De novo assembly of complex genomes using 3rd generation sequencing Michael Schatz

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Assembling a Genome



2. Construct assembly graph from overlapping reads

...AGCCTAGACCTACAGGATGCGCGACACGT GGATGCGCGACACGTCGCATATCCGGT...

3. Simplify assembly graph



4. Detangle graph with long reads, mates, and other links



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Ingredients for a good assembly



High coverage is required

- Oversample the genome to ensure every base is sequenced with long overlaps between reads
- Biased coverage will also fragment assembly



Quality



Reads & mates must be longer than the repeats

- Short reads will have *false overlaps* forming hairball assembly graphs
- With long enough reads, assemble entire chromosomes into contigs

Errors obscure overlaps

- Reads are assembled by finding kmers shared in pair of reads
- High error rate requires very short seeds, increasing complexity and forming assembly hairballs

Assembly of Large Genomes using Second Generation Sequencing Schatz MC, Delcher AL, Salzberg SL (2010) *Genome Research*. 20:1165-1173.

Hybrid Sequencing





Illumina Sequencing by Synthesis

High throughput (60Gbp/day) High accuracy (~99%) Short reads (~100bp)

Pacific Biosciences

SMRT Sequencing

Lower throughput (600Mbp/day) Lower accuracy (~85%) Long reads (1-2kbp+)

SMRT Sequencing

Imaging of florescent phospholinked labeled nucleotides as they are incorporated by a polymerase anchored to a Zero-Mode Waveguide (ZMW).







Time

http://www.pacificbiosciences.com/assets/files/pacbio_technology_backgrounder.pdf

SMRT Sequencing Data

Yeast (12 Mbp genome)

65 SMRT cells 734,151 reads after filtering Mean: 642.3 +/- 587.3 Median: 553 Max: 8,495



FAAGCAGTTGAAAACTATGTGT**-**GATTTAG-ATAAAGAACATG<mark>G</mark>AAG 'GATCCATT-AGAAGA-AAACGCAAAAGGC -TATAAA<mark>T</mark>CAGTTGATCCATT<mark>A</mark>AGAA-A<mark>G</mark>AAACGC-AAAGGC-GCTAGG CAACCTTGAATGTAATCGCACTTGAAGAACAAGATTTTATTCCGCGCCCCG C-ACCTTG-ATGT-AT--CACTTGAAGAACAAGATTTTATTCCGCGCCCG TAACGAATCAAGATTCTGAAAACACAT-ATAACAACCTCCAAAA-CACAA T-ACGAATC-AGATTCTGAAAACA-ATGAT----ACCTCCAAAAGCACAA –AGGAGGGGAAAGGGGGGAATATCT–ΑΤΑΑΑΑGATTACAAATTAGA–ΤGA GAGGAGG---AA---GAATATCT<mark>G</mark>AT-AAAGATTACAAATT-GA<mark>G</mark>TGA ΑСТ-ΑΑΤΤCΑCAATA-ΑΑΤΑΑCACTTTTA-ΑCAGAATTGAT -GGAA-GTT ACTAAATTCACAA-ATAATAACACTTTTTAGACAAAATTGATGGGAAGGTT TCGGAGAGATCCAAAACAATGGGC-ATCGCCTTTGA-GTTAC-AATCAAA -GAGAGATCC-AAACAAT-GGC<mark>G</mark>ATCG-CTTTGA<mark>C</mark>GTTAC<mark>A</mark>AATCAAA ATCCAGTGGAAAATATAATTTATGCAATCCAGGAACTTATTCACAATTAG ATCCAGT-GAAAATATA--TTATGC-ATCCA-GAACTTATTCACAATTAG

TTGTAAGCAGTTGAAAACTATGTGT<mark>G</mark>GATTTAG<mark>A</mark>ATAAAGAACATG<mark>A</mark>AAG

Sample of 100k reads aligned with BLASR requiring >100bp alignment Average overall accuracy: 83.7%, 11.5% insertions, 3.4% deletions, 1.4% mismatch

PacBio Error Correction http://wgs-assembler.sf.net

- I. Correction Pipeline
 - I. Map short reads (SR) to long reads (LR)
 - 2. Trim LRs at coverage gaps
 - 3. Compute consensus for each LR



2. Error corrected reads can be easily assembled, aligned



Hybrid error correction and de novo assembly of single-molecule sequencing reads. Koren, S, Schatz, MC, Walenz, BP, Martin, J, Howard, J, Ganapathy, G, Wang, Z, Rasko, DA, McCombie, WR, Jarvis, ED, Phillippy, AM. (2012) *Under Review*

Error Correction Results



Correction results of 20x PacBio coverage of E. coli K12 corrected using 50x Illumina

SMRT-assembly



- Co-assemble error corrected long reads with short reads
 - Long reads natively span repeats (red)
 - Guards against mis-assemblies in draft assembly
 - Use all available data at once
- Challenges
 - Assembler must supports a wide mix of read lengths

Celera Assembler

http://wgs-assembler.sf.net

- I. Pre-overlap
 - Consistency checks
- 2. Trimming
 - Quality trimming & partial overlaps
- 3. Compute Overlaps
 - Find high quality overlaps
- 4. Error Correction
 - Evaluate difference in context of overlapping reads
- 5. Unitigging
 - Merge consistent reads
- 6. Scaffolding
 - Bundle mates, Order & Orient
- 7. Finalize Data
 - Build final consensus sequences



Assembly Results



SMRT-assembly results of 50x PacBio corrected coverage of E. coli K12 Long reads lead to **contigs** over 1Mbp

SMRT-Assembly Results

Reference bp

Assembly bp # Contigs

Max Contig Length

N50

Technology



Organism



Hybrid assembly results using error corrected PacBio reads Meets or beats Illumina-only or 454-only assembly in every case

Transcript Alignment



- Long-read single-molecule sequencing has potential to directly sequence full length transcripts
 - Raw reads and raw alignments (red) have many spurious indels inducing false frameshifts and other artifacts
 - Error corrected reads almost perfectly match the genome, pinpointing splice sites, identifying alternative splicing
- New collaboration with Gingeras Lab looking at splicing in human

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With new sequencing technologies and improved algorithms we can address these challenges

=> Cautiously optimistic

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