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### Description

Detecting differential binding of transcription factors with ChIP-seq

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### References

Liang, K and Keles, S (2012) *Detecting differential binding of transcription factors with ChIP-seq*, 28, 121-122.

### See Also

**DBChIP** 

```
data("PHA4")
dat <- DBChIP(binding.site.list, chip.data.list=chip.data.list, input.data.list=input.data.list, conds=conds, data.list=chip.data.list</pre>
rept <- report.peak(dat)
rept
```

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Binding site predictions

### **Description**

Binding site predictions for emb and L1 conditions in a study of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in *C.elegans* 

### Usage

```
data("PHA4")
```

#### **Format**

List of 2 elements: emb and L1. Each element is a data.frame with fields: chr, strand and weight (optional).

### **Details**

Weight represents a measure of strength of the binding, for example, the number of reads in the peak.

### Source

Zhong et al. (2010), Genome-wide identification of binding sites defines distinct functions for Caenorhabditis elegans PHA-4/FOXA in development and environmental response, PLoS Genetics, 6, e1000848.

### See Also

PHA4

```
data(PHA4)
names(binding.site.list)
head(binding.site.list[["emb"]])
```

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chip.data.list

ChIP data of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in C.elegans

### Description

This data set contains parts of ChIP-seq data of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in *C.elegans*. Only ChIP data in chromosome I with position < 0.9M bp are included.

### Usage

```
data("PHA4")
```

#### **Format**

List of 4 elements: "emb\_rep1", "emb\_rep2", "L1\_rep1" and "L1\_rep2". Each element is a data.frame with fields: chr, strand and pos.

#### **Source**

Zhong et al. (2010), Genome-wide identification of binding sites defines distinct functions for Caenorhabditis elegans PHA-4/FOXA in development and environmental response, PLoS Genetics, 6, e1000848.

### See Also

PHA4

### **Examples**

```
data(PHA4)
names(chip.data.list)
head(chip.data.list[["emb_rep1"]])
```

conds

conds

### **Description**

Experimental conditions of ChIP replicates in PHA4 data.

### Usage

```
data("PHA4")
```

#### **Format**

The format is: Factor w/ 2 levels "emb", "L1": 1 1 2 2

#### **Details**

The first two ChIP replicates are in embryonic (emb) condition, and the last two are in the first stage of larval development (L1) condition.

#### Source

Zhong et al. (2010), Genome-wide identification of binding sites defines distinct functions for Caenorhabditis elegans PHA-4/FOXA in development and environmental response, PLoS Genetics, 6, e1000848.

#### See Also

PHA4

#### **Examples**

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#### **Description**

Detecting differential binding of transcription factors with ChIP-seq

### Usage

```
DBChIP(binding.site.list, chip.data.list, conds, input.data.list = NULL,
data.type = c("MCS", "AlignedRead", "BED"), frag.len = 200, chr.vec = NULL,
chr.exclusion = NULL, chr.len.vec = NULL, subtract.input = FALSE, norm.factor.vec = NULL,
in.distance = 100, out.distance = 250, window.size = 250,
dispersion=NULL, common.disp=TRUE, prior.n=10,
two.sample.method="composite.null", allowable.FC=1.5, collapsed.quant=0.5)
```

### **Arguments**

binding.site.list

a list of data.frames. Each data.frame corresponds to one condition in comparison and has three fields, chr, pos, and weight, to indicate the binding location and strength.

chip.data.list a list of ChIP data where each list item corresponds to one ChIP library. The name of the items should be unique. Biological replicates should be in separate items. Each item can be one of three accepted data types: MCS, AlignedRead and BED.

conds

a vector of conditions of ChIP libraries. Should be the same order as chip.data.list, or the names should be specified as a permutation of the names of chip.data.list.

input.data.list a list of control data. Should have same data type as in chip.data.list. The names of the items should be unique, and each name should be matched to either a ChIP replicate name when the two are paired or a condition name in general. "MCS", "AlignedRead" or "BED". See Details. data.type frag.len average fragment length. Default 200 bp. chr.vec a vector of chromosomes in data. User can specify chr.vec, or it can be computed from the ChIP and control samples. chr.exclusion user can either specify chr.vec, or specify the chromosomes to exclude through this parameter. chr.len.vec a vector of chromosome lengths corresponding to chr.vec. Can be specified if known, or will be computed as the largest 5' end position in the data. subtract.input logical. Whether input will be subtracted from ChIP when counting the binding reads. Default is FALSE. norm.factor.vec a vector of normalization factors between the ChIP and control libraries when controls are available. Can be specified, or will be computed by DBChIP. in.distance within cluster distance. If the distance between centroids of two clusters are smaller than this value, the clusters will be merged into one. Default value 100 bp. out.distance out of cluster distance. If the distance between centroids of two clusters are larger than this value, they are considered different binding sites. Also doublefunction as the window size to count reads around each site. Default value 250 window.size the window size to count reads around a binding site. dispersion The dispersion parameter in Negative Binomial distribution. Could be a numerical value or a vector with a length of the number of consensus sites. logical, TRUE (use common dispersion parameter for all sites) or FALSE (use common.disp site-specific dispersion). prior.n a parameter regulate the degree of pooling when using site-specific dispersion (common.disp=FALSE). two.sample.method the method to use when comparing two condition with no replicates. The de-

the method to use when comparing two condition with no replicates. The default is to test a composite null that allow certain fold change allowable.FC. Otherwise user should provide a dispersion parameter.

allowable.FC allowable fold change when testing a composite null. Default value 1.5. collapsed.quant

the quantile to use when testing more than two conditions without replicates. Default value is 0.5, the median.

#### **Details**

The ChIP and control data should be properly filtered before the analysis to avoid artifacts. For example, reads mapping to mitochondrial DNA, or Y chromosome for female samples will need to

be filtered.

Filtering of chromosomes can be achieved through specification of chr.vec and/or chr.exclusion. Only reads from chromosomes in chr.vec but not in chr.exclusion are utilized in the analysis.

User can include or exclude sex chromosomes in the computation, depending on whether protein-DNA bindings on sex chromosomes are of research interest.

Biological replicates of a ChIP sample should be kept separate so that dispersion can be properly estimated. On the other hand, replicates of a control/input sample should be merged because the purpose of the control samples is to estimate the background for testing and plotting. One exception would be when a control replicate is paired with a ChIP replicate, for example, they are coming from the same batch, a portion of which is used for IP and the other portion is used for control. In such case, the control replicate can be kept separate with the same name of the matching ChIP replicate. data.type

- MCS Minimum ChIP-Seq format. data.frame with fields: chr (factor), pos (integer) and strand (factor, "+" and "-"). pos is 5' location. This is different from eland default which use 3' location for reverse strand.
- AlignedRead from Bioconductor ShortRead package (with support of commonly used formats, including Eland, MAQ, Bowtie, SOAP and BAM).
- BED with at least first 6 fields (chrom, start, end, name, score and strand), http://genome.ucsc.edu/FAQ/FAQformat.html#

Users are recommended to study the histogram of the \$p\$-values for model checking. More specifically, the \$p\$-values between 0.5 and 1 should be roughly uniform. When many replicates are available, users can also randomly split biological replicates of the same condition and perform comparisons through DBChIP using the estimated dispersion parameter to check whether the \$p\$-values look uniform.

#### Value

A list with following components:

chip.list the list of ChIP data in internal MCS format.

conds vector of conditions of ChIP libraries.

frag.len average fragment length.

chr. vec a vector of chromosomes in data.

chr.len.vec a vector of chromosome lengths corresponding to chr.vec.

consensus.site consensus sites. It is a data.frame, for details, see site.merge.

site.count a data.frame of read counts at each consensus site.

test.stat a data.frame of test statistics for testing non-differential binding at each site,

include p-values and fold changes.

input.list the list of control data. The components from this and below are only available

when control data are available.

matching.input.names

the matching input names for ChIP libraries.

```
norm.factor.vec
```

vector of normalization factors between the ChIP and control libraries when controls are available. Can be specified, or will be computed by DBChIP.

#### Author(s)

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```

#### References

Liang, K and Keles, S (2012). Detecting differential binding of transcription factors with ChIP-seq. *Bioinformatics*, 28, 121-122.

#### See Also

```
DBChIP-package, PHA4, read.binding.site.list, site.merge.
```

```
data("PHA4")
rept <- report.peak(dat)</pre>
rept
#pdf("Diff.Binding.pdf")
plotPeak(rept, dat)
#dev.off()
## experienced users can proceed in a step by step fashion such that if program
## needs to be run for a different setting, intermediate results can be saved and reused.
data("PHA4")
conds <- factor(c("emb","emb","L1", "L1"), levels=c("emb", "L1"))</pre>
bs.list <- read.binding.site.list(binding.site.list)</pre>
## compute consensus site
consensus.site <- site.merge(bs.list, in.distance=100, out.distance=250)</pre>
dat <- load.data(chip.data.list=chip.data.list, conds=conds, consensus.site=consensus.site, input.data.list=inp</pre>
## count ChIP reads around each binding site
dat <- get.site.count(dat, window.size=250)</pre>
## test for differential binding
dat <- test.diff.binding(dat)</pre>
# report test result and plot the coverage profiles
rept <- report.peak(dat)</pre>
rept
plotPeak(rept, dat)
```

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### **Description**

Count number of reads around each binding site

### Usage

```
get.site.count(dat, subtract.input=FALSE, window.size = 250)
```

### Arguments

dat a list with the following items: consensus.site, chip.list, input.list, matching.input.names,

norm.factor.vec. Description of the items can be found in the return value of

DBChIP.

subtract.input logical. Whether input will be subtracted from ChIP when counting the binding

reads. Default is FALSE.

window.size the window size to count reads around each binding site. Default 250 bp.

### **Details**

The read count for each binding site is defined as the sum of the number of 5' ends on the positive strand within the upstream window [s-w, s-1] and the number of 5' ends on the negative strand within the downstream window [s+1, s+w], where s is a consensus site position and w is the window size parameter.

#### Value

This function return the incoming dat with the new component:

site.count a matrix of read counts for each site (row) and each ChIP library (column).

### See Also

**DBChIP** 

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input.data.list

Control/input data of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in C.elegans

#### **Description**

This data set contains parts of ChIP-seq data of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in *C.elegans*. Only control data in chromosome I with position < 0.9M bp are included.

### Usage

```
data("PHA4")
```

#### **Format**

List of 2 elements: "emb" and "L1". Each element is a data.frame with fields: chr, strand and pos.

#### **Source**

Zhong et al. (2010), Genome-wide identification of binding sites defines distinct functions for Caenorhabditis elegans PHA-4/FOXA in development and environmental response, PLoS Genetics, 6, e1000848.

### See Also

PHA4

### **Examples**

```
data(PHA4)
names(input.data.list)
head(input.data.list[["emb"]])
```

load.data

load.data

### **Description**

Assemble data for further analysis.

### Usage

load.data(chip.data.list, conds, consensus.site, input.data.list = NULL, data.type = "MCS", chr.vec =

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#### **Arguments**

chip.data.list a list of ChIP data where each list item corresponds to one ChIP library. The name of the items should be unique. Biological replicates should be in separate items. Each item can be one of three accepted data types: MCS, AlignedRead

and BED.

conds a vector of conditions of ChIP libraries. Should be the same order as chip.data.list,

or the names should be specified as a permutation of the names of chip.data.list.

consensus.site consensus binding sites. Should be the result of site.merge.

input.data.list

a list of control data. Should have same data type as in chip.data.list. The names of the items should be unique, and each name should be matched to either a ChIP replicate name when the two are paired or a condition name in general.

data.type "MCS", "AlignedRead" or "BED". See Details.

chr. vec a vector of chromosomes in data. User can specify chr. vec, or it can be computed

from the ChIP and control samples.

chr.exclusion user can either specify chr.vec, or specify the chromosomes to exclude through

this parameter.

chr.len.vec a vector of chromosome lengths corresponding to chr.vec. Can be specified if

known, or will be computed as the largest 5' end position in the data.

norm.factor.vec

a vector of normalization factors between the ChIP and control libraries when

controls are available. Can be specified, or will be computed by DBChIP.

frag. len average fragment length. Default 200 bp.

#### **Details**

The ChIP and control data should be properly filtered before the analysis to avoid artifacts. For example, reads mapping to mitochondrial DNA, or Y chromosome for female samples will need to be filtered.

Filtering of chromosomes can be achieved through specification of chr.vec and/or chr.exclusion. Only reads from chromosomes in chr.vec but not in chr.exclusion are utilized in the analysis.

User can include or exclude sex chromosomes in the computation, depending on whether protein-DNA bindings on sex chromosomes are of research interest.

Biological replicates of a ChIP sample should be kept separate so that dispersion can be properly estimated. On the other hand, replicates of a control/input sample should be merged because the purpose of the control samples is to estimate the background for testing and plotting. One exception would be when a control replicate is paired with a ChIP replicate, for example, they are coming from the same batch, a portion of which is used for IP and the other portion is used for control. In such case, the control replicate can be kept separate with the same name of the matching ChIP replicate.

data.type

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• MCS Minimum ChIP-Seq format. data.frame with fields: chr (factor), pos (integer) and strand (factor, "+" and "-"). pos is 5' location. This is different from eland default which use 3' location for reverse strand.

- AlignedRead from Bioconductor ShortRead package (with support of commonly used formats, including Eland, MAQ, Bowtie, SOAP and BAM).
- BED with at least first 6 fields (chrom, start, end, name, score and strand), http://genome.ucsc.edu/FAQ/FAQformat.html#

#### Value

A list with following components:

chip.list the list of ChIP data in internal MCS format.

conds vector of conditions of ChIP libraries.

frag.len average fragment length.

chr. vec a vector of chromosomes in data.

chr.len.vec a vector of chromosome lengths corresponding to chr.vec.

consensus.site consensus sites. It is a data.frame, for details, see site.merge.

input.list the list of control data. The components from this and below are only available

when control data are available.

matching.input.names

the matching input names for ChIP replicates.

chip.background.size

the background sizes (number of reads) for ChIP replicates. Background is defined by exluding the neighborhoods of the consensus sites.

input.background.size

the background sizes for input replicates.

norm.factor.vec

vector of normalization factors between the ChIP and control libraries when controls are available. Can be specified, or will be computed by DBChIP.

### See Also

DBChIP.

data("PHA4")

```
conds <- factor(c("emb","emb","L1", "L1"), levels=c("emb", "L1"))
bs.list <- read.binding.site.list(binding.site.list)

## compute consensus site
consensus.site <- site.merge(bs.list, in.distance=100, out.distance=250)

#load data
dat <- load.data(chip.data.list=chip.data.list, conds=conds, consensus.site=consensus.site, input.data.list=inp
names(dat)</pre>
```

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PHA4

ChIP-seq data of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in C.elegans

### **Description**

This data set contains parts of ChIP-seq data of transcription factor PHA-4/FOXA in *C.elegans*. ChIP and control data and identified binding sites in chromosome I with position < 0.9M bp are included.

### Usage

```
data("PHA4")
```

### **Format**

PHA4 has three elements:

- binding.site.list a list of binding sites for embryonic and L1 conditions
- chip.data.list a list of ChIP reads data for embryonic and L1 conditions
- input.data.list a list of control reads data for embryonic and L1 conditions
- conds a vector of conditions of ChIP libraries.

### References

Zhong et al. (2010), Genome-wide identification of binding sites defines distinct functions for Caenorhabditis elegans PHA-4/FOXA in development and environmental response, PLoS Genetics, 6, e1000848.

### See Also

**DBChIP** 

plotPeak

Plot peak

#### Description

Plot the coverage profile of differentially bound peaks

### Usage

```
plotPeak(rept, dat, lib.size = NULL, w = 400, ext = 200, combine.rep = FALSE, cap = NULL, n.row.per.pag
```

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#### **Arguments**

rept a data.frame as the result of report.peak.

dat a list with the following items: chip.list, input.list, matching.input.names, norm.factor.vec.

Description of the items can be found in the return value of DBChIP.

lib.size a vector of library size of each ChIP sample. Used to scale profiles so that they

are comparable.

w half window size to plot around the binding sites.

ext extension size for each read. Each read is extended from its 5' end by ext

towards 3' end. If ext is set to 1, the minimum, per nucleotide read counts will

be plotted.

combine.rep logical, whether to combine replicates for the plot. Can be useful when there are

too many replicates to plot.

cap the maximum number of reads per nucleotide allowd to plot.

n.row.per.page the maximum number of tracks (rows) per page.

caption additional caption to appear on the title besides the location.

#### See Also

DBChIP

read.binding.site.list

read.binding.site.list

#### **Description**

Process the list of binding sites into an internal format

#### Usage

```
read.binding.site.list(binding.site.list)
```

### Arguments

binding.site.list

a list of data.frames. Each data.frame corresponds to one condition in comparison and has three fields, chr, pos and weight, to indicate the binding location and strength.

### **Details**

The binding site for each condition is split into a list where binding sites are grouped according to their chromosomes.

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#### Value

A list of conditions, each of which is a list of binding sites in a certain chromosome. The binding sites are in data.frames with two fields, pos and weight, to indicate the binding location and strength.

#### See Also

**DBChIP** 

#### **Examples**

```
data("PHA4")
bs.list <- read.binding.site.list(binding.site.list)
str(bs.list)</pre>
```

report.peak

Report peaks

### **Description**

Report most significant peaks

#### Usage

```
report.peak(test.res, FDR = NULL, FDR.method = "BH", n = 10, add.origin = TRUE, adaptive.threshold = c
```

### **Arguments**

test.res a list with the item test.stat, which is a data.frame of test statistics for testing

non-differential binding at each site, include p-values and fold changes.

FDR the desireable false discovery rate (FDR) level.

FDR. method the method to control FDR. Default is "BH", the Benjamini and Hochberg (1995)

method. Another option is "adaptive", which use the adaptive.threshold to esti-

mate the number of true null hypotheses.

n the top n differential peaks to return.

add.origin logical. Whether to add peaks' origin information (how many and which condi-

tions the consensus site are merged from) in the result.

adaptive.threshold

vector of two values between 0 and 1. The number of true null hypotheses is estimated as the number of p-values between these two values divided by the distance between these two values. Default is (0.05, 0.95). If it is set to (0.05, 1), it becomes the method recommended in Blanchard and Roquain (2009).

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#### **Details**

The default is to return the top n differential peaks. If user specify FDR, a set of peaks under the threshold will be returned instead. The FDR is computed through the classical Benjamini & Hochberg 1995 method.

#### Value

a data.frame with with following fields

chr chromosome.

pos consensus binding position.

nsig number of significant original binding sites that are merged into consensus site.

origin the origin of merged binding sites.

ori.pos the original positions of merged binding sites. The consensus position is a

weighted average of original positions.

FC.condition name

the fold change comparing to the first condition.

p-value for testing non-differential binding.

FDR the q-value.

#### References

Benjamini, Y. and Hochberg, Y. (1995). Controlling the false discovery rate: a practical and powerful approach to multiple testing. *J. R. Stat. Soc. B*, 57, 289-300.

Blanchard, G. and Roquain, E. (2009). Adaptive false discovery rate control under independence and dependence. *Journal of Machine Learning Research*, 10, 2837-2871.

#### See Also

**DBChIP** 

site.merge

Cluster close-by sites into consensus sites

### Description

Cluster close-by sites into consensus sites through agglomerative (bottom-up) hierarchical clustering.

#### **Usage**

```
site.merge(bs.list, in.distance = 100, out.distance = 250)
```

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#### **Arguments**

bs.list internal format of binding site. Result of read.binding.site.list.

in.distance within cluster distance. If the distance between centroids of two clusters are

smaller than this value, the clusters will be merged into one. Default value 100

bp.

out distance out of cluster distance. If the distance between centroids of two clusters are

larger than this value, they are considered different binding sites. Default value

250 bp.

#### **Details**

We group predicted locations from multiple conditions into clusters of close-by locations by using agglomerative (bottom-up) hierarchical clustering with centroid linkage.

If the distance between centroids of two clusters are between in.distance and out.distance, the cluster with higher weight will be kept.

#### Value

A list where each element represents a chromosome. Within each chromosome, it is a data.frame with following fields

pos consensus binding position.

nsig number of significant original binding sites that are merged into consensus site.

origin the origin of merged binding sites.

ori.pos the original positions of merged binding sites. The consensus position is a

weighted average of original positions.

#### See Also

**DBChIP** 

test.diff.binding Test for differential binding

### **Description**

A null hypothesis of non-differential binding is tested at each consensus site.

#### Usage

test.diff.binding(dat, lib.size = NULL, dispersion = NULL, common.disp = TRUE, prior.n = 10, two.sampl

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#### **Arguments**

dat a list with the item site.count, which is a matrix of read counts at binding

sites.

lib.size a vector of library size of each ChIP sample.

dispersion The dispersion parameter in Negative Binomial distribution. Could be a numer-

ical value or a vector with a length of the number of consensus sites.

common.disp logical, TRUE (use common dispersion parameter for all sites) or FALSE (use

site-specific dispersion).

prior.n a parameter regulate the degree of pooling when using site-specific dispersion

(common.disp=FALSE).

two.sample.method

the method to use when comparing two condition with no replicates. The default is to test a composite null that allow certain fold change allowable.FC.

Otherwise user should provide a dispersion parameter.

allowable .FC allowable fold change when testing a composite null. Default value 1.5.

collapsed.quant

the quantile to use when testing more than two conditions without replicates.

Default value is 0.5, the median.

#### **Details**

Users are recommended to study the histogram of the \$p\$-values for model checking. More specifically, the \$p\$-values between 0.5 and 1 should be roughly uniform. When many replicates are available, users can also randomly split biological replicates of the same condition and perform comparisons through DBChIP using the estimated dispersion parameter to check whether the \$p\$-values look uniform.

#### Value

This function return the incoming dat with new field

test.stat a data frame of test statistics for testing non-differential binding at each site,

include p-values and fold changes.

#### Author(s)

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#### References

Liang, K and Keles, S (2012) Detecting differential binding of transcription factors with ChIP-seq, 28, 121-122.

### See Also

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