Clumppling Manual V.0.1.0 (Beta Version)

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1 Introduction

Clumppling is a new method proposed for aligning multiple clustering replicates of population structure analysis. Comparing to exiting methods like Clumpp [2], Clumpak [3] and Pont [1], it provides a better tradeoff between alignment quality and computational efficiency, as well as new functionalities that are not available in those methods.

2 Quick Start

If you are familiar with Python and command line tools, then simply follow the steps given in this section to get a quick start on using *Clumppling*. If you are not familiar with these, do not worry. Detailed instructions are provided in the following sections.

- 1. Have Python 3 installed on your system (if not yet). Make sure it is callable via python from the command-line shell. You may check this by python --version to see if the expected Python 3 version is being used.
- 2. (Otional, recommended) Install conda.
- 3. (Otional, recommended) Create and activate a virtual environment

```
conda create -n clumppling-env python conda activate clumppling-env
```

4. Install the convex optimization package with the solver GLPK.

```
pip install cvxpy[GLPK] == 1.3 # or: conda install cvxpy[GLPK] == 1.3 (if you
have conda installed)
```

- 5. Install the package in one of the two following ways:
 - (a) Download the package files from https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling, then navigate to its home directory "Clumppling", and run the command

```
pip install -e .
```

(b) Directly install the package by

```
pip install git+https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling
```

then download the example files and scripts from https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling/tree/master/input and https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling/tree/master/scripts.

You should see all the dependencies of the program being installed.

6. Run the program with default parameters via the command

```
python -m clumppling -i INPUT_PATH -o OUTPUT_PATH -f INPUT_FORMAT
```

where INPUT_PATH is the directory of all input files (clustering results), OUTPUT_PATH is a directory that does not exist and will be created to save the output files, and INPUT_FORMAT is the format of input, chosen from structure, admixture, fastStructure and generalQ.

The output of the program will be saved in the specified directory.

7. To see a list of all required and optional parameters, run

```
python -m clumppling -h
```

3 Download and Installation

3.1 Install Python 3

Clumppling is based on Python 3, so you first need to have Python 3 installed on your system.

Python 3 Version Python version of at least 3.8 is recommended. The original package is written under Python 3.8.0, and has been tested under Python 3.8.8, Python 3.9.12, Python 3.10.12, and Python 3.11.4.

Linux Linux users can install Python 3 from the command window using the package manager. Make sure you have the root user access for the installation.

For RHEL (Red Hat Enterprise Linux) and CentOS users, you can install via

```
sudo yum install -y python3
```

For Ubuntu and Debian users, use

```
sudo apt-get install python3
```

MacOS and Windows MacOS and Windows users can download Python 3 from https://www.python.org/downloads/. Follow the links and get the corresponding installer for your system, then double-click on the installer file and follow the instructions to install Python 3.

3.2 Check Python Command

If you already have Python installed on your machine, you may run the following command in the command-line shell to check the current Python installations.

```
which python # or: which python3
```

On some systems with both Python 2 and Python 3 installed, command python starts the interactive Python 2 interpreter and python3 starts the interactive Python 3. However, for convenience, we will only be using python prompt for the rest of the manual.

If your system uses Python 3, you can either switch all python commands in this manual to python3 and switch all pip commands to pip3, or set the alias by running

```
alias python=python3
```

You can check the version of your Python via the command

```
python --version
```

Now you should be able to open a Python interpreter by typing

```
python -i
```

You will see information about the current Python version and some prompts, and your cursor should appear after >>>. To exit the interpreter, type the exit() after >>>.

* Note that there may be issues when using certain shells on Windows, like GitBash. The solution is to run winpty python -i instead, or to set the alias by python=winpty.

3.3 [Optional] Install Conda and Create Virtual Environment

We recommend creating a virtual environment using **Conda**, which will help manage separate package installations for different projects.

3.3.1 Install conda

You can download the installer for Anaconda at https://www.anaconda.com/download then follow the instruction to install it.

Alternatively, you may use Miniconda (https://docs.conda.io/en/latest/miniconda).

3.3.2 Install the optimization solver "GLPK" in package cvxpy

Once you have installed conda, we suggest installing the required dependency cvxpy with the optimization solver "GLPK" separately to avoid getting an error of "cvxpy.error.SolverError: The solver GLPK_MI is not installed" when running the program on some systems. This can be done by

```
conda install cvxpy[GLPK] # or: pip install cvxpy[GLPK]
```

3.3.3 Create a virtual environment

Here we show how to use conda to manage the virtual environment.

Before getting started, make sure you have the Anaconda Python distribution installed and accessible. You may check this by

```
conda -V
```

To see a list of all of your environments, run

```
conda info --envs
```

Next, conda create -n yourenvname python=x.x anaconda

You may refer to the official document (https://conda.io/projects/conda/en/latest/user-guide/tasks/manage-environments.html) for more information on the environment management with conda. In brief, you can create a virtual environment named clumppling-env with Python by

```
conda create -n clumppling-env python
```

Press y to proceed when prompted. You may use your preferred name instead of clumppling-env for the virtual environment. You may also specify a Python version by the python=3.8.

To activate the environment, run

```
conda activate clumppling-env # for conda 4.6 and later versions
source activate clumppling-env # for conda versions prior to 4.6
```

If you are prompted to run conda init, follow the instructions.

All the installation and program running should happen in this virtual environment. Once you are done using the program, deactivate the environment.

To deactivate the environment, run

```
conda deactivate
```

To remove the environment permanently, run

```
conda remove -n clumppling-env --all
```

3.4 Install Clumppling

There are two ways to install the package.

The first is to install the package from the GitHub repository directly, then download the example files and scripts if you want to try the demo in Section 7.

The second is to download all package files to the local from GitHub, then install the package locally.

3.4.1 Install directly

Install To install *Clumppling* directly, run:

```
pip install git+https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling
```

Download Because direct installation would not automatically download the example files and scripts, you will need to get them separately from the folder "input" and "scripts" under https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling.

3.4.2 Install after downloading

You can also install the package after downloading the files to local.

Download Download the entire directory by clicking the link https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling/archive/refs/heads/master.zip. Unzipping the zipped file on your local machine, you should see a folder named "Clumppling-master", which contains the "README.md" file. Rename this directory "Clumppling". Note that this renaming step is recommended for the sake of notation consistency across this manual.

Alternatively, you may clone the package files from GitHub using Git. To install Git, download the installer and follow the instructions from https://git-scm.com/downloads. Next, navigate to the local directory you would like to put the files. You can then clone the repository by

```
git clone https://github.com/PopGenClustering/Clumppling.git
```

Under your current directory, a folder named "Clumppling" will show up, which contains all the files of the package.

Install Next, navigate to the directory named "Clumppling" where you see the files including "README.md", "pyproject.toml", and "setup.cfg". The package can be installed by

```
pip install -e .
```

After the pip install command, on your console you will see the text ending with "successfully installed" followed by a list of packages that are newly installed, including clumppling-0.1.0, indicating that your installation has succeeded. If are any compatibility issues, please resolve them first and then retry the installation.

3.5 Check usage

You should have installed the package now. If you're not sure where the package is installed, you can run

```
pip show clumppling
```

This will show you the installation location as well as basic information about the package.

To check the success of the installation, you may run the following command to see the help message for the main module clumppling:

```
python -m clumppling -h
```

If the package has been installed successfully, you will see the following output in your command window

```
usage: __main__.py [-h] -i INPUT_PATH -o OUTPUT_PATH -f INPUT_FORMAT [-v VIS
   [--cd_param CD_PARAM]
                   [--use_rep USE_REP] [--merge_cls MERGE_CLS] [--cd_default
                       CD_DEFAULT] [--plot_modes PLOT_MODES]
                   [--plot_modes_withinK PLOT_MODES_WITHINK] [--
                      plot_major_modes PLOT_MAJOR_MODES]
                   [--plot_all_modes PLOT_ALL_MODES] [--custom_cmap
                      CUSTOM_CMAP]
required arguments:
 -i INPUT_PATH, --input_path INPUT_PATH
                        path to load input files
  -o OUTPUT_PATH, --output_path OUTPUT_PATH
                        path to save output files
 -f INPUT_FORMAT, --input_format INPUT_FORMAT
                        input data format
optional arguments:
 -v VIS, --vis VIS
                       whether to generate visualization: 0 for no, 1 for
     yes (default)
```

```
--cd_param CD_PARAM the parameter for community detection method (
   default 1.0)
--use_rep USE_REP whether to use representative replicate as mode
   consensus: 0 for no (default), 1 for yes
--merge_cls MERGE_CLS
                      whether to merge all pairs of clusters to align K+1
                         and K: O for no (default), 1 for yes
--cd_default CD_DEFAULT
                      whether to use default community detection method (
                         Louvain): 0 for no, 1 for yes (default)
--plot_modes PLOT_MODES
                      whether to display aligned modes in structure plots
                         over a multipartite graph: 0 for no, 1 for
                      yes (default)
--plot_modes_withinK PLOT_MODES_WITHINK
                      whether to display modes for each K in structure
                         plots: 0 for no (default), 1 for yes
--plot_major_modes PLOT_MAJOR_MODES
                      whether to display all major modes in a series of
                         structure plots: 0 for no (default), 1 for
                      ves
--plot_all_modes PLOT_ALL_MODES
                      whether to display all aligned modes in a series of
                         structure plots: 0 for no (default), 1 for
--custom_cmap CUSTOM_CMAP
                      customized colormap as a comma-separated string of
                         hex codes for colors: if empty (default),
                      using the default colormap, otherwise use the user-
                         specified colormap
```

4 Running Clumppling

The main module of the package runs the alignment algorithm on clustering outputs of the same model on the same set of individuals, namely, it runs the alignment on different membership matrices $Q: N \times K$ with the same number of rows N, but not necessarily the same number of columns K. This function takes in three required arguments and several optional ones:

- input_path (-i, required): path to the folder that contains the input files, i.e. the clustering results
- output_path (-o, required): path to a folder that the user wants to save the alignment results to, where the folder must not exist yet
- input_format (-f, required): the input data format, chosen from structure, fastStructure, admixture, and generalQ.
- vis (-v, optional): whether to generate visualization: 0 for no, 1 for yes (default)
- cd_param (optional): a numerical value of the resolution parameter for the community detection Louvain algorithm (default 1.0)
- use_rep (optional): whether to use representative replicate as mode consensus: 0 for no (default), 1 for yes
- merge_cls (optional): whether to merge all pairs of clusters to align K+1 and K: 0 for no (default), 1 for yes
- cd_default (optional): whether to use the default Louvain algorithm for community detection: 0 for no, 1 for yes (default). If no, then extra steps need to be taken to add a custom community detection function in the source code (see Section 8).

- plot_modes, plot_modes_withinK, plot_major_modes, and plot_all_modes (optional): whether to generate corresponding visualizations of the results: 0 for no, 1 for yes. If yes, the corresponding figure(s) will be generated.
 - plot_modes (default 1): all aligned modes in structure plots over a multipartite graph, where better alignment between the modes is indicated by the darker color of the edges connecting their structure plots, and the cost of optimal alignment is labeled on each edge.
 - plot_modes_withink (default 0): A set of figures, one for each number of clusters, with all modes with the same number of clusters in structure plots in one figure.
 - plot_major_modes (default 0): the major modes of each K aligned in a series of structure plots.
 - plot_all_modes (default 0) all aligned modes in a series of structure plots.
- custom_cmap (optional): a string that is either empty (default "") or contains a list of colors to be used for a customized colormap. If the string is empty then the default colormap will be used. The customized colormap, if provided, should be a list of colors in hex code in a comma-delimited string. An example colormap with five colors looks like "#FF0000, #FFFF00, #00EAFF #AA00FF, #FF7F00". If the provided colormap does not have enough colors for all clusters, colors will be cycled.

The default function can be called by python -m clumppling followed by the arguments. You can provide arguments in either of the following ways:

```
python -m clumppling -i INPUT_PATH -o OUTPUT_PATH -f INPUT_FORMAT

or
```

```
python -m clumppling --input_path INPUT_PATH --output_path OUTPUT_PATH --
input_format INPUT_FORMAT
```

or

```
python -m clumppling --input_path="INPUT_PATH" --output_path="OUTPUT_PATH"
    --input_format="INPUT_FORMAT"
```

where the INPUT_PATH, OUTPUT_PATH, and INPUT_FORMAT denote the user-specific arguments. You may also use a backslash at the end of a line for a line break:

```
python -m clumppling \
-i INPUT_PATH \
-o OUTPUT_PATH \
-f INPUT_FORMAT
```

Details about different input data formats supported by Clumppling are described in Section 5.

5 Input Data Format

The alignment function clumppling supports various input formats. It can be used with the alignment of the outputs of widely-used popular population structure inference methods, *Structure*, *fastStructure*, and *Admixture*, as well as the general output of any mixed-membership clustering method stored as membership matrices.

5.1 Clustering From Structure

To specify the input format as Structure results files, you need to use the following argument for the function clumppling

```
--input_format structure # or -i structure
```

The input_path should point to the "Results" folder that stores the output files of *Structure*. This folder should be automatically generated when you run a *Structure* job. For instance, when you run *Structure* on a project with parameter set named xxx for 100 runs, this folder will contain files with names xxx_run_1_f to xxx_run_100_f. This input format is also the one we use for the demonstration in this manual.

5.2 Clustering From Admixture

To specify the input format as *Admixture* results files, you need to use the following argument for the function clumppling

```
--input_format admixture
```

The input_path should point to the a folder that stores the output files of Admixture, namely, those ending with "K.Q", where K is the number of clusters, or those ending with ".indivq" (where additional individual information is available). These files store the ancestry fractions, as in membership matrices. It is fine to leave other files, if any, in the same folder. The program will ignore all files not with the corresponding extension. I.e., if there are 50 ".Q" files, then Clumpplinq will attempt to align these 50 runs of the clustering.

5.3 Clustering From fastStructure

To specify the input format as fastStructure results files, you need to use the following argument for the function clumppling

```
--input_format fastStructure
```

The input_path should point to the folder that stores the output files of fastStructure. Specifically, this folder needs to contain the output ".K.meanQ" files, where K is the number of clusters for the run. The ".meanQ" contain the posterior mean of admixture proportions. If the folder contains other files, like ".meanP", ".varP", and ".varQ", the program will simply ignore them, so there is no need to filter those files out after running fastStructure. You simply need to use the output directory of fastStructure as the input_path for Clumppling.

5.4 General Membership Matrices From Any Clustering

Clumppling also accepts input as general membership matrices, regardless of the clustering methods used for generating them. To specify such input format, which we term "general Q matrices", you need to use the following argument for the function clumppling

```
--input_format generalQ
```

The file format in the folder that $input_path$ is pointing to should be the same as that for the input data coming from Admixture output, the Q files. The files should end with ".Q". There is no need to include K in the file name, as the program will automatically detect the number of clusters when loading the clustering results. Each ".Q" file should contain the space-delimited membership matrix of a run. For instance, if there are 100 individuals clustered into 4 ancestries, then each row should contain 4 values, separated by space and summing up to 1, which correspond to the membership coefficients of an individual, and there should be 100 rows in the file.

6 Output Files

The main function clumppling generates outputs in a folder specified by output_path and zips them into a zip file "OUTPUT_PATH.zip". The folder shall include six subfolders and an output file "output.log". An "output.log" file contains all the output to the console when running *Clumppling*, which also documents the run time. The contents of the six subfolders are described in detail in the following subsections.

Alignment pattern. In the output files, the optimal alignment between a pair of replicates (or modes) is recorded as a space-separated group of numbers. For instance, if Replicate 1 and Replicate 2, each with five clusters, have the alignment pattern 4 2 1 5 3, the five clusters in Replicate 2 should be matched to clusters 4, 2, 1, 5, and 3 in Replicate 1, respectively. The number of clusters in Replicate 2 will always be no less than that in Replicate 1. Because multiple clusters in Replicate 2 may be matched to the same cluster in Replicate 1,

6.1 The "input" folder

The "input" folder contains the following files:

- ".Q" files of membership matrices which are the input clustering results loaded and processed by *Clumppling*. The naming of the ".Q" files, which are the labels of the replicates used by *Clumppling*, follows the pattern of "1_K5R2.Q", where 1 is the index of the clustering results used in by *Clumppling*, 5 is the number of clusters, and 2 is the index of this replicate in all replicates with this number of cluster.
- A comma-delimited "input_files.txt" file with two fields. The first field is the name of processed ".Q" files and the second field is the corresponding name of the original input file.
- A "ind_info.txt" file if the input data format provides population labeling of the individuals. It contains auxiliary information on the individuals like identification label and population, where the order of the individuals is the same as that in the membership matrices.

6.2 The "alignment_withinK" folder

The "alignment_withinK" folder stores the results of all pairwise alignment of replicates with the same number of clusters. It contains one comma-delimited text file for each K value in the input. Each file contains three fields: three fields: Replicate1-Replicate2, Cost, and Alignment. Replicate1-Replicate2 records the labels of the two replicates. Cost records the cost of optimal alignment between the two replicates. Alignment records the optimal alignment pattern between the two replicates in a space-separated group of numbers. Each line in the file, except for the header, corresponds to the alignment results of a pair of replicates with the specified number of clusters.

For example, the following line

```
151_K5R1-152_K5R2,0.01769820597265037,4 2 1 5 3
```

records the alignment results between replicate 151_K5R1 and replicate 152_K5R2. The optimal alignment pattern between them is 4 2 1 5 3, and under this optimal alignment, the cost between the aligned replicates is 0.01769820597265037.

6.3 The "modes" folder

The "modes" folder contains the following files:

- ".Q" files of the consensus membership matrices of all modes detected. The naming of the ".Q" files, which are the labels of the modes used by *Clumppling*, follows the pattern of "K5M1_avg.Q", where 5 is the number of clusters, 1 is the index of this mode in all modes with this number of cluster, and mean stands for using the mean memberships as the consensus of mode. An alternative is rep, which tells the program to use the representative replicate as the consensus of mode.
- A comma-delimited "mode_alignments.txt" file with four fields: Mode, Representative, Replicate, and Alignment. A line in the file looks like this:

```
K5M1,152_K5R2,151_K5R1,3 2 5 1 4
```

Mode records the label of the mode, e.g., K5M1. Representative records the label of the representative replicate of the mode, e.g., 152_K5R2. Replicate records the label of the focal replicate, e.g., 152_K5R1. Alignment records the space-separated alignment pattern between the representative and the focal replicates.

- A comma-delimited "mode_stats.txt" file with five fields: Mode, Representative, Size, Cost, and Performance. Mode and Representative are the same as in "mode_alignments.txt". Size, Cost, and Performance record the size (number of clusters) of the mode, the averaged cost of the alignment between all pairs of clusters in the mode, and the averaged performance measure, calculated as the H' similarity, of all the pairwise alignments in the mode. A lower cost and a higher performance value indicate a better alignment quality for the mode detected.
- A comma-delimited "mode_average_stats.txt" file with five fields: K, Size, NS-Size, Cost, and Performance. K is the number of clusters. Size is the total number of replicates. NS-Size is the number of replicates not belonging to singleton modes (i.e., modes with only one replicate). Cost is the weighted average of the cost of all modes not including the singletons, weighted by the mode size. Performance is the weighted average of the performance measure (H' similarity) of all modes not including the singletons, weighted by the mode size.

6.4 The "alignment_across_K" folder

The "alignment_across_K" folder contains two files for each type of consensus membership of the mode, specified by the suffixes "_avg" and "_rep".

- A comma-delimited "alignment_acrossK.txt" file with three fields: Mode1-Mode2, Cost, and Alignment. Each line in the file, except for the header, corresponds to the alignment results of a pair of modes. Mode1-Mode2 records the labels of the two modes, where the second mode has a number of clusters no less than the first mode. Cost records the cost of optimal alignment between the two modes. Alignment records the optimal alignment pattern between the two modes in a space-separated group of numbers.
- A comma-delimited "best_pairs_acrossK.txt" file with five fields: Best Pair, Cost, Alignment, Separate-Cluster Cost, and Separate-Cluster Alignment. Best Pair is the best pair of modes between adjacent K in terms of the alignment performance, e.g., K4M1-K5M1. Cost and Performance record the cost and performance measure of optimal alignment between this pair of modes by merging the clusters in Mode 2 that get matched to the same cluster in Mode 1 and comparing two membership matrices of the same size after the merging. Separate-Cluster Cost and Separate-Cluster Performance record the cost and performance measurement that are calculated by comparing each pair of clusters that are matched and summing over the value for all clusters. For two or more clusters from Mode 2 that are matched to the same cluster in Mode 1, the average cost and performance of them are considered.

6.5 The "modes_aligned" folder

The "modes_aligned" folder contains the following files:

- ".Q" files of the consensus membership matrices of all modes that are aligned across different numbers of clusters. The best pair of modes for each pair of adjacent K values are used as anchors. The rest of the modes with the same K are aligned to the anchor according to results in "mode_alignments.txt" (in the "modes" folder), then the anchors are aligned according to results in the "alignment_across_K" folder. The naming of the ".Q" files follows the pattern of "K5M1_aligned_avg.Q", where the suffix "_avg" denotes the type of consensus membership used.
- A comma-delimited "all_modes_alignment.txt" file for each type of consensus membership of the mode specified by the suffixes "_avg" and "_rep". A line in the file looks like this

```
K5M1:4 3 2 1 5
```

where before the colon is the mode, and after the colon is the permutation pattern that is used to generate the aligned mode in "modes_aligned" from the unaligned ones in the "modes" folder.

6.6 The "visualization" folder

The "visualization" folder contains all the output figures if the corresponding parameters are set to T.

- "colorbar.png" is the colorbar showing the colormap used in visualization, where each color represents a distinct cluster, indexed from 1 to K. The colormap may be specified by the user by setting the custom_cmap parameters.
- "modes_aligned_multipartite_avg.png" and "modes_aligned_multipartite_rep.png" plot the aligned modes over a multi-partite graph picturing the alignment relationships across different K. The modes are plotted in stacked bar plots. Better alignment between the modes is indicated by the darker color of the edges connecting their bar plots, and the cost of optimal alignment is labeled on each edge. These figures will only be generated if the parameter plot_modes is 1.
- "major_modes_aligned_avg.png" and "major_modes_aligned_rep.png" plot the memberships in a series of stacked bar plots for the major modes for all K, ordering from the smallest K to the largest. These figures will only be generated if the parameter plot_major_modes is 1.
- One figure for each K for each type of consensus membership, with the name following "K5_modes_avg.png". The figure plots the memberships in a series of stacked bar plots for all aligned modes of the specific K. These figures will only be generated if the parameter plot_modes_withinK is 1.

• "modes_aligned_avg.png" and "modes_aligned_rep.png" plot the memberships in a series of stacked bar plots for all aligned modes for all K, ordering from the smallest K to the largest and mode indexes from small to large. These figures will only be generated if the parameter plot_modes is 1.

In all the figures, each color represents a cluster, where the colors are specified by the customized colormap if custom_cmap is provided.

7 Running Demonstration Examples

To run the demonstrations, make sure that your current directory is the "Clumppling" directory and that the folder with input files is put under "Clumppling/input". If you previously downloaded the data files as a zip file, unzip them to a folder with the same name. You may check your current working directory by running the command pwd.

The commands provided in this section can be used to run the examples. Alternatively, they can be run through the bash scripts which contain all the commands. To run the bash scripts, you need to install Bash on the system if it is not already there. The example bash scripts to run the demonstrations, as well as the default parameter files, are under the directory "Clumppling/scripts".

7.1 Datasets

To demonstrate the usage of this package, we use several published genetic datasets, and run clustering algorithms on those datasets to get the input to our alignment framework.

7.1.1 Human genotype data

The human genotype data contains genotype information of 44 individuals in the admixed population of Cape Verde and selected West African and Western European populations from the HGDP dataset [6]. Admixture was run 50 times independently for each K value from 2 to 5, resulting in a total of 200 clustering replicates. This dataset is used to demonstrate the alignment of Admixture output files.

7.1.2 Chicken microsatellite data

The chicken microsatellite data comprises of 27 microsatellite loci genotyped in 600 individuals from 20 chicken populations [5]. We run Structure [4] on the full set of loci for 20 runs for each K from 17 to 21, then align all the 100 replicates using Clumppling. This dataset is used to demonstrate the alignment of Structure output files.

7.2 Running clumppling on Admixture output files

To run align the clustering outputs on our example dataset from different runs of the program Admixture using the default community detection and visualization settings, you can run the following command

```
python -m clumppling \
--input_path input/capeverde \
--output_path output/capeverde_default \
--input_format admixture
```

Alternatively, you may write the command in a bash script and run the bash script. For example, when you are in the "Clumppling" directory, you can run the same example using the bash script in "run_ex1_default' as follows

```
bash scripts/run_ex1_default.sh
```

This example will generate the following outputs in the console

```
Using default community detection method: True
Community detection parameter: 1.0
Using a representative replicate as the mode consensus: False
Merging all possible pairs of clusters when aligning two replicates with K
  differing by one: False
----- [Plotting] -----
Providing customized colormap: False
Plotting aligned modes on top of a multipartitie graph: True
Plotting modes of the same K: False
Plotting major modes: False
Plotting all modes: False
_____
====== Running Clumppling ======
>>> Processing input data files and checking arguments
Time: 3.247s
>>> Aligning replicates within K and detecting modes
Time: 17.273s
>>> Aligning modes across K
Time: 0.152s
>>> Plotting alignment results
Time: 11.139s
>>> Zipping files
====== Total Time: 32.443s =======
```

7.3 Running clumppling on Structure output files

To run align the clustering outputs on our example dataset from different runs of the program *Structure* using the default community detection and visualization settings, you can run the following command

```
python -m clumppling \
--input_path input/chicken \
--output_path output/chicken_default \
--input_format structure --cd_param=1.05
```

Alternatively, you may write the command in a bash script and run the bash script. For example, when you are in the "Clumppling" directory, you can run the same example using the bash script in "run_ex2_default.sh" as follows

```
bash scripts/run_ex2_default.sh
```

This example will generate the following outputs in the console:

7.4 Running clumppling on outputs with a non-consecutive number of clusters

To demonstrate Clumppling's ability to align replicates when the number of clusters are not consecutive, we provide an additional example with a subset of runs from Example 2, with K = 17, 19, and 21. The command stays the same, except for the input path, and the corresponding bash script is

```
bash scripts/ex3.sh
```

and the commands in the script are

8 Additional Customizable Functionalities

Clumppling also provides additional customizable functionalities, which require the modification of provided Python code files.

If you install the package via downloading the package files, you can find the code files under the "Clumppling'-clumppling" folder. If you install the package directly using git, you may locate your package files by

```
pip show clumppling
```

and then navigate to the location shown.

8.1 Custom community detection method

To use a custom community detection method, you need to modify the code file "custom_funcs.py" to implement the customized community detection function cd_custom and change the corresponding parameter in the parameter file. Once you locate the file, make changes to the following function

```
def cd_custom(G):
    """Customized community detection method (need to be modified)

Parameters
-----
G: networkx.Graph
```

The cd_custom function takes in a NetworkX graph object, where nodes are replicates we want to align, and edges between each pair of replicates are negatively weighted by the optimal alignment cost between them. In general, nodes that are more densely connected (having edges with higher weights among them) should belong to the same community, while nodes that are connected by weaker edges (those with lower weights) should belong to different communities. The function should output a Python dictionary object containing the information of partitioning the nodes into communities.

The current function provided contains a dummy line of assigning all nodes (replicates, indexed starting from 0) into one community (mode, labeled 0). You should comment out this dummy line and implement your own community detection method that gives a valid partition map. You may refer to our default Louvain method implemented in the cd_default function in the file "funcs.py" as an example.

Next, reinstall the program by calling pip install -e . again, then you can run *Clumppling* with your customized community detection method for mode detection by setting the parameter "cd_default" to 0 in input arguments.

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