
htseq-count-cluster Documentation

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A cli wrapper for running [htseq](#)'s `htseq-count` on a cluster.

View a project [overview](#) at our Datasnakes site.

CHAPTER 1

Install

```
pip install HTSeqCountCluster
```


- For use with large datasets (we've previously used a dataset of 120 different human samples)
- For use with SGE/SGI cluster systems
- Submits multiple jobs
- Command line interface/script
- Merges counts files into one counts table/csv file
- Uses `accepted_hits.bam` file output of `tophat`

2.1 Examples

2.1.1 Run `htseq-count-cluster`

After generating bam output files from `tophat`, instead of using HTSeq's `htseq-count`, you can use our `htseq-count-cluster` script. This script is intended for use with clusters that are using `pbs (qsub)` for job monitoring.

Our default `htseq-count` command is `htseq-count -f bam -s no file.bam file.gtf -o htseq.out`. This command does not take into account any strandedness (`-s no`) for the input bamfiles (`-f bam`) and uses the default `union` mode. For the default mode `union`, only the aligned read determines how the read pair is counted.

```
htseq-count-cluster -p path/to/bam-files/ -f samples.csv -g genes.gtf -o path/to/  
↳cluster-output/
```

Argument	Description	Required
-p	This is the path of your .bam files. Presently, this script looks for a folder that is the sample name and searches for an accepted_hits.bam file (tophat output).	Yes
-i	You should have a csv file list of your samples or folder names (no header).	Yes
-g	This should be the path to your genes.gtf file.	Yes
-o	This should be an existing directory for your output counts files.	Yes
-e		

This script uses logzero so there will be color coded logging information to your shell.

A common linux practice is to use `screen` to create a new shell and run a program so that if it does produce output to the stdout/shell, the user can exit that particular shell without the program ending and utilize another shell.

Help message output for htseq-count-cluster

```
usage: htseq-count-cluster [-h] -p INPATH -f INFILE -g GTF -o OUTPATH
                             [-e EMAIL]

This is a command line wrapper around htseq-count.

optional arguments:
  -h, --help                show this help message and exit
  -p INPATH, --inpath INPATH
                             Path of your samples/sample folders.
  -f INFILE, --infile INFILE
                             Name or path to your input csv file.
  -g GTF, --gtf GTF         Name or path to your gtf/gff file.
  -o OUTPATH, --outpath OUTPATH
                             Directory of your output counts file. The counts file
                             will be named.
  -e EMAIL, --email EMAIL
                             Email address to send script completion to.

*Ensure that htseq-count is in your path.
```

2.1.2 Merge output counts files

In order to prep your data for DESeq2, limma or edgeR, it's best to have 1 merged counts file instead of multiple files produced from the htseq-count-cluster script. We offer this as a standalone script as it may be useful to keep those files separate.

```
merge-counts -d path/to/cluster-output/
```

Help message for merge-counts

```
usage: merge-counts [-h] -d DIRECTORY

Merge multiple counts tables into 1 counts .csv file.

Your output file will be named: merged_counts_table.csv
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```
optional arguments:
  -h, --help            show this help message and exit
  -d DIRECTORY, --directory DIRECTORY
                        Path to folder of counts files.
```


CHAPTER 3

ToDo

- ☐ Monitor jobs.
- ☐ Enhance wrapper input for other use cases.
- ☐ Add example data.

CHAPTER 4

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CHAPTER 5

Help

Please feel free to [open an issue](#) if you have a question/feedback/problem or [submit a pull request](#) to add a feature/refactor/etc. to this project.

CHAPTER 6

Citation

Simon Anders, Paul Theodor Pyl, Wolfgang Huber; HTSeq—a Python framework to work with high-throughput sequencing data, Bioinformatics, Volume 31, Issue 2, 15 January 2015, Pages 166–169, <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btu638>

CHAPTER 7

Indices and tables

- `genindex`
- `modindex`
- `search`