Estimates of genotyping error from published reduced representation genotype-by-sequence data

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A Variety of RAD-seq Methods



- Can genotype many individuals
- No genome needed(*) for non-model organisms
- High read depths should provide accuracy of genotypes. (Julian Catchen says, "> 10X for heterozygotes").



Allelic dropout / null alleles and other biases:

RADseq underestimates diversity and introduces genealogical biases due to nonrandom haplotype sampling

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The effect of RAD allele dropout on the estimation of genetic variation within and between populations

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Unforeseen Consequences of Excluding Missing Data from Next-Generation Sequences: Simulation Study of RAD Sequences

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Insufficient genome extent:

OPINION

Breaking RAD: an evaluation of the utility of restriction site-associated DNA sequencing for genome scans of adaptation

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RAD "Genotyping Accuracy" Studies

Typically explorations of different bioinformatic settings and filters

Restriction site-associated DNA sequencing, genotyping error estimation and *de novo* assembly optimization for population genetic inference

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Bioinformatic processing of RAD-seq data dramatically impacts downstream population genetic inference

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- Some nice studies
- A whole lot of computation
- Not much immediate feedback for individual RAD users or the question of, "How we doin' here?"

A Simple Visualization from Called RAD Genotypes

Some willow flycatcher data I was working with

Just plot the observed frequency of genotypes against their expected frequency given the allele frequencies and Hardy Weinberg Equilibrium



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This is a sample of individuals that were all collected from the same place that should have been in HWE...



A Genotyping Error Model How much error must there be to look that bad?



- α beta prior parameters for allele frequencies
- *p*_ℓ unknown frequency of alternate allele at SNP ℓ
- X_{i,ℓ} true, underlying, but unobserved, genotype of individual *i* at SNP ℓ
- Y_{i,ℓ} the observed (called/scored) but possibly incorrect genotype of individual *i* at SNP ℓ
- *m* the rate at which true heterozygotes are incorrectly called as homozygotes

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Estimating *m* via MCMC

Willow Flycatchers





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Estimating *m* via MCMC

Lobsters



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Bonnethead Shark $\hat{m} = 0.01$





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Western Alaska Chinook $\hat{m} = 0.02$





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Red Drum $\hat{m} = 0.05$





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Anguilla $\hat{m} = 0.14$





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Columbia River Chinook $\hat{m} = 0.17$





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Anchovy $\hat{m} = 0.28$





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Snails $\hat{m} = 0.45$





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Dolphin $\hat{m} = 0.72$





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Include Read Depth in the Genotyping Error Model

Is this error mostly a consequence of inaccuracy at low read depths?



- *R_{i,ℓ}* the read-depth category or bin of the ℓth SNP in the *i*th individual.
- *m* This is now a vector—a separate heterozygote miscall rate for each read depth category.

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Het Miscall Rate Higher at Low Read Depth

Lobster overall $\hat{m} = 0.25$



This Trend Seen Even in "High Accuracy" Data Sets

Bonnethead Shark overall $\hat{m} = 0.01$



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Red Drum overall $\hat{m} = 0.05$



Wrap Up

- Working on a paper with Gordon Luikart and Thierry Gosselin doing a more complete survey.
- While RAD suffers some known biases, there are also problems with straight-up genotyping error.
- A primary driver seems to be insufficient read depth to call heterozygotes
- Effects on downstream analysis depend on what you are doing:
 - Allele frequency estimation (not too bad)
 - Relationship inference (disastrous)
 - Identification of *F*_{ST} outliers (potentially problematic)
 - etc.
- Seems to be begging for a probabilistic genotype calling approach, incorporating a prior on genotype frequencies



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