

# Package ‘STITCH’

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**Type** Package

**Title** STITCH - Sequencing To Imputation Through Constructing Haplotypes

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**Description** STITCH performs imputation of individuals sequenced to low coverage in a read aware fashion without a reference panel.

**Installation** To install, first install dependencies, then run the `install.packages` command, pointing to the downloaded tarball (STITCH.tar.gz)

**Getting started** A minimum run requires the following options to be set: the chromosome being run (`chr`); a path to a file with a set of bi-allelic SNP sites (`posfile`); a choice of `K`, the number of internally modelled haplotypes (`K`); a path to an output directory (`outputdir`); a path to a temporary directory, ideally on fast disks or a RAM disk (`tempdir`); a list of bam files (`bamlist`); and the number of generations since founding (`nGen`), which can be approximated from a choice of `K` for wild populations from  $4 * N_e / K$ . Additional useful options relate to what region to impute (`regionStart`, `regionEnd`, `buffer`), whether to use validation data to benchmark imputation (`genfile`), the number of cores to use (`nCores`), whether imputation is run on a server or cluster (`environment`), the number of EM iterations (`niterations`), whether to run in diploid or pseudoHaploid mode (`method`), and if run in pseudoHaploid mode, what iteration to switch from pseudoHaploid to diploid (`switchModelIteration`).

**Depends** parallel, Rsamtools

**Imports** Rcpp

**LinkingTo** Rcpp, RcppArmadillo

**RoxygenNote** 5.0.1

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**NeedsCompilation** yes

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Usage

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STITCH(chr, nGen = "", posfile, K, outputdir, tempdir, bamlist = "",
  genfile = "", method = "diploid", outputInputInVCFFormat = FALSE,
  downsampleToCov = 50, downsampleFraction = 1, readAware = TRUE,
  chrStart = NA, chrEnd = NA, regionStart = NA, regionEnd = NA,
  buffer = NA, maxDifferenceBetweenReads = 1000,
  alphaMatThreshold = 1e-04, emissionThreshold = 1e-04,
  iSizeUpperLimit = as.integer(600), bqFilter = as.integer(17),
  niterations = 40, shuffleHaplotypeIterations = c(4, 8, 12, 16),
  splitReadIterations = 25, nCores = 1, expRate = 0.5, maxRate = 100,
  minRate = 0.1, Jmax = 100, regenerateInput = TRUE,
  originalRegionName = NA, keepInterimFiles = FALSE, keepTempDir = FALSE,
  environment = "server", pseudoHaploidModel = 9, diploidModel = 2,
  outputHaplotypeProbabilities = FALSE, switchModelIteration = NA,
  generateInputOnly = FALSE, restartIterations = NA,
  refillIterations = c(6, 10, 14, 18), downsampleSamples = 1,
  downsampleSamplesKeepList = NA, subsetSNPsfile = NA,
  useSoftClippedBases = FALSE, outputBlockSize = 1000)
```

Arguments

chr	What chromosome to run. Should match BAM headers
posfile	Where to find file with positions to run. File is tab seperated with no header, one row per SNP, with col 1 = chromosome, col 2 = physical position (sorted from smallest to largest), col 3 = reference base, col 4 = alternate base. Bases are capitalized. Example first row: 1<tab>1000<tab>A<tab>G<tab>
K	How many founder / mosaic haplotypes to use
outputdir	What output directory to use
tempdir	What directory to use as temporary directory. If possible, use ramdisk, like /dev/shm/
bamlist	Path to file with bam file locations. File is one row per entry, path to bam files. Bam index files should exist in same directory as for each bam, suffixed either .bam.bai or .bai
genfile	Path to gen file with high coverage results. Empty for no genfile. File has a header row with a name for each sample, matching what is found in the bam file. Each subject is then a tab seperated column, with 0 = hom ref, 1 = het, 2 = hom alt and NA indicating missing genotype, with rows corresponding to rows of the posfile. Note therefore this file has one more row than posfile which has no header

method	How to run imputation - either diploid or pseudoHaploid, the former being the original method quadratic in K, the later being linear in K
outputInputInVCFFormat	Whether to output the input in vcf format
downsampleToCov	What coverage to downsample individual sites to. This ensures no floating point errors at sites with really high coverage
downsampleFraction	Downsample BAMs by choosing a fraction of reads to retain. Must be value $0 < \text{downsampleFraction} < 1$
readAware	Whether to run the algorithm in read aware mode. If false, then reads are split into new reads, one per SNP per read
chrStart	When loading from BAM, some start position, before SNPs occur. Default NA will infer this from either regionStart, regionEnd and buffer, or posfile
chrEnd	When loading from BAM, some end position, after SNPs occur. Default NA will infer this from either regionStart, regionEnd and buffer, or posfile
regionStart	When running imputation, where to start from. The 1-based position x is kept if $\text{regionStart} \leq x \leq \text{regionEnd}$
regionEnd	When running imputation, where to stop
buffer	Buffer of region to perform imputation over. So imputation is run from regionStart-buffer to regionEnd+buffer, and reported for regionStart to regionEnd, including the bases of regionStart and regionEnd
maxDifferenceBetweenReads	How much of a difference to allow the reads to make in the forward backward probability calculation. For example, if $P(\text{read} \mid \text{state } 1) = 1$ and $P(\text{read} \mid \text{state } 2) = 1e-6$ , re-scale so that their ratio is this value. This helps prevent any individual read as having too much of an influence on state changes, helping prevent against influence by false positive SNPs
alphaMatThreshold	Minimum (maximum is 1 minus this) state switching into probabilities
emissionThreshold	Emission probability bounds. $\text{emissionThreshold} < P(\text{alt read} \mid \text{state } k) < (1 - \text{emissionThreshold})$
iSizeUpperLimit	Do not use reads with an insert size of more than this value
bqFilter	Minimum BQ for a SNP in a read. Also, the algorithm uses $\text{bq} \leq \text{mq}$ , so if mapping quality is less than this, the read isn't used
niterations	Number of EM iterations
shuffleHaplotypeIterations	Iterations on which to perform heuristic attempt to shuffle founder haplotypes for better fit. To disable set to NA.
splitReadIterations	Iterations to try and split reads which may span recombination breakpoints for a better fit
nCores	How many cores to use
expRate	Expected recombination rate in cM/Mb
maxRate	Maximum recomb rate cM/Mb

minRate	Minimum recomb rate cM/Mb
Jmax	Maximum number of SNPs on a read
regenerateInput	Whether to regenerate input files
originalRegionName	If regenerateInput is FALSE (i.e. using existing data), this is the name of the original region name (chr.regionStart.regionEnd). This is necessary to load past variables
keepInterimFiles	Whether to keep interim parameter estimates
keepTempDir	Whether to keep files in temporary directory
environment	Whether to use server or cluster multicore options
pseudoHaploidModel	How to model read probabilities in pseudo diploid model (shouldn't be changed)
diploidModel	How to model read probabilities in diploid model (shouldn't be changed)
outputHaplotypeProbabilities	Whether to output haplotype probabilities in files
switchModelIteration	Whether to switch from pseudoHaploid to diploid and at what iteration (NA for no switching)
generateInputOnly	Whether to just generate input data then quit
restartIterations	In pseudoHaploid method, which iterations to look for collapsed haplotype probabilities to resolve
refillIterations	When to try and refill some of the less frequently used haplotypes
downsampleSamples	What fraction of samples to retain. Useful for checking effect of N on imputation. Not meant for general use
downsampleSamplesKeepList	When downsampling samples, specify a numeric list of samples to keep
subsetSNPsfile	If input data has already been made for a region, then subset down to a new set of SNPs, as given by this file. Not meant for general use
useSoftClippedBases	Whether to use (TRUE) or not use (FALSE) bases in soft clipped portions of reads
outputBlockSize	How many samples to write out to disk at the same time when making temporary VCFs that are later pasted together at the end to make the final VCF. Smaller means lower RAM footprint, larger means faster write.
Number	of generations since founding or mixing. Note that the algorithm is relatively robust to this. Use $nGen = 4 * N_e / K$ if unsure

**Value**

Results in properly formatted version

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