snpMatrix 4-digit Series

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1 Introduction

The snpMatrix 4-digit series started with 1.2.2.1 (Mar 15 2008) and reaches 1.19.0.17 (Dec 10 2012^{1}). It consists of changes, bug fixes or enhancements, some of which appeared in later 3-digit series, and also enhancements which never did, such that the functionality to natively read Illumina's and deCODE's binary file formats.

Version 1.4.0 (April 2008) to 1.18.0/1.19.0 (October 2011) were briefly bundled with Bioconductor.

2 Details

2.1 Current

1.19.0.18, April 2013 New uncertain option to read.snps.chiamo() for generating uncertain genotypes, and new read.snps.vcf() routine. New "IO Suite" vignette (requiring 1000 Genome and HapMap data to run).

2.2 Between 1.19.0 and 1.19.0.17

The difference between snpMatrix 1.19.0 and 1.19.0.17 consists of 498 in-tree commits and 385+ out-of-tree commits.

The in-tree commits consists of the following:

- Fixing bugs introduced between 2008 and 2011, by re-analysing the 2007 WTCCC1 data. (see also the out-of-tree commits section). Also examples and internal checks to make sure that bugs are not re-added.
- As a side-effect of the bug fixing effort, a fair number of David Clayton's home-brewed (and some buggy) linear algebra routines were replaced with their R LAPACK and BLAS equivalents. There is a few percents in speed gain.
- Natively read Illumina's EGT, BPM, and CNV-related binary file formats, as well as some of deCODE's.
- Major under-the-hood changes related to link-loaders; A few percents in speed gain, more noticeable in PE (i.e. Windows), less so in ELF/MACH-O (Linux/Mac OS X).

¹As of the first draft of this document.

The bottom of the in-tree commits is 81b60ada308bf1fe90a6f4e5e308cea2a28b118f, Feb 14 2011. The in-tree commits have been rebased many times, and not necessarily in chronological order.

2.2.1 The out-of-tree commits

The out-of-tree commits (385 up to snpMatrix 1.19.0.17, December 2012) started on Aug 26 2011, with 73f134d96760f48aef836068a620bc556234a397, which resurrect the 2007 infra-structure for analysing WTCCC1 data, to track down bugs introduced between 2008 and 2011.

The first version of this document is the 386th.

Many of the out-of-tree commits are out of tree because of special requirements. For example:

- The "China and Chinese Cities" vignette requires Tibetan and Arabic capabilities on the host platform, as well as a cairo-capable R.
- The "Algorithms and Thailand" vignette and the "China and Chinese Cities" vignette requires IATEXcapable of Thai and Chinese respectively.
- The "Regression and Migration" vignette requires the WTCCC1 data.
- The "MHC Subset Preparation" vignette requires the UK AMD data.
- The "snpStats Bug" vignettes obviously requires loading other extra R packages.

A snpStats 4-digit Series

The "less buggy" snpStats 4-digit Series consists of the follow bug fixes, none of which are in the 3-digit series:

- 5. (Mar 28 2013) second bug in Input/Output and conversion of uncertain genotypes.
- 4. (Nov 19 2012) ld statistics from ld() (the older +ld.snps()+ in snpMatrix is not affected).
- 3. (Nov 6 2012) cbind/rbind
- 2. (Sep 1 2012) Input/Output and conversion of uncertain genotypes.
- 1. (Oct 16 2011) Statistical tests plus miscellaneous bugs accumulated between 2008 and 2011.

More details in the "snpStats Bug" vignette.