Copy number estimation and CNA detection in tumor samples from WGS HTS data using HMMCopy

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1. Setup the libraries and input data

Install libraries

```
if (!requireNamespace("BiocManager", quietly = TRUE))
    install.packages("BiocManager")

BiocManager::install("HMMcopy")
```

Load libraries

```
options(stringsAsFactors = TRUE)
library(HMMcopy)
```

2. Generating Copy Number Profiles

Load normal HTS copy number data

```
rfile <- system.file("extdata", "normal.wig", package = "HMMcopy")
gfile <- system.file("extdata", "gc.wig", package = "HMMcopy")
mfile <- system.file("extdata", "map.wig", package = "HMMcopy")
normal_reads <- wigsToRangedData(rfile, gfile, mfile)
normal_reads[1000:1010,]</pre>
```

```
## chr start end reads gc map
## 1: 6 9990001 10000001 7351 0.3932 0.558421
## 2: 6 10000001 10010001 11080 0.3925 0.929000
## 3: 6 10010001 10020001 9369 0.3689 0.975162
## 4: 6 10020001 10030001 9505 0.3634 0.963870
## 5: 6 10030001 10040001 10392 0.3903 0.889620
## 6: 6 10040001 10050001 10785 0.3854 0.952784
## 7: 6 10050001 10060001 11084 0.4264 0.916659
## 8: 6 10060001 10070001 9712 0.3826 0.940946
## 9: 6 10070001 10080001 5320 0.4011 0.422648
```

```
#dim(normal_reads)
Correcting normal HTS copy number data
normal_copy <- correctReadcount(normal_reads)</pre>
## Applying filter on data...
## Correcting for GC bias...
## Correcting for mappability bias...
normal_copy[1000:1010,]
##
                         end reads
                                               map valid ideal
                                       gc
                                                                  cor.gc
                                                                           cor.map
        6 9990001 10000001 7351 0.3932 0.558421
##
   1:
                                                   TRUE FALSE 0.6667950 0.9462945
##
   2:
        6 10000001 10010001 11080 0.3925 0.929000
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE 1.0083988 1.0391931
        6 10010001 10020001 9369 0.3689 0.975162
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE 0.9602569 0.9369282
##
##
   4:
        6 10020001 10030001 9505 0.3634 0.963870
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE 1.0055782 0.9947256
##
   5:
        6 10030001 10040001 10392 0.3903 0.889620
                                                    TRUE FALSE 0.9557880 1.0304725
##
        6 10040001 10050001 10785 0.3854 0.952784
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE 1.0154319 1.0179066
        6 10050001 10060001 11084 0.4264 0.916659
##
   7:
                                                    TRUE
                                                          TRUE 0.8754294 0.9154566
                                                          TRUE 0.9268861 0.9420144
##
        6 10060001 10070001 9712 0.3826 0.940946
                                                    TRUE
  9:
        6 10070001 10080001 5320 0.4011 0.422648
##
                                                    TRUE FALSE 0.4655253 0.7623204
        6 10080001 10090001 11014 0.3944 0.974912
                                                          TRUE 0.9934066 0.9695664
## 10:
                                                    TRUE
        6 10090001 10100001 10318 0.3667 0.971846 TRUE TRUE 1.0709252 1.0491263
## 11:
##
               copy
##
   1: -0.079638885
   2: 0.055463804
##
   3: -0.093989665
##
   4: -0.007629453
##
  5: 0.043305954
  6: 0.025605244
##
## 7: -0.127436530
## 8: -0.086178990
## 9: -0.391530635
## 10: -0.044588376
## 11: 0.069188320
Visualizing the effects of correction
par(cex.main = 0.7, cex.lab = 0.7, cex.axis = 0.7, mar = c(4,4,2, 0.5))
```

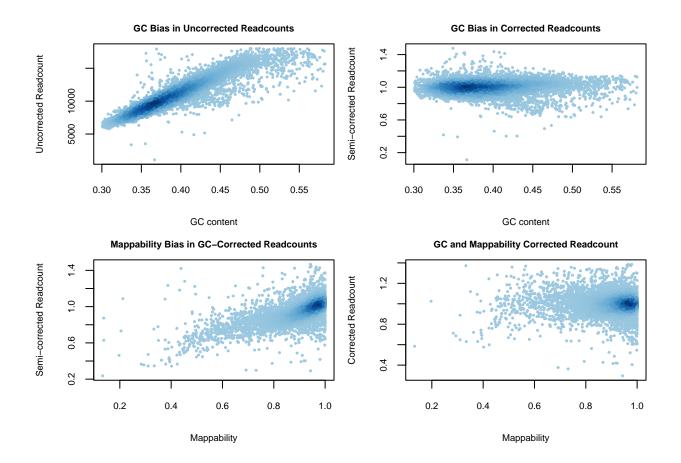
10:

11:

6 10080001 10090001 11014 0.3944 0.974912

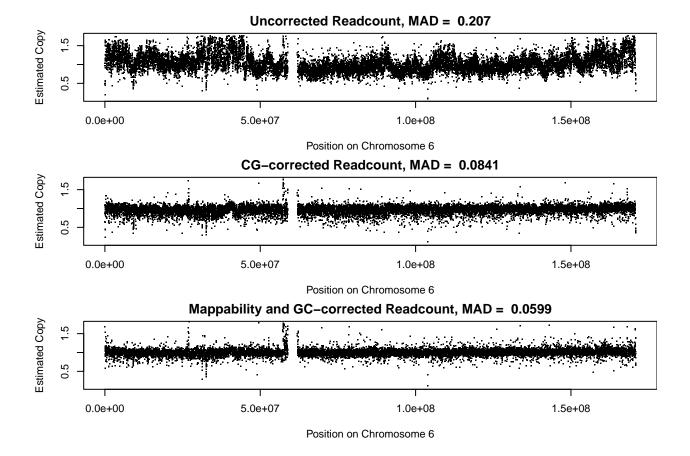
6 10090001 10100001 10318 0.3667 0.971846

plotBias(normal_copy, pch =20, cex = 0.5)



Visualizing corrected copy number profiles

```
par(mar = c(4,4,2, 0))
plotCorrection(normal_copy, pch = ".")
```



Correcting and visualizing tumor copy number profiles

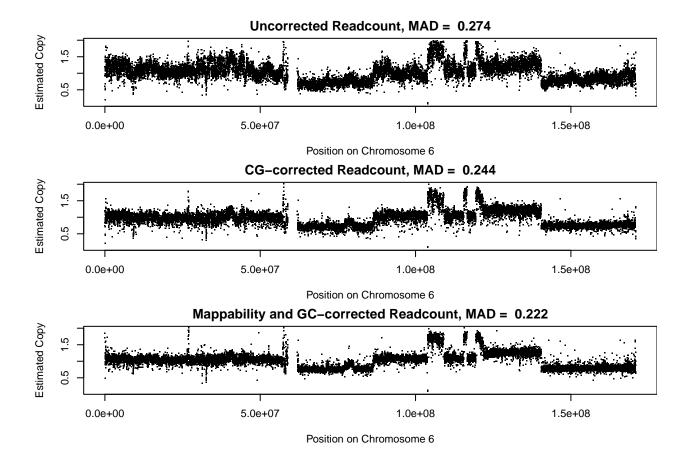
```
tfile <- system.file("extdata","tumour.wig", package = "HMMcopy")
tumor_copy <- correctReadcount(wigsToRangedData(tfile, gfile, mfile))

## Applying filter on data...

## Correcting for GC bias...

## Correcting for mappability bias...

par(mar = c(4,4,2,0))
plotCorrection(tumor_copy, pch = ".")</pre>
```



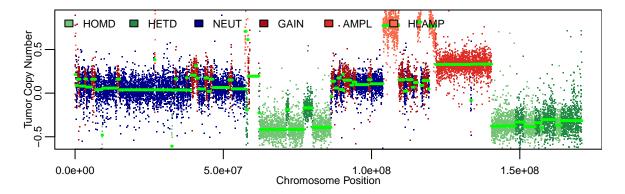
3. Segmentation and Classification of Copy Number Profiles

```
tumor_segments <- HMMsegment(tumor_copy)</pre>
```

- ## Initialization
- ## EM iteration: 1 Log likelihood: -Inf
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 2 Log likelihood: 3723.38977598144
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 3 Log likelihood: 8651.17813251384
- ## Expectation

- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 4 Log likelihood: 9776.42997349625
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 5 Log likelihood: 10073.1602591075
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 6 Log likelihood: 10155.0644113838
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 7 Log likelihood: 10175.7127890004
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 8 Log likelihood: 10181.1575769066
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 9 Log likelihood: 10183.4033459711
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## EM iteration: 10 Log likelihood: 10184.3672316225
- ## Expectation
- ## Maximization
- ## Re-calculating latest responsibilties for output
- ## Optimal parameters found, segmenting and classifying

Visualizing segments and classified states



Improving segmentation performance

```
default_param <- HMMsegment(tumor_copy, getparam = TRUE)
default_param</pre>
```

```
##
    strength
                               mu lambda nu kappa
                                                                 eta gamma
                     е
## 1
       1e+07 0.9999999 -0.42054605
                                      20 2.1
                                                50 -0.42054605 5e+04
       1e+07 0.9999999 -0.28184226
                                      20 2.1
                                                50 -0.28184226 5e+04
       1e+07 0.9999999 0.04200362
                                      20 2.1
                                               700 0.04200362 5e+05
                                                                        3
## 3
## 4
       1e+07 0.9999999 0.18884920
                                      20 2.1
                                              100 0.18884920 5e+04
                                                                        3
                                              50 0.36472889 5e+04
                                                                        3
## 5
       1e+07 0.9999999 0.36472889
                                      20 2.1
## 6
       1e+07 0.9999999 0.89363465
                                      20 2.1 50 0.89363465 5e+04
##
             S
## 1 0.01858295
```

```
## 2 0.01858295

## 3 0.01858295

## 4 0.01858295

## 5 0.01858295

## 6 0.01858295
```

Reducing the number of segments a.k.a increasing the length of segments

```
longseg_param <- default_param</pre>
longseg_param$strength <- 1e30</pre>
longseg_segments <- HMMsegment(tumor_copy, longseg_param)</pre>
## Initialization
## EM iteration: 1 Log likelihood: -Inf
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 2 Log likelihood: 3338.8911576833
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 3 Log likelihood: 7873.64684519957
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 4 Log likelihood: 8823.34678123053
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 5 Log likelihood: 9043.12460118821
## Expectation
## Maximization
```

```
## EM iteration: 6 Log likelihood: 9093.46182766672
```

Expectation

Maximization

EM iteration: 7 Log likelihood: 9099.25718532247

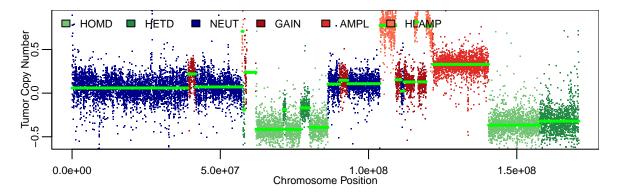
Expectation

Maximization

Re-calculating latest responsibilties for output

Optimal parameters found, segmenting and classifying

Visualizing segments and classified states to confirm decrease in segments as intended



Adjusting copy number state ranges - correcting the incorrect median of each copy number state in the plot above

problem with mu parameter

```
#output of segmentation process: matrix of the median of 6 states (rows) after each iteration (7)
#of the optimization algorithm (columns)
longseg_segments$mus
##
               [,1]
                          [,2]
                                      [,3]
                                                  [,4]
                                                              [,5]
                                                                          [,6]
## [1,] -0.42054605 -0.41759475 -0.41853646 -0.41893133 -0.41910344 -0.41919012
## [2,] -0.28184226 -0.28220554 -0.28194739 -0.28192023 -0.28192061 -0.28192106
## [3,]
       0.04200362 0.04259144 0.04240217 0.04229718 0.04227656 0.04227098
## [4,]
        0.18884920 0.18753064 0.18790296 0.18779510 0.18803754 0.18817426
        0.36472889 0.36339203 0.36354965 0.36374378 0.36383817 0.36388567
## [5,]
## [6,]
        0.89363465  0.89184731  0.89192987  0.89200232  0.89203918  0.89205764
##
               [,7]
## [1,] -0.41923682
## [2,] -0.28192207
## [3,] 0.04226849
## [4,]
       0.18824202
## [5,] 0.36391053
## [6,] 0.89206682
```

first column initial suggested mu

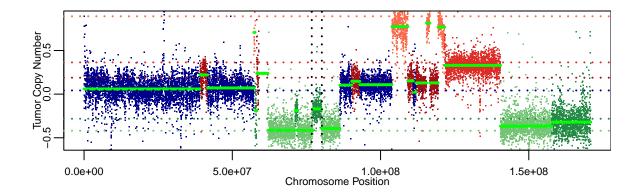
```
longseg_param$mu
## [1] -0.42054605 -0.28184226  0.04200362  0.18884920  0.36472889  0.89363465
```

last column actual values used during the segmentation process

```
longseg_segments$mus[,7]

## [1] -0.41923682 -0.28192207 0.04226849 0.18824202 0.36391053 0.89206682
```

Visualising the problem - Medians not running through middle of segments of many states



Update/Re-initialiaze mu param to solve the problem

```
newmu_param <- longseg_param
newmu_param$mu <- c(-0.5, -0.4,-0.15, 0.1,0.4, 0.7) # why these values? nothing has changed
newmu_segments <- HMMsegment(tumor_copy, newmu_param)

## Initialization

## EM iteration: 1 Log likelihood: -Inf

## Expectation

## Maximization

## EM iteration: 2 Log likelihood: 3522.90225659908

## Expectation

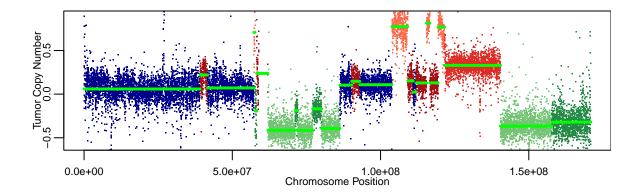
## Maximization

## Maximization

## Maximization</pre>
```

```
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 4 Log likelihood: 8235.83083410406
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 5 Log likelihood: 8900.86391071681
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 6 Log likelihood: 9067.98507720073
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 7 Log likelihood: 9104.30417259847
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 8 Log likelihood: 9105.3370234295
## Expectation
## Maximization
## Re-calculating latest responsibilties for output
## Optimal parameters found, segmenting and classifying
par(mfrow = c(2,1), cex.main = 0.5, cex.lab = 0.7, cex.axis = 0.7,
   mar = c(4, 4,0,0), mgp = c(1,0.5,0))
plotSegments(tumor_copy, newmu_segments, pch=".",
            ylab = "Tumor Copy Number", xlab = "Chromosome Position")
# for (i in 1:nrow(newmu_segments$mus)) {
# abline(h=newmu_segments$mus[i, ncol(newmu_segments$mus)], col = cols[i], lwd =2, lty =3)
# }
# abline(v = 7.68e7, lwd = 2, lty = 3)
```

abline(v = 8.02e7, lwd = 2, lty = 3)



Understanding parameter convergence

newmu_segments\$mus

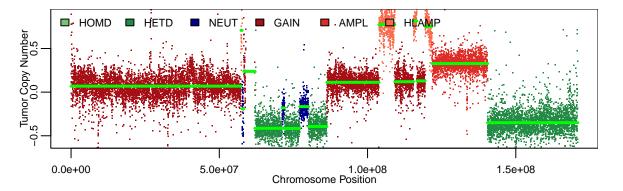
```
[,1]
                [,2]
                         [,3]
                                  [,4]
                                           [,5]
##
                                                     [,6]
## [1,] -0.50 -0.42054605 -0.41943464 -0.4193608 -0.41933370 -0.41932098
## [2,] -0.40 -0.29262755 -0.28206379 -0.2819277 -0.28192558 -0.28192978
## [4,] 0.10 0.17033469 0.17508744 0.1852921 0.18762264 0.18789902
## [5,] 0.40 0.36329444 0.36360858 0.3637754 0.36385429 0.36389415
## [6,]
      ##
           [,7]
                    [,8]
## [1,] -0.4193143 -0.41931052
## [2,] -0.2819329 -0.28193448
## [3,] 0.0422720 0.04226889
## [4,]
      0.1881261 0.18821599
## [5,]
      0.3639151 0.36392641
## [6,] 0.8920473 0.89206090
```

 $\#newmu_param\$mu \leftarrow c(-0.5, -0.4, -0.15, 0.1, 0.4, 0.7) \#alg ignores these param values$

Understanding parameter convergence

```
longseg_param$mu
Overriding parameter convergence
#solution disallow the alg from making large shifts to mu
#achieved by setting the prior mean of n (i.e.m - optimal value of mu) to values identical to mu
par(mfrow = c(2,1), cex.main = 0.5, cex.lab = 0.7, cex.axis = 0.7,
   mar = c(4, 4, 0, 0), mgp = c(1, 0.5, 0))
newmu_param$m <- newmu_param$mu
realmu_segments <- HMMsegment(tumor_copy, newmu_param)</pre>
## Initialization
## EM iteration: 1 Log likelihood: -Inf
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 2 Log likelihood: 3522.95088427687
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 3 Log likelihood: 8183.45688428581
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 4 Log likelihood: 9082.73187208635
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 5 Log likelihood: 9287.48303693139
## Expectation
## Maximization
```

```
## EM iteration: 6 Log likelihood: 9334.3204375332
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 7 Log likelihood: 9342.47770043786
## Expectation
## Maximization
## Re-calculating latest responsibilties for output
## Optimal parameters found, segmenting and classifying
```



4. Matched Tumor-Normal Sample Correction

Normalizing tumor by normal copy number profiles

```
somatic_copy <- tumor_copy
#LOGARITHM IDENTITY: log(a) -log(b) == log(a/b)
somatic_copy$copy <- tumor_copy$copy - normal_copy$copy</pre>
```

Segmentation and visualization of somatic copy number aberration

```
somatic_segments <- HMMsegment(somatic_copy, newmu_param)</pre>
## Initialization
## EM iteration: 1 Log likelihood: -Inf
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 2 Log likelihood: 5877.44091770824
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 3 Log likelihood: 17364.4135409784
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 4 Log likelihood: 18799.692523898
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 5 Log likelihood: 19073.7138794748
## Expectation
## Maximization
## EM iteration: 6 Log likelihood: 19130.9604020607
```

```
## Expectation
```

Maximization

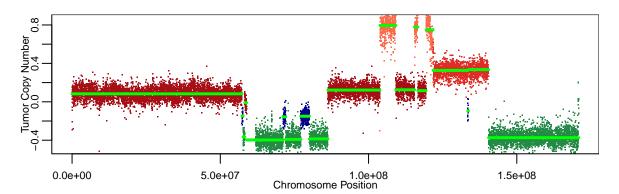
EM iteration: 7 Log likelihood: 19140.0987141774

Expectation

Maximization

Re-calculating latest responsibilties for output

Optimal parameters found, segmenting and classifying



Export somatic copy number aberration

#somatic_copy somatic_segments\$segs

```
##
      chr
             start
                         end state
                                         median
## 1
                 1 57310001
                                 4 0.083176334
       6
## 2
       6 57310001 57680001
                                 3 -0.146329934
## 3
                                 2 -0.364764414
       6 57680001 58250001
## 4
       6
          58250001 58870001
                                 4 -0.008655485
       6 58870001 71180001
## 5
                                 2 -0.396831248
## 6
       6 71180001 72040001
                                 3 -0.157282016
       6 72040001 77130001
## 7
                                 2 -0.391576047
## 8
       6 77130001 80060001
                                 3 -0.150318033
       6 80060001 86280001
## 9
                                 2 -0.385636445
       6 86280001 103840001
## 10
                                 4 0.122170348
       6 103840001 109200001
## 11
                                 6 0.795133381
## 12
       6 109200001 115500001
                                 4 0.124886236
       6 115500001 116640001
## 13
                                 6 0.779041776
## 14
       6 116640001 119410001
                                 4 0.115887334
       6 119410001 121770001
## 15
                                 6 0.750261711
## 16
       6 121770001 133470001
                                 5 0.326678421
## 17
       6 133470001 133670001
                                 3 -0.095143541
## 18
       6 133670001 140470001
                                 5 0.335157207
## 19
       6 140470001 170900001
                                 2 -0.373558341
```

```
#str(somatic_segments)
readr::write_delim(somatic_segments$segs,"somatic_segments_LAC.txt")
```

Session info

##

##

##

```
toLatex(sessionInfo())
```

```
## \begin{itemize}\raggedright
##
     \item R version 4.1.2 (2021-11-01), \verb|x86_64-w64-mingw32|
     \item Locale: \verb|LC_COLLATE=English_United States.1252|, \verb|LC_CTYPE=English_United States.1
##
##
     \item Running under: \verb|Windows 10 x64 (build 19044)|
##
     \item Matrix products: default
     \item Base packages: base, datasets, graphics, grDevices, methods,
##
##
       stats, utils
     \item Other packages: data.table~1.14.2, HMMcopy~1.36.0
##
##
     \item Loaded via a namespace (and not attached): bit~4.0.4,
##
       bit64~4.0.5, cli~3.1.1, compiler~4.1.2, crayon~1.5.0,
       digest~0.6.29, ellipsis~0.3.2, evaluate~0.15, fansi~1.0.2,
##
##
       fastmap~1.1.0, glue~1.6.1, highr~0.9, hms~1.1.1, htmltools~0.5.2,
##
       KernSmooth~2.23-20, knitr~1.37, lifecycle~1.0.1, magrittr~2.0.2,
##
       parallel~4.1.2, pillar~1.7.0, pkgconfig~2.0.3, purrr~0.3.4,
```

R6~2.5.1, readr~2.1.2, rlang~1.0.1, rmarkdown~2.13,

rstudioapi~0.13, stringi~1.7.6, stringr~1.4.0, tibble~3.1.6,

tidyselect~1.1.2, tools~4.1.2, tzdb~0.2.0, utf8~1.2.2, vctrs~0.3.8,

```
## vroom~1.5.7, xfun~0.29, yaml~2.2.2
## \end{itemize}
```