

Introduction to bioinformatics (NGS data analysis)

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Got your sequencing data - now, what to do with it?

- File size: several Gb
- Number of lines: >1,000,000

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@M02443:17:000000000-ABPBW:1:1101:12675:1533 1:N:0:1
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TTCTTCCTTTTCTCTTTTTTCTTCTCTTCCTCTTTTTTCTTTTCTCCCTCTTCT
TTTTTTTTTCTTCTT
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0*).1.))(0*)***
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TTTTCTTCTTTTTTCT
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+

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-<<9-@CCEF9CE-<,,,,,<C,=,6,C9,C<=C,,,,,86C,6:C,,,,;<;,,
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Before library preparation

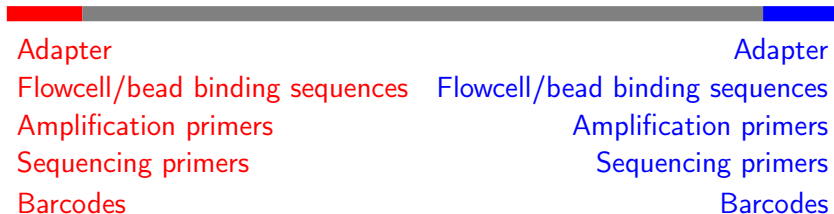
What you need to know to steer your way through the analysis

- Research question
 - Identify adaptive genes
 - *De novo* genome assembly
 - Population genetic structure
 - Phylogenetic relation
- Experimental design
 - Number of individuals
 - Treatment of samples (e.g. heat stress)
- Sample collection
 - Samples degraded (e.g. stored in Formalin)
 - Tissue (reproductive, vegetative)

Library preparation

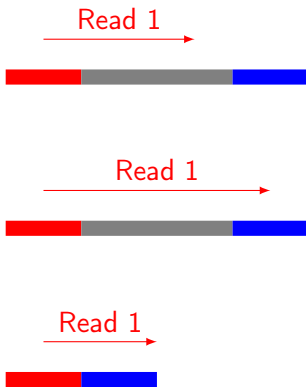
- DNA-seq, RNA-seq, Bis-Seq, Chip-Seq...
 - RNA reads (which lack introns) require splice-aware mappers.
 - Bis-seq changes GC ratio (bisulphite converts cytosine to uracil, but leaves 5-methylcytosine unaffected)
 - Chip-Seq enriches binding-sites of DNA-associated proteins
- Pooled samples?
 - Demultiplexing
 - Remove barcodes
- Adapter sequences that have to be trimmed off?
- Targeted coverage

Library fragment

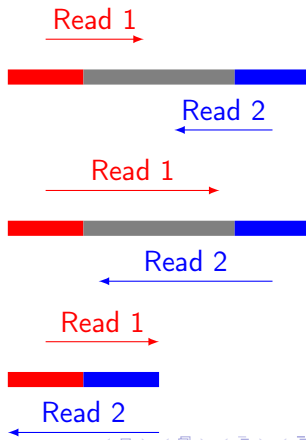


Single- or paired-end sequencing, read length - why does it matter

Single-end



Paired-end



Expected read lengths and sequencing qualities for common sequencing platforms

Platform	Max. length	Reads/run	Consideration
Illumina	2x150	5 billion	
HiSeq series			
Illumina	2x300	25 million	
MiSeq series			
Illumina			
NextSeq series	2x150	400 million	
Roche 454	700	0.7 million	High error rate
GS FLX+/FLX			

Primary analysis

- Demultiplexing
- Adapter trimming
- Quality control

Trimmig: Adapter removal

Mostly 3'adapters disturb assembly and alignment

GATTTGGGGTTCAA NNNNNNNNATTAGTATCGAT

GATTTGGGGTTCAA NNNNNNNNATTAGTATCGAT

TTGGGGTTCAA NNNNNNNNATTAGTATCGAT

GATTTGGGGTTCAA NNNNNNNNATTAGTATCGAT

ATTTGGGGTTCAA NNNNNNNNATTAGTATCGAT

GATTTGGGGTTCAA NNNNNNNNATTAGTATCGAT

Fastq file - 4 lines for each read

```
@HWI-ST141_0365:2:1101:2983:2114#TTAGGC/1
GATTTGGGGTTCAAATTAGTATCGATCAAATAGTAAATCCATTTGTTCAACTC
+
! ' * ((( (***+)) %%% ++ ) (%%% ) . 1***-+* ' ' ) **55CCF>>>>>CC
```

- 1 sequence id (specifications can differ slightly between sequencing platforms)
 - =@=instrument name : flowcell lane : tile number: flowcell x coordinate : flowcell y coordinates : #barcode sequence: pair number for paired-end sequencing
- 2 sequence
- 3 + optionally followed by sequence identifier again
- 4 quality scores

Trimmig of low-quality bases

- Trim bases with a Phred quality score < 20
- $Quality = -10 * \log_{10} P$

Phred Score	Probability of incorrect base	Base call accuracy
10	1 in 10	90%
20	1 in 100	99%
30	1 in 1000	99.9%

Fastq file contains both sequence reads and base quality scores

Fastq file

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GATTTGGGGTTCAAATTAGTATCGATCAAATAGTAAATCCATTTGTTCAACTC
+
! ' ' * ((( (***+)) %%% ++ ) (%%% ) . 1***-+* ' ' ) **55CCF>>>>>CC
```

Fasta file

```
>SEQ_ID
GATTTGGGGTTCAAATTAGTATCGATCAAATAGTAAATCCATTTGTTCAACTC
```

Base qualities are encoded in ascii format

ASCII stands for American Standard Code for Information Interchange. An ASCII code is the numerical representation for a character.

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1	1	001	SOH (start of heading)	33	21	041	#33;	!	65	41	101	#65;	A	97	61	141	#97;	a
2	2	002	STX (start of text)	34	22	042	#34;	"	66	42	102	#66;	B	98	62	142	#98;	b
3	3	003	ETX (end of text)	35	23	043	#35;	#	67	43	103	#67;	C	99	63	143	#99;	c
4	4	004	EOT (end of transmission)	36	24	044	#36;	\$	68	44	104	#68;	D	100	64	144	#100;	d
5	5	005	ENQ (enquiry)	37	25	045	#37;	%	69	45	105	#69;	E	101	65	145	#101;	e
6	6	006	ACK (acknowledge)	38	26	046	#38;	&	70	46	106	#70;	F	102	66	146	#102;	f
7	7	007	BEL (bell)	39	27	047	#39;	'	71	47	107	#71;	G	103	67	147	#103;	g
8	8	010	BS (backspace)	40	28	050	#40;	(	72	48	110	#72;	H	104	68	150	#104;	h
9	9	011	TAB (horizontal tab)	41	29	051	#41;	)	73	49	111	#73;	I	105	69	151	#105;	i
10	A	012	LF (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	#42;	*	74	4A	112	#74;	J	106	6A	152	#106;	j
11	B	013	VT (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	#43;	+	75	4B	113	#75;	K	107	6B	153	#107;	k
12	C	014	FF (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	#44;	,	76	4C	114	#76;	L	108	6C	154	#108;	l
13	D	015	CR (carriage return)	45	2D	055	#45;	-	77	4D	115	#77;	M	109	6D	155	#109;	m
14	E	016	SO (shift out)	46	2E	056	#46;	.	78	4E	116	#78;	N	110	6E	156	#110;	n
15	F	017	SI (shift in)	47	2F	057	#47;	/	79	4F	117	#79;	O	111	6F	157	#111;	o
16	10	020	DLE (data link escape)	48	30	060	#48;	0	80	50	120	#80;	P	112	70	160	#112;	p
17	11	021	DC1 (device control 1)	49	31	061	#49;	1	81	51	121	#81;	Q	113	71	161	#113;	q
18	12	022	DC2 (device control 2)	50	32	062	#50;	2	82	52	122	#82;	R	114	72	162	#114;	r
19	13	023	DC3 (device control 3)	51	33	063	#51;	3	83	53	123	#83;	S	115	73	163	#115;	s
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21	15	025	NAK (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	#53;	5	85	55	125	#85;	U	117	75	165	#117;	u
22	16	026	SYN (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	#54;	6	86	56	126	#86;	V	118	76	166	#118;	v
23	17	027	ETB (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	#55;	7	87	57	127	#87;	W	119	77	167	#119;	w
24	18	030	CAN (cancel)	56	38	070	#56;	8	88	58	130	#88;	X	120	78	170	#120;	x
25	19	031	EM (end of medium)	57	39	071	#57;	9	89	59	131	#89;	Y	121	79	171	#121;	y
26	1A	032	SUB (substitute)	58	3A	072	#58;	:	90	5A	132	#90;	Z	122	7A	172	#122;	z
27	1B	033	ESC (escape)	59	3B	073	#59;	;	91	5B	133	#91;	[	123	7B	173	#123;	{
28	1C	034	FS (file separator)	60	3C	074	#60;	<	92	5C	134	#92;	\	124	7C	174	#124;	|
29	1D	035	GS (group separator)	61	3D	075	#61;	=	93	5D	135	#93;	]	125	7D	175	#125;	}
30	1E	036	RS (record separator)	62	3E	076	#62;	>	94	5E	136	#94;	^	126	7E	176	#126;	~
31	1F	037	US (unit separator)	63	3F	077	#63;	?	95	5F	137	#95;	_	127	7F	177	#127;	DEL

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35	23	043	#	#
36	24	044	$	\$
37	25	045	%	%
38	26	046	&	&
39	27	047	'	'
40	28	050	((
41	29	051))
42	2A	052	*	*
43	2B	053	+	+
44	2C	054	,	,
45	2D	055	-	-
46	2E	056	.	.
47	2F	057	/	/
48	30	060	0	0
49	31	061	1	1
50	32	062	2	2
51	33	063	3	3
52	34	064	4	4
53	35	065	5	5
54	36	066	6	6
55	37	067	7	7
56	38	070	8	8
57	39	071	9	9
58	3A	072	:	:
59	3B	073	;	;
60	3C	074	<	<
61	3D	075	=	=
62	3E	076	>	>
63	3F	077	?	?
64	40	100	@	@
65	41	101	A	A
66	42	102	B	B
67	43	103	C	C
68	44	104	D	D
69	45	105	E	E
70	46	106	F	F
71	47	107	G	G
72	48	110	H	H
73	49	111	I	I
74	4A	112	J	J
75	4B	113	K	K
76	4C	114	L	L
77	4D	115	M	M
78	4E	116	N	N
79	4F	117	O	O
80	50	120	P	P
81	51	121	Q	Q
82	52	122	R	R
83	53	123	S	S
84	54	124	T	T
85	55	125	U	U
86	56	126	V	V
87	57	127	W	W
88	58	130	X	X
89	59	131	Y	Y
90	5A	132	Z	Z
91	5B	133	[[
92	5C	134	\	\
93	5D	135]]
94	5E	136	^	^
95	5F	137	_	_
96	60	140	`	`
97	61	141	a	a
98	62	142	b	b
99	63	143	c	c
100	64	144	d	d
101	65	145	e	e
102	66	146	f	f
103	67	147	g	g
104	68	150	h	h
105	69	151	i	i
106	6A	152	j	j
107	6B	153	k	k
108	6C	154	l	l
109	6D	155	m	m
110	6E	156	n	n
111	6F	157	o	o
112	70	160	p	p
113	71	161	q	q
114	72	162	r	r
115	73	163	s	s
116	74	164	t	t
117	75	165	u	u
118	76	166	v	v
119	77	167	w	w
120	78	170	x	x
121	79	171	y	y
122	7A	172	z	z
123	7B	173	{	{
124	7C	174	|	
125	7D	175	}	}
126	7E	176	~	~
127	7F	177		?

ASCII encodings of sequencing platforms

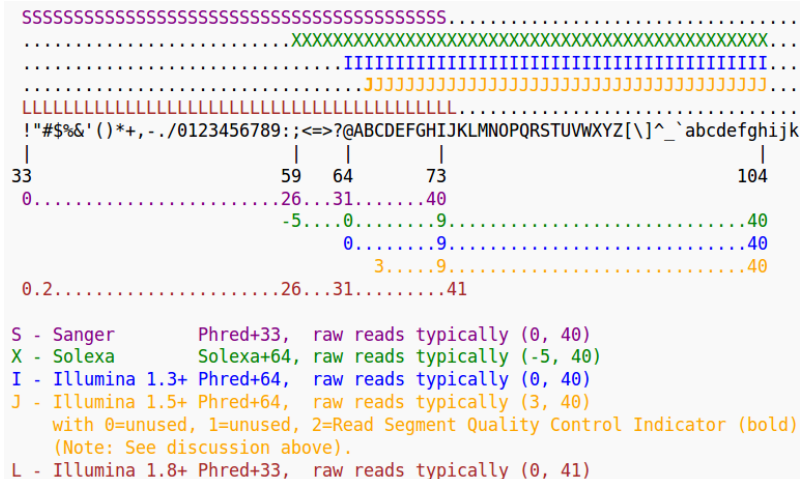


Figure : Quality score encodings

Quality control tool: FastQC

Informs on:

- Base quality
- Duplication
- Overrepresentation of sequences
 - contamination?
 - adapters?
- GC content (should be around 50%, in Bis-Seq lower)

Quality before trimming

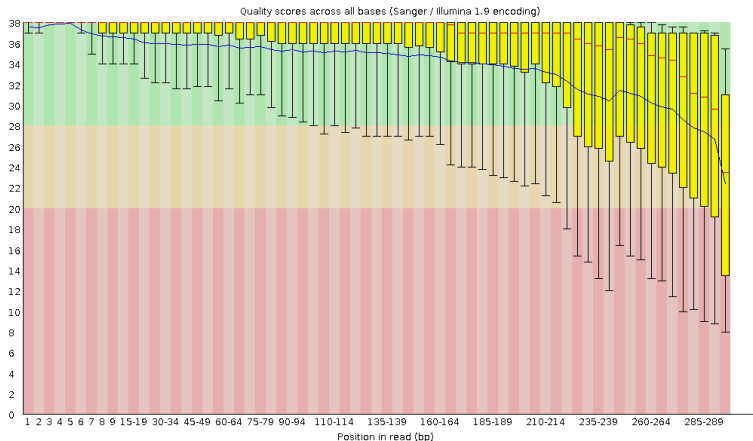


Figure : Base-quality generally decreases with increasing sequencing length

Quality after trimming

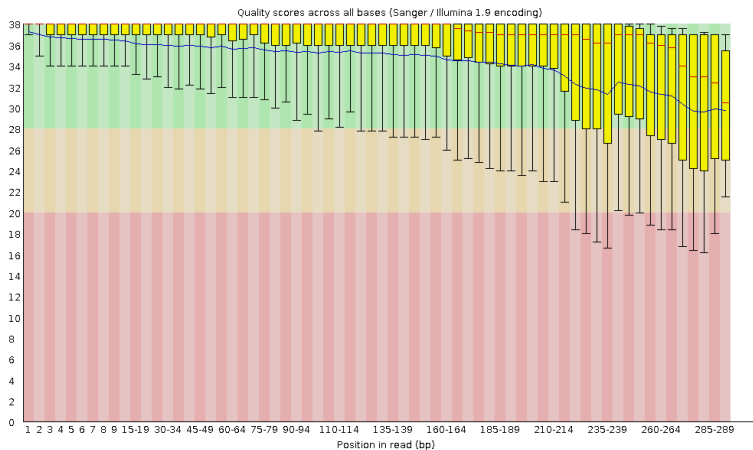
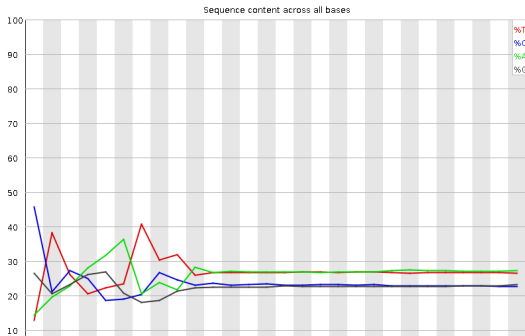


Figure : Quality after trimming

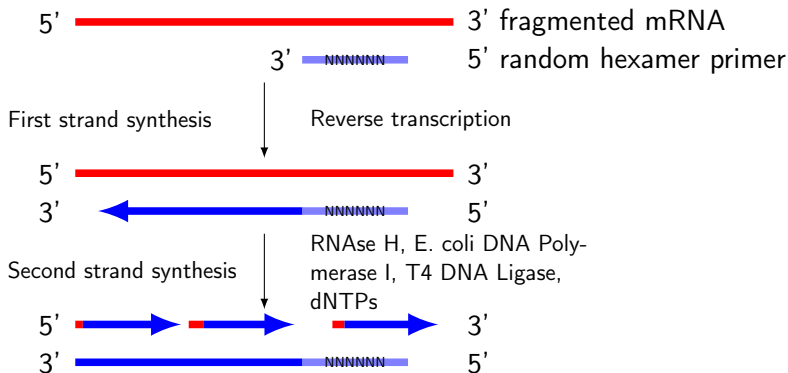
Sequence bias

For example in:

- First bases of Illumina RNAseq due to 'random' hexamer primers for reverse transcription
- RADseq fragments (cutting sites)



Hexamer primers for cDNA synthesis cause sequence bias



PCR Duplicates

Duplicates are generally removed in quantitative analyses (e.g. RNA-seq)

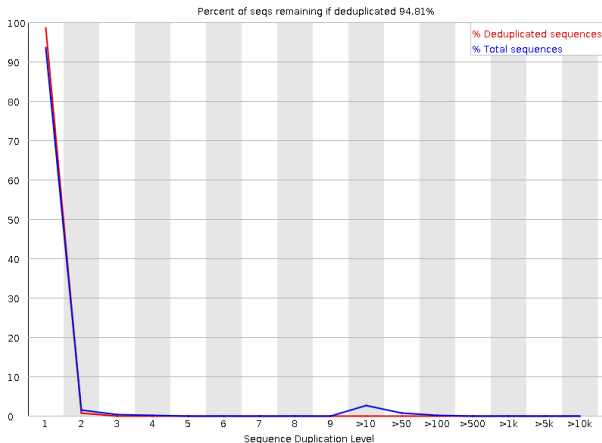


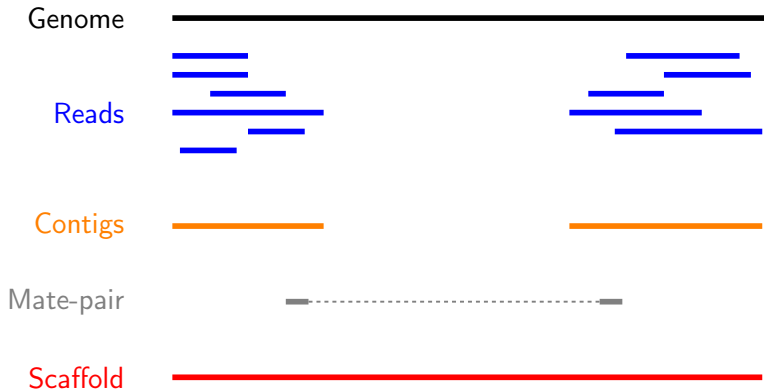
Figure : Duplication levels (FastQC output)

De novo assembly

Task: Look for overlapping regions and create contigs (contiguous sequences)

- Genome assembly software
 - SOAP de NOVO
 - Velvet
 - MIRA (we use this one in the course)
- Transcriptome assembly software
 - Review: Martin and Wang (2011)
 - Trinity
 - MIRA

De novo assembly: Step by step



De novo assembly: The N50 metric

N50 is a single measure of the contig length size distribution in an assembly

- Sort contigs in descending length order
- Size of contig above which the assembly contains at least 50% of the total length of all contigs

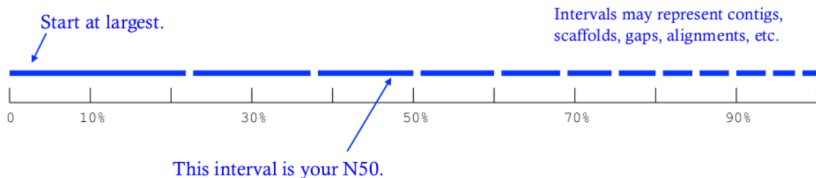


Figure : From Kane, N.C.

Mapping against reference genome/transcriptome

- Main purposes:
 - Identify variants (SNPs, InDels)

ACAGTTAGGACATAGATTTAAGGCATCGATTATAGCCATAGAT

ACAGTTAGGACATAGAT~~A~~TAAGGCATCGATTATAGCCATAGAT
ACAGTTAGGACATAGATTTAAGGCATCGATTATAGCCATAGAT
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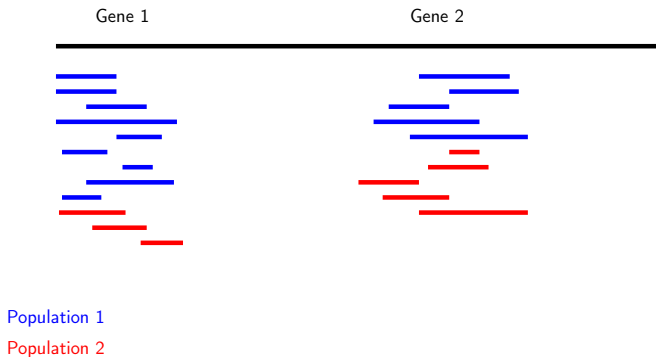
↑
SNP

↑
Deletion

Mapping against reference genome/transcriptome

- Main purposes:

- Quantify gene expression



Mapping: global alignment

- Implemented in e.g. BWA, Bowtie2
- Needleman-Wunsch algorithm
- Aligns sequences in their full length
- Used for multiple sequence alignment when sequences are similar

```
--T--CC-C-AGT--TATGT-CAGGGGACACG--A-GCATGCAGA-GAC
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
AATTGCCGCC-GTCGT-T-TTCAG----CA-GTTATG--T-CAGAT--C
```

Figure : Global alignment from rosalind.info

Mapping: local alignment

- Smith-Waterman algorithm
- Clipping of terminal unmatched bases
- Only aligned bases contribute to the alignment's score
- Used to target smaller portions of genes with high similarity

```
          tccCAGTTATGTCAGgggacacgagcatgcagagac  
          |||||  
aattgccgcgcgtcgttttcagCAGTTATGTCAGatc
```

Figure : Local alignment from rosalind.info

Splice-aware alignment of RNAseq reads to the genome

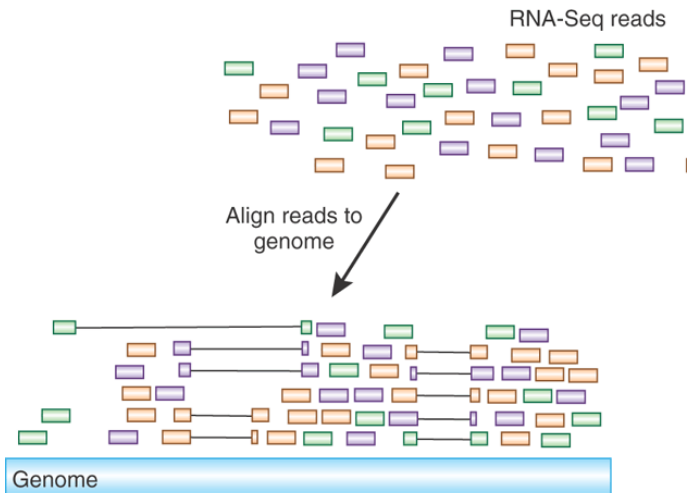


Figure : Adapted from Haas and Zody (2010)

Output format of most alignment programs

- [illegible]

- SAM files are large
- BAM: Compressed binary versions, not human-readable

Mapping: Mandatory fields in SAM files

Col	Field	Type	Regex/Range	Brief description
1	QNAME	String	[!-?A-~]{1,255}	Query template NAME
2	FLAG	Int	[0,2 ¹⁶ -1]	bitwise FLAG
3	RNAME	String	\*| [!-( )+-<>-~] [!-~]*	Reference sequence NAME
4	POS	Int	[0,2 ³¹ -1]	1-based leftmost mapping POSition
5	MAPQ	Int	[0,2 ⁸ -1]	MAPping Quality
6	CIGAR	String	\*| ([0-9]+[MIDNSHPX=])+	CIGAR string
7	RNEXT	String	\*| =| [!-( )+-<>-~] [!-~]*	Ref. name of the mate/next read
8	PNEXT	Int	[0,2 ³¹ -1]	Position of the mate/next read
9	TLEN	Int	[-2 ³¹ +1,2 ³¹ -1]	observed Template LENgth
10	SEQ	String	\*| [A-Za-z=.]+	segment SEQUENCE
11	QUAL	String	[!-~]+	ASCII of Phred-scaled base QUALity+33

Explanation of the flag field (click here: [Link1](#), [Link2](#))

Mapping: Easy decoding of SAM flags

SAM Flag:

Toggle first in pair / second in pair

Find SAM flag by property:

To find out what the SAM flag value would be for a given combination of properties, tick the boxes for those that you'd like to include. The flag value will be shown in the SAM Flag field above.

- ☒ read paired
- ☒ read mapped in proper pair
- ☐ read unmapped
- ☐ mate unmapped
- ☐ read reverse strand
- ☐ mate reverse strand
- ☐ first in pair
- ☒ second in pair
- ☐ not primary alignment
- ☐ read fails platform/vendor quality checks
- ☐ read is PCR or optical duplicate
- ☐ supplementary alignment

Summary:

- read paired
- read mapped in proper pair
- second in pair

Mapping: CIGAR string in SAM files

Op	BAM	Description
M	0	alignment match (can be a sequence match or mismatch)
I	1	insertion to the reference
D	2	deletion from the reference
N	3	skipped region from the reference
S	4	soft clipping (clipped sequences present in SEQ)
H	5	hard clipping (clipped sequences NOT present in SEQ)
P	6	padding (silent deletion from padded reference)
=	7	sequence match
X	8	sequence mismatch

Mapping: CIGAR string example

RefPos:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Ref:	C	C	A	T	A	C	T		G	A	A	C	T	G	A	C	T
Read:					A	C	T	A	G	A	A		T	G	G	C	T

CIGAR: 3M1I3M1D5M

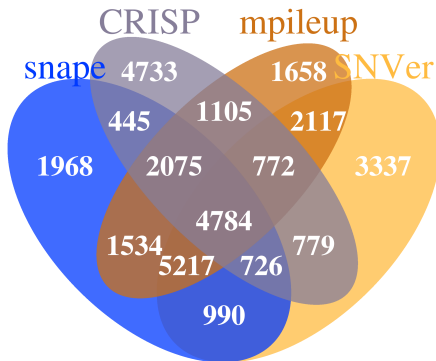
Variant calling

Consistent mismatches in the alignment indicate:

- Single Nucleotide Polymorphisms (SNPs)
- Insertions/Deletions (InDels)

Identified SNPs vary between programs/algorithms

Venn diagram of the number of SNPs (coverage >400) called with four programs from the same alignment file (ddRAD tags mapped against the genome of Guppy).



VCF file format

Variant call format

- described in <http://www.1000genomes.org/node/101>
- informs on location and quality of each SNP

VCF file information

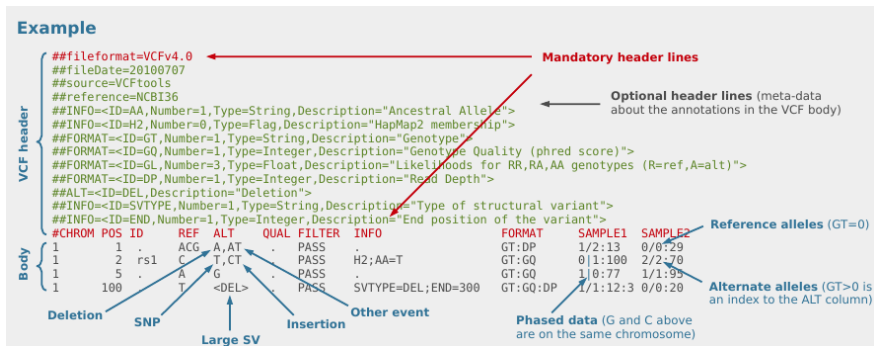
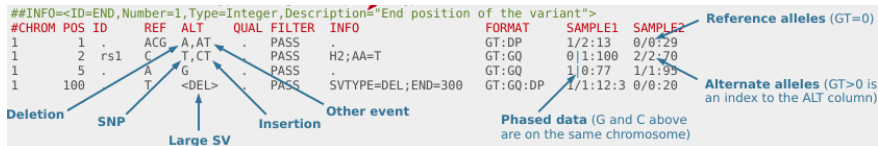


Figure : VCF file info from <http://vcftools.sourceforge.net/VCF-poster.pdf>

Phased alleles are on the same chromosome strand

VCF file information



The diagram shows a VCF file header and four data rows. Annotations with arrows point to specific fields: 'Deletion' points to the ALT field of the first row; 'SNP' points to the ALT field of the second row; 'Large SV' points to the ALT field of the third row; 'Insertion' points to the ALT field of the fourth row; 'Other event' points to the INFO field of the fourth row; 'Reference alleles (GT=0)' points to the first column of the FORMAT section; 'Alternate alleles (GT>0 is an index to the ALT column)' points to the second and third columns of the FORMAT section; and 'Phased data (G and C above are on the same chromosome)' points to the '1' in the first column of the FORMAT section for the fourth row.

#CHROM	POS	ID	REF	ALT	QUAL	FILTER	INFO	FORMAT	SAMPLE1	SAMPLE2
1	1	.	ACG	A,AT	.	PASS	.	GT:DP	1/2:13	0/0:29
1	2	rs1	C	T,CT	.	PASS	H2;AA=T	GT:GQ	0/1:100	2/2:70
1	5	.	A	G	.	PASS	.	GT:GQ	1/0:77	1/1:95
1	100	.	T		.	PASS	SVTYPE=DEL;END=300	GT:GQ:DP	1/1:12:3	0/0:20

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Differential gene expression analysis

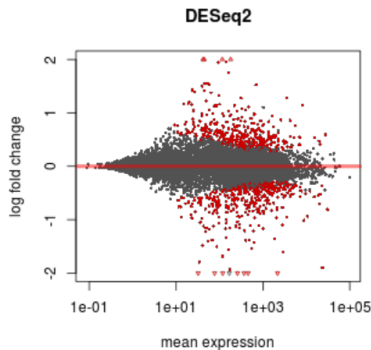


Figure : Log2 fold-change of expression over the mean of counts normalized by size factors. Differentially expressed genes ($p < 0.1$) are red.

From the DESeq2 R package documentation

Clustering

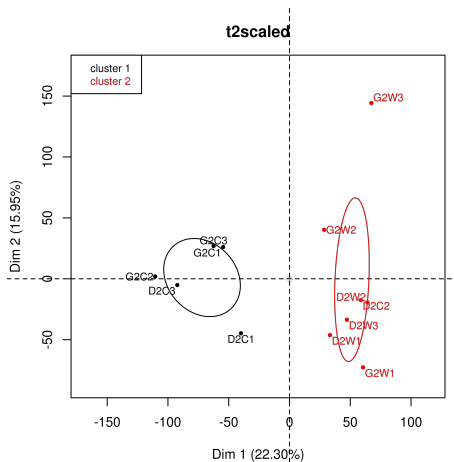


Figure : Multivariate grouping of stressed (W) and control (C) seagrass samples. Most variation is explained by the first principle component

Visualizing differential expression

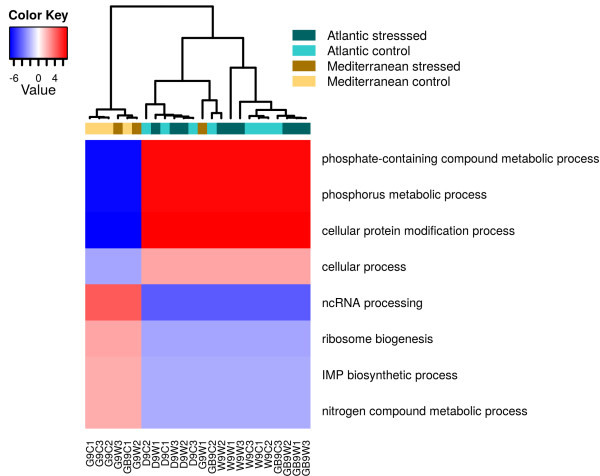
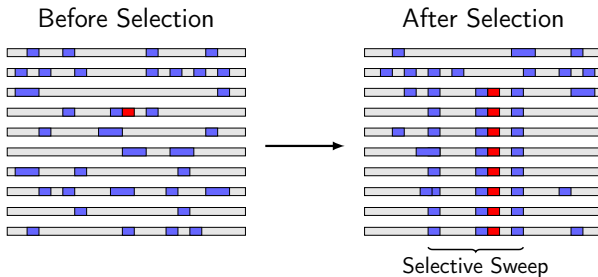


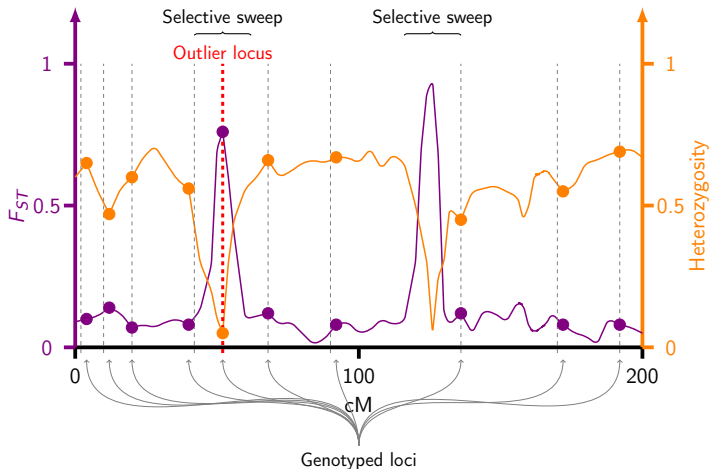
Figure : Heatmap of functions that were differentially expressed between Atlantic and Mediterranean seagrass samples.

Outlier analysis



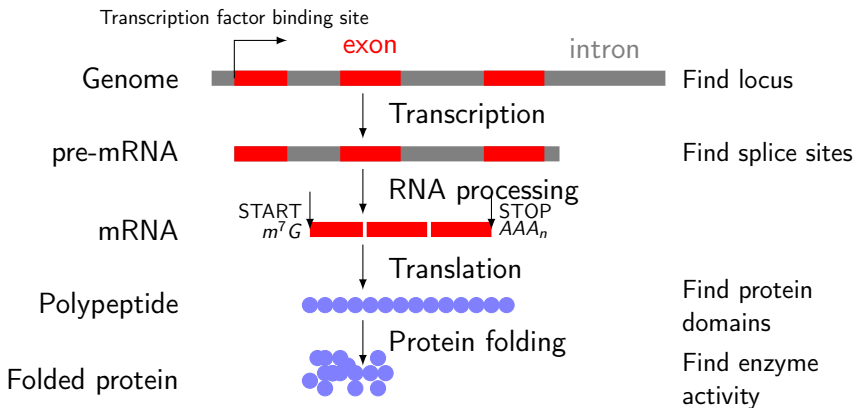
Based on Vitti et al. (2012)

Outlier detection



Eukaryote genome annotation

Identify the strcuture and functional role



Gene ontologies

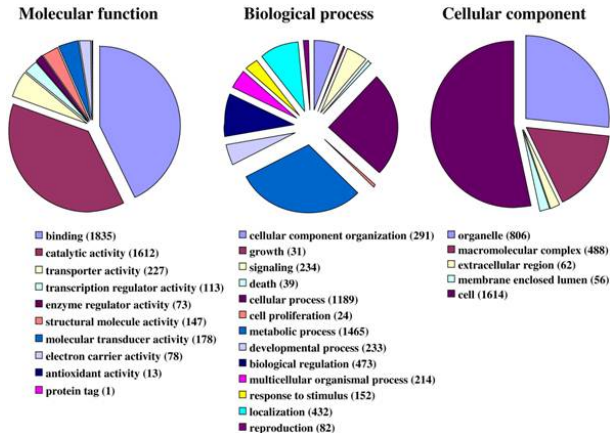


Figure : GO terms of unigenes in a moth genome

(Jacquin-Joly et al., 2012)

Cloud of GO term enrichments

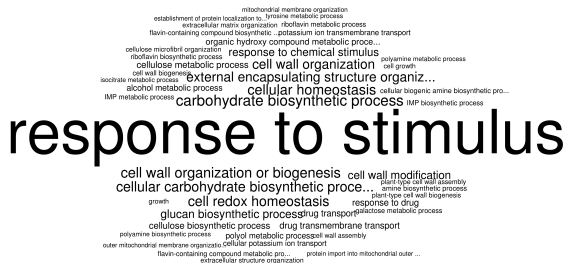







Figure : Term cloud of heat-responsive functions in seagrass

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