IdPrism: Rapid Analysis of Forensic DNA Samples Using MPS SNP Profiles

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Overview

Introduction to DNA Forensics

Computational Bottlenecks

- SNP allele calling
- Identification Searching & Mixture Analysis
- Statistics Probability of Random Man Not Excluded



Core DNA Forensics Concepts





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Allele: One of many DNA sequences that may occupy a locus





SNP Sequencing To Meet Requirements

Requirements	STR Sizing	SNP Sequencing
Human ID		
Multi-contributor samples		
Extract unknown profiles		
Extended kinship		
Touch samples		
Biogeographic ancestry		
Appearance		



Converting Biological Signatures to Digital 'Barcodes'



Selection of rare SNPs creates unique minor allele signatures/barcodes for individuals & enables effective differentiation of multiple barcodes in a mixture



SNP Allele Calling and Sequencing Dynamic Range



Thousands of sequence reads at each SNP loci enables sensitive detection of minor contributors





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Problem #1 - SNP Calling Overview

Problem Complexity: O(N x L x M)

- 100 million sequences O(N)
- 200 base pair read lengths O(L)
- 2.5k to 15k target SNP loci O(M)

Current Standard pipelines:

- Align HTS sequences to human reference genome
- SNP call aligned reads
- One to many hours on larger Linux servers

New Approach: O(N x L)

- Identify target loci by sequence tags
 - Allow shared tags to map to 2+ loci
- Lock in target SNPs with flanking sequences

Example rs142 HTS reads (forward strand)





SNP Allele Calling Runtime Comparisons





Statistical Power of Large SNP Panel Sequencing

P(False Match) is function of total # of mixture major allele SNPs (N)

Let p be minor allele frequency Let q be the major allele frequency (q = 1 – p) Let L be the number of allele mismatches - enables tolerance for incomplete profiles



Increased statistical power with more SNPs

$$P_{RMNE}(L+1) = P_{RMNE}(L) * \frac{(n-L)}{L+1} * K$$



Mixture Analysis Runtime Comparisons





IdPrism: Advanced DNA Forensics Platform



The IdPrism Platform architecture for DNA analysis addresses current capability gaps within an extensible and scalable framework



Phase I Results: Finding Known References in DNA Mixture

Mixture Analysis Approach





Lab Equimolar 6-Person Mixture



Individual	P(RMNE)
A	2.8e-54
В	2.1e-54
С	2.1e-54
D	2.1e-54
E	2.1e-54
F	2.7e-54

Demonstrates MIT LL SNP approach can identify 6+ contributors in complex mixtures



Finding Known References in DNA Mixture



Demonstrates MIT LL SNP approach can identify 10⁺ contributors in complex mixtures

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