

Working_Notes

Assignment the first

Talapas destination:

```
/projects/bgmp/shared/2017_sequencing
```

Contains the following files:

```
1294_S1_L008_R1_001.fastq.gz
1294_S1_L008_R2_001.fastq.gz
1294_S1_L008_R3_001.fastq.gz
1294_S1_L008_R4_001.fastq.gz
```

Don't unzip, don't copy. zcat all the way

All work should be done in Talapas

Note that this is a bulk RNA seq.

Part 1 – Quality Score Distribution per-nucleotide

1. Perform some initial data exploration! Record any bash commands you used inside a lab notebook (submit to this repo!).
 - i. Determine which files contain the indexes, and which contain the paired end reads containing the biological data of interest. Create a table and label each file with either read1, read2, index1, or index2.
 - ii. Determine the length of the reads in each file.
 - iii. Determine the phred encoding for these data.

Part 1.1 subpart i:

1294_S1_L008_R1_001.fastq.gz 1294_S1_L008_R4_001.fastq.gz **almost certainly correspond to read 1 and read 2 respectively**, because that's just the convention, but we can tell which are which from the fastq headers. This can be verified with the commands:

```
zcat 1294_S1_L008_RN_001.fastq.gz | head -n 8
```


[illegible]

2. Generate a per base distribution of quality scores for read1, read2, index1, and index2. Average the quality scores at each position for all reads and generate a per nucleotide mean distribution **as you did in part 1 of PS4 in Bi621**. (NOTE! Do NOT use the 2D array strategy from PS9 - you WILL run out of memory!)
 - i. Turn in the 4 histograms.
 - ii. What is a good quality score cutoff for index reads and biological read pairs to utilize for sample identification and downstream analysis, respectively? Justify your answer.
 - iii. How many indexes have undetermined (N) base calls? (Utilize your command line tool knowledge. Submit the command(s) you used. CHALLENGE: use a one-line command)

Part 1.1 results:

File name	label	Read length	Phred encoding
1294_S1_L008_R1_001.fastq.gz	Read 1	101	Phred+33
1294_S1_L008_R2_001.fastq.gz	Barcodes corresponding to Read 1	8	Phred+33
1294_S1_L008_R3_001.fastq.gz	Barcodes corresponding to Read 2	8	Phred+33
1294_S1_L008_R4_001.fastq.gz	Read 2	101	Phred+33

Part 1.2

Part 1.2 subpart i, development

Okay, now I'm cloning the repo (/projects/bgmp/ghach/bioinfo/Bi622/) and getting to making the python script.

I'm going to create a mini test files for my histogram code for this using the command:

```
zcat 1294_S1_L008_R1_001.fastq.gz | head -n 24 >
/projects/bqmp/ghach/bioinfo/Bi622/Demultiplex/Assignment-the-first/mini.fq
```

NOTE! I had issues getting my print statements to work in this script. The issue was resolved by adding `flush=True` to all print statements. More on buffer issues (which I do not fully understand yet) in the following article:

[buffers](#)

Part 1.2, answers

As the histograms show, the quality scores are lowest, by a significant margin, at the start of the reads. After having done the mRNA prep wet lab and gaining some appreciation for how labor-intensive it is (and how underfunded some important areas of biology are) I would like to err on the side of not discarding potentially useful data. For the purpose of downstream analysis, I'd recommend filtering out those biological reads with mean Q scores less than or equal to 30 (though I'd want to know more about what this data would be used for to provide a more detailed recommendation).

When it comes to the index quality I think it's justifiable to be far more permissive. If the index isn't present in the group of 24, it automatically goes to the undetermined file. Thus, the Q score filtering criterion is relevant **only in the case where the barcode does match one of the 24**. Since there are eight bases per barcode, and 4 possibilities for each base, there are 4096 possible barcodes. Thus, even if the bases are randomly picked out of a hat, the probability that a barcode is misread, but coincidentally reads as another of the 24 is very unlikely, because they represent less than 0.6% of the total space of 8 base sequences.

For these reasons, I will filter only sequences with a mean Q score below 20.

Part 1.2 subpart iii command:

First try:

```
zcat 1294_S1_L008_R2_001.fastq.gz 1294_S1_L008_R3_001.fastq.gz | sed -n '2~4p' | awk '$0~N {sum+=1} END {print sum}'
```

THIS DIDN'T WORK! THIS COUNTED ALL LINES AND I DON'T KNOW WHY. IT WORKED ON A TEST FILE, EVEN WHEN IT WAS GZIPPED

```
(base) [ghach@n0352 2017_sequencing]$ zcat 1294_S1_L008_R2_001.fastq.gz 1294_S1_L008_R3_001.fastq.gz | sed -n '2~4p' | awk '$0~N {sum+=1} END {print sum}'
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(base) [ghach@n0352 2017_sequencing]$ zcat 1294_S1_L008_R2_001.fastq.gz 1294_S1_L008_R3_001.fastq.gz | sed -n '2~4p' | grep -E 'N' | wc -l
7304664
```

Second try:

```
zcat 1294_S1_L008_R2_001.fastq.gz 1294_S1_L008_R3_001.fastq.gz | sed -n '2~4p' | grep -E 'N' | wc -l
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Arg, okay, I figured it out:

```
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Part 2 – Develop an algorithm to de-multiplex the samples

1. Define the problem

- We are seeking to take reads 1- 4 (each from separate fastq files) and export R1 and R4 into two files, belonging to one of three categories:
 1. Those where the barcodes (R2 and R3) are high quality, and match both those in the table, and each other
 - These go to a different file for each pair of barcodes (ex GTAGCGTA_R1.fq)
 2. Those where the barcodes are high quality (meet quality score cutoff and do not contain Ns) but do not match, indicating that index hopping has occurred
 - Reads go into hopped_R1.fq and hopped_R2.fq
 3. Those where the reads do match, but the quality score is below the cutoff, or the indices don't match those in the table
 - Reads go into unknown_R1.fq and unknown_R2.fq

2. Describe output

- We would also like to keep count how many reads go into each of the three categories defined above
 - This output is short, and so will be printed directly to std out
- We would also like to keep count of all reads in category 1 and 2 above by their ordered barcode pairs
 - The above output will be longer, and so will be exported to a .tsv file. This file will also have the counts described in the previous bullet point at the top

3. Upload your [4 input FASTQ files](#) and your [≥6 expected output FASTQ files](#).

4. Pseudocode

- My pseudocode can be found [here](#)

5. High level functions. For each function, be sure to include:

1. Description/doc string
 2. Function headers (name and parameters)
 3. Test examples for individual functions
 4. Return statement
- My pseudo-functions can be found [here](#)

Running mean formula:

$$\text{Mean: } \mu_n = \mu_{n-1} + \frac{x_n - \mu_{n-1}}{n}$$

Running histogram code

Run as sbatch job ID batch job 7790187

fifteenhundreth time is the charm:

Submitted batch job 7791153