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BS.chr22  

Whole-genome bisulfite sequencing for chromosome 22 from Lister et al.

Description

This dataset represents chromosome 22 from the IMR90 cell line sequenced in Lister et al. Only CpG methylation are included (there were very few non-CpG loci). The two samples are two different extractions from the same cell line (i.e. technical replicates), and are pooled in the analysis in the original paper.

Usage

data(BS.chr22)

Format

An object of class BSseq.

Details

All coordinates are in hg18.

Source

Obtained from http://neomorph.salk.edu/human_methylome/data.html specifically the files mc_h1_r1.tar.gz and mc_h1_r1.tar.gz. A script which downloads these files and constructs the BS.chr22 object may be found in ‘inst/scripts/get_Bs.chr22.R’, see the example.

References

BSmooth

Examples

data(BS.chr22)
BS.chr22

script <- system.file("scripts", "get_BS.chr22.R", package = "bsseq")
script
readLines(script)

BSmooth  

BSmooth, smoothing bisulfite sequence data

Description

This implements the BSmooth smoothing algorithm for bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

BSmooth(BSseq, ns = 70, h = 1000, maxGap = 10^8,
parallelBy = c("sample", "chromosome"), mc.preschedule = FALSE,
mc.cores = 1, keep.se = FALSE, verbose = TRUE)

Arguments

BSseq  An object of class BSseq.

ns  The minimum number of methylation loci in a smoothing window.

h  The minimum smoothing window, in bases.

maxGap  The maximum gap between two methylation loci, before the smoothing is broken across the gap. The default smoothes each chromosome separately.

parallelBy  Should the computation be parallel by chromosome or sample, see details.

mc.preschedule  Passed to mclapply (should the tasks be prescheduled).

mc.cores  Passed to mclapply (the number of cores used). Note that setting mc.cores to a value greater than 1 is not supported on MS Windows, see the help page for mclapply.

keep.se  Should the estimated standard errors from the smoothing algorithm be kept. This will make the return object roughly 30 percent bigger and may not be used for anything.

verbose  Should the function be verbose.

Details

ns and h are passed to the locfit function. The bandwidth used is the maximum (in genomic distance) of the h and a width big enough to contain ns number of methylation loci.

The function uses the parallel package to do parallel computations. In order to use this, make sure your system have enough RAM, these are typically big objects. The computation can either be split by chromosome or by sample, which is better depends on the number of samples and how many concurrent smoothings may be done.

Value

An object of class BSseq, containing smoothed values and optionally standard errors for these.
BSmooth.tstat

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References

See Also
locfit in the locfit package, as well as BSseq.

Examples
```r
## Not run:
data(BS.chr22)
BS.fit <- BSmooth(BS.chr22, verbose = TRUE)
BS.fit
## End(Not run)
```

BSmooth.tstat

Compute t-statistics based on smoothed whole-genome bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage
```
BSmooth.tstat(BSseq, group1, group2, estimate.var = c("same", "paired", "group2"), local.correct = TRUE, maxGap = NULL, qSd = 0.75, k = 101, mc.cores = 1, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments
- `BSseq`: An object of class BSseq.
- `group1`: A vector of sample names or indexes for the ‘treatment’ group.
- `group2`: A vector of sample names or indexes for the ‘control’ group.
- `estimate.var`: How is the variance estimated, see details.
- `local.correct`: A logical; should local correction be used, see details.
- `maxGap`: A scalar greater than 0, see details.
- `qSd`: A scalar between 0 and 1, see details.
- `k`: A positive scalar, see details.
- `mc.cores`: The number of cores used. Note that setting mc.cores to a value greater than 1 is not supported on MS Windows, see the help page for mclapply.
- `verbose`: Should the function be verbose?
Details

T-statistics are formed as the difference in means between group 1 and group 2 divided by an estimate of the standard deviation, assuming that the variance in the two groups are the same (same), that we have paired samples (paired) or only estimate the variance based on group 2 (group2). The standard deviation estimates are then smoothed (using a running mean with a width of k) and thresholded (using qSd which sets the minimum standard deviation to be the qSd-quantile). Optionally, the t-statistics are corrected for low-frequency patterns.

It is sometimes useful to use local.correct even if no large scale changes in methylation have been found; it makes the marginal distribution of the t-statistics more symmetric.

Additional details in the reference.

Value

An object of class BSseqTstat.

Author(s)

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References


See Also

BSsmooth for the input object and BSseq for its class. BSseqTstat describes the return class. This function is likely to be followed by the use of dmf/ndm. And finally, see the package vignette(s) for more information on how to use it.

Examples

if(require(bsseqData)) {
  data(keepLoci.ex)
  data(BS.cancer.ex.fit)
  BS.cancer.ex.fit <- updateObject(BS.cancer.ex.fit)
  # Remember to subset the BSseq object, see vignette for explanation
  BS.tstat <- BSmooth.tstat(BS.cancer.ex.fit[keepLoci.ex,],
                           group1 = c("C1", "C2", "C3"),
                           group2 = c("N1", "N2", "N3"),
                           estimate.var = "group2")

  BS.tstat
  # This object is also stored as BS.cancer.ex.tstat in the
  # bsseqData package
}
BSseq

The constructor function for BSseq objects.

Description

The constructor function for BSseq objects.

Usage

BSseq(M = NULL, Cov = NULL, coef = NULL, se.coef = NULL,
trans = NULL, parameters = NULL, pData = NULL, gr = NULL,
pos = NULL, chr = NULL, sampleNames = NULL, rmZeroCov = FALSE)

Arguments

M A matrix of methylation evidence.
Cov A matrix of coverage.
coef Smoothing estimates.
se.coef Smoothing standard errors.
trans A smoothing transformation.
parameters A list of smoothing parameters.
pData An data.frame or DataFrame.
sampleNames A vector of sample names.
gr An object of type GRanges.
pos A vector of locations.
chr A vector of chromosomes.
rmZeroCov Should genomic locations with zero coverage in all samples be removed.

Details

Genomic locations are specified either through gr or through chr and pos but not both. There should be the same number of genomic locations as there are rows in the M and Cov matrix.

The argument rmZeroCov may be useful in order to reduce the size of the return object be removing methylation loci with zero coverage.

In case one or more methylation loci appears multiple times, the M and Cov matrices are summed over rows linked to the same methylation loci. See the example below.

Users should never have to specify coef, se.coef, trans, and parameters, this is for internal use (they are added by BSmooth).

phenoData is a way to specify pheno data (as known from the ExpressionSet and eSet classes), at a minimum sampleNames should be given (if they are not present, the function uses col.names(M)).

Value

An object of class BSseq.

Author(s)

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BSseq-class

See Also

BSseq

Examples

```r
M <- matrix(0:8, 3, 3)
Cov <- matrix(1:9, 3, 3)
BS1 <- BSseq(chr = c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1"), pos = c(1,2,3),
M = M, Cov = Cov, sampleNames = c("A","B", "C"))
BS1
BS2 <- BSseq(chr = c("chr1", "chr1", "chr1"), pos = c(1,1,1),
M = M, Cov = Cov, sampleNames = c("A","B", "C"))
BS2
```

BSseq-class

Description

A class for representing whole-genome or capture bisulfite sequencing data.

Objects from the Class

An object from the class links together several pieces of information. (1) genomic locations stored as a GRanges object, a location by samples matrix of M values, a location by samples matrix of Cov (coverage) values and phenodata information. In addition, there are slots for representing smoothed data. This class is an extension of RangedSummarizedExperiment.

Slots

- `trans`: Object of class function. This function transforms the coef slot from the scale the smoothing was done to the 0-1 methylation scale.
- `parameters`: Object of class list. A list of parameters representing for example how the data was smoothed.

Methods

- `[[signature(x = "BSseq")]: Subsetting by location (using integer indices) or sample (using integers or sample names).
- `length`: Unlike for RangedSummarizedExperiment, length() is the number of methylation loci (equal to length(granges(x))).
- `sampleNames,sampleNames<-`: Sample names and its replacement function for the object. This is an alias for colnames.
- `pData,pData<-`: Obtain and replace the pData slot of the phenoData slot. This is an alias for colData.
- `show`: The show method.
- `combine`: This function combines two BSSeq objects. The genomic locations of the new object is the union of the genomic locations of the individual objects. In addition, the methylation data matrices are placed next to each other (as appropriate wrt. the new genomic locations) and zeros are entered into the matrices as needed.
Utilities

This class extends hasGRanges and therefore inherits a number of useful GRanges methods that operate on the gr slot, used for accessing and setting the genomic locations and also do subsetByOverlaps.

There are a number of almost methods-like functions for operating on objects of class BSseq, including getBSseq, collapseBSseq, and orderBSseq. They are detailed below.

collapseBSseq(BSseq, columns) is used to collapse an object of class BSseq. By collapsing we simply mean that certain columns (samples) are merge together by summing up the methylation evidence and coverage. This is a useful function if you start by reading in a dataset based on say flowcells and you (after QC) want to simply add a number of flowcells into one sample. The argument columns specify which samples are to be merged, in the following way: it is a character vector of new sample names, and the names of the column vector indicates which samples in the BSseq object are to be collapsed. If columns have the same length as the number of rows of BSseq (and has no names) it is assumed that the ordering corresponds to the sample ordering in BSseq.

orderBSseq(BSseq, seqOrder = NULL) simply orders an object of class BSseq according to (increasing) genomic locations. The seqOrder vector is a character vector of seqnames(BSseq) describing the order of the chromosomes. This is useful for ordering chr1 before chr10.

chrSelectBSseq(BSseq, seqnames = NULL, order = FALSE) subsets and optionally reorders an object of class BSseq. The seqnames vector is a character vector of seqnames(BSseq) describing which chromosomes should be retained. If order is TRUE, the chromosomes are also re-ordered using orderBSseq.

getBSseq(BSseq, type = c("Cov", "M", "gr", "coef", "se.coef", "trans", "parameters")) is a general accessor: is used to obtain a specific slot of an object of class BSseq. It is primarily intended for internal use in the package, for users we recommend granges to get the genomic locations, getCoverage to get the coverage slots and getMeth to get the smoothed values (if they exist).

hasBeenSmoothed(BSseq) This function returns a logical depending on whether or not the BSseq object has been smoothed using Bsmooth.

combineList(list) This function function is a faster way of using combine on multiple objects, all containing methylation data for the exact same methylation loci. The input is a list, with each component an object of class BSseq. The (slower) alternative is to use Reduce(combine, list).

strandCollapse(BSseq, shift = TRUE) This function operates on a BSseq objects which has stranded loci (ie. loci where the strand is one of ‘+’ or ‘-‘). It will collapse the methylation and coverage information across the two strands, into one position. The argument shift indicates whether the positions for the loci on the reverse strand should be shifted one (ie. the positions for these loci are the positions of the ‘G’ in the ‘CpG’; this is the case for Bismark output for example.

Coercion

Package version 1.5.2 introduced a new version of representing ‘BSseq’ objects. You can update old serialized (saved) objects by invoking x <- updateObject(x).

Assays

This class overrides the default implementation of assays to make it faster. Per default, no names are added to the returned data matrices.

Assay names can conveniently be obtained by the function assayNames(x)
BSseqStat-class

Description

A class for representing statistics for smoothed whole-genome bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

BSseqStat(gr = NULL, stats = NULL, parameters = NULL)

Arguments

- **gr**: The genomic locations as an object of class GRanges.
- **stats**: The statistics, as a matrix.
- **parameters**: A list of parameters.

Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form BSseqStat(...). However, usually objects are returned by BSmooth.fstat(...) and not constructed by the user.

Slots

- **stats**: This is a matrix with columns representing various statistics for methylation loci along the genome.
- **parameters**: Object of class list. A list of parameters representing how the statistics were computed.
- **gr**: Object of class GRanges giving genomic locations.

Extends

Class hasGRanges, directly.

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See Also

The package vignette. BSseq for the constructor function. RangedSummarizedExperiment for the underlying class. getBSseq, getCoverage, and getMeth for accessing the data stored in the object and finally BSmooth for smoothing the bisulfite sequence data.

Examples

```r
M <- matrix(1:9, 3,3)
colnames(M) <- c("A1", "A2", "A3")
BStest <- BSseq(pos = 1:3, chr = c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1"), M = M, Cov = M + 2)
chrSelectBSseq(BStest, seqnames = "chr1", order = TRUE)
collapseBSseq(BStest, columns = c("A1" = "A", "A2" = "A", "A3" = "B")
```
Methods

[ The subsetting operator; one may only subset in one dimension, corresponding to methylation loci.

show The show method.

Utilities

This class extends hasGRanges and therefore inherits a number of useful GRanges methods that operate on the gr slot, used for accessing and setting the genomic locations and also do subsetByOverlaps.

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See Also

hasGRanges for accessing the genomic locations. BSmooth.fstat for a function that returns objects of class BSseqStat, and smoothSds, computeStat and dmrFinder for functions that operate based on these statistics. Also see the more specialised BSseqTstat.

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BSseqTstat-class

Class BSseqTstat

Description

A class for representing t-statistics for smoothed whole-genome bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

BSseqTstat(gr = NULL, stats = NULL, parameters = NULL)

Arguments

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Objects from the Class

Objects can be created by calls of the form BSseqTstat(...). However, usually objects are returned by BSmooth.tstat(...) and not constructed by the user.

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data.frame2GRanges

Extends

Class hasGRanges, directly.

Methods

\[
\text{The subsetting operator; one may only subset in one dimension, corresponding to methylation loci.}
\]

\text{show} \quad \text{The show method.}

Utilities

This class extends hasGRanges and therefore inherits a number of useful GRanges methods that operate on the gr slot, used for accessing and setting the genomic locations and also do subsetByOverlaps.

Author(s)

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See Also

The package vignette(s). hasGRanges for accessing the genomic locations. BSmooth.tstat for a function that returns objects of class BSseqTstat, and dmrFinder for a function that computes DMRs based on the t-statistics. Also see BS.cancer.ex.tstat for an example of the class in the bsseqData package.

data.frame2GRanges \quad \text{Converts a data frame to a GRanges.}

Description

Converting a data.frame to a GRanges object. The data.frame needs columns like chr, start and end (strand is optional). Additional columns may be kept in the GRanges object.

Usage

data.frame2GRanges(df, keepColumns = FALSE, ignoreStrand = FALSE)

Arguments

df \quad \text{A data.frame with columns chr or seqnames, start, end and optionally a strand column.}

keepColumns \quad \text{In case df has additional columns, should these columns be stored as metadata columns on the return GRanges or should they be discarded.}

ignoreStrand \quad \text{In case df has a strand column, should this column be ignored.}

Value

An object of class GRanges

Note

In case df has rownames, they will be used as names for the return object.
dmrFinder

Finds differentially methylated regions for whole genome bisulfite sequencing data.

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Finds differentially methylated regions for whole genome bisulfite sequencing data.

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Examples

```r
df <- data.frame(chr = "chr1", start = 1:3, end = 2:4, strand = c("+","-","+"))
data.frame2GRanges(df, ignoreStrand = TRUE)
```

Description

Finds differentially methylated regions for whole genome bisulfite sequencing data. Essentially identifies regions of the genome where all methylation loci have an associated t-statistic that is beyond a (low, high) cutoff.

Usage

```r
dmrFinder(bstat, cutoff = NULL, qcutoff = c(0.025, 0.975), maxGap=300, stat = "tstat.corrected", verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

- `bstat`: An object of class BSseqStat or BSseqTstat.
- `cutoff`: The cutoff of the t-statistics. This should be a vector of length two giving the (low, high) cutoff. If NULL, see `qcutoff`.
- `qcutoff`: In case `cutoff` is NULL, compute the cutoff using these quantiles of the t-statistic.
- `maxGap`: If two methylation loci are separated by this distance, break a possible DMR. This guarantees that the return DMRs have CpGs that are this distance from each other.
- `stat`: Which statistic should be used?
- `verbose`: Should the function be verbose?

Details

The workhorse function is `BSsmooth.tstat` which sets up a t-statistic for a comparison between two groups.

Note that post-processing of these DMRs are likely to be necessary, filtering for example for length (or number of loci).
Value

A data.frame with columns

- `start`, `end`, `width`, `chr`: genomic locations and width.
- `n`: The number of methylation loci.
- `invdensity`: Average length per loci.
- `group1.mean`: The mean methylation level across samples and loci in 'group1'.
- `group2.mean`: The mean methylation level across samples and loci in 'group2'.
- `meanDiff`: The mean difference in methylation level; the difference between `group1.mean` and `group2.mean`.
- `idxStart`, `idxEnd`, `cluster`: Internal use.
- `areaStat`: The 'area' of the t-statistic; equal to the sum of the t-statistics for the individual methylation loci.
- `direction`: either 'hyper' or 'hypo'.
- `areaStat.corrected`: Only present if column = "tstat.corrected", contains the area of the corrected t-statistics.

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References


See Also

BSmooth.tstat for the function constructing the input object, and BSseqTstat for its class. In the example below, we use BS.cancer.ex.tstat as the actual input object. Also see the package vignette(s) for a detailed example.

Examples

```r
if(require(bsseqData)) {
  dmrS0 <- dmrFinder(BS.cancer.ex.tstat, cutoff = c(-4.6, 4.6), verbose = TRUE)
  dmrS <- subset(dmrS0, abs(meanDiff) > 0.1 & n >= 3)
}
```
fisherTests

*Compute Fisher-tests for a BSseq object*

**Description**
A function to compute Fisher-tests for an object of class BSseq.

**Usage**

```r
fisherTests(BSseq, group1, group2, lookup = NULL,
    returnLookup = TRUE, mc.cores = 1, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**
- `BSseq`: An object of class BSseq.
- `group1`: A vector of sample names or indexes for the 'treatment' group.
- `group2`: A vector of sample names or indexes for the 'control' group.
- `lookup`: A 'lookup' object, see details.
- `returnLookup`: Should a 'lookup' object be returned, see details.
- `mc.cores`: The number of cores used. Note that setting `mc.cores` to a value greater than 1 is not supported on MS Windows, see the help page for `mclapply`.
- `verbose`: Should the function be verbose.

**Details**
This function computes row-wise Fisher’s exact tests. It uses an internal lookup table so rows which forms equivalent 2x2 tables are group together and only a single test is computed. If `returnLookup` is `TRUE` the return object contains the lookup table which may be feed to another call to the function using the `lookup` argument.

If `group1`, `group2` designates more than 1 sample, the samples are added together before testing. This function can use multiple cores on the same computer.

This test cannot model biological variability.

**Value**
If `returnLookup` is `TRUE`, a list with components `results` and `lookup`, otherwise just the `results` component. The `results` (component) is a matrix with the same number of rows as the BSseq argument and 2 columns `p.value` (the unadjusted p-values) and `log2OR` (log2 transformation of the odds ratio).

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**See Also**
- `fisher.test` for information about Fisher’s test. `mclapply` for the `mc.cores` argument.
getCoverage

Examples

```r
M <- matrix(1:9, 3,3)
colnames(M) <- c("A1", "A2", "A3")
BStest <- BSseq(pos = 1:3, chr = c("chr1", "chr2", "chr1"),
                M = M, Cov = M + 2)
results <- fisherTests(BStest, group1 = "A1", group2 = "A2",
                       returnLookup = TRUE)
results
```

getCoverage

Obtain coverage for BSseq objects.

Description

Obtain coverage for BSseq objects.

Usage

```r
getCoverage(BSseq, regions = NULL, type = c("Cov", "M"),
what = c("perBase", "perRegionAverage", "perRegionTotal"))
```

Arguments

- **BSseq**: An object of class BSseq.
- **regions**: An optional data.frame or GenomicRanges object specifying a number of genomic regions.
- **type**: This returns either coverage or the total evidence for methylation at the loci.
- **what**: The type of return object, see details.

Value

If `regions` are not specified (`regions = NULL`) a matrix (what = "perBase") or a vector (otherwise) is returned. This will either contain the per-base coverage or the genome total or average coverage.

If what = "perBase" and regions are specified, a list is returned. Each element of the list is a matrix corresponding to the genomic loci inside the region. It is conceptually the same as splitting the coverage by region.

If what = "perRegionAverage" or what = "perRegionTotal" and regions are specified the return value is a matrix. Each row of the matrix corresponds to a region and contains either the total coverage of the average coverage in the region.

Author(s)

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See Also

- **BSseq** for the BSseq class.
getMeth

Obtain methylation estimates for BSseq objects.

Description
Obtain methylation estimates for BSseq objects, both smoothed and raw.

Usage
getMeth(BSseq, regions = NULL, type = c("smooth", "raw"),
what = c("perBase", "perRegion"), confint = FALSE, alpha = 0.95)

Arguments
- BSseq: An object of class BSseq.
- regions: An optional data.frame or GenomicRanges object specifying a number of genomic regions.
- type: This returns either smoothed or raw estimates of the methylation level.
- what: The type of return object, see details.
- confint: Should a confidence interval be return for the methylation estimates (see below). This is only supported if what is equal to perBase.
- alpha: alpha value for the confidence interval.

Value
If region = NULL the what argument is ignored. This is also the only situation in which confint = TRUE is supported. The return value is either a matrix (confint = FALSE or a list with three components confint = TRUE (meth, upper and lower), giving the methylation estimates and (optionally) confidence intervals.

Confidence intervals for type = "smooth" is based on standard errors from the smoothing algorithm (if present). Otherwise it is based on pointwise confidence intervals for binomial distributions described in Agresti (see below), specifically the score confidence interval.

If regions are specified, what = "perBase" will make the function return a list, each element of the list being a matrix corresponding to a genomic region (and each row of the matrix being a loci inside the region). If what = "perRegion" the function returns a matrix, with each row corresponding to a region and containing the average methylation level in that region.

Note
A BSseq object needs to be smoothed by the function BSmooth in order to support type = "smooth".

Examples
```r
data(BS.chr22)
head(getCoverage(BS.chr22, type = "M"))
reg <- GRanges(seqnames = c("chr22", "chr22"),
  ranges = IRanges(start = c(1, 2*10^7), end = c(2*10^7 +1, 4*10^7)))
getCoverage(BS.chr22, regions = reg, what = "perRegionAverage")
cList <- getCoverage(BS.chr22, regions = reg)
length(cList)
head(cList[[1]])
```

getMeth

Obtain methylation estimates for BSseq objects.
getStats

Obtain statistics from a BSseqTstat object

Description

Essentially an accessor function for the statistics of a BSseqTstat object.

Usage

getStats(bstat, regions = NULL, ...)

Arguments

- **bstat**: An object of class BSseqStat or BSseqTstat.
- **regions**: An optional data.frame or GenomicRanges object specifying a number of genomic regions.
- ... Additional arguments passed to the different backends based on the class of bstat; see Details.

Details

Additional argument when the bstat object is of class BSseqTstat:

- **stat**: Which statistics column should be obtained.

Value

An object of class data.frame possible restricted to the regions specified.

Author(s)

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GoodnessOfFit

Binomial and poisson goodness of fit statistics for BSSeq objects

Description

Binomial and poisson goodness of fit statistics for BSSeq objects, including plotting capability.

Usage

poissonGoodnessOfFit(BSseq, nQuantiles = 10^5)
binomialGoodnessOfFit(BSseq, method = c("MLE"), nQuantiles = 10^5)

## S3 method for class 'chisqGoodnessOfFit'
print(x, ...)  
## S3 method for class 'chisqGoodnessOfFit'
plot(x, type = c("chisq", "pvalue"), plotCol = TRUE, qqline = TRUE, pch = 16, cex = 0.75, ...)

Arguments

BSseq An object of class BSseq.
x A chisqGoodnessOfFit object (as produced by poissonGoodnessOfFit or binomialGoodnessOfFit).
nQuantiles The number of (evenly-spaced) quantiles stored in the return object.
method How is the parameter estimated.
type Are the chisq or the p-values being plotted.
plotCol Should the extreme quantiles be colored.
qqline Add a qqline.
pch, cex Plotting symbols and size.
... Additional arguments being passed to qqplot (for plot) or ignored (for print).

Details

These functions compute and plot goodness of fit statistics for BSSeq objects. For each methylation loci, the Poisson goodness of fit statistic tests whether the coverage (at that loci) is independent and identically Poisson distributed across the samples. In a similar fashion, the Binomial goodness of fit statistic tests whether the number of reads supporting methylation are independent and identically binomial distributed across samples (with different size parameters given by the coverage vector).

These functions do not handle NA values.
Value

The plotting method is invoked for its side effect. Both `poissonGoodnessOfFit` and `binomialGoodnessOfFit` returns an object of class `chisqGoodnessOfFit` which is a list with components:

- `chisq`: a vector of Chisq values.
- `quantiles`: a vector of quantiles (of the chisq values).
- `df`: degrees of freedom

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See Also

For the plotting method, see `qqplot`.

Examples

```r
if(require(bsseqData)) {
  data(BS.cancer.ex)
  BS.cancer.ex <- updateObject(BS.cancer.ex)
  gof <- poissonGoodnessOfFit(BS.cancer.ex)
  plot(gof)
}
```

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### hasGRanges-class

**Class hasGRanges**

**Description**

A class with a GRanges slot, used as a building block for other classes. Provides basic accessor functions etc.

**Objects from the Class**

Objects can be created by calls of the form `new("hasGRanges", ...)`.

**Slots**

- `gr`: Object of class GRanges.

**Methods**

- "[" Subsets a single dimension.
- `granges` Get the GRanges object representing genomic locations.
- `start,start<-,end,end<-,width,width<-` Start, end and width for the genomic locations of the object, also replacement functions. This accessor functions operate directly on the `gr` slot.
- `strand,strand<-` Getting and setting the `strand` of the genomic locations (the `gr` slot).
- `seqlengths,seqlengths<-` Getting and setting the `seqlengths` of the genomic locations (the `gr` slot).
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seqlevels, seqlevels<- Getting and setting the seqlevels of the genomic locations (the gr slot).
seqnames, seqnames<- Getting and setting the seqnames of the genomic locations (the gr slot).

show The show method.

findOverlaps (query = "hasGRanges", subject = "hasGRanges"): finds overlaps between the granges() of the two objects.
findOverlaps (query = "GenomicRanges", subject = "hasGRanges"): finds overlaps between query and the granges() of the subject.
findOverlaps (query = "hasGRanges", subject = "GenomicRanges"): finds overlaps between the granges() of the query and the subject.

subsetByOverlaps (query = "hasGRanges", subject = "hasGRanges"): Subset the query, keeping the genomic locations that overlaps the subject.
subsetByOverlaps (query = "hasGRanges", subject = "GenomicRanges"): Subset the query, keeping the genomic locations that overlaps the subject.
subsetByOverlaps (query = "GenomicRanges", subject = "hasGRanges"): Subset the query, keeping the genomic locations that overlaps the subject.

Note
If you extend the hasGRanges class, you should consider writing a subset method (), and a show method. If the new class supports single index subsetting, the subsetByOverlaps methods show extend without problems.

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Examples

showClass("hasGRanges")

plotRegion

Plotting BSmooth methylation estimates

Description

Functions for plotting BSmooth methylation estimates. Typically used to display differentially methylated regions.

Usage

plotRegion(BSeq, region = NULL, extend = 0, main = "", addRegions = NULL, annoTrack = NULL, cex.anno = 1, geneTrack = NULL, cex.gene = 1.5, col = NULL, lty = NULL, lwd = NULL, BSeqStat = NULL, stat = "tstat.corrected", stat.col = "black", stat.lwd = 1, stat.lty = 1, stat.ylim = c(-8, 8), mainWithWidth = TRUE, regionCol = alpha("red", 0.1), addTicks = TRUE, addPoints = FALSE, pointsMinCov = 5, highlightMain = FALSE)

plotManyRegions(BSeq, regions = NULL, extend = 0, main = "", addRegions = NULL, annoTrack = NULL, cex.anno = 1, geneTrack = NULL, cex.gene = 1.5, col = NULL, lty = NULL, lwd = NULL, BSeqStat = NULL, stat = "tstat.corrected", stat.col = "black", stat.lwd = 1, stat.lty = 1, stat.ylim = c(-8, 8), mainWithWidth = TRUE, regionCol = alpha("red", 0.1), addTicks = TRUE, addPoints = FALSE, pointsMinCov = 5, highlightMain = FALSE)
addRegions = NULL, annoTrack = NULL, cex.anno = 1,
geneTrack = NULL, cex.gene = 1.5, col = NULL, lty = NULL,
lwd = NULL, BSseqStat = NULL, stat = "tstat.corrected",
stat.col = "black", stat.lwd = 1, stat.lty = 1, stat ylim = c(-8, 8),
mainWithWidth = TRUE, regionCol = alpha("red", 0.1), addTicks = TRUE,
addPoints = FALSE, pointsMinCov = 5, highlightMain = FALSE,
verbose = TRUE)

Arguments

BSseq An object of class BSseq.
region A data.frame (with start, end and chr columns) with 1 row or GRanges of
length 1. If region is NULL the entire BSseq argument is plotted.
regions A data.frame (with start, end and chr columns) or GRanges.
extend Describes how much the plotting region should be extended in either direction.
The total width of the plot is equal to the width of the region plus twice extend.
main The plot title. The default is to construct a title with information about which
genomic region is being plotted.
addRegions A set of additional regions to be highlighted on the plots. As the regions argu-
ment.
annoTrack A named list of GRanges objects. Each component is a track and the names of
the list are the track names. Each track will be plotted as solid bars, and we
routinely display information such as CpG islands, exons, etc.
cex.anno cex argument when plotting annoTrack.
geneTrack EXPERIMENTAL: A data.frame with columns: chr, start, end, gene_ID,
exon_number, strand, gene_name, isoforms. This interface is under active
development and subject to change.
cex.gene cex argument when plotting geneTrack.
col The color of the methylation estimates, see details.
lty The line type of the methylation estimates, see details.
lwd The line width of the methylation estimates, see details.
BSseqStat An object of class BSseqStat. If present, a new panel will be shown with the
t-statistics.
stat Which statistics will be plotted (only used is BSseqStat is not NULL.)
stat.col color for the statistics plot.
stat.lwd line width for the statistics plot.
stat.lty line type for the statistics plot.
stat.ylim y-limits for the statistics plot.
mainWithWidth Should the default title include information about width of the plot region.
regionCol The color used for highlighting the region.
addTicks Should tick marks showing the location of methylation loci, be added?
addPoints Should the individual unsmoothed methylation estimates be plotted. This usually
leads to a very confusing plot, but may be useful for diagnostic purposes.
pointsMinCov The minimum coverage a methylation loci need in order for the raw methylation
estimates to be plotted. Useful for filtering out low coverage loci. Only used if
addPoints = TRUE.
highlightMain Should the plot region be highlighted?
verbose Should the function be verbose?
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Details
The correct choice of aspect ratio depends on the width of the plotting region. We tend to use width = 10, height = 5.
plotManyRegions is used to plot many regions (hundreds or thousands), and is substantially quicker than repeated calls to plotRegion.
This function has grown to be rather complicated over time. For custom plotting, it is sometimes useful to use the function definition as a skeleton and directly modify the code.

Value
This function is invoked for its side effect: producing a plot.

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See Also
The package vignette has an extended example.

read.bismark Parsing output from the Bismark alignment suite.

Description
Parsing output from the Bismark alignment suite.

Usage
read.bismark(files,
sampleNames,
rmZeroCov = FALSE,
strandCollapse = TRUE,
fileType = c("cov", "oldBedGraph", "cytosineReport"),
mc.cores = 1,
verbose = TRUE)

Arguments
files Input files. Each sample is in a different file. Input files are created by running Bismark's methylation extractor; see Note for details.
sampleNames sample names, based on the order of files.
rmZeroCov Should methylation loci that have zero coverage in all samples be removed. This will result in a much smaller object if the data originates from (targeted) capture bisulfite sequencing.
strandCollapse Should strand-symmetric methylation loci, e.g., CpGs, be collapsed across strands. This option is only available if fileType = "cytosineReport" since the other file types do not contain the necessary strand information.
fileType The format of the input file; see Note for details.
mc.cores The number of cores used. Note that setting mc.cores to a value greater than 1 is not supported on MS Windows, see the help page for mclapply.

verbose Make the function verbose.

Value
An object of class BSseq.

Note
Input files can either be gzipped or not.

The user must specify the relevant file format via the fileType argument. The format of the output of the Bismark alignment suite will depend on the version of Bismark and on various user-specified options. Please consult the Bismark documentation and the Bismark RELEASE NOTES (http://www.bioinformatics.bbsrc.ac.uk/projects/bismark/RELEASE_NOTES.txt) for the definitive list of changes between versions. When possible, it is strongly recommended that you use the most recent version of Bismark.

The "cov" and "oldBedGraph" formats both have six columns ("chromosome", "position", "strand", "methylation percentage", "count methylated", "count unmethylated"). If you are using a recent version of Bismark (v>=0.10.0) then the standard file extension for this file is ".cov". If, however, you are using an older version of Bismark (v<0.10.0) then the file extension will be ".bedGraph". Please note that the ".bedGraph" file created in recent versions of Bismark (v>=0.10.0) is not suitable for analysis with bsseq because it only contains the "methylation percentage" and not "count methylated" nor "count unmethylated".

The "cytosineReport" format has seven columns ("chromosome", "position", "strand", "count methylated", "count unmethylated", "C-context", "trinucleotide context"). There is no standard file extension for this file. The "C-context" and "trinucleotide context" columns are not currently used by bsseq.

The following is a list of some issues to be aware of when using output from Bismark’s methylation extractor:

• The program to extract methylation counts was named methylation_extractor in older versions of Bismark (v<0.8.0) and re-named bismark_methylation_extractor in recent versions of Bismark (v>=0.8.0). Furthermore, very old versions of Bismark (v<0.7.7) required that user run a separate script (called something like genome_methylation_bismark2bedGraph) to create the six-column "cov"/"oldBedGraph" file.

• The --counts and --bedGraph arguments must be supplied to methylation_extractor/bismark_methylation_extractor in order to use the output with bsseq::read.bismark().

• The genomic co-ordinates of the Bismark output file may be zero-based or one-based depending on whether the --zero_based argument is used. Furthermore, the default co-ordinate system varies by version of Bismark. bsseq makes no assumptions about the basis of the genomic co-ordinates and it is left to the user to ensure that the appropriate basis is used in the analysis of their data. Since Bioconductor packages and GRanges use one-based co-ordinates, it is recommended that your Bismark files are also one-based.

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read.bsmooth

See Also

read.bsmooth for parsing output from the BSmooth alignment suite. read.umtab for parsing legacy (old) formats from the BSmooth alignment suite. collapseBSseq for collapse (merging or summing) the data in two different directories.

Examples

```r
infile <- system.file("extdata/test_data.fastq_bismark.bismark.cov.gz", package = "bsseq")
bismarkBSseq <- read.bismark(files = infile, 
  sampleNames = "test_data", 
  rmZeroCov = FALSE, 
  strandCollapse = FALSE, 
  fileType = "cov", 
  verbose = TRUE)
```

Description

Parsing output from the BSmooth alignment suite.

Usage

```r
read.bsmooth(dirs, sampleNames = NULL, seqnames = NULL, 
  returnRaw = FALSE, qualityCutoff = 20, rmZeroCov = FALSE, 
  verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

dirs  
Input directories. Usually each sample is in a different directory, or perhaps each (sample, lane) is a different directory.

sampleNames  
sample names, based on the order of dirs. If NULL either set to basename(dirs) (if unique) or dirs.

seqnames  
The default is to read all BSmooth output files in dirs. Using this argument, it is possible to restrict this to only files with names in seqnames (apart from .cpg.tsv and optionally .gz).

returnRaw  
Should the function return the complete information in the output files?

qualityCutoff  
Only use evidence (methylated and unmethylated evidence) for a given methylation loci, if the base in the read has a quality greater than this cutoff.

rmZeroCov  
Should methylation loci that have zero coverage in all samples be removed. This will result in a much smaller object if the data originates from (targeted) capture bisulfite sequencing.

verbose  
Make the function verbose.

Value

Either an object of class BSseq (if returnRaw = FALSE) or a list of GRanges which each component coming from a directory.
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**Note**

Input files can either be gzipped or not. Gzipping the input files results in much greater speed of reading (and saves space), so it is recommended.

We are working on making this function faster and less memory hungry.

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**See Also**

read.umtab for parsing legacy (old) formats from the BSmooth alignment suite. collapseBSseq for collapse (merging or summing) the data in two different directories.

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**read.umtab**  
Parsing UM tab files (legacy output) containing output from the BSmooth aligner.

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**Description**

Parsing UM tab files containing output from the bisulfite aligner Merman. This is two different legacy formats, which we keep around. These functions are likely to be deprecated in the future.

**Usage**

```r
read.umtab(dirs, sampleNames = NULL, rmZeroCov = FALSE,  
pattern = NULL, keepU = c("U10", "U20", "U30", "U40"),  
keepM = c("M10", "M20", "M30", "M40"), verbose = TRUE)

read.umtab2(dirs, sampleNames = NULL, rmZeroCov = FALSE,  
readCycle = FALSE, keepFilt = FALSE,  
pattern = NULL, keepU, keepM, verbose = TRUE)
```

**Arguments**

- `dirs`  
  Input directories. Usually each sample is in a different directory.

- `pattern`  
  An optional pattern, see list.files in the base package.

- `sampleNames`  
  Sample names, based on the order of dirs.

- `rmZeroCov`  
  Should methylation loci that have zero coverage in all samples be removed. This will result in a much smaller object if the data originates from (targeted) capture bisulfite sequencing.

- `keepU`  
  A vector of U columns which are kept.

- `keepM`  
  A vector of M columns which are kept.

- `readCycle`  
  Should the cycle columns be returned?

- `keepFilt`  
  Should the filter columns be returned?

- `verbose`  
  Make the function verbose.
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Details

read.umtab2 is newer than read.umtab and both process output from older versions of the BSmooth alignment suite (versions older than 0.6.1). These functions are likely to be deprecated in the future. Newer output from the BSmooth alignment suite can be parsed using read.bsmooth.

A script using this function can be found in the bsseqData package, in the file `scripts/create_BS.cancer.R`.

Value

Both functions returns lists, the components are

- **BSdata**: An object of class BSseq containing the methylation evidence.
- **GC**: A vector of local GC content values.
- **Map**: A vector of local mapability values.
- **Mcy**: A matrix of the number of unique M cycles.
- **Ucy**: A matrix of the number of unique U cycles.
- **chr**: A vector of chromosome names.
- **pos**: A vector of genomic positions.
- **M**: A matrix representing methylation evidence.
- **U**: A matrix representing un-methylation evidence.
- **csums**: Description of `comp2`

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See Also

read.bsmooth.

Examples

```r
## Not run:
require(bsseqData)
umDir <- system.file("umtab", package = "bsseqData")
sampleNames <- list.files(numDir)
dirs <- file.path(numDir, sampleNames, "umtab")
umData <- read.umtab(dirs, sampleNames)
```

## End(Not run)
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