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```
analyse {\tt ReadsInsideRegionsForCondition}
```

Analyse reads inside regions for condition

Description

This function extracts from the methylation data the total number of reads, the number of methylated reads and the number of cytosines in the specific context from a region (e.g. DMRs)

Usage

```
analyseReadsInsideRegionsForCondition(
 regions,
 methylationData,
  context,
  label = "",
  parallel = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

regions a GRanges object with a list of regions on the genome; e.g. could be a list of **DMRs**

methylationData

parallel

the methylation data in one condition (see methylationDataList).

the context in which to extract the reads ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH"). context label a string to be added to the columns to identify the condition

Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

```
a GRanges object with additional four metadata columns
```

```
sumReadsM the number of methylated reads
sumReadsN the total number of reads
proportion the proportion methylated reads
cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the regions
```

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

readONTbam, filterDMRs, computeDMRs, DMRsNoiseFilterCG, and mergeDMRsIteratively

Examples

 $analyse {\tt ReadsInsideRegionsForConditionPMD}$

Analyse reads inside regions for condition

Description

This function extracts from the methylation data the total number of reads, the number of methylated reads and the number of cytosines in the specific context from a region (e.g. PMDs)

Usage

```
analyseReadsInsideRegionsForConditionPMD(
  regions,
  methylationData,
  context,
  label = "",
  parallel = FALSE,
  BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

regions a GRanges object with a list of regions on the genome; e.g. could be a list of

PMDs

methylationData

the methylation data in one condition (see ontSampleGRangesList).

context the context in which to extract the reads ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

label a string to be added to the columns to identify the condition

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores

Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to set as manually.

Value

```
a GRanges object with additional four metadata columns sumReadsM the number of methylated reads sumReadsN the total number of reads proportion the proportion methylated reads cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the regions
```

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

```
filterPMDs, computePMDs, PMDsNoiseFilterCG, and mergePMDsIteratively
```

Examples

computeCoMethylation Compute pairwise co-methylation statistics for cytosine sites within regions

Description

computeCoMethylation() calculates pairwise co-methylation between all cytosine sites within each given region, using ONT methylation calls annotated to each site. For each pair of cytosines within the same strand and PMD, it builds a 2x2 contingency table reflecting the overlap state of reads (both methylated, only one methylated, or neither), performs a statistical test (Fisher's exact by default), and reports FDR-adjusted p-values.

Usage

```
computeCoMethylation(
  methylationData,
  regions,
  minDistance = 150,
  maxDistance = 1000,
  minCoverage = 4,
  pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  alternative = "two.sided",
  test = "fisher",
  parallel = FALSE,
  BPPARAM = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

A GRanges object containing cytosine sites, annotated with per-site ONT methy-

lation calls (columns ONT_Cm, ONT_C, readsN, etc).

regions A GRanges object with list including genomic context such as gene and/or trans-

posable elements coordinates which possibly have DMRs, VMRs or PMDs.

minDistance Minimum distance (in bp) between two cytosines to consider for co-methylation

(default: 150).

maxDistance Maximum distance (in bp) between two cytosines to consider (default: 1000).

minCoverage Minimum read coverage required for both cytosines in a pair (default: 4).

pValueThreshold

FDR-adjusted p-value threshold for reporting significant co-methylation (de-

fault: 0.01).

alternative indicates the alternative hypothesis and must be one of "two.sided", "greater"

or "less". You can specify just the initial letter. Only used in the 2 by 2 case.

This is used only for Fisher's test.

test Statistical test to use for co-methylation ("fisher" for Fisher's exact [default],

or "permutation" for chi-squared). NOTE: highly recommended to do parallel

when use permutation test.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

Details

Compute Co-Methylation Between CpG Sites Within regions

Pairwise tests are performed separately for each strand (+ and -) within each region. FDR correction is performed for all pairs within each region and strand.

Value

A list of length equal to regions, where each entry is a GInteractions object of significant cytosine pairs (by strand), annotated with:

C1_C2 number of reads methylated at both cytosines

C1_only number methylated at only first cytosine

C2_only number methylated at only second cytosine

neither number methylated at neither cytosines

strand The DNA strand ("+" or "-") on which the two CpGs reside.

genomic_position The original region (from regions) containing this cytosines pair, formatted in UCSC or IGV style, e.g. "chr1:1522971-1523970".

p.value FDR-adjusted p-value for co-methylation association

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

readONTbam, computePMDs, ontSampleGRangesList

```
## Not run:
# load the ONT methylation data and PMD data
data(ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_PMD_bins_1k)
data(ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_sorted_bins_1k)
# compute the co-methylations with Fisher's exact test
coMetylationFisher <- computeCoMethylation(</pre>
  ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_sorted_bins_1k,
  regions = ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_PMD_bins_1k[1:4],
  minDistance = 150,
  maxDistance = 1000,
  minCoverage = 4,
  pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  test = "fisher",
  parallel = FALSE)
# compute the co-methylations with Permuation test
coMetylationPermutation <- computeCoMethylation(</pre>
  ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_sorted_bins_1k,
  regions = ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_PMD_bins_1k[1:4],
  minDistance = 150,
  maxDistance = 1000,
  minCoverage = 4,
  pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  test = "permutation",
  parallel = FALSE) # highly recommended to set as TRUE
## End(Not run)
```

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computeDMRs

Compute DMRs

Description

This function computes the differentially methylated regions between two conditions.

Usage

```
computeDMRs(
 methylationData1,
 methylationData2,
 regions = NULL,
  context = "CG",
 method = "noise_filter",
 windowSize = 100,
 kernelFunction = "triangular",
 lambda = 0.5,
 binSize = 100,
  test = "fisher",
 pValueThreshold = 0.01,
 minCytosinesCount = 4,
 minProportionDifference = 0.4,
 minGap = 200,
 minSize = 50,
 minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
 parallel = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData1

the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList).

 ${\it methylation} Data 2$

the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList).

regions

a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the DMRs. If NULL, the DMRs are computed genome-wide.

Divins are

the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

context method

the method used to compute the DMRs ("noise_filter", "neighbourhood" or "bins"). The "noise_filter" method uses a triangular kernel to smooth the number of reads and then performs a statistical test to determine which regions dispay different levels of methylation in the two conditions. The "neighbourhood" method computates differentially methylated cytosines. Finally, the "bins" method partiones the genome into equal sized tilling bins and performs the statistical test between the two conditions in each bin. For all three methods, the cytosines or bins are then merged into DMRs without affecting the inital parameters used when calling the differentiall methylated cytosines/bins (p-value, difference in methylation levels, minimum number of reads per cytosine).

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windowSize the size of the triangle base measured in nucleotides. This parameter is required

only if the selected method is "noise_filter".

kernelFunction a character indicating which kernel function to be used. Can be one of "uniform",

"triangular", "gaussian" or "epanechnicov". This is required only if the

selected method is "noise_filter".

lambda numeric value required for the Gaussian filter $(K(x) = \exp(-1 \operatorname{ambda} * x^2))$. This

is required only if the selected method is "noise_filter" and the selected ker-

nel function is "gaussian".

binSize the size of the tiling bins in nucleotides. This parameter is required only if the

selected method is "bins".

test the statistical test used to call DMRs ("fisher" for Fisher's exact test or "score"

for Score test).

pValueThreshold

DMRs with p-values (when performing the statistical test; see test) higher or equal than pValueThreshold are discarded. Note that we adjust the p-values using the Benjamini and Hochberg's method to control the false discovery rate.

minCytosinesCount

DMRs with less cytosines in the specified context than ${\tt minCytosinesCount}$

will be discarded.

 $\min Proportion Difference$

DMRs where the difference in methylation proportion between the two condi-

tions is lower than $\min Proportion Difference$ are discarded.

minGap DMRs separated by a gap of at least minGap are not merged. Note that only

DMRs where the change in methylation is in the same direction are joined.

minSize DMRs with a size smaller than minSize are discarded.

minReadsPerCytosine

DMRs with the average number of reads lower than minReadsPerCytosine are

discarded.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

the DMRs stored as a GRanges object with the following metadata columns:

direction a number indicating whether the region lost (-1) or gain (+1) methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1.

context the context in which the DMRs was computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

sumReadsM1 the number of methylated reads in condition 1.

sumReadsN1 the total number of reads in condition 1.

proportion1 the proportion methylated reads in condition 1.

sumReadsM2 the number of methylated reads in condition 2.

sumReadsN2 the total number reads in condition 2.

proportion2 the proportion methylated reads in condition 2.

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cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the DMR.

regionType a string indicating whether the region lost ("loss") or gained ("gain") methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1.

pValue the p-value (adjusted to control the false discovery rate with the Benjamini and Hochberg's method) of the statistical test when the DMR was called.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Jonathan Michael Foonlan Tsang

See Also

 $filter DMRs, merge DMRs Iteratively, analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition \ and \ DMRs Noise Filter CG$

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# the regions where to compute the DMRs
regions <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(1,1E5))</pre>
# compute the DMRs in CG context with noise_filter method
DMRsNoiseFilterCG <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                     methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
                     context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                     windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                     test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                     minCytosinesCount = 4, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                     minGap = 200, minSize = 50, minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                     cores = 1)
## Not run:
# compute the DMRs in CG context with neighbourhood method
DMRsNeighbourhoodCG <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                       methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
                       context = "CG", method = "neighbourhood",
                       test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                       minCytosinesCount = 4, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                       minGap = 200, minSize = 50, minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                       cores = 1)
# compute the DMRs in CG context with bins method
DMRsBinsCG <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
               methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
               context = "CG", method = "bins", binSize = 100,
               test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01, minCytosinesCount = 4,
               minProportionDifference = 0.4, minGap = 200, minSize = 50,
               minReadsPerCytosine = 4, cores = 1)
## End(Not run)
```

computeDMRsReplicates Compute DMRs

Description

This function computes the differentially methylated regions between replicates with two conditions.

Usage

```
computeDMRsReplicates(
 methylationData,
  condition = NULL,
 regions = NULL,
  context = "CG",
 method = "neighbourhood",
 binSize = 100,
  test = "betareg",
 pseudocountM = 1,
 pseudocountN = 2,
 pValueThreshold = 0.01,
 minCytosinesCount = 4,
 minProportionDifference = 0.4,
 minGap = 200,
 minSize = 50,
 minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
 parallel = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data containing all the conditions for all the replicates.

condition a vector of strings indicating the conditions for each sample in methylationData.

Two different values are allowed (for the two conditions).

regions a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the DMRs. If NULL, the

DMRs are computed genome-wide.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

method the method used to compute the DMRs "neighbourhood" or "bins"). The

"neighbourhood" method computates differentially methylated cytosines. Finally, the "bins" method partiones the genome into equal sized tilling bins and performs the statistical test between the two conditions in each bin. For all three methods, the cytosines or bins are then merged into DMRs without affecting the inital parameters used when calling the differentiall methylated cytosines/bins (p-value, difference in methylation levels, minimum number of reads per cyto-

sine).

binSize the size of the tiling bins in nucleotides. This parameter is required only if the

selected method is "bins".

test the statistical test used to call DMRs ("betareg" for Beta regression).

pseudocountM numerical value to be added to the methylated reads before modelling beta re-

gression.

pseudocountN numerical value to be added to the total reads before modelling beta regression.

pValueThreshold

DMRs with p-values (when performing the statistical test; see test) higher or equal than pValueThreshold are discarded. Note that we adjust the p-values using the Benjamini and Hochberg's method to control the false discovery rate.

minCytosinesCount

DMRs with less cytosines in the specified context than minCytosinesCount will be discarded.

will be disca

 $\min Proportion Difference$

DMRs where the difference in methylation proportion between the two condi-

tions is lower than ${\tt minProportionDifference}$ are discarded.

minGap DMRs separated by a gap of at least minGap are not merged. Note that only

DMRs where the change in methylation is in the same direction are joined.

minSize DMRs with a size smaller than minSize are discarded.

minReadsPerCytosine

DMRs with the average number of reads lower than minReadsPerCytosine are

discarded.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

the DMRs stored as a GRanges object with the following metadata columns:

direction a number indicating whether the region lost (-1) or gain (+1) methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1.

context the context in which the DMRs was computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

sumReadsM1 the number of methylated reads in condition 1.

sumReadsN1 the total number of reads in condition 1.

proportion1 the proportion methylated reads in condition 1.

sumReadsM2 the number of methylated reads in condition 2.

sumReadsN2 the total number reads in condition 2.

proportion2 the proportion methylated reads in condition 2.

cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the DMR.

regionType a string indicating whether the region lost ("loss") or gained ("gain") methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1.

pValue the p-value (adjusted to control the false discovery rate with the Benjamini and Hochberg's method) of the statistical test when the DMR was called.

Author(s)

Alessandro Pio Greco and Nicolae Radu Zabet

Examples

```
## Not run:
# starting with data joined using joinReplicates
data("syntheticDataReplicates")
# compute the DMRs in CG context with neighbourhood method
# creating condition vector
condition <- c("a", "a", "b", "b")
# computing DMRs using the neighbourhood method
{\tt DMRsReplicatesNeighbourhood <- computeDMRsReplicates(methylationData = syntheticDataReplicates, not computeDMRsReplicates)} \\
                                                         condition = condition,
                                                         regions = NULL,
                                                         context = "CHH",
                                                         method = "neighbourhood",
                                                         test = "betareg",
                                                         pseudocountM = 1,
                                                         pseudocountN = 2,
                                                         pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                                                         minCytosinesCount = 4,
                                                         minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                                                         minGap = 200,
                                                         minSize = 50,
                                                         minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                                                         cores = 1)
## End(Not run)
```

 $compute {\tt MethylationDataCoverage}$

Compute methylation data coverage

Description

This function computes the coverage for bisulfite sequencing data. It returns a vector with the proportion (or raw count) of cytosines that have the number of reads higher or equal than a vector of specified thresholds.

Usage

```
computeMethylationDataCoverage(
  methylationData,
  regions = NULL,
  context = "CG",
  breaks = NULL,
  proportion = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

```
methylationData
```

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList).

regions a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the coverage. If NULL, the

coverage is computed genome-wide.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

breaks a numeric vector specifing the different values for the thresholds when comput-

ing the coverage.

proportion a logical value indicating whether to compute the proportion (TRUE) or raw

counts (FALSE).

Value

a vector with the proportion (or raw count) of cytosines that have the number of reads higher or equal than the threshold values specified in the breaks vector.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Jonathan Michael Foonlan Tsang

See Also

```
\verb|plotMethylationDataCoverage|, methylationDataList|
```

Examples

 ${\tt compute Methylation Data Spatial Correlation}$

Compute methylation data spatial correlation

Description

This function computes the correlation of the methylation levels as a function of the distances between the Cytosines. The function returns a vector with the correlation of methylation levels at distance equal to a vector of specified thresholds.

Usage

```
computeMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation(
  methylationData,
  regions = NULL,
  context = "CG",
  distances = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns

(see methylationDataList).

regions a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the correlation. If NULL,

the correlation is computed genome-wide.

context the context in which the correlation is computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

distances a numeric vector specifing the different values for the distances when comput-

ing the correlation.

Value

a vector with the correlation of the methylation levels for Cytosines located at distances specified in the distances vector.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 $\verb|plotMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation|, \verb|methylationDataList||$

Examples

compute Methylation Profile

Compute methylation profile

Description

This function computes the low resolution profiles for the bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

```
computeMethylationProfile(
  methylationData,
  region,
  windowSize = floor(width(region)/500),
  context = "CG"
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns

(see methylationDataList).

region a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the DMRs.

windowSize a numeric value indicating the size of the window in which methylation is av-

raged.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

Value

a GRanges object with equal sized tiles of the region. The object consists of the following metadata

sumReadsM the number of methylated reads.

sumReadsN the total number of reads.

Proportion the proportion of methylated reads.

cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the regions

context the context ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Jonathan Michael Foonlan Tsang

See Also

 $\verb|plotMethylationProfileFromData|, \verb|plotMethylationProfile|, methylationDataList| \\$

computeOverlapProfile

computeOverlapProfile Compute Overlaps Profile

Description

This function computes the distribution of a subset of regions (GRanges object) over a large region (GRanges object)

Usage

```
computeOverlapProfile(
  subRegions,
  largeRegion,
  windowSize = floor(width(largeRegion)/500),
  binary = TRUE,
  cores = 1
)
```

Arguments

subRegions a GRanges object with the sub regions; e.g. can be the DMRs.

largeRegion a GRanges object with the region where to compute the overlaps; e.g. a chromo-

some

windowSize The largeRegion is partitioned into equal sized tiles of width windowSize.

binary a value indicating whether to count 1 for each overlap or to compute the width

of the overlap

cores the number of cores used to compute the DMRs.

Value

a GRanges object with equal sized tiles of the regions. The object has one metadata file score which represents: the number of subRegions overlapping with the tile, in the case of binary = TRUE, and the width of the subRegions overlapping with the tile, in the case of binary = FALSE.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

plotOverlapProfile, filterDMRs, computeDMRs and mergeDMRsIteratively

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# load the DMRs in CG context
data(DMRsNoiseFilterCG)
# the coordinates of the area to be plotted
```

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computePMDs

Compute PMDs

Description

This function computes the partially methylated domains between pre-set min and max proportion values.

Usage

```
computePMDs(
 methylationData,
  regions = NULL,
 context = "CG",
 method = "noise_filter",
 windowSize = 100,
 kernelFunction = "triangular",
 lambda = 0.5,
 binSize = 100,
 minCytosinesCount = 4,
 minMethylation = 0.4,
 maxMethylation = 0.6,
 minGap = 200,
 minSize = 50,
 minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
 parallel = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

 ${\it methylation} Data$

the methylation data in condition (see ontSampleGRangesList).

regions

a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the PMDs. If NULL, the

PMDs are computed genome-wide.

context

the context in which the PMDs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

method

Character string specifying the algorithm for PMD detection. If "noise_filter", a sliding window of size windowSize is applied with the specified kernelFunction (and lambda for a Gaussian kernel) to smooth methylation counts before calling and merging PMDs. If "neighbourhood", individual partially methylated cytosines are identified first and then merged into PMDs. If "bins", the genome is partitioned into fixed bins of size binSize, partially methylation is sorted per bin, and significant bins are merged.

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windowSize the size of the triangle base measured in nucleotides. This parameter is required

only if the selected method is "noise_filter".

kernelFunction a character indicating which kernel function to be used. Can be one of "uniform",

"triangular", "gaussian" or "epanechnicov". This is required only if the

selected method is "noise_filter".

lambda numeric value required for the Gaussian filter $(K(x) = \exp(-1 \operatorname{ambda} * x^2))$. This

is required only if the selected method is "noise_filter" and the selected ker-

nel function is "gaussian".

binSize the size of the tiling bins in nucleotides. This parameter is required only if the

selected method is "bins".

minCytosinesCount

PMDs with less cytosines in the specified context than minCytosinesCount will

be discarded.

minMethylation Numeric [0,1]; minimum mean methylation proportion.

maxMethylation Numeric [0,1]; maximum mean methylation proportion.

minGap PMDs separated by a gap of at least minGap are not merged. Note that only

PMDs where the change in methylation is in the same direction are joined.

minSize PMDs with a size smaller than minSize are discarded.

minReadsPerCytosine

PMDs with the average number of reads lower than minReadsPerCytosine are

discarded.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

the PMDs stored as a GRanges object with the following metadata columns:

context the context in which the PMDs was computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

sumReadsM the number of methylated reads.

sumReadsN the total number of reads.

 $\textbf{proportion} \ \ \text{the proportion methylated reads filtered between } \textbf{minMethylation} \ \ \text{and } \textbf{maxMethylation}.$

cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the PMDs.

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See Also

read ONT bam, filter PMDs, merge PMDs Iteratively, analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition PMD and PMDs Noise Filter CG

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```
# load the ONT methylation data
data(ontSampleGRangesList)
# the regions where to compute the PMDs
chr1_ranges <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5,2E6))</pre>
# compute the PMDs in CG context with noise_filter method
PMDsNoiseFilterCG <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                                  regions = chr1_ranges,
                                  context = "CG",
                                  windowSize = 100,
                                  method = "noise_filter",
                                  kernelFunction = "triangular",
                                  lambda = 0.5,
                                  minCytosinesCount = 4,
                                  minMethylation = 0.4,
                                  maxMethylation = 0.6,
                                  minGap = 200,
                                  minSize = 50,
                                  minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                                  cores = 1,
                                  parallel = FALSE)
## Not run:
# compute the PMDs in CG context with neighbourhood method
PMDsNeighbourhoodCG <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                                    regions = chr1_ranges,
                                    context = "CG",
                                    method = "neighbourhood"
                                    minCytosinesCount = 4,
                                    minMethylation = 0.4,
                                    maxMethylation = 0.6,
                                    minGap = 200,
                                    minSize = 50,
                                    minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                                    cores = 1,
                                    parallel = FALSE)
# compute the PMDs in CG context with bins method
PMDsBinsCG <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                           regions = chr1_ranges,
                           context = "CG",
                          method = "bins",
                          binSize = 100,
                          minCytosinesCount = 4,
                           minMethylation = 0.4,
                           maxMethylation = 0.6,
                           minGap = 200,
                           minSize = 50,
                           minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                           cores = 1,
                           parallel = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

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computeVMDs	Compute VMDs
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Description

This function computes the variance methylated domains between pre-set min and max proportion values.

Usage

```
computeVMDs(
 methylationData,
 regions = NULL,
 context = "CG",
 binSize = 100,
 minCytosinesCount = 4,
  sdCutoffMethod = "per.high",
 percentage = 0.05,
 minGap = 200,
 minSize = 50,
 minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
  parallel = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data in condition (see ontSampleGRangesList).

regions

a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the VMDs. If NULL, the

VMDs are computed genome-wide.

the context in which the VMDs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH"). context

binSize

the size of the tiling bins in nucleotides. This parameter is required only if the

selected method is "bins".

minCytosinesCount

VMDs with less cytosines in the specified context than minCytosinesCount will be discarded.

sdCutoffMethod Character string specifying how to determine the cutoff for filtering VMDs based on their methylation variance (standard deviation). Available options are:

> "per.high" Selects the top percentage of regions with the highest variance (standard deviation).

> "per.low" Selects the bottom percentage of regions with the lowest variance.

"EDE.high" Uses the elbow point (inflection/knee) from the descendingly sorted variance values to determine a data-driven high-variance cutoff. Retains regions with SD above this elbow point.

"EDE.low" Uses the elbow point from the ascendingly sorted variance values to define a low-variance cutoff. Retains regions with SD below this point.

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This allows either quantile-based filtering or automatic detection of variance thresholds based on distribution shape.

percentage Numeric cutoff used when sdCutoffMethod is set to "per.high" or "per.low".

Represents the quantile threshold: for example, percentage = 0.05 keeps the top 5% or bottom 5% of bins based on standard deviation, depending on the

selected method.

minGap VMDs separated by a gap of at least minGap are not merged. Note that only

VMDs where the change in methylation is in the same direction are joined.

minSize VMDs with a size smaller than minSize are discarded.

minReadsPerCytosine

VMDs with the average number of reads lower than minReadsPerCytosine are

discarded.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

the VMDs stored as a GRanges object with the following metadata columns:

context the context in which the VMDs was computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

sumReadsM the number of methylated reads.

sumReadsN the total number of reads.

proportion the proportion from total methylated reads.

cytosinesCount the number of cytosines in the VMDs.

mean mean value comparing per-read proportions

sd standard deviation comparing per-read proportions

w_mean weighted mean value comparing per-read proportions

w_sd weighted standard deviation comparing per-read proportions

Author(s)

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See Also

 $read ONT bam, filter VMDs \ and \ analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition$

```
## Not run:
# load the ONT methylation data
data(ontSampleGRangesList)

# the regions where to compute the VMDs
chr1_ranges <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5,1E6+6E5))</pre>
```

DMRcaller

Call Differentially Methylated Regions (DMRs) between two samples

Description

Supports both Bisulfite Sequencing (Bismark CX reports) and Oxford Nanopore Sequencing (MM/ML tags) for per-site methylation calling. Identifies differentially methylated regions between two samples in CG and non-CG contexts.

Details

For bisulfite data, the input is Bismark CX report files and the output is a list of DMRs stored as a GRanges object.

- readsM count of modified reads per site
- readsN total same-strand coverage per site

For Nanopore data, the input is an indexed ONT BAM with calling readONTbam function in this package and the output is a GRanges augmented with metadata columns:

- ONT_Cm comma-delimited read-indices called "modified"
- ONT_C comma-delimited read-indices covering but not modified
- readsM count of modified reads per site
- readsN total same-strand coverage per site

The most important functions in the **DMRcaller** are:

readBismark reads the Bismark CX report files in a GRanges object.

readBismarkPool Reads multiple CX report files and pools them together.

saveBismark saves the methylation data stored in a GRanges object into a Bismark CX report file.

selectCytosine Enumerates cytosine positions in a BSgenome reference, optionally filtering by methylation context (CG/CHG/CHH), chromosome and genomic region.

readONTbam Loads an Oxford Nanopore BAM (with MM/ML tags), decodes per-C modification probabilities and counts modified vs. unmodified reads per site.

```
poolMethylationDatasets pools together multiple methylation datasets.
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poolTwoMethylationDatasets pools together two methylation datasets.

computeMethylationDataCoverage Computes the coverage for the bisulfite sequencing data.

plotMethylationDataCoverage Plots the coverage for the bisulfite sequencing data.

computeMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation Computes the correlation between methylation levels as a function of the distances between the Cytosines.

plotMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation Plots the correlation of methylation levels for Cytosines located at a certain distance apart.

computeMethylationProfile Computes the low resolution profiles for the bisulfite sequencing data at certain locations.

plotMethylationProfile Plots the low resolution profiles for the bisulfite sequencing data at certain locations.

plotMethylationProfileFromData Plots the low resolution profiles for the loaded bisulfite sequencing data.

computeDMRs Computes the differentially methylated regions between two conditions.

filterDMRs Filters a list of (potential) differentially methylated regions.

mergeDMRsIteratively Merge DMRs iteratively.

analyseReadsInsideRegionsForCondition Analyse reads inside regions for condition.

plotLocalMethylationProfile Plots the methylation profile at one locus for the bisulfite sequencing data.

computeOverlapProfile Computes the distribution of a set of subregions on a large region.

plotOverlapProfile Plots the distribution of a set of subregions on a large region.

getWholeChromosomes Computes the GRanges objects with each chromosome as an element from the methylationData.

joinReplicates Merges two GRanges objects with single reads columns. It is necessary to start the analysis of DMRs with biological replicates.

computeDMRsReplicates Computes the differentially methylated regions between two conditions with multiple biological replicates.

selectCytosine Enumerates cytosine positions in a BSgenome reference.

readONTbam Loads an ONT BAM (MM/ML tags), decodes per-C modification probabilities, and counts modified vs. unmodified reads per site.

computePMDs Partitions the genome into PMDs via three methods ("noise_filter", "neighbour-hood", "bins").

filterPMDs Filters a set of PMDs by methylation level and read depth.

mergePMDsIteratively Merge PMDs while preserving statistical significance.

 $analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition PMD\ Counts\ reads\ in\ each\ PMD\ for\ one\ condition.$

computeCoMethylation Computes pairwise co-methylation between CpGs within regions.

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See Also

See vignette("rd", package = "DMRcaller") for an overview of the package.

```
## Not run:
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
library(BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38)
# All cytosines in hg38:
gr_all <- selectCytosine()</pre>
# Only CpG sites on chr1 and chr2:
gr_chr1_2 <- selectCytosine(context="CG", chr=c("chr1","chr2"))</pre>
# CHH sites in a specific region on chr3:
my_region <- GRanges("chr3", IRanges(1e6, 1e6 + 1e5))</pre>
gr_region <- selectCytosine(context="CHH", chr="chr3", region=my_region)</pre>
# set the bam file directory
bam_path <- system.file("extdata", "scanBamChr1Random5.bam", package="DMRcaller")</pre>
# read ONTbam file (chromosome 1 only) in CG context with BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38
ONTSampleGRanges <- readONTbam(bamfile = bam_path, ref_gr = NULL, modif = "C+m?",
                          prob_thresh = 0.50,genome = BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38,
                          context = "CG", chr = "chr1", region = NULL,
                          synonymous = FALSE, parallel = FALSE, BPPARAM = NULL)
# plot the low resolution profile at 5 Kb resolution
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
plotMethylationProfileFromData(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                                methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                                conditionsNames=c("WT", "met1-3"),
                                windowSize = 5000, autoscale = TRUE,
                                context = c("CG", "CHG", "CHH"),
                                labels = LETTERS)
# compute low resolution profile in 10 Kb windows in CG context
lowResProfileWTCG <- computeMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                      region, windowSize = 10000, context = "CG")
lowResProfileMet13CG <- computeMethylationProfile(</pre>
                     methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], region,
                     windowSize = 10000, context = "CG")
lowResProfileCG <- GRangesList("WT" = lowResProfileWTCG,</pre>
                   "met1-3" = lowResProfileMet13CG)
# compute low resolution profile in 10 Kb windows in CHG context
lowResProfileWTCHG <- computeMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                     region, windowSize = 10000, context = "CHG")
lowResProfileMet13CHG <- computeMethylationProfile(</pre>
                     methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], region,
                     windowSize = 10000, context = "CHG")
```

```
lowResProfileCHG <- GRangesList("WT" = lowResProfileWTCHG,</pre>
                    "met1-3" = lowResProfileMet13CHG)
# plot the low resolution profile
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
plotMethylationProfile(lowResProfileCG, autoscale = FALSE,
                       labels = LETTERS[1].
                       title="CG methylation on Chromosome 3",
                       col=c("\#D55E00","\#E69F00"), pch = c(1,0),
                       1ty = c(4,1)
plotMethylationProfile(lowResProfileCHG, autoscale = FALSE,
                       labels = LETTERS[2],
                       title="CHG methylation on Chromosome 3",
                       col=c("#0072B2", "#56B4E9"), pch = c(16,2),
                       1ty = c(3,2)
# plot the coverage in all three contexts
plotMethylationDataCoverage(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                           breaks = 1:15, regions = NULL,
                           conditionsNames = c("WT", "met1-3"),
context = c("CG", "CHG", "CHH"),
                           proportion = TRUE, labels = LETTERS, col = NULL,
                            pch = c(1,0,16,2,15,17), lty = c(4,1,3,2,6,5),
                            contextPerRow = FALSE)
# plot the correlation of methylation levels as a function of distance
plotMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           distances = c(1,5,10,15), regions = NULL,
                            conditionsNames = c("WT", "met1-3"),
                            context = c("CG"),
                            labels = LETTERS, col = NULL,
                            pch = c(1,0,16,2,15,17), lty = c(4,1,3,2,6,5),
                            contextPerRow = FALSE)
# the regions where to compute the DMRs
regions <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(1,1E6))</pre>
# compute the DMRs in CG context with noise_filter method
DMRsNoiseFilterCG <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                     methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
                     context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                     windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                     test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                     minCytosinesCount = 4, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                     minGap = 200, minSize = 50, minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                     cores = 1)
# compute the DMRs in CG context with neighbourhood method
DMRsNeighbourhoodCG <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                       methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
                       context = "CG", method = "neighbourhood",
                       test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                       minCytosinesCount = 4, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                       minGap = 200, minSize = 50, minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
```

```
cores = 1)
# compute the DMRs in CG context with bins method
DMRsBinsCG <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
               methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
               context = "CG", method = "bins", binSize = 100,
               test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01, minCytosinesCount = 4,
               minProportionDifference = 0.4, minGap = 200, minSize = 50,
               minReadsPerCytosine = 4, cores = 1)
# load the gene annotation data
data(GEs)
# select the genes
genes <- GEs[which(GEs$type == "gene")]</pre>
# the regions where to compute the DMRs
genes <- genes[overlapsAny(genes, regions)]</pre>
# filter genes that are differntially methylated in the two conditions
DMRsGenesCG <- filterDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
               methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], potentialDMRs = genes,
               context = "CG", test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
               minCytosinesCount = 4, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
               minReadsPerCytosine = 3, cores = 1)
# merge the DMRs
DMRsNoiseFilterCGLarger <- mergeDMRsIteratively(DMRsNoiseFilterCG,</pre>
                           minGap = 500, respectSigns = TRUE,
                           methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                            context = "CG", minProportionDifference=0.4,
                           minReadsPerCytosine = 1, pValueThreshold=0.01,
                           test="score",alternative = "two.sided")
# select the genes
genes <- GEs[which(GEs$type == "gene")]</pre>
# the coordinates of the area to be plotted
chr3Reg <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(510000,530000))</pre>
# load the DMRs in CG context
data(DMRsNoiseFilterCG)
DMRsCGlist <- list("noise filter"=DMRsNoiseFilterCG,</pre>
                    "neighbourhood"=DMRsNeighbourhoodCG,
                    "bins"=DMRsBinsCG,
                   "genes"=DMRsGenesCG)
# plot the CG methylation
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
plotLocalMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], chr3Reg,
                           DMRsCGlist, c("WT", "met1-3"), GEs,
                           windowSize=100, main="CG methylation")
```

```
hotspotsHypo <- computeOverlapProfile(</pre>
               DMRsNoiseFilterCG[(DMRsNoiseFilterCG$regionType == "loss")],
               region, windowSize=2000, binary=TRUE, cores=1)
hotspotsHyper <- computeOverlapProfile(</pre>
               DMRsNoiseFilterCG[(DMRsNoiseFilterCG$regionType == "gain")],
               region, windowSize=2000, binary=TRUE, cores=1)
plotOverlapProfile(GRangesList("Chr3"=hotspotsHypo),
                   GRangesList("Chr3"=hotspotsHyper),
                   names=c("loss", "gain"), title="CG methylation")
# loading synthetic data
data("syntheticDataReplicates")
# creating condition vector
condition <- c("a", "a", "b", "b")</pre>
# computing DMRs using the neighbourhood method
DMRsReplicatesNeighbourhood <- computeDMRsReplicates(methylationData = methylationData,
                                                       condition = condition,
                                                       regions = NULL,
                                                       context = "CHH"
                                                       method = "neighbourhood",
                                                       test = "betareg",
                                                       pseudocountM = 1,
                                                       pseudocountN = 2,
                                                       pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                                                       minCytosinesCount = 4,
                                                       minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                                                       minGap = 200,
                                                       minSize = 50,
                                                       minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                                                       cores = 1)
# load the ONT methylation data
data(ontSampleGRangesList)
\mbox{\tt\#} the regions where to compute the PMDs
chr1_ranges <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5, 2E6))</pre>
# compute the PMDs in CG context with noise_filter method
PMDsNoiseFilterCG <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                                  regions = chr1_ranges,
                                  context = "CG",
                                  windowSize = 100,
                                  method = "noise_filter",
                                  kernelFunction = "triangular",
                                  lambda = 0.5,
                                  minCytosinesCount = 4,
                                  minMethylation = 0.4,
                                  maxMethylation = 0.6,
                                  minGap = 200,
                                  minSize = 50,
                                  minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                                  cores = 1,
                                  parallel = FALSE)
```

```
# compute the PMDs in CG context with neighbourhood method
PMDsNeighbourhoodCG <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                                    regions = chr1_ranges,
                                    context = "CG",
                                    method = "neighbourhood"
                                    minCytosinesCount = 4,
                                    minMethylation = 0.4,
                                    maxMethylation = 0.6,
                                    minGap = 200,
                                    minSize = 50,
                                    minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                                    cores = 1,
                                    parallel = FALSE)
# compute the PMDs in CG context with bins method
PMDsBinsCG <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                          regions = chr1_ranges,
                           context = "CG",
                           method = "bins",
                           binSize = 100,
                           minCytosinesCount = 4,
                           minMethylation = 0.4,
                           maxMethylation = 0.6,
                          minGap = 200,
                           minSize = 50,
                           minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
                           cores = 1,
                           parallel = FALSE)
# load the gene annotation data
data(GEs_hg38)
# select the transcript
transcript <- GEs_hg38[which(GEs_hg38$type == "transcript")]</pre>
# the regions where to compute the PMDs
regions <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5,2E6))</pre>
transcript <- transcript[overlapsAny(transcript, regions)]</pre>
# filter genes that are partially methylated in the two conditions
PMDsGenesCG <- filterPMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
               potentialPMDs = transcript,
               context = "CG", minMethylation = 0.4, maxMethylation = 0.6,
               minCytosinesCount = 4, minReadsPerCytosine = 3, cores = 1)
# load the PMDs in CG context they were computed with minGap = 200
data(PMDsNoiseFilterCG)
# merge the PMDs
PMDsNoiseFilterCGLarger <- mergePMDsIteratively(PMDsNoiseFilterCG[1:100],
                           minGap = 500, respectSigns = TRUE,
                           ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]], context = "CG",
                           minReadsPerCytosine = 4, minMethylation = 0.4,
                           maxMethylation = 0.6, cores = 1)
```

```
# set genomic coordinates where to compute PMDs
chr1_ranges <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5,2E6))</pre>
# compute PMDs and remove gaps smaller than 200 bp
PMDsNoiseFilterCG200 <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                       regions = chr1_ranges, context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                       windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                       minCytosinesCount = 1, minMethylation = 0.4,
                       maxMethylation = 0.6, minGap = 0, minSize = 200,
                       minReadsPerCytosine = 1, cores = 1)
PMDsNoiseFilterCG0 <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                       regions = chr1_ranges, context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                       windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                       minCytosinesCount = 1, minMethylation = 0.4,
                       maxMethylation = 0.6, minGap = 0, minSize = 0,
                       minReadsPerCytosine = 1, cores = 1)
PMDsNoiseFilterCG0Merged200 <- mergePMDsIteratively(PMDsNoiseFilterCG0,
                             minGap = 200, respectSigns = TRUE,
                             ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]], context = "CG",
                             minReadsPerCytosine = 4, minMethylation = 0.4,
                             maxMethylation = 0.6, cores = 1)
#check that all newley computed PMDs are identical
print(all(PMDsNoiseFilterCG200 == PMDsNoiseFilterCG0Merged200))
#retrive the number of reads in CG context in GM18501
PMDsNoiseFilterCGreadsCG <- analyseReadsInsideRegionsForConditionPMD(
                             PMDsNoiseFilterCG[1:10],
                              ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]], context = "CG",
                              label = "GM18501")
# load the PMD data
data(PMDsBinsCG)
# compute the co-methylations with Fisher's exact test
coMetylationFisher <- computeCoMethylation(</pre>
  ontSampleGRangesList[[1]],
  regions = PMDsBinsCG,
  minDistance = 150,
  maxDistance = 1000,
  minCoverage = 4,
  pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  test = "fisher",
  parallel = FALSE)
# compute the co-methylations with Permuation test
coMetylationPermutation <- computeCoMethylation(</pre>
  ontSampleGRangesList[[1]],
  regions = PMDsBinsCG,
  minDistance = 150.
  maxDistance = 1000,
  minCoverage = 4,
  pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  test = "permutation",
  parallel = FALSE) # highly recommended to set as TRUE
# select the transcript
```

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DMRsNoiseFilterCG

The DMRs between WT and met1-3 in CG context

Description

A GRangesList object containing the DMRs between Wild Type (WT) and met1-3 mutant (met1-3) in Arabidopsis thaliana (see methylationDataList). The DMRs were computed on the first 1 Mbp from Chromosome 3 with noise filter method using a triangular kernel and a windowSize of 100 bp

Format

The GRanges element contain 11 metadata columns; see computeDMRs

See Also

 $filter DMRs, compute DMRs, analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition \ and \ merge DMRs Iteratively$

extractGC

Extract GC

Description

This function extracts GC sites in the genome

Usage

```
extractGC(methylationData, genome, contexts = c("ALL", "CG", "CHG", "CHH"))
```

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Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns

 $(see\ methylation Data List).$

genome a BSgenome with the DNA sequence of the organism

contexts the context in which the DMRs are computed ("ALL", "CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

Value

the a subset of methylationData consisting of all GC sites.

Author(s)

Ryan Merritt

Examples

filterDMRs

Filter DMRs

Description

This function verifies whether a set of pottential DMRs (e.g. genes, transposons, CpG islands) are differentially methylated or not.

Usage

```
filterDMRs(
  methylationData1,
  methylationData2,
  potentialDMRs,
  context = "CG",
```

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```
test = "fisher",
pValueThreshold = 0.01,
minCytosinesCount = 4,
minProportionDifference = 0.4,
minReadsPerCytosine = 3,
parallel = FALSE,
BPPARAM = NULL,
cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData1

the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList).

methylationData2

the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList).

potential DMRs a GRanges object with potential DMRs where to compute the DMRs. This can

be a a list of gene and/or transposable elements coordinates.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

test the statistical test used to call DMRs ("fisher" for Fisher's exact test or "score"

for Score test).

pValueThreshold

DMRs with p-values (when performing the statistical test; see test) higher or equal than pValueThreshold are discarded. Note that we adjust the p-values using the Benjamini and Hochberg's method to control the false discovery rate.

minCytosinesCount

DMRs with less cytosines in the specified context than minCytosinesCount will be discarded.

minProportionDifference

DMRs where the difference in methylation proportion between the two conditions is lower than minProportionDifference are discarded.

minReadsPerCytosine

 $DMRs\ with\ the\ average\ number\ of\ reads\ lower\ than\ \verb|minReadsPerCytosine|\ are$

discarded.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

a GRanges object with 11 metadata columns that contain the DMRs; see computeDMRs.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 ${\tt DMRsNoiseFilterCG, computeDMRs, analyseReadsInsideRegionsForCondition} \ {\tt and mergeDMRsIteratively}$

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Examples

filterPMDs

Filter PMDs

Description

This function verifies whether a set of potential PMDs (e.g. genes, transposons, CpG islands) are partially methylated or not.

Usage

```
filterPMDs(
  methylationData,
  potentialPMDs,
  context = "CG",
  minCytosinesCount = 4,
  minMethylation = 0.4,
  maxMethylation = 0.6,
  minReadsPerCytosine = 3,
  parallel = FALSE,
  BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data in condition (see ontSampleGRangesList).

potential PMDs a GRanges object with potential PMDs where to compute the PMDs. This can

be a a list of gene and/or transposable elements coordinates.

context the context in which the PMDs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

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minCytosinesCount

PMDs with less cytosines in the specified context than minCytosinesCount will be discarded.

minMethylation Numeric [0,1]; minimum mean methylation proportion.

maxMethylation Numeric [0,1]; maximum mean methylation proportion.

minReadsPerCytosine

PMDs with the average number of reads lower than minReadsPerCytosine are

discarded.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

a GRanges object with 5 metadata columns that contain the PMDs; see computePMDs.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

PMDsNoiseFilterCG, computePMDs, analyseReadsInsideRegionsForCondition and mergePMDsIteratively

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filterVMDs

Filter VMDs

Description

This function verifies whether a set of potential VMDs (e.g. genes, transposons, CpG islands) are variance methylated or not.

Usage

```
filterVMDs(
 methylationData,
 potentialVMDs,
  context = "CG",
 minCytosinesCount = 4,
 minReadsPerCytosine = 3,
  sdCutoffMethod = "per.high",
  percentage = 0.05,
  parallel = FALSE,
 BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data in condition (see ontSampleGRangesList).

 ${\tt potentialVMDs}$

a GRanges object with potential VMDs where to compute the VMDs. This can be a a list of gene and/or transposable elements coordinates.

context

the context in which the VMDs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

minCytosinesCount

VMDs with less cytosines in the specified context than minCytosinesCount will be discarded.

minReadsPerCytosine

VMDs with the average number of reads lower than minReadsPerCytosine are

sdCutoffMethod Character string specifying how to determine the cutoff for filtering VMDs based on their methylation variance (weighted standard deviation). Available options are:

> "per.high" Selects the top percentage of regions with the highest variance (standard deviation).

> "per.low" Selects the bottom percentage of regions with the lowest variance.

"EDE.high" Uses the elbow point (inflection/knee) from the descendingly sorted variance values to determine a data-driven high-variance cutoff. Retains regions with SD above this elbow point.

"EDE.low" Uses the elbow point from the ascendingly sorted variance values to define a low-variance cutoff. Retains regions with SD below this point.

This allows either quantile-based filtering or automatic detection of variance thresholds based on distribution shape.

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percentage Numeric cutoff used when sdCutoffMethod is set to "per.high" or "per.low".

Represents the quantile threshold: for example, percentage = 0.05 keeps the top 5% or bottom 5% of bins based on weighted standard deviation, depending

on the selected method.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

a GRanges object with 9 metadata columns that contain the VMDs; see computeVMDs.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

computeVMDs and analyseReadsInsideRegionsForCondition

Examples

filterVMRsONT

Filter VMRs for ONT Data

Description

Filter VMRs with ONT-specific variance tests and CI filters

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Usage

```
filterVMRsONT(
  methylationData1,
  methylationData2,
  potentialVMRs,
  context = "CG",
  pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  minCytosinesCount = 4,
  minProportionDifference = 0.4,
  minReadsPerCytosine = 3,
  ciExcludesOne = TRUE,
  varRatioFc = NULL,
  parallel = FALSE,
  BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

methylationData1

A GRanges of methylation calls for condition 1 (see ontSampleGRangesList).

methylationData2

A GRanges of methylation calls for condition 2.

potentialVMRs A GRanges of candidate VMR regions (genes, TEs, CpG islands, etc.).

context Character string specifying cytosine context ("CG", "CHG", or "CHH").

pValueThreshold

Numeric p-value threshold (0<value<1) for both Wilcoxon and F-tests after FDR adjustment.

minCytosinesCount

Integer minimum number of cytosines per region.

minProportionDifference

Numeric minimum methylation difference between conditions (0<value<1).

minReadsPerCytosine

Integer minimum average coverage per cytosine.

ciExcludesOne Logical; if TRUE, filter out regions whose F-test 95% confidence interval spans

1 (i.e., no significant variance change).

varRatioFc Optional; numeric fold-change cutoff on variance ratio (e.g., 2 for twofold vari-

ance difference). Regions with variance ratio outside [1/varRatioFc, varRatioFc]

are kept when set.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

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Details

This function verifies whether a set of potential VMRs (e.g., genes, transposons, CpG islands) are differentially methylated or not in ONT data, adding per-read Wilcoxon and F-tests on per-site proportions, confidence interval filtering, and optional variance-fold change cutoffs.

For each potential VMR, per-site methylation proportions are aggregated per read, then a two-sample Wilcoxon rank-sum test compares means (wilcox_pvalue), and an F-test compares variances (f_pvalue). You may further filter by requiring the 95 apply a fold-change cutoff on the variance ratio (varRatioFc).

Value

A GRanges with the same ranges as regions, plus these metadata:

sumReadsM1 total methylated reads in condition 1

sumReadsN1 total reads in condition 1

proportion1 methylation proportion (sumReadsM1/sumReadsN1)

variance1 variance of per-read methylation proportions in condition 1

sumReadsM2 total methylated reads in condition 2

sumReadsN2 total reads in condition 2

proportion2 methylation proportion (sumReadsM2/sumReadsN2)

variance2 variance of per-read methylation proportions in condition 2

cytosinesCount number of cytosines observed in each region

wilcox_pvalue FDR adjusted p-value from Wilcoxon rank-sum test comparing per-read proportions

f_pvalue FDR adjusted p-value from F-test comparing variances of per-read proportions

var_ratio Ratio of variances (variance1 / variance2)

wilcox_result Full htest object returned by wilcox.test

F_test_result Full htest object returned by var.test

direction a number indicating whether the region lost (-1) or gain (+1) methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1.

regionType a string indicating whether the region lost ("loss") or gained ("gain") methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1.

is_DMR logical; TRUE if region passed the wilcox.test

is_VMR logical; TRUE if region passed the var.test

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

readONTbam, computePMDs, computeCoMethylation, ontSampleGRangesList, GEs_hg38

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Examples

```
## Not run:
# load the ONT methylation data
data(ontSampleGRangesList)
# load the gene annotation data
data(GEs_hg38)
# select the transcript
transcript <- GEs_hg38[which(GEs_hg38$type == "transcript")]</pre>
# the regions where to compute the PMDs
regions <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5,2E6))</pre>
transcript <- transcript[overlapsAny(transcript, regions)]</pre>
# filter genes that are differntially methylated in the two conditions
VMRsGenesCG <- filterVMRsONT(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
               ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18876"]], potentialVMRs = transcript,
               context = "CG", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
               minCytosinesCount = 4, minProportionDifference = 0.01,
               minReadsPerCytosine = 3, ciExcludesOne = TRUE,
               varRatioFc = NULL, parallel = TRUE) # parallel recommended
## End(Not run)
```

GEs

The genetic elements data

Description

A GRanges object containing the annotation of the Arabidopsis thaliana

Format

A GRanges object

Source

The object was created by calling import.gff3 function from rtracklayer package for ftp://ftp.arabidopsis.org/Maps/gbrowse_data/TAIR10/TAIR10_GFF3_genes_transposons.gff

GEs_hg38

The genetic elements data of GRCh38 Genome Reference

Description

A GRanges object containing the annotation of the Homo sapiens (hg38)

Format

A GRanges object

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Source

The object was created by loading the gtf file from https://hgdownload.soe.ucsc.edu/goldenPath/hg38/bigZips/genes/hg38.refGene.gtf.gz. and concatenated by range in $1.5 \sim 2$ Mbp from Chromosome 1

getWholeChromosomes

Get whole chromosomes from methylation data

Description

Returns a GRanges object spanning from the first cytocine until the last one on each chromosome

Usage

```
getWholeChromosomes(methylationData)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList).

Value

a GRanges object will all chromosomes.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

Examples

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)

# get all chromosomes
chromosomes <- getWholeChromosomes(methylationDataList[["WT"]])</pre>
```

joinReplicates

Joins together two GRange objects in a single containing all the replicates

Description

This function joins together data that come from biological replicates to perform analysis

Usage

```
joinReplicates(methylationData1, methylationData2, usecomplete = FALSE)
```

Arguments

methylationData1

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList).

methylationData2

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList).

usecomplete

Boolean, determine wheter, when the two dataset differ for number of cytosines, if the smaller dataset should be added with zero reads to match the bigger dataset.

Value

returns a GRanges object containing multiple metadata columns with the reads from each object passed as parameter

Author(s)

Alessandro Pio Greco and Nicolae Radu Zabet

Examples

 ${\tt mergeDMRsIteratively} \quad \textit{Merge DMRs iteratively}$

Description

This function takes a list of DMRs and attempts to merge DMRs while keeping the new DMRs statistically significant.

Usage

```
mergeDMRsIteratively(
  DMRs,
  minGap,
  respectSigns = TRUE,
  methylationData1,
  methylationData2,
  context = "CG",
  minProportionDifference = 0.4,
  minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
```

```
pValueThreshold = 0.01,
  test = "fisher",
  alternative = "two.sided",
  parallel = FALSE,
  BPPARAM = NULL,
  cores = NULL
```

Arguments

DMRs the list of DMRs as a GRanges object; e.g. see computeDMRs minGap

DMRs separated by a gap of at least minGap are not merged.

respectSigns logical value indicating whether to respect the sign when joining DMRs.

methylationData1

the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList).

methylationData2

the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList).

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

minProportionDifference

two adjacent DMRs are merged only if the difference in methylation proportion

of the new DMR is higher than $\min Proportion Difference$.

minReadsPerCytosine

two adjacent DMRs are merged only if the number of reads per cytosine of the

new DMR is higher than minReadsPerCytosine.

pValueThreshold

two adjacent DMRs are merged only if the p-value of the new DMR (see test below) is lower than pValueThreshold. Note that we adjust the p-values using

the Benjamini and Hochberg's method to control the false discovery rate.

test the statistical test used to call DMRs ("fisher" for Fisher's exact test or "score"

for Score test).

alternative indicates the alternative hypothesis and must be one of "two.sided", "greater"

or "less".

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

the reduced list of DMRs as a GRanges object; e.g. see computeDMRs

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 $filter DMRs, compute DMRs, analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition \ and \ DMRs Noise Filter CG$

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
#load the DMRs in CG context they were computed with minGap = 200
data(DMRsNoiseFilterCG)
#merge the DMRs
DMRsNoiseFilterCGLarger <- mergeDMRsIteratively(DMRsNoiseFilterCG[1:100],</pre>
                           minGap = 500, respectSigns = TRUE,
                           methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                           context = "CG", minProportionDifference=0.4,
                           minReadsPerCytosine = 1, pValueThreshold=0.01,
                           test="score",alternative = "two.sided")
## Not run:
#set genomic coordinates where to compute DMRs
regions <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(1,1E5))</pre>
# compute DMRs and remove gaps smaller than 200 bp
DMRsNoiseFilterCG200 <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                       methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
                       context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                       windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                       test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                       minCytosinesCount = 1, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                       minGap = 200, minSize = 0, minReadsPerCytosine = 1,
                       cores = 1)
DMRsNoiseFilterCG0 <- computeDMRs(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                       methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], regions = regions,
                       context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                       windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                       test = "score", pValueThreshold = 0.01,
                       minCytosinesCount = 1, minProportionDifference = 0.4,
                       minGap = 0, minSize = 0, minReadsPerCytosine = 1,
                       cores = 1)
DMRsNoiseFilterCG0Merged200 <- mergeDMRsIteratively(DMRsNoiseFilterCG0,
                             minGap = 200, respectSigns = TRUE,
                             methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                             methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                             context = "CG", minProportionDifference=0.4,
                             minReadsPerCytosine = 1, pValueThreshold=0.01,
                             test="score",alternative = "two.sided")
#check that all newley computed DMRs are identical
print(all(DMRsNoiseFilterCG200 == DMRsNoiseFilterCG0Merged200))
## End(Not run)
```

```
mergePMDsIteratively Merge PMDs iteratively
```

Description

This function takes a list of PMDs and attempts to merge PMDs while keeping the new PMDs statistically significant.

Usage

```
mergePMDsIteratively(
   PMDs,
   minGap = 200,
   respectSigns = TRUE,
   methylationData,
   context = "CG",
   minReadsPerCytosine = 4,
   minMethylation = 0.4,
   maxMethylation = 0.6,
   parallel = FALSE,
   BPPARAM = NULL,
   cores = NULL
)
```

Arguments

PMDs the list of PMDs as a GRanges object; e.g. see computePMDs minGap PMDs separated by a gap of at least minGap are not merged.

respectSigns logical value indicating whether to respect the sign when joining PMDs.

 ${\tt methylationData}$

the methylation data in GRanges (see ontSampleGRangesList).

context the context in which the PMDs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

minReadsPerCytosine

two adjacent PMDs are merged only if the number of reads per cytosine of the

 $new\ DMR\ is\ higher\ than\ {\tt minReadsPerCytosine}.$

 $\label{eq:minMethylation} \mbox{Numeric } [0,\!1]; \mbox{minimum mean methylation proportion}.$

maxMethylation Numeric [0,1]; maximum mean methylation proportion.

parallel Logical; run in parallel if TRUE.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

cores Integer number of workers (must not exceed BPPARAM\$workers). This value

will automatically set as the maximum number of system workers, also able to

set as manually.

Value

the reduced list of PMDs as a GRanges object; e.g. see computePMDs

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

filterPMDs, computePMDs, analyseReadsInsideRegionsForCondition and PMDsNoiseFilterCG

```
# load the ONT methylation data
data(ontSampleGRangesList)
# load the PMDs in CG context they were computed with minGap = 200
data(PMDsNoiseFilterCG)
# merge the PMDs
PMDsNoiseFilterCGLarger <- mergePMDsIteratively(PMDsNoiseFilterCG[1:100],</pre>
                           minGap = 500, respectSigns = TRUE,
                           ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]], context = "CG",
                           minReadsPerCytosine = 4, minMethylation = 0.4,
                           maxMethylation = 0.6, cores = 1)
## Not run:
# set genomic coordinates where to compute PMDs
chr1_ranges <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("chr1"), ranges = IRanges(1E6+5E5, 2E6))</pre>
# compute PMDs and remove gaps smaller than 200 bp
PMDsNoiseFilterCG200 <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                       regions = chr1_ranges, context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                       windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                       minCytosinesCount = 1, minMethylation = 0.4,
                       maxMethylation = 0.6, minGap = 0, minSize = 200,
                       minReadsPerCytosine = 1, cores = 1)
PMDsNoiseFilterCG0 <- computePMDs(ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]],</pre>
                       regions = chr1_ranges, context = "CG", method = "noise_filter",
                       windowSize = 100, kernelFunction = "triangular",
                       minCytosinesCount = 1, minMethylation = 0.4,
                       maxMethylation = 0.6, minGap = 0, minSize = 0,
                       minReadsPerCytosine = 1, cores = 1)
PMDsNoiseFilterCG0Merged200 <- mergePMDsIteratively(PMDsNoiseFilterCG0,
                             minGap = 200, respectSigns = TRUE,
                             ontSampleGRangesList[["GM18501"]], context = "CG",
                             minReadsPerCytosine = 4, minMethylation = 0.4,
                             maxMethylation = 0.6, cores = 1)
#check that all newley computed PMDs are identical
print(all(PMDsNoiseFilterCG200 == PMDsNoiseFilterCG0Merged200))
## End(Not run)
```

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Description

A GRangesList object containing the methylation data at each cytosine location in the genome in Wild Type (WT) and met1-3 mutant (met1-3) in Arabidopsis thaliana. The data only contains the first 1 Mbp from Chromosome 3.

Format

The GRanges elements contain four metadata columns

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

readsM the number of methylated reads.

readsN the total number of reads.

trinucleotide_context the specific context of the cytosine (H is replaced by the actual nucleotide).

Source

Each element was created by by calling readBismark function on the CX report files generated by Bismark http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/bismark/ for http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSM980986 dataset in the case of Wild Type (WT) and http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSM981032 dataset in the case of met1-3 mutant (met1-3).

Description

A GRangesList object containing the methylation data at each cytosine location in the genome in GM18501 and GM18876 B-Lymphocyte cell lines in Homo sapiens. The data only contains the $1.5 \sim 2$ Mbp from Chromosome 1.

Format

The GRanges elements contain six metadata columns

context the context in which the DMRs are computed "CG".

trinucleotide_context the specific context of the cytosine (H is replaced by the actual nucleotide).

ONT_Cm comma-delimited read-indices called modified

ONT_C comma-delimited read-indices covering but unmodified

readsM the number of methylated reads.

readsN the total number of reads.

Source

Each element was created by calling bam files with readONTbam function which in DMRcaller package. The sample pod5 files were from the nanopore dataset from 1000 genome project https://pmc.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/articles/PMC10942501/. https://s3.amazonaws.com/1000g-ont/index.html?prefix=pod5_data/GM18501_R9/.pod5 files in the case of GM18501 and https://s3.amazonaws.com/1000g-ont/index.html?prefix=pod5_data/GM18876_R9/.pod5 files in the case of GM18876 cell line. For base-calling and alignment, run dorado, ver.0.9.6 https://github.com/nanoporetech/dorado?tab=readme-ov-file#dna-models to generate the bam files with dna_r10.4.1_e8.2_400bps_hac@v5.2.0 as basecalling model.

```
ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_PMD_bins_1k
Partially Methilated Domains example
```

Description

Partially methylated domains called on chr1 in GM18870 cells called in 1Kb bins with compute PMDs function.

Format

The GRanges elements contain seven metadata columns:

context the context in which the PMDs was computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

sumReadsM the number of methylated reads.

sumReadsN the total number of reads.

proportion the proportion methylated reads filtered between minMethylation and maxMethylation. **cytosinesCount** the number of cytosines in the PMDs.

Source

data from https://genome.cshlp.org/content/34/11/2061.

```
ont_gr_GM18870_chr1_sorted_bins_1k

The ONT methylation data example
```

Description

A GRanges object containing cytosine sites, annotated with per-site ONT methylation calls

Format

The GRanges elements contain four additional metadata columns:

ONT_Cm comma-delimited read-indices called modified

ONT C comma-delimited read-indices covering but unmodified

readsM integer count of modified reads per site

readsN integer count of same-strand reads covering each site

Source

data from https://genome.cshlp.org/content/34/11/2061.

```
{\it Plot local Methylation Profile} \\ {\it Plot local methylation profile}
```

Description

This function plots the methylation profile at one locus for the bisulfite sequencing data. The points on the graph represent methylation proportion of individual cytosines, their colour which sample they belong to and the intesity of the the colour how many reads that particular cytosine had. This means that darker colors indicate stronger evidence that the corresponding cytosine has the corresponding methylation proportion, while lighter colors indicate a weaker evidence. The solid lines represent the smoothed profiles and the intensity of the line the coverage at the corresponding position (darker colors indicate more reads while lighter ones less reads). The boxes on top represent the DMRs, where a filled box will represent a DMR which gained methylation while a box with a pattern represent a DMR that lost methylation. The DMRs need to have a metadafield "regionType" which can be either "gain" (where there is more methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1) or "loss" (where there is less methylation in condition 2 compared to condition 1). In case this metadafield is missing all DMRs are drawn using a filled box. Finally, we also allow annotation of the DNA sequence. We represent by a black boxes all the exons, which are joined by a horizontal black line, thus, marking the full body of the gene. With grey boxes we mark the transposable elements. Both for genes and transposable elements we plot them over a mid line if they are on the positive strand and under the mid line if they are on the negative strand.

Usage

```
plotLocalMethylationProfile(
   methylationData1,
   methylationData2,
   region,
   DMRs = NULL,
   conditionsNames = NULL,
   gff = NULL,
   windowSize = 150,
   context = "CG",
   labels = NULL,
   col = NULL,
   main = "",
   plotMeanLines = TRUE,
   plotPoints = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

```
\label{thm:posterior} \mbox{methylationData1} \\ \mbox{the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList)}. \\ \mbox{methylationData2} \\ \mbox{the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList)}. \\
```

region a GRanges object with the region where to plot the high resolution profile.

DMRs a GRangesList object or a list with the list of DMRs (see computeDMRs or

filterDMRs.

conditionsNames

the names of the two conditions. This will be used to plot the legend.

gff a GRanges object with all elements usually imported from a GFF3 file. The

gff file needs to have an metafield "type". Only the elements of type "gene", "exon" and "transposable_element" are plotted. Genes are represented as horizontal black lines, exons as a black rectangle and transposable elements as a grey rectangle. The elements are plotted on the corresponding strand (+ or -).

windowSize the size of the triangle base used to smooth the average methylation profile.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

labels a vector of character used to add a subfigure characters to the plot. If NULL

nothing is added.

col a character vector with the colors. It needs to contain a minimum of 4 length (DMRs)

colors. If not or if NULL, the defalut colors will be used.

main a character with the title of the plot

plotMeanLines a logical value indicating whether to plot the mean lines or not.

plotPoints a logical value indicating whether to plot the points or not.

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# load the gene annotation data
data(GEs)
#select the genes
genes <- GEs[which(GEs$type == "gene")]</pre>
# the coordinates of the area to be plotted
chr3Reg <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(510000,530000))</pre>
# load the DMRs in CG context
data(DMRsNoiseFilterCG)
DMRsCGlist <- list("noise filter"=DMRsNoiseFilterCG)</pre>
# plot the CG methylation
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
plotLocalMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                            methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], chr3Reg,
```

```
DMRsCGlist, c("WT", "met1-3"), GEs, windowSize=100, main="CG methylation")
```

 $\verb|plotMethylationDataCoverage| \\$

Plot methylation data coverage

Description

This function plots the coverage for the bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

```
plotMethylationDataCoverage(
  methylationData1,
  methylationData2 = NULL,
  breaks,
  regions = NULL,
  conditionsNames = NULL,
  context = "CG",
  proportion = TRUE,
  labels = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  pch = c(1, 0, 16, 2, 15, 17),
  lty = c(4, 1, 3, 2, 6, 5),
  contextPerRow = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

methylationData1

the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList).

methylationData2

the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList). This is op-

tional.

breaks a numeric vector specifing the different values for the thresholds when comput-

ing the coverage.

regions a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the coverage. If NULL, the

coverage is computed genome-wide.

conditionsNames

a vector of character with the names of the conditions for methylationData1

and methylationData2.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

proportion a logical value indicating whether proportion or counts will be plotted.

labels a vector of character used to add a subfigure character to the plot. If NULL

nothing is added.

col a character vector with the colors. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 colors

per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut colors will be used.

pch the R symbols used to plot the data. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 symbols

per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut symbols will be used.

1ty the line types used to plot the data. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 line types

per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut line types will be used.

contextPerRow a logical value indicating if the each row represents an individual context. If

FALSE, each column will represent an individual context.

Details

This function plots the proportion of cytosines in a specific context that have at least a certain number of reads (x-axis)

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 $compute {\tt MethylationDataCoverage}, {\tt methylationDataList}$

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# plot the coverage in CG context
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
plotMethylationDataCoverage(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                           breaks = c(1,5,10,15), regions = NULL,
                           conditionsNames = c("WT", "met1-3"),
                           context = c("CG"), proportion = TRUE,
                           labels = LETTERS, col = NULL,
                           pch = c(1,0,16,2,15,17), lty = c(4,1,3,2,6,5),
                           contextPerRow = FALSE)
## Not run:
# plot the coverage in all three contexts
plotMethylationDataCoverage(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                           methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                           breaks = 1:15, regions = NULL,
                           conditionsNames = c("WT", "met1-3"),
                           context = c("CG", "CHG", "CHH"),
                           proportion = TRUE, labels = LETTERS, col = NULL,
                           pch = c(1,0,16,2,15,17), lty = c(4,1,3,2,6,5),
                           contextPerRow = FALSE)
## End(Not run)
```

```
\verb|plotMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation| \\
```

Plot methylation data spatial correlation

Description

This function plots the correlation of methylation levels for Cytosines located at a certain distance apart.

Usage

```
plotMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation(
   methylationData1,
   methylationData2 = NULL,
   distances,
   regions = NULL,
   conditionsNames = NULL,
   context = "CG",
   labels = NULL,
   col = NULL,
   pch = c(1, 0, 16, 2, 15, 17),
   lty = c(4, 1, 3, 2, 6, 5),
   contextPerRow = FALSE,
   log = ""
)
```

Arguments

methylationData1

the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList).

methylationData2

the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList). This is op-

tional.

distances a numeric vector specifing the different values for the distances when comput-

ing the correlation.

regions a GRanges object with the regions where to compute the correlation. If NULL,

the coverage is computed genome-wide.

conditionsNames

a vector of character with the names of the conditions for methylationData1

and methylationData2.

context the context in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or "CHH").

labels a vector of character used to add a subfigure character to the plot. If NULL

nothing is added.

col a character vector with the colors. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 colors

per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut colors will be used.

pch the R symbols used to plot the data. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 symbols

per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut symbols will be used.

1ty the line types used to plot the data. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 line types

per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut line types will be used.

contextPerRow a logical value indicating if the each row represents an individual context. If

FALSE, each column will represent an individual context.

log a character indicating if any of the axes will be displayed on log scale. This

argument will be passed to plot function.

Details

This function plots the proportion of cytosines in a specific context that have at least a certain number of reads (x-axis)

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 $compute {\tt MethylationDataSpatialCorrelation}, {\tt methylationDataList}$

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# plot the spatial correlation in CG context
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
plot Methylation Data Spatial Correlation (methylation Data List \hbox{\tt [["WT"]]}, and the plot Methylation Data List Data List
                                                                                                  methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                                                                                                  distances = c(1,5,10,15), regions = NULL,
                                                                                                  conditionsNames = c("WT", "met1-3"),
                                                                                                  context = c("CG"),
                                                                                                  labels = LETTERS, col = NULL,
                                                                                                  pch = c(1,0,16,2,15,17), lty = c(4,1,3,2,6,5),
                                                                                                  contextPerRow = FALSE)
## Not run:
# plot the spatial correlation in all three contexts
plotMethylationDataSpatialCorrelation(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                                                                                                  methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                                                                                                  distances = c(1,5,10,15,20,50,100,150,200,500,1000),
                                                                                                  regions = NULL, conditionsNames = c("WT", "met1-3"),
                                                                                                  context = c("CG", "CHG", "CHH"),
                                                                                                  labels = LETTERS, col = NULL,
                                                                                                  pch = c(1,0,16,2,15,17), lty = c(4,1,3,2,6,5),
                                                                                                  contextPerRow = FALSE, log="x")
## End(Not run)
```

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```
plotMethylationProfile
```

Plot Methylation Profile

Description

This function plots the low resolution profiles for the bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

```
plotMethylationProfile(
  methylationProfiles,
  autoscale = FALSE,
  labels = NULL,
  title = "",
  col = NULL,
  pch = c(1, 0, 16, 2, 15, 17),
  lty = c(4, 1, 3, 2, 6, 5)
)
```

Arguments

methylationProfiles

a GRangesList object. Each GRanges object in the list is generated by calling the function computeMethylationProfile.

the function compared to the factor of the

autoscale a logical value indicating whether the values are autoscalled for each context

or not.

labels a vector of character used to add a subfigure characters to the plot. If NULL

nothing is added.

title the plot title.

col a character vector with the colours. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 colours

per context. If not or if NULL, the defalut colours will be used.

pch the R symbols used to plot the data.

1ty the line types used to plot the data.

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 $plot {\tt MethylationProfileFromData}, compute {\tt MethylationProfile} \ and \ {\tt methylationDataList}$

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# the region where to compute the profile
region <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(1,1E6))</pre>
# compute low resolution profile in 20 Kb windows
lowResProfileWTCG <- computeMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                     region, windowSize = 20000, context = "CG")
lowResProfilsCG <- GRangesList("WT" = lowResProfileWTCG)</pre>
#plot the low resolution profile
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
plotMethylationProfile(lowResProfilsCG, autoscale = FALSE,
                       title="CG methylation on Chromosome 3",
                       col=c("\#D55E00","\#E69F00"), pch = c(1,0),
                       1ty = c(4,1)
## Not run:
# compute low resolution profile in 10 Kb windows in CG context
lowResProfileWTCG <- computeMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                     region, windowSize = 10000, context = "CG")
lowResProfileMet13CG <- computeMethylationProfile(</pre>
                     methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], region,
                     windowSize = 10000, context = "CG")
lowResProfileCG <- GRangesList("WT" = lowResProfileWTCG,</pre>
                   "met1-3" = lowResProfileMet13CG)
# compute low resolution profile in 10 Kb windows in CHG context
lowResProfileWTCHG <- computeMethylationProfile(methylationDataList[["WT"]],</pre>
                     region, windowSize = 10000, context = "CHG")
lowResProfileMet13CHG <- computeMethylationProfile(</pre>
                     methylationDataList[["met1-3"]], region,
                     windowSize = 10000, context = "CHG")
lowResProfileCHG <- GRangesList("WT" = lowResProfileWTCHG,</pre>
                   "met1-3" = lowResProfileMet13CHG)
# plot the low resolution profile
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
par(mfrow=c(2,1))
plotMethylationProfile(lowResProfileCG, autoscale = FALSE,
                       labels = LETTERS[1],
                       title="CG methylation on Chromosome 3",
                       col=c("\#D55E00","\#E69F00"), pch = c(1,0),
                       lty = c(4,1)
plotMethylationProfile(lowResProfileCHG, autoscale = FALSE,
                       labels = LETTERS[2],
                       title="CHG methylation on Chromosome 3",
```

```
col=c("#0072B2", "#56B4E9"), pch = c(16,2),
lty = c(3,2))
## End(Not run)
```

plotMethylationProfileFromData

Plot methylation profile from data

Description

This function plots the low resolution profiles for all bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

```
plotMethylationProfileFromData(
  methylationData1,
  methylationData2 = NULL,
  regions = NULL,
  conditionsNames = NULL,
  context = "CG",
  windowSize = NULL,
  autoscale = FALSE,
  labels = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  pch = c(1, 0, 16, 2, 15, 17),
  lty = c(4, 1, 3, 2, 6, 5),
  contextPerRow = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

 ${\it methylation} Data 1$

the methylation data in condition 1 (see methylationDataList).

methylationData2

the methylation data in condition 2 (see methylationDataList). This is op-

tional.

regions a GRanges object with the regions where to plot the profiles.

conditionsNames

the names of the two conditions. This will be used to plot the legend.

context a vector with all contexts in which the DMRs are computed ("CG", "CHG" or

"CHH").

windowSize a numeric value indicating the size of the window in which methylation is av-

eraged.

autoscale a logical value indicating whether the values are autoscalled for each context

or not.

labels a vector of character used to add a subfigure character to the plot. If NULL

nothing is added.

col	a character vector with the colours. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 colours per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut colours will be used.
pch	the R symbols used to plot the data It needs to contain a minimum of 2 symbols per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut symbols will be used.
lty	the line types used to plot the data. It needs to contain a minimum of 2 line types per condition. If not or if NULL, the defalut line types will be used.
contextPerRow	a logical value indicating if the each row represents an individual context. If FALSE, each column will represent an individual context.

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

 $\verb|plotMethylationProfile|, compute MethylationProfile| and methylationDataList|$

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
#plot the low resolution profile at 10 Kb resolution
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
plotMethylationProfileFromData(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                               methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                               conditionsNames=c("WT", "met1-3"),
                               windowSize = 20000, autoscale = TRUE,
                               context = c("CHG"))
## Not run:
#plot the low resolution profile at 5 Kb resolution
par(mar=c(4, 4, 3, 1)+0.1)
plotMethylationProfileFromData(methylationDataList[["WT"]],
                               methylationDataList[["met1-3"]],
                               conditionsNames=c("WT", "met1-3"),
                               windowSize = 5000, autoscale = TRUE,
                               context = c("CG", "CHG", "CHH"),
                               labels = LETTERS)
## End(Not run)
```

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Description

This function plots the distribution of a set of subregions on a large region.

Usage

```
plotOverlapProfile(
  overlapsProfiles1,
  overlapsProfiles2 = NULL,
  names = NULL,
  labels = NULL,
  col = NULL,
  title = "",
  logscale = FALSE,
  maxValue = NULL
)
```

Arguments

overlapsProfiles1

a GRanges object with the overlaps profile; see computeOverlapProfile.

overlapsProfiles2

a GRanges object with the overlaps profile; see computeOverlapProfile. This is optional. For example, one can be use overlapsProfiles1 to display hypomethylated regions and overlapsProfiles2 the hypermethylated regions.

names a vector of character to add labels for the two overlapsProfiles. This is an

optinal parameter.

labels a vector of character used to add a subfigure character to the plot. If NULL

nothing is added.

col a character vector with the colours. It needs to contain 2 colours. If not or if

NULL, the defalut colours will be used.

title the title of the plot.

logscale a logical value indicating if the colours are on logscale or not.

maxValue a maximum value in a region. Used for the colour scheme.

Value

Invisibly returns NULL.

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

See Also

computeOverlapProfile, filterDMRs, computeDMRs and mergeDMRsIteratively

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Examples

```
# load the methylation data
data(methylationDataList)
# load the DMRs in CG context
data(DMRsNoiseFilterCG)
# the coordinates of the area to be plotted
largeRegion <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(1,1E5))</pre>
# compute overlaps distribution
hotspotsHypo <- computeOverlapProfile(DMRsNoiseFilterCG, largeRegion,</pre>
                 windowSize = 10000, binary = FALSE)
plotOverlapProfile(GRangesList("Chr3"=hotspotsHypo),
                   names = c("hypomethylated"), title = "CG methylation")
## Not run:
largeRegion <- GRanges(seqnames = Rle("Chr3"), ranges = IRanges(1,1E6))</pre>
hotspotsHypo <- computeOverlapProfile(</pre>
               DMRsNoiseFilterCG[(DMRsNoiseFilterCG$regionType == "loss")],
               largeRegion, windowSize=2000, binary=TRUE, cores=1)
hotspotsHyper <- computeOverlapProfile(</pre>
               DMRsNoiseFilterCG[(DMRsNoiseFilterCG$regionType == "gain")],
               largeRegion, windowSize=2000, binary=TRUE, cores=1)
plotOverlapProfile(GRangesList("Chr3"=hotspotsHypo),
                   GRangesList("Chr3"=hotspotsHyper),
                   names=c("loss", "gain"), title="CG methylation")
## End(Not run)
```

PMDsBinsCG

The PMDs between GM18501 and GM18876 using Bins method

Description

A GRangesList object containing the PMDs between GM18501 and GM18876 B-Lymphocyte cell lines in Homo sapiens (see ontSampleGRangesList). The PMDs were computed on the $1.5 \sim 2$ Mbp from Chromosome 1 with bins method using binSize of 1 kbp

Format

The GRanges element contain 5 metadata columns; see computePMDs

See Also

 $filter PMDs, compute PMDs, analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition PMD \ and \ merge PMDs Iterative Lyapung and \ merge PMDs Iterative Lyapung \ and \ merge PMDs Iterative Lyapung \ and \ merge PMDs \ analyse \$

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PMDsNoiseFilterCG	The PMDs between GM18501 and GM18876 using Noise_filter
	method

Description

A GRangesList object containing the PMDs between GM18501 and GM18876 B-Lymphocyte cell lines in Homo sapiens (see ontSampleGRangesList). The PMDs were computed on the $1.5 \sim 2$ Mbp from Chromosome 1 with noise filter method using a triangular kernel and a windowSize of 100 bp

Format

The GRanges element contain 5 metadata columns; see computePMDs

See Also

 $filter PMDs, compute PMDs, analyse Reads Inside Regions For Condition PMD \ and \ merge PMDs Iterative lynches and \ merge PMDs and \ merge$

poolMethylationDatasets

Pool methylation data

Description

This function pools together multiple methylation datasets.

Usage

poolMethylationDatasets(methylationDataList)

Arguments

methylationDataList

a GRangesList object where each element of the list is a GRanges object with the methylation data in the corresponding condition (see methylationDataList).

Value

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList). If the Granges are from ONT datasets, its have six metedata columns include as ONT_Cm and ONT_C (see readONTbam).

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet updated by Young Jun Kim

Examples

```
# load methylation data object
data(methylationDataList)

# pools the two datasets together
pooledMethylationData <- poolMethylationDatasets(methylationDataList)</pre>
```

poolTwoMethylationDatasets

Pool two methylation datasets

Description

This function pools together two methylation datasets.

Usage

```
poolTwoMethylationDatasets(
  methylationData1,
  methylationData2,
  sample1_name = NULL,
  sample2_name = NULL
)
```

Arguments

Value

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList). If the Granges are from ONT datasets, its have six metedata columns include as ONT_Cm and ONT_C (see readONTbam).

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet updated by Young Jun Kim

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readBismark

Read Bismark

Description

This function takes as input a CX report file produced by Bismark and returns a GRanges object with four metadata columns The file represents the bisulfite sequencing methylation data.

Usage

```
readBismark(file)
```

Arguments

file

The filename (including path) of the methylation (CX report generated by Bismark) to be read.

Value

 $the\ methylation\ data\ stored\ as\ a\ \mathsf{GRanges}\ object\ with\ four\ metadata\ columns\ (see\ \mathsf{methylationDataList}).$

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Jonathan Michael Foonlan Tsang

Examples

```
# load methylation data object
data(methylationDataList)

# save the one datasets into a file
saveBismark(methylationDataList[["WT"]], "chr3test_a_thaliana_wt.CX_report")

# load the data
methylationDataWT <- readBismark("chr3test_a_thaliana_wt.CX_report")

#check that the loading worked
all(methylationDataWT == methylationDataList[["WT"]])</pre>
```

readBismarkPool

Read Bismark pool

Description

This function takes as input a vector of CX report file produced by Bismark and returns a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList). The file represents the pooled bisulfite sequencing data.

Usage

```
readBismarkPool(files)
```

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Arguments

files

The filenames (including path) of the methylation (CX report generated with Bismark) to be read

Value

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList).

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Jonathan Michael Foonlan Tsang

Examples

readONTbam

Load ONT BAM, decode MM/ML, and count modified vs. unmodified reads

Description

readONTbam() takes an indexed Nanopore BAM file with MM/ML tags, decodes each read's per-C modification probabilities, and overlays them on a GRanges of candidate cytosine sites. It returns a copy of ref_gr augmented with:

- ONT_Cm comma-delimited read-indices called "modified"
- ONT_C comma-delimited read-indices covering but _not_ modified
- readsM count of modified reads at each site
- readsN total same-strand coverage at each site

You can either supply your own ref_gr (e.g.\ from selectCytosine()) or leave it NULL and pass context, chr, region to build ref_gr on the fly.

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Usage

```
readONTbam(
  bamfile,
  ref_gr = NULL,
  modif = "C+m?",
  prob_thresh = 0.5,
  genome = BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38,
  context = "CG",
  chr = NULL,
  region = NULL,
  synonymous = FALSE,
  parallel = FALSE,
  BPPARAM = NULL
)
```

Arguments

bamfile	Path to an	indexed	ONT	RAM	with MM/ML tags.	
Daiiii 11C	I am to an	mucacu	OIT	DAM	with while tags.	

ref_gr A GRanges of genomic cytosine positions to annotate. If NULL, will be created

via selectCytosine() using context, chr, region.

modif Character vector of MM codes to treat as "modified" (e.g. "C+m?", "C+h?",

"C+m.").

prob_thresh Numeric in \[0,1\] — minimum ML probability to call a read "modified."

genome A BSgenome object such as BSgenome. Hsapiens. UCSC. hg38. This is used to

extract sequence context and must be loaded in advance. **Note:** When running on an HPC system, please ensure that the required BSgenome package is already

installed and loaded in advance.

context Sequence context for selectCytosine() (e.g. "CG", "CHG", "CHH").

chr Chromosome names to restrict selectCytosine().
region A GRanges to further subset selectCytosine().

synonymous Logical (default: FALSE). If TRUE, include modified calls that match the spec-

ified context sequence (e.g. CGG), even if the site was previously excluded due to deletion or mismatch. For example, if a deletion occurs at position 234523, but the surrounding context still forms CGG, then the modified C at 234523 will

be retained (Nmod=1).

parallel Logical. If TRUE, automatically detect your system condition and decoding

will use parallel threads via BiocParallel::. If FALSE (default), decoding is done

serially.

BPPARAM A BiocParallelParam object controlling parallel execution. This value will

automatically set when parallel is TRUE, also able to set as manually.

Details

This function read and annotate ONT MM/ML tags against a cytosine reference

Value

A GRanges of the same length as ref_gr, with four additional metadata columns:

ONT_Cm comma-delimited read-indices called modified

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```
ONT_C comma-delimited read-indices covering but unmodified
```

readsM integer count of modified reads per site

readsN integer count of same-strand reads covering each site

Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet and Young Jun Kim

See Also

 ${\tt selectCytosine, computeDMRs, computePMDs, computeCoMethylation, filterVMRsONT, ontSampleGRangesList, scanBamChr1Random5}$

Examples

saveBismark

Save Bismark

Description

This function takes as input a GRanges object generated with readBismark and saves the output to a file using Bismark CX report format.

Usage

```
saveBismark(methylationData, filename)
```

Arguments

methylationData

the methylation data stored as a GRanges object with four metadata columns (see methylationDataList).

filename

the filename where the data will be saved.

Value

Invisibly returns NULL

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Author(s)

Nicolae Radu Zabet

Examples

```
# load methylation data object
data(methylationDataList)

# save one dataset to a file
saveBismark(methylationDataList[["WT"]], "chr3test_a_thaliana_wt.CX_report")
```

scanBamChr1Random5

The bam file from ONT nanopore .pod5 files

Description

 \boldsymbol{A} . bam file containing the basecalling result of 5 sequences containing with the MM, ML tag from dorado.

Format

A . bam object

Source

The object was created by base-calling and alignment by dorado, ver.0.9.6 https://github.com/nanoporetech/dorado?tab=readme-ov-file#dna-models to generate the bam files with dna_r10.4.1_e8.2_400bps_hac@v5.2.0 as basecalling model from GM18501 cell line https://s3.amazonaws.com/1000g-ont/index.html?prefix=pod5_data/GM18501_R9/. To subset, call the bam file by scanBam function from Rsamtools package and randomly select the 5 sequences. and repackaging the subsetted list to the bam file for test running.

selectCytosine

Select Cytosine Positions

Description

Constructs a GRanges of all cytosine positions in the specified BSgenome (or BSgenome package name), optionally filtering by methylation context ("CG", "CHG", "CHH"), by chromosome, and by genomic region.

Usage

```
selectCytosine(
  genome = BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38,
  context = c("CG", "CHG", "CHH"),
  chr = NULL,
  region = NULL
)
```

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Arguments

genome	A BSgenome object or the name (character) of a BSgenome package to use as the reference genome. If a package name is given, it will be loaded automatically (default: BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38). Note: When running on an HPC system, please ensure that the required BSgenome package is already installed and loaded in advance.
context	A character vector of one or more methylation contexts to include: "CG", "CHG", and/or "CHH". Defaults to all three.
chr	An optional character vector of chromosome names to restrict the enumeration. If NULL, all sequences in genome are used.
region	An optional GRanges object specifying subregions to keep. Requires chr to be non-NULL.

Details

This function enumerate cytosine positions in a BSgenome reference

Value

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A GRanges object with one 1-bp range per cytosine, and two metadata columns:
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context A factor indicating the context ("CG", "CHG", or "CHH").
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trinucleotide_context Character or factor giving the surrounding trinucleotide sequence (or NA for "CG").

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See Also

```
{\tt readONTbam, ontSampleGRangesList}
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## Not run:
library(BSgenome.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38)

# Only CpG sites on chr1 and chr2:
gr_chr1_2 <- selectCytosine(context="CG", chr=c("chr1","chr2"))

# CHH sites in a specific region on chr3:
my_region <- GRanges("chr3", IRanges(1e6, 1e6 + 1e5))
gr_region <- selectCytosine(context="CHH", chr="chr3", region=my_region)
## End(Not run)</pre>
```

 ${\it syntheticDataReplicates}$

Simulated data for biological replicates

Description

A GRanges object containing simulated date for methylation in four samples. The conditions assciated witch each sample are a, a, b and b.

Format

A GRanges object containing multiple metadata columns with the reads from each object passed as parameter

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The object was created by calling joinReplicates function.

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