Chromatinsight

This tutorial shows the steps to obtain the *degree of discernibility* of epigenomic features by genomic regions from ChIP-seq data in two sets of samples. The degree of discernibility is, for example, the *degree of dimorphism* if the datasets are separated according to the sex of the individuals. It shows how easy or difficult is for a particular machine learning algorithm (in the present version, a random forest algorithm) to predict the dataset from which the data from a genomic region is coming from. We will also calculate the FDR of discernibility, which shows the probability for a particular genomic region to obtain a given degree of discernibility just by chance, by comparing the observed results to the results obtained after randomising the sample labels.

Part 1: Chromatinsight (Python)

Before we start, we need to have:

Python 2.7 pandas installed, see https://pandas.pydata.org/pandas-docs/stable/getting_started/install.html
sklearn installed, see https://scikit-learn.org/stable/install.html

A quick way to install both libraries is by using these pip commands:

pip install pandas pip install sklearn

In this tutorial, we are going to use the output of ChromHMM, using only chrX for simplicity, but you can use the whole genome (you will have a separated file for each chromosome and sample). Using ChromHMM, we have generated binary files (ten for each dataset) using windows of 200 bases (when using ChromHMM's default window size). If you need help using ChromHMM to preprocess the ChIP-seq data, you can consult the ChromHMM manual:

http://compbio.mit.edu/ChromHMM/ChromHMM_manual.pdf

The files we are going to use here can be found in the folder /utest/input, or here:

https://github.com/ricolab/Chromatinsight/tree/main/utest/input

Name	Date modified	Туре	Size
grouping.txt	13/04/2022 10:38	TXT File	2 KB
monocyte_S00_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
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monocyte_S02_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S03_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S04_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
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monocyte_S06_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S07_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S08_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S09_mal_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S10_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S11_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S12_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S13_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S14_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S15_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S16_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S17_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S18_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
monocyte_S19_fem_chrX_binary.txt	22/01/2021 12:56	TXT File	3,033 KB
regionFile_chrX_selection.bed	22/01/2021 13:01	BED File	1 KB

We have three types of files:

- 1) A **grouping file**, which labels the files according to the analysis we want to perform (for example males/females, or disease/healthy, or treated/control).
- 2) Several (at least around ten) **binary ChromHMM output files**. Here we will use ten from male donors, and ten from female donors. These include only the chromosome X.
- 3) A region bed file, displaying the coordinates of the genomic regions for which we want to measure the degree of discernibility. Since we want to make a quick example that can be run on any machine, we have included only 13 regions. However, in order to have a better statistical power when calculating the FDR, we recommend using a larger number (at least 100 regions).

Let's check these files individually.

The grouping file is a text file that just shows to which group belongs each file. We can have a different group file for different analyses (for example if we are analysing males vs females, and treated vs control, using the same dataset). It looks like this:

```
./utest/input/monocyte_S00_mal_chrX_binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte_S01_mal_chrX_binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte_S02_mal_chrX_binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte_S03 mal_chrX binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte_S04 mal_chrX binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte S05 mal chrX binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte S06 mal chrX binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte_S07_mal_chrX_binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte_S08_mal_chrX_binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte S09 mal chrX binary.txt
                                                male
./utest/input/monocyte S10 fem chrX binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte_S11_fem_chrX_binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte_S12_fem_chrX_binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte_S13_fem_chrX_binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte S14 fem chrX binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte S15 fem chrX binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte_S16_fem_chrX_binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte S17 fem chrX binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte_S18_fem_chrX_binary.txt
                                                female
./utest/input/monocyte_S19_fem_chrX_binary.txt
                                                 female
```

In ChromHMM the output files always follow the pattern [prefix]_[chr]_binary.txt; if we want to analyse more than one chromosome, we can generalise the chromosome, replacing its code by an asterisk "*", like here:

```
./utest/input/monocyte_S00_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte S01 mal * binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S02_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S03_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S04_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte S05 mal * binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S06_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S07_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S08_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S09_mal_*_binary.txt
                                                 male
./utest/input/monocyte_S10_fem_*_binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S11 fem * binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S12_fem_*_binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S13_fem_*_binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S14_fem_*_binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S15_fem_*_binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte S16 fem * binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S17_fem_*_binary.txt
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte S18 fem * binary.txt
                                                 female
                                                 female
./utest/input/monocyte_S19_fem_*_binary.txt
```

The **binary ChromHMM output files** are text files having a row for each 200-base window in the chromosome (for ChromHMM default), and one column for each histone modification. A '0' means there is no histone modification, and a '1' means there are enough reads aligned in that window to be considered a peak. (Note that, since the columns have zeroes and ones, the file is called *binary*, even

if computationally it is just a text file that can be inspected with any text editor.) These files look like this:

```
monocyte_S000GZH3_mal_50to55_NCMLS
                                             chrX
H3K27ac H3K4me1
         a
0
         0
0
0
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```

The input of Chromatinsight also needs a region file, which is a bed file, ie, a text file where each row is a region, specifying the chromosome, start and end coordinates for each region. The regions can be TADs (topologically associating domains), genes, Hi-C fragments, or anything that fulfils your needs. They don't need to be consecutive, and can include regions from several chromosomes.

chr	start end	
X	71527500	71551875
X	71551875	71562500
X	71562500	72022500
X	72022500	76640000
X	76640000	76675625
X	76675625	76692500
X	130135625	130148750
X	130148750	130173125
X	130173125	130890000
X	130890000	130917500
X	130917500	131357500
X	131357500	131365000
X	131365000	131367500

The code you need to run this unit test is in

https://github.com/ricolab/Chromatinsight/blob/main/chromatinsight_utest.py

You need to run Python 2.7 on the folder where you have downloaded Chromatinsight. Once there, you need to import the libraries, including the one that contains Chromatinsight:

```
import chromatinsight as ci
import os
```

The next lines need to be modified to match the folders you are actually using:

```
myRegionFile = "./utest/input/regionFile_chrX_selection.bed"
myGroupingFile = "./utest/input/grouping.txt"
myOutputFolder = "./utest/output"
if not os.path.isdir(myOutputFolder): os.mkdir(myOutputFolder)
```

Now we are ready to run the algorithm. We will run it twice, first for the observed data:

```
resultObserved = ci.testPrediction(groupingFile = myGroupingFile,
11
                                                       regionFile = myRegionFile,
12
                                                      histmod = "ac",
                                                       chrom = "chrX",
13
                                                       outputFolder = myOutputFolder,
14
15
                                                      output = "mono_ac_chrX_real.txt",
                                                       totRandomStates = 11,
16
17
                                                       randomize = False,
18
                                                       verbose = True,
19
                                                       RF_seed = 0)
```

and then another time where the labels of the datasets will be scrambled, to display the random behaviour:

```
20
    resultRnd = ci.testPrediction(groupingFile = myGroupingFile,
21
                                                       regionFile = myRegionFile,
22
                                                       histmod = "ac",
23
                                                       chrom = "chrX",
24
                                                       outputFolder = myOutputFolder,
25
                                                       output = "mono_ac_chrX_rnd.txt",
26
                                                       totRandomStates = 11,
27
                                                       randomize = True,
28
                                                       verbose = True,
29
                                                       label_seed = 0,
30
                                                       RF\_seed = 0)
```

The output should be two files, one for the observed data, and another one for the random data. You can see how your output matches the expected output by checking the data on:

https://github.com/ricolab/Chromatinsight/tree/main/utest/output_expected

Each output file is a text file including a column with a region identifier, and then the ratio of times the algorithm has managed to predict correctly the dataset of each sample. To improve the result, we have made this several times (in this case 11 times, as the totRandomStates variable shows), but you can use more.

```
chrom_init-end_region
chrX 0-71527500 Starting
                               1.0
                                        1.0
                                               1.0
                                                        1.0
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chrX 71527500-71551875 TAD
                               0.666666666666666
                                                                0.3333333333333333
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                                                        0.5
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chrX_71551875-71562500_TAD
                               0.666666666666666
                                                        0.8333333333333333
                                                                                0.5
                                                                                        0.666666666666666
chrX_71562500-72022500_TAD
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                                                0.666666666666666
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chrX_72022500-76640000_TAD
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                                                        0.666666666666666
chrX_76640000-76675625_TAD
                               0.3333333333333333
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chrX 76675625-76692500 TAD
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chrX_76692500-130135625_interTAD
                                        0.666666666666666
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                                                                        0.8333333333333334
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                                                                                                        0.5
chrX_130135625-130148750_TAD
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chrX_130148750-130173125_TAD
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chrX 130173125-130890000 TAD
                               0.83333333333333334
                                                       1.0
                                                               1.0
                                                                        0.8333333333333334
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                                                                                                        1.0
                                                                                        0.8333333333333334
chrX 130890000-130917500 TAD
                               0.83333333333333334
                                                        1.0
                                                                0.666666666666666
chrX 130917500-131357500 TAD
                               0.8333333333333333
                                                        0.66666666666666
                                                                                0.66666666666666
                                                                                                        0.666666
chrX_131357500-131365000_TAD
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                                        0.5
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                                                                        0.3333333333333333
                                                                                                0.6666666666666
chrX 131365000-131367500 TAD
                               0.5
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                                                0.5
                                                       0.5
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                                                                                0.5
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                                                                                                0.5
                                                                                                        0.5
chrX_131367500-155270400_Ending 0.6666666666666666
                                                               0.666666666666666
                                                                                                        0.5
                                                        0.5
                                                                                        0.5
                                                                                                0.5
```

Part 2: chromatinsight.tools (analysis in R)

Now, we are going to use the *chromatinsight.tools* library in R to analyse these data.

Install chromatinsight.tools

You can download the library from the GitHub project page, at:

https://github.com/ricolab/chromatinsight.tools, but perhaps it's faster to install it using devtools:

```
devtools::install github("ricolab/chromatinsight.tools")
```

If you don't have devtools installed, then you can do so using these command:

```
install.packages("devtools")
```

If you are using Linux, you might need first:

```
sudo apt-get install libgit2-dev
```

If you are updating the library, then just run:

```
devtools::install_github("ricolab/chromatinsight.tools")
```

To start using the library, you can load it by entering:

```
library(chromatinsight.tools)
```

Once the library is installed and loaded, you can check the help by using directly the R command for it. For example, <code>?getRegionData</code> shows:

```
R Help on 'getRegionData'
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getRegionData
                    package:chromatinsight.tools
                                                      R Documentation
Loads the output text files of Chromatinsight (currently Python only),
Using as output the median of the number of trials porformed (in the
totRandomStates variable).
Description:
    Loads the output text files of Chromatinsight (currently Python
    only), Using as output the median of the number of trials
    porformed (in the totRandomStates variable).
Usage:
    getRegionData(
      myPath = "",
      histmod = "ac",
      prefix = "prefix",
      suffix = "",
       totRandomStates = 11
```

We recommend installing also the biomaRt library in R to download the genes and gene types that are in each region, but it is not necessary if you do not need to have this information. You can find more information about biomaRt and how to install it here:

https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/biomaRt.html

Using chromatinsight.tools to obtain the disparity and the FDR

Now we are ready to start doing something in R. We are going to use the output we obtained from Chromatinsight in the previous section (the files $mono_ac_chrX_real.txt$).

First, we need to load the libraries.

```
library(chromatinsight.tools)
library(biomaRt)
```

Then, we set the input and output folders according to where we have them in our machine (please modify the following line to match where you have the files):

```
myInputFolder = "./utest/input"
myOutputFolder = "./utest/output"
myInputFolder = "C:/DATA/GitHub/chromatinsight.tools/utest/input"
myOutputFolder =
"C:/DATA/GitHub/chromatinsight.tools/utest/output expected"
```

To load the different genes and gene types in our region file, we can run the following code:

```
gene types = as.data.frame(read.table(header = TRUE, text = "
gene type
3prime_overlapping_ncrna
antisense
lincRNA
miRNA
misc RNA
processed transcript
protein coding
pseudogene
rRNA
sense intronic
sense_overlapping
snoRNA
snRNA
"))
ensembl75 = useMart(host='feb2014.archive.ensembl.org',
 biomart='ENSEMBL MART ENSEMBL',
 dataset='hsapiens gene ensembl')
allBioMartChr = getBM(mart = ensembl75, attributes =
c("ensembl gene id", "wikigene name", "chromosome name",
"start_position", "end_position", "gene biotype"))
```

In our case, we have selected the host to be feb2014.archive.ensembl.org, because this is the version of the database that has been used to align the ChIP-seq fastq files originally, but if you are using different data you might want to change this.

Using the command <code>View(allBioMartChr)</code> you can see all the genes that have been downloaded:

	ensembl_gene_id	wikigene_name	chromosome_name	start_position	end_position	gene_biotype
1	ENSG00000261657	SLC25A26	HG991_PATCH	66119285	66465398	protein_coding
2	ENSG00000223116		13	23551994	23552136	miRNA
3	ENSG00000233440		13	23708313	23708703	pseudogene
4	ENSG00000207157		13	23726725	23726825	misc_RNA
5	ENSG00000229483		13	23743974	23744736	lincRNA
6	ENSG00000252952	RNU6-58P	13	23791571	23791673	snRNA
7	ENSG00000235205		13	23817659	23821323	pseudogene
8	ENSG00000232849		13	93708910	93710179	lincRNA
9	ENSG00000236803		13	23841645	23843289	pseudogene
10	ENSG00000232163		13	23947562	23948200	pseudogene
11	ENSG00000252365		13	94021100	94021213	snoRNA
12	ENSG00000229558	SACS-AS1	13	23993110	24002818	lincRNA
13	ENSG00000235784		13	94047230	94048108	pseudogene
14	ENSG00000224394		13	94470677	94488397	antisense
15	ENSG00000212559		13	94677724	94677852	rRNA

We load now both files that Chromatinsight has generated in the previous step, and store them in a table using the function getRegionData:

```
dimorphismMono = getRegionData(myInputFolder, prefix = "mono", suffix
= "real", totRandomStates = 11)
dimorphismMonoRnd = getRegionData(myInputFolder, prefix = "mono",
suffix = "rnd", totRandomStates = 11)
```

Using the command View (dimorphismMono) you can see the data:

	chrom	init	end	region	comments	tot_genes	disparity	
1	chrX	0	71527500	Starting	_	0	1.0000000	
2	chrX	71527500	71551875	TAD	_	0	0.5000000	
3	chrX	71551875	71562500	TAD	_	0	0.6666667	
4	chrX	71562500	72022500	TAD	_	0	0.5000000	
5	chrX	72022500	76640000	TAD	_	0	0.6666667	
6	chrX	76640000	76675625	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	
7	chrX	76675625	76692500	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	
8	chrX	76692500	130135625	interTAD	-	0	0.5000000	
9	chrX	130135625	130148750	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	
10	chrX	130148750	130173125	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	
11	chrX	130173125	130890000	TAD	-	0	1.0000000	
12	chrX	130890000	130917500	TAD	_	0	0.8333333	
13	chrX	130917500	131357500	TAD	-	0	0.6666667	
14	chrX	131357500	131365000	TAD	_	0	0.5000000	
15	chrX	131365000	131367500	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	
16	chrX	131367500	155270400	Ending	-	0	0.5000000	

The disparity shows the degree of discernibility (or dimorphism, in this case). Since we have an equal number of samples in each group, when this value is 0.5 or lower, it is certain that the machine was not guessing better than randomly the origin of the genomic region by looking at the epigenomics data. When it is 1.0, then we know the data could be distinguished every time, showing us that there is some clear, unmissable pattern. But when this parameter lies between 0.5 and 0.1, we need to set an objective threshold to define when the difference is significant. The library can calculate an FDR to fulfil this need, observing the data in the random distribution, View (dimorphismMonoRnd):

	chrom	init	end	region	comments	tot_genes	disparity
1	chrX	0	71527500	Starting	-	0	0.5000000
2	chrX	71527500	71551875	TAD	ı	0	0.3333333
3	chrX	71551875	71562500	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
4	chrX	71562500	72022500	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
5	chrX	72022500	76640000	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
6	chrX	76640000	76675625	TAD	1	0	0.6666667
7	chrX	76675625	76692500	TAD	-	0	0.5000000
8	chrX	76692500	130135625	interTAD	ı	0	0.5000000
9	chrX	130135625	130148750	TAD	1	0	0.5000000
10	chrX	130148750	130173125	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
11	chrX	130173125	130890000	TAD	-	0	0.5000000
12	chrX	130890000	130917500	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
13	chrX	130917500	131357500	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
14	chrX	131357500	131365000	TAD	ı	0	0.6666667
15	chrX	131365000	131367500	TAD	ı	0	0.5000000
16	chrX	131367500	155270400	Ending	_	0	0.5000000

As it can be observed, when randomising the dataset labels, the algorithm was not guessing very well the origin of the genomic regions (all the values are around 0.5, similar to the probability of guessing

the result of flipping a coin). This was not happening in the observed distribution, since it had three regions with disparities above 0.7. To calculate the FDR, use the function addFDR with both tables:

dimorphismMonoFdr = addFDR(dimorphismMono, dimorphismMonoRnd)

Using the View (dimorphismMonoFdr) we can check how the table looks like:

	chrom	init	end	region	comments	tot_genes	disparity	FDR
1	chrX	0	71527500	Starting	-	0	1.0000000	0.0000000
2	chrX	71527500	71551875	TAD	_	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
3	chrX	71551875	71562500	TAD	-	0	0.6666667	0.3333333
4	chrX	71562500	72022500	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
5	chrX	72022500	76640000	TAD	-	0	0.6666667	0.3333333
6	chrX	76640000	76675625	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
7	chrX	76675625	76692500	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
8	chrX	76692500	130135625	interTAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
9	chrX	130135625	130148750	TAD	1	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
10	chrX	130148750	130173125	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
11	chrX	130173125	130890000	TAD	-	0	1.0000000	0.0000000
12	chrX	130890000	130917500	TAD	-	0	0.8333333	0.0000000
13	chrX	130917500	131357500	TAD	-	0	0.6666667	0.3333333
14	chrX	131357500	131365000	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
15	chrX	131365000	131367500	TAD	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000
16	chrX	131367500	155270400	Ending	-	0	0.5000000	0.9375000

A new column has been added. Since we were not using many genomic regions, we only have two possible FDR values, but in a full analysis we would have a range between 0 and 100%. A common threshold to consider significant a value is using the FDR at 5% (which is fulfilled here by the seven regions where the FDR is 0%). We can see that there are three regions with FDR 0%.

Now that we have a table with all the genomic regions, the degree of discernibility and the FDR, we can add some columns to the table including the Ensembl identifiers of the genes in each region, and the number of each gene type:

dimorphismMonoMore = fillTableWithGeneTypes(dimorphismMonoFdr, allBioMartChr, gene types)

This larger table should make easier the interpretation of the data,

View(dimorphismMonoMore):

	chrom	init	end	region	comments	tot_genes	disparity	FDR	3prime_overlapping_ncrna	antisense	lincRNA	miRNA
1	chrX	0	71527500	Starting	ENSG00000102309, ENSG00000186871, ENSG00000198034>	1089	1.0000000	0.0000000	0	46	72	71
2	chrX	71527500	71551875	TAD	ENSG00000147099	1	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	0	0	0
3	chrX	71551875	71562500	TAD	ENSG00000147099	1	0.6666667	0.3333333	0	0	0	0
4	chrX	71562500	72022500	TAD	ENSG00000147099, ENSG00000067177, ENSG00000184911>	11	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	1	1	0
5	chrX	72022500	76640000	TAD	ENSG00000184911, ENSG00000159123, ENSG00000184388>	85	0.6666667	0.3333333	0	2	8	6
6	chrX	76640000	76675625	TAD		0	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	0	0	0
7	chrX	76675625	76692500	TAD		0	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	0	0	0
8	chrX	76692500	130135625	interTAD	ENSG00000186416, ENSG00000221494, ENSG00000233484>	677	0.5000000	0.9375000	1	24	20	44
9	chrX	130135625	130148750	TAD	ENSG00000228659	1	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	1	0	0
10	chrX	130148750	130173125	TAD	ENSG00000228659	1	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	1	0	0
11	chrX	130173125	130890000	TAD	ENSG00000228659, ENSG00000241198, ENSG00000237650>	18	1.0000000	0.0000000	0	1	1	1
12	chrX	130890000	130917500	TAD	ENSG00000213468	1	0.8333333	0.0000000	0	0	1	0
13	chrX	130917500	131357500	TAD	ENSG00000213468, ENSG00000241418, ENSG00000228089>	11	0.6666667	0.3333333	0	1	1	1
14	chrX	131357500	131365000	TAD	ENSG00000232160	1	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	1	0	0
15	chrX	131365000	131367500	TAD	ENSG00000232160	1	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	1	0	0
16	chrX	131367500	155270400	Ending	ENSG00000226388, ENSG00000231686, ENSG00000235699>	505	0.5000000	0.9375000	0	31	30	77

To save the output you simply write the table using R:

```
setwd(myOutputFolder)
write.table(dimorphismMonoMore, "dimorphismMono_output.txt", sep =
"\t", row.names = FALSE, quote = FALSE)
```

Visualisation functions in chromatinsight.tools

The library chromatinsight tools comes with some more built-in functions that allow the visualisation of the epigenomic data (requires to install the library ggplot2):

pileup

You give it a grouping file and key to find a set files of ChromHMM binaries and it adds up the "ones" and "zeroes" that are at the same position for the set of files, dividing by the number of files. So it gives the ratio of samples having a "one" at a specific position ie, the ratio of samples being H3K27ac or H3K4me1 at a ChromHMM bin. If the parameter "key" is omitted, then all the files will be used.

We need first set our directory to point out where Chromatinsight is (without utest/input/):

```
setwd("C:/Chromatinsight/wherever/you/have/Chromatinsight/")
```

Then run:

```
dataMales = pileup(grouping = "grouping.txt", key = "male", direc =
"./utest/input", chrom = "chrX")
dataFemales = pileup(grouping = "grouping.txt", key = "female", direc
= "./utest/input", chrom = "chrX")
```

Will merge data from files (within /data folder)

```
monocyte_S00_mal_chrX_binary.txt
monocyte_S01_mal_chrX_binary.txt
monocyte_S02_mal_chrX_binary.txt
monocyte_S03_mal_chrX_binary.txt
etc
```

We will use the tables dataMales and dataFemales in the next examples.

drawpile

You give it the frequency of a histone mark at every ChromHMM bin, ie, the output of two pileup functions (see pileup) and it draws the graph comparing them. Include a filename parameter if you want to save the output into a file. For H3K27ac the first group is red, the second is blue, For H3K4me1 the first group is pink, the second is forest green, To use UCSC Genome Browser coordinate format (such as chrX:10,000-25,000) see drawpilegb.

drawpilegb

Calls drawpile with UCSC Genome Browser coordinate format, such as chrX:10,000-25,000 (See drawpile and densitypile for more details).

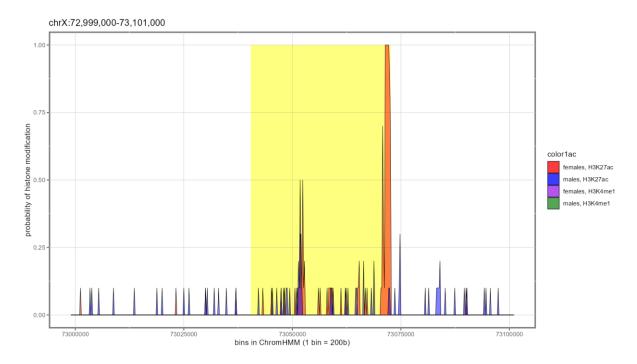
densitypile

You give it the output of two pileup functions and it shows the graph comparing them. Include a filename parameter if you want to save the output into a file. For H3K27ac the first group is red, the second is blue, when they overlap it's purple. For H3K4me1 the first group is pink, the second is forest green, when they overlap it's grey. To use UCSC Genome Browser coordinate format (such as chrX:10,000-25,000) see drawpilegb.

Example, using dataMales and dataFemales from pileup above (remember to add the full path of the directory where you want to save the output file):

```
drawpilegb(dataFemales, dataMales,
    coord = "chrX:73,000,000-73,100,000",
    histmod = "ac",
    highlight = "chrX:73,040,484-73,072,558",
    label1 = "females", label2 = "males",
    filename = "Xist_mono_ac.png")
```

This code generates the following image:



Here, we are observing the frequency across the samples of having each genomic position with the histone modification H3K27ac, which shows genomic activity. We are highlighting in yellow the gene Xist, which is a lncRNA that needs to be active in all females (in order to inactivate the redundant X chromosome) but inactive in all men (to avoid inactivating their only X chromosome). We can see here that the promoter of the gene (on the left of the highlighted area) is indeed active in all women (it's red, and reaches 1,00, meaning that 100% of samples from females have it), and inactive in men (since at that point there are no samples having that region active).

compareDistributions

Displays the violin plots of the distributions in two analyses retrieved using getRegionData. Especially useful to compare random vs observed data. For example, using the previous dimorphismMono and dimorphismMonoRnd,

we obtain:

comparison

