Package 'CloneStrat'

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AlleleComp   *Copynumber estimation*

Description

Allelic segmentations are estimated for one sample at a time with unfiltered sequencing calls.

Usage

```
AlleleComp(data, AD, file.name, method, uniform.break)
```

Arguments

data	A `vcfR` object of the sequencing calls.
AD	a `character` deoning *ID* for depth of the reference allele. This is often separately present in the VCF file. Default is `NULL`.
file.name	an optional `character` to define output file name. Default is *tumor.sample*.
method	Algorithm to be used for copy number calculations. options include "apriori" wich uses `CopySeg_sequenza` and "naive" using `CopySeg_falcon`.
uniform.break	A numeric value signifying fixed length of the genomic window. Each window is considered as distinct chromosomal segment with edges being the break points for copy number estimation. A good window length is 1Mb (i.e. 1e6)

Details

The function writes a *.txt* data in working directory with the name defined in `file.name` used by *sequenza*. The output file written can be used in conjunction with post variants call sequence file. These can be merged and used for surther analysis with `cluster.doc` or `seqn.scale`

Value

A transformed `dataframe` usable in *CloneStrat* that represents data on all variants in the .vcf file. It returns summaries on the variants with the collumn *CN.profile* depicting the estimated allelic compositions.

See Also

segment.plot

Examples

```
AlleleComp(data = data, AD = "AD", method = "naive")
```

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cluster.doc	*Clonal deconvolution*

Description

Clone / Sub-clone decomposition of DNA sequencing data. This is recommended to be used for more than one sample preferably collected from the same individual at different times. If the sample qualities vary, it is recommended to perform scaling first with seqn.scale.

Usage

```
cluster.doc(
  data,
  sample,
  vaf,
  allele.comp,
  n.clone,
  n.subclone,
  optimization.method,
  clustering.method,
  instruct = NULL
)
```

Arguments

data	A dataframe containing summary from DNA sequencing. It must include a column of sample IDs and a corresponding column with the variant allele frequencies.
sample	Integer or character of the column name or column number of the sample IDs.
vaf	Integer or character of the column name or column number of the variant allele frequency.
allele.comp	Character string for allelic composition of the variants. example: '1+1' or '2+3' etc.
n.clone	Integer for number of suspected clones, default NULL.
n.subclone	Interger for number of suspected subclones, default NULL.
optimization.method	
	Method to find optimal number of clusters; *GMM* or *bootstrap*. Default is *GMM*.
clustering.method	
	Clustering methods; *hkm*, *bootkm* or *hybrid*. Default is *hkm*.
instruct	Character input for accepting program suggestion. Only inputs are 'yes' or 'no' (default).

Details

cluster.doc is meant to do two things, first determine the optimum number of clusters that *should* be fitted and second, to infer what groups the clusters thus obtained should be assigned to.

The data inputs interactively requested from the user help obtain the following information

chromosomal segmentation helps in determining the number of clone/sub-clone cloud to be expected in the data. As variant alleles from different aberrant chromosomes may have similar relative frequencies but discordant clonal interpretation. On the contrary convergent clonal alleles may demonstrate divergent frequencies if arisen from dissimilar aneuploidy.

clouds give the program a visual feedback from the user that assume to carry some biological interpretation of the frequency distributions present in the data. This is a subjective estimate that the program later uses for cluster assignment.

Out of the two methods used for cluster optimization, *GMM* stands for *Gaussian Mixed Models* whereas *bootstrap*, as the name suggests perform *bootstrap* resampling of the VAFs in 50 repetitions with 20 runs each to find the most stable parameter for clustering. *GMM* outputs the optimization curve with BIC or *Bayesian Information Criterion* against number of clusters chosen in the X-axis where *bootstrap* shows the Smin statistics instead in the Y-axis. In both cases the statistics are to be interpreted as proxies for the *entropy* of the system. The maximum entropy is likely to indicate the most stable solution.

clustering.method gives the user three choices:

hkm is *Heierarchical K-means clustering* which uses heierarchical clustering first to determine the cluster centers that are subsequently used as the starting point for the K-means clustering.

bootkm performs a *bootstrap* resampling of 20 fitted K-means clusters with 50 resamplings to out put the clusters.

hybrid performs *hkm* on the principal component of the data.

Value

A list of 12 objects is returned that includes all the summary statistics, diagnositics and the predictions as well as the mapping internally used for clonal deconvolution.

predicted.data is necessarily an extension to the input data with the addition of the predicted clone and sub-clone status of each variant for corresponding samples.

density.map is a distance matrix convoluted from cluster distances and desity departures.

collapse are clusters that are initially prredicted but later collapsed on each other dues to similarity between them.

fitted.hkm, fitted bootkm or fitted.hybrid is a vector of initial cluster assignment by the algorithm chosen. Only one of these will have an output and the rest will show NA.

Number of unscaled clusters gives umber of predicted clusters before collapsing with density estimates.

Number of scaled clusters gives number of predicted clusters after collapsing (if any).

cluster.diagnostics if the optimization method was chosen to be *GMM*, this is an object of S3 class that includes clustering diagnostics from the model-based clustering. If the chosen method was *bootstrap* then this is a list.

cluster centers are the centroids of the predicted scaled clusters.

cluster mapping provides the map between scaled clusters and the clonal deconvolution assignments

Dunn index is the Dunn index for the fitted cluster.

See Also

seqn.scale cluster.doubt

Examples

```
cluster.doc(test.dat, 1, 2, optimization.method = 'GMM', clustering.method = 'hkm')
```

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cluster.doubt	*User overriden clonal deconvolution*

Description

Sample specific user curated Clone / Sub-clone decomposition of DNA sequencing data

Usage

```
cluster.doubt(CD.obj, sample, vaf, sample.name, cluster.num)
```

Arguments

CD.obj	A cluster.doc object
sample	Collumn number of the *predicted.data* from the cluster.doc output that contain sample IDs
vaf	Collumn number of the *predicted.data* from the cluster.doc output that contain variant allele frequencies used for the analysis.
sample.name	a vector of sample IDs
cluster.num	a numeric vetor of clone/sub-clonal split of respective sample

Value

A list of 3 objects

fitted.cluster includes the clustering results from the final fit with user input

predicted.data A dataframe shows the changed clustering results due to the user defined clone / sub-clone smear for the selected samples

See Also

cluster.doc

Examples

```
cd.res<-cluster.doc(test.dat)
cd.new<-cluster.doubt(cd.res,sample,vaf,c("Sample_1","Sample_3"),c(2,2,3,2))
```

CopySeg_falcon   *Copynumber estimation*

Description

NGS probes are extracted rom a vcfR object, scaled and bias corrected to optimize estimatio
of allelic composition. This function can handle only a combination of one tumor sample
with a matched normal sample. Analysis is performed using the package `falcon`

Usage

```
CopySeg_falcon(data, AD, file.name, uniform.break)
```

Arguments

data	A vcfR object with one normal and one tumor sample. The *AD* element of the *FORMAT* field is a manadatory input
AD	a `character` deoning *ID* for depth of the reference allele.
file.name	A `character` string. this name will be used to save the scaled and unscaled relative coverage plot along with the final copy number estimate plot in the working directory
uniform.break	A numeric value signifying fixed length of the genomic window. Each window is considered as distinct chromosomal segment with edges being the break points for copy number estimation.

Details

This function uses `falcon` to estimate allele specific copy number of all sequeneced probes.
Subsequently sliding window algorithm is used to generate chromosomal segments with
precicted distinct copynumbers. The relative coverages are sclaed with GC content of the
binned windows

Value

A list of two data frames that is further used to obtain the allelic segmentation plot

See Also

Benjamini *et al.*, 2012 with a loess regression `loess`.

CopySeg_sequenza   *Copynumber estimation*

Description

Allelic segmentations are estimated for one sample at a time with unfiltered sequencing calls
using the package `sequenza`. This function can handle only a combination of one tumor
sample with a matched normal sample.

Usage

```
CopySeg_sequenza(x, AD, file.name)
```

Arguments

x	A `vcfR` object of the sequencing calls. The sample names can be queried from `x`.
AD	a `character` deoning *ID* for depth of the reference allele. This is often separately present in the VCF file. Default is `NULL`.
file.name	an optional `character` to define output file name. Default is *tumor.sample*.

Details

The function writes a *.txt* data in working directory with the name defined in `file.name` used by *sequenza*. The output file written can be used in conjunction with post variants call sequence file. These can be merged and used for surther analysis with `cluster.doc` or `seqn.scale`

Value

A transformed `dataframe` usable in *CloneStrat* that represents data on all variants in the .vcf file. It returns summaries on the variants with the collumn *CN.profile* depicting the estimated allelic segmentations.

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match.maker	*Summary estimate compiler*

Description

Combining `AlleleComp` outputs from different samples with the variant sequence data.

Usage

```
match.maker(x, y)
```

Arguments

x	A list object needs to be created by `split` from the sequencing data.
y	A character vector of sample names or IDs.

Details

The variant sequence data needs to be split by sample names or IDs for `x`. And the input of `y` has to be in the same order as that of the split object. See `example` for more details.

Value

A `dataframe` object identical to the original variant data with an additional column named `segment` signifying the allelic make up of each variant in the corresponding sample.

See Also

> AlleleComp

Examples

```
NB<-split(Neuroblastoma,Neuroblastoma$Sample)
NB<-match.maker(x=NB,y=c("metastasis.1","metastasis.2","primary.1","primary.2"))
View(NB)
```

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metastasis_1   *Human neuroblastoma tumor sample*

Description

> DNA sample collected from a metastatic site (different than that of *primary_1*) was sequenced. This is a pre-processing vcfR file used for variant calling.

Usage

> metastasis_1

Format

> An object of class vcfR of dimension 141095 x 8 x 3.

See Also

> Neuroblastoma primary_1 primary_2 metastasis_2
>
> Karlsson *et al.*, 2018

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metastasis_2   *Human neuroblastoma tumor sample*

Description

> DNA sample collected from a metastatic site (different than that of *primary_1*) was sequenced. This is a pre-processing vcfR file used for variant calling.

Usage

> metastasis_2

Format

> An object of class vcfR of dimension 152565 x 8 x 3.

See Also

> Neuroblastoma primary_1 primary_2 metastasis_1
>
> Karlsson *et al.*, 2018

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mutect2.qc *Quality Control on Mutect2 output*

Description

A quality control (QC) and transformation on the WES output from the Mutect2 variant caller. This re-organizes the data in a way that is friendlier for using in *CloneStrat*

Usage

```
mutect2.qc(WES, sample.name)
```

Arguments

WES   A `dataframe` of the Mutect2 output

sample.name   a `vector` of sample names or IDs

Value

A transformed `dataframe` usable in *CloneStrat* that represents data on each variant of each sample in rows

Examples

```
res<-mutect2.qc(WES,sample.name)
```

Neuroblastoma *Human neuroblastoma data*

Description

Exome sequencing data of human neuroblastoma tumor samples available in public library.

Usage

```
data(Neuroblastoma)
```

Format

An object of class `"dataframe"`

Value

`Sample` is column of IDs corresponding to 4 samples (2x primary and 2x metastasis).

`VAF` denotes the variant allele frequencies.

`RefseqID` annotates each of the variants.

See Also

primary_1 primary_2 metastasis_1 metastasis_2

Karlsson *et al.*, 2018

Examples

```
data(Neuroblastoma)
```

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primary_1   *Human neuroblastoma tumor sample*

Description

DNA sample collected from a primary tumor site (different than that of *primary_2*) was sequenced. This is a pre-processing vcfR file used for variant calling.

Usage

```
primary_1
```

Format

An object of class vcfR of dimension 150125 x 8 x 3.

See Also

Neuroblastoma primary_2 metastasis_1 metastasis_2

Karlsson *et al.*, 2018

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primary_2   *Human neuroblastoma tumor sample*

Description

DNA sample collected from a primary tumor site (different than that of *primary_1*) was sequenced. This is a pre-processing vcfR file used for variant calling.

Usage

```
primary_2
```

Format

An object of class vcfR of dimension 149873 x 8 x 3.

See Also

Neuroblastoma primary_1 metastasis_1 metastasis_2

Karlsson *et al.*, 2018

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segment.plot   *Plot of allelic composition*

Description

Departure in clusters of different allelic composition are portrayed for tumor sample

Usage

```
segment.plot(data, base.copy)
```

Arguments

data	A `match.maker` or `AlleleComp` derived object.
base.copy	is the baseline balanced copynumber present in the sample usually "1 + 1" or "2 + 2".

Value

A plot of the allelic segmentation with average log-transformed coverage ratios in X-axis and average allelic-imbalances in the Y-axis. This plot can be interpreted in the similar fashion as described by Rasmussen *et al.*, 2011

See Also

match.maker, AlleleComp

Examples

```
segment.plot(data = data, base.copy = "1 + 1")
```

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seqn.scale   *Probabilistic quotient normalization of DNA sequencing data*

Description

A normalization technique based on cancer / tumor cell fractions of the samples sequenced to infer homogeneity

Usage

```
seqn.scale(x, vaf, CCF)
```

Arguments

x	A `dataframe` containing summary from DNA sequencing with first column as sample IDs of corresponding variants.
vaf	The column number of `x` that includes VAFs.
CCF	The column number of `x` that includes CCFs.

Details

Probabilistic quotient normalization normalization technique described in *Dieterle, et al. (2006)* applied on the cancer cell fraction (CCF) of respective samples to rescale variant allele frequencies (VAF) accordingly. The general idea is to put most confidence in the sample with highest CCF and adjust the VAFs of other samples based on the departure in CCF of the other samples from that with the highest.

This method is particularly suggested if the CCFs accross samples vary more than 10

Value

A `dataframe` with all the elements of `x` with the new estimated VAFs in the column *scaled.vaf* and an additional column *unscaled.vaf* that includes the original VAFs.

See Also

cluster.doc

Examples

```
pqn.dat<-seqn.scale(test.dat,vaf=2,CCF=3)
hist(pqn.dat$scaled.vaf)
```

`T.goodness.test`	*Test of fit of clonal deconvolution*

Description

A chi square test to assess the *goodness of fit* of the clonal : sub-clonal clouds. This test can be used to obtain outliers that do not fit into the proposed clonal deconvolution space.

Usage

```
T.goodness.test(x)
```

Arguments

x
: A `dataframe` with the first three columns in the specific order: sample name or ID of a variant, variant allele frquencies (VAF) and cancer cell fraction (CCF)

Value

A list of two objects. x is same as the input `dataframe` with addede columns named *expected VAF_*, *chi_sq_* and *P value_* corresponding to each cloud of clone : Sub-clone combination. *rej* is a subset of `x` containing variants that fail the test for at least one cloud.

*expected VAF_* represents estimated variant allele frequencies for a given cloud.

*chi_sq_* is the Chi square test statistic for the cloud.

*P value_* is the P value corresponding to the *chi_sq_* statistic.

Examples

```
test<-T.goodness.test(test.dat)
head(test)
```

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test.dat	*Random number generated WES data for eight hypothetical samples*

Description

Data generated with varying random normal probabilities. Ideal llelic composition is assumed resulting in two separate distinct clouds of clones and sub-clones.

Usage

```
data(test.dat)
```

Format

An object of class "dataframe"

Value

sample is column of IDs corresponding to 8 distinct samples.

vaf denotes the variant allele frequencies of each variant (see annotation).

CCF are the cancer cell fractions of each sample.

annotation indicates corresponding variants for which observations are notes in each row. Variants can be shared among several samples as well as be private mutation.

Examples

```
data(test.dat)
table(test.dat$CCF)
table(test.dat$annotation)
hist(test.dat$vaf)
```

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variant.auto.plot	*Automated Multi-sample plot*

Description

Automated plotting of all variants present in the WES data

Usage

```
variant.auto.plot(CD.obj, annotation.col)
```

Arguments

CD.obj   A `cluster.doc` object

annotation.col name of the column containing annotations of the variants in original
                WES `dataframe` used in the clonal deconvolution using `cluster.doc`

Value

Plot objects with the relevant annotation highlighted.

This function plots all variants present in the sample. Depending on the number of variants
this can generate a *lot* of plots. All of these plots will be saved under a new directory named
`img` inside the working directory. Hence, it is important to check that there are no directory
named `img` inside the working directory

Examples

```
cd.res<-cluster.doc(test.dat,1,2)
variant.auto.plot(cd.res,'annotation')
```

---

variant.plot   *Multi-sample variant plot*

Description

Plotting a specific variant present in more than one WES sample

Usage

```
variant.plot(CD.obj, annotation.col, variant)
```

Arguments

CD.obj   A `cluster.doc` object

annotation.col name of the column containing annotations of the variants in original
                WES `dataframe` used in the clonal deconvolution using `cluster.doc`

variant   a `character` string specifying *only one* annotation which is to be displayed

Value

A plot object with the relevant annotation highlighted

Examples

```
cd.res<-cluster.doc(test.dat,1,2)
variant.plot(cd.res,'annotation','variant_74')
```

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