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Description

Transcript detection and quantification from long reads

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add_psi_counts	<i>Add count data to a PSI SummarizedExperiment object</i>
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Description

Adds two assays ('counts' and 'other_counts') to a PSI SummarizedExperiment object, making it suitable for downstream analysis using the DEXSeq package.

Usage

add_psi_counts(se_psi, se_gene)

Arguments

- se_psi

A PSI SummarizedExperiment object returned by the [transcript_to_psi](#) function.
- se_gene

A gene-level SummarizedExperiment object returned by the [tcc_to_gene](#) function. It must be compatible with the se_psi object (i.e. they must originate from the same TCC data).

Value

A copy of the se_psi PSI SummarizedExperiment object with count assays added.

bam_to_read_structures

Extract read structures from BAM files

Description

Extracts non-redundant read structures from one or multiple BAM files.

Usage

```
bam_to_read_structures(bam_files, chunk_size = 1e+06, ncpu = 1)
```

Arguments

bam_files	A character vector containing BAM file paths.
chunk_size	An integer scalar specifying the chunk size for reading the BAM files.
ncpu	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A data frame containing non-redundant read structure data obtained from the BAM files.

bam_to_tcc

Prepare a TCC SummarizedExperiment object

Description

Prepares a TCC (Transcript Compatibility Counts) SummarizedExperiment object for the given BAM files and transcript set.

Usage

```
bam_to_tcc(
  bam_files,
  transcript_data,
  run_mode = "de_novo_loose",
  min_read_count = 1,
  min_relative_expression = 0,
  extend_spliced_transcripts = 100,
  is_single_cell = FALSE,
  barcode_tag = "BC",
  chunk_size = 1e+06,
  ncpu = 1
)
```

Arguments

bam_files	A named character vector containing BAM file paths.
transcript_data	A named list containing transcript data returned by the prepare_transcripts function.
run_mode	A string specifying the mode for choosing the transcript set ('strict', 'de_novo_strict', 'de_novo_loose' or 'de_novo_full').
min_read_count	An integer scalar specifying the read count threshold for transcripts extracted from the BAM files.
min_relative_expression	A numeric scalar specifying the relative expression threshold for transcripts extracted from the BAM files.
extend_spliced_transcripts	An integer scalar specifying the number of base pairs by which transcript starts and ends are extended for spliced read compatibility search.
is_single_cell	A logical scalar specifying if the BAM files contain single cell data.
barcode_tag	A string specifying the name of the BAM file tag containing cell barcodes.
chunk_size	An integer scalar specifying the chunk size for reading the BAM files.
ncpu	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment object containing TCC annotation and quantification data.

calculate_psi_ratio_matrix

Calculate PSI count to mean permuted PSI count ratio matrix

Description

Calculates PSI count to mean permuted PSI count ratio matrix for pseudotime window data. This function is designed for preparing data to be visualized as a heatmap, and might take a long time to run - see the vignettes for an example.

Usage

```
calculate_psi_ratio_matrix(
  se_tcc,
  pseudotime_matrix,
  psi_events,
  window_sizes,
  window_steps,
  trim = 0,
  n_perm = 100,
  ncpu = 1
)
```

Arguments

se_tcc	A TCC SummarizedExperiment object returned by the bam_to_tcc function.
pseudotime_matrix	A numeric matrix containing the pseudotime values for each cell (rows) in different trajectories (columns). Cells not belonging to given trajectory should be denoted using NA values.
psi_events	A character vector specifying the PSI events to calculate the ratios for.
window_sizes	A named integer vector specifying the window size for each trajectory.
window_steps	A named integer vector specifying the window step for each trajectory.
trim	A numeric scalar specifying the fraction (0 to 0.5) of cells to be trimmed from each end of the pseudotime spectrum for each trajectory.
n_perm	An integer scalar specifying the number of PSI count permutations to calculate.
ncpu	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A numeric matrix containing the PSI count to mean permuted PSI count ratio values.

export_gtf	<i>Export data to a GTF file</i>
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Description

Exports transcripts from a SummarizedExperiment to a GTF file.

Usage

```
export_gtf(se, file)
```

Arguments

se	A transcript-level SummarizedExperiment object returned by the tcc_to_transcript function.
file	A string specifying the output file path.

Value

Nothing is returned.

filter_psi_events	<i>Filter PSI events</i>
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Description

Prepares a vector of filtered PSI events suitable to be used with the [psi_to_dexseq](#) function.

Usage

```
filter_psi_events(
  se_psi,
  gene_ids = NULL,
  exclude_tss = TRUE,
  exclude_tes = TRUE,
  min_mean_psi = 0.025,
  max_mean_psi = 0.975,
  min_alt_psi_count = 30,
  min_incl_psi = 0.1,
  min_incl_psi_count = 30
)
```

Arguments

se_psi	A PSI SummarizedExperiment object returned by a function from the Isosceles -package.
gene_ids	A character vector specifying the gene IDs to restrict the results to (ignored if set to NULL).
exclude_tss	A logical scalar specifying if TSS (transcription start sites) regions should be excluded from the results.
exclude_tes	A logical scalar specifying if TES (transcription end sites) regions should be excluded from the results.
min_mean_psi	A numeric scalar specifying the minimum value threshold for mean PSI values across all cells.
max_mean_psi	A numeric scalar specifying the maximum value threshold for mean PSI values across all cells.
min_alt_psi_count	An integer scalar specifying the required minimum number of cells with PSI values different than 0, 0.5 or 1.
min_incl_psi	A numeric scalar specifying the minimum PSI value for cells considered to include given PSI event.
min_incl_psi_count	An integer scalar specifying the required minimum number of cells including given PSI event.

Value

A vector of filtered PSI event identifiers.

find_isoswitch	<i>Find isoform switching events</i>
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Description

Identifies isoform switching events by comparing every pair of cell groups using the [findMarkers](#) function from the `scrn` package and searching for transcripts of the same gene showing statistically significant differences in opposite directions.

Usage

```
find_isoswitch(se, cell_labels, min_fdr = 0.05, ncpu = 1)
```

Arguments

<code>se</code>	A transcript-level SummarizedExperiment object returned by the tcc_to_transcript function. The object must contain normalized data stored in the 'logcounts' assay, which can be prepared using functions from the <code>scuttle</code> package.
<code>cell_labels</code>	A vector or a factor containing cell labels acting as a grouping variable.
<code>min_fdr</code>	A numeric scalar specifying the FDR threshold for filtering the results.
<code>ncpu</code>	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A data frame containing the following columns:

transcript_id	Isosceles transcript ID
compatible_tx	comma-separated list of annotated transcript IDs compatible with the Isosceles transcript
gene_id	gene ID
gene_name	gene symbol
pvalue	p-value from the Wilcoxon test performed by the <code>findMarkers</code> function
fdr	false discovery rate (FDR) value from the Wilcoxon test performed by the <code>findMarkers</code> function
auc	area under the curve (AUC) value from the Wilcoxon test performed by the <code>findMarkers</code> function
group_1	label of the cell group in which the transcript is upregulated
group_2	label of the cell group compared to which the transcript is upregulated
contrast	label of the compared cell group pair

gtf_to_intron_bed	<i>Create an intron BED file from a GTF file</i>
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Description

Creates an intron BED file from a GTF file.

Usage

```
gtf_to_intron_bed(gtf_file, file)
```

Arguments

gtf_file	A string containing a GTF file path.
file	A string specifying the output file path.

Value

Nothing is returned.

neighborhood_tcc	<i>Merge the neighboring cell TCC values in scRNA-Seq data</i>
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Description

Prepares a TCC SummarizedExperiment object where count values from the nearest k neighbors are added to the count values of each cell.

Usage

```
neighborhood_tcc(se_tcc, pca_mat, k = 10, use_annoy = FALSE, ncpu = 1)
```

Arguments

se_tcc	A TCC SummarizedExperiment object returned by the bam_to_tcc function.
pca_mat	A matrix containing PCA coordinates of each cell.
k	An integer scalar specifying the number of nearest neighbors to use.
use_annoy	A logical scalar indicating whether to use the Annoy algorithm for approximate nearest neighbor identification (recommended for big datasets).
ncpu	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment object containing merged TCC data.

plot_psi_heatmap	<i>Plot a PSI heatmap</i>
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Description

Creates a heatmap of PSI (Percent Spliced In) values for the regions of a given gene across samples or cells.

Usage

```
plot_psi_heatmap(
  se_psi,
  gene_id,
  heatmap_colors = viridis::cividis(100),
  region_colors = NULL,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

se_psi	A PSI SummarizedExperiment object returned by the transcript_to_psi function.
gene_id	A string containing the identifier of the gene to plot.
heatmap_colors	A character vector containing the color palette used in the heatmap.
region_colors	A named character vector of colors for the region type annotations.
...	Additional parameters for the plot, passed to the pheatmap function.

Value

A plot object.

plot_psi_regions	<i>Plot PSI regions</i>
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Description

Creates a plot showing PSI regions and transcript structures for the given gene. Individual transcript structures are colored by their relative expression, calculated from the overall TPM values and expressed in percentages. For better visualization, introns can be shrunk using the `max_intron_length` argument.

Usage

```
plot_psi_regions(
  se_psi,
  se_transcript,
  gene_id,
  max_transcripts = Inf,
  max_intron_length = NULL,
  region_colors = NULL
)
```

Arguments

se_psi	A PSI SummarizedExperiment object returned by the transcript_to_psi function.
se_transcript	A transcript-level SummarizedExperiment object returned by the tcc_to_transcript function.
gene_id	A string containing the identifier of the gene to plot.
max_transcripts	An integer scalar specifying the maximum number of transcripts with the highest relative expression to plot.
max_intron_length	An integer scalar specifying the maximum intron length after shrinking. If set to NULL, no shrinking is performed.
region_colors	A named character vector of colors for the PSI region types.

Value

A plot object.

plot_splicing_support_levels

Plot spliced read counts by splicing support level

Description

Creates a plot showing counts of spliced reads (extracted from the BAM files using the [bam_to_read_structures](#) function and processed by the [prepare_transcripts](#) function) by their splicing support level.

Usage

```
plot_splicing_support_levels(transcript_data)
```

Arguments

transcript_data	A named list containing transcript data returned by the prepare_transcripts function.
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Value

A plot object.

prepare_transcripts	<i>Prepare transcript data for the analysis</i>
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Description

Prepares transcript data (reference and extracted from the BAM files) for further analysis.

Usage

```
prepare_transcripts(
  gtf_file,
  genome_fasta_file,
  bam_parsed = NULL,
  min_intron_length = 30,
  max_intron_length = 5e+06,
  known_intron_motifs = c("GT-AG"),
  rescue_annotated_introns = TRUE,
  known_intron_granges = NULL,
  min_bam_splice_read_count = 2,
  min_bam_splice_fraction = 0.1,
  bin_size = 50,
  use_full_hash = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

gtf_file	A string containing a GTF file path.
genome_fasta_file	A string containing a genome FASTA file path.
bam_parsed	A data frame containing non-redundant read structure data returned by the bam_to_read_structures function. If NULL, only reference transcripts are used.
min_intron_length	An integer scalar specifying the minimal length of introns to assign strand to.
max_intron_length	An integer scalar specifying the maximum length of introns to assign strand to.
known_intron_motifs	A character vector specifying the known intron motifs.
rescue_annotated_introns	A logical scalar specifying if introns found in genome annotations should be kept even if they don't have known intron motifs.

known_intron_granges	A GRanges object storing known intron positions (e.g. from short read data) used for transcript classification. If set to NULL, only introns from reference annotations are used.
min_bam_splice_read_count	An integer scalar specifying the read count threshold for splice sites confirmed by aligned reads.
min_bam_splice_fraction	A numeric scalar specifying the minimum connectivity fraction to a known splice site for splice sites confirmed by aligned reads.
bin_size	An integer scalar specifying the bin size for transcript start and end position binning.
use_full_hash	A logical scalar specifying if full value of the MD5 hash (32 characters) should be used for the stable hash identifier rather than its 16-character substring. This option should not be used unless you encounter a hashing collision error (extremely unlikely).

Value

A named list containing following elements:

tx_df a data frame storing extracted transcript data

tx_granges a GRanges object storing genomic positions of extracted transcript

tx_exon_granges_list a GRangesList object storing exon genomic positions of extracted transcript

tx_intron_granges_list a GRangesList object storing intron genomic positions of extracted transcript

pseudobulk_tcc	<i>Prepare a pseudobulk TCC SummarizedExperiment object</i>
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Description

Prepares a pseudobulk TCC SummarizedExperiment from TCC data and given cell labels.

Usage

```
pseudobulk_tcc(se_tcc, cell_labels)
```

Arguments

se_tcc A TCC SummarizedExperiment object returned by the [bam_to_tcc](#) function.

cell_labels A vector or a factor containing cell labels acting as a grouping variable.

Value

A pseudobulk SummarizedExperiment object containing TCC annotation and quantification data.

pseudotime_tcc	<i>Merge TCC values using moving window over pseudotime</i>
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Description

Prepares a pseudotime window TCC SummarizedExperiment from TCC data and pseudotime values.

Usage

```
pseudotime_tcc(
  se_tcc,
  pseudotime,
  trim = 0,
  window_size = 30,
  window_step = 15
)
```

Arguments

se_tcc	A TCC SummarizedExperiment object returned by the bam_to_tcc function.
pseudotime	A numeric vector containing the pseudotime values for each cell. Cells not belonging to the analyzed trajectory should be denoted using NA values.
trim	A numeric scalar specifying the fraction (0 to 0.5) of cells to be trimmed from each end of the pseudotime spectrum.
window_size	An integer scalar specifying the window size.
window_step	An integer scalar specifying the window step.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment object containing TCC data for pseudotime windows.

psi_to_dexseq	<i>Prepare a PSI count DEXSeqDataSet object</i>
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Description

Prepares a PSI count DEXSeqDataSet object suitable for the analysis of PSI count changes along the given variable(s) (categorical or continuous).

Usage

```
psi_to_dexseq(
  se_psi,
  condition,
  design = ~sample + exon + condition:exon,
  psi_events = NULL,
  remove_redundant_psi = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

se_psi	A PSI SummarizedExperiment object returned by the add_psi_counts function.
condition	A vector or a factor containing the condition variable (categorical or continuous) used in the design formula. Alternatively, a data frame containing multiple variables in separate columns can be used, in which case the design formula needs to be adjusted by the user.
design	A formula which specifies the design of the experiment. See the DEXSeq package documentation for more information.
psi_events	A character vector specifying the PSI events to restrict the analysis to (ignored if set to NULL).
remove_redundant_psi	A logical scalar specifying if PSI events with redundant count profiles should be removed from the analysis.

Value

A DEXSeqDataSet object containing PSI count data, suitable for further analysis using the DEXSeq package.

tcc_to_gene	<i>Prepare a gene-level SummarizedExperiment object</i>
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Description

Prepares a gene-level SummarizedExperiment from TCC data.

Usage

```
tcc_to_gene(se_tcc)
```

Arguments

se_tcc	A TCC SummarizedExperiment object returned by a function from the Isosceles-package .
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Value

A SummarizedExperiment object containing gene annotation and quantification data.

tcc_to_transcript	<i>Prepare a transcript-level SummarizedExperiment object</i>
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Description

Prepares a transcript-level SummarizedExperiment from TCC data using the EM algorithm.

Usage

```
tcc_to_transcript(
  se_tcc,
  em.maxiter = 250,
  em.conv = 0.01,
  use_length_normalization = TRUE,
  ncpu = 1
)
```

Arguments

se_tcc	A TCC SummarizedExperiment object returned by a function from the Isosceles -package.
em.maxiter	An integer scalar specifying the maximum number of EM iterations.
em.conv	A numeric scalar specifying the EM convergence threshold.
use_length_normalization	A logical scalar specifying if normalization using effective transcript lengths should be used during EM.
ncpu	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment object containing transcript annotation and quantification data.

transcript_to_psi	<i>Prepare a PSI SummarizedExperiment object</i>
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Description

Prepares a PSI (Percent Spliced In) SummarizedExperiment object for the given transcript-level SummarizedExperiment object. PSI values are calculated for the following types of regions:

- **TSS** - transcription start sites
- **TES** - transcription end sites
- **CE** - core exonic regions
- **RI** - retained intronic regions

- **A5** - 5' alternative exonic regions
- **A3** - 3' alternative exonic regions

TSS and TES positions are calculated based on transcripts' binned start and end coordinates extracted from their identifiers.

Usage

```
transcript_to_psi(se, ncpu = 1)
```

Arguments

se	A transcript-level SummarizedExperiment object returned by the tcc_to_transcript function.
ncpu	An integer scalar specifying the number of cores to use for multicore parallelization.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment object containing PSI annotation and quantification data.

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