# A Genetic Analysis Package with R

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## 1 Introduction

This package was initiated to integrate some C/Fortran/SAS programs I have written or used over the years. As such, it would rather be a long-term project, but an immediate benefit would be something complementary to other packages currently available from CRAN, e.g. **genetics**, **hwde**, etc. I hope eventually this will be part of a bigger effort to fulfill most of the requirements foreseen by many, e.g. Guo and Lange (2000), within the portable environment of R for data management, analysis, graphics and object-oriented programming. My view has been outlined more formally in Zhao and Tan (2006a) and Zhao and Tan (2006b) in relation to other package systems. Also reported are Zhao (2005) and Zhao (2006) on package **kinship**.

The number of functions are quite limited and experimental, but I already feel the enormous advantage by shifting to R and would like sooner rather than later to share my work with others. I will not claim this work as exclusively done by me, but would like to invite others to join me and enlarge the collections and improve them.

## 2 Implementation

The following list shows the data and functions currently available.

#### \* ANALYSIS \*

AE3 AE model using nuclear family trios

bt Bradley-Terry model for contingency table ccsize Power and sample size for case-cohort design

fbsize Sample size for family-based linkage and association design

gc.em Gene counting for haplotype analysis

genomic control

genomic control based on p values

gcp Permutation tests using GENECOUNTING

genecounting Gene counting for haplotype analysis

gif Kinship coefficient and genetic index of familiality

hap Haplotype reconstruction

hap.em Gene counting for haplotype analysis

hap.score Score statistics for association of traits with haplotypes

htr Haplotype trend regression

hwe Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium test for a multiallelic marker

hwe.cc A likelihood ratio test of population Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium

hwe.hardy Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium test using MCMC

kin.morgan kinship matrix for simple pedigree

LD22 LD statistics for two diallelic markers

LDkl LD statistics for two multiallelic markers

masize Sample size calculation for mediation analysis

mia multiple imputation analysis for hap

mtdt Transmission/disequilibrium test of a multiallelic marker mtdt2 Transmission/disequilibrium test of a multiallelic marker

by Bradley-Terry model

mvmeta Multivariate meta-analysis based on generalized least squares

pbsize Power for population-based association design
pbsize2 Power for case-control association design
pfc Probability of familial clustering of disease
pfc.sim Probability of familial clustering of disease
pgc Preparing weight for GENECOUNTING

print.hap.score Print a hap.score object s2k Statistics for 2 by K table

tscc Power calculation for two-stage case-control design

#### \* GRAPHICS \*

asplot Regional association plot

ESplot Effect-size plot mhtplot Manhattan plot

mhtplot2 Manhattan plot with annotations pedtodot Converting pedigree(s) to dot file(s)

plot.hap.score Plot haplotype frequencies versus haplotype score statistics

qqfun Quantile-comparison plots

qqunif Q-Q plot for uniformly distributed random variable

#### \* DATASETS \*

PD A study of Parkinson's disease and APOE, LRRK2, SNCA makers

aldh2 ALDH2 markers and alcoholism

apoeapoc APOE/APOC1 markers and schizophrenia

cf Cystic Fibrosis data crohn Crohn's disease data fa Friedreich ataxia data

fsnps A case-control data involving four SNPs with missing genotype

hla HLA markers and schizophrenia l51 An example pedigree data lukas An example pedigree

mao A study of Parkinson's disease and MAO gene

nep499 A study of Alzheimer's disease with eight SNPs and APOE

#### \* UTILITIES \*

SNP Functions for single nucleotide polymorphisms (SNPs)

BFDP Bayesian false-discovery probability FPRP False-positive report probability

ab Test/Power calculation for mediating effect

b2r Obtain correlation coefficients and their variance-covariances

chow.test Chow's test for heterogeneity in two regressions

comp.score score statistics for testing genetic linkage of quantitative trait

h2 Heritability estimation according to twin correlations

for case-control studies

klem Haplotype frequency estimation based on a genotype table

of two multiallelic markers

makeped A function to prepare pedigrees in post-MAKEPED format

metap Meta-analysis of p values

metareg Fixed and random effects model for meta-analysis

muvar Means and variances under 1- and 2- locus (diallelic) QTL model

read.ms.output A utility function to read ms output

twinan90 Classic twin models

whscore Whittemore-Halpern scores for allele-sharing

GRM functions ReadGRM, ReadGRMBin, ReadGRMPLINK, ReadGRMPCA, WriteGRM, Write

handle genomic relationship matrix involving other software

heritability functions h2G, VR, h2GC, h2l give point estimates as with their variances

for continuous traits and binary traits under liability threshold model and

case-control sampling

Assuming proper installation, you will be able to obtain the list by typing library(help=gap) or view the list within a web browser via help.start(). A PDF version of this file can be viewed with command vignette("gap",package="gap").

You can cut and paste examples at end of each function's documentation.

Both genecounting and hap are able to handle SNPs and multiallelic markers, with the former be flexible enough to include features such as X-linked data and the later being able to handle large number of SNPs. But they are unable to recode allele labels automatically, so functions gc.em and hap.em are in haplo.em format and used by a modified function hap.score in association testing.

It is notable that multilocus data are handled differently from that in **hwde** and elegant definitions of basic genetic data can be found in **genetics** package.

Incidentally, I found my C mixed-radixed sorting routine as in Zhao and Sham (2003) is much faster than R's internal function.

With exceptions such as function pfc which is very computer-intensive, most functions in the package can easily be adapted for analysis of large datasets involving either SNPs or multial-

lelic markers. Some are utility functions, e.g. *muvar* and *whscore*, which will be part of the other analysis routines in the future.

The benefit with R compared to standalone programs is that for users, all functions have unified format. For developers, it is able to incorporate their C/C++ programs more easily and avoid repetitive work such as preparing own routines for matrix algebra and linear models. Further advantage can be taken from packages in **Bioconductor**, which are designed and written to deal with large number of genes.

I have included ms code and .xls files to accompany *read.ms.output* and *FPRP* and *BFDP* functions as with a classic twin example for ACE model in **OpenMx**. The package can be installed with command,

```
source('http://openmx.psyc.virginia.edu/getOpenMx.R')
```

For these models it is actually simpler to use facilities as in package **mets**, which I now suggest.

## 3 Demos

You can also try several simple examples via demo:

```
library(gap)
demo(gap)
```

# 4 Examples

I would like to highlight *pbsize*, *fbsize* and *ccsize* functions used for power/sample calculations in a genome-wide association study as reported in Zhao (2007).

## 4.1 Study design

#### Family-based design

The example involving family-based design is as follows,

```
1.5, 0.10,
           1.5, 0.50,
           1.5, 0.80), ncol=2, byrow=TRUE)
> outfile <- "fbsize.txt"
> cat("gamma", "p", "Y", "N_asp", "P_A", "H1", "N_tdt", "H2", "N_asp/tdt", "L_o", "L_s\n",
      file=outfile,sep="\t")
> for(i in 1:12) {
      g <- models[i,1]
      p \leftarrow models[i,2]
     z \leftarrow fbsize(g,p)
      cat(z$gamma,z$p,z$y,z$n1,z$pA,z$h1,z$n2,z$h2,z$n3,z$lambdao,z$lambdas,
           file=outfile,append=TRUE,sep="\t")
      cat("\n",file=outfile,append=TRUE)
+ }
> table1 <- read.table(outfile,header=TRUE,sep="\t")</pre>
> nc <- c(4,7,9)
> table1[,nc] <- ceiling(table1[,nc])</pre>
> dc <- c(3,5,6,8,10,11)
> table1[,dc] <- round(table1[,dc],2)</pre>
> unlink(outfile)
> # APOE-4, Scott WK, Pericak-Vance, MA & Haines JL
> # Genetic analysis of complex diseases 1327
> g <- 4.5
> p <- 0.15
> cat("\nAlzheimer's:\n\n")
Alzheimer's:
> fbsize(g,p)
$gamma
[1] 4.5
$р
[1] 0.15
$y
[1] 0.6256916
$n1
[1] 162.6246
$pA
[1] 0.8181818
$h1
[1] 0.4598361
```

```
$n2
[1] 108.994

$h2
[1] 0.6207625

$n3
[1] 39.97688

$lambdao
[1] 1.671594

$lambdas
[1] 1.784353
```

## > table1

	gamma	p	Y	${\tt N\_asp}$	P_A	H1	$N_{tdt}$	H2	$N_{asp.tdt}$	L_o	L_s
1	4.0	0.01	0.52	6402	0.80	0.05	1201	0.11	257	1.08	1.09
2	4.0	0.10	0.60	277	0.80	0.35	165	0.54	53	1.48	1.54
3	4.0	0.50	0.58	446	0.80	0.50	113	0.42	67	1.36	1.39
4	4.0	0.80	0.53	3024	0.80	0.24	244	0.16	177	1.12	1.13
5	2.0	0.01	0.50	445964	0.67	0.03	6371	0.04	2155	1.01	1.01
6	2.0	0.10	0.52	8087	0.67	0.25	761	0.32	290	1.07	1.08
7	2.0	0.50	0.53	3753	0.67	0.50	373	0.47	197	1.11	1.11
8	2.0	0.80	0.51	17909	0.67	0.27	701	0.22	431	1.05	1.05
9	1.5	0.01	0.50	6944779	0.60	0.02	21138	0.03	8508	1.00	1.00
10	1.5	0.10	0.51	101926	0.60	0.21	2427	0.25	1030	1.02	1.02
11	1.5	0.50	0.51	27048	0.60	0.50	1039	0.49	530	1.04	1.04
12	1.5	0.80	0.51	101926	0.60	0.29	1820	0.25	1030	1.02	1.02

## Population-based design

The example involving population-based design is as follows,

```
1.5, 0.10,
+
            1.5, 0.50,
            1.5, 0.80), ncol=2, byrow=TRUE)
> outfile <- "pbsize.txt"
> cat("gamma", "p", "p1", "p5", "p10", "p20\n", sep="\t", file=outfile)
> for(i in 1:dim(models)[1])
+ {
     g <- models[i,1]</pre>
     p <- models[i,2]</pre>
     n <- vector()</pre>
     for(k in kp) n <- c(n,ceiling(pbsize(k,g,p)))</pre>
     cat(models[i,1:2],n,sep="\t",file=outfile,append=TRUE)
     cat("\n",file=outfile,append=TRUE)
+ }
> table5 <- read.table(outfile,header=TRUE,sep="\t")
> table5
                                p10
   gamma
            р
                   p1
                          p5
                                      p20
     4.0 0.01
                                4244 1887
1
                46681
                        8959
                                 744
2
     4.0 0.10
                 8180
                       1570
                                       331
3
     4.0 0.50
                10891
                        2091
                                 991
                                       441
4
     4.0 0.80
                31473
                       6041
                                2862 1272
5
     2.0 0.01 403970 77530 36725 16323
6
     2.0 0.10
                52709 10116
                                4792 2130
     2.0 0.50
                35285
                                3208 1426
7
                        6772
8
     2.0 0.80
               79391 15237
                                7218 3208
     1.5 0.01 1599920 307056 145448 64644
10
     1.5 0.10 192105 36869 17465 7762
     1.5 0.50
                98013 18811
                                8911 3961
11
     1.5 0.80 192105 36869 17465 7762
12
```

#### Case-cohort design

For case-cohort design, we obtain results for ARIC and EPIC studies.

```
> library(gap)
> # ARIC study
> outfile <- "aric.txt"
> n <- 15792
> pD <- 0.03
> p1 <- 0.25
> alpha <- 0.05
> theta <- c(1.35,1.40,1.45)
> beta1 <- 0.8
> s_nb <- c(1463,722,468)
> cat("n", "pD", "p1", "hr", "q", "power", "ssize\n", file=outfile, sep="\t")
> for(i in 1:3)
+ {
```

```
q \leftarrow s_nb[i]/n
   power <- ccsize(n,q,pD,p1,alpha,log(theta[i]))</pre>
   ssize <- ccsize(n,q,pD,p1,alpha,log(theta[i]),beta1)</pre>
   file=outfile,append=TRUE)
+
+ }
> read.table(outfile,header=TRUE,sep="\t")
         рD
              p1
                 hr
                               q power ssize
1 15792 0.03 0.25 1.35 0.09264184 0.8 1463
2 15792 0.03 0.25 1.40 0.04571935
                                   0.8
                                        722
3 15792 0.03 0.25 1.45 0.02963526
                                   0.8
                                         468
> unlink(outfile)
> # EPIC study
> outfile <- "epic.txt"
> n <- 25000
> alpha <- 0.00000005</pre>
> power <- 0.8
> s_pD <- c(0.3,0.2,0.1,0.05)
> s_p1 \leftarrow seq(0.1, 0.5, by=0.1)
> s_hr <- seq(1.1,1.4,by=0.1)
> cat("n", "pD", "p1", "hr", "alpha", "ssize \n", file=outfile, sep="\t")
> # direct calculation
> for(pD in s_pD)
+ {
     for(p1 in s_p1)
+
       for(hr in s_hr)
          ssize <- ccsize(n,q,pD,p1,alpha,log(hr),power)</pre>
          if (ssize>0) cat(n,"\t",pD,"\t",p1,"\t",hr,"\t",alpha,"\t",ssize,"\n",
                           file=outfile,append=TRUE)
        }
+
     }
+ }
> read.table(outfile,header=TRUE,sep="\t")
      n pD p1 hr alpha ssize
1 25000 0.3 0.1 1.3 5e-08 14391
2 25000 0.3 0.1 1.4 5e-08 5732
3 25000 0.3 0.2 1.2 5e-08 21529
4 25000 0.3 0.2 1.3 5e-08 5099
5 25000 0.3 0.2 1.4 5e-08 2613
6 25000 0.3 0.3 1.2 5e-08 11095
7 25000 0.3 0.3 1.3 5e-08 3490
8 25000 0.3 0.3 1.4 5e-08 1882
```

```
25000 0.3 0.4 1.2 5e-08
                            8596
10 25000 0.3 0.4 1.3 5e-08
                            2934
11 25000 0.3 0.4 1.4 5e-08
                            1611
12 25000 0.3 0.5 1.2 5e-08
                            7995
13 25000 0.3 0.5 1.3 5e-08
                            2786
14 25000 0.3 0.5 1.4 5e-08
                            1538
15 25000 0.2 0.1 1.4 5e-08
                            9277
16 25000 0.2 0.2 1.3 5e-08
                            7725
17 25000 0.2 0.2 1.4 5e-08
                            3164
18 25000 0.2 0.3 1.3 5e-08
                            4548
19 25000 0.2 0.3 1.4 5e-08
                             2152
20 25000 0.2 0.4 1.2 5e-08 20131
21 25000 0.2 0.4 1.3 5e-08
                            3648
22 25000 0.2 0.4 1.4 5e-08
                             1805
23 25000 0.2 0.5 1.2 5e-08 17120
24 25000 0.2 0.5 1.3 5e-08
                            3422
25 25000 0.2 0.5 1.4 5e-08
                             1713
26 25000 0.1 0.2 1.4 5e-08
                            8615
27 25000 0.1 0.3 1.4 5e-08
                            3776
28 25000 0.1 0.4 1.3 5e-08 13479
29 25000 0.1 0.4 1.4 5e-08
                             2824
30 25000 0.1 0.5 1.3 5e-08 10837
31 25000 0.1 0.5 1.4 5e-08
                            2606
```

> unlink(outfile)

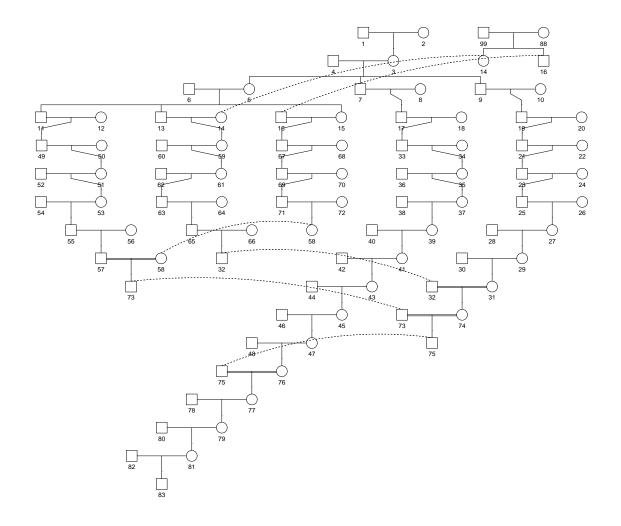
## 4.2 Kinship calculation

Next, I will provide an example for kinship calculation using *kin.morgan*. It is recommended that individuals in a pedigree are ordered so that parents always precede their children. In this regard, package **pedigree** can be used, and package **kinship2** can be used to produce pedigree diagram as with kinship matrix.

#### Pedigree diagram

```
> # pedigree diagram
> data(lukas,package="gap")
> library(kinship2)
> ped <- with(lukas,pedigree(id,father,mother,sex))
> pdf("figures/lukas.pdf",height=14,width=15)
> plot(ped)
> dev.off()
null device
```

The pedigree diagram is as follows,



## Kinship calculation

We then turn to the kinship calculation.

- > # unordered individuals
- > library(gap)
- > gk1 <- kin.morgan(lukas)</pre>
- > write.table(gk1\$kin.matrix,"results/gap\_1.txt",quote=FALSE)
- > library(kinship2)
- > kk1 <- kinship(lukas[,1],lukas[,2],lukas[,3])</pre>
- > write.table(kk1, "results/kinship\_1.txt", quote=FALSE)
- > d <- gk1\$kin.matrix-kk1</pre>
- > sum(abs(d))

## [1] 2.443634

- > # order individuals so that parents precede their children
- > library(pedigree)

```
> op <- orderPed(lukas)
> olukas <- lukas[order(op),]
> gk2 <- kin.morgan(olukas)
> write.table(olukas, "olukas.csv", quote=FALSE)
> write.table(gk2$kin.matrix, "results/gap_2.txt", quote=FALSE)
> kk2 <- kinship(olukas[,1],olukas[,2],olukas[,3])
> write.table(kk2, "results/kinship_2.txt", quote=FALSE)
> z <- gk2$kin.matrix-kk2
> sum(abs(z))
[1] 0
```

We see that in the second case, the result agrees with kinship2.

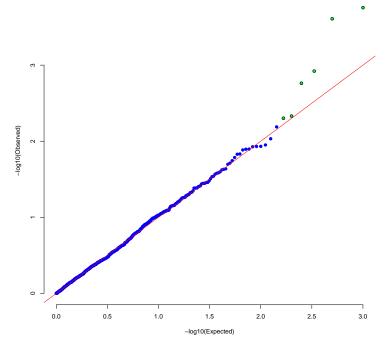
## 4.3 Graphics examples

I now include some figures from the documentation that may be of interest.

#### Genome-wide association

The following code is used to obtain a Q-Q plot via qqunif function,

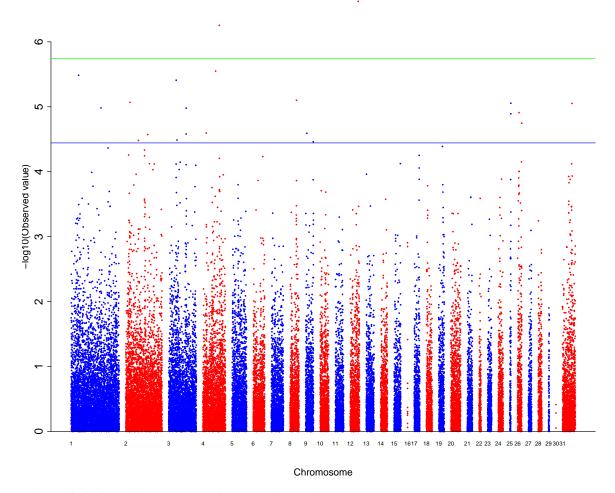
```
> library(gap)
> pdf("figures/qqunif.pdf",height=10,width=10)
> u_obs <- runif(1000)
> r <- qqunif(u_obs,pch=21,bg="blue",bty="n")
> u_exp <- r$y
> hits <- u_exp >= 2.30103
> points(r$x[hits],u_exp[hits],pch=21,bg="green")
> dev.off()
null device
```



Based on a chicken genome scan data, the code below generates a Manhattan plot, demonstrating the use of gaps to separate chromosomes.

```
> library(gap)
> load("4w.rda")
> ord <- with(d,order(chr,pos))</pre>
> d <- d[ord,]
> pdf("figures/4w.pdf",height=9,width=10)
> oldpar <- par()</pre>
> par(cex=0.6)
> colors <- c(rep(c("blue", "red"), 15), "red")</pre>
> mhtplot(d,control=mht.control(colors=colors,gap=1000),pch=19,srt=0)
Plotting points
                1 - 7244
Plotting points
                 7245 - 12710
Plotting points
                 12711 - 16875
                 16876 - 20271
Plotting points
Plotting points 20272 - 22463
                22464 - 24192
Plotting points
Plotting points 24193 - 26021
Plotting points
                 26022 - 27371
Plotting points
                 27372 - 28558
Plotting points
                28559 - 29860
Plotting points
                 29861 - 31101
                 31102 - 32504
Plotting points
Plotting points 32505 - 33690
```

```
Plotting points 33691 - 34708
Plotting points 34709 - 35737
Plotting points 35738 - 35748
Plotting points 35749 - 36594
Plotting points 36595 - 37451
Plotting points 37452 - 38281
Plotting points 38282 - 39765
Plotting points 39766 - 40531
Plotting points 40532 - 40831
Plotting points 40832 - 41432
Plotting points 41433 - 42175
Plotting points 42176 - 42343
Plotting points 42344 - 42983
Plotting points 42984 - 43462
Plotting points 43463 - 44022
Plotting points 44023 - 44131
Plotting points 44132 - 44134
Plotting points 44135 - 46059
> axis(2,cex.axis=2)
> suggestiveline <- -log10(3.60036E-05)</pre>
> genomewideline <- -log10(1.8E-06)
> abline(h=suggestiveline, col="blue")
> abline(h=genomewideline, col="green")
> abline(h=0)
> dev.off()
null device
          1
```



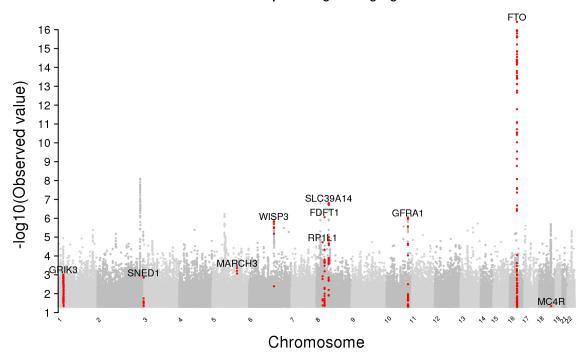
The code below obtains a Manhattan plot with gene annotation,

12124 - 26444

Plotting points

```
Plotting points 26445 - 37326
Plotting points 37327 - 47549
Plotting points 47550 - 58877
Plotting points 58878 - 71908
Plotting points 71909 - 79690
Plotting points 79691 - 90464
Plotting points 90465 - 101267
Plotting points 101268 - 109000
Plotting points 109001 - 116159
Plotting points 116160 - 124094
Plotting points 124095 - 130329
Plotting points 130330 - 134176
Plotting points 134177 - 139300
Plotting points 139301 - 143751
Plotting points 143752 - 148345
Plotting points 148346 - 153379
Plotting points 153380 - 155466
Plotting points 155467 - 157052
Plotting points 157053 - 159312
  ... highlighting 1559 - 1657 GRIK3
  ... highlighting 26343 - 26349 SNED1
  ... highlighting 55142 - 55144 MARCH3
  ... highlighting 66533 - 66539 WISP3
  ... highlighting 81546 - 81551 RP1L1
  ... highlighting 82146 - 82168 FDFT1
  ... highlighting 83425 - 83458 SLC39A14
  ... highlighting 107866 - 107894 GFRA1
  ... highlighting 141457 - 141576 FTO
  ... highlighting 152037 - 152037 MC4R
> axis(2,pos=2,at=1:16)
> title("Manhattan plot with genes highlighted",cex.main=1.8)
> dev.off()
null device
          1
```

#### Manhattan plot with genes highlighted



All these look familiar, so revised form of the function called **mhtplot2** was created for additional fatures such as centering the chromosome ticks, allowing for more sophisticated coloring schemes, using prespecified fonts, etc. Please refer to the function's documentation example.

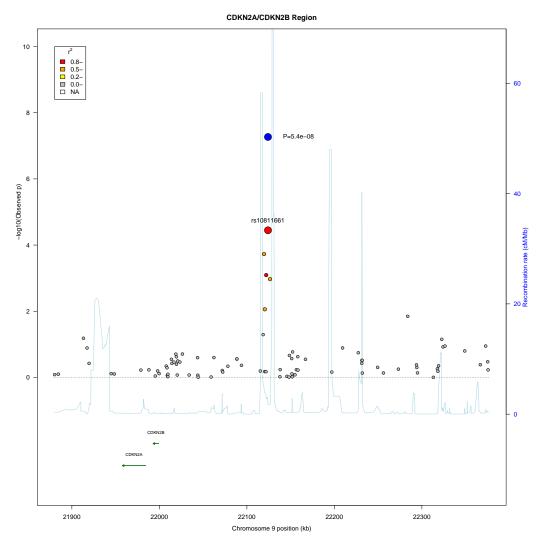
The code below obtains a regional association plot with the asplot function,

```
> library(gap)
```

- > pdf("figures/asplot.pdf",height=14,width=14)
- > asplot(CDKNlocus, CDKNmap, CDKNgenes, best.pval=5.4e-8, sf=c(3,6))
- CDKN2A
- CDKN2B
- > title("CDKN2A/CDKN2B Region")
- > dev.off()

null device

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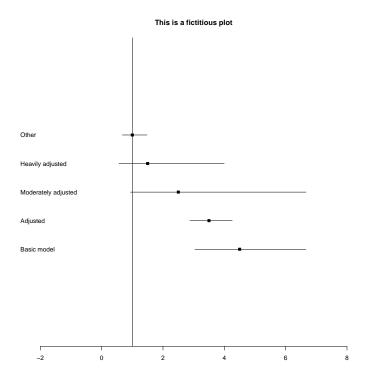


The function predates the currently popular **locuszoom** software but leaves the option open for generating such plots on the fly and locally.

## Effect size plot

The code below obtains an effect size plot via the ESplot function.

null device



Note that all these can serve as templates to customize features of your own.

# 5 Known bugs

Unaware of any bug. However, better memory management is expected.

# 6 Bibliographic note

The main references are Chow (1960), Guo and Thompson (1992), Williams et al. (1992), Gholamic and Thomas (1994), Hartung et al. (2008), Risch and Merikangas (1996), Spielman and Ewens (1996), Risch and Merikangas (1997), Miller (1997), Sham (1997), Elston (1975), Sham (1998), Devlin and Roeder (1999), Zhao et al. (1999), Guo and Lange (2000), Hirotsu et al. (2001), Zhao et al. (2002), Zaykin et al. (2002), Zhao (2004), Wacholder et al. (2004), Wang (2005), Skol et al. (2006), Wakefield (2007).

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