snpStats Bugs

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1 Introduction

In the Regression and Migration vignette, we discovered that there has been a bug in snpMatrix's single.snp.tests() for many years, which can affect 1% to 2% of SNPs, and fixed it. This vignette uses the testsuite code in snpMatrix to reveal snpStats' bug(s).

Despite many routines being of the same names but behaving differently (such as the buggy single.snp.tests() in snpStats vs the correct one in snpMatrix) and a warning about routines shadowing each other, it is possible to use either in the same R session even in alternating statements, as long as either are referenced explicitly in each step. This usually consists of prefix'ing with explicit namespace references (e.g. snpMatrix::single.snp.tests() instead of single.snp.tests()) or adding package= within.

```
> library(snpMatrix)
> library(snpStats)
> sessionInfo()

R version 2.13.2 (2011-09-30)
Platform: i686-redhat-linux-gnu (32-bit)

locale:
```

[1] LC_CTYPE=en_GB.UTF-8 LC_NUMERIC=C
[3] LC_TIME=en_GB.UTF-8 LC_COLLATE=en_GB.UTF-8

```
[5] LC_MONETARY=C LC_MESSAGES=en_GB.UTF-8
```

- [7] LC_PAPER=en_GB.UTF-8 LC_NAME=C
- [9] LC_ADDRESS=C LC_TELEPHONE=C
- [11] LC_MEASUREMENT=en_GB.UTF-8 LC_IDENTIFICATION=C

attached base packages:

- [1] grDevices datasets splines graphics utils stats methods
- [8] base

other attached packages:

- [1] snpStats_1.3.5 snpMatrix_1.17.5.10 Matrix_0.9996875-3
- [4] lattice_0.19-33 survival_2.36-9

loaded via a namespace (and not attached):

[1] grid_2.13.2 tools_2.13.2

At this point there is a warning:

```
Attaching package: 'snpStats'
```

The following object(s) are masked from 'package:snpMatrix':

can.impute, chi.squared, col.summary, deg.freedom, effect.sign, effective.sample.size, filter.rules, Fst, glm.test.control, ibsCount, ibsDist, imputation.maf, imputation.nsnp, imputation.r2, impute.snps, ld, misinherits, mvtests, p.value, plotUncertainty, pool, pool2, pp, qq.chisq, read.beagle, read.impute, read.mach, read.pedfile, read.plink, read.snps.long, row.summary, sample.size, single.snp.tests, snp.cbind, snp.cor, snp.imputation, snp.lhs.estimates, snp.lhs.tests, snp.post.multiply, snp.rbind, snp.rhs.estimates, snp.rhs.tests, switch.alleles, tdt.snp, test.allele.switch, write.plink, xxt

The warning is harmless, if one pays attention to specifying each explicitly, as below.

2 Bugs in snpStats GLM score tests

2.1 snpStats::snp.lhs.tests(...,robust=TRUE) returns garbage

```
> data(testdata, package = "snpStats")
> snpStats::snp.lhs.tests(Autosomes[, 1:10], ~cc, ~region, data = subject.data,
+ robust = TRUE)

Chi.squared Df p.value
```

Chi.squared Df p.value 173760 NA NA NA

```
NA NA
                              NA
173761
173762
                  NA NA
                              NA
                  NA NA
173767
                              NA
173769
                  NA NA
                              NA
173770
                   0
                     0
                               1
173772
                  NA NA
                              NA
173774
                  NA NA
                              NA
173775
                  NA NA
                              NA
173776
                  NA NA
                              NA
```

The correct result should be somewhat close to the non-robust result:

```
> snpStats::snp.lhs.tests(Autosomes[, 1:10], ~cc, ~region, data = subject.data,
+ robust = FALSE)

Chi.squared Df p.value
```

```
5.042958
173760
                    9 0.8305475
         12.272003
173761
                    9 0.1984058
         12.476151
                    9 0.1877771
173762
173767
         14.462676
                    9 0.1067926
173769
          8.589652
                    9 0.4759812
173770
          0.000000
                    0 1.0000000
173772
          3.690406
                    9 0.9305832
          6.156140
                    9 0.7241952
173774
          8.812111
173775
                    9 0.4547958
173776
          7.602749
                    9 0.5746207
```

Now we convert snpStats classes (mixed-cases without ".") to snpMatrix's (lowercases with "."), and re-run the the snpMatrix version of snp.lhs.tests():

```
> snpMatrix::snp.lhs.tests(new("snp.matrix", Autosomes@.Data)[,
+ 1:10], ~cc, ~region, data = subject.data, robust = TRUE)
```

```
Chi.squared Df
                          p.value
173760
          1.009134
                    9 0.99941616
173761
         10.263700
                    9 0.32956213
173762
         10.476285 9 0.31331948
173767
         15.045105
                    9 0.08970445
         16.267173
173769
                    9 0.06150763
          0.000000
                    0 1.00000000
173770
173772
          1.009439
                    9 0.99941544
173774
          9.411824
                    9 0.40015959
173775
         13.440327
                    9 0.14367293
         16.797759
173776
                    9 0.05197886
```

Just to see what snpMatrix does without robust:

```
> snpMatrix::snp.lhs.tests(new("snp.matrix", Autosomes@.Data)[,
      1:10], ~cc, ~region, data = subject.data, robust = FALSE)
       Chi.squared Df
                        p.value
          5.042972 9 0.8305463
173760
        12.272003 9 0.1984058
173761
173762
        12.476151 9 0.1877771
        14.462676 9 0.1067926
173767
         8.589652 9 0.4759812
173769
173770
          0.000000 0 1.0000000
173772
         7.714937 9 0.5631093
173774
          6.156135 9 0.7241957
173775
          8.812105 9 0.4547964
173776
          7.602745 9 0.5746211
```

This bug also exist in snpMatrix prior to 1.17.5.10 and was introduced with the imputation-related changes around October 2008.

2.2 Malformed "GlmTests" S4 object from snpStats::snp.lhs.tests()

```
> result <- snpStats::snp.lhs.tests(Autosomes[, 1:10], ~cc, ~region,
+ data = subject.data)</pre>
```

Looking at result gives a hard error so I'll just show the message below:

```
> str(result)
Error in FUN(c("snp.names", "var.names", "chisq", "df", "N")[[2L]], ...) :
no slot of name "var.names" for this object of class "GlmTests"
```

There is no need to show the alternatives as this is clearly broken.

This bug is specific to snpStats and has no equivalent in snpMatrix.

2.3 Crazy large/negative number of samples from snpStats GLM tests

> result@N

- [1] 199637640 199637672 199637704 200381296 200381328 200381360 200381392
- [8] 200381424 200381456 200381488

Hundred million samples and negative number of samples?

This bug also exist in snpMatrix prior to 1.17.5.10 and was introduced with the imputation-related changes around October 2008.

2.4 snpStats::snp.rhs.tests() returning garbage with or without robust

```
> snpStats::snp.rhs.tests(cc ~ strata(region, sex), family = "binomial",
      data = subject.data, snp.data = Autosomes, tests = 1:10)
       Chi.squared Df p.value
173760
               {\tt NaN}
                    1
                          NaN
173761
               NaN
                   1
                          NaN
173762
               NaN
                   1
                          NaN
173767
               NaN 1
                          NaN
               NaN 1
                          NaN
173769
173770
               NA O
                           NA
173772
               NaN
                   1
                          NaN
173774
                    1
                          NaN
               {\tt NaN}
173775
               NaN 1
                          NaN
173776
               NaN 1
                          NaN
  The correct result shouldn't be too far from without sex:
> snpStats::snp.rhs.tests(cc ~ strata(region), family = "binomial",
      data = subject.data, snp.data = Autosomes, tests = 1:10)
       Chi.squared Df
                         p.value
173760 1.01538462 1 0.31361630
173761 1.46259571 1 0.22651757
173762 1.92028786 1 0.16582493
173767 0.77609738 1 0.37833736
173769 2.92614948 1 0.08715513
173770
                NA O
                              NA
173772 1.11008326 1 0.29206385
173774 0.66697270
                   1 0.41410906
173775 0.96730037
                    1 0.32535438
173776 0.09831885 1 0.75385649
  Here is how snpMatrix does it:
> snpMatrix::snp.rhs.tests(cc ~ strata(region, sex), family = "binomial",
      data = subject.data, snp.data = new("snp.matrix", Autosomes@.Data),
      tests = 1:10)
       Chi.squared Df
                         p.value
173760 1.25356125 1 0.26287339
173761 1.61290542 1 0.20408387
173762 2.04226350 1 0.15298186
173767 0.29671726 1 0.58594776
```

NA

173769 3.54958407 1 0.05956038

NA O

173770

```
173772 0.59863946 1 0.43909761
173774 0.82443150 1 0.36388768
173775 0.87744532 1 0.34890234
173776 0.09218633 1 0.76141588
  Just to see that snpMatrix does it without sex:
> snpMatrix::snp.rhs.tests(cc ~ strata(region), family = "binomial",
     data = subject.data, snp.data = new("snp.matrix", Autosomes@.Data),
     tests = 1:10)
       Chi.squared Df
                        p.value
173760 1.01538462 1 0.31361630
173761 1.46259571 1 0.22651757
173762 1.92028786 1 0.16582493
173767 0.77609738 1 0.37833736
173769 2.92614948 1 0.08715513
173770
               NA O
173772 1.11008326 1 0.29206385
173774 0.66697270 1 0.41410906
173775 0.96730037 1 0.32535438
173776 0.09831885 1 0.75385649
```

This bug also exist in snpMatrix prior to 1.17.5.10 and was introduced with the imputation-related changes around October 2008.

3 Bug in snpStats::single.snp.tests()

```
> data(for.exercise, package = "snpStats")
> 1s()
[1] "Asnps"
                       "Autosomes"
                                         "result"
                                                            "snp.support"
                                         "subject.support" "Xchromosome"
[5] "snps.10"
                      "subject.data"
[9] "Xsnps"
> tests.snpStats <- snpStats::single.snp.tests(cc, stratum, data = subject.support,
      snp.data = snps.10)
   Now we convert snpStats classes (mixed-cases without ".") to snpMatrix's (lowercases with "."),
and re-run the the snpMatrix version of single.snp.tests():
> str(snps.10)
Formal class 'SnpMatrix' [package "snpStats"] with 1 slots
  ..@ .Data: raw [1:1000, 1:28501] 01 01 01 01 ...
  ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
  .....$: chr [1:1000] "jpt.869" "jpt.862" "jpt.948" "ceu.564" ...
  .....$ : chr [1:28501] "rs7909677" "rs7093061" "rs12773042" "rs7475011" ...
```

```
> snps.10 <- new("snp.matrix", snps.10@.Data)</pre>
> str(snps.10)
Formal class 'snp.matrix' [package "snpMatrix"] with 1 slots
  ..@ .Data: raw [1:1000, 1:28501] 01 01 01 01 ...
  ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
  .....$ : chr [1:1000] "jpt.869" "jpt.862" "jpt.948" "ceu.564" ...
  .....$ : chr [1:28501] "rs7909677" "rs7093061" "rs12773042" "rs7475011" ...
> tests.snpMatrix <- snpMatrix::single.snp.tests(cc, stratum, data = subject.support,
      snp.data = snps.10)
  Then we use the testsuite code to compare:
> all.equal(tests.snpStats@chisq[, "1 df"], tests.snpMatrix@chisq[,
      "1 df"], tolerance = 0)
[1] TRUE
> all.equal(tests.snpStats@chisq[, "2 df"], tests.snpMatrix@chisq[,
      "2 df"], tolerance = 0)
[1] "'is.NA' value mismatch: 787 in current 807 in target"
> snpMatrix:::.chi2.all.equal(tests.snpStats@chisq[, "2 df"], tests.snpMatrix@chisq[,
      "2 df"1)
Max absolute finite difference: 0
Max relative finite difference: 0
Finite in 1st but not in 2nd: 0
Finite in 2nd but not in 1st: 20
                    Median
    Min. 1st Qu.
                               Mean 3rd Qu.
                                                  Max.
0.003281 1.167000 2.272000 2.070000 2.952000 4.258000
Difference
  Or 20 SNP tests failed in snpStats but okay in snpMatrix.
  Now we run the non-stratified tests, but convert in the opposite direction, and compare:
> tests.snpMatrix.crude <- snpMatrix::single.snp.tests(cc, data = subject.support,
      snp.data = snps.10)
> str(snps.10)
Formal class 'snp.matrix' [package "snpMatrix"] with 1 slots
  ..@ .Data: raw [1:1000, 1:28501] 01 01 01 01 ...
  ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
  .....$ : chr [1:1000] "jpt.869" "jpt.862" "jpt.948" "ceu.564" ...
  .....$ : chr [1:28501] "rs7909677" "rs7093061" "rs12773042" "rs7475011" ...
```

```
> snps.10 <- new("SnpMatrix", snps.10@.Data)
> str(snps.10)
Formal class 'SnpMatrix' [package "snpStats"] with 1 slots
  ..@ .Data: raw [1:1000, 1:28501] 01 01 01 01 ...
  ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
  .....$ : chr [1:1000] "jpt.869" "jpt.862" "jpt.948" "ceu.564" ...
  .....$ : chr [1:28501] "rs7909677" "rs7093061" "rs12773042" "rs7475011" ...
> tests.snpStats.crude <- snpStats::single.snp.tests(cc, data = subject.support,
      snp.data = snps.10)
> all.equal(tests.snpStats.crude@chisq[, "2 df"], tests.snpMatrix.crude@chisq[,
      "2 df"], tolerance = 0)
[1] "'is.NA' value mismatch: 789 in current 807 in target"
> snpMatrix:::.chi2.all.equal(tests.snpStats.crude@chisq[, "2 df"],
      tests.snpMatrix.crude@chisq[, "2 df"])
Max absolute finite difference: 0
Max relative finite difference: 0
Finite in 1st but not in 2nd: 0
Finite in 2nd but not in 1st: 18
  Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu.
                                          Max.
  1.043 1.408
                 2.405 2.323
                                 2.865
                                          3.922
Difference
        18
```

Or 18 SNP tests failed in snpStats but okay in snpMatrix.

This bug also exist in snpMatrix prior to 1.17.4.9 for its entire history (i.e. since pre-1.0), and differently before 1.5.x also.

4 X chromosome conversion

The corresponding X-chromosome conversion is as follows:

```
> data(testdata, package = "snpStats")
> str(Xchromosome)

Formal class 'XSnpMatrix' [package "snpStats"] with 2 slots
    ..@ .Data : raw [1:400, 1:155] 03 03 03 01 ...
    ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
    ... ...$ : chr [1:400] "1987" "436" "762" "1199" ...
    ... ...$ : chr [1:155] "174193" "174196" "174197" "174208" ...
    ... .@ diploid: Named logi [1:400] TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE ...
    ... - attr(*, "names")= chr [1:400] "1987" "436" "762" "1199" ...
```

```
> Xchromosome <- new("X.snp.matrix", Xchromosome@.Data, Female = Xchromosome@diploid)
> str(Xchromosome)

Formal class 'X.snp.matrix' [package "snpMatrix"] with 2 slots
    ..@ .Data : raw [1:400, 1:155] 03 03 03 01 ...
    ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 2
    ... ...$ : chr [1:400] "1987" "436" "762" "1199" ...
    ... ...$ : chr [1:155] "174193" "174196" "174197" "174208" ...
    ..@ Female: Named logi [1:400] TRUE FALSE TRUE FALSE FALSE FALSE ...
    ... - attr(*, "names")= chr [1:400] "1987" "436" "762" "1199" ...
```