# iCNV Vignette

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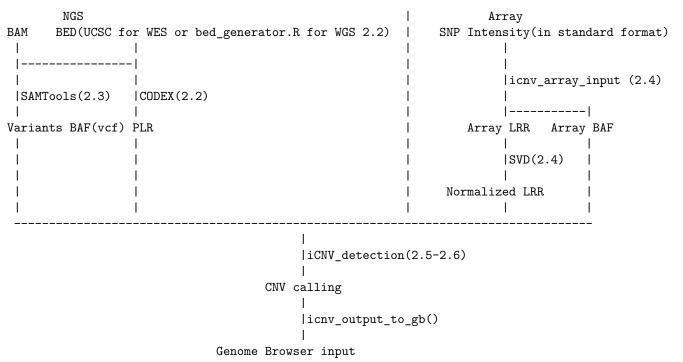
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This is a demo for using the **iCNV** package in R. **iCNV** is a normalization and copy number variation detection procedure for mutiple study designs: WES only, WGS only, SNP array only, or any combination of SNP and sequencing data. **iCNV** applies platform specific normalization, utilizes allele specific reads from sequencing and integrates matched NGS and SNP-array data by a Hidden Markov Model (HMM). Figure below shows the overall pipeline. This package specifically emphasizes on the steps within the red box. Below is an example on calling copy number variation using whole-exome sequencing data and array SNPs of 10 modified samples from Alzheimer's Disease Sequencing Project. Only small portion of chromesome 22 are analysed for illustration purposes. We will seperately shows normalization for WES and SNP array. We will also introduce integrated calling procedure as well as single platform procedure. Demo dataset see https://github.com/zhouzilu/iCNV/demo



We strongly recommend to combine platform when both WES data and SNP array are available. However, for high quality WGS data, SNP information isn't so necessary.

#### 1. Website and online forum

iCNV's website with usage and installation information: https://github.com/zhouzilu/iCNV

#### 2. iCNV workflow

We could seperate the basic iCNV workflow into 5 steps: 1. package installation; 2. .bam file normalization; 3. sequence variants BAF calling; 4. SNP array LRR normalization and BAF; 5. CNV detection using iCNV\_detection function function. 6. CNV detection using iCNV\_detection function with single platform. We will illustrate them one by one in the following sessions. Try out with the Demo code and sample dataset in https://github.com/zhouzilu/iCNV/tree/master/demo

#### 2.1 Install iCNV.

Install CODEX first

```
## try http:// if https:// URLs are not supported
source("https://bioconductor.org/biocLite.R")
biocLite("CODEX")
```

Install the current release from Github:

```
install.packages("devtools")
library(devtools)
install_github("zhouzilu/iCNV/package")
```

### 2.2 .bam file normalization using CODEX

For researchers work on WGS data, you need to generate your own BED file for CODEX normalization. We made a function bed\_generator to help you with this.

After you have BAM file and BED file available, follow code below to get normalized NGS PLR. Code modified from https://github.com/yuchaojiang/CODEX with permission. Due to the file upload size restriction, raw demo BAM file isn't uploaded to Github. Please email zhouzilu@pennmedicine.upenn.edu to request BAM data.

```
### 2.2 code chunk number 1: bambedObj1
library(CODEX)
# Assume your work dir set to demo
dirPath <- 'demo/ngs/bam'# 'PATH/TO/BAM'</pre>
bamFile <- list.files(dirPath, pattern = '*.bam$')</pre>
bamdir <- file.path(dirPath, bamFile)</pre>
sampname <- as.matrix(read.table(file.path(dirPath, "sampname")))</pre>
bedFile <- file.path(dirPath, "chr22_18000_to_38000.bed")</pre>
chr <- 22
bambedObj <- getbambed(bamdir = bamdir, bedFile = bedFile,</pre>
               sampname = sampname, projectname = "icnv.demo", chr)
bamdir <- bambedObj$bamdir; sampname <- bambedObj$sampname</pre>
ref <- bambedObj$ref; projectname <- bambedObj$projectname; chr <- bambedObj$chr</pre>
### 2.2 code chunk number 2: coverageObj1
```

```
coverageObj <- getcoverage(bambedObj, mapqthres = 20)</pre>
Y <- coverageObj$Y; readlength <- coverageObj$readlength
### 2.2 code chunk number 3: gcmapp1
gc <- getgc(chr, ref)</pre>
mapp <- getmapp(chr, ref)</pre>
### 2.2 code chunk number 4: qcObj1
qcObj <- qc(Y, sampname, chr, ref, mapp, gc, cov_thresh = c(20, 4000),
         length_thresh = c(20, 2000), mapp_thresh = 0.9, gc_{thresh} = c(20, 80))
Y_qc <- qc0bj$Y_qc; sampname_qc <- qc0bj$sampname_qc; gc_qc <- qc0bj$gc_qc
mapp_qc <- qc0bj$mapp_qc; ref_qc <- qc0bj$ref_qc; qcmat <- qc0bj$qcmat</pre>
### 2.2 code chunk number 5: normObj1
normObj <- normalize(Y_qc, gc_qc, K = 1:9)</pre>
Yhat <- normObj$Yhat; AIC <- normObj$AIC; BIC <- normObj$BIC
RSS <- normObj$RSS; K <- normObj$K
choiceofK(AIC, BIC, RSS, K, filename = paste0(projectname, "_", chr, "_choiceofK.pdf"))
save(qcObj,normObj,sampname,file=pasteO(projectname,"_",chr,".rda") )
```

CODEX reports all three statistical metrics (AIC, BIC, percent of Variance explained) and uses BIC as the default method to determine the number of Poisson factors. Since false positives can be screened out through a closer examination of the post-segmentation data, whereas CNV signals removed in the normalization step cannot be recovered, CODEX opts for a more conservative normalization that, when in doubt, uses a smaller value of K (Figure 1). For example,

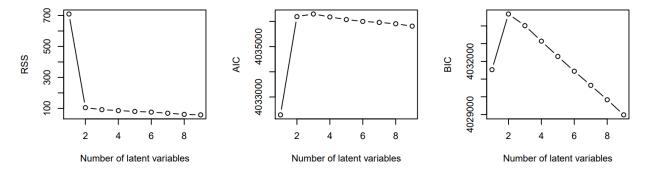


Figure 1: example of CODEX normalization

Here we pick optK=2

```
sampname_qc=qcObj$sampname_qc # sample names
Y_norm=normObj$Yhat[[optK]] # normalized read count under null (no CNV)
plr=log(pmax(Y_qc,0.0001)/pmax(Y_norm,0.0001)) # log transformed z-scores
ngs_plr=lapply(seq_len(ncol(plr)), function(i) plr[,i])
ngs_plr.pos=lapply(seq_len(ncol(plr)),function(x){
   return(cbind(start(ref_qc),end(ref_qc)))
})
save(sampname_qc,ngs_plr,ngs_plr.pos,
   file=pasteO(projectname,'plrObj_',chr,'_',optK,'.rda'))
```

For detailed illustration of CODEX, please visit https://github.com/yuchaojiang/CODEX

## 2.3 sequence variants BAF calling

For sequencing data without sophisticated pipeline and SNVs call set in VCF format, we manually call SNVs from quality controlled BAM files by mpileup module in samtools, and calculate B allele frequency(BAF) on heterogeneous loci by dividing DV (Number of high-quality non-reference bases, FORMAT) from DP (Number of high-quality bases, FORMAT). Example code are:

```
# Prerequest: samtools, bcftools and reference fasta file
cd PATH/TO/BAM
for i in *bam; do PATH/TO/SAMTOOLS/samtools mpileup -ugI -t DP -t DV \
    -f PATH/TO/REF/human_hg37.fasta $i | ~/bcftools-1.3.1/bcftools call -cv \
    -O z -o PATH/TO/OUTPUT/$i.vcf.gz; done
```

We could further extract variants BAF info from vcf file by function bambaf\_from\_vcf.

```
library(iCNV)
projectname = "icnv.demo"
dir='ngs/baf' # PATH/TO/FOLDER
bambaf_from_vcf(dir,'vcf.sample.list',chr=22,projectname)
# ignore chr argement if want to convert all chromosome 1-22
load(file.path(dir,'bambaf_22.rda'))
str(ngs_baf)
str(ngs_baf.pos)
```

#### 2.4 SNP array LRR normalization and BAF

Due to the fact that signal intensity files varies from platform, we set a standard signal intensity file format for each individual. For example

```
Name, Chr, POS, sample_1.Log R Ratio, sample_1.B Allele Freq rs1,22,15462739,-0.096390619874,0.0443964861333 rs2,22,15520991,-0.154103130102,0.963218688965 rs3,22,15780940,-0.110297381878,0.0457459762692 rs4,22,15863717,-0.21270519495,0.957377910614 rs5,22,16532045,-0.0330782271922,0.0300635993481
```

First row is the rsid (Name), followed by chromosome (Chr) and position (POS), then the log R ratio (sample1.Log R Ratio) and BAF (sample1.B Allele Freq). We could use function get\_array\_input to convert into iCNV input. For example, in demo:

For some of the SNP array LRR data, we need to apply SVD normalization to remove high dimension noisy and preserve low dimension signal. The best way to decide data senity is by plotting out the data by plot\_intensity function. Noisy data has the feature of local strip across samples. Conventional way for identifying elbow points can also apply here. Example code for remove high dimension noisy and plot:

```
### 2.4 code chunk number 2: svd (optional)
library(iCNV)
dir='array' # PATH/TO/FOLDER
pattern=paste0('*.csv.arrayicnv$')
load(file.path(dir, 'get_array_input_22.rda'))
# standardize LRR
lrr.sd = mapply(function(x){
 x=pmax(pmin(x,100),-100);(x-mean(x,na.rm=T))/sd(x,na.rm = T)
 },snp_lrr,SIMPLIFY = T)
# You may want to substitute all the NAs in lrr by rowMeans
lrr.sd.dena = apply(lrr.sd,2,function(x){x[is.na(x)]=mean(x,na.rm=T);return(x)})
# lrr is LRR matrix, with row as sample and column as positions
lrr.svd = svd (t(lrr.sd.dena))
save(lrr.svd,file=paste0(projectname, 'array_lrrbaf_svd_',chr,'.rda'))
# Plot out the variance explained with K
pdf(paste0(projectname, 'array_lrrbaf_svd_',chr,'.pdf'),height=8,width=10)
plot(x=seq(1,10,1),y=(lrr.svd\$d[1:10])^2/sum(lrr.svd\$d^2),
 xlab='rank',ylab='D square',main='Variance explained',type='1')
dev.off()
```

There is no universal rule of picking the optK. Usually we prefer those "elbow points" (Figure 2). For example,

We pick optK=5



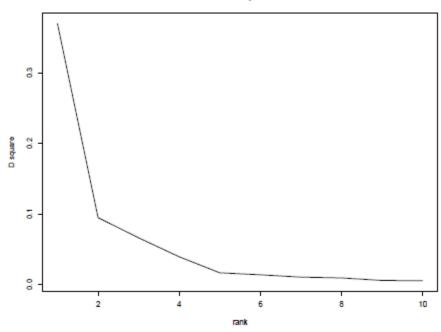


Figure 2: example of PCA variants explained

## 2.5 Mutiple platform CNV detection using iCNV

At this step, we should alreday have PLR and variants BAF from sequencing, normalized LRR and BAF from SNP array. Please make sure all the input are in list form. This is mainly to accomadate the fact that length for ngs\_baf and ngs\_baf.pos is sample specific

Try out with the Demo code and sample dataset in https://github.com/zhouzilu/iCNV/tree/master/demo

```
library(iCNV)
# load array data
dir='array' # PATH/TO/ARRAYDATA
load(file.path(dir,paste0(projectname, 'array_lrrbaf_22.rda')))
# If svd, load(file.path(dirPath,paste0(projectname,'array_lrrbaf_22_svded.rda'))))
# load NGS PLR
load(file.path('ngs',paste0(projectname,'plr0bj_22_2.rda')))
# load NGS BAF
dir='ngs/baf' # PATH/TO/NGSBAF
load(file.path(dir,paste0(projectname,'bambaf_22.rda')))
ls()
str(ngs_plr) # List of n vector, each one is the PLR for an exon
str(ngs_plr.pos) # List of n matrix (p x 2), each one is start and end location for an exon
str(ngs_baf) # List of n vector, each one is the variants BAF from .bam
str(ngs_baf.pos) # List of n vector, each one is the variants BAF position
str(snp_lrr) # List of n vector, each one is the normalized LRR for a SNP
```

The results plot looks are follow (Figure 3). Each row is a sample and each column is a hidden state. The color indicates hidden state Z-score (large positive number prefers amplification, low negative number prefers deletion). Black dots represent amplification detected, while white dots show deletion detected.

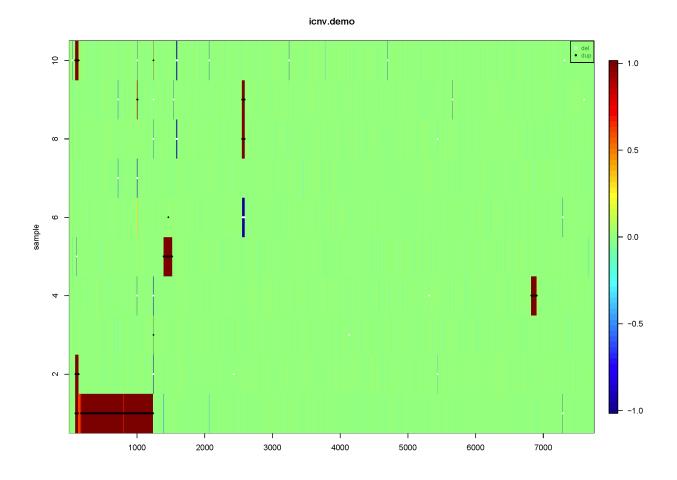


Figure 3: iCNV score output plot

We could also calculate their integer copy number by set CN=1 and plot out details by set visual=2(Figure4, Figure5).

```
projname='icnv.demo.visual'
icnv_res1=iCNV_detection(ngs_plr,snp_lrr,
```

```
ngs_baf,snp_baf,
ngs_plr.pos,snp_lrr.pos,
ngs_baf.pos,snp_baf.pos,
projname=projname,CN=1,mu=c(-3,0,2),cap=T,visual = 2)
```

#### icnv.demo.visual

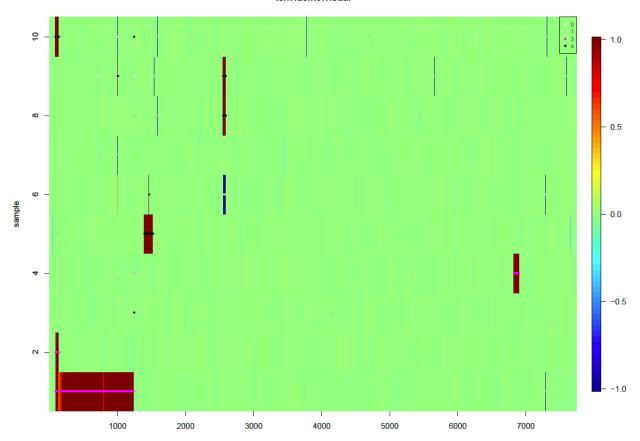


Figure 4: iCNV score output plot with integer copy number

We could further convert icnv.output to Genome Browser input file:

```
icnv.output = output_list(icnv_res=icnv_res1, sampleid=sampname_qc, CN=0, min_size=10000)
gb_input = icnv_output_to_gb(22,icnv.output)
write.table(gb_input,file='icnv_res_gb_chr22.tab',quote=F,col.names=F,row.names=F)
```

The color code for CNV in Genome Browser is (Figure 6):

This is different from the color code for us plotting the data. We are just try to make it concordinate with IGV notation.

We could also plot information in a single individual using function plotindi. Example shows below:

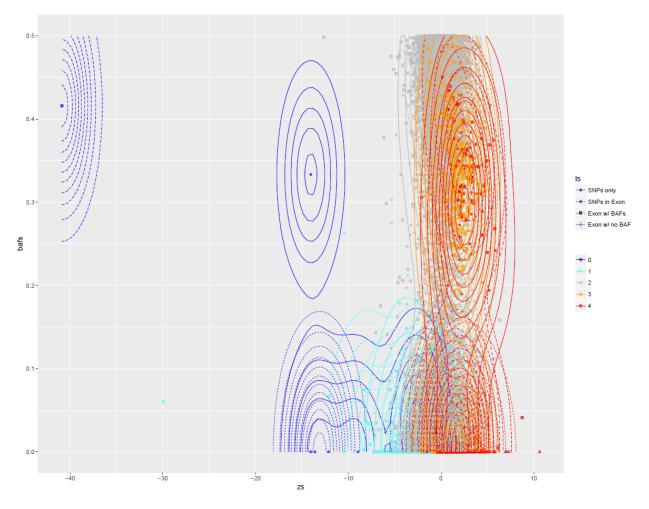


Figure 5: iCNV raw value plot with copy number

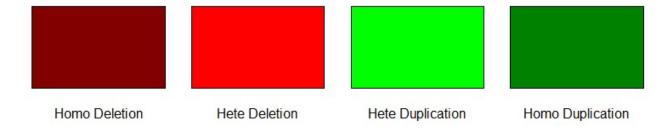


Figure 6: Genome Browser color code

### 2.6 Single platform CNV detection using iCNV

At this step, we should alreday have PLR and variants BAF from sequencing OR normalized LRR and BAF from SNP array. Please make sure all the input are in list form.

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NGS only CNV detection using **iCNV** (Figure 7)

```
library(iCNV)
load('demo_data.rda')
ls()
str(ngs_plr) # List of n vector, each one is the PLR for an exon
str(ngs_plr.pos) # List of n matrix (p x 2), each one is start and end location for an exon
str(ngs_baf) # List of n vector, each one is the variants BAF from .bam
str(ngs_baf.pos) # List of n vector, each one is the variants BAF position
projname='icnv.demo.ngs'
icnv_res0_ngs=iCNV_detection(ngs_plr=ngs_plr, ngs_baf = ngs_baf,
    ngs_plr.pos = ngs_plr.pos,ngs_baf.pos = ngs_baf.pos,
    projname=projname,CN=0,mu=c(-3,0,2),cap=T,visual = 1)
icnv.output = output_list(icnv_res0,sampname_qc,CN=0)
head(icnv.output)
```

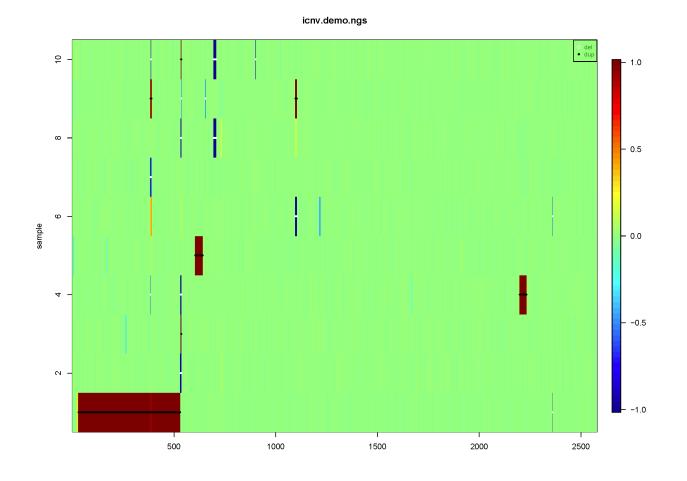


Figure 7:

SNP array only CNV detection using iCNV (Figure 8)

#### icnv.demo.snp

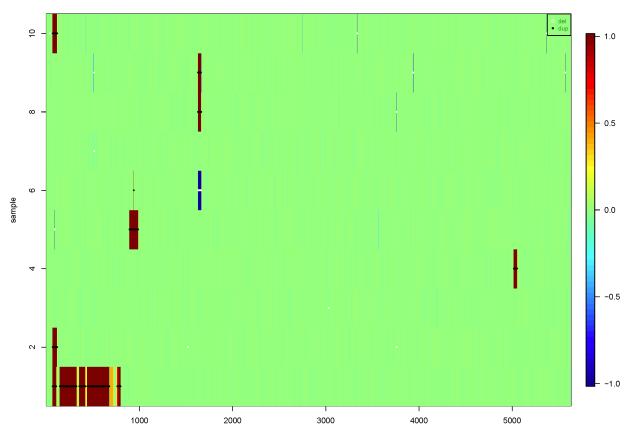


Figure 8: