Applied population genetics

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Data sets (from 1000 Genomes)

- All populations together (2504 individuals)
 - 661 of them: African (AFR)
 - 103 of them: Han Chinese (CHB)
- Only chromosome 20, small chunk 1- 3.2Mb

Create file for subset populations

- Use "igsr_samples.tsv" and find the IDs of desired population subgroups → create a file of IDs
- Use --keep-fam from plink and generate new files
 - HAN prefixed files
 - AFR prefixed files
- Use --maf to filter file
 - HAN.maf prefixed files
 - AFR.maf prefixed files

Histogram of minor allele frequency

- Calculate frequency for all 3 populations
- Use the xxx.frq file and plot histogram in R
- How do they differ?

LD decay

- Generate pairwise correlation with --r2
- Additional parameters: --Id-window-r2 0 and --Id-window 300
- Make use of the R function plotDecayLD

Pairwise LD plot

- Generate pairwise correlation with --r2
- Additional parameters: --Id-window-r2 0
- Use the region 2 3Mbase
- Make use of the R function plotPairwiseLD
- How do the LD plots differ?

Sum-up

- Minor allele frequency (MAF) proportion rare variants
- LD decay rate shows diversity
- Pair-wise LD plot linked regions