Analyses of APA dynamics across rice tissues with the movAPA package

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1 Overview

We investigated the application of movAPA on a poly(A) site dataset of 14 tissues in *Oryza sativa japonica* from 3'end sequencing (Fu, et al., 2016). We used a subset of the rice data containing 1233 PACs in 455 genes from three tissues (embryo, anther, and mature pollen) for demonstration. The original dataset containing full list of PACs can be downloaded from plantAPAdb (Zhu et al, 2019). Here the poly(A) sites are already poly(A) site clusters (PACs) which were grouped from nearby cleavage sites.

2 Preparations

2.1 Rice PAC data

movAPA implemented the PACdataset object for storing the expression levels and annotation of PACs from various conditions/samples. Almost all analyses of poly(A) site data in movAPA are based on the PACdataset. The "counts" matrix is the first element in the array list of PACdataset, which stores nonnegative values representing expression levels of PACs. The "colData" matrix records the sample information and the "anno" matrix stores the genome annotation or additional information of the poly(A) site data.

The moveAPA package includes an example rice PAC data stored as a PAC dataset object, which contains 1233 PACs from 455 genes. First load movAPA by library(movAPA) and then load the example data.

```
library(movAPA, warn.conflicts = FALSE, quietly=TRUE)
data("PACds")
PACds
#> PAC# 1233
#> gene# 455
            nPAC
           482
#> 3UTR
#> 5UTR
            20
#> CDS
#> Ext 3UTR
            391
#> intergenic 181
#> intron
            115
#> sample# 9
#> anther1 anther2 anther3 embryo1 embryo2 ...
#> groups:
#> @colData...[9 x 1]
#> group
#> anther1 anther
#> anther2 anther
#> @counts...[1233 x 9]
                   anther1 anther2 anther3 embryo1 embryo2 embryo3
#> 0s01g0151600:2792379 0 1 0 2
                                                     1
#> Os01g0151600:2795487
                        11
                               16
                                      17
                                              60
                                                     55
                    maturePollen1 maturePollen2 maturePollen3
#> Os01q0151600:2792379
                       0 0
                                                       10
#> Os01g0151600:2795487
                             24
                                           3
#> @colData...[9 x 1]
#> group
#> anther1 anther
#> anther2 anther
#> @anno...[1233 x 10]
                    chr UPA_start UPA_end strand coord ftr
#> 0s01g0151600:2792379 1 2792363 2792427 + 2792379 intron 0s01g0151600
#> Os01g0151600:2795487 1 2795427 2795509 + 2795487 3UTR Os01g0151600
#>
                         gene_type ftr_start ftr_end
#> Os01g0151600:2792379 protein_coding 2792174 2792920
#> 0s01g0151600:2795487 protein_coding 2795347 2795857
summary(PACds)
#> PAC# 1233
#> sample# 9
#> summary of expression level of each PA
#> Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu.
#> 1 5 26 275 163
                                       77248
#> summary of expressed sample# of each PA
#> Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu.
                                        Max.
#> 1.000 3.000 6.000 5.637 8.000 9.000
#> gene# 455
           nPAC
#> 3UTR
            482
#> 5UTR
             20
#> CDS
             44
#> Ext_3UTR 391
#> intergenic 181
```

```
#> intron 115
# Transform the older version of PACdataset to newer version; the counts slot was converted from data.f
# PACds@counts=asAnyMatrix(PACds@counts)
```

2.2 Reference genome

The reference genome is not necessary, while it is required for removing internal priming or poly(A) signal analyses. movAPA uses reference genome sequences that are represented as a *BSgenome* object or stored in a fasta file. The *BSgenome* of rice for this example can be downloaded from the github website of movAPA. Please refer to the *BSgenome* package for making a *BSgenome* object if there is no corresponding *BSgenome* package for your species. Alternatively, the genome assembly can be stored in a fasta file, which can also be used as input for movAPA.

devtools::load_all("/media/bmi/My Passport/scPACext_HC_288cells/movAPA/movAPA/BSgenome.Oryza.ENSEMBL.IR

```
library("BSgenome.Oryza.ENSEMBL.IRGSP1", quietly = TRUE)
bsgenome <- BSgenome.Oryza.ENSEMBL.IRGSP1</pre>
```

2.3 Genome annotation

Genome annotation stored in a GFF/GTF file or a TXDB R object can be used for annotating PACs. The function parseGff or parseGenomeAnnotation is used to parse the given annotation and the processed annotation can be saved into an rdata object for further use. The GFF file or the processed rdata file of rice for this example can be downloaded from the github website of movAPA.

```
gffFile="Oryza_sativa.IRGSP-1.0.42.gff3"
gff=parseGff(gffFile)
save(gff, file='Oryza_sativa.IRGSP-1.0.42.gff.rda')
load('Oryza_sativa.IRGSP-1.0.42.gff.rda')
```

3 Preprocessing of PAC data

3.1 Remove internal priming artifacts

Internal priming (IP) artifacts can be removed by the removePACdsIP function. Here, PACs with six consecutive or more than six As within the -10 to +10 nt window are considered as internal priming artifacts. We scan the internal priming artifacts in PACds and get two PACdatasets recording internal priming PACs and real PACs. Since IP artifacts are already removed in the example PACds, we did not perform this step in this case study.

Note: removePACdsIP step should be performed in caution, because different parameter setting in removePACdsIP may result in very different number of internal priming artifacts.

```
length(PACdsIP$ip)
#> [1] 345
```

3.2 Group nearby cleavage sites

The function *mergePACds* can be used to group nearby cleavage sites into PACs. Here is an example to group nearby PACs within 100 bp into one PAC.

PACdsClust=mergePACds(PACds, d=100)

```
summary(PACds)
#> PAC# 1233
#> sample# 9
#> summary of expression level of each PA
#>
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                             Mean 3rd Qu.
                                             Max.
#>
        1
                5
                       26
                              275
                                      163
                                            77248
#> summary of expressed sample# of each PA
#>
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                             Max.
   1.000 3.000 6.000
                            5.637 8.000
                                            9.000
#> gene# 455
#>
             nPAC
#> 3UTR
              482
#> 5UTR
               20
#> CDS
               44
#> Ext 3UTR
#> intergenic 181
#> intron
              115
summary(PACdsClust)
#> PAC# 1132
#> sample# 9
#> summary of expression level of each PA
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                             Max.
#>
      1.0
              5.0
                     29.0
                            299.5
                                    175.0 77248.0
#> summary of expressed sample# of each PA
#>
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                             Max.
    1.000 3.000 6.000
                            5.691 8.000
                                            9.000
```

3.3 Merge multiple PAC datasets

The function mergePACds can also be used to merge multiple PACdatasets. Notably, the annotation columns (e.g., gene, ftr) are lost after merging, you need call annotatePAC to annotate the merged PACds.

In movAPA 0.2.0, a reference PACds can be used for merging PACdsList in a smarter way. Providing reference PACds for merging is useful when there are multiple large PAC lists to be merged, which can prevent generating PACs with a very wide range. If there is reference PACs from 3'seq, it is recommended to use it. Please see the help document of *mergePACds* for details.

```
## Constuct another demo PACdataset for merging.

PACds2=PACds

PACds2@anno$coord = PACds2@anno$coord + sample(-50:50, 1)
```

```
## You may also change the sample names and group names.
# rownames(PACds2@colData)=pasteO(rownames(PACds2@colData),'v2')
# PACds2@colData$group=pasteO(PACds2@colData$group,'v2')
# colnames(PACds2@counts)=pasteO(colnames(PACds2@counts),'v2')
## Construct a list of PACds to be merged.
PACdsList=list(pac1=PACds, pac2=PACds2)
## Merge two PACdatasets, nearby PACs within 24bp of each other
## will be merged into one PAC.
pp=mergePACds(PACdsList, d=24)
#> mergePACds: there are 9 duplicated sample names in the PACdsList, will add .N to sample names of eac
#> mergePACds: total 2466 redundant PACs from 2 PACds to merge
#> mergePACds without refPACds: 2466 separate PACs reduce to 1233 PACs (d=24nt)
#> mergePACds: melted all counts tables, total 13900 triplet rows
#> mergePACds: link 2466 old PA IDs to 1233 new PA IDs by merge
#> mergePACds: convert 13900 triplets to dgCMatrix
#> mergePACds: construct Matrix[PA, sample], [1233, 18]
summary(pp)
#> PAC# 1233
#> sample# 18
#> summary of expression level of each PA
      Min. 1st Qu. Median
                            Mean 3rd Qu.
                                              Max.
#>
        2
               10
                       52
                              550
                                       326
                                           154496
#> summary of expressed sample# of each PA
     Min. 1st Qu. Median
                             Mean 3rd Qu.
                                              Max.
```

3.4 Normalization

2.00 6.00 12.00 11.27 16.00

The function *normalizePACds* can be called for normalization, which implements three strategies including TPM (Tags Per Million), the normalization method of DESeq (Anders and Huber, 2010), and the TMM method used in EdgeR (Robinson, et al., 2010).

Note: normalization should be performed in caution, because different methods would have significant and different impact on the data and downstream analysis!

```
## Here normalization method TMM (or EdgeR) is used,
## while you may also choose TPM or DESeq.
PACds=normalizePACds(PACds, method='TMM')
#> converting counts to integer mode
## Library sizes after normalization.
colSums(PACds@counts)
#>
         anther1
                       anther 2
                                      anther3
                                                    embryo1
                                                                   embryo2
#>
                        21529
           20318
                                        21640
                                                      30468
                                                                     31384
         embryo3 maturePollen1 maturePollen2 maturePollen3
#>
                         76027
                                        62261
#>
                                                      54242
```

4 Annotate PACs

Users can use annotatePAC to annotate a PACdataset with a GFF/GTF file or a TXDB R object. Here we parse the genome annotation file in GFF3 format and save the processed annotation into a rdata object for

further use.

```
load('Oryza_sativa.IRGSP-1.0.42.gff.rda')
```

Here is an example to annotate PACds with the genome annotation. Because the demo data already contains the annotation, we removed the annotation columns before calling annotatePAC.

```
PACds1=PACds
PACds1@anno[,c('gene','ftr','gene_type','ftr_start','ftr_end')]=NULL
PACds1=annotatePAC(PACds1, gff)
```

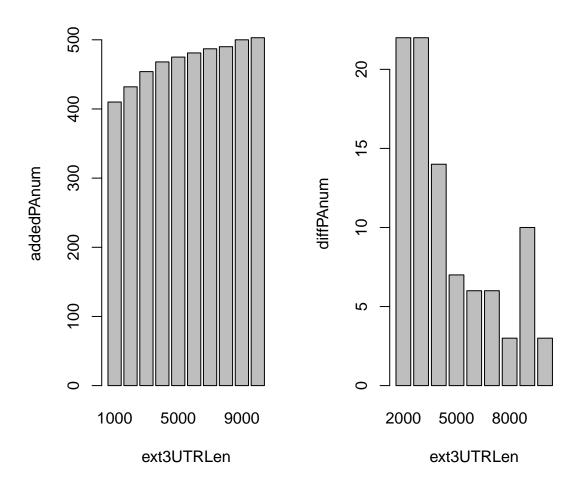
We can output the annotated PACds and the sample information to text files.

4.1 Extending annotated 3'UTRs

Genes with or without annotated 3'UTR could be assigned an extended 3'UTR of a given length using the function ext3UTRPACds, which can improve the "recovery" of poly(A) sites falling within authentic 3'UTRs.

Before extending, we can calculate the number of PACs falling into extended 3'UTRs of different lengths.

```
testExt3UTR(PACds1, seq(1000, 10000, by=1000))
```



#>		ext3UTRLen	addedPAnum
#>	1	1000	410
#>	2	2000	432
#>	3	3000	454
#>	4	4000	468
#>	5	5000	475
#>	6	6000	481
#>	7	7000	487
#>	8	8000	490
#>	9	9000	500
#>	10	10000	503

Here we extended 3'UTR length for 2000 bp. After extension, 70 PACs in intergenic region are now in extended 3'UTRs.

```
table(PACds1@anno$ftr)

#>

#> 3UTR 5UTR CDS intergenic intron

#> 482 18 44 572 117
```

```
PACds1=ext3UTRPACds(PACds1, ext3UTRlen=2000)

#> 432 PACs in extended 3UTR (ftr=intergenic >> ftr=3UTR)

#> Get 3UTR length (anno@toStop) for 3UTR/extended 3UTR PACs

table(PACds1@anno$ftr)

#>

#> 3UTR 5UTR CDS intergenic intron

#> 914 18 44 140 117
```

5 Statistical analyses of PACs

To make statistics of distributions of PACs for each sample, first we pooled replicates.

```
PACds1=subsetPACds(PACds, group='group', pool=TRUE)
head(PACds1@counts)
                         anther embryo maturePollen
#> Os01q0151600:2792379
                                      3
                                                    0
                              1
#> Os01q0151600:2795487
                             33
                                    116
                                                   65
#> Os01q0151600:2795636
                             51
                                     60
                                                   11
#> Os01q0151600:2795858
                             17
                                     45
                                                    3
#> Os01g0179300:4125553
                              6
                                     13
                                                    0
                                                    0
#> Os01g0179300:4125845
                              3
                                      1
```

Then we can make statistics of distribution of PACs using different PAT cutoffs. minPAT=5 means that only PACs with >=5 reads are used for statistics.

```
pstats=movStat(PACds1, minPAT=c(1, 5, 10, 20, 50, 60), ofilePrefix=NULL)
names(pstats)
                        "pat10" "pat20" "pat50" "pat60"
#> [1] "pat1"
                "pat5"
pstats$pat10
#>
                 nPAC
                        nPAT nGene nAPAgene APAextent 3UTR_nPAT 5UTR_nPAT CDS_nPAT
#> anther
                  524
                       61855
                                340
                                         135 0.3970588
                                                             33008
                                                                          102
                                                                                    31
                  507 91051
                                307
                                         150 0.4885993
                                                             66158
                                                                           61
                                                                                   631
#> embryo
#> maturePollen
                 513 191317
                                332
                                         122 0.3674699
                                                             47998
                                                                           67
                                                                                     0
#> total
                  709 344223
                                388
                                         200 0.5154639
                                                            147164
                                                                         230
                                                                                   662
#>
                 Ext_3UTR_nPAT intergenic_nPAT intron_nPAT 3UTR_nPAC 5UTR_nPAC
                         25951
#> anther
                                            2235
                                                         528
                                                                    274
                                                         617
                                            6090
                                                                                 2
#> embryo
                         17494
                                                                    288
                                                                                 3
#> maturePollen
                        138323
                                            3793
                                                        1136
                                                                    277
                                                                                 5
#> total
                        181768
                                          12118
                                                        2281
                                                                    359
#>
                 CDS nPAC Ext 3UTR nPAC intergenic nPAC intron nPAC
#> anther
                        3
                                     199
                                                       30
                                                                    13
                        7
#> embryo
                                     182
                                                       16
                                                                    12
                        0
#> maturePollen
                                     185
                                                       35
                                                                    13
#> total
                                     255
                                                                    24
```

Statistical results can be visualized by barplots to show PAC#, PAT#, APA gene%, PAC%, PAT% across samples and genomic regions. Here we plot all statistical results with cutoffs 5 and 10, with each plot having two smaller plots corresponding to the two cutoffs.

```
plotPACdsStat(pstats, pdfFile='PACds_stat.pdf', minPAT=c(5,10))
```

Plot specific cutoffs and conditions.

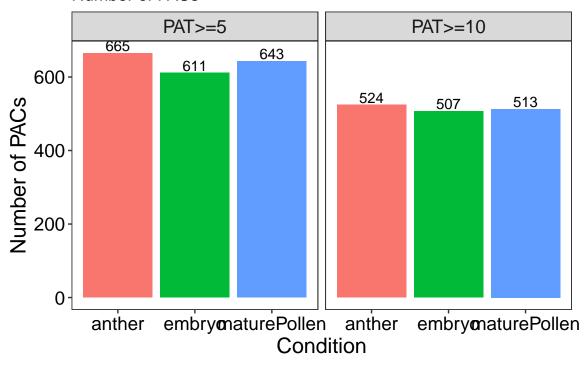
Plot the overall distributions using pooled samples (total) and two cutoffs.

Plot the overall distributions using pooled samples (total) and one cutoff.

Plot figures to the current device.

```
plotPACdsStat(pstats, pdfFile=NULL, minPAT=c(5,10))
```

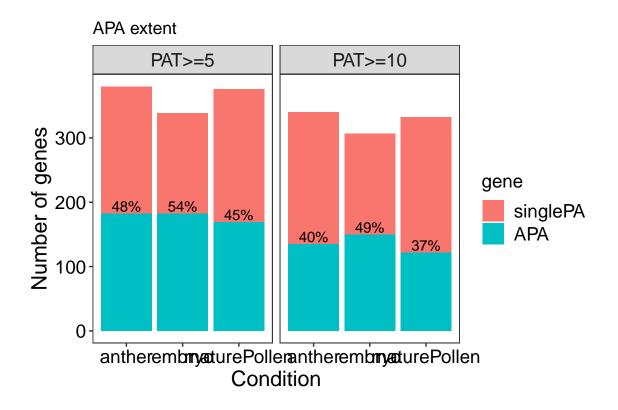
Number of PACs



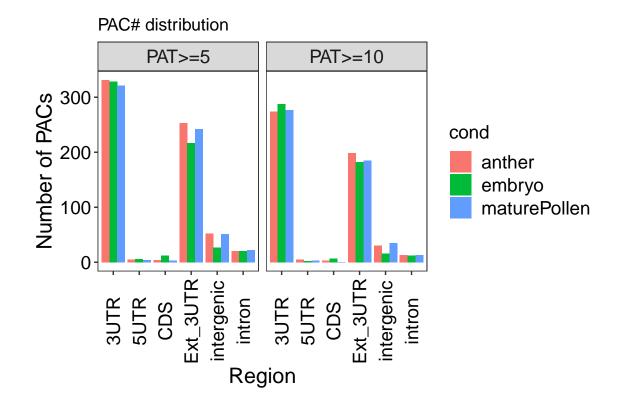
#> Plot Number of PACs

Number of PATs PAT>=10 PAT>=5 200000 192204 191317 150000 Number of PATs 100000-91740 91051 62764 61855 50000 0 anther embrymoaturePollen anther embrymoaturePoller Condition

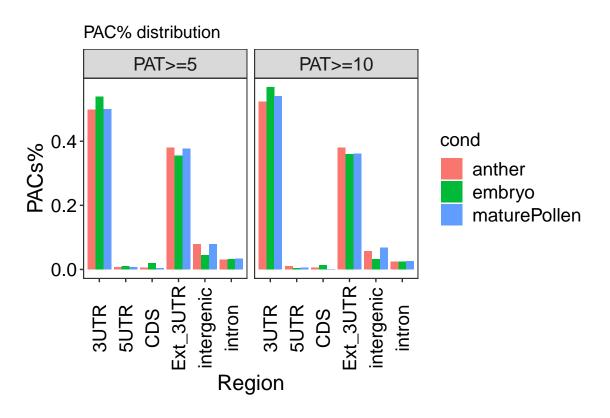
#> Plot Number of PATs



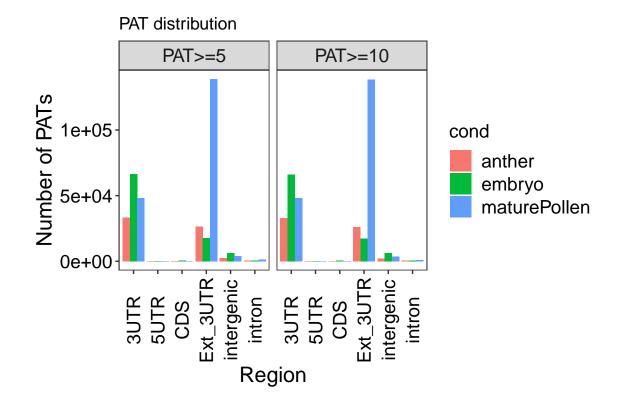
#> Plot APA extent



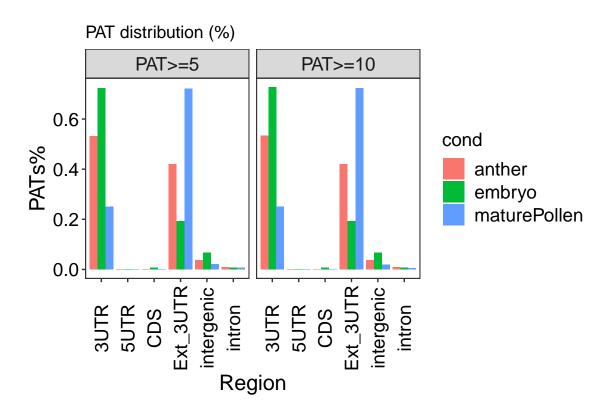
#> Plot PAC# distribution



#> Plot PAC% distribution



#> Plot PAT# distribution



#> Plot PAT% distribution

6 Poly(A) signals and sequences

movAPA provides several functions, including annotateByPAS, faFromPACds, kcount, and plotATCGfor-FAfile, for sequence extraction and poly(A) signal identification.

6.1 Poly(A) signals

Annotate PACs by corresponding signal of AATAAA located upstream 50 bp of the PAC.

```
PACdsPAS=annotateByPAS(PACds, bsgenome, grams='AATAAA',

from=-50, to=-1, label=NULL)

summary(PACdsPAS@anno$AATAAA_dist)

#> Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max. NA's

#> 16.00 22.00 25.00 26.92 30.00 50.00 1132
```

Scan AATAAA's 1nt variants.

```
PACdsPAS=annotateByPAS(PACds, bsgenome, grams='V1',
                    from=-50, to=-1, label=NULL)
table(PACdsPAS@anno$V1 gram)
#> AAAAAA AACAAA AAGAAA AATAAA AATAAC AATAAG AATAAT AATACA AATAGA AATATA AATCAA
      91
            24
                  50
                        74
                              15
                                     31
                                           31
                                                  25
                                                        26
                                                              55
                                                                     26
#> AATGAA AATTAA ACTAAA AGTAAA ATTAAA CATAAA GATAAA TATAAA
#> 56 21 4 21 27 13 11
```

Scan custom k-grams.

```
PACdsPAS=annotateByPAS(PACds, bsgenome,

grams=c('AATAAA','ATTAAA','GATAAA','AAAA'),

from=-50, to=-1, label='GRAM')

table(PACdsPAS@anno$GRAM_gram)

#>

#>

#AAAA AATAAA ATTAAA GATAAA

#>

409

48

24

8
```

Scan patterns with priority: AATAAA » ATTAAA » remaining k-grams.

```
PACdsPAS=annotateByPAS(PACds, bsgenome,

grams=c('AATAAA','ATTAAA','GATAAA','AAAA'),

priority=c(1,2,3,3),

from=-50, to=-1, label='GRAM')

table(PACdsPAS@anno$GRAM_gram)

#>

#>

#AAAA AATAAA ATTAAA GATAAA

#>

337

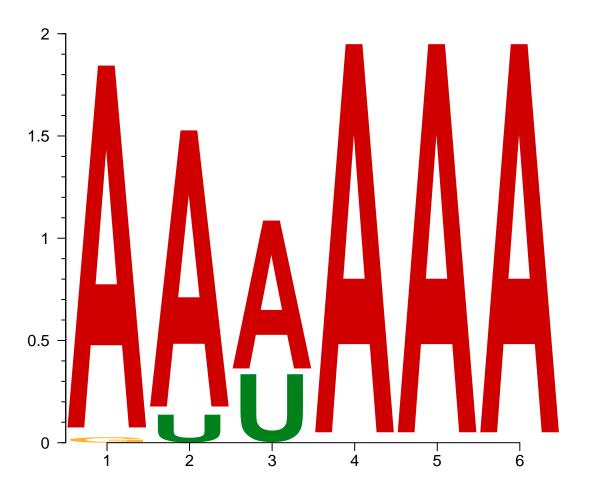
101

44

7
```

Plot signal logos.

pas=PACdsPAS@anno\$GRAM_gram[!is.na(PACdsPAS@anno\$GRAM_gram)]
plotSeqLogo(pas)



Here we show another example to scan mouse signals in rice PACs. First, we get mouse signals and set the priority.

```
v=getVarGrams('mm')
priority=c(1,2,rep(3, length(v)-2))
```

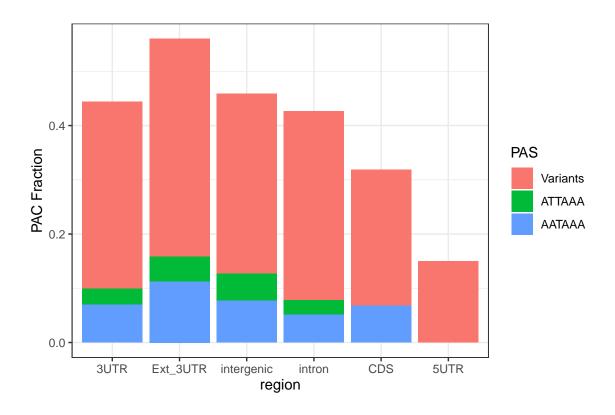
Then scan upstream regions of PACs for mouse signals.

Prepare the data to plot PAS distributions.

```
library(magrittr)
#> Attaching package: 'magrittr'
#> The following object is masked from 'package:GenomicRanges':
#>
#>
library(dplyr)
#> Attaching package: 'dplyr'
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:Biostrings':
       collapse, intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
#> The following object is masked from 'package:XVector':
#>
#>
\textit{\#> The following object is masked from 'package:AnnotationDbi':}
#>
#>
       select
#> The following object is masked from 'package:Biobase':
#>
#>
       combine
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:GenomicRanges':
#>
       intersect, setdiff, union
#> The following object is masked from 'package:GenomeInfoDb':
#>
#>
       intersect
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:IRanges':
       collapse, desc, intersect, setdiff, slice, union
#>
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:S4Vectors':
#>
       first, intersect, rename, setdiff, setequal, union
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:BiocGenerics':
#>
       combine, intersect, setdiff, union
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
#>
#>
       filter, lag
#> The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
pas=as.data.frame(cbind(region=PACdsMM@anno$ftr, PAS=PACdsMM@anno$mm gram))
pas$PAS[is.na(pas$PAS)]='NOPAS'
pas$PAS[pas$PAS %in% v[-c(1:2)]]='Variants'
n=pas %>% dplyr::group_by(region, PAS) %>% dplyr::summarise(nPAC=n())
#> `summarise()` has grouped output by 'region'. You can override using the
#> `.groups` argument.
n2=pas %% dplyr::group_by(region) %>% dplyr::summarise(nTot=n())
n=merge(n, n2)
n$PAC=n$nPAC/n$nTot
n=n[n$PAS!='NOPAS',]
n$PAS=factor(n$PAS, levels=rev(c('AATAAA', 'ATTAAA', 'Variants', 'NOPAS')))
```

Plot PAS distributions.

```
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(data=n, aes(x=region, y=PAC, fill=PAS)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity") +
  ylab("PAC Fraction") + theme_bw()
```



6.2 Exract sequences

The faFromPACds function provides various options to extract sequences of interest.

Here we show some examples to extract sequences from different poly(A) signal regions.

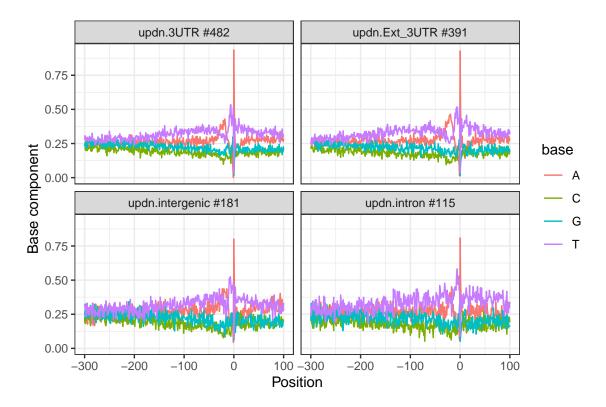
```
## The suggested signal regions when species is 'chlamydomonas_reinhardtii'.
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='Chlamy.NUE',
                  up=-25, dn=-5, byGrp='ftr')
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='Chlamy.FUE',
                  up=-150, dn=-25, byGrp='ftr')
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='Chlamy.CE',
                  up=-5, dn=5, byGrp='ftr')
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='Chlamy.DE',
                  up=-5, dn=30, byGrp='ftr')
## The suggested signal regions when species is plant.
## In Arabidopsis or rice, signal regions are: FUE -200~-35, NUE -35~-10, CE -10~15.
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='plants.NUE',
                  up=-35, dn=-10, byGrp='ftr')
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='plants.FUE',
                  up=-200, dn=-35, byGrp='ftr')
files=faFromPACds(PACds, bsgenome, what='updn', fapre='plants.CE',
                  up=-10, dn=15, byGrp='ftr')
```

6.3 Base compostions and k-grams

The function *plotATCGforFAfile* is for plotting single nucleotide profiles for given fasta file(s), which is particularly useful for discerning base compositions surrounding PACs.

First trim sequences surrounding PACs. Sequences surrounding PACs in different genomic regions are extracted into files. The PAC position is 301.

Then plot base compositions for specific sequence file(s).



We can also plot a single fasta file and specify a region.

Users can also generate these plots into a PDF file and save the calculated base compositions.

After extracting sequences, we can call the kcount function to obtain the number of occurrences or frequencies of k-grams from the whole sequences or a specified region of sequences. Particularly, specific k-grams (e.g., AAUAAA, AUUAAA) or a value of k (e.g., k=6 means all hexamers) can be set.

```
## Count top 10 hexamers (k=6) in the NUE region
## (normally from 265~295 if the PAC is at 301).
fafile='updn.3UTR.fa'
kcount(fafile=fafile, k=6, from=265, to=295, topn=10)
#> grams count perc
```

```
#> 1
        AAAAAA
                 74 0.005904883
#> 274 ATATAT
                  38 0.003032237
#> 3073 GAAAAA
                 34 0.002713055
#> 2
        AAAAAT
               31 0.002473667
#> 257 ATAAAA
               31 0.002473667
#> 5
        AAAATA
                 30 0.002393872
#> 65
        AATAAA
                 30 0.002393872
#> 1366 TTTTTT
                 28 0.002234280
#> 449 ATGAAA
                 27 0.002154485
#> 769 AGAAAA
                 27 0.002154485
## Count given hexamers.
kcount(fafile=fafile, grams=c('AATAAA','ATTAAA'),
       from=265, to=295, sort=FALSE)
      grams count
                      perc
              30 0.7142857
#> 1 AATAAA
#> 2 ATTAAA
              12 0.2857143
## Count AATAAA and its 1nt variants in a given region.
kcount(fafile=fafile, grams='v1', from=265, to=295, sort=FALSE)
#>
       grams count
                         perc
#> 1
     AATAAA
               30 0.092024540
#> 2 TATAAA
               14 0.042944785
#> 3 CATAAA
               8 0.024539877
#> 4 GATAAA
                9 0.027607362
#> 5 ATTAAA
              12 0.036809816
#> 6 ACTAAA
             3 0.009202454
#> 7 AGTAAA
               8 0.024539877
#> 8 AAAAAA
               74 0.226993865
#> 9 AACAAA
             13 0.039877301
#> 10 AAGAAA
             21 0.064417178
#> 11 AATTAA
               14 0.042944785
#> 12 AATCAA
               11 0.033742331
#> 13 AATGAA
              19 0.058282209
#> 14 AATATA
               26 0.079754601
#> 15 AATACA
                9 0.027607362
#> 16 AATAGA
                8 0.024539877
#> 17 AATAAT
               23 0.070552147
#> 18 AATAAC
                7 0.021472393
#> 19 AATAAG
                17 0.052147239
```

7 Quantification of PACs by various metrics

movAPA provides various metrics to measure the usages of PACs across samples, including three metrics for the quantification of the usage of each single poly(A) site by the movPAindex function and four metrics for the quantification of APA site usage of a gene by the movAPAindex function.

7.1 Quantification of each PAC by movPAindex

movPAindex provides three metrics for the quantification of each PAC in a gene, including "ratio", "Shannon", and "geo". First you can merge replicates of the same sample and remove lowly expressed PACs before

calculate the index.

```
p=subsetPACds(PACds, group='group', pool=TRUE, totPACtag=20)
```

Calculate the tissue-specificity. Q or H=0 means that the PAC is only expressed in one tissue. NA means the PAC is not expressed in the respective tissue.

```
paShan=movPAindex(p, method='shan')
#> Using count for Shannon.
#> Tissue-specific PAC's H_cutoff (mean-2*sd): 0.275623
#> Tissue-specific PAC's Q_cutoff (mean-2*sd): 0.2052354
#> Tissue-specific PAC# (H<H_cutoff): 35</pre>
#> Tissue-specific PAC# (Q<Q cutoff): 25</pre>
#> Constitutive PAC's H_cutoff (mean+2*sd): 1.957418
#> Constitutive PAC's Q_cutoff (mean+2*sd): 3.42726
#> Constitutive PACs (H>H_cutoff): 0
#> Constitutive PACs (Q>Q cutoff): 0
## Show some rows with low H value (which means high overall tissue-specificity).
head(paShan[paShan$H<0.2742785, ], n=2)
                               H
                                    Q_min Q_min_cond
                                                       anther
embryo 5.200622 0.246426
#> Os01q0571300:21939527 0.0000000 0.000000
                                                          NA 0.000000
                                              embryo
                        maturePollen
#> Os01q0266100:9088974
                                 NA
#> 0s01g0571300:21939527
                                 NA
```

Use the relative expression levels (ratio) to calculate tissue-specificity.

```
paShan2=movPAindex(p, method='shan', shan.ratio = TRUE)
#> Using ratio for Shannon.
#> Tissue-specific PAC's H_cutoff (mean-2*sd): 0.6462506
#> Tissue-specific PAC's Q_cutoff (mean-2*sd): 0.9463281
#> Tissue-specific PAC# (H<H_cutoff): 20</pre>
#> Tissue-specific PAC# (Q<Q_cutoff): 24</pre>
#> Constitutive PAC's H_cutoff (mean+2*sd): 2.053762
#> Constitutive PAC's Q_cutoff (mean+2*sd): 3.81471
#> Constitutive PACs (H>H_cutoff): 0
#> Constitutive PACs (Q>Q cutoff): 0
head(paShan2, n=2)
                                          Q min Q min cond
                                                              anther
                                                                        embryo
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398829 0.7060639 0.9176406 embryo 4.950709 0.9176406
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398407 1.5828394 3.1107952
                                                    anther 3.110795 3.2821041
#>
                            maturePollen
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398829
                                4.285457
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398407
                                3.116965
```

Cacluate the geo metric, which is only suitable for APA genes. NA means no PAC of the gene is expressed in the respective tissue. geo>0 means the PAC is used more than average usage of all PACs in the gene. geo~0 means similar usage; <0 means less usage.

```
paGeo=movPAindex(p, method='geo')
head(paGeo, n=2)
```

```
#> anther embryo maturePollen

#> ENSRNA049472915:32398829 -3.454947 -1.44546 -3.084963

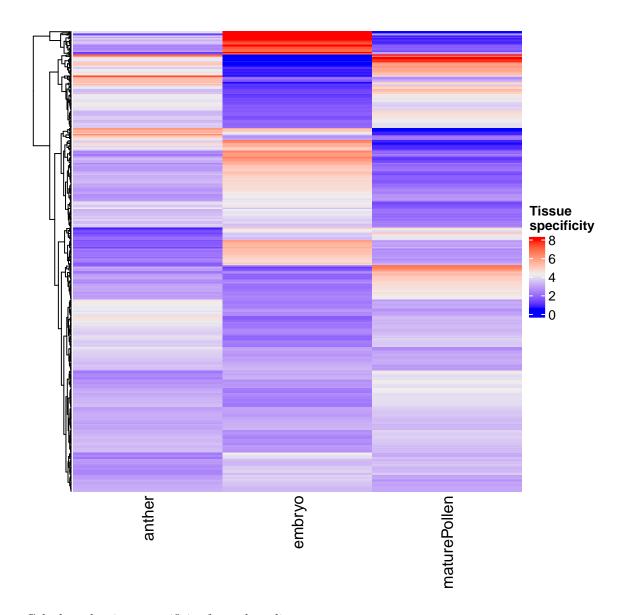
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398407 3.454947 1.44546 3.084963
```

Cacluate the ratio metric, which is only suitable for APA genes. NA means no PAC of the gene is expressed in the respective tissue.

```
paRatio=movPAindex(p, method='ratio')
head(paRatio)
#>
                                          embryo maturePollen
                                anther
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398829 0.007231405 0.1183852
                                                   0.01146789
#> ENSRNA049472915:32398407 0.992768595 0.8816148
                                                   0.98853211
#> Os01q0151600:2795487
                           0.326732673 0.5248869
                                                   0.82278481
#> Os01g0151600:2795636
                           0.504950495 0.2714932
                                                   0.13924051
#> Os01g0151600:2795858
                           0.168316832 0.2036199
                                                   0.03797468
#> Os01g0179300:4126216
                           0.927272727 0.8699634
                                                   0.99152542
```

Plot a heatmap to show the distribution of tissue-specificity of PACs. It is only reasonable to plot the heatmap of the Shanno metric. Or you may filter the proximal or distal PAC of the gene first and plot the ratio or geo metrics.

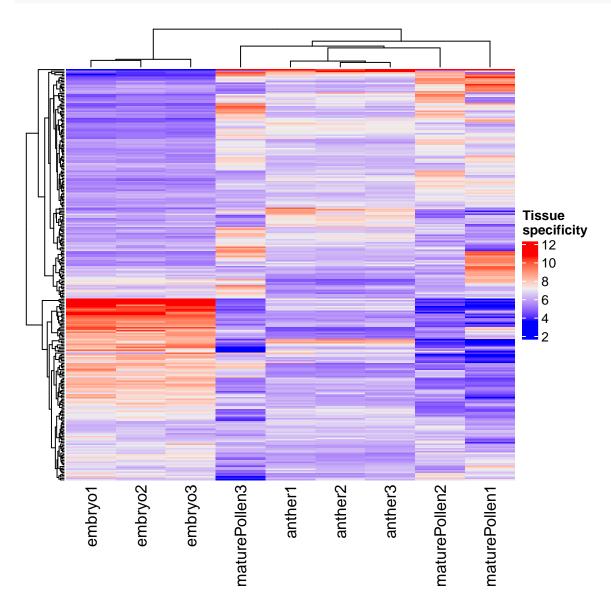
First, remove rows with NA and then plot the heatmap.



Calculate the tissue-specificity for each replicate.

```
paShan=movPAindex(PACds, method='shan')
#> Using count for Shannon.
#> Tissue-specific PAC's H_cutoff (mean-2*sd): 0.269235
#> Tissue-specific PAC's Q_cutoff (mean-2*sd): 0.3825375
#> Tissue-specific PAC# (H<H_cutoff): 91
#> Tissue-specific PAC# (Q<Q_cutoff): 91
#> Constitutive PAC's H_cutoff (mean+2*sd): 3.69439
#> Constitutive PAC's Q_cutoff (mean+2*sd): 6.527702
#> Constitutive PACs (H>H_cutoff): 0
#> Constitutive PACs (Q>Q_cutoff): 0

## Plot heamap to show the consistency among replicates.
paShanHm=paShan[, -(1:3)]
paShanHm=paShanHm[rowSums(is.na(paShanHm))==0, ]
Heatmap(paShanHm, show_row_names=FALSE, cluster_columns = TRUE,
```



data## Quantification of APA by movAPAindex The movAPAindex function provides four gene-level metrics for the quantification of APA site usage, including RUD (Relative Usage of Distal PAC) (Ji, et al., 2009), WUL (Weighted 3' UTR Length) (Ulitsky, et al., 2012; Fu, et al., 2016), SLR (Short to Long Ratio) (Begik, et al., 2017), and GPI (Geometric Proximal Index) (Shulman and Elkon, 2019).

Get APA index using the smart RUD method (available in movAPA v2.0).

```
pd=get3UTRAPApd(pacds=p, minDist=50, maxDist=1000, minRatio=0.05, fixDistal=FALSE, addCols='pd')
rud=movAPAindex(pd, method="smartRUD", sRUD.oweight=TRUE)
head(rud$rud)
head(rud$weight)
geneRUD=rud$rud
geneRUD=geneRUD[rowSums(is.na(geneRUD))==0, ]
head(geneRUD, n=2)
Heatmap(geneRUD, show_row_names=FALSE, cluster_columns = F,
```

```
heatmap_legend_param = list(title = 'RUD'))
```

Get APA index using the WUL method.

```
geneWUL=movAPAindex(p, method="WUL", choose2PA=NULL)
head(geneWUL, n=2)

#> anther embryo maturePollen

#> 0s01g0151600 231.4643 191.7955 162.5658

#> 0s01g0254900 265.4275 286.5083 233.5099
```

Plot gene's metric values across samples by heatmap with the ComplexHeatmap package.

```
## Remove NA rows before plotting heatmap.
geneWUL=geneWUL[rowSums(is.na(geneWUL))==0, ]
Heatmap(geneWUL, show_row_names=FALSE)
```

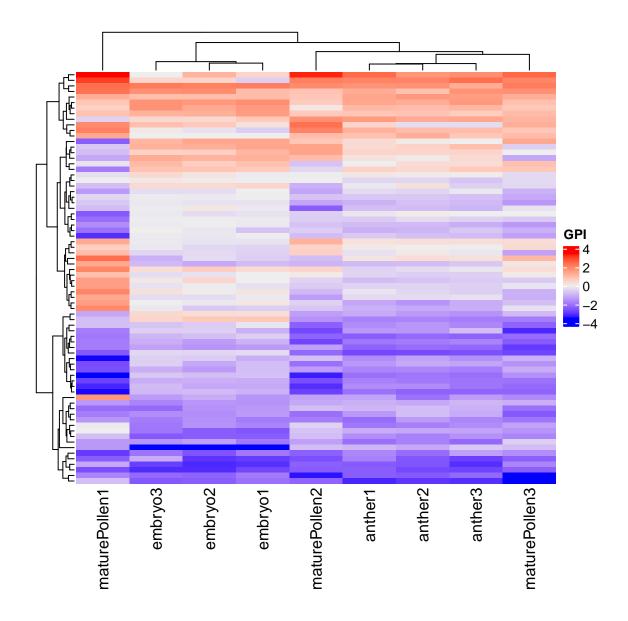
Get APA index using the RUD method.

Get APA index by method=SLR, using the proximal and distal PACs.

```
geneSLR=movAPAindex(p, method="SLR", choose2PA='PD')
head(geneSLR, n=2)
geneSLR=geneSLR[rowSums(is.na(geneSLR))==0, ]
Heatmap(geneSLR, show_row_names=FALSE)
```

Get APA index by method=GPI, using the proximal and distal PACs.

```
geneGPI=movAPAindex(PACds, method="GPI", choose2PA='PD')
head(geneGPI)
#>
                   anther1
                              anther2
                                         anther3
                                                    embryo1
                                                               embryo2
#> Ds01g0151600 -0.4587689 -0.3107442 -0.1400540 0.3912043 0.6609640
#> Ds01g0254900 0.2721603 0.3175016 0.3064884 -0.1752486 -0.1705185
#> Ds01g0261200 -1.0253130 -0.9437626 -0.6497801 -0.7075187 -0.1315172
#> Ds01q0263600 -0.5000000
                                 NaN -0.5000000 -1.2924813 -0.2924813
#> Os01g0314000 1.1609640 0.7924813 1.0000000 0.5000000 1.00000000
#> Ds01q0524500 -0.3140156 -0.5000000 -0.2237295
                                                       NaN
                                                                   NaN
#>
                      embryo3 maturePollen1 maturePollen2 maturePollen3
                                  2.014874
#> 0s01g0151600 3.552467e-01
                                               0.5000000
                                                             0.35021986
#> Os01g0254900 -9.965440e-02
                                  1.347822
                                                1.2221596
                                                             0.35975231
#> Os01q0261200 -3.203427e-16
                                  -2.043731
                                               -0.5351947
                                                            -1.00000000
#> Os01q0263600 -1.292481e+00
                                        NaN
                                                      NaN
                                                                    NaN
#> Os01g0314000 2.924813e-01
                                       NaN
                                                     NaN
                                                                   NaN
#> Ds01g0524500  0.000000e+00
                                                0.2311716
                                                             0.03700029
                                  1.100817
geneGPI=geneGPI[rowSums(is.na(geneGPI))==0, ]
Heatmap(geneGPI, show row names=FALSE, cluster columns = TRUE,
        heatmap_legend_param = list(title = 'GPI'))
```



8 DE genes

3' seq data have been demonstrated informative in quantifying expression levels of genes by summing up 3' seq reads of all PACs in a gene (Lianoglou, et al., 2013). To detect DE genes between samples with 3' seq, we implemented the function movDEgene with the widely used R package DESeq2.

Note: DE detection should be performed in caution, because different methods would have significant and different impact on the DE results!

8.1 Detect DE genes

First we show an example of detecting DE genes for two conditions.

```
library(DESeq2)
## Subset two conditions first.
pacds=subsetPACds(PACds, group='group', cond1='anther', cond2='embryo')
## Detect DE genes using DESeq2 method,
## only genes with total read counts in all samples >=50 are used.
DEgene=movDEGene(PACds=pacds, method='DESeq2', group='group', minSumPAT=50)
```

Make statistics of the DE gene results; genes with padj<0.05 & log2FC>=0.5 are considered as DE genes.

We can also detect DE genes among more than two conditions.

```
DEgene=movDEGene(PACds=PACds, method='DESeq2', group='group', minSumPAT=50)
stat=movStat(object=DEgene, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=1)
```

```
## Number of DE genes in each pair of conditions.
stat$nsig
                       sig.num
#>
#> anther.embryo
                            150
#> anther.maturePollen
                             77
#> embryo.maturePollen
                            192
## Overlap between condition pairs.
stat$ovp
#>
                                         pair n1.sig.num n2.sig.num novp.sig.num
#> 1
           anther.embryo-anther.maturePollen
                                                    150
                                                                  77
                                                                                47
           an ther.\, embryo-embryo.\, mature Pollen
                                                     150
                                                                 192
                                                                               122
#> 2
#> 3 anther.maturePollen-embryo.maturePollen
                                                                 192
```

8.2 Output DE genes

Output movStat results into files: "DEgene.plots.pdf" and 'DEgene.stat'. Several heatmaps are generated.

```
outputHeatStat(heatStats=stat, ostatfile='DEgene.stat', plotPre='DEgene')
```

You can further call movSelect() to select DE gene results with more information. Select DE gene results with full information including the read counts in each sample.

```
#> 2 Os01q0210600
                     59
                            65
                                    52
                                          376
                                                 359
                                                         295
                                                                       22
#> 3 Os01g0224200
                                    0
                      1
                             1
                                           15
                                                  13
                                                          16
                                                                        0
8
                            11
                                   12
                                            0
                                                   0
                                                          2
                                                                       62
106
                                   123
                                           20
                                                  15
                           132
                                                          12
                                                                        6
26
                            25
                                    24
                                            0
                                                   0
                                                           2
                                                                      138
   maturePollen2 maturePollen3
                                     padj
                                              value
#> 1
              31
                           29 3.594718e-10 2.234465
#> 2
              60
                           82 5.726760e-08 2.548997
#> 3
               5
                            1 4.048010e-03 4.459420
#> 4
              17
                          111 6.343326e-03 -3.954189
#> 5
              63
                            7 1.080655e-03 -2.941261
#> 6
             105
                           76 1.104847e-05 -5.228812
```

Select DE gene results with only padj and value. Here value is log2(anther/embryo).

Output gene names of DE genes.

9 DE PACs

movAPA provides the function movDEPAC to identify DE PACs between samples. Three strategies were utilized: (i) using DESeq2 with replicates; (ii) using DEXseq with replicates; (iii) using chi-squared test without replicates ("chisq").

9.1 Detect DE PACs

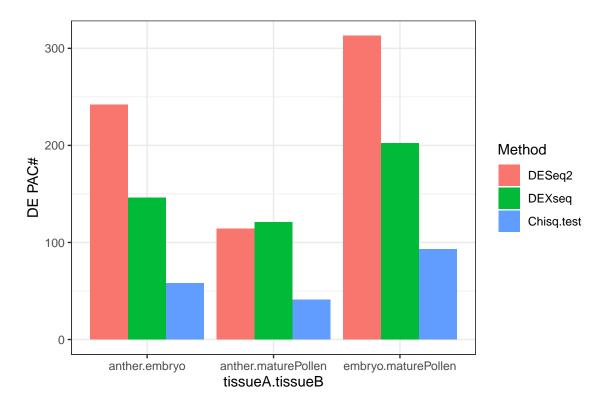
First we show an example of detecting DE PACs among all pairwise conditions using three different methods. Only PACs with total read counts in all samples >=20 are used.

```
DEPAC=movDEPAC(PACds, method='DESeq2', group='group', minSumPAT=20)
DEXPAC=movDEPAC(PACds, method='DEXseq', group='group', minSumPAT=20)
DEQPAC=movDEPAC(PACds, method='chisq', group='group', minSumPAT=20)
```

Number of DE PACs among methods.

```
library(ggplot2)
## Get significant DE results.
stat1=movStat(object=DEPAC, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=1)
stat2=movStat(object=DEXPAC, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=1)
stat3=movStat(object=DEqPAC, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=0.95)
```

```
## Count the number of DE PACs by different methods.
nsig=as.data.frame(cbind(stat1$nsig, stat2$nsig, stat3$nsig))
colnames(nsig)=c('DESeq2','DEXseq','Chisq.test')
nsig$tissueA.tissueB=rownames(nsig)
nsig
#>
                       DESeq2 DEXseq Chisq.test
                                                    tissueA.tissueB
#> anther.embryo
                          242
                                 146
                                                      anther.embryo
#> anther.maturePollen
                         114
                                 121
                                             41 anther.maturePollen
#> embryo.maturePollen
                         313
                                 202
                                           93 embryo.maturePollen
## Plot a barplot.
nsig=reshape2::melt(nsig, variable.name='Method')
#> Using tissueA.tissueB as id variables
ggplot(data=nsig, aes(x=tissueA.tissueB, y=value, fill=Method)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity", position=position_dodge()) +
  ylab("DE PAC#") + theme_bw()
```



We can also detect DE PACs between two given conditions.

```
## Detect DE PACs.
DEPAC1=movDEPAC(PACds1, method='DESeq2', group='group', minSumPAT=10)
DEXPAC1=movDEPAC(PACds1, method='DEXseq', group='group', minSumPAT=10)
DEqPAC1=movDEPAC(PACds1, method='chisq', group='group', minSumPAT=10)
```

9.2 Statistics of DE PACs

Make statistics of the DE PACs result by DESeq2 method (DEPAC).

```
stat=movStat(object=DEPAC, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=1)
```

```
## Number of DE PACs between conditions.
stat$nsig
#>
                       siq.num
#> anther.embryo
                           242
#> anther.maturePollen
                           114
#> embryo.maturePollen
                          313
## Overlap of DE PACs between different pairs of conditions.
head(stat$ovp)
                                       pair n1.sig.num n2.sig.num novp.sig.num
#> 1
          anther.embryo-anther.maturePollen
                                                   242
                                                              114
#> 2
          anther.embryo-embryo.maturePollen
                                                    242
                                                               313
                                                                            199
#> 3 anther.maturePollen-embryo.maturePollen
                                                   114
                                                               313
                                                                             90
## DE PAC list
head(stat$siglist[[1]])
#> [1] "0s01g0151600:2795487" "0s01g0179300:4126216" "0s01g0179300:4126779"
#> [4] "Ds01g0238500:7668102" "Ds01g0247600:8130944" "Ds01g0247600:8131074"
```

We can also plot a venn diagram to show the overlap among results from different pairwise comparisons.

Stat the DE PAC result from the chisq-test method, here the value column of DEqPAC is 1-pvalue_of_the_gene. So using padjThd=0.05 and valueThd=0.95 means filtering DE PACs with adjusted pvalue of PAC <0.05 and adjusted pvalue of gene <0.05.

```
stat=movStat(object=DEqPAC, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=0.95)
```

9.3 Output DE PACs

We can use *movSelect* to output full or simple list of DE PACs.

```
head(sel, n=2)
                          PA chr UPA_start UPA_end strand
                                                             coord
                                                                          ftr
#> 1 ENSRNA049444301:25040070 12 25040068 25040071 - 25040070 intergenic
#> 2 ENSRNA049472915:32398407 3 32398154 32398573
                                                        - 32398407
                                                                     Ext\_3UTR
               gene gene_type ftr_start ftr_end anther1 anther2 anther3 embryo1
#> 1 ENSRNA049444301
                       tRNA 25043356 25032325
                                                    0
                                                             0
                                                                      0
#> 2 ENSRNA049472915
                      snoRNA 32398830 32398830
                                                    285
                                                                            510
                                                            324
                                                                    352
    embryo2 embryo3 maturePollen1 maturePollen2 maturePollen3
                                         3 0 6.971614e-02
#> 1
         0
                0
                              24
                548
#> 2
        558
                              130
                                           191
                                                      110 1.081613e-13
#>
         value
#> 1 -0.7671602
#> 2 0.8623713
## You can also mannually set a log2FC threshold.
sel=movSelect(aMovRes=DEXPAC, condpair='embryo.anther',
             padjThd=0.1, valueThd=2, out='pa');
#> Warning: condpair is flip of movRes@conds, so movRes@pairwise$value*(-1)
#> Warning: movRes is DEXPAC, also filter by rowMax(movRes@pairwise$value)
head(sel)
#> [1] "0s01q0263600:8948833" "0s01q0327400:12630082" "0s01q0327400:12630218"
#> [4] "Ds01g0812200:34534443" "Ds01g0841000:36096864" "Ds01g0881300:38257576"
## Filter only up-regulated PACs in embryo
## (value=log2(embryo this others/anther this others)).
sel=movSelect(aMovRes=DEXPAC, condpair='embryo.anther',
             padjThd=0.1, upThd=2, out='full', PACds=PACds)
#> Warning: condpair is flip of movRes@conds, so movRes@pairwise$value*(-1)
#> Warning: movRes is DEXPAC, also filter by rowMax(movRes@pairwise$value)
head(sel, 2)
                          PA chr UPA_start UPA_end strand
                                                             coord
                                                                          ftr
#> 1 ENSRNA049472915:32398407 3 32398154 32398573
                                                    - 32398407
       Os01q0327400:12630082
                              1 12629955 12630117
                                                        + 12630082 intergenic
                         gene_type ftr_start ftr_end anther1 anther2 anther3
               gene
#> 1 ENSRNA049472915
                           snoRNA 32398830 32398830
                                                                 324
                                                         285
                                                                         352
       Os01q0327400 protein_coding 12582256 12646586
                                                           1
                                                                   1
    embryo1 embryo2 embryo3 maturePollen1 maturePollen2 maturePollen3
        510
                558
                        548
                                    130
                                                   191
#> 1
#> 2
                                        0
                                                     0
          0
                  0
                          0
                                                                   0
            padj
                      value
#> 1 1.081613e-13 0.8623713
#> 2 3.171817e-02 11.5717831
```

9.4 Visualize DE PACs in a gene

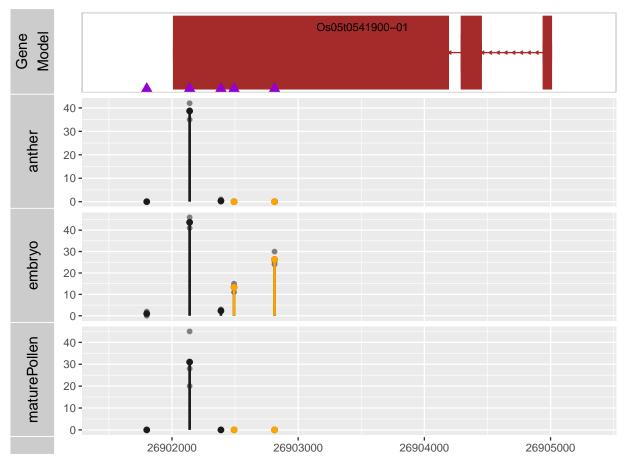
Here we take the DEPAC result for example to show the visualization of DE PACs in a gene.

Visualize DE PACs in an example gene by mov Viz. First, we examine all PACs in this gene. There are three

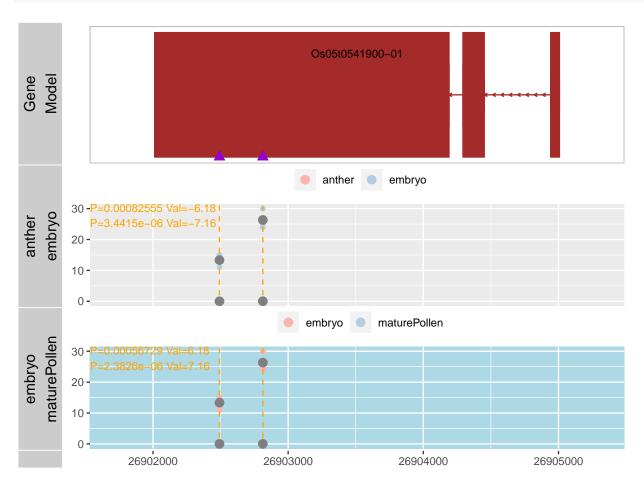
PACs, two in 3'UTR and one in extended 3'UTR. But the expression level of the PAC in extended 3UTR is only 3.

```
gene='0s05g0541900'
gp=PACds[PACds@anno$gene==gene, ]
cbind(gp@anno$ftr, rowSums(gp@counts))
                                       [,2]
                                       "79"
#> 0s05q0541900:26902813 "3UTR"
#> 0s05q0541900:26902492 "3UTR"
                                        "40"
                                       "8"
#> Os05g0541900:26902388 "3UTR"
#> Os05g0541900:26902140 "3UTR"
                                       "340"
                                       "3"
#> 0s05q0541900:26901800 "Ext_3UTR"
                                       "2"
#> 0s05q0541900:26900274 "intergenic"
```

Visualize PACs of this gene in individual conditions. Here the Y-axis is read count, the scale of which is different among conditions.DE PACs identified by DESeq2 method with padj < padjThd are highlighted in dashed yellow lines.



We can also show condition pairs in individual tracks and only display and/or highlight given condition pairs. If padjThd is given, then the DE PACs (padj < padjThd) will be highlighted (dashed yellow line).



10 3'UTR switching

APA dynamics (i.e., APA site switching or 3'UTR lengthening/shortening) of a gene can be deduced by comparing the ratios of expression levels of one poly(A) site (e.g., the short isoform) over the other poly(A) site (e.g., the long isoform) between two biological samples. For unity, here we refer 3'UTR lengthening/shortening to 3'UTR switching, and refer APA dynamics involving a pair of PACs to APA site switching. Function movUTRtrend is used to identify 3'UTR switching events between samples. We developed three methods in movUTRtrend for detecting 3'UTR switching events from samples with or without replicates: (i) the strategy based on the chi-squared test for trend in proportions ("linearTrend"); (ii) the strategy based on DE PACs from DESeq2 ("DEX").

10.1 Detect 3'UTR switching events

First, we used the 'linearTrend' method to detect 3'UTR switching events. Only PACs and genes with average read count between the two conditions >=10 and >=20 are used.

```
utr=movUTRtrend(PACds, group='group', method='linearTrend',
             avgPACtag=10, avgGeneTag=20)
#> anther.embryo
#> anther.maturePollen
#> embryo.maturePollen
## Number of genes for analyzing, including those not significant.
lapply(utr@fullList, nrow)
#> $anther.embryo
#> [1] 44
#> $anther.maturePollen
#> [1] 31
#>
#> $embryo.maturePollen
#> [1] 47
head(utr@fullList[["anther.embryo"]], n=2)
                    gene nPAC geneTag1 geneTag2 avgUTRlen1 avgUTRlen2
#> Os01q0151600 Os01g0151600
                                28
                           2
                                       59 231.4643
                                                      191.5085
#> Os01q0254900 Os01q0254900
                                 221
                                        101 265.5520
                                                      286.9604
#>
                           padj change
                                          cor logRatio
                 pvalue
#> Os01q0151600 0.018098744 0.4886661
                                 -1 -0.2534036 -1.072588
#> Os01g0254900 0.008878056 0.2840978
                                   1 0.1458238 1.128916
#>
#> 0s01q0254900 0s01q0254900:8475658=133;0s01q0254900:8475521=88
#>
                                                  PAs2
#> 0s01q0151600 0s01q0151600:2795487=39;0s01q0151600:2795636=20
```

Make statistics of the results; genes with padj<0.1 and abs(cor)>0 are considered as 3'UTR switching.

```
stat=movStat(object=utr, padjThd=0.1, valueThd=0)
#> All cond pairs in heat@colData, get de01 and deNum
stat$nsig
#> sig.num
#> anther.embryo 9
#> anther.maturePollen 4
#> embryo.maturePollen 24
```

Output 3'UTR switching results for a pair of conditions.

```
padjThd=0.1, valueThd=0, out='full')
## Output full information for 3UTR lengthening genes from anther to embryo (change=1).
out=movSelect(aMovRes=utr, condpair='anther.embryo',
          padjThd=0.1, upThd=0, out='full')
## Output full information for 3UTR shortening genes from anther to embryo (change=-1).
out=movSelect(aMovRes=utr, condpair='anther.embryo',
          padjThd=0.1, dnThd=0, out='full')
head(out, n=2)
#>
                 gene nPAC geneTag1 geneTag2 avgUTRlen1 avgUTRlen2
2
                             77
                                   54 539.7662
                                               323.3704
93
                                   197
                                       348.7204
                                              294.7005
                pvalue
                           padj change
                                         cor logRatio
#> Ds02q0759700 2.499868e-09 1.049944e-07 -1 -0.5208556 0.5111023
#> 0s05q0438800 6.160952e-06 2.464381e-04
                                -1 -0.2654699 -1.0820747
#>
#> Os02q0759700 Os02q0759700:31988970=10;Os02q0759700:31989403=67
#>
```

Here is another example of using DEX method to detect 3'UTR switching events. First get DE PAC results by DEXseq and then get 3'UTR switching events.

Get 3'UTR switching genes with padj<0.1 and $|\log 2FC|>=1$.

```
stat=movStat(object=swDEX, padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1)
#> All cond pairs in heat@colData, get de01 and deNum
stat$nsig
#>
                    sig.num
#> anther.embryo
                          6
                          1
#> anther.maturePollen
#> embryo.maturePollen
out=movSelect(aMovRes=swDEX, condpair='anther.embryo',
            padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1, out='full')
head(out, n=2)
           gene nPAC geneTag1 geneTag2 avgUTRlen1 avgUTRlen2
                                                            fisherPV
2
                          77
                                 54 539.7662
                                                323.3704 4.912714e-09
                                                294.7005 3.852680e-06
#> 2 Os05q0438800
                                 197
                                      348.7204
        logFC change
                                   PA1
                                                        PA2 dist nDEPA
                -1 Os02g0759700:31988970 Os02g0759700:31989403 434
#> 1 −3.364997
                 -1 Ds05g0438800:21501003 Ds05g0438800:21500764 240
#> 2 -2.744903
#> nSwitchPair
             #> 1
```

10.2 Statistics of 3'UTR switching results

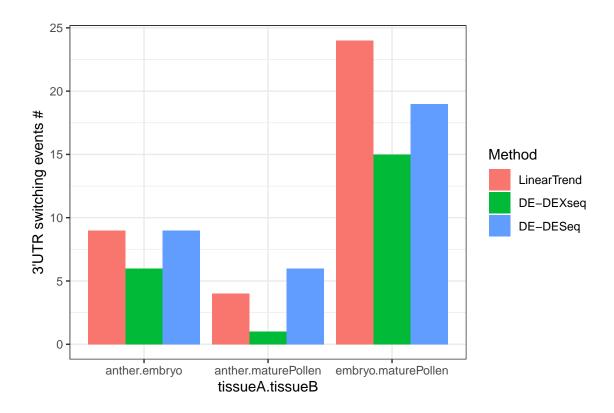
Here we used three methods to call 3'UTR switching and then compared the results from these methods.

Get significant 3'UTR switching events.

```
stat1=movStat(object=swLinear, padjThd=0.1, valueThd=0)
stat2=movStat(object=swDEX, padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1)
stat3=movStat(object=swDE, padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1)
```

Count number of 3'UTR switching events by different methods

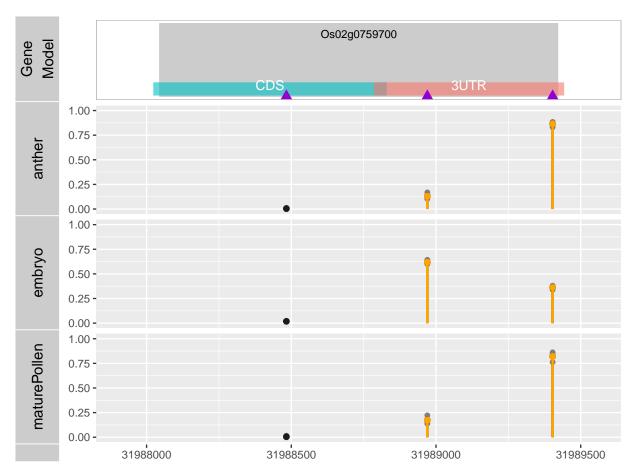
```
nsig=as.data.frame(cbind(stat1$nsig, stat2$nsig, stat3$nsig))
colnames(nsig)=c('LinearTrend','DE-DEXseq','DE-DESeq')
nsig$tissueA.tissueB=rownames(nsig)
nsig
#>
                       LinearTrend DE-DEXseq DE-DESeq
                                                           tissue A.\ tissue B
#> anther.embryo
                                 9
                                           6
                                                             anther.embryo
#> anther.maturePollen
                                           1
                                                     6 anther.maturePollen
                                 4
#> embryo.maturePollen
                                24
                                          15
                                                    19 embryo.maturePollen
nsig=reshape2::melt(nsig, variable.name='Method')
#> Using tissueA.tissueB as id variables
ggplot(data=nsig, aes(x=tissueA.tissueB, y=value, fill=Method)) +
  geom_bar(stat="identity", position=position_dodge()) +
  ylab("3\'UTR switching events #") + theme_bw()
```



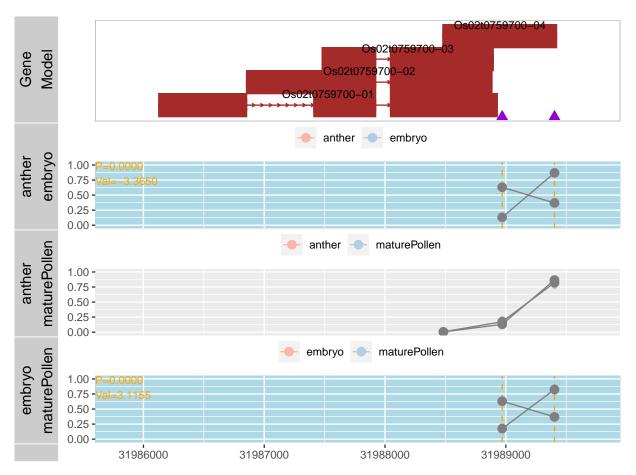
10.3 Visualize 3'UTR switching events

Gene Os02g0759700 is identified as 3'UTR switching. This gene has one PAC in CDS and two PACs in 3UTR; the 3UTR switching happens between anther~embryo and between embryo~maturePollen.

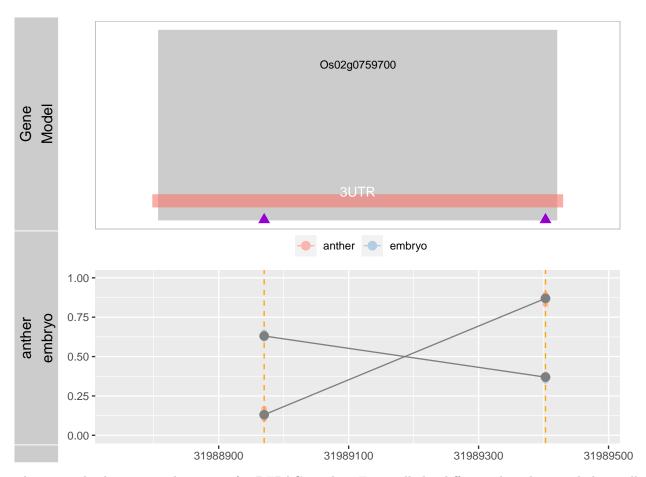
Plot all PACs of this gene in all conditions and replicates. Highlight PACs involving in the switching analysis in orange.



Show in each track a condition pair and use line to link PACs to show the trend. There is 3'UTR switching between anther and maturePollen, and embryo and maturePollen. Highlight specific condition pair with blue background and only show PACs involving the switching analysis with a dashed line in orange.



Show only the condition pair anther~embryo and only PACs involving the 3UTR switching. Do not show gene model but only the genomic region of PACs, and show all PACs but hightlight the switching PACs in dashed yellow line. Show only switching PACs.



This example shows using heatmaps for DEPAC results. First call the differential analysis and then call movStat to stat the results.

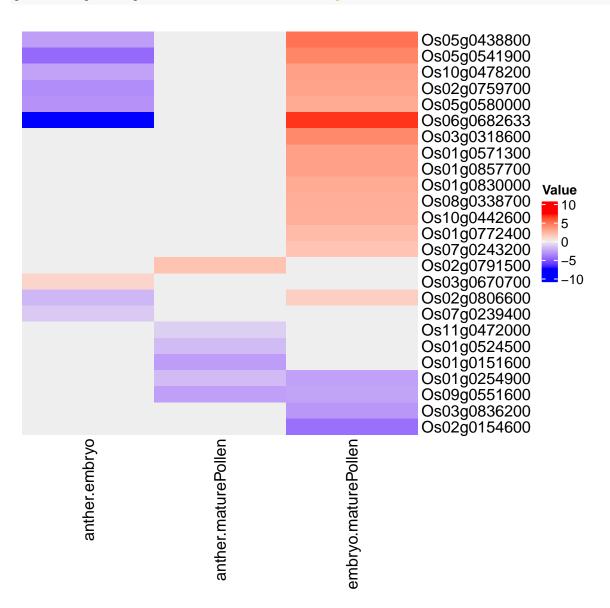
```
stat=movStat(object=swDE, padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1)
#> All cond pairs in heat@colData, get de01 and deNum
stat$nsig
#> sig.num
#> anther.embryo 9
#> anther.maturePollen 6
#> embryo.maturePollen 19
```

Output stat results into files. The pdf file stores the plots about the number of significant events and the overlap among different condition pairs.

To plot heatmap mannually, first convert the movRes object to a heatmap object and then filter switching genes.

```
heat=movRes2heatmapResults(swDE)
heatUp=subsetHeatmap(heat, padjThd=0.05, valueThd=1)
```

From the heatmap, we can see gene Os06g0682633 is shorter from anther to embryo (value=-8) and longer from embryo to maturePollen (value=7).



Get the switching information for this gene.

```
fl=swDE@fullList$anther.embryo
fl[fl$gene=='0s06g0682633',]

#> gene nPAC geneTag1 geneTag2 avgUTRlen1 avgUTRlen2 fisherPV

#> 7 0s06g0682633 2 11 353 1181 558.3938 1.420396e-12

#> logFC change PA1 PA2 dist nDEPA

#> 7 -7.370687 -1 0s06g0682633:28447307 0s06g0682633:28447973 667 1

#> nSwitchPair PAs1

#> 7 3 0s06g0682633:28447307=0;0s06g0682633:28447973=11

#> PAs2

#> 7 0s06g0682633:28447307=330;0s06g0682633:28447973=23
```

11 APA site switching

The function movAPAswitch is used to detect both canonical and non-canonical APA site switching events. The strategy of movAPAswitch is similar to the strategy based on DE PACs in movUTRtrend but with higher flexibility. If a gene has more than two PACs, then each pair of PACs (denoted as PA1 and PA2) are analyzed. The following criteria are used to determine a APA switching event: whether PA1 or PA2 are DE; average read count for both sites; distance between PA1 and PA2; average read count for a gene; relative change of PA1 and PA2 (RC); read count ratio (PA1:PA2) >1 in one sample and <1 in another sample; p-value of the Fisher's exact test for PA1 and PA2 read counts between samples. Pairs of PACs that meet user specified conditions are considered as APA site switching events. Users can use the movSelect function to filter 3' UTR switching events or APA site switching events with higher flexibility.

11.1 Detect 3'UTR-PAC switching

First get DE PAC results by DEXseq.

```
DEXPAC=movDEPAC(PACds, method='DEXseq', group='group', minSumPAT=10)
```

Then get 3'UTR switching genes, usig selectOne=NULL to detect all pairs of switching PACs.

Stat the switching results.

```
stat=movStat(object=swDEX, padjThd=0.1, valueThd=1)
#> All cond pairs in heat@colData, get de01 and deNum
stat$nsig
#> sig.num
#> anther.embryo 32
#> anther.maturePollen 11
#> embryo.maturePollen 38
```

Output switching genes with full information for anther~embryo.

```
sel=movSelect(aMovRes=swDEX, condpair='anther.embryo',
          padjThd=0.1, valueThd=1, out='full')
head(sel, n=2)
#>
         gene nPAC geneTag1 geneTag2 avgUTRlen1 avgUTRlen2
                                                 fisherPV
2
                     84
                           176
                               231.4643
                                       191.7955 6.670538e-05
               2
                     70
                               144.7857
#> 3 Os01q0655400
                            76
                                       200.5000 2.241096e-02
      logFC change
                             PA1
                                             PA2 dist nDEPA
             #> 1 -1.552604
                                                 150
                                                      2
#> 3 1.120104
              nSwitchPair
#>
             Os01q0151600:2795487=33;Os01q0151600:2795636=51
#> 1
```

11.2 Detect APA-site switching

Detect APA switching events involving non-3'UTR PACs, using selectOne=NULL to get all pairs of switching PACs.

Stat the switching results.

Output switching genes with full information for anther~embryo.

```
sw=movSelect(aMovRes=swDE, condpair='anther.embryo',
       padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1, out='full')
head(sw[order(sw$fisherPV), ], n=2)
        gene nPAC geneTag1 geneTag2
                          fisherPV
                                 logFC change
                    3437 7.680786e-75 -6.255737
#> 25 Os04g0635800
            2
                 94
                                       -1
124 6.634803e-35 -3.837820
                                       -1
                549
             PA1
                          PA2 dist nDEPA nSwitchPair
2
                                        1
76
                                        1
#>
                             PAs1
#>
                              PAs2
                                       ftr
#> 25 0s04q0635800:32341126=3293;0s04q0635800:32339713=144 3UTR,Ext 3UTR
```

11.3 Subset PACds by switching genes or PACs

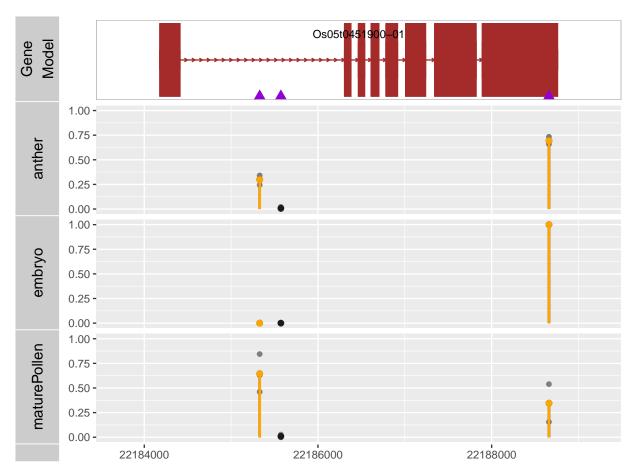
First get list of genes or PACs of switching events, then subset PACds by genes or PACs.

```
genes=movSelect(aMovRes=swDE, condpair='anther.embryo',
                padjThd=0.01, valueThd=1, out='gene')
swPAC=subsetPACds(PACds, genes=genes, verbose=TRUE)
                      count
#> before subsetPACds 1233
#> minExprConds>=1
                       1233
#> genes
                        138
table(swPAC@anno$ftr)
#>
         3UTR
                    5UTR
                                CDS
                                      Ext 3UTR intergenic
                                                               intron
#>
           66
                       8
                                             31
                                                                   15
PAs=movSelect(aMovRes=swDE, condpair='anther.embryo', padjThd=0.01,
              valueThd=1, out='pa')
swPAC=subsetPACds(PACds, PAs=PAs, verbose=TRUE)
                      count
#> before subsetPACds 1233
#> minExprConds>=1
                       1233
#> PAs
                         77
table(swPAC@anno$ftr)
#>
#>
       3UTR Ext\_3UTR
         53
             22
```

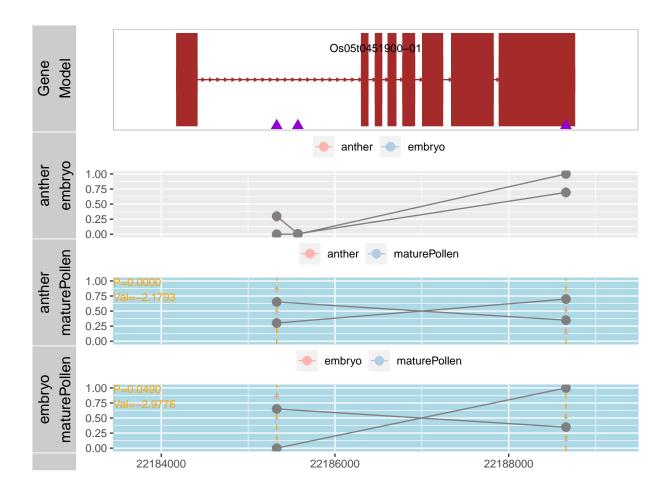
11.4 Visualization of APA-site switching

Show one switching gene (Os05g0451900), where switching happens between a 3'UTR PAC and an intronic PAC. This gene has 2 PACs in intron and 1 PAC in 3UTR; the APA-site switching happens between anther~maturePollen.

Plot all PACs of this gene in all conditions and replicates. Highlight PACs involving in the switching analysis in orange.



Show in each track a condition pair and use line to link PACs to show the trend. Highlight specific condition pair with blue background and only show PACs involving the switching analysis with a dashed line in orange. There is APA-site switching between anther and maturePollen.



12 Session Information

The session information records the versions of all the packages used in the generation of the present document.

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                 base
```

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