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.getRunsAndTotals

A helper function for getRunTotals

Description

This takes a GRanges object for binneed data and a column name designating where to find the relevant data in the mools and returns a GRanges giving the consecutive runs of constant sign and their run totals. It is not exported.

Usage

```
.getRunsAndTotals(gr, colName)
```

Arguments

gr a GRanges object whose mools gives the relevant binned data

colName This designates the column in mcols with the relevant data

Value

a GRanges object giving the contiguous regions and their respective sums.

 ${\tt bigBinSize}$

Big bin size

Description

The deltaCaptureC package depends on rebinning mean normalized capture C data from a small bin size to a large bin size. This gives the size of the latter. This is used in package documentation.

Usage

 ${\tt bigBinSize}$

Format

a numeric scalar

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binnedDeltaPlot	Plot of Binned Delta Counts
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Description

The data plotted here are the difference between mean normalized counts for captures in two replicates each of EScells and Neurons. The data here is binned to 1000bp and is shown in a region of 500kb up- and down-stream of the Paupar viewpoint. It is used here to illustrate functioning of the deltaCaptureC package.

Usage

binnedDeltaPlot

Format

A ggplot object

binnedDeltaSE	Binned difference of mean capture-C counts between EScells and Neu-
	rons

Description

A smaller deltaSE restriction to a region of interest around the viewpoint, here binned to the big-BinSize, 10kb.

Usage

binnedDeltaSE

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment with 1909 rows.

binnedSummarizedExperiment

Binned Capture-C counts of EScells and Neurons

Description

Capture-C counts of EScells and Neurons restricted to a region of interest around the Paupar view-point. The data have been binned to smallBins, i.e., bins of size 1000. Used in package documentation.

Usage

binnedSummarizedExperiment

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment.

binSummarizedExperiment

Bin a Summarized experiment into a set of bins given by a GRanges object

Description

This function takes a set of bins given by a GRanges object and a RangedSummarizedExperiment and produces a new RangedSummarizedExperiment with the bins as its rowRanges

Usage

binSummarizedExperiment(bins, se, checkDisjoint = FALSE)

Arguments

bins a GRanges object whose ranges should be disjoint

se a RangedSummarizedExperiment

checkDisjoint = FALSE if set to true will check that the bins are disjoint

Value

a RangedSummarizedExperiment

Examples

binned Summarized Experiment = bin Summarized Experiment (small Set Of Small Bins, smaller Delta SE)

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deltaSE

Difference of mean capture-C counts between EScells and Neurons

Description

This gives the difference in mean normalized capture C counts between two replicates each of EScells and Neurons. It is the underlying kind of data on which deltaCaptureC operates and is here to support documentation.

Usage

deltaSE

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment with 5709 rows.

downshiftDFtoMatrix

Downshift from DF to matrix

Description

This function takes a data.frame with chr, start, end and numerical data and turns it into a matrix with row names chr:start-end

Usage

downshiftDFtoMatrix(df)

Arguments

df

This is a data frame whose first three columns are chr, start and end and whose remaining columns are numerical data

Value

A matrix of numerical data

Examples

m = downshiftDFtoMatrix(miniSEDF)

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generatePermutation

Generate permutation for permutation testing

Description

This function takes a set of row ranges and an inner region and generates a permutation which is symmetric on the inner region and arbitrary on the remainder

Usage

```
generatePermutation(gr, innerRegion)
```

Arguments

gr a GRanges object which should be ordered

innerRegion a GRanges object which should be a single interval

Value

```
a permutation of 1:length(gr)
```

Examples

```
permutations = generatePermutation(smallBins, viewpointRegion)
```

getDeltaSE

Make delta summarized experiment:

Description

This function takes a SummarizedExperiment with count data and produces a SummarizedExperiment of the delta track. There should exactly two values for treatment, i.e., byTreatment

Usage

```
getDeltaSE(countsSE, byTreatment = "treatment")
```

Arguments

countsSE A summarized experiment with assay counts and optionally assay normalized

counts

byTreatment = 'treatment' Allows for specifying some other condition than 'treatment'

Value

A summarized experiment with a single assay consisting of a single column, the delta mean normalized counts.

Examples

```
aSmallDeltaSE = getDeltaSE(miniSE)
```

getLopsidedness

Get the lopsidedness statistic

Description

This function looks at the sidedness around the viewpoint and returns the absolute value of the difference between the sum of the values before and after the viewpoint inside the viewpoint region.

Usage

```
getLopsidedness(se, viewpointRegion, colName = "delta")
```

Arguments

se a SummerizedExperiment giving the delta or permuted delta

viewpointRegion

the region around the viewpoint in which to investigate lopsidedness

colName defaults to 'delta'

Value

the lopsidedness around the viewpointMid in the viewpointRegion

Examples

```
lopsidedness = getLopsidedness(binnedDeltaSE, viewpointRegion)
```

getMeanNormalizedCountsSE

Make mean treatment summarized experiment:

Description

Get the mean normalized counts for each treatment

Usage

```
getMeanNormalizedCountsSE(countsSE, byTreatment = "treatment")
```

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Arguments

countsSE A SummarizedExperiment containing an assay 'counts' and optionally an assay

'normalizedCounts'

byTreatment = 'treatment' This gives the column of colData to use for taking averages

Details

This function takes a SummarizedExperiment. It looks for an assay called normalizedCounts. If this assay is missing, it creates it by normalizing using the size factors. By default, it takes the mean for each value of colData\$treatment

Value

A SummarizedExperiment giving mean normalized counts for each value of byTreatment

Examples

```
meanNormalizedCountSE = getMeanNormalizedCountsSE(miniSE)
```

getNormalizedCountsSE Get normalized counts

Description

This function takes a SummarizedExperiment giving the the counts for each replicate of the two treatments and computes and affixes an assay giving the normalized version of these counts.

Usage

```
getNormalizedCountsSE(se)
```

Arguments

se A SummarizedExperiment with an assay called counts giving the raw counts for

each replicate of the two treatments.

Value

A SummarizedExperiment including a an assay of the normalized counts called normalizedCounts.

Examples

```
miniSENormalized = getNormalizedCountsSE(miniSE)
```

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getOverlapWeights

Get the binning factors for one set of GRanges into another

Description

This function takes two GRanges, one representing a set of bins and the other representing data to be pro-rated over those bins and returns a data frame giving the overlaps, various widths and the fractions for pro-rating scores

Usage

```
getOverlapWeights(bins, gr, checkDisjoint = FALSE)
```

Arguments

bins a set of GRanges to be used for binning data.

gr the GRanges of the data to be binned

checkDisjoint = FALSE if this is TRUE it will check to see that the ranges in each of bins and

gr are disjoint

Value

A data frame giving index pairs for the intersections, widths of the intersections and the fraction of each gr range meeting each bin

Examples

```
overlapWeights = getOverlapWeights(weightsExampleBins,weightsExampleGr)
```

getPValueCutoff

This function returns the significance levels for min, max, "abs" and lopsidedness.

Description

Given an Nx4 matrix with columns 'min', 'max', 'abs' and 'lopsidededness', this function returns the cutoff levels for a given pValue.

Usage

```
getPValueCutoff(runStats, p = 0.05)
```

Arguments

runStats a matrix with columns 'min', 'max', 'abs' and 'lopsidededness'

p = .05 the desired p-value

Value

a vector with cutoff values

Examples

```
dimnames = list(c(),c('min','max','abs','lopsidedness')) 
 m = 10 * (matrix(runif(400),ncol=4,dimnames=dimnames) - 0.5) 
 cutoffs = getPValueCutoff(m,.05)
```

getRunAndLopsidednessStatistics

Get the distribution of run and lopsidedness statistics

Description

Get the distribution of run and lopsidedness statistics

Usage

```
getRunAndLopsidednessStatistics(
  scrambledDeltas,
  viewpointRegion,
  colName = "delta"
)
```

Arguments

Value

a Nx4 matrix giving the min, max, max(abs(min),abs(max)) and lopsidedness for the run totals in the list of scrambled deltas.

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getRunStatistics	This function is called by getRunsStatisticsDist on the individual elements of a list of scrambled runs.

Description

This is a helper function. Currently not exported.

Usage

```
getRunStatistics(runTotals)
```

Arguments

runTotals

is a GRanges object giving the consecutive runs and their totals.

Value

a vector of the min, max and absolute value of the min and max for the run totals.

getRunStatisticsDist This takes a list of (scrambled) runs and returns their run statistics

Description

This function takes a list of (scrambled) runs and extracts their run totals as a matrix with colnames 'min', 'max' and 'abs', the latter being the max of the absolute values of the previous two

Usage

```
getRunStatisticsDist(runTotalsList)
```

Arguments

runTotalsList this is a list whose members are GRanges objects giving the consecutive runs and their totals

Value

a Nx3 matrix giving the min, max and max(abs(min),abs(max)) run totals

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getRunTotals	Get the runs and their values	
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Description

This function finds the runs of consecutive ranges in which the sign of the data does not change. It returns a GRanges object containing the contiguous ranges and the weighted sum of data in each.

Usage

```
getRunTotals(se, innerRegion, colName = "delta")
```

Arguments

se a SummarizedExperiment whose first assay has a column named colName. Typ-

ically this will be a one-column matrix with delta.

innerRegion a Granges object defining the region surrounding the viewpoint to be excluded

from run total calculations

colName defaults to 'delta'

Value

a GRanges object giving the contiguous regions and their respective sums

Examples

```
runTotals = getRunTotals(binnedDeltaSE, viewpointRegion)
```

getSignificantRegions Get ths significant regions from delta data

Description

This function takes delta data as a SummarizedExperiment and required ancillary data and returns a GenomicRanges object whose mcols indicate the significant regions.

Usage

```
getSignificantRegions(
  deltaSE,
  regionOfInterest,
  viewpointRegion,
  smallBinSize,
  bigBinSize,
  numPermutations = 1000,
  pValue = 0.05
)
```

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Arguments

deltaSE a ranged summarized experiment with a one-column assay giving the delta mean

count

regionOfInterest

a GenomicRanges object specifying the region of interest

viewpointRegion

the region withheld from arbitrary permutation

smallBinSize size to bin original data to for permutation

bigBinSize size to bin data to for significance testing. Must be a multiple of smallBinSize

numPermutations

= 1000 the number of permutations to be used for permutation testing

pValue the desired significance level

Value

a GRanges object giving the bigBin binning of region of interest whose mcols gives the values of delta and logicals telling whether the bin is in the viewpoint regsion and whether it rises to statistical significance

getSizeFactorsDF

Get the size factors for count normalization

Description

This function takes a data frame giving chr, start, end and count for experimental replicates and returns the size factors for each of the replicates for use in normalization

Usage

```
getSizeFactorsDF(countsDF)
```

Arguments

countsDF

A data frame whose first three columns are chr, start and end, and whose re-

maining columns are count data for experimental replicates

Value

The size factors for the columns of countsDF

Examples

```
sf = getSizeFactorsDF(miniSEDF)
```

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getSizeFactorsSE	Get the size factors for SummarizedExperiment	

Description

This function takes a SummarizedExperiment with an assay counts and returns this object with a column sizeFactors added to its colData

Usage

```
getSizeFactorsSE(se)
```

Arguments

se

A SummarizedExperiment with an assay counts

Value

The same SummarizedExperiment with an additional column in its colData giving the size factors for counts

Examples

```
miniSEWithSizeFactors = getSizeFactorsSE(miniSE)
```

miniDeltaSE

Difference of mean capture-C counts between EScells and Neurons

Description

A smaller deltaSE restriction to a region of interest around the viewpoint.

Usage

miniDeltaSE

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment with 1909 rows.

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miniSE

Capture-C counts of EScells and Neurons

Description

Capture-C counts of EScells and Neurons restricted to a region of interest around the Paupar view-point. Used in package documentation.

Usage

miniSE

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment with 1909 rows.

miniSEDF

Capture-C counts of EScells and Neurons

Description

Capture-C counts of EScells and Neurons restricted to a region of interest around the Paupar view-point. This contains the same information as miniSE, but here packaged as a data frame. Used in package documentation.

Usage

miniSEDF

Format

A data frame with 1909 rows.

numPermutations

Number of permutations used in example permutation testing.

Description

Number of permutations used in example permutation testing in the example in the documentation.

Usage

numPermutations

Format

A numeric scalar

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```
{\tt plotSignificantRegions}
```

This produces a plot of the region of interest showing regions of significance.

Description

This function takes a input the GRanges object produced by getSignificant regions and produces a ggplot of significant features

Usage

```
plotSignificantRegions(
   significantRegions,
   significanceType = "abs",
   title = "Significant Regions",
   xLabel = "viewpoint",
   legend = TRUE
)
```

Arguments

```
significantRegions
a GRanges object as produced by getSignificantRegions
significanceType
= 'abs' a variable indicating whether to plot significance according to min, max or abs.

title a title for the plot

xLabel = 'viewpoint' supplies an xlabel
legend = TRUE whether or not to show the legend
```

Value

```
a ggplot object
```

Examples

```
plotOfSignificantRegions = plotSignificantRegions(significantRegions)
```

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plotTitle

Title for delta capture-C plot

Description

A title for the illustrative plot in the documentation

Usage

plotTitle

Format

A character scalar

pValue

P-value

Description

P-value used in the illustrative example of discovering statistically significant chromatin remodeling. Used in package documentation.

Usage

pValue

Format

A numeric scalar

rebinToMultiple

Rebin a SummarizedExperiment to a multiple of its bin width

Description

This is a faster way of rebinning when the old bins are consecutive and constant width and the new bins are to be a multiple of that width

Usage

```
rebinToMultiple(se, multiple, deleteShort = FALSE)
```

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Arguments

se a RangedSummarizedExperiment to be rebinned

multiple the factor by which to fatten the bins

deleteShort = FALSE when set to true if the final bin is short it will be deleted

Value

a RangedSummarizedExperiment

Examples

rebinnedSummarizedExperiment = rebinToMultiple(binnedSummarizedExperiment,10)

regionOfInterest

Region of interest surrounding the viewpoint

Description

This is the region 500kb up- and down-stream of the Paupar viewpoint, and defines the region on which we will look for statistically significan chromatin remodeling. This is used in package documentation.

Usage

regionOfInterest

Format

A GRanges object with one segment.

significanceType

Type for testing significance

Description

Significance testing can be carried out by maximum, minimum or maximum absolute value. This has the value abs thus choosing the last of these. This is used in package documentation.

Usage

significanceType

Format

A scalar character

significantRegions

Regions of significant remodeling in example data

Description

A GRanges object giving the value of delta in each bin and the significance or lack thereof according to the various statistical tests. This is used in package documentation.

Usage

significantRegions

Format

A GRanges object

significantRegionsPlot

A plot of the significant regions in the sample data.

Description

A ggplot object show the values of delta in the region of interest and the significant sub-regions. This is used for documentation purposes.

Usage

significantRegionsPlot

Format

a ggplot object

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smallBins Small Bins

Description

The deltaCaptureC package depends on rebinning mean normalized capture C data from a small bin size to a large bin size. These are the small bins. They have a bin size of 1000 bp, i.e., smallBinSize, and span the region of interest. This is used in package documentation.

Usage

smallBins

Format

a GRanges object

smallBinSize

Small Bin Size

Description

The deltaCaptureC package depends on rebinning mean normalized capture C data from a small bin size to a large bin size. This gives the size of the former. This is used in package documentation.

Usage

smallBinSize

Format

a numeric scalar

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smallerDeltaSE

A subset of miniDeltaSE.

Description

This is a subset of miniDeltaSE. It's here so that the example for binSummarizedExperiment will run more quickly.

Usage

smallerDeltaSE

Format

A RangedSummarizedExperiment.

smallSetOfSmallBins

Small Bins

Description

This is a subset of the bins in smallBins and is here so that the example for binSummarizedExperiment will run more quickly.

Usage

smallSetOfSmallBins

Format

a GRanges object

viewpointRegion

Region surrounding the viewpoint

Description

This is the region 50kb up- and down-stream of the Paupar viewpoint. This is the region in which counts strongly depend on distance from the viewpoint and will be treated distinctly from the region of interest.

Usage

viewpointRegion

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Format

A GRanges object with one segment.

weightsExampleBins

Weights example bins

Description

This GRanges object is here to support the example for the function getOverlapWeights().

Usage

weightsExampleBins

Format

a GRanges object

weightsExampleGr

Weights example

Description

This GRanges object is here to support the example for the function getOverlapWeights().

Usage

weightsExampleGr

Format

a GRanges object

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