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Description The ‘Rariant’ package identifies single nucleotide variants from sequencing data based on the difference of binomially distributed mismatch rates between matched samples.

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**Description**

The 'Rariant' package offers the framework to identify and characterize shifts of variant frequencies in a comparative setting from high-throughput short-read sequencing data. It estimates shifts in the non-consensus variant frequency and provides confidence estimates that allow for a quantitative assessment of presence or absence of variants. The vignette accompanying the package gives a detailed explanation and outlines a typical workflow on real data.

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**See Also**

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**Examples**

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ciAdjust

Description
Multiple testing adjustment of confidence levels, as proposed by Benjamini and Yekutieli.

Usage

    ciAdjustLevel(eta0, conf_level)

Arguments

    eta0        Estimated fraction of tests that are consistent with the null hypothesis.
    conf_level  Unadjusted confidence level

Value
The adjusted confidence level.

References

Examples

    conf_level = 0.95
    eta0 = seq(0, 1, by = 0.02)

    conf_level_adj = ciAdjustLevel(eta0, conf_level)

    plot(eta0, conf_level_adj, pch = 20, ylim = c(conf_level, 1))
Arguments

- **pars**: Data frame with parameter combinations [data.frame]
- **n_sample**: Number of assessments per parameter combination [integer(1)].
- **fun**: CI function
- **min_k**: Minimum 'k2' value to use.
- **...**: Additional arguments that are passed on to 'fun'.

Value

The 'data.frame' object 'pars' with additional columns 'cp' for the coverage probability and 'aw' average confidence interval width.

References


Examples

```r
## Define parameter space
pars = expand.grid(k1 = 1:5, k2 = 5, n1 = 30, n2 = 30)
conf_level = 0.95

## Compute coverage probabilities
cp = coverageProbability(pars, fun = acCi, n_sample = 1e2, conf_level = conf_level)
print(cp)
```

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ciUtils

Description

Utility functions to find confidence intervals that (a) overlap a certain value ('ciOutside', 'ciCovers') and (b) different confidence intervals overlap ('ciOverlap').

Usage

```r
ciOutside(x, delta = 0)
ciCovers(x, delta = 0)
ciOverlap(x, y)
ciWidth(x)
```

Arguments

- **x, y**: CIs, as obtained from e.g. the 'acCi' function.
- **delta**: Variant frequency value to check against [default: 0].
colorscales

Value
A logical vector, where each elements corresponds to the respective row of 'x' (and 'y').
For 'ciWidth': A numeric vector with the widths of the confidence intervals.

Examples

## Generate sample data
counts = data.frame(x1 = 1:5, n1 = 30, x2 = 0:4, n2 = 30)

## Agresti-Caffo
ci_ac = with(counts, acCi(x1, n1, x2, n2))
ci_ac2 = with(counts, acCi(x1, n1, x2, n2, 0.99))

## cover 0
idx_zero = ciCovers(ci_ac)

## cover 1
idx_one = ciCovers(ci_ac, delta = 1)

## overlap
idx_same = ciOverlap(ci_ac, ci_ac2)

## width
width = ciWidth(ci_ac)

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colorscales

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Description
Color and fill scales used for plotting in Rariant.

Usage

eventFillScale()
verdictColorScale()
rateFillScale()
baseFillScale()

Value
A ggbio color or fill scale.

See Also
tallyPlot, evidenceHeatmap, plotConfidenceIntervals
evidenceHeatmap

Variation Evidence Heatmap

Description
Heatmap with the evidence of variant evidences.

Usage

evidenceHeatmap(x, fill = "d", color = "outside", size = 1.5, xvar = "sample", yvar = "loc", ...)

convertUtils  Position converters

Description
Utility functions to convert between 'GRanges' and 'character' objects.

Usage

gr2pos(x, range = TRUE)
pos2gr(x)

Arguments

x  GRanges or character object.
range  Should the range instead of the start position be returned?

Value

A GRanges object or character object, with the positions.

Examples

library(GenomicRanges)
gr = GRanges(1:2, IRanges(1:2, width = 1))
pos = gr2pos(gr)
gr2 = pos2gr(pos)
identical(gr, gr2)
Arguments

- **x**: GRanges with variants, as returned by `rvariant`.
- **fill**: Column determining the fill.
- **color**: Column determining the border color.
- **size**: What is this needed for?
- **xvar, yvar**: Which column to define the tiles.
- **...**: Additional arguments, passed to `geom_tile`.

Value

A ggplot2 object.

See Also

`yesNoMaybe`

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**mismatchUtils**

*Tally processing low-level functions*

Description

Functions for processing position-specific base count tables (tallies) and extracting mismatches counts.

Usage

```r
## low-level functions
selectStrand(x, strand = c("both", "plus", "minus"), idx = 1:ncol(x))
seqDepth(x)
callConsensus(counts, verbose = FALSE)
mismatchCount(counts, consensus, depth = rowSums(counts))
```

Arguments

- **x**: Input object
- **strand**: Which strand to return?
- **idx**: Index of bases to consider (leave as is)
- **counts**: Count matrix
- **verbose**: Show warnings
- **consensus**: Consensus sequence
- **depth**: Sequencing depth for counts.

See Also

`comparativeMismatch`
## multiCalls

### Multi call processing

**Description**

Utilities for processing matched calls from multiple samples.

**Usage**

```r
findCalls(x, ..., minCount = 1)
filterCalls(x, ..., minCount = 1)
mergeCalls(x)
updateCalls(x, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` GenomicRangesList with calls from multiple samples.
- `...` Additional arguments.
- `minCount` For finding and filtering, for how many samples must the condition `...` hold true for a site to be returned?

## plotCIs

### Plotting Functions

**Description**

The `plotConfidenceIntervals` is a high-level plotting function for visualizing confidence intervals. The `plotAbundanceShift` function visualizes the shift in mismatch rates between two samples.

**Usage**

```r
plotConfidenceIntervals(x, ylim = c(-1.05, 1.05), color = NULL, ...)
plotAbundanceShift(x, ylim = c(-0.05, 1.05), rates = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` 'GRanges' with mcols of a CI method, or `data.frame` as returned by one of the CI methods, with the optional column `start`.
- `ylim` Limits of the y-axis. Using this instead of using the `ylim` prevents ugly warnings of 'ggplot2'.
- `color` Variable that determines the coloring of the confidence axis (character).
- `rates` Should the non-consensus rates of both samples be visualized as colored end points of the line range? (logical, default: TRUE).
- `...` Additional plotting arguments that are passed on to ggplot2::geom_pointrange.
**Value**

For a 'GRanges' input: A `ggbio` object

For a 'data.frame' input: A `ggplot` object

**Examples**

```r
## Generate sample data
counts = data.frame(x1 = 1:5, n1 = 30, x2 = 0:4, n2 = 30)

## Agresti-Caffo
ci_ac = with(counts, acCi(x1, n1, x2, n2))

library(GenomicRanges)
gr = GRanges("1", IRanges(start = 1:nrow(counts), width = 1))
mcols(gr) = ci_ac

## GRanges
plotConfidenceIntervals(gr)

## data.frame
plotConfidenceIntervals(ci_ac)

## abundance shift
plotAbundanceShift(gr)
plotAbundanceShift(ci_ac)
```

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**propCIs**  

**Confidence Interval Functions**

**Description**

Vectorized implementation of confidence intervals

**Usage**

```r
acCi(x1, n1, x2, n2, conf_level = 0.95, clip = TRUE, split = FALSE)
nhsCi(x1, n1, x2, n2, conf_level = 0.95)
```

**Arguments**

- `x1`: Mismatch counts in the test sample.
- `n1`: Sequencing depth (total counts) in the test sample.
- `x2`: Mismatch counts in the control sample.
- `n2`: Sequencing depth (total counts) in the control sample.
- `conf_level`: Confidence level $\beta$ (default: 0.95).
- `clip`: Should the CIs be clipped to the interval [-1,1] if they exceed this?
- `split`: Should the sample split method be applied? See 'splitSampleBinom' for details.
Details

These functions implement a vectorized version of the two-sided Agresti-Caffo, and Newcombe-Hybrid-Score confidence interval for the difference of two binomial proportions.

Value

A data frame with columns

- dEstimate for the difference of rates ‘p1’ and ‘p2’.
- p1, p2Estimates for the mismatches rates for each sample.
- lower, upperLower and upper bound of the confidence interval.
- wWidth of the confidence interval.

References


See Also

nhsCi

splitSampleBinom

binMto::Add4 binMto::NHS

Examples

```r
## Generate sample data
counts = data.frame(x1 = 1:5, n1 = 30, x2 = 0:4, n2 = 30)

## Agresti-Caffo
ci_ac = with(counts, acCi(x1, n1, x2, n2))

## Newcombe-Hybrid Score
ci_nhs = with(counts, nhsCi(x1, n1, x2, n2))

print(ci_ac)
```
propTests

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Description
Vectorized implementation of testing functions

Usage

```r
scoreTest(x1, n1, x2, n2)
nmTest(x1, n1, x2, n2, delta = 0)
feTest(x1, n1, x2, n2, ...)
```

Arguments

- `x1`: Mismatch counts in the test sample.
- `n1`: Sequencing depth (total counts) in the test sample.
- `x2`: Mismatch counts in the control sample.
- `n2`: Sequencing depth (total counts) in the control sample.
- `delta`: Difference to test against (default: 0).
- `...`: Additional arguments.

Details
These functions implement a vectorized version of the two-sided (a) Score test and (b) Miettinen-Nurminen test for the difference between two Binomial proportions.
Usage of the score test is discouraged in the settings considered here, since it is ill-defined for positions with no mismatches.

Value
A data frame with columns

- `dhatEstimate` for the difference of rates 'p1' and 'p2'.
- `p1`, `p2Estimates` for the mismatches rates for each sample.
- `tvalT-value`
- `pvalP-value`

References


See Also

VariantTools package
Examples

```r
## Generate sample data
counts = data.frame(x1 = 1:5, n1 = 30, x2 = 0:4, n2 = 30)

## Score test
stat_st = with(counts, scoreTest(x1, n1, x2, n2))

## NM test
stat_nm = with(counts, nmTest(x1, n1, x2, n2))

## Fisher test
stat_fet = with(counts, feTest(x1, n1, x2, n2))

print(stat_st)
print(stat_nm)
print(stat_fet)
```

rariant

Rariant calling functions

Description

The `rariant` function identifies variant shifts between a test and control sample. These highlevel functions offers a convenient interface for large-scale identification as well as for reexamination of existing variant calls.

Usage

```r
## S4 method for signature 'BamFile,BamFile,GRanges'
rariant(test, control, region,
    beta = 0.95, alpha = 1 - beta, select = TRUE, consensus,
    resultFile, strand = c("both", "plus", "minus"), nCycles = 10,
    minQual = 20, block = 1e4, value = TRUE, criteria = c("both",
    "any", "fet", "ci"))

## S4 method for signature 'character,character,GRanges'
rariant(test, control, region,
    beta = 0.95, alpha = 1 - beta, select = TRUE, consensus,
    resultFile, strand = c("both", "plus", "minus"), nCycles = 10,
    minQual = 20, block = 1e4, value = TRUE, criteria = c("both",
    "any", "fet", "ci"))

## S4 method for signature 'array,array,GRanges'
rariant(test, control, region, beta =
    0.95, alpha = 1 - beta, select = TRUE, consensus, strand = c("both",
    "plus", "minus"), criteria = c("both", "any", "fet", "ci"))

rariantStandalone()
```
readRariant(file, ...)

writeRariant(x, file, ...)

**Arguments**

- **test, control**: Test and control BAM files. Other input sources will be supported in the future.
- **region**: Region(s) of interest to analyze in the calling [GRanges with one or more entries]. If missing, the entire genomic space, as defined by the BAM headers of the input files, will be covered.
- **beta**: Confidence level [numeric in the range [0,1], default: 0.95].
- **alpha**: Significance threshold for BH-adjusted p-values of the Fisher’s exact test.
- **select**: Should only likely variant positions be selected and returned, or the results for all sites be returned.
- **consensus**: How to determine the consensus sequence. By default, the consensus is given by the most abundant allele in the control sample. Alternatively, an object with a reference sequence (‘BSgenome’, ‘FaFile’) can be passed to define the consensus sequence.
- **resultFile**: If not missing, write the results to a tab-delimited file.
- **strand**: Which strand should be extracted? By default, the counts of both strands are summed up.
- **nCycles**: Number of sequencing cycles to remove from the beginning and end of each read when creating the base count table. This avoids low quality read positions [default: 10 is reasonable for current Illumina sequencing].
- **minQual**: Minimum base call quality for reads to be considered for the nucleotide count table [default: 20 is reasonable for current Illumina sequencing]. Reads with a lower quality are dropped.
- **block**: Number of the genomic sites to analyze in one chunk. The default is a good compromise between memory usage and speed, and normally does not require changing.
- **value**: Should the results be returned by the function. For calls within R, this is generally set to TRUE and does not need to be changed.
- **criteria**: The criteria to determine significant sites. Criteria are: Fisher’s exact test, confidence intervals, any or both [default] of them.
- **file**: Path to output file from a ‘rariant’ call.
- **x**: Output of ‘rariant’ call.
- **...**: Additional arguments passed to ‘read.table’ or ‘write.table’.

**Details**

The ‘rariant’ function is the workhorse for the comparative variant calling and assessment. It starts with the aligned reads for the test (e.g. tumor) and the control (e.g. normal) sample in the BAM format; later versions will support additional inputs.

The ‘select’ parameter determines whether only significant variant sites or all sites are returned. While the first is suitable for detecting variants, the second becomes relevant assessing for example the abundance of variants at particular sites of interest - an example would be to determine the absence of a specific variant.
For analyses over large genomic regions and for use with infrastructure outside of R, initiating the calling from the command line may be a desirable alternative. The 'rariantStandalone' functions returns the full path to a script that can be directly called from the command line. For further details, see the help of the script by calling it with the `-h` option, for example `rariant -h`.

The `readRariant` and `writeRariant` functions allow to import and export the results of a `rariant` call from and to a file output, and will return the same object.

Value

A `GRanges` object, with each row corresponding to a genomic site, and columns:

- testMismatch, controlMismatch
- testDepth, controlDepth
- testRef, testAltReference
- controlRef
- testRefDepth, testAltDepth
- refConsensus
- p1, p2
- d, ds
- lower, upper
- pval, padj
- called
- eventType
- padjSomatic, padjHetero
- pvalSomatic, pvalHetero

Examples

```r
library(GenomicRanges)

control_bam = system.file("extdata", "NRAS.Control.bam", package = "h5vcData", mustWork = TRUE)
test_bam = system.file("extdata", "NRAS.AML.bam", package = "h5vcData", mustWork = TRUE)

roi = GRanges("1", IRanges(start = 115258439, end = 115259089))

vars = rariant(test_bam, control_bam, roi)

vars_all = rariant(test_bam, control_bam, roi, select = FALSE)

## Not run:
  system2(rariantStandalone(), "-h")

## End(Not run)
```
rariantInspect

**Description**
Interactively inspect variant sites and results of the ‘rariant’ function.

**Usage**

```r
rariantInspect(x)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` The return value of the ‘rariant’ or ‘readRariant’ function.

**Details**
With the web interface of ‘rariantInspect’ can existing variant calls and assessment be explored interactively. It allows to select the genomic region of interest and the type of event. Results are shown as both a confidence interval plot and a results table that can be further filtered and reordered.

**Examples**

```r
eample(rariant)
rariantInspect(vars_all)
```

splitSample

**Description**
Sample splitting, according to Hall, 2014.

**Usage**

```r
splitSampleBinom(x, n)
```

**Arguments**

- `x` Number of successes
- `n` Number of trials
Details

These functions implement sample splitting of a binomial rate.

Note that the results depend on the state of the random number generator, and are therefore not strictly deterministic.

Value

A vector with the rate $p = \frac{X}{N}$, obtained with sample splitting.

References


Examples

```r
n = 10
m = 5
pt = 0.5
x = rbinom(m, n, pt)
p = x/n
ps = splitSampleBinom(x, n)
round(cbind(p, ps), 2)
```

tallyBam

**Tally a genomic region**

Description

Create the nucleotide count table ('tally') of a genomic region from a BAM file.

Usage

`tallyBamRegion(bam, region, minBase = 0, minMap = 0, maxDepth = 10000)`

Arguments

- `bam` BAM file
- `region` GRanges with the region to tally, with one entry.
- `minBase`, `minMap` Minimum base call and mapping quality for reads to be considered for the nucleotide count table [default: 0]. Reads with a lower quality are dropped.
- `maxDepth` Maximal sequencing depth to analyze.

Details

For details, look at the documentation of the underlying 'tallyBAM' function in the 'h5vc' package.
**tallyPlot**

**Value**

An integer array with the dimensions:

- positionLength: width(region)
- baseA, C, G, T
- strand+, -

**See Also**

h5vc::tallyBAM, deepSNV::bam2R, Rsamtools::pileup

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**Description**

Create a mismatch plot from a list of BAM files directly.

**Usage**

```r
tallyPlot(file, region, ref, nCycles = 0, minQual = 0, minFreq = 0, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- `file` BAM file paths
- `region` GRanges with the position (width: 1) to tally, with one entry.
- `ref` Reference object, as `BSgenome`.
- `nCycles` Number of sequencing cycles to remove from the beginning and end of each read when creating the base count table. This avoids low quality read positions [default: 0]. See `tallyBamRegion`
- `minQual` Minimum base call quality for reads to be considered for the nucleotide count table [default: 0]. Reads with a lower quality are dropped. See `tallyBamRegion`
- `minFreq` Currently not used
- `...` Additional arguments, passed to `tallyBAM`.

**Value**

A `ggplot2` or `ggbio` object.

**See Also**

h5vc::mismatchPlot
library(ggbio)
library(GenomicRanges)
library(BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19)

region = GRanges("chr17", IRanges(7572100, width = 1))

control_bam = system.file("extdata", "platinum", "control.bam", package = "Rariant", mustWork = TRUE)
mix_bam = system.file("extdata", "platinum", "mix.bam", package = "Rariant", mustWork = TRUE)

bam_files = c(control_bam, mix_bam)

region = GRanges("chr17", IRanges(7572050, width = 100))

control_bam = system.file("extdata", "platinum", "control.bam", package = "Rariant", mustWork = TRUE)
test1_bam = system.file("extdata", "platinum", "test.bam", package = "Rariant", mustWork = TRUE)
test2_bam = system.file("extdata", "platinum", "test2.bam", package = "Rariant", mustWork = TRUE)
mix_bam = system.file("extdata", "platinum", "mix.bam", package = "Rariant", mustWork = TRUE)

bam_files = c(control_bam, test1_bam, test2_bam, mix_bam)

library(BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19)
ref = BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19

p = tracks(lapply(bam_files, tallyPlot, region, ref, minQual = 25))

print(p)

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**Description**

Determine the evidence (absence, presence, dontknow) of variants.

**Usage**

yesNoMaybe(x, null = 0, one = 0.5)

**Arguments**

- **x**: GRanges with variants, as returned by 'rariant'.
- **null**: Shift consistent with the _absence_ of a variant.
- **one**: Shift consistent with the _presence_ of a variant.
yesNoMaybe

Value

The same GRanges object as the input 'x', with the factor column 'verdict': 'absent', 'present', 'inbetween', 'dontknow'
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