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 createSpaTalk

*SpaTalk object*


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**Description**

create SpaTalk object using spatial transcriptomics data.

**Usage**

```
createSpaTalk(
  st_data,
  st_meta,
  species,
  if_st_is_sc,
  spot_max_cell,
  celltype = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

st_data	A data.frame or matrix or dgCMatrix containing counts of spatial transcriptomics, each column representing a spot or a cell, each row representing a gene.
st_meta	A data.frame containing coordinate of spatial transcriptomics with three columns, namely 'spot', 'x', 'y' for spot-based spatial transcriptomics data or 'cell', 'x', 'y' for single-cell spatial transcriptomics data.
species	A character meaning species of the spatial transcriptomics data. 'Human' or 'Mouse'.
if_st_is_sc	A logical meaning if it is single-cell spatial transcriptomics data. TRUE is FALSE.
spot_max_cell	A integer meaning max cell number for each plot to predict. If if_st_sc is FALSE, please determine the spot_max_cell. For 10X (55um), we recommend 30. For Slide-seq, we recommend 1.
celltype	A character containing the cell type of ST data. To skip the deconvolution step and directly infer cell-cell communication, please define the cell type. Default is NULL.

**Value**

SpaTalk object

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dec_cci	<i>Decomposing cell-cell communications for spatial transcriptomics data</i>
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**Description**

Identify the cell-cell communications for single-cell or spot-based spatial transcriptomics data with proximal ligand-receptor-target interactions.

**Usage**

```
dec_cci(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  n_neighbor = 10,
  min_pairs = 5,
  min_pairs_ratio = 0,
  per_num = 1000,
```

```

    pvalue = 0.05,
    co_exp_ratio = 0.1,
    if_doParallel = T,
    use_n_cores = NULL
  )

```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object after <code>find_lr_path</code> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
n_neighbor	Number of neighbor cells to select as the proximal cell-cell pair. Default is 10.
min_pairs	Min proximal cell-cell pairs between for sending and receiving cell types. Default is 5.
min_pairs_ratio	Min proximal cell-cell pairs ratio between for sending and receiving cell types. Default is 0.
per_num	Number of repeat times for permutation test. Default is 1000.
pvalue	Include the significantly proximal LR pairs with this cutoff of p value from permutation test. Default is 0.05.
co_exp_ratio	Min cell ratio in receiving cells with co-expressed source and target genes for predicting the downstream pathway activity.
if_doParallel	Use doParallel. Default is TRUE.
use_n_cores	Number of CPU cores to use. Default is all cores - 2.

### Value

SpaTalk object containing the inferred LR pairs and pathways.

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dec_cci_all	<i>Decomposing cell-cell communications for spatial transcriptomics data</i>
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### Description

Identify the all cell-cell communications for single-cell or spot-based spatial transcriptomics data with proximal ligand-receptor-target interactions.

### Usage

```

dec_cci_all(
  object,
  n_neighbor = 10,
  min_pairs = 5,
  min_pairs_ratio = 0,
  per_num = 1000,
  pvalue = 0.05,

```

```

    co_exp_ratio = 0.1,
    if_doParallel = T,
    use_n_cores = NULL
  )

```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object after <code>find_lr_path</code> .
n_neighbor	Number of neighbor cells to select as the proximal cell-cell pair. Default is 10.
min_pairs	Min proximal cell-cell pairs between for sending and receiving cell types. Default is 5.
min_pairs_ratio	Min proximal cell-cell pairs ratio between for sending and receiving cell types. Default is 0.
per_num	Number of repeat times for permutation test. Default is 1000.
pvalue	Include the significantly proximal LR pairs with this cutoff of p value from permutation test. Default is 0.05.
co_exp_ratio	Min cell ratio in receiving cells with co-expressed source and target genes for predicting the downstream pathway activity.
if_doParallel	Use doParallel. Default is TRUE.
use_n_cores	Number of CPU cores to use. Default is all cores - 2.

### Value

SpaTalk object containing the inferred LR pairs and pathways.

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dec_celltype	<i>Decomposing cell type for spatial transcriptomics data</i>
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### Description

Identify the cellular composition for single-cell or spot-based spatial transcriptomics data with non-negative regression.

### Usage

```

dec_celltype(
  object,
  sc_data,
  sc_celltype,
  min_percent = 0.5,
  min_nFeatures = 10,
  if_use_normalize_data = T,
  if_use_hvg = F,
  if_doParallel = T,
  use_n_cores = NULL,
  iter_num = 1000,
  method = 1,
  env = "base",
  anaconda_path = "~/anaconda3",
  dec_result = NULL
)

```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">createSpaTalk</a> .
sc_data	A A data.frame or matrix or dgCMatrix containing counts of single-cell RNA-seq data as the reference, each column representing a cell, each row representing a gene.
sc_celltype	A character containing the cell type of the reference single-cell RNA-seq data.
min_percent	Min percent to predict new cell type for single-cell st_data or predict new cell for spot-based st_data. Default is 0.5.
min_nFeatures	Min number of expressed features/genes for each spot/cell in st_data. Default is 10.
if_use_normalize_data	Whether to use normalized st_data and sc_data with Seurat normalization. Default is TRUE. set it FALSE when the st_data and sc_data are already normalized matrix with other methods.
if_use_hvg	Whether to use highly variable genes for non-negative regression. Default is FALSE.
if_doParallel	Use doParallel. Default is TRUE.
use_n_cores	Number of CPU cores to use. Default is all cores - 2.
iter_num	Number of iteration to generate the single-cell data for spot-based data. Default is 1000.
method	1 means using the SpaTalk deconvolution method, 2 means using RCTD, 3 means using Seurat, 4 means using SPOTlight, 5 means using deconvSeq, 6 means using stereoscope, 7 means using cell2location
env	When method set to 6, namely use stereoscope python package to deconvolute, please define the python environment of installed stereoscope. Default is the 'base' environment. Anaconda is recommended.
anaconda_path	When use python package, please define the path to anaconda, default is ~/anaconda3
dec_result	A matrix of deconvolution result from other upcoming methods, row represents spots or cells, column represents cell types of scRNA-seq reference. See <a href="#">demo_dec_result</a>

**Value**

SpaTalk object containing the decomposing results.

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demo_dec_result	<i>Demo data of dec_result</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of dec\_result

**Usage**

```
demo_dec_result()
```

**Details**

dec\_result used in [dec\\_celltype](#) must be a matrix object, each row representing a spot, each column representing a cell type.

**Value**

A matrix.

**Examples**

```
dec_result_demo <- demo_dec_result()
```

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demo_geneinfo	<i>Demo data of geneinfo</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of geneinfo

**Usage**

```
demo_geneinfo()
```

**Details**

geneinfo used in [dec\\_celltype](#) must be a data.frame object with three columns, namely 'symbol', 'synonyms', 'species'.

**Examples**

```
geneinfo_demo <- demo_geneinfo()
```

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demo_lrpairs	<i>Demo data of lrpairs</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of lrpairs

**Usage**

```
demo_lrpairs()
```

**Details**

lrpairs used in [dec\\_cci](#) must be a data.frame object with three columns, namely 'ligand', 'receptor', 'species'.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
lrpairs_demo <- demo_lrpairs()
```

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demo_pathways	<i>Demo data of pathways</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of pathways

**Usage**

```
demo_pathways()
```

**Details**

pathways used in [dec\\_cci](#) must be a data.frame object with seven columns, namely 'src', 'dest', 'pathway', 'source', 'type', 'src\_tf', 'dest\_tf', 'species'.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
pathways_demo <- demo_pathways()
```

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demo_sc_data	<i>Demo data of sc_data</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of sc\_data.

**Usage**

```
demo_sc_data()
```

**Details**

sc\_data used in [dec\\_celltype](#) must be a matrix object, each column representing a cell, each row representing a gene.

**Value**

A matrix.

**Examples**

```
sc_data_demo <- demo_sc_data()
```

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demo_st_data	<i>Demo data of st_data</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of st\_data.

**Usage**

```
demo_st_data()
```

**Details**

st\_data used in `dec_celltype` must be a matrix object, each column representing a spot, each row representing a gene.

**Value**

A matrix.

**Examples**

```
st_data_demo <- demo_st_data()
```

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demo_st_meta	<i>Demo data of st_meta</i>
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**Description**

Demo data of st\_meta

**Usage**

```
demo_st_meta()
```

**Details**

st\_meta used in `dec_celltype` must be a data.frame object with three columns, namely 'spot', 'x', 'y' for spot-based spatial transcriptomics data.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
st_meta_demo <- demo_st_meta()
```

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demo\_st\_sc\_data      *Demo data of single-cell st\_data*

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**Description**

Demo data of single-cell st\_data.

**Usage**

```
demo_st_sc_data()
```

**Details**

st\_data used in [dec\\_celltype](#) must be a matrix object, each column representing a cell, each row representing a gene.

**Value**

A matrix.

**Examples**

```
st_data_demo <- demo_st_sc_data()
```

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demo\_st\_sc\_meta      *Demo data of st\_sc\_meta*

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**Description**

Demo data of st\_sc\_meta

**Usage**

```
demo_st_sc_meta()
```

**Details**

st\_sc\_meta used in [dec\\_celltype](#) must be a data.frame object with three columns, namely 'cell', 'x', 'y' for single-cell spatial transcriptomics data.

**Value**

A data.frame.

**Examples**

```
st_sc_meta_demo <- demo_st_sc_meta()
```

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find_lr_path	<i>Find lrpairs and pathways</i>
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**Description**

Find lrpairs and pathways with receptors having downstream targets and transcriptional factors.

**Usage**

```
find_lr_path(
  object,
  lrpairs,
  pathways,
  max_hop = NULL,
  if_doParallel = T,
  use_n_cores = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
lrpairs	A data.frame of the system data containing ligand-receptor pairs of 'Human' and 'Mouse' from CellTalkDB.
pathways	A data.frame of the system data containing gene-gene interactions and pathways from KEGG and Reactome as well as the information of transcriptional factors.
max_hop	Max hop from the receptor to the downstream target transcriptional factor to find for receiving cells. Default is 3 for human and 4 for mouse.
if_doParallel	Use doParallel. Default is TRUE.
use_n_cores	Number of CPU cores to use. Default is all cores - 2.

**Value**

SpaTalk object containing the filtered lrpairs and pathways.

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geneinfo	<i>geneinfo</i>
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**Description**

Gene symbols of 'Human' and 'Mouse' updated on June 30, 2021 for revising count matrix.

**Usage**

```
geneinfo
```

**Format**

An object of class data.frame with 250934 rows and 3 columns.

**Source**

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/gene>

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generate_spot	<i>Generate pseudo spot st_data</i>
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**Description**

Generate pseudo spot st\_data with single-cell st\_data

**Usage**

```
generate_spot(st_data, st_meta, x_min, x_res, x_max, y_min, y_res, y_max)
```

**Arguments**

st_data	A data.frame or matrix or dgCMatrix containing counts of spatial transcriptomics, each column representing a cell, each row representing a gene.
st_meta	A data.frame containing coordinate of spatial transcriptomics with three columns, 'cell', 'x', 'y', and celltype.
x_min	Min value of x axis.
x_res	Resolution of x coordinate.
x_max	Max value of x axis.
y_min	Min value of y axis.
y_res	Resolution of y coordinate.
y_max	Max value of y axis.

**Value**

A list of spot st\_data and st\_meta

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get_lr_path	<i>Get LR and downstream pathways</i>
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**Description**

Get LR and downstream pathways and get p value of receptor-related pathways with LR-target genes by the Fisher-exact test.

**Usage**

```
get_lr_path(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  ligand,
  receptor,
  min_gene_num = 5
)
```

**Arguments**

object SpaTalk object generated from [dec\\_cci](#).  
 celltype\_sender Name of celltype\_sender.  
 celltype\_receiver Name of celltype\_receiver.  
 ligand Name of ligand from celltype\_sender.  
 receptor Name of receptor from celltype\_receiver.  
 min\_gene\_num Min genes number for each pathway.

**Value**

A list containing two data.frame. One is LR and downstream pathways, another is the p value of receptor-related pathways with LR-target genes.

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lrpairs	<i>lrpairs</i>
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**Description**

Ligand-receptor pairs of 'Human' and 'Mouse' containing 3398 human and 2033 mouse pairs.

**Usage**

```
lrpairs
```

**Format**

An object of class `data.frame` with 5427 rows and 3 columns.

**Source**

<http://tcm.zju.edu.cn/celltalkdb/>

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pathways	<i>pathways</i>
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**Description**

KEGG pathways and Reactomes of 'Human' and 'Mouse' for intra-cellular genes and transcription factors.

**Usage**

```
pathways
```

**Format**

An object of class `data.frame` with 669197 rows and 8 columns.

**Source**

<https://www.genome.jp/kegg/pathway.html>  
<https://reactome.org/>  
<http://bioinfo.life.hust.edu.cn/AnimalTFDB/#!/>

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plot\_ccdist

*Plot cell-cell distribution*

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**Description**

Point plot with spatial distribution of celltype\_sender and celltype\_receiver

**Usage**

```
plot_ccdist(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  color = NULL,
  size = 1,
  if_plot_others = T,
  if_plot_density = T,
  if_plot_edge = T,
  if_show_arrow = T,
  arrow_length = 0.05,
  plot_cells = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
color	Color for celltype_sender, celltype_receiver, and others. Three values.
size	Point size. Default is 1.
if_plot_others	Whether to plot others. Default is TRUE.
if_plot_density	Whether to plot marginal density plots. Default is TRUE.
if_plot_edge	Whether to plot edge between neighbors. Default is TRUE.
if_show_arrow	Whether to show the arrow of the plotted edge. Default is TRUE.
arrow_length	Arrow length.
plot_cells	Which cells to plot. Default is all cells. Input a character vector of cell names to plot.

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plot_cci_lrpairs	<i>Plot LR pairs</i>
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### Description

Heatmap with LR pairs of celltype\_sender and celltype\_receiver

### Usage

```
plot_cci_lrpairs(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  top_lrpairs = 20,
  color = NULL,
  border_color = "black",
  type = "sig",
  fontsize_number = 5,
  number_color = "black",
  color_low = NULL,
  color_high = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_cci</a> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
top_lrpairs	Number of top lrpairs for plotting. Default is 20.
color	Color for the cells in heatmap.
border_color	color of cell borders on heatmap, use NA if no border should be drawn.
type	Set 'sig' to plot significant LR pairs or set 'number' to plot the number of spatial LR interactions.
fontsize_number	fontsize of the numbers displayed in cells.
number_color	color of the text.
color_low	For 'number' type, define the color for the lowest value.
color_high	For 'number' type, define the color for the highest value.

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plot_lrpair	<i>Plot LR pair</i>
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### Description

Point plot with LR pair from celltype\_sender to celltype\_receiver

### Usage

```
plot_lrpair(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  ligand,
  receptor,
  color = NULL,
  size = 1,
  if_plot_density = T,
  if_plot_edge = T,
  if_show_arrow = T,
  arrow_length = 0.05,
  plot_cells = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
ligand	Name of ligand from celltype_sender.
receptor	Name of receptor from celltype_receiver.
color	Color for ligand, receptor, and others. Three values.
size	Point size. Default is 1.
if_plot_density	Whether to plot marginal density plots. Default is TRUE.
if_plot_edge	Whether to plot edge between neighbors. Default is TRUE.
if_show_arrow	Whether to show the arrow of the plotted edge. Default is TRUE.
arrow_length	Arrow length.
plot_cells	Which cells to plot. Default is all cells. Input a character vector of cell names to plot.

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plot_lrpair_vln	<i>Plot spatial distance of LR pair with vlnplot</i>
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### Description

Violin plot spatial distance of LR pair between expressed senders and receivers and between expressed cell-cell pairs.

### Usage

```
plot_lrpair_vln(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  ligand,
  receptor,
  vln_color = NULL,
  if_plot_boxplot = T,
  box_width = 0.2
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
ligand	Name of ligand from celltype_sender.
receptor	Name of receptor from celltype_receiver.
vln_color	Color for violins. Two values.
if_plot_boxplot	Whether to plot boxplot. Default is TRUE.
box_width	Box width. Default is 0.2.

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plot_lr_path	<i>Plot LR and downstream pathways</i>
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### Description

Plot network with LR and downstream pathways

**Usage**

```
plot_lr_path(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  ligand,
  receptor,
  color = NULL,
  size = 5,
  arrow_length = 0.1
)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_cci</a> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
ligand	Name of ligand from celltype_sender.
receptor	Name of receptor from celltype_receiver.
color	Color for points Two values.
size	Size of points.
arrow_length	Arrow length.

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plot_path2gene	<i>River plot of significantly activated pathways and related downstream genes of receptors.</i>
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**Description**

River plot of significantly activated pathways and related downstream genes of receptors.

**Usage**

```
plot_path2gene(
  object,
  celltype_sender,
  celltype_receiver,
  ligand,
  receptor,
  min_gene_num = 5,
  pvalue = 0.5,
  color = NULL,
  color_flow = "blue"
)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_cci</a> .
celltype_sender	Name of celltype_sender.
celltype_receiver	Name of celltype_receiver.
ligand	Name of ligand from celltype_sender.
receptor	Name of receptor from celltype_receiver.
min_gene_num	Min genes number for each pathway.
pvalue	P value of the Fisher-exact test.
color	Color of pathways and genes. Two values.
color_flow	Color of the flow.

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plot_st_celltype	<i>Plot spatial distribution of a single cell type</i>
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**Description**

Ponit plot with spatial distribution of a single predicted cell type for transcriptomics data

**Usage**

```
plot_st_celltype(
  object,
  celltype,
  size = 1,
  color_celltype = "blue",
  color_others = "grey"
)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
celltype	Name of cell type in the sc_celltype.
size	Point size. Default is 1.
color_celltype	Color for the celltype of interest.
color_others	Color for the others.

---

plot\_st\_celltype\_all *Plot spatial distribution of all cell types*

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### Description

Plot spatial distribution of all predicted cell types for transcriptomics data

### Usage

```
plot_st_celltype_all(object, size = 1, color = NULL)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
size	Point size. Default is 1.
color	Color for all predicted cell types.

---

plot\_st\_celltype\_density  
*Plot spatial density of a single cell type*

---

### Description

Plot spatial density of a single predicted cell type for transcriptomics data

### Usage

```
plot_st_celltype_density(
  object,
  celltype,
  type,
  if_plot_point = T,
  point_color = NULL,
  point_size = 1,
  color_low = "grey",
  color_mid = NULL,
  color_high = "blue",
  color_midpoint = NULL,
  size = 1
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
celltype	Name of cell type in the sc_celltype.
type	Select 'contour' or 'raster'.
if_plot_point	Whether to plot points when type is 'contour'.
point_color	Point color.

point_size	Point size. Default is 1.
color_low	Color for the lowest value.
color_mid	Color for the middle value for using scale_color_gradient2. Default is NULL.
color_high	Color for the highest value.
color_midpoint	Value for the middle scale. Default is NULL.
size	Line size when type is 'contour'. Default is 1.

---

plot\_st\_celltype\_percent

*Plot spatial distribution of a single cell type percent*

---

### Description

Plot spatial distribution of a single predicted cell type percent for transcriptomics data

### Usage

```
plot_st_celltype_percent(
  object,
  celltype,
  size = 1,
  color_low = NULL,
  color_mid = NULL,
  color_high = NULL,
  color_midpoint = NULL
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
celltype	Name of cell type in the sc_celltype.
size	Point size. Default is 1.
color_low	Color for the lowest value.
color_mid	Color for the middle value for using scale_color_gradient2. Default is NULL.
color_high	Color for the highest value.
color_midpoint	Value for the middle scale. Default is NULL.

---

plot\_st\_cor\_heatmap *Plot heatmap of correlation between marker genes and cell types*

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### Description

Plot heatmap of correlation between the expression of marker genes and the predicted score of cell types among all spatial cells or spots.

### Usage

```
plot_st_cor_heatmap(
  object,
  marker_genes,
  celltypes,
  color_low = NULL,
  color_mid = NULL,
  color_high = NULL,
  scale = "none",
  if_show_top = T,
  top_direction = "row",
  border_color = NA
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
marker_genes	A character containing the known marker genes to plot, provide at least two marker genes of interest.
celltypes	A character containing name of cell type in the sc_celltype. Default is to plot all cell types.
color_low	Color for the lowest value.
color_mid	Color for the middle value for using scale_color_gradient2. Default is NULL.
color_high	Color for the highest value.
scale	Character indicating if the values should be centered and scaled in either the row direction or the column direction, or none. Corresponding values are 'row', 'column' and 'none'.
if_show_top	Whether to plot a symbol to the highest value across rows or columns. Default is TRUE.
top_direction	Direction to identify the highest value, select 'row' or 'column'.
border_color	Color of the cell border. Default is 'NA'.

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plot_st_gene	<i>Plot spatial distribution of gene</i>
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### Description

Point plot with spatial distribution of a gene for transcriptomics data

### Usage

```
plot_st_gene(
  object,
  gene,
  size = 1,
  color_low = "grey",
  color_mid = NULL,
  color_high = "blue",
  color_midpoint = NULL,
  if_use_newmeta = T,
  celltype = NULL,
  if_plot_others = T
)
```

### Arguments

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
gene	Symbol of gene, e.g., 'AKT1'.
size	Point size. Default is 1.
color_low	Color for the lowest value.
color_mid	Color for the middle value for using <code>scale_color_gradient2</code> . Default is NULL.
color_high	Color for the highest value.
color_midpoint	Value for the middle scale. Default is NULL.
if_use_newmeta	Whether to use newmeta o plot the spatial distribution of gene after <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> for spot-based data. Default is TRUE.
celltype	gene in which celltype to plot. Default is NULL. Set <code>Nif_use_newmeta TRUE</code> when using this parameter.
if_plot_others	Whether to plot other cells when to use defined celltype.

### Details

Please set `if_use_newmeta` as FALSE to plot the spatial distribution of gene before [dec\\_celltype](#) for spot-based data.

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plot_st_pie	<i>Plot spatial transcriptomics data</i>
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**Description**

Plot scatterpie for spatial transcriptomics data

**Usage**

```
plot_st_pie(object, pie_scale = 1, xy_ratio = 1, color = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object generated from <a href="#">dec_celltype</a> .
pie_scale	Scale of each pie to plot. Default is 1.
xy_ratio	Ratio of y and x coordinates. Default is 1.
color	Filled of colors for pie plot, length of color must be equal to the number of unique cell types in <code>sc_celltype</code> .

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plot_st_pie_generate	<i>Plot spatial transcriptomics data</i>
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**Description**

Plot scatterpie for spot-based ST data

**Usage**

```
plot_st_pie_generate(st_meta, pie_scale = 1, xy_ratio = 1, color = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

st_meta	st_meta generated from <a href="#">generate_spot</a>
pie_scale	Scale of each pie to plot. Default is 1.
xy_ratio	Ratio of y and x coordinates. Default is 1.
color	Filled of colors for pie plot, length of color must be equal to the number of unique cell types in <code>sc_celltype</code> .

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rev_gene	<i>Pre-processing step: revising gene symbols</i>
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**Description**

Revise genes according to NCBI Gene symbols updated in June 30, 2021 for count matrix, user-custom lrpairs data.frame, and user-custom pathways data.frame.

**Usage**

```
rev_gene(data = NULL, data_type = NULL, species = NULL, geneinfo = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

data	A data.frame or matrix or dgCMatrix containing count data each column representing a spot or a cell, each row representing a gene; Or a data.frame containing ligand-receptor pairs; Or a data.frame containing gene-gene interactions and pathways from KEGG and Reactome as well as the information of transcriptional factors.
data_type	A character to define the type of data, select 'count' for the data matrix, 'lrpairs' for the data.frame containing lrpairs, 'pathways' for the data.frame containing pathways.
species	Species of the data. 'Human' or 'Mouse'.
geneinfo	A data.frame of the system data containing gene symbols of 'Human' and 'Mouse' updated on June 30, 2021 for revising count matrix.

**Value**

A new matrix or data.frame.

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set_expected_cell	<i>Set the expected cell</i>
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**Description**

Set the expected cell in SpaTalk object

**Usage**

```
set_expected_cell(object, value)
```

**Arguments**

object	SpaTalk object
value	Th number of expected cell for each spot, must be equal to the spot number.

**Value**

SpaTalk object

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SpaTalk

*Definition of 'SpaTalk' class*

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**Description**

An S4 class containing the data, meta, and results of inferred cell type compositions, LR pairs, and pathways.

**Slots**

`data` A list containing the raw and normalized data.

`meta` A list containing the raw and new meta data.

`para` A list containing the parameters.

`coef` A matrix containing the results of deconvolution.

`cellpair` A list containing the cell-cell pairs based on the spatial distance.

`dist` A matrix containing the Euclidean distance among cells.

`lrpair` A data frame containing the inferred LR pairs.

`tf` A data frame containing the TFs of receptors.

`lr_path` A list containing the lrpairs and pathways.

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