

Human Fibroblast IMR90 Hi-C Data (Dixon et al.)

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1 Introduction

The Hi-C technic was first introduced by [Lieberman-Aiden et al. \[2009\]](#). In the continuity with 3C, 4C and 5C technics, the goal of the Hi-C is to simultaneously detect all chromosomal contacts in a single experiment. All these techniques aim at measuring the population-averaged frequency at which two genomic loci physically interact in three-dimensional space. In Hi-C, after a first crosslink and digestion, all genomic fragments are labeled with a biotinylated nucleotide before ligation. These junctions can then be purified efficiently by streptavidin-coated magnetic beads, and finally sequenced using a standard Illumina paired-end protocol.

The data available in this package were published by [Dixon et al. \[2012\]](#) and downloaded from the GEO website (GSE35156, sample GSM862724). This publication is one of the key papers in the field for two main reasons: i) it was the first time that Hi-C data were generated at such resolution (up to 20kb), ii) this resolution highlighted a new short range structure defined as topological domains (TADs), with high frequencies of intra-domain chromatin interactions but infrequent inter-domain chromatin interactions ([Nora et al. \[2012\]](#)).

If you use *HiCDataHumanIMR90*, please cite:

- Servant N (2014). *HiCDataHumanIMR90*: Human Fibroblast IMR90 HiC data from Dixon et al. 2012. R package version 1.1.0.
- Dixon JR, Selvaraj S, Yue F, Kim A et al. (2012) Topological domains in mammalian genomes identified by analysis of chromatin interactions. *Nature* 485(7398):376-80.

2 Hi-C Data

The `hic_imr90_40` object is a *HTClist* object (see the *HiTC* package for more information ([Servant et al. \[2012\]](#))). It contains the complete genome-wide HiC data, with all inter and intrachromosomal contact maps at a resolution of 40kb.

```
> require(HiCDataHumanIMR90)
> require(HiTC)
> data(Dixon2012_IMR90)
```

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```
> ## Show data
> show(hic_imr90_40)

HTClist object of length 325
25 intra / 300 inter-chromosomal maps

> ## Is my data complete (i.e. composed of intra + inter chromosomal maps)
> isComplete(hic_imr90_40)

[1] TRUE

> ## Note that a complete object is not necessarily pairwise
> ## (is both chr1-chr2 and chr2-chr1 stored ?)
> isPairwise(hic_imr90_40)

[1] FALSE

> ## Which chromosomes ?
> seqlevels(hic_imr90_40)

[1] "chr1" "chr2" "chr3" "chr4" "chr5" "chr6" "chr7" "chr8" "chr9"
[10] "chr10" "chr11" "chr12" "chr13" "chr14" "chr15" "chr16" "chr17" "chr18"
[19] "chr19" "chr20" "chr21" "chr22" "chrX" "chrY" "chrM"

> ## Details about a given map
> detail(hic_imr90_40$chrXchrX)

HTC object
Focus on genomic region [chrX:1-155270560]
CIS Interaction Map
Matrix of Interaction data: [3882-3882]
Binned data - window size = 40000
3882 genome intervals
Total Reads = 15349610
Number of Interactions = 3362484
Median Frequency = 1
Sparsity = 0.112

> ## Descriptive statistics
> head(summary(hic_imr90_40))

      seq1 seq2  nbreads nbinteraction averagefreq medfreq sparsity
chr1chr1 chr1 chr1 25914788      4524734      5.7274      1  0.8835
chr1chr2 chr1 chr2  504332      497291      1.0142      1  0.9869
chr1chr3 chr1 chr3  440865      434917      1.0137      1  0.9859
chr1chr4 chr1 chr4  456924      450005      1.0154      1  0.9849
chr1chr5 chr1 chr5  399067      393926      1.0131      1  0.986
chr1chr6 chr1 chr6  382580      377654      1.013      1  0.9858
```

3 Topological Domains

The `tads_imr90` object is a `GRanges` object with all TADs detected from this Hi-C data.

```
> show(tads_imr90)
```

```
GRanges object with 2338 ranges and 0 metadata columns:
```

	seqnames	ranges	strand
	<Rle>	<IRanges>	<Rle>
TAD-1	chr1	770138-1290137	*
TAD-2	chr1	1290138-1850140	*
TAD-3	chr1	1850141-2330140	*
TAD-4	chr1	2330141-3610140	*
TAD-5	chr1	3770141-6077413	*
...
TAD-2334	chrX	146992309-148552096	*
TAD-2335	chrX	148592096-149929342	*
TAD-2336	chrX	149929343-151969344	*
TAD-2337	chrX	152089345-152746806	*
TAD-2338	chrX	152786807-154946806	*

```
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```

```
seqinfo: 23 sequences from an unspecified genome; no seqlengths
```

```
> ## Extract region
```

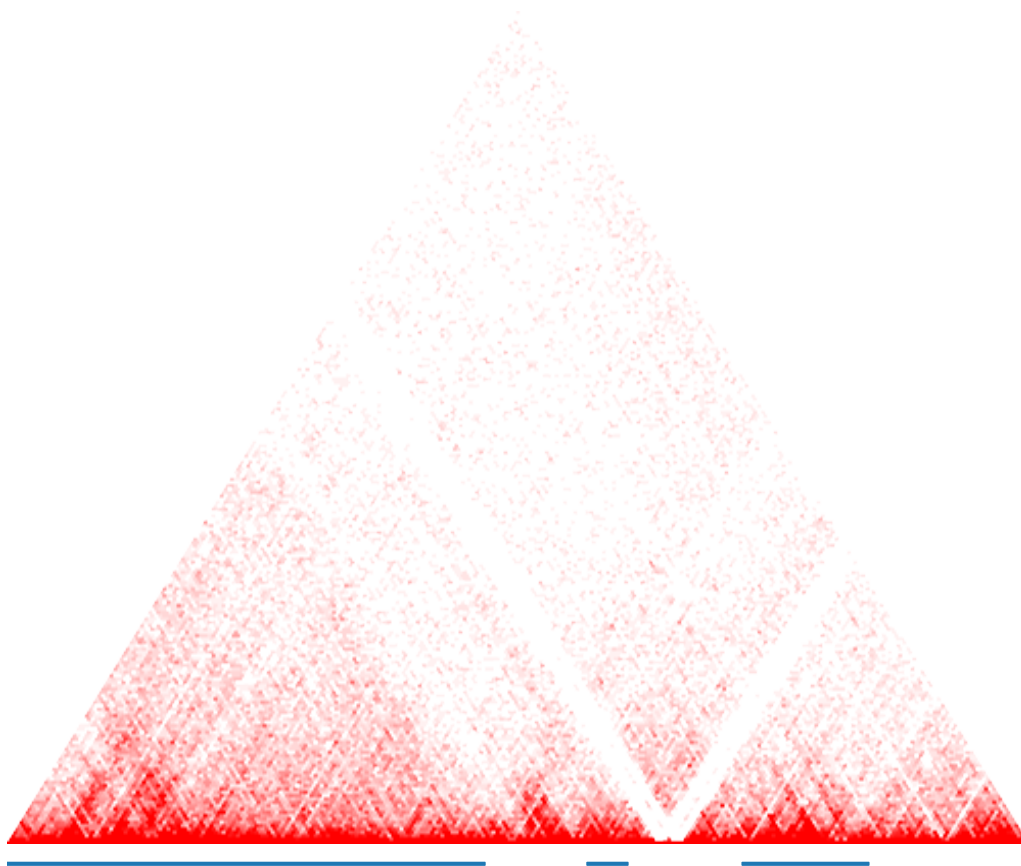
```
> regx <- extractRegion(hic_imr90_40$chrXchrX,
```

```
+ chr="chrX", from=95000000, to=105000000)
```

```
> ## Plot Hi-C data with TADs
```

```
> plot(regx, tracks=list(tads_imr90), maxrange=20)
```

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Package versions

This vignette was generated using the following package versions:

- R version 4.4.1 (2024-06-14), x86_64-pc-linux-gnu
- Running under: Ubuntu 24.04.1 LTS
- Matrix products: default
- BLAS: /home/biocbuild/bbs-3.20-bioc/R/lib/libRblas.so
- LAPACK: /usr/lib/x86_64-linux-gnu/lapack/liblapack.so.3.12.0
- Base packages: base, datasets, grDevices, graphics, methods, stats, stats4, utils
- Other packages: BiocGenerics 0.52.0, GenomInfoDb 1.42.0, GenomicRanges 1.58.0, HiCDataHumanIMR90 1.26.0, HiTC 1.50.0, IRanges 2.40.0, S4Vectors 0.44.0
- Loaded via a namespace (and not attached): Biobase 2.66.0, BiocIO 1.16.0, BiocManager 1.30.25, BiocParallel 1.40.0, BiocStyle 2.34.0, Biostrings 2.74.0, DelayedArray 0.32.0, GenomInfoDbData 1.2.13, GenomicAlignments 1.42.0, Matrix 1.7-1, MatrixGenerics 1.18.0, R6 2.5.1, RColorBrewer 1.1-3, RCurl 1.98-1.16, Rsamtools 2.22.0, S4Arrays 1.6.0, SparseArray 1.6.0, SummarizedExperiment 1.36.0, UCSC.utils 1.2.0, XML 3.99-0.17, XVector 0.46.0, abind 1.4-8, bitops 1.0-9, cli 3.6.3,

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codetools 0.2-20, compiler 4.4.1, crayon 1.5.3, curl 5.2.3, digest 0.6.37,
evaluate 1.0.1, fastmap 1.2.0, grid 4.4.1, htmltools 0.5.8.1, httr 1.4.7, jsonlite 1.8.9,
knitr 1.48, lattice 0.22-6, matrixStats 1.4.1, parallel 4.4.1, restfulr 0.0.15,
rjson 0.2.23, rlang 1.1.4, rmarkdown 2.28, rtracklayer 1.66.0, tools 4.4.1, xfun 0.48,
yaml 2.3.10, zlibbioc 1.52.0

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