# Package 'DuplexDiscovereR'

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Title Analysis of the data from RNA duplex probing experiments

**Description** DuplexDiscovereR is a package designed for analyzing data from RNA cross-linking and proximity ligation protocols such as SPLASH, PARIS, LIGR-seq, and others.

DuplexDiscovereR accepts input in the form of chimerically or split-aligned reads. It includes procedures for alignment classification, filtering, and efficient clustering of individual chimeric reads into duplex groups (DGs). Once DGs are identified, the package predicts RNA duplex formation and their hybridization energies. Additional metrics, such as p-values for random ligation hypothesis or mean DG alignment scores, can be calculated to rank final set of RNA duplexes.

Data from multiple experiments or replicates can be processed separately and further compared to check the reproducibility of the experimental method.

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.addDGidsForTmpDGs Helper function to add ids to the duplex groups missed during global clustering

### Description

Check if there are a temporary duplex records with duplex\_id, which consist of more than one read  $n_reads > 1$ , but does not have assigned any dg\_id as the duplex group (DG) index. Creates new dg\_id if  $n_reads > 1$ 

### Usage

```
.addDGidsForTmpDGs(gi_input)
```

#### Arguments

gi\_input **GInteractions** with the dg\_id, duplex\_id and n\_reads column

#### Details

Meant to be used in the situations when previous collapsing steps merged two or more reads to the temporary DG with duplex\_id, but global clustering has not identified any overlap between this temporary group and other duplexes, resulting in undefined dg\_id. This function looks up for these cases and creates new dg\_id for temporary DGs, marking them as the final DGs. New dg\_id values are unique and allocated sequentially after the maximum value of dg\_id

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### Value

GInteractions object with new dg\_id for rows with n\_reads > 1

.addGeneCounts Helper function to add count data to metadata of GInteractions

### Description

Merges the count dataframe and interactions metadata by id\_col If key is not found, in metadata throws error

### Usage

```
.addGeneCounts(gi, df_counts, id_col = "gene_id")
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions
df_counts	dataframe with read counts
id_col	key to use in merge

#### Value

GInteractions with added counts

.annotateCisTrans Annotate RNA-RNA interactions as cis- and trans-

### Description

Annotated each entry gi object as cis, if the .A and .B arms correspond to the same feature (i.e transcript\_id or gene\_id) If the values are are equal, then annotated with value: cis = 1, If not equal or NA: cis = 0

### Usage

```
.annotateCisTrans(gi, id_col_base = "gene_id")
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions object containing two metadata columns as feature annotation
id_col_base	base name of the feature id columns to use. Function will look for <id_col_base>.A and <id_col_base>.B columns and compare them</id_col_base></id_col_base>

#### Value

gi GInteractions object containing cis field with 0/1 values

.compute\_clusters\_comp

Helper function to call clustering on each component

### Description

Helper function to call clustering on each component

### Usage

```
.compute_clusters_comp(graph, index)
```

### Details

Call clustering on each independent graph component. Used when decompose==TRUE

### Value

sub-graph with clusters labelled with sample-wise unique ids (cluster\_group)

.DGIdToDuplexId Accessor for mapping between temporary and final cluster ids

### Description

Accessor for mapping between temporary and final cluster ids

### Usage

```
.DGIdToDuplexId(gi)
```

### Arguments

gi

### Value

tibble

.getStartEndOvl

### Description

Helper func for calculating one-side overlap of SJ and junctions of gi

### Usage

.getStartEndOvl(gi, gr\_chim\_c, gr\_sj\_c, tol = 3)

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions object
gr_chim_c	GRanges object with chimeric junctions of gi
gr_sj_c	GRanges with chimeric junctions
tol	overlap tolerance

# Value

Granges object with the left (A) region

.gv\_plotboxes Plots distributed boxes

### Description

Non-exported from Gviz, contains logic for calcualting boxes alignment on plot

### Usage

.gv\_plotboxes(box, lwd, lty, alpha)

### Value

pushes boxes to the viewport

.gv\_updatepars Set Gviz graphical parameters

### Description

Set Gviz graphical parameters

### Usage

```
.gv_updatepars(x, class)
```

### Details

Non-exported from Gviz. Uses the same procedure as in AnnotationTrack to set defaults.

### Value

set default values inside class upon calling withn class constructor

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Annotate RNA duplexes with features

### Description

Overlays RNA duplexes with GRanges annotation object.

#### Usage

```
annotateGI(
  gi,
  anno_gr,
  keys = c("gene_name", "gene_type", "gene_id"),
  save_ambig = TRUE
)
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteraction object to annotate
anno_gr	GRanges object with the keys columns in the metadata
keys	names of the features to use for annotation.
save_ambig	in case RNA duplex overlaps multiple features of the first key, mark the ex- istense of ambiguous annotation in the fields ambig.A and ambig.B. Fields ambig_list.A and ambig_list.B will be store the list of overlapping features Only the first filed from keys is checked for possible annotation ambiguities.

### Details

For each annotation feature in keys, i.e if keys=c(keyname1), then <keyname1>.A, <keyname1>.B annotation fields will be created, containing the names of overlapping features If no overlap is found for the feature, then filed will have NA

### Value

GInteractions object with new fields

### Examples

```
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
annotateGI(gi = RNADuplexSampleDGs, anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR)
```

availableDisplayPars The default display parameters for a DuplexTrack object

### Description

DuplexTrack inherits from [Gviz::Annotaiontrack()] and its Gviz parents. Most likely, user doesn't need all dioplay pars for the parents, so only parameters relevant to the DuplexTrack are returned by default.

### Usage

```
availableDisplayPars(class)
```

### Arguments

class

DuplexTrack track object This function allows user to display the default display parameters for the DuplexTrack class.

### Value

list of the default display parameters.

### Examples

```
library(InteractionSet)
anchor1 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = "chr1",
    ranges = IRanges(
        start = c(100, 600, 1100, 1600, 2100),
        end = c(200, 700, 1200, 1700, 2200)
    ),
    strand = "+"
)
anchor2 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = "chr1",
    ranges = IRanges(
        start = c(300, 800, 1300, 1800, 2300),
        end = c(400, 900, 1400, 1900, 2400)
    ),
    strand = "+"
)
interactions <- GInteractions(anchor1, anchor2, mode = "strict")</pre>
gr_region <- range(anchor1, anchor2)</pre>
a <- DuplexTrack(interactions, gr_region = gr_region, stacking = "dense")</pre>
availableDisplayPars("DuplexTrack")
DuplexDiscovereR::availableDisplayPars(a)
```

calculateLigationPvalues

Calculate p-values and abundance fractions for RNA duplexes

### Description

Calculates p-values by applying Fisher test to each gene/transcript pair Uses BH correction, outputs duplex abundance relative to the per - gene/transcript count, and counts of other RNA duplexes formed by either or none gene/transcript in this pair.

#### Usage

```
calculateLigationPvalues(gi, df_counts, id_col = "gene_id")
```

#### Arguments

gi	GInteraction object annotated with gene/transcript names
df_counts	data.frame A two- column dataframe with gene/transcript counts to. The first column should match the 'gene_id' feature in anno_gr. The second column is the respective count.
id_col	the prefix for gene/transcript metadata id fields in input gi. Two fields of <id_col>.A and <id.col>.B are expected. Otherwise throws error.</id.col></id_col>

#### Details

H0: RNA duplex not existing and reported due to the random ligation of fragments H1: RNA duplex is true and formed because of existing the RNA-RNA interaction

The probability of random ligation is modeled as (P(a, b)) given by the following equation: The probability P(a, b) is defined as:

 $P(a,b) \propto \begin{cases} 2 \cdot P(a) \cdot P(b) & \text{if } a:b \text{ is observed and } a \neq b \\ P(a) \cdot P(b) & \text{if } a:b \text{ is observed and } a = b \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$ 

where The probability (P(a)) (same as for P(b) ) is calculated as:  $P(a) = \frac{N \operatorname{reads}(a)}{\operatorname{total} N \operatorname{reads}}$ 

p-value calculated by comparing observed duplex abundance to the expected as the are under the curve distribution to the right of the observed. P(a, b) is normalized to sum up to one.

#### Value

GInteractions object with new fields

```
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
gi <- calculateLigationPvalues(RNADuplexSampleDGs, df_counts = RNADuplexesGeneCounts)
hist(gi$p.adj, breaks = 20)</pre>
```

```
classifyTwoArmChimeras
```

Wrapper for classification of the 2arm chimeric reads

### Description

Wraps two procedures for different types of classification for read alignment:

**overlap type** test if chimeric junction map to two non-overlapped regions or shorter than defined minimum distance

splice junction test if chimeric junction is also a splice junction

### Usage

```
classifyTwoArmChimeras(
  gi,
  min_junction_len = 4,
  junctions_gr,
  max_sj_shift = 4
)
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions object
<pre>min_junction_le</pre>	en
	minimum allowed distance between two chimeric arms
junctions_gr	Granges object with the splice junctions coordinates
<pre>max_sj_shift</pre>	maximum shift between either donor and acceptor splice sites and corresponding chimreic junction coordinates to count chimeric junction as splice junction

#### Details

Calls detection of the chimeric junction type, annotates short junctions on same chromosome an strand as 'short'. Compares chimeric junctions with splice junctions. Adds results as the new metadata fields parallel to the input.

### Value

GInteractions object object of the same size with new columns:

splicejnc filled with 0 or 1

junction\_type factor for the junction types

### See Also

DuplexDiscovereR::getChimericJunctionTypes(), DuplexDiscovereR::getSpliceJunctionChimeras()

### clusterDuplexGroups

### Examples

```
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
head(RNADuplexSampleGI)
# remove all metadata
mcols(RNADuplexSampleGI) <- NULL
gi <- classifyTwoArmChimeras(RNADuplexSampleGI,
    min_junction_len = 5,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR, max_sj_shift = 10
)
table(gi$splicejnc)
table(gi$plicejnc)
table(gi$punction_type)
```

clusterDuplexGroups Cluster RNA duplexes in GInteractions object

### Description

Main method to find duplex groups from the individual interactions

### Usage

```
clusterDuplexGroups(
  gi,
  graphdf = NULL,
  maxgap = 40,
  minoverlap = 10,
  id_column = "duplex_id",
  weight_column = "weight",
  fast_greedy = FALSE,
  decompose = FALSE,
  id_columns_grapdf = paste(id_column, c(1, 2), sep = "."),
  min_arm_ratio = 0.3,
  dump_graph = FALSE,
  dump_path = ""
)
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions object
graphdf	Optional. Dataframe representing connection edges between entries in gi If not provided, graphdf is created inside the function
maxgap	For graph creation only. Max shift between arms starts and ends for pair of overlapping reads
minoverlap	For graph creation only. Minimum required overlap between either arm for pair of overlapping reads Other optional arguments, which are not relevant, unless user want to modify clustering weights or modify clustering in some other way
id_column	Optional. Column name in the GInteractions metadata, which was used to index temporary duplex groups, if they are present
weight_column	Optional. If graphdf is provided, field to use for weight overlaps

fast_greedy	Optional. Run the fast_greedy algorithm instead of Louvain. Can speed up calcualtion for the large graphs.
decompose	Decompose graph into separate sub-graphs before clustering.
id_columns_grap	df
	Column in the graph dataframe, which was used for index
min_arm_ratio	For graph creation only. Span-to-overlap ratio threshold. If smaller than this value, then edge is not drawn
dump_graph	For debug. Export the graph elements. not used
dump_path	For debug. PArt to export the graph elements. not used

### Details

Accepts or creates the connections graphdf dataframe, creates graph with igraph package, uses community detection algoritm to call clusters. New field dg\_id is added to label the clusters (duplex groups). If no community is found for the read, dg\_id is NA

### Value

GInteractions object with new dg\_id column

### Examples

collapseIdenticalReads

Collapses identical interactions

### Description

Two entries (reads) are considered identical if they share start, end, strand and score vales Identical entries are collapsed into the single one.

```
collapseIdenticalReads(gi)
```

```
gi
```

GInteractions(mode='strict') object with chromA, strandA, startA, endA, chromB, strandB, startB, endB, score columns Optionally cigar\_alnA, cigar\_alnB columns are also considered for collapsing 'read\_id' column used as the index in the initial objects. Created, if not exists

### Details

Adds columns to the collapsed object duplex\_id (int) unique record id n\_reads (int) number of entries collapsed

#### Value

result\_list object with keys ' gi\_collapsed': New collapsed GInteraction object ' stats\_df': tibble with the mapping of the original entries to the new duplex\_id

#### Examples

```
# load data
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
res_collapse <- collapseIdenticalReads(SampleSmallGI)
gi_new <- res_collapse[["gi_collapsed"]]
# keeps the mapping of the colapsed object to new
read_stats_df <- res_collapse[["stats_df"]]</pre>
```

collapseSimilarChimeras

Call clustering multiple times to collapse similar reads into duplex groups

### Description

Function calls clustering algorithm several times and collapses highly similar reads to the temporary duplex groups (DGs).

```
collapseSimilarChimeras(
  gi,
  read_stats_df,
  maxgap = 5,
  niter = 2,
  minoverlap = 10,
  min_nodes = 10
)
```

gi	GInteractions object
read_stats_df	tibble with the mapping 'read_id' and 'duplex_id' fields 'read_id' refers to the unique read, 'duplex_id' refers to the entry collapsed identical reads i.e two identical reads will will correspond to two unique read_id and the single duplex_id with n_reads=2
maxgap	Maximum relative shift between the overlapping read arms
niter	Number of times clustering will be called
minoverlap	Minimum required overlap between either read arm

#### Details

Calling this procedure before global read clustering substantially reduces time required for calling DGs. Collapsed duplex groups are aggregated only from the reads which are shifted by only a few nucleotides from each other. These DGs are temporary until full library clustering is called. To keep track of the mapping of the temprary DGs to the input, dedicated dataframe is returned. The 'duplex\_id' column will be added or updated as identifier for the temporary duplex group. The number of reads under single 'duplex\_id' is recorded in the 'n\_reads' fields

#### Value

a list with the following keys

- **gi\_updated** GInteractions object with both collapsed duplex groups and not-collapsed unchanged reads
- stats\_df tibble With the mapping from the unique read with the infromation about time and memory reaquired for the function call

collapse\_duplex\_groups

Collapse the reads into the duplex groups after clustering

#### Description

Collapse each interaction in the input to the duplex group based on the pre-computed dg\_id

```
collapse_duplex_groups(
  gi,
  return_unclustered = FALSE,
  return_collapsed = TRUE,
  keep_meta = TRUE
)
```

gi	GInteractions with the 'dg_id' metadata field
return_uncluste	red
	add unclustered reads to output
return_collapse	d
	add duplex groups, which were created as temporary with $n_{reads} > 1$ but was not clustered to the DG golabally. This parameter is used internally and should be kept default in most situations.
keep_meta	whether to keep metadata, which only unclustered reads have, in case of a mixed output

#### Details

'dg\_id' is used as the identifier for the duplex group Reads belonging to the same duplex group are collapsed into a single entry with start and end are set as min() and max() coordinate of the reads in within the duplex group. The 'score' column is averaged across the duplex group reads is calculated and put as the 'score' for the collapsed duplex group Behavior in case 'dg\_id' = NA: Option 'return\_unclustered' - whether unclustered reads with should be added to the output gi

**return\_unclustered == FALSE** Interaction is not returned in the output. Default.

**return\_unclustered == TRUE** Interaction is returned in the output, output is mixed duplex groups and individual reads

Internally used argument #'

- return\_collapsed == FALSE In case interaction already collapsed and n\_read > 1, interaction will not be returned as duplex group
- **return\_collapsed == TRUE** In case interaction has n\_read > 1, interaction will be treated as duplex group

### Value

GInteractions object with collapsed duplex groups

```
# load example of clustered data
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# some reads assigned to DG, some are not
table(is.na(RNADuplexSampleGI$dg_id))
# Return only DGs
gicollapsed <- collapse_duplex_groups(RNADuplexSampleGI, return_unclustered = FALSE)
# Return DGs and unclustered reads as well
gimixed <- collapse_duplex_groups(RNADuplexSampleGI, return_unclustered = TRUE)</pre>
# load small sample GInteractions and process it manually
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
# First, collapse duplicated reads. This adds n_reads and duplex ids
ginodup <- collapseIdenticalReads(SampleSmallGI)$gi_collapsed</pre>
# Second, run clustering, get DG ids
ginodup <- clusterDuplexGroups(ginodup)</pre>
# Return all DGs result in n=3 DGS, one of them formed by
# identical duplicated alignments
collapse_duplex_groups(ginodup, return_collapsed = TRUE)
```

```
# Return DGs, but drop duplicated returns n=2 DGs
collapse_duplex_groups(ginodup, return_collapsed = FALSE)
```

col\_check\_rename Check the column names and types in read dataframe

#### Description

Function to check the correct column names and types in dataframe input. Tries to guess the column names, if colnames are not provided, but the types are correct

#### Usage

```
col_check_rename(df, table_type = "STAR")
```

#### Arguments

df	input
table_type	one in c("STAR","bedpe")

#### Details

- Expected column names for bedpe file c("chromA", "startA", 'endA', "chromB", 'startB', 'endB', 'readname
- Expected colnames for STAR Chimeric junction input:
- For the 'old' chimeric detection scheme: c("chr\_donorA", "brkpt\_donorA", "strand\_donorA", "chr\_acceptor
- For the 'new' chimeric detection scheme c("chr\_donorA", "brkpt\_donorA", "strand\_donorA", "chr\_acceptor "brkpt\_acceptorB", "strand\_acceptorB", "junction\_type", "repeat\_left\_lenA", "repeat\_right\_lenB "start\_alnA", "cigar\_alnA", "start\_alnB", "cigar\_alnB")

### Value

dataframe with the properly formatted columns

 ${\tt compareMultipleInteractions}$ 

Compare multiple RNA-RNA interactions sets

### Description

Combines all interaction into single superset by clustering & collapsing. Then compares every input entry with the superset. Overlaps between superset and inputs are recorded in a table as 0/1

### Usage

```
compareMultipleInteractions(
  gi_samples_list,
  min_ratio = 0.3,
  minoverlap = 5,
  maxgap = 50,
  niter = 3,
  gi_superset = NULL,
  anno_gr = NULL
```

```
)
```

#### Arguments

anmes list with the GInteractions entries list('sample1'=gi1,'sample2'='gi2)
If the overlap-to-span ratio for either arm (A or B) for pair of chimeric reads is less than min_arm_ratio, then the total overlap for this pair is set to zero. Relevant to comparison of superset vs individual samples
Parameter for read clustering to create a superset. Minimum required overlap to for either arm (A or B) for pair of entries.
Parameter for read clustering. Minimum required shift between start and end coordinates of arms for pair of overlapping entries If the shift is longer than max_gap for either arm, then total read overlap between those reads is zero.
Internal parameter for debugging. Number of cluster& collapse iterations to find superset
Optional. Superset defining the space (all) of the interactions, against which inputs from the list will be compared.
Optional. Granges to annotate superset.

### Value

dataframe recodding the overlaps between samples and supeset

```
# Create test set of RNA interactions
chrom <- "chr1"
start1 <- c(1, 11, 21, 31, 41, 51, 61, 71, 81, 91)
end1 <- start1 + 9
start2 <- c(101, 111, 121, 131, 141, 151, 161, 171, 181, 191)
end2 <- start2 + 9
anchor1 <- GRanges(seqnames = chrom, ranges = IRanges(start = start1, end = end1))
anchor2 <- GRanges(seqnames = chrom, ranges = IRanges(start = start2, end = end2))
interaction <- GInteractions(anchor1, anchor2)
# Ensure some overlaps
n <- length(interaction)
group_size <- ceiling(n / 2)
group_indices1 <- sort(sample(seq_len(n), group_size))
group_indices2 <- sort(sample(seq_len(n), group_size))</pre>
```

```
group_indices3 <- sort(sample(seq_len(n), group_size))
# Create separate GInteractions objects for each group
group1 <- interaction[group_indices1]
group2 <- interaction[group_indices2]
group3 <- interaction[group_indices3]
# format input and call comparison
a <- list("sample1" = group1, "sample2" = group2, "sample3" = group3)
res <- compareMultipleInteractions(a)
# comparison result
head(res$dt_upset)
# superset
res$gi_all
# dataframe for the Upset plot
res$dt_upset</pre>
```

computeGISelfOverlaps Find overlaps between entries in GInteractions

### Description

Utility function to find overlapping reads in the input and calculate overlap scores. Removes selfhits. Computes overlap/span ratios for each interaction arm. Sum of the scores is recorded in 'weight' field

### Usage

```
computeGISelfOverlaps(
  gi,
  id_column = "duplex_id",
  maxgap = 40,
  minoverlap = 10
)
```

#### Arguments

gi	input gi object
id_column	column which use for using as ids for entries
maxgap	<pre>parameter for call of InteractionSet::findOverlaps()</pre>
minoverlap	<pre>parameter for call InteractionSet::findOverlaps()</pre>

### Value

dataframe with indexes of pairwise overlapsin input and columns for span, overlap, ratios of either read arm

#### Examples

```
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
computeGISelfOverlaps(SampleSmallGI)
```

convert\_gi\_to\_ranges Convert GInteractions object to Granges

#### Description

Creates the 'long' GRanges by stacking the A and B arms one 'on top' of the other. Adds id and group fields as indicators of original index and interaction arm (A- left arm, B- right arm)

#### Usage

```
convert_gi_to_ranges(gi)
```

### Arguments

gi GInteractions

#### Value

GRanges twice the length of the input

### Examples

```
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
convert_gi_to_ranges(SampleSmallGI)
```

dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads Accessor for chimeric\_reads Slot

### Description

Retrieves the value of the chimeric\_reads slot in a DuplexDiscovererResults object.

### Usage

```
dd_get_chimeric_reads(object)
```

## S4 method for signature 'DuplexDiscovererResults'
dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads(object)

### Arguments

object A DuplexDiscovererResults object.

# Value

GInteractions object from the chimeric\_reads slot.

### Examples

```
# load example input
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# run whole pipeline
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(</pre>
    data = SampleSmallGI,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
    anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
    sample_name = "run_example",
    lib_type = "SE",
    table_type = "STAR"
)
# access results
show(result)
gi_clusters <- dd_get_duplex_groups(result)</pre>
gi_reads <- dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)</pre>
df_reads <- dd_get_reads_classes(result)</pre>
dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_run_stats(result)
```

### Description

Retrieves the value of the chimeric\_reads\_stats slot in a DuplexDiscovererResults object.

### Usage

dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads\_stats(object)

```
## S4 method for signature 'DuplexDiscovererResults'
dd_get_chimeric_reads_stats(object)
```

### Arguments

```
object A DuplexDiscovererResults object.
```

#### Value

tibble from the chimeric\_reads\_stats slot.

#### Examples

```
# load example input
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# run whole pipeline
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(
    data = SampleSmallGI,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
```

#### dd\_get\_duplex\_groups

```
anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
sample_name = "run_example",
lib_type = "SE",
table_type = "STAR"
)
# access results
show(result)
gi_clusters <- dd_get_duplex_groups(result)
gi_reads <- dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)
df_reads <- dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_run_stats(result)
```

dd\_get\_duplex\_groups Accessor for duplex\_groups slot

#### Description

Retrieves the value of the duplex\_groups slot in a DuplexDiscovererResults object.

#### Usage

```
dd_get_duplex_groups(object)
```

## S4 method for signature 'DuplexDiscovererResults'
dd\_get\_duplex\_groups(object)

### Arguments

object A DuplexDiscovererResults object.

### Value

GInteractions object from the duplex\_groups slot.

```
# load example input
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# run whole pipeline
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(</pre>
    data = SampleSmallGI,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
    anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
    sample_name = "run_example",
    lib_type = "SE",
    table_type = "STAR"
)
# access results
show(result)
gi_clusters <- dd_get_duplex_groups(result)</pre>
gi_reads <- dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)</pre>
df_reads <- dd_get_reads_classes(result)</pre>
```

```
dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_run_stats(result)
```

dd\_get\_reads\_classes Accessor for reads\_classes Slot

### Description

Retrieves the value of the reads\_classes slot in a DuplexDiscovererResults object.

### Usage

dd\_get\_reads\_classes(object)

## S4 method for signature 'DuplexDiscovererResults'
dd\_get\_reads\_classes(object)

### Arguments

object A DuplexDiscovererResults object.

#### Value

tibble from the reads\_classes slot.

### Examples

```
# load example input
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# run whole pipeline
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(</pre>
    data = SampleSmallGI,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
    anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
    sample_name = "run_example",
    lib_type = "SE",
    table_type = "STAR"
)
# access results
show(result)
gi_clusters <- dd_get_duplex_groups(result)</pre>
gi_reads <- dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)</pre>
df_reads <- dd_get_reads_classes(result)</pre>
dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_run_stats(result)
```

#### Description

Retrieves the value of the run\_stats slot in a DuplexDiscovererResults object.

### Usage

```
dd_get_run_stats(object)
```

```
## S4 method for signature 'DuplexDiscovererResults'
dd_get_run_stats(object)
```

### Arguments

object A DuplexDiscovererResults object.

### Value

tibble from the run\_stats slot.

```
# load example input
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# run whole pipeline
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(</pre>
    data = SampleSmallGI,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
    anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
    sample_name = "run_example",
    lib_type = "SE",
    table_type = "STAR"
)
# access results
show(result)
gi_clusters <- dd_get_duplex_groups(result)</pre>
gi_reads <- dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)</pre>
df_reads <- dd_get_reads_classes(result)</pre>
dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_run_stats(result)
```

drawGD, DuplexTrack-method

Draw method for DuplexTrack

#### Description

Gviz::AnnotationTrack stacking algorithm is used to calculate vertical distribution of boxes for the interactions. Boxes coordinates are later imported for placing labels and arcs

### Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'DuplexTrack'
drawGD(GdObject, minBase, maxBase, prepare = FALSE, subset = TRUE, ...)
```

#### Value

pushes boxes, arcs and labels to viewport

DuplexDiscovereR Analysis of the data from RNA duplex probing experiments

#### Description

DuplexDiscovereR is a package for analysing data from RNA cross-linking and proximity ligation protocols such as SPLASH, PARIS, LIGR-seq and others, which provide information about intra-molecular RNA-RNA interactions through chimeric RNA-seq reads. Chimerically aligned fragments in these experiments correspond to the base-paired stretches (RNA duplexes) of RNA molecules . DuplexDiscovereR takes input in the form of chimericly or split -aligned reads, It implements procedures for alignment classification, filtering and efficient clustering of individual chimeric reads into duplex groups (DGs). Once DGs are found, RNA duplex formation and their hybridization energies are predicted. Additional metrics, such as p-values or mean DG alignment scores, can be calculated to rank and analyse the final set of RNA duplexes. Data from multiple experiments or replicates can be processed separately and further compared to check the reproducibility of the experimental method.

#### Details

DuplexDiscovereR

#### Author(s)

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#### See Also

DuplexDiscovereR vignette

DuplexDiscovererResults-class

**DuplexDiscovererResults** 

### Description

A helper S4 class to store the results of the full DuplexDiscovereR analysis. This class contains the following output:

- duplex\_groups: clustered duplex groups.
- chimeric\_reads: individual two-regions chimeric reads. Contains both clustered and unclustered reads. Clustered reads are linked to the duplex groups though 'dg\_id' field in metadata
- reads\_classes: dataframe parallel to the input containing classification result and detected mapping type for each entry in the input
- chimeric\_reads\_stats: dataframe containing read type classification statistics
- run\_stats: data frame containing statistics about the time and memory used by the pipeline

### Usage

```
DuplexDiscovererResults(
  duplex_groups,
  chimeric_reads,
  reads_classes,
  chimeric_reads_stats,
  run_stats
)
```

#### Arguments

duplex_groups	GInteractions object with duplex groups
chimeric_reads	GInteractions object with chimeric reads
reads_classes	tibble (tbl_df) with read classification data.
chimeric_reads_	_stats
	tibble (tbl_df) read type statistics.
run_stats	tibble (tbl_df) runtime and memory info

#### Details

Each output type has a corresponding accessor:

- dd\_get\_duplex\_groups()
- dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads()
- dd\_get\_reads\_classes()
- dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads\_stats()
- dd\_get\_run\_stats()

### Value

A DuplexDiscovererResults object.

#### Slots

duplex\_groups **GInteractions** object with duplex groups chimeric\_reads **GInteractions** object with chimeric reads reads\_classes tibble (tbl\_df) with read classification data. chimeric\_reads\_stats tibble (tbl\_df) read type statistics. run\_stats tibble (tbl\_df) runtime and memory info

### See Also

dd\_get\_duplex\_groups(),dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads(),dd\_get\_reads\_classes(),dd\_get\_chimeric\_reads\_sta
,dd\_get\_run\_stats()

#### Examples

```
# load example input
data("RNADuplexesSmallGI")
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# run whole pipeline
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(</pre>
    data = SampleSmallGI,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
    anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
    sample_name = "run_example",
    lib_type = "SE",
    table_type = "STAR"
)
# access results
show(result)
gi_clusters <- dd_get_duplex_groups(result)</pre>
gi_reads <- dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)</pre>
df_reads <- dd_get_reads_classes(result)</pre>
dd_get_reads_classes(result)
dd_get_run_stats(result)
```

DuplexTrack

class for the visualization of RNA duplexes

#### Description

Inherits the Gviz::AnnotationTrack, plots interaction ranges as boxes. Arguments from Gviz::AnnotationTrack, as stacking which set boxes layout are accepted. Parent aesthetics for labels are overwritten with Display parameters of this class. Accepts GInteractions object to plot and GRanges to define plot region

Duplexes which can be displayed on the plot range are connected with arcs. Duplexes which are partially outside of the range are displayed without arcs. Labeles and appearance can be controlled with display parameters

# Duplex Track

# Arguments

gi	An GInteractions object
gr_region	GRanges region for plotting
from	Integer start coordinate of subset region. Used if gr_region is not provided
to	Integer end coordinate of subset region. Used if gr_region is not provided
chromosome	Chromosome of subset region. Used if gr_region is not provided
strand	Used if gr_region is not provided
fill.column	used for fill. Default is "" (empty) and triggers IGV color pallete. Display parameters
	arcs.color Character. Color of the arcs. Default is "black".
	<b>arc.location</b> Character in c('inner','outer','midpoint'). Location of the arcs in X axis relative to range. Default is "inner"
	<b>labels.v.offset.base</b> Numeric. Base vertical offset for the labels. Default is 0.2. Other offesets are added to it.
	<b>labels.v.offset.trans</b> Numeric. Vertical offset for trans labels. Applied when one part of the duplex is outside of the plot. Recommended ranges are in -0.5 to 0.5 Default is 0.0.
	<b>labels.h.offset.trans</b> Numeric. Horizontal offset for trans labels. Applied when one part of the duplex is outside of the plot Value is in nucleotide units. Default is 0.0.
	<b>labels.v.offset.cis</b> Numeric. Vertical offset for cis labels. Recommended ranges are in -0.5 to 0.5 Default is 0.0. Default is 0.0.
	<b>labels.h.offset.cis</b> Numeric. Horizontal offset for cis labels. Value is in nucleotide units. Default is 0.0.
	labels.fontsize Numeric. Font size of the labels. Default is 18.
	<b>label.cis.above</b> Logical. Whether the cis labels should be above. When set to FALSE, labels are plot for each box separately. Default is TRUE
	<b>annotation.column1</b> Character. First annotation column to use for labels. Default is "group" and generated internally.
	annotation.column2 Character. Second annotation column to use for labels. Default is "" (empty).
	<b>fill.column</b> Character. Column used for fill. Default is "" (empty) and triggers IGV color pallete.
	labels.color Character. Color of the labels. Default is 'black'.
	<b>labels.align</b> Character. Alignment of the labels. Default is 'center'. Possible values are in c('left','right','center)
	<b>arcConstrain</b> Numeric. Minimum gap distance between arms of the interaction to draw arcs

```
library(InteractionSet)
library(Gviz)
# generate input
anchor1 <- GRanges(
    seqnames = "chr1",
    ranges = IRanges(
        start = c(100, 600, 1100, 1600, 2100, 150, 400),</pre>
```

```
end = c(200, 700, 1200, 1700, 2200, 250, 500)
    ),
    strand = "+"
)
anchor2 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = "chr1"
    ranges = IRanges(
         start = c(300, 800, 1300, 1800, 2300, 1500, 1700),
         end = c(400, 900, 1400, 1900, 2400, 1600, 1800)
    ).
    strand = "+"
)
interactions <- GInteractions(anchor1, anchor2, mode = "strict")</pre>
# define plotting range
gr_region <- range(anchor1, anchor2)</pre>
interactions$anno_A <- sample(LETTERS, length(interactions))</pre>
interactions$anno_B <- interactions$anno_A</pre>
a <- DuplexTrack(interactions, gr_region = gr_region, stacking = "dense")</pre>
plotTracks(a, stacking = "dense")
plotTracks(a, stacking = "squish", annotation.column1 = "anno_A")
# add interactions which are not fully in plot range: outside the range or on different chromosome()
# one left (A) interaction arm outside of the plot, other on different chromosome
new_anchor1 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = c("chr1", "chr2"),
    ranges = IRanges(
        start = c(10, 600),
         end = c(90, 700)
    ).
    strand = "+"
)
new_anchor2 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = c("chr1", "chr1"),
    ranges = IRanges(
         start = c(1500, 1000),
         end = c(1600, 1200)
    ).
    strand = "+"
)
new_interactions <- GInteractions(new_anchor1, new_anchor2)</pre>
new_interactions$anno_A <- c("A.out", "A.out_chr")
new_interactions$anno_B <- c("B.in", "B.in")</pre>
all_interactions <- c(interactions, new_interactions)</pre>
b <- DuplexDiscovereR::DuplexTrack(all_interactions,</pre>
    gr_region = gr_region,
    annotation.column1 = "anno_A".
    annotation.column2 = "anno_B"
)
plotTracks(b)
# to customize plot, one can call, to see options
```

```
DuplexDiscovereR::availableDisplayPars(b)
```

```
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```

getChimericJunctionTypes

Classify chimeric junctions of two-arm reads into types

### Description

Chimeric reads which can be represented ans two-arm interactions can be divided into several categories based on the distance between the chimeric fragments and existence of the overlap between these fragments.

### Usage

```
getChimericJunctionTypes(gi, normal_gap_threshold = 10)
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions object
normal_gap	_threshold
	minimum allowed distance between chimeric arms

### Details

Takes GInteractions object and classifies junctions into following categories

2arm normal chimeric read

**2arm\_short** normal chimeric read with junction < *normal\_gap\_threshold* 

self\_ovl arms overlap

antisense\_ovl arms overlap on the opposite strand

### Value

gi object of the same size with the 'junction\_type' field added

```
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
preproc_df <- runDuplexDiscoPreproc(RNADuplexesRawBed, table_type = "bedpe")
preproc_gi <- makeGiFromDf(preproc_df)
preproc_gi <- getChimericJunctionTypes(preproc_gi)
table(preproc_gi$junction_type)</pre>
```

getRNAHybrids

#### Description

Calls RNAduplex from ViennaRNA to find base-pairs for every entry in the input, throws a message and system warning if it is not installed

### Usage

```
getRNAHybrids(gi, fafile)
```

#### Arguments

gi	Ginteraction with pairs of regions
fafile	path to the .fasta file with genome

### Value

object parallel to input with added energy GC content, dot-format base-pairings and lenghts of RNA hybrids will return the input, if RNA hybrids cannot be run

```
sequence <- paste0(</pre>
    "CGUAGCAUCGUAGCUAGCUAGCUAUGCGAUU"
)
# Save the sequence to a temp fasta file
fasta_file <- tempfile(fileext = ".fa")</pre>
chrom <- "test_chrA"
writeLines(c(">test_chrA", sequence), con = fasta_file)
# Create the GInteraction object
# Define start and end positions for the base-pairing regions
regions <- data.frame(</pre>
   start1 = c(1, 11, 21, 31, 41),
   end1 = c(10, 20, 30, 40, 50),
   start2 = c(91, 81, 71, 61, 51),
   end2 = c(100, 90, 80, 70, 60)
)
# GRanges objects for the anchors
anchor1 <- GRanges(seqnames = chrom, ranges = IRanges(start = regions$start1, end = regions$end1))
anchor2 <- GRanges(seqnames = chrom, ranges = IRanges(start = regions$start2, end = regions$end2))
interaction <- GInteractions(anchor1, anchor2)</pre>
# predict hybrids
# In case ViennaRNA is installed
## Not run:
gi_with_hybrids <- getRNAHybrids(interaction, fasta_file)</pre>
## End(Not run)
```

getSpliceJunctionChimeras

Identify chimeric junctions coinciding with the splice junctions

### Description

Marks interactions which starts/ends within specified shift from the known splice junctions.

### Usage

```
getSpliceJunctionChimeras(
   gi,
   sj_gr,
   sj_tolerance = 20,
   sj_tolerance_strict = 10
)
```

### Arguments

gi	GInteractions object
sj_gr	Granges object with the splice junctions data
sj_tolerance	maximum shift between either donor and acceptor splice sites and corresponding chimreic junction coordinates to count chimeric junction as splice junction
sj_tolerance_st	maximum shift between either donor and acceptor splice sites irrespective of the particular splice junction. If both chimeric junction start and end correspond to donor or acceptor of any known junction, it is marked as splice junction. Used to catch novel combinations of known 3' and 5' sites

### Value

gi object with added 'splicejnc' and field Additionally 'splicejnc\_donor' 'splicejnc\_acceptor' fields are added

```
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
gi <- getSpliceJunctionChimeras(RNADuplexSampleGI, SampleSpliceJncGR)
table(gi$splicejnc)
table(gi$splicejnc_acceptor, gi$splicejnc_donor)</pre>
```

get\_arm\_a

### Description

Get left arm of GInteraction

### Usage

get\_arm\_a(gi)

# Arguments

gi GInteractions object

# Value

Granges object with the left (A) region

get\_arm\_b Get right arm of GInteraction

# Description

Get right arm of GInteraction

### Usage

get\_arm\_b(gi)

# Arguments

gi GInteractions object

# Value

Granges object with the right (B) region

get\_char\_count\_cigar Count the length of the key type in CIGAR string

### Description

Takes CIGAR operands i.e M,N,S and sums the associated blocks length It is vectorized. i.e supports vector with CIGAR strings

### Usage

```
get_char_count_cigar(strings, s)
```

### Arguments

strings	CIGAR string vector
s	CIGAR operands

### Value

vector with length values

### Examples

```
# From a vector
get_char_count_cigar(c("4S18M22S", "25S26M"), "S")
get_char_count_cigar(c("18M22S", "20M20S"), "M")
```

#### Description

Returns chimeric junction defined as range distance between the end and the start of the first and second range respectively

#### Usage

```
get_chimeric_junctions_onestrand(gi_intra)
```

### Details

If the pair of interacting ranges is not on the same strand and chromosome, returns error

### Value

Granges object with the

```
get_colnames_and_types_for_input
```

Get colnames for expected data types

#### Description

Get colnames for expected data types

#### Usage

get\_colnames\_and\_types\_for\_input(nameset)

### Arguments

nameset name of the table

### Value

character vector

makeDfFromGi

Convert GInteractions to tibble

#### Description

Converts GInteractions to tibble, preserves metadata

### Usage

makeDfFromGi(gi)

#### Arguments

gi GInteracttions

### Details

Following naming conventions is used for region coordinates: c('chromA','startA','endA','strandA', 'chromB','startB','endB','strandB')

# Value

tibble preserving metadata columns

### See Also

makeGiFromDf()

```
data(RNADuplexesSmallGI)
converted_to_df <- makeDfFromGi(SampleSmallGI)
converted_to_gi <- makeGiFromDf(converted_to_df)</pre>
```

makeGiFromDf

### Description

Converts dataframe-like object to the GInteractions.

#### Usage

makeGiFromDf(df)

#### Arguments

df

dataframe-like object. Should be convertable to tibble::tibble()

### Details

arms will be consistent between different objects of same reference Following columns are looked up in input dataframe to parse region coordinates: c("chromA','startA','endA','strandA',"chromB",'startB','endB','strandI GInteractions(mode='strict') is enforced, to ensure that the order of the regions Extra columns are stored as metadata fields

#### Value

GInteractions(mode='strict')

### See Also

makeDfFromGi()

### Examples

```
# load example GInteractions
data(RNADuplexesSmallGI)
```

```
converted_to_df <- makeDfFromGi(SampleSmallGI)
converted_to_gi <- makeGiFromDf(converted_to_df)</pre>
```

preproc\_chim\_junction\_out\_pe

Processing of of the STAR PE Chimeric.junction.out

#### Description

Calculates alignment coordinates and returns reads with categories

```
preproc_chim_junction_out_pe(dt, keep_all_columns = FALSE)
```

```
dt Chimeric.out.junction with the correct column names
keep_all_columns
• TRUE or FALSE. Keep CIGAR strings and junction coordinate columns
```

#### **Details**

#'

multimap multi-mapped read

multigap more than one junction (more than two 'N' in CIGAR string)

**bad junction** Artifacts. I.e alignments for both arms are continious, but with 'backward' chimeric junction was wrongly put

### Value

tibble with annotated reads

preproc\_chim\_junction\_out\_se

Processing of of the STAR SE Chimeric.junction.out

#### Description

Calculates alignment coordinates and returns reads with categories

### Usage

```
preproc_chim_junction_out_se(dt, keep_all_columns = FALSE)
```

#### Arguments

dt Chimeric.out.junction with the correct column names keep\_all\_columns • TRUE or FALSE. Keep CIGAR strings and junction coordinate columns

#### Details

### #'

multimap multi-mapped read

multigap more than one junction (more than two 'N' in CIGAR string)

**bad junction** Artifacts. I.e alignments for both arms are continious, but with 'backward' chimeric junction was wrongly put

#### Value

tibble with annotated reads

#### See Also

col\_check\_rename()
preproc\_generic *Preprocess*.bedpe input

# Description

Searches for the multi-mapped and bad reads (overlapping arms) Adds 'multimap', 'bad\_junction' columns filled with 0 or 1 and 'multigap' = 0 for consistency with other pre-processing methods

## Usage

```
preproc_generic(dt, keep_all_columns = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

dt dataframe with reads aligned to strictly two loci keep\_all\_columns keep columns apart form the required from .bedpe format

## Value

pre-processed dataframe

preproc\_generic\_gi Preprocess GInteractions input

## Description

Searches for the multi-mapped reads (overlapping arms) Adds 'multimap', 'bad\_junction' columns filled with 0/1 and 'multigap' = 0 for consistency with other pre-processing methods.

# Usage

```
preproc_generic_gi(gi_raw, keep_all_columns = TRUE)
```

# Arguments

gi\_raw GInteractions with inpit RNA interactions keep\_all\_columns

keep columns apart from those required by .bedpe format

## Value

pre-processed dataframe

refresh\_gi

#### Description

Sub-setting the GInteractions object does not reduce its ranges container For some applications, to save memory, we can safely reduce the size of the object by re-creating it. Also, it can be used to ensure the 'strict' mode of the regions in ranges

# Usage

refresh\_gi(gi)

# Arguments

gi

GInteractions object

# Value

GInteractions object with new ranges attribute

RNADuplexesGeneCounts Gene counts on human chromosome 22, embryonic stem cells

## Description

File generated by mapping with STAR using --quantMode GeneCounts see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD\_data\_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR") for details on the pre-processing and sub-setting the

## Usage

data(RNADuplexesSampleData)

## Format

An object of class spec\_tbl\_df (inherits from tbl\_df, tbl, data.frame) with 1445 rows and 2 columns.

# Value

tibble with columns of Chimeric.junction.out

## Source

SequenceReadArcive

RNADuplexesRawBed Chimeric reads of SPLASH converted to .bedpe fromat

#### Description

A Chimeric.out.Junction file with a subset of chr 22 Chimeric reads detected by SPLASH protocol in Human embryonic stem cells.

# Usage

```
data(RNADuplexesSampleData)
```

#### Format

An object of class spec\_tbl\_df (inherits from tbl\_df, tbl, data.frame) with 2040 rows and 10 columns.

## Value

tibble with columns of bedpe format

# Source

SequenceReadArcive Reads were aligned with STAR and filtered to contain only reads which could be represented as 2-arm chimeric alignments. Converted to the bedpe format see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD\_data\_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR") for details on the pre-processing and sub-setting the data

RNADuplexesRawChimSTAR

Chimeric reads of SPLASH

## Description

A Chimeric.out.Junction file with a subset of chr 22 Chimeric reads detected by SPLASH protocol in Human embryonic stem cells.

## Usage

```
data(RNADuplexesSampleData)
```

#### Format

An object of class tbl\_df (inherits from tbl, data.frame) with 5000 rows and 21 columns.

## Value

tibble with columns of Chimeric.junction.out

## Source

SequenceReadArcive Reads were aligned with STAR see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD\_data\_generation.
package = "DuplexDiscovereR") for details on the pre-processing and sub-setting the data

RNADuplexSampleClustReads

RNA duplex reads of SPLASH, clustered and assigned to duplex groups

# Description

GInteractions read-level object containing processed reads, annotated with duplex group ids, read types gene names and p-values

## Usage

data(RNADuplexesSampleData)

# Format

An object of class StrictGInteractions of length 2090.

#### Value

GInteractions with

- n\_reads\_dg : number of reads in the duplex group (DG)
- duplex\_id : temporary id for RNA duplexes which could be found before clustering (duplicated or shifted by couple of nt )
- dg\_id :id of the duplex group
- score : median alignment score in duplex group
- other columns inherited from the STAR Chimeric.out.Junction

## Source

SequenceReadArcive Reads were aligned with STAR and duplex groups were identified see system.file("extdata/sc
"DD\_data\_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR") for details on the data generation
proccedure.

RNADuplexSampleDGs	RNA duplex reads of SPLASH, clustered and collapsed to duplex
	groups

# Description

GInteractions duplex group -level object containing detected duplex groups, annotated with duplex group ids, gene\_names and p-values

# Usage

data(RNADuplexesSampleData)

## Format

An object of class StrictGInteractions of length 79.

# Value

GInteractions with

- n\_reads : number of reads in the duplex group (DG)
- dg\_id :id of the duplex group
- p\_val : BH adjusted p-value of testing to reject hypothesis of DG arising from random ligation
- score : median alignment score in duplex group
- other columns with . A and . B annotating to which genes either arm of the DG maps

## Source

SequenceReadArcive Reads were aligned with STAR and duplex groups were identified see system.file("extdata/sc
"DD\_data\_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR") for details on the data generation
procedure.

RNADuplexSampleGI RNA duplex reads of SPLASH derived from chimeric alignments

## Description

GInteractions read-level object containing two-arm chimeric reads extracted from mapping output and which can be represented in the GInteraction object

# Usage

```
data(RNADuplexesSampleData)
```

## Format

An object of class StrictGInteractions of length 2090.

#### Details

see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD\_data\_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR")
for details on the data generation procedure.

## Value

GInteractions with

- readname : read name
- map\_type : type of the mapped read (2arm by design of pre-filtering)
- junction\_type : if read jucntion is too short, or it not a 'true' ligated reads because of the jucntoin coincides with splice junction
- cigar\_aln\* columns inherited from the STAR Chimeric.out.Junction output

## Source

SequenceReadArcive

runDuplexDiscoPreproc Run pre-processing of chimeric reads input

# Description

Imports dataframe with reads (*.bedpe* or *Chimeric.out.junction*) or GInteractions object. Checks column names or tries to quess them if not provided. Adds necessary annotation depending on the input type, For *STAR* input, calculates length of the alignments and marks unique 2-arm alignments. For the *.bedpe* or GInteractions input, all entries are already represented as reads with two different aligned parts (2-arm), so only check for unique readname is performed.

# Usage

```
runDuplexDiscoPreproc(
   data,
   table_type,
   library_type = "SE",
   keep_metadata = TRUE,
   return_gi = FALSE,
   min_arm_len = 15
)
```

# Arguments

data	Either dataframe-like object: <i>Chimeric.out.junction</i> from <i>STAR</i> or <i>.bedpe</i> - for- matted or GInteractions object from <b>InteractionSet</b> package
table_type	in c("STAR", "bedpe") for Chimeric.out.Junction or generic input
library_type	c("SE", "PE") for pair- or single- end input
keep_metadata	c(TRUE, FALSE) Whether extra fields like CIGAR strings and junction coordinates should be kept
return_gi	if the return object should be GInteractions
<pre>min_arm_len</pre>	minimum allowed length of the alignment arm. Read will be dropped if either arm is shorter

## Details

If not existed, adds fields required for the downstream steps: 'readname', 'map\_type', 'score', 'n\_reads'. 'map\_type' field determines the type of the chimeric read:

multimap multi-mapped read

multigap more than one junction (more than two 'N' in CIGAR string)

**bad junction** Artifacts or possibly unaccounted types. I.e alignments for both arms are continuous, but with 'backward' chimeric junction was wrongly introduced in the mapping

# Value

tibble with new metadata fields OR GInteractions if return\_gi is set to TRUE

#### Examples

```
# load data
data(RNADuplexesSampleData)
# with bedpe input
preproc_reads <- runDuplexDiscoPreproc(RNADuplexesRawBed, table_type = "bedpe")
# with STAR input
preproc_reads_star <- runDuplexDiscoPreproc(RNADuplexesRawChimSTAR,
        table_type = "STAR",
        keep_metadata = FALSE
)
```

runDuplexDiscoverer Executes all steps of DuplexDiscovereR pipeline

#### Description

Generates GInteractions object with duplex groups from the STAR Chimeric.out.junction or bedpe file. Classifies reads, annotates reads by overlap with the gene or transcript features, calculates p-values and hybridization energies. Additionally, returns mappings from duplex groupd back to genes.

#### Usage

```
runDuplexDiscoverer(
    data,
    table_type = "",
    junctions_gr = NULL,
    anno_gr = NULL,
    anno_gr_keys = c("gene_id", "gene_name", "gene_type"),
    fafile = NULL,
    df_counts = NULL,
    sample_name = "sample",
    lib_type = "SE",
    min_junction_len = 5,
    max_gap = 50,
    min_arm_ratio = 0.1,
    min_overlap = 10,
```

```
max_sj_shift = 10,
gap_collapse_similar = 2,
collapse_n_inter = 5,
trim_alignments = FALSE,
trim_length = 40,
min_arm_len = 9,
compute_p_values = TRUE
)
```

# Arguments

data	dataframe-like object with the split reads. Output of Chimeric.out.junction or dataframe with fileds defined by bedpe format: c("chromA","startA",'endA',"chromB",'startB','endB ) Alternatively, GInteractions object	
table_type	one in c("STAR","bedpe") Defines the type of the input dataframe. ignored if input data is GInteractions	
junctions_gr	GRanges object with the splice junction coordinates	
anno_gr	GRanges object to use for the annotation of the interactions. Optional	
anno_gr_keys	c() vector with names of metadata fields in anno_gr which will be used for the annotation. Argument passed to annotateGI() function. The c('gene_id','gene_name','gene_type') columns in anno_gr are used by default.	
fafile	path to the genome .fasta file. Used to calculate hybridization energy with <i>RNADuplex</i> . Sequence names should correspond to the sequences from which the mapping index was created. Optional	
df_counts	A two- column dataframe with counts. Counts are used for p-value calculation. The first column should match the 'gene_id' feature in anno_gr. The second column is the respective count. Optional	
sample_name	A name of the sample, used for assembling the analysis statistics dataframe	
lib_type	one in c('SE','PE'). Type of the sequencing library. Default is 'SE'	
<pre>min_junction_le</pre>	n	
	a minimum allowed distance between chimeric arms for the read input. Reads with the junction closer than min_junction_len are annotated as '2arm_shot' and not clustered to duplex groups	
max_gap	Parameter for read clustering. Minimum required shift between start and end coordinates of arms for pair of overlapping chimeric reads. If the shift is longer than max_gap for either arm, then total read overlap between those reads is zero.	
min_arm_ratio	Parameter for read clustering. If the overlap-to-span ratio for either arm (A or B) for pair of chimeric reads is less than min_arm_ratio, then the total overlap for this pair is set to zero.	
min_overlap	Parameter for read clustering. Minimum required overlap to for either arm (A or B) for pair of chimeric reads.	
<pre>max_sj_shift</pre>	Maximum shift between either donor and acceptor splice sites and chimeric junction coordinates to count chimeric junction as splice junction	
gap_collapse_similar		
	Parameter for read clustering (iterative step). Analogous to the max_gap, but applied collapse_n_inter times during the iterative merging step. Reduce this to 1 or 2 to lower RAM usage for clustering the library with many similar reads.	

collapse_n_inte	er
	Parameter for read clustering (iterative step). Number of iterations to repeat step of collapsing of the highly similar chimeric reads. Increasing this from i.e 0 to 5 reduces clustering time and memory for the libraries with many overlapping reads.
trim_alignments	
	TRUE or FALSE. Whether to trim arms alignments to 'trim_length' nucleotide around chimeric junction
trim_length	target size of trimmed alignment
min_arm_len	minimum allowed length of the alignment arm. Read will be dropped if either arm is shorter
compute_p_values	
	TRUE or FALSE. whether to calcualte random ligation test

#### Details

This is a main function to do the initial discovery of the RNA duplexes after the chimeric read mapping. It wraps following procedures:

- Classifies the input reads by the mapping type. Keeps 2-arm chimeric reads for downstream analysis
- Compares 2arm duplex reads against provided splice junctions
- · Classifies 2arm duplexes into spurious self-overlapping, splice junction categoris
- · Performs clustering of the remaining reads into duplex groups
  - Collapses identically mapped reads
  - Collapses closely located reads, almost identical reads
  - Finds duplex groups throughout whole data set
- Annotates duplex groups with genomic features if annotation is provided
- · Calculates p-values if gene counts and annotation are provided
- Calculates hybridization energies if path to the .fasta file is provided

## Value

a list with the following keys

- duplex\_groups GInteractions object with chimeric reads clustered duplex groups
- chimeric\_reads GInteractions object with non-collapsed chimeric reads
- reads\_classes tbl\_df dataframe parallel to the the input dataframe, annotated with read categories and duplex groups

chimeric\_reads\_stats tbl\_df dataframe containing read type classification statistics

run\_stats tbl\_df dataframe with the time and memory info about the run

# See Also

DuplexDiscovererResults()

# Examples

```
library(DuplexDiscovereR)
# load data
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
result <- runDuplexDiscoverer(</pre>
    data = RNADuplexesRawChimSTAR,
    junctions_gr = SampleSpliceJncGR,
    anno_gr = SampleGeneAnnoGR,
    df_counts = RNADuplexesGeneCounts,
    sample_name = "test clustering",
    fafile = NULL,
    collapse_n_inter = 3,
    lib_type = "SE",
    table_type = "STAR"
)
# see results object
print(result)
# duplex groups
dd_get_duplex_groups(result)
# individual chimeric reads
dd_get_chimeric_reads(result)
# counts of detected read types
dd_get_chimeric_reads_stats(result)
```

SampleGeneAnnoGR Gene coordinates on human chromosome 22

# Description

Granges containing gene coordinates of human chromosome 22 obtained from GENCODEv44 annotaion

# Usage

```
data(RNADuplexesSampleData)
```

# Format

An object of class GRanges of length 1445.

# Details

```
see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD_data_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR")
for details
```

# Value

statdatd GENCODE gtf fields

#### Source

GENCODEv44

SampleSmallGI

# Description

GInteractions object containing two-arm chimeric reads extracted from mapping output and which can be represented in the GInteraction object and subset to chr22: 23877144-45562960 '\*'

# Usage

```
data(RNADuplexesSmallGI)
```

## Format

An object of class StrictGInteractions of length 14.

# Details

see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD\_data\_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR")
for details on the data generation procedure.

# Source

#### SequenceReadArcive

SampleSpliceJncGR Gene coordinates on human chromosome 22

# Description

Granges containing coordinates of splice junctions human chromosome 22 obtained from GEN-CODEv44 annotaion

## Usage

```
data(RNADuplexesSampleData)
```

## Format

An object of class GRanges of length 8465.

## Details

```
see system.file("extdata/scripts", "DD_data_generation.R", package = "DuplexDiscovereR")
for details
```

## Value

statdatd GENCODE gtf fields

# Source

GENCODEv44

# Description

This method provides a summary of the DuplexDiscovererResults object. It prints chimeric\_reads\_stats followed by the run\_stats.

# Usage

## S4 method for signature 'DuplexDiscovererResults'
show(object)

# Arguments

object

A DuplexDiscovererResults object.

# Value

None. Prints a formatted summary.

show,DuplexTrack-method

Show method for DuplexTrack

## Description

Show method for DuplexTrack

# Usage

```
## S4 method for signature 'DuplexTrack'
show(object)
```

# Arguments

object DuplexTrack.

# Value

class representation

#### subset\_gi

# Examples

```
library(InteractionSet)
anchor1 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = "chr1",
    ranges = IRanges(
        start = c(100, 600, 1100, 1600, 2100),
        end = c(200, 700, 1200, 1700, 2200)
    ),
    strand = "+"
)
anchor2 <- GRanges(</pre>
    seqnames = "chr1",
    ranges = IRanges(
        start = c(300, 800, 1300, 1800, 2300),
        end = c(400, 900, 1400, 1900, 2400)
    ),
    strand = "+"
)
interactions <- GInteractions(anchor1, anchor2, mode = "strict")</pre>
gr_region <- range(anchor1, anchor2)</pre>
a <- DuplexTrack(interactions, gr_region = gr_region, stacking = "dense")</pre>
show(a)
```

```
subset_gi
```

#### Subset the GInteractions object to single interaction

## Description

Sub-setting the GInteractions object does not reduce its ranges container This function selects Ginteraction by index and reduces the ranges

# Usage

```
subset_gi(gi, k)
```

#### Arguments

gi GInteractions object

#### Value

GInteractions with the range atribure reduced to single interaction

trimAroundJunction

## Description

Extract regions around chimeric junction

Trim alignements to contain only 'extract len' nucleotides adajcent to the chimeric junction

# Usage

trimAroundJunction(dt, extract\_len = 30)

# Arguments

dt table with the extract\_len

#### Details

In case of the long alignemtns, it may be necessary trim chimeric alignments to identify RNA duplex. If 'extract\_len' is longer than the read alignemnt length, then no trimmin is performed

## Value

dataframe with the trimmed alignments

# Examples

```
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
dt_preproc = runDuplexDiscoPreproc(RNADuplexesRawChimSTAR,
table_type = 'STAR',library_type = 'SE')
trimAroundJunction(dt_preproc,40)
```

writeGiToSAMfile Write reads to sam file

#### Description

Writes interactions to the sam file for visualization in extrnal browsers. Takes input as GInteractions object containing reads or duplex groups.

## writeGiToSAMfile

# Usage

```
writeGiToSAMfile(
  gi_coords,
  file_out,
  distance_chim_junction = 10000,
  read_name_column = "readname",
  id_column = "dg_id",
  genome = "",
  sample_name = "noname_sample"
)
```

# Arguments

gi_coords	input Ginteraction object	
file_out	path to write output file	
distance_chim_junction		
	maximum distance between input duplex groups/reads, which will be repre- sented as the single-line in .sam file. Junction will be output as N- gap. For the interactions with longer distances, chimeric junction will be represented as MR:Z:i tag	
<pre>read_name_colum</pre>	n	
	character field, pointing out to read names. Read names are generated automatically if not provided.	
id_column	character name of the field containing integer duplex group ids. NA are replaced with zeros	
genome	character. Genome version. Required for the retrieval of sequence lengths for sam file header- SQ and SN tags. For convenience, hg38 and hg19 chromosome lengths will be assigned automatically. If the value is not in c('hg38','hg19'), seqlengths will be looked for be in attribute in seqlengths() of regions(gi_coords)	
sample_name	name to use in RG SAM tag in header	

## Value

no object is returned

# Examples

```
# Load test data
data("RNADuplexesSampleData")
# if the input is read-based, it should have integer duplex group ids
# here, we have 2090 reads
length(RNADuplexSampleGI)
# among them 300 reads does not belong to any DG
\# missing ids will be converted to 0
table(is.na(RNADuplexSampleGI$dg_id))
tmpf <- tempfile(".sam")</pre>
writeGiToSAMfile(
    gi_coords = RNADuplexSampleGI,
    id_column = "dg_id",
    file_out = tmpf,
    distance_chim_junction = 1e5,
    genome = "hg38"
)
```

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