Package ‘babel’

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babel

Ribosome Profiling Analysis Program

Description

From paired mRNA and ribosome protected fragment count data run Babel analysis to detect changes in translation.
Usage

babel(rna, rp, group, nreps, method.adjust="BH", min.rna=10, nSD=3, ...)

Arguments

- **rna**: a matrix or data frame of raw (not normalized) mRNA count data whose rows correspond to genes and whose columns correspond to samples.
- **rp**: a matrix or data frame of raw ribosome protected fragment count data whose rows correspond to genes and whose columns correspond to samples. The row names and column names (if specified) must be the same as for rna.
- **group**: class labels corresponding to the samples in rna and rp. There must be exactly two unique values.
- **nreps**: number of permutations for within comparison. Must be divisible by 10,000.
- **method.adjust**: method of adjustment for multiple comparisons used by p.adjust.
- **min.rna**: minimum number of rna counts across all samples for a gene to be included. Default is 10.
- **nSD**: Number of SDs from mean such that gene is included in standard error calculation. Should be between 2 and 3, lower leads to more power. Default is 3.
- **...**: Additional arguments.

Details

No missing values are allowed.

Making nreps larger gives more precise estimates. At least 100,000 is required. A million would be better, and ten million would be ideal, but will execute slowly in the current implementation.

Computations can be speeded up by running on multiple cores of the same node using the mclappy command of the parallel library. By default, two cores are used. Windows cannot use the fork command so it can run on only one core. To adjust the number of cores used, use `options(mc.cores=x)`, where x is the number of cores to use.

Value

A list with the following named components:

- **within**: A list with one component per sample that is named after the sample that contains a data frame consisting of a gene id, direction (1 for translation greater than expected, -1 for less than expected), a one-sided p-value for the same, a two-sided p-value, and the corresponding FDR.
- **combined**: A list with two components (one per group label) that is named after the group label that contains a data frame consisting of a gene id, direction (1 for translation greater than expected, -1 for less than expected), a (two-sided) p-value, and the corresponding FDR.
- **between**: A list of data frames corresponding to every pairwise comparison between groups named after the comparison consisting of a gene id, p-value, corresponding FDR, and direction (1 for translation higher in first group label, -1 for lower
in first group label). If there is at least two samples per group there are three addition variables: rna log fold-change, rna FDR, and change type (translation only or both rna and translation).

References


Examples

data(ribo.prof)
# Get rna count data
test.rna <- ribo.prof$test.rna
# Read in rp count data, if rownames or colnames differ from rna count
# data, adjust them so that they are the same
test_rp <- ribo.prof$test_rp
# Assign group labels to samples. All groups will be tested pairwise.
test.group=c("A","B","A","B")
# Set the seed so the result is reproducible
set.seed(12345)
# Run babel with 100000 repetitions.
## Not run:
test babel <- babel(test.rna,test.rp,group=test.group,nreps=100000,min.rna=10)
# Extract within sample p-values (is translation expected given mRNA level per sample)
within.babel <- test babel$within
# Extract within group combined p-values (is translation expected given
# mRNA level per group label)
Combined.babel <- test babel$combined
# Extract between group p-values (is translation given mRNA level the same between group)
between.babel <- test babel$between

## End(Not run)

ribo.prof

Sample ribosome profiling data

Description

Sample ribosome profiling data for 1000 genes and 4 samples.

Usage

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Format

A list containing two data frames, test.rna that has sample mRNA data and test.rp that has sample RPF data.
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