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Description

Performs basic peak calling on STARR-seq data based on a method introduced in "Genome-Wide Quantitative Enhancer Activity Maps Identified by STARR-seq" Arnold et al. [1]

Usage

Arguments

object A STARRseqData object for which the peaks should be calculated.
minQuantile Which quantile of coverage height should be considered as peaks.

peakWidth The width (in base pairs) that the peaks should have.

maxPval The maximal p-value of peaks that is desired.

 $\label{thm:deduplicated} \mbox{Wether the sequences should be deduplicated before calling peaks or not.}$

model Which binomial model should be applied to calculate the p-values.

Details

The peak calling works the following way: All genomic positions having a STARR-seq coverage over the quantile minQuantile are considered to be the center of a peak with width peakWidth. If then two ore more peaks overlap, the lower one is discarded. If then the binomial p-Value of the peak is higher than maxPval the peak is discarded as well.

The binomial model 1 for calculating the p-Value is: number of trials = total number of STARR-seq sequences, number of successes = STARR-seq coverage, estimated success probability in each trial = input coverage/total number of input sequences.

The binomial model 2 for caculating the p-Value is: number of trials = STARR-seq coverage plus input coverage, number of successes = STARR-seq coverage, estimated success probability in each trial = total number of STARR-seq sequences/(total number of STARR-seq sequences plus total number of input sequences). This model is used in [1].

The enrichment of STARR-seq over input coverage is then calculated as follows: (STARR-seq coverage of peak/total number of STARR-seq sequences)/(input coverage of peak/total number of input sequences), the numinator and denuminator corrected conservatively to the bounds of the 0.95 binomial confidence inverval corresponding to model 1.

Value

The method getPeaks return a GRanges object. The contained ranges are the found peaks with desired width peakWidth. The metadata columns of the ranges contain four elements:

sampleCov The maximal and central STARR-seq coverage of the peak.

controlCov The maximum of the central and the median input coverage of the peak.

pVal The binomial p-Value of the coverage height of the peak normalised to toal

number of sequences in STARR-seq and input.

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enrichment

The enrichment of STARR-seq over input coverage height normalised to total number of sequences in STARR-seq and input corrected conservatively to the bounds of a confidence interval.

Author(s)

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References

[1] Genome-Wide Quantitative Enhancer Activity Maps Identified by STARR-seq. Arnold et al. Science. 2013 Mar 1;339(6123):1074-7. doi: 10.1126/science.1232542. Epub 2013 Jan 17.

See Also

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GRanges STARRseqData-class
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Examples

STARRseqData-class

Class "STARRseqData"

Description

The STARR-seq data class is a container for STARR-sequencing data.

Details

STARRseqData contains two GRanges objects that store the STARR-seq sequences and the input sequences respectively of an STARR-seq experiment.

Slots

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sample: Object of class "GRanges" which contains STARR-seq sequences. control: Object of class "GRanges" which contains input sequences.
```

Constructor

```
STARRseqData(sample, control): Create a STARRseqData object.
sample: An GRanges object.
control: An GRanges object.
```

Accessors

```
In the following code snippets, x is an STARRseqData object.

sample(x), sample(x) <- value: Get or set the STARR-seq sequences.

control(x), control(x) <- value: Get or set the input sequences.
```

Methods

```
getPeaks signature(object = "STARRseqData"): Performs basic peak calling on data.
```

Author(s)

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References

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Genome-Wide Quantitative Enhancer Activity Maps Identified by STARR-seq. Arnold et al. Science. 2013 Mar 1;339(6123):1074-7. doi: 10.1126/science.1232542. Epub 2013 Jan 17.
```

See Also

GRanges getPeaks

Examples

```
# create small sample dataset
starrseqFileName <- system.file("extdata", "smallSTARR.bam", package="BasicSTARRseq")
inputFileName <- system.file("extdata", "smallInput.bam", package="BasicSTARRseq")
STARRseqData(sample=starrseqFileName, control=inputFileName, pairedEnd=TRUE)</pre>
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