Deblur

Rapidly Resolves Single-Nucleotide Community Sequence Patterns

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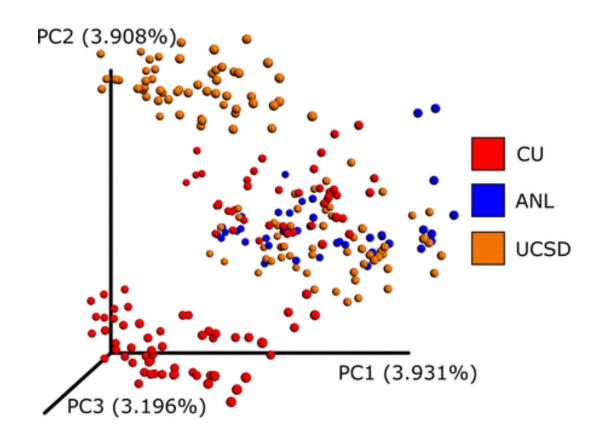
Clustering to OTUs - Why?

- Absence of traditional systems of biological classification.
- Facilitates understanding of complex microbial communities.
- Overcoming sequencing errors.



Clustering to OTUs - Problems

- Sequences below the identity threshold cannot be differentiated.
- False positive outputs.
- Inflate diversity estimates.
- Merging OTUs.



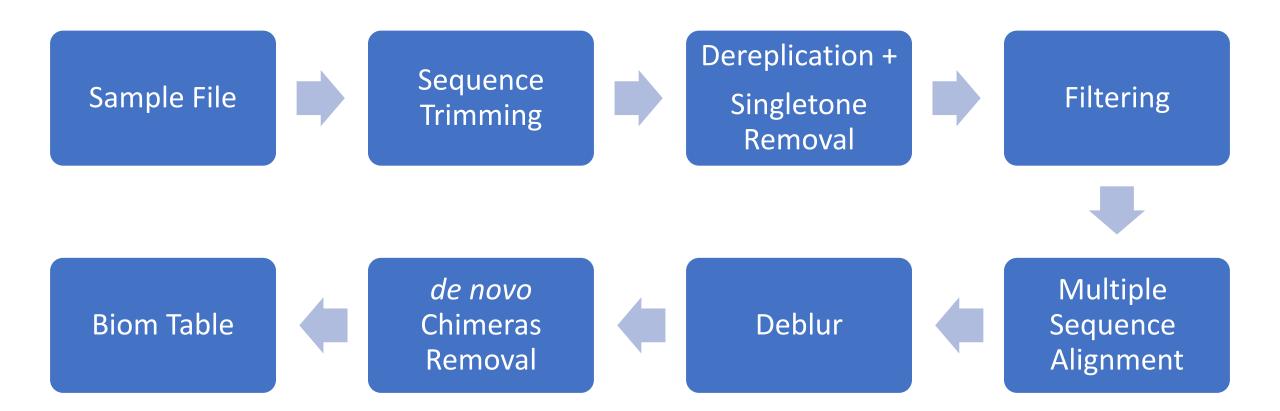
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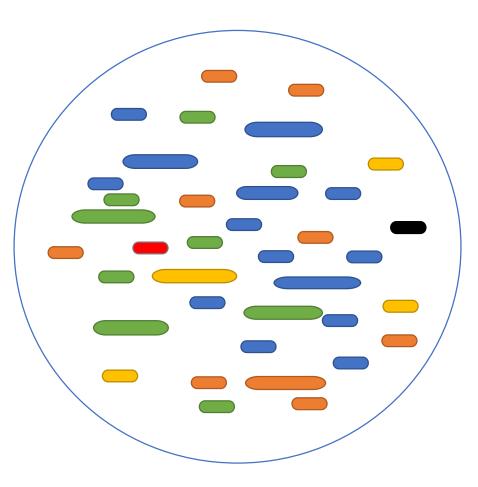
a novel sub-OTU (sOTU) **denoising** method for **fast and accurate** identification of sequences within a sample, with **single-nucleotide**

resolution, and can be used to integrate large data sets.

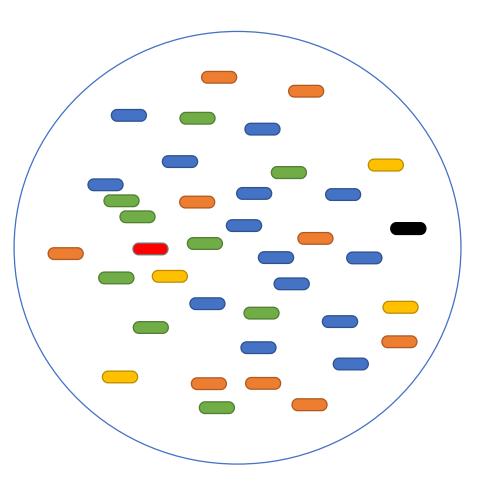




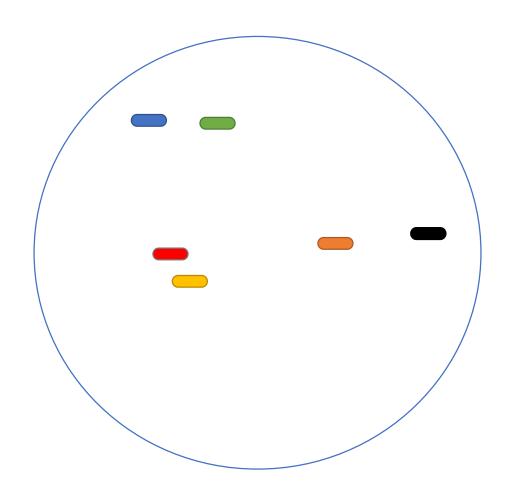
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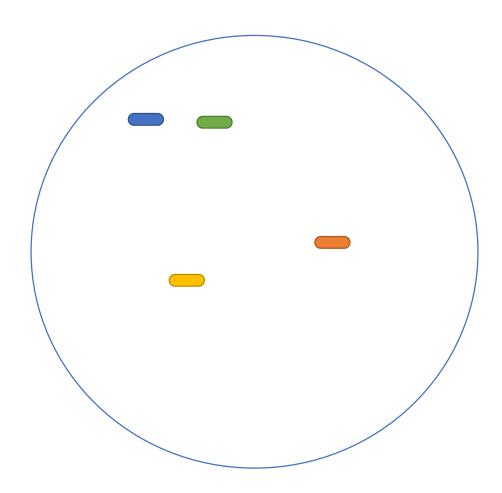
Sequence Trimming

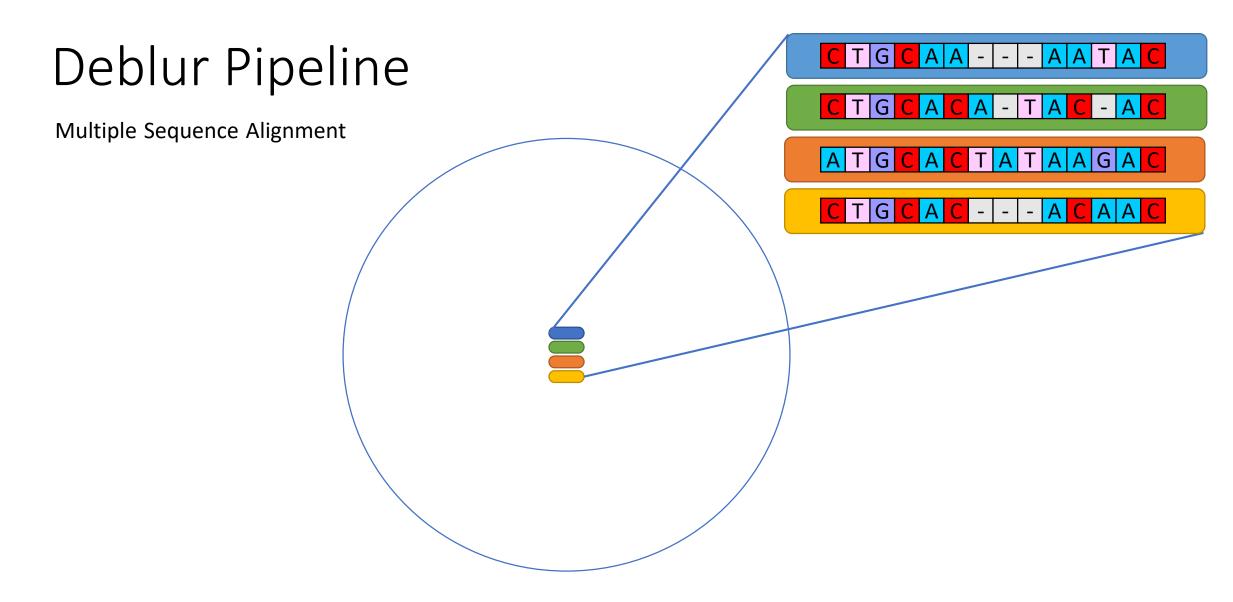


Dereplication



Singletone Removal

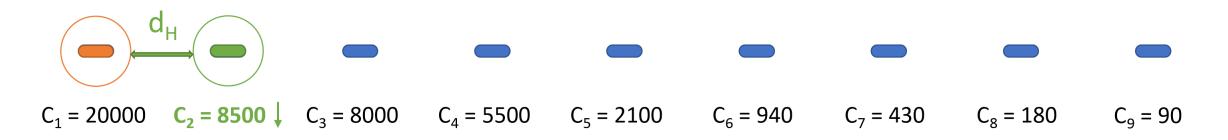




Deblur Algorithm - terms in use

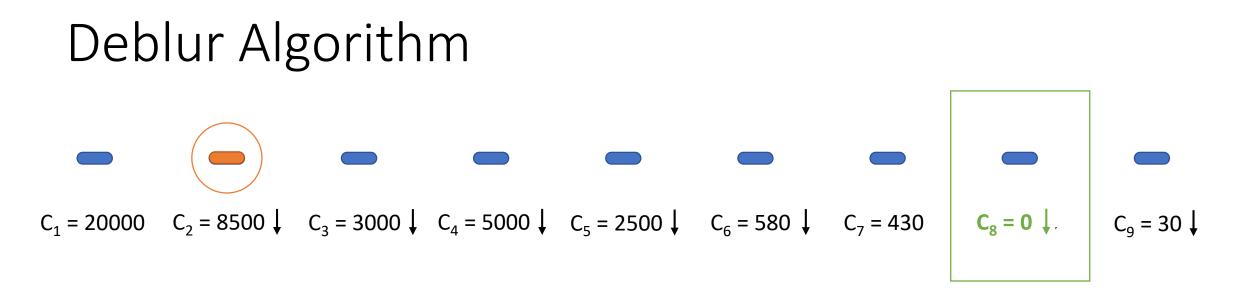
- Greedy Algorithm uses <u>error profiles</u> to obtain putative error-free sequences.
- Predicted error-derived reads assembled by:
 - $\beta(d)$ upper error rate bound according to Hamming distance(d_H).
 - α mean probability of obtaining a misread.
- Reads $\{r_i\}$, corresponding Counts $\{c_i\}$ and $\{c'_i\}$ actual Counts.

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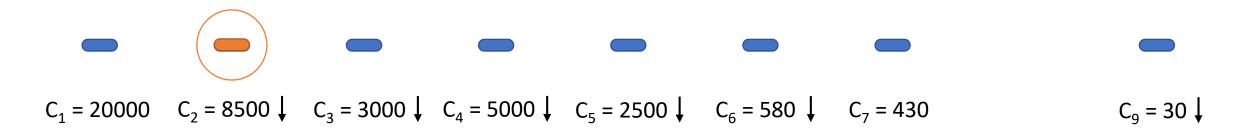
i = 1:
$$C'_{1} = C_{1} / (1 - \alpha)$$

For all j > i: $\beta = \beta(d_{H})$
 $C_{j} = C_{i} - (C'_{1} * (1 - \beta))$

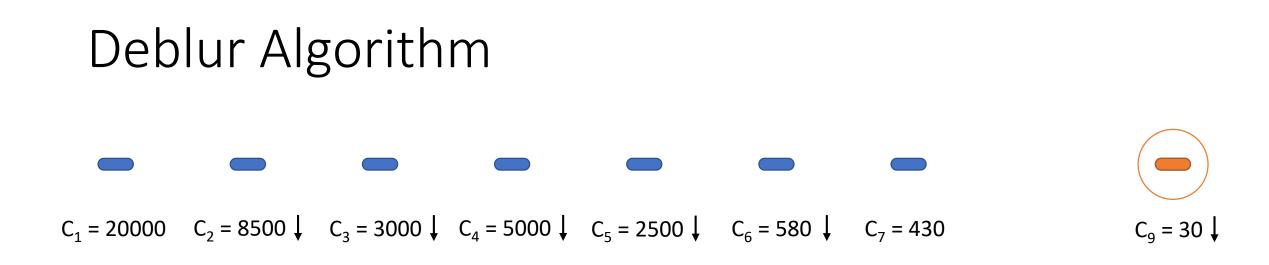


i = 2:
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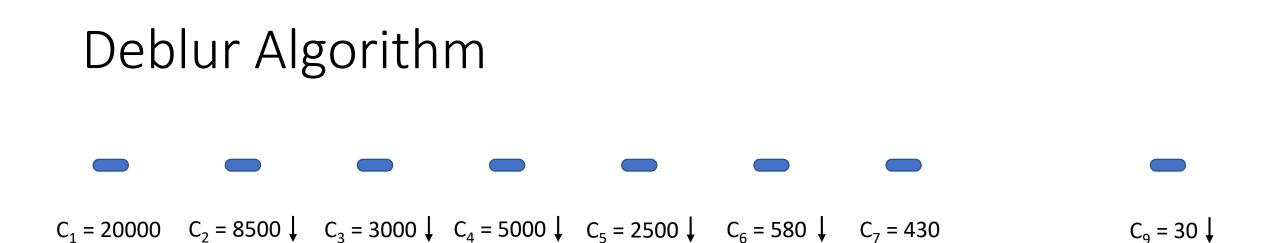
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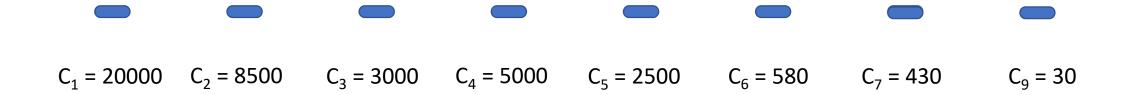


i = **9**:
$$C'_9 = C_9 / (1 - \alpha)$$



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Denoising complete



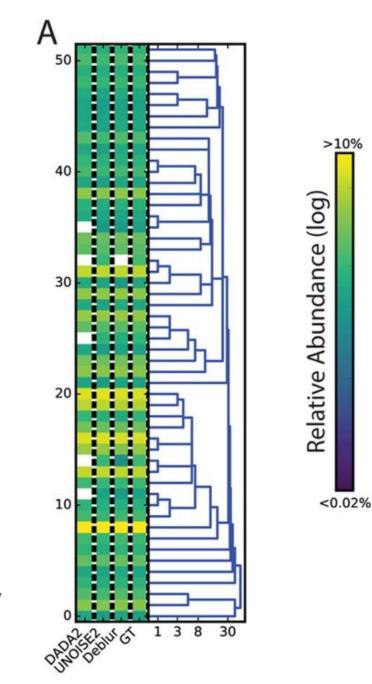
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Results – methods compared to

- Dada2
 - Error model unique for each sequence run
 - Fixing errors (combined in partition)
 - Open source
- UNOISE2
 - One-pass clustering
 - generate "zero-radius OTUs"

• All three methods identified sOTUs

with single-nucleotide differences.



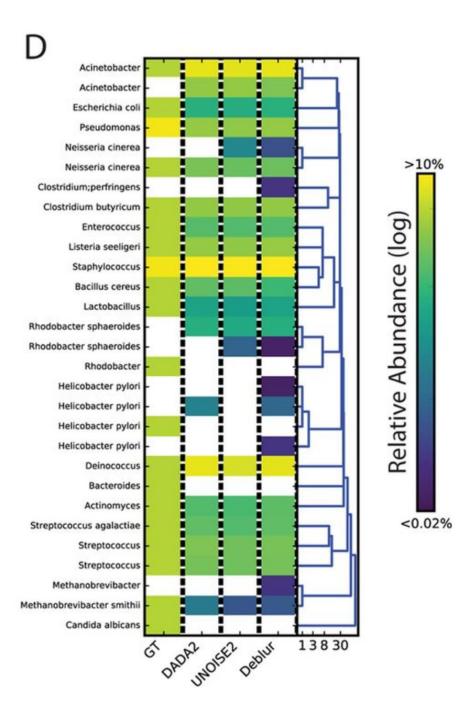
samples from a real fecal community

• All methods produced results that were

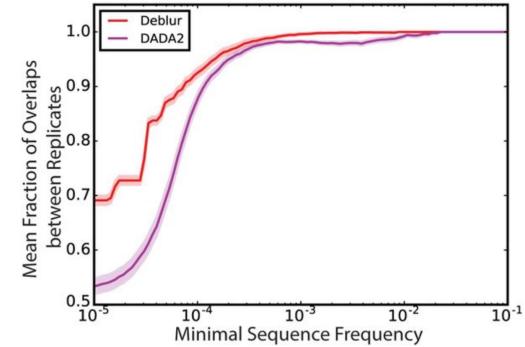
close to the ground truth.

 Deblur's output consist of some relative low abundance sOTUs that are not present in the GT.

performans on community from mock-3



- Compared levels of stability of Deblur and DADA2 using technical replicates from a data set.
- Deblur showed greater stability than
 DADA2, indicating that a larger fraction
 of sOTUs from the first run were also
 identified in the second run.

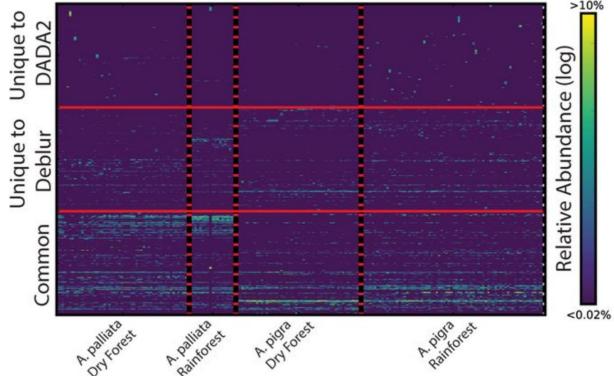


 Heat maps showing sOTUs (rows) in common with Deblur and DADA2, as well as those unique to

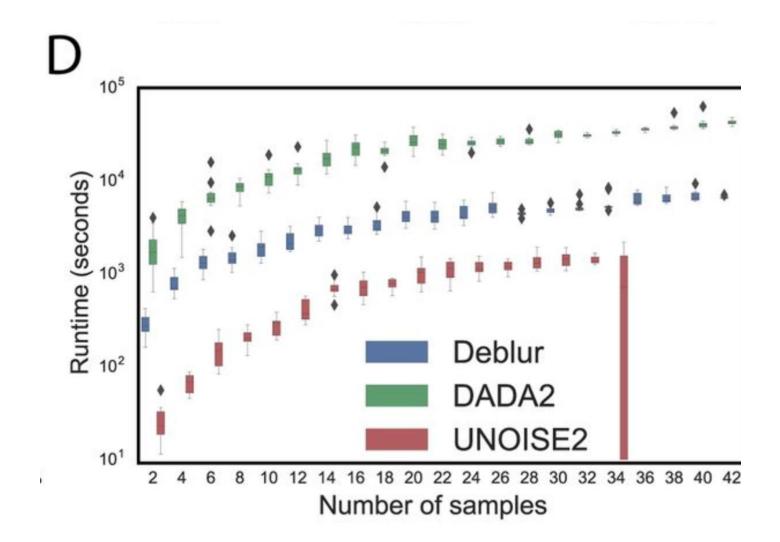
Deblur and DADA2

(bottom, middle, and top rows,

respectively)



Results – runtime Comparison



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Summary

- Rapid and sensitive means to assess ecological patterns.
- Like DADA2 and UNOISE2, Deblur produces stable sOTUs which can achieve single-nucleotide resolution.
- Applicable in an automated fashion to large-scale sequencing data sets, and can integrate sequencing runs collected over time.

Deblur vs Dada2 – summary

- Deblur
 - Operates on each sample independently and removes errors
 - Amount of memory and time is significantly less than Dada2
- Dada2
 - Unique error Model which allows
 - more refined error correcting and identification of low abundance sequences.

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Discussion Points

- Which criteria should be examined when choosing which method to apply?
- Exploring the internet, I found Dada2 to be in greater use

and with more discussions on it. What could be the reason?