

# Package ‘msPurity’

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**Description**

Assess the contribution of the targeted precursor in fragmentation acquired or anticipated isolation windows using a metric called “precursor purity”. Also provides simple processing steps (averaging, filtering, blank subtraction, etc) for DI-MS data.  
Works for both LC-MS(/MS) and DI-MS(/MS) data.

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assessPuritySingle     *Assess the purity of a single LC-MS/MS or DI-MS/MS file*

### Description

Given a filepath to an mzML file the precursor purity for any MS/MS scans will be outputted into a dataframe

### Usage

```
assessPuritySingle(filepath, fileid = NA, mostIntense = FALSE,
  nearest = TRUE, offsets = NA, cores = 1, plotP = FALSE,
  plotdir = NULL, interpol = "linear", iwNorm = FALSE, iwNormFun = NULL,
  ilim = 0, mzRback = "pwiz")
```

### Arguments

filepath	character = mzML file path for MS/MS spectra
fileid	numeric = adds a fileid column (primarily for internal use for msPurity)
mostIntense	boolean = True if the most intense peak is used for calculation. False if the centered peak is used
nearest	boolean = True if the peak selected is as the nearest MS1 scan. If False then the preceding scan is used
offsets	vector = override the isolation offsets found in the mzML file.e.g. c(0.5, 0.5)
cores	numeric = number of cores to use
plotP	boolean = if TRUE a plot of the purity is to be saved

plotdir	vector = if plotP is TRUE plots will be saved to this directory
interpol	character = type of interolation to be performed "linear", "spline" or "none"
iwNorm	boolean = if TRUE then the intensity of the isolation window will be normalised based on the iwNormFun function
iwNormFun	function = A function to normalise the isolation window intensity. The default function is very generalised and just accounts for edge effects
ilim	numeric = All peaks less than this percentage of the target peak will be removed from the purity calculation, default is 5% (0.05)
mzRback	character = backend to use for mzR parsing

**Value**

a dataframe of the purity score of the ms/ms spectra

**See Also**

[purityA](#)

**Examples**

```
filepth <- system.file("extdata", "lcms", "mzML", "LCMSMS_1.mzML", package="msPurityData")
puritydf <- assessPuritySingle(filepth)
```

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averageSpectra,purityD-method

*Using purityD object, calculates to average mz, intensity and signal-to-noise of multiple scans from multiple MS datafiles (mzML or .csv)*

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**Description**

Uses a purityD object with references to multiple MS files. For each file: Averages multiple scans together, see averageSpectraSingle for more information

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
averageSpectra(Object, rtscn = "all", scanRange = NA,
  timeRange = NA, clustType = "hc", ppm = 1.5, snthr = 3,
  av = "median", missingV = "zero", minfrac = 0.6667, normTIC = FALSE,
  snMeth = "median")
```

**Arguments**

Object	object = purityD object
rtscn	character = Whether it is scans or retention time to be filtered. Use "all" if all scans to be used. ['rt', 'scns', 'all']
scanRange	vector = Scan range (if rtscn='scns') e.g. c(40, 69)
timeRange	vector = Time range (if rtscn='rt') e.g. c(10.3, 400.8) (only if using mzML file)

clustType	character = Type of clustering used either Hierarchical or just simple 1dgrouping ['hc', 'simple'], default 'hc'
ppm	numeric = the ppm error to cluster mz together default 1.5
snthr	numeric = Signal to noise ratio threshold, default 0
av	character = What type of averaging to do between peaks
missingV	character = What to do with missing values (zero or ignore)
minfrac	numeric = Min fraction of scans with a grouped peak to be an accepted averaged peak
normTIC	boolean = If TRUE then RSD calculation will use the normalised intensity (intensity divided by TIC) if FALSE will use standard intensity
snMeth	character = Type of snMethod to use

**Value**

purityD object with averaged spectra

**See Also**

[averageSpectraSingle](#)

**Examples**

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMS <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
ppDIMS <- averageSpectra(ppDIMS)
```

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averageSpectraSingle *Calculates to average mz, intensity and signal-to-noise of multiple scans from 1 MS datafile (mzML or .csv)*

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**Description**

Averages multiple scans of mass spectrometry data together. Each scan consisting of a minimum of intensity and mz values.

Works for either mzML or a .csv file consisting of mz, i, scanid, (optional: noise, backgroun, snr)

Signal-to-noise (SNR) can be calculated a number of ways. Default is to calculate the SN for every scan as the "Intensity of peak / the median intensity of the scan".

Alternatively if using a .CSV file a precalculated snr can be on of the columns and this can be used.

The function works for LC-MS or DI-MS datasets.

**Usage**

```
averageSpectraSingle(filePth, rtscn = "all", scanRange = NA,
  timeRange = NA, clustType = "hc", ppm = 1.5, snthr = 3, cores = 1,
  av = "median", missingV = "ignore", minfrac = 0.6667,
  snMeth = "median", MSFileReader = FALSE, normTIC = FALSE,
  mzRback = "pwiz")
```

**Arguments**

filePth	character = Path of the file to be processed
rtscn	character = Whether it is scans or retention time to be filtered. Use "all" if all scans to be used. ['rt', 'scns', 'all']
scanRange	vector = Scan range (if rtscn='scns') e.g. c(40, 69)
timeRange	vector = Time range (if rtscn='rt') e.g. c(10.3, 400.8) (only if using mzML file)
clustType	character = Type of clustering used either Hierarchical or just simple 1dgrouping ['hc', 'simple'], default 'hc'
ppm	numeric = the ppm error to cluster mz together default 1.5
snthr	numeric = Signal to noise ratio threshold, default 0
cores	numeric = Number of cores used to perform Hierarchical clustering WARNING: memory intensive, default 2
av	character = What type of averaging to do between peaks
missingV	character = What to do with missing values (zero or ignore)
minfrac	numeric = Min fraction of scans with a grouped peak to be an accepted averaged peak
snMeth	character = Type of snMethod to use
MSFileReader	boolean = For thermo files a the MSFileReader API can extract peaklist. This can consist of an .csv file with the following columns c('mz', 'i', 'scanid', 'snr')
normTIC	boolean = If TRUE then RSD calculation will use the normalised intensity (intensity divided by TIC) if FALSE will use standard intensity
mzRback	character = backend to use for mzR parsing

**Value**

dataframe of the median mz, intensity, signal-to-noise ratio.

**Examples**

```
mzmlPth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", "B02_Daph_TEST_pos.mzML", package="msPurityData")
avP <- averageSpectraSingle(mzmlPth)
```

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dimsPredictPurity,purityD-method

*Using purityD object, assess anticipated purity from a DI-MS run*

---

**Description**

Assess the precursor purity of anticipated MS/MS spectra. i.e. it 'predicts' the precursor purity of the DI-MS peaks for a future MS/MS run.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
dimsPredictPurity(Object, ppm = 1.5, minOffset = 0.5,
  maxOffset = 0.5, iwNorm = FALSE, iwNormFun = NULL, ilim = 0.05,
  sampleOnly = FALSE)
```

**Arguments**

Object	object = purityD object
ppm	numeric = tolerance for target m/z value in each scan
minOffset	numeric = isolation window minimum offset
maxOffset	numeric = isolation window maximum offset
iwNorm	boolean = if TRUE then the intensity of the isolation window will be normalised based on the iwNormFun function
iwNormFun	function = A function to normalise the isolation window intensity. The default function is very generalised and just accounts for edge effects
ilim	numeric = All peaks less than this percentage of the target peak will be removed from the purity calculation, default is 5% (0.05)
sampleOnly	boolean = if TRUE will only calculate purity for sample peaklists

**Value**

purityD object with predicted purity of peaks  
purityD object

**See Also**

[dimsPredictPuritySingle](#)

**Examples**

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMS <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
ppDIMS <- averageSpectra(ppDIMS)
ppDIMS <- filterp(ppDIMS)
ppDIMS <- subtract(ppDIMS)
ppDIMS <- dimsPredictPurity(ppDIMS)
```

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`dimsPredictPuritySingle`

*Predict the precursor purity from a DI-MS dataset*

---

**Description**

Given an DI-MS dataset (either mzML or .csv file) calculate the predicted purity for a vector of m/z values.

Calculated at a given offset e.g. for 0.5 +/- Da the minOffset would be 0.5 and the maxOffset of 0.5.

A ppm tolerance is used to find the target m/z value in each scan.

**Usage**

```
dimsPredictPuritySingle(mztargets, filepth, minOffset = 0.5,
  maxOffset = 0.5, ppm = 2.5, mzML = TRUE, iwNorm = FALSE,
  iwNormFun = NULL, ilim = 0.05, mzRback = "pwiz")
```

**Arguments**

mztargets	vector = mz targets to get predicted purity for
filepth	character = mzML file path or .csv file path
minOffset	numeric = isolation window minimum offset
maxOffset	numeric = isolation window maximum offset
ppm	numeric = tolerance for target mz value in each scan
mzML	boolean = Whether an mzML file is to be used or .csv file (TRUE == mzML)
iwNorm	boolean = if TRUE then the intensity of the isolation window will be normalised based on the iwNormFun function
iwNormFun	function = A function to normalise the isolation window intensity. The default function is very generalised and just accounts for edge effects
ilim	numeric = All peaks less than this percentage of the target peak will be removed from the purity calculation, default is 5% (0.05)
mzRback	character = backend to use for mzR parsing

**Value**

a dataframe of the target mz values and the predicted purity score

**Examples**

```
mzmlPth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", "B02_Daph_TEST_pos.mzML", package="msPurityData")
predicted <- dimsPredictPuritySingle(c(173.0806, 216.1045), filepth=mzmlPth , minOffset=0.5, maxOffset=0.5,
```

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filterp,purityD-method

*Filter out peaks based on intensity and RSD criteria*

---

**Description**

Uses a purityD object remove peaks from either (or both) samples and blanks that are either below an intensity threshold or greater than a Relative Standard Deviation (RSD) threshold

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
filterp(Object, thr = 5000, rsd = 20,
        sampleOnly = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

Object	object = purityD object
thr	numeric = intensity threshold
rsd	numeric = rsd threshold
sampleOnly	boolean = if only the sample (not blanks) should be filtered

**Value**

purityD object

**Examples**

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
```

```
ppDIMS <- purityD(inDF, cores=1)
ppDIMS <- averageSpectra(ppDIMS)
ppDIMS <- filterp(ppDIMS, thr = 5000)
```

---

frag4feature.purityA-method

*Assign precursor purity scored fragmentation spectra to XCMS features*

---

**Description**

Assign fragmentation spectra (MS/MS) scored via msPurity package to features from an XCMS set object.

Allows the user to filter out spectra below a certain threshold for purity.

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityA'
frag4feature(pa, xset, ppm = 5, plim = 0,
  intense = TRUE, convert2RawRT = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

pa	= purityA object
xset	xcms object = XCMS object derived from the same files as the puritydf
ppm	numeric = ppm tolerance between precursor mz and feature mz
plim	numeric = min purity of precursor to be included
intense	boolean = If the most intense precursor or the centered precursor is used
convert2RawRT	boolean = If retention time correction has been used in XCMS set this to TRUE

**Value**

a dataframe of the purity score of the ms/ms spectra

**Examples**

```

msmsPths <- list.files(system.file("extdata", "lcms", "mzML", package="msPurityData"), full.names = TRUE, pa
xset <- xcms::xcmsSet(msmsPths, nSlaves = 1)
xset <- xcms::group(xset)
xset <- xcms::retcor(xset)
xset <- xcms::group(xset)

pa <- purityA(msmsPths, interpol = "linear")

```

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Getfiles

*Get files for DI-MS processing*


---

**Description**

Takes in a folder path and outputs the a data frame structure for purityD. Function modified from mzmatch.

**Usage**

```

Getfiles(projectFolder = NULL, recursive = FALSE, pattern = ".csv",
         check = TRUE, raw = FALSE, peakout = NA, cStrt = TRUE,
         mzml_out = FALSE)

```

**Arguments**

projectFolder	character: directory path
recursive	boolean: recursively check for files
pattern	character file suffix to check for
check	boolean check with a GUI the files
raw	(REDUNDANT)
peakout	(REDUNDANT)
cStrt	boolean use the first word as the class name for files
mzml_out	(REDUNDANT)

**Value**

dataframe of files

**Examples**

```

datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)

```

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getP,purityD-method     *Get peaklist for a purityD object*

---

### Description

output peak list for a purityD object

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
getP(x)
```

### Arguments

x                     object = purityD object

### Value

peaks

### Examples

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMS <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
peaks <- getP(ppDIMS)
```

---

groupPeaks,purityD-method

*Using purityD object, group multiple peaklists by similar mz values (mzML or .csv)*

---

### Description

Uses a purityD object to group all the peaklists in the 'avPeaks\$processing' slot

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
groupPeaks(Object, ppm = 3, sampleOnly = FALSE,
  clustType = "hc")
```

### Arguments

Object                object = purityD object  
ppm                    numeric = The ppm tolerance to group peaklists  
sampleOnly            = if TRUE the sample peaks will only be grouped  
clustType             = if 'hc' the hierarchical clustering, if 'simple' the mz values will just be grouped using a simple 1D method

**Value**

data.frame of peaklists grouped together by mz

**Examples**

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMS <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
ppDIMS <- averageSpectra(ppDIMS)
grppeP <- groupPeaks(ppDIMS)
```

---

groupPeaksEx

*Group peaklists from a list of dataframes*

---

**Description**

Group a list of dataframes by their m/z values

**Usage**

```
groupPeaksEx(peak_list, cores = 1, clustType = "hc", ppm = 2)
```

**Arguments**

peak_list	list = A list (named) of dataframes consisting of at least the following columns ['peakID', 'mz']
cores	= number of cores used for calculation
clustType	= if 'hc' the hierarchical clustering, if 'simple' the mz values will just be grouped using a simple 1D method
ppm	numeric = The ppm tolerance to group peaklists

**Value**

data.frame of peaklists grouped together by mz

**Examples**

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMS <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
ppDIMS <- averageSpectra(ppDIMS)
grppeP <- groupPeaks(ppDIMS)
```

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```
initialize, purityD-method
```

*Constructor for S4 class to represent a DI-MS purityD*

---

### Description

The class used to predict purity from an DI-MS dataset.

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
initialize(Object, fileList, cores = 1, mzML = TRUE,
  mzRback = "pwiz")
```

### Arguments

.Object	object = purityD object
fileList	data.frame = created using GetFiles, data.frame with filepaths and sample class information
cores	numeric = Number of cores used to perform Hierarchical clustering WARNING: memory intensive, default 1
mzML	boolean = TRUE if mzML to be used FALSE if .csv file to be used
mzRback	character = backend to use for mzR parsing

### Value

purityD object

### Examples

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMs <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
```

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```
purityA
```

*Assess the purity of multiple LC-MS/MS or DI-MS/MS files (constructor)*

---

### Description

Constructor for the purityA class.

Given a vector of LC-MS/MS or DI-MS/MS mzML file paths calculate the precursor purity of each MS/MS scan

Will automatically determine the isolation widths offsets from the mzML file. For some vendors though this is not recorded (Agilent). In these cases the offsets should be given as a parameter.

In the case of Agilent only the "narrow" isolation is supported. This roughly equates to +/- 0.65 Da (depending on the instrument). If the file is detected as originating from an Agilent instrument the isolation widths will automatically be set as +/- 0.65 Da.

**Usage**

```
purityA(fileList, cores = 1, mostIntense = FALSE, nearest = TRUE,
        offsets = NA, plotP = FALSE, plotdir = NULL, interpol = "linear",
        iwNorm = FALSE, iwNormFun = NULL, ilim = 0.05, mzRback = "pwiz")
```

**Arguments**

fileList	vector = mzML file paths for MS/MS spectra
cores	numeric = number of cores to use
mostIntense	boolean = True if the most intense peak is used for calculation. False if the centered peak is used
nearest	boolean = True if the peak selected is from either the preceding scan or the nearest.
offsets	vector = override the isolation offsets found in the mzML filee.g. c(0.5, 0.5)
plotP	boolean = if TRUE a plot of the purity is to be saved
plotdir	vector = if plotP is TRUE plots will be saved to this directory
interpol	character = type of interolation to be performed "linear" or "spline"
iwNorm	boolean = if TRUE then the intensity of the isolation window will be normalised based on the iwNormFun function
iwNormFun	function = A function to normalise the isolation window intensity. The default function is very generalised and just accounts for edge effects
ilim	numeric = All peaks less than this percentage of the target peak will be removed from the purity calculation, default is 5% (0.05)
mzRback	character = backend to use for mzR parsing

**Value**

a dataframe of the purity score of the ms/ms spectra

**See Also**

[assessPuritySingle](#)

**Examples**

```
filepths <- system.file("extdata", "lcms", "mzML", "LCMSMS_1.mzML", package="msPurityData")
pa <- purityA(filepths)
```

---

purityD-class

*An S4 class to represent a DI-MS purityD*

---

**Description**

The class used to assess anticipated purity from a DI-MS run

**Arguments**

.Object	object = purityD object
fileList	data.frame = created using GetFiles, data.frame with filepaths and sample class information
cores	numeric = Number of cores used to perform Hierarchical clustering WARNING: memory intensive, default 1
mzML	boolean = TRUE if mzML to be used FALSE if .csv file to be used

**Value**

purityD object

**Examples**

```
datapath <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapath, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)
ppDIMS <- purityD(fileList=inDF, cores=1, mzML=TRUE)
```

---

purityX

*Assessing anticipated purity of XCMS features from an LC-MS run*

---

**Description**

Constructor for the purityX class.

Given an XCMS object get the anticipated precursor purity of the grouped peaks

**Usage**

```
purityX(xset, purityType = "purityFWHMmedian", offsets = c(0.5, 0.5),
  fileignore = NULL, cores = 1, xgroups = NULL, iwNorm = FALSE,
  iwNormFun = NULL, ilim = 0, plotP = FALSE, mzRback = "pwiz")
```

**Arguments**

xset	object = xcms object
purityType	character = Area and average used for the purity predictions. Options are "purityFWHMmedian", "purityFWmedian", "purityFWHMmean", "purityFWmean"
offsets	vector = vector of the isolation window upper and lower offsets
fileignore	vector = vector of files to ignore for the prediction calculation
cores	numeric = number of cores to use
xgroups	vector = vector of xcms groups to perform prediction on
iwNorm	boolean = if TRUE then the intensity of the isolation window will be normalised based on the iwNormFun function
iwNormFun	function = A function to normalise the isolation window intensity. The default function is very generalised and just accounts for edge effects
ilim	numeric = All peaks less than this percentage of the target peak will be removed from the purity calculation, default is 5% (0.05)
plotP	boolean = TRUE if plot of the EIC of feature and associated contamination is to be saved to the working directory
mzRback	character = backend to use for mzR parsing

**Value**

a purityX object containing a dataframe of predicted purity scores

**Examples**

```
msPths <- list.files(system.file("extdata", "lcms", "mzML", package="msPurityData"), full.names = TRUE, patt
xset <- xcms::xcmsSet(msPths)
xset <- xcms::group(xset)
xset <- xcms::retcor(xset)
xset <- xcms::group(xset)
ppLCMS <- purityX(xset, cores = 1, xgroups = c(1, 2))
```

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show,purityA-method    *Show method for purityA class*

---

**Description**

print statement for purityA class

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityA'
show(object)
```

**Arguments**

object                    object = purityA object

**Value**

a print statement of regarding object

---

show,purityD-method    *Show method for purityD*

---

**Description**

Show method for purityD object

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
show(object)
```

**Arguments**

object                    = purityD object

**Value**

a print statement of regarding object

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show,purityX-method    *Show method for purityX*

---

**Description**

Show method for purityX object

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityX'
show(object)
```

**Arguments**

object                = purityX object

**Value**

a print statement of regarding object

---

subtract,purityD-method

*Using Subtract MZ values based on ppm tolerance and noise ratio*

---

**Description**

Uses a purityD object with references to multiple MS files. Subtract blank peaks from the sample peaks see subtractMZ for more information

**Usage**

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'
subtract(Object, byClass = TRUE, mapping = c("sample",
      "blank"), ppm = 5, s2bthres = 10)
```

**Arguments**

Object	= purityD object
byClass	boolean = subtract within each class
mapping	parameter not functional (TODO)
ppm	numeric = ppm tolerance
s2bthres	numeric = threshold for the samp2blank (i1/i2)

**Value**

purityD object with averaged spectra

**See Also**

[subtractMZ](#)

## Examples

```
datapth <- system.file("extdata", "dims", "mzML", package="msPurityData")
inDF <- Getfiles(datapth, pattern=".mzML", check = FALSE, cStrt = FALSE)

ppDIMS <- purityD(inDF, cores=1)
ppDIMS <- averageSpectra(ppDIMS)
ppDIMS <- filterp(ppDIMS, thr = 5000)
ppDIMS <- subtract(ppDIMS)
```

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subtractMZ

*Subtract MZ values based on ppm tolerance and noise ratio*

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## Description

This function is intended for blank subtraction of mz values from two peaklists. It takes in 2 vectors of mz values and 2 corresponding vectors of Intensity values.

The second mz values are subtracted from the first set within an MZ tolerance.

However, if the mz match but the intensity is above a defined threshold then they are not subtracted

## Usage

```
subtractMZ(mz1, mz2, i1, i2, ppm = 5, s2bthres = 10)
```

## Arguments

mz1	vector = mz values to start with
mz2	vector = mz values to subtract
i1	vector = i values for mz1
i2	vector = i values for mz2
ppm	numeric = ppm tolerance
s2bthres	numeric = threshold for the samp2blank (i1/i2)

## Value

a vector of the remaining mz values

## Examples

```
mz1 <- c(100.001, 200.002, 300.302)
mz2 <- c(100.004, 200.003, 500.101)
i1 <- c(100, 100, 100)
i2 <- c(100, 10000, 100)

subtractMZ(mz1, mz2, i1, i2, ppm=5, s2bthres =10)
```

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validate,purityA-method

*Validate precursor purity predictions using LC-MS and LC-MS/MS dataset*

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### Description

The method is used to validate the precursor purity predictions made from an LC-MS dataset

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityA'  
validate(pa, ppLCMS)
```

### Arguments

pa                   = purityA object  
ppLCMS               = purityX object

### Value

purityA object

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writeOut,purityD-method

*Using purityD object, save peaks as text files*

---

### Description

Uses a purityD object with references to multiple MS files. Predicts the purity of the processed sample files

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'purityD'  
writeOut(Object, outDir, original)
```

### Arguments

Object               object = purityD object  
outDir               character = Directory to save text files  
original              boolean = if the original (unprocessed) files are to be saved to text files

### Value

purityD object

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