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## 1 Introduction

In the context of an RNA-seq experiment, encoding the overlaps between the aligned reads and the transcripts can be used for detecting those overlaps that are "splice compatible", that is, compatible with the splicing of the transcript.

Various tools are provided in the *GenomicAlignments* package for working with *overlap encodings*. In this vignette, we illustrate the use of these tools on the single-end and paired-end reads of an RNA-seq experiment.

# 2 Load reads from a BAM file

## 2.1 Load single-end reads from a BAM file

BAM file untreated1\_chr4.bam (located in the *pasillaBamSubset* data package) contains single-end reads from the "Pasilla" experiment and aligned against the dm3 genome (see ?un treated1\_chr4 in the *pasillaBamSubset* package for more information about those reads):

> library(pasillaBamSubset)

> untreated1\_chr4()

[1] "/home/biocbuild/bbs-3.6-bioc/R/library/pasillaBamSubset/extdata/untreated1\_chr4.bam"

We use the readGAlignments function defined in the *GenomicAlignments* package to load the reads into a *GAlignments* object. It's probably a good idea to get rid of the PCR or optical duplicates (flag bit 0x400 in the SAM format, see the SAM Spec<sup>1</sup> for the details), as well as reads not passing quality controls (flag bit 0x200 in the SAM format). We do this by creating a *ScanBamParam* object that we pass to readGAlignments (see ?ScanBamParam in the *Rsamtools* package for the details). Note that we also use use.names=TRUE in order to load the *query names* (aka *query template names*, see QNAME field in the SAM Spec) from the BAM file (readGAlignments will use them to set the names of the returned object):

<sup>1</sup>http://samtools. sourceforge.net/

```
> library(GenomicAlignments)
```

> flag0 <- scanBamFlag(isDuplicate=FALSE, isNotPassingQualityControls=FALSE)</pre>

```
> param0 <- ScanBamParam(flag=flag0)</pre>
```

> U1.GAL <- readGAlignments(untreated1\_chr4(), use.names=TRUE, param=param0)
> head(U1.GAL)

GAlignments object with 6 alignments and 0 metadata columns:

	seqnames	strand	cigar	qwidth	start	end	width	njunc
	<rle></rle>	<rle></rle>	<character></character>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer> &lt;</integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>
SRR031729.3941844	chr4	-	75M	75	892	966	75	0
SRR031728.3674563	chr4	-	75M	75	919	993	75	0
SRR031729.8532600	chr4	+	75M	75	924	998	75	Θ
SRR031729.2779333	chr4	+	75M	75	936	1010	75	Θ
SRR031728.2826481	chr4	+	75M	75	949	1023	75	Θ
SRR031728.2919098	chr4	-	75M	75	967	1041	75	Θ
seginfo: 8 seguen								

Because the aligner used to align those reads can report more than 1 alignment per *original query* (i.e. per read stored in the input file, typically a FASTQ file), we shouldn't expect the names of U1.GAL to be unique:

```
> U1.GAL_names_is_dup <- duplicated(names(U1.GAL))
> table(U1.GAL_names_is_dup)
U1.GAL_names_is_dup
FALSE TRUE
190770 13585
```

Storing the query names in a factor will be useful as we will see later in this document:

```
> U1.uqnames <- unique(names(U1.GAL))
> U1.GAL_qnames <- factor(names(U1.GAL), levels=U1.uqnames)</pre>
```

Note that we explicitly provide the levels of the factor to enforce their order. Otherwise factor() would put them in lexicographic order which is not advisable because it depends on the locale in use.

Another object that will be useful to keep near at hand is the mapping between each *query name* and its first occurence in U1.GAL\_qnames:

```
> U1.GAL_dup2unq <- match(U1.GAL_qnames, U1.GAL_qnames)</pre>
```

Our reads can have up to 2 *skipped regions* (a *skipped region* corresponds to an N operation in the CIGAR):

Also, the following table indicates that indels were not allowed/supported during the alignment process (no I or D CIGAR operations):

<pre>&gt; colSums(cigar0pTable(cigar(U1.GAL)))</pre>								
М	I	D	Ν	S	Н	Р	=	Х
15326625	0	0 216	82582	Θ	0	Θ	Θ	0

## 2.2 Load paired-end reads from a BAM file

BAM file untreated3\_chr4.bam (located in the *pasillaBamSubset* data package) contains paired-end reads from the "Pasilla" experiment and aligned against the dm3 genome (see ?untreated3\_chr4 in the *pasillaBamSubset* package for more information about those reads). We use the readGAlignmentPairs function to load them into a *GAlignmentPairs* object:

```
> U3.galp <- readGAlignmentPairs(untreated3_chr4(), use.names=TRUE, param=param0)
> head(U3.galp)
```

GAlignmentPairs object with 6 pairs, strandMode=1, and 0 metadata columns: seqnames strand : ranges -ranges <Rle> <Rle> : <IRanges> --<IRanges> + : [169, 205] -- [ 326, 362] SRR031715.1138209 chr4 SRR031714.756385 chr4 + : [943, 979] -- [1086, 1122] + : [944, 980] -- [1119, 1155] SRR031714.2355189 chr4 SRR031714.5054563 chr4 + : [946, 982] -- [ 986, 1022] + : [966, 1002] -- [1108, 1144] SRR031715.1722593 chr4 SRR031715.2202469 chr4 + : [966, 1002] -- [1114, 1150] . . . . . . . seqinfo: 8 sequences from an unspecified genome

The show method for *GAlignmentPairs* objects displays two ranges columns, one for the *first* alignment in the pair (the left column), and one for the *last* alignment in the pair (the right column). The strand column corresponds to the strand of the *first* alignment.

> head(first(U3.galp))

GAlignments object with 6 alignments and 0 metadata columns:

	seqnames	$\operatorname{strand}$	cigar	qwidth	start	end	width	njunc
	<rle></rle>	<rle></rle>	<character></character>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>
SRR031715.1138209	chr4	+	37M	37	169	205	37	Θ
SRR031714.756385	chr4	+	37M	37	943	979	37	Θ
SRR031714.2355189	chr4	+	37M	37	944	980	37	Θ
SRR031714.5054563	chr4	+	37M	37	946	982	37	Θ
SRR031715.1722593	chr4	+	37M	37	966	1002	37	0

SRR031715.2202469	chr4	+	37M	37	966	1002	37	Θ		
seqinfo: 8 sequences from an unspecified genome										
<pre>&gt; head(last(U3.galp)</pre>										
GAlignments object with 6 alignments and 0 metadata columns:										
	seqnames s	strand	cigar	qwidth	start	end	width	njunc		
	<rle></rle>	<rle> &lt;</rle>	character>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer> ·</integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>		
SRR031715.1138209	chr4	-	37M	37	326	362	37	Θ		
SRR031714.756385	chr4	-	37M	37	1086	1122	37	Θ		
SRR031714.2355189	chr4	-	37M	37	1119	1155	37	Θ		
SRR031714.5054563	chr4	-	37M	37	986	1022	37	Θ		
SRR031715.1722593	chr4	-	37M	37	1108	1144	37	Θ		
SRR031715.2202469	chr4	-	37M	37	1114	1150	37	Θ		
seqinfo: 8 sequenc	es from ar	n unspec	ified genom	ie						

According to the SAM format specifications, the aligner is expected to mark each alignment pair as *proper* or not (flag bit 0x2 in the SAM format). The SAM Spec only says that a pair is *proper* if the *first* and *last* alignments in the pair are "properly aligned according to the aligner". So the exact criteria used for setting this flag is left to the aligner.

We use isProperPair to extract this flag from the GAlignmentPairs object:

```
> table(isProperPair(U3.galp))
FALSE TRUE
29581 45828
```

Even though we could do *overlap encodings* with the full object, we keep only the *proper* pairs for our downstream analysis:

```
> U3.GALP <- U3.galp[isProperPair(U3.galp)]</pre>
```

Because the aligner used to align those reads can report more than 1 alignment per *original query template* (i.e. per pair of sequences stored in the input files, typically 1 FASTQ file for the *first* ends and 1 FASTQ file for the *last* ends), we shouldn't expect the names of U3.GALP to be unique:

```
> U3.GALP_names_is_dup <- duplicated(names(U3.GALP))
> table(U3.GALP_names_is_dup)
U3.GALP_names_is_dup
FALSE TRUE
43659 2169
```

Storing the *query template names* in a factor will be useful:

```
> U3.uqnames <- unique(names(U3.GALP))
> U3.GALP_qnames <- factor(names(U3.GALP), levels=U3.uqnames)</pre>
```

as well as having the mapping between each *query template name* and its first occurence in U3.GALP\_qnames:

```
> U3.GALP_dup2ung <- match(U3.GALP_gnames, U3.GALP_gnames)</pre>
Our reads can have up to 1 skipped region per end:
> head(unique(cigar(first(U3.GALP))))
[1] "37M"
                 "6M58N31M" "25M56N12M" "19M62N18M" "29M222N8M" "9M222N28M"
> head(unique(cigar(last(U3.GALP))))
[1] "37M"
                   "19M58N18M"
                                  "12M58N25M"
                                                "27M2339N10M" "29M2339N8M"
                                                                              "9M222N28M"
> table(njunc(first(U3.GALP)), njunc(last(U3.GALP)))
              1
        0
  0 44510
            596
  1
      637
             85
```

Like for our single-end reads, the following tables indicate that indels were not allowed/supported during the alignment process:

<pre>&gt; colSums(cigar0pTable(cigar(first(U3.GALP))))</pre>										
М	I	D	Ν	S	н	Р	=	Х		
1695636	Θ	0	673919	Θ	0	0	Θ	0		
<pre>&gt; colSums(cig</pre>	<pre>&gt; colSums(cigar0pTable(cigar(last(U3.GALP))))</pre>									
М	I	D	Ν	S	н	Р	=	Х		
1695636	0	0	630395	Θ	0	0	0	Θ		

# 3 Find all the overlaps between the reads and transcripts

## 3.1 Load the transcripts from a *TxDb* object

In order to compute overlaps between reads and transcripts, we need access to the genomic positions of a set of known transcripts and their exons. It is essential that the reference genome of this set of transcripts and exons be **exactly** the same as the reference genome used to align the reads.

We could use the makeTxDbFromUCSC function defined in the *GenomicFeatures* package to make a TxDb object containing the dm3 transcripts and their exons retrieved from the UCSC Genome Browser<sup>2</sup>. The Bioconductor project however provides a few annotation packages containing TxDb objects for the most commonly studied organisms (those data packages are sometimes called the TxDb packages). One of them is the TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene package. It contains a TxDb object that was made by pointing the makeTxDbFro mUCSC function to the dm3 genome and Ensembl Genes track <sup>3</sup>. We can use it here:

- > library(TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene)
- > TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene

TxDb object:

<sup>2</sup>http://genome.ucsc. edu/cgi-bin/hgGateway

<sup>3</sup>See http://genome. ucsc.edu/cgi-bin/ hgTrackUi?hgsid= 276880911&g=ensGene for a description of this track.

```
# Db type: TxDb
# Supporting package: GenomicFeatures
# Data source: UCSC
# Genome: dm3
# Organism: Drosophila melanogaster
# Taxonomy ID: 7227
# UCSC Table: ensGene
# Resource URL: http://genome.ucsc.edu/
# Type of Gene ID: Ensembl gene ID
# Full dataset: yes
# miRBase build ID: NA
# transcript_nrow: 29173
# exon_nrow: 76920
# cds_nrow: 62135
# Db created by: GenomicFeatures package from Bioconductor
# Creation time: 2015-10-07 18:15:53 +0000 (Wed, 07 Oct 2015)
# GenomicFeatures version at creation time: 1.21.30
# RSQLite version at creation time: 1.0.0
# DBSCHEMAVERSION: 1.1
> txdb <- TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene</pre>
```

We extract the exons grouped by transcript in a *GRangesList* object:

```
> exbytx <- exonsBy(txdb, by="tx", use.names=TRUE)
> length(exbytx) # nb of transcripts
[1] 29173
```

We check that all the exons in any given transcript belong to the same chromosome and strand. Knowing that our set of transcripts is free of this sort of trans-splicing events typically allows some significant simplifications during the downstream analysis <sup>4</sup>. A quick and easy way to check this is to take advantage of the fact that seqnames and strand return *RleList* objects. So we can extract the number of Rle runs for each transcript and make sure it's always 1:

```
> table(elementNROWS(runLength(seqnames(exbytx))))
1
29173
> table(elementNROWS(runLength(strand(exbytx))))
```

```
1
29173
```

Therefore the strand of any given transcript is unambiguously defined and can be extracted with:

> exbytx\_strand <- unlist(runValue(strand(exbytx)), use.names=FALSE)</pre>

We will also need the mapping between the transcripts and their gene. We start by using transcripts to extract this information from our TxDb object txdb, and then we construct a named factor that represents the mapping:

<sup>4</sup>Dealing with transsplicing events is not covered in this document.

```
> tx <- transcripts(txdb, columns=c("tx_name", "gene_id"))</pre>
> head(tx)
GRanges object with 6 ranges and 2 metadata columns:
      segnames
                       ranges strand |
                                            tx_name
                                                             gene_id
                    <IRanges> <Rle> | <character> <CharacterList>
         <Rle>
  [1]
         chr2L [ 7529, 9484]
                                    + | FBtr0300689
                                                         FBqn0031208
  [2]
         chr2L [ 7529, 9484]
                                   + | FBtr0300690
                                                         FBgn0031208
         chr2L [ 7529, 9484]
                                                         FBgn0031208
  [3]
                                    + | FBtr0330654
         chr2L [21952, 24237]
                                                         FBqn0263584
  [4]
                                    + | FBtr0309810
         chr2L [66584, 71390]
                                                         FBan0067779
  [5]
                                    + | FBtr0306539
                                    + | FBtr0306536
  [6]
         chr2L [67043, 71081]
                                                         FBgn0067779
  seqinfo: 15 sequences (1 circular) from dm3 genome
> df <- mcols(tx)</pre>
> exbytx2gene <- as.character(df$gene_id)</pre>
> exbytx2gene <- factor(exbytx2gene, levels=unique(exbytx2gene))</pre>
> names(exbytx2gene) <- df$tx_name</pre>
> exbytx2gene <- exbytx2gene[names(exbytx)]</pre>
> head(exbytx2gene)
FBtr0300689 FBtr0300690 FBtr0330654 FBtr0309810 FBtr0306539 FBtr0306536
FBgn0031208 FBgn0031208 FBgn0031208 FBgn0263584 FBgn0067779 FBgn0067779
15682 Levels: FBgn0031208 FBgn0263584 FBgn0067779 FBgn0031213 FBgn0031214 FBgn0031216 ... FBgn0264003
> nlevels(exbytx2gene) # nb of genes
```

[1] 15682

## 3.2 Single-end overlaps

## 3.2.1 Find the single-end overlaps

We are ready to compute the overlaps with the findOverlaps function. Note that the strand of the queries produced by the RNA-seq experiment is typically unknown so we use ignore.strand=TRUE:

```
> U1.0V00 <- findOverlaps(U1.GAL, exbytx, ignore.strand=TRUE)</pre>
```

U1.0V00 is a *Hits* object that contains 1 element per overlap. Its length gives the number of overlaps:

> length(U1.0V00)

[1] 563552

#### 3.2.2 Tabulate the single-end overlaps

We will repeatedly use the 2 following little helper functions to "tabulate" the overlaps in a given *Hits* object (e.g. U1.0V00), i.e. to count the number of overlaps for each element in the query or for each element in the subject:

Number of transcripts for each alignment in U1.GAL:

```
> U1.GAL_ntx <- countQueryHits(U1.0V00)</pre>
> mcols(U1.GAL)$ntx <- U1.GAL_ntx</pre>
> head(U1.GAL)
GAlignments object with 6 alignments and 1 metadata column:
                                                                                        width
                     segnames strand
                                             cigar
                                                       qwidth
                                                                   start
                                                                                end
                                                                                                   njunc |
                        <Rle>
                               <Rle> <character> <integer> <integer> <integer> <integer> <integer> <integer> /
  SRR031729.3941844
                                                           75
                                                                                            75
                          chr4
                                               75M
                                                                     892
                                                                                966
                                                                                                       0 |
                                                                                            75
  SRR031728.3674563
                          chr4
                                               75M
                                                           75
                                                                     919
                                                                                993
                                                                                                       0
                                     -
                                                                                                          998
                                                                                            75
  SRR031729.8532600
                          chr4
                                               75M
                                                           75
                                                                     924
                                                                                                       0 |
                                    +
  SRR031729.2779333
                          chr4
                                     +
                                               75M
                                                           75
                                                                     936
                                                                               1010
                                                                                            75
                                                                                                       0 |
  SRR031728.2826481
                          chr4
                                               75M
                                                           75
                                                                     949
                                                                               1023
                                                                                            75
                                                                                                       0 |
                                    +
  SRR031728.2919098
                          chr4
                                               75M
                                                           75
                                                                     967
                                                                               1041
                                                                                            75
                                                                                                       0 |
                            ntx
                     <integer>
  SRR031729.3941844
                              0
  SRR031728.3674563
                              0
  SRR031729.8532600
                              0
  SRR031729.2779333
                              0
                              0
  SRR031728.2826481
  SRR031728.2919098
                              0
  - - - - - - -
  seqinfo: 8 sequences from an unspecified genome
> table(U1.GAL_ntx)
U1.GAL_ntx
    0
          1
                 2
                       3
                              4
                                    5
                                           6
                                                 7
                                                        8
                                                              9
                                                                    10
                                                                          11
                                                                                 12
47076 9493 26146 82427 5291 14530 8158
                                               610 1952
                                                           2099
                                                                   492
                                                                        4945
                                                                             1136
> mean(U1.GAL_ntx >= 1)
[1] 0.7696362
```

76% of the alignments in U1.GAL have an overlap with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Note that countOverlaps can be used directly on U1.GAL and exbytx for computing U1.GAL\_ntx:

> U1.GAL\_ntx\_again <- countOverlaps(U1.GAL, exbytx, ignore.strand=TRUE)</pre>

> stopifnot(identical(unname(U1.GAL\_ntx\_again), U1.GAL\_ntx))

Because U1.GAL can (and actually does) contain more than 1 alignment per *original query* (aka read), we also count the number of transcripts for each read:

> U1.0V10 <- remapHits(U1.0V00, Lnodes.remapping=U1.GAL\_qnames)</pre> > U1.uqnames\_ntx <- countQueryHits(U1.0V10)</pre> > names(U1.uqnames\_ntx) <- U1.uqnames</pre> > table(U1.uqnames\_ntx) U1.uqnames\_ntx 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 39503 9298 18394 82346 5278 14536 9208 610 2930 2099 488 4944 1136 > mean(U1.uqnames\_ntx >= 1)

#### [1] 0.7929287

78.4% of the reads have an overlap with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of reads for each transcript:

> U1.exbytx\_n0V10 <- countSubjectHits(U1.0V10)</pre>

- > names(U1.exbytx\_nOV10) <- names(exbytx)</pre>
- > mean(U1.exbytx\_nOV10 >= 50)
- [1] 0.009015185

Only 0.869% of the transcripts in exbytx have an overlap with at least 50 reads.

Top 10 transcripts:

> head(sort(U1.exbytx\_nOV10, decreasing=TRUE), n=10)

```
        FBtr0308296
        FBtr0089175
        FBtr0089176
        FBtr0112904
        FBtr0289951
        FBtr0089243
        FBtr0333672
        FBtr0089186

        40654
        40529
        40529
        11735
        11661
        11656
        10087
        10084

        FBtr0089187
        FBtr0089172
        10084
        6749
        10084
        10087
        10084
```

## 3.3 Paired-end overlaps

#### 3.3.1 Find the paired-end overlaps

Like with our single-end overlaps, we call findOverlaps with ignore.strand=TRUE:

```
> U3.0V00 <- findOverlaps(U3.GALP, exbytx, ignore.strand=TRUE)</pre>
```

Like U1.0V00, U3.0V00 is a Hits object. Its length gives the number of paired-end overlaps:

```
> length(U3.0V00)
```

[1] 113827

#### 3.3.2 Tabulate the paired-end overlaps

Number of transcripts for each alignment pair in U3.GALP:

```
> U3.GALP_ntx <- countQueryHits(U3.0V00)</pre>
```

```
> mcols(U3.GALP)$ntx <- U3.GALP_ntx</pre>
```

> head(U3.GALP)

GAlignmentPairs object with 6 pairs, strandMode=1, and 1 metadata column:

	seqnames	strand	:		I	ranges		ranges	Ι	ntx
	<rle></rle>	<rle></rle>	:		<ira< td=""><td>anges&gt;</td><td> <ir< td=""><td>anges&gt;</td><td>Ι</td><td><integer></integer></td></ir<></td></ira<>	anges>	 <ir< td=""><td>anges&gt;</td><td>Ι</td><td><integer></integer></td></ir<>	anges>	Ι	<integer></integer>
SRR031715.1138209	chr4	+	:	[	169,	205]	 [ 326,	362]	Ι	Θ
SRR031714.756385	chr4	+	:	[	943,	979]	 [1086,	1122]	Ι	Θ
SRR031714.5054563	chr4	+	:	[	946,	982]	 [ 986,	1022]	Ι	Θ
SRR031715.1722593	chr4	+	:	[	966,	1002]	 [1108,	1144]	Ι	Θ

```
SRR031715.2202469
                                   + : [ 966, 1002] -- [1114, 1150] |
                         chr4
                                                                                 0
                                    - : [1087, 1123] -- [ 963, 999] |
  SRR031714.3544437
                         chr4
                                                                                 0
  - - - - - - - -
  seqinfo: 8 sequences from an unspecified genome
> table(U3.GALP_ntx)
U3.GALP_ntx
                                                7
    0
          1
                 2
                       3
                             4
                                   5
                                          6
                                                      8
                                                             9
                                                                  10
                                                                        11
                                                                               12
12950 2080 5854 17025 1078 3083 2021
                                               70
                                                    338
                                                          370
                                                                  59
                                                                       803
                                                                               97
> mean(U3.GALP_ntx >= 1)
[1] 0.7174217
```

71% of the alignment pairs in U3.GALP have an overlap with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Note that countOverlaps can be used directly on U3.GALP and exbytx for computing U3.GALP\_ntx:

```
> U3.GALP_ntx_again <- countOverlaps(U3.GALP, exbytx, ignore.strand=TRUE)
> stopifnot(identical(unname(U3.GALP_ntx_again), U3.GALP_ntx))
```

Because U3.GALP can (and actually does) contain more than 1 alignment pair per *original query template*, we also count the number of transcripts for each template:

```
> U3.0V10 <- remapHits(U3.0V00, Lnodes.remapping=U3.GALP_qnames)</pre>
> U3.uqnames_ntx <- countQueryHits(U3.0V10)</pre>
> names(U3.uqnames_ntx) <- U3.uqnames</pre>
> table(U3.uqnames_ntx)
U3.uqnames_ntx
    0
                       3
                              4
                                    5
                                           6
                                                 7
                                                        8
                                                              9
                                                                    10
                                                                          11
                                                                                 12
          1
                 2
11851 2061 4289 17025 1193 3084 2271
                                                70
                                                      486
                                                            370
                                                                    59
                                                                         803
                                                                                 97
> mean(U3.uqnames_ntx >= 1)
[1] 0.7285554
```

72.3% of the templates have an overlap with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of templates for each transcript:

> U3.exbytx\_n0V10 <- countSubjectHits(U3.0V10) > names(U3.exbytx\_n0V10) <- names(exbytx) > mean(U3.exbytx\_n0V10 >= 50) [1] 0.00712988

Only 0.756% of the transcripts in exbytx have an overlap with at least 50 templates.

Top 10 transcripts:

> head(sort(U3.exbytx\_nOV10, decreasing=TRUE), n=10)

FBtr0308296	FBtr0089175	FBtr0089176	FBtr0112904	FBtr0089243	FBtr0289951	FBtr0333672	FBtr0089186
7574	7573	7572	2750	2732	2732	2260	2260
FBtr0089187	FBtr0310542						
2260	1698						

# 4 Encode the overlaps between the reads and transcripts

## 4.1 Single-end encodings

The *overlap encodings* are strand sensitive so we will compute them twice, once for the "original alignments" (i.e. the alignments of the *original queries*), and once again for the "flipped alignments" (i.e. the alignments of the "flipped *original queries*"). We extract the ranges of the "original" and "flipped" alignments in 2 *GRangesList* objects with:

```
> U1.grl <- grglist(U1.GAL, order.as.in.query=TRUE)
> U1.grlf <- flipQuery(U1.grl) # flipped</pre>
```

and encode their overlaps with the transcripts:

```
> U1.ovencA <- encodeOverlaps(U1.grl, exbytx, hits=U1.0V00)
> U1.ovencB <- encodeOverlaps(U1.grlf, exbytx, hits=U1.0V00)</pre>
```

U1.ovencA and U1.ovencB are 2 *OverlapsEncodings* objects of the same length as *Hits* object U1.0V00. For each hit in U1.0V00, we have 2 corresponding encodings, one in U1.ovencA and one in U1.ovencB, but only one of them encodes a hit between alignment ranges and exon ranges that are on the same strand. We use the selectEncodingWithCompatibleStrand function to merge them into a single *OverlapsEncodings* of the same length. For each hit in U1.0V00, this selects the encoding corresponding to alignment ranges and exon ranges with compatible strand:

5		-	d(U1.grl)), use.nam leStrand(U1.ovencA,	
+ + > U1.ovenc			U1.grl_str hits=U1.OV	and, exbytx_strand, 00)
Loffse	t Roffset	encoding	with 0 metadata co flippedQuery <logical></logical>	lumns:
[1]	0 3 4 0	1:i: 1:k:	TRUE FALSE	

[1]	Θ	3	1:1:	IRUE
[2]	4	Θ	1:k:	FALSE
[3]	4	Θ	1:k:	TRUE
[4]	4	0	1:k:	TRUE
[5]	4	0	1:k:	TRUE
[563548]	22	0	1:i:	TRUE
[563549]	23	Θ	1:i:	TRUE
[563550]	24	Θ	1:i:	TRUE
[563551]	24	Θ	1:i:	TRUE
[563552]	23	Θ	1:i:	TRUE

As a convenience, the 2 above calls to encodeOverlaps + merging step can be replaced by a single call to encodeOverlaps on U1.grl (or U1.grlf) with flip.query.if.wrong.strand=TRUE:

> U1.ovenc\_again <- encodeOverlaps(U1.grl, exbytx, hits=U1.0V00, flip.query.if.wrong.strand=TRUE)
> stopifnot(identical(U1.ovenc\_again, U1.ovenc))
Unique encodings in U1.ovenc:
> U1.unique\_encodings <- levels(U1.ovenc)
> length(U1.unique\_encodings)
[1] 120
> head(U1.unique\_encodings)
[1] "1:c:" "1:e:" "1:f:" "1:h:" "1:i:" "1:j:"
> U1.ovenc\_table <- table(encoding(U1.ovenc))</pre>

> tail(sort(U1.ovenc\_table))

1:f: 1:k:c: 1:k: 1:c: 2:jm:af: 1:i: 1555 1889 8800 9523 72929 455176

Encodings are sort of cryptic but utilities are provided to extract specific meaning from them. Use of these utilities is covered later in this document.

## 4.2 Paired-end encodings

Let's encode the overlaps in U3.0V00:

```
> U3.grl <- grglist(U3.GALP)</pre>
> U3.ovenc <- encodeOverlaps(U3.grl, exbytx, hits=U3.OV00, flip.query.if.wrong.strand=TRUE)
> U3.ovenc
OverlapEncodings object of length 113827 with 0 metadata columns:
             Loffset Roffset encoding flippedQuery
           <integer> <integer>
                                <factor>
                                             <logical>
                             0 1--1:i--k:
                                                   TRUE
       [1]
                   4
                   4
                             0 1--1:i--i:
                                                   TRUE
       [2]
```

[3]	4	Θ	11:ik:	FALSE
[4]	4	Θ	11:ik:	FALSE
[5]	4	Θ	11:ac:	TRUE
[113823]	22	Θ	11:ii:	TRUE
[113824]	23	Θ	11:ii:	TRUE
[113825]	24	Θ	11:ii:	TRUE
[113826]	24	Θ	11:ii:	TRUE
[113827]	23	Θ	11:ii:	TRUE

Unique encodings in U3.ovenc:

> U3.unique\_encodings <- levels(U3.ovenc)</pre>

> length(U3.unique\_encodings)

[1] 123

> head(U3.unique\_encodings)

[1] "1--1:a--c:" "1--1:a--i:" "1--1:a--j:" "1--1:a--k:" "1--1:b--i:" "1--1:b--k:"
> U3.ovenc\_table <- table(encoding(U3.ovenc))
> tail(sort(U3.ovenc\_table))
1--1:i--m: 1--1:i--k: 1--1:c--i: 1--2:i--jm:a--af: 2--1:jm--m:af--i:
852 1485 1714 2480 2700
1--1:i--i:
100084

# 5 Detect "splice compatible" overlaps

We are interested in a particular type of overlap where the read overlaps the transcript in a "splice compatible" way, that is, in a way that is compatible with the splicing of the transcript. The *isCompatibleWithSplicing* function can be used on an *OverlapEncodings* object to detect this type of overlap. Note that *isCompatibleWithSplicing* can also be used on a character vector or factor.

## 5.1 Detect "splice compatible" single-end overlaps

#### 5.1.1 "Splice compatible" single-end encodings

U1. ovenc contains 7 unique encodings compatible with the splicing of the transcript:

<pre>&gt; sort(U1.ovenc_table[isCompatibleWithSplicing(U1.unique_encodings)])</pre>						
2:jm:ag:	2:gm:af: 3:jmm	:agm:aaf:	1:j:	1:f:	2:jm:af:	
32	79	488	1538	1555	72929	
1:i:						
455176						

Encodings "1:i:" (455176 occurences in U1.ovenc), "2:jm:af:" (72929 occurences in U1.ovenc), and "3:jmm:agm:aaf:" (488 occurences in U1.ovenc), correspond to the following overlaps:

• "1:i:"

>

	<ul> <li>read (no skipped region):</li> <li>transcript:</li> </ul>	 000000 <<<<<<			
•	"2:jm:af:"				
	- read (1 skipped region): - transcript:	 00000- >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>	000	»>>>	
•	"3:jmm:agm:aaf:"				
	<ul> <li>read (2 skipped regions):</li> <li>transcript:</li> </ul>	 00 >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>	00000	· - 0 >>>>>>>	

For clarity, only the exons involved in the overlap are represented. The transcript can of course have more upstream and downstream exons, which is denoted by the ... on the left side (5' end) and right side (3' end) of each drawing. Note that the exons represented in the 2nd and 3rd drawings are consecutive and adjacent in the processed transcript.

Encodings "1:f:" and "1:j:" are variations of the situation described by encoding "1:i:". For "1:f:", the first aligned base of the read (or "flipped" read) is aligned with the first base of the exon. For "1:j:", the last aligned base of the read (or "flipped" read) is aligned with the last base of the exon:

"1:f:" - read (no skipped region): 00000000 - transcript: . . . . . . "1:j:" - read (no skipped region): 0000000 - transcript: . . . . . . > U1.0V00\_is\_comp <- isCompatibleWithSplicing(U1.ovenc)</pre> > table(U1.0V00\_is\_comp) # 531797 "splice compatible" overlaps U1.0V00\_is\_comp FALSE TRUE 31755 531797

Finally, let's extract the "splice compatible" overlaps from U1.0V00:

> U1.comp0V00 <- U1.0V00[U1.0V00\_is\_comp]

Note that high-level convenience wrapper findCompatibleOverlaps can be used for computing the "splice compatible" overlaps directly between a *GAlignments* object (containing reads) and a *GRangesList* object (containing transcripts):

> U1.compOV00\_again <- findCompatibleOverlaps(U1.GAL, exbytx)</pre>

> stopifnot(identical(U1.compOV00\_again, U1.compOV00))

#### 5.1.2 Tabulate the "splice compatible" single-end overlaps

Number of "splice compatible" transcripts for each alignment in U1.GAL:

```
> U1.GAL_ncomptx <- countQueryHits(U1.comp0V00)</pre>
```

> mcols(U1.GAL)\$ncomptx <- U1.GAL\_ncomptx</pre>

> head(U1.GAL)

GAlignments object with 6 alignments and 2 metadata columns:

	seqnames	strand	cigar	qwidth	start	end	width	njunc	I
	<rle></rle>	<rle></rle>	<character></character>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer> &lt;</integer>	integer>	<integer></integer>	
SRR031729.3941844	chr4	-	75M	75	892	966	75	Θ	
SRR031728.3674563	chr4	-	75M	75	919	993	75	Θ	
SRR031729.8532600	chr4	+	75M	75	924	998	75	Θ	
SRR031729.2779333	chr4	+	75M	75	936	1010	75	Θ	
SRR031728.2826481	chr4	+	75M	75	949	1023	75	Θ	
SRR031728.2919098	chr4	-	75M	75	967	1041	75	Θ	
	nt×	ncon	nptx						
	<integer></integer>	<integ< td=""><td>ger&gt;</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></integ<>	ger>						
SRR031729.3941844	e	1	Θ						
SRR031728.3674563	e	)	Θ						
SRR031729.8532600	e	1	Θ						

SRR031729.2779333 0 0 SRR031728.2826481 0 0 SRR031728.2919098 0 0 - - - - - - seqinfo: 8 sequences from an unspecified genome > table(U1.GAL\_ncomptx) U1.GAL\_ncomptx 0 1 5 7 11 12 2 3 4 6 8 9 10 51101 9848 33697 72987 5034 14021 7516 581 1789 2015 530 4389 847 > mean(U1.GAL\_ncomptx >= 1) [1] 0.7499401

75% of the alignments in U1.GAL are "splice compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Note that high-level convenience wrapper countCompatibleOverlaps can be used directly on U1.GAL and exbytx for computing U1.GAL\_ncomptx:

> U1.GAL\_ncomptx\_again <- countCompatibleOverlaps(U1.GAL, exbytx)
> stopifnot(identical(U1.GAL\_ncomptx\_again, U1.GAL\_ncomptx))

Number of "splice compatible" transcripts for each read:

```
> U1.compOV10 <- remapHits(U1.compOV00, Lnodes.remapping=U1.GAL_gnames)
> U1.uqnames_ncomptx <- countQueryHits(U1.compOV10)</pre>
> names(U1.uqnames_ncomptx) <- U1.uqnames</pre>
> table(U1.uqnames_ncomptx)
U1.uqnames_ncomptx
                      3
                            4
                                   5
                                         6
                                               7
                                                     8
                                                                 10
                                                                       11
                                                                             12
    0
          1
                2
                                                            9
42886 9711 26075 72989 5413 14044 8584
                                             581 2706 2015
                                                                530 4389
                                                                            847
> mean(U1.uqnames_ncomptx >= 1)
[1] 0.7751953
```

77.5% of the reads are "splice compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of "splice compatible" reads for each transcript:

> U1.exbytx\_ncomp0V10 <- countSubjectHits(U1.comp0V10)
> names(U1.exbytx\_ncomp0V10) <- names(exbytx)
> mean(U1.exbytx\_ncomp0V10 >= 50)

[1] 0.008706681

Only 0.87% of the transcripts in exbytx are "splice compatible" with at least 50 reads.

Top 10 transcripts:

> head(sort(U1.exbytx\_ncompOV10, decreasing=TRUE), n=10)

FBtr0308296	FBtr0089175	FBtr0089176	FBtr0089243	FBtr0289951	FBtr0112904	FBtr0089186	FBtr0089187
40309	40158	33490	11365	11332	11284	10018	9627
FBtr0333672	FBtr0089172						

9568 6599

Note that this "top 10" is slightly different from the "top 10" we obtained earlier when we counted **all** the overlaps.

## 5.2 Detect "splice compatible" paired-end overlaps

#### 5.2.1 "Splice compatible" paired-end encodings

WARNING: For paired-end encodings, isCompatibleWithSplicing considers that the encoding is "splice compatible" if its 2 halves are "splice compatible". This can produce false positives if for example the right end of the alignment is located upstream of the left end in transcript space. The paired-end read could not come from this transcript. To eliminate these false positives, one would need to look at the position of the left and right ends in transcript space. This can be done with extractQueryStartInTranscript.

U3.ovenc contains 13 unique paired-end encodings compatible with the splicing of the transcript:

> sort(U3.ovenc\_table[isCompatibleWithSplicing(U3.unique\_encodings)])

12:fjm:aaf:	11:fj:	21:jmm:afj:
3	12	21
21:jmm:aff:	11:jm:ai:	22:jmjm:afaf:
24	51	64
22:jmmm:afjm:aaaf:	11:im:ai:	11:ij:
153	287	403
11:fi:	12:ijm:aaf:	21:jmm:afi:
617	2480	2700
11:ii:		
100084		

Paired-end encodings "1--1:i- (100084 occurences in U3.ovenc), "2--1:jm--m:a (2700 occurences in U3.ovenc), "1--2:i--jm:a (2480 occurences in U3.ovenc), "1--1:i--m: (287 occurences in U3.ovenc), and "2--2:jm--mm:af--jm: (153 occurences in U3.ovenc), correspond to the following paired-end overlaps:

- "1--1:i-
  - paired-end read (no skipped region on the first end, no skipped region on the last end): 0000 0000
- "2--1:jm--m:a
  - paired-end read (1 skipped region on the first end, no skipped region on the last end): 000---0 0000

■ "1--2:i--jm:a

- paired-end read (no skipped region on the first end, 1 skipped region on the last end): 0000 00---00

```
■ "1--1:i--m:
```

- paired-end read (no skipped region on the first end, no skipped region on the last end): 0000 0000
- transcript: ... >>>>>>> ...
- "2--2:jm--mm:af--jm:
  - paired-end read (1 skipped region on the first end, 1 skipped region on the last end): 000---0
  - transcript: ... >>>>> >>>>> >>>>> ...

Note: switch use of "first" and "last" above if the read was "flipped".

```
> U3.0V00_is_comp <- isCompatibleWithSplicing(U3.ovenc)
> table(U3.0V00_is_comp) # 106835 "splice compatible" paired-end overlaps
U3.0V00_is_comp
FALSE TRUE
```

Finally, let's extract the "splice compatible" paired-end overlaps from U3.0V00:

> U3.comp0V00 <- U3.0V00[U3.0V00\_is\_comp]</pre>

Note that, like with our single-end reads, high-level convenience wrapper findCompatibleOver laps can be used for computing the "splice compatible" paired-end overlaps directly between a *GAlignmentPairs* object (containing paired-end reads) and a *GRangesList* object (containing transcripts):

```
> U3.compOV00_again <- findCompatibleOverlaps(U3.GALP, exbytx)</pre>
```

> stopifnot(identical(U3.comp0V00\_again, U3.comp0V00))

#### 5.2.2 Tabulate the "splice compatible" paired-end overlaps

Number of "splice compatible" transcripts for each alignment pair in U3.GALP:

```
> U3.GALP_ncomptx <- countQueryHits(U3.comp0V00)</pre>
```

```
> mcols(U3.GALP)$ncomptx <- U3.GALP_ncomptx</pre>
```

> head(U3.GALP)

6928 106899

```
GAlignmentPairs object with 6 pairs, strandMode=1, and 2 metadata columns:
```

	seqnames	strand			ranges	 	ranges		ntx	ncomptx
	<rle></rle>	<rle></rle>		<ir< td=""><td>anges&gt;</td><td> <ira< td=""><td>anges&gt;</td><td>Ι</td><td><integer> &lt;</integer></td><td>integer&gt;</td></ira<></td></ir<>	anges>	 <ira< td=""><td>anges&gt;</td><td>Ι</td><td><integer> &lt;</integer></td><td>integer&gt;</td></ira<>	anges>	Ι	<integer> &lt;</integer>	integer>
SRR031715.1138209	chr4	+		[ 169,	205]	 [ 326,	362]	Ι	Θ	0
SRR031714.756385	chr4	+		[ 943,	979]	 [1086,	1122]	Ι	Θ	0
SRR031714.5054563	chr4	+		[ 946,	982]	 [ 986,	1022]	Ι	Θ	0
SRR031715.1722593	chr4	+ :		[ 966,	1002]	 [1108,	1144]	Ι	Θ	Θ
SRR031715.2202469	chr4	+		[ 966,	1002]	 [1114,	1150]	Ι	Θ	0
SRR031714.3544437	chr4	- :		[1087,	1123]	 [ 963,	999]	Ι	Θ	Θ
seqinfo: 8 sequen	ces from a	an unspec	:i	fied g	enome					

```
> table(U3.GALP_ncomptx)
```

U3.GAL	P_ncom	ptx										
Θ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13884	2029	8094	14337	1099	2954	1865	84	296	332	89	699	66
<pre>&gt; mean(U3.GALP_ncomptx &gt;= 1)</pre>												
[1] 0.	697041	1										

69.7% of the alignment pairs in U3.GALP are "splice compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Note that high-level convenience wrapper countCompatibleOverlaps can be used directly on U3.GALP and exbytx for computing U3.GALP\_ncomptx:

```
> U3.GALP_ncomptx_again <- countCompatibleOverlaps(U3.GALP, exbytx)
> stopifnot(identical(U3.GALP_ncomptx_again, U3.GALP_ncomptx))
```

Number of "splice compatible" transcripts for each template:

```
> U3.compOV10 <- remapHits(U3.compOV00, Lnodes.remapping=U3.GALP_qnames)</pre>
> U3.uqnames_ncomptx <- countQueryHits(U3.compOV10)</pre>
> names(U3.ugnames_ncomptx) <- U3.ugnames</pre>
> table(U3.uqnames_ncomptx)
U3.uqnames_ncomptx
    0
          1
                2
                       3
                             4
                                    5
                                          6
                                                7
                                                       8
                                                             9
                                                                   10
                                                                         11
                                                                               12
12769 2027 6534 14337 1210 2954 2114
                                                                   89
                                                                        699
                                                                               66
                                                84
                                                     444
                                                           332
> mean(U3.uqnames_ncomptx >= 1)
```

[1] 0.7075288

70.7% of the templates are "splice compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of "splice compatible" templates for each transcript:

```
> U3.exbytx_ncompOV10 <- countSubjectHits(U3.compOV10)</pre>
```

```
> names(U3.exbytx_ncompOV10) <- names(exbytx)</pre>
```

> mean(U3.exbytx\_ncompOV10 >= 50)

```
[1] 0.007061324
```

Only 0.7% of the transcripts in exbytx are "splice compatible" with at least 50 templates.

Top 10 transcripts:

```
> head(sort(U3.exbytx_ncompOV10, decreasing=TRUE), n=10)
```

 FBtr0308296
 FBtr0089175
 FBtr0089176
 FBtr0289951
 FBtr0089243
 FBtr0112904
 FBtr0089187
 FBtr0089186

 7425
 7419
 5227
 2686
 2684
 2640
 2257
 2250

 FBtr0333672
 FBtr0310542
 2206
 1650
 1650
 1650
 1650
 1650

Note that this "top 10" is slightly different from the "top 10" we obtained earlier when we counted **all** the paired-end overlaps.

# 6 Compute the *reference query sequences* and project them on the transcriptome

## 6.1 Compute the *reference query sequences*

The *reference query sequences* are the query sequences **after** alignment, by opposition to the *original query sequences* (aka "true" or "real" query sequences) which are the query sequences **before** alignment.

The *reference query sequences* can easily be computed by extracting the nucleotides mapped to each read from the reference genome. This of course requires that we have access to the reference genome used by the aligner. In Bioconductor, the full genome sequence for the dm3 assembly is stored in the *BSgenome.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3* data package <sup>5</sup>:

```
bioconductor.org/
> library(BSgenome.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3)
                                                                                         packages/release/data/
                                                                                         annotation/ for the
> Dmelanogaster
                                                                                         full list of annotation
Fly genome:
                                                                                         packages available in
                                                                                         the current release of
# organism: Drosophila melanogaster (Fly)
                                                                                         Bioconductor.
# provider: UCSC
# provider version: dm3
# release date: Apr. 2006
# release name: BDGP Release 5
# 15 sequences:
# chr2L
               chr2R
                          chr3L
                                    chr3R
                                               chr4
                                                          chrX
                                                                     chrU
                                                                                chrM
                                                                                          chr2LHet
#
    chr2RHet chr3LHet chr3RHet chrXHet
                                               chrYHet
                                                          chrllextra
# (use 'seqnames()' to see all the sequence names, use the '$' or '[[' operator to access a given
# sequence)
```

To extract the portions of the reference genome corresponding to the ranges in U1.grl, we can use the extractTranscriptSeqs function defined in the *GenomicFeatures* package:

```
> library(GenomicFeatures)
```

```
> U1.GAL_rqseq <- extractTranscriptSeqs(Dmelanogaster, U1.grl)</pre>
```

> head(U1.GAL\_rqseq)

A DNAStringSet instance of length 6

	width	seq	names
[1]	75	$GGACAACCTAGCCAGGAAAGGGGCAGAGAACCC\ldotsGCCCGAACCATTCTGTGGTGTTGGTCACCACAG$	SRR031729.3941844
[2]	75	$CAACAACATCCCGGGAAATGAGCTAGCCGGACAA\ldotsGAAAGGGGCAGAGAACCCTCTAATTGGGCCCGA$	SRR031728.3674563
[3]	75	${\tt CCCAATTAGAGGGTTCTCTGCCCCTTTCCTGGC\ldots} {\tt CGCTAGCTCATTTCCCGGGATGTTGTTGTGTCC}$	SRR031729.8532600
[4]	75	${\tt GTTCTCTGCCCCTTTCCTGGCTAGGTTGTCCGC\ldots}{\tt TCCCGGGATGTTGTTGTGTCCCGGGACCCACCT}$	SRR031729.2779333
[5]	75	${\tt TTCCTGGCTAGGTTGTCCGCTAGCTCATTTCCC\ldots} {\tt TTGTGTCCCGGGACCCACCTTATTGTGAGTTTG}$	SRR031728.2826481
[6]	75	$CAAACTTGGAGCTGTCAACAAACTCACAATAAG\ldotsGGGACACAACAACATCCCGGGAAATGAGCTAGC$	SRR031728.2919098

When reads are paired-end, we need to extract separately the ranges corresponding to their *first* ends (aka *first* segments in BAM jargon) and those corresponding to their *last* ends (aka *last* segments in BAM jargon):

> U3.grl\_first <- grglist(first(U3.GALP, real.strand=TRUE), order.as.in.query=TRUE) > U3.grl\_last <- grglist(last(U3.GALP, real.strand=TRUE), order.as.in.query=TRUE)</pre>

<sup>5</sup>See http://

Then we extract the portions of the reference genome corresponding to the ranges in *GRanges*-*List* objects U3.grl\_first and U3.grl\_last:

```
> U3.GALP_rqseq1 <- extractTranscriptSeqs(Dmelanogaster, U3.grl_first)
> U3.GALP_rqseq2 <- extractTranscriptSeqs(Dmelanogaster, U3.grl_last)</pre>
```

## 6.2 Project the single-end alignments on the transcriptome

The **extractQueryStartInTranscript** function computes for each overlap the position of the *query start* in the transcript:

+ hits=U1.0V00, ovenc=U1.ove	nc)
<pre>&gt; head(subset(U1.0V00_qstart, U1.0V00_is_comp))</pre>	
<pre>startInTranscript firstSpannedExonRank startInFirstSpannedExon</pre>	
1 100 1 100	
8 4229 5 137	
9 4229 5 137	
10 4207 5 115	
11 4207 5 115	
12 4187 5 95	

U1.0V00\_qstart is a data frame with 1 row per overlap and 3 columns:

- 1. startInTranscript: the 1-based start position of the read with respect to the transcript. Position 1 always corresponds to the first base on the 5' end of the transcript sequence.
- 2. firstSpannedExonRank: the rank of the first exon spanned by the read, that is, the rank of the exon found at position startInTranscript in the transcript.
- 3. startInFirstSpannedExon: the 1-based start position of the read with respect to the first exon spanned by the read.

Having this information allows us for example to compare the read and transcript nucleotide sequences for each "splice compatible" overlap. If we use the *reference query sequence* instead of the *original query sequence* for this comparison, then it should match **exactly** the sequence found at the *query start* in the transcript.

Let's start by using extractTranscriptSeqs again to extract the transcript sequences (aka transcriptome) from the dm3 reference genome:

> txseq <- extractTranscriptSeqs(Dmelanogaster, exbytx)</pre>

For each "splice compatible" overlap, the read sequence in U1.GAL\_rqseq must be an *exact* substring of the transcript sequence in exbytx\_seq:

```
> U1.0V00_rqseq <- U1.GAL_rqseq[queryHits(U1.0V00)]</pre>
```

```
> U1.0V00_rqseq[flippedQuery(U1.ovenc)] <- reverseComplement(U1.0V00_rqseq[flippedQuery(U1.ovenc)])</pre>
```

> U1.0V00\_txseq <- txseq[subjectHits(U1.0V00)]</pre>

```
> stopifnot(all(
```

- + U1.0V00\_rqseq[U1.0V00\_is\_comp] ==
- + narrow(U1.0V00\_txseq[U1.0V00\_is\_comp],

+	start=U1.0V00_qstart\$startInTranscript[U1.0V00_is_comp],
+	width=width(U1.0V00_rqseq)[U1.0V00_is_comp])
+ ))	

Because of this relationship between the *reference query sequence* and the transcript sequence of a "splice compatible" overlap, and because of the relationship between the *original query sequences* and the *reference query sequences*, then the edit distance reported in the NM tag is actually the edit distance between the *original query* and the transcript of a "splice compatible" overlap.

## 6.3 Project the paired-end alignments on the transcriptome

For a paired-end read, the *query start* is the start of its "left end".

> U3.0V00_Lqs	> U3.0V00_Lqstart <- extractQueryStartInTranscript(U3.grl, exbytx,						
+		h	its=U3.0V00, ovenc=U3.ovenc)				
> head(subset	(U3.0V00_Lqstart,	U3.0V00_is_comp))					
startInTra	nscript firstSpan	nedExonRank startInFir	stSpannedExon				
2	4118	5	26				
7	3940	4	31				
8	3940	4	31				
9	3692	3	320				
10	3692	3	320				
11	3690	3	318				

Note that extractQueryStartInTranscript can be called with for.query.right.end=TRUE if we want this information for the "right ends" of the reads:

> U3.0V00	> U3.0V00_Rqstart <- extractQueryStartInTranscript(U3.grl, exbytx,					
+			hits=U3.0V00, ovenc=U3.ovenc,			
+			for.query.right.end=TRUE)			
> head(su	bset(U3.0V00_Rqstart)	, U3.0V00_is_comp))				
startI	nTranscript firstSpa	nnedExonRank startIn	FirstSpannedExon			
2	4267	5	175			
7	3948	4	39			
8	3948	4	39			
9	3849	3	477			
10	3849	3	477			
11	3831	3	459			

Like with single-end reads, having this information allows us for example to compare the read and transcript nucleotide sequences for each "splice compatible" overlap. If we use the *reference query sequence* instead of the *original query sequence* for this comparison, then it should match **exactly** the sequences of the "left" and "right" ends of the read in the transcript.

Let's assign the "left and right reference query sequences" to each overlap:

> U3.0V00\_Lrqseq <- U3.GALP\_rqseq1[queryHits(U3.0V00)]</pre>

> U3.0V00\_Rrqseq <- U3.GALP\_rqseq2[queryHits(U3.0V00)]</pre>

For the single-end reads, the sequence associated with a "flipped query" just needed to be "reverse complemented". For paired-end reads, we also need to swap the 2 sequences in the pair:

```
> flip_idx <- which(flippedQuery(U3.ovenc))
> tmp <- U3.0V00_Lrqseq[flip_idx]
> U3.0V00_Lrqseq[flip_idx] <- reverseComplement(U3.0V00_Rrqseq[flip_idx])
> U3.0V00_Rrqseq[flip_idx] <- reverseComplement(tmp)</pre>
```

Let's assign the transcript sequence to each overlap:

```
> U3.0V00_txseq <- txseq[subjectHits(U3.0V00)]</pre>
```

For each "splice compatible" overlap, we expect the "left and right reference query sequences" of the read to be *exact* substrings of the transcript sequence. Let's check the "left reference query sequences":

```
> stopifnot(all(
+ U3.0V00_Lrqseq[U3.0V00_is_comp] ==
+ narrow(U3.0V00_txseq[U3.0V00_is_comp],
+ start=U3.0V00_Lqstart$startInTranscript[U3.0V00_is_comp],
+ width=width(U3.0V00_Lrqseq)[U3.0V00_is_comp])
+ ))
```

and the "right reference query sequences":

```
> stopifnot(all(
+ U3.0V00_Rrqseq[U3.0V00_is_comp] ==
+ narrow(U3.0V00_txseq[U3.0V00_is_comp],
+ start=U3.0V00_Rqstart$startInTranscript[U3.0V00_is_comp],
+ width=width(U3.0V00_Rrqseq)[U3.0V00_is_comp])
+ ))
```

## 7 Align the reads to the transcriptome

Aligning the reads to the reference genome is not the most efficient nor accurate way to count the number of "splice compatible" overlaps per *original query*. Supporting junction reads (i.e. reads that align with at least 1 skipped region in their CIGAR) introduces a significant computational cost during the alignment process. Then, as we've seen in the previous sections, each alignment produced by the aligner needs to be broken into a set of ranges (based on its CIGAR) and those ranges compared to the ranges of the exons grouped by transcript.

A more straightforward and accurate approach is to align the reads directly to the transcriptome, and without allowing the typical skipped region that the aligner needs to introduce when aligning a junction read to the reference genome. With this approach, a "hit" between a read and a transcript is necessarily compatible with the splicing of the transcript. In case of a "hit", we'll say that the read and the transcript are "string-based compatible" (to differentiate from our previous notion of "splice compatible" overlaps that we will call "encoding-based compatible" in this section).

## 7.1 Align the single-end reads to the transcriptome

## 7.1.1 Find the "hits"

The single-end reads are in U1.oqseq, the transcriptome is in exbytx\_seq.

Since indels were not allowed/supported during the alignment of the reads to the reference genome, we don't need to allow/support them either for aligning the reads to the transcriptome. Also since our goal is to find (and count) "splice compatible" overlaps between reads and transcripts, we don't need to keep track of the details of the alignments between the reads and the transcripts. Finally, since BAM file untreated1\_chr4.bam is not the full output of the aligner but the subset obtained by keeping only the alignments located on chr4, we don't need to align U1.oqseq to the full transcriptome, but only to the subset of exbytx\_seq made of the transcripts located on chr4.

With those simplifications in mind, we write the following function that we will use to find the "hits" between the reads and the transcriptome:

```
> ### A wrapper to vwhichPDict() that supports IUPAC ambiguity codes in 'qseq'
> ### and 'txseq', and treats them as such.
> findSequenceHits <- function(qseq, txseq, which.txseq=NULL, max.mismatch=0)
+ {
       .asHits <- function(x, pattern_length)</pre>
+
+
      {
+
           query_hits <- unlist(x)</pre>
           if (is.null(query_hits))
+
+
               query_hits <- integer(0)</pre>
           subject_hits <- rep.int(seq_len(length(x)), elementNROWS(x))</pre>
+
+
           Hits(query_hits, subject_hits, pattern_length, length(x),
                sort.by.query=TRUE)
+
      }
+
+
       .isHitInTranscriptBounds <- function(hits, gseq, txseq)</pre>
+
+
      {
           sapply(seq_len(length(hits)),
+
                function(i) {
+
                    pattern <- qseq[[queryHits(hits)[i]]]</pre>
+
+
                    subject <- txseq[[subjectHits(hits)[i]]]</pre>
+
                    v <- matchPattern(pattern, subject,</pre>
+
                                        max.mismatch=max.mismatch, fixed=FALSE)
+
                    any(1L <= start(v) & end(v) <= length(subject))</pre>
               })
+
+
      }
+
      if (!is.null(which.txseq)) {
+
+
           txseq0 <- txseq</pre>
           txseq <- txseq[which.txseq]</pre>
+
+
      }
+
      names(gseg) <- NULL
+
      other <- alphabetFrequency(qseq, baseOnly=TRUE)[ , "other"]</pre>
+
      is_clean <- other == 0L # "clean" means "no IUPAC ambiguity code"</pre>
```

```
+
+
      ## Find hits for "clean" original queries.
      qseq0 <- qseq[is_clean]</pre>
+
      pdict0 <- PDict(qseq0, max.mismatch=max.mismatch)</pre>
+
      m0 <- vwhichPDict(pdict0, txseq,</pre>
+
+
                          max.mismatch=max.mismatch, fixed="pattern")
      hits0 <- .asHits(m0, length(qseq0))</pre>
+
      hits0@nLnode <- length(qseq)</pre>
+
      hits0@from <- which(is_clean)[hits0@from]</pre>
+
+
+
      ## Find hits for non "clean" original gueries.
      qseq1 <- qseq[!is_clean]</pre>
+
+
      m1 <- vwhichPDict(qseq1, txseq,</pre>
                           max.mismatch=max.mismatch, fixed=FALSE)
+
      hits1 <- .asHits(m1, length(qseq1))</pre>
+
      hits1@nLnode <- length(qseq)</pre>
+
+
      hits1@from <- which(!is_clean)[hits1@from]</pre>
+
+
      ## Combine the hits.
      query_hits <- c(queryHits(hits0), queryHits(hits1))</pre>
+
      subject_hits <- c(subjectHits(hits0), subjectHits(hits1))</pre>
+
+
      if (!is.null(which.txseq)) {
+
           ## Remap the hits.
+
+
           txseq <- txseq0</pre>
           subject_hits <- which.txseq[subject_hits]</pre>
+
           hits0@nRnode <- length(txseq)</pre>
+
      }
+
+
+
      ## Order the hits.
      oo <- orderIntegerPairs(query_hits, subject_hits)</pre>
+
      hits0@from <- query_hits[oo]</pre>
+
      hits0@to <- subject_hits[oo]</pre>
+
+
      if (max.mismatch != OL) {
+
           ## Keep only "in bounds" hits.
+
           is_in_bounds <- .isHitInTranscriptBounds(hits0, qseq, txseq)</pre>
+
           hits0 <- hits0[is_in_bounds]</pre>
+
      }
+
      hits0
+
+ }
```

Let's compute the index of the transcripts in exbytx\_seq located on chr4 (findSequenceHits will restrict the search to those transcripts):

```
> chr4tx <- transcripts(txdb, vals=list(tx_chrom="chr4"))
> chr4txnames <- mcols(chr4tx)$tx_name
> which.txseq <- match(chr4txnames, names(txseq))</pre>
```

We know that the aligner tolerated up to 6 mismatches per read. The 3 following commands find the "hits" for each *original query*, then find the "hits" for each "flipped *original query*", and finally merge all the "hits" (note that the 3 commands take about 1 hour to complete on a modern laptop):

```
> U1.sbcompHITSa <- findSequenceHits(U1.oqseq, txseq,
+ which.txseq=which.txseq, max.mismatch=6)
> U1.sbcompHITSb <- findSequenceHits(reverseComplement(U1.oqseq), txseq,
+ which.txseq=which.txseq, max.mismatch=6)
> U1.sbcompHITS <- union(U1.sbcompHITSa, U1.sbcompHITSb)</pre>
```

#### 7.1.2 Tabulate the "hits"

Number of "string-based compatible" transcripts for each read:

```
> U1.uqnames_nsbcomptx <- countQueryHits(U1.sbcompHITS)</pre>
> names(U1.uqnames_nsbcomptx) <- U1.uqnames</pre>
> table(U1.uqnames_nsbcomptx)
U1.uqnames_nsbcomptx
    0
                2
                      3
                            4
                                               7
                                                      8
                                                                        11
                                                                              12
          1
                                   5
                                         6
                                                            9
                                                                 10
40555 10080 25299 74609 5207 14265 8643
                                              610 3410 2056
                                                                534 4588
                                                                             914
> mean(U1.uqnames_nsbcomptx >= 1)
[1] 0.7874142
```

77.7% of the reads are "string-based compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of "string-based compatible" reads for each transcript:

```
> U1.exbytx_nsbcompHITS <- countSubjectHits(U1.sbcompHITS)</pre>
```

- > names(U1.exbytx\_nsbcompHITS) <- names(exbytx)</pre>
- > mean(U1.exbytx\_nsbcompHITS >= 50)
- [1] 0.008809516

Only 0.865% of the transcripts in exbytx are "string-based compatible" with at least 50 reads.

Top 10 transcripts:

```
> head(sort(U1.exbytx_nsbcompHITS, decreasing=TRUE), n=10)
```

FBtr0308296	FBtr0089175	FBtr0089176	FBtr0089243	FBtr0289951	FBtr0112904	FBtr0089186	FBtr0333672
40548	40389	34275	11605	11579	11548	10059	9742
FBtr0089187	FBtr0089172						
9666	6704						

#### 7.1.3 A closer look at the "hits"

[WORK IN PROGRESS, might be removed or replaced soon...]

Any "encoding-based compatible" overlap is of course "string-based compatible":

> stopifnot(length(setdiff(U1.compOV10, U1.sbcompHITS)) == 0)

but the reverse is not true:

> length(setdiff(U1.sbcompHITS, U1.compOV10))

[1] 13549

#### Align the paired-end reads to the transcriptome 7.2

[COMING SOON...]

#### Detect "almost splice compatible" overlaps 8

In many aspects, "splice compatible" overlaps can be seen as perfect. We are now insterested in a less perfect type of overlap where the read overlaps the transcript in a way that would be "splice compatible" if 1 or more exons were removed from the transcript. In that case we say that the overlap is "almost splice compatible" with the transcript. The isCompatibleWith SkippedExons function can be used on an OverlapEncodings object to detect this type of overlap. Note that isCompatibleWithSkippedExons can also be used on a character vector of factor.

#### Detect "almost splice compatible" single-end overlaps 8.1

#### 8.1.1 "Almost splice compatible" single-end encodings

U1.ovenc contains 7 unique encodings "almost splice compatible" with the splicing of the transcript:

n:am:af:
7
m:am:af:
1015

Encodings "2:jm:am:af:" (1015 occurences in U1.ovenc), "2:jm:am:af:" (144 occurences in U1.ovenc), and "3:jmm:agm:aam:aaf:" (21 occurences in U1.ovenc), correspond to the following overlaps:

"2:jm:am:af:"

<ul> <li>read (1 skipped region)</li> </ul>	:	- 00000		000	
- transcript:		>>>>>>	>>>>	>>>>>>>	

"2:jm:am:am:af:"

- read (1 skipped region): 00000 - - ------000 - transcript: >>>>>>> >>>>>>>> >>>> >>>>> . . . . . . "3:jmm:agm:aam:aaf:"

Finally, let's extract the "almost splice compatible" overlaps from U1.0V00:

```
> U1.acomp0V00 <- U1.0V00[U1.0V00_is_acomp]</pre>
```

### 8.1.2 Tabulate the "almost splice compatible" single-end overlaps

Number of "almost splice compatible" transcripts for each alignment in U1.GAL:

```
> U1.GAL_nacomptx <- countQueryHits(U1.acomp0V00)</pre>
```

> mcols(U1.GAL)\$nacomptx <- U1.GAL\_nacomptx</pre>

```
> head(U1.GAL)
```

GAlignments object with 6 alignments and 3 metadata columns:

- J	· · · <b>,</b> · ·		5							
		seqnames	strand	cigar	qwidth	start	end	width	njunc	
		<rle></rle>	<rle></rle>	<character></character>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	<integer></integer>	1
SRR03172	29.3941844	chr4	-	75M	75	892	966	75	0	
SRR03172	28.3674563	chr4	-	75M	75	919	993	75	0	
SRR03172	29.8532600	chr4	+	75M	75	924	998	75	0	
SRR03172	29.2779333	chr4	+	75M	75	936	1010	75	0	
SRR03172	28.2826481	chr4	+	75M	75	949	1023	75	0	
SRR03172	28.2919098	chr4	-	75M	75	967	1041	75	0	
		ntx	ncor	nptx nacomp	tx					
		<integer></integer>	<integ< td=""><td>ger&gt; <intege< td=""><td><b>^&gt;</b></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></intege<></td></integ<>	ger> <intege< td=""><td><b>^&gt;</b></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></intege<>	<b>^&gt;</b>					
SRR03172	29.3941844	G		Θ	Θ					
SRR03172	28.3674563	G		Θ	Θ					
SRR03172	29.8532600	G		Θ	0					
SRR03172	29.2779333	G		Θ	Θ					
SRR03172	28.2826481	G		Θ	Θ					
SRR03172	28.2919098	G		Θ	Θ					
seqinfo	8 sequen	ces from a	n unspe	ecified genor	ne					
> table(U	l.GAL_naco	mptx)								
U1.GAL_nad	comptx									
Θ	1	2 3	4	5 (	5 7	8	9 10	11	12	
203800	283 10	1 107	19	24 2	2 3	1	3 4	4	4	
> mean(U1.	> mean(U1.GAL_nacomptx >= 1)									
[1] 0.0027	15862									

Only 0.27% of the alignments in U1.GAL are "almost splice compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of "almost splice compatible" alignments for each transcript:

> U1.ex > names > table	(U1.ex	bytx_n	acomp0	V00) <	-			ompOVO0,	)						
U1.exby	tx_nac	omp0V0	0												
Θ	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	12	13	14	17	18
29039	50	8	15	12	2	3	7	5	7	3	2	1	1	1	2
20	21	32	34	44	55	59	77	170							
1	3	2	1	3	2	1	1	1							
	<pre>&gt; mean(U1.exbytx_nacomp0V00 &gt;= 50)</pre>														

Only 0.017% of the transcripts in exbytx are "almost splice compatible" with at least 50 alignments in U1.GAL.

Finally note that the "query start in transcript" values returned by extractQueryStartInTran
script are also defined for "almost splice compatible" overlaps:

> head(subset(U1.0V00_qstart, U1.0V00_is_acomp))								
<pre>startInTranscript firstSpannedExonRank startInFirstSpannedExon</pre>								
144226	133	1	133					
144227	133	1	133					
144240	151	1	151					
144241	151	1	151					
146615	757	7	39					
146616	689	8	39					

## 8.2 Detect "almost splice compatible" paired-end overlaps

#### 8.2.1 "Almost splice compatible" paired-end encodings

U3.ovenc contains 5 unique paired-end encodings "almost splice compatible" with the splicing of the transcript:

Paired-end encodings "2--1:jm--m:am--m (73 occurences in U3.ovenc), "1--2:i--jm:a--am (53 occurences in U3.ovenc), and "2--2:jm--mm:am--mm:af--j (9 occurences in U3.ovenc), correspond to the following paired-end overlaps:

```
"2--1:jm--m:am--m
       - paired-end read (1 skipped region on the first end, no skipped region
                                  000-----0 0000
         on the last end):
       - transcript:
                                >>>>>
                                              . . .
                                                          . . .
  "1--2:i--jm:a--am
       - paired-end read (no skipped region on the first end, 1 skipped region
         on the last end):
                                  0000
                                        00----00
       - transcript:
                                . . .
                                                           . . .
  "2--2:jm--mm:am--mm:af--j
       - paired-end read (1 skipped region on the first end, 1 skipped region
         on the last end):
                                    0----00 00---00
       - transcript:
                                >>>>>
                                        >>>>
                                              >>>>>>>>
                                                        >>>>>>
                          . . .
                                                                  . . .
Note: switch use of "first" and "last" above if the read was "flipped".
> U3.0V00_is_acomp <- isCompatibleWithSkippedExons(U3.ovenc)</pre>
> table(U3.0V00_is_acomp) # 141 "almost splice compatible" paired-end overlaps
U3.0V00_is_acomp
 FALSE
        TRUE
113686
         141
```

Finally, let's extract the "almost splice compatible" paired-end overlaps from U3.0V00:

```
> U3.acomp0V00 <- U3.0V00[U3.0V00_is_acomp]</pre>
```

#### 8.2.2 Tabulate the "almost splice compatible" paired-end overlaps

Number of "almost splice compatible" transcripts for each alignment pair in U3.GALP:

```
> U3.GALP_nacomptx <- countQueryHits(U3.acompOV00)</pre>
> mcols(U3.GALP)$nacomptx <- U3.GALP_nacomptx</pre>
> head(U3.GALP)
GAlignmentPairs object with 6 pairs, strandMode=1, and 3 metadata columns:
                     seqnames strand :
                                                                                    ncomptx nacomptx
                                              ranges --
                                                               ranges |
                                                                              ntx
                        <Rle> <Rle> :
                                                           <IRanges> | <integer> <integer> <integer>
                                           <IRanges> --
                                   + : [ 169, 205] -- [ 326, 362] |
  SRR031715.1138209
                         chr4
                                                                                0
                                                                                           0
                                                                                                     0
                                   + : [ 943, 979] -- [1086, 1122] |
                                                                                                     0
   SRR031714.756385
                         chr4
                                                                                0
                                                                                           0
  SRR031714.5054563
                         chr4
                                   + : [ 946, 982] -- [ 986, 1022] |
                                                                                0
                                                                                           0
                                                                                                     0
  SRR031715.1722593
                                   + : [ 966, 1002] -- [1108, 1144] |
                                                                                           0
                                                                                                     0
                         chr4
                                                                                0
                                   + : [ 966, 1002] -- [1114, 1150] |
  SRR031715.2202469
                         chr4
                                                                                0
                                                                                           0
                                                                                                     0
                                   - : [1087, 1123] -- [ 963, 999] |
                                                                                           0
                                                                                                     0
  SRR031714.3544437
                         chr4
                                                                                0
  - - - - - - - -
  seqinfo: 8 sequences from an unspecified genome
> table(U3.GALP_nacomptx)
U3.GALP_nacomptx
    0
          1
                2
                       3
                             4
                                   5
                                        11
45734
         74
                4
                      13
                             1
                                   1
                                          1
```

> mean(U3.GALP\_nacomptx >= 1)

[1] 0.002051148

Only 0.2% of the alignment pairs in U3.GALP are "almost splice compatible" with at least 1 transcript in exbytx.

Number of "almost splice compatible" alignment pairs for each transcript:

```
> U3.exbytx_nacompOV00 <- countSubjectHits(U3.acompOV00)</pre>
> names(U3.exbytx_nacompOV00) <- names(exbytx)</pre>
> table(U3.exbytx_nacompOV00)
U3.exbytx_nacompOV00
    0
          1
                 5
                       8
                             12
                                   13
                                          66
29143
         22
                 4
                       1
                              1
                                    1
                                           1
> mean(U3.exbytx_nacomp0V00 >= 50)
[1] 3.427827e-05
```

> head(subset(U3.0V00\_Lqstart, U3.0V00\_is\_acomp))

Only 0.0034% of the transcripts in exbytx are "almost splice compatible" with at least 50 alignment pairs in U3.GALP.

Finally note that the "query start in transcript" values returned by extractQueryStartInTran
script are also defined for "almost splice compatible" paired-end overlaps:

	startInTranscript	firstSnannedExonBank	startInFirstSpannedExon
27617	1549	12	45
27629	1562	12	58
27641	1562	12	58
27690	1567	12	63
27812	1549	12	45
42870	659	4	101
> hea	d(subset(U3.0V00_Rd	gstart, U3.0V00_is_acc	((qmc)
	startInTranscript	firstSpannedExonRank	startInFirstSpannedExon
27617	2135	14	115
27629	2135	14	115
27641	2141	14	121
27690	2048	14	28
27812	2136	14	116
42870	866	6	19

# 9 Detect novel splice junctions

## 9.1 By looking at single-end overlaps

An alignment in U1.GAL with "almost splice compatible" overlaps but no "splice compatible" overlaps suggests the presence of one or more transcripts that are not in our annotations.

First we extract the index of those alignments (*nsj* here stands for "novel splice junction"):

```
> U1.GAL_is_nsj <- U1.GAL_nacomptx != 0L & U1.GAL_ncomptx == 0L
> head(which(U1.GAL_is_nsj))
```

 $[1] \ 57972 \ 57974 \ 58321 \ 67251 \ 67266 \ 67267 \\$ 

We make this an index into U1.0V00:

> U1.0V00\_is\_nsj <- queryHits(U1.0V00) %in% which(U1.GAL\_is\_nsj)</pre>

We intersect with U1.0V00\_is\_acomp and then subset U1.0V00 to keep only the overlaps that suggest novel splicing:

```
> U1.0V00_is_nsj <- U1.0V00_is_nsj & U1.0V00_is_acomp
> U1.nsj0V00 <- U1.0V00[U1.0V00_is_nsj]</pre>
```

For each overlap in U1.nsj0V00, we extract the ranks of the skipped exons (we use a list for this as there might be more than 1 skipped exon per overlap):

```
> U1.nsj0V00_skippedex <- extractSkippedExonRanks(U1.ovenc)[U1.0V00_is_nsj]
> names(U1.nsj0V00_skippedex) <- queryHits(U1.nsj0V00)
> table(elementNROWS(U1.nsj0V00_skippedex))
```

Finally, we split U1.nsj0V00\_skippedex by transcript names:

```
> f <- factor(names(exbytx)[subjectHits(U1.nsj0V00)], levels=names(exbytx))
> U1.exbytx_skippedex <- split(U1.nsj0V00_skippedex, f)</pre>
```

U1.exbytx\_skippedex is a named list of named lists of integer vectors. The first level of names (outer names) are transcript names and the second level of names (inner names) are alignment indices into U1.GAL:

```
> head(names(U1.exbytx_skippedex)) # transcript names
[1] "FBtr0300689" "FBtr0300690" "FBtr0330654" "FBtr0309810" "FBtr0306539" "FBtr0306536"
```

Transcript FBtr0089124 receives 7 hits. All of them skip exons 9 and 10:

```
> U1.exbytx_skippedex$FBtr0089124
```

\$`104549`
[1] 9 10
\$`104550`
[1] 9 10
\$`104553`
[1] 9 10
\$`104553`
[1] 9 10
\$`104557`

[1] 9 10

32

\$`104560`
[1] 9 10
\$`104572`
[1] 9 10
\$`104577`
[1] 9 10

Transcript FBtr0089147 receives 4 hits. Two of them skip exon 2, one of them skips exons 2 to 6, and one of them skips exon 10:

> U1.exbytx\_skippedex\$FBtr0089147
\$`72828`
[1] 10
\$`74018`
[1] 2 3 4 5 6
\$`74664`
[1] 2
\$`74670`
[1] 2

A few words about the interpretation of U1.exbytx\_skippedex: Because of how we've conducted this analysis, the aligments reported in U1.exbytx\_skippedex are guaranteed to not have any "splice compatible" overlaps with other known transcripts. All we can say, for example in the case of transcript FBtr0089124, is that the 7 reported hits that skip exons 9 and 10 show evidence of one or more unknown transcripts with a splice junction that corresponds to the gap between exons 8 and 11. But without further analysis, we can't make any assumption about the exons structure of those unknown transcripts. In particular, we cannot assume the existence of an unknown transcript made of the same exons as transcript FBtr0089124 minus exons 9 and 10!

## 9.2 By looking at paired-end overlaps

[COMING SOON...]

## 10 sessionInfo()

> sessionInfo()

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```
Matrix products: default
BLAS: /home/biocbuild/bbs-3.6-bioc/R/lib/libRblas.so
LAPACK: /home/biocbuild/bbs-3.6-bioc/R/lib/libRlapack.so
locale:
 [1] LC_CTYPE=en_US.UTF-8
                                LC_NUMERIC=C
                                                            LC_TIME=en_US.UTF-8
 [4] LC_COLLATE=C
                                LC_MONETARY=en_US.UTF-8
                                                            LC_MESSAGES=en_US.UTF-8
 [7] LC_PAPER=en_US.UTF-8
                                LC_NAME=C
                                                            LC_ADDRESS=C
[10] LC_TELEPHONE=C
                                LC_MEASUREMENT=en_US.UTF-8 LC_IDENTIFICATION=C
attached base packages:
[1] stats4
              parallel stats
                                  graphics grDevices utils
                                                                 datasets methods
                                                                                     base
other attached packages:
 [1] BSgenome.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3_1.4.0
                                                BSgenome_1.46.0
 [3] rtracklayer_1.38.3
                                                TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm3.ensGene_3.2.2
 [5] GenomicFeatures_1.30.3
                                                AnnotationDbi_1.40.0
 [7] pasillaBamSubset_0.16.0
                                                GenomicAlignments_1.14.2
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                                                Biostrings_2.46.0
[11] XVector_0.18.0
                                                SummarizedExperiment_1.8.1
[13] DelayedArray_0.4.1
                                                matrixStats_0.53.1
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                                                GenomicRanges_1.30.3
[17] GenomeInfoDb_1.14.0
                                                IRanges_2.12.0
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                                                BiocGenerics_0.24.0
loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
 [1] Rcpp_0.12.16
                            compiler_3.4.4
                                                    prettyunits_1.0.2
                                                                           progress_1.1.2
 [5] bitops_1.0-6
                            tools_3.4.4
                                                    zlibbioc_1.24.0
                                                                           biomaRt_2.34.2
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                            digest_0.6.15
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                                                                           bit64_0.9-7
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                                                    assertthat_0.2.0
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                            htmltools_0.3.6
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                            RCurl_1.95-4.10
[37] stringi_1.1.7
```