# cqn

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CQN (conditional quantile normalization) for RNA-Seq data

## **Description**

This function implements CQN (conditional quantile normalization) for RNA-Seq data.

# Usage

```
cqn(counts, x, lengths, sizeFactors = NULL, subindex = NULL, tau = 0.5, sqn = TF cqn.fixedlength(counts, x, lengths, sizeFactors = NULL, subindex = NULL, tau = 0.5
```

#### **Arguments**

counts	An object that can be coerced to a matrix of region by sample counts. Ought to have integer values.
Х	This is a covariate whose systematic influence on the counts will be removed. Typically the GC content. Has to have the same length as the number of rows of counts.
lengths	The lengths (in bp) of the regions in counts. Has to have the same length as the number of rows of counts.
sizeFactors	An optional vector of sizeFactors, ie. the sequencing effort of the various samples. If NULL this is calculated as the column sums of counts.
subindex	An optional vector of indices into the rows of counts. If not given, this becomes the indices of genes with row means of counts greater then 50.
tau	This argument is passed to rq, it indicates what quantile is being fit. The default should only be changed by expert users
sqn	This argument indicates whether the residuals from the systematic fit are (subset) quantile normalized. The default should only be changed by expert users.
verbose	Is the function verbose?

#### **Details**

These functions implement the CQN (conditional quantile normalization) for RNA-Seq data. The functions remove a single systematic effect, contained in the argument x, which will typicall be GC content. The effect of lengths will either be modelled as a smooth function (which we recommend), if you are using cqn or as an offset (equivalent to modelling using RPKMs), if you are using cqn.fixedlength.

Final corrected values are equal to value\$y + value\$offset.

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#### Value

A list with the following components

The value of argument counts. counts The value of argument x. lengths The value of argument lengths. The value of argument sizeFactors. In case the argument was NULL, this sizeFactors is the value used internally. subindex The value of argument subindex. In case the argument was NULL, this is the value used internally. The dependent value used in the systematic effect fit. Equal to log2 tranformed reads per millions. The estimated offset. offset offset0 A single number used internally for identifiability. The estimated effect of function 1 (argument x). This is a matrix of function func1 values on a grid. Columns are samples and rows are grid points. grid1 The grid points on which function 1 (argument x) was evaluated. knots1 The knots used for function 1 (argument x). func2 The estimated effect of function 2 (lengths). This is a matrix of function values on a grid. Columns are samples and rows are grid points. The grid points on which function 2 (lengths) was evaluated. grid2 The knots used for function 2 (lengths). knots2

#### Note

Internally, the function uses a custom implementation of subset quantile normalization, contained in the (not exported) SQN2 function.

#### Author(s)

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#### References

Hansen, K.D., Irizarry, R.A. and Wu Z., Removing technical variability in RNA-seq data using conditional quantile normalization, Johns Hopkins, Dept of Biostatistics Working Papers. Working Paper 227, http://www.bepress.com/jhubiostat/paper227

#### See Also

The package vignette.

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cqnplot	Plot the systematic effect estimated as part of a CQN normalization.~

# Description

This function plots the estimated systematic effect which are removed suring CQN normalization.

#### Usage

```
cqnplot(x, n = 1, col = "grey60", ylab = "QR fit", xlab = "", type = "l", lty =
```

#### **Arguments**

Х	The result of a call to eqn; an object of class eqn.
n	Which systematic effect is plotted.
col	A vector of colors, as in plot.
ylab	y-label as in plot.
xlab	x-label as in plot.
type	type, as in plot.
lty	line type, as in plot.
	These arguments are passed to matplot

#### Value

This function is invoked for its side effect.

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# **Examples**

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```

### **Description**

A gene by sample count matrix for 10 samples from from Montgomery et al. Also included is information about these genes (length and gc content) as well as sequencing depth for each of the samples.

#### Usage

```
data(montgomery.subset)
data(sizeFactors.subset)
data(uCovar)
```

#### **Format**

montgomery. subset is a data frame with 23552 observations on 10 different samples, the column names are the sample ids. sizeFactors.subset a a named vector of length 10 containing the number of mapped reads for each of the 10 samples. uCovar is a data frame with 23552 observations on 2 different covariates: gc content and genic length in bp.

#### **Details**

Gene models are union models based on Ensembl 61. These gene models were constructed using Genominator. Genes that have zero counts in all 10 samples were excluded.

# References

SB Montgomery, M Sammeth, M Gutierrez-Arcelus, RP Lach, C Ingle, J Nisbett, R Guigo, ET Dermitzakis, (2010) "Transcriptome genetics using second generation sequencing in a Caucasian population". Nature 464(7289), 773-777.

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