

rCube - RNA-Rates in R

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Abstract

rCube provides a framework for the estimation of RNA metabolism Rates in R (*R*³). The *rCube* package complements the recently published transient transcriptome sequencing (TT-seq) protocol. It has been shown, that 4sU-labeling and subsequent purification of RNA allows to monitor local RNA synthesis. Therefore, the information from TT-seq/4sU-seq and total RNA-seq samples is used to model RNA synthesis, splicing, and degradation rates based on first-order kinetics. The *rCube* package works on count data and provides a series of functionalities to extract them from the desired features. It allows to extract junctions and constitutive exons from feature annotations, count reads from BAM-files, and normalize different samples against each other using a variety of different methods.

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1 Background

As described in [2], 4sU-seq allows to monitor changes in the RNA metabolism. If cells are exposed to 4sU, they rapidly take up this Uridine analog and incorporate it into newly-synthesized RNAs. This way, newly-synthesized RNAs are labeled and can be extracted from the total RNA in the sample. The longer the labeling time, e.i. the time from 4sU addition to harvesting the cells, the bigger is the proportion of labeled RNAs among all RNAs.

Variations in read counts among different samples can have multiple reasons. One source of variation is the sequencing depth. Even replicates from the same experimental condition may exhibit different read counts based on how deep the samples were sequenced. These variations (up to biological variations) can be overcome by normalization to sequencing depth. In a typical RNA-seq experiment, one wants to compare different samples under different experimental conditions. After extracting the RNA from the cells, the same starting material is used for the library preparation. Therefore the information is lost, if cells from different samples were expressing different amounts of RNA (both for individual genes or on a global scale). Artificial RNA spike-in sequences can be used to adjust for global sequencing variations between samples. Adding the same volumes of spike-ins to a defined number of cells can help to resolve this problem, as they are subject to the same technical biases than natural RNAs, but their read counts should not be influenced by biological processes. In the case of TT-seq/4sU-seq, we additionally want to rescale 4sU-labeled and total RNA-seq samples, so that the ratio of labeled RNA to total RNA read counts reflects the ratio of labeled RNA to total RNA amounts in the cell. This can be achieved by labeling some of the spike-ins with 4sU during the *in vitro* transcription. Then it is also possible to quantify the amount of unlabeled spike-ins (RNAs) that is not lost during labeled RNA purification, the so-called cross-contamination.

explain time series vs only label total

The normalization based on artificial spike-ins and subsequent estimation of synthesis and degradation rates has been successfully implemented and applied in different studies: In human K562 cells, we investigated synthesis rates and half-lives of different RNA species under steady-state conditions [1]. In another study, we investigated the change of RNA synthesis immediately after T-cell stimulation [3]. The sensitivity of TT-seq allowed us to monitor rapid changes in transcription from enhancers and promoters during the immediate response of T cells to ionomycin and phorbol 12-myristate 13-acetate (PMA).

define synthesis, splicing, decay rate

define the read classifications: junction reads E-E, E-I, I-E junction

2 Getting started

This vignette provides a pipeline how to... starting from BAM files... You will learn how to estimate sample specific sequencing depths and cross-contamination rates from spike-in counts. These values can be used to normalize gene expression values obtained by RNA-Seq and thus estimate gene-specific synthesis and degradation rates. By extracting reads spanning junctions, splicing times can be estimated. For more robust estimation, multiple samples with different labeling times are taken into account. Before starting, the package must be loaded by:

```
library("rCube")
```

2.1 Example Data

The `inst/extdata` of the *rCube* package provides two example data sets that should illustrate the two different functionalities of *rCube*:

The first example data set, "Jurkat", contains bam files from resting and activated Jurkat T-cells for TT-seq and RNA-seq samples. The bamfiles are restricted to the FOS gene (chr14:75278000-75283000) and the artificial spike-ins, subsampled to reduce file size. The full data sets are published in [3]. This example data is used to demonstrate the spike-in normalization method, and the estimation of synthesis and degradation rates for individual 4sU-labeled (TT-seq) and total RNA-seq pairs.

The second data set , ...

3 Conditional synthesis and degradation rates for Jurkat data

Example data sets from a T-cell activation experiment are stored in the `inst/extdata` of the *rCube* package. In this part of the vignette, we will demonstrate

- how reads can be counted for (constitutive) exons and spike-ins,
- how the samples are normalized against each other based on the spike-in read counts,
- how synthesis and degradation rates are obtained for (constitutive) exons
- how gene-specific rates are obtained from exon-specific rates

Please note, the data set is downsampled due to size reasons, that's why fitting results are less accurate than when applied to multiple genes from deep-sequenced samples.

3.1 Gene model

working on exons/introns/genes... The estimation of synthesis and degradation rates with the *rCube* package relies on read counts. Dependent on the features, for which read counts are provided, the rates can reflect synthesis rates of exons, introns, or full genes. Especially degradation rates may differ between exons and introns. Therefore, the features, which should be used to estimate synthesis and degradation rates, and for which read counts are provided or should be obtained, need to be provided as a *GRanges* object.

Due to numerous transcript isoforms per gene, and the arising problem that for some bases their exonic or intronic nature cannot be unambiguously identified, we propose to use the model of constitutive exons/introns from [4]. Hereby, all bases, that belong to an exon/intron in all (annotated) transcript isoforms of the same gene, are thought to be part of "constitutive" exons/introns. Figure 1 shows an example annotation from the FOS gene (not comprehensive) to illustrate how constitutive exons can be extracted from an exon annotation with the following code:

```
data("exampleExons")  
exampleExons
```

```
## GRanges object with 7 ranges and 3 metadata columns:
##      seqnames      ranges strand |      type      gene_id
##      <Rle>        <IRanges> <Rle> | <factor>    <character>
## [1] chr14 [75278774, 75279123]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
## [2] chr14 [75278828, 75279123]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
## [3] chr14 [75279877, 75280128]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
## [4] chr14 [75279877, 75280128]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
## [5] chr14 [75280560, 75280667]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
## [6] chr14 [75280783, 75282230]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
## [7] chr14 [75280783, 75281636]   + | exon ENSG00000170345.9
##      transcript_id
##      <character>
## [1] ENST00000303562.8
## [2] ENST00000535987.5
## [3] ENST00000303562.8
## [4] ENST00000535987.5
## [5] ENST00000303562.8
## [6] ENST00000303562.8
## [7] ENST00000535987.5
## -----
## seqinfo: 1 sequence from an unspecified genome; no seqlengths

constitutiveExons <- createConstitutiveFeaturesGRangesFromGRanges(exampleExons,
                                                                    BPPARAM=NULL,
                                                                    ncores=1)

constitutiveExons

## GRanges object with 3 ranges and 2 metadata columns:
##      seqnames      ranges strand |      type
##      <Rle>        <IRanges> <Rle> | <factor>
## CF00001 chr14 [75278828, 75279123]   + | constitutive feature
## CF00002 chr14 [75279877, 75280128]   + | constitutive feature
## CF00003 chr14 [75280783, 75281636]   + | constitutive feature
##      gene_id
##      <character>
## CF00001 ENSG00000170345.9
## CF00002 ENSG00000170345.9
## CF00003 ENSG00000170345.9
## -----
## seqinfo: 1 sequence from an unspecified genome; no seqlengths
```

Please note, for the subsequent workflow it is not necessary to extract constitutive exons. Any kind of *GRanges* object can be used as feature annotation (e.g. full genes, introns, ...).

3.2 Experimental Design

The *rCube* package works on *rCubeExperiment* containers, that rely on the *SummerizedExperiment* class. Objects of this class are used as input for the whole workflow, starting from read counting, normalization, dispersion estimation, to rate estimation. Most of these steps return an updated and extended *rCubeExperiment* object.

The *rowRanges* of the *rCubeExperiment* is a *GRanges* annotation of features, for which RNA rates should be estimated. Experimental sample information can be either provided by a experimental design matrix or this information can be extracted from the BAM-file names (when they fulfil the required structure).

We first look at the experimental design file `experimentalDesign.txt`, that can be imported as a *data.frame*.

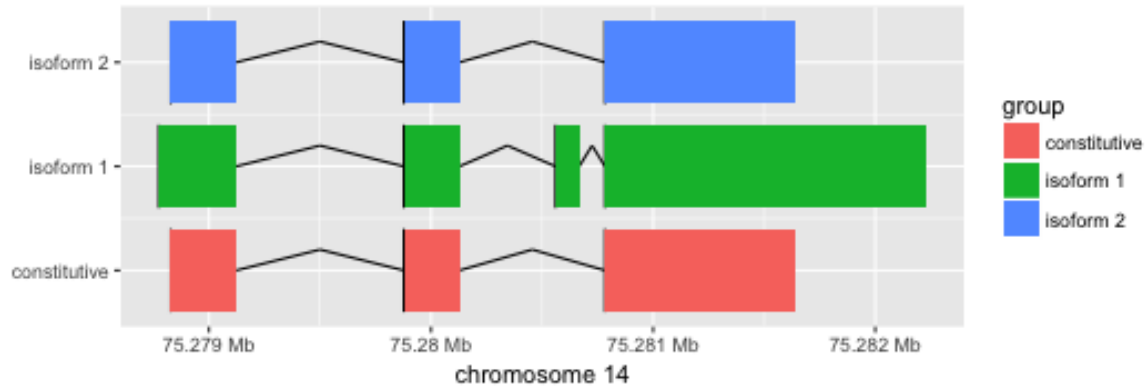


Figure 1: Illustration of two transcript isoforms for the FOS gene and the resulting constitutive exons.

```
folder <- system.file("extdata/Jurkat", package='rCube')
folder

## [1] "/Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/3.4/Resources/library/rCube/extdata/Jurkat"

expDesign <- read.delim(file.path(folder, "experimentalDesign.txt"))
expDesign

##           sample condition LT labelingTime replicate      filename
## 1  Resting_L_5_1   Resting  L             5         1  Resting_L_5_1.bam
## 2  Resting_L_5_2   Resting  L             5         2  Resting_L_5_2.bam
## 3  Resting_T_5_1   Resting  T             5         1  Resting_T_5_1.bam
## 4  Resting_T_5_2   Resting  T             5         2  Resting_T_5_2.bam
## 5  Activated_L_5_1 Activated L             5         1  Activated_L_5_1.bam
## 6  Activated_L_5_2 Activated L             5         2  Activated_L_5_2.bam
## 7  Activated_T_5_1 Activated T             5         1  Activated_T_5_1.bam
## 8  Activated_T_5_2 Activated T             5         2  Activated_T_5_2.bam
```

Together with the feature annotation, for which we want to estimate synthesis and degradation rates, we can construct the *rCubeExperiment*:

```
exonCounts <- setupExperiment(constitutiveExons, designMatrix=expDesign, files=NULL)
class(exonCounts)

## [1] "rCubeExperiment"
## attr(,"package")
## [1] "rCube"
```

Alternatively, the experimental design matrix can be constructed from the bam file names internally, if they follow the following convention {condition}-{L|T}-{labelingTime}-{replicate}.bam

```
bamfiles <- list.files(folder, pattern="*.bam$", full.names=TRUE)
basename(bamfiles)

## [1] "ActivatedJurkat_L_5_1.bam" "ActivatedJurkat_L_5_2.bam"
## [3] "ActivatedJurkat_T_5_1.bam" "ActivatedJurkat_T_5_2.bam"
## [5] "RestingJurkat_L_5_1.bam"   "RestingJurkat_L_5_2.bam"
## [7] "RestingJurkat_T_5_1.bam"   "RestingJurkat_T_5_2.bam"

exonCounts <- setupExperiment(constitutiveExons, designMatrix=NULL, files=bamfiles)
```

The individual information from the *rCubeExperiment* can be assessed by:

```
# feature information
rowRanges(exonCounts)

# sample information
colData(exonCounts)

# read counts
assay(exonCounts)
```

The resulting *rCubeExperiment* object can now be used to count reads.

3.3 Counting

All RNA rate estimations of this package rely on read counts. These can be either provided as count matrices, or read counts can be obtained from BAM files using the *rCube* pipeline.

For read counting, we use the `readGAlignmentPairs` in a parallel fashion:

```
assay(exonCounts)

##           ActivatedJurkat_L_5_1 ActivatedJurkat_L_5_2 ActivatedJurkat_T_5_1
## CF00001             NA             NA             NA
## CF00002             NA             NA             NA
## CF00003             NA             NA             NA
##           ActivatedJurkat_T_5_2 RestingJurkat_L_5_1 RestingJurkat_L_5_2
## CF00001             NA             NA             NA
## CF00002             NA             NA             NA
## CF00003             NA             NA             NA
##           RestingJurkat_T_5_1 RestingJurkat_T_5_2
## CF00001             NA             NA
## CF00002             NA             NA
## CF00003             NA             NA

exonCounts <- countFeatures(exonCounts,
                           scanBamParam=Rsamtools::ScanBamParam(flag=Rsamtools::scanBamFlag(isSecondaryAl
                           BPPARAM=NULL,
                           verbose=FALSE)

assay(exonCounts)

##           ActivatedJurkat_L_5_1 ActivatedJurkat_L_5_2 ActivatedJurkat_T_5_1
## CF00001             74             123             6
## CF00002            112             195             4
## CF00003            481             610            17
##           ActivatedJurkat_T_5_2 RestingJurkat_L_5_1 RestingJurkat_L_5_2
## CF00001             6              0             4
## CF00002             9              4             6
## CF00003            23             15            17
##           RestingJurkat_T_5_1 RestingJurkat_T_5_2
## CF00001             4              2
## CF00002             2              3
## CF00003             1              1
```

In case you already have counted reads on your features of interest, count matrices can be assigned to the correctly formatted, empty *rCubeExperiment* object.

3.4 Spike-ins

The artificial spike-in annotations and labeling information can be loaded via:

```
data("spikeins")
data("spikeinLabeling")
spikeinLengths <- width(spikeins)
```

3.5 Spike-in design

An empty *rCubeExperiment* for the artificial spike-ins additionally requires information about the length and the labeling status of each spikein, and can be constructed as follows:

```
spikeinCounts <- setupExperimentSpikeins(rows=spikeins,
                                         designMatrix=expDesign,
                                         length=spikeinLengths,
                                         labelingState=spikeinLabeling)
```

3.6 Spike-in counting

```
spikeinCounts <- countSpikeins(spikeinCounts,
                               scanBamParam=Rsamtools::ScanBamParam(flag=Rsamtools::scanBamFlag(isSecondaryAlignment=FALSE),
                               BPPARAM=NULL,
                               verbose=FALSE)
assay(spikeinCounts)
```

	Resting_L_5_1	Resting_L_5_2	Resting_T_5_1	Resting_T_5_2	Activated_L_5_1
## Spike2	3648	4416	492	541	4416
## Spike12	75	109	369	408	129
## Spike4	4060	4399	414	456	4031
## Spike5	43	33	472	401	105
## Spike8	4455	5205	397	432	4927
## Spike9	18	13	249	283	66

	Activated_L_5_2	Activated_T_5_1	Activated_T_5_2
## Spike2	3791	695	498
## Spike12	93	496	349
## Spike4	3800	548	425
## Spike5	30	573	363
## Spike8	4272	582	412
## Spike9	14	333	187

The distribution of 4sU-labeled and unlabeled spike-ins among different samples can be illustrated by the function `plotSpikeinCountsVsSample`. Figure 2 shows the read counts of spike-ins in the Jurkat example data set.

```
plotSpikeinCountsVsSample(spikeinCounts)
```

Naturally, labeled spike-ins (Spike2, Spike4, Spike8) should be enriched in labeled samples ("L"), whereas unlabeled spike-ins (Spike5, Spike9, Spike12) should be depleted from these samples. In total RNA-seq samples ("T"), all spike-ins should be present to a similar extend.

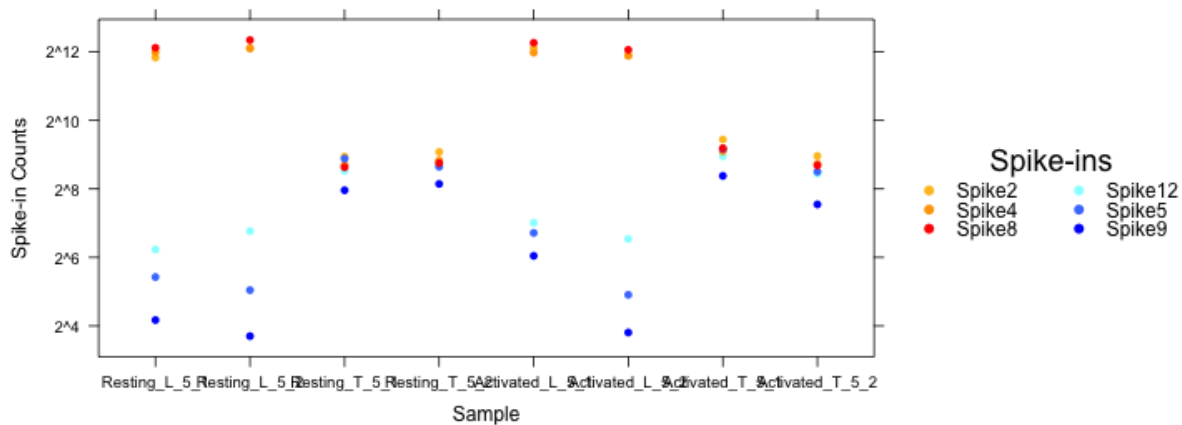


Figure 2: **Spike-in read counts in different samples.** The code that creates this figure is shown in the code chunk.

3.7 Size factor based on spike-ins

We provide two different normalization schemes. In the experimental setup with multiple conditions, the sample specific parameters like sequencing depth and cross-contamination rate are estimated from spike-in read counts only. Therefore, we fit a generalized linear model (GLM) of the Negative Binomial family with a log link function. The response of the GLM are the observed spike-in counts, and the terms that specify the linear predictor of the response are comprised of:

- a sample specific factor (that reflects the sample specific sequencing depth),
- a labeled sample specific factor (that reflects the control for cross contamination (only estimated for unlabeled spike-ins in labeled samples)), and
- a spike-in specific factor to allow for some spike-in specific variation e.g. due to sequence biases.

Additionally, the length of each spike-in is used as an offset, i.e. a known slope for the covariate.

```
exonCounts <- estimateSizeFactors(exonCounts, spikeinCounts, method="spikeinGLM")
colnames(colData(exonCounts))

## [1] "filename"          "sample"             "condition"
## [4] "LT"               "labelingTime"       "replicate"
## [7] "sequencing.depth"  "cross.contamination"

exonCounts$sequencing.depth

##   Resting_L_5_1  Resting_L_5_2  Resting_T_5_1  Resting_T_5_2  Activated_L_5_1
##         0.9121         1.0495         0.1024         0.1079         1.0000
## Activated_L_5_2 Activated_T_5_1 Activated_T_5_2
##         0.8884         0.1376         0.0935

exonCounts$cross.contamination

##   Resting_L_5_1  Resting_L_5_2  Resting_T_5_1  Resting_T_5_2  Activated_L_5_1
##         0.0137         0.0130         1.0000         1.0000         0.0288
## Activated_L_5_2 Activated_T_5_1 Activated_T_5_2
##         0.0138         1.0000         1.0000
```

Note, the cross-contamination value for all total RNA-seq samples is 1, as 100% of the unlabeled RNAs are supposed to be in the sample. Additional fitting results are stored in the metadata of the resulting *rCubeExperiment* object.

```
metadata(exonCounts)
```


3.8 Providing gene-wise dispersion estimates

Usually, read counts in different RNA-seq samples undergo fluctuations due to biological or technical variances. To take these fluctuations into account, we estimate each gene's dispersion. For each gene, a single dispersion estimate for all 4sU-Seq samples and for all Total RNA-Seq samples is needed. The wrapper function `estimateSizeDispersions` offers different methods to estimate a gene's dispersion. Here, we can use the method provided in the DESeq2 package [5]. The DESeq algorithm is applied to all genes, while separating the count table according to the RNA-Seq protocol (labeled or total RNA). It is possible to choose between all provided DESeq dispersion estimates, namely the genewise maximum likelihood dispersion estimate ("dispGeneEst"), the smooth curve fitted through the gene-wise dispersion estimates ("dispFit") and the genewise dispersion estimates shrunk towards the fitted curve ("dispMAP", default). The input is an *rCubeExperiment* object with read counts for the features of interest. The function returns an updated *rCubeExperiment* object with two additional columns in the `rowRanges`, namely `dispersion_L` and `dispersion_T`.

```
exonCounts <- estimateSizeDispersions(exonCounts, method='DESeqDispGeneEst')
rowRanges(exonCounts)

## GRanges object with 3 ranges and 3 metadata columns:
##           seqnames           ranges strand |           group dispersion_L
##           <Rle>             <IRanges> <Rle> |           <factor>    <numeric>
## CF00001   chr14 [75278828, 75279123]    + | constitutive      1e-08
## CF00002   chr14 [75279877, 75280128]    + | constitutive      1e-08
## CF00003   chr14 [75280783, 75281636]    + | constitutive      1e-08
##           dispersion_T
##           <numeric>
## CF00001           1e-08
## CF00002           1e-08
## CF00003           1e-08
## -----
## seqinfo: 1 sequence from an unspecified genome; no seqlengths
```

3.9 Exon-specific synthesis and degradation rate estimates

After estimating sequencing depth and cross-contamination rates per sample (see Section 3.7) and extracting feature-specific dispersion estimates (see Section 3.8), we can now estimate RNA synthesis and degradation rate for each feature and condition individually.

The estimation of these rates relies on a random initialization. To make the results more robust, it is possible to run multiple iterations of the algorithm with random initialization and the median of the resulting rates is returned. The default number of iterations is 3. To change this value, the `numberOfIterations` in the `elementMetadata` of the *rCubeExperiment* object has to be set:

```
elementMetadata(exonCounts)$numberOfIterations <- 7
```

Multiple replicates for the same condition can be used for a joint estimation. The user has to specify for which replicate or combination of replicates the results should be estimated. Therefore, the `replicate` parameter is a vector of all combinations that should be evaluated. For the joint estimation for multiple replicates, these have to be given as a string separated by a ":". In the following example, we will obtain individual results for replicate 1 and 2 and also results for a joint estimation.

```
rates <- estimateRateByFirstOrderKinetics(exonCounts,
                                         replicate=c(1, 2, "1:2"),
                                         method='single',
                                         BPPARAM=BiocParallel::MulticoreParam(1))

rates

## class: rCubeRates
```

```
## dim: 3 30
## metadata(0):
## assays(1): rates
## rownames(3): CF000001 CF000002 CF000003
## rowData names(4): group dispersion_L dispersion_T numberOfInteractions
## colnames(30): ActivatedJurkat_synthesis_1 RestingJurkat_synthesis_1 ...
##   ActivatedJurkat_unlabeled.amount_1:2
##   RestingJurkat_unlabeled.amount_1:2
## colData names(4): condition rate replicate sample

exonCounts

## class: rCubeExperiment
## dim: 3 8
## metadata(5): sequencing.depth cross.contamination spikeinSpecificBias
##   intercept fittedCounts
## assays(1): counts
## rownames(3): CF000001 CF000002 CF000003
## rowData names(4): group dispersion_L dispersion_T numberOfInteractions
## colnames(8): ActivatedJurkat_L_5_1 ActivatedJurkat_L_5_2 ...
##   RestingJurkat_T_5_1 RestingJurkat_T_5_2
## colData names(8): filename sample ... sequencing.depth
##   cross.contamination
```

3.10 describe the different fitting functions

3.11 describe the class of the returned object (rCubeRates)

The returned rates object is of the type *rCubeRates*, which also extends *SummarizedExperiment*. The *rowRanges* should be identical to the input data. The columns of the resulting matrix correspond to synthesis and degradation rates, for all indicated replicates and replicate combinations.

The resulting rates can be validated by looking at the correlation of measured read counts and fitted read counts.

```
plotFittedCounts(exonCounts, rates)
```

If rates were estimated independently for different replicates or replicate combinations, the correlation of the results can be plotted with:

```
plotResultsReplicates(rates)
```

If you want to get an average estimate for "top level features", e.g. full genes, from the exon-rates, you can run the *summarizeRates* function:

```
topLevelFeature <- GRanges(seqnames="chr14", ranges=IRanges(start=75278774, end=75281636), strand="+")
topLevelFeaturesRates <- summarizeRates(rates, topLevelFeature, by='mean')
```

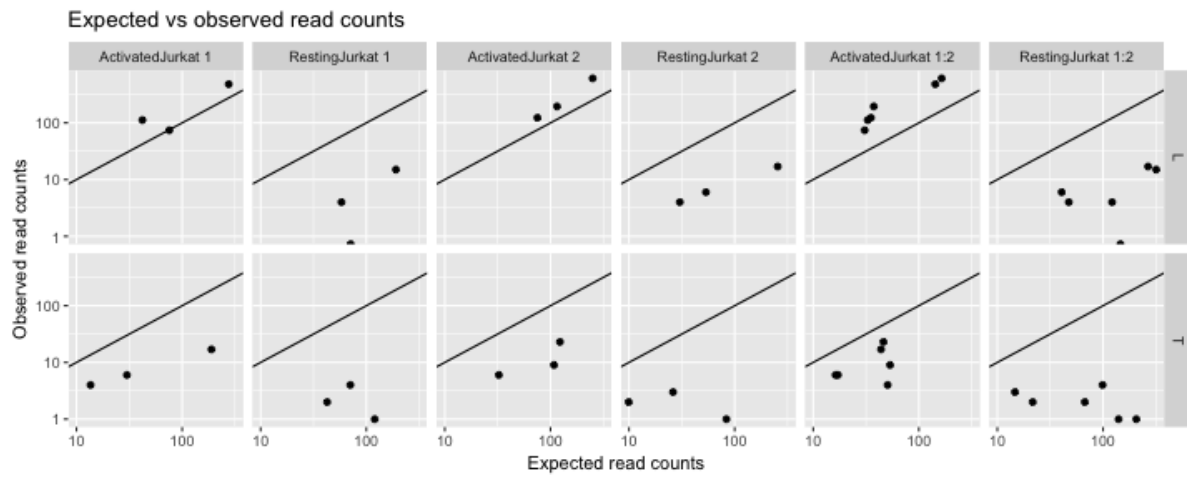


Figure 3: **Correlation of observed vs expected counts (based on synthesis and degradation rate estimates).** The code that creates this figure is shown in the code chunk.

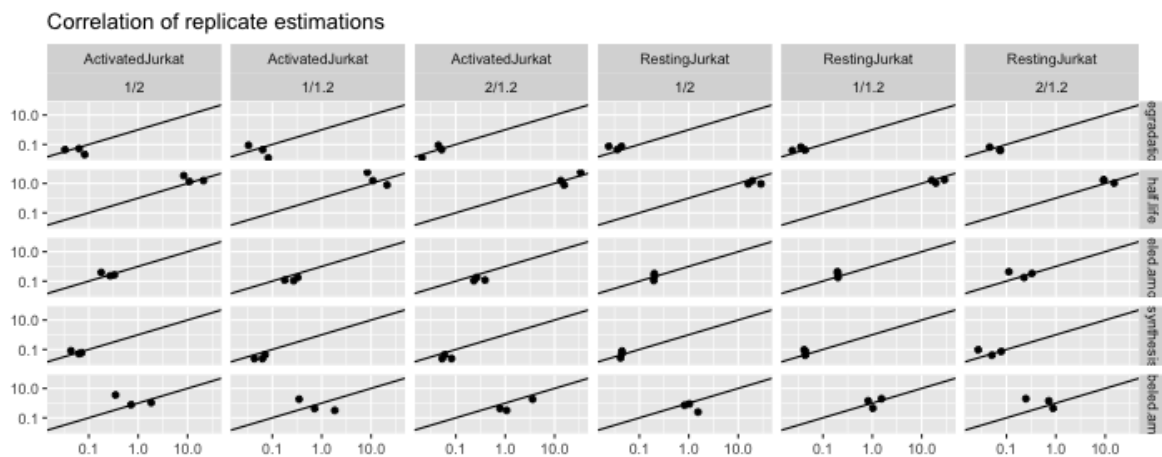


Figure 4: **Estimation results from independent estimations for different replicates/combinations of replicates.** The code that creates this figure is shown in the code chunk.

4 Labeling time series

4.1 Experimental Design

4.2 Read classification

4.3 Gene model

(exon, into and junctions) by gff de novo + gff

4.4 Counting

4.5 Spike-ins

4.6 Spike-in design

4.7 Spike-in counting

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5 Session Information

This vignette was generated using the following package versions:

```
sessionInfo()

## R version 3.4.1 (2017-06-30)
## Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin15.6.0 (64-bit)
## Running under: OS X El Capitan 10.11.6
##
## Matrix products: default
## BLAS: /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/3.4/Resources/lib/libRblas.0.dylib
## LAPACK: /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/3.4/Resources/lib/libRlapack.dylib
##
## locale:
## [1] en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/C/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8
##
## attached base packages:
## [1] parallel stats4      stats      graphics  grDevices  utils      datasets
## [8] methods    base
##
## other attached packages:
```

```
## [1] ggbio_1.25.3          ggplot2_2.2.1
## [3] rCube_1.1.0           SummarizedExperiment_1.7.5
## [5] DelayedArray_0.3.19   matrixStats_0.52.2
## [7] Biobase_2.37.2        GenomicRanges_1.29.12
## [9] GenomeInfoDb_1.13.4   IRanges_2.11.12
## [11] S4Vectors_0.15.5      BiocGenerics_0.23.0
## [13] knitr_1.16
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
## [1] ProtGenerics_1.9.0      bitops_1.0-6
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