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Annotate_Single_Variants

Functionally annotate a list of variants

Description

The Annotate_Single_Variants function takes in a list of variants to functionally annotate the input variants

Usage

```
Annotate_Single_Variants(
  agds_dir,
  single_variants_list,
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
  Annotation_name_catalog,
  Annotation_name
)
```

Arguments

agds_dir file directory of annotated GDS (aGDS) files for all chromosomes (1-22).

single_variants_list a data frame containing the information of variants to be functionally annotated. The data frame must include 4 columns with the following names: "CHR" (chromosome number), "POS" (position), "REF" (reference allele), and "ALT" (alternative allele).

QC_label channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").

Annotation_dir channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").

Annotation_name_catalog a data frame containing the annotation names and the corresponding channel names in the aGDS file.

Annotation_name a vector of qualitative/quantitative annotation names user wants to extract.

Value

a data frame containing the basic information (chromosome, position, reference allele and alternative allele) and annotation scores for the input variants.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Dynamic_Window_Results_Summary

Summarize the results of dynamic window analysis generated by STAARpipeline package and perform conditional analysis for (unconditionally) significant genetic regions by adjusting for a given list of known variants

Description

The `Dynamic_Window_Results_Summary` function takes in the results of dynamic window analysis generated by STAARpipeline package, the object from fitting the null model, and the set of known variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis to summarize the dynamic window analysis results and analyze the conditional association between a quantitative/dichotomous phenotype and the rare variants in the unconditional significant genetic regions.

Usage

```
Dynamic_Window_Results_Summary(
  agds_dir,
  jobs_num,
  input_path,
  output_path,
  dynamic_window_results_name,
  obj_nullmodel,
  known_loci = NULL,
  method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
  variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
  Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
  Annotation_name_catalog,
  Use_annotation_weights = FALSE,
  Annotation_name = NULL,
  alpha = 0.05
)
```

Arguments

<code>agds_dir</code>	a vector containing file directory of annotated GDS (aGDS) files for all chromosomes (1-22).
<code>jobs_num</code>	a data frame containing the number of jobs for association analysis. The data frame must include a column with the name "scang_num"
<code>input_path</code>	file directory of the input dynamic window analysis results.
<code>output_path</code>	file directory of the output summary results.
<code>dynamic_window_results_name</code>	file names of the input dynamic window analysis results.
<code>obj_nullmodel</code>	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from <code>fit_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from <code>fitNullModel</code> function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the <code>genesis2staar_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package.

known_loci	a data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
method_cond	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. optimal refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; naive refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci and taking the residuals (default = optimal).
QC_label	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").
geno_missing_imputation	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
variant_type	type of variant included in the conditional analysis. Choice includes "SNV", "Indel", or "variant" (default = "SNV").
Annotation_dir	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
Annotation_name_catalog	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.
Use_annotation_weights	use annotations as weights or not (default = FALSE).
Annotation_name	a vector of annotation names used in SCANG-STAAR (default = NULL).
alpha	threshold to control the genome-wise (family-wise) error rate (default = 0.05).

Value

The function returns the following analysis results:

SCANG_S_res_uncond_cond.Rdata and SCANG_S_res_uncond_cond.csv: A matrix that summarized the unconditional and conditional results of the significant regions ($GWER < \alpha$) detected by the SCANG-STAAR-S procedure (conditional results available if known_loci is not a NULL), including chromosome ("chr"), start position ("start_pos"), end position ("end_pos"), number of variants ("SNV_nos"), family-wise/genome-wide error rate (GWER), unconditional STAAR-S p-value ("STAAR_S"), conditional STAAR-S p-value ("STAAR_S_cond"), conditional ACAT-V p-value ("ACAT_V_cond"), conditional Burden p-value ("Burden_cond"), conditional SKAT p-value ("SKAT_cond"), and conditional STAAR-O p-value ("STAAR_O_cond").

SCANG_B_res_uncond_cond.Rdata and SCANG_B_res_uncond_cond.csv: A matrix that summarized the unconditional and conditional results of the significant regions detected by the SCANG-STAAR-B procedure (conditional results available if known_loci is not a NULL). Details see SCANG-STAAR-S.

SCANG_O_res_uncond_cond.Rdata and SCANG_O_res_uncond_cond.csv: A matrix that summarized the unconditional and conditional results of the significant regions detected by the SCANG-STAAR-O procedure (conditional results available if known_loci is not a NULL). Details see SCANG-STAAR-S.

results_dynamic_window.Rdata: A Rdata file that summarized the significant regions detected by SCANG-STAAR procedure.

SCANG_S_top1.Rdata and SCANG_S_top1.csv: A matrix that summarized the top 1 unconditional region detected by SCANG-STAAR-S, including the STAAR-S p-value ("STAAR_S"), chromosome ("chr"), start position ("start_pos"), end position ("end_pos"), family-wise/genome-wide error rate (GWER) and the number of variants ("SNV_nos").

SCANG_B_top1.Rdata and SCANG_B_top1.csv: A matrix that summarized the top 1 unconditional region detected by SCANG-STAAR-B. Details see SCANG-STAAR-B.

SCANG_O_top1.Rdata and SCANG_O_top1.csv: A matrix that summarized the top 1 unconditional region detected by SCANG-STAAR-O. Details see SCANG-STAAR-O.

SCANG_S_res.Rdata and SCANG_S_res.csv: A matrix that summarized the significant regions ($GWER < \alpha$) detected by SCANG-STAAR-S, including the negative log transformation of STAAR-S p-value ("logp"), chromosome ("chr"), start position ("start_pos"), end position ("end_pos"), family-wise/genome-wide error rate (GWER) and the number of variants ("SNV_num").

SCANG_B_res.Rdata and SCANG_B_res.csv: A matrix that summarized the significant regions detected by SCANG-STAAR-B. Details see SCANG-STAAR-S.

SCANG_O_res.Rdata and SCANG_O_res.csv: A matrix that summarized the significant regions detected by SCANG-STAAR-O. Details see SCANG-STAAR-S.

SCANG_S_res_cond.Rdata and SCANG_S_res_cond.csv: A matrix that summarized the conditional p-values of the significant regions ($GWER < \alpha$) detected by SCANG-STAAR-S, including chromosome ("chr"), start position ("Start Loc"), end position ("End Loc"), the number of variants ("SNV"), annotation-weighted ACAT-V, Burden and SKAT conditional p-values, and STAAR conditional p-values of the regions with GWER smaller than the threshold α (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

SCANG_B_res_cond.Rdata and SCANG_B_res_cond.csv: A matrix that summarized the conditional p-values of the significant regions ($GWER < \alpha$) detected by SCANG-STAAR-B (available if known_loci is not a NULL), Details see SCANG-STAAR-S.

SCANG_O_res_cond.Rdata and SCANG_O_res_cond.csv: A matrix that summarized the conditional p-values of the significant regions ($GWER < \alpha$) detected by SCANG-STAAR-O (available if known_loci is not a NULL), Details see SCANG-STAAR-S.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Gene_Centric_Coding_Info

Functionally annotate rare variants in a coding mask

Description

The Gene_Centric_Coding_Info function takes in a coding mask of a gene to functionally annotate the rare variants in the mask.

Usage

```
Gene_Centric_Coding_Info(
  category = c("plof", "plof_ds", "missense", "disruptive_missense", "synonymous"),
  chr,
  genofile,
  obj_nullmodel,
  gene_name,
  known_loci = NULL,
  rare_maf_cutoff = 0.01,
```

```

method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
QC_label = "annotation/filter",
variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
Annotation_name_catalog,
Annotation_name
)

```

Arguments

category	the coding functional category of rare variants to be functionally annotated. Choices include plof, plof_ds, missense, disruptive_missense, synonymous (default = plof).
chr	chromosome.
genofile	an object of opened annotated GDS (aGDS) file.
obj_nullmodel	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from fit_nullmodel function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from fitNullModel function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the genesis2staar_nullmodel function in the STAARpipeline package.
gene_name	name of the gene to be annotated.
known_loci	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
rare_maf_cutoff	the cutoff of maximum minor allele frequency in defining rare variants (default = 0.01).
method_cond	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. optimal refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; naive refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci and taking the residuals (default = optimal).
QC_label	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file.
variant_type	type of variant included in the conditional analysis. Choices include "SNV", "Indel", or "variant" (default = "SNV").
geno_missing_imputation	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
Annotation_dir	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
Annotation_name_catalog	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.
Annotation_name	a vector of qualitative/quantitative annotation names user wants to extract.

Value

a data frame containing the basic information (chromosome, position, reference allele and alternative allele), unconditional and conditional the score test p-values, and annotation scores for the rare variants of the input coding mask.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Gene_Centric_Coding_Results_Summary

Summarize gene-centric coding analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package and perform conditional analysis for (unconditionally) significant coding masks by adjusting for a given list of known variants

Description

The Gene_Centric_Coding_Results_Summary function takes in the objects of gene-centric coding analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package, the object from fitting the null model, and the set of known variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis to summarize the gene-centric coding analysis results and analyze the conditional association between a quantitative/dichotomous phenotype and the rare variants in the unconditional significant coding masks.

Usage

```
Gene_Centric_Coding_Results_Summary(
  agds_dir,
  gene_centric_coding_jobs_num,
  input_path,
  output_path,
  gene_centric_results_name,
  obj_nullmodel,
  known_loci = NULL,
  method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
  variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
  Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
  Annotation_name_catalog,
  Use_annotation_weights = FALSE,
  Annotation_name = NULL,
  alpha = 2.5e-06,
  manhattan_plot = FALSE,
  QQ_plot = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

agds_dir	file directory of annotated GDS (aGDS) files for all chromosomes (1-22)
gene_centric_coding_jobs_num	the number of gene-centric coding analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package.
input_path	the directory of gene-centric coding analysis results that generated by STAARpipeline package.

<code>output_path</code>	the directory for the output files.
<code>gene_centric_results_name</code>	file name of gene-centric coding analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package.
<code>obj_nullmodel</code>	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from <code>fit_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from <code>fitNullModel</code> function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the <code>genesis2staar_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package.
<code>known_loci</code>	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
<code>method_cond</code>	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. <code>optimal</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; <code>naive</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> and taking the residuals (default = <code>optimal</code>).
<code>QC_label</code>	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").
<code>geno_missing_imputation</code>	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
<code>variant_type</code>	type of variant included in the analysis. Choices include "SNV", "Indel", or "variant" (default = "SNV").
<code>Annotation_dir</code>	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
<code>Annotation_name_catalog</code>	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.
<code>Use_annotation_weights</code>	use annotations as weights or not (default = FALSE).
<code>Annotation_name</code>	a vector of annotation names used in STAAR (default = NULL).
<code>alpha</code>	p-value threshold of significant results (default=2.5E-06).
<code>manhattan_plot</code>	output manhattan plot or not (default = FALSE).
<code>QQ_plot</code>	output Q-Q plot or not (default = FALSE).

Value

The function returns the following analysis results:

`coding_sig.csv`: a matrix that summarizes the unconditional significant coding masks detected by STAAR-O (STAAR-O pvalue smaller than the threshold α), including gene name ("Gene name"), chromosome ("chr"), coding functional category ("Category"), number of variants ("#SNV"), and unconditional p-values of set-based tests SKAT ("SKAT(1,25)"), Burden ("Burden(1,1)"), ACAT-V ("ACAT-V(1,25)") and STAAR-O ("STAAR-O").

`coding_sig_cond.csv`: a matrix that summarized the conditional analysis results of unconditional significant coding masks detected by STAAR-O (available if `known_loci` is not a NULL), including gene name ("Gene name"), chromosome ("chr"), coding functional category ("Category"), number of variants ("#SNV"), and conditional p-values of set-based tests SKAT ("SKAT(1,25)"), Burden ("Burden(1,1)"), ACAT-V ("ACAT-V(1,25)") and STAAR-O ("STAAR-O").

results_plof_genome.Rdata: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the coding mask defined by the putative loss of function variants (plof) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

plof_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant plof masks.

plof_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant plof masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_plof_ds_genome.Rdata: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the coding mask defined by the putative loss of function variants and disruptive missense variants (plof_ds) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

plof_ds_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant plof_ds masks.

plof_ds_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant plof_ds masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_disruptive_missense_genome.Rdata: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the coding mask defined by the disruptive missense variants (disruptive_missense) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

disruptive_missense_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant disruptive_missense masks.

disruptive_missense_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant disruptive_missense masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_missense_genome.Rdata: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the coding mask defined by the missense variants (missense) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

missense_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant missense masks.

missense_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant missense masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_synonymous_genome.Rdata: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the coding mask defined by the synonymous variants (synonymous) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

synonymous_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant synonymous masks.

synonymous_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant synonymous masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

manhattan plot (optional) and Q-Q plot (optional) of the gene-centric coding analysis results.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Gene_Centric_Noncoding_Info

Functionally annotate rare variants in a noncoding mask

Description

The Gene_Centric_Noncoding_Info function takes in a noncoding mask of a gene to functionally annotate the rare variants in the mask.

Usage

```
Gene_Centric_Noncoding_Info(
  category = c("downstream", "upstream", "UTR", "promoter_CAGE", "promoter_DHS",
    "enhancer_CAGE", "enhancer_DHS", "ncRNA"),
  chr,
  genofile,
  obj_nullmodel,
  gene_name,
  known_loci = NULL,
  rare_maf_cutoff = 0.01,
  method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
  Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
  Annotation_name_catalog,
  Annotation_name
)
```

Arguments

category	the noncoding functional category to be functionally annotated. Choices include downstream, upstream, UTR, promoter_CAGE, promoter_DHS, enhancer_CAGE, enhancer_DHS, ncRNA (default = downstream).
chr	chromosome.
genofile	an object of opened annotated GDS (aGDS) file.
obj_nullmodel	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from fit_nullmodel function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from fitNullModel function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the genesis2staar_nullmodel function in the STAARpipeline package.
gene_name	name of the gene to be annotated.
known_loci	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
rare_maf_cutoff	the cutoff of maximum minor allele frequency in defining rare variants (default = 0.01).

method_cond	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. optimal refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci as well as all co-variates used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; naive refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci and taking the residuals (default = optimal).
QC_label	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").
variant_type	type of variant included in the conditional analysis. Choices include "SNV", "Indel", or "variant" (default = "SNV").
geno_missing_imputation	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
Annotation_dir	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
Annotation_name_catalog	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.
Annotation_name	a vector of qualitative/quantitative annotation names user wants to extract.

Value

a data frame containing the basic information (chromosome, position, reference allele and alternative allele), unconditional and conditional the score test p-values, and annotation scores for the rare variants of the input noncoding mask.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Gene_Centric_Noncoding_Results_Summary

Summarize gene-centric noncoding analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package

Description

The Gene_Centric_Noncoding_Results_Summary function takes in the objects of gene-centric noncoding analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package, the object from fitting the null model, and the set of known variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis to summarize the gene-centric noncoding analysis results and analyze the conditional association between a quantitative/dichotomous phenotype and the rare variants in the unconditional significant noncoding masks.

Usage

```
Gene_Centric_Noncoding_Results_Summary(
  agds_dir,
  gene_centric_noncoding_jobs_num,
  input_path,
  output_path,
```

```

gene_centric_results_name,
ncRNA_jobs_num,
ncRNA_input_path,
ncRNA_output_path,
ncRNA_results_name,
obj_nullmodel,
known_loci = NULL,
method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
QC_label = "annotation/filter",
geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
Annotation_name_catalog,
Use_annotation_weights = FALSE,
Annotation_name = NULL,
alpha = 2.5e-06,
manhattan_plot = FALSE,
QQ_plot = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

<code>agds_dir</code>	a data farm containing directory of GDS/aGDS files.
<code>gene_centric_noncoding_jobs_num</code>	the number of results for gene-centric noncoding analysis of protein-coding genes generated by STAARpipeline package.
<code>input_path</code>	the directory of gene-centric noncoding analysis results for protein-coding genes that generated by STAARpipeline package.
<code>output_path</code>	the directory for the output files of the summary of gene-centric noncoding analysis results for protein-coding genes.
<code>gene_centric_results_name</code>	the file name of gene-centric noncoding analysis results for protein-coding genes generated by STAARpipeline package.
<code>ncRNA_jobs_num</code>	the number of results for gene-centric noncoding analysis of ncRNA genes generated by STAARpipeline package..
<code>ncRNA_input_path</code>	the directory of gene-centric noncoding analysis results for ncRNA genes that generated by STAARpipeline package.
<code>ncRNA_output_path</code>	the directory for the output files of the summary of gene-centric noncoding analysis results for ncRNA genes.
<code>ncRNA_results_name</code>	file name of gene-centric noncoding analysis results for ncRNA genes that generated by STAARpipeline package.
<code>obj_nullmodel</code>	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from <code>fit_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from <code>fitNullModel</code> function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the <code>genesis2staar_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package.
<code>known_loci</code>	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).

method_cond	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. optimal refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; naive refers to regressing residuals from the null model on known_loci and taking the residuals (default = optimal).
QC_label	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").
geno_missing_imputation	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
variant_type	type of variant included in the analysis. Choices include "SNV", "Indel", or "variant" (default = "SNV").
Annotation_dir	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
Annotation_name_catalog	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.
Use_annotation_weights	use annotations as weights or not (default = FALSE).
Annotation_name	a vector of annotation names used in STAAR (default = NULL).
alpha	p-value threshold of significant results (default=2.5E-06).
manhattan_plot	output manhattan plot or not (default = FALSE).
QQ_plot	output Q-Q plot or not (default = FALSE).

Value

The function returns the following analysis results:

noncoding_sig.csv: a matrix that summarized the unconditional significant region detected by STAAR-O (STAAR-O pvalue smaller than the threshold alpha), including gene name ("Gene name"), chromosome ("chr"), coding functional category ("Category"), number of variants ("#SNV"), and the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O).

noncoding_sig_cond.csv: a matrix that summarized the conditional analysis results of the unconditional significant region detected by STAAR-O (available if known_loci is not a NULL), including gene name ("Gene name"), chromosome ("chr"), coding functional category ("Category"), number of variants ("#SNV"), and the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O).

results_UTR_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the non-coding masks defined by UTR variants (UTR) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

UTR_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant UTR masks.

UTR_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant UTR masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_upstream_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the noncoding masks defined by upstream variants (upstream) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

upstream_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant upstream masks.

upstream_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant upstream masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_downstream_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the noncoding masks defined by downstream variants (downstream) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

downstream_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant downstream masks.

downstream_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant downstream masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_promoter_CAGE_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the noncoding masks defined by variants overlaid with CAGE sites in the promoter (promoter_CAGE) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

promoter_CAGE_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant promoter_CAGE masks.

promoter_CAGE_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant promoter_CAGE masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_promoter_DHS_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the noncoding masks defined by variants overlaid with DHS sites in the promoter (promoter_DHS) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

promoter_DHS_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant promoter_DHS masks.

promoter_DHS_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant promoter_DHS masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_enhancer_CAGE_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the noncoding masks defined by variants overlaid with CAGE sites in the enhancer (enhancer_CAGE) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

enhancer_CAGE_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant enhancer_CAGE masks.

enhancer_CAGE_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant enhancer_CAGE masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_enhancer_DHS_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the noncoding masks defined by variants overlaid with DHS sites in the enhancer (enhancer_DHS) for all protein-coding genes across the genome.

enhancer_DHS_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant enhancer_DHS masks.

enhancer_DHS_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant enhancer_DHS masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

results_ncRNA_genome: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the non-coding masks defined by exonic and splicing ncRNA variants (ncRNA) for all ncRNA genes across the genome.

ncRNA_sig.csv: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant ncRNA masks.

ncRNA_sig_cond.csv: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the unconditional significant ncRNA masks (available if known_loci is not a NULL).

manhattan plot (optional) and Q-Q plot (optional) of the gene-centric noncoding analysis results.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Individual_Analysis_Results_Summary

*Summarize individual-variant analysis results generated by
STAARpipeline package*

Description

The Individual_Analysis_Results_Summary function takes in the objects of individual analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package, the object from fitting the null model, and the set of known variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis to summarize the individual analysis results and analyze the conditional association between a quantitative/dichotomous phenotype and the unconditional significant single variants.

Usage

```
Individual_Analysis_Results_Summary(
  agds_dir,
  jobs_num,
  input_path,
  output_path,
  individual_results_name,
  obj_nullmodel,
  known_loci = NULL,
  method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
  alpha = 5e-09,
  manhattan_plot = FALSE,
  QQ_plot = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

agds_dir	a data farme containing directory of GDS/aGDS files.
jobs_num	a data frame containing the number of analysis results, including the number of individual analysis results, the number of sliding window analysis results, and the number of dynamic window analysis results.
input_path	the directory of individual analysis results that generated by STAARpipeline package.
output_path	the directory for the output files.
individual_results_name	the file name of individual analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package.

<code>obj_nullmodel</code>	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from <code>fit_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from <code>fitNullModel</code> function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the <code>genesis2staar_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package.
<code>known_loci</code>	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
<code>method_cond</code>	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. <code>optimal</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; <code>naive</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> and taking the residuals (default = <code>optimal</code>).
<code>QC_label</code>	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file.
<code>geno_missing_imputation</code>	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
<code>alpha</code>	p-value threshold of significant results (default=5E-09).
<code>manhattan_plot</code>	output manhattan plot or not (default = FALSE).
<code>QQ_plot</code>	output Q-Q plot or not (default = FALSE).

Value

The function returns the following analysis results:

`results_individual_analysis_genome.Rdata`: a matrix contains the score test p-value and effect size estimation of each variant across the genome.

`results_individual_analysis_sig.Rdata` and `results_individual_analysis_sig.csv`: a matrix contains the score test p-values and effect size estimations of significant results (p-value < alpha).

`results_sig_cond.Rdata` and `results_sig_cond.csv`: a matrix contains the conditional score test p-values for each significant variant (available if `known_loci` is not a NULL).

manhattan plot (optional) and Q-Q plot (optional) of the individual analysis results.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Single_Variants_List_Analysis

Calculate individual-variant p-values of a list of variants

Description

The `Single_Variants_List_Analysis` function takes in a list of variants to calculate the p-values and effect sizes of the input variants

Usage

```
Single_Variants_List_Analysis(
  agds_dir,
  single_variants_list,
  obj_nullmodel,
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor")
)
```

Arguments

agds_dir file directory of annotated GDS (aGDS) files for all chromosomes (1-22).

single_variants_list name a data frame containing the information of variants to be functionally annotated. The data frame must include 4 columns with the following names: "CHR" (chromosome number), "POS" (position), "REF" (reference allele), and "ALT" (alternative allele).

obj_nullmodel an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from `fit_nullmodel` function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from `fitNullModel` function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the `genesis2staar_nullmodel` function in the STAARpipeline package.

QC_label channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").

geno_missing_imputation method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").

Value

a data frame containing the basic information (chromosome, position, reference allele and alternative allele) the score test p-values, and the effect sizes for the input variants.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Sliding_Window_Info *Functionally annotate rare variants in a genetic region*

Description

The `Sliding_Window_Info` function takes in the location of a genetic region to functionally annotate the rare variants in the region.

Usage

```
Sliding_Window_Info(
  chr,
  genofile,
  obj_nullmodel,
  start_loc,
  end_loc,
  known_loci = NULL,
  rare_maf_cutoff = 0.01,
  method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
  Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
  Annotation_name_catalog,
  Annotation_name
)
```

Arguments

<code>chr</code>	chromosome.
<code>genofile</code>	an object of opened annotated GDS (aGDS) file.
<code>obj_nullmodel</code>	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from <code>fit_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from <code>fitNullModel</code> function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the <code>genesis2staar_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package.
<code>start_loc</code>	starting location (position) of the genetic region to be annotated.
<code>end_loc</code>	ending location (position) of the genetic region to be annotated.
<code>known_loci</code>	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
<code>rare_maf_cutoff</code>	the cutoff of maximum minor allele frequency in defining rare variants (default = 0.01).
<code>method_cond</code>	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. <code>optimal</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; <code>naive</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> and taking the residuals (default = <code>optimal</code>).
<code>QC_label</code>	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").
<code>variant_type</code>	variants include in the conditional analysis. Choices include "variant", "SNV", or "Indel" (default = "SNV").
<code>geno_missing_imputation</code>	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
<code>Annotation_dir</code>	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
<code>Annotation_name_catalog</code>	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.

Annotation_name

a vector of qualitative/quantitative annotation names user wants to extract.

Value

a data frame containing the basic information (chromosome, position, reference allele and alternative allele), unconditional and conditional the score test p-values, and annotation scores for the input variants.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

Sliding_Window_Results_Summary

Summarize the sliding window analysis results generated by STAARpipeline package

Description

The Sliding_Window_Results_Summary function takes in the results of sliding window analysis, the object from fitting the null model, and the set of known variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis to summarize the sliding window analysis results and analyze the conditional association between a quantitative/dichotomous phenotype and the rare variants in the unconditional significant genetic region.

Usage

```
Sliding_Window_Results_Summary(
  agds_dir,
  jobs_num,
  input_path,
  output_path,
  sliding_window_results_name,
  obj_nullmodel,
  known_loci = NULL,
  method_cond = c("optimal", "naive"),
  QC_label = "annotation/filter",
  geno_missing_imputation = c("mean", "minor"),
  variant_type = c("SNV", "Indel", "variant"),
  Annotation_dir = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation",
  Annotation_name_catalog,
  Use_annotation_weights = FALSE,
  Annotation_name = NULL,
  alpha = 0.05,
  manhattan_plot = FALSE,
  QQ_plot = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

<code>agds_dir</code>	file directory of annotated GDS (aGDS) files for all chromosomes (1-22).
<code>jobs_num</code>	a data frame containing the number of jobs for association analysis. The data frame must include a column with the name "sliding_window_num"
<code>input_path</code>	file directory of the sliding window analysis results.
<code>output_path</code>	file output directory of the summary results.
<code>sliding_window_results_name</code>	the file name of the input sliding window analysis results.
<code>obj_nullmodel</code>	an object from fitting the null model, which is either the output from <code>fit_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package, or the output from <code>fitNullModel</code> function in the GENESIS package and transformed using the <code>genesis2staar_nullmodel</code> function in the STAARpipeline package.
<code>known_loci</code>	the data frame of variants to be adjusted for in conditional analysis and should contain 4 columns in the following order: chromosome (CHR), position (POS), reference allele (REF), and alternative allele (ALT) (default = NULL).
<code>method_cond</code>	a character value indicating the method for conditional analysis. <code>optimal</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> as well as all co-variables used in fitting the null model (fully adjusted) and taking the residuals; <code>naive</code> refers to regressing residuals from the null model on <code>known_loci</code> and taking the residuals (default = <code>optimal</code>).
<code>QC_label</code>	channel name of the QC label in the GDS/aGDS file (default = "annotation/filter").
<code>geno_missing_imputation</code>	method of handling missing genotypes. Either "mean" or "minor" (default = "mean").
<code>variant_type</code>	variants include in the conditional analysis. Choices include "variant", "SNV", or "Indel" (default = "SNV").
<code>Annotation_dir</code>	channel name of the annotations in the aGDS file (default = "annotation/info/FunctionalAnnotation").
<code>Annotation_name_catalog</code>	a data frame containing the name and the corresponding channel name in the aGDS file.
<code>Use_annotation_weights</code>	use annotations as weights or not (default = FALSE).
<code>Annotation_name</code>	a vector of annotation names used in STAAR (default = NULL).
<code>alpha</code>	threshold to control the genome-wise (family-wise) error rate (default = 0.05), the p-value threshold is $\alpha/\text{total number of sliding windows}$
<code>manhattan_plot</code>	output manhattan plot or not (default = FALSE).
<code>QQ_plot</code>	output Q-Q plot or not (default = FALSE).

Value

The function returns the following analysis results:

`results_sliding_window_genome.Rdata`: a matrix contains the STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the sliding windows across the genome.

`sliding_window_sig.Rdata` and `sliding_window_sig.csv`: a matrix contains the unconditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the significant sliding windows ($\text{unconditional p-value} < \alpha/\text{total number of sliding windows}$).

`sliding_window_sig_cond.Rdata` and `sliding_window_sig_cond.csv`: a matrix contains the conditional STAAR p-values (including STAAR-O) of the significant sliding windows (available if `known_loci` is not a NULL).

manhattan plot (optional) and Q-Q plot (optional) of the sliding window analysis results.

References

Li, Z., Li, X., et al. (2022). A framework for detecting noncoding rare-variant associations of large-scale whole-genome sequencing studies. *Nature Methods*, 19(12), 1599-1611. ([pub](#))

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