eDNA

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Analysis of quantitative PCR data to test whether the abundance of bacterial communities is affected by extracellular DNA

Setup Work Environment

```
rm(list=ls())
getwd()

## [1] "/Users/mmuscarella/GitHub/eDNA/code"

setwd("~/GitHub/eDNA/code")
require("plyr")

## Loading required package: plyr

require("grid")

## Loading required package: grid
require("png")

## Loading required package: png

sem <- function(x, ...){sd(x, na.rm = TRUE)/sqrt(length(na.omit(x)))}</pre>
```

Load data and calcualte corrected copy number

```
eDNA.raw <- read.table(".../data/eDNA_qPCR.txt", sep = "\t", header = T)

# Correct for dilutions and sample processing

# eDNA.raw[,7] = copies not corrected by dilution factor

# eDNA.raw[,8] = dilution factor

# eDNA.raw[,9] = volume (uL) in supernatant of phenol-chloroform extraction

# eDNA.raw[,10] = volume (ul) from supernatant of phenol-chlorofom subsampled

copies.corr <- eDNA.raw[,7] * eDNA.raw[,8] * (eDNA.raw[,9]/eDNA.raw[,10])

# Make new dataframe with corrected copy numbers

eDNA.corr <- data.frame(eDNA.raw, copies.corr)
```

Take mean of technical replicates and sort

Calculate proportion of degradable DNA per sample and test differences

```
# Use `ddply` to return the DNase-1 degradable proportion of 16S rRNA gene copy
eDNA.prop <- ddply(eDNA, .(sample.number, sample.name, env), summarize,
                  prop = 1 - ((copy.number[treat == "E"]) / (copy.number[treat == "C"])))
# Sort by environment
eDNA.prop <- eDNA.prop[order(eDNA.prop[,3]) ,]</pre>
# Three samples (cat feces [32], human feces [28], T7Core) have negative proportions
# Set these to zero (i.e., no eDNA)
eDNA.prop$prop <- ifelse(eDNA.prop$prop < 0, 0, eDNA.prop$prop)
write.table(eDNA.prop, "../data/eDNA.prop.txt", sep = "\t", col.names = T, row.names = F)
# Use qlm to test whether amount of eDNA differs among environments
eDNA.prop.test <- glm(prop ~ env, data = eDNA.prop)
summary(eDNA.prop.test)
##
## Call:
## glm(formula = prop ~ env, data = eDNA.prop)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
       Min 1Q
                      Median 3Q
                                              Max
## -0.33945 -0.10951 -0.04154 0.13124
                                          0.46044
##
## Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 0.27373 0.07256 3.773 0.000684 ***
                          0.10577 0.901 0.374276
## envsed
              0.09535
                          0.10577 -0.224 0.824573
## envsoil
              -0.02365
## envwater
              0.15897
                          0.10001 1.589 0.122107
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 0.04738117)
##
##
      Null deviance: 1.6650 on 34 degrees of freedom
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```
## Residual deviance: 1.4688 on 31 degrees of freedom
## AIC: -1.6555
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2
# Calculate means, sem, and sample size by environment
eDNA.mean <- aggregate(eDNA.prop$prop ~ eDNA.prop$env, eDNA.prop, mean)
eDNA.n <- aggregate(eDNA.prop$prop ~ eDNA.prop$env, eDNA.prop, length)
eDNA.sem <- aggregate(eDNA.prop$prop ~ eDNA.prop$env, eDNA.prop, sem)

# Make table of proportion eDNA by environment
eDNA.table <- data.frame(eDNA.mean, eDNA.sem[ ,2], eDNA.n[ ,2])
colnames(eDNA.table) <- c("env", "mean", "sem", "n")
eDNA.table <- eDNA.table[order(eDNA.table[,2]), ]</pre>
```

Make bar plot with error bars by environment

```
png(filename="../figures/qPCR.bar.png",
    width = 800, height = 800, res = 96*2)
plot.new()
par(lwd = 2)
bp <- barplot(eDNA.table$mean, ylim =c(0, 0.6),</pre>
              pch = 15, cex = 1.25, las = 1, cex.lab = 1.25, cex.axis = 1,
              col = "white", axis.lty = 1, lwd = 2, xlab = NA,
              ylab = "Proportion eDNA",
              names.arg = c("Gut", "Soil", "Sediment", "Water"), cex.names = 0.9)
              box(lwd = 2)
arrows(x0 = bp, y0 = eDNA.table$mean, y1 = eDNA.table$mean - eDNA.table$sem,
       angle = 90, length = 0.1, lwd = 2)
arrows(x0 = bp, y0 = eDNA.table$mean, y1 = eDNA.table$mean + eDNA.table$sem,
       angle = 90, length=0.1, lwd = 2)
# Close Plot Device
dev.off()
## pdf
##
graphics.off()
# Show Plot
img <- readPNG("../figures/qPCR.bar.png")</pre>
grid.raster(img)
```

Make x-y plot with error bars by environment

```
png(filename="../figures/qPCR.nonbar.png",
    width = 800, height = 800, res = 96*2)

#plot.new()
non.bp <- plot(eDNA.table$mean, ylim = c(0, 0.6),</pre>
```

```
xlim = c(0.5, 4.5), pch = 22, bg = "white", lwd = 2,
               cex = 3, yaxt = "n", xaxt = "n", cex.lab = 2, cex.axis = 1.5,
               las = 1, ylab = "", xlab = "")
box(1wd = 2)
mtext(expression('Proportion eDNA'), side = 2,
      outer = TRUE, cex = 1.5, line = -1.5, adj = 0.5)
# Major Axes
axis(side = 2, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.25, las = 1,
     labels = c(0.0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6), at = c(0.0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6))
axis(side = 4, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.5, las = 1,
     at=c(0.0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6), labels = F)
axis(side = 1, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 0.9, las = 1,
     labels = c("Gut", "Soil", "Sediment", "Water"), at = c(1, 2, 3, 4))
axis(side = 3, lwd.ticks = 2, cex.axis = 1.5, las = 1,
     at = c(1, 2, 3, 4), labels = F)
arrows(x0 = c(1, 2, 3, 4), y0 = eDNA.table\$mean,
       y1 = eDNA.table$mean - eDNA.table$sem, angle = 90,
       length = 0.1, lwd = 2)
arrows(x0 = c(1,2,3,4), y0 = eDNA.table\$mean,
       y1 = eDNA.table$mean + eDNA.table$sem, angle = 90,
       length=0.1, lwd = 2)
# Close Plot Device
dev.off()
## pdf
graphics.off()
# Show Plot
img <- readPNG("../figures/qPCR.nonbar.png")</pre>
grid.raster(img)
```