Circular Data Analysis and Visualizations with R

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Introduction

We use R and RStudio for all data analysis and visualizations. The phase data are available in the paper cited above, and for the purpose of this data analysis we recorded it in the file phases.csv. The source R Markdown document (with Rmd extension) containing all R code is also available in the GitHub repository.

The key R package that we use for all circular data analysis and visualizations is **circular**. All R packages must be installed first before they are loaded with library().

Plot 1: PdfGal4, uasUNC5 and pdf>UNC5

In Figure 1, we show the raw circular data plots and rose diagrams of PdfGal4, uasUNC5 and pdf>UNC5, based on the angles in radians, obtained from the phases.

PdfGal4, uasUNC5 and pdf>UNC5

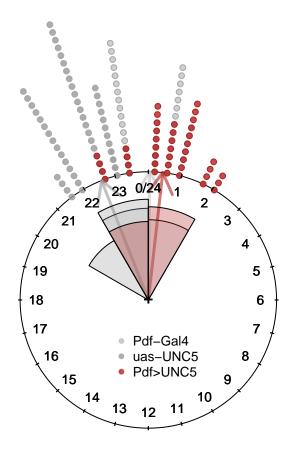


Figure 1: Circular plots and rose diagrams of PdfGal4, uasUNC5 and pdf>UNC5.

Plot 2: Pdf-Gal4, uas-DBTL and Pdf>DBTL

In Figure 2, we show the raw circular data plots and rose diagrams of Pdf-Gal4, uas-DBTL and Pdf>DBTL, based on the angles in radians, obtained from the phases.

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# Plot 2
par(mar=c(rep(1,4))) # set plot margins
# plot the circular data for Pdf-Gal4 [1] as a histogram with stack = TRUE
plot(cirradphases[,1], stack = TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gray77",0.8), col="darkgray",
     cex=0.8, sep = 0.08, shrink = 2.2,
     main="Pdf-Gal4, uas-DBTL and Pdf>DBTL",
     cex.main=0.8) # plot PdfGal4 [,1]
# calculate the circular means and point to them by arrows
circ.mean1<-mean(cirradphases[,1],na.rm = TRUE) # Pdf-Gal4 [1]</pre>
circ.mean4<-mean(cirradphases[,4],na.rm = TRUE) # uas-DBTL [4]</pre>
circ.mean6<-mean(cirradphases[,6],na.rm = TRUE) # Pdf>DBTL [6]
# adding points for uas-DBTL [4] and pdf>DBTL [6]
points(cirradphases[,4], stack = TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gray45",0.8),
       col = "darkgray", cex=0.8, sep=0.08)
points(cirradphases[,6],stack=TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gold3",0.8), col = "gold3",
       cex=0.8, sep=0.08)
# adding arrows to circular means
arrows.circular(circ.mean1, col = alpha("gray77",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
arrows.circular(circ.mean4, col = alpha("gray45",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
arrows.circular(circ.mean6, col = alpha("gold3",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
legend(-0.3,-0.2,legend=c("Pdf-Gal4", "uas-DBTL","Pdf>DBTL"),
       col=c(alpha("gray77",0.9), alpha("gray45",0.8),alpha("gold3",0.8)),
       pch=16,cex=0.8,box.lty=0)
# Rose diagrams
rose.diag(cirradphases[,1],bins=12,col=alpha("gray77",0.3),
          cex=0.8,prop=0.88,add=TRUE,ticks=FALSE)
rose.diag(cirradphases[,4],bins=12,col=alpha("gray45",0.3),
          cex=0.8,prop=0.88,add=TRUE,ticks=FALSE)
rose.diag(cirradphases[,6],bins=12,col=alpha("gold3",0.3),
          cex=0.8,prop=0.88,add=TRUE,ticks=FALSE)
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Plot 3: Pdf>DBTL, uas-UNC5 and pdf>DBTL,UNC5

In Figure 3, we show the raw circular data plots and rose diagrams of Pdf>DBTL, uas-UNC5 and pdf>DBTL,UNC5 based on the angles in radians, obtained from the phases.

Pdf-Gal4, uas-DBTL and Pdf>DBTL

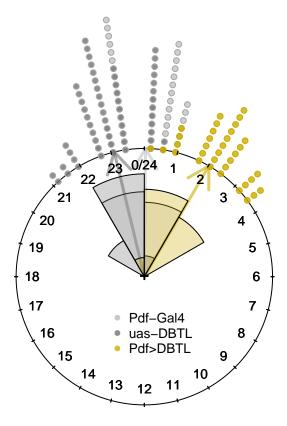


Figure 2: Circular plots and rose diagrams of Pdf-Gal4, uas-DBTL and Pdf>DBTL.

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# calculate the circular means and point to them by arrows
circ.mean6<-mean(cirradphases[,6],na.rm = TRUE) # Pdf>DBTL [6]
circ.mean2<-mean(cirradphases[,2],na.rm = TRUE) # uas-UNC5 [2]
circ.mean7<-mean(cirradphases[,7],na.rm = TRUE) # pdf>DBTL,UNC5 [7]
# adding points for uas-UNC5 [2] and pdf>DBTL,UNC5 [7]
points(cirradphases[,2],stack = TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gray60",0.8),
       col = "darkgray", cex=0.8, sep=0.08)
points(cirradphases[,7],stack=TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gold4",0.8), col = "gold4",
       cex=0.8, sep=0.08)
# adding arrows to circular means
arrows.circular(circ.mean6, col = alpha("gold3",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
arrows.circular(circ.mean2, col = alpha("gray60",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
arrows.circular(circ.mean7, col = alpha("gold4",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
legend(-0.4,-0.2,legend=c("Pdf>DBTL", "uas-UNC5","pdf>DBTL,UNC5"),
       col=c(alpha("gold3",0.8), alpha("gray60",0.8),alpha("gold4",0.8)),
       pch=16,cex=0.8,box.lty=0)
# Rose diagrams
rose.diag(cirradphases[,6],bins=12,col=alpha("gold3",0.3),
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Pdf>DBTL, uas-UNC5 and pdf>DBTL,UNC5

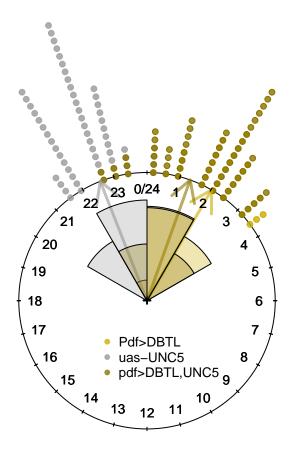


Figure 3: Circular plots and rose diagrams of Pdf>DBTL, uas-UNC5 and pdf>DBTL,UNC5.

Plot 4: Pdf>DBTL, uas-DBTL and pdf>DBTL,UNC5

In Figure 4, we show the raw circular data plots and rose diagrams of Pdf>DBTL, uas-DBTL and pdf>DBTL,UNC5, based on the angles in radians, obtained from the phases.

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circ.mean6<-mean(cirradphases[,6],na.rm = TRUE) # Pdf>DBTL [6]
circ.mean4<-mean(cirradphases[,4],na.rm = TRUE) # uas-DBTL [4]</pre>
circ.mean7<-mean(cirradphases[,7],na.rm = TRUE) # pdf>DBTL,UNC5 [7]
# adding points for uas-DBTL [4] and pdf>DBTL,UNC5 [7]
points(cirradphases[,4],stack = TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gray45",0.8),
       col = "darkgray", cex=0.8, sep=0.08)
points(cirradphases[,7],stack=TRUE, pch = 21, bg = alpha("gold4",0.8), col = "gold4",
       cex=0.8, sep=0.08)
# adding arrows to circular means
arrows.circular(circ.mean6, col = alpha("gold3",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
arrows.circular(circ.mean4, col = alpha("gray45",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
arrows.circular(circ.mean7, col = alpha("gold4",0.6), lwd=3) # arrow to circ. mean
legend(-0.4,-0.2,legend=c("Pdf>DBTL", "uas-DBTL", "pdf>DBTL,UNC5"),
       col=c(alpha("gold3",0.8), alpha("gray45",0.8),alpha("gold4",0.8)),
       pch=16,cex=0.8,box.lty=0)
# Rose diagrams
rose.diag(cirradphases[,6],bins=12,col=alpha("gold3",0.3),
          cex=0.8,prop=0.88,add=TRUE,ticks=FALSE)
rose.diag(cirradphases[,4],bins=12,col=alpha("gray45",0.3),
          cex=0.8,prop=0.88,add=TRUE,ticks=FALSE)
rose.diag(cirradphases[,7],bins=12,col=alpha("gold4",0.3),
          cex=0.8,prop=0.88,add=TRUE,ticks=FALSE)
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Pdf>DBTL, uas-DBTL and pdf>DBTL,UNC5

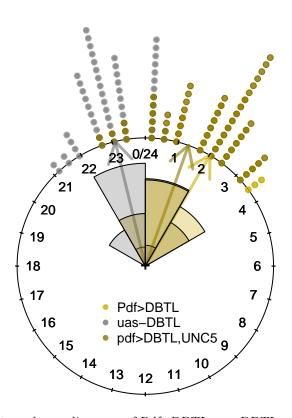


Figure 4: Circular plots and rose diagrams of Pdf>DBTL, uas-DBTL and pdf>DBTL,UNC5.