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Noncoding variants and deep learning

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한국생명정보학회가 개최하는 동계 교육 워크샵인 BIML-2023에 여러분을 초대합니다. 생명정보학 분야의 연구자들에게 최신 동향의 데이터 분석기술을 이론과 실습을 겸비해 전달하고자 도입한 전문 교육 프로그램인 BIML 워크샵은 2015년에 시작하여 올해로 9차를 맞이하게 되었습니다. 지난 2년간은 심각한 코로나 대유행으로 인해 아쉽게도 모든 강의가 온라인으로 진행되어 현장 강의에서만 가능한 강의자와 수강생 사이에 다양한 소통의 기회가 없음에 대한 아쉬움이 있었 습니다. 다행히도 최근 사회적 거리두기 완화로 현장 강의가 가능해져 올해는 현장 강의를 재개 함으로써 온라인과 현장 강의의 장점을 모두 갖춘 프로그램을 구성할 수 있게 되었습니다.

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Noncoding variants and deep learning

악성종양 등의 복합 질환 환자의 DNA를 시퀀싱을 했을 때, 넌코딩 영역에서 많은 변이 (noncoding variant)가 관찰되고 있다. Noncoding variants가 유전자의 발현이나 질병의 진행에 미 치는 영향에 대한 연구는 질병을 이해하고, 이를 치료하기 위한 타겟을 선정하는데 중요하다. 최 근에는 DNA 시퀀스에 기반하여 noncoding variant의 기능적 영향을 예측하기 위한 다양한 딥 러 닝에 기반 방법론들이 개발되고 있다.

본 강의에서는 noncoding variant의 기능적 영향을 예측하기 위한 딥 러닝 방법론들을 소개하고, 이러한 방법론을 환자의 DNA 시퀀스에 적용하여, 질병 관련된 유전자들을 발굴한 연구들을 살펴 본다. 본 강의를 통해서 DNA 시퀀스에 적용된 딥 러닝 기반 방법론들과 이를 생물학 지식으로 변환하는 연구들을 이해하는 것을 목표로 한다.

- Noncoding variants의 개요
- 딥 러닝 방법론의 DNA 시퀀스 적용
- Noncoding variants의 기능적 영향 예측
- 질병 관련 변이 예측 연구

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Selected Publications (5 maximum)

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- 3. Jeongkyun Kim, Jung-jae Kim, and Hyunju Lee, DigChem: Identification of disease-gene-chemical relationships from Medline abstracts, PLoS Computational Biology 15(5), 2019.
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- 5. Bayarbaatar Amgalan and Hyunju Lee, DEOD: uncovering dominant effects of cancer-driver genes based on a partial covariance selection method, Bioinformatics, 31(15), 2015.



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Genomic variants

- Protein-coding regions make up around 1% of the human genome
- ENCODE suggests (Nature 489, 57–74 (2012))
 - 82% of the human genome was functionally important having biochemical activity.
 - ~20 % of the genome is associated with DNase hypersensitivity or transcription factor binding (common features for identifying regulatory region)
- How coding and noncoding variation can impact gene function

Variant Location	Transcript Map	Transcript Product	Transcript description	Potential Outcome		
Coding (standard interpretation)	¥	11	Synonymous/ Missense/ Nonsense	Homeostasis/ Altered Product/ Loss of function		
Promoter/Enhancer/ .ooping/cis-regulatory IncRNA	↓ ••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••		Over/ Under expression	Aberrant expression patterns		
Splice Donor/Acceptor Branchpoint	······	UI III	Skipped exon/ Retained intron	Altered product Nonsense Mediated Decay		

Noncoding variants

• Mutations in noncoding variants can lead to gain or loss of transcription



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Computational methods to prioritize noncoding variants with functional effects

Tool	Year	Method used to build model
CADD	2014	Support vector machine
GWAVA	2014	Random forest algorithm
DeepSEA	2015	Deep learning, CNN
DanQ	2016	Deep learning, CNN, RNN
DeFine	2018	Deep learning, CNN
DeepFun	2021	Deep learning, CNN

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Machine learning model (GWAVA) Disease-implicated SNVs All variations annotated as 'regulatory mutations' from the public release of the Human Gene Mutation database (HGMD) Control sets Common (minor allele frequency ≥1%) SNVs from the 1000 Genomes Project (1KG) First set: a random selection of SNVs from across the genome in order to sample overall background. Second set: matched for distance to the nearest TSS genome-wide. HGMD variants are not distributed randomly across the genome; 75% lie within a 2 kilobase (kb) window around an annotated transcription start site (TSS) • Third set: all 1KG variants in the 1 kb surrounding each of the HGMD variants. 🚰 SBi 한국생명정보학회 Nature Methods volume 11, pages294–296(2014) Machine learning model (GWAVA) Genomic and epigenomic annotations Open chromatin: DNase-seq data from ENCODE • Transcription factor binding: ChIP-seq peak calls for 124 TFs from ENCODÉ

- Histone modifications: ChIP-seq peak calls for 12 modifications from ENCODE
- RNA polymerase binding: ChIP-seq peak calls from ENCODE
- CpG islands: Predictions from Ensembl
- Genome segmentation: discrete states such as transcription start sites, gene ends, enhancers, transcriptional regulator CTCF-binding regions and repressed regions
- Conservation: Genomic evolutionary rate profiling (GERP) scores from mammalian alignments
- Human variation: Variants and allele frequencies 1000 Genomes Project phase 1 data
- Genic context: distance from any base annotated as exonic, intronic, coding sequence, 5' or 3' untranslated region, splice site, or start or stop codon in any transcript

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Machine learning model (GWAVA)																
 Genomic and epigenomic annotations 																
 A large matrix with a row for each variant locus and a column for each possible annotation. 																
 The column type depending on the annotation class (i) the number of cell lines in which the variant locus overlaps some annotation, such as DNase I hypersensitive sites and ChIPseq peaks 																
		(ii) a I	oreser	nt-ab	sent	binary	/ flag									
	 Ex) whether this region is ever in an annotated intron 															
(iii) a continuous value for genome-wide annotations																
• EX) conservation and distance to the hearest 155																
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Machine learning model (GWAVA)																

- A modified version of the random forest algorithm
- Three classifiers using all available annotations to discriminate between the disease variants and variants from each of the three control sets



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Chromosomes are composed of DNA tightly-wound around histones

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Regulation TE bindir Transcription factors (TFs) Regulate gene transcription methylation modificatio by binding to specific DNA DHS elements such as promoters, :... enhancers, silencers. TAGTG TATACC Distal DHS correlated The Cont Motif2 with pr Distal DHS Distal DHS 7777 ciated SNI DNase footpr DNase I cleavage · · · · · AATGTACA DNA sequence affecting TF binding Motif1 Motif1 ((() DNase I Hypersensitive site (DHS) Disease-associated SNP ChIP-seg peak for Histone marks accociated with tra Transcription factor ChIP-seg peak for transcription factor Gene with tran Genomics Proteomics Bioinformatics 11 (2013) 135 - 141 19 🚰 SBi 한국생명정보학회

Regulation

- Chromatin accessibility
- Hallmark of regulatory DNA regions
- characterized by DNase I hypersensitivity (DHS)
- DHSs are regions of chromatin that are sensitive to cleavage by the DNase I enzyme.





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Noncoding variants and TF binding

- DNase I footprints mark sites of in vivo protein occupancy.
- Effect of T/C SNV rs4144593 on protein occupancy and chromatin accessibility.



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A typical convolutional neural network layer Convolution stage Next Layer **Convolutional Layer** Pooling stage + dx+ hz+ cxgzcwgyDetector stage: Nonlinearity + fx+ jzgw + hx ky + lz+ gx+ kzConvolutional stage Nonlinearity function Rectified linear unit (ReLU) • Tanh, etc. Input Layer Pooling stage Max pooling • Average pooling, etc. 26 Goodfellow et al., Deep Learning SBi 한국생명정보학회

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 - DeepSea: Predicting effects of noncoding variants with deep learningbased sequence model

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Sequence-based algorithmic framework DeepSEA (deep learning-based sequence analyzer)

- Goal: Predict with single-nucleotide sensitivity the effects of noncoding variants on transcription factor (TF) binding, DNA accessibility and histone marks of sequences
 - Simultaneously predict large-scale chromatin-profiling data, including TF binding, DNase I sensitivity and histonemark profiles
 - 2. Predicting allele-specific chromatin profile and chromatin effect
 - 3. Those predictions are used to estimate functional effects of noncoding variants



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Datasets Genomics Proteomics Bioinformatics 11 (2013) 135-141 136 Table 1 Summary of ENCODE experiments Experiment Description In 82 human cell lines and tissues: A549, Adrenal gland, AG04449, AG04450, AG09309, AG09319, AG10803, AoSMC, BE2 C, BJ, Brain, Breast, Caco-2, CMK, ECC-1, Fibrobl, GM06990, GM12878, GM12891, GM12892, GM19239, GM19240, H1-hESC, HAEpiC, HCF, HCM, HCPEpiC, HCT-116, HEEpiC, HEK293, HcLa-S3, Hepatoeytes, HepG2, HIPEpiC, HL-60, HMEC, HNPCEpiC, HPAEpiC, HRCEpiC, HRE, HRPEpiC, HSMM, HTR8svn, IMR90, Jurkat, K562, Kidney, Nature, Market and State and S DNA methylation HMÉC, HNPCEpiC, HPAEpiC, HRCEpiC, HRE, HRPEpiC, HSMM, HTR8svn, İMR90, Jurkat, Ks62, Kidney, Left Ventricle, Leukocyte, Liver, LNCaP, Lung, MCF-7, Melano, Myometr, NB4, NH-A, NHBE, NHOF-neo, NT2-DI, Osteoblasto, Ovara-7, PANC-1, Pancreas, Panlslets, Pericardium, PFSki-1, Placenta, PrEC, ProgFib, RPTEC, SAEC, Skeletal muscle, Skin, SkMC, SK-N-MC, SK-N-SH, Stomach, T-47D, Testis, U87, UCH-1 and Uterus A total of 119 TFs: Atotal of 119 TFs: ATF3, BATF, BCLAFI, BCL3, BCL11A, BDP1, BHLHE40, BRCA1, BRF1, BRF2, CCNT2, CEBPB, CHD2, CTBP2, CTCF, CTCFL, EBF1, EGR1, ELF1, ELK4, EP300, ESRA, ESR1, ETS1, E2F1, E2F4, E2F6, FOS, FOSL1, FOSL2, FOXA1, FOXA2, GABPA, GATA1, GATA2, GATA3, GTF2B, GTF2F1, GTF21C, GTF22C, HDAC2, HDAC3, HMGN3, HNF4A, HNF4G, HSF1, IRF1, IRF3, IRF4, JUN, JUNB, JUND, MAFF, MAK, MAX, MEF2A, MEF2C, MX1, MYC, NANOG, NFE2, NFKB1, NFYA, NFYB, NFF1, NR72, NR3C1, PASS, PBX3, POLR2A, POLR3A, POLR3G, POU2F2, POUSF1, PPARGC1A, PRDM1, RAD21, RDBP, REST, RFS5, RXRA, SETDB1, SIN3A, SIRT6, SIX5, SMARC44, SMARCB1, SMARCC1, SMARCC2, SMACC2, SMC3, SPI1, SP1, SP2 Genome-wide chromatin profiles TF ChIP-seq From the Encyclopedia of DNA Elements (ENCODE) and Roadmap Epigenomics projects 690 TF binding profiles for 160 SREBFI, SRF, STATI, STAT2, STAT3, SUZ12, TAF1, TAF7, TAL1, TBP, TCF7L2, TCF12, TFAP2A, TFAP2C, THAP1, TRIM28, USF1, USF2, WRNIP1, YY1, ZBTB7A, ZBTB33, ZEB1, ZNF143, ZNF263, ZNF274 and ZZZ3 different TFs, 125 DNase I Histone ChIP-see A total of 12 types H2A.Z. H3K4me1, H3K4me2, H3K4me3, H3K9ac, H3K9me1, H3K9me3, H3K27ac, H3K27me3, H3K36me3, H3K79me2 and H4K20me1 In 125 cell types or treatments: 1898T, A549, AG04449, AG04450, AG09309, AG09319, AG10803, AoAF, AoSMC/serum_free_media, BE2_C, BJ, Caeo-2, CD20, CD34, Chorion, CLL, CMK, Fibrobl, FibroP, Gliobla, GM06990, GM12864, GM12865, GM12878, GM12891, GM12892, GM18507, GM19238, GM19239, GM19240, H7-hESC, H9ES, HAC, HAEpiC, HA-, HA-piC, HA-, HBMEC, HCF, HCFaa, HCM, HConF, HCPEpiC, HCT-116, HEEpiC, HeLa-S3, HeLa-S3_IFNa4h, Hepatocytes, HepG2, HESC, HFF, HFF-Myc, HGF, HIPEpiC, HL-60, IMMEC, HMF, HMVEC-dAd, HMVEC-dB-Ad, HMVEC-dBi-Neo, HMVEC-dLy-Ad, HMVEC-dLy-Neo, HMVEC-LB, MHVEC-LLy, HNVEC-bi-RNMUteb, HTR8svn, Huh-7, HUVEC, HVM, FJ, Slikikava, Extr. Ishikava, Tamox, Jurkat, K562, LNCaP, LNCaP, Andr, MCF-7, MCF-7, HyDeC, HVME, JS, Ishikava, Extr. Ishikava, Tamox, Jurkat, K562, LNCaP, LNCaP, Andr, MCF-7, MCF-7, HyDeC, HVM, FS, Ishikava, Tamox, Jurkat, K562, LNCaP, LNCaP, Andr, MCF-7, MCF-7, HYDeC, HVM, FS, Ishikava, Tamox, Jurkat, K562, LNCaP, LNCaP, Andr, MCF-7, MCF-7, MCF-7, HyDex, Mcdullo, Melano, MonocytesCD14 +, Myometr, NB4, NH-A, NHDF-Ad, NHDF-neo, NHEK, NHLF, NT2-DI, Ostoobl, PANC-1, PanIsletD, PanIsletS, pHTE, Urothelia, Urothelia, UT189, WERI-Rb-1, WI-38 and WI-38_Tamox In 41 cell types: hypersensitivity (DHS) profiles H3K79me2 and H4K20me1 DNase-seq and 104 histone mark profiles (a total of 919 peak sets). (Supplementary Table 1) 521.6 Mbp of the genome (17%) were found to be bound by at least one measured TF and were Urothelia, Urothelia, UrIt89, WEKI-KD-1, WI-30 and WF-32, Tanani In 41 cell types: AG10803, AoAF, CD20+, CD34+ Mobilized, (Brain, Heart, fLung, GM06990, GM12865, HAEpiC, HA-h, HCF, HCM, HCPEpiC, HEEpiC, HepC2, H7-hESC, HFF, HIPEpiC, HMF, HMVEC-dBI-Ad, HMVEC-dBI-Neo, HMVEC-dLy-Neo, HMVEC-LLy, HPAF, HPdLF, HPF, HRCEpiC, HSMM, Th1, HVMF, IMR90, K562, NB4, NH-A, NHDF-Ad, NHDF-neo, NHLF, SAEC, SkMC and SK-N-SH RA In GM12878, K562, HeLa-S3 and H1-hESC 296 noncoding GWAS SNPs were assigned a target promoter DNase footprint used as a regulatory informationrich and challenging set for training the DeepSEA regulatory MNase-seq 3C-carbon copy (5C) GWAS SNP targeting code model Nat Methods. 2015 October; 12(10): 931–934 31 🚰 SBI 한국생명정보학회 Datasets for chromatin profile prediction Input From 521,6 Mbp sequences (the human GRCh37 reference genome) 1,000-bp DNA sequence Centered on each 200-bp bin 400-bp flanking regions at the two sides for extra contextual information One hot encoding encodi hot Duel ATTATCCACGCTTCAGTGTTTACATGGACC Output 919 chromatin features A chromatin feature was labeled 1 if more than half of the 200-bp bin is in the peak region and 0 otherwise. Example: Whether DNase-seq in a cell-line T-47D has a peak in the 200-bp bin Whether TF FOXA1 in a brain cell-line has a peak in the 200-bp bin

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DeepSEA model configuration

• Training of the DeepSEA model.

objective = NLL + $\lambda_1 ||W||_2^2 + \lambda_2 ||H^{-1}||_1$

$$\text{NLL} = -\sum_{s} \sum_{t} \log(Y_{t}^{s} f_{t}(X^{s}) + (1 - Y_{t}^{s})(1 - f_{t}(X^{s})))$$

- *s* : index of training samples
- *t* : index of chromatin features.
- Y_t^s : 0,1 label for sample s, chromatin feature t.
- $f_t(X^s)$: the predicted probability output of the model for chromatin feature *t* given input X^s .
- Regularization Parameters:
 - L2 regularization (λ_1): 5e-07
 - L1 sparsity (λ₂): 1e-08
 - Dropout proportion (proportion of outputs randomly set to 0):
 - Layer 2: 20%, Layer 4: 20%, Layer 5: 50%, All other layers: 0%



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Regularization

- When model complexity increases, generally bias decreases and variance increases
- Minimize the total error.



- (b) Polynomial fits to data simulated from a third-order polynomial underlying a model with normally distributed noise.
- Underfitting (gray diagonal line, linear fit), reasonable fitting (black curve, third-order polynomial) and overfitting (dashed curve, fifthorder polynomial).
- (c) Two-class classification (open and solid circles)
- Underfitted (gray diagonal line), reasonable (black curve) and overfitted (dashed curve) decision boundaries.
- The overfit is influenced by an outlier (arrow) and would classify the new point (orange circle) as solid, which would probably be an error.

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model.add(ini.inieshold(0, ie-6).cdda())

model:add(nn.SpatialMaxPooling(1,4,1,4):cuda())

model:add(nn.Dropout(0.2):cuda())

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- Computational mutation scanning to assess the effect of mutating every base of the input sequence
- The effect of a base substitution on a specific chromatin feature prediction

$$\log_2\left(\frac{P_0}{1-P_0}\right) - \log_2\left(\frac{P_1}{1-P_1}\right)$$

P₀: probability predicted for the original sequence P₁: probability predicted for the mutated sequence

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genomic sequences (1,000 bp) 3.0

Train

Compare **1** TF binding

Input

... GCGTGGGTACGCTTA TCGTCAAGCTTTAGCGT GCGTGGGTACGCTTAATCGTCAAGCTTTAGCGT . Variant position

Histone marks

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Chromatin effects of single-nucleotide alteration in noncoding sequence



• Evaluation data

- Allelic imbalance information from digital genomic footprinting (DGF) DNase-seq data on ENCODE cell lines.
- Allelic imbalance: one allele is observed in DNase-seq data significantly more often than the other allele at a heterozygous site for a single-cell-type sample
- 57,407 allelically imbalanced SNPs from 35 cell types with DHS predictors
 - 28,918 reference allele-biased variants
 - 28,489 alternative allele– biased variants

Neph, S. et al. Nature 489, 83–90 (2012).

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Performance for predictions for DNase I– sensitive alleles

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(b)

- Y-axis: predicted prob. that reference allele is DHS
- X-axis: predicted prob. that alternative allele is DHS
- Red dot: experimentally determined alternative allele-biased variant by DGF data
- Blue dot: experimentally determined reference allele-biased variant by DGF data
- Black lines: the margin, or the threshold of predicted probability differences between the two alleles for classifying high-confidence predictions (margin = 0.07 for this plot).



(c) Accuracy.

- Blue line: performance for a different cell type
- Red line: overall performance on allelically imbalanced variants for all 35 cell types

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- Closest 1000 Genomes SNPs in the full set, 25% random subset and 5% random subset of 1000 Genomes SNPs with minor allele frequency greater than 0.01.
- More...

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Recall) CNN and modelling TF binding sites

• CNN predicts the binding affinity of the TAL1–GATA1 transcription factor complex.



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- a: One-hot encoding of the DNA sequence.
- b: First convolutional layer scans the input sequence using filters, which are exemplified by position weight matrices of the GATA1 and TAL1 transcription factors.
- **c**: Negative values are truncated to 0 using ReLU activation function.
- d: In the max pooling operation, contiguous bins of the activation map are summarized by taking the maximum value for each channel in each bin.
- e: The second convolutional layer scans the sequence for pairs of motifs and for instances of individual motifs.
- f: ReLU activation function is applied.
- g: The maximum value across all positions for each channel is selected.
- h: A fully connected layer is used to make the final prediction.

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- Graphical illustration of the DanQ model
 - One hot encoded into a 4-row bit matrix.
 - Convolution layer with rectifier activation
 - Acts as a motif scanner across the input matrix
 - Produces an output matrix with a row for each convolution
 - kernel and a column for each position in the input.
 - Reduces the size of the output matrix along the spatial axis, preserving the number of channels.

model.add(MaxPooling1D(pool_length=13, stride=13))
model.add(Dropout(0.2))

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Performance comparison

- Training, validation and testing sets were downloaded from the DeepSEA website
- Input: reference sequence
- Output: A length 919 binary target vector from 919 ChIP-seq and DNase-seq peak sets from uniformly processed ENCODE and Roadmap Epigenomics data releases
- A better metric to measure the performance is the area under precision-recall curve (PR AUC)
- PR AUC metric is less prone to inflation by the class imbalance than the ROC AUC metric is





LR models achieve a PR AUC below 5% for the • 97.6% of all DanQ PR AUC scores surpass two examples



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DeepFun

- Assess the functional impact of a non-coding variant and its impact in a tissue- and cell type-specific manner
- Increased epigenetics tracks from ENCODE and Roadmap (6 May 2019)
 - 7870 chromatin features
 - 1548 DNase I accessibility, 1536 histone mark and 4795 transcription factor binding profiles.
 - Removal of technical or biological replicates
 - DeepFun incorporates a total of 117 DNase-seq, 360 histone modification, and 795 TF binding profiles

vs. DeepSea

• A total of 919 peak sets (125 DNase I hypersensitivity profiles, 104 histone mark profiles, 690 TF binding profiles for 160 different TFs)

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Prioritizing regulatory variants

- SNP Activity Difference (SAD)
 - Alt Ref
 - *Ref:* predicted activity probability for the reference allele/original sequence (ranging 0 ~ 1)
 - Alt: predicted activity probability for the alternative allele/mutated sequence (ranging 0 ~ 1)
 - Variants with a higher positive SAD : alternative allele increases the epigenetic signal compared to the reference allele
 - Variants with a negative SAD value: decrease the epigenetic signal

Application to non-coding variants in ClinVar database



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Prioritizing regulatory variants

- Prioritize non-coding causal variants in a tissue specific fashion.
- Top 15 chromatin features related for three non-coding variants



- Cystic fibrosis: Most fibroblast tissues related DNase-seq profiles were associated with rs1554398510, especially in fibroblast of dermis.
- Maturity-onset diabetes of the young (MODY): Both DNase-seq and H3K4me1 profiles in pancreas tissue had strong association with rs886037620.
- Coronary atery disease: The impact of rs1024611 was the strongest in heart and cardiac muscle tissue

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Prioritizing regulatory variants

- Autism *de novo* mutations from Simons Simplex Collection (SSC) cohort
 - 2600 simplex families
 - Each family has one child affected by ASD and unaffected parents and siblings.
- All non-coding variants are grouped into unaffected and affected siblings.
- Consider the average SAD scores of the non-coding variants over all brain tissues.
- With increasing SAD thresholds
 - The percentage of variants in patient siblings increases
 - The percentage in health siblings decreases.



Summary

- Noncoding variants
- Computational methods to prioritize noncoding variants based on genomic and epigenomic information
 - GWAVA: Genome-wide annotation of variants
- Deep learning methods based on genomic sequence
 - DeepSea
 - DanQ
 - DeepFun
- If you are interested, see studies in related topics.
 - DeepC: predicting 3D genome folding using megabase-scale transfer learning (Nature Methods 17:1118–1124(2020))
 - Predicting 3D genome folding from DNA sequence with Akita (Nature Methods 17:1111–1117(2020))

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