

Tutorial_Human Genome Annotation

1. Introduction

1.1. What is genome annotation?

Over the past years, we have learnt that there are a number of chromosomes and genes in our genome. Counting the number of chromosomes is fairly easy but students might find difficult to say how many genes we have in our genome. If you can get an answer for this, could you tell how many genes encode protein and how many do not?

To answer this question, we need to access the database for gene annotation. Gene annotation is the process of making nucleotide sequence meaningful - where genes are located? whether it is protein-coding or noncoding. If you would like to get an overview of gene annotation, please find this link.

One of well-known collaborative efforts in gene annotation is the GENCODE consortium. It is a part of the Encyclopedia of DNA Elements (The ENCODE project consortium) and aims to identify all gene features in the human genome using a combination of computational analysis, manual annotation, and experimental validation (Harrow et al. 2012). You might find another database for gene annotation, like RefSeq, CCDS, and need to understand differences between them.

In this tutorial, we will access to gene annotation from the GENCODE consortium and explore genes and functional elements in our genome.

1.2. Aims

What we will do with this dataset:

Be familiar with gene annotation modality. Tidy data and create a table for your analysis. Apply tidyverse functions for data munging.

Please note that there is better solution for getting gene annotation in R if you use a biomaRt. Our tutorial is only designed to have a practice on tidyverse exercise.

2. Explore your data

2.1. Unboxing your dataset

This tutorial will use a gene annotation file from the GENCODE. You will need to download the file from the GENCODE. If you are using terminal, please download file using wget:

```
# Run from your terminal, not R console  
# wget ftp://ftp.ebi.ac.uk/pub/databases/gencode/Gencode_human/release_31/gencode.v31.basic.annotation.  
# Once you downloaded the file, you won't need to download it again. So please comment out the command
```

```
# Run from your terminal, not R console
#gzcat gencode.v31.basic.annotation.gtf.gz | head -7
```

The file is the GTF file format, which you will find most commonly in gene annotation. Please read the file format thoroughly in the link above. For the tutorial, we need to load two packages. If the package is not installed in your system, please install it.

tidyverse, a package you have learnt from the chapter 5. readr, a package provides a fast and friendly way to read. Since the file gencode.v31.basic.annotation.gtf.gz is pretty large, you will need some function to load data quickly into your workspace. readr is a part of tidyverse, so you can just load tidyverse to use readr functions.

Let's load the GTF file into your workspace. We will use read_delim function from the readr package. This is much faster loading than read.delim or read.csv from R base. However, please keep in mind that some parameters and output class for read_delim are slightly different from them.

```
library(readr)
library(tidyverse)

## -- Attaching packages ----- tidyverse 1.3.1 --

## v ggplot2 3.3.5      v dplyr    1.0.7
## v tibble  3.1.2      v stringr 1.4.0
## v tidyr   1.1.3      v forcats 0.5.1
## v purrr   0.3.4

## -- Conflicts ----- tidyverse_conflicts() --
## x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## x dplyr::lag()     masks stats::lag()

d= read_delim("gencode.v31.basic.annotation.gtf.gz",
delim="\t",skip=5,progress=F,
col_names=F)

## Rows: 1756502 Columns: 9

## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: "\t"
## chr (7): X1, X2, X3, X6, X7, X8, X9
## dbl (2): X4, X5

##
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

```
View(d)
```

Can you find out what the parameters mean? Few things to note are: The GTF file contains the first few lines for comments (#). In general, the file contains description, provider, date, format.

The GTF file does not have column names so you will need to assign FALSE for col_names.

This is sort of canonical way to load your dataset into R. However, we are using a GTF format, which is specific to gene annotation so we can use a package to specifically handle a GTF file.

Here I introduce the package rtracklayer. Let's install the package first.

```
#if(!requireNamespace("BiocManager",quietly=TRUE))
# install.packages("BiocManager")
#BiocManager::install("rtracklayer")
```

Then, now you can read the GTF file using this package. Then, you can check the class of the object d.

```
d_r=rtracklayer::import("gencode.v31.basic.annotation.gtf.gz")
d_r
```

```
## GRanges object with 1756502 ranges and 21 metadata columns:
##           seqnames      ranges strand |   source      type      score
##           <Rle>      <IRanges> <Rle> | <factor>    <factor> <numeric>
##      [1]      chr1 11869-14409      + |   HAVANA  gene         NA
##      [2]      chr1 11869-14409      + |   HAVANA transcript      NA
##      [3]      chr1 11869-12227      + |   HAVANA  exon         NA
##      [4]      chr1 12613-12721      + |   HAVANA  exon         NA
##      [5]      chr1 13221-14409      + |   HAVANA  exon         NA
##      ...      ...      ...      ... |   ...      ...      ...
## [1756498] chrM 15888-15953      + | ENSEMBL transcript      NA
## [1756499] chrM 15888-15953      + | ENSEMBL  exon         NA
## [1756500] chrM 15956-16023      - | ENSEMBL  gene         NA
## [1756501] chrM 15956-16023      - | ENSEMBL transcript      NA
## [1756502] chrM 15956-16023      - | ENSEMBL  exon         NA
##           phase      gene_id      gene_type  gene_name
##           <integer>    <character>    <character> <character>
##      [1]      <NA> ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unproces.. DDX11L1
##      [2]      <NA> ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unproces.. DDX11L1
##      [3]      <NA> ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unproces.. DDX11L1
##      [4]      <NA> ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unproces.. DDX11L1
##      [5]      <NA> ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unproces.. DDX11L1
##      ...      ...      ...      ...      ...
## [1756498] <NA> ENSG00000210195.2      Mt_tRNA      MT-TT
## [1756499] <NA> ENSG00000210195.2      Mt_tRNA      MT-TT
## [1756500] <NA> ENSG00000210196.2      Mt_tRNA      MT-TP
## [1756501] <NA> ENSG00000210196.2      Mt_tRNA      MT-TP
## [1756502] <NA> ENSG00000210196.2      Mt_tRNA      MT-TP
##           level      hgnc_id      havana_gene  transcript_id
##           <character> <character>    <character>    <character>
##      [1]      2      HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2      <NA>
##      [2]      2      HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
##      [3]      2      HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
##      [4]      2      HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
##      [5]      2      HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
##      ...      ...      ...      ...      ...
## [1756498]      3      HGNC:7499      <NA> ENST00000387460.2
## [1756499]      3      HGNC:7499      <NA> ENST00000387460.2
## [1756500]      3      HGNC:7494      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756501]      3      HGNC:7494      <NA> ENST00000387461.2
## [1756502]      3      HGNC:7494      <NA> ENST00000387461.2
##           transcript_type transcript_name transcript_support_level
##           <character>    <character>    <character>
##      [1]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      [2]      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
```

```
##      [3]      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
##      [4]      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
##      [5]      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
##      ...      ...      ...      ...
## [1756498]      Mt_tRNA      MT-TT-201      NA
## [1756499]      Mt_tRNA      MT-TT-201      NA
## [1756500]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756501]      Mt_tRNA      MT-TP-201      NA
## [1756502]      Mt_tRNA      MT-TP-201      NA
##      tag      havana_transcript exon_number      exon_id
##      <character>      <character> <character>      <character>
##      [1]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      [2]      basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      <NA>      <NA>
##      [3]      basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      1 ENSE00002234944.1
##      [4]      basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      2 ENSE00003582793.1
##      [5]      basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      3 ENSE00002312635.1
##      ...      ...      ...      ...
## [1756498]      basic      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756499]      basic      <NA>      1 ENSE00001544475.2
## [1756500]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756501]      basic      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756502]      basic      <NA>      1 ENSE00001544473.2
##      ont      protein_id      ccdsid
##      <character> <character> <character>
##      [1]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      [2]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      [3]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      [4]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      [5]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
##      ...      ...      ...
## [1756498]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756499]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756500]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756501]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## [1756502]      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## -----
##      seqinfo: 25 sequences from an unspecified genome; no seqlengths
```

```
View(d_r)
class(d)
```

```
## [1] "spec_tbl_df" "tbl_df"      "tbl"        "data.frame"
```

You will find out that this is GRanges class. This is from the package Genomic Range, specifically dealing with genomic datasets but we are not heading into this in this tutorial. So please find this information if you are serious on this.

We are converting d into a data frame as following:

```
d_r=d_r%>%as.data.frame()
```

Let's overview few lines from the data frame, and explore what you get in this object.

```
head(d_r)
```

```
##      seqnames start   end width strand source      type score phase
## 1      chr1 11869 14409  2541      + HAVANA      gene    NA     NA
## 2      chr1 11869 14409  2541      + HAVANA transcript NA     NA
## 3      chr1 11869 12227   359      + HAVANA      exon    NA     NA
## 4      chr1 12613 12721   109      + HAVANA      exon    NA     NA
## 5      chr1 13221 14409  1189      + HAVANA      exon    NA     NA
## 6      chr1 12010 13670  1661      + HAVANA transcript NA     NA
##           gene_id                gene_type gene_name level
## 1 ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene DDX11L1      2
## 2 ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene DDX11L1      2
## 3 ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene DDX11L1      2
## 4 ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene DDX11L1      2
## 5 ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene DDX11L1      2
## 6 ENSG00000223972.5 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene DDX11L1      2
##           hgnc_id      havana_gene      transcript_id
## 1 HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2      <NA>
## 2 HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
## 3 HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
## 4 HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
## 5 HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000456328.2
## 6 HGNC:37102 OTTHUMG00000000961.2 ENST00000450305.2
##           transcript_type transcript_name transcript_support_level
## 1      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## 2      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
## 3      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
## 4      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
## 5      lncRNA      DDX11L1-202      1
## 6 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene      DDX11L1-201      NA
##           tag      havana_transcript exon_number      exon_id      ont
## 1 <NA>      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## 2 basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      <NA>      <NA>      <NA>
## 3 basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      1 ENSE00002234944.1      <NA>
## 4 basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      2 ENSE00003582793.1      <NA>
## 5 basic OTTHUMT00000362751.1      3 ENSE00002312635.1      <NA>
## 6 basic OTTHUMT00000002844.2      <NA>      <NA>      PGO:0000019
##           protein_id ccidsid
## 1      <NA>      <NA>
## 2      <NA>      <NA>
## 3      <NA>      <NA>
## 4      <NA>      <NA>
## 5      <NA>      <NA>
## 6      <NA>      <NA>
```

```
View(d_r)
```

One thing you can find is that there is no columns in the data frame. Let's match which information is provided in columns. You can find the instruction page in the website ([link](#)).

Based on this, you can assign a name for 9 columns. One thing to remember is you should not use space for the column name. Spacing in the column name is actually working but not a good habit for your code. So please replace a space with underscore in the column name.

```
# Assign column names according to the GENCODE instruction.
cols=c("chrom","source","feature_type","start","end","score","strand","phase","info")
```

Now you can set up the column names into the `col_names` parameter, and load the file into a data frame.

```
d=read_delim("gencode.v31.basic.annotation.gtf.gz",
             delim="\t",skip=5,
             progress=F,
             col_names = cols)
```

```
## Rows: 1756502 Columns: 9
```

```
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: "\t"
## chr (7): chrom, source, feature_type, score, strand, phase, info
## dbl (2): start, end

##
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

You can find the column names are now all set.

```
head(d)
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 9
##   chrom source feature_type start   end score strand phase info
##   <chr> <chr>  <chr>         <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>  <chr> <chr>
## 1 chr1  HAVANA  gene           11869 14409 .    +    .    "gene_id \"ENSG000000~
## 2 chr1  HAVANA  transcript      11869 14409 .    +    .    "gene_id \"ENSG000000~
## 3 chr1  HAVANA  exon           11869 12227 .    +    .    "gene_id \"ENSG000000~
## 4 chr1  HAVANA  exon           12613 12721 .    +    .    "gene_id \"ENSG000000~
## 5 chr1  HAVANA  exon           13221 14409 .    +    .    "gene_id \"ENSG000000~
## 6 chr1  HAVANA  transcript      12010 13670 .    +    .    "gene_id \"ENSG000000~
```

When you loaded the file, you see the message about the data class. You might want to overview this data.

```
summary(d)
```

```
##      chrom           source      feature_type      start
## Length:1756502  Length:1756502  Length:1756502  Min.   :      577
## Class :character  Class :character  Class :character  1st Qu.: 32101517
## Mode  :character  Mode  :character  Mode  :character  Median : 61732754
##                                     Mean  : 75288563
##                                     3rd Qu.:111760181
##                                     Max.   :248936581
##      end           score      strand      phase
## Min.   :      647  Length:1756502  Length:1756502  Length:1756502
## 1st Qu.: 32107331  Class :character  Class :character  Class :character
## Median : 61738373  Mode  :character  Mode  :character  Mode  :character
```

```
## Mean : 75292632
## 3rd Qu.:111763007
## Max. :248937043
## info
## Length:1756502
## Class :character
## Mode :character
##
##
##
```

2.2. How many feature types in the GENCODE dataset?

As instructed in the GENCODE website, the GENCODE dataset provides a range of annotations for the feature type. You can check feature types using `group_by` function.

```
d%>%
  group_by(feature_type)%>%
  count(feature_type)
```

```
## # A tibble: 8 x 2
## # Groups:   feature_type [8]
##   feature_type      n
##   <chr>          <int>
## 1 CDS             567862
## 2 exon            744835
## 3 gene            60603
## 4 Selenocysteine   96
## 5 start_codon      57886
## 6 stop_codon       57775
## 7 transcript       108243
## 8 UTR             159202
```

```
# table(d$feature_type)
```

How many feature types provided in the GENCODE? And how many items stored for each feature type? Please write down the number of feature types from the dataset. Also, if you are not familiar with these types, it would be good to put one or two sentences that can describe each type).

2.3. How many genes we have?

Let's count the number of genes in our genome. Since we know that the column `feature_type` contains rows with gene, which contains obviously annotations for genes. We might want to subset those rows from the data frame.

```
d1=filter(d,feature_type=="gene")
# d1=d[d$feature_type=="gene"]
```

2.4. Ensembl, Havana and CCDS.

Gene annotation for the human genome is provided by multiple organizations with different gene annotation methods and strategy. This means that information can be varying by resources, and users need to understand heterogeneity inherent in annotation databases.

The GENCODE project utilizes two sources of gene annotation.

1.Havana: Manual gene annotation (detailed strategy in here) 2.Ensembl: Automatic gene annotation (detailed strategy in here)

It provides the combination of Ensembl/HAVANA gene set as the default gene annotation for the human genome. In addition, they also guarantee that all transcripts from the Consensus Coding Sequence (CCDS) set are present in the GENCODE gene set. The CCDS project is a collaborative effort to identify a core set of protein coding regions that are consistently annotated and of high quality. Initial results from the Consensus CDS (CCDS) project are now available through the appropriate Ensembl gene pages and from the CCDS project page at NCBI. The CCDS set is built by consensus among Ensembl, the National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI), and the HUGO Gene Nomenclature Committee (HGNC) for human (link).

Right. Then now we count how many genes annotated with HAVANA and ENSEMBL.

```
d%>%
  group_by(source)%>%
  count(source)

## # A tibble: 2 x 2
## # Groups:   source [2]
##   source      n
##   <chr>    <int>
## 1 ENSEMBL  245185
## 2 HAVANA   1511317
```

2.5. do.call

Since the last column info contains a long string for multiple annotations, we will need to split it to extract each annotation. For example, the first line for transcript annotation looks like this:

```
chr1 HAVANA transcript 11869 14409 . + . gene_id "ENSG00000223972.5"; transcript_id "ENST00000456328.2";
gene_type "transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene"; gene_name "DDX11L1"; transcript_type "lncRNA";
transcript_name "DDX11L1-202"; level 2; transcript_support_level "1"; hgnc_id "HGNC:37102"; tag
"basic"; havana_gene "OTTHUMG00000000961.2"; havana_transcript "OTTHUMT00000362751.1";
```

If you would like to split transcript_support_level and create a new column, you can use strsplit function.

```
a = 'chr1 HAVANA transcript 11869 14409 . + . gene_id "ENSG00000223972.5"; tran
strsplit(a, 'transcript_support_level\\s+')

## [[1]]
## [1] "chr1 HAVANA transcript 11869 14409 . + . gene_id \"ENSG00000223972.5\";
## [2] "1\"; hgnc_id \"HGNC:37102\"; tag \"basic\"; havana_gene \"OTTHUMG00000000961.2\"; havana_transc
```

After split the string, you can select the second item in the list ([[1]][2]).


```
strsplit(a, 'transcript_support_level\\s+')[[1]][2]
```

```
## [1] "1\\"; hgnc_id \"HGNC:37102\\"; tag \"basic\\"; havana_gene \"OTTHUMG00000000961.2\\"; havana_transc
```

You can find the 1 in the first position, which you will need to split again.

```
b = strsplit(a, 'transcript_support_level\\s+')[[1]][2]
strsplit(b, '\\')
```

```
## [[1]]
## [1] "1"                "; hgnc_id "        "HGNC:37102"
## [4] "; tag "           "basic"            "; havana_gene "
## [7] "OTTHUMG00000000961.2" "; havana_transcript " "OTTHUMT00000362751.1"
## [10] ";"
```

From this, you will get the first item in the list ([[1]][1]).

Now you would like to apply strsplit function across vectors. For this, do.call function can be easily implemented to strsplit over the vectors from one column. Let's try this.

```
head(do.call(rbind.data.frame, strsplit(a, 'transcript_support_level\\s+'))[[2]])
```

```
## [1] "1\\"; hgnc_id \"HGNC:37102\\"; tag \"basic\\"; havana_gene \"OTTHUMG00000000961.2\\"; havana_transc
```

Now you can write two lines of codes to process two steps we discussed above.

```
# First filter transcripts and create a data frame.
d2 <- d %>% filter(feature_type == 'transcript')
View(d)
View(d2)

# Now apply the functions.
d2$transcript_support_level<-
  as.character(do.call(rbind.data.frame, strsplit(d2$info, 'transcript_support_level\\s+'))[[2]])

d2$transcript_support_level<-
  as.character(do.call(rbind.data.frame, strsplit(d2$transcript_support_level, '\\'))[[1]])
```

Now you can check the strsplit works.

```
head(d2$transcript_support_level)
```

```
## [1] "1" "NA" "NA" "NA" "5" "5"
```

You can use the same method to extract other annotations, like gene_id, gene_name etc.

3. Exercises

Here I list the questions for group activity. You will need to pick up one session for three questions for your group. It will be your quiz on the next class. If you have done your session, you can of course go ahead and take other sessions for your practice.

Please note that it is an exercise for tidyverse functions, which you will need to use in your code. In addition, you will need to write an one-line code for each question using pipe %>%.

For questions, you should read some information thoroughly, including:

3.1. Annotation of transcripts in our genome

1. Computes the number of transcripts per gene. What is the mean number of transcripts per gene? What is the quantile (25%, 50%, 75%) for these numbers? Which gene has the greatest number of transcript?

```
my_1<-d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(gene_id)%>%
  count()

my_1%>%
  ungroup()%>%
  summarise(mean=mean(n),
            quantile(n,seq(0,1,0.25)),
            max=gene_id[which.max(n)])
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 3
##   mean 'quantile(n, seq(0, 1, 0.25))' max
##   <dbl>                                <dbl> <chr>
## 1  1.79                                1 ENSG00000109339.22
## 2  1.79                                1 ENSG00000109339.22
## 3  1.79                                1 ENSG00000109339.22
## 4  1.79                                2 ENSG00000109339.22
## 5  1.79                                87 ENSG00000109339.22
```

2. Compute the number of transcripts per gene among gene biotypes. For example, compare the number of transcript per gene between protein-coding genes, long noncoding genes, pseudogenes.

```
my_2<-d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(gene_id)%>%
  summarise(n=n(),gene_type=gene_type)
```

'summarise()' has grouped output by 'gene_id'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.

```
my_2%>%
  group_by(gene_type)%>%
  summarise(mean(n),
            "0%"=quantile(n,0),
            "25%"=quantile(n,0.25),
```

```

"50%"=quantile(n,0.5),
"75%"=quantile(n,0.75),
"100%"=quantile(n,1))

```

```

## # A tibble: 40 x 7
##   gene_type      'mean(n)'  '0%' '25%' '50%' '75%' '100%'
##   <chr>          <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 IG_C_gene      1         1     1     1     1     1
## 2 IG_C_pseudogene 1         1     1     1     1     1
## 3 IG_D_gene      1         1     1     1     1     1
## 4 IG_J_gene      1         1     1     1     1     1
## 5 IG_J_pseudogene 1         1     1     1     1     1
## 6 IG_pseudogene   1         1     1     1     1     1
## 7 IG_V_gene      1         1     1     1     1     1
## 8 IG_V_pseudogene 1         1     1     1     1     1
## 9 lncRNA         3.17      1     1     1     3    38
## 10 miRNA          1         1     1     1     1     1
## # ... with 30 more rows

```

3. Final task is to compute the number of transcripts per gene per chromosome.

```

my_3<-d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(gene_id)%>%
  summarise(n=n(),seqnames=seqnames)

```

'summarise()' has grouped output by 'gene_id'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.

```

my_3%>%
  group_by(seqnames)%>%
  summarise(mean(n),
    "0%"=quantile(n,0),
    "25%"=quantile(n,0.25),
    "50%"=quantile(n,0.5),
    "75%"=quantile(n,0.75),
    "100%"=quantile(n,1))

```

```

## # A tibble: 25 x 7
##   seqnames 'mean(n)'  '0%' '25%' '50%' '75%' '100%'
##   <fct>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 chr1      3.58      1     1     2     4    33
## 2 chr2      3.65      1     1     2     5    31
## 3 chr3      4.70      1     1     3     5    39
## 4 chr4      4.89      1     1     2     5    87
## 5 chr5      3.30      1     1     2     4    20
## 6 chr6      3.71      1     1     2     5    34
## 7 chr7      3.56      1     1     2     5    34
## 8 chr8      3.90      1     1     2     5    30
## 9 chr9      3.17      1     1     2     4    17
## 10 chr10     4.32      1     1     2     5    39
## # ... with 15 more rows

```

3.2. Gene length in the GENCODE

1. What is the average length of human genes?

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="gene")%>%
  summarise(mean(width))
```

```
##   mean(width)
## 1    32629.02
```

2. Is the distribution of gene length differed by autosomal and sex chromosomes? Please calculate the quantiles (0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100%) of the gene length for each group.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="gene" & seqnames%in%c("chrX","chrY"))%>%
  summarise(q=seq(0,1,0.25),sex_distribution=quantile(width,seq(0,1,0.25)))
```

```
##      q sex_distribution
## 1 0.00                48
## 2 0.25               473
## 3 0.50              1912
## 4 0.75             13502
## 5 1.00            2241765
```

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="gene" & seqnames%in%c("chrX","chrY","chrM")==FALSE)%>%
  summarise(q=seq(0,1,0.25),autosomal_distribution=quantile(width,seq(0,1,0.25)))
```

```
##      q autosomal_distribution
## 1 0.00                8
## 2 0.25               565
## 3 0.50              3779
## 4 0.75             25813
## 5 1.00            2473537
```

3. Is the distribution of gene length differed by gene biotype? Please calculate the quantiles (0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100%) of the gene length for each group.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="gene")%>%
  group_by(gene_type)%>%
  summarise("0%"=quantile(width,0),
            "25%"=quantile(width,0.25),
            "50%"=quantile(width,0.5),
            "75%"=quantile(width,0.75),
            "100%"=quantile(width,1))
```

```
## # A tibble: 40 x 6
##   gene_type      '0%' '25%' '50%' '75%' '100%'
##   <chr>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
```

```
## 1 IG_C_gene      441  477.  4590.  5479.    8914
## 2 IG_C_pseudogene 248  313   317   734     5211
## 3 IG_D_gene      11   17    20    31       37
## 4 IG_J_gene      33  38.2   49   67.8    176
## 5 IG_J_pseudogene 50  52.5   55   57.5     60
## 6 IG_pseudogene   306 306   306   306     306
## 7 IG_V_gene      294 496.   522  572.   176628
## 8 IG_V_pseudogene 28  271   416.  458.     792
## 9 lncRNA          68 1874.  6272. 24774. 1375317
## 10 miRNA          41  70    80    91      180
## # ... with 30 more rows
```

3.3. Transcript support levels (TSL)

The GENCODE TSL provides a consistent method of evaluating the level of support that a GENCODE transcript annotation is actually expressed in humans.

1. With transcript, how many transcripts are categorized for each TSL?

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(transcript_support_level)%>%
  count()
```

```
## # A tibble: 7 x 2
## # Groups:   transcript_support_level [7]
##   transcript_support_level     n
##   <chr>                  <int>
## 1 1                      31801
## 2 2                      13372
## 3 3                       7228
## 4 4                       2245
## 5 5                      13674
## 6 NA                     27843
## 7 <NA>                   12080
```

2. From the first question, please count the number of transcript for each TSL by gene biotype.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(gene_type,transcript_support_level)%>%
  summarise(n=n())
```

'summarise()' has grouped output by 'gene_type'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.

```
## # A tibble: 91 x 3
## # Groups:   gene_type [40]
##   gene_type      transcript_support_level     n
##   <chr>          <chr>                  <int>
## 1 IG_C_gene      1                      1
## 2 IG_C_gene      5                      1
```

```
## 3 IG_C_gene      NA      7
## 4 IG_C_gene      <NA>     5
## 5 IG_C_pseudogene NA      9
## 6 IG_D_gene      NA     37
## 7 IG_J_gene      NA     18
## 8 IG_J_pseudogene NA      3
## 9 IG_pseudogene  NA      1
## 10 IG_V_gene     5        3
## # ... with 81 more rows
```

3. From the first question, please count the number of transcript for each TSL by source.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(source,transcript_support_level)%>%
  summarise(n=n())
```

'summarise()' has grouped output by 'source'. You can override using the '.groups' argument.

```
## # A tibble: 14 x 3
## # Groups:   source [2]
##   source transcript_support_level     n
##   <fct>      <chr>
## 1 HAVANA      1     29434
## 2 HAVANA      2     12052
## 3 HAVANA      3      6964
## 4 HAVANA      4      2116
## 5 HAVANA      5     10157
## 6 HAVANA     NA     19962
## 7 HAVANA    <NA>     11901
## 8 ENSEMBL     1      2367
## 9 ENSEMBL     2      1320
## 10 ENSEMBL     3       264
## 11 ENSEMBL     4       129
## 12 ENSEMBL     5      3517
## 13 ENSEMBL    NA      7881
## 14 ENSEMBL    <NA>       179
```

3.4. CCDS in the GENCODE

1. With gene, please create a data frame with the columns - gene_id, gene_name, hgnc_id, gene_type, chromosome, start, end, and strand. Then, please create new columns for presence of hgnc and ccds. For example, you can put 1 in the column isHgnc, if hgnc annotation is available, or 0 if not. Then, you can put 1 in the column isCCDS, if ccds annotation is available, or 0 if not.

```
my_4<-d_r%>%
  select(gene_id,gene_name,hgnc_id,gene_type,seqnames,start,end,strand)
my_4<-as.data.frame(my_4)

my_4<-my_4%>%
  mutate(isHgnc=(ifelse(is.na(hgnc_id)==TRUE,0,1)),
         isCCDS=(ifelse(is.na(d_r$ccdsid)==TRUE,0,1)))
head(my_4)
```

```
##           gene_id gene_name hgnc_id gene_type
## 1 ENSG00000223972.5 DDX11L1 HGNC:37102 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene
## 2 ENSG00000223972.5 DDX11L1 HGNC:37102 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene
## 3 ENSG00000223972.5 DDX11L1 HGNC:37102 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene
## 4 ENSG00000223972.5 DDX11L1 HGNC:37102 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene
## 5 ENSG00000223972.5 DDX11L1 HGNC:37102 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene
## 6 ENSG00000223972.5 DDX11L1 HGNC:37102 transcribed_unprocessed_pseudogene
##   seqnames start   end strand isHgnc isCCDS
## 1   chr1 11869 14409      +     1     0
## 2   chr1 11869 14409      +     1     0
## 3   chr1 11869 12227      +     1     0
## 4   chr1 12613 12721      +     1     0
## 5   chr1 13221 14409      +     1     0
## 6   chr1 12010 13670      +     1     0
```

2. Please count the number of hgnc by gene biotypes.

```
my_4%>%
  group_by(gene_type)%>%
  filter(isHgnc==1)%>%
  count()
```

```
## # A tibble: 36 x 2
## # Groups:   gene_type [36]
##   gene_type      n
##   <chr>      <int>
## 1 IG_C_gene    176
## 2 IG_C_pseudogene 33
## 3 IG_D_gene    152
## 4 IG_J_gene     76
## 5 IG_J_pseudogene 9
## 6 IG_V_gene   1101
## 7 IG_V_pseudogene 653
## 8 lncRNA      51105
## 9 miRNA       5568
## 10 misc_RNA   3099
## # ... with 26 more rows
```

3. Please count the number of hgnc by level. Please note that level in this question is not TSL. Please find information in this link: [1 \(verified loci\)](#), [2 \(manually annotated loci\)](#), [3 \(automatically annotated loci\)](#).

```
my_4%>%
  group_by(d_r$level)%>%
  filter(isHgnc==1)%>%
  count
```

```
## # A tibble: 3 x 2
## # Groups:   d_r$level [3]
##   'd_r$level'      n
##   <chr>      <int>
## 1 1          107054
## 2 2          1279964
## 3 3          237265
```

3.5. Transcripts in the GENCODE

1. Which gene has the largest number of transcripts?

```
my_1%>%
  ungroup()%>%
  summarise(max=gene_id[which.max(n)])
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 1
##   max
##   <chr>
## 1 ENSG00000109339.22
```

2. Please calculate the quantiles (0%, 25%, 50%, 75%, 100%) of the gene length for protein coding genes and long noncoding genes.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(gene_type=="lncRNA")%>%
  summarise(quantile(width,seq(0,1,0.25)))
```

```
##   quantile(width, seq(0, 1, 0.25))
## 1                                1
## 2                               126
## 3                               339
## 4                              2658
## 5                             1375317
```

```
d_r%>%
  filter(gene_type=="protein_coding")%>%
  summarise(quantile(width,seq(0,1,0.25)))
```

```
##   quantile(width, seq(0, 1, 0.25))
## 1                                1
## 2                                76
## 3                               123
## 4                               193
## 5                             2473537
```

3. Please count the number of transcripts by chromosomes.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="transcript")%>%
  group_by(seqnames)%>%
  count
```

```
## # A tibble: 25 x 2
## # Groups:   seqnames [25]
##   seqnames      n
##   <fct>    <int>
## 1 chr1      9827
```



```
## 2 chr2      7432
## 3 chr3      6157
## 4 chr4      4662
## 5 chr5      5203
## 6 chr6      5455
## 7 chr7      5292
## 8 chr8      4350
## 9 chr9      3949
## 10 chr10     4157
## # ... with 15 more rows
```

3.6. Autosomal vs. Sex chromosomes.

1. Please calculate the number of genes per chromosome.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(type=="gene")%>%
  group_by(seqnames)%>%
  count
```

```
## # A tibble: 25 x 2
## # Groups:   seqnames [25]
##   seqnames      n
##   <fct>    <int>
## 1 chr1      5471
## 2 chr2      4196
## 3 chr3      3185
## 4 chr4      2651
## 5 chr5      2983
## 6 chr6      3059
## 7 chr7      3014
## 8 chr8      2482
## 9 chr9      2327
## 10 chr10     2332
## # ... with 15 more rows
```

2. Please compare the number of genes between autosomal and sex chromosome (Mean, Median).

```
d_r%>%
  filter(seqnames%in%c("chrX","chrY","chrM")==FALSE&type=="gene")%>%
  group_by(seqnames)%>%
  count()%>%
  ungroup%>%
  summarise(Mean=mean(n),Median=median(n))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##   Mean Median
##   <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 2617. 2604.
```

```
d_r%>%
  filter(seqnames%in%c("chrX","chrY")&type=="gene")%>%
  group_by(seqnames)%>%
  count()%>%
  ungroup%>%
  summarise(Mean=mean(n),Median=median(n))
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 2
##   Mean Median
##   <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 1494. 1494.
```

3. Please divide the genes into groups 'protein coding' and 'long noncoding', and then compare the number of genes in each chromosomes within groups.

```
d_r%>%
  filter(gene_type%in%c("protein_coding","lncRNA") & type=="gene")%>%
  group_by(gene_type,seqnames)%>%
  count
```

```
## # A tibble: 49 x 3
## # Groups:   gene_type, seqnames [49]
##   gene_type seqnames      n
##   <chr>      <fct>    <int>
## 1 lncRNA     chr1      1416
## 2 lncRNA     chr2      1241
## 3 lncRNA     chr3       861
## 4 lncRNA     chr4       790
## 5 lncRNA     chr5       950
## 6 lncRNA     chr6       826
## 7 lncRNA     chr7       720
## 8 lncRNA     chr8       831
## 9 lncRNA     chr9       555
## 10 lncRNA    chr10      695
## # ... with 39 more rows
```