Package 'spiky'

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Description

spiky implements methods and model generation for cfMeDIP (cell-free methylated DNA immunoprecipitation) with spike-in controls. CfMeDIP is an enrichment protocol which avoids destructive conversion of scarce template, making it ideal as a ``liquid biopsy,'' but creating certain challenges in comparing results across specimens, subjects, and experiments. The use of synthetic spike-in standard oligos allows diagnostics performed with cfMeDIP to quantitatively compare samples across subjects, experiments, and time points in both relative and absolute terms.

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add_frag_info *decode fragment identifiers for spike-in standards*

Description

given a vector of fragment identifiers like 160_2_35 or 80b_1C_35G-2, encoded typically as length-InBp_numberOfCpGs_GCpercent, and optionally a database of spike-in sequences corresponding to those fragments, add those columns to the source data (along with, if present in the database, other metadata such as standard concentrations, GC fraction, etc.) and return i an updated DataFrame.

Usage

```
add_frag_info(x, frag_grp = "frag_grp", spike = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	data.frame with a column of spike information (see above)
frag_grp	column name for the spike contig information (frag_grp)
spike	optional database of spike-in properties (none)

Value

the data.frame x, augmented with metadata columns

Examples

```
data(spike_cram_counts)
data(spike, package="spiky")
spike <- subset(spike, methylated == 1)
add_frag_info(spike_cram_counts, spike=spike)
```

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bam_to_bins   *create a tiled representation of a genome from the BAM/CRAM file*

Description

This function replaces a bedtools call: bedtools intersect -wao -a fragments.bed -b hg38_300bp_windows.bed > data.bed

Usage

```
bam_to_bins(x, width = 300, param = NULL, which = IRangesList(), ...)
```

Arguments

x	a BAM or CRAM filename (or a BamFile object)
width	the width of the bins to tile (default is 300)
param	optional ScanBamParam (whence we attempt to extract which)
which	an optional GRanges restricting the bins to certain locations
...	additional arguments to pass on to seqinfo_from_header

Details

The idea is to skip the BED creation step for most runs, and just do it once. In order to count reads in bins, we need bins. In order to have bins, we need to know how long the chromosomes are. In order to have a BAM or CRAM file, we need to have those same lengths. This function takes advantage of all of the above to create binned ranges. Note that a very recent branch of Rsamtools is required for CRAM file bins.

Value

a GRangesList with y-base-pair-wide bins tiled across it

See Also

seqinfo_from_header

Examples

```
library(Rsamtools)
fl <- system.file("extdata", "ex1.bam", package="Rsamtools", mustWork=TRUE)
bam_to_bins(fl)
```

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bin_pmol   *Binned estimation of picomoles of DNA present in cfMeDIP assays*

Description

Given the results of model_glm_pmol and predict_pmol, adjust the predictions to reflect picomoles of captured DNA overlapping a given bin in the genome.

Usage

```
bin_pmol(x)
```

Arguments

x   results from predict_pmol (a data.frame or GRanges)

Value

```
 the same object, but with a column `adjusted_pred_con`
```

See Also

model_glm_pmol

predict_pmol

Examples

```
data(spike, package="spiky")
data(spike_res, package="spiky")
data(genomic_res,package="spiky")
fit <- model_glm_pmol(covg_to_df(spike_res, spike=spike),spike=spike)
pred <- predict_pmol(fit, genomic_res, ret="df")
bin_pmol(pred)
```

---

convertPairedGRtoGR   *Convert Pairs to GRanges*

Description

Convert Pairs to GRanges

Usage

```
convertPairedGRtoGR(pairs)
```

Arguments

pairs   the Pairs object

Value

a GRanges

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covg_to_df	*reshape* scan_spiked_bam *results into data.frames for model_glm_pmol*

Description

reshape scan_spiked_bam results into data.frames for model_glm_pmol

Usage

```
covg_to_df(spike_gr, spike, meth = TRUE, ID = NULL)
```

Arguments

spike_gr   GRanges of spike contigs (e.g. output object from scan_spiked_bam, scan_spike_contigs, or scan_spike_bedpe)

spike   spike database (as from data(spike, package="spiky"))

meth   only keep methylated spike reads? (TRUE; if FALSE, sum both)

ID   an identifier for this sample, if running several (autogenerate)

Value

a data.frame with columns 'frag_grp', 'id', and 'read_count'

See Also

scan_spiked_bam

Examples

```
data(spike, package="spiky")
data(spike_res, package="spiky")
subsetted <- covg_to_df(spike_res, spike=spike, meth=TRUE)
summed <- covg_to_df(spike_res, spike=spike, meth=FALSE)
round((summed$read_count - subsetted$read_count) / summed$read_count, 3)
```

---

dedup	*spike-in counts for two samples, as a wide data.frame*

Description

A data.frame with spike-in results from control samples in the manuscript. This maps 1:1 onto `spike_read_counts` using reshape2::melt.

Usage

```
data(dedup)
```

Format

A data.frame object with

frag_grp the encoded spike contig name: basepairs_CpGs_GCpercent

read_count_6547 read coverage for this spike in sample 6547

read_count_6548 read coverage for this spike in sample 6548

Source

This data was created using inst/script/loadDedup.R

---

find_spike_contigs	*find spike-in seqlevels in an object* x, *where !is.null(seqinfo(x))*

Description

Find the spike-like contigs in a BAM with both natural and spiked contigs. This started out as glue in some other functions and got refactored out.

Usage

```
find_spike_contigs(x, spike)
```

Arguments

x	something with seqlevels
spike	a DataFrame with spike-in information

Details

The indices have an attribute "mappings", which is a character vector such that attr(find_spike_contigs(x), "mappings") == standardized for all contig names in the CRAM/BAM/whatever, and standardized is the rowname in `spike` that corresponds to the original contig name.

Value

indices of which contigs in seqlevels(x) are spike-in contigs

See Also

get_base_name

rename_spike_seqlevels

Examples

```
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
si <- seqinfo_from_header(sb)
data(spike, package="spiky")
find_spike_contigs(si, spike=spike)
```

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genbank_mito   *various mitochondrial genomes sometimes used as endogenous spike-*
                                ins

Description

A DataFrame with species, genome, accession, and sequence for GenBank mitochondrial genome
depositions. No concentration provided; add if needed.

Usage

data(genbank_mito)

Format

A DataFrame object with

species the species whence the record came, as a character string

genome the genome assembly whence the mtDNA, as a character string

accession the genbank accession, as a character string

sequence genome sequence, as a DNAStringSet

Source

www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genbank/

generate_spike_fasta *for CRAM files, a FASTA reference is required to decode; this builds that*

Description

A FASTA reference is *not* always needed, so long as .crai indices are available for all contigs in the CRAM. See spike_counts for a fast and convenient alternative that extracts spike coverage from index stats. However, spike_counts has its own issues, and it's better to use fragments.

Usage

```
generate_spike_fasta(bam, spike, assembly = NULL, fa = "spike_contigs.fa")
```

Arguments

bam	a BAM or CRAM file, hopefully with an index
spike	the spike contig database (mandatory as of 0.9.99)
assembly	optional BSgenome or seqinfo with reference contigs (NULL)
fa	the filename for the resulting FASTA ("spikes.fa")

Details

If the contigs in a CRAM have even slightly different names from those in the reference, decoding will fail. In some cases there are multiple names for a given contig (which raises the question of whether to condense them), and thus the same reference sequence decodes multiple contig names.

This function generates an appropriate spike reference for a BAM or CRAM, using BAM/CRAM headers to figure out which references are used for which.

At the moment, CRAM support in Rsamtools only exists in the GitHub branch:

BiocManager::install("Bioconductor/Rsamtools@cram")

Using other versions of Rsamtools will yield an error on CRAM files.

Note that for merged genomic + spike reference BAMs/CRAMs, this function will only attempt to generate a FASTA for the spike contigs, not reference. If your reference contigs are screwed up, talk to your sequencing people, and keep better track of the FASTA reference against which you compress!

Value

```
    invisibly, a DNAStringSet as exported to `fa`
```

See Also

```
    rename_contigs
```

Examples

```
library(GenomicRanges)
data(spike, package="spiky")
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
outFasta <- paste(system.file("extdata", package="spiky", mustWork=TRUE),"/spike_contigs.fa",sep="")
show(generate_spike_fasta(sb, spike=spike,fa=outFasta))
```

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genomic_res   *A Granges object with genomic coverage from chr21q22, binned every 300bp for the genomic contigs then averaged across the bin. (In other words, the default output of scan_genomic_contigs or scan_genomic_bedpe, restricted to a small enough set of genomic regions to be practical for examples.) This represents what most users will want to generate from their own genomic BAMs or BEDPEs, and is used repeatedly in downstream examples throughout the package.*

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Usage

```
data(genomic_res)
```

Format

A GRanges of coverage results with one metadata column, coverage

Source

Generated using scan_genomic_bedpe or scan_genomic_contigs on an example bedpe or bam containing chr21q22 contigs.

---

get_base_name *refactored out of rename_spikes and rename_spike_seqlevels*

Description

A common task between generate_spike_fasta, rename_spikes, and rename_spike_seqlevels is to determine what the largest common subset of characters between existing contig names and stored standardized contigs might be. This function eases that task.

Usage

```
get_base_name(contig_names, sep = "_")
```

Arguments

contig_names	the names of contigs
sep	separator character in contig names ("_")

Value

a vector of elements 1:3 from each contig name

Examples

```
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
bh <- scanBamHeader(BamFile(sb))
orig_contigs <- names(bh$targets)
get_base_name(orig_contigs)
```

---

get_binned_coverage *tabulate read coverage in predefined bins*

Description

refactored out of scan_spiked_bam

Usage

```
get_binned_coverage(bins, covg)
```

Arguments

bins	the GRanges with bins
covg	the coverage result (an RleList)

Value

    a GRanges of summarized coverage

See Also

    get_spiked_coverage

    scan_spiked_bam

Examples

```
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
data(spike,package="spiky")
si <- seqinfo_from_header(sb)
genome(si) <- "spike"
mgr <- get_merged_gr(si,spike=spike)
fl <- scanBamFlag(isDuplicate=FALSE, isPaired=TRUE, isProperPair=TRUE)
bp <- ScanBamParam(flag=fl)
bamMapqFilter(bp) <- 20

covg <- get_spiked_coverage(sb, bp=bp, gr=mgr)
get_binned_coverage(bins=GRanges(), covg=covg)
```

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get_merged_gr   *get a GRanges of (by default, standard) chromosomes from seqinfo*

Description

refactored from scan_spiked_bam to clarify information flow

Usage

```
get_merged_gr(si, spike, standard = TRUE)
```

Arguments

si	seqinfo, usually from a BAM/CRAM file with spike contigs
spike	database of spike-in standard sequence features (spike)
standard	trim to standard chromosomes? (TRUE)

Details

By default, get_merged_gr will return a GRanges with "standardized" genomic and spike contig names (i.e. genomic chr1-22, X, Y, M, and the canonical spike names in data(spike, package="spiky")).

The constraint to "standard" chromosomes on genomic contigs can be removed by setting standard to FALSE in the function arguments.

Value

GRanges with two genomes: the organism assembly and "spike"

Examples

```
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
si <- seqinfo_from_header(sb)
genome(si) <- "spike" # no genomic contigs
data(spike, package="spiky")
get_merged_gr(si, spike=spike) # note canonicalized spikes
```

---

get_spiked_coverage	*tabulate coverage across assembly and spike contig subset in natural order*

Description

FIXME: this is wicked slow, ask Herve if a faster version exists

Usage

```
get_spiked_coverage(bf, bp, gr)
```

Arguments

bf	the BamFile object
bp	the ScanBamParam object
gr	the GRanges with sorted seqlevels

Details

Refactored from scan_spiked_bam, this is a very simple wrapper

Value

a list of Rles

See Also

scan_spiked_bam

coverage

Examples

```
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                    mustWork=TRUE)
si <- seqinfo_from_header(sb)
genome(si) <- "spike"
data(spike, package="spiky")
mgr <- get_merged_gr(si, spike=spike) # note canonicalized spikes

fl <- scanBamFlag(isDuplicate=FALSE, isPaired=TRUE, isProperPair=TRUE)
bp <- ScanBamParam(flag=fl)
bamMapqFilter(bp) <- 20
get_spiked_coverage(sb, bp=bp, gr=mgr)
```

---

get_spike_depth   *get the (max, median, or mean) coverage for spike-in contigs from a*
                           BAM/CRAM

Description

get the (max, median, or mean) coverage for spike-in contigs from a BAM/CRAM

Usage

```
get_spike_depth(covg, spike_gr = NULL, spike = NULL, how = c("max", "mean"))
```

Arguments

covg	the coverage RleList
spike_gr	the spike-in GRanges (default: figure out from seqinfo)
spike	information about the spikes (default: load spike)
how	how to summarize the per-spike coverage (max)

Value

a GRanges with summarized coverage and features for each

Examples

```
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                    mustWork=TRUE)
data(spike, package="spiky")
si <- seqinfo_from_header(sb)
genome(si) <- "spike"
mgr <- get_merged_gr(si,spike=spike)

fl <- scanBamFlag(isDuplicate=FALSE, isPaired=TRUE, isProperPair=TRUE)
bp <- ScanBamParam(flag=fl)
```

```
bamMapqFilter(bp) <- 20

covg <- get_spiked_coverage(sb, bp=bp, gr=mgr)
get_spike_depth(covg, spike_gr=mgr, spike=spike)
```

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kmax   *simple contig kmer comparisons*

Description

simple contig kmer comparisons

Usage

```
kmax(km, normalize = TRUE)
```

Arguments

km   kmer summary

normalize   normalize (divide by row sums)? (TRUE)

Value

          the most common kmers for each contig, across all contigs

Examples

```
data(genbank_mito, package="spiky")
mtk6 <- kmers(genbank_mito, k=6)
rownames(mtk6) <- paste0(rownames(mtk6), "_MT")
kmax(mtk6)

data(phage, package="spiky")
phk6 <- kmers(phage, k=6)
kmax(phk6, normalize=FALSE)

stopifnot(identical(colnames(phk6), colnames(mtk6)))
k6 <- rbind(mtk6, phk6)
kmax(k6)
```

kmers   *oligonucleotideFrequency, but less letters and more convenient.*

Description

oligonucleotideFrequency, but less letters and more convenient.

Usage

```
kmers(x, k = 6)
```

Arguments

x   BSgenome, DFrame with sequence column, or DNAStringSet

k   the length of the kmers (default is 6)

Details

The companion kmax function finds the maximum frequency kmer for each contig and plots all of them together for comparison purposes.

Value

a matrix of contigs (rows) by kmer frequencies (columns)

See Also

kmax

Examples

```
data(genbank_mito, package="spiky")
mtk6 <- kmers(genbank_mito, k=6)
kmax(mtk6)

data(phage, package="spiky")
phk6 <- kmers(phage, k=6)
kmax(phk6)
```

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methylation_specificity

compute methylation specificity for spike-in standards

Description

In a cfMeDIP experiment, the yield of methylated fragments should be >95% (ideally 98-99%) due to the nature of the assay.

Usage

```
methylation_specificity(spike_gr, spike)
```

Arguments

spike_gr   GRanges of spike contigs (e.g. output object from scan_spiked_bam, scan_spike_contigs, or scan_spike_bedpe)

spike   spike contig database, if needed (e.g. data(spike))

Value

list with median and mean coverage across spike contigs

Examples

```
data(genomic_res)
data(spike_res)
data(spike, package="spiky")
methylation_specificity(spike_res, spike=spike)
```

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model_bam_standards   *Build a Bayesian additive model from spike-ins to correct bias in *-seq*

Description

Build a Bayesian additive model from spike-ins to correct bias in *-seq

Usage

```
model_bam_standards(x, conc = NULL, fm = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	data with assorted feature information (GCfrac, CpGs, etc)
conc	concentration for each spike (must be provided!)
fm	model formula (conc ~ read_count + fraglen + GCfrac + CpGs_3)
...	other arguments to pass to `bamlss`

Value

the model fit for the data

Examples

```
library(bamlss)
data(spike_cram_counts,package="spiky")
data(spike,package="spiky")
scc <- add_frag_info(spike_cram_counts, spike=spike)
scc$conc <- scc$conc * 0.9 # adjust for dilution
scc$CpGs_3 <- scc$CpGs ^ (1/3)
fit0 <- model_bam_standards(scc,
                            fm=conc ~ read_count + fraglen)
fit1 <- model_bam_standards(scc,
                            fm=conc ~ read_count + fraglen + GCfrac + CpGs_3)
DIC(fit0, fit1)
```

---

model_glm_pmol	*Build a generalized linear model from spike-ins to correct bias in cfMeDIP*

Description

formerly '2020_model_glm_fmol'. Note that everything in x can be had from a BAM/CRAM with spike contigs named as frag_grp (len_CpGs_GC) in the index and in fact that is what scan_spiked_bam now does.

Usage

```
model_glm_pmol(x, spike, conc = NULL, ...)
```

Arguments

x	data w/frag_grp, id, and read_count; or scan_spiked_bam result
spike	spike database, e.g. `data(spike, package='spiky')`
conc	concentration for each spike (will be referenced if NULL)
...	other arguments to pass to `glm` (e.g. `family`)

Value

```
the model fit for the data
```

Examples

```
data(spike, package="spiky")

data(spike_read_counts, package="spiky")
fit1 <- model_glm_pmol(spike_read_counts, spike=spike)

data(spike_res) # scan_spiked_bam result
fit2 <- model_glm_pmol(spike_res, spike=spike)
```

| parse_spike_UMI | *parse out the forward and reverse UMIs and contig for a BED/BAM* |

Description

parse out the forward and reverse UMIs and contig for a BED/BAM

Usage

```
parse_spike_UMI(UMI, pos = NULL, seqs = NULL)
```

Arguments

UMI	a vector of UMIs
pos	optional vector of positions (else all are set to 1)
seqs	optional vector of read sequences (else widths default to 96)

Value

a GRanges

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phage	*lambda and phiX phage sequences, sometimes used as spike-ins*

Description

A DataFrame with sequence, methylated, CpGs, GCfrac, and OECpG for phages

Usage

```
data(phage)
```

Format

A DataFrame object with

sequence genome sequence, as a DNAStringSet

methylated whether CpGs are methylated, as an integer

CpGs the number of CpGs in the phage genome, as an integer

GCfrac the GC fraction of the phage genome, as a numeric

OECpG the observed / expected CpG fraction, as a numeric

Source

www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/genbank/

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predict_pmol	*predict picomoles of DNA from a fit and read counts (coverage)*

Description

FIXME: this could be made MUCH faster by precomputing CpG/GC stats per bin

Usage

```
predict_pmol(
  fit,
  genomic_gr,
  bsgenome = NULL,
  ret = c("gr", "df"),
  slide = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

`fit`	result of model_glm_pmol
`genomic_gr`	the genomic data / new data
`bsgenome`	BSgenome name (if null, will guess from genomic_gr)
`ret`	return a data.frame ("df") or GRanges ("gr")? ("gr")
`slide`	compute a sliding window estimate for GCfrac (1/3 width)?

Details

Using GRanges as the return value is (perhaps counterintuitively) *much* faster than the data.frame, since the sequence of the bins gets converted from a BSgenome representation to characters in the latter (it is implied by the bin start, stop, and genome when left as a GRanges).

Value

object with read count, fraglen, GC%, CpG**(1/3), and concentration

Examples

```
data(spike_res)
data(genomic_res)
data(spike, package="spiky")
fit <- model_glm_pmol(covg_to_df(spike_res, spike=spike),spike=spike)
preddf <- predict_pmol(fit, genomic_res, ret="df")
pred <- predict_pmol(fit, genomic_res, ret="gr")
bin_pmol(pred)
```

---

process_spikes	*QC, QA, and processing for a new spike database*

Description

Sequence feature verification: never trust anyone, least of all yourself.

Usage

```
process_spikes(fasta, methylated = 0, ...)
```

Arguments

`fasta`	fasta file (or GRanges or DataFrame) w/spike sequences
`methylated`	whether CpGs in each are methylated (0 or 1, default 0)
`...`	additional arguments, e.g. kernels (currently unused)

Details

GCfrac is the GC content of spikes as a proportion instead of a percent. OECpG is (observed/expected) CpGs (expectation is 25% of GC dinucleotides).

Value

a DataFrame suitable for downstream processing

See Also

kmers

Examples

```
data(spike)
spikes <- system.file("extdata", "spikes.fa", package="spiky", mustWork=TRUE)
spikemeth <- spike$methylated
process_spikes(spikes, spikemeth)

data(phage)
phages <- system.file("extdata", "phages.fa", package="spiky", mustWork=TRUE)
identical(process_spikes(phage), phage)
identical(phage, process_spikes(phage))

data(genbank_mito)
(mt <- process_spikes(genbank_mito)) # see also genbank_mito.R
gb_mito <- system.file("extdata", "genbank_mito.R", package="spiky")
```

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read_bedpe   *read a BEDPE file into Pairs of GRanges (as if a GAlignmentPairs or*
                              similar)

Description

read a BEDPE file into Pairs of GRanges (as if a GAlignmentPairs or similar)

Usage

```
read_bedpe(
  x,
  ...,
  stranded = FALSE,
  fraglen = TRUE,
  optional = FALSE,
  keep = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

x	a Tabixed BEDPE file, or a TabixFile of one
...	additional arguments to pass to scanTabix internally
stranded	Is the data stranded? (FALSE)
fraglen	compute the fragment length? (TRUE)
optional	scan the optional columns (name, score, strand1)? (FALSE)
keep	keep additional columns? (FALSE)

Details

```
BEDPE import in R is a shambles. This is a bandaid on a GSW.
    See the \href{https://bedtools.readthedocs.io/en/latest/content/general-usage.html#bedpe-fo
        In short, for a pair of ranges 1 and 2, we have fields
        chrom1, start1, end1, chrom2, start2, end2, and (optionally)
        name, score, strand1, strand2, plus any other user defined
        fields that may be included (these are not yet supported
        by read_bedpe). For example, two valid BEDPE lines are:

        chr1  100   200   chr5  5000  5100  bedpe_example1  30
        chr9  900   5000  chr9  3000  3800  bedpe_example2  99  +  -
```

Value

a Pairs of GRanges, perhaps with $score or $fraglen

See Also

```
bedpe_covg
```

Examples

```
## Not run:
  bedpe <- "GSM5067076_2020_A64_bedpe.bed.gz"
  WT1_hg38 <- GRanges("chr11", IRanges(32387775, 32435564), "-")
  read_bedpe(bedpe, param=WT1_hg38)

## End(Not run)
```

---

rename_spikes	*for BAM/CRAM files with renamed contigs, we need to rename* spike *rows*

Description

This function does that.

Usage

```
rename_spikes(x, spike)
```

Arguments

x	a BAM/CRAM file, hopefully with an index
spike	a DataFrame where spike$sequence is a DNAStringSet

Value

```
a DataFrame with renamed contigs (rows)
```

See Also

generate_spike_fasta

---

rename_spike_seqlevels

for spike-in contigs in GRanges, match to standardized spike seqlevels

---

Description

This function is essentially the opposite of rename_spikes, except that it works well on GRanges/GAlignments from or for merged genome+spike BAMs. If spike contigs are found, it will assign genome='spike' to those, while changing the seqlevels to standardized names that match rownames(spike).

Usage

```
rename_spike_seqlevels(x, spike = NULL)
```

Arguments

x	something with seqlevels (GRanges, GAlignments, Seqinfo...)
spike	a DataFrame where spike$sequence is a DNAStringSet (or NULL)

Value

```
x, but with standardized spike seqlevels and genomes
```

See Also

```
rename_spikes
```

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scan_genomic_bedpe   *Scan genomic BEDPE*

Description

Scan genomic BEDPE

Usage

```
scan_genomic_bedpe(
  bedpe,
  bin = TRUE,
  binwidth = 300L,
  bins = NULL,
  standard = TRUE,
  genome = "hg38"
)
```

Arguments

bedpe	the BEDPE file path, or output from read_bedpe()
bin	Bin reads? (TRUE)
binwidth	width of the bins for chromosomal tiling (300)
bins	a pre-tiled GRanges for binning coverage (NULL)
standard	restrict non-spike contigs to "standard" chromosomes? (TRUE)
genome	Name of genome (default hg38)

Value

a GRanges with coverage

Examples

```
fl <- system.file("extdata", "example_chr21_bedpe.bed.gz", package="spiky",mustWork=TRUE)
scan_genomic_bedpe(fl) # will warn user about spike contigs
```

---

scan_genomic_contigs   *scan genomic contigs in a BAM/CRAM file*

Description

The default workflow for spiky is roughly as follows:

Usage

```
scan_genomic_contigs(
  bam,
  spike,
  param = NULL,
  bin = TRUE,
  binwidth = 300L,
  bins = NULL,
  standard = TRUE,
  genome = "hg38",
  ...
)
```

Arguments

bam	the BAM or CRAM filename, or a vector of them
spike	the spike-in reference database (e.g. data(spike))
param	a ScanBamParam object specifying which reads to count (NULL)
bin	Bin reads? (TRUE)
binwidth	width of the bins for chromosomal tiling (300)
bins	a pre-tiled GRanges for binning coverage (NULL)
standard	restrict non-spike contigs to "standard" chromosomes? (TRUE)
genome	Name of genome (default hg38)
...	additional arguments to pass to scanBamFlag()

Details

1. Identify and quantify the spike-in contigs in an experiment.

2. Fit a model for sequence-based abundance artifacts using the spike-ins.

3. Quantify raw fragment abundance on genomic contigs, and adjust per step 2.

scan_genomic_contigs addresses the first half of step 3. The assumption is that anything which isn't a spike contig, is a genomic contig. This isn't necessarily true, so the user can also supply a ScanBamParam object for the param argument and restrict scanning to whatever contigs they wish, which also allows for non-default MAPQ, pairing, and quality filters.

If multiple BAM or CRAM filenames are provided, all indices will be checked before attempting to run through any of the files.

Value

a CompressedGRangesList with bin- and spike-level coverage

See Also

Rsamtools::ScanBamParam

Examples

```
library(Rsamtools)
data(spike, package="spiky")

fl <- system.file("extdata", "ex1.bam", package="Rsamtools",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
scan_genomic_contigs(fl, spike=spike,standard=FALSE) # will warn user about spike contigs

sb <- system.file("extdata", "example_chr21.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
scan_genomic_contigs(sb, spike=spike) # will warn user about genomic contigs
```

---

scan_methylation_specificity

tabulate methylation specificity for multiple spike-in BAM/CRAM files

---

Description

Methylation specificity is here defined as methylated_spike_covg/spike_covg

Usage

```
scan_methylation_specificity(files, spike, sep = "_")
```

Arguments

files	a vector of BAM/CRAM file names
spike	a spike-in database
sep	the separator for spike-in contig names ("_")

Value

a matrix with columns "mean" and "median"

Examples

```
data(spike)
library(GenomicRanges)
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
scan_methylation_specificity(sb, spike=spike)
```

---

scan_spiked_bam *pretty much what it says: scan standard chroms + spike contigs from a BAM*

Description

Note: behind the scenes, this is being refactored into scan_spike_contigs and scan_genomic_contigs. Once that is done, perhaps before release, the default workflow will switch to

Usage

```
scan_spiked_bam(
  bam,
  spike,
  mapq = 20,
  binwidth = 300L,
  bins = NULL,
  how = c("max", "mean"),
  dupe = FALSE,
  paired = TRUE,
  standard = TRUE,
  ...
)
```

Arguments

bam	the BAM file
spike	the spike-in reference database (e.g. data(spike))
mapq	minimum mapq value to count a pair (20)
binwidth	width of the bins for chromosomal tiling (300)
bins	a pre-tiled GRanges for binning coverage (NULL)
how	how to record spike read coverage (max or mean)? (max)
dupe	unique (FALSE), duplicte (TRUE), or all (NA) reads? (FALSE)
paired	restrict coverage to that from properly paired reads? (TRUE)
standard	restrict non-spike contigs to "standard" chromosomes? (TRUE)
...	additional arguments to pass to scanBamFlag()

Details

1. scan spike contigs and count fragments per contig or per bin.

2. fit the appropriate model for adjusting genomic contigs based on spikes.

3. scan and adjust binned fragment tallies along genomic contigs per above.

This approach decouples binning schemes from model generation (using spikes) and model-based adjustment (using genomic fragment counts), decreasing code complexity while increasing the opportunities for caching & parallelization.

For a more realistic example (not run), one might do something like:

data(spike, package="spiky"); bam <- "2021_ctl.hg38_withSpikes.bam"; ssb_res <- scan_spiked_bam(bam, mapq=20, spike=spike);

An extract from the resulting `ssb_res` object is available via

data(ssb_res, package="spiky");

The full ssb_res is a GRangesList object with 300bp-binned coverage on the standard (chr1-22, chrX, chrY, chrM) chromosomes (as determined by the GenomeInfoDb::standardChromosomes() function against the assembly defined in the BAM or CRAM file, by default; if desired, a user can scan all genomic contigs by setting standard=FALSE when calling the function). By default, the mean base-level coverage of genomic bins is reported, and the maximum spike-level coverage is reported, though this can also be adjusted as needed. The results then inform the reliability of measurements from replicate samples in multiple labs, as well as the adjusted quantitative coverage in each bin once the absolute quantity of captured cell-free methylated DNA has been fit by model_glm_pmol and predict_pmol. In some sense, this function converts BAMs/CRAMs into usable data structures for high-throughput standardized cfMeDIP experiments.

The data extract used in other examples is the same as the full version, with the sole difference being that genomic bins are limited to chr22.

Value

a CompressedGRangesList with bin- and spike-level coverage

See Also

GenomeInfoDb::keepStandardChromosomes

Rsamtools::ScanBamParam

Examples

```
library(GenomicRanges)
data(spike, package="spiky")
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
res <- scan_spiked_bam(sb, spike=spike, bins=GRanges())
summary(res$spikes$coverage)
```

---

scan_spike_bedpe   *Scan spikes BEDPE*

Description

Scan spikes BEDPE

Usage

```
scan_spike_bedpe(bedpe, spike, how = "max")
```

Arguments

bedpe	the BEDPE file path, or output from read_bedpe()
spike	information about the spikes (default: load spike)
how	how to summarize the per-spike coverage (max)

Value

```
a GRanges with coverage
```

Examples

```
data(spike, package="spiky")
fl <- system.file("extdata", "example_spike_bedpe.bed.gz", package="spiky",mustWork=TRUE)
scan_spike_bedpe(fl,spike=spike) # will warn user about spike contigs
```

---

scan_spike_contigs   *pretty much what it says: scan spike contigs from a BAM or CRAM file*

Description

default workflow is

Usage

```
scan_spike_contigs(bam, spike, how = "max", param = NULL, mc.cores = 16, ...)
```

Arguments

bam	the BAM or CRAM filename, or a vector of such filenames
spike	the spike-in reference database (e.g. data(spike))
how	how to summarize the per-spike coverage (max)
param	a ScanBamParam object, or NULL (will default to MAPQ=20 etc)
mc.cores	Number of cores to run on (default 16)
...	additional arguments to pass to scanBamFlag()

Details

1. scan spike contigs and count fragments per contig or per bin.

2. fit the appropriate model for adjusting genomic contigs based on spikes.

3. scan and adjust binned fragment tallies along genomic contigs per above.

scan_spike_contigs implements step 1.

If multiple BAM or CRAM filenames are provided, all indices will be checked before attempting to run through any of the files.

Value

a CompressedGRangesList with bin- and spike-level coverage

See Also

Rsamtools::ScanBamParam

Examples

```
library(GenomicRanges)
data(spike, package="spiky")
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE) # switch to a CRAM
res <- scan_spike_contigs(sb, spike=spike) # use default ScanBamParam
summary(res)
```

| scan_spike_counts | *run spike_counts on BAM/CRAM files and shape the results for model_glm_pmol* |

Description

Typically one will want to fit a correction model to multiple samples. This function eases this task by merging the output of spike_counts into a data.frame that model_glm_pmol can directly fit.

Usage

```
scan_spike_counts(files, spike, methylated = 1, sep = "_")
```

Arguments

files	a vector of BAM/CRAM file names
spike	a spike-in database
methylated	a logical (0/1) to include only methylated fragments
sep	the separator for spike-in contig names ("_")

Value

a data.frame with columns "frag_grp", "id", and "read_count"

Examples

```
data(spike)
library(GenomicRanges)
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
scan_spike_counts(sb, spike=spike)
fit <- model_glm_pmol(scan_spike_counts(sb, spike=spike),spike=spike)
```

---

seqinfo_from_header   *create seqinfo (and thus a standard chromosome filter) from a BAM*
                        header

Description

create seqinfo (and thus a standard chromosome filter) from a BAM header

Usage

```
seqinfo_from_header(x, gen = NA, std = FALSE, ret = c("si", "gr"))
```

Arguments

x	the BAM file or its header
gen	genome of the BAM file, if known (NULL; autodetect)
std	standard chromosomes only? (FALSE; will be empty if spikes)
ret	return Seqinfo ("si", the default) or GRanges ("gr")? ("si")

Details

Setting std=TRUE on a spike-in BAM will produce an empty result.

Value

Seqinfo object or GRanges (or `as(seqinfo, "GRanges")`)

Examples

```
library(Rsamtools)
fl <- system.file("extdata", "ex1.bam", package="Rsamtools", mustWork=TRUE)

hdr <- scanBamHeader(BamFile(fl))
si <- seqinfo_from_header(hdr)
gr <- seqinfo_from_header(fl, ret="gr")
stopifnot(identical(gr, as(si, "GRanges")))

std_si <- seqinfo_from_header(fl, std=TRUE)
seqlevels(std_si)

# for comparison with below
data(spike, package="spiky")
spike

sp <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky")
sp_gr <- seqinfo_from_header(sp, ret="gr")
sp_gr
```

---

spike   *spike-in contig properties for Sam's cfMeDIP spikes*

Description

A DataFrame with sequence, concentration, and other properties of Sam's synthetic cfMeDIP spike-in controls. The row names redudantly encode some of these properties, such as the number of CpGs in the spike-in sequence.

Usage

```
data(spike)
```

Format

A DataFrame object with

sequence contig sequence, as a DNAStringSet

methylated are the CpGs in this spike-in methylated? 0 or 1

CpGs number of CpG dinucleotides in the spike, from 1 to 16

fmol femtomolar concentration of the spike-in for standard mix

molmass molar mass of spike-in sequence

Source

https://doi.org/10.1101/2021.02.12.430289

---

spike_bland_altman_plot

Bland-Altman plot for cfMeDIP spike standards

Description

Bland-Altman plot for cfMeDIP spike standards

Usage

```
spike_bland_altman_plot(fit)
```

Arguments

fit   a model fit, from predict_pmol (?)

Value

a ggplot2 object

Examples

```
data(spike_res)
data(spike, package="spiky")
fit <- model_glm_pmol(covg_to_df(spike_res, spike=spike),spike=spike)
ba_plot <- spike_bland_altman_plot(fit)
```

---

spike_counts   *use the index of a spiked BAM/CRAM file for spike contig coverage*

Description

It dawned on me one day that we don't even have to bother reading the file if we have an index for a spiked BAM/CRAM result, since any fragments that map properly to the spike contigs are generated from synthetic templates. This function takes an index and a spike database (usually a DataFrame) as inputs and provides a rough coverage estimate over "rehabilitated" contig names (i.e., canonicalized contigs mapping to the database) as its output.

Usage

```
spike_counts(
  bam,
  spike,
  sep = "_",
  ref = "spike",
  verbose = FALSE,
  dump_idx = FALSE
)
```

Arguments

bam	the BAM or CRAM file (MUST HAVE AN INDEX)
spike	a data.frame, DataFrame, or similar with spikes
sep	separator character in contig names ("_")
ref	reference name for spike genome ("spike")
verbose	be verbose? (FALSE)
dump_idx	dump the renamed idxstats to aggregate? (FALSE)

Details

The argument spike has no default since we are attempting to refactor the spike-in databases into their own data packages and allow more general use.

Value

a GRanges of spike-in contig read counts

Examples

```
data(spike, package="spiky")
sb <- system.file("extdata", "example.spike.bam", package="spiky",
                  mustWork=TRUE)
spike_counts(sb, spike=spike)
```

---

spike_cram_counts   *spike-in counts, as a long data.frame*

Description

A data.frame with spike-in results from CRAM files (generated from scan_spike_counts(CRAMs, spike=spike))

Usage

```
data(spike_cram_counts)
```

Format

A data.frame object with

frag_grp the encoded spike contig name: basepairs_CpGs_GCpercent

id subject from whom cfMeDIP spike reads (column 3) were counted

read_count read coverage for this spike in this subject (column 2)

Source

Generated from scan_spike_counts(CRAMs, spike=spike) using example CRAMs containing spike contigs

---

spike_read_counts   *spike-in counts, as a long data.frame*

Description

A data.frame with spike-in results from control samples in the manuscript. This maps 1:1 onto dedup using reshape2::melt.

Usage

```
data(spike_read_counts)
```

Format

A data.frame object with

frag_grp the encoded spike contig name: basepairs_CpGs_GCpercent

id subject from whom cfMeDIP spike reads (column 3) were counted

read_count read coverage for this spike in this subject (column 2)

Source

This data was created using inst/script/loadDedup.R

---

spike_res	*A Granges object with spike-in sequence coverage, and summarized for each spike contig as (the default)* max *coverage. (In other words, the default output of scan_spike_contigs or scan_spike_bedpe) This represents what most users will want to generate from their own spike-in BAMs or BEDPEs, and is used repeatedly in downstream examples throughout the package.*

Description

A Granges object with spike-in sequence coverage, and summarized for each spike contig as (the default) max coverage. (In other words, the default output of scan_spike_contigs or scan_spike_bedpe) This represents what most users will want to generate from their own spike-in BAMs or BEDPEs, and is used repeatedly in downstream examples throughout the package.

Usage

```
data(spike_res)
```

Format

A GRanges of coverage results with one metadata column, coverage

Source

Generated using scan_spike_bedpe or scan_spike_contigs on an example bedpe or bam containing spike contigs.

---

spiky-methods	*A handful of methods that I've always felt were missing*

Description

Particularly, simple methods to plot coverage results.

Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'Rle,ANY'
plot(x, y, ...)

## S4 method for signature 'SimpleRleList,ANY'
plot(x, y, ...)
```

Arguments

x	an Rle or RleList, usually
y	not usedan Rle or RleList, usually
...	other params such as `ylim` passed to `barplot`

Details

selectMethod("plot", "Rle") and also selectMethod("plot", "RleList") too.

Value

invisibly, the plot details

---

ssb_res	*scan_spiked_bam results from a merged cfMeDIP CRAM file (chr22 and spikes)*

Description

A CompressedGRangesList object with `genomic` (chr22) and `spikes` coverage, binned every 300bp for the genomic contigs then averaged across the bin, and summarized for each spike contig as (the default) max coverage. (In other words, the default output of scan_spiked_bam, restricted to a small enough set of genomic regions to be practical for examples.) This represents what most users will want to generate from their own merged BAMs or CRAMs, and is used repeatedly in downstream examples throughout the package.

Usage

```
data(ssb_res)
```

Format

A CompressedGRangesList of coverage results, containing

genomic a GRanges with one metadata column, `coverage`

spikes a GRanges with one metadata column, `coverage`

Source

Generated using scan_spiked_bam on an example bam containing chr22 and spike contigs.

---

testGR *a test GRanges with UMI'ed genomic sequences used as controls*

Description

Sources and overlap widths of various read sequences in a test CRAM.

Usage

```
data(testGR)
```

Format

A GRanges object with an mcols() DataFrame containing

UMI1 the unique molecular identifier on the forward read

UMI2 the unique molecular identifier on the reverse read

seq the sequence of the fragment

name the name of the fragment

score whether the fragment passes filters (always 1)

Source

Generated using inst/script/loadTest.R

---

tile_bins *Tile the assembly-based contigs of a merged assembly/spike GRanges.*

Description

refactored out of scan_spiked_bam for more explicit information flow

Usage

```
tile_bins(gr, binwidth = 300L)
```

Arguments

gr	the GRanges
binwidth	bin width to tile (default is 300)

Value

```
      a GRanges of bins
```

Examples

```
bam <- system.file("extdata", "ex1.bam", package="Rsamtools",
                    mustWork=TRUE)
gr <- as(seqinfo_from_header(bam), "GRanges")
genome(gr) <- "notspike"
tile_bins(gr)
```

Index