Introduction to BreakPointGenes

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1 Running BreakPointGenes

This is a short tutorial on how to use the BreakPointGenes package. It covers an example run using included copy number data of one chromosome from 200 samples. The samples are part of the CAIRO study described in REF. Let's start by loading the package.

> library(BreakPointGenes)

1.1 Loading copy number data

Copy number data can be loaded in two ways. Either from a cghCall/QDNAseq object (ouput of bioconductor packages CGHcall or QDNAseq) or by providing a data.frame with 4 columns: Region-name (usually probe identifier), Chromosome, Start and End. In this tutorial we load a built-in dataset:

```
> data( "copynumber.data.chr20" )
```

By inspecting the just loaded dataset, we see that we are dealing with an R object of class "cghCall" with 3653 features (aCGH probes in this case) and 200 samples.

```
> copynumber.data.chr20
cghCall (storageMode: lockedEnvironment)
assayData: 3653 features, 200 samples
  element names: calls, copynumber, probamp, probgain, probloss, probnorm, segmented
protocolData: none
phenoData
  sampleNames: sample_1 sample_2 ... sample_200 (200 total)
  varLabels: Cellularity
  varMetadata: labelDescription
featureData
  featureNames: A_16_P03469195 A_14_P136138 ... A_18_P13856091 (3653 total)
  fvarLabels: Chromosome Start End
  fvarMetadata: labelDescription
experimentData: use 'experimentData(object)'
Annotation:
```

1.2 Obtaining data from a cghCall object (ouput from packages CGHcall or QDNAseq)

Then we need to obtain copy number data. Because the BreakPointGenes package is an extension of the work done in packages CGHcall (for array data) and QDNAseq (for sequencing data), an object of class "cghCall" can be used as input.

```
> bp <- getBreakpoints( data = cghCallObject )</pre>
```

1.3 Obtaining data from a cghCall object (ouput from packages CGHcall or QDNAseq)

Then we need to obtain gene annotations. For hg18 and hg19 reference sequence these are included and can be loaded:

```
> data( ens.gene.ann.hg18.chr20 )
> head( ens.gene.ann.hg18.chr20 )
                        EnsID Chromosome
                                                       End
         Gene
                                            Start
2752
         RNU7 ENSG00000210768
                                      20 49954915 49954976
8454
       RPL7P2 ENSG00000220880
                                      20 2004201
                                                  2004468
8455
     RPL19P1 ENSG00000217306
                                      20 2709260 2709687
8456 UBE2V1P1 ENSG00000218621
                                      20
                                          3290527
                                                   3290971
8458
     SF3A3P1 ENSG00000217305
                                      20
                                          3418176
                                                   3419652
8463
     RPS18P1 ENSG00000217102
                                      20 5461524 5461981
```

1.4 Processing bam files

Next step is to load the copy number data from a cghCall file or from a text file. This can be done for example with one of the commands below.

Next up is the detection of breakpoints

```
> bp <- getBreakpoints( data = copynumber.data.chr20 )
Breakpoint detection started...200 samples</pre>
```

Next we filter breakpoints. Different filters can be set with different threshold. Default here is "deltaSeg" filter with a threshold of 0.2. This means that only breakpoints which...

```
> bp <- bpFilter( bp )
Applying BP selection...</pre>
```

Next we will add the gene annotation information to the BreakPointGenes object. No analysis is done here yet.

```
> bp <- addGeneAnnotation( bp, ens.gene.ann.hg18.chr20 )
```

```
Adding of gene annotation started on 659 genes by 200 samples 0% \dots 25% \dots 50% \dots 75% \dots Adding gene annotation DONE
```

Next we perform the gene analysis. This overlaps the genomic locations of the genes with the copy number data to find breakpoints within genes.

```
> bp <- bpGenes( bp )
Running bpGenes: 659 genes and 200 samples
0% ... 25% ... 50% ... 75% ... bpGenes DONE
A total of 1029 gene breaks in 241 genes detected</pre>
```

Next we determine the significantly recurring breakpoints. This be done at the "gene" or "feature" level and using one of two different methods ("Benjamini Hochberg" or "Gilbert"). The advantage of using...

```
> bp <- bpStats( bp )
Applying statistical test over 200 samples for: gene breakpoints: BH test...
> bp
```

This will return an object of class CopyNumberBreakPoints.

2 Session Information

The version number of R and packages loaded for generating the vignette were:

```
R version 3.1.1 (2014-07-10)
Platform: x86_64-pc-linux-gnu (64-bit)
locale:
 [1] LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8
 [2] LC_NUMERIC=C
 [3] LC_TIME=en_US.UTF-8
 [4] LC_COLLATE=en_US.UTF-8
 [5] LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8
 [6] LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8
 [7] LC_PAPER=en_US.UTF-8
 [8] LC_NAME=C
 [9] LC_ADDRESS=C
[10] LC_TELEPHONE=C
[11] LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US.UTF-8
[12] LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
attached base packages:
[1] stats
          graphics grDevices
[4] utils
              datasets methods
[7] base
other attached packages:
[1] BreakPointGenes_0.0.1
loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
 [1] Biobase_2.26.0
 [2] BiocGenerics_0.12.1
 [3] CGHbase_1.26.0
 [4] CGHcall_2.28.0
 [5] devtools_1.7.0
 [6] digest_0.6.8
 [7] evaluate_0.7
 [8] formatR_1.2
 [9] highr_0.5
[10] htmltools_0.2.6
[11] impute_1.40.0
[12] knitr_1.10
[13] limma_3.22.7
[14] magrittr_1.5
[15] marray_1.44.0
[16] parallel_3.1.1
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- [17] rmarkdown_0.7
- [18] R.methodsS3_1.7.0
- [19] R.oo_1.19.0
- [20] R.utils_2.0.2
- [21] stringi_0.4-1
- [22] stringr_1.0.0
- [23] tools_3.1.1
- [24] yaml_2.1.13