An Introduction to the Oligo Package

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1 Introduction

The oligo package is designed to support all microarray designs provided by Affymetrix and NimbleGen: expression, tiling, SNP and exon arrays. With the increase in the density of the current technologies, oligo uses the resources offered by the BufferedMatrix packages to handle the feature-level information. As of now, chip-specific packages are built via makePlatformDesign and transitioning to the pdInfoBuilder package, which creates the data packages for the Affymetrix SNP arrays.

2 Analyzing Affymetrix SNP Arrays

Genotyping can be performed using oligo and you will need:

- oligo and its dependencies;
- Chip specific data package, eg. pd.mapping50k.xba240: package that contains the array specifications and SNP annotation.
- CEL files.

Figure 1 shows the general workflow for genotyping using the oligo package. We will start by loading the oligo package and importing the CEL files available on the sampleDataAffy100K. The intensity matrix will be a *BufferedMatrix* object and this will require the use of temporary files in order to reduce the RAM usage. Although the temporary files can be stored anywhere, a better approach will be to use a local directory rather than using a directory on the network. The tmpdir in the read.celfiles() sets the directory where the temporary files are going to be stored.

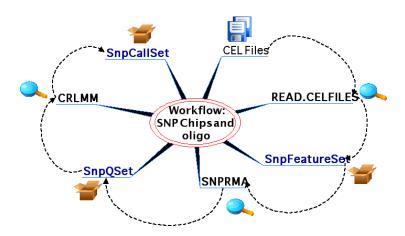


Figure 1: Genotyping workflow using the oligo package.

Incompatible phenoData object. Created a new one.

Welcome to the pd.Mapping50K_Xba240 prototype pdInfo package WARNING: DO NOT USE THIS PACKAGE FOR ANY ANALYSIS. THIS PACKAGE IS FOR INTERFACE PROTOTYPE USE ONLY! THE DATA HAS NOT BEEN VALIDATED AND LIKELY HAS ERRORS. Have fun!

The rawData object is of class SnpFeatureSet, which extends eSet. Methods like exprs() and pm() are defined and, again, return BufferedMatrix objects.

The *phenoData* slot includes covariates about the samples. Genotyping and copy number analyses often make use of gender information in order to provide more precise inferences. The code below exemplifies the creation of the *phenoData* object.

Preprocessing SNP arrays can be done by using the snprma() method, described in [?]. Once it is completed, an SnpQSet object is returned, which is the summarized data of the rawData object above. An overview of the method is presented at Figure 2.

For each SNP there are four numbers $(\theta_{A-}, \theta_{B-}, \theta_{A+}, \theta_{B+})$, which are proportional to the log-intensities in each of these combinations of allele and strand

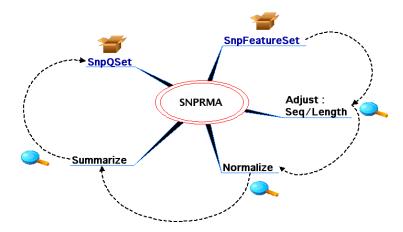


Figure 2: SNPRMA overview

(-: antisense; +: sense). They are represented by four matrices: antisense-ThetaA, antisenseThetaB, senseThetaA and senseThetaB, which are the components of the SnpQSet object. One can extract these objects using accessors of the same name.

Average intensities and log-ratios are defined as across allele and within strand, ie:

$$A_{s} = \frac{\theta_{A,s} + \theta_{B,s}}{2}$$

$$M_{s} = \theta_{A,s} - \theta_{B,s},$$

$$(1)$$

$$M_s = \theta_{A.s} - \theta_{B.s}, \tag{2}$$

where s defines the strand (antisense or sense). These quantities can be obtained via getA() and getM methods, which return high-dimensional arrays with dimensions corresponding to SNP's, samples and strands, respectively.

R> preProcessedData <- snprma(rawData)</pre>

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This may take a while.
Adjusting for sequence and fragment length..... done.
Normalizing... done.
Calculating Expression
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R> theA <- getA(preProcessedData)</pre> R> theM <- getM(preProcessedData)</pre> R> dim(theA)

2 [1] 58960 3

R> str(theM)

num [1:58960, 1:3, 1:2] -0.0486 0.9062 0.9369 0.5323 2.0623 ... - attr(*, "dimnames")=List of 3

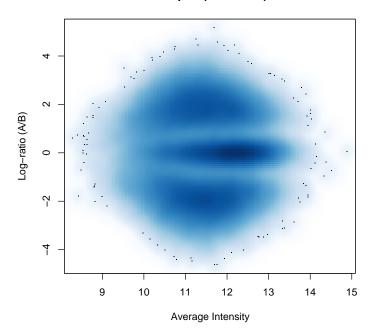
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..$ : chr [1:58960] "SNP_A-1507972" "SNP_A-1510136" "SNP_A-1511055" "SNP_A-1518245" ...
..$ : chr [1:3] "CEU_NA06985_XBA.CEL.gz" "CEU_NA06991_XBA.CEL.gz" "CEU_NA06993_XBA.CEL.gz"

$ : chr [1:0] "subject of the standard of
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..\$: chr [1:2] "antisense" "sense"

These measures can be used, for example, to create an MA-plot and are later used for genotyping. The example below generates an MA-plot for the first sample using only the antisense strand data:

MA-plot (Antisense)



The CRLMM algorithm [?] can be applied on a SnpQSet object in order to produce genotype calls. It involves running a mixture of regressions via EM algorithm to adjust for average intensity and fragment length in the log-ratio scale. These adjustments may take long time to run, depending on the combination of number of samples and computer resources available. To save time in subsequent analyses, we must specify the name of the file that will store the results obtained with the EM algorithm using the correctionFile argument. If the file passed to correctionFile does not exist, it is created, otherwise it is loaded. Figure 3 presents a diagram of the CRLMM algorithm:

A word of warning: the crlmm() method searches for a variable gender in the *phenoData* slot of the *SnpQSet* object. If it fails to find that variable, it

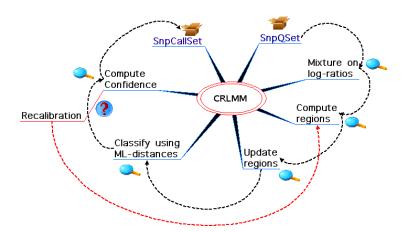


Figure 3: CRLMM Algorithm diagram

will try estimate the gender from the data. If there is not enough discrimination power to estimate the gender, the following error message will be returned:

empty cluster: try a better set of initial centers

Increasing the sample size is one of the possible solutions, although the preferred one is to have gender already defined in the *phenoData* slot.

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Updating centers and scales.Done.

Computing confidence for calls on 3 arraysDone
Computing confidence for calls on 3 arraysDone
```

The crlmmOut object above belongs to the SnpCallSet class and contains the genotype calls and confidence measures associated to the calls, represented respectively by the calls and callsConfidence matrices. These matrices can be accessed using the methods of the same name as demonstrated below:

R> calls(crlmmOut)[1:5, 1:2]

	CEU_NA06985_XBA.CEL.gz	CEU_NA06991_XBA.CEL.gz
1	2	3
2	1	1
3	1	2
4	2	1
5	1	1

R> callsConfidence(crlmmOut)[1:5, 1:2]

```
CEU_NA06985_XBA.CEL.gz CEU_NA06991_XBA.CEL.gz
1 0.9994679 0.9999017
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      2
      0.9989516
      0.9984237

      3
      0.9931806
      0.9999105

      4
      0.9988607
      0.9998467

      5
      0.9998194
      0.9997692
```

The genotype calls are represented by 1 (AA), 2 (AB) and 3 (BB). The confidence is the log-likelihood ratio of the two most likely calls.

3 Details

This document was written using:

```
R> sessionInfo()
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R version 2.5.0 (2007-04-23) x86_64-unknown-linux-gnu
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locale:

LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8;LC_NUMERIC=C;LC_TIME=en_US.UTF-8;LC_COLLATE=en_US.UTF-8;LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8;L

```
attached base packages:
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[1] "splines" "tools" "stats" "graphics" [5] "grDevices" "utils" "datasets" "methods"
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[9] "base"

other attached packages:

```
geneplotter
                                      lattice
             "1.14.0"
                                     "0.15-4"
             annotate pd.mapping50k.xba240
             "1.14.1"
                                      "0.1.5"
        hapmap100kxba
                                        oligo
                "1.0"
                                      "1.0.2"
{\tt BufferedMatrixMethods}
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              "1.0.0"
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                                          DBI
              "0.5-3"
                                      "0.2-2"
               affyio
                                      Biobase
              "1.4.0"
                                     "1.14.0"
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