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Data analytics for personalized genomics and precision medicine

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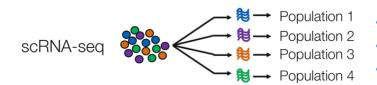
Lecture 18: Visualization and Protein-RNA/DNA

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What is single-cell analysis?

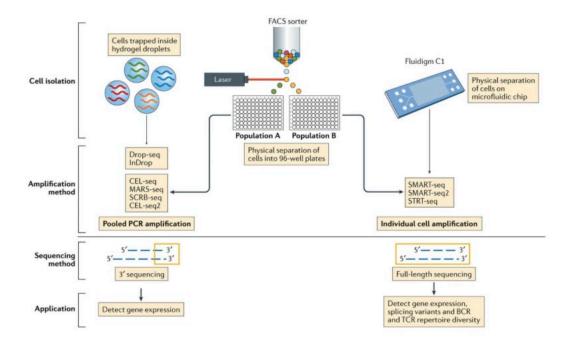
*Single cell sequencing -> sequence information from individual cell with optimized NGS technologies

Result: provide a high resolution of cellular differences



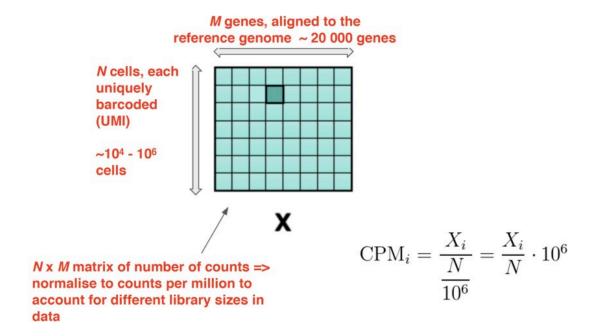
- define heterogeneity
- · identify rare cell population
- · cell population dynamics

How to do the single-cell sequencing



- From cell isolation to application

Gene expression matrix

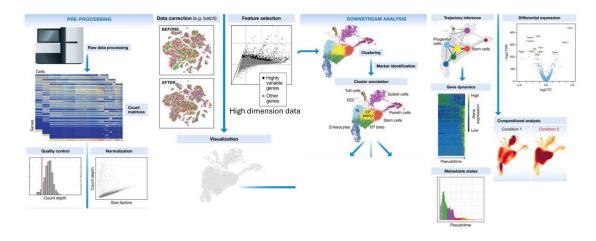


- N means total number

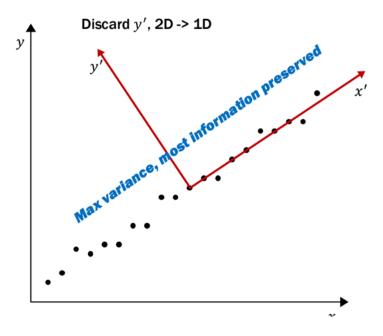
Challenges in single-cell data analytics

- Noise
- Doublet
- Dropout
- Batch effect (non-biological signal)

Single-cell RNA-seq analysis



Dimension reduction-- PCA

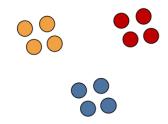


* Data to the direction with highest variance -> we will preserve (the 2 higher value)

Problem of PCA

- original clusters are not preserved
- **use T-SNE (t-distributed stochastic neighbor embedding)
- A nonlinear dimensionality reduction technique well-suited for embedding high-dimensional data for visualization in a low-dimensional space of two or three dimensions
- Similar objects are modelled by nearby points and dissimilar
 objects are modelled by distant points with high probability

Process of t-SNE



- 1. Random initialization
- 2. For each point, update the position a little bit
- 3. .
- 4. Until no more update



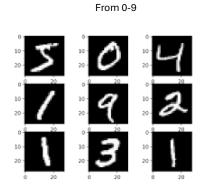
Compare the cluster to the original cluster. The points from the same cluster attract each other. The points from different clusters push apart each other In low-dimension space

in on unions space

x reverse

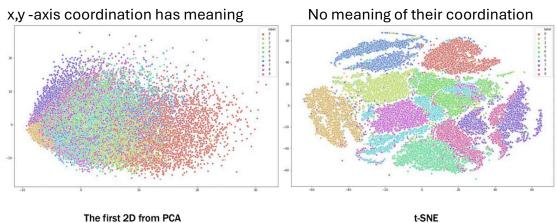
PCA vs t-SNE



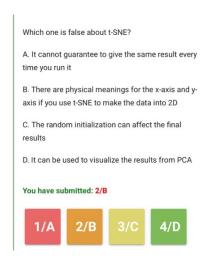


28*28=784D

- 28*28 means each image dimension



t-SNE much better than PCA in visualization



T-SNE

- No physical meaning
- No physical distance
- Just realize data

Disadvantages of t-SNE

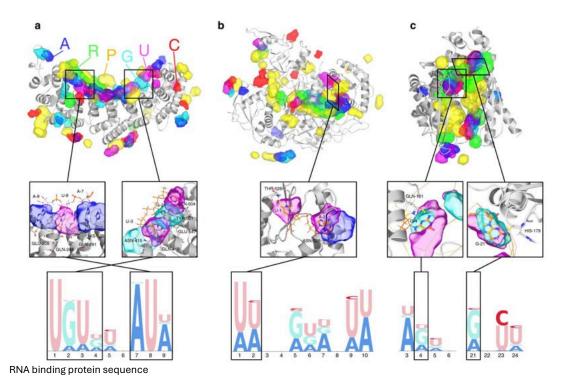
- Iterative: longer running time
- ❖ Non-deterministic: different runs may have different results
- ❖ Noisy patterns
- The original distance is not precisely preserved
- ❖ UMAP could be an alternative
- For UMAP is similar with t-SNE

T-SNE/UMAP in Python

Examples

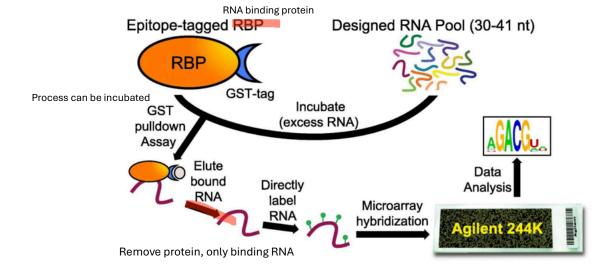
- n_components=2 means 2D place
- (4,2) = (no. of different data point, no. of dimension)

Protein binding has preference



- Different binding protein -> different binding pattern

Method of get the binding motif by experiments



From aligned sequences to motif

❖ Notice that the sequences should be aligned before converting into motif

Table 1: Starting sequences.

#	Sequence	
1	AAGAAT	
2	ATCATA	
3	AAGTAA	
4	AACAAA	
5	ATTAAA	
6	AAGAAT	

Table 2: Position Count Matrix.

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6
A	6	4	0	5	5	4
\mathbf{C}	0	0	2	0	0	0
G	0	0	3	0	0	0
T	0	2	1	1	1	2

- Aligned means the first thing do alignment
- If don't aligned -> will have different sequence -> doesn't match

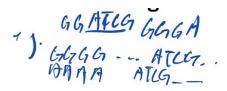


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Table 3: Position Probability Matrix.

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6
A	1.00	0.67	0.00	0.83	0.83	0.66
C	0.00	0.00	0.33	0.00	0.00	0.00
G	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
T	0.00	0.33	0.17	0.17	0.17	0.33



Figure 1: Sequence logo of a Position Probability Matrix

