AMA

Requirements

• Bioconda (Go to the official documentation).

It is critical to include the 'bioconda channel' in addition to the other channels as indicated in the official manual.

Please pay attention to the instructions in the installer while setting up the miniconda. Use echo \$PATH to verify whether the 'conda installation' of Python is in your PATH variable.

Installation

- Use the requirements.txt provided in the package and create a virtual environment.
- Activate the environment and run the setup script.

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$ cd AMA/
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- \$ conda create --name env --file requirements.txt -y
- \$ conda activate env
- \$ perl setup.pl

This tool was tested on "Ubuntu 20.04.4 LTS" with "conda 4.11.0" using the installation procedure mentioned above.

Please refer the Troubleshooting section for additional resources.

Example usage

- To get full usage info: perl ama.pl --help
- Minimal usage example: perlama.pl --input example/SraRunInfo.csv --sequences example/Arabidopsis_thaliana.TAIR10.ncrna.fa

Troubleshooting

• Errors related to Bioconda:

The requirements.txt provided in this package was exported from conda 4.11.0 installation running on Ubuntu 20.04.4 LTS. User can try using conda search <tool name> command to find the supported tool and then manually install it by typing conda install <tool name> inside the environment.

| Note: On macOS and Linux, the supported packages and their dependencies aren't always the same. Even when all of the requirements are completely aligned, the set of available versions isn't necessarily the same. User may try setting up the environment using any of the requirements-*.txt provided in the src/main/resources/ directory.

Please refer the official troubleshooting guide for further help.

• Error using CPAN modules:

Before beginning the setup, Mac OS users must ensure that they have write permission to the /Users/*/.cpan/ directory, and Linux users must ensure that their CPAN is properly configured.

Configuration file

Configuration file conf.txt requires the absolute path of the tools incorporated into the pipeline.

The user can choose between blastn or bowtie2 by changing the 'execute flag' to either 0 or 1 in the configuration file while leaving the rest of the parameters to default values. By default, both the tools are enabled ie. execute = 1.

Note: If the user wishes to use a different installation than Bioconda, the user can manually install and specify the path of the tools in the configuration.

Pipeline parameters

- --input (mandatory) The user can provide input in either of the following ways:
 - A single SRA run accession. eg: perl ama.pl --input SRR12548227 --output src/main/test/ --mode screen --config conf.txt
 - A list of run accessions in a text file (1 run accession per line). eg: perl ama.pl
 --input example/list.txt --output src/main/test/ --mode screen
 --config conf.txt
 - The SRA runInfo exported directly from the NCBI-SRA web portal. Goto the SRA homepage and search for the desired keyword. Export the SraRunInfo.csv by clicking 'Send to' => File => RunInfo). eg: perl ama.pl --input

example/SraRunInfo.csv --output src/main/test/ --mode screen
--config conf.txt

- **--sequences** (mandatory) The user should provide a fasta file containing the query sequences.
- --output (optional) eg: src/main/test The output directory to store the results. By default, the output will be stored into the results/ directory of the package.
- --mode (optional) eg: screen. Choose one of the three modes to run the pipline. The screen is the default mode which will only download a fraction of the dataset per SRA-run accession and analyse the file as per the given configuration. The full mode will execute the pipeline by downloading the complete fastq file per SRA-run accession. The both option searches for samples using a fraction of the data that meet the minimum alignment cutoff from either 'bowtie2' or 'blastn', and then automatically performs alignment by downloading the entire fastq file. The summary mode will generate a unified alignment summary by examining the output files created by either screen-mode or full-mode.
- --config (optional) eg: conf.txt Pipeline configuration. By default it will use the conf.txt generated by the setup script.

List of Perl modules and tools incorporated in the pipeline

- Perl modules:
 - Config::Simple
 - Parallel::ForkManager
 - Log::Log4perl
 - Getopt::Long
 - Text::CSV
 - Text::Fuzzy
- Tools:
 - NCBI EDirect utilities
 - NCBI SRA Toolkit
 - FastQC
 - Trimmomatic
 - FASTX-Toolkit
 - NCBI Blast

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