

# Package ‘bambu’

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**Description** bambu is a R package for multi-sample transcript discovery and quantification using long read RNA-Seq data. You can use bambu after read alignment to obtain expression estimates for known and novel transcripts and genes. The output from bambu can directly be used for visualisation and downstream analysis such as differential gene expression or transcript usage.

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**Enhances** parallel

## SystemRequirements

**biocViews** Alignment, Coverage, DifferentialExpression, FeatureExtraction, GeneExpression, GenomeAnnotation, GenomeAssembly, ImmunoOncology, MultipleComparison, Normalization, RNASeq, Regression, Sequencing, Software, Transcription, Transcriptomics

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bambu	<i>long read isoform reconstruction and quantification</i>
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### Description

This function takes bam file of genomic alignments and performs isoform reconstruction and gene and transcript expression quantification. It also allows saving of read class files of alignments, extending provided annotations, and quantification based on extended annotations. When multiple samples are provided, extended annotations will be combined across samples to allow comparison.

### Usage

```
bambu(  
  reads = NULL,  
  rcFile = NULL,  
  rcOutDir = NULL,  
  annotations = NULL,  
  genome = NULL,
```

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    stranded = FALSE,
    ncore = 1,
    yieldSize = NULL,
    opt.discovery = NULL,
    opt.em = NULL,
    discovery = TRUE,
    quant = TRUE,
    verbose = FALSE,
    lowMemory = FALSE
)

```

## Arguments

reads	A string or a vector of strings specifying the paths of bam files for genomic alignments, or a BamFile object or a BamFileList object (see Rsamtools).
rcFile	A string or a vector of strings specifying the read class files that are saved during previous run of <a href="#">bambu</a> .
rcOutDir	A string variable specifying the path to where read class files will be saved.
annotations	A TxDb object or A GRangesList object obtained by <a href="#">prepareAnnotations</a> .
genome	A fasta file or a BSGenome object.
stranded	A boolean for strandedness, defaults to FALSE.
ncore	specifying number of cores used when parallel processing is used, defaults to 1.
yieldSize	see Rsamtools.
opt.discovery	A list of controlling parameters for isoform reconstruction process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>prefix</b> specifying prefix for new gene Ids (genePrefix.number), defaults to empty</li> <li><b>remove.subsetTx</b> indicating whether filter to remove read classes which are a subset of known transcripts(), defaults to TRUE</li> <li><b>min.readCount</b> specifying minimum read count to consider a read class valid in a sample, defaults to 2</li> <li><b>min.readFractionByGene</b> specifying minimum relative read count per gene, highly expressed genes will have many high read count low relative abundance transcripts that can be filtered, defaults to 0.05</li> <li><b>min.sampleNumber</b> specifying minimum sample number with minimum read count, defaults to 1</li> <li><b>min.exonDistance</b> specifying minimum distance to known transcript to be considered valid as new, defaults to 35bp</li> <li><b>min.exonOverlap</b> specifying minimum number of bases shared with annotation to be assigned to the same gene id, defaults to 10bp</li> <li><b>min.primarySecondaryDist</b> specifying the minimum number of distance threshold, defaults to 5bp</li> <li><b>min.primarySecondaryDistStartEnd1</b> specifying the minimum number of distance threshold, used for extending annotation, defaults to 5bp</li> <li><b>min.primarySecondaryDistStartEnd2</b> specifying the minimum number of distance threshold, used for estimating distance to annotation, defaults to 5bp</li> </ul>

	<b>min.txScore.multiExon</b> specifying the minimum transcript level threshold for multi-exon transcripts during sample combining, defaults to 0
	<b>min.txScore.singleExon</b> specifying the minimum transcript level threshold for single-exon transcripts during sample combining, defaults to 1
	<b>max.txNDR</b> specifying the maximum NDR rate to novel transcript output from detected read classes, defaults to 0.1
opt.em	A list of controlling parameters for quantification algorithm estimation process: <b>maxiter</b> specifying maximum number of run iterations, defaults to 10000 <b>degradationBias</b> correcting for degradation bias, defaults to TRUE <b>conv</b> specifying the coverage threshold control, defaults to 0.0001 <b>minvalue</b> specifying the minvalue for convergence consideration, defaults to 0.00000001
discovery	A logical variable indicating whether annotations are to be extended for quantification.
quant	A logical variable indicating whether quantification will be performed
verbose	A logical variable indicating whether processing messages will be printed.
lowMemory	Read classes will be processed by chromosomes when lowMemory is specified. This option provides an efficient way to process big samples.

## Details

Main function

## Value

bambu will output different results depending on whether *quant* mode is on. By default, *quant* is set to TRUE, so bambu will generate a *SummarizedExperiment* object that contains the transcript expression estimates. Transcript expression estimates can be accessed by *counts()*, including the following variables

**counts** expression estimates

**CPM** sequencing depth normalized estimates

**fullLengthCounts** estimates of read counts mapped as full length reads for each transcript

**partialLengthCounts** estimates of read counts mapped as partial length reads for each transcript

**uniqueCounts** counts of reads that are uniquely mapped to each transcript

**theta** raw estimates

Output annotations that are usually the annotations with/without novel transcripts/genes added, depending on whether *discovery* mode is on can be accessed by *rowRanges()* Transcript to gene map can be accessed by *rowData()*, with *eqClass* that defining equivalent class for each transcript

In the case when *quant* is set to FALSE, i.e., only transcript discovery is performed, bambu will report the *grangeslist* of the extended annotations.

**Examples**

```
## =====
test.bam <- system.file("extdata",
  "SGNex_A549_directRNA_replicate5_run1_chr9_1_1000000.bam",
  package = "bambu")
fa.file <- system.file("extdata",
  "Homo_sapiens.GRCh38.dna_sm.primary_assembly_chr9_1_1000000.fa",
  package = "bambu")
gr <- readRDS(system.file("extdata",
  "annotationGranges_txdbGrch38_91_chr9_1_1000000.rds",
  package = "bambu"))
se <- bambu(reads = test.bam, annotations = gr,
  genome = fa.file, discovery = TRUE, quant = TRUE)
```

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plotBambu

*plot.bambu*


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**Description**

plotSEOutput

**Usage**

```
plotBambu(
  se,
  group.variable = NULL,
  type = c("annotation", "pca", "heatmap"),
  gene_id = NULL,
  transcript_id = NULL
)
```

**Arguments**

se	An summarized experiment object obtained from <a href="#">bambu</a> or <a href="#">transcriptToGeneExpression</a> .
group.variable	Variable for grouping in plot, has to be provided if choosing to plot PCA.
type	plot type variable, a values of annotation for a single gene with heatmap for isoform expressions, pca, or heatmap, see details.
gene_id	specifying the gene_id for plotting gene annotation, either gene_id or transcript_id has to be provided when type = "annotation".
transcript_id	specifying the transcript_id for plotting transcript annotation, either gene_id or transcript_id has to be provided when type = "annotation"

**Details**

[type](#) indicates the type of plots to be plotted. There are two types of plots can be chosen, PCA or heatmap.

**Value**

A heatmap plot for all samples

**Examples**

```
se <- readRDS(system.file("extdata",
"seOutputCombined_SGNex_A549_directRNA_replicate5_run1_chr9_1_1000000.rds",
package = "bambu"))
plotBambu(se, type = "PCA")
```

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prepareAnnotations	<i>prepare annotations from txdb object or gtf file</i>
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**Description**

Function to prepare tables and genomic ranges for transcript reconstruction using a txdb object

**Usage**

```
prepareAnnotations(x)
```

**Arguments**

x                    A TxDb object or a gtf file

**Value**

A GRangesList object

**Examples**

```
gtf.file <- system.file("extdata",
" Homo_sapiens.GRCh38.91_chr9_1_1000000.gtf",
package = "bambu"
)
prepareAnnotations(x = gtf.file)
```

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readFromGTF                      *convert a GTF file into a GRangesList*

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**Description**

Outputs GRangesList object from reading a GTF file

**Usage**

```
readFromGTF(file, keep.extra.columns = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

file                      a .gtf file  
keep.extra.columns                      a vector with names of columns to keep from the the attributes in the gtf file.  
For ensembl, this could be keep.extra.columns=c('gene\_name','gene\_biotype',  
'transcript\_biotype', 'transcript\_name')

**Value**

grlist a GRangesList object, with two columns

**TXNAME** specifying prefix for new gene Ids (genePrefix.number), defaults to empty

**GENEID** indicating whether filter to remove read classes which are a subset of known transcripts(),  
defaults to TRUE

**Examples**

```
gtf.file <- system.file("extdata",  
  "Homo_sapiens.GRCh38.91_chr9_1_1000000.gtf",  
  package = "bambu"  
)  
readFromGTF(gtf.file)
```

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transcriptToGeneExpression  
                                    *transcript to gene expression*

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**Description**

Reduce transcript expression to gene expression

**Usage**

```
transcriptToGeneExpression(se)
```

**Arguments**

se a summarizedExperiment object from bambu

**Value**

A SummarizedExperiment object

**Examples**

```
se <- readRDS(system.file("extdata",
  "seOutput_SGNex_A549_directRNA_replicate5_run1_chr9_1_1000000.rds",
  package = "bambu"
))
transcriptToGeneExpression(se)
```

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writeBambuOutput	<i>Write bambu results to GTF and transcript/gene-count files</i>
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**Description**

Outputs a GTF file, transcript-count file, and gene-count file from bambu

**Usage**

```
writeBambuOutput(se, path, prefix = "")
```

**Arguments**

se a SummarizedExperiment object from bambu.  
path the destination of the output files (gtf, transcript counts, and gene counts)  
prefix the prefix of the output files

**Value**

The function will generate three files, a .gtf file for the annotations, two .txt files for transcript and gene counts respectively.

**Examples**

```
se <- readRDS(system.file("extdata",
  "seOutput_SGNex_A549_directRNA_replicate5_run1_chr9_1_1000000.rds",
  package = "bambu"
))
path <- tempdir()
writeBambuOutput(se, path)
```

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writeToGTF	<i>write GRangeslist into GTF file</i>
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**Description**

Write annotation GRangesList into a GTF file

**Usage**

```
writeToGTF(annotation, file, geneIDs = NULL)
```

**Arguments**

annotation	a GRangesList object
file	the output gtf file name
geneIDs	an optional dataframe of geneIDs (column 2) with the corresponding transcriptIDs (column 1)

**Value**

gtf a GTF dataframe

**Examples**

```
outputGtfFile <- tempfile()
gr <- readRDS(system.file("extdata",
  "annotationGranges_txdbGrch38_91_chr9_1_1000000.rds",
  package = "bamboo"))
writeToGTF(gr, outputGtfFile)
```

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