count is obtained.                              |
| <code>unit</code>            | the unit in which entropy is measured. One of "bit" (log2, default), "ban" (log10) or "nat" (natural units).                   |
| <code>shrinkageTarget</code> | shrinkage target frequencies. If not specified (default) it is estimated in a James-Stein-type fashion (uniform distribution). |

**Value**

The `entropyShrink` function returns the value of the entropy of that gene  $H(X)$  (or pair of genes  $H(X, Y)$ ).

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**See Also**

[entropyML](#), [entropyMM](#), [entropyBayes](#), [entropyCS](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
cellCounts <- table(simData$counts[1, ])
eShrink <- entropyShrink(cellCounts, unit = "nat", shrinkageTarget = NULL)
```

[Likelihoods](#)

*Likelihood Indices*

**Description**

The Likelihood Indices accomodate both sensitivity and specificity, but treat them separately.

**Usage**

```
Likelihoods(resTable)
```

**Arguments**

<code>resTable</code>	the data.frame generated from the <code>performanceNET</code> (or one of the row of the matrix generated from the <code>performanceIndex</code> ) function.
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**Value**

The `Likelihoods` function returns the value of the Likelihood Indices (rho - pos or neg) for a given predicted adjacency matrix.

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## References

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## See Also

[YoudenIndex](#), [DiscriminantPower](#)

## Examples

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
miML <- aracne.a(miML, eps = 0.5)

valML <- performanceNET(miML, adjMat)
LH <- Likelihoods(valML)
```

## Description

A function that computes the mutual information between all pairs of rows (or specified ones) of matrix counts using all the 10 different estimation methods and evaluate their performances.

## Usage

```
mainNetFunction(counts, adjMat, nchips, plotPath = "",  
                tfList = NULL)
```

## Arguments

counts	a numeric matrix (for the reconstruction of gene regulatory networks, genes on rows and samples on columns).
adjMat	the adjacency matrix that encodes the graph structure that is going to be predicted.
nchips	the number of cpu's to be used for making the parallel calculation.
plotPath	the folder in which the plot will be saved.
tfList	the character vector specifying which genes from the rownames of the counts matrix is to be used as transcription factor for network reconstruction.

**Value**

<code>miEst</code>	a list containing the estimates of all methods.
<code>valMet</code>	a list containing the performance indices (i.e. "Recall", "FPR", "Precision", "Accuracy", "Fscore") calculated in all methods and usable for creating curves like ROC and PR.
<code>resTable</code>	a matrix with the best performances for each method.

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Stehman, S.V. (1997). Selecting and interpreting measures of thematic classification accuracy. *Remote Sensing of Environment* 62 (1): 77-89.

**See Also**

[simulatedData](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 5, n = 10, mu = 50, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

#netData <- mainNetFunction(counts, adjMat, nchips = 2)
```

**parEntropyEstimate**      *Parallel Entropy Estimation*

**Description**

A function that computes the entropy between all pairs of rows (or specified ones) of matrix `counts` using the indirect methods.

**Usage**

```
parEntropyEstimate(idx, method = method, unit = unit,
                   priorHyperParam = priorHyperParam,
                   shrinkageTarget = shrinkageTarget, boot = boot)
```

## Arguments

idx	the index of the cell which corresponds to the interaction going to be esimated.
method	a character string indicating which estimate is to be computed. One of "ML" (Maximum Likelihood Estimator, default), "MM" (Miller-Madow corrected Estimator), "Bayes" (Bayesian Estimators), "CS" (Chao-Shen Estimator), "Shrink" (James-Stein shrinkage Estimator), "KD" (kernel Density Estimator), or "KNN" (k-Nearest Neighbor Estimator), can be abbreviated. For the "Bayes" estimate it is needed to specify also which priorHyperParam is to be used; for "Shrink" is optional to specify values for the shrinkageTarget parameter; for "KNN" is needed to specify also the number of nearest neighbors k.
unit	the unit in which mutual information is measured. One of "bit" (log2, default), "ban" (log10) or "nat" (natural units).
priorHyperParam	the prior distribution type for the Bayes estimation. One of "Jeffreys" (default, Jeffreys Prior, Krichevsky and Trofimov Estimator), "BLUnif" (Bayes-Laplace uniform Prior, Holste Estimator), "Perks" (Perks Prior, Schurmann and Grassberger Estimator), or "MiniMax" (MiniMax Prior), can be abbreviated.
shrinkageTarget	shrinkage target frequencies. If not specified (default) it is estimated in a James-Stein-type fashion (uniform distribution).
boot	logical (FALSE as default). Used for calculating a null distribution in order to evaluate if such a interaction is true or obtained by chance.

## Details

Internal of parMIEstimate.

## Value

The parEntropyEstimate function returns the value of the entropy of that pair of genes  $H(X, Y)$ .

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## See Also

[parMIEstimate](#), [parMIKD](#)

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<a href="#">parMIEstimate</a>	<i>Parallel Mutual Information Estimation</i>
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## Description

A function that computes the mutual information between all pairs of rows (or specified ones) of matrix counts using 10 different estimation methods.

## Usage

```
parMIEstimate(counts,
               method = c("ML", "MM", "Bayes", "CS", "Shrink", "KD", "KNN"),
               unit = c("bit", "ban", "nat"), nchips,
               priorHyperParam = c("Jeffreys", "BLUnif", "Perks", "MiniMax"),
               shrinkageTarget, k = 3, tfList = NULL, boot = F)
```

### Arguments

counts	a numeric matrix (for the reconstruction of gene regulatory networks, genes on rows and samples on columns).
method	a character string indicating which estimate is to be computed. One of "ML" (Maximum Likelihood Estimator, default), "MM" (Miller-Madow corrected Estimator), "Bayes" (Bayesian Estimators), "CS" (Chao-Shen Estimator), "Shrink" (James-Stein shrinkage Estimator), "KD" (kernel Density Estimator), or "KNN" (k-Nearest Neighbor Estimator), can be abbreviated. For the "Bayes" estimate it is needed to specify also which priorHyperParam is to be used; for "Shrink" is optional to specify values for the shrinkageTarget parameter; for "KNN" is needed to specify also the number of nearest neighbors k.
unit	the unit in which mutual information is measured. One of "bit" (log2, default), "ban" (log10) or "nat" (natural units).
nchips	the number of cpu's to be used for making the parallel calculation.
priorHyperParam	the prior distribution type for the Bayes estimation. One of "Jeffreys" (default, Jeffreys Prior, Krichevsky and Trofimov Estimator), "BLUnif" (Bayes-Laplace uniform Prior, Holste Estimator), "Perks" (Perks Prior, Schurmann and Grassberger Estimator), or "Minimax" (Minimax Prior), can be abbreviated.
shrinkageTarget	shrinkage target frequencies. If not specified (default) it is estimated in a James-Stein-type fashion (uniform distribution).
k	the number of nearest neighbors to consider for the estimate.
tfList	the character vector specifying which genes from the rownames of the counts matrix is to be used as transcription factor for network reconstruction.
boot	logical (FALSE as default). Used for calculating a null distribution in order to evaluate if such a interaction is true or obtained by chance.

### Value

The parMIEstimate function returns a square matrix of dimension equal to the number of rows (number of genes) of the counts matrix, or a number of rows equal to the length of tfList.

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## See Also

[parEntropyEstimate](#)

## Examples

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 5, n = 10, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
miBJ <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "Bayes", unit = "nat",
                       nchips = 2, priorHyperParam = "Jeffreys")
miSH <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "Shrink", unit = "nat",
                       nchips = 2)
miKD <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "KD", nchips = 2)
miKNN <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "KNN", unit = "nat", k = 3,
                        nchips = 2)
```

parMIKD

*Parallel Kernel Density Mutual Information Estimate***Description**

A function that computes the mutual information between all pairs of rows (or specified ones) of matrix counts using Kernel Density Estimate. It is a wrapper of the functions of the package GenKern.

**Usage**

```
parMIKD(idx)
```

**Arguments**

idx	a numeric matrix (for the reconstruction of gene regulatory networks, genes on rows and samples on columns).
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**Details**

Internal of parMIEstimate.

**Value**

The parMIKD function returns the value of the mutual information of that pair of genes  $I(X, Y)$ .

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**See Also**

[parEntropyEstimate](#), [parMIEstimate](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 50, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miKD <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "KD", nchips = 2)
```

**performanceIndex**      *Evaluatae Performance Indices*

## Description

A function that computes the peformance indices (i.e. "Recall", "FPR", "Precision", "Accuracy", "Fscore") between a predicted adjacency matrix (*testNet*) and a true one (*gsNet*) for each mutual information threshold.

## Usage

```
performanceIndex(testNet, gsNet)
```

## Arguments

<i>testNet</i>	a predicted adjacency matrix to evaluate.
<i>gsNet</i>	the true adjacency matrix.

## Value

The *performanceIndex* function returns a data.frame with the considered performance indices for each mutual information threshold.

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## References

Stehman, S.V. (1997). Selecting and interpreting measures of thematic classification accuracy. *Remote Sensing of Environment* 62 (1): 77-89.

## See Also

[simulatedData](#), [mainNetFunction](#), [performanceNET](#)

## Examples

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
valML <- performanceIndex(miML, adjMat)
```

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<b>performanceNET</b>	<i>Evaluatae Performance Indices</i>
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### Description

A function that computes the peformance indices (i.e. "Recall", "FPR", "Precision", "Accuracy", "Fscore") between a predicted adjacency matrix (`testNet`) and a true one (`gsNet`) when the false interactions are already removed.

### Usage

```
performanceNET(predAdjMat, valAdjMat)
```

### Arguments

- |                         |   |
|-------------------------|---|
| <code>predAdjMat</code> | a predicted adjacency matrix to evaluate when the false interactions are already removed. |
| <code>valAdjMat</code>  | the true adjacency matrix.  |

### Value

The `performanceIndex` function returns a `data.frame` with the considered performance indices.

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### References

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### See Also

[simulatedData](#), [mainNetFunction](#), [performanceIndex](#)

### Examples

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
miML <- aracne.a(miML, eps = 0.5)

valML <- performanceNET(miML, adjMat)
```

plotPR

*Plot PR Curve***Description**

A function that automatically produce a plot of the PR (Precision/Recall) Curve.

**Usage**

```
plotPR(piNet, ...)
```

**Arguments**

piNet	the matrix generated from the performanceIndex function.
...	other parameters to be added to the plot function.

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**See Also**

[plotROC](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
valML <- performanceIndex(miML, adjMat)

plotPR(valML, col = "red")
```

plotROC

*Plot ROC Curve***Description**

A function that automatically produce a plot of the ROC (Receiver Operating Characteristic) Curve.

**Usage**

```
plotROC(piNet, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `piNet` the matrix generated from the `performanceIndex` function.  
`...` other parameters to be added to the `plot` function.

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**See Also**

[plotPR](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
valML <- performanceIndex(miML, adjMat)

plotROC(valML, col = "red")
```

`simulatedData`

*Random Generation Networks for RNA-Seq Data*

**Description**

A function that use a stochastic BA-model for building a graph and the simulated RNA-Seq counts (from a Poisson (multivariate or over-dispersed) distribution) that encode the underlying graph structure.

**Usage**

```
simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25, ppower = 1,
               noise = F, seed = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

- `p` the number of genes in the networks.  
`n` the number of simulated samples for each gene.  
`mu` the average mean of the simulated Poisson distributions.  
`sigma` the over-dispersed sd value in the case of over-dispersed Poisson simulation.  
`ppower` the power of the preferential attachment for the BA-model.  
`noise` logical. Should same noise be added to the data or not?  
`seed` a single value, interpreted as an integer, in order to control the simulated data.

**Value**

graph	the graph generated with the BA-model.
adjMat	the related adjacency matrix that encodes the underlying graph structure.
counts	the simulated RNA-Seq counts matrix.

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**See Also**

[mainNetFunction](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 50, n = 100, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
plot(simData$graph)

counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat
```

**Description**

The Youden's Index evaluates the algorithm's ability to avoid failure.

**Usage**

```
YoudenIndex(resTable)
```

**Arguments**

resTable	the data.frame generated from the <code>performanceNET</code> (or one of the row of the matrix generated from the <code>performanceIndex</code> ) function.
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**Value**

The YoudenIndex function returns the value of the Youden's Index for a given predicted adjacency matrix.

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**See Also**

[Likelihoods](#), [DiscriminantPower](#)

**Examples**

```
simData <- simulatedData(p = 10, n = 20, mu = 100, sigma = 0.25,
                           ppower = 0.73, noise = FALSE)
counts <- simData$counts
adjMat <- simData$adjMat

miML <- parMIEstimate(counts, method = "ML", unit = "nat", nchips = 2)
miML <- aracne.a(miML, eps = 0.5)

valML <- performanceNET(miML, adjMat)
YI <- YoudenIndex(valML)
```

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