ProteoGenomics Analysis ToolKit Documentation

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Welcome to the ProteoGenomics Analysis ToolKit (PGATK), a framework for proteogenomics analysis. It provides a set of tools and bioinformatics pipelines to perform proteogenomics analysis using proteomics and RNA-Seq data.

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1.1 Introduction

Individual Tools Documentation

It can make your life easier if you want to explore individual tools:

- PepGenome: Mapping Peptidoforms to Genome Coordinates
- PepBedR: R package to analyze peptidoforms features in Bed Files

Proteogenomics is a field of biological research that utilizes a combination of proteomics, genomics, and transcriptomics to aid in the discovery and identification/quantification of peptides and proteins. Proteogenomics is used to identify new peptides by comparing MS/MS spectra against a protein database that has been derived from genomic and transcriptomics information.



In this approach, customized protein sequence databases generated using genomic and transcriptomic information are used to help identify novel peptides (not present in reference protein sequence databases) from mass spectrometry-based proteomic data; in turn, the proteomic data can be used to provide protein-level evidence of gene expression and to help refine gene models.

Proteogenomics can be also seen as the way to present proteomics evidences in to genomics context.

Note: You can read a more about the topic here: https://www.nature.com/articles/nmeth.3144

1.2 PGATK Tools

1.2.1 PepGenome: Mapping Peptidoforms to Genome Coordinates

In proteogenomic analyses it is essential to know the loci (genome position) giving rise to **peptides** in order to improve genomic annotation and the functional characterization of protein products in their biological context. With next-generation sequencing of DNA and RNA for each sample studied by proteomic mass spectrometry integration and visualisation in a common coordinate system, i.e. the genome, is vital for systems biology. To facilitate this type of integration not only the genomic locations of modified peptides but specifically the genomic loci of associated with these modifications is required.

Note: The **PepGenome** tool quickly and efficiently identify genomic loci of peptides and post-translational modifications and couple these mappings with associated quantitative values. Using reference gene annotation (GTF files) and an associated transcript translations (Protein fasta files) our tool identifies the genomic loci of peptides given as

input and generates output in different formats borrowed from genomics and transcriptomics which can be loaded in various genome browsers such as UCSC Genome Browser, Ensembl Genome Browser.

Input format (Tab delimited)

The input format required by PepGenome is a tab delimited file with four columns. It can contains the following extensions .tsv, .pogo or .txt.

Column	Column header	Description
1	Sample	Name of sample or experiment
2	Peptide	Peptide sequence *
3	PSMs	Number (PSMs)
4	Quant	Quantitative value in the given sample

Hint: *Peptide sequence with PSI-MS modification names in round brackets following the modified amino acid, e.g. PEPT(Phopsho)IDE for a phosphorylated threonine.

Note: In addition the tool support mzTab and mzIdentML File format input.

Output formats

BED Files

This format contains the genomic loci for peptides, the exon-structure, the peptide sequence, as well as a colour code for uniqueness of peptides within the genome. Read here *BED Format*

Additional Files

- GTF: This output format contains besides the genomic loci the annotated information for the genes giving rise to each peptide sequence including status and biotype. For each mapped peptide the sample, number of peptide-spectrum matches and associated quantitative value as tags.
- GCT: In this format the peptide sequences are combines with the Ensembl gene identifier. It contains the genomic loci for each peptide as well as the quantitative values for each peptide in different samples as a matrix.

Usage

Required arguments:

- -fasta: Filepath for file containing protein sequences in FASTA format. (e.g. -fasta gencode.v25. pc_translations.fa)
- -gtf: Gene annotation with coding sequences (CDS) in GTF format. (e.g. -gtf gencode.v25. annotation.gtf)
- -in: Path to single input file or comma separated list of paths to input files containing peptides to be mapped with associated number of peptide to spectrum matches, sample name and quantitative value (see input file format). (e.g. -in file.tsv)

How to easily run the tool (e.g. Human):

```
$ java -jar -Xmx5G PepGenome-{version}-bin.jar -gtf gencode-{version}.gtf
-fasta gencode-{version}-translations.fa -in file.tsv
```

Note: the tool can be download from PepGenome Releases

Optional arguments

- -format: Set output format _GTF_, _GCT_, _BED_, _PTMBED_ or _ALL_. Comma separated combination possible. Default = ALL
- -merge: Set TRUE/FALSE to merge output of multiple input files (output will be named after last input file *_merged). Default = FALSE
- -source: Set TRUE/FALSE to merge output of multiple input files (output will be named after last input file *_merged). Default = FALSE
- -mm: Number of mismatches allowed in mapping (0, 1 or 2). DEFAULT = 0
- -mmmode: Set TRUE/FALSE to restrict number of mismatch in kmer to 1. DEFAULT = FALSE.
- -genome: Filepath for the fine containing genome sequences in Ensembl FASTA format. Used to identify chromosome names and order and differenciate between chromosomes and scaffolds. If not set chromosome names are extracted from the GTF file without differenciation between chromosomes and scaffolds. (e.g. "-genome Homo_sapiens.GRCh38.89.dna.primary_assembly.fa")
- -chr: Export chr prefix Allowed 0, 1. (e.g. -chr 1) DEFAULT = 0

1.2.2 Pypgatk: Python Tools for ProteoGenomics

The Pypgatk framework and library provides a set of tools to perform proteogenomics analysis. In order to execute a task in pypgatk the user should use a COMMAND to perform the specific task and specify the task arguments:

```
$: pypgatk_cli.py -h
      Usage: pypgatk_cli.py [OPTIONS] COMMAND [ARGS]...
2
3
      This is the main tool that gives access to all commands and options provided by,
4
   →the pypgatk_cli
5
      Options:
6
         -h, --help Show this message and exit.
7
8
9
      Commands:
        ensembl-downloader
                                  Command to download the ensembl information
10
        cbioportal-downloader
                                  Command to download the the cbioportal studies
11
                                  Command to download the cosmic mutation database
        cosmic-downloader
12
        dnaseq-to-proteindb
                                  Command to translate sequences generated from RNA-seq.
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   \rightarrow and DNA sequences
        vcf-to-proteindb
                                  Command to translate genomic variatns to protein_
14
   →sequences
        cbioportal-to-proteindb Command to translate cbioportal mutation data into
15
   ⇔proteindb
                                  Command to translate Cosmic mutation data into proteindb
        cosmic-to-proteindb
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```

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```

```
generate-decoy
                             Command to generate decoy database from a proteindb
    ensembl-check
                                 Command to fix protein sequences to only contain.
→amino acid sequences
```

Installation

Clone the source code for pypgatk from source:

git clone https://github.com/bigbio/py-pgatk.git

pypgatk depends on several Python3 packages that are listed in requirements.txt, once in the downloaded directory install the dependencies using pip:

pip install -r requirements.txt

Install the pypgatk package from source:

```
python setup.py install
```

Data Downloader Tools

The Data downloader is a set of COMMANDs to download data from different Genomics data providers including ENSEMBL, COSMIC and cBioPortal.

Downloading ENSEMBL Data

Downloading data from ENSEMBL can be done using the command ensembl_downloader. The current tool enables downloading the following files for any taxonomy that is available ENSEMBL:

- GTF
- Protein Sequence (FASTA)
- CDS (FASTA)
- CDNA sequences (FASTA)
- Non-coding RNA sequences (FASTA)
- Nucleotide Variation (VCF)
- Genome assembly DNA sequences (FASTA)

Command Options

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```
$: python pypgatk_cli.py ensembl-downloader -h
      Usage: pypgatk_cli.py ensembl-downloader [OPTIONS]
2
3
      This tool enables to download from ENSEMBL ftp the FASTA, GTF and VCF files
4
5
      Required parameters::
6
       -c, --config_file TEXT
                                         Configuration file for the ensembl data_
   →downloader pipeline
```

```
-o, --output_directory TEXT
                                         Output directory for the peptide databases
8
9
      Optional parameters:
10
        -1, --list_taxonomies TEXT
                                         List the available species from Ensembl, users
11
   \rightarrow can find the desired taxonomy identifier from this list.
        -fp, --folder_prefix_release
                                         TEXT Output folder prefix to download the data
12
        -t, --taxonomy TEXT
                                         Taxonomy identifiers (comma separated) that will.
13
   →be use to download the data from Ensembl
                -sv, --skip_vcf
                                                  Skip the vcf file during the download
14
                                         Skip the gtf file during the download
        -sg, --skip_gtf
15
                                         Skip the protein fasta file during download
        -sp, --skip_protein
16
        -sc, --skip_cds
                                         Skip the CDS file download
17
                -sn, --skip_ncrna
                                                  Skip the ncRNA file download
18
        -sdn, --skip_cdna
                                         Skip the cDNA file download
19
        -sd, --skip dna
                                         Skip the DNA file download
20
                                         Show this message and exit.
        -h, --help
21
```

Examples

• List all species without downloading any data:

python pypgatk_cli.py ensembl-downloader -l -sv -sg -sp -sc -sd -sn

• Download all files except cDNA for Tureky (species id=9103, note that th species id cab be obtained from the list above):

python pypgatk_cli.py ensembl-downloader -t 9103 -sd -o ensembl_files

• [To be implemented] Download CDS file for Humans (species id=9606) from release 94 and genome assembly GRCh37

```
python pypgatk_cli.py ensembl-downloader -t 9606 -sv -sg -sp -sd -sn -o ensembl_

→files --release 94 --assembly GRCh37
```

Note: By default the command ensembl-downloader downloads all datasets for all species from the latest ENSEMBL release. To limit the download to a particular species specify the species identifier using the -t option. To list all available species run the command with -l (--list_taxonomies) option.

Note: Any of the file types can be skipped using the corresponding option. For example, to avoid downloading the protein sequence fasta file, use the argument --skip_protein. Also, note that not all file types exists for all species so obviously the downloaded files depends on availability of the dataset in ENSEMBL.

Hint: a VCF file per chromosome is downloaded for homo sapiens due to the large file size they have been distributed this way by ENSEMBL. For other species, a single VCF including all chromosomes is downloaded.

Downloading COSMIC Data.

Downloading mutation data from COSMIC is performed using the COMMAND cosmic-downloader. The current COMMAND allows users to download the following files:

- Cosmic mutation file (CosmicMutantExport)
- Cosmic all genes (All_COSMIC_Genes)

Command Options

```
$: python pypgatk_cli.py cosmic-downloader -h
1
      Usage: pypgatk_cli.py cosmic-downloader [OPTIONS]
2
3
      Required parameters:
4
        -u, --username TEXT
                                     Username for cosmic database -- please if you dont
5
   → have one register here (https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic/register)
        -p, --password TEXT
                                     Password for cosmic database -- please if you dont_
6
   →have one register here (https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic/register)
7
           Optional parameters:
8
9
        -c, --config_file TEXT
                                     Configuration file for the ensembl data downloader
   ⇔pipeline
        -o, --output_directory TEXT Output directory for the peptide databases
10
                                      Show this message and exit.
        -h, --help
11
```

Note: In order to be able to download COSMIC data, the user should provide a user and password. Please first register in COSMIC database (https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic/register).

Examples

```
• Downlaod CosmicMutantExport.tsv.gz and All_COSMIC_Genes.fasta.gz:
```

Downloading cBioPortal Data.

Downloading mutation data from cBioPortal is performed using the command cbioportal-downloader. cBio-Portal stores mutation data from multiple studies (https://www.cbioportal.org/datasets). Each dataset in cBioPortal has an associated study_id.

Command Options

```
$: python3.7 pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-downloader -h
1
     Usage: pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-downloader [OPTIONS]
2
3
     Parameters:
4
       -c, --config_file TEXT Configuration file for the ensembl data downloader_
  ⇔pipeline
       -o, --output_directory TEXT Output directory for the peptide databases
6
       -l, --list_studies
                                  Print the list of all the studies in cBioPortal.
7
  -d, --download_study TEXT
                                  Download a specific Study from cBioPortal -- (all_
8
  →to download all studies)
       -h, --help
                                   Show this message and exit.
```

Note: The argument -1 (--list studies) allows the user to list all the studies stored in cBioPortal. The -d (--download study) argument can be used to obtain mutation data from a particular study.

Examples

• Download data for study ID blca mskcc solit 2014:

```
python pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-downloader -d blca_mskcc_solit_2014 -o cbiportal_
⇔files
```

• Download data for all studies in cBioPortal:

```
python pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-downloader -d all -o cbioportal_files
```

If you face issues downloading all studies from cBioPortal using the cbioportal-downloader, please download the studies from the data hub through git-lfs which is used to download large files from gitHub repositories, see installation instructions:

Following instructions given on the datahub repositority, download the entire list of datasets using:

```
git clone https://github.com/cBioPortal/datahub.git
cd datahub
git lfs install --local --skip-smudge
git lfs pull -I public --include "data_clinical_sample.txt"
git lfs pull -I public --include "data_mutations_mskcc.txt"
```

Generate Protein Databases

The **Pypgatk** framework provides a set of tools (COMMAND) to generate protein databaseas in FASTA format from DNA sequences, variants, and mutations. In order to perform this task, we have implemented multiple commands depending on data type provided by the user and the public data providers (cBioPortal, COSMIC and ENSEMBL).

Cosmic Mutations to Protein Sequences

COSMIC the Catalogue of **Human** Somatic Mutations in Cancer – is the world's largest source of expert manually curated somatic mutation information relating to human cancers. The command cosmic-to-proteindb converts the cosmic somatic mutations file into a protein sequence database file.

Command Options

```
$: python pypgatk_cli.py cosmic-to-proteindb -h
      Usage: pypgatk_cli.py cosmic-to-proteindb [OPTIONS]
2
3
      Required parameters:
4
        -in, --input_mutation TEXT Cosmic Mutation data file
5
        -fa, --input_genes TEXT All Cosmic genes
6
        -out, --output_db TEXT
                                    Protein database including all the mutations
7
8
      Optional parameters:
9
        -c, --config_file TEXT
                                    Configuration file for the cosmic data pipelines
10
        -f, --filter_column
                                     Column name to use for filtering or splitting
   →mutations by, default value is ``Primary site`
```

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```
-a, --accepted_values Only consider mutations from records that belong to_
→these groups as specified by ``-filter_column`` option, by default mutations from_
→all groups are considered (default ``all``)
-s, --split_by_filter_column Generate a proteinDB output file for each group_
→in the mutations file (affected by ``--filter_column``) (default ``False``)
-h, --help Show this message and exit.
```

The file input of the tool -in (--input_mutation) is the cosmic mutation data file. The genes file -fa (--input_genes) contains the original CDS sequence for all genes used by the COSMIC team to annotate the mutations. *Use cosmic-downloader* to obtain the input files from COSMIC.

The output of the tool is a protein fasta file and is written in the following path -out (--output_db)

Examples

• Generate cancer-type specific protein databases. For each cancer type in COSMIC generate a protein database based on the Primary site given in the mutations file:

• Generate cell-line specific protein databases. For each cell line in COSMIC cell lines generate a protein database based on the Sample name given in the mutations file:

```
python pypgatk_cli.py cosmic-to-proteindb -in CosmicCLP_MutantExport.tsv -fa All_

GellLines_Genes.fasta -out cosmicCLP_proteinDB.fa --split_by_filter_column --

Gellter_column 'Sample name'
```

cBioPortal Mutations to Protein Sequences

The cBioPortal for Cancer Genomics provides visualization, analysis and download of large-scale cancer genomics data sets. The available datasets can be viewed in this web page (https://www.cbioportal.org/datasets). The command cbioportal-to-proteindb converts the beioportal mutations file into a protein sequence database file.

Command Options

```
$: python pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-to-proteindb -h
1
      Usage: pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-to-proteindb [OPTIONS]
2
3
       Required parameters:
4
        -c, --config_file TEXT
                                          Configuration for cBioportal
5
                                          Cbioportal mutation file
        -in, --input_mutation TEXT
6
        -fa, --input_cds TEXT
                                          CDS genes from ENSEMBL database
7
        -out, --output_db TEXT
                                          Protein database including the mutations
8
9
       Optional parameters:
10
        -f, --filter_column TEXT
                                          Column in the VCF file to be used for filtering_
11
   ↔or splitting mutations
        -a, --accepted_values TEXT
                                          Limit mutations to groups (values) (tissue type,
12
   -> sample name, etc) considered for generating proteinDBs, by default mutations from,
   \rightarrowall records are considered
        -s, --split_by_filter_column
13
                                          Use this flag to generate a proteinDB per group
   →as specified in the filter_column, default is False
```

```
-cl, --clinical_sample_file TEXT Clinical sample file that contains the cancery_

→type per sample identifier (required when ``-t`` or ``-s`` is given).

-h, --help Show this message and exit.
```

Note: The clinical sample file for each mutation file can be found under the same directory as the mutation file downloaded from cBioportal (It should have at least two columns named: Cancer Type and Sample Identifier). The file is only needed if generating tissue type databases is desired (that is when -s or -a is given).

The file input of the tool -in (--input_mutation) is the cbioportal mutation data file. An example is given in *cbioportal-downloader* showing how to obtain the mutations file for a particular study. The CDS sequence for all genes input file -fa (--input_genes) can be obtained using the ENSEMBL CDS files, see *this example*. The output of the tool is a protein fasta file and it is written in the following path -out (--output_db)

Note: The cBioportal mutations are aligned to the hg19 assembly, make sure that the correct genome assembly is selected for the download.

Examples

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• translate mutations from Bladder samples in studyID: blca_mskcc_solit_2014 (*use cbioportal-downloader* to download the study, then extract the content of the downloaded file):

```
python pypgatk_cli.py cbioportal-to-proteindb --config_file config/cbioportal_

→config.yaml --input_cds human_hg19_cds.fa --input_mutation data_mutations_

→mskcc.txt --clinical_sample_file data_clinical_sample.txt --output_db bladder_

→proteindb.fa
```

Variants (VCF) to Protein Sequences

Variant Calling Format (VCFv4.1) is a text file representing genomic variants.

The vcf_to_proteindb COMMAND takes a VCF file and a GTF (Gene annotations) file to translates the genomic variants in the VCF that affect protein-coding transcripts.

Command Options

```
$: python pypgatk_cli.py vcf-to-proteindb -h
      Usage: pypgatk_cli.py vcf-to-proteindb [OPTIONS]
2
3
      Required parameters:
4
        -c, --config_file TEXT
                                     Configuration for VCF conversion parameters
5
        -v, --vcf
                                                  VCF file containing the genomic variants
6
        -g, --gene_annotations_gtf Gene models in the GTF format that will be used to_
7
   →extract protein-coding transcripts
        -f, --input_fasta
                                         Fasta sequences for the transripts in the GTF_
8
   \hookrightarrow file used to annotated the VCF
        -o, --output_proteindb
                                  Output file to write the resulting variant protein
9
   ⇔sequences
10
      Options:
11
        --translation_table INTEGER
                                         Translation table (Default 1). Please see
12
    →<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Utils/wprintgc.cgi> for identifi@nffnu@fon next page)
   →translation tables.
```

```
--mito_translation_table INTEGER
                                                Mito_trans_table (default 2), also from
13
   →<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Taxonomy/Utils/wprintgc.cgi>
                               String to add as prefix for the variant peptides
        --var_prefix TEXT
14
        --report_ref_seq
                               In addition to variant peptides, also report the
15
   -reference peptide from the transcripts overlapping the variant
        --annotation_field_name TEXT
                                       Annotation Field name found in the INFO column,
16
   →e.q CSQ or vep, set to empty if the VCF is not annotated (default is CSQ)
        --af_field TEXT Field name in the VCF INFO column that shows the variant allele..
17
   \hookrightarrow \texttt{frequency} (VAF, default is none).
        --af_threshold FLOAT
                                 Minium allele frequency threshold for considering the
18
   →variants
        --transcript_index INTEGER
                                       Index of transcript ID in the annotated columns
19
   -- in the VCF INFO field that is when the VCF file is already annotated, affected by --
   ⇔annotation_field_name (separated by |) (default is 3)
        --consequence index INTEGER
                                       Index of consequence in the annotated columns in.
20
   -the VCF INFO field that is when the VCF file is already annotated, affected by --
   { \hookrightarrow} \texttt{annotation\_field\_name} (separated by |) (default is 1)
        --include_consequences TEXT
                                        Consider variants that have one of these,
21
   -consequences, affected by --annotation_field_name (default is all) (for the list_
   →of consequences see: https://www.ensembl.org/info/genome/variation/prediction/
   →predicted_data.html.
        --exclude_consequences TEXT
                                        Variants with these consequences will not be
22
   -considered for translation, affected by --annotation_field_name (default:
   →synonymous_variant)
23
        --skip_including_all_cds
                                        By default any affected transcript that has a
   -defined CDS will be translated, this option disables this features instead it only.
   \rightarrow depends on the specified biotypes
                                Enabling this option causes all variants to be parsed.
24
        --ignore_filters
   -By default only variants that have not failed any filters will be processed (FILTER_
   -field is PASS, None, .) or if the filters are subset of the accepted_filters.
   \hookrightarrow (default is False)
        --accepted_filters TEXT Accepted filters for variant parsing
25
        -h, --helP
                                Show this message and exit.
26
```

The file input of the tool --vcf is a VCF file that can be provided by the user or obtained from ENSEMBL using *ensembl_downloader*, see *an example here*. The gene_annotations_gtf file can also be obtained with the *ensembl_downloader*.

The --input_fasta file contains the CDS and DNA sequences for all genes present in the GTF file. This file can be generated from the GTF file using the gffread tool as follows:

\$: gffread -F -w input_fasta.fa -g genome.fa gene_annotations_gtf

The output of the tool is a protein fasta file and is written in the following path --output_proteindb.

Examples

• Translate human *missense* variants from ENSEMBL VCFs that have a minimum AF 5%:

```
python pypgatk_cli.py vcf-to-proteindb
    --vcf homo_sapiens_incl_consequences.vcf
    --input_fasta transcripts.fa
    --gene_annotations_gtf genes.gtf
    --include_consequences missense_variant
    --af_field MAF
    --af_threshold 0.05
    --output_proteindb var_peptides.fa
```

Note:

- By default vcf-to-proteindb considers transcript that have a coding sequence that includes all protein_coding genes.
- by default all consequences are accepted except those given with --exclude_biotypes. See the list consequences of consequences generated by VEP: https://www.ensembl.org/info/genome/variation/prediction/ predicted_data.html
- Translate human *missense* variants or *inframe_insertion* from gnoMAD VCFs that have a minmum 1% allele frquency in control samples:

```
python pypgatk_cli.py vcf-to-proteindb
   --vcf gnmad_genome.vcf
   --input_fasta gencode.fa
   --gene_annotations_gtf gencode.gtf
   --include_consequences missense_variant,frameshift_insert
   --annotation_field_name vep
   --af_threshold 0.01
   --af_field control_af
   --transcript_index 6
```

Hint:

- vcf-to-proteindb considers transcript that have a coding sequence which includes all *protein_coding* transcripts.
- The provided VCF file has some specific properties: the annotation field is specified with the string *vep* hence the --annotation_field_name parameter, the transcriptat the sixth position in the annotation field, and since gnomAD collects variants from many sources it provides allele frequencies across many many sub-populations and sub-groups, in this case the goal is to use only variants that are common within control samples therefroe the --af_field is set to control_af.
- Since gnomAD uses GENCODE gene annotations for annotation the variants we need to change the default biotype_str from *transcript_biotype* to *transcript_type* (as written in the GTF file).

Note: As shown in the two examples above, when ENSEMBL data is used, the default options should work. However, for using other data sources such as variants from gnomAD, GTF from GENOCODE and others one or more of the following parameters need to be changed:

-af_field (from the VCF INFO field)

—annotation_field_name (from the VCF INFO field)

-transcript_index (from the annotation field in the VCF INFO field)

-consequence_index (from the annotation field in the VCF INFO field)

• Translate human variants from a custom VCF that is obtained from sequencing of a sample:

```
python pypgatk_cli.py vcf-to-proteindb
        --vcf sample.vcf
        --input_fasta transcripts.fa
        --gene_annotations_gtf genes.gtf
```

```
--annotation_field_name ''
--output_proteindb var_peptides.fa
```

Transcripts (DNA) to Protein Sequences

DNA sequences given in a fasta format can be translated using the dnaseq-to-proteindb tool. This tool allows for translation of all kinds of transcripts (coding and noncoding) by specifying the desired biotypes. The most suited --input_fasta file can be generated from a given GTF file using the gffread commad as follows:

\$: gffread -F -w transcript_sequences.fa -g genome.fa gene_annotations_gtf

The fasta file that is generated from the GTF file would contain DNA sequences for all transcripts regardless of their biotypes. Also, it specifies the CDS positions for the protein coding transcripts. The dnaseq-to-proteindb command recognizes the features such as biotype and expression values in the fasta header that are taken from the GTF INFO filed (if available). However, it is not required to have those information in the fasta header but their presence enables the user to filter by biotype and expression values during the translation step.

Command Options

```
$: python pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb -h
1
      Usage: pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb [OPTIONS]
2
3
      Required parameters:
4
        -c, --config_file TEXT
                                     Configuration for VCF conversion parameters
5
        --input_fasta
                             Fasta sequences for the transripts in the GTF file used to.
6
   \hookrightarrow annotated the VCF
        --output_proteindb
                                    Output file to write the resulting variant protein
7
   ⇔sequences
9
      Optional parameters:
         --translation_table INTEGER
                                      Translation Table (default 1)
10
         --num_orfs INTEGER
                                       Number of ORFs (default 0)
11
         --num_orfs_complement INTEGER Number of ORFs from the reverse side (default 0)
12
         --skip_including_all_cds
                                        By default any transcript that has a defined CDS
13
   \rightarrowwill be translated, this option disables this features instead it only depends on
   →the biotypes
         --include_biotypes TEXT
                                         Translate sequences with the spcified biotypes.
14
   -Multiple biotypes can be given separated by comma. To translate all sequences in_
   →the input_fasta file set this option to ``all`` (default protein coding genes).
         --exclude_biotypes TEXT
                                         Skip sequences with unwanted biotypes (affected
15
   →by --include_biotypes) (default None).
         --biotype_str TEXT
                                        String used to identify gene/transcript biotype
16
   →in the fasta file (default transcript_biotype).
         --expression_str TEXT
                                        String to be used for extracting expression
17
   →value (TPM, FPKM, etc) (default None).
         --expression_thresh FLOAT Threshold used to filter transcripts based on.
18
   \hookrightarrowtheir expression values (default 5, affected by --expression_str)
         --var_prefix TEXT
                                        Prefix to be added to fasta headers (default_
19
   →none)
         -h, --help
                                         Show this message and exit
20
```

Examples

• Generate the canonical protein database, i.e. translate all *protein_coding* transcripts:

• Generate a protein database from lincRNA and canonical proteins:

• Generate a protein database from processed pseudogene:

```
python pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb
        --config_file config/ensembl_config.yaml
        --input_fasta testdata/transcript_sequences.fa
        --output_proteindb testdata/proteindb_from_processed_pseudogene.fa
        --var_prefix pseudogene_
        --include_biotypes processed_pseudogene,transcribed_processed_pseudogene,
        --skip_including_all_cds
```

• Generate alternative ORFs from canonical sequences:

```
python pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb
--config_file config/ensembl_config.yaml
--input_fasta testdata/transcript_sequences.fa
--output_proteindb testdata/proteindb_from_altORFs.fa
--var_prefix altorf_
--include_biotypes altORFs
--skip_including_all_cds
```

• Generate protein sequences (six-frame translation) from a Genome assembly:

```
python pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb
    --config_file config/ensembl_config.yaml
    --input_fasta testdata/genome.fa
    --output_proteindb testdata/proteindb_genome.fa
    --biotype_str ''
    --num_orfs 3
    --num_orfs_complement 3
```

Generate Decoy Database

generate-decoy command enables generation of decoy databases for any given protein sequence database. Decoy databases are need to evaluate significance of spectra-sequence matching scores in proteomics mass spectrometry experiments.

DecoyPYrat is integrated into py-pgatk as the standard method for generating decoy sequences. In addition to reversing the target sequences, the tool replaces the cleavage with preceding amino acids. Also, it checks for the presence of the reversed sequence in the target sequences and if found, *DecoyPYrat* shuffles the sequences to avoid target-decoy sequence matches. For more information please read the *DecoyPYrat* manual available at: https://www.sanger.ac.uk/science/tools/decoypyrat.

Command Options

```
$: python pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb -h
      Usage: pypgatk.py dnaseq-to-proteindb [OPTIONS]
2
3
      Required parameters:
4
        -c, --config_file TEXT
                                         Configuration file for the protein database.
5
   \rightarrow decoy generation
        -o, --output TEXT
                                          Output file for decoy database
6
        -i, --input TEXT
                                          FASTA file of target protein sequences for
7
                                          which to create decoys (*.fasta|*.fa)
      Optional parameters:
                                          A list of amino acids at which to cleave
        -s, --cleavage_sites TEXT
10
                                          during digestion. Default = KR
11
        -a, --anti_cleavage_sites TEXT A list of amino acids at which not to cleave
12
                                          if following cleavage site ie. Proline.
13
                                          Default = none
14
        -p, --cleavage_position TEXT
                                          Set cleavage to be c or n terminal of
15
                                          specified cleavage sites. Options [c, n],
16
                                          Default = c
17
        -1, --min_peptide_length INTEGER
18
                                          Set minimum length of peptides to compare
19
                                          between target and decoy. Default = 5
20
        -n, --max_iterations INTEGER
                                          Set maximum number of times to shuffle a
21
                                          peptide to make it non-target before
22
                                          failing. Default=100
23
        -x, --do_not_shuffle TEXT
                                          Turn OFF shuffling of decoy peptides that
24
                                          are in the target database. Default=false
25
        -w, --do_not_switch TEXT
                                          Turn OFF switching of cleavage site with
26
                                          preceding amino acid. Default=false
27
        -d, --decoy_prefix TEXT
                                          Set accession prefix for decoy proteins in
28
                                          output. Default=DECOY_
29
        -t, --temp_file TEXT
                                          Set temporary file to write decoys prior to
30
                                          shuffling. Default=protein-decoy.fa
31
        -b, --no_isobaric TEXT
                                          Do not make decoy peptides isobaric.
32
                                          Default=false
33
34
        -m, --memory_save TEXT
                                          Slower but uses less memory (does not store
                                          decoy peptide list). Default=false
35
        -h, --help
                                          Show this message and exit.
36
```

Examples

• Generate decoy sequences for proteindb_from_lincRNA_canonical_sequences.fa that was generate using *dnaseq-to-proteindb*:

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1.2.3 PepBedR: R package to analyze peptidoforms features in Bed Files

The PepBedR package allows users of BED Format file format to analyze and visualized their data and results. It facilitate two major things:

- Descriptive statistics of PepBed files: Number of unique peptides per chromosome, transcript, gene.
- Circle plots of peptide features by different Peptide properties (Modification, Uniqueness, Sample properties).

Note: The PepBedR provides set `Rscript` utilities to describe PepBed files.

Using R package

Parsing Bed file

1

```
bed_path <- '/home/biolinux/temp/human/pride_cluster_peptides_9606_Human_pogo.bed'</pre>
2
  granges_peptide <- importBEDasGRange(inputFile = bed_path)</pre>
3
4
  n_features <- length(granges_peptide)</pre>
5
  message(c('Imported ', n_features, ' peptides...'))
```

Computing some basic stats from the data

The PepBedR provides a set of functions and rutines to compute descriptive statistics for each input file.

```
counts <- countsByChromosome(gr = granges_peptide, colName = 'Peptides')</pre>
1
2
  merged_counts <- orderByChromosome(df = count, colName = 'Chromosome')</pre>
3
4
  print(merged_counts)
5
```

This code will print the number of peptides per chromosome.

Getting stats for unique peptides

```
# Removing duplicated entries from original granges_peptide.
1
2
   unique_pep <- getUniqueFeatures(granges_peptide, colFeatures = 'name')</pre>
3
4
   getting unique number of features (peptides) by chromosome
5
   counts_unique <- countsByChromosome(gr = unique_pep, colName = 'Peptides')</pre>
6
7
   # ordering by chromosome
8
   merged_counts_unique <- orderByChromosome(df = counts_unique, colName = 'Chromosome')</pre>
9
   print(merged_counts_unique)
10
```

Visualizing the data

The distribution of peptides by chromosome. (blue_track: modified peptide; red_track: non-modified)

```
1 library(circlize)
2 circos.initializeWithIdeogram(species = 'hg19')
3 bed <- bed_df
4 bed_mod <- bed_mod_df
5 circos.genomicDensity(bed, col = c("#FF000080"), track.height = 0.1, baseline = 0)
6 circos.genomicDensity(bed_mod, col = c("#0000FF80"), track.height = 0.1, baseline = 0)
7 circos.clear()</pre>
```

Output:



Note: The distribution of peptides by chromosome. The PepBedR package use the same color code that *BED Format* to each track.

Reports

The current package provides a way to generate **pdf** reports by running the following RScript:

```
Rscript --verbose --vanilla scripts/build_pepbed_report.R -i PepGenome-Peptide-Atlas.

→bed.gz

-ref 'hg38' -o report_peptide_atlas.pdf
```

The build_pepbed_report.R compute a full report for a bed file. The paramters `-ref` is the Genome Assembly version used to perform the mapping to genome coordinates; and the `-i` and `-o` are the input bed and output pdf folder.

1.3 PGATK NF-Core Workflows

The ProteoGenomics Analysis Toolkit provides a set of workflows to perform large scale proteogenomics data analysis. All workflows are developed using nextflow and BioContainers following nf-core.

All PGATK workflows are deposited in nf-core.

1.3.1 Requirements

Starting with Nextflow

Nextflow can be used on any POSIX compatible system (Linux, OS X, etc). It requires **Bash 3.2** (or later) and **Java 8** (or later, up to 11) to be installed.

Installation, it only needs two easy steps:

Download the executable package by copying and pasting the following command in your terminal window:

```
wget -q0- https://get.nextflow.io | bash
```

You can read more about how to setup your nf-core or nextflow environments.

1.3.2 PGDB: proteogenomics database generation

The ProteoGenomics DataBase (pgdb) generation pipeline is a nf-core workflow that enables the generation of custom proteogenomics databases for MS proteomics studies using the pypgatk library.



The pgdb pipelines enable to generate a variety of ENSEMBL-based proteognomics databases depending of the type of study.

Workflow usage

All workflow options can be seen by using the --help command:

```
NEXTFLOW ~ version 19.04.1
   Launching `main.nf` [sleepy_stonebraker] - revision: 9cff592eaf
2
   Usage:
3
4
   The typical command for running the pipeline is as follows:
5
6
   nextflow run main.nf --taxonomy 9606 --ensembl false --qnomad false --cosmic false --
7
   →cbioportal false
8
    This command will generate a protein datbase for non-coding RNAs, pseudogenes,
9
    altORFs. Note the other flags are set to false.
10
    A final fasta file is created by merging them all and the canonical
11
    proteins are appended. The resulting database is stored in result/final_proteinDB.fa
12
    and its decoy is stored under result/decoy_final_proteinDB.fa
13
14
15
    Options:
16
   Process flags
17
                                         Generate protein database from non-coding RNAs
      --ncrna [true | false]
18
      --pseudogenes [true | false]
                                         Generate protein database from pseudogenes
19
      --altorfs [true | false]
                                         Generate alternative ORFs from canonical
20
   →proteins
      --cbioportal [true | false] Download cBioPortal studies and genrate protein_
21
   ⇔database
      --cosmic [true | false]
                                        Download COSMIC files and generate protein
22
   ⇔database
     --ensembl [true | false]
                                        Download ENSEMBL variants and generate protein
23
   →database
     --gnomad [true | false]
                                        Download gnomAD files and generate protein
24
   ⇔database
      --decoy [true | false]
                                         Append the decoy proteins to the database
25
26
27
   Configuration files
                                         By default all config files are located in the
28
   ⇔configs
                                            directorv.
29
                                         Path to configuration file for ENSEMBL download,
      --ensembl_downloader_config
30
   →parameters
      --ensembl_config
                                         Path to configuration file for parameters in_
31
   →generating
                                           protein databases from ENSMEBL sequences
32
      --cosmic_config
                                         Path to configuration file for parameters in_
33
   →generating
                                           protein databases from COSMIC mutations
34
      --cbioportal_config
                                         Path to configuration file for parameters in_
35
   →generating
                                           protein databases from cBioPortal mutations
36
      --protein_decoy_config
                                         Path to configuration file for parameters used
37
   →in generating
                                            decoy databases
38
39
   Database parameters:
40
                                         Taxonomy (Taxon ID) for the species to download
      --taxonomv
41
   \rightarrowENSEMBL data,
```

```
default is 9606 for humans.
42
                                        For the list of supported taxonomies see:
43
                                          https://www.ensembl.org/info/about/species.
44
   →html
45
      --cosmic_tissue_type
                                        Specify a tissue type to limit the COSMIC_
46
   →mutations to
                                          a particular caner type (by default all tumor
47
   →types are used)
                                        Specify a tissue type to limit the cBioPortal_
     --cbioportal_tissue_type
48
   →mutations to
                                          a particular caner type (by default all tumor
49
   →types are used)
     --af_field
                                        Allele frequency identifier string in VCF Info.
50
   →column,
                                          if no AF info is given set it to empty.
51
                                          For human VCF files from ENSEMBL the default,
52
   \hookrightarrowis set to MAF
53
   Output parameters:
54
      --final_database_protein
                                    Output file name for the final database protein.
55
   →fasta file
                                          under the result/ directory.
56
      --decoy_prefix
                                        String to be used as prefix for the generated_
57
   \rightarrow decoy sequences
58
      --result_file
                                        Output file-path for the final database, not.
59
   \rightarrowunder the result folder.
60
   Data download parameters:
61
                                        User name (or email) for COSMIC account
     --cosmic_user_name
62
                                        Password for COSMIC account
63
      --cosmic_password
                                        In order to be able to download COSMIC data,
64
   \hookrightarrowthe user should
                                        provide a user and password. Please first,
65
   →register in COSMIC
                                        database (https://cancer.sanger.ac.uk/cosmic/
66
   \rightarrow register).
67
      --gencode_url
                                        URL for downloading GENCODE datafiles:
68
                                          gencode.v19.pc_transcripts.fa.gz and
69
                                          gencode.v19.annotation.gtf.gz
70
      --gnomad_file_url
                                        URL for downloading gnomAD VCF file(s)
71
72
73
      --help
                                        Print this help document
74
75
76
                    Pipeline Tasks:
77
78
   79
   Get fasta proteins, cdnas, ncRNAs and gtf files from ENSEMBL (default species = 9606)
80
        (processes: ensembl_fasta_download, gunzip_ensembl_files, merge_cdnas)
81
82
   Generate ncRNA, psudogenes, altORFs databases
83
```

```
(processes: add_ncrna, add_pseudogenes, add_altorfs)
84
85
    Generate ENSEMBL variant protein database (VCFs, default species = 9606)
86
         (processes: ensembl_vcf_download, gunzip_vcf_ensembl_files, check_ensembl_vcf,_
87

→ensembl_vcf_proteinDB)

88
    Generate gnomAD variant protein database
89
         (processes: gencode_download, , extract_gnomad_vcf, gnomad_proteindb)
90
91
    Generate COSMIC mutated protein database (default all cancer types)
92
         (processes: cosmic_download, gunzip_cosmic_files, cosmic_proteindb)
93
94
95
    Generate cBioPortal mutated protein database (default all studies and all cancer,
    \rightarrowtvpes)
         (processes: cds_GRCh37_download, download_all_cbioportal, cbioportal_proteindb)
96
97
    Concatenate all generated databases
98
         (processes: merge_proteindbs)
99
100
    Generate a decoy database from the concatenated database
101
         (processes: decoy)
102
103
```

Seudo-genes, long non-coding RNAs

If the study attempt to identified novel **pseudo-genes**, **long non-coding RNA peptides** and proteins in Human, the users can generate the database by concatenating the ENSEMBL Human reference proteome and the novel coding regions using the following command:

```
nextflow run main.nf --taxonomy 9606 --ensembl false --gnomad false --cosmic false --

--cosmic false --altorfs false -profile local,standard -c nextflow.config
```

This command will attached to the reference ENSEMBL Human proteome, the **pseudo-genes** and (pipeline option –pseudogenes) and the long non-coding RNA peptides (–ncrna).

Note: Most of the options in the pipeline are enable by default. For example **-add_reference**, includes in the results database the reference proteome for the species under study.

COSMIC and cBioPortal Variants

If COSMIC variants wants to be added to the database, the following command can be used:

Note: For COSMIC database a user and password should be provided to the pipeline to be able to download the database variants and the celllines information.

1.4 PGATK File Formats

The ProteoGenomics Analysis ToolKit is based on standard proteomics formats developed by HUPO-PSI and Genomics Standard file formats. This section is to highlight in 10 minutes the most important features of those file formats, How they are used in PGATK and you can contribute to their development.

Note: It is important to notice that this Help page only provides the fundamentals of each file format used in PGATK, for more details we provide links to the original documentation of the File format.

1.4.1 BED Format

BED

BED *(**Browser Extensible Data**) format provides a flexible way to define the data lines that are displayed in an annotation track UCSC Bed Definition. BED lines have three required fields and nine additional optional fields. The number of fields per line must be consistent throughout any single set of data in an annotation track. The order of the optional fields is binding: lower-numbered fields must always be populated if higher-numbered fields are used.

Note: If your data set is BED-like, but it is very large (over 50MB) and you would like to keep it on your own server, you should use the bigBed data format.

The **pedBed** Fields and Properties supported by PGATK:

Field (bold are required)	Description	Example
chrom	The name of the chromosome	chr3
chromStart	The starting position of the feature	1000
	in the chromosome or scaffold	
chromEnd	The ending position of the feature in	5000
	the chromosome or scaffold	
name	Defines the label of the BED line.	K(Phospho)SR
	GPATK annotate peptide sequence	
score	A score between 0 and 1000.	1000
strand	Defines the strand. Either "." (=no	•
	strand) or "+" or "-".	
thickStart	The starting position at which the	
	feature is drawn thickly.	
thickEnd	The ending position at which the	5000
	feature is drawn thickly	
itemRgb	An RGB value that will determine	(0,0,255)
	the display color of BED line color	
blockCount	The number of blocks (exons) in the	
	BED line.	
blockSizes	A comma-separated list of the block	
	sizes.	
blockStarts	A comma-separated list of block	
	starts.	
proteinAccession	Protein accession number	
transcriptAccession	Transcript Accession	
peptideSequence	Peptide Sequence with no PTMs	
	added	
proteinUniqueness	Peptide uniqueness (See color code	
transprintliniquanass	Dentide uniqueness (See color code	
transcriptoinqueness	color)	
genomeReferenceVersion	Genome reference version number	
psmScore	Best PSM score	
fdr	False-discovery rate	
modifications	Coma separated list of Post-	
	translational modifications	
peptideRepeatCount	Peptide Counting	
datasetAccession	Dataset Identifier	
uri	Uniform Resource Identifier	
	I	1

Hint: If the field content is to be empty the space should be field with a "."

Note: BED input files (and input received from stdin) are tab-delimited. The following types of BED files are supported by PGATK:

- **BED4**: A BED file where each feature is described by chrom, start, end, and name. (e.g. chr1 11873 14409 VLADIMIR)
- **BED6**: A BED file where each feature is described by chrom, start, end, name, score, and strand. (e.g. chr1 11873 14409 VLADIMIR 0 +)

- **BED12**: A BED file where each feature is described by all twelve columns listed above. (Default option in all tools)
- BED12+11: A complete Bed file including required fields and optionals.

Color

Uniqueness Colors:

Colour	Description
	Peptide is unique to single gene AND single transcript
	Peptide is unique to single gene BUT shared between multiple transcripts
	Peptide is shared between multiple genes

Modified Peptides Colors:

Like BED but containing the location of the post-translational modification on the genome. Thick parts of the peptide blocks indicate the position of the post-translational modification on a single amino acid (short thick block) while longer blocks indicate the occurrence of the first and last post-translational modification and residues in between. In the PTMBED the colour code is changed to indicate the type of modification.

Colour	Post-translational Modification	
	Phosphorylation (phospho)	
	Acetylation (acetyl)	
	Amidation (amidated)	
	Oxidation (oxidation)	
	Oxidation (oxidation)	
	Methylation (methyl)	
	Ubiquitinylation (glygly; gg)	
	Sulfation (sulfo)	
	Palmitoylation (palmitoyl)	
	Formylation (formyl)	
	Deamidation (deamidated)	
	Any other post-translational modification	

1.4.2 Additional Files formats

Peptide Atlas Peptide List

PeptideAtlas released every month/year a list of peptides that has been found/identified by MS/MS (see the list here). The PGATK support the output list as input of some of the tools such as pepgenome.

Column	Field	Description
1	peptide_accession	Peptide Accession (PAp06389395)
2	peptide_sequence	Peptide Sequence
3	best_probability	Best Peptide Probability
4	n_observations	Spectral counting
		More properties not used

Hint: For our pipelines and tools the order of the column is important.

Note: A full pipeline to map the PeptideAltas peptide evidences to Genome Coordinates can be found here.

1.5 About

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1.5.1 Support

You can ask support questions here: https://github.com/bigbio/pgatk/issues