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Description

This function can be used to add a 'Gene' meta column containing gene symbols to a GRanges object. It applies heuristics to find the protein coding genes that were likely meant to target in the assay design in case transcripts overlap.

Usage

```
annotateTargets(x, txdb, org)
```

Arguments

x A GRanges object with interals to annotate

txdb A TxDb database, e.g. TxDb. Hsapiens. UCSC. hg19. knownGene

org A OrgDb object, e.g. org. Hs. eg. db.

Value

A GRanges object.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

Examples

autoCurateResults

Heuristics to find the best purity/ploidy solution.

Description

This function is defunct.

Usage

autoCurateResults()

Author(s)

Markus Riester

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bootstrapResults Filter unlikely purity/ploidy solutions

Description

This function bootstraps SNVs, then re-ranks solutions by using the bootstrap estimate of the likelihood score, and then keeps only solutions that were ranked highest in any bootstrap replicate. Large-scale copy number artifacts can cause true purity/ploidy solutions rank low.

Usage

```
bootstrapResults(res, n = 500, top = 2)
```

Arguments

res Return object of the runAbsoluteCN function.

n Number of bootstrap replicates.

top Include solution if it appears in the top n solutions of any bootstrap replicate.

Value

Returns the runAbsoluteCN object with low likelihood solutions removed. Also adds a bootstrap value to each solution. This value is the fraction of bootstrap replicates in which the solution ranked first.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

```
data(purecn.example.output)
ret.boot <- bootstrapResults(purecn.example.output, n=100)
plotAbs(ret.boot, type="overview")</pre>
```

calculateBamCoverageByInterval

Function to calculate coverage from BAM file

Description

Takes a BAM file and an interval file as input and returns coverage for each interval. Coverage should be then GC-normalized using the correctCoverageBias function before determining purity and ploidy with runAbsoluteCN. Uses the scanBam function and applies low quality, duplicate reads as well as secondary alignment filters.

Usage

```
calculateBamCoverageByInterval(bam.file, interval.file, output.file = NULL,
  index.file = bam.file, keep.duplicates = FALSE)
```

Arguments

bam.file Filename of a BAM file.

interval.file File specifying the intervals. Interval is expected in first column in format CHR:START-END. The gc.gene.file can be used.

output.file Optionally, write minimal coverage file. Can be read with the readCoverageFile function.

index.file The bai index. This is expected without the .bai file suffix, see ?scanBam. keep.duplicates

Value

Returns total and average coverage by intervals.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

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Keep or remove duplicated reads.

```
bam.file <- system.file("extdata", "ex1.bam", package="PureCN",
    mustWork = TRUE)
interval.file <- system.file("extdata", "ex1_intervals.txt",
    package="PureCN", mustWork = TRUE)

# Calculate raw coverage from BAM file. These need to be corrected for GC-bias
# using the correctCoverageBias function before determining purity and ploidy.
coverage <- calculateBamCoverageByInterval(bam.file=bam.file,
    interval.file=interval.file)</pre>
```

calculateGCContentByInterval

Calculates GC content by interval

Description

Uses scanFa from the Rsamtools package to retrieve GC content of intervals in a reference FASTA file. Can optimize intervals for copy number calling by tiling long intervals and by including off-target regions. This optimization largely follows CNVkit.

Usage

```
calculateGCContentByInterval(interval.file, reference.file,
  output.file = NULL, off.target = FALSE, average.target.width = 400,
  min.off.target.width = 20000, average.off.target.width = 2e+05,
  off.target.padding = -500, mappability = NULL, min.mappability = c(0.5,
  0.1, 0.7), off.target.seqlevels = c("targeted", "all"))
```

Arguments

interval.file File specifying the intervals. Interval is expected in first column in format CHR:START-END. Instead of a file, a GRanges object can be provided. This allows the use of BED files for example. Note that GATK interval files are 1-based (first position of the genome is 1). Other formats like BED files are often 0-based. The import function will automatically convert to 1-based GRanges.

reference.file Reference FASTA file.

output.file Optionally, write GC content file.

off.target Include off-target regions.

average.target.width

Split large targets to approximately this size.

min.off.target.width

Only include off-target regions of that size

average.off.target.width

Split off-target regions to that

off.target.padding

Pad off-target regions.

mappability A

Annotate intervals with mappability score. Assumed on a scale from 0 to 1, with score being 1/(number alignments). Expected as GRanges object with first meta column being the score. Regions outside these ranges are ignored, assuming that mappability covers the whole accessible genome.

min.mappability

double(3) specifying the minimum mappability score for on-target, off-target, and chrY regions in that order. The chrY regions are only used for sex determination in 'PureCN' and are therefore treated differently. Requires mappability.

off.target.seqlevels

Controls how to deal with chromosomes/contigs found in the reference. file but not in the interval.file.

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Value

Returns GC content by interval as GRanges object.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

References

Talevich et al. (2016). CNVkit: Genome-Wide Copy Number Detection and Visualization from Targeted DNA Sequencing. PLoS Comput Biol.

Examples

```
reference.file <- system.file("extdata", "ex2_reference.fa",
    package="PureCN", mustWork = TRUE)
interval.file <- system.file("extdata", "ex2_intervals.txt",
    package="PureCN", mustWork = TRUE)
bed.file <- system.file("extdata", "ex2_intervals.bed",
    package="PureCN", mustWork = TRUE)
calculateGCContentByInterval(interval.file, reference.file,
    output.file="gc_file.txt")
intervals <- import(bed.file)
calculateGCContentByInterval(intervals, reference.file,
    output.file="gc_file.txt")</pre>
```

calculateLogRatio

Calculate coverage log-ratio of tumor vs. normal

Description

This function is automatically called by runAbsoluteCN when normal and tumor coverage are provided (and not a segmentation file or target-level log-ratios). This function is therefore normally not called by the user.

Usage

```
calculateLogRatio(normal, tumor)
```

Arguments

normal Normal coverage read in by the readCoverageFile function.

tumor Tumor coverage read in by the readCoverageFile function.

Value

numeric(length(tumor)), tumor vs. normal copy number log-ratios for all targets.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

Examples

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal <- readCoverageFile(normal.coverage.file)
tumor <- readCoverageFile(tumor.coverage.file)
log.ratio <- calculateLogRatio(normal, tumor)</pre>
```

calculatePowerDetectSomatic

Power calculation for detecting somatic mutations

Description

This function calculates the probability of correctly rejecting the null hypothesis that an alt allele is a sequencing error rather than a true (mono-)clonal mutation.

Usage

```
calculatePowerDetectSomatic(coverage, f = NULL, purity = NULL,
  ploidy = NULL, cell.fraction = 1, error = 0.001, fpr = 5e-07,
  verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

coverage Mean sequencing coverage.

f Mean expected allelic fraction. If NULL, requires purity and ploidy and then

calculates the expected fraction.

purity Purity of sample. Only required when f is NULL. ploidy Ploidy of sample. Only required when f is NULL.

cell.fraction Fraction of cells harboring mutation. Ignored if f is not NULL.

error Estimated sequencing error rate.

fpr Required false positive rate for mutation vs. sequencing error.

verbose Verbose output.

Value

A list with elements

power Power to detect somatic mutations.

k Minimum number of supporting reads.

f Expected allelic fraction.

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Author(s)

Markus Riester

References

Carter et al. (2012), Absolute quantification of somatic DNA alterations in human cancer. Nature Biotechnology.

Examples

```
purity <-c(0.1,0.15,0.2,0.25,0.4,0.6,1)
coverage <- seq(5,35,1)</pre>
power <- lapply(purity, function(p) sapply(coverage, function(cv)</pre>
    calculatePowerDetectSomatic(coverage=cv, purity=p, ploidy=2,
    verbose=FALSE)$power))
# Figure S7b in Carter et al.
plot(coverage, power[[1]], col=1, xlab="Sequence coverage",
    ylab="Detection power", ylim=c(0,1), type="1")
for (i in 2:length(power)) lines(coverage, power[[i]], col=i)
abline(h=0.8, lty=2, col="grey")
legend("bottomright", legend=paste("Purity", purity), fill=seq_along(purity))
# Figure S7c in Carter et al.
coverage \leftarrow seq(5,350,1)
power <- lapply(purity, function(p) sapply(coverage, function(cv)</pre>
    calculatePowerDetectSomatic(coverage=cv, purity=p, ploidy=2,
        cell.fraction=0.2, verbose=FALSE)$power))
plot(coverage, power[[1]], col=1, xlab="Sequence coverage",
    ylab="Detection power", ylim=c(0,1), type="l")
for (i in 2:length(power)) lines(coverage, power[[i]], col=i)
abline(h=0.8, lty=2, col="grey")
legend("bottomright", legend=paste("Purity", purity), fill=seq_along(purity))
```

callAlterations

Calling of amplifications and deletions

Description

Function to extract major copy number alterations from a runAbsoluteCN return object.

```
callAlterations(res, id = 1, cutoffs = c(0.5, 6, 7), log.ratio.cutoffs = c(-0.9, 0.9), failed = NULL, all.genes = FALSE)
```

Arguments

res Return object of the runAbsoluteCN function.

id Candidate solutions to be used. id=1 will use the maximum likelihood (or cu-

rated) solution.

cutoffs Copy numbers cutoffs to call losses, focal amplifications and broad amplifica-

tions.

log.ratio.cutoffs

Copy numbers log-ratio cutoffs to call losses and amplifications in failed sam-

ples

failed Indicates whether sample was failed. If NULL, use available annotation, which

can be set in the curation file.

all.genes If FALSE, then only return amplifications and deletions passing the thresholds.

Value

A data. frame with gene-level amplification and deletion calls.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

Examples

```
data(purecn.example.output)
callAlterations(purecn.example.output)
callAlterations(purecn.example.output, all.genes=TRUE)["ESR2",]
```

 $\verb|callAlterationsFromSegmentation| \\$

Calling of amplifications and deletions from segmentations

Description

This function can be used to obtain gene-level copy number calls from segmentations. This is useful for comparing PureCN's segmentations with segmentations obtained by different tools on the gene-level. Segmentation file can contain multiple samples.

```
callAlterationsFromSegmentation(sampleid, chr, start, end, num.mark = NA,
   seg.mean, C, gc.gene.file, fun.focal = findFocal, args.focal = list(),
   ...)
```

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Arguments

sampleid The sampleid column in the segmentation file.
chr The chromosome column.

start The start positions of the segments.
end The end positions of the segments.

num.mark Optionally, the number of probes or markers in each segment.

seg.mean The segment mean.

C The segment integer copy number.

gc.gene.file A mapping file that assigns GC content and gene symbols to each exon in the

coverage files. Used for generating gene-level calls. First column in format CHR:START-END. Second column GC content (0 to 1). Third column gene symbol. This file can be generated with the 'GATK GCContentByInterval' tool

or with the calculateGCContentByInterval function.

fun. focal Function for identifying focal amplifications. Defaults to findFocal.

args.focal Arguments for focal amplification function.
... Arguments passed to callAlterations.

Value

A list of callAlterations data. frame objects, one for each sample.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

Examples

callLOH

Get regions of LOH

Description

This function provides detailed LOH information by region.

```
callLOH(res, id = 1, arm.cutoff = 0.9)
```

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Arguments

res Return object of the runAbsoluteCN function.

id Candidate solution to extract LOH from. id=1 will use the maximum likelihood

solution.

arm. cutoff Min fraction LOH on a chromosome arm to call whole arm events.

Value

Returns data. frame with LOH regions.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

Examples

```
data(purecn.example.output)
head(callLOH(purecn.example.output))
```

callMutationBurden

Call mutation burden

Description

This function provides detailed mutation burden information.

Usage

```
callMutationBurden(res, id = 1, remove.flagged = TRUE,
  min.prior.somatic = 0.1, min.cellfraction = 0,
  fun.countMutation = function(vcf) width(vcf) == 1, callable = NULL,
  exclude = NULL)
```

Arguments

res Return object of the runAbsoluteCN function.

id Candidate solution to extract mutation burden from. id=1 will use the maximum

likelihood solution.

remove.flagged Remove variants flagged by predictSomatic.

min.prior.somatic

Exclude variants with somatic prior probability lower than this cutoff.

min.cellfraction

Exclude variants with cellular fraction lower than this cutoff. These are subclonal mutations or artifacts with very low allelic fraction. centromeres 13

fun.countMutation

Function that can be used to filter the input VCF further for filtering, for example to only keep missense mutations. Expects a logical vector indicating whether variant should be counted (TRUE) or not (FALSE). Default is to keep only single

nucleotide variants.

callable GRanges object with callable genomic regions, for example obtained by 'GATK

CallableLoci' BED file, imported with rtracklayer.

exclude GRanges object with genomic regions that should be excluded from the callable

regions, for example intronic regions. Requires callable.

Value

Returns data. frame with mutation counts and sizes of callable regions.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN predictSomatic

Examples

centromeres

A list of data.frames containing centromere positions.

Description

A list of data.frames containing centromere positions for hg18, hg19 and hg38. Downloaded from the UCSC genome browser.

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Usage

```
data(centromeres)
```

Value

```
A list with three data frames, "hg18", "hg19", and "hg38". Each containes three columns chrom a factor with levels chr1 chr10 chr11 chr12 chr13 chr14 chr15 chr16 chr17 chr18 chr19 chr2 chr20 chr21 chr22 chr3 chr4 chr5 chr6 chr7 chr8 chr9 chrX chrY chromStart a numeric vector chromEnd a numeric vector
```

References

The script downloadCentromeres.R in the extdata directory was used to generate the data.frames.

Examples

```
data(centromeres)
```

correctCoverageBias

Correct for GC bias

Description

Takes as input coverage data and a mapping file for GC content. Will then normalize coverage data for GC-bias. Optionally plots the pre and post normalization GC profiles.

Usage

```
correctCoverageBias(coverage.file, gc.gene.file, output.file = NULL,
  method = c("LOESS", "POLYNOMIAL"), plot.gc.bias = FALSE,
  plot.max.density = 50000)
```

Arguments

coverage.file	Coverage file or coverage data parsed with the readCoverageFile function.
gc.gene.file	File providing GC content for each exon in the coverage files. First column in format CHR:START-END. Second column GC content (0 to 1). Third column provides gene symbols, which are optional, but used in runAbsoluteCN to generate gene level calls. This file can be generated with GATK GCContentBy-Interval tool or with the calculateGCContentByInterval function.
output.file	Optionally, write file with GC corrected coverage. Can be read with the readCoverageFile function.
method	Two options for normalization are available: The default "LOESS" largely follows the GC correction of the TitanCNA package. The "POLYNOMIAL" method models the coverage data as a polynomial of degree three and normalizes using the EM approach. The "POLYNOMIAL" is expected to be more robust for very

small targeted panels. "POLYNOMIAL" does not support off-target reads.

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plot.gc.bias Optionally, plot GC profiles of the pre-normalized and post-normalized coverage. Provides a quick visual check of coverage bias.

plot.max.density

By default, if the number of intervals in the probe-set is > 50000, uses a kernel density estimate to plot the coverage distribution. This uses the stat_density function from the ggplot2 package. Using this parameter, change the threshold at which density estimation is applied. If the plot.gc.bias parameter is set as FALSE, this will be ignored.

Author(s)

Angad Singh, Markus Riester

See Also

calculateGCContentByInterval

Examples

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
gc.gene.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_gc.gene.file.txt",
    package="PureCN")
# normalize using default LOESS method
coverage <- correctCoverageBias(normal.coverage.file, gc.gene.file)
# normalize with POLYNOMIAL method for small panels
coverage <- correctCoverageBias(normal.coverage.file, gc.gene.file,
    method="POLYNOMIAL", plot.gc.bias=TRUE)</pre>
```

 ${\tt createCurationFile}$

Create file to curate PureCN results

Description

Function to create a CSV file that can be used to mark the correct solution in the output of a runAbsoluteCN run.

Usage

```
createCurationFile(file.rds, overwrite.uncurated = TRUE,
    overwrite.curated = FALSE)
```

Arguments

```
file.rds Output of the runAbsoluteCN function, serialized with saveRDS.

overwrite.uncurated

Overwrite existing files unless flagged as 'Curated'.

overwrite.curated

Overwrite existing files even if flagged as 'Curated'.
```

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Value

A data. frame with the tumor purity and ploidy of the maximum likelihood solution.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

Examples

```
data(purecn.example.output)
file.rds <- "Sample1_PureCN.rds"
saveRDS(purecn.example.output, file=file.rds)
createCurationFile(file.rds)</pre>
```

createNormalDatabase Create database of normal samples

Description

Function to create a database of normal samples, used to find a good match for tumor copy number normalization. Internally, this function determines the sex of the samples and trains a PCA that is later used for clustering a tumor file with all normal samples in the database.

Usage

```
createNormalDatabase(normal.coverage.files, sex = NULL,
   max.mean.coverage = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

normal.coverage.files

Vector with file names pointing to coverage files of normal samples.

sex

character(length(normal.coverage.files)) with sex for all files. F for female, M for male. If all chromosomes are diploid, specify diploid. If NULL, determine from coverage.

max.mean.coverage

Assume that coverages above this value do not necessarily improve copy number normalization. Internally, samples with coverage higher than this value will be normalized to have mean coverage equal to this value. If NULL, use the 80 percentile as cutoff. If NA, does not use a maximum value.

... Arguments passed to the prcomp function.

Value

A normal database that can be used in the findBestNormal function to retrieve good matching normal samples for a given tumor sample.

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Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

findBestNormal

Examples

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal2.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal2.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal.coverage.files <- c(normal.coverage.file, normal2.coverage.file)
normalDB <- createNormalDatabase(normal.coverage.files)</pre>
```

createSNPBlacklist

Create SNP black list

Description

This function is defunct If a pool of normal VCF is available, please use the normal.panel.vcf.file argument of the setMappingBiasVcf function.

Usage

```
createSNPBlacklist()
```

Author(s)

Markus Riester

createTargetWeights

Calculate target weights

Description

Creates a target weight file useful for segmentation. Requires a set of coverage files from normal samples. A small number of tumor (or other normal) samples is then tested against all normals. Target weights will be set proportional to the inverse of coverage standard deviation across all normals. Targets with high variance in coverage in the pool of normals are thus down-weighted.

```
createTargetWeights(tumor.coverage.files, normal.coverage.files,
  target.weight.file, plot = FALSE)
```

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Arguments

```
tumor.coverage.files
A small number (1-3) of tumor or normal coverage samples.

normal.coverage.files
A large number of normal coverage samples (>20) to estimate target log-ratio standard deviations. Should not overlap with files in tumor.coverage.files.

target.weight.file
Output filename.

plot
Diagnostics plot, useful to tune parameters.
```

Value

A data. frame with target weights.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

Examples

filterTargets

Remove low quality targets

Description

This function determines which intervals in the coverage files should be included or excluded in the segmentation. It is called via the fun.filterTargets argument of runAbsoluteCN. The arguments are passed via args.filterTargets.

```
filterTargets(normal, tumor, log.ratio, seg.file, filter.lowhigh.gc = 0.001,
  min.coverage = 15, min.targeted.base = 5, normalDB = NULL,
  normalDB.min.coverage = 0.25, normalDB.max.missing = 0.03)
```

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Arguments

normal Coverage data for normal sample. tumor Coverage data for tumor sample.

log.ratio Copy number log-ratios, one for each target or interval in coverage file.

seg.file If not NULL, then do not filter targets, because data is already segmented via the

provided segmentation file.

filter.lowhigh.gc

Quantile q (defines lower q and upper 1-q) for removing targets with outlier GC profile. Assuming that GC correction might not have been worked on those.

Requires gc.gene.file.

min.coverage Minimum coverage in both normal and tumor. Targets with lower coverage are

ignored. If a normalDB is provided, then this database already provides information about low quality targets and the min.coverage is set to min.coverage/10000.

min.targeted.base

Exclude intervals with targeted base (size in bp) smaller than this cutoff. This is useful when the same interval file was used to calculate GC content. For such small targets, the GC content is likely very different from the true GC content of the probes.

normalDB Normal database, created with createNormalDatabase.

normalDB.min.coverage

Exclude targets with coverage lower than 20 percent of the chromosome median in the pool of normals.

normalDB.max.missing

Exclude targets with zero coverage in the specified fraction of normal samples.

Value

logical(length(log.ratio)) specifying which targets should be used in segmentation.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal2.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal2.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal.coverage.files <- c(normal.coverage.file, normal2.coverage.file)
normalDB <- createNormalDatabase(normal.coverage.files)

tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",
    package="PureCN")
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf",
    package="PureCN")
gc.gene.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_gc.gene.file.txt",
    package="PureCN")

# The max.candidate.solutions, max.ploidy and test.purity parameters are set to
# non-default values to speed-up this example. This is not a good idea for real</pre>
```

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```
# samples.
ret <-runAbsoluteCN(normal.coverage.file=normal.coverage.file,
    tumor.coverage.file=tumor.coverage.file, genome="hg19", vcf.file=vcf.file,
    sampleid="Sample1", gc.gene.file=gc.gene.file, normalDB=normalDB,
    args.filterTargets=list(min.targeted.base=10), max.ploidy=4,
    test.purity=seq(0.3,0.7,by=0.05), max.candidate.solutions=1)</pre>
```

filterVcfBasic

Basic VCF filter function

Description

Function to remove artifacts and low confidence/quality variant calls.

Usage

```
filterVcfBasic(vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf = NULL, use.somatic.status = TRUE,
   snp.blacklist = NULL, af.range = c(0.03, 0.97),
   contamination.range = c(0.01, 0.075), min.coverage = 15,
   min.base.quality = 25, min.supporting.reads = NULL, error = 0.001,
   target.granges = NULL, remove.off.target.snvs = TRUE,
   model.homozygous = FALSE, interval.padding = 50)
```

Arguments

vcf

CollapsedVCF object, read in with the readVcf function from the VariantAnnotation package.

tumor.id.in.vcf

The tumor id in the CollapsedVCF (optional).

use.somatic.status

If somatic status and germline data is available, then use this information to remove non-heterozygous germline SNPs or germline SNPS with biased allelic fractions.

snp.blacklist

A file with blacklisted genomic regions. Must be parsable by import from rtracklayer, for a example a BED file with file extension '.bed'.

af.range

Exclude variants with allelic fraction smaller or greater than the two values, respectively. The higher value removes homozygous SNPs, which potentially have allelic fractions smaller than 1 due to artifacts or contamination. If a matched normal is available, this value is ignored, because homozygosity can be confirmed in the normal.

contamination.range

Count variants in dbSNP with allelic fraction in the specified range. If the number of these putative contamination variants exceeds an expected value and if they are found on almost all chromosomes, the sample is flagged as potentially contaminated and extra contamination estimation steps will be performed later on

min.coverage Minimum coverage in tumor. Variants with lower coverage are ignored. min.base.quality

Minimim base quality in tumor. Requires a BQ genotype field in the VCF.

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min.supporting.reads

Minimum number of reads supporting the alt allele. If NULL, calculate based on

coverage and assuming sequencing error of 10^-3.

error Estimated sequencing error rate. Used to calculate minimum number of sup-

porting reads using calculatePowerDetectSomatic.

target.granges GenomicRanges object specifiying the target postions. Used to remove off-target

reads. If NULL, do not check whether variants are on or off-target.

remove.off.target.snvs

If set to a true value, will remove all SNVs outside the covered regions.

model.homozygous

If set to TRUE, does not remove homozygous variants. Ignored in case a matched

normal is provided in the VCF.

interval.padding

Include variants in the interval flanking regions of the specified size in bp. Re-

quires target.granges.

Value

A list with elements

vcf The filtered CollapsedVCF object.

flag A flag (logical(1)) if problems were identified.

flag_comment A comment describing the flagging.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

calculatePowerDetectSomatic

Examples

```
# This function is typically only called by runAbsolute via
# fun.filterVcf and args.filterVcf.
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf", package="PureCN")
vcf <- readVcf(vcf.file, "hg19")
vcf.filtered <- filterVcfBasic(vcf)</pre>
```

filterVcfMuTect

Filter VCF MuTect

Description

Function to remove artifacts and low confidence/quality calls from a MuTect generated VCF file. Also applies filters defined in filterVcfBasic. This function will only keep variants listed in the stats file and those not matching the specified failure reasons.

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Usage

```
filterVcfMuTect(vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf = NULL, stats.file = NULL,
  ignore = c("clustered_read_position", "fstar_tumor_lod",
  "nearby_gap_events", "poor_mapping_region_alternate_allele_mapq",
  "poor_mapping_region_mapq0", "possible_contamination", "strand_artifact",
  "seen_in_panel_of_normals"), ...)
```

Arguments

vcf CollapsedVCF object, read in with the readVcf function from the VariantAn-

notation package.

tumor.id.in.vcf

The tumor id in the VCF file, optional.

stats.file MuTect stats file. If NULL, will check if VCF was generated by MuTect2 and if

yes will call filterVcfMuTect2 instead.

ignore MuTect flags that mark variants for exclusion.

... Additional arguments passed to filterVcfBasic.

Value

A list with elements vcf, flag and flag_comment. vcf contains the filtered CollapsedVCF, flag a logical(1) flag if problems were identified, further described in flag_comment.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

filterVcfBasic

Examples

```
### This function is typically only called by runAbsolute via the
### fun.filterVcf and args.filterVcf comments.
library(VariantAnnotation)
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf", package="PureCN")
vcf <- readVcf(vcf.file, "hg19")
vcf.filtered <- filterVcfMuTect(vcf)</pre>
```

filterVcfMuTect2

Filter VCF MuTect2

Description

Function to remove artifacts and low confidence/quality calls from a GATK4/MuTect2 generated VCF file. Also applies filters defined in filterVcfBasic.

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Usage

```
filterVcfMuTect2(vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf = NULL, ignore = c("clustered_events",
   "t_lod", "str_contraction", "read_position", "fragment_length",
   "multiallelic", "clipping", "strand_artifact"), ...)
```

Arguments

vcf CollapsedVCF object, read in with the readVcf function from the VariantAnnotation package.

tumor.id.in.vcf
The tumor id in the VCF file, optional.

ignore MuTect2 flags that mark variants for exclusion.

Additional arguments passed to filterVcfBasic.

Value

A list with elements vcf, flag and flag_comment. vcf contains the filtered CollapsedVCF, flag a logical(1) flag if problems were identified, further described in flag_comment.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

filterVcfBasic

Examples

```
### This function is typically only called by runAbsolute via the
### fun.filterVcf and args.filterVcf comments.
library(VariantAnnotation)
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf", package="PureCN")
vcf <- readVcf(vcf.file, "hg19")
vcf.filtered <- filterVcfMuTect(vcf)</pre>
```

findBestNormal

Find best normal sample in database

Description

Function to find the best matching normal for a provided tumor sample.

```
findBestNormal(tumor.coverage.file, normalDB, pcs = 1:3, num.normals = 1,
  ignore.sex = FALSE, sex = NULL, normal.coverage.files = NULL,
  pool = FALSE, pool.weights = c("voom", "equal"), plot.pool = FALSE, ...)
```

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Arguments

tumor.coverage.file

Coverage file or data of a tumor sample.

normalDB Database of normal samples, created with createNormalDatabase.

pcs Principal components to use for distance calculation.

num.normals Return the num.normals best normals.

ignore.sex If FALSE, detects sex of sample and returns best normals with matching sex.

sex Sex of sample. If NULL, determine with getSexFromCoverage and default pa-

rameters. Valid values are F for female, M for male. If all chromosomes are

diploid, specify diploid.

normal.coverage.files

Only consider these normal samples. If NULL, use all in the database. Must

match normalDB\$normal.coverage.files.

pool If TRUE, use poolCoverage to pool best normals.

equally.

plot.pool Allows the pooling function to create plots.

... Additional arguments passed to poolCoverage.

Value

Filename of the best matching normal.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

createNormalDatabase getSexFromCoverage

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal2.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal2.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal.coverage.files <- c(normal.coverage.file, normal2.coverage.file)
normalDB <- createNormalDatabase(normal.coverage.files)

tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",
    package="PureCN")
best.normal.coverage.file <- findBestNormal(tumor.coverage.file, normalDB)

pool <- findBestNormal(tumor.coverage.file, normalDB, num.normals=2,
    pool=TRUE)</pre>
```

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findFocal	Find focal amplifications

Description

Function to find focal amplifications in segmented data. This is automatically called in runAbsoluteCN.

Usage

```
findFocal(seg, max.size = 3e+06, cn.diff = 2, min.amp.cn = 5)
```

Arguments

seg Segmentation data.

max.size Cutoff for focal in base pairs.

cn.diff Minimum copy number delta between neighboring segments.

min.amp.cn Minimum amplification integer copy number. Segments with lower copy number are not tested.

Value

logical(n), indicating for all n segments whether they are focally amplified or not.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
gc.gene.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_gc.gene.file.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
# The max.candidate.solutions, max.ploidy and test.purity parameters are set to
# non-default values to speed-up this example. This is not a good idea for real
# samples.
ret <-runAbsoluteCN(normal.coverage.file=normal.coverage.file,</pre>
    tumor.coverage.file=tumor.coverage.file, vcf.file=vcf.file, genome="hg19",
    sampleid="Sample1", gc.gene.file=gc.gene.file,
    max.candidate.solutions=1, max.ploidy=4, test.purity=seq(0.3,0.7,by=0.05),
    args.focal=list(max.size = 2e+06), fun.focal=findFocal)
```

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Function to extract diploid solutions.

Description

This function is defunct.

Usage

getDiploid()

Author(s)

Markus Riester

getSexFromCoverage

Get sample sex from coverage

Description

This function determines the sex of a sample by the coverage ratio of chrX and chrY. Loss of chromosome Y (LOY) can result in a wrong female call. For small targeted panels, this will only work when sufficient sex marker genes such as AMELY are covered. For optimal results, parameters might need to be tuned for the assay.

Usage

```
getSexFromCoverage(coverage.file, min.ratio = 25, min.ratio.na = 20,
    remove.outliers = TRUE)
```

Arguments

coverage.file Coverage file or data read with readCoverageFile.

min.ratio Min chrX/chrY coverage ratio to call sample as female.

min.ratio.na Min chrX/chrY coverage ratio to call sample as NA. This ratio defines a grey zone

from min.ratio.na to min.ratio in which samples are not called. The default is set to a copy number ratio that would be rare in male samples, but lower than expected in female samples. Contamination can be a source of ambiguous calls. Mappability issues on chromosome Y resulting in low coverage need to

be considered when setting cutoffs.

remove.outliers

Removes coverage outliers before calculating mean chromosome coverages.

Value

Returns a character(1) with M for male, F for female, or NA if unknown.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

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See Also

```
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```

Examples

getSexFromVcf

Get sample sex from a VCF file

Description

This function detects non-random distribution of homozygous variants on chromosome X compared to all other chromosomes. A non-significant Fisher's exact p-value indicates more than one chromosome X copy. This function is called in runAbsoluteCN as sanity check when a VCF is provided. It is also useful for determining sex when no sex marker genes on chrY (e.g. AMELY) are available.

Usage

```
getSexFromVcf(vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf = NULL, min.or = 4, min.or.na = 2.5,
  max.pv = 0.001, homozygous.cutoff = 0.95, af.cutoff = 0.2,
  min.coverage = 15, use.somatic.status = TRUE)
```

Arguments

vcf CollapsedVCF object, read in with the readVcf function from the VariantAn-

notation package.

tumor.id.in.vcf

The tumor id in the CollapsedVCF (optional).

min.or Minimum odds-ratio to call sample as male. If p-value is not significant due to

a small number of SNPs on chromosome X, sample will be called as NA even

when odds-ratio exceeds this cutoff.

min.or.na Minimum odds-ratio to not call a sample. Odds-ratios in the range min.or.na

to min.or define a grey area in which samples are not called. Contamination

can be a source of ambiguous calls.

max.pv Maximum Fisher's exact p-value to call sample as male.

homozygous.cutoff

Minimum allelic fraction to call position homozygous.

af.cutoff Remove all SNVs with allelic fraction lower than the specified value.

min.coverage Minimum coverage in tumor. Variants with lower coverage are ignored.

use.somatic.status

If somatic status and germline data is available, then exclude somatic variants.

Value

Returns a character(1) with M for male, F for female, or NA if unknown.

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Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

```
getSexFromCoverage
```

Examples

```
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf", package="PureCN")</pre>
vcf <- readVcf(vcf.file, "hg19")</pre>
# This example vcf is already filtered and contains no homozygous calls,
# which are necessary for determining sex from chromosome X.
getSexFromVcf(vcf)
```

plotAbs

Plots for analyzing PureCN solutions

Description

This function provides various plots for finding correct purity and ploidy combinations in the results of a runAbsoluteCN call.

Usage

```
plotAbs(res, ids = NULL, type = c("hist", "overview", "overview2", "BAF",
  "AF", "volcano", "all", "contamination"), chr = NULL,
  germline.only = TRUE, show.contour = FALSE, purity = NULL,
  ploidy = NULL, alpha = TRUE, show.segment.means = c("SNV", "segments",
  "both"), max.mapping.bias = 0.8, palette.name = "Paired", ...)
```

Arguments

res Return object of the runAbsoluteCN function.

ids Candidate solutions to be plotted. ids=1 will draw the plot for the maximum

likelihood solution.

Different types of plots. hist will plot a histogram, assigning log-ratio peaks type

> to integer values. overview will plot all local optima, sorted by likelihood. overview2 adds additional barplots showing likelihood and goodness-of-fit scores. BAF plots something like a B-allele frequency plot known from SNP arrays: it plots allele frequencies of germline variants (or most likely germline when status is not available) against copy number. AF plots observed allelic fractions against expected (purity), maximum likelihood (optimal multiplicity) allelic fractions. volcano plots coverage p-values against log-ratios on the genelevel. all plots all, and is useful for generate a PDF for a sample for manual inspection. contamination plots expected contamination rate per chromosome.

If NULL, show all chromosomes, otherwise only the ones specified (type="BAF" chr only).

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germline.only If TRUE, show only variants most likely being germline in BAF plot. Useful to

set to FALSE (in combination with chr) to study potential artifacts.

show.contour For type="overview", display contour plot.

purity Display expected integer copy numbers for purity, defaults to purity of the solu-

tion (type="hist" only).

ploidy Display expected integer copy numbers for ploidy, defaults to ploidy of the so-

lution (type="hist" only).

alpha Add transparency to the plot if VCF contains many variants (>2000, type="AF"

and type="BAF" only).

show.segment.means

Show segment means in germline allele frequency plot? If both, show SNVs

and segment means. If SNV show all SNVs. Only for type="AF".

max.mapping.bias

Exclude variants with high mapping bias from plotting. Note that bias is reported on an inverse scale; a variant with mapping bias of 1 has no bias. (type="AF"

and type="BAF" only).

palette.name The default RColorBrewer palette.

... Additional parameters passed to the plot function.

Value

Returns NULL.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

Examples

```
data(purecn.example.output)
plotAbs(purecn.example.output, type="overview")
# plot details for the maximum likelihood solution (rank 1)
plotAbs(purecn.example.output, 1, type="hist")
plotAbs(purecn.example.output, 1, type="BAF")
plotAbs(purecn.example.output, 1, type= "BAF", chr="chr2")
```

plotBestNormal

Plot the PCA of tumor and its best normal(s)

Description

This function can be used to understand how a best normal is chosen by the findBestNormal function. It can be also used to tune the best normal selection by finding good parameter values for num.normals and pcs.

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Usage

```
plotBestNormal(normal.coverage.files, tumor.coverage.file, normalDB, x = 1,
  y = 2, col.tumor = "red", col.best.normal = "blue",
  col.other.normals = "black", ...)
```

Arguments

normal.coverage.files

Coverage file names of normal samples, typically identified via findBestNormal.

tumor.coverage.file

Coverage file or data of a tumor sample.

normalDB Database of normal samples, created with createNormalDatabase.

x Principal component (PC) to be plotted on x-axis.

y PC to be plotted on y-axis. col.tumor Color of tumor in plot.

col.best.normal

Color of best normals in plot.

col.other.normals

Color of other normals in plot.

... Arguments passed to the plot function.

Value

Returns NULL.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

createNormalDatabase findBestNormal

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal2.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal2.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal.coverage.files <- c(normal.coverage.file, normal2.coverage.file)
normalDB <- createNormalDatabase(normal.coverage.files)

tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",
    package="PureCN")
best.normal.coverage.file <- findBestNormal(tumor.coverage.file, normalDB)
plotBestNormal(best.normal.coverage.file, tumor.coverage.file, normalDB)

# Display sample sex. The first point in the plot is always tumor.
plotBestNormal(best.normal.coverage.file, tumor.coverage.file, normalDB,
    pch=c(1,ifelse(normalDB$sex=="F", 1, 2)))</pre>
```

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poolCoverage	Pool coverage from multiple samples
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Description

Averages the coverage of a list of samples.

Usage

```
poolCoverage(all.data, remove.chrs = c(), w = NULL)
```

Arguments

all.data List of normals, read with readCoverageFile.

remove.chrs Remove these chromosomes from the pool.

w numeric(length(all.data)) vector of weights. If NULL, weight all samples equally.

Value

A data.frame with the averaged coverage over all normals.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

```
readCoverageFile
```

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal2.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal2.txt",
    package="PureCN")
normal.coverage.files <- c(normal.coverage.file, normal2.coverage.file)
tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",
    package="PureCN")

normalDB <- createNormalDatabase(normal.coverage.files)

# get the best 2 normals and average them
best.normal.coverage.files <- findBestNormal(tumor.coverage.file, normalDB,
    num.normals=2)
pool <- poolCoverage(lapply(best.normal.coverage.files, readCoverageFile),
    remove.chrs=c("chrX", "chrY"))</pre>
```

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predictSomatic	Predict germline vs. somatic status
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Description

This function takes as input the output of a runAbsoluteCN run and provides SNV posterior probabilities for all possible states.

Usage

```
predictSomatic(res, id = 1, return.vcf = FALSE, vcf.field.prefix = "")
```

Arguments

res Return object of the runAbsoluteCN function.

id Candidate solutions to be analyzed. id=1 will analyze the maximum likelihood

solution.

return.vcf Returns an annotated CollapsedVCF object. Note that this VCF will only con-

tain variants not filtered out by the filterVcf functions. Variants outside segments or intervals might be included or not depending on runAbsoluteCN argu-

ments

vcf.field.prefix

Prefix all VCF info field names with this string.

Value

A data.frame or CollapsedVCF with SNV state posterior probabilities.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

```
data(purecn.example.output)
# the output data was created using a matched normal sample, but in case
# no matched normal is available, this will help predicting somatic vs.
# germline status
purecnSnvs <- predictSomatic(purecn.example.output)

# Prefer GRanges?
purecnSnvs <- GRanges(predictSomatic(purecn.example.output))

# write a VCF file
purecnVcf <- predictSomatic(purecn.example.output, return.vcf=TRUE)
writeVcf(purecnVcf, file="Sample1_PureCN.vcf")</pre>
```

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Description

These functions are defunct and no longer available.

Details

The following functions are defunct; use the replacement indicated below:

• autoCurateResults: no replacement

 $\bullet \ create Exon Weight File: \verb|createTargetWeights||$

• createSNPBlacklist: setMappingBiasVcf

• getDiploid: no replacement

• readCoverageGatk: readCoverageFile

PureCN-deprecated Deprecated functions in package 'PureCN'

Description

These functions are provided for compatibility with older versions of 'PureCN' only, and will be defunct at the next release.

Details

The following functions are deprecated and will be made defunct; use the replacement indicated below:

• none

```
purecn.example.output Example output
```

Description

This provides the output of the runAbsoluteCN call used in the vignette and examples.

Usage

```
data(purecn.example.output)
```

Value

Output of the runAbsoluteCN call used in the vignette.

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erageFile Read coverage file

Description

Read coverage file produced by external tools like The Genome Analysis Toolkit or by calculateBamCoverageByInterv

Usage

```
readCoverageFile(file, format, zero = NULL)
```

Arguments

file Target coverage file.

format File format. If missing, derived from the file extension. Currently only GATK

DepthofCoverage and CNVkit formats supported.

zero Start position is 0-based. Default is FALSE for GATK, TRUE for BED file based

intervals.

Value

 \boldsymbol{A} data.frame with the parsed coverage information.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

 ${\tt calculateBamCoverageByInterval}$

Examples

readCoverageGatk

Read GATK coverage files

Description

This function is deprecated. Please use readCoverageFile instead.

```
readCoverageGatk()
```

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Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

 ${\tt calculateBamCoverageByInterval\ readCoverageFile}$

readCurationFile

Read curation file

Description

Function that can be used to read the curated output of the runAbsoluteCN function.

Usage

```
readCurationFile(file.rds, file.curation = gsub(".rds$", ".csv", file.rds),
  remove.failed = FALSE, report.best.only = FALSE, min.ploidy = NULL,
  max.ploidy = NULL)
```

Arguments

file.rds	Output of the runAbsoluteCN function, serialized with saveRDS.
file.curation	Filename of a curation file that points to the correct tumor purity and ploidy solution.
remove.failed report.best.on	Do not return solutions that failed.
	Only return correct/best solution (useful on low memory machines when lots of samples are loaded).
min.ploidy	Minimum ploidy to be considered. If NULL, all. Can be used to automatically ignore unlikely solutions.
max.ploidy	Maximum ploidy to be considered. If NULL, all. Can be used to automatically ignore unlikely solutions.

Value

The return value of the corresponding runAbsoluteCN call, but with the results array manipulated according the curation CSV file and arguments of this function.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

See Also

runAbsoluteCN createCurationFile

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Examples

```
data(purecn.example.output)
file.rds <- "Sample1_PureCN.rds"
createCurationFile(file.rds)
# User can change the maximum likelihood solution manually in the generated
# CSV file. The correct solution is then loaded with readCurationFile.
purecn.curated.example.output <-readCurationFile(file.rds)</pre>
```

runAbsoluteCN

Run PureCN implementation of ABSOLUTE

Description

This function takes as input tumor and normal control coverage data and a VCF containing allelic fractions of germline variants and somatic mutations. Normal control does not need to be from the same patient. In case VCF does not contain somatic status, it should contain dbSNP and optionally COSMIC annotation. Returns purity and ploidy combinations, sorted by likelihood score. Provides copy number and LOH data, by both gene and genomic region.

Usage

```
runAbsoluteCN(normal.coverage.file = NULL, tumor.coverage.file = NULL,
 log.ratio = NULL, seg.file = NULL, seg.file.sdev = 0.4,
 vcf.file = NULL, normalDB = NULL, genome, centromeres = NULL,
 sex = c("?", "F", "M", "diploid"), fun.filterVcf = filterVcfMuTect,
 args.filterVcf = list(), fun.setPriorVcf = setPriorVcf,
 args.setPriorVcf = list(), fun.setMappingBiasVcf = setMappingBiasVcf,
 args.setMappingBiasVcf = list(), fun.filterTargets = filterTargets,
 args.filterTargets = list(), fun.segmentation = segmentationCBS,
 args.segmentation = list(), fun.focal = findFocal, args.focal = list(),
 sampleid = NULL, min.ploidy = 1, max.ploidy = 6, test.num.copy = 0:7,
 test.purity = seq(0.15, 0.95, by = 0.01), prior.purity = NULL,
 prior.K = 0.999, prior.contamination = 0.01,
 max.candidate.solutions = 20, candidates = NULL, min.coverage = 15,
 max.coverage.vcf = 300, max.non.clonal = 0.2,
 max.homozygous.loss = c(0.05, 1e+07), non.clonal.M = 1/3,
 max.mapping.bias = 0.8, max.pon = 3, iterations = 30,
 min.variants.segment = 5, log.ratio.calibration = 0.1,
 smooth.log.ratio = TRUE, remove.off.target.snvs = NULL,
 model.homozygous = FALSE, error = 0.001, gc.gene.file = NULL,
 max.dropout = c(0.95, 1.1), min.logr.sdev = 0.15, max.logr.sdev = 0.75,
 max.segments = 300, min.gof = 0.8, plot.cnv = TRUE,
 cosmic.vcf.file = NULL, model = c("beta", "betabin")
 post.optimize = FALSE, log.file = NULL, verbose = TRUE)
```

Arguments

```
normal.coverage.file
```

Coverage file of normal control (optional if log.ratio is provided - then it will be only used to filter low coverage exons). Should be already GC-normalized

with correctCoverageBias. Needs to be either a file name or data read with the readCoverageFile function.

tumor.coverage.file

seg.file

Coverage file of tumor. If NULL, requires seg.file and an interval file via gc.gene.file. Should be already GC-normalized with correctCoverageBias. Needs to be either a file name or data read with the readCoverageFile function.

log.ratio Copy number log-ratios for all exons in the coverage files. If NULL, calculated based on coverage files.

Segmented data. Optional, to support matched SNP6 data. If NULL, use coverage files or log.ratio to segment the data.

slot (see cosmic.vcf.file), containing the hits in the COSMIC database. Again,

seg.file.sdev If seg.file provided, the log-ratio standard deviation, used to model likelihood of sub-clonal copy number events.

vcf.file VCF file, tested with 'MuTect 1' output files. Optional, but typically needed to select between local optima of similar likelihood. Can also be a CollapsedVCF, read with the readVcf function. Requires a DB info flag for dbSNP membership. The default fun.setPriorVcf function will also look for a Cosmic.CNT

do not expect very useful results without a VCF file.

normalDB Normal database, created with createNormalDatabase. If provided, used to calculate gene-level p-values (requires Gene column in gc.gene.file) and to

filter targets with low coverage in the pool of normal samples.

genome Genome version, for example hg19.

centromeres A GRanges object with centromere positions. If NULL, use pre-stored positions

for genome versions hg18, hg19 and hg38.

Sex of sample. If ?, detect using getSexFromCoverage function and default parameters. Default parameters might not work well with every assay and might

need to be tuned. If set to diploid, then PureCN will assume all chromosomes

are diploid and will not try to detect sex.

fun.filterVcf Function for filtering variants. Expected output is a list with elements vcf

(CollapsedVCF), flag (logical(1)) and flag_comment (character(1)). The flags will be added to the output data and can be used to warn users, for example when samples look too noisy. Default filter will remove variants flagged by MuTect, but will keep germline variants. If ran in matched normal mode, it will by default use somatic status of variants and filter non-somatic calls with allelic fraction significantly different from 0.5 in normal. Defaults to filterVcfMuTect,

which in turn also calls filterVcfBasic.

args.filterVcf Arguments for variant filtering function. Arguments vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf,

 $\verb|min.coverage|, \verb|model|. homozygous| and error are required in the filter function$

and are automatically set.

fun.setPriorVcf

Function to set prior for somatic status for each variant in the VCF. Defaults to setPriorVcf.

args.setPriorVcf

Arguments for somatic prior function.

fun.setMappingBiasVcf

Function to set mapping bias for each variant in the VCF. Defaults to setMappingBiasVcf.

args.setMappingBiasVcf

Arguments for mapping bias function.

fun.filterTargets

Function for filtering low-quality targets in the coverage files. Needs to return a logical vector whether an interval should be used for segmentation. Defaults to filterTargets.

args.filterTargets

Arguments for target filtering function. Arguments normal, tumor, log.ratio, min.coverageseg.file and normalDB are required and automatically set.

fun.segmentation

Function for segmenting the copy number log-ratios. Expected return value is a data.frame representation of the segmentation. Defaults to segmentationCBS.

args.segmentation

Arguments for segmentation function. Arguments normal, tumor, log.ratio, plot.cnv, sampleid, vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf, centromeres are required in the segmentation function and automatically set.

fun. focal Function for identifying focal amplifications. Defaults to findFocal.

args.focal Arguments for focal amplification function.
sampleid Sample id, provided in output files etc.
min.ploidy Minimum ploidy to be considered.

max.ploidy Maximum ploidy to be considered.

test.num.copy Copy numbers tested in the grid search. Note that focal amplifications can have

much higher copy numbers, but they will be labeled as subclonal (because they

do not fit the integer copy numbers).

test.purity Considered tumor purity values.

prior.purity numeric(length(test.purity)) with priors for tested purity values. If NULL,

use flat priors.

prior.K This defines the prior probability that the multiplicity of a SNV corresponds to

either the maternal or the paternal copy number (for somatic variants additionally to a multiplicity of 1). For perfect segmentations, this value would be 1; values smaller than 1 thus may provide some robustness against segmentation

errors.

prior.contamination

The prior probability that a known SNP is from a different individual.

 ${\tt max.candidate.solutions}$

Number of local optima considered in optimization and variant fitting steps. If there are too many local optima, it will use specified number of top candidate solutions, but will also include all optima close to diploid, because silent genomes have often lots of local optima.

candidates Candidates to optimize from a previous run (return.object\$candidates). If

NULL, do 2D grid search and find local optima.

min.coverage Minimum coverage in both normal and tumor. Targets and variants with lower coverage are ignored. This value is provided to the args.filterTargets and args.filterVcf lists, but can be overwritten in these lists if different cutoffs for the coverage and variant filters are wanted. To increase the sensitivity of homozygous deletions in high purity samples, the coverage cutoff in tumor is

automatically lowered by 50 percent if the normal coverage is high.

max.coverage.vcf

This will set the maximum number of reads in the SNV fitting. This is to avoid that small non-reference biases that come apparent only at high coverages have a dramatic influence on likelihood scores.

max.non.clonal Maximum genomic fraction assigned to a subclonal copy number state.

 ${\tt max.homozygous.loss}$

double(2) with maximum genomic fraction assigned to homozygous loss and maximum size of a homozygous loss segment. These are set to a fairly high default value to not exclude correct solutions, especially in noisy segmentations.

non.clonal.M Average expected cellular fraction of sub-clonal somatic mutations. This is to calculate expected allelic fractions of a single sub-clonal bin for variants. For all somatic variants, more accurate cellular fractions are calculated.

max.mapping.bias

Exclude variants with high mapping bias from the likelihood score calculation. Note that bias is reported on an inverse scale; a variant with mapping bias of 1 has no bias.

max.pon Exclude variants found more than max.pon times in pool of normals and not in dbSNP. Requires normal.panel.vcf.file in setMappingBiasVcf. Should be set to a value high enough to be much more likely an artifact and not a true germline variant not present in dbSNP.

iterations Maximum number of iterations in the Simulated Annealing copy number fit optimization. Note that this an integer optimization problem that should converge quickly. Allowed range is 10 to 250.

min.variants.segment

Flag segments with fewer variants. The minor copy number estimation is not reliable with insufficient variants.

log.ratio.calibration

Re-calibrate log-ratios in the window sd(log.ratio)*log.ratio.calibration.

smooth.log.ratio

Smooth log.ratio using the DNAcopy package.

remove.off.target.snvs

Deprecated. Use the corresponding argument in args.filterVcf.

model.homozygous

Homozygous germline SNPs are uninformative and by default removed. In 100 percent pure samples such as cell lines, however, heterozygous germline SNPs appear homozygous in case of LOH. Setting this parameter to TRUE will keep homozygous SNPs and include a homozygous SNP state in the likelihood model. Not necessary when matched normal samples are available.

Estimated sequencing error rate. Used to calculate minimum number of supporting reads for variants using calculatePowerDetectSomatic. Also used to calculate the probability of homozygous SNP allelic fractions (assuming reference reads are sequencing errors).

A mapping file that assigns GC content and gene symbols to each exon in the coverage files. Used for generating gene-level calls. First column in format CHR:START-END. Second column GC content (0 to 1). Third column gene symbol. This file can be generated with the 'GATK GCContentByInterval' tool or with the calculateGCContentByInterval function.

Measures GC bias as ratio of coverage in AT-rich (GC < 0.5) versus GC-rich on-target regions (GC >= 0.5). High drop-out might indicate that data was not GC-normalized or that the sample quality might be insufficient. Requires gc.gene.file.

min.logr.sdev Minimum log-ratio standard deviation used in the model. Useful to make fitting more robust to outliers in very clean data.

error

gc.gene.file

max.dropout

max.logr.sdev Flag noisy samples with segment log-ratio standard deviation larger than this.

Assay specific and needs to be calibrated.

max.segments Flag noisy samples with a large number of segments. Assay specific and needs

to be calibrated.

min.gof Flag purity/ploidy solutions with poor fit.

plot.cnv Generate segmentation plots.

cosmic.vcf.file

Add a Cosmic.CNT info field to the provided vcf.file using a VCF file containing the COSMIC database. The default fun.setPriorVcf function will give variants found in the COSMIC database a higher prior probability of being somatic. Not used in likelhood model when matched normal is available in vcf.file. Should be compressed and indexed with bgzip and tabix, respectively.

tively.

model Use either a beta or a beta-binomial distribution for fitting observed to expected

allelic fractions of alterations in vcf.file. The latter can be useful to account for significant overdispersion, for example due to mapping biases when no pool of normals is available or due to other unmodeled biases, e.g. amplification biases. The amount of expected overdispersion can be controlled via the

max.coverage.vcf argument (the higher, the less expected bias).

post.optimize Optimize purity using final SCNA-fit and variants. This might take a long time

when lots of variants need to be fitted, but will typically result in a slightly more accurate purity, especially for rather silent genomes or very low purities.

Otherwise, it will just use the purity determined via the SCNA-fit.

log.file If not NULL, store verbose output to file.

verbose Verbose output.

Value

A list with elements

candidates Results of the grid search.

results All local optima, sorted by final rank.

input The input data.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

References

Riester et al. (2016). PureCN: Copy number calling and SNV classification using targeted short read sequencing. Source Code for Biology and Medicine, 11, pp. 13.

Carter et al. (2012), Absolute quantification of somatic DNA alterations in human cancer. Nature Biotechnology.

See Also

 $\verb|correctCoverageBias| segmentation CBS| calculate Power Detect Somatic|$

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Examples

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file('extdata', 'example_normal.txt',</pre>
    package='PureCN')
tumor.coverage.file <- system.file('extdata', 'example_tumor.txt',</pre>
    package='PureCN')
vcf.file <- system.file('extdata', 'example_vcf.vcf',</pre>
    package='PureCN')
gc.gene.file <- system.file('extdata', 'example_gc.gene.file.txt',</pre>
    package='PureCN')
# The max.candidate.solutions, max.ploidy and test.purity parameters are set to
# non-default values to speed-up this example. This is not a good idea for real
# samples.
ret <-runAbsoluteCN(normal.coverage.file=normal.coverage.file,</pre>
    tumor.coverage.file=tumor.coverage.file, genome='hg19', vcf.file=vcf.file,
    sampleid='Sample1', gc.gene.file=gc.gene.file,
    max.ploidy=4, test.purity=seq(0.3,0.7,by=0.05), max.candidate.solutions=1)
# If a high-quality segmentation was obtained with third-party tools:
seg.file <- system.file('extdata', 'example_seg.txt',</pre>
    package = 'PureCN')
# By default, PureCN will re-segment the data, for example to identify
# regions of copy number neutral LOH. If this is not wanted, we can provide
# a minimal segmentation function which just returns the provided one:
funSeg <- function(seg, ...) return(seg)</pre>
res <- runAbsoluteCN(seg.file=seg.file, fun.segmentation=funSeg, max.ploidy = 4,</pre>
    test.purity = seq(0.3, 0.7, by = 0.05), max.candidate.solutions=1,
    genome='hg19', gc.gene.file=gc.gene.file)
```

segmentationCBS

CBS segmentation

Description

The default segmentation function. This function is called via the fun. segmentation argument of runAbsoluteCN. The arguments are passed via args. segmentation.

Usage

```
segmentationCBS(normal, tumor, log.ratio, seg, plot.cnv, sampleid,
  target.weight.file = NULL, alpha = 0.005, undo.SD = NULL, vcf = NULL,
  tumor.id.in.vcf = 1, normal.id.in.vcf = NULL, max.segments = NULL,
  prune.hclust.h = NULL, prune.hclust.method = "ward.D", chr.hash = NULL,
  centromeres = NULL)
```

Arguments

normal

Coverage data for normal sample.

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tumor Coverage data for tumor sample.

log.ratio Copy number log-ratios, one for each target in the coverage files.

seg If segmentation was provided by the user, this data structure will contain this

segmentation. Useful for minimal segmentation functions. Otherwise PureCN will re-segment the data. This segmentation function ignores this user provided

segmentation.

plot.cnv Segmentation plots.

sampleid Sample id, used in output files.

target.weight.file

Can be used to assign weights to targets.

alpha Alpha value for CBS, see documentation for the segment function.

undo.SD undo.SD for CBS, see documentation of the segment function. If NULL, try to

find a sensible default.

vcf Optional CollapsedVCF object with germline allelic ratios.

tumor.id.in.vcf

Id of tumor in case multiple samples are stored in VCF.

normal.id.in.vcf

Id of normal in in VCF. Currently not used.

max.segments If not NULL, try a higher undo.SD parameter if number of segments exceeds the

threshold.

prune.hclust.h Height in the hclust pruning step. Increasing this value will merge segments

more aggressively. If NULL, try to find a sensible default.

prune.hclust.method

Cluster method used in the hclust pruning step. See documentation for the

hclust function.

chr. hash Mapping of non-numerical chromsome names to numerical names (e.g. chr1 to

1, chr2 to 2, etc.). If NULL, assume chromsomes are properly ordered.

centromeres A GRanges object with centromere positions. Currently not supported in this

function.

Value

data.frame containing the segmentation.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

References

Olshen, A. B., Venkatraman, E. S., Lucito, R., Wigler, M. (2004). Circular binary segmentation for the analysis of array-based DNA copy number data. Biostatistics 5: 557-572.

Venkatraman, E. S., Olshen, A. B. (2007). A faster circular binary segmentation algorithm for the analysis of array CGH data. Bioinformatics 23: 657-63.

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

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Examples

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
gc.gene.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_gc.gene.file.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
# The max.candidate.solutions, max.ploidy and test.purity parameters are set to
# non-default values to speed-up this example. This is not a good idea for real
# samples.
ret <-runAbsoluteCN(normal.coverage.file=normal.coverage.file,</pre>
    tumor.coverage.file=tumor.coverage.file, vcf.file=vcf.file, genome="hg19",
    sampleid="Sample1", gc.gene.file=gc.gene.file,
    max.candidate.solutions=1, max.ploidy=4, test.purity=seq(0.3,0.7,by=0.05),
    fun.segmentation=segmentationCBS, args.segmentation=list(alpha=0.001))
```

segmentationPSCBS

PSCBS segmentation

Description

Alternative segmentation function using the PSCBS package. This function is called via the fun. segmentation argument of runAbsoluteCN. The arguments are passed via args. segmentation.

Usage

```
segmentationPSCBS(normal, tumor, log.ratio, seg, plot.cnv, sampleid,
  target.weight.file = NULL, alpha = 0.005, undo.SD = NULL,
  flavor = "tcn&dh", tauA = 0.03, vcf = NULL, tumor.id.in.vcf = 1,
  normal.id.in.vcf = NULL, max.segments = NULL, prune.hclust.h = NULL,
  prune.hclust.method = "ward.D", chr.hash = NULL, centromeres = NULL,
  ...)
```

Arguments

normal	Coverage data for normal sample.
tumor	Coverage data for tumor sample.
log.ratio	Copy number log-ratios, one for each exon in coverage file.
seg	If segmentation was provided by the user, this data structure will contain this segmentation. Useful for minimal segmentation functions. Otherwise PureCN will re-segment the data. This segmentation function ignores this user provided segmentation.
plot.cnv	Segmentation plots.
sampleid	Sample id, used in output files.

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target.weight.file

Can be used to assign weights to targets. NOT SUPPORTED YET in segmen-

tation. Will remove targets with weight below 1/3.

alpha Alpha value for CBS, see documentation for the segment function.

undo. SD undo. SD for CBS, see documentation of the segment function. If NULL, try to

find a sensible default.

flavor Flavor value for PSCBS. See segmentByNonPairedPSCBS.

tauA argument for PSCBS. See segmentByNonPairedPSCBS.

vcf Optional VCF object with germline allelic ratios.

tumor.id.in.vcf

Id of tumor in case multiple samples are stored in VCF.

normal.id.in.vcf

Id of normal in in VCF. If NULL, use unpaired PSCBS.

threshold.

prune.hclust.h Height in the hclust pruning step. Increasing this value will merge segments

more aggressively. If NULL, try to find a sensible default.

prune.hclust.method

Cluster method used in the hclust pruning step. See documentation for the

hclust function.

chr.hash Mapping of non-numerical chromsome names to numerical names (e.g. chr1 to

1, chr2 to 2, etc.). If NULL, assume chromsomes are properly ordered.

centromeres A GRanges with centromere positions. If not NULL, add breakpoints at cen-

tromeres.

... Additional parameters passed to the segmentByNonPairedPSCBS function.

Value

data. frame containing the segmentation.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

References

Olshen, A. B., Venkatraman, E. S., Lucito, R., Wigler, M. (2004). Circular binary segmentation for the analysis of array-based DNA copy number data. Biostatistics 5: 557-572.

Venkatraman, E. S., Olshen, A. B. (2007). A faster circular binary segmentation algorithm for the analysis of array CGH data. Bioinformatics 23: 657-63.

Olshen et al. (2011). Parent-specific copy number in paired tumor-normal studies using circular binary segmentation. Bioinformatics.

See Also

runAbsoluteCN

setMappingBiasVcf 45

Examples

```
normal.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_normal.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
tumor.coverage.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_tumor.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
gc.gene.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_gc.gene.file.txt",</pre>
    package="PureCN")
# The max.candidate.solutions, max.ploidy and test.purity parameters are set to
# non-default values to speed-up this example. This is not a good idea for real
# samples.
 ret <-runAbsoluteCN(normal.coverage.file=normal.coverage.file,</pre>
     tumor.coverage.file=tumor.coverage.file, vcf.file=vcf.file, genome="hg19",
     sampleid="Sample1", gc.gene.file=gc.gene.file,
     fun.segmentation=segmentationPSCBS, max.ploidy=4,
     test.purity=seq(0.3,0.7,by=0.05), max.candidate.solutions=1)
```

setMappingBiasVcf

Set Mapping Bias VCF

Description

Function to set mapping bias for each variant in the provided CollapsedVCF object. By default, it returns the same value for all variants, but a pool of normal samples can be provided for position-specific mapping bias calculation.

Usage

```
setMappingBiasVcf(vcf, tumor.id.in.vcf = NULL, normal.panel.vcf.file = NULL,
    min.normals = 2, smooth = TRUE, smooth.n = 5)
```

Arguments

vcf

CollapsedVCF object, read in with the readVcf function from the VariantAnnotation package.

tumor.id.in.vcf

Id of tumor in case multiple samples are stored in VCF.

specific mapping bias. Requires normal.panel.vcf.file.

normal.panel.vcf.file

Combined VCF file of a panel of normals, expects allelic fractions as FA genotype field. Should be compressed and indexed with bgzip and tabix, respectively.

min.normals

Minimum number of normals with heterozygous SNP for calculating position-

smooth

Impute mapping bias of variants not found in the panel by smoothing of neigh-

boring SNPs. Requires normal.panel.vcf.file.

smooth.n

Number of neighboring variants used for smoothing.

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Value

A list with elements

bias A numeric(nrow(vcf)) vector with the mapping bias of for each variant in

> the CollapsedVCF. Mapping bias is expected as scaling factor. Adjusted allelic fraction is (observed allelic fraction)/(mapping bias). Maximum scaling factor

is 1 and means no bias.

A numeric(nrow(vcf)) vector with the number of hits in the normal.panel.vcf.file. pon.count

Author(s)

Markus Riester

Examples

```
# This function is typically only called by runAbsoluteCN via
# fun.setMappingBiasVcf and args.setMappingBiasVcf.
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf", package="PureCN")</pre>
vcf <- readVcf(vcf.file, "hg19")</pre>
vcf.bias <- setMappingBiasVcf(vcf)</pre>
```

setPriorVcf

Set Somatic Prior VCF

Description

Function to set prior for somatic mutation status for each variant in the provided CollapsedVCF object.

Usage

```
setPriorVcf(vcf, prior.somatic = c(0.5, 5e-04, 0.999, 1e-04, 0.995, 0.5),
  tumor.id.in.vcf = NULL, min.cosmic.cnt = 4)
```

Arguments

vcf

CollapsedVCF object, read in with the readVcf function from the VariantAnnotation package.

prior.somatic

Prior probabilities for somatic mutations. First value is for the case when no matched normals are available and the variant is not in dbSNP (second value). Third value is for variants with MuTect somatic call. Different from 1, because somatic mutations in segments of copy number 0 have 0 probability and artifacts can thus have dramatic influence on likelihood score. Forth value is for variants not labeled as somatic by MuTect. Last two values are optional, if vcf contains a flag Cosmic.CNT, it will set the prior probability for variants with CNT > 2 to the first of those values in case of no matched normal available (0.995 default). Final value is for the case that variant is in both dbSNP and COSMIC > 2.

tumor.id.in.vcf

Id of tumor in case multiple samples are stored in VCF.

min.cosmic.cnt Minimum number of hits in the COSMIC database to call variant as likely somatic.

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Value

A numeric(nrow(vcf)) vector with the prior probability of somatic status for each variant in the CollapsedVCF.

Author(s)

Markus Riester

Examples

```
# This function is typically only called by runAbsoluteCN via the
# fun.setPriorVcf and args.setPriorVcf comments.
vcf.file <- system.file("extdata", "example_vcf.vcf", package="PureCN")
vcf <- readVcf(vcf.file, "hg19")
vcf.priorsomatic <- setPriorVcf(vcf)</pre>
```

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