

SNPio: A Python API for Population Genetic File Processing, Filtering, and Encoding

Getting Started with SNPio

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Introduction

This guide provides an overview of how to get started with the SNPio library. It covers the basic steps to read, manipulate, and analyze genotype data using the VCFReader, PhylipReader, StructureReader, and NRemover2 classes. SNPio is designed to simplify the process of handling genotype data and preparing it for downstream analysis, such as population genetics, phylogenetics, and machine learning. The library supports various file formats, including VCF, PHYLIP, and STRUCTURE, and provides tools for filtering, encoding, and visualizing genotype data. This guide will help you get up and running with SNPio quickly and efficiently.

VCFReader, PhylipReader, and StructureReader classes are used to read genotype data

from VCF, PHYLIP, and STRUCTURE files, respectively. These classes load the data into a GenotypeData object that has various useful methods and properties.

The NRemover2 class is used to filter genotype data based on various criteria, such as missing data, minor allele count, minor allele frequency, and more. The GenotypeEncoder class is used to encode genotype data into different formats, such as one-hot encoding, integer encoding, and 0-1-2 encoding, for downstream analysis and machine learning tasks.

Below is a step-by-step guide to using SNPio to read, filter, and encode genotype data for analysis.

Installation

Before using SNPio, ensure it is installed in your Python environment. You can install it using pip. In the project root directory (the directory containing setup.py), type the following command into your terminal:

```
pip install snpio
```

We recommend using a virtual environment to manage your Python packages. If you do not have a virtual environment set up, you can create one using the following commands:

```
1 python3 -m venv snpio_env
source snpio_env/bin/activate
```

This will create a virtual environment named snpio_env and activate it. You can then install SNPio in this virtual environment using the pip command mentioned above.

Note:

SNPio does not support Windows operating systems at the moment. We recommend using a Unix-based operating system such as Linux or macOS.

Note:

We aim to support anaconda environments in the future. For now, we recommend using a virtual environment with pip to install SNPio.

Importing SNPio

To start using SNPio, import the necessary modules:

Example usage:

```
1 # Define input filenames
  vcf =
     "snpio/example data/vcf files/phylogen subset14K sorted.vcf.gz"
3 popmap = "snpio/example data/popmaps/phylogen nomx.popmap"
5 # Load the genotype data from a VCF file
  gd = VCFReader(
      filename=vcf,
      popmapfile=popmap,
      force_popmap=True,
      verbose=True,
      plot format="png",
11
      plot fontsize=20,
      plot_dpi=300,
13
      despine=True,
      prefix="snpio example"
15
```

You can also include or exclude any populations from the analysis by using the include_pops and exclude_pops parameters in the reader classes. For example:

```
# Only include the populations "ON", "DS", "EA", "GU", and "TT"
2 # Exclude the populations "MX", "YU", and "CH"
  gd = VCFReader(
      filename=vcf,
      popmapfile=popmap,
6
      force_popmap=True,
      verbose=True,
      plot format="png",
8
      plot_fontsize=20,
      plot dpi=300,
10
      despine=True,
      prefix="snpio_example",
12
      include_pops=["ON", "DS", "EA", "GU"],
      exclude_pops=["MX", "YU", "CH"],
14
```

The include_pops and exclude_pops parameters are optional and can be used to filter the populations included in the analysis. If both parameters are provided, the populations in include_pops will be included, and the populations in exclude_pops will be excluded. However, populations cannot overlap between lists.

Important Notes

• The VCFReader, PhylipReader, StructureReader, NRemover2, and GenotypeEncoder classes treat the following characters as missing data:

```
- "N"
- "."
- "?"
- "-"
```

• The VCFReader class can read both uncompressed and compressed VCF files (gzipped). If your input file is in PHYLIP or STRUCTURE format, it will be forced to be biallelic. To handle more than two alleles per site, use the VCF format.

The Population Map File

To use VCFReader, PhylipReader, or StructureReader, you can optionally use a population map (popmap) file. This is a simple two-column, whitespace-delimited or comma-delimited file with SampleIDs in the first column and the corresponding PopulationIDs in the second column. It can optionally contain a header line, with the first column labeled "SampleID" and the second column labeled "PopulationID" (case-insensitive). The population IDs can be any string, such as "Population1", "Population2", etc, or an integer. SampleIDs must match the sample names in the alignment file.

For example:

```
Sample1, Population1
2 Sample2, Population1
Sample3, Population2
4 Sample4, Population2
```

Or, with a header:

```
SampleID, PopulationID

2 Sample1, Population1
Sample2, Population1

4 Sample3, Population2
Sample4, Population2
```

The population map file is used to assign samples to populations and is useful for filtering and visualizing genotype data by population. If you do not provide a population map file, the samples will be treated as a single population.

The population map file can be provided as an argument to the reader classes. For example:

```
1 vcf =
    "snpio/example_data/vcf_files/phylogen_subset14K_sorted.vcf.gz"
popmap = "snpio/example_data/popmaps/phylogen_nomx.popmap"
3
```

```
gd = VCFReader(
    filename=vcf,
    popmapfile=popmap,

7    force_popmap=True,
    verbose=True,

9    plot_format="png",
    plot_fontsize=20,

11    plot_dpi=300,
    despine=True,

13    prefix="snpio_example"
)
```

Note:

The force_popmap parameter in the reader classes is used to force the population map file to align with the samples in the alignment without an error. If set to False, the population map file must match the samples in the alignment exactly, and if they do not match, an error will be raised. If set to True, the population map file will be forced to align with the samples in the alignment by removing extra samples. This parameter is set to False by default.

The **verbose** parameter in the reader classes is used to print additional information about the genotype data and filtering steps.

The plot_format, plot_fontsize, plot_dpi, and despine parameters in the reader classes are used to customize the output plots generated by the reader classes. See API documentation for more details.

Reading Genotype Data

SNPio provides readers for different file formats. Here are examples of how to read genotype data from various file formats:

VCFReader

```
vcf =
     "snpio/example data/vcf files/phylogen subset14K sorted.vcf.gz"
2 popmap = "snpio/example data/popmaps/phylogen nomx.popmap"
4 gd = VCFReader(
      filename=vcf,
      popmapfile=popmap,
6
      force popmap=True,
      verbose=True,
8
      plot format="png",
10
      plot fontsize=20,
      plot dpi=300,
      despine=True,
12
```

This will read the genotype data from a VCF file and apply the population map if provided.

PhylipReader

If you would like to read a Phylip file, you can use the PhylipReader class:

```
phylip = "snpio/example data/phylip files/phylogen subset14K.phy"
2 popmap = "snpio/example data/popmaps/phylogen nomx.popmap"
4 gd = PhylipReader(
      filename=phylip,
6
      popmapfile=popmap,
      force_popmap=True,
      verbose=True,
8
      plot_format="png",
      plot fontsize=20,
10
      plot_dpi=300,
12
      despine=True,
      prefix="snpio example",
      exclude pops=["MX", "YU", "CH"],
14
      include_pops=["ON", "DS", "EA", "GU", "TT"],
16)
```

StructureReader

If you would like to read in a Structure file, you can use the StructureReader class. For example:

```
structure =
    "snpio/example_data/structure_files/phylogen_subset14K.str"

popmap = "snpio/example_data/popmaps/phylogen_nomx.popmap"

4 gd = StructureReader(
    filename=structure,
    popmapfile=popmap,
    force_popmap=True,
    verbose=True,
    plot_format="png",
    plot_fontsize=20,
    plot_dpi=300,
    despine=True,
```

Note:

The StructureReader class will automatically detect the format of the STRUCTURE file. It can be in one-line or two-line format (see STRUCTURE documentation), and can optionally contain population information in the file as the second tab-delimited column. If the population information is not provided in the STRUCTURE file, you can provide a population map file to assign samples to populations.

Key Methods in VCFReader, PhylipReader, and StructureReader

VCFReader(filename, popmapfile, force_popmap, ...): Reads and writes genotype data from/ to a VCF file and applies a population map if provided.

write_vcf(output_file): Writes the filtered or modified genotype data back to a VCF file (for all three readers).

PhylipReader(filename, popmapfile, force_popmap, ...): Reads and writes genotype data from/ to a PHYLIP file and applies a population map.

write_phylip(output_file): Writes the filtered or modified genotype data back to a PHYLIP file (for PhylipReader).

StructureReader(filename, popmapfile, force_popmap, ...): Reads and writes genotype data from/ to a STRUCTURE file and applies a population map.

write_structure(output_file): Writes the filtered or modified genotype data back to a STRUCTURE file (for StructureReader).

Note:

The write_vcf, write_phylip, and write_structure methods are used to write the filtered or modified genotype data back to a VCF, PHYLIP, or STRUCTURE file, respectively. These methods can also be used to convert between file VCF, PHYLIP, and STRUCTURE formats.

Other GenotypeData Methods

The GenotypeData along with the Plotting classes have several useful methods for working with genotype data:

• Plotting.run_pca(): Runs principal component analysis (PCA) on the genotype data and plots the results. The PCA plot can help visualize the genetic structure of the populations in the dataset, with each point representing an individual. Individuals are colored by missing data proportion, and populations are represented by different

shapes. A 2-dimensional PCA plot is generated by default, but you can specify three PCA axes as well. For example:

PCA Per-Population Missingness Scatterplot

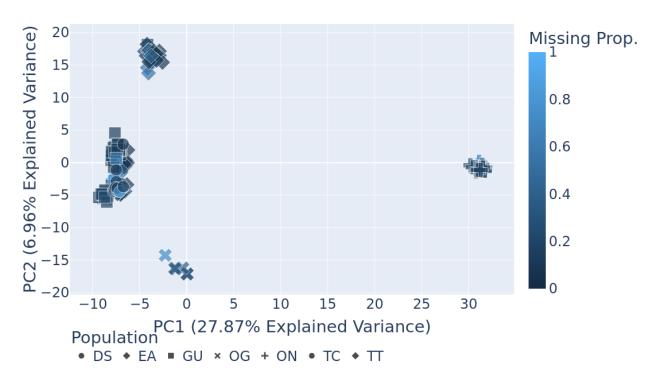


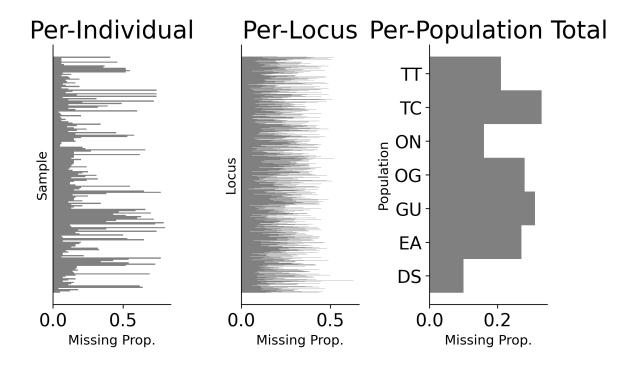
Figure 1: Principle Component Analysis (PCA) colored by missingness proportion. Shapes depict distinct populations.

- GenotypeData.missingness_reports(): Generates missing data reports and plots for the dataset. The reports include the proportion of missing data per individual, per locus, and per population. These reports can help you identify samples, loci, or populations with high levels of missing data. For example:
- The GenotypeData class will automatically create a plot showing the number of inidviduals present in each population, if a popmapfile is provided. For example:

Filtering Genotype Data with NRemover2

NRemover2 provides a variety of filtering methods to clean your genotype data. Here is an example of how to apply filters to remove samples and loci with too much missing data, monomorphic sites, singletons, minor allele count (MAC), minor allele frequency (MAF), and more:

Missingness Report



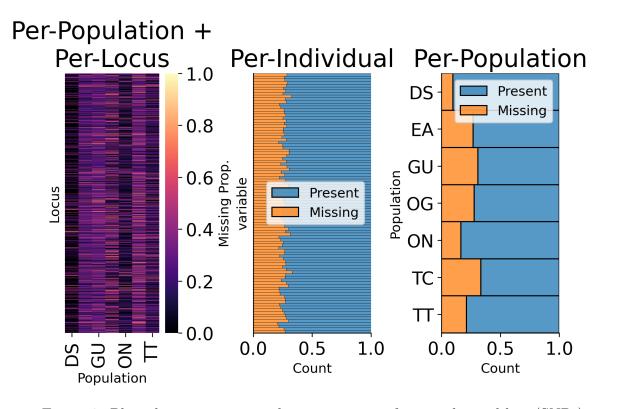


Figure 2: Plots depicting missing data proportions for samples and loci (SNPs).

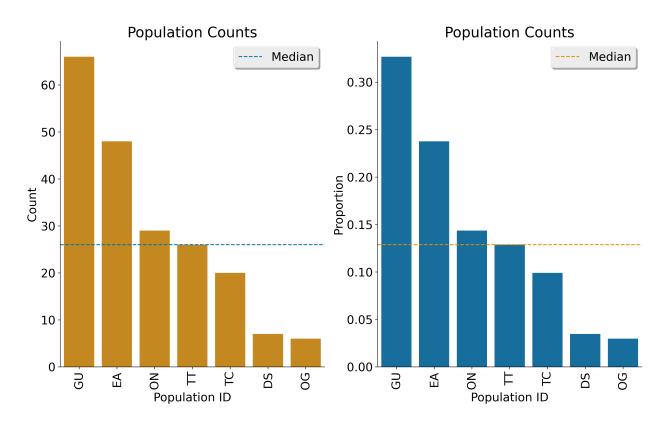


Figure 3: Bar plot depicting counts per populations as provided in the population map file.

Key Methods in NRemover2

filter_missing_sample(threshold): Filters samples with missing data above the threshold.

filter_missing(threshold): Filters loci with missing data above the threshold.

filter_missing_pop(threshold): Filters loci where missing data for any given population is above the threshold.

filter mac(threshold): Filters loci with a minor allele count below the threshold.

filter maf(threshold): Filters loci with a minor allele frequency below the threshold.

filter_monomorphic(exclude_heterozygous): Filters monomorphic loci (sites with only one allele).

filter_singletons(exclude_heterozygous): Filters singletons (sites with only one occurrence of an allele).

filter_biallelic(exclude_heterozygous): Filters biallelic loci (sites with only two alleles).

thin_loci(size): Thins loci by removing loci within size bases of each other on the same locus or chromosome (based on input VCF CHROM and POS fields). Note that this method only works with VCFReader and is not available for PhylipReader and StructureReader. For example, thin_loci(100) will remove all but one locus within 100 bases of eaach other on the same chromosome.

filter_linked(size): Filters loci that are linked to other loci within a specified distance (size), only considering the CHROM field from the VCF file and ignoring the POS field. This method only works with VCFReader and is not available for PhylipReader and StructureReader.

random_subset_loci(size): Randomly selects size number of loci from the input dataset, where size is an integer.

resolve(): Applies the filters and returns the filtered GenotypeData object. This method must be called at the end of the filtering chain to apply the filters.

Note:

You must call resolve() at the end of the filtering chain to apply the filters and return the filtered GenotypeData object.

Note:

The exclude_heterozygous parameter in filter_monomorphic, filter_singletons, and filter_biallelic methods allows you to exclude heterozygous genotypes from the filtering process. By default, heterozygous genotypes are included in the filtering process.

Note:

thin_loci and filter_linked are only available for VCFReader and not for PhylipReader and StructureReader.

Warning:

The filter_linked(size) method might yield a limited number of loci with SNP data. It is recommended to use this method with caution and check the output carefully.

Additional Methods in NRemover2

search_thresholds() searches a range of filtering thresholds for all missing data, minor allele frequency (MAF), and minor allele count (MAC) filters. This method helps you find

the optimal thresholds for your dataset. It will plot the threshold search results so you can visualize the impact of different thresholds on the dataset.

With search_thresholds(), you can specify the thresholds to search for and the order in which to apply the filters:

```
# Initialize NRemover2 with GenotypeData object
2 nrm = NRemover2(gd)
4 # Specify filtering thresholds and order of filters
  nrm.search thresholds(
      thresholds=[0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1.0],
6
      maf thresholds=[0.01, 0.05],
      mac_thresholds=[2, 5],
8
      filter order=[
          "filter missing_sample",
10
          "filter missing",
          "filter missing pop",
12
          "filter_mac",
          "filter monomorphic",
14
          "filter singletons",
          "filter biallelic"
16
      ]
18)
```

The search_thresholds() method will search for the optimal thresholds for missing data, MAF, and MAC filters based on the specified thresholds and filter order. It will plot the results so you can visualize the impact of different thresholds on the dataset.

Below are example plots that are created when running the search_thresholds() method:

Filtering Results for Singletons, Monomorphic Sites, and Biallelic Sites:

Filtering Results for Minor Allele Count (MAC):

Filtering Results for Minor Allele Frequency:

Missing Data Filtering for Loci and Samples:

Missing Data Filtering for Populations:

Note:

The search_thresholds() method is incompatible with thin_loci(size) and filter_linked() being in the filter_order list.

Warning:

The search_thresholds() method can also be called either before or after any other filtering, but note that it will reset the filtering chain to the original state.

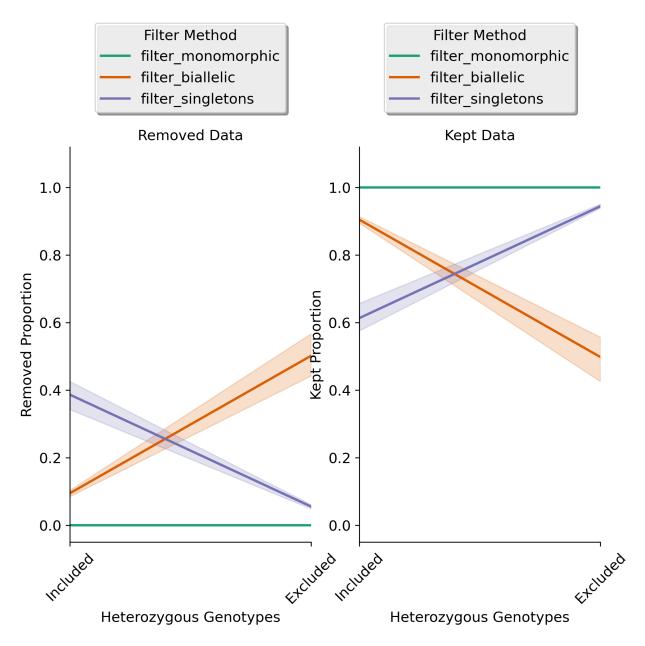


Figure 4: NRemover2 filtering results for the boolean filtering methods ('filter_monomorphic', 'filter_singletons', and 'filter_biallelic')

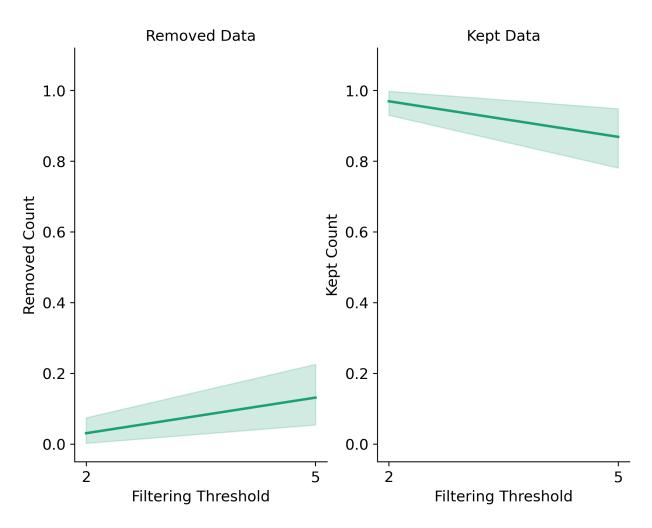


Figure 5: NRemover2 filtering results for the Minor Allele Count filtering method

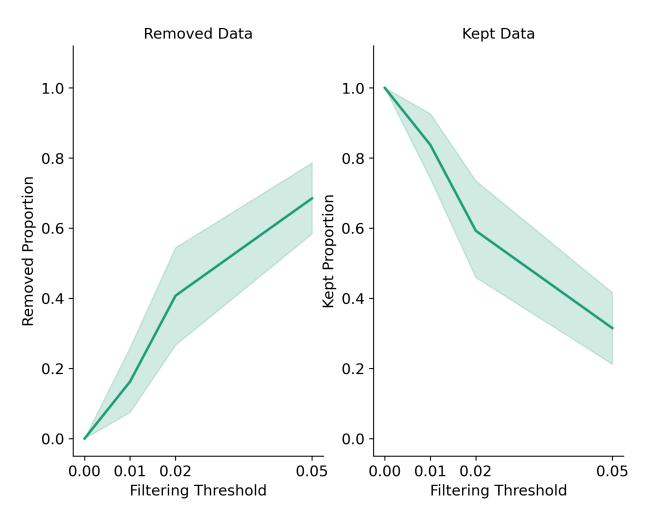


Figure 6: NRemover2 filtering results for the Minor Allele Frequency method

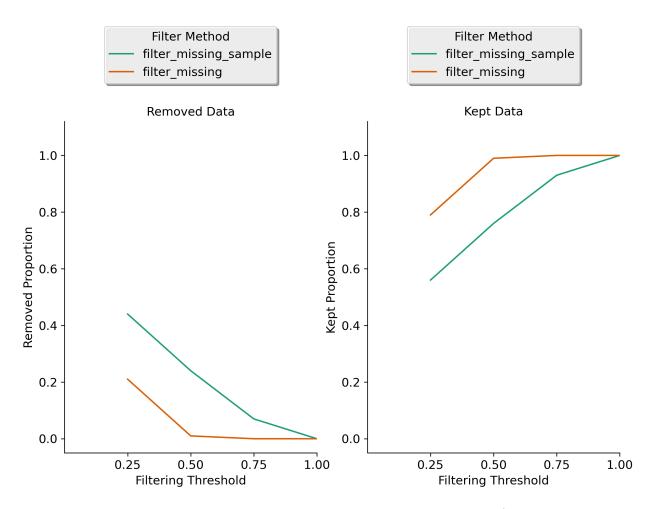


Figure 7: NRemover2 filtering results for the missing data methods ('filter_missing' and 'filter_missing_samples'). The 'filter_missing' method filters out columns (loci) exceeding a missing data threshold, whereas the 'filter_missing_sample' method filters out samples (rows) exceeding the threhold.

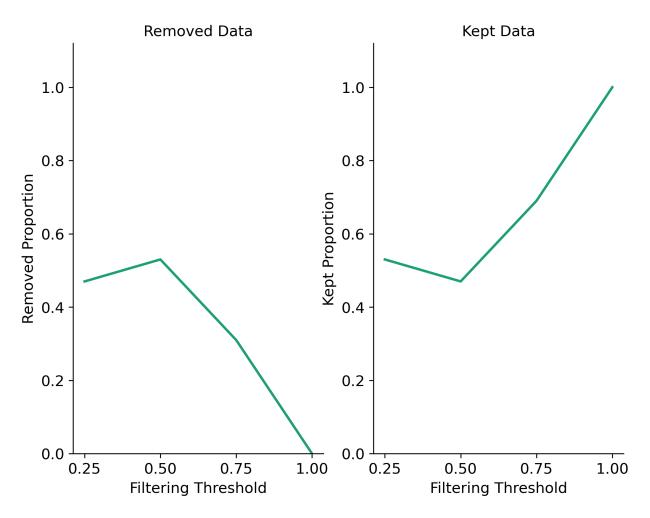


Figure 8: NRemover2 filtering results for the 'filter_missing_pop' method, which filters out loci (SNP columns) wherein any given population group exceeds the provided missing data threshold.

Sankey Filtering Diagram

plot_sankey_filtering_report() generates a Sankey plot to visualize how SNPs are filtered at each step of the pipeline. For example:

```
from snpio import NRemover2, VCFReader
2
  vcf =
     "snpio/example data/vcf files/phylogen subset14K sorted.vcf.gz"
4 popmap = "snpio/example data/popmaps/phylogen nomx.popmap"
6 gd = VCFReader(
      filename=vcf.
      popmapfile=popmap,
      force popmap=True,
      verbose=True,
10
      plot format="png",
      plot fontsize=20,
12
      plot dpi=300,
      despine=True,
14
      prefix="snpio_example"
16)
18 # Initialize NRemover2.
  nrm = NRemover2(gd)
20
  # Apply filters to remove samples and loci.
22 gd_filt = nrm.filter_missing_sample(0.75)
                .filter missing(0.75)
                .filter missing pop(0.75)
24
                .filter mac(2)
                .filter monomorphic(exclude heterozygous=False)
26
                .filter singletons(exclude heterozygous=False)
                .filter biallelic(exclude heterozygous=False)
28
                .resolve()
30
  nrm.plot sankey filtering report()
```

This will automatically track the number of loci at each filtering step and generate a Sankey plot to visualize the filtering process. The Sankey plot shows how many loci are removed at each step of the filtering process. For example:

In the Sankey Diagram above, the green nodes represent the number of loci remaining after each filtering step, and the red nodes represent the number of loci removed at each filtering step. The size of each edge is proportional to the number of loci retained or removed at each step. The Sankey plot provides a visual representation of the filtering process and helps you

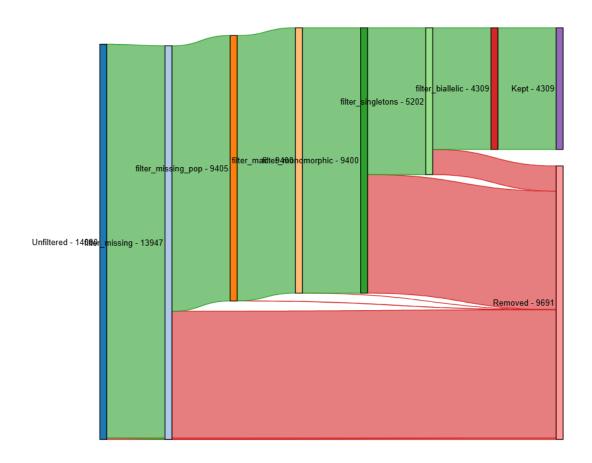


Figure 9: Sankey Diagram depicting the number (count) of loci retained (green bands) and removed (red bands) at each NRemover2 filtering step. Band widths are proportional to the number of loci retained and removed at each consecutive step.

understand how each filtering method affects the dataset. The filtering order is dynamic based on the order each method was called.

Note:

The plot_sankey_filtering_report() must be called after filtering and calling the resolve() method to generate the Sankey plot. It is also incompatible with thin_loci(), filter_linked(), and random_subset_loci() being in the filter_order list.

plot_sankey_filtering_report() only plots loci removed at each filtering step and does not plot samples removed.

GenotypeData Properties

Once genotype data is loaded using any of the readers, you can access several useful properties from the GenotypeData object:

num_snps: Number of SNPs or loci in the dataset.

num_inds: Number of individuals in the dataset.

populations: List of populations in the dataset.

popmap: Mapping of SampleIDs to PopulationIDs.

popmap inverse: Dictionary with population IDs as keys and lists of samples as values.

samples: List of samples in the dataset.

snpsdict: Dictionary with sampleIDs as keys and genotypes as values.

loci_indices: Numpy array with boolean values indicating the loci that passed the filtering criteria set to True.

sample_indices: Numpy arrray with boolean values indicating the samples that passed the filtering criteria set to True.

snp data: 2D numpy array of SNP data of shape (num_inds, num_snps).

ref: List of reference alleles for each locus.

alt: List of alternate alleles for each locus.

inputs: Dictionary of input parameters used to load the genotype data.

Genotype Encoding with GenotypeEncoder

SNPio also includes the GenotypeEncoder class for encoding genotype data into formats useful for downstream analysis and commonly used for machine and deep learning tasks.

The GenotypeEncoder class provides three encoding properties:

genotypes_onehot: Encodes genotype data into one-hot encoding, where each possible biallelic IUPAC genotype is represented by a one-hot vector. Heterozygotes are represented as multi-label vectors as follows:

```
onehot dict = {
2
    "A": [1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0],
    "T": [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0],
    "G": [0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
4
    "C": [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0],
    "N": [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0],
6
    "W": [1.0, 1.0, 0.0, 0.0],
    "R": [1.0, 0.0, 1.0, 0.0],
    "M": [1.0, 0.0, 0.0, 1.0],
    "K": [0.0, 1.0, 1.0, 0.0],
10
    "Y": [0.0, 1.0, 0.0, 1.0],
12
    "S": [0.0, 0.0, 1.0, 1.0],
    "N": [0.0, 0.0, 0.0, 0.0],
14 }
```

genotypes_int: Encodes genotype data into integer encoding, where each possible biallelic IUPAC genotype is represented by an integer as follows: A=0, T=1, G=2, C=3, W=4, R=5, M=6, K=7, Y=8, S=9, N=-9.

genotypes_012: Encodes genotype data into 0-1-2 encoding, where 0 represents the homozygous reference genotype, 1 represents the heterozygous genotype, and 2 represents the homozygous alternate genotype.

Example Usage:

```
from snpio import VCFReader, GenotypeEncoder
2
  vcf =
     "snpio/example data/vcf files/phylogen subset14K sorted.vcf.gz"
4 popmap = "snpio/example data/popmaps/phylogen nomx.popmap"
6 gd = VCFReader(
      filename=vcf,
8
      popmapfile=popmap,
      force popmap=True,
10
      verbose=True,
      plot format="png",
      plot fontsize=20,
12
      plot_dpi=300,
      despine=True,
14
      prefix="snpio example"
16)
```

```
18 encoder = GenotypeEncoder(gd)
20 # Convert genotype data to one-hot encoding
  gt_ohe = encoder.genotypes_onehot
22
  # Convert genotype data to integer encoding
24 gt_int = encoder.genotypes_int
26 # Convert genotype data to O-1-2 encoding.
  gt_012 = encoder.genotypes_012
```

The GenotypeEncoder allows you to seamlessly convert genotype data into different formats depending on your needs for analysis or machine learning workflows.

You can also inversely convert the encoded data back to the original genotypes by just setting the GenotypeEncoder properties to a new value. For example:

```
# Convert one-hot encoded data back to genotypes
encoder.genotypes_onehot = gt_ohe

# Convert integer encoded data back to genotypes
encoder.genotypes_int = gt_int

# Convert O-1-2 encoded data back to genotypes
encoder.genotypes_012 = gt_012
```

This will automatically update the original genotype data in the GenotypeData object and convert it to the original format stored in the snp_data property of the GenotypeData object.

PopGenStatistics

The PopGenStatistics class is designed to perform a suite of population genetic analyses on SNP datasets, supporting methods to calculate D-statistics, Fst, heterozygosity, and more. This class is particularly useful for researchers studying population structure, diversity, and genetic variation within and between populations.

Key Features

- Calculation of Patterson's, partitioned, and D-foil D-statistics
- Fst outlier detection using DBSCAN or bootstrapping
- Calculation of heterozygosity, nucleotide diversity, and summary statistics
- Perform Analysis of Molecular Variance (AMOVA) to assess genetic variation

Dependencies

PopGenStatistics is a part of the snpio package, which includes classes to calculate GenotypeEncoder, Plotting, and DStatistics, and depends on other packages such as

numpy, pandas, scipy, sklearn, and statsmodels.

Import necessary classes and initialize GenotypeData with your SNP data

```
from snpio import VCFReader
2 from snpio.popgenstats import PopGenStatistics
```

Load SNP data and metadata into a GenotypeData object

```
genotype_data = VCFReader(
    filename="example_data/vcf_files/phylogen_subset14K_sorted.vcf.gz",
    popmapfile="example_data/popmaps/phylogen_nomx.popmap",
    force_popmap=True, # Remove samples not in the popmap or
        vice versa.
    verbose=True,
6)
```

Initialize PopGenStatistics with GenotypeData object

```
pgs = PopGenStatistics(genotype_data, verbose=True)
```

Methods Overview

- calculate_d_statistics: Calculates D-statistics and saves them as a CSV. Also makes a plot of the D-statistics and returns a DataFrame with the statistics.
- **detect_fst_outliers**: Identifies Fst outliers between populations. Makes a plot of the Fst values and returns outlier SNPs as a DataFrame.
- observed_heterozygosity, expected_heterozygosity, nucleotide_diversity, and wrights fst: Calculates core population genetic metrics.
- summary_statistics: Calculates and summarizes key metrics across populations. Makes informative plots and returns a dictionary of pandas DataFrame and Series objects with the results.
- amova: Conducts an Analysis of Molecular Variance. Returns a dictionary with the AMOVA results.

Core Methods

• calculate_d_statistics: Calculates Patterson's D-statistic, partitioned D-statistic, or D-foil for given populations. Bootstrap replicates and heterozygosity inclusion can be customized. The results are saved as a CSV and returned as a pandas DataFrame and a dictionary with mean overall results, and a plot of the D-statistics is generated.

```
1 df, stats_summary = pgs.calculate_d_statistics(
    method="patterson",
3    population1="EA",
    population2="GU",
```

```
population3="TT",
    outgroup="OG",
    num_bootstraps=1000
)
```

• detect_fst_outliers: Detects Fst outliers using bootstrapping or DBSCAN. The method returns Fst outlier SNPs along with their associated population pairs.

```
outliers, pvals_df = pgs.detect_fst_outliers(
    correction_method="bonf", # perform Bonferroni P-value
        adjustments.
    alpha=0.05, # significance level after P-value adjustment.

4    use_bootstrap=True,
    n_bootstraps=1000
6 )
```

• **summary_statistics**: Calculates a comprehensive suite of summary statistics, including heterozygosity, nucleotide diversity, and Fst. Results can be plotted or returned as a dictionary.

```
summary = pgs.summary_statistics()
```

```
# Access overall summary statistics
ho_overall = summary["overall"]["Ho"]
he_overall = summary["overall"]["He"]
pi_overall = summary["overall"]["Pi"]

# Access population-specific summary statistics
ho_pops = summary["populations"]["Ho"]
he_pops = summary["populations"]["He"]
pi_pops = summary["populations"]["Pi"]
```

The per-population summary statistics are stored in a dictionary with population labels as keys and pandas DataFrames as values.

• amova: Conducts an Analysis of Molecular Variance (AMOVA) to assess genetic variation within and among populations.

```
1 amova_results = pgs.amova()
print("Phi_ST:", amova_results["Phi_ST"])
3 print("within_populations:",
    amova_results["Within_population_variance"])
print("among_populations:",
    amova_results["Among_population_variance"])
```

Advanced Usage

- Bootstrap Replicates in Fst Calculation: To estimate the variance of Fst across SNPs, use the detect_fst_outliers method with use_bootstrap=True.
- Multiple Population Comparisons in D-statistics: The calculate_d_statistics method supports extended D-statistics calculations (e.g., D-foil) across more than four populations.
- **Plotting**: By default, plots for each metric are generated and saved. Customize plot_kwargs within your GenotypeData object if specific styling or debug configurations are needed.

Additional Information

Notes:

- SNP data must be encoded in a compatible format.
- genotype_data.popmap must map samples to population labels accurately.
- It is advised to run the Fst and D-statistic calculations with sufficient bootstraps to obtain statistically robust estimates.

Parallelization:

Many methods support parallel computation. specify n_jobs=-1 to use all available CPU cores, optimizing for large SNP datasets.

Loading and Parsing Phylogenetic TreeParser

SNPio also provides a TreeParser class to load and parse phylogenetic trees in Newick and NEXUS formats. The TreeParser class can read and parse tree files, modify tree structures, draw trees, and save trees in different formats.

Here are some examples of how to load and parse a phylogenetic tree using the TreeParser class:

```
from snpio import TreeParser, VCFReader

vcf =
    "snpio/example_data/vcf_files/phylogen_subset14K_sorted.vcf.gz"

popmap = "snpio/example_data/popmaps/phylogen_nomx.popmap"

gd = VCFReader(
    filename=vcf,
    popmapfile=popmap,
    force_popmap=True,
    verbose=True,
    plot_format="pdf",
    plot_fontsize=20,
    plot dpi=300,
```

```
despine=True,
14
      prefix="snpio example"
16)
18 # Load a phylogenetic tree from a Newick file
  tp = TreeParser(
20
      genotype_data=gd,
      treefile="snpio/example data/trees/test.tre",
      siterates="snpio/example data/trees/test14K.rates",
22
      qmatrix="snpio/example data/trees/test.iqtree",
      verbose=True
24
26
  tree = tp.read_tree()
28 tree.draw() # Draw the tree
30 # Save the tree in Newick format
  tp.write tree(tree,
     save_path="snpio/example_data/trees/test_newick.tre")
32
  # Save the tree in NEXUS format
34 tp.write_tree(tree,
     save path="snpio/example data/trees/test nexus.nex",
     nexus=True)
36 # Returns the tree in Newick format as a string
  tp.write_tree(tree, save_path=None)
38
  # Get the tree stats. Returns a dictionary of tree stats.
40 print(tp.tree_stats())
42 # Reroot the tree at any nodes containing the string 'EA' in the
     sampleID.
  # Use the '~' character to specify a regular expression pattern
     to match.
44 tp.reroot tree("~EA")
46 # Get a distance matrix between all nodes in the tree.
  print(tp.get distance matrix())
48
  # Get the Rate Matrix Q from the Qmatrix file.
50 print(tp.qmat)
52 # Get the Site Rates from the Site Rates file.
  print(tp.site rates)
```

```
54
  # Get a subtree with only the samples containing 'EA' in the
     sampleID.
56 # Use the '~' character to specify a regular expression pattern
     to select all
  # tips containing the pattern.
58 subtree = tp.get subtree("~EA")
60 # Prune the tree to remove samples containing 'ON' in the
     sampleID.
  pruned_tree = tp.prune_tree("~ON")
62
  # Write the subtree and pruned tree. Returns a Newick string if
     'save path'
64 # is None. Otherwise saves it to 'save path'.
  print(tp.write tree(subtree, save path=None))
66 print(tp.write tree(pruned tree, save path=None))
```

The TreeParser class provides several methods for working with phylogenetic trees, including reading, writing, and modifying trees. You can use these methods to analyze and manipulate phylogenetic trees for your research and analysis tasks.

The TreeParser class also provides methods for calculating tree statistics, rerooting trees, getting distance matrices, and extracting subtrees based on sample IDs. These methods can help you analyze and visualize phylogenetic trees and extract relevant information for downstream analysis.

The Rate matrix Q and Site Rates can be accessed from the Qmatrix and Site Rates files, respectively. These matrices can be used to calculate evolutionary distances and rates between samples in the phylogenetic tree. The siterates file can be output by IQ-TREE or specified as a one-column file with the rates for each site in the alignment (header optional). The qmatrix file can be obtained from the IQ-TREE standard output (.iqtree file) or from a stand-alone Qmatrix file with the rate matrix Q. In the latter case, the file should be a tab-delimited or comma-delimited file with the rate matrix Q with substitution rates in the order: "A,"C", "G", "T". A header line is optional.

The rate matrix and site rates objects can be accessed by their corresponding properties:

- tp.qmat: Rate matrix Q.
- tp.site rates: Site rates.

For more information on the TreeParser class and its methods, please refer to the API documentation.

Benchmarking the Performance

You can benchmark the filtering performance using the Benchmark class to visualize how thresholds affect the dataset, if you have installed the snpio dev requirements:

```
pip install snpio[dev]
```

Then, you can use the Benchmark class to plot performance metrics for your filtered genotype data after the resolve() method is called. For example:

This function will plot performance metrics for your filtered genotype data and for the VCFReader class, giving insights into data quality changes.

For more information on the Benchmark class and how to use it, see the API documentation.

Conclusion

This guide provides an overview of how to get started with the SNPio library. It covers the basic steps to read, manipulate, and analyze genotype data using the VCFReader, PhylipReader, StructureReader, and NRemover2 classes. SNPio is designed to simplify the process of handling genotype data and preparing it for downstream analysis, such as population genetics, phylogenetics, and machine learning. The library supports various file formats, including VCF, PHYLIP, and STRUCTURE, and provides tools for filtering, encoding, and visualizing genotype data. This guide will help you get up and running with SNPio quickly and efficiently.

For more information on the SNPio library, please refer to the API documentation and examples provided in the repository. If you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to reach out to the developers.

We hope you find SNPio useful for your bioinformatic analyses!

Note:

The SNPio library is under active development, and we welcome contributions from the community. If you would like to contribute to the project, please check the GitHub repository for open issues and submit a pull request. We appreciate your support and feedback!

If you encounter any issues or have any questions about the SNPio library, please feel free to reach out to the developers or open an issue on the GitHub repository. We are here to help and improve the library based on your feedback.

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