

Benchmarking reproducibility of Genotyping-By-Sequencing analysis workflows through comparison with SNP chip and pedigree data

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Apologies

• Rachael can't be joining us this week.



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United in Data, but...

when working with GBS data we noticed that people have different favourite tools





The challenge

- Find the best GBS analysis workflow
- Convince your peers





The team

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The test species



- Sheep, well behaved diploid species 3Gbp genome
- Previously pooled samples of highly heterozygous species that shall remain unnamed



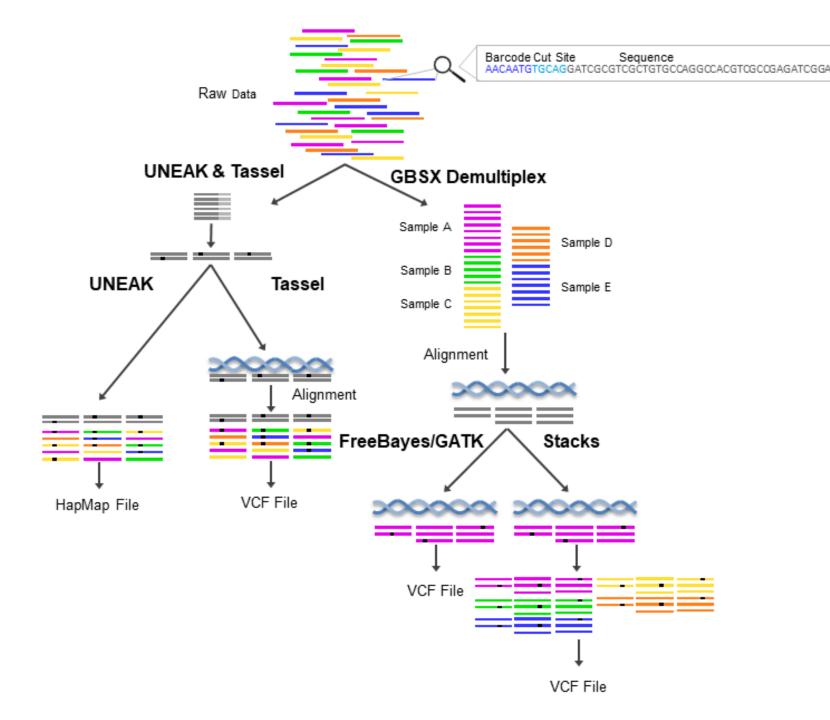
Hold on a minute, what's GBS?

- RRS 1-10% of the genome depending on RE (Pstl-Mspl)
- Multiplexed samples
- Genotypes
- Like a custom SNP chip, fitting your samples perfectly
- Range of downstream applications (breeding values, parentage test, population structure, ...)



Pipelines

 Different pipelines, with/without reference, NR/full depth, full length/64bp, 1 or more SNPs per tag, WGS vs RRS, Bayesian (prior knowledge) or not





Tools, an acquired taste

- Funny requirements like restrictions around chromosome names
- User-friendly?
- Compute expense (time, threads, RAM)
- Conda packages

pipeline	max RAM [GB]	compute time [dd]
bwa	9	10.20
GBSX	1	1.50
freebayes	35	4.00
GATK	14	23.00
Tassel5	49	0.04
Tassel3	10	0.04
Stacks	25	0.80
Samtools	2	2.00
UNEAK	26	0.17



Tools, some surprises...

- 'unsupported' GT
- Indels
- N SNPs
- duplicate positions, ...



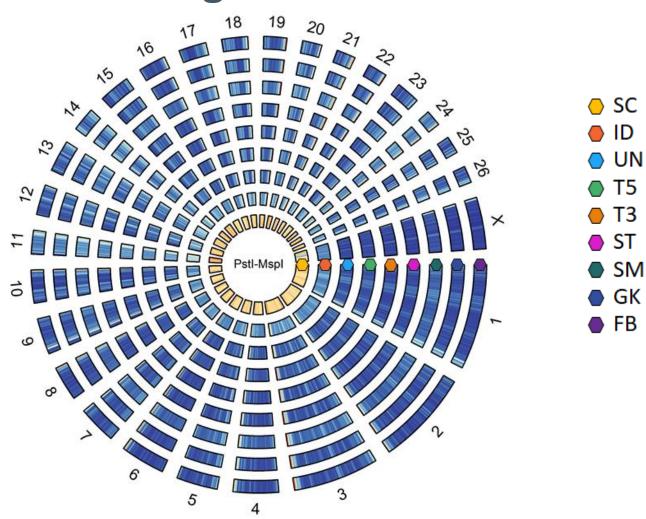
How to compare?

Statistics	SNP-calling Pipeline							
	STACKS	GATK	Freebayes	SM	Tassel3	Tassel5	UNEAK	
Number of SNPs	210 044	338 692	188 131	461 506	264 136	210 779	111 053	
Call rate	0.58	0.69	0.89	0.58	0.91	0.80	0.69	
Mean sample depth	5.18	5.26	10.78	4.46	13.29	8.74	6.30	
Mean co-call rate (sample pairs)	0.44	0.59	0.83	0.49	0.86	0.71	0.59	
Mean Inbreeding	0.26	0.31	0.10	0.09	0.21	0.12	0.08	

- Gold standard (SNP chip) & biology (pedigree)
- End results (GRM)



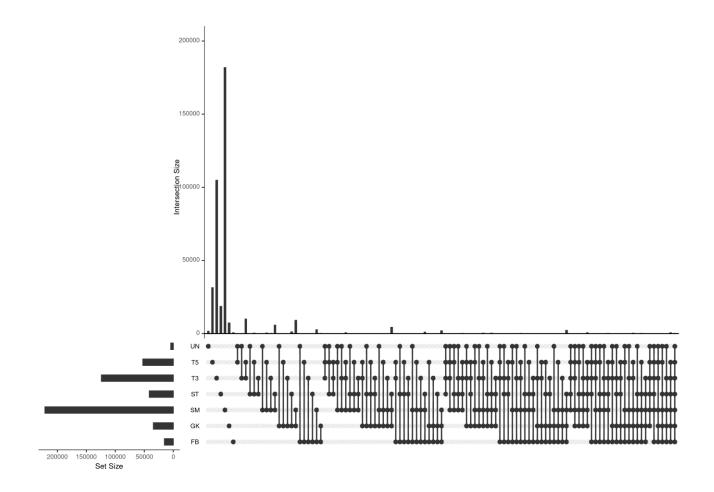
Relative genomic coverage





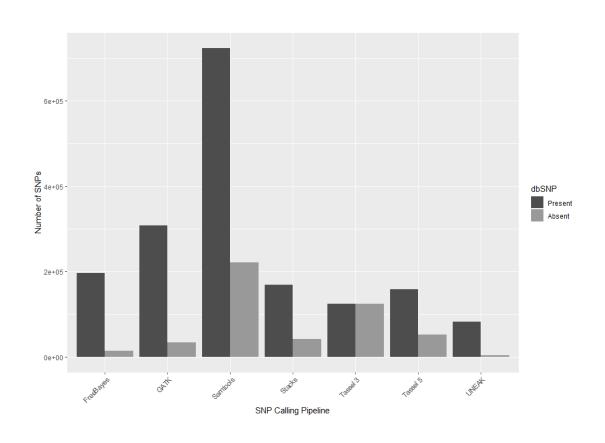
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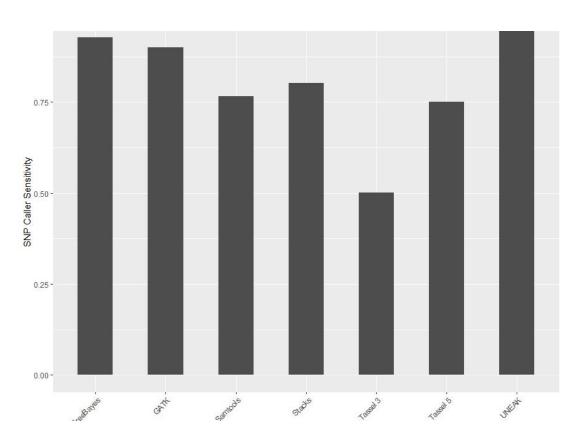
Upset plots, dbSNP





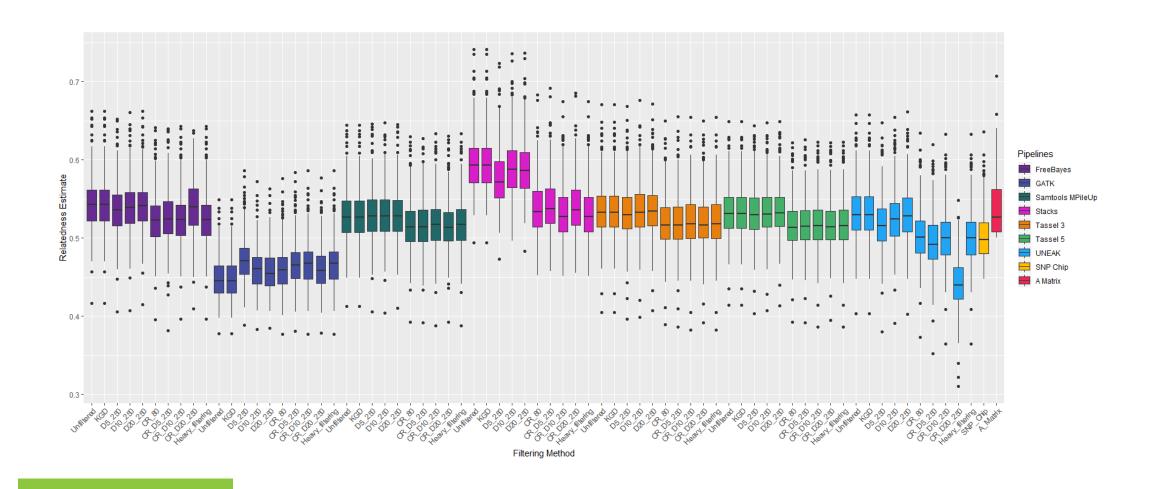
SNP sets vs dbSNP





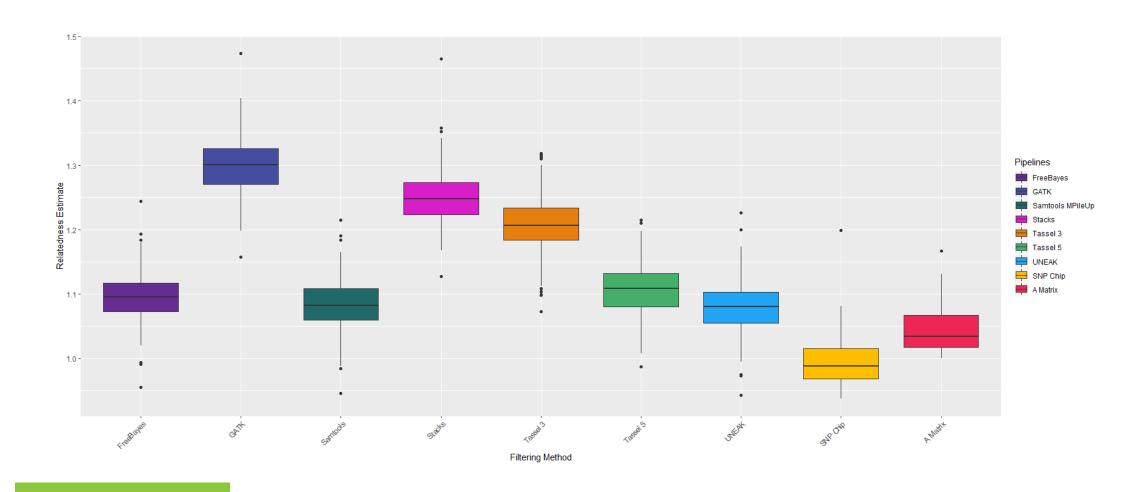


Relatedness, dams, etc.





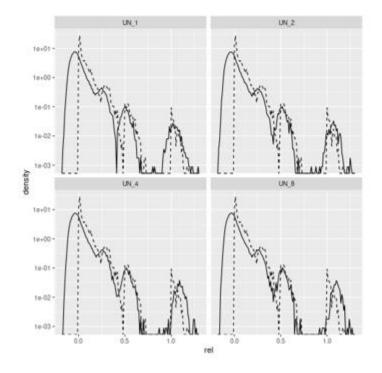
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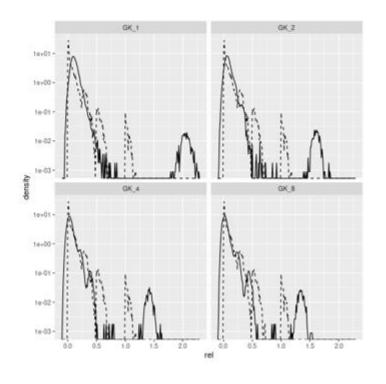


Relatedness matrix, plotted

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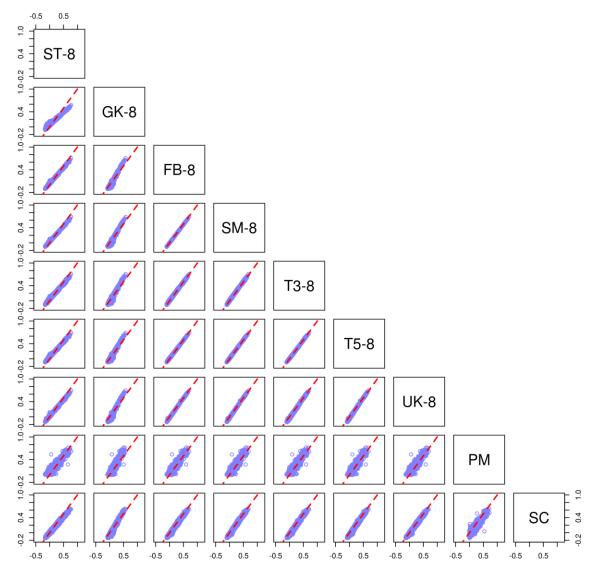
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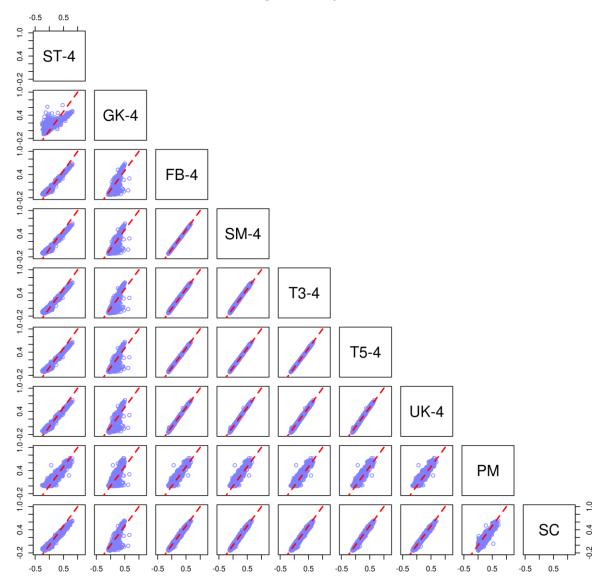


Lowering the depth

Off-diagonal comparisons



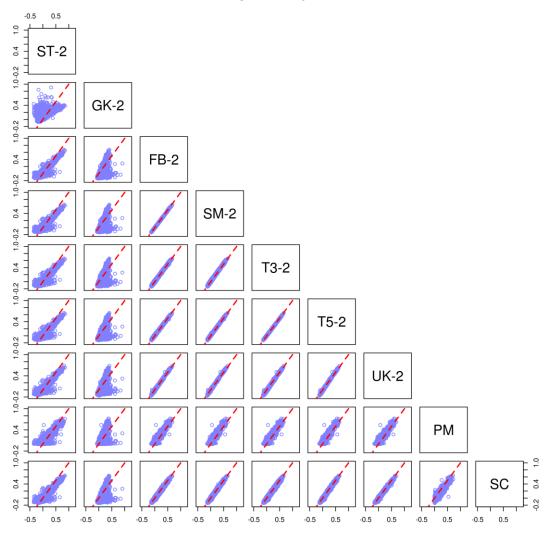
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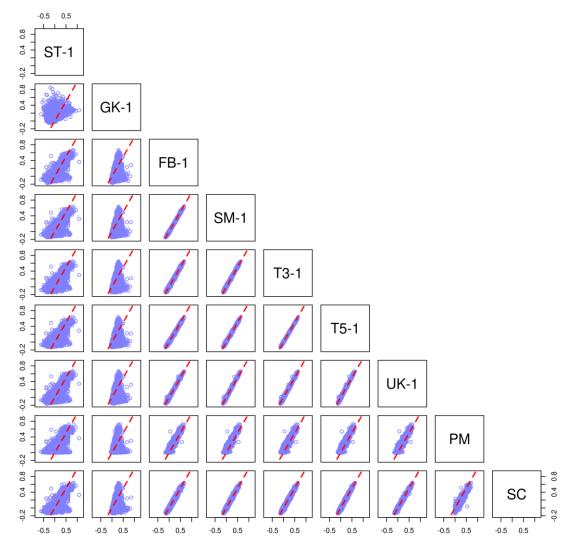


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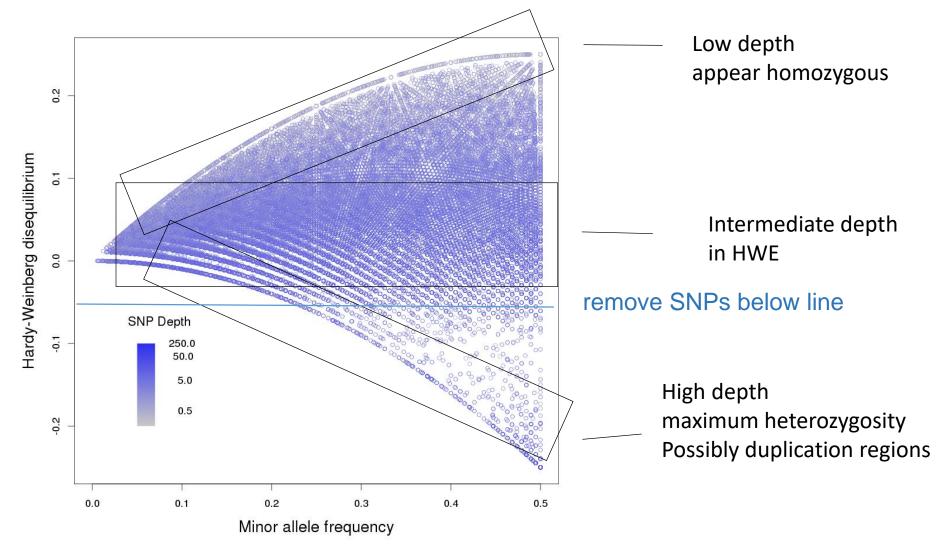


Low depth can work!

- Our tricks:
- problematic absolute GT, therefore use RA to get probabilistic genotypes
- don't require callrate of .8, instead create relationship matrix stepwise by doing all possible pairwise comparisons (more SNPs can be utilized)
- HW filter to get rid of repetitive sequence
- Finplot



research Sheep example





Lessons learned

- naming convention
- version control
- thoroughly check results before moving on
- gold standard
- biology

- Thanks!
- More on biorxiv soon....