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Description This package provides functions for annotation-agnostic differential expression analysis of RNA-seq data. Two implementations of the DER Finder approach are included in this package: (1) single base-level F-statistics and (2) DER identification at the expressed regions-level. The DER Finder approach can also be used to identify differentially bounded ChIP-seq peaks.

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derfinder-package Annotation-agnostic differential expression analysis of RNA-seq data
at base-pair resolution via the DER Finder approach.

Description

This package contains two different implementations of the DER Finder approach. The first one
is the single base-level F-statistics implementation and the second one is via identifying expressed
regions.
analyzeChr

Details

The single base-level F-statistics analysis pipeline involves loading the sample BAM files using rawFiles and loadCoverage, pre-processing the data by using preprocessCoverage, calculating the F-statistics (while adjusting for some confounders) using makeModels and calculateStats, calculating the p-values and finding the regions of interest using calculatePvalues, and finally annotating them using matchGenes from the bumphunter package.

The DER Finder at the expressed regions-level is done with the regionMatrix or railMatrix functions depending on the input data.

Details about both approaches are further described in the vignettes.

The DER Finder approach can also be used to identify differentially bounded ChIP-seq regions (peaks). In particular, analyzeChr has parameters that allow smoothing of the F-statistics which can be useful for analyzing ChIP-seq data. This use case is further explained in the users guide vignette.

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References


analyzeChr

Run the derfinder analysis on a chromosome

Description

This is a major wrapper for running several key functions from this package. It is meant to be used after loadCoverage has been used for a specific chromosome. The steps run include makeModels, preprocessCoverage, calculateStats, calculatePvalues and annotating with annotateTranscripts and matchGenes.

Usage

analyzeChr(chr, coverageInfo, models, cutoffPre = 5, cutoffFstat = 1e-08, cutoffType = "theoretical", nPermute = 1, seeds = as.integer(gsub("-", ", Sys.Date()) + seq_len(nPermute), groupInfo, txdb = NULL, writeOutput = TRUE, runAnnotation = TRUE, lowMemDir = file.path(chr, "chunksDir"), smooth = FALSE, weights = NULL, smoothFunction = bumphunter::locfitByCluster, ...)
Arguments

chr

Used for naming the output files when writeOutput=TRUE and the resulting GRanges object.

coverageInfo

A list containing a DataFrame – $coverage – with the coverage data and a logical Rle – $position – with the positions that passed the cutoff. This object is generated using loadCoverage.

models

The output from makeModels.

cutoffPre

This argument is passed to preprocessCoverage (cutoff).

cutoffFstat

This is used to determine the cutoff argument of calculatePvalues and it's behaviour is determined by cutoffType.

cutoffType

If set to empirical, the cutoffFstat (example: 0.99) quantile is used via quantile. If set to theoretical, the theoretical cutoffFstats (example: 1e-08) is calculated via qf. If set to manual, cutoffFstats is passed to calculatePvalues without any other calculation.

nPermute

The number of permutations. Note that for a full chromosome, a small amount (10) of permutations is sufficient. If set to 0, no permutations are performed and thus no null regions are used, however, the $regions component is created.

seeds

An integer vector of length nPermute specifying the seeds to be used for each permutation. If NULL no seeds are used.

groupInfo

A factor specifying the group membership of each sample that can later be used with the plotting functions in the derfinderPlot package.

txdb

This argument is passed to annotateTranscripts. If NULL, TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene is used.

writeOutput

If TRUE, output Rdata files are created at each step inside a directory with the chromosome name (example: 'chr21' if chrnun=’21’). One Rdata file is created for each component described in the return section.

runAnnotation

If TRUE annotateTranscripts and matchGenes are run. Otherwise these steps are skipped.

lowMemDir

If specified, each chunk is saved into a separate Rdata file under lowMemDir and later loaded in fstats.apply when running calculateStats and calculatePvalues. Using this option helps reduce the memory load as each fork in bplapply loads only the data needed for the chunk processing. The downside is a bit longer computation time due to input/output.

smooth

Whether to smooth the F-statistics (fstats) or not. This is by default FALSE. For RNA-seq data we recommend using FALSE.

weights

Weights used by the smoother as described in smoother.

smoothFunction

A function to be used for smoothing the F-statistics. Two functions are provided by the bumpHunter package: loessByCluster and runmedByCluster. If you are using your own custom function, it has to return a named list with an element called $fitted that contains the smoothed F-statistics and an element called $smoothed that is a logical vector indicating whether the F-statistics were smoothed or not. If they are not smoothed, the original values will be used.

Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose

If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way. Default TRUE.

scalefac

This argument is passed to preprocessCoverage.
analyzeChr

chunksize This argument is passed to preprocessCoverage.

returnOutput If TRUE, it returns a list with the results from each step. Otherwise, it returns NULL. Default: the opposite of writeOutput.

Passed to extendedMapSeqlevels, preprocessCoverage, calculateStats, calculatePvalues, annotateTranscripts, matchGenes, and define_cluster.

Details

If you are working with data from an organism different from 'Homo sapiens' specify so by setting the global 'species' and 'chrsStyle' options. For example: options(species = 'arabidopsis_thaliana') options(chrsStyle = 'NCBI')

Value

If returnOutput=TRUE, a list with six components:

timeinfo The wallclock timing information for each step.

optionsStats The main options used when running this function.

coveragePrep The output from preprocessCoverage.

fstats The output from calculateStats.

regions The output from calculatePvalues.

annotation The output from matchGenes.

These are the same components that are written to Rdata files if writeOutput=TRUE.

Author(s)

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See Also

makeModels, preprocessCoverage, calculateStats, calculatePvalues, annotateTranscripts, matchGenes

Examples

## Collapse the coverage information
collapsedFull <- collapseFullCoverage(list(genomeData$coverage),
  verbose = TRUE)

## Calculate library size adjustments
sampleDepths <- sampleDepth(collapsedFull, probs = c(0.5), nonzero=TRUE,
  verbose=TRUE)

## Build the models
groupInfo <- genomeInfo$pop
adjustvars <- data.frame(genomeInfo$gender)
models <- makeModels(sampleDepths, testvars=groupInfo, adjustvars=adjustvars)

## Analyze the chromosome
results <- analyzeChr(chr='21', coverageInfo=genomeData, models=models,
  cutoffFstat=1, cutoffType='manual', groupInfo=groupInfo, mc.cores=1,
  writeOutput=FALSE, returnOutput=TRUE, method='regular',
  runAnnotation = FALSE)

names(results)
annotateRegions Assign genomic states to regions

Description
This function takes the regions found in \texttt{calculatePvalues} and assigns them genomic states constructed with \texttt{makeGenomicState}. The main workhorse functions are \texttt{countOverlaps} and \texttt{findOverlaps}.

Usage
\begin{verbatim}
annotateRegions(regions, genomicState, annotate = TRUE, ...)
\end{verbatim}

Arguments
\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{regions} The $\texttt{regions}$ output from \texttt{calculatePvalues}.
  \item \texttt{genomicState} A \texttt{GRanges} object created with \texttt{makeGenomicState}. It can be either the \texttt{genomicState$fullGenome} or \texttt{genomicState$codingGenome} component.
  \item \texttt{annotate} If \texttt{TRUE} then the regions are annotated by the genomic state. Otherwise, only the overlaps between the regions and the genomic states are computed.
  \item ... Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
    \begin{itemize}
      \item \texttt{verbose} If \texttt{TRUE} basic status updates will be printed along the way.
      \item \texttt{ignore.strand} Passed on to \texttt{findOverlaps-methods} and \texttt{countOverlaps}. Default: \texttt{TRUE}.
    \end{itemize}
\end{itemize}

Details
You might want to specify arguments such as \texttt{minoverlap} to control how the overlaps are determined. See \texttt{findOverlaps} for further details.

Value
A list with elements \texttt{countTable} and \texttt{annotationList} (only if \texttt{annotate=TRUE}).

\begin{itemize}
  \item \texttt{countTable} This is a \texttt{data.frame} with the number of overlaps from the regions vs the genomic states with one type per column. For example, if \texttt{fullOrCoding=’full’} then the columns are \texttt{exon}, \texttt{intergenic} and \texttt{intron}.
  \item \texttt{annotationList} This is a \texttt{GRangesList} with the genomic states that overlapped with the regions. The names of this \texttt{GRangesList} correspond to the region index in \texttt{regions}.
\end{itemize}

Author(s)
Andrew Jaffe, Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also
\texttt{makeGenomicState, calculatePvalues}
Examples

```r
## Annotate regions, first two only
annotatedRegions <- annotateRegions(regions=genomeRegions$regions[1:2],
                                      genomicState=genomicState$fullGenome, minoverlap=1)
annotatedRegions
```

calculatePvalues  
**Calculate p-values and identify regions**

Description

First, this function finds the regions of interest according to specified cutoffs. Then it permutes the samples and re-calculates the F-statistics. The area of the statistics from these segments are then used to calculate p-values for the original regions.

Usage

```r
calculatePvalues(coveragePrep, models, fstats, nPermute = 1L,
                 seeds = as.integer(gsub("-", ",", Sys.Date())) + seq_len(nPermute),
                 chr, cutoff = quantile(fstats, 0.99, na.rm = TRUE),
                 significantCut = c(0.05, 0.1),
                 lowMemDir = NULL, smooth = FALSE, weights = NULL,
                 smoothFunction = bumphunter::locfitByCluster, ...
)```

Arguments

- `coveragePrep`: A list with `$coverageProcessed`, `$mclapplyIndex`, and `$position` normally generated using `preprocessCoverage`.
- `models`: A list with `$mod` and `$mod0` normally generated using `makeModels`.
- `fstats`: A numerical `Rle` with the F-statistics normally generated using `calculateStats`.
- `nPermute`: The number of permutations. Note that for a full chromosome, a small amount (10) of permutations is sufficient. If set to 0, no permutations are performed and thus no null regions are used, however, the `$regions` component is created.
- `seeds`: An integer vector of length `nPermute` specifying the seeds to be used for each permutation. If `NULL` no seeds are used.
- `chr`: A single element character vector specifying the chromosome name. This argument is passed to `findRegions`.
- `cutoff`: F-statistic cutoff to use to determine segments.
- `significantCut`: A vector of length two specifying the cutoffs used to determine significance. The first element is used to determine significance for the P-values, while the second element is used for the Q-values (FDR adjusted P-values).
- `lowMemDir`: The directory where the processed chunks are saved when using `preprocessCoverage` with a specified `lowMemDir`.
- `smooth`: Whether to smooth the F-statistics (`fstats`) or not. This is by default `FALSE`. For RNA-seq data we recommend using `FALSE`.
- `weights`: Weights used by the smoother as described in `smoother`. 


smoothFunction A function to be used for smoothing the F-statistics. Two functions are provided by the bumphunter package: loessByCluster and runmedByCluster. If you are using your own custom function, it has to return a named list with an element called $fitted that contains the smoothed F-statistics and an element called $smoothed that is a logical vector indicating whether the F-statistics were smoothed or not. If they are not smoothed, the original values will be used.

Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.

scalefac This argument is passed to fstats.apply and should be the same as the one used in preprocessCoverage. Default: 32.

method Has to be either 'Matrix' (default), 'Rle' or 'regular'. See details in fstats.apply.

adjustF A single value to adjust that is added in the denominator of the F-stat calculation. Useful when the Residual Sum of Squares of the alternative model is very small. Default: 0.

writeOutput If TRUE then the regions are saved before calculating q-values, and then overwritten once the q-values are written. This argument was introduced to save the results from the permutations (can take some time) to investigate the problem described at https://support.bioconductor.org/p/62026/

maxRegionGap Passed to internal functions of findRegions. Default: 0.

Passed to findRegions, smoothFunction and define_cluster.

Value

A list with four components:

regions is a GRanges with metadata columns given by findRegions with the additional metadata column pvalues: p-value of the region calculated via permutations of the samples; qvalues: the qvalues calculated using qvalue; significant: whether the p-value is less than 0.05 (by default); significantQval: whether the q-value is less than 0.10 (by default). It also includes the mean coverage of the region (mean from the mean coverage at each base calculated in preprocessCoverage). Furthermore, if groupInfo was not NULL in preprocessCoverage, then the group mean coverage is calculated as well as the log 2 fold change (using group 1 as the reference).

nullStats is a numeric Rle with the mean of the null statistics by segment.

nullWidths is a numeric Rle with the length of each of the segments in the null distribution. The area can be obtained by multiplying the absolute nullstats by the corresponding lengths.

nullPermutation is a Rle with the permutation number from which the null region originated from.

Author(s)

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See Also

findRegions, fstats.apply, qvalue
Examples

```r
## Collapse the coverage information
collapsedFull <- collapseFullCoverage(list(genomeData$coverage),
                                       verbose = TRUE)

## Calculate library size adjustments
sampleDepths <- sampleDepth(collapsedFull, probs=c(0.5), verbose = TRUE)

## Build the models
group <- genomeInfo$pop
adjustvars <- data.frame(genomeInfo$gender)
models <- makeModels(sampleDepths, testvars = group, adjustvars = adjustvars)

## Preprocess the data
## Automatic chunksize used to then compare 1 vs 4 cores in the 'do not run'
## section
prep <- preprocessCoverage(genomeData, groupInfo = group, cutoff = 0,
                            scalefac = 32, chunksize = NULL, colsubset = NULL, mc.cores = 4)

## Get the F statistics
fstats <- genomeFstats

## We recommend determining the cutoff to use based on the F-distribution
## although you could also based it on the observed F-statistics.
## In this example we use a low cutoff used for illustrative purposes
cutoff <- 1

## Calculate the p-values and define the regions of interest.
regsWithP <- calculatePvalues(prep, models, fstats, nPermute=1, seeds=1,
                              chr = 'chr21', cutoff = cutoff, mc.cores = 1, method = 'regular')

## Not run:
## Calculate again, but with 10 permutations instead of just 1
regsWithP <- calculatePvalues(prep, models, fstats, nPermute=10, seeds=1:10,
                              chr = 'chr21', cutoff=cutoff, mc.cores=2, method='regular')

## Check that they are the same as the previously calculated regions
library(testthat)
expect_that(regsWithP, equals(genomeRegions))

## Histogram of the theoretical p-values by region
hist(pf(regsWithP$regions$value, df1-df0, n-df1), main='Distribution
original p-values by region', freq=FALSE)

## Histogram of the permutted p-values by region
hist(regsWithP$regions$pvalues, main='Distribution permutted p-values by
region', freq=FALSE)

## MA style plot
library('ggplot2')
ma <- data.frame(mean=regsWithP$regions$meanCoverage, 
                 log2FoldChange=regsWithP$regions$log2FoldChangeYRIvsCEU)
ggplot(ma, aes(x=log2(mean), y=log2FoldChange)) + geom_point() +
ylab('Fold Change (log2)') + xlab('Mean coverage (log2)') +
```
labs(title='MA style plot')

## Annotate the results
library('bumphunter')
genes <- annotateTranscripts(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene)
annotation <- matchGenes(regsWithP$regions, genes)
head(annotation)

## End(Not run)

calculateStats

### Calculate F-statistics at base pair resolution from a loaded BAM files

description

After defining the models of interest (see `makeModels`) and pre-processing the data (see `preprocessCoverage`), use `calculateStats` to calculate the F-statistics at base-pair resolution.

#### Usage

calculateStats(coveragePrep, models, lowMemDir = NULL, ...)

#### Arguments

coveragePrep A list with $coverageProcessed, $mclapplyIndex, and $position normally generated using `preprocessCoverage`.
models A list with $mod and $mod0 normally generated using `makeModels`.
lowMemDir The directory where the processed chunks are saved when using `preprocessCoverage` with a specified `lowMemDir`.
... Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

- **verbose** If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.
- **scalefac** This argument is passed to `fstats.apply` and should be the same as the one used in `preprocessCoverage`. Default: 32.
- **method** Has to be either 'Matrix' (default), 'Rle' or 'regular'. See details in `fstats.apply`.
- **adjustF** A single value to adjust that is added in the denominator of the F-stat calculation. Useful when the Residual Sum of Squares of the alternative model is very small. Default: 0.

Passed to `define_cluster`.

#### Value

A numeric Rle with the F-statistics per base pair that passed the cutoff.

#### Author(s)

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coerceGR

Coerce the coverage to a GRanges object for a given sample

Description

Given the output of fullCoverage, coerce the coverage to a GRanges object.

Usage

coerceGR(sample, fullCov, ...)

Arguments

sample
The name or integer index of the sample of interest to coerce to a GRanges object.

fullCov
A list where each element is the result from loadCoverage used with returnCoverage = TRUE. Can be generated using fullCoverage.

... Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.
collapseFullCoverage

**seqlengths**  A named vector with the sequence lengths of the chromosomes. This argument is passed to GRanges. By default this is NULL and inferred from the data. Passed to define_cluster.

**Value**

A GRanges object with score metadata vector containing the coverage information for the specified sample. The ranges reported are only those for regions of the genome with coverage greater than zero.

**Author(s)**

Leonardo Collado-Torres

**See Also**

GRanges

**Examples**

```r
## Create a small fullCov object with data only for chr21
fullCov <- list('chr21' = genomeDataRaw)

## Coerce to a GRanges the first sample
gr <- createBwSample('ERR009101', fullCov = fullCov,
                      seqlengths = c('chr21' = 48129095))

## Explore the output
gr
```

```r
collapseFullCoverage  Collapse full coverage information for efficient quantile computations
```

**Description**

For a given data set this function collapses the full coverage information for each sample from all the chromosomes. The resulting information per sample is the number of bases with coverage 0, 1, etc. It is similar to using table() on a regular vector. This information is then used by sampleDepth for calculating the sample depth adjustments. The data set can loaded to R using (see fullCoverage) and optionally filtered using filterData.

**Usage**

```r
collapseFullCoverage(fullCov, colsubset = NULL, save = FALSE, ...)
```
coverageToExon

Arguments

- **fullCov**: A list where each element is the result from loadCoverage used with cutoff=NULL. Can be generated using fullCoverage.
- **colsubset**: Which columns of coverageInfo$coverage to use.
- **save**: If TRUE, the result is saved as 'collapsedFull.Rdata'.
- **...**: Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
  - **verbose**: If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way. Default: FALSE.

Value

A list with one element per sample. Then per sample, a list with two vector elements: values and weights. The first one is the coverage value and the second one is the number of bases with that value.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

fullCoverage, sampleDepth

Examples

```r
## Collapse the coverage information for the filtered data
collapsedFull <- collapseFullCoverage(list(genomeData),
   verbose=TRUE)
collapsedFull

## Not run:
## You can also collapsed the raw data
collapsedFullRaw <- collapseFullCoverage(list(genomeDataRaw), verbose=TRUE)

## End(Not run)
```

coverageToExon  Extract coverage information for exons

Description

This function extracts the coverage information calculated by fullCoverage for a set of exons determined by makeGenomicState. The underlying code is similar to getRegionCoverage with additional tweaks for calculating RPKM values.

Usage

```r
coverageToExon(fullCov = NULL, genomicState, L = NULL, returnType = "raw",
   files = NULL, ...)
```
Arguments

fullCov
A list where each element is the result from `loadCoverage` used with `returnCoverage = TRUE`. Can be generated using `fullCoverage`. Alternatively, specify `files` to extract the coverage information from the regions of interest. This can be helpful if you do not wish to store `fullCov` for memory reasons.

genomicState
A GRanges object created with `makeGenomicState`. It can be either the `genomicState$fullGenome` or `genomicState$codingGenome` component.

L
The width of the reads used. Either a vector of length 1 or length equal to the number of samples.

returnType
If `raw`, then the raw coverage information per exon is returned. If `rpkm`, RPKM values are calculated for each exon.

files
A character vector with the full path to the sample BAM files (or BigWig files). The names are used for the column names of the DataFrame. Check `rawFiles` for constructing `files`. files can also be a `BamFileList` object created with `BamFileList` or a `BigWigFileList` object created with `BigWigFileList`.

Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose
If `TRUE` basic status updates will be printed along the way.

BPPARAM.strandStep
A BPPARAM object to use for the strand step. If not specified, then `strandCores` specifies the number of cores to use for the strand step. The actual number of cores used is the minimum of `strandCores`, `mc.cores` and the number of strands in the data.

BPPARAM.chrStep
A BPPRAM object to use for the chr step. If not specified, then `mc.cores` specifies the number of cores to use for the chr step. The actual number of cores used is the minimum of `mc.cores` and the number of samples.

Passed to `extendedMapSeqlevels` and `define_cluster`.

Details

Parallelization is used twice. First, it is used by strand. Second, for processing the exons by chromosome. So there is no gain in using `mc.cores` greater than the maximum of the number of strands and number of chromosomes.

If `fullCov` is `NULL` and `files` is specified, this function will attempt to read the coverage from the files. Note that if you used 'totalMapped' and 'targetSize' before, you will have to specify them again to get the same results.

Value

A matrix (nrow = number of exons in `genomicState` corresponding to the chromosomes in `fullCov`, ncol = number of samples) with the number of reads (or RPKM) per exon. The row names correspond to the row indexes of `genomicState$fullGenome` (if `fullOrCoding='full'`) or `genomicState$codingGenome` (if `fullOrCoding='coding'`).

Author(s)

Andrew Jaffe, Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

`fullCoverage`, `getRegionCoverage`
Examples

```r
# Obtain fullCov object
fullCov <- list('2'=genomeDataRaw$coverage)

# Use only the first two exons
smallGenomicState <- genomicState
smallGenomicState$fullGenome <- smallGenomicState$fullGenome[
    which(smallGenomicState$fullGenome$theRegion == 'exon')][1:2]

# Finally, get the coverage information for each exon
exonCov <- coverageToExon(fullCov=fullCov,
    genomicState=smallGenomicState$fullGenome, L=36)
```

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**createBw**

*Export coverage to BigWig files*

**Description**

Using output from `fullCoverage`, export the coverage from all the samples to BigWig files using `createBwSample`.

**Usage**

```r
createBw(fullCov, path = '.', keepGR = TRUE, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **fullCov**: A list where each element is the result from `loadCoverage` used with `returnCoverage = TRUE`. Can be generated using `fullCoverage`.
- **path**: The path where the BigWig files will be created.
- **keepGR**: If TRUE, the GRanges objects created by `coerceGR` grouped into a GRangesList are returned. Otherwise they are discarded.
- **...**: Arguments passed to `createBwSample`.

**Details**

Use at most one core per chromosome.

**Value**

If `keepGR = TRUE`, then a GRangesList with the output for `coerceGR` for each of the samples.

**Author(s)**

Leonardo Collado-Torres

**See Also**

GRangesList, export, createBwSample, coerceGR
Examples

```r
## Create a small fullCov object with data only for chr21
fullCov <- list('chr21' = genomeDataRaw)

## Keep only 2 samples
fullCov$chr21$coverage <- fullCov$chr21$coverage[1:31]

## Create the BigWig files for all samples in a test dir
dir.create('createBw-example')
bws <- createBw(fullCov, 'createBw-example')

## Explore the output
bws

## First sample
bws[[1]]

## Note that if a sample has no bases with coverage > 0, the GRanges object
## is empty and no BigWig file is created for that sample.
bws[[2]]
```

createBwSample

Create a BigWig file with the coverage information for a given sample

Description

Given the output of fullCoverage, this function coerces the coverage to a GRanges object using coerceGR and then exports the coverage to a BigWig file using export.

Usage

`createBwSample(sample, path = ".", fullCov, keepGR = TRUE, ...)`

Arguments

- `sample` The name or integer index of the sample of interest to coerce to a GRanges object.
- `path` The path where the BigWig file will be created.
- `fullCov` A list where each element is the result from loadCoverage used with returnCoverage = TRUE. Can be generated using fullCoverage.
- `keepGR` If TRUE, the GRanges object created by coerceGR is returned. Otherwise it is discarded.
- `...` Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
  - `verbose` If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way. Passed to coerceGR.

Value

Creates a BigWig file with the coverage information (regions with coverage greater than zero) for a given sample. If keepGR it returns the output from coerceGR.
**define_cluster**

Define a cluster to use.

**Description**

Define a cluster to use.

**Usage**

```r
define_cluster(cores = "mc.cores", ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **cores**
  - The argument to use to define the number of cores. This is useful for cases with nested parallelizations.
- **...**
  - Advanced arguments are:
    - **mc.cores** If 1 (default), then *SerialParam* will be used. If greater than 1, then it specifies the number of workers for *SnowParam*.
    - **mc.outfile** Passed to outfile when using *SnowParam*.
    - **BPPARAM.custom** If specified, that’s the BPPARAM that will be used.

**Details**

This function is used internally in many functions.

**Author(s)**

Leonardo Collado-Torres
Examples

```r
## Use SerialParam()
define_cluster(mc.cores = 1)

## Note that BPPARAM.custom takes precedence
define_cluster(mc.cores = 2, BPPARAM.custom = BiocParallel::SerialParam())
```

Description

These functions are provided for compatibility with older version of ‘derfinder’ only and will be defunct at the next release.

Usage

```r
advancedArg(fun, package = "derfinder", browse = interactive())
```

Arguments

- `fun`: The name of a function(s) that has advanced arguments in package.
- `package`: The name of the package where the function is stored. Only ‘derfinder’, ‘derfinderPlot’, and ‘regionReport’ are accepted.
- `browse`: Whether to open the URLs in a browser.

Details

The following functions are deprecated and will be made defunct.

- `advancedArg` Not needed now that the advanced arguments are documented on the help pages of each function.

Value

A vector of URLs with the GitHub search queries.

Examples

```r
## Open the advanced argument docs for loadCoverage()
if(interactive()) {
  advancedArg('loadCoverage')
} else {
  (advancedArg('loadCoverage', browse = FALSE))
}
```
extendedMapSeqlevels  

Change naming style for a set of sequence names

Description

If available, use the information from GenomeInfoDb for your species of interest to map the sequence names from the style currently used to another valid style. For example, for Homo sapiens map '2' (NCBI style) to 'chr2' (UCSC style). If the information from GenomeInfoDb is not available, the original sequence names will be returned.

Usage

```r
extendedMapSeqlevels(seqnames, style = getOption("chrsStyle", "UCSC"),
  species = getOption("species", "homo_sapiens"), currentStyle = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- `seqnames`: A character vector with the sequence names.
- `style`: A single character vector specifying the naming style to use for renaming the sequence names.
- `species`: A single character vector with the species of interest: it has to match the valid species names supported in GenomeInfoDb. See `names(GenomeInfoDb::genomeStyles())`. If `species = NULL`, a guess will be made using the available information in GenomeInfoDb.
- `currentStyle`: A single character vector with the currently used naming style. If `NULL`, a guess will be made from the naming styles supported by `species`.
- `...`: Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
  - `verbose`: If `TRUE` basic status updates will be printed along the way.
  - `chrsStyle`: The naming style of the chromosomes. By default, UCSC. See `seqlevelsStyle`.

Details

This function is inspired from `mapSeqlevels` with the difference that it will return the original sequence names if the species, current naming style or target naming style are not supported in GenomeInfoDb.

Value

A vector of sequence names using the specified naming `style`.

Author(s)

L. Collado-Torres
Examples

## Without guessing any information
extendedMapSeqlevels('2', 'UCSC', 'Homo sapiens', 'NCBI')

## Guessing the current naming style
extendedMapSeqlevels('2', 'UCSC', 'Homo sapiens')

## Guess species and current style
extendedMapSeqlevels('2', 'NCBI')

## Guess species while supplying the current style.
## Probably an uncommon use-case
extendedMapSeqlevels('2', 'NCBI', currentStyle = 'TAIR10')

## Sequence names are unchanged when using an unsupported species
extendedMapSeqlevels('seq2', 'NCBI', 'toyOrganism')

## Not run:
## Set global species and style option
options('chrsStyle' = 'UCSC')
options('species' = 'homo_sapiens')

## Run using global options
extendedMapSeqlevels('2')

## End(Not run)

filterData  
Filter the positions of interest

Description

For a group of samples this function reads the coverage information for a specific chromosome directly from the BAM files. It then merges them into a DataFrame and removes the bases that do not pass the cutoff. This is a helper function for loadCoverage and preprocessCoverage.

Usage

```
filterData(data, cutoff = NULL, index = NULL, filter = "one",
           totalMapped = NULL, targetSize = 8e+07, ...)
```

Arguments

data  
Either a list of Rle objects or a DataFrame with the coverage information.

cutoff  
The base-pair level cutoff to use. It’s behavior is controlled by filter.

index  
A logical Rle with the positions of the chromosome that passed the cutoff. If NULL it is assumed that this is the first time using filterData and thus no previous index exists.

filter  
Has to be either 'one' (default) or 'mean'. In the first case, at least one sample has to have coverage above cutoff. In the second case, the mean coverage has to be greater than cutoff.
filterData

**totalMapped**  
A vector with the total number of reads mapped for each sample. The vector should be in the same order as the samples in `data`. Providing this data adjusts the coverage to reads in `targetSize` library prior to filtering.

**targetSize**  
The target library size to adjust the coverage to. Used only when `totalMapped` is specified. By default, it adjusts to libraries with 80 million reads.

...  
Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
- `verbose`  
  If `TRUE` basic status updates will be printed along the way.
- `returnMean`  
  If `TRUE` the mean coverage is included in the result. `FALSE` by default.
- `returnCoverage`  
  If `TRUE`, the coverage DataFrame is returned. `TRUE` by default.

**Details**

If `cutoff` is `NULL` then the data is grouped into DataFrame without applying any cutoffs. This can be useful if you want to use `loadCoverage` to build the coverage DataFrame without applying any cutoffs for other downstream purposes like plotting the coverage values of a given region. You can always specify the `colsubset` argument in `preprocessCoverage` to filter the data before calculating the F statistics.

**Value**

A list with up to three components.

- `coverage` is a DataFrame object where each column represents a sample. The number of rows depends on the number of base pairs that passed the cutoff and the information stored is the coverage at that given base. Included only when `returnCoverage = TRUE`.
- `position` is a logical Rle with the positions of the chromosome that passed the cutoff.
- `meanCoverage` is a numeric Rle with the mean coverage at each base. Included only when `returnMean = TRUE`.
- `colnames` specifies the column names to be used for the results DataFrame. If `NULL`, names from `data` are used.
- `smoothMean` Whether to smooth the mean. Used only when `filter = 'mean'`. This option is used internally by `regionMatrix`.

Passed to the internal function `.smootherFstats`, see `findRegions`.

**Author(s)**

Leonardo Collado-Torres

**See Also**

`loadCoverage`, `preprocessCoverage`, `getTotalMapped`

**Examples**

```r
## Construct some toy data
library('IRanges')
x <- Rle(round(runif(1e4, max=10)))
y <- Rle(round(runif(1e4, max=10)))
z <- Rle(round(runif(1e4, max=10)))
```
DF <- DataFrame(x, y, z)

## Filter the data
filt1 <- filterData(DF, 5)
filt1

## Filter again but only using the first two samples
filt2 <- filterData(filt1$coverage[, 1:2], 5, index=filt1$position)
filt2

---

findRegions

Find non-zero regions in a Rle

**Description**

Find genomic regions for which a numeric vector is above (or below) predefined thresholds. In other words, this function finds the candidate Differentially Expressed Regions (candidate DERs). This is similar to `regionFinder` and is a helper function for `calculatePvalues`.

**Usage**

```r
findRegions(position = NULL, fstats, chr, oneTable = TRUE, maxClusterGap = 300L, cutoff = quantile(fstats, 0.99, na.rm = TRUE), segmentIR = NULL, smooth = FALSE, weights = NULL, smoothFunction = bumphunter::locfitByCluster, ...)
```

**Arguments**

- **position**: A logical Rle of genomic positions. This is generated in `loadCoverage`. Note that it gets updated in `preprocessCoverage` if `colsubset` is not `NULL`.
- **fstats**: A numeric Rle with the F-statistics. Usually obtained using `calculateStats`.
- **chr**: A single element character vector specifying the chromosome name.
- **oneTable**: If `TRUE` only one `GRanges` is returned. Otherwise, a `GRangesList` with two components is returned: one for the regions with positive values and one for the negative values.
- **maxClusterGap**: This determines the maximum gap between candidate DERs. It should be greater than `maxRegionGap` (0 by default).
- **cutoff**: Threshold applied to the `fstats` used to determine the `#` regions.
- **segmentIR**: An IRanges object with the genomic positions that are potentials DERs. This is used in `calculatePvalues` to speed up permutation calculations.
- **smooth**: Whether to smooth the F-statistics (fstats) or not. This is by default `FALSE`. For RNA-seq data we recommend using `FALSE`.
- **weights**: Weights used by the smoother as described in `smoother`.
- **smoothFunction**: A function to be used for smoothing the F-statistics. Two functions are provided by the `bumphunter` package: `loessByCluster` and `runmedByCluster`. If you are using your own custom function, it has to return a named list with an element called `$fitted` that contains the smoothed F-statistics and an element called `$smoothed` that is a logical vector indicating whether the F-statistics were smoothed or not. If they are not smoothed, the original values will be used.
Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

- **verbose** If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.
- **basic** If TRUE a DataFrame is returned that has only basic information on the candidate DERs. This is used in `calculatePvalues` to speed up permutation calculations. Default: FALSE.

**maxRegionGap** This determines the maximum number of gaps between two genomic positions to be considered part of the same candidate region. The default is 0L.

Passed to `extendedMapSeqlevels` and the internal function `.getSegmentsRle` that has by default `verbose = FALSE`.

When `smooth = TRUE`, ... is passed to the internal function `.smootherFstats`. This internal function has the advanced argument `maxClusterGap` (same as above) and passes ... to `define_cluster` and the formal arguments of `smoothFun`.

### Details

*regionFinder* adapted to Rle world.

### Value

Either a GRanges or a GRangesList as determined by `oneTable`. Each of them has the following metadata variables.

- **value** The mean of the values of y for the given region.
- **area** The absolute value of the sum of the values of y for the given region.
- **indexStart** The start position of the region in terms of the index for y.
- **indexEnd** The end position of the region in terms of the index for y.
- **cluster** The cluster ID.
- **clusterL** The total length of the cluster.

### Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

### References

Rafael A. Irizarry, Martin Aryee, Hector Corrada Bravo, Kasper D. Hansen and Harris A. Jaffee.


### See Also

`calculatePvalues`

### Examples

```r
## Preprocess the data
prep <- preprocessCoverage(genomeData, cutoff=0, scalefac=32, chunksize=1e3, colsubset=NULL)
## Get the F statistics
fstats <- genomeFstats
```
## Find the regions

```r
regs <- findRegions(prep$position, fstats, 'chr21', verbose=TRUE)

## Not run:
## Once you have the regions you can proceed to annotate them
library('bumphunter')
genes <- annotateTranscripts(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene::TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene)
annotation <- matchGenes(regs, genes)

## End(Not run)
```

# Find regions with smoothing the F-statistics by bumphunter::runmedByCluster

```r
regs_smooth <- findRegions(prep$position, fstats, 'chr21', verbose = TRUE,
   smoothFunction = bumphunter::runmedByCluster)

## Compare against the object regs obtained earlier
regs_smooth
```

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### fullCoverage

**Load the unfiltered coverage information from a group of BAM files and a list of chromosomes**

#### Description

For a group of samples this function reads the coverage information for several chromosomes directly from the BAM files. Per chromosome, it merges the unfiltered coverage by sample into a DataFrame. The end result is a list with one such DataFrame objects per chromosome.

#### Usage

```r
fullCoverage(files, chrs, bai = NULL, chrlens = NULL, outputs = NULL,
   cutoff = NULL, ...)
```

#### Arguments

- **files**: A character vector with the full path to the sample BAM files (or BigWig files). The names are used for the column names of the DataFrame. Check `rawFiles` for constructing files. `files` can also be a `BamFileList` object created with `BamFileList` or a `BigWigFileList` object created with `BigWigFileList`.
- **chrs**: The chromosome of the files to read. The format has to match the one used in the input files.
- **bai**: The full path to the BAM index files. If NULL it is assumed that the BAM index files are in the same location as the BAM files and that they have the .bai extension. Ignored if `files` is a `BamFileList` object.
- **chrlens**: The chromosome lengths in base pairs. If it's NULL, the chromosome length is extracted from the BAM files. Otherwise, it should have the same length as `chrs`.
- **outputs**: This argument is passed to the output argument of `loadCoverage`. If NULL or 'auto' it is then recycled.
fullCoverage

cutoff       This argument is passed to `filterData`.
...

Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.

mc.cores.load Controls the number of cores to be used per chr for loading the data. If not supplied, it uses mc.cores for `loadCoverage`. Default: 1.

Passed to `loadCoverage`, `define_cluster` and `extendedMapSeqlevels`. Note that `filterData` is used internally by `loadCoverage` (and hence `fullCoverage`) and has the important arguments `totalMapped` and `targetSize` which can be used to normalize the coverage by library size.

Value

A list with one element per chromosome. Each element is a DataFrame with the coverage information produced by `loadCoverage`.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

`loadCoverage`, `filterData`, `getTotalMapped`

Examples

data <- system.file('extdata', 'genomeData', package='derfinder')
files <- rawFiles(data=data, samplepatt='*accepted_hits.bam', fileterm=NULL)
  # Shorten the column names
names(files) <- gsub('_accepted_hits.bam', '', names(files))
  # Read and filter the data, only for 1 file
fullCov <- fullCoverage(files=files[1], chrs=c('21', '22'))
fullCov

  # Not run:
  # You can then use `filterData()` to filter the data if you want to.
  # Use `bplapply()` if you want to do so with multiple cores as shown below.
library('BiocParallel')
p <- SnowParam(2L, outfile = Sys.getenv('SGE_STDERR_PATH'))
bplapply(fullCov, function(x) {
  library('derfinder'); filterData(x, cutoff=0), BPPARAM = p
}
  # End(Not run)
**genomeData**  
*Genome samples processed data*

**Description**

10kb region from chr21 processed for 31 RNA-seq samples described in `genomeInfo`. The TopHat BAM files are included in the package and this is the output of `loadCoverage` applied to it. For more information check the example of `loadCoverage`.

**Format**

A list with two components.

- **coverage** is a DataFrame object where each column represents a sample.
- **position** is a logical Rle with the positions of the chromosome that passed a cutoff of 0.

**References**


**See Also**

`loadCoverage`, `genomeInfo`

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**genomeDataRaw**  
*Genome samples processed data*

**Description**

10kb region from chr21 processed for 31 RNA-seq samples described in `genomeInfo`. The TopHat BAM files are included in the package and this is the output of `loadCoverage` applied to it with `cutoff=NULL`. For more information check the example of `loadCoverage`.

**Format**

A list with two components.

- **coverage** is a DataFrame object where each column represents a sample.
- **position** is `NULL` because no bases were filtered.
References


See Also

loadCoverage, genomeInfo

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**genomeFstats**

*F-statistics for the example data*

**Description**

Calculated F-statistics for a 10kb region from chr21 processed for 31 RNA-seq samples described in genomeInfo. For more information check the example of calculateStats.

**Format**

A numeric Rle of length 1434 with the calculated F-statistics as exemplified in calculateStats.

**See Also**

calculateStats

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**genomeInfo**

*Genome samples information*

**Description**

Information for the 31 samples downloaded from the Short Read Archive from studies comparing CEU and YRI populations. This data is used to specify the adjustment variables in calculateStats. The data is sorted according to the BAM files identifiers. Reads were 36bp long.

**Format**

A data.frame with 5 columns:

- **run**  The short name used to identify the sample BAM file.
- **library.layout**  Whether it was a single-end library or a paired-end library.
- **hapmap.id**  The HapMap identifier of the person sequenced. Note that some were sequenced more than once.
- **gender**  Whether the person sequence is a female or a male.
- **pop**  The population the person belongs to.
Details

The samples are from:

10 unrelated females from the YRI population.
5 unrelated females from the CEU population.
5 unrelated males (unrelated to the females too) from the CEU population.

References


See Also

geno...
genomicState

Genomic State for Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene

Description

Pre-computed genomic state for Hsapiens UCSC hg19 knownGene annotation built using makeGenomicState for TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene version 2.14.0. The object has been subset for chr21 only.

Format

A GRangesList with two components.

- fullGenome: classifies each region as either being exon, intron or intergenic.
- codingGenome: classifies the regions as being promoter, exon, intro, 5UTR, 3UTR or intergenic.

See Also

makeGenomicState

gGetRegionCoverage

Extract coverage information for a set of regions

Description

This function extracts the raw coverage information calculated by fullCoverage at each base for a set of regions found with calculatePvalues. It can further calculate the mean coverage per sample for each region.

Usage

gGetRegionCoverage(fullCov = NULL, regions, totalMapped = NULL, targetSize = 8e+07, files = NULL, ...)

Arguments

- fullCov: A list where each element is the result from loadCoverage used with returnCoverage = TRUE. Can be generated using fullCoverage. Alternatively, specify files to extract the coverage information from the regions of interest. This can be helpful if you do not wish to store fullCov for memory reasons.
- regions: The $regions output from calculatePvalues. It is important that the seqlengths information is provided.
- totalMapped: The total number of reads mapped for each sample. Providing this data adjusts the coverage to reads in targetSize library. By default, to reads per 80 million reads.
- targetSize: The target library size to adjust the coverage to. Used only when totalMapped is specified.
getRegionCoverage

files
A character vector with the full path to the sample BAM files (or BigWig files). The names are used for the column names of the DataFrame. Check rawFiles for constructing files. files can also be a BamFileList object created with BamFileList or a BigWigFileList object created with BigWigFileList.

... Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way. Passed to extendedMapSeqlevels and define_cluster.

When fullCov is NULL, ... has the advanced argument protectWhich (default 30000) from loadCoverage. Also ... is passed to fullCoverage for loading the data on the fly. This can be useful for loading the data from a specific region (or small sets of regions) without having to load in memory the output the coverage information from all the genome.

Details
When fullCov is the output of loadCoverage with cutoff non-NULL, getRegionCoverage assumes that the regions come from the same data. Meaning that filterData was not used again. This ensures that the regions are a subset of the data available in fullCov.

If fullCov is NULL and files is specified, this function will attempt to read the coverage from the files. Note that if you used 'totalMapped' and 'targetSize' before, you will have to specify them again to get the same results.

You should use at most one core per chromosome.

Value
a list of data.frame where each data.frame has the coverage information (nrow = width of region, ncol = number of samples) for a given region. The names of the list correspond to the region indexes in regions

Author(s)
Andrew Jaffe, Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also
fullCoverage, calculatePvalues

Examples

## Obtain fullCov object
fullCov <- list('21'=genomeDataRaw$coverage)

## Assign chr lengths using hg19 information, use only first two regions
library('GenomicRanges')
data(hg19Ideogram, package = 'biovizBase', envir = environment())
regions <- genomeRegions$regions[1:2]
seqlengths(regions) <- seqlengths(hg19Ideogram)[names(seqlengths(regions))]

## Finally, get the region coverage
regionCov <- getRegionCoverage(fullCov=fullCov, regions=regions)
getTotalMapped

Calculate the total number of mapped reads

Description

For a given BAM calculate the total number of mapped reads and for a BigWig file calculate the
area under the curve (AUC), which is related to the number of mapped reads: the exact relationship
depends on whether the aligner soft clips reads and/or if the length of the reads is the same. If you
use the 'chrs' argument you can choose to only consider the information for your chromosomes of
interest. For example, you can exclude the mitochondrial chromosome.

Usage

g getTotalMapped(rawFile, chrs = NULL)

Arguments

rawFile Either a BAM file or a BigWig file.
chrs If NULL, all the chromosomes will be used. Otherwise, only those in chrs will
be used.

Value

The total number of mapped reads for a BAM file or the AUC for a BigWig file in a single element
vector.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

Examples

## Get the total number of mapped reads for an example BAM file:

bam <- system.file("extdata", "genomeData", "ERR009102_accepted_hits.bam",
                  package="derfinder", mustWork=TRUE)

g getTotalMapped(bam)

loadCoverage

Load the coverage information from a group of BAM files

Description

For a group of samples this function reads the coverage information for a specific chromosome
directly from the BAM files. It then merges them into a DataFrame and removes the bases that do
not pass the cutoff.
loadCoverage(files, chr, cutoff = NULL, filter = "one", chrlen = NULL, output = NULL, bai = NULL, ...)

Arguments

files A character vector with the full path to the sample BAM files (or BigWig files). The names are used for the column names of the DataFrame. Check rawFiles for constructing files. files can also be a BamFileList, BamFile, BigWigFileList, or BigWigFile object.

chr Chromosome to read. Should be in the format matching the one used in the raw data.

cutoff This argument is passed to filterData.

filter Has to be either 'one' (default) or 'mean'. In the first case, at least one sample has to have coverage above cutoff. In the second case, the mean coverage has to be greater than cutoff.

chrlen The chromosome length in base pairs. If it’s NULL, the chromosome length is extracted from the BAM files.

output If NULL then no output is saved in disk. If auto then an automatic name is constructed using UCSC names (chrXCovInfo.Rdata for example). If another character is specified, then that name is used for # the output file.

bai The full path to the BAM index files. If NULL it is assumed that the BAM index files are in the same location as the BAM files and that they have the .bai extension. Ignored if files is a BamFileList object or if inputType=="BigWig".

Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.

inputType Has to be either bam or BigWig. It specifies the format of the raw data files. By default it’s set to bam before trying to guess it from the file names.

tilewidth When specified, tileGenome is used to break up the chromosome into chunks. We don’t recommend this for BAM files as the coverage in the borders of the chunks might be slightly off.

which NULL by default. When a GRanges is specified, this specific region of the genome is loaded instead of the full chromosome.

fileStyle The naming style of the chromosomes in the input files. If the global option chrsStyle is not set, the naming style won’t be changed. This option is useful when you want to use a specific naming style but the raw files use another style.

protectWhich When not NULL and which is specified, this argument specifies by how much the ranges in which will be expanded. This helps get the same base level coverage you would get from reading the coverage for a full chromosome from BAM files. Otherwise some reads might be excluded and thus the base level coverage will be lower. NULL by default.

drop.D Whether to drop the bases with 'D' in the CIGAR strings or to include them. Only used with BAM files. FALSE by default.

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sampleNames Column names to be used the samples. By default it’s names(files).
Passed to `extendedMapSeqlevels`, `define_cluster`, `scanBamFlag` and `filterData`. Note that `filterData` is used internally by `loadCoverage` and has the important arguments `totalMapped` and `targetSize` which can be used to normalize the coverage by library size.

**Details**

The ... argument can be used to control which alignments to consider when reading from BAM files. See `scanBamFlag`.

Parallelization for loading the data in chunks is used only used when `tilewidth` is specified. You may use up to one core per tile.

If you set the advanced argument `drop.D = TRUE`, bases with CIGAR string "D" (deletion from reference) will be excluded from the base-level coverage calculation.

If you are working with data from an organism different from 'Homo sapiens' specify so by setting the global 'species' and 'chrsStyle' options. For example:

```r
options(species = 'arabidopsis_thaliana')
options(chrsStyle = 'NCBI')
```

**Value**

A list with two components.

- `coverage` is a DataFrame object where each column represents a sample. The number of rows depends on the number of base pairs that passed the cutoff and the information stored is the coverage at that given base.
- `position` is a logical Rle with the positions of the chromosome that passed the cutoff.

**Author(s)**

Leonardo Collado-Torres, Andrew Jaffe

**See Also**

`fullCoverage`, `getTotalMapped`

**Examples**

```r
datadir <- system.file('extdata', 'genomeData', package='derfinder')
files <- rawfiles(datadir = datadir, samplepatt = '*accepted_hits.bam$',
fileterm = NULL)
## Shorten the column names
names(files) <- gsub('_accepted_hits.bam', '', names(files))

## Read and filter the data, only for 2 files
dataSmall <- loadCoverage(files = files[1:2], chr = '21', cutoff = 0)

## Not run:
## Export to BigWig files
createBw(list('chr21' = dataSmall))

## Load data from BigWig files
dataSmall_bw <- loadCoverage(c(ERR009101 = 'ERR009101.bw', ERR009102 = 'ERR009102.bw'), chr = 'chr21')

## Compare them
```
mapply(function(x, y) ( x - y ), dataSmall$coverage, dataSmall.bw$coverage)

## Note that the only difference is the type of Rle (integer vs numeric) used
## to store the data.

## End(Not run)

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**makeGenomicState**

*Obtain the genomic state per region from annotation*

### Description

This function summarizes the annotation contained in a TxDb at each given base of the genome based on annotated transcripts. It groups contiguous base pairs classified as the same type into regions.

### Usage

```r
makeGenomicState(txdb, chrs = c(1:22, "X", "Y"), ...)
```

### Arguments

- **txdb**: A TxDb object with chromosome lengths (check `seqlengths(txdb)`). If you are using a TxDb object created from a GFF/GTF file, you will find this [link](https://support.bioconductor.org/p/93235/) useful.
- **chrs**: The names of the chromosomes to use as denoted in the txdb object. Check `isActiveSeq`.
- **...**: Arguments passed to `extendedMapSeqlevels`.

### Value

A GRangesList object with two elements: `fullGenome` and `codingGenome`. Both have metadata information for the type of region (`theRegion`), transcript IDs (`tx_id`), transcript name (`tx_name`), and gene ID (`gene_id`). `fullGenome` classifies each region as either being exon, intron or intergenic. `codingGenome` classifies the regions as being promoter, exon, intro, 5UTR, 3UTR or intergenic.

### Author(s)

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### See Also

TxDb
makeModels

Examples

## Load the example data base from the GenomicFeatures vignette
library("GenomicFeatures")
samplefile <- system.file("extdata", 'hg19_knownGene_sample.sqlite',
                         package='GenomicFeatures')
txdb <- loadDb(samplefile)

## Generate genomic state object, only for chr6
sampleGenomicState <- makeGenomicState(txdb, chrs='chr6')

## Not run:
## Create the GenomicState object for Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene

## Creating this GenomicState object takes around 8 min for all chrs and
## around 30 secs for chr21
GenomicState.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene.chr21 <-
  makeGenomicState(txdb=txdb, chrs='chr21')

## For convinience, this object is already included in derfinder
library("testthat")
expect_that(GenomicState.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg19.knownGene.chr21,
            is_equivalent_to(genomicState))

## Hsapiens ENSEMBL GRCh37
library("GenomicFeatures")
xx <- makeTxDbPackageFromBiomart(version = '0.99', maintainer = 'Your Name',
                                  author='Your Name')
                         'extdata', 'TxDb.Hsapiens.BioMart.ensembl.GRCh37.p11.sqlite'))

## Creating this GenomicState object takes around 13 min
GenomicState.Hsapiens.ensembl.GRCh37.p11 <- makeGenomicState(txdb=txdb,
                             chrs=c(1:22, 'X', 'Y'))

## Save for later use
save(GenomicState.Hsapiens.ensembl.GRCh37.p11,
     file='GenomicState.Hsapiens.ensembl.GRCh37.p11.Rdata')

## End(Not run)

makeModels

Build model matrices for differential expression

Description

Builds the model matrices for testing for differential expression by comparing a model with a grouping factor versus one without it. It adjusts for the confounders specified and the median coverage of each sample. The resulting models can be used in calculateStats.

Usage

makeModels(sampleDepths, testvars, adjustvars = NULL, testIntercept = FALSE)
makeModels

Arguments

- `sampleDepths` Per sample library size adjustments calculated with `sampleDepth`.
- `testvars` A vector or matrix specifying the variables to test. For example, a factor with the group memberships when testing for differences across groups. Its length should match the number of columns used from `coverageInfo$coverage`.
- `adjustvars` Optional matrix of adjustment variables (e.g. measured confounders, output from SVA, etc.) to use in fitting linear models to each nucleotide. These variables have to be specified by sample and the number of rows must match the number of columns used. It will also work if it is a vector of the correct length.
- `testIntercept` If `TRUE` then `testvars` is ignored and `mod0` will contain the column medians and any adjusting variables specified, but no intercept.

Value

A list with two components.

- `mod` The alternative model matrix.
- `mod0` The null model matrix.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

`sampleDepth`, `calculateStats`

Examples

```r
## Collapse the coverage information
collapsedFull <- collapseFullCoverage(list(genomeData$coverage), verbose=TRUE)

## Calculate library size adjustments
sampleDepths <- sampleDepth(collapsedFull, probs=c(0.5), nonzero=TRUE, verbose=TRUE)

## Build the models
group <- genomeInfo$pop
adjustvars <- data.frame(genomeInfo$gender)
models <- makeModels(sampleDepths, testvars=group, adjustvars=adjustvars)
names(models)
models
```
mergeResults

Merge results from different chromosomes

Description

This function merges the results from running analyzeChr on several chromosomes and assigns genomic states using annotateRegions. It re-calculates the p-values and q-values using the pooled areas from the null regions from all chromosomes. Once the results have been merged, derfinderReport::generateReport can be used to generate an HTML report of the results. The derfinderReport package is available at https://github.com/lcolladotor/derfinderReport.

Usage

mergeResults(chrs = c(1:22, "X", "Y"), prefix = ".",
    significantCut = c(0.05, 0.1), genomicState, minoverlap = 20,
    mergePrep = FALSE, ...)

Arguments

chrs The chromosomes of the files to be merged.

prefix The main data directory path, which can be useful if analyzeChr is used for several parameters and the results are saved in different directories.

significantCut A vector of length two specifying the cutoffs used to determine significance. The first element is used to determine significance for the P-values and FWER adjusted P-values, while the second element is used for the Q-values (FDR adjusted P-values) similar to calculatePvalues.

genomicState A GRanges object created with makeGenomicState. It can be either the genomicState$fullGenome or genomicState$codingGenome component.

minoverlap Determines the minimum overlap needed when annotating regions with annotateRegions.

mergePrep If TRUE the output from preprocessCoverage is merged.

... Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:

verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.

optionsStats The options used in analyzeChr. By default NULL and will be inferred from the output files.

cutoffFstatUsed The actual F-statistic cutoff used. This can be obtained from the logs or from the output of analyzeChr. If NULL then this function will attempt to re-calculate it.

Passed to annotateRegions and extendedMapSeqlevels.

Details

If you want to calculate the FWER adjusted P-values, supply optionsStats which is produced by analyzeChr.
mergeResults

Value

Seven Rdata files.

- **fullFstats.Rdata**: Full F-statistics from all chromosomes in a list of Rle objects.
- **fullTime.Rdata**: Timing information from all chromosomes.
- **fullNullSummary.Rdata**: A DataFrame with the null region information: statistic, width, chromosome and permutation identifier. It's ordered by the statistics.
- **fullRegions.Rdata**: GRanges object with regions found and with full annotation from matchGenes. Note that the column `strand` from matchGenes is renamed to `annoStrand` to comply with GRanges specifications.
- **fullCoveragePrep.Rdata**: A list with the pre-processed coverage data from all chromosomes.
- **fullAnnotatedRegions.Rdata**: A list as constructed in annotateRegions with the assigned genomic states.
- **optionsMerge.Rdata**: A list with the options used when merging the results. Used in derfinderReport::generateReport.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

analyzeChr, calculatePvalues, annotateRegions

Examples

```r
## The output will be saved in the 'generateReport-example' directory
dir.create('generateReport-example', showWarnings = FALSE, recursive = TRUE)

## For convenience, the derfinder output has been pre-computed
file.copy(system.file(file.path('extdata', 'chr21'), package='derfinder', mustWork=TRUE), 'generateReport-example', recursive=TRUE)

## Merge the results from the different chromosomes. In this case, there's
## only one: chr21
mergeResults(chrs='21', prefix='generateReport-example', genomicState=genomicState$fullGenome)

## Not run:
## You can then explore the wallclock time spent on each step
load(file.path('generateReport-example', 'fullRegions.Rdata'))

## Process the time info
time <- lapply(fullTime, function(x) data.frame(diff(x)))
time <- do.call(rbind, time)
colnames(time) <- 'sec'
time$sec <- as.integer(round(time$sec))
time$min <- time$sec / 60
time$chr <- paste0('chr', gsub('\..*\.', '', rownames(time)))
time$step <- gsub('.\..*', '', rownames(time))
rownames(time) <- seq_len(nrow(time))

## Make plot
library('ggplot2')
ggplot(time, aes(x=step, y=min, colour=chr)) + geom_point() +
```

Description

This function takes the coverage data from `loadCoverage`, scales the data, does the log2 transformation, and splits it into appropriate chunks for using `calculateStats`.

Usage

```r
preprocessCoverage(coverageInfo, groupInfo = NULL, cutoff = 5, colsubset = NULL, lowMemDir = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

- **coverageInfo**: A list containing a DataFrame `$coverage` with the coverage data and a logical Rle `$position` with the positions that passed the cutoff. This object is generated using `loadCoverage`.
- **groupInfo**: A factor specifying the group membership of each sample. If `NULL` no group mean coverages are calculated. If the factor has more than one level, the first one will be used to calculate the log2 fold change in `calculatePvalues`.
- **cutoff**: The base-pair level cutoff to use. It’s behavior is controlled by `filter`.
- **colsubset**: Optional vector of column indices of `coverageInfo$coverage` that denote samples you wish to include in analysis.
- **lowMemDir**: If specified, each chunk is saved into a separate Rdata file under `lowMemDir` and later loaded in `fstats.apply` when running `calculateStats` and `calculatePvalues`. Using this option helps reduce the memory load as each fork in `bplapply` loads only the data needed for the chunk processing. The downside is a bit longer computation time due to input/output.
- **...**: Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
  - **verbose**: If `TRUE` basic status updates will be printed along the way. Default: `FALSE`.
  - **toMatrix**: Determines whether the data in the chunk should already be saved as a Matrix object, which can be useful to reduce the computation time of the F-statistics. Only used when `lowMemDir` is not `NULL` and by in that case set to `TRUE` by default.
  - **mc.cores**: Number of cores you will use for calculating the statistics.
  - **scalefac**: A log 2 transformation is used on the count tables, so zero counts present a problem. What number should we add to the entire matrix? Default: 32.
  - **chunksize**: How many rows of `coverageInfo$coverage` should be processed at a time? Default: 5 million. Reduce this number if you have hundreds of samples to reduce the memory burden while sacrificing some speed.
Details

If chunksize is NULL, then mc.cores is used to determine the chunksize. This is useful if you want to split the data so each core gets the same amount of data (up to rounding).

Computing the indexes and using those for mclapply reduces memory copying as described by Ryan Thompson and illustrated in approach #4 at http://lcolladotor.github.io/2013/11/14/Reducing-memory-overhead-when-using-mclapply

If lowMemDir is specified then $coverageProcessed is NULL and $mclapplyIndex is a vector with the chunk identifiers.

Value

A list with five components.

coverageProcessed contains the processed coverage information in a DataFrame object. Each column represents a sample and the coverage information is scaled and log2 transformed. Note that if colsubset is not NULL the number of columns will be less than those in coverageInfo$coverage. The total number of rows depends on the number of base pairs that passed the cutoff and the information stored is the coverage at that given base. Further note that filterData is re-applied if colsubset is not NULL and could thus lead to fewer rows compared to coverageInfo$coverage.

mclapplyIndex is a list of logical Rle objects. They contain the partitioning information according to chunksize.

dposition is a logical Rle with the positions of the chromosome that passed the cutoff.

dmeanCoverage is a numeric Rle with the mean coverage at each filtered base.

dgroupMeans is a list of Rle objects containing the mean coverage at each filtered base calculated by group. This list has length 0 if groupInfo=NULL.

Passed to filterData when colsubset is specified.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

See Also

filterData, loadCoverage, calculateStats

Examples

```r
## Split the data and transform appropriately before using calculateStats()
dataReady <- preprocessCoverage(genomeData, cutoff = 0, scalefac = 32,
chunksize = 1e3, colsubset = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
names(dataReady)
dataReady
```
railMatrix

Identify regions data by a coverage filter and get a count matrix from BigWig files

Description
Rail (available at http://rail.bio) generates coverage BigWig files. These files are faster to load in R and to process. Rail creates an un-adjusted coverage BigWig file per sample and an adjusted summary coverage BigWig file by chromosome (median or mean). railMatrix reads in the mean (or median) coverage BigWig file and applies a threshold cutoff to identify expressed regions (ERs). Then it goes back to the sample coverage BigWig files and extracts the base level coverage for each sample. Finally it summarizes this information in a matrix with one row per ERs and one column per sample. This function is similar to regionMatrix but is faster thanks to the advantages presented by BigWig files.

Usage
railMatrix(chrs, summaryFiles, sampleFiles, L, cutoff = NULL, maxClusterGap = 300L, totalMapped = NULL, targetSize = 4e+07, file.cores = 1L, chrlens = NULL, ...)

Arguments
chrs A character vector with the names of the chromosomes.
summaryFiles A character vector (or BigWigFileList) with the paths to the summary BigWig files created by Rail. Either mean or median files. These are library size adjusted by default in Rail. The order of the files in this vector must match the order in chrs.
sampleFiles A character vector with the paths to the BigWig files by sample. These files are unadjusted for library size.
L The width of the reads used. Either a vector of length 1 or length equal to the number of samples.
cutoff The base-pair level cutoff to use. It’s behavior is controlled by filter.
maxClusterGap This determines the maximum gap between candidate ERs.
totalMapped A vector with the total number of reads mapped for each sample. The vector should be in the same order as the samples in data. Providing this data adjusts the coverage to reads in targetSize library prior to filtering.
targetSize The target library size to adjust the coverage to. Used only when totalMapped is specified. By default, it adjusts to libraries with 40 million reads, which matches the default used in Rail.
file.cores Number of cores used for loading the BigWig files per chr.
chrlens The chromosome lengths in base pairs. If it’s NULL, the chromosome length is extracted from the BAM files. Otherwise, it should have the same length as chrs.
Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments: verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way. Default: TRUE.
verbose.load  If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way when loading data. Default: TRUE.

BPPARAM.railChr A BPPARAM object to use for the chr step. Set to SerialParam when file.cores = 1 and SnowParam otherwise.

chunksize  Chunksize to use. Default: 1000.
Passed to filterData, findRegions and define_cluster.

Details
Given a set of un-filtered coverage data (see fullCoverage), create candidate regions by applying a cutoff on the coverage values, and obtain a count matrix where the number of rows corresponds to the number of candidate regions and the number of columns corresponds to the number of samples. The values are the mean coverage for a given sample for a given region.

This function uses several other derfinder-package functions. Inspect the code if interested.
You should use at most one core per chromosome.

Value
A list with one entry per chromosome. Then per chromosome, a list with two components.

regions  A set of regions based on the coverage filter cutoff as returned by findRegions.

coverageMatrix  A matrix with the mean coverage by sample for each candidate region.

Author(s)
Leonardo Collado-Torres

Examples

## BigWig files are not supported in Windows
if(.Platform$OS.type != 'windows') {
  ## Get data
  library('derfinderData')

  ## Identify sample files
  sampleFiles <- rawFiles(system.file('extdata', 'AMY', package = 'derfinderData'), samplepatt = 'bw', fileterm = NULL)
  names(sampleFiles) <- gsub('.bw', '', names(sampleFiles))

  ## Create the mean bigwig file. This file is normally created by Rail
  ## but in this example we'll create it manually.
  library('GenomicRanges')
  fullCov <- fullCoverage(files = sampleFiles, chrs = 'chr21')
  meanCov <- Reduce('+', fullCov$chr21) / ncol(fullCov$chr21)
  createBw(list('chr21' = DataFrame(meanChr21 = meanCov)), keepGR = FALSE)
  summaryFile <- 'meanChr21.bw'

  ## Get the regions
  regionMat <- railMatrix(chrs = 'chr21', summaryFiles = summaryFile, sampleFiles = sampleFiles, L = 76, cutoff = 5.1, maxClusterGap = 3000L)
## Explore results

```r
names(regionMat$chr21)
regionMat$chr21$regions
dim(regionMat$chr21$coverageMatrix)
```

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### rawFiles

**Construct full paths to a group of raw input files**

**Description**

For a group of samples this function creates the list of paths to the raw input files which can then be used in `loadCoverage`. The raw input files are either BAM files or BigWig files.

**Usage**

```r
rawFiles(datadir = NULL, sampledirs = NULL, samplepatt = NULL, fileterm = "accepted_hits.bam")
```

**Arguments**

- `datadir` : The main directory where each of the `sampledirs` is a sub-directory of `datadir`.
- `sampledirs` : A character vector with the names of the sample directories. If `datadir` is `NULL` it is then assumed that `sampledirs` specifies the full path to each sample.
- `samplepatt` : If specified and `sampledirs` is set to `NULL`, then the directories matching this pattern in `datadir` (set to . if it’s set to `NULL`) are used as the sample directories.
- `fileterm` : Name of the BAM or BigWig file used in each sample. By default it is set to `accepted_hits.bam` since that is the automatic name generated when aligning with TopHat. If `NULL` it is then ignored when reading the rawfiles. This can be useful if all the raw files are stored in a single directory.

**Details**

This function can also be used to identify a set of BigWig files.

**Value**

A vector with the full paths to the raw files and sample names stored as the vector names.

**Author(s)**

Leonardo Collado-Torres

**See Also**

- `loadCoverage`
regionMatrix

Identify regions data by a coverage filter and get a count matrix

Description

Given a set of un-filtered coverage data (see fullCoverage), create candidate regions by applying a cutoff on the coverage values, and obtain a count matrix where the number of rows corresponds to the number of candidate regions and the number of columns corresponds to the number of samples. The values are the mean coverage for a given sample for a given region.

Usage

regionMatrix(fullCov, cutoff = 5, L, runFilter = TRUE, returnBP = TRUE, ...

Arguments

fullCov A list where each element is the result from loadCoverage used with returnCoverage = TRUE. Can be generated using fullCoverage. If runFilter = FALSE, then returnMean = TRUE must have been used.
cutoff The base-pair level cutoff to use. It’s behavior is controlled by filter.
L The width of the reads used. Either a vector of length 1 or length equal to the number of samples.
runFilter This controls whether to run filterData or not. If set to FALSE then returnMean = TRUE must have been used to create each element of fullCov.
returnBP If TRUE, returns $bpCoverage explained below.
...
Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
verbose If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.
chrsStyle Default: UCSC. Passed to getRegionCoverage.
Passed to filterData, findRegions and define_cluster.
Note that filterData is used internally by loadCoverage (and hence fullCoverage) and has the important arguments totalMapped and targetSize which can be used to normalize the coverage by library size. If you already used these arguments when creating the fullCov object, then don’t specify them a second time in regionMatrix. If you have not used these arguments, we recommend using them to normalize the mean coverage.

Details

This function uses several other derfinder-package functions. Inspect the code if interested.

You should use at most one core per chromosome.
Value

A list with one entry per chromosome. Then per chromosome, a list with three components.

- **regions**: A set of regions based on the coverage filter cutoff as returned by `findRegions`.

- **bpCoverage**: A list with one element per region. Each element is a matrix with numbers of rows equal to the number of base pairs in the region and number of columns equal to the number of samples. It contains the base-level coverage information for the regions. Only returned when `returnBP = TRUE`.

- **coverageMatrix**: A matrix with the mean coverage by sample for each candidate region.

Examples

```r
## Create some toy data
library('IRanges')
x <- Rle(round(runif(1e4, max=10)))
y <- Rle(round(runif(1e4, max=10)))
z <- Rle(round(runif(1e4, max=10)))
fullCov <- list('chr21' = DataFrame(x, y, z))

## Calculate a proxy of library size
libSize <- sapply(fullCov$chr21, sum)

## Run region matrix normalizing the coverage
regionMat <- regionMatrix(fullCov = fullCov, maxRegionGap = 10L,
                           maxClusterGap = 300L, L = 36, totalMapped = libSize, targetSize = 4e4)

## Not run:
## You can alternatively use filterData() on fullCov to reduce the required
## memory before using regionMatrix(). This can be useful when mc.cores > 1
filteredCov <- lapply(fullCov, filterData, returnMean=TRUE, filter='mean',
                      cutoff=5, totalMapped = libSize, targetSize = 4e4)
regionMat2 <- regionMatrix(filteredCov, maxRegionGap = 10L,
                           maxClusterGap = 300L, L = 36, runFilter=FALSE)
```

Description

For a given data set calculate the per-sample coverage adjustments. Hector Corrada’s group proposed calculating the sum of the coverage for genes below a given sample quantile. In this function, we calculate the sample quantiles of interest by sample, and then the sum of the coverage for bases below or equal to quantiles of interest. The resulting values are transformed $\log_2(x + \text{scalefac})$ to avoid very large numbers that could potentially affect the stability of the F-statistics calculation. The sample coverage adjustments are then used in `makeModels` for constructing the null and alternative models.
sampleDepth

Usage

```r
sampleDepth(collapsedFull, probs = c(0.5, 1), scalefac = 32, ...)
```

Arguments

- `collapsedFull` The full coverage data collapsed by sample as produced by `collapseFullCoverage`.
- `probs` Number(s) between 0 and 1 representing the quantile(s) of interest. For example, 0.5 is the median.
- `scalefac` Number added to the sample coverage adjustments before the log2 transformation.
- `...` Arguments passed to other methods and/or advanced arguments. Advanced arguments:
  - `verbose` If TRUE basic status updates will be printed along the way.
  - `nonzero` If TRUE only the nonzero counts are used to calculate the library size adjustment. Default: TRUE.
  - `center` If TRUE the sample coverage adjustments are centered. In some cases, this could be helpful for interpretation purposes. Default: FALSE.

Value

A matrix (vector of `length(probs) == 1`) with the library size depth adjustments per sample to be used in `makeModels`. The number of rows corresponds to the number of quantiles used for the sample adjustments.

Author(s)

Leonardo Collado-Torres

References


See Also

collapseFullCoverage, makeModels

Examples

```r
## Collapse the coverage information
collapsedFull <- collapseFullCoverage(list(genomeData$coverage),
    verbose=TRUE)

## Calculate library size adjustments
sampleDepths <- sampleDepth(collapsedFull, probs=c(0.5, 1), verbose=TRUE)
sampleDepths
```
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