Loading Microbiome Data

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All of the code in this page is meant to be run in R unless otherwise specified.

After you have installed QIIME and generated an OTU table, you can load the OTU table into R. Install biom package if not installed.

```
install.packages('biom',repo='http://cran.wustl.edu')
```

Load biom package

```
library('biom')
```

Convert BIOM file to JSON format.

If you have data in a "new" BIOM format (HDF5), you first need to convert to JSON format first.

The following code is to be run on the command line.

```
# (Run on on the command-line, in the course repo)
# make a JSON-formatted OTU table for loading into R
cd data/globalgut-66-adults
biom convert -i otu_table.biom -o otu_table_json.biom --to-json
```

Load global gut data using biom package

```
gg.otus.biom <- read_biom('../data/globalgut-66-adults/otu_table_json.biom')</pre>
```

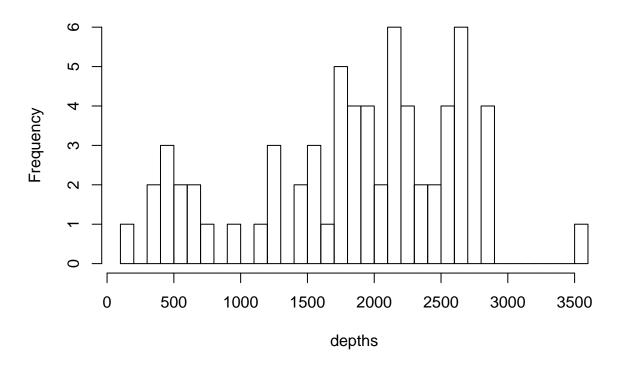
Extract data matrix (OTU counts) from biom table

```
gg.otus <- as.matrix(biom_data(gg.otus.biom))
# transpose so that rows are samples and columns are OTUs
gg.otus <- t(gg.otus)</pre>
```

Plot histogram of sample depths

```
depths <- rowSums(gg.otus)
hist(depths,breaks=30)</pre>
```

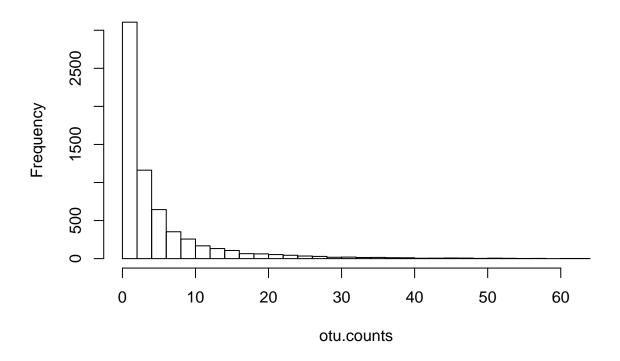
Histogram of depths



Plot histogram of OTU frequencies

```
otu.counts <- colSums(gg.otus > 0)
hist(otu.counts,breaks=30)
```

Histogram of otu.counts



Remove OTUs present in < 10% of samples

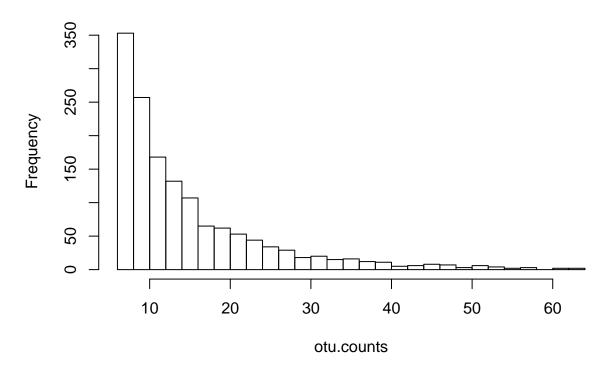
```
gg.otus <- gg.otus[,colMeans(gg.otus > 0) >= .1]
depths <- rowSums(gg.otus)
dim(gg.otus)</pre>
```

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Re-plot histogram of OTU frequencies now that we removed singletons

```
otu.counts <- colSums(gg.otus > 0)
hist(otu.counts,breaks=30)
```

Histogram of otu.counts



Remove any samples with very low depth

```
sort(depths)[1:10]
```

```
##
     Amz33eld.418866
                       Amz24chld.418412
                                          Amz31adlt.418759
                                                             Amz7adltF.418395
##
                  114
##
     Amz6teen.418569
                       Amz23chld.418722
                                           Amz6eldM.418356
                                                            Amz25chld.418466
                                                                          530
##
                  382
                                                       458
  Amz5chldF1.418757
                        Amz6eldF.418597
##
##
                 568
                                    596
```

```
gg.otus <- gg.otus[depths >= 1000,]
dim(gg.otus)
```

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Load mapping file

```
gg.map <- read.table('../data/globalgut-66-adults/map.txt',sep='\t',head=T,row=1,check=F,comment='')</pre>
```

Ensure that mapping file and OTU table contain the sample samples in the same order

```
sample.ids <- intersect(rownames(gg.otus), rownames(gg.map))

# might as well put the samples in alphabetical order
sample.ids <- sort(sample.ids)

# in R you can subset using sample IDs or numerical indices. Most languages only use indices.
gg.otus <- gg.otus[sample.ids,]
gg.map <- gg.map[sample.ids,]
dim(gg.otus)

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dim(gg.map)</pre>
```

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