

Genomics and Transcriptomics

Class 04 - Bash scripting and read processing



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What is a script?

A script (computing) is a small non-compiled program written for a scripting language or command interpreter. E.g. Bash scripts are interpreted by Bash (terminal), Perl scripts are interpreted by Perl...

How to run a script

• If it is executable (check permisions with Is -Ih) you can just run it as ./myscript.sh. You can do it executable with chmod 755 myscript.sh.

```
chmod 755 myscript.sh
./myscript.sh
```

• If it is not executable, you can use the interpreter (e.g. bash myscript.sh)

bash myscript.sh

What is a bash script?

Usually is a script that is going to be interpreted by the Linux shell (commonly bash).

Because it is going to be interpreted by the bash you can run any command from your system (e.g. cd, pwd...).

Remember, special characters have special meanings

Character	Meaning
SPACE	Separate commands and arguments
# HASH	Comment
; SEMICOLON	Command separator to run multiple commands
. DOT	Source command OR filename component OR current directory
DOUBLE DOTS	Parent directory
'SINGLE QUOTES	Use expression between quotes
, COMMA	Concatenate strings
\ BACKSLASH	Escape for single character
/ SLASH	Filename path separator
* ASTERISK	Wildcard for filename expansion
>,<,>> CHARACTERS	Redirection input/outputs
PIPE	Pipe outputs between commands
! BANG	Run a command

Commands to use in Bash scripts

- Software specific (e.g. cufflinks)
- Basic Linux/Unix command (e.g. echo)

COMMAND	USE	EXAMPLE
grep	Search a pattern and print it	grep 'A' file.txt
cut	Get sections of a file by column	cut -f1, 3 file.txt
WC	Count characters and lines	wc -l file.txt
sed	Execute a script over the file (e.g., replace)	sed -r 's/A/a' file.txt
sort	Sort lines of a text file	sort file.txt
uniq	Find unique lines	uniq -c file.txt
paste	Concatenates files as columns	paste file1.txt file2.txt

Write a Bash script to print date and working dir.

1. Open a file with the text editor (nano)

```
nano script01.sh
```

2. Write the first line specifying the interpreter (#!/bin/bash)

```
#!/bin/bash
```

- 3. Add the commands that are going to be executed
 - 3.1. date to print the date
 - 3.2. **pwd** to print the working directory.

```
#!/bin/bash
date;
pwd;
```

Write a Bash script to print date and working dir.

- 4. Save the file and exit (CTR+O; CTR+X).
- 5. Change the permissions of the script.

chmod755 script01.sh

6. Execute the script

./script01.sh

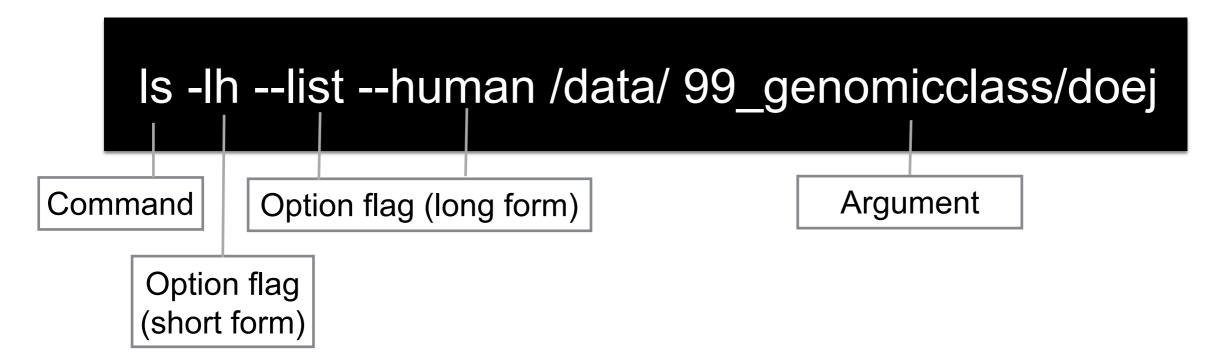
Exercise 4.1 - Write a Bash script and execute to

- Download the following file: ftp://ftp.solgenomics.net/genomes/ Solanum_lycopersicum/Heinz1706/annotation/ITAG4.1_release/ ITAG4.1_proteins.fasta
- 2. **Count** how many reads are in the file.
- 3. **Calculate** the total number of aminoacids in the file (Non-ID characters) using grep and wc (check the manuals if necessary)

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1.2. Arguments



Arguments can be used inside the script with the default variables \$1, \$2, \$3....

```
Itagreetings.sh [name] [place]
```

```
#!/bin/bash
echo "Mi chiamo $1";
echo "Io sono di $2";
```

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A variable is a storage location paired with a SYMBOLIC NAME with contains some quantity of information defined as VALUE

```
A=2;
B="Solanum lycopersicum is tomato"
```

Two types of variables:

- System variables (CAPITAL LETTER).
 - E.g. HOME contains the home dir.
 - E.g. OSTYPE contains the operating system info.

echo \$HOME

 User variables (defined with lower letters) defined as id=value (No spaces, case sensitive) (e.g. counter=10;)

```
A="Petunia hybrida"
echo "Variable A is $A"
```

Note: To print variables you need to use \$ as prefix.

Special variables:

- Exit status: \$? (prints if a command has been successful or it failed).
- Variables passed to the script: \$1, \$2 ... E.g. if a script is run as script02.sh filename1, inside the script 'filename1' can be passed as \$1.
- Command outputs can be captured in user variables using
 \$(). E.g. count_files=\$(Is I wc -I)

Exercise 4.2 - Write a Bash script to count sequences and characters

- 1. The script should use an **argument** as input to get the **fasta_file_name** as an internal variable.
- The script should use \$() to run commands to calculate: 1- Number of sequences; 2- Number of characters that are not SeqIDs
- 3. The script should print an output that says:
 - "The number of sequences of the file <file> is <seq_n>"
 - "The total number of NT or AA in the file is <total_characters>"

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1.4. Loops

A loop is a CONTROL STATEMENT for a specific iteration allowing a code being executed repetitively.

There are two important loops for Bash:

- 1. FOR
- 2. WHILE

1.4. Loops

A for-loop in a Bash script has three parts.

- 1. Define the interacting variable (x): for x in y
- 2. Define the consequence: do z
- 3. End the loop with done.

```
dir=$(ls $1 | grep fasta);
for file in $dir
  do
      seqcount=$(grep -c '>' $file);
      echo "$file has $seqcount sequences"
  done
```

1.4. Loops

A while-loop in a Bash script has three parts.

- 1. Define the interacting variable (x): while[x]
- 2. Define the consequence: do z
- 3. End the loop with done.

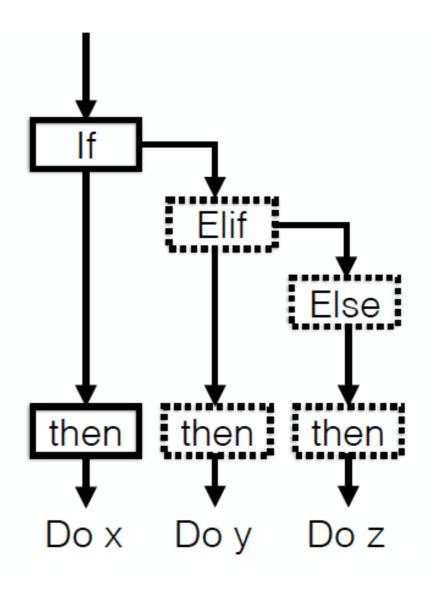
```
x=0;
While [$x -le 10]
  do
     echo "variable x value is $x";
     x=$(($x + 1));
  done
```

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A conditional is a CONTROL STATEMENT where a statement is tested for TRUE or FALSE. Depending of the result, a different action is performed.

CONDITIONALS	RESULT
if	First condition to meet
then	If the condition is met, do this
elif	Alternative condition to meet
else	If none is met, then do this



Testing a condition.

I- Square brackets: [<space><condition?<space>]

```
if [ $1 -gt $2 ]
  then
    echo "$1 is greater than $2";
  else
    echo "$2 is greater than $1";
  fi
```

II- Test command: test <condition>

```
if test -f $1
    then
       echo "Running the analysis on $1";
    else
       echo "ERROR: $1 file does not exists";
    fi
```

Numeric operators used in conditionals

OPERATOR	MEANING	EXAMPLE
-eq	EQUAL	[1 -eq 1]
-ne	NON EQUAL	[3 -ne 1]
-gt	GREATER THAN	[3 -gt 1]
-ge	GREATER EQUAL THAN	[3 -ge 3]
-It	LESS THAN	[2 -lt 5]
-le	LESS EQUAL THAN	[2 -le 3]

File tests used in conditionals

OPERATOR	MEANING	EXAMPLE
-e	File exists	test —e \$file
-d	File exists and it is a dir	test —e \$file
-f	File exists and it is regular	test —e \$file
-S	File exists with > 0 bytes	test —e \$file
-r/-w/-x	File exists and it is r/w/x	test —e \$file
-nt/ot	File exists and it is older/newer than	test —e \$file

Regular expression in Bash

- 1. Use double square brackets: [regexp]]
- 2. Use the operator =~ for match or !~ for doesn't match
- 3. Use ^ as line starting or \$ as line ending
- 4. Use [0-9] for any number or [a-z] for any letter

Regular expression in Bash

MODIFIER	DESCRIPTION	
. (dot)	match any character once	
*	match occurrence, zero or more OR multiple characters	
+	match occurrence, one or more	
?	match occurrence, zero or one	
{n}	match n number of occurrences	
\	escape (to match special characters)	
[0-9]	any number	
[a-z] or [A-Z]	any letter	

http://pubs.opengroup.org/onlinepubs/9699919799/basedefs/V1_chap09.html#tag_09_03

More at:

http://www.cheatography.com/davechild/cheat-sheets/regular-expressions/

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1.6. Debugging a Bash script

Debugging is the process of FINDING and RESOLVING defects in the PROGRAMMING CODE that prevents it of being run correctly

1.6. Debugging a Bash script

How to debug a script?

http://tldp.org/LDP/Bash-Beginners-Guide/html/sect_02_03.html

- 1. Read the error and think about it.
- 2. Print status messages in each of the steps.
- 3. Check variables using the if.
- 4. Check command results errors using \$!
- 5. Run the script in debugging mode (bash -x or bash -- debugger)

1.6. Debugging a Bash script

Best practices writing scripts

- 1. Write comments.
- 2. Break the conditionals and loops into different lines using tabs as indentations.
- 3. Use semicolons at the end of each command.
- 4. Define variables.
- 5. Use if's to check variables.
- 6. Print status messages.
- 7. Create a small file to test the script

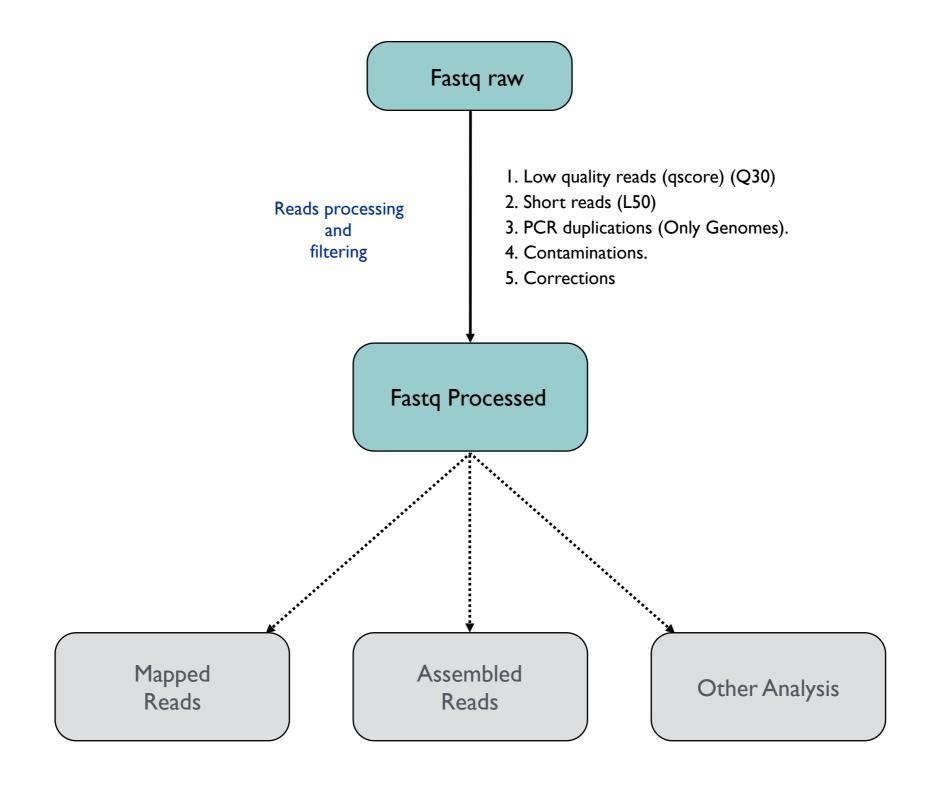
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2.1. FastQ files

II. FASTQ

FASTQ format is a text based file format that store usually DNA sequences. It contains information about the sequencing QUALITY of each nucleotide.



One quality character per nucleotide. Each character code a number from 0-41 (Illumina v1.8+).

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Phred score of a base is: Qphred=-10 log10 (e)

```
Q=15 e=0.03 (min. used Sanger)
Q=20 e=0.01 (min. used 454 and Illumina)
Q=30 e=0.001 (standard used 454)
```

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Phred quality scores Q are defined as a property which is logarithmically related to the base-calling error probabilities P.^[2]

$$Q = -10 \log_{10} P$$

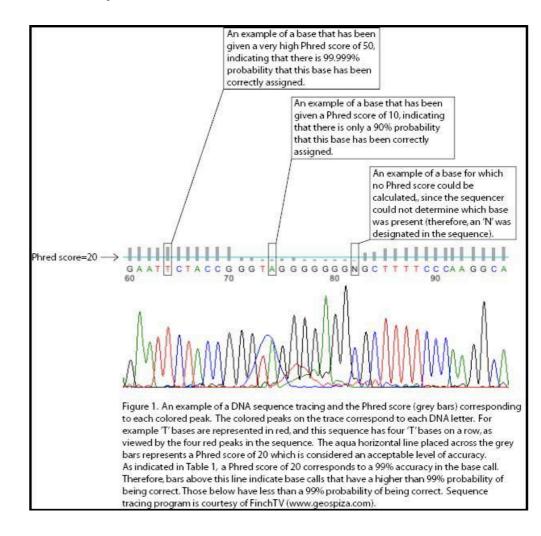
OI

$$P=10^{rac{-Q}{10}}$$

For example, if Phred assigns a quality score of 30 to a base, the chances that this base is called incorrectly are 1 in 1000.

Phred quality scores are logarithmically linked to error probabilities

Phred Quality Score	Probability of incorrect base call	Base call accuracy
10	1 in 10	90%
20	1 in 100	99%
30	1 in 1000	99.9%
40	1 in 10,000	99.99%
50	1 in 100,000	99.999%
60	1 in 1,000,000	99.9999%



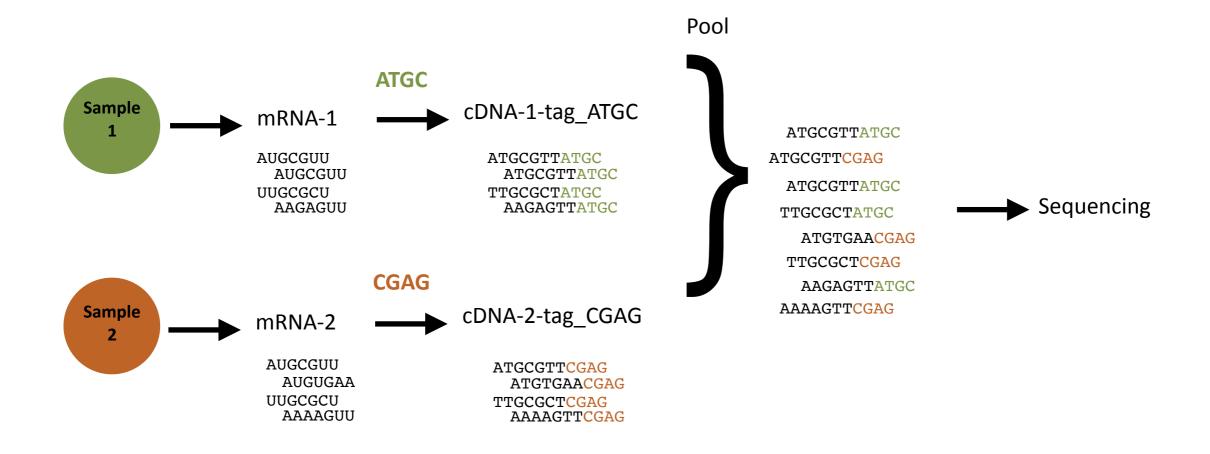
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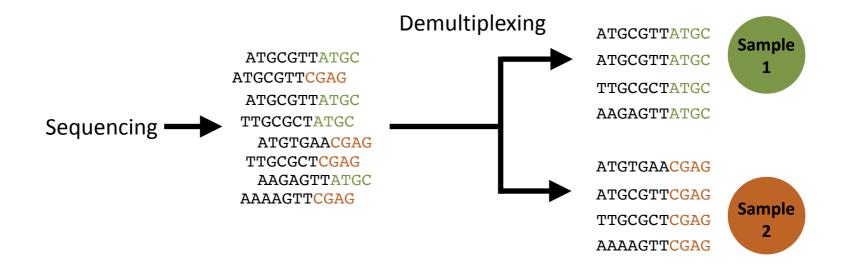
Multiplexing

Use of DNA tags (4-7 bp) to identify samples in the same sequencing lane, cell or sector.



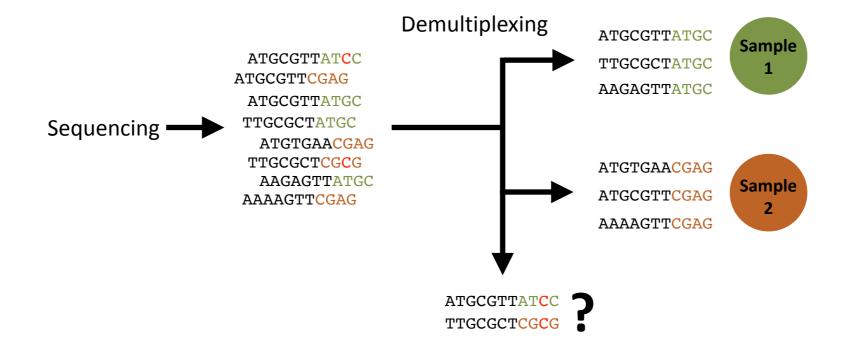
De-Multiplexing

Identification of the sequenced DNA samples using the DNA tag



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De-Multiplexing

Keys for barcode/tag designing (GBS/RADseq):

- The barcode does not contain or recreate the **enzyme cut site**.
- Any barcode in a set is at least two substitutions away from any other barcode.
- They **vary in length** as a set (to avoid the all cut site bases appearing at the same positions in the sequencing read).
- They contain the **complementary sticky** end to the enzyme cut site.

De-Multiplexing

Identification of the sequenced DNA samples using the DNA tag

Software	RE	Link
Fastx-toolkit (Barcode splitter)	No	http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit/
Ea-utils (Fastq-multx)	No	https://expressionanalysis.github.io/ea-utils/
GBSX	Yes	https://github.com/GenomicsCoreLeuven/GBSX
TASSEL	Yes	http://www.maizegenetics.net/tassel

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• Does the sequencing produced the expected number of reads?

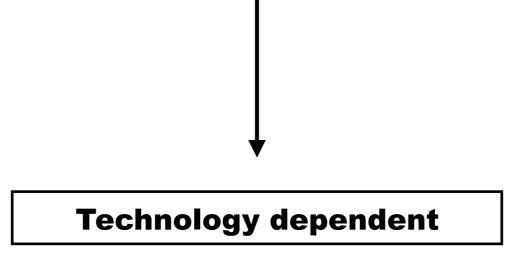
READ COUNTS

Do the reads have the expected average length?

AVERAGE READ LENGTH

Do the reads have the expected nucleotide qscore?

QSCORE NUCLEOTIDE BOXES



Fastq-Stats (http://expressionanalysis.github.io/ea-utils/)

```
Usage: fastq-stats [options] <fastq-file>
Version: 1.01 $Id$
Produces lots of easily digested statistics for the files listed
0ptions
      cyclemax: max cycles for which following quality stats are produced [35]
w INT window: max window size for generating duplicate read statistics [2000000]
      debug: prints out debug statements
      don't do duplicate read statistics
s INT number of top duplicate reads to display
x FIL output fastx statistics (requires an output filename)

    b FIL output base breakdown by per phred quality at every cycle.

      It sets cylemax to longest read length
L FIL Output length counts
The following data are printed to stdout:
                      : #reads in the fastg file
 reads
 len
                       : read length, mean and stdev are provided for variable read lengths
 phred
                      : phred scale used
 window-size

    Number of reads used to generate duplicate read statistics

 cycle-max

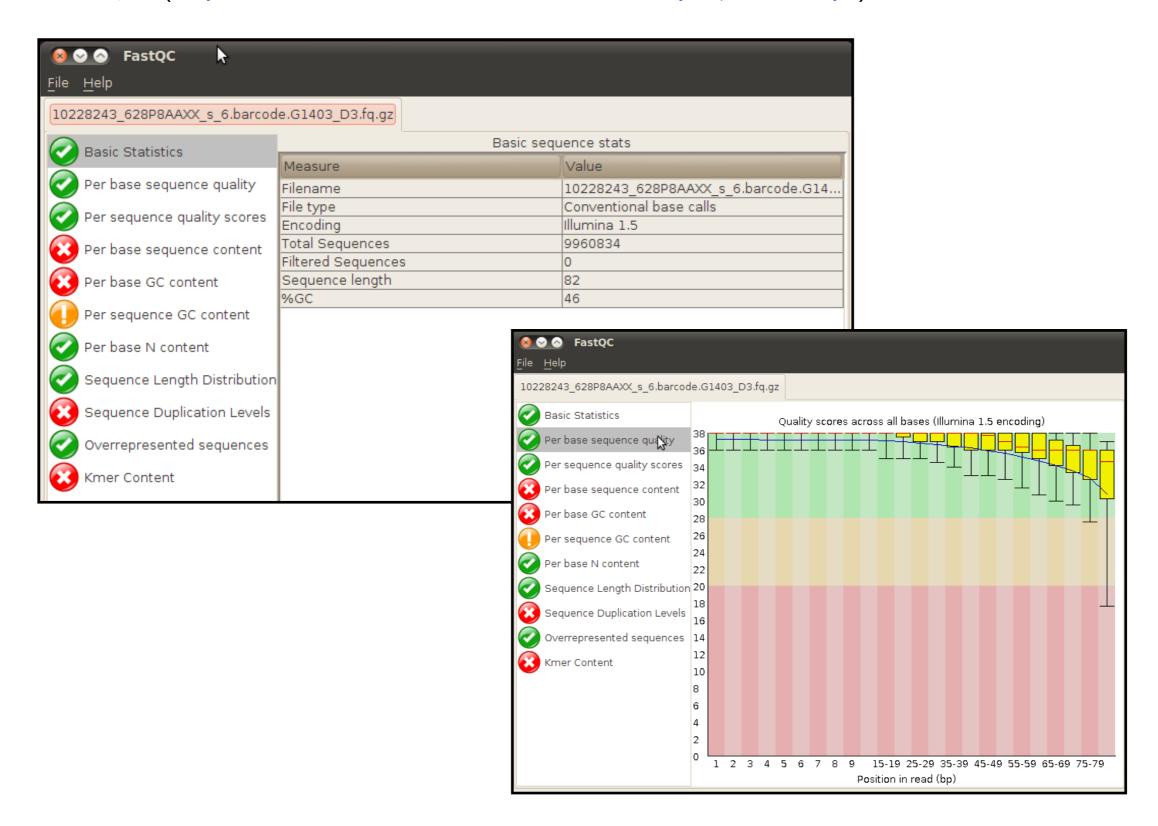
    Number of bases to assess for duplicity

    Number of reads that are duplicates

 %dup
                       : Pct reads that are duplcate
 unique-dup seq : Number sequences that are duplicated
                   : Smallest duplicate tally for any duplicate sequence
 min dup count
 dup seg <rank> <count> <seguence>
                       : Lists top 10 most frequent duplicate reads along with count mean and stdev
                       : Base Quality min, max and mean
 qual
 %A,%T,%C,%G
                       : base percentages
  total bases
                        : total number of bases
```

\$ fastq-stats <my_fastq_file> > my_fastq_stats

FastQC (http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/)



NanoPlot (https://github.com/wdecoster/NanoPlot)

Oxford Nanopore sequencing data

USAGE

Command Line Interface

```
NanoPlot [-h] [-v] [-t THREADS] [--verbose] [--store] [--raw]

[-o OUTDIR] [-p PREFIX] [--maxlength N] [--minlength N]

[--drop_outliers] [--downsample N] [--loglength]

[--percentqual] [--alength] [--minqual N]

[--readtype {1D,2D,1D2}] [--barcoded] [--runtime_until N]

[-c COLOR]

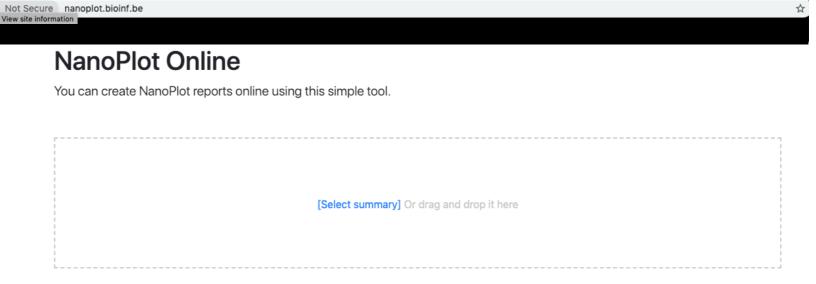
[-f {eps,jpeg,jpg,pdf,pgf,png,ps,raw,rgba,svg,svgz,tif,tiff}]

[--plots [{kde,hex,dot,pauvre} [{kde,hex,dot,pauvre} ...]]]

[--listcolors] [--no-N50] [--N50] [--title TITLE]

(--fastq file [file ...] | --fasta file [file ...] | --fastq_rich file [file ...] | --fastq_minimal
```

Online Tool: http://nanoplot.bioinf.be/



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- Trimming and removing of low quality reads (Short Reads)
- Adapter removal (Short & Sometimes Long Reads)
- Filtering of reads below certain length (Short & Long Reads)
- Remove of the PCR duplications (Short Reads Assemblies)
- Remove of contaminations (Short and Long Reads)
- Sequence correction (Short & Long Reads Assemblies)

 Most common filtering is associated with a minimum length and a minimum qscore (extremes, by average, minimum for all the nucleotides)

Tecnology	min. length (bp)	min. qscore
454	100	20
Illumina	50	30
SOLiD	20	30
Ion Torrent	50	20
PacBio	1000	NA
Oxford Nanopore	1000	NA

- Most common filtering is associated with a minimum length and a minimum qscore (extremes, by average, minimum for all the nucleotides)
- Some of these tools also remove the adapters
- Tools and time for processing varies depending of the technology.

Software	Link	
Fastx-toolkit	http://hannonlab.cshl.edu/fastx_toolkit/	
Ea-utils	https://expressionanalysis.github.io/ea-utils/	
PrinSeq	http://prinseq.sourceforge.net/	
Trimmomatic	http://www.usadellab.org/cms/?page=trimmomatic	

E.g. running Ea-utils command fastq-mcf:

\$ fastq-mcf -q 30 -I 50 -o s01_Q30L50_R1.fq Illumina_Adapters.fa s01_R1.fq

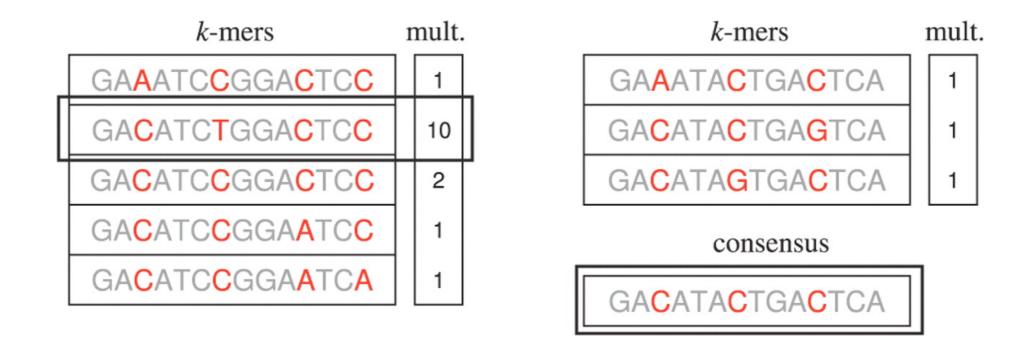
• Contaminations can be removed mapping the reads against a reference with the contaminants such as E. coli and human genomes. The most common tools

*Bowtie or BWA (for short reads)

*BlasR or Minimap2 (for long reads).

• It is specially important to remove the **contaminations on assembly processes**. They can removed before or after the assembly.

- Read correction is the process for which single nucleotide errors are corrected comparing them with Kmers, assembled sequences or other reads.
- Read correction can improve the sequence assembly.



Medvedev P. et al. Error correction of high-throughput sequencing datasets with non-uniform coverage Bioinformatics. 2011 27 (13):i137-i141

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Popular tools for short reads

- Quake (http://www.cbcb.umd.edu/software/quake/index.html)
- Reptile (http://aluru-sun.ece.iastate.edu/doku.php?id=software)
- ECHO (http://uc-echo.sourceforge.net/)
- Corrector (http://soap.genomics.org.cn/soapdenovo.html)
- Musket (http://musket.sourceforge.net/)

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Review of Genome Sequence Short Read Error Correction Algorithms

M. Tahir¹, M. Sardaraz¹, Ataul Aziz Ikram¹, Hassan Bajwa²

- Read correction is the process for which single nucleotide errors are corrected comparing them with Kmers, assembled sequences or other reads.
- Read correction can improve the sequence assembly.

Popular tools for long reads

- Self-alignment of PacBio reads.
 - PBcR (Celera Assembler: http://wgs-assembler.sourceforge.net/)
 - Canu (https://github.com/marbl/canu)
- Alignment of PacBio reads with Illumina contigs.
 - PacBioToCA (Celera Assembler: http://wgs-assembler.sourceforge.net/)
- Alignment of PacBio reads with Illumina reads.
 - Lordec (http://www.atgc-montpellier.fr/lordec/)
 - Proovread (https://github.com/BioInf-Wuerzburg/proovread)
 - LSC (http://www.healthcare.uiowa.edu/labs/au/LSC/)

Exercise 4.3 - Write a Bash script to retrieve the stats information of Fastq files

MATERIAL SOURCE:

/data/99_genomicclass/00_shared_data/Genomics/01_Illumina

EXPECTED OUTPUT:

A single file per FastQ file with the stats produced by fastq-stats