

Package ‘iCNV’

April 6, 2026

Title Integrated Copy Number Variation detection

Version 1.30.0

Author Zilu Zhou, Nancy Zhang

Maintainer Zilu Zhou <zhouzil@pennmedicine.upenn.edu>

Description Integrative copy number variation (CNV) detection from multiple platform and experimental design.

Depends R (>= 3.3.1), CODEX

License GPL-2

Encoding UTF-8

LazyData true

RoxygenNote 6.0.1

Imports fields, ggplot2, truncnorm, tidyr, data.table, dplyr,
grDevices, graphics, stats, utils, rlang

Suggests knitr, rmarkdown, WES.1KG.WUGSC

VignetteBuilder knitr

biocViews ImmunoOncology, ExomeSeq, WholeGenome, SNP,
CopyNumberVariation, HiddenMarkovModel

git_url <https://git.bioconductor.org/packages/iCNV>

git_branch RELEASE_3_22

git_last_commit 5531587

git_last_commit_date 2025-10-29

Repository Bioconductor 3.22

Date/Publication 2026-04-05

Contents

bambaf_from_vcf	2
bed_generator	3
chr	3
filenm	4
get_array_input	4
iCNV_detection	5
icnv_output_to_gb	6

icnv_res0	7
ngs_baf	7
ngs_baf.chr	8
ngs_baf.id	8
ngs_baf.nm	9
ngs_baf.pos	9
ngs_plr	10
ngs_plr.pos	10
normObj	11
output_list	11
plotHMMscore	12
plotindi	13
plot_intensity	14
projname	14
qcObj	15
sampname	15
sampname_qc	16
snp_baf	16
snp_baf.pos	17
snp_lrr	17
snp_lrr.pos	18

Index 19

bambaf_from_vcf	<i>Get BAM baf information from vcf</i>
-----------------	---

Description

If your vcf follow the format in the example, you could use this function to extract NGS baf from vcf files. Remember to load library before hands. Save 6 lists, each list has N entry. N = # of individuals (or vcf file) ngs_baf.nm: name of the bamfiles; ngs_baf.chr: the chromosome; ngs_baf.pos: the position of the variants; ngs_baf: the BAF of the variants; ngs_baf.id: the ID of the variants; filenm:the file name

Usage

```
bambaf_from_vcf(dir = ".", vcf_list, chr = NULL, projname = "")
```

Arguments

dir	The directory to all the vcf stored; default is right in this folder. Type character. Default '.'
vcf_list	All the vcf names stored in vcf.list; could use command:"ls *.vcf > vcf.list" to generate. Type character.
chr	Specify the chromosome you want to generate. Must be of int from 1-22. If not specify, this function will generate all chromosomes. Default NULL
projname	Name of the project. Type character. Default ''

Value

void

Examples

```
dir <- system.file("extdata", package="iCNV")
bambaf_from_vcf(dir, 'bam_vcf.list', projname='icnv.demo.')
bambaf_from_vcf(dir, 'bam_vcf.list', chr=22, projname='icnv.demo.')
```

bed_generator	<i>Generate BED file for WGS dataset.</i>
---------------	---

Description

Default position generated from USCS genome browser

Usage

```
bed_generator(chr = numeric(), hg = numeric(), start = NULL, end = NULL,
  by = 1000)
```

Arguments

chr	Specify the chromosome you want to generate. Must be of int from 1-22. Type integer.
hg	Specify the coordinate you want to generate from. Start and end position of hg19 and hg38 have been pre-implemented. Type integer.
start	The start position of your BED file. Default NULL
end	The end position of your BED file. Default NULL
by	The chunk of your DNA for each bin. Type integer. Default 1000.

Value

void

Examples

```
bed_generator(chr=22, hg=38)
bed_generator(22, 38, 5001, 10000, by=500)
```

chr	<i>chromosome of the example</i>
-----	----------------------------------

Description

data chromosome

Usage

chr

Format

integer

Value

22

filenm	<i>Name of the file</i>
--------	-------------------------

Description

Example NGS VCF files for the 1000 Genome Project, value stored at filenm

Usage

```
filenm
```

Format

vector with NGS vcf file names

Value

File names for the NGS vcf

get_array_input	<i>Get array information from given format</i>
-----------------	--

Description

If your array input file follow the format in the example, you could use this function to extract array LRR and baf. Remember to load library before hands. Save 4*[# of chr] lists, each list has N entry. N = # of individuals snp_lrr: SNP LRR intensity; snp_lrr.pos: the position of the SNPs snp_baf: the BAF of the SNPs; snp_baf.pos: the position of the SNPs

Usage

```
get_array_input(dir = character(), pattern = character(), chr = NULL,
projname = "")
```

Arguments

dir	A string. The directory path to the folder where store signal intensity file according to chr. Type character
pattern	A string. The pattern of all the intensity file. Type character
chr	Specify the chromosome you want to generate. Must be of int from 1-22. If not specify, this function will generate files for all chromosomes. Default NULL
projname	Name of the project. Type character

Value

void

Examples

```
dir <- system.file("extdata", package="iCNV")
pattern <- paste0('*.csv.arrayicnv$')
get_array_input(dir,pattern,chr=22,projname='icnv.demo.')
```

iCNV_detection	<i>CNV detection</i>
----------------	----------------------

Description

Copy number variation detection tool for germline data. Able to combine intensity and BAF from SNP array and NGS data.

Usage

```
iCNV_detection(ngs_plr = NULL, snp_lrr = NULL, ngs_baf = NULL,
  snp_baf = NULL, ngs_plr.pos = NULL, snp_lrr.pos = NULL,
  ngs_baf.pos = NULL, snp_baf.pos = NULL, maxIt = 50, visual = 0,
  projname = "iCNV.", CN = 0, mu = c(-3, 0, 2), cap = FALSE)
```

Arguments

ngs_plr	A list of NGS intensity data. Each entry is an individual. If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_lrr	A list of SNP array intensity data. Each entry is an individual. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
ngs_baf	A list of NGS BAF data. Each entry is an individual. If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_baf	A list of SNP array BAF data. Each entry is an individual. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
ngs_plr.pos	A list of NGS intensity position data. Each entry is an individual with dimension=(#of bins or exons, 2(start and end position)). If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_lrr.pos	A list of SNP array intensity position data. Each entry is an individual with length=#of SNPs. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
ngs_baf.pos	A list of NGS BAF position data. Each entry is an individual with length=#of BAFs. If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_baf.pos	A list of SNP array BAF position data. Each entry is an individual with length=#of BAFs. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
maxIt	An integer number indicate the maximum number of EM iteration if not converged during parameter inference. Type integer. Default 50.
visual	An indicator variable with value 0,1,2. 0 indicates no visualization, 1 indicates basic visualization, 2 indicates complete visualization (Note visual 2 only work for single platform and integer CN inferred). Type integer. Default 0

projname	A string as the name of this project. Type character. Default 'iCNV.'
CN	An indicator variable with value 0,1 for whether wants to infer exact copy number. 0 no exact CN, 1 exact CN. Type integer. Default 0.
mu	A length tree vectur specify means of intensity in mixture normal distribution (Deletion, Diploid, Duplication). Default c(-3,0,2)
cap	A boolean decides whether we cap insane intensity value due to double deletion or mutiple amplification. Type logical. Default False

Value

(1) CNV inference, contains CNV inference, Start and end position for each inference, Conditional probability for each inference, mu for mixture normal, sigma for mixture normal, probability of CNVs, Z score for each inference.

(2) exact copy number for each CNV inference, if CN=1.

Examples

```
# icnv call without genotype (just infer deletion, duplication)
projname <- 'icnv.demo.'
icnv_res0 <- iCNV_detection(ngs_plr,snp_lrr,
                           ngs_baf,snp_baf,
                           ngs_plr.pos,snp_lrr.pos,
                           ngs_baf.pos,snp_baf.pos,
                           projname=projname,CN=0,mu=c(-3,0,2),cap=TRUE,visual = 1)
# icnv call with genotype inference and complete plot
projname <- 'icnv.demo.geno.'
icnv_res1 <- iCNV_detection(ngs_plr,snp_lrr,
                           ngs_baf,snp_baf,
                           ngs_plr.pos,snp_lrr.pos,
                           ngs_baf.pos,snp_baf.pos,
                           projname=projname,CN=1,mu=c(-3,0,2),cap=TRUE,visual = 2)
```

icnv_output_to_gb *Convert icnv.output to input for Genome Browser.*

Description

We could add the output to custom tracks on Genome Browser. Remeber to choose human assembly matches your input data. We color coded the CNVs to make it as consistant as IGV. To show color, click 'User Track after submission', and edit config to 'visibility=2 itemRgb="On"'. Color see Github page for more example.

Usage

```
icnv_output_to_gb(chr = numeric(), icnv.output)
```

Arguments

chr	CNV chromosome. Type integer.
icnv.output	output from output_list_function

Value

matrix for Genome browser

Examples

```
icnv.output <- output_list(icnv_res=icnv_res0,sampleid=sampname_qc, CN=0, min_size=10000)
gb_input <- icnv_output_to_gb(chr=22,icnv.output)
write.table(gb_input,file='icnv_res_gb_chr22.tab',quote=FALSE,col.names=FALSE,row.names=FALSE)
```

icnv_res0

Example iCNV calling results.

Description

iCNV calling result of all the samples

Usage

icnv_res

Format

A list containing the calling result of CNVs:

1st item HMM call result without Copy number

2nd item exact copy number

Value

iCNV calling result

ngs_baf

BAF list from NGS

Description

10 samples BAF value extracted from VCF files, location stored at ngs_baf.pos

Usage

ngs_baf

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the BAF value for a individual

Value

BAF value

ngs_baf.chr	<i>BAF chromosome from NGS</i>
-------------	--------------------------------

Description

46 samples BAF chromosome. Pre-computed using whole exome sequencing data of 46 HapMap samples.

Usage

ngs_baf.chr

Format

A list of 46, which each entry is the BAF chromosome for a individual position

Value

BAF chromosome

ngs_baf.id	<i>BAF variants id from NGS</i>
------------	---------------------------------

Description

46 samples BAF ids. Pre-computed using whole exome sequencing data of 46 HapMap samples.

Usage

ngs_baf.id

Format

A list of 46, which each entry is the BAF variants id a individual position

Value

BAF variants id

ngs_baf.nm	<i>BAF variants sample name from NGS</i>
------------	--

Description

46 samples BAF names.

Usage

ngs_baf.nm

Format

A list of 46, which each entry is the sample name

Value

BAF variants sample names

ngs_baf.pos	<i>BAF position list from NGS</i>
-------------	-----------------------------------

Description

10 samples BAF position extracted from VCF files, value stored at ngs_baf

Usage

ngs_baf.pos

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the BAF positions for a individual

Value

BAF position

ngs_plr	<i>Normalized Poisson likelihood ratio list from NGS</i>
---------	--

Description

10 samples PLR value from BAM calculated by CODEX, exon position stored at ngs_plr.pos

Usage

ngs_plr

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the PLR value for a individual, calculated from CODEX

Value

PLR value

ngs_plr.pos	<i>Exon location list from NGS</i>
-------------	------------------------------------

Description

10 samples exon position extracted from BED files, value stored at ngs_plr

Usage

ngs_plr.pos

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the Exon positions for a individual

Value

Exon position

normObj	<i>Demo data pre-stored for normObj.</i>
---------	--

Description

Pre-stored normObj data for demonstration purposes.

Usage

```
normObj
```

Details

Pre-computed using whole exome sequencing data of 46 HapMap samples.

Value

normObj demo data (list) pre-computed.

Author(s)

Zilu Zhou <zhouzil@penmedicine.upenn.edu>

Examples

```
Yhat <- normObjDemo$Yhat
AIC <- normObjDemo$AIC
BIC <- normObjDemo$BIC
RSS <- normObjDemo$RSS
K <- normObjDemo$K
```

output_list	<i>Generate ouput list.</i>
-------------	-----------------------------

Description

Generate human readable output from result calculated by iCNV_detection function

Usage

```
output_list(icnv_res, sampleid = NULL, CN = 0, min_size = 0)
```

Arguments

icnv_res	CNV inference result. Output from iCNV_detection()
sampleid	the name of the sample, same order as the input
CN	An indicator variable with value 0,1 for whether exact copy number inferred in iCNV_detection. 0 no exact CN, 1 exact CN. Type integer. Default 0.
min_size	A integer which indicate the minimum length of the CNV you are interested in. This could remove super short CNVs due to noise. Type integer. Default 0. Recommend 1000.

Value

output CNV list of each individual

Examples

```
icnv.output <- output_list(icnv_res=icnv_res0,sampleid=sampname_qc, CN=0)
```

plotHMMscore	<i>Plot CNV inference score.</i>
--------------	----------------------------------

Description

Plot out CNV inference score. Each row is a sample, each column is a SNP or, exon (WES) or bin (WGS). Red color indicate score favor duplication whereas blue favor deletion.

Usage

```
plotHMMscore(icnv_res, h = NULL, t = NULL, title = "score plot",
  output = NULL, col = "")
```

Arguments

icnv_res	CNV inference result. Result from iCNV_detection() (i.e. iCNV_detection(...))
h	start position of this plot. Default Start of the whole chromosome
t	end position of this plot. Default End of the whole chromosome
title	of this plot. Character value. Type character Default "score plot"
output	generated from output_list_function. If it isn't null, only CNVs in output file will be highlighted. Default NULL
col	Specify if would like to plot in DGV color scheme ('DGV',red for deletion, blue for duplication and grey for diploid) or default color scheme (blue for deletion, red for duplicatin and and green for diploid) Type character. Default "

Value

void

Examples

```
plotHMMscore(icnv_res0,h=21000000, t=22000000, title='my favorite subject')
plotHMMscore(icnv_res0,h=21000000, t=22000000, title='my favorite subject',col='DGV')
```

plotindi	<i>Individual sample plot</i>
----------	-------------------------------

Description

Plot relationship between platforms and features for each individual. Only work for multi-platform inference.

Usage

```
plotindi(ngs_plr, snp_lrr, ngs_baf, snp_baf, ngs_plr.pos, snp_lrr.pos,
         ngs_baf.pos, snp_baf.pos, icnvres, I = numeric(), h = NULL, t = NULL)
```

Arguments

ngs_plr	A list of NGS intensity data. Each entry is an individual. If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_lrr	A list of SNP array intensity data. Each entry is an individual. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
ngs_baf	A list of NGS BAF data. Each entry is an individual. If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_baf	A list of SNP array BAF data. Each entry is an individual. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
ngs_plr.pos	A list of NGS intensity position data. Each entry is an individual with dimension= (#of bins or exons, 2(start and end position)). If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_lrr.pos	A list of SNP array intensity position data. Each entry is an individual with length=#of SNPs. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
ngs_baf.pos	A list of NGS BAF position data. Each entry is an individual with length=#of BAFs. If no NGS data, no need to specify.
snp_baf.pos	A list of SNP array BAF position data. Each entry is an individual with length=#of BAFs. If no SNP array data, no need to specify.
icnvres	CNV inference result. The output from iCNV_detection()
I	Indicating the position of the individual to plot. Type integer.
h	start position of this plot. Default Start of the whole chromosome
t	end position of this plot. Default End of the whole chromosome

Value

void

Examples

```
plotindi(ngs_plr, snp_lrr, ngs_baf, snp_baf,
         ngs_plr.pos, snp_lrr.pos, ngs_baf.pos, snp_baf.pos,
         icnv_res0, I=1)
```

plot_intensity *plot out the NGS plr or array lrr.*

Description

For quality checking purpose during intermediate steps

Usage

```
plot_intensity(intensity, chr = numeric())
```

Arguments

intensity Specify the ngs_plr object generated by CODEX or SNP array.
 chr Specify the chromosome you want to generate. Must be of int from 1-22. Type integer

Value

void

Examples

```
chr <- 22
plot_intensity(ngs_plr,chr)
plot_intensity(snp_lrr,chr)
```

projname *name of project*

Description

name of project

Usage

```
projname
```

Format

string

Value

name of project

qcObj	<i>Demo data pre-stored for qcObj.</i>
-------	--

Description

Pre-stored qcObj data for demonstration purposes.

Usage

```
qcObj
```

Details

Pre-computed using whole exome sequencing data of 46 HapMap samples.

Value

qcObj demo data (list) pre-computed.

Author(s)

Zilu Zhou <zhouzil@penmedicine.upenn.edu>

Examples

```
Y_qc <- qcObj$Y_qc
samname_qc <- qcObj$samname_qc
gc_qc <- qcObj$gc_qc
mapp_qc <- qcObj$mapp_qc
ref_qc <- qcObj$ref_qc
```

samname	<i>CODEX sample name</i>
---------	--------------------------

Description

46 samples BAM names.

Usage

```
samname
```

Format

A vector of 46, which each entry is the sample name

Value

CODEX sample names

sampname_qc	<i>QCed sample name</i>
-------------	-------------------------

Description

QCed sample name

Usage

sampname_qc

Format

string

Value

name of samples after QC

snp_baf	<i>BAF list from Array</i>
---------	----------------------------

Description

10 samples BAF value extracted from standard format files, location stored at snp_baf.pos

Usage

snp_baf

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the BAF value for a individual

Value

BAF value

snp_baf . pos	<i>BAF position list from Array</i>
---------------	-------------------------------------

Description

10 samples BAF position extracted from standard format, value stored at snp_baf

Usage

snp_baf . pos

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the BAF positions for a individual

Value

BAF position

snp_lrr	<i>Normalized log R ratio list from Array</i>
---------	---

Description

10 samples LRR value from standard format, SNP position stored at snp_lrr.pos

Usage

snp_lrr

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the LRR value for a individual

Value

LRR value

snp_lrr.pos

SNP position list from Array

Description

10 samples SNP position extracted from standard format, value stored at snp_lrr

Usage

snp_lrr.pos

Format

A list of ten, which each entry is the SNP positions for a individual

Value

SNP position

Index

- * **BAF**,
 - icNV_detection, 5
- * **CNV**,
 - icNV_detection, 5
- * **Intensity**
 - icNV_detection, 5
- * **Platform**
 - icNV_detection, 5
- * **datasets**
 - chr, 3
 - filenm, 4
 - icnv_res0, 7
 - ngs_baf, 7
 - ngs_baf.chr, 8
 - ngs_baf.id, 8
 - ngs_baf.nm, 9
 - ngs_baf.pos, 9
 - ngs_plr, 10
 - ngs_plr.pos, 10
 - normObj, 11
 - projname, 14
 - qcObj, 15
 - sampname, 15
 - sampname_qc, 16
 - snp_baf, 16
 - snp_baf.pos, 17
 - snp_lrr, 17
 - snp_lrr.pos, 18
- * **integration**,
 - icNV_detection, 5
- bambaf_from_vcf, 2
- bed_generator, 3
- chr, 3
- filenm, 4
- get_array_input, 4
- icNV_detection, 5
- icnv_output_to_gb, 6
- icnv_res0, 7
- ngs_baf, 7
 - ngs_baf.chr, 8
 - ngs_baf.id, 8
 - ngs_baf.nm, 9
 - ngs_baf.pos, 9
 - ngs_plr, 10
 - ngs_plr.pos, 10
 - normObj, 11
- output_list, 11
- plot_intensity, 14
- plotHMMscore, 12
- plotindi, 13
- projname, 14
- qcObj, 15
- sampname, 15
- sampname_qc, 16
- snp_baf, 16
- snp_baf.pos, 17
- snp_lrr, 17
- snp_lrr.pos, 18