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2 # Mapping and counting RNA-seq reads with Rsubread R Bioconductor package #
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6 # Toy example
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8 # small sample of reads (56,168 read-pairs) from a single replicate
9 # sequencing: strand specific, paired-end, Illumina, 100-100nts
10 # small chromosome fragment (1-839990 nt part of the 3L chromosome of Drosophila
    simulans contains 96 genes)
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12 #####
13 # Mapping
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15 # Call Rsubread library
16 library(Rsubread)
17
18 # Indexing reference genome
19 buildindex(basename="Genome_sequence_ToyExample_index",
    reference="../Data/Genome_sequence_ToyExample.fa", memory=1500)
20 # p7 at Rsubread.pdf: An index needs to be built before read mapping can be
    performed. This function creates a hash
21 # table for the reference genome, which can then be used by Subread and Subjunc
    aligners for read
22 # alignment.
23 # Highly repetitive subreads (or uninformative subreads) are excluded from the
    hash table so as to
24 # reduce mapping ambiguity.
25
26 #####?
27 # Check how many uninformative subreads were found!
28 # Open Genome_sequence_ToyExample.fa fasta file with "less" unix command in
    another terminal.
29 # Can you see potential uninformative regions in the genome?
30 #####?
31
32 # Mapping reads
33 subjunc(index="Genome_sequence_ToyExample_index",
34 readfile1="../Data/Trimmed_reads_ToyExample_1.fq",
35 readfile2="../Data/Trimmed_reads_ToyExample_2.fq",
36 input_format="FASTQ",
37 output_format="BAM", output_file="Mapped_reads_ToyExample.BAM",
38 nthreads=1, phredOffset=64, unique=TRUE,
39 minFragLength=50, maxFragLength=10000, PE_orientation="fr")
40 # p2 at Rsubread.pdf: Subjunc perform global alignments. The seed-and-vote
    paradigm
41 # enables efficient and accurate alignments to be carried out."
42 ## phredOffset: sanger 33; illumina 64
43 ## PE_orientation: character string giving the orientation of the two reads from
    the same pair. It
44 # has three possible values including fr, ff and rf. Letter f denotes the
    forward
45 # strand and letter r the reverse strand. fr by default (ie. the first read in
    the pair
46 # is on the forward strand and the second read on the reverse strand).
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48 #####?
49 # Copy the "Summary" here!
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52 #####
53 # Counting
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55 Counts_ToyExample=featureCounts(files="Mapped_reads_ToyExample.BAM",
  annot.ext="../Data/Genome_annotation_ToyExample.gtf", isGTFAnnotationFile=T,
  GTF.featureType="exon", GTF.attrType="gene_id", useMetaFeatures=T,
  isPairedEnd=T, requireBothEndsMapped=T, checkFragLength=F, nthreads=1,
  strandSpecific=2, reportReads=T)
56 # p12 at Rsubread.pdf: This function assigns mapped sequencing reads to genomic
  features
57 ## GTF.featureType: a character string giving the feature type used to select
  rows in the
58 # GTF annotation which will be used for read summarization. exon by default.
59 ## GTF.attrType: a character string giving the attribute type in the GTF
  annotation which will be
60 # used to group features (eg. exons) into meta-features (eg. genes). gene_id by
61 # default.
62 ## useMetaFeatures: logical indicating whether the read summarization should be
  performed at the
63 # feature level (eg. exons) or meta-feature level (eg genes). If TRUE, features
  in
64 # the annotation (each row is a feature) will be grouped into meta-features
  using
65 # their values using the "gene_id" attribute in the GTF-format annotation file,
  and reads will assigned
66 # to the meta-features instead of the features.
67 ## requireBothEndsMapped: logical indicating if both ends from the same fragment
  are required to be
68 # successfully aligned before the fragment can be assigned to a feature or
  metafeature.
69 ## checkFragLength: logical indicating if the two ends from the same fragment
  are required to satisfy
70 # the fragment length criteria before the fragment can be assigned to a feature
  or
71 # meta-feature. The fragment length criteria are specified via minFragLength and
  maxFragLength.
72 ## strandSpecific: integer indicating if strand-specific read counting should be
  performed. It has
73 # three possible values: 0 (unstranded), 1 (stranded) and 2 (reversely
  stranded).
74 ## reportReads: logical indicating if read counting result for each
  read/fragment is saved to a
75 # file. If TRUE, read counting results for reads/fragments will be saved to a
  tab-
76 # delimited file that contains four columns including name of read/fragment,
  sta-
77 # tus(assigned or the reason if not assigned), name of target feature/meta-
  feature
78 # and number of hits if the read/fragment is counted multiple times. Name of the
79 # file is the same as name of the input read file except a suffix
  'featureCounts' is
80 # added. Multiple files will be generated if there is more than one input read
  file.
81
82 #####?
83 # What percentage of the reads were counted in total?
84 #####?
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86 # p16 at Rsubread.pdf: Description of featureCounts variable
87
88 # Names of objects of the featureCounts variable

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89 names(Counts_ToyExample)
90
91 # Counts of the first genes
92 head(Counts_ToyExample$counts)
93
94 # Histogram of the counts
95 hist(Counts_ToyExample$counts)
96 hist(log10(Counts_ToyExample$counts))
97
98 # Write the count table to a file
99 write.table(Counts_ToyExample$counts, "Counts_ToyExample.tsv", quote=F,
100 sep="\t")
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102 #####
103 ###
104 # Differential expression analysis of real data with edgeR R Bioconductor
105 package #
106 #####
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108 library("edgeR")
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110 #####
111 # Preprocessing
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113 # Read file with read counts
114 Counts=read.table(file="../Data/Dsim_count_table.tsv", header=T, row.names=1)
115 head(Counts)
116 # Number of genes
117 dim(Counts)
118
119 # Keep those genes that were expressed in at a reasonable level (25 pairs) in
120 all samples
121 KeptCounts=Counts[rowSums(Counts>=25)==6, ]
122 # Number of kept genes
123 dim(KeptCounts)
124
125 #####
126 # Pair wise DE analysis #
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128 # an example
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130 ## "Treatment" groups
131 Group_PW=factor(c("C15", "C15", "C15", "C23", "C23", "C23"))
132 # Tell R that a variable is nominal by making it a factor. The factor stores the
133 nominal values as a vector of integers in the range [ 1.. k ] (where k is the
134 number of unique values in the nominal variable), and an internal vector of
135 character strings (the original values) mapped to these integers.
136
137 ## Differential Expression list
138 DE_list_PW=DGEList(KeptCounts, group=Group_PW)
139 ## DGEList data class
140 # edgeR stores data in a simple list-based data object called a DGEList. This
141 type of object is
142 # easy to use because it can be manipulated like any list in R.
143
144 ## TMM -- Trimmed Mean of M-values -- normalization of read counts
145 DE_list_PW=calcNormFactors(DE_list_PW, method=c("TMM"))
146 # The calcNormFactors function normalizes for RNA composition by finding a set
147 of scaling

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140 # factors for the library sizes that minimize the log-fold changes between the
      samples for most
141 # genes. The default method for computing these scale factors uses a trimmed
      mean of M-
142 # values (TMM) between each pair of samples [*]
143 # [*]: Robinson, M.D. and Oshlack, A. (2010). A scaling normalization method for
      differential
144 # expression analysis of RNA-seq data. Genome Biology 11, R25.
145
146 ## Estimating dispersions for the pair wise DE analysis
147 DE_list_PW=estimateCommonDisp(DE_list_PW)
148 DE_list_PW=estimateTrendedDisp(DE_list_PW)
149 DE_list_PW=estimateTagwiseDisp(DE_list_PW)
150 ## Pseudo counts
151 # In general, edgeR functions work directly on the raw counts. For the most
      part, edgeR does
152 # not produce any quantity that could be called a "normalized count".
153 # An exception is the internal use of pseudo-counts by the classic edgeR
      functions estimateCommonDisp
154 # and exactTest. The exact negative binomial test [*] computed by exactTest and
      the con-
155 # ditional likelihood [*] used by estimateCommonDisp and estimateTagwiseDisp
      require the
156 # library sizes to be equal for all samples. These functions therefore compute
      normalized counts
157 # called pseudo-counts by the method of Robinson and Smyth [*]. The pseudo-
      counts are
158 # computed for a specific purpose, and their computation depends on the
      experimental design
159 # as well as the library sizes. Users are therefore dissuaded from interpreting
      the psuedo-counts
160 # as general purpose normalized counts.
161 # [*]: Robinson, M.D. and Smyth, G.K. (2008). Small-sample estimation of
      negative binomial
162 # dispersion, with applications to SAGE data. Biostatistics 9, 321-332.
163 ## Average log2 CPM (Counts per million)
164 # log-CPM value for each count:
165 #  $\log_2((r_{gi} + 0.5)/R_i + 1) \times 10^6$ 
166 #  $r_{gi}$ : read(pair) count of gene  $g$  for sample  $i$ 
167 #  $R_i$ : the total number of mapped read(pair)s for sample  $i$  (i.e. the library size
      of sample  $i$ )
168
169 ## DE testing with tagwise dispersion
170 DE_list_PW.tgw=exactTest(DE_list_PW, dispersion="tagwise", pair=c("C15","C23"))
171 # Once negative binomial models are fitted and dispersion estimates are
      obtained, we can proceed with testing
172 # procedures for determining differential expression using the exact test.
173 # The exact test is only applicable to experiments with a single factor.
174 # edgeR uses the quantile-adjusted conditional maximum likelihood (qCML) method
      for ex-
175 # periments with single factor.
176 # Compared against several other estimators (e.g. maximum likelihood estimator,
      Quasi-
177 # likelihood estimator etc.) using an extensive simulation study, qCML is the
      most reliable in
178 # terms of bias on a wide range of conditions and specifically performs best in
      the situation
179 # of many small samples with a common dispersion, the model which is applicable
      to Next-
180 # Gen sequencing data.
181 # The qCML method calculates the likelihood by conditioning on the total counts

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181 for each
182 # tag, and uses pseudo counts after adjusting for library sizes.
183
184 ## Which genes were differentially expressed according to the Benjamini-Hochberg
corrected p-values?
185 Result=DE_list_PW.tgw$table
186 Result$adj.PValue=p.adjust(Result$PValue, method="BH")
187 Up=Result[Result$adj.PValue<0.05 & Result$logFC>0 ,]
188 Down=Result[Result$adj.PValue<0.05 & Result$logFC<0 ,]
189
190 # Write the DE genes and the Result table to files
191 write(rownames(Up), "DE_Up_genes.txt")
192 write(rownames(Down), "DE_Down_genes.txt")
193 write.table(Result, "Result.tsv", sep="\t")
194
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