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Description This R package helps the user identify k-mers (e.g. di- or tri-nucleotides) present periodically in a set of genomic loci (typically regulatory elements). The functions of this package provide a straightforward approach to find periodic occurrences of k-mers in DNA sequences, such as regulatory elements. It is not aimed at identifying motifs separated by a conserved distance; for this type of analysis, please visit MEME website.

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| ce11_all_REs | <i>ce11_all_REs</i> |
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Description

Regulatory elements annotated in *C. elegans* (ce11) according to Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv.

Usage

```
data(ce11_all_REs)
```

Format

GRanges

Source

[BiorXiv](#)

References

Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv. ([DOI](#))

Examples

```
data(ce11_all_REs)
table(ce11_all_REs$regulatory_class)
table(ce11_all_REs$which.tissues)
```

| | |
|--------------|---------------------|
| ce11_ATACseq | <i>ce11_ATACseq</i> |
|--------------|---------------------|

Description

Sample of ATAC-seq from mixed tissues in *C. elegans* young adults

Usage

```
data(ce11_ATACseq)
```

Format

RleList

Source

[BiorXiv](#)

References

Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv. ([DOI](#))

Examples

```
data(ce11_ATACseq)
ce11_ATACseq
```

ce11_proms

ce11_proms

Description

Promoters annotated in *C. elegans* (ce11) according to Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv.

Usage

```
data(ce11_proms)
```

Format

GRanges

Source

[BiorXiv](#)

References

Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv. ([DOI](#))

Examples

```
data(ce11_proms)
table(ce11_proms$which.tissues)
```

ce11_proms_seqs

ce11_proms_seqs

Description

Sample of sequences of promoters annotated in *C. elegans* (ce11) according to Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv.

Usage

```
data(ce11_proms_seqs)
```

Format

DNASTringSet

Source

[BiorXiv](#)

References

Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv. ([DOI](#))

Examples

```
data(ce11_proms_seqs)
head(ce11_proms_seqs)
```

ce11_TSSs

ce11_TSSs

Description

Coordinates of promoter TSSs annotated in *C. elegans* (ce11) used in Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv.

Usage

```
data(ce11_TSSs)
```

Format

GRanges

Source

[BiorXiv](#)

References

Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv. ([DOI](#))

Examples

```
data(ce11_TSSs)
lengths(ce11_TSSs)
ce11_TSSs[[1]]
```

`ce11_WW_10bp``ce11_WW_10bp`

Description

Sample of WW 10-bp periodicity track generated by `getPeriodicityTrack()` in `ce11` over annotated accessible sites, with default parameters

Usage

```
data(ce11_WW_10bp)
```

Format

RleList

Source

[BiorXiv](#)

References

Serizay et al. 2020, "Tissue-specific profiling reveals distinctive regulatory architectures for ubiquitous, germline and somatic genes", BiorXiv. ([DOI](#))

Examples

```
data(ce11_WW_10bp)
ce11_WW_10bp
```

`getPeriodicity``A function to compute k-mer periodicity in sequence(s).`

Description

This function takes a set of sequences and a k-mer of interest, map a k-mer of interest in these sequences, computes all the pairwise distances (distogram), normalize it for distance decay, and computes the resulting power spectral density of the normalized distogram.

Usage

```

getPeriodicity(x, motif, ...)

## S3 method for class 'DNASTringSet'
getPeriodicity(
  x,
  motif,
  range_spectrum = seq(1, 200),
  BPPARAM = setUpBPPARAM(1),
  roll = 3,
  verbose = TRUE,
  sample = 0,
  n_shuffling = 0,
  cores_shuffling = 1,
  cores_computing = 1,
  order = 1,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'GRanges'
getPeriodicity(x, motif, genome = "BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11", ...)

## S3 method for class 'DNASTring'
getPeriodicity(x, motif, ...)

```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| <code>x</code> | a DNASTring, DNASTringSet or GRanges object. |
| <code>motif</code> | a k-mer of interest |
| <code>...</code> | Arguments passed to S3 methods |
| <code>range_spectrum</code> | Numeric vector Range of the distogram to use to run the Fast Fourier Transform on (default: 1:200, i.e. all pairs of k-mers at a maximum of 200 bp from each other). |
| <code>BPPARAM</code> | split the workload over several processors using BiocParallel |
| <code>roll</code> | Integer Window to smooth the distribution of pairwise distances (default: 3, to discard the 3-bp periodicity of dinucleotides which can be very strong in vertebrate genomes) |
| <code>verbose</code> | Boolean |
| <code>sample</code> | Integer if > 0, will randomly sample this many integers from the dists vector before normalization. This ensures consistency when looking at periodicity in different genomes, since different genomes will have different GC percent |
| <code>n_shuffling</code> | Integer, how many times should the sequences be shuffled? (default = 0) |
| <code>cores_shuffling</code> | integer, Number of cores used for shuffling (used if n_shuffling > 0) |

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| cores_computing | integer, split the workload over several processors using BiocParallel (used if n_shuffling > 0) |
| order | Integer, which order to take into consideration for shuffling (ushuffle python library must be installed for orders > 1) (used if n_shuffling > 0) |
| genome | genome ID, BSgenome or DNASTringSet object (optional, if x is a GRanges) |

Value

A list containing the results of getPeriodicity function.

- The dists vector is the raw vector of all distances between any possible k-mer.
- The hist data.frame is the distribution of distances over range_spectrum.
- The normalized_hist is the raw hist, normalized for decay over increasing distances.
- The spectra object is the output of the FFT applied over normalized_hist.
- The PSD data frame is the power spectral density scores over given frequencies.
- The motif object is the k-mer being analysed.
- The final periodicity metrics computed by getPeriodicity()

If getPeriodicity() is ran with n_shuffling > 0, the resulting list also contains PSD values computed when iterating through shuffled sequences.

Methods (by class)

- DNASTringSet: S3 method for DNASTringSet
- GRanges: S3 method for GRanges
- DNASTring: S3 method for DNASTring

Examples

```
data(ce11_proms_seqs)
periodicity_result <- getPeriodicity(
  ce11_proms_seqs[1:100],
  motif = 'TT'
)
head(periodicity_result$PSD)
plotPeriodicityResults(periodicity_result)
#
data(ce11_TSSs)
periodicity_result <- getPeriodicity(
  ce11_TSSs[['Ubiq. ']][1:10],
  motif = 'TT',
  genome = 'BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11'
)
head(periodicity_result$PSD)
plotPeriodicityResults(periodicity_result)
#
data(ce11_TSSs)
periodicity_result <- getPeriodicity(
```

```

    ce11_TSSs[['Ubiq.']] [1:10],
    motif = 'TT',
    genome = 'BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11',
    n_shuffling = 10
)
head(periodicity_result$PSD)
plotPeriodicityResults(periodicity_result)

```

getPeriodicityTrack *Function to generate a k-mer periodicity track*

Description

This function takes a set of GRanges in a genome, recover the corresponding sequences and divides them using a sliding window. For each sub-sequence, it then computes the PSD value of a k-mer of interest at a chosen period, and generates a linear .bigWig track from these values.

Usage

```

getPeriodicityTrack(
  genome = NULL,
  granges,
  motif = "WW",
  period = 10,
  BPPARAM = setUpBPPARAM(1),
  extension = 1000,
  window_size = 100,
  step_size = 2,
  range_spectrum = seq(5, 50),
  smooth_track = 20,
  bw_file = NULL
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|----------------|--|
| genome | DNAStringSet, BSgenome or genome ID |
| granges | GRanges object |
| motif | character, k-mer of interest. |
| period | Integer, the period of the k-mer to study (default=10). |
| BPPARAM | split the workload over several processors using BiocParallel |
| extension | Integer, the width the GRanges are going to be extended to (default 1000). |
| window_size | Integer, the width of the bins to split the GRanges objects in (default 100). |
| step_size | Integer, the increment between bins over GRanges (default 2). |
| range_spectrum | Numeric vector, the distances between nucleotides to take into consideration when performing Fast Fourier Transform (default seq_len(50)). |
| smooth_track | Integer, smooth the resulting track |
| bw_file | character, the name of the output bigWig track |

Value

Rlelist and a bigWig track in the working directory.

Examples

```
data(ce11_proms)
track <- getPeriodicityTrack(
  genome = 'BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11',
  ce11_proms[1],
  extension = 200,
  window_size = 100,
  step_size = 10,
  smooth_track = 1,
  motif = 'WW',
  period = 10,
  BPPARAM = setUpBPPARAM(1)
)
track
unlink(
  'BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11_WW_10-bp-periodicity_g-100^10_smooth-1.bw'
)
```

getPeriodicityWithIterations

A function to compute PSDs with iterations

Description

This function computes PSD values of a given k-mer of interest in a set of input sequences. It also iterates the PSD calculation process over shuffled sequences, if `n_shuffling` is used.

Usage

```
getPeriodicityWithIterations(x, ...)

## S3 method for class 'DNAStringSet'
getPeriodicityWithIterations(
  x,
  motif,
  n_shuffling = 10,
  cores_shuffling = 1,
  cores_computing = 1,
  order = 1,
  verbose = 1,
  ...
)

## S3 method for class 'GRanges'
getPeriodicityWithIterations(x, genome, ...)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| x | DNAStringSet, sequences of interest |
| ... | Arguments passed to S3 methods |
| motif | character, k-mer of interest |
| n_shuffling | integer, Number of shuffling |
| cores_shuffling | integer, Number of cores used for shuffling |
| cores_computing | integer, split the workload over several processors using BiocParallel |
| order | Integer, which order to take into consideration for shuffling (ushuffle python library must be installed for orders > 1) |
| verbose | integer, Should the function be verbose? |
| genome | genome ID, BSgenome or DNAStringSet object (optional, if x is a GRanges) |

Value

Several metrics

Methods (by class)

- DNAStringSet: S3 method for DNAString
- GRanges: S3 method for GRanges

Examples

```
data(ce11_proms_seqs)
res <- getPeriodicityWithIterations(
  ce11_proms_seqs[1:10],
  genome = 'BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11',
  motif = 'TT',
  cores_shuffling = 1
)
res$observed_PSD
res$shuffled_PSD
```

plotAggregateCoverage *A function to plot aggregated signals over sets of GRanges*

Description

This function takes one or several RleList genomic tracks (e.g. imported by rtraklayer::import(..., as = 'Rle')) and one or several GRanges objects. It computes coverage of the GRanges by the genomic tracks and returns an aggregate coverage plot.

Usage

```
plotAggregateCoverage(x, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'CompressedRleList'  
plotAggregateCoverage(x, granges, ...)  
  
## S3 method for class 'SimpleRleList'  
plotAggregateCoverage(  
  x,  
  granges,  
  colors = NULL,  
  xlab = "Center of elements",  
  ylab = "Score",  
  xlim = NULL,  
  ylim = NULL,  
  quartiles = c(0.025, 0.975),  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  bin = 1,  
  plot_central = TRUE,  
  run_in_parallel = FALSE,  
  split_by_granges = FALSE,  
  norm = "none",  
  ...  
)  
  
## S3 method for class 'list'  
plotAggregateCoverage(  
  x,  
  granges,  
  colors = NULL,  
  xlab = "Center of elements",  
  ylab = "Score",  
  xlim = NULL,  
  ylim = NULL,  
  quartiles = c(0.025, 0.975),  
  verbose = FALSE,  
  bin = 1,  
  plot_central = TRUE,  
  split_by_granges = TRUE,  
  split_by_track = FALSE,  
  free_scales = FALSE,  
  run_in_parallel = FALSE,  
  norm = "none",  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|------------------|---|
| x | a single signal track (<code>CompressedRleList</code> or <code>SimpleRleList</code> class), or several signal tracks (<code>SimpleRleList</code> or <code>CompressedRleList</code> class) grouped in a named list |
| ... | additional parameters |
| granges | a <code>GRanges</code> object or a named list of <code>GRanges</code> |
| colors | a vector of colors |
| xlab | x axis label |
| ylab | y axis label |
| xlim | y axis limits |
| ylim | y axis limits |
| quartiles | Which quantiles to use to determine y scale automatically? |
| verbose | Boolean |
| bin | Integer Width of the window to use to smooth values by <code>zoo::rollMean</code> |
| plot_central | Boolean Draw a vertical line at 0 |
| run_in_parallel | Boolean Should the plots be computed in parallel using <code>mclapply</code> ? |
| split_by_granges | Boolean Facet plots over the sets of <code>GRanges</code> |
| norm | character Should the signal be normalized ('none', 'zscore' or 'log2')? |
| split_by_track | Boolean Facet plots by the sets of signal tracks |
| free_scales | Boolean Should each facet have independent y-axis scales? |

Value

An aggregate coverage plot.

Methods (by class)

- `CompressedRleList`: S3 method for `CompressedRleList`
- `SimpleRleList`: S3 method for `SimpleRleList`
- `list`: S3 method for list

Examples

```
data(ce11_ATACseq)
data(ce11_WW_10bp)
data(ce11_proms)

p1 <- plotAggregateCoverage(
  ce11_ATACseq,
  resize(ce11_proms[1:100], fix = 'center', width = 1000)
)
p1
```

```

proms <- resize(ce11_proms[1:100], fix = 'center', width = 400)
p2 <- plotAggregateCoverage(
  ce11_ATACseq,
  list(
    'Ubiq & Germline promoters' =
      proms[proms$which.tissues %in% c('Ubiq.', 'Germline')],
    'Other promoters' =
      proms[!(proms$which.tissues %in% c('Ubiq.', 'Germline'))]
  )
)
p2

p3 <- plotAggregateCoverage(
  list(
    'atac' = ce11_ATACseq,
    'WW_10bp' = ce11_WW_10bp
  ),
  proms,
  norm = 'zscore'
)
p3

p4 <- plotAggregateCoverage(
  list(
    'ATAC-seq' = ce11_ATACseq,
    'WW 10-bp periodicity' = ce11_WW_10bp
  ),
  list(
    'Ubiq & Germline promoters' =
      proms[proms$which.tissues %in% c('Ubiq.', 'Germline')],
    'Other promoters' =
      proms[!(proms$which.tissues %in% c('Ubiq.', 'Germline'))]
  ),
  norm = 'zscore'
)
p4

p5 <- plotAggregateCoverage(
  list(
    'ATAC-seq' = ce11_ATACseq,
    'WW 10-bp periodicity' = ce11_WW_10bp
  ),
  list(
    'Ubiq & Germline promoters' =
      proms[proms$which.tissues %in% c('Ubiq.', 'Germline')],
    'Other promoters' =
      proms[!(proms$which.tissues %in% c('Ubiq.', 'Germline'))]
  ),
  split_by_granges = FALSE,
  split_by_track = TRUE,
  norm = 'zscore'
)

```

p5

`plotPeriodicityResults`*Plot the output of getPeriodicity()*

Description

This function plots some results from the result of `getPeriodicity()`. It plots the raw histogram, the distance-decay normalized histogram and the resulting PSD values. If a shuffled control has been performed by `getPeriodicity()`, it also displays it.

Usage

```
plotPeriodicityResults(  
  results,  
  periods = c(2, 20),  
  filter_periods = TRUE,  
  facet_control = TRUE,  
  xlim = NULL,  
  fdr_threshold = 0.05,  
  ...  
)
```

Arguments

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| <code>results</code> | The output of <code>getPeriodicity</code> function. |
| <code>periods</code> | Vector a numerical vector of length 2, to specify the x-axis limits |
| <code>filter_periods</code> | Boolean Should the x-axis be constrained to the periods? |
| <code>facet_control</code> | Boolean should the shuffling plots be faceted? |
| <code>xlim</code> | Integer x axis upper limit in raw and norm. histograms |
| <code>fdr_threshold</code> | Float, significance threshold |
| <code>...</code> | Additional theme arguments passed to <code>theme_ggplot2()</code> |

Value

list A list containing four ggplots

Examples

```
data(ce11_TSSs)  
periodicity_result <- getPeriodicity(  
  ce11_TSSs[['Ubiq.']] [1:100],  
  genome = 'BSgenome.Celegans.UCSC.ce11',  
  motif = 'TT',  
  BPPARAM = setUpBPPARAM(1)
```

```

)
head(periodicity_result$PSD)
plotPeriodicityResults(periodicity_result)
plotPeriodicityResults(periodicity_result, xlim = 150)
plotPeriodicityResults(
  periodicity_result, xlim = 150, filter_periods = FALSE
)
plotPeriodicityResults(
  periodicity_result, xlim = 150, facet_control = FALSE
)

```

setUpBPPARAM

setUpBPPARAM

Description

A function to dynamically select MulticoreParam or SnowParam (if Windows)

Usage

```
setUpBPPARAM(nproc = 1)
```

Arguments

nproc number of processors

Value

A BPPARAM object

Examples

```
BPPARAM <- setUpBPPARAM(1)
```

theme_ggplot2

*Personal ggplot2 theming function, adapted from roboto-condensed at
<https://github.com/hrbrmstr/hrbrthemes/>*

Description

Personal ggplot2 theming function, adapted from roboto-condensed at <https://github.com/hrbrmstr/hrbrthemes/>

Usage

```

theme_ggplot2(
  grid = TRUE,
  border = TRUE,
  base_size = 8,
  plot_title_size = 12,
  plot_title_face = "plain",
  plot_title_margin = 5,
  subtitle_size = 11,
  subtitle_face = "plain",
  subtitle_margin = 5,
  strip_text_size = 10,
  strip_text_face = "bold",
  caption_size = 9,
  caption_face = "plain",
  caption_margin = 3,
  axis_text_size = base_size,
  axis_title_size = 9,
  axis_title_face = "plain",
  axis_title_just = "rt",
  panel_spacing = grid::unit(2, "lines"),
  grid_col = "#cccccc",
  plot_margin = margin(12, 12, 12, 12),
  axis_col = "#cccccc",
  axis = FALSE,
  ticks = FALSE
)

```

Arguments

| | |
|--|--|
| grid | panel grid ('TRUE', 'FALSE', or a combination of 'X', 'x', 'Y', 'y') |
| border | border if 'TRUE' add border |
| base_size | base font size |
| plot_title_size, plot_title_margin | plot title size and margin |
| plot_title_face | plot title face |
| subtitle_face, subtitle_size | plot subtitle face and size |
| subtitle_margin | plot subtitle margin bottom (single numeric value) |
| strip_text_face, strip_text_size | facet label font face and size |
| caption_face, caption_size, caption_margin | plot caption face, size and margin |
| axis_text_size | font size of axis text |

| | |
|---|---|
| <code>axis_title_face</code> , <code>axis_title_size</code> | axis title font face and size |
| <code>axis_title_just</code> | axis title font justificationk one of <code>'[blmcr]'</code> |
| <code>panel_spacing</code> | panel spacing (use <code>'unit()'</code>) |
| <code>grid_col</code> | grid color |
| <code>plot_margin</code> | plot margin (specify with <code>[ggplot2::margin]</code>) |
| <code>axis_col</code> | axis color |
| <code>axis</code> | add x or y axes? <code>'TRUE'</code> , <code>'FALSE'</code> , <code>"xy"</code> |
| <code>ticks</code> | ticks if <code>'TRUE'</code> add ticks |

Value

theme A ggplot theme

Examples

```
library(ggplot2)

ggplot(mtcars, aes(mpg, wt)) +
  geom_point() +
  labs(x="Fuel efficiency (mpg)", y="Weight (tons)",
       title="Seminal ggplot2 scatterplot example") +
  theme_ggplot2()
```

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