National Bioinformatics Week 2010 Introduction to using Bioconductor for High Throughput Sequencing Analysis

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How to ...

High Throughput Sequencing

Bioconductor Overview

GenomicRanges

Rsamtools

ChIPpeakAnno

Open R

Options:

- ► Type R on the terminal window
- ▶ Open emacs and then use alt+X followed by R

To quit R type:

> q()

and choose no

Get Help

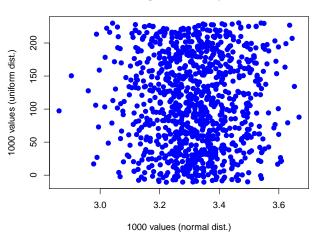
- On a package:
 - > help(package = "pkgName")
- On a function, for example q:
 - > `?`(q)
 - > args(q)
- Find functions:
 - > apropos("session")
 - [1] "sessionData"
 - [2] "sessionInfo"
 - [3] "setSessionTimeLimit"

Use the lab files

- ▶ Whenever you see R code, instead of typing it yourself you should copy paste it from the .R file into your R session.
- This will save you a lot of time!

Use the lab files

A long customized plot



Install today's packages

- ▶ Use the following code assuming that you have R version 2.11 or higher¹:
 - > source("http://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")
 - > biocLite(c("Rsamtools", "GenomicRanges",
 - + "ChIPpeakAnno"))

¹These should be installed on the server.

Illumina Tech

- Let's look at a tech summary for the Illumina platform.
- ▶ And some specs on the Genome Analyzer IIx.

Hmm...

- ▶ Surely the story seems nice enough. It ends with a *align data*, compare to a reference, and identify sequence differences.
- ▶ The story just begins once we get the FASTQ files!!!
- Managing and analyzing the millons of reads is not a simple task.

Closer to reality

These are just some steps you might need to do in a workflow:

- Check the quality of your data (quality values, nucleotide frequencies)
- Filter out unwanted sequences
 - 1. Adaptors: illumina, protocol specific, ...
 - 2. Low quality: lots of Ns, low phred values
- Trim sequences
- Choose appropriate programs / parameters for aligning (or assembling) your reads.
- Choose how you'll find peaks (ChIP-seq), differentially expressed genes (RNA-seq), etc.
- Develop some specific algorithms for your data.

These are non trivial decisions!

Work frameworks

To analyze HTS data you have plenty of options :)

- HTSeq Python package: overview. It follows a read centric workflow.
- Buy a license from commercial packages such as NextGENe or CLC bio.
- Write custom scripts in Perl, Python, Java, C, ...
- Use Bioconductor's packages (R language/environment)

Why do we use BioC?

- Open source code and development.
- ► There is a very active community behind. Lots of useful packages available.
- R is strong in statistics and visualizing data.
- Vignette files offer excellent examples on how to combine functions.
- ▶ By using this framework, integration is a great side bonus!
- Promotes reproducible research :)

Disadvantages:

- Pretty steep learning curve.
- Staying updated is a challenge.

Browsing Bioconductor

http://bioconductor.org/

- As of July 28th, it has a new look! :)
- Basic categories on the main page, more choices at the bottom.
- Probably the best way to find packages useful for you is to use the BiocViews.
 - Go to software, assay tech., high throughput seq or click here.
- Workflow pages are also useful, such as the HTS one.

So what is available?

- ▶ I/O packages such as Rsamtools and ShortRead.
- Infrastructure packages (mostly ranged based) such as GenomicRanges, IRanges, genomeIntervals, ...
- Tools for integrating data such as biomaRt.
- Packages for visualizing data (in R or the UCSC browsers):
 GenomeGraphs, rtracklayer
- Analysis-specific packages like DESeq, edgeR, ChIPpeakAnno, ...

Package Documentation

- Once you find a package of interest, you can get overall documentation on its webpage.
- Lets look at the info on GenomicRanges
- ▶ We can find who are the authors, how to install it, **vignette** files that exemplify how to use and integrate the functions it provides and other details (dependencies, . . .).
- ▶ Alternatively, if you have installed GenomicRanges we can use:
 - > help(package = "GenomicRanges")
 - > browseVignettes(package = "GenomicRanges")
- So, which BioC package does GenomicRanges depend on?

Advanced help

Let's assume that you have a specific problem and you have already:

- Browsed the help main page for clues.
- Googled key words.
- Checked that you have the latest R version² and BioC installed.

Then you might seriously consider asking in the mailing lists. Remember to include your session information!!

²Every April and October new releases are made public.

For today:

- RsamtoolsOne of the latest I/O packages :)
- GenomicRanges
 Very useful for containing your data. Plus it's memory efficient.
- ChIPpeakAnno
 Useful in ChIP-seq analysis plus it's a small tool box.

Loading

- ► For any session that you want to use GenomicRanges, you'll need to load it with the library function.
 - > library(GenomicRanges)

GRanges

► The basic container is a GRanges object. Lets create one:

Our gr object

> gr

Lets look at it:

```
GRanges with 10 ranges and 2 elementMetadata values
  segnames
             ranges strand |
                                  score
     <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
Α
       chr [11, 91]
                                     44
      chr [12, 92]
В
                                     59
       chr [13, 93]
                                    88
  plasmid [14, 94]
                                     81
E plasmid [15, 95]
                                    85
  plasmid [16, 96]
                                    78
  plasmid [17, 97]
                                    43
Н
       chr [18, 98]
                                    69
       chr [19, 99]
                                    77
       chr [20, 100]
                                     31
         GC
  <integer>
         46
Α
```

Our gr object

```
В
          47
          48
          49
Е
          50
F
          51
G
          52
          53
Η
Ι
          54
          55
seqlengths
     chr plasmid
      NA
               NA
```

Woah! Lots of info! Lets look at gr object a bit closer

Yes, gr is a GRanges object

```
> class(gr)
```

```
[1] "GRanges"
attr(,"package")
[1] "GenomicRanges"
```

► An Run length encoded object (Rle) is useful when you repeat values.

```
> Rle(c("chr", "plasmid", "chr"),
+ c(3, 4, 3))
```

```
'character' Rle of length 10 with 3 runs
Lengths: 3 4 3
Values: "chr" "plasmid" "chr"
```

▶ Let's look at how we made the IRanges object inside gr

```
> head(letters, 2)
[1] "a" "b"
> toupper(head(letters, 2))
[1] "A" "B"
> IRanges(11:20, end = 91:100, names = toupper(head(letters, + 10)))
```

```
IRanges of length 10
    start end width names
[1]
       11 91
                 81
                        Α
[2]
       12 92
                 81
                        В
[3]
      13 93
                 81
Γ41
                 81
       14 94
[5]
   15 95
                 81
[6]
       16 96
                 81
[7]
       17 97
                 81
[8]
       18 98
                 81
                        Η
[9]
       19 99
                 81
Γ10]
       20 100
                 81
```

Rles are great for strand information!

```
> Rle(strand(c("+", "*", "-", "+",
+ "-")). c(2, 1, 3, 3, 1))
```

```
'factor' Rle of length 10 with 5 runs
Lengths: 2 1 3 3 1
Values: + * - + -
Levels(3): + - *

> round(runif(10, 1, 100))
[1] 23 52 71 77 60 1 47 6 76 10
> 46:55
[1] 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55
```

Once we have a GRanges we can extract subsets of the informations:

Replicon names:

```
> seqnames(gr)
```

```
'factor' Rle of length 10 with 3 runs
Lengths: 3 4 3
Values: chr plasmid chr
Levels(2): chr plasmid
```

► The actual ranges:

```
> ranges(gr)
```

```
IRanges of length 10
     start end width names
[1]
         11
              91
                     81
                             Α
[2]
         12 92
                     81
                             В
[3]
         13
              93
                     81
[4]
         14
              94
                     81
                             D
[5]
         15
              95
                     81
                             F.
[6]
         16
              96
                     81
                             F
[7]
         17
              97
                     81
                             G
[8]
         18
              98
                     81
                             Η
[9]
         19
              99
                     81
                             Т
[10]
         20 100
                     81
```

Strand info:

```
> strand(gr)
  'factor' Rle of length 10 with 5 runs
    Lengths: 2 1 3 3 1
    Values : + * - + -
  Levels(3): + - *
Specific custom variables:
  > values(gr)[, "GC"]
   [1] 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55
Ranges names:
  > names(gr)
   [1] "A" "B" "C" "D" "E" "F" "G" "H" "T"
  [10] "J"
```

- ▶ The total number of ranges:
 - > length(gr)
 - [1] 10
- Modify the length of the replicons:
 - > seqlengths(gr) <- c(4e+06, 1e+05)
- Length of the ranges:
 - > width(gr)
 - [1] 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81 81

These are some useful functions / operations for manipulating a GRanges object:

Divide into several objects:

```
> split(gr)
GRangesList of length 10
$A
GRanges with 1 range and 2 elementMetadata values
  seqnames ranges strand |
                                  score
    <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
       chr [11, 91] + |
                                     44
         GC
  <integer>
Α
         46
$B
GRanges with 1 range and 2 elementMetadata values
             ranges strand |
  segnames
                                  score
     <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
```

```
chr [12, 92] + |
                                    59
        GC
  <integer>
В
        47
$C
GRanges with 1 range and 2 elementMetadata values
  segnames ranges strand |
                                 score
    <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
      chr [13, 93]
C
                                    88
        GC
  <integer>
        48
<7 more elements>
seglengths
```

```
chr plasmid
 4000000 100000
> split(gr)[[9]]
GRanges with 1 range and 2 elementMetadata values
  segnames ranges strand |
                                 score
     <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
Ι
       chr [19, 99]
                         + |
                                    77
        GC
  <integer>
Ι
        54
seqlengths
    chr plasmid
 4000000 100000
```

Subset select ranges:

```
> gr[1:2]
```

```
GRanges with 2 ranges and 2 elementMetadata values
  segnames ranges strand |
                                 score
    <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
      chr [11, 91]
Α
                                   44
      chr [12, 92] + |
                                   59
        GC
  <integer>
Α
        46
        47
В
seglengths
    chr plasmid
 4000000 100000
```

Reverse:

```
> rev(gr[1])
GRanges with 1 range and 2 elementMetadata values
  segnames ranges strand |
                                score
    <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
      chr [11, 91] + |
Α
        GC
  <integer>
Α
        46
seqlengths
    chr plasmid
 4000000 100000
```

Get the upstream regions of our ranges:

```
> flank(gr, 10)[1:2]
```

```
seqlengths
chr plasmid
4000000 100000
```

Move our ranges:

seqlengths

```
> shift(gr, 5)[1:2]
GRanges with 2 ranges and 2 elementMetadata values
  segnames ranges strand |
                                score
    <Rle> <IRanges> <Rle> | <numeric>
      chr [16, 96] + |
Α
                                   44
В
      chr [17, 97] + I
                                   59
        GC
  <integer>
Α
        46
В
        47
```

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```
chr plasmid
4000000 100000
```

Resize them:

```
> resize(gr, 1)[1:2]
```

```
seqlengths
chr plasmid
4000000 1000000
```

Compact overlapping ranges:

```
> reduce(gr)
```

```
[5] plasmid [14, 96] - |
seqlengths
chr plasmid
4000000 1000000
```

Find the gaps:

```
> gaps(gr)[1:2]
```

```
seqlengths
       chr plasmid
  4000000 100000
And most importantly, find the coverage!
  > coverage(gr)
 SimpleRleList of length 2
 $chr
  'integer' Rle of length 4000000 with 13 runs
    Lengths: 10
                          1 ... 3999900
                         1 ...
    Values :
  $plasmid
  'integer' Rle of length 100000 with 9 runs
```

Lengths: 13 1 ... 1 99903 Values: 0 1 ... 1 0

BioC I/O packages

- ShortRead was the first one for HTS data. It's great for reading Illumina output files (export, fastq), alignments from short read aligners such as Bowtie, Eland,³
- With the surge of short read aligners, a group decided to create a unified format. The SAM format: http://samtools.sourceforge.net/ The format is detailed at http://samtools.sourceforge.net/SAM1.pdf and Rsamtools is the BioC package.
- ▶ Basically most tools now use the SAM format and its brother, the BAM format (binary files, less HD space!).
- ► Caveats...

³Definitely check the ga function if you use ShortRead!

scanBAM

- scanBAM is the main function in this package!
- To read in a file you need to specify some parameters. For example, data from select ranges.
- Lets look at the example:

```
> library(Rsamtools)
> which <- RangesList(seq1 = IRanges(1000,
+ 2000), seq2 = IRanges(c(100,
+ 1000), c(1000, 2000)))
> what <- c("rname", "strand", "pos",
+ "qwidth", "seq")
> param <- ScanBamParam(which = which,
+ what = what)</pre>
```

scanBAM

Now we have all the pieces we need to read in a BAM file. Lets add the file path.

```
> which
SimpleRangesList of length 2
$seq1
IRanges of length 1
    start end width
[1] 1000 2000 1001
```

```
$seq2
IRanges of length 2
    start end width
[1] 100 1000 901
[2] 1000 2000 1001
```

scanBAM

```
> bamFile <- system.file("extdata",
+     "ex1.bam", package = "Rsamtools")</pre>
```

- ► And finally read the BAM file:
 - > bam <- scanBam(bamFile, param = param)

Understanding our bam object

Careful! Don't **print** the bam object since it is actually a list:

```
> class(bam)
[1] "list"
> names(bam)
[1] "seq1:1000-2000" "seq2:100-1000"
[3] "seq2:1000-2000"
```

▶ In the list, we have one element per each range we specified. Each of those elements is another list:

```
> class(bam[[1]])
[1] "list"
```

> names(bam[[1]])

Understanding our bam object

```
[1] "rname" "strand" "pos" "qwidth"
[5] "seq"
```

As we can see, we have one element per every variable we read in (specified in our what object).

```
> sapply(bam[[1]], class)
```

```
rname strand

"factor" "factor"

pos qwidth

"integer" "integer"

seq

"DNAStringSet"
```

To a DataFrame

- Probably an easier to use class is the DataFrame⁴
- ▶ The transformation involves more complicated code:

```
> lst <- lapply(names(bam[[1]]),
+ function(elt) {
+ do.call(c, unname(lapply(bam,
+ "[[", elt)))
+ })
> names(lst) <- names(bam[[1]])
> df <- do.call("DataFrame", lst)
> head(df, 2)
```

To a DataFrame

⁴It isn't a data frame!!!

THE advantage of BAM files

- BAM files are not only binary files, but they are indexed.
- Meaning that we can quickly read a subset of our aligned data!
- ▶ If you set na19240url to ftp://ftp-trace.ncbi.nih.gov/1000genomes/ftp/ pilot_data/data/NA19240/alignment/NA19240.chrom6. SLX.maq.SRP000032.2009_07.bam you can do the reading the following data subset:

```
> which <- GRanges(seqnames = "6",
+ ranges = IRanges(1e+05, 110000))
> param <- ScanBamParam(which = which)
> na19240bam <- scanBam(na19240url,
+ param = param)</pre>
```

THE advantage of BAM files

 Rsamtools also includes functions for dealing with multiple BAM files.

Overview

- ▶ It's one of the newest packages for ChIP-seq workflows.
- It integrates functionality across several packages.
- ▶ Basic idea: compare a set of ranges with annotation ranges, find the closest ones and make tests.
- ▶ I find it to be a very interesting tool box :)

Lets load the example data:

```
> library(ChIPpeakAnno)
> data(myPeakList)
> data(TSS.human.GRCh37)
> head(myPeakList, 2)
RangedData with 2 rows and 0 value columns across 24 spaces
                  space
            <character>
1_93_556427
1 41 559455
                      ranges |
                   <IRanges> |
1 93 556427 [556660, 556760]
1_41_559455 [559774, 559874] |
> head(TSS.human.GRCh37, 2)
```

ENSG00000223972 DEAD/H (Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp/His) box polypeptide 11 like 10 [S ENSG00000227232 WAS protein family homolog 5 pseudogene [S

Using annotatePeakInBatch we can associate the two types of ranges:

```
> annotatedPeak = annotatePeakInBatch(myPeakList[1:6,
      ], AnnotationData = TSS.human.GRCh37)
> head(annotatedPeak, 2)
RangedData with 2 rows and 9 value columns across 1 space
                                    space
                             <character>
1_14_1269014 ENSG00000169962
1 11 1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                          ranges
                                       <IRanges>
1 14 1269014 ENSG00000169962 [1270239, 1270339]
1_11_1041174 ENSG00000131591 [1041646, 1041746]
1_14_1269014 ENSG00000169962
1 11 1041174 ENSG00000131591 |
                                      peak
                              <character>
1 14 1269014 ENSG00000169962 1 14 1269014
```

```
1_11_1041174 ENSG00000131591 1_11_1041174
                                  strand
                              <character>
1_14_1269014 ENSG00000169962
1 11 1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                       -1
                                      feature
                                  <character>
1 14 1269014 ENSG00000169962 ENSG00000169962
1_11_1041174 ENSG00000131591 ENSG00000131591
                              start_position
                                   <numeric>
1_14_1269014 ENSG00000169962
                                     1266694
                                     1017198
1 11 1041174 ENSG00000131591
                              end_position
                                 <numeric>
1 14 1269014 ENSG00000169962
                                   1270686
1_11_1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                  1051741
                              insideFeature
                                <character>
                                     inside
1_14_1269014 ENSG00000169962
```

+

+

```
1 11 1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                         inside
                                  distancetoFeature
                                          <numeric>
                                               3545
  1 14 1269014 ENSG00000169962
  1_11_1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                              10095
                                  shortestDistance
                                         <numeric>
  1_14_1269014 ENSG00000169962
                                               347
  1 11 1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                              9995
                                  fromOverlappingOrNearest
                                               <character>
                                              NearestStart
  1 14 1269014 ENSG00000169962
   1_11_1041174 ENSG00000131591
                                              NearestStart

    Export to Excel<sup>5</sup>
```

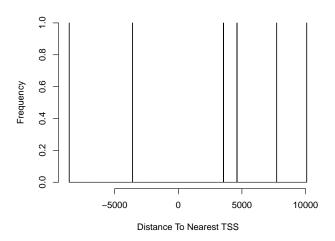
> write.table(as.data.frame(annotatedPeak),

file = "annotatedPeakList.xls",
sep = "\t", row.names = FALSE)

⁵Though it might be faster to manipulate in R:)

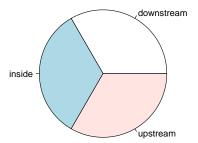
Peak distribution distance to your annotation

Peak distribution distance to your annotation



And a look at the genomic regions

And a look at the genomic regions



A second example

- Say that you have 3 replicates and you want to check how significant is the overlap between the peaks and visualize it as a Venn diagram.
- Lets load the example data.
 - > data(Peaks.Ste12.Replicate1)
 - > data(Peaks.Ste12.Replicate2)
 - > data(Peaks.Ste12.Replicate3)
 - > head(Peaks.Ste12.Replicate1, 2)

A second example

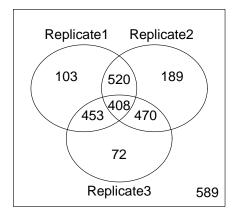
Venn diagram

```
> makeVennDiagram(RangedDataList(Peaks.Ste12.Replicate1,
      Peaks.Ste12.Replicate2, Peaks.Ste12.Replicate3),
      NameOfPeaks = c("Replicate1",
+
          "Replicate2", "Replicate3"),
      maxgap = 0, totalTest = 1580)
+
$p.value.1vs2
[1] 6.803956e-91
$p.value.1vs3
[1] 4.54906e-107
$p.value.2vs3
[1] 1.853842e-85
$vennCounts
     Replicate1 Replicate2 Replicate3
Γ1. ]
              0
[2,]
              0
[3,]
              0
```

Venn diagram

```
[4,]
[5,]
[6,]
[7,]
[8,]
     Counts
[1,]
         589
[2,]
         72
[3,]
         189
[4,]
        470
[5,]
         103
[6,]
        453
[7,]
        520
[8,]
         408
attr(,"class")
[1] "VennCounts"
```

Venn diagram



Other useful tools

- ▶ BED / GFF import
- Get annotation from a public database using biomaRt
- Get the sequences nearby interesting peaks to do motif discovery
- Get GO terms and test for significant enrichment
- ► Find the peak distance to other features in custom ways.

Session Information

```
> sessionInfo()
R version 2.11.1 (2010-05-31)
x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
locale:
 [1] LC_CTYPE=en_US.utf8
 [2] LC NUMERIC=C
 [3] LC TIME=en US.utf8
 [4] LC_COLLATE=en_US.utf8
 [5] LC MONETARY=C
 [6] LC_MESSAGES=en_US.utf8
 [7] LC_PAPER=en_US.utf8
 [8] LC NAME=C
 [9] LC_ADDRESS=C
[10] LC TELEPHONE=C
[11] LC MEASUREMENT=en US.utf8
[12] LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
```

attached base packages:

Session Information

```
[1] stats
              graphics grDevices
[4] utils
              datasets methods
[7] base
other attached packages:
 [1] ChIPpeakAnno_1.4.1
 [2] limma 3.4.4
 [3] org.Hs.eg.db_2.4.1
 [4] GO.db 2.4.1
 [5] RSQLite_0.9-2
 [6] DBI 0.2-5
 [7] AnnotationDbi_1.10.2
 [8] BSgenome.Ecoli.NCBI.20080805_1.3.16
 [9] BSgenome_1.16.5
[10] multtest 2.5.14
[11] Biobase_2.8.0
[12] biomaRt 2.4.0
[13] Rsamtools_1.0.7
[14] Biostrings_2.16.9
[15] GenomicRanges_1.0.7
```

Session Information

```
[16] IRanges_1.6.11

loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
[1] MASS_7.3-7 RCurl_1.4-3
[3] splines_2.11.1 survival_2.35-8
[5] tools_2.11.1 XML_3.1-0
```