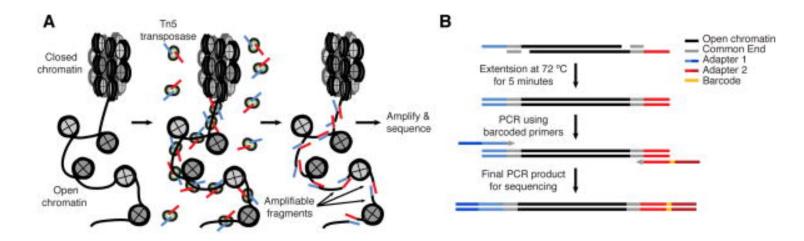
ATAC-seq Data Pre-processing Pipeline

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Overview

Buenrostro 2015:

Assay for Transposase Accessible Chromatin with high-throughput sequencing (ATAC-seq) is a method for mapping chromatin accessibility genome-wide.



Data analysis

Data Pre-processing: make clean BAM files

- · Adapter removal
- Alignments
- PCR duplicates
- · Exclude chrM
- Sanity check

Downstream analysis

- Peaking calling
- Annotation
- · Differential binding

Data analysis

Software requirement

- · cutadapt
- picard
- · samtools
- bowtie2
- · FASTQC
- MACS2

BioConductor

- · ChIPseeker or ChIPpeakAnno
- · DiffBind

Pre Pre-Processing

Quality Control

FASTQC

Chasity filtering

```
Casava 1.8 format -> retain reads with filter flag=N
@EAS139:136:FC706VJ:2:2104:15343:197393 1:N:18:ATCACG

for i in *fastq.gz
do
    i2=${i//.gz/}
    zgrep -A 3 '^@.*[^:]*:N:[^:]*:' $i \
    | zgrep -v '^\-\-$' > $fileredDir/$i2
done

Tips: Hutbase.org offers FASTQC+Filtering pipeline
```

Pre Pre-Processing

Concatenate sequence reads on multiple lanes

Genomic Core sequence samples on multiple lanes may have separate files for each lane.

```
cat $(ls *_R1_*.fastq.gz) > sampleName_R1.fastq.gz
Or
zcat $(ls *_R1_*.fastq.gz) > sampleName_R1.fastq
```

Adapter removal

cutadapt searches input reads for a given adapter sequence and removes it.

Usual parameters

- · -a to remove 3' adapter
- · -g to remove 5' adapter
- · −0 to give minimal length of the provided adapter sequence.

Adapter removal

Illumina Nextera Transposase Adapters

Genomic indexes

Pre-build reference are available from iGenome

```
cd /shared/biodata/ngs/Reference/iGenomes
cwon2@rhino2:/shared/biodata/ngs/Reference/iGenomes$ ls -lt
total 682
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   22 Dec 6 2017 Bos taurus
drwxrwsr-x 7 mfitzgib biodata adm
                                  155 Jul 27 2017 Homo sapiens
                     biodata adm
                                   47 Aug 22 2016 Rattus norvegicus
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   25 Jun 8 2016 Macaca mulatta
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   47 Jan 26 2016 Caenorhabditis elegans
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                     biodata adm
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                                   47 Jan 14 2016 Saccharomyces cerevisiae
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                     biodata adm
                                   22 Nov 4 2015 Danio rerio
                     biodata adm
                                   22 Sep 1 2015 Gallus gallus
drwxrwsr-x 3 rbasom
                                   47 May 18 2015 Canis familiaris
drwxrwsr-x 4 rbasom
                     biodata adm
drwxrwsr-x 4 mfitzgib biodata adm
                                   44 Oct 30 2014 Drosophila melanogaster
```

Usual paramters

parameter	description	default
-X <int></int>	Maximum DNA fragment length	500
very-sensitive	better alignment results are frequently achieved with it	-sensitive
-p <int></int>	Number of cores on which to run	1
seed <int></int>	number used to initialize a pseudorandom number generator	
-k <int></int>	Search for one or more alignments, report alignments	
-a	Search for and report all alignments	

```
ml Bowtie2/2.3.2-foss-2016b # if not already loaded
ml SAMtools/1.8-foss-2016b
bowtie2 --very-sensitive -p 4 \
    -I 20 -X 1000 -x $hg38_genomeBuild \
    -1 $trim1.gz -2 $trim2.gz \
    samtools view -Sb - > $sampleName.bam
```

Why setting **-x 1000** is reasonable?

- nucleosome (~147bps) + space in between (~20bps) ~= 160 bps
- cover up at least three size of nucleosomes ~= 600 bps
- · cover up possible skipped nucleosome near TSS
- · just to loosen up

Sort BAM

```
# sort
samtools sort -@ 4 $sampleName.bam $sampleName.bam.sorted
mv $sampleName.bam.sorted.bam $sampleName.bam
```

Exclude chrM

ATAC-seq datasets usually contain decent among of reads derived from chrM.

PCR duplicates

PCR duplicates are exact copy of fragments and are artifacts of the library preparation.

```
ml picard/2.7.1-Java-1.8.0_92
java -jar ${EBROOTPICARD}/build/libs/picard.jar MarkDuplicates \
    I=$sampleName.bam O=$sampleName\_filter.bam \
    M=$sampleName\_dup\_matrics.txt REMOVE_DUPLICATES=true \
    ASSUME_SORTED=true \
    TMP_DIR=$SCRATCH

mv $sampleName\_filer.bam $sampleName.bam
Tips: use sorted BAM and TMP_DIR to save space and time
```

Index BAM

Finish up!

samtools index \$sampleName.bam
touch \$sampleName.bowtie2Done.txt

Peak Calling using MACS2

Example of using proper paired reads and real insert size:

```
ml MACS2/2.1.1.20160309-foss-2015b-Python-2.7.9
macs2 callpeak -f BAMPE -t $sampleName.bam \
    -g hs \
    -outdir <output_dir> -n <file_prefix> -q 0.05 \
    -keep-dup all
```

Peak Calling using MACS2

Hints

- If PCR duplicates are not removed already, use default setting --keep-dup 1 to keep one tag of at the sample position.
- If looking for enriched cutting sites. Assuming 200 is the average fragment size:

```
--nomodel --shift -100 --extsize 200
```

Bioconductor ChIPseeker or ChIPpeakAnno packages

library(ChIPseeker)
library(plyranges)
library(ggplot2)
library(org.Hs.eg.db)
library(TxDb.Hsapiens.UCSC.hg38.knownGene)

Bridge MACS2's narrowPeaks bed file to ChIPseeker

Example using ChIPseeker::annotatePeak() and ChIPseeker::plotAnnoBar().

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