Next Generation Crop Improvement

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REVIEWS

Crop genomics: advances and applications

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Soybean Genomics Strategic Plan

- Goal I: Improve Utility of Genome Sequence
 - Improve bioinformatics resources practical applications
- Goal 2:Translational Genomics Optimize Breeding Efficiency

Boerma et al. 2011

Topics

- Next generation populations
- Selection against deleterious mutations
- Applications of genomewide SNP data





Observational Astronomy

Information about places we won't ever visit
The visible portion of the electromagnetic spectrum is only a fraction of what exists
DNA resequencing data latent with information about the past



DNA Resequencing

- Most direct measure of genetic diversity
- Can assay all heritable variation
- Can now be collected very rapidly



Genome Size



Short Read Mapping



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Molecular Population Genetics



Derived Site Frequency Spectrum (SFS) GGGATGGCC....GGCACGGGC C. A. G. 4 4 1 1 2 4



Derived SFS





Buckler et al. 2009

Next Generation Populations

- Where are mutations that control quantitative variation?
 - How large an effect do they have?
- What is their frequency in the population?

QTL Mapping

- Quantitative Trait Locus mapping
- Progeny segregating for portions of the parental genomes
- Statistical test of association between genotype and phenotype



Association Mapping

- Statistical association between SNPs and phenotype
- Generally assumes common disease (trait) common variant
- Fails under selection mutation balance
 - Constant flux of rare causative mutations



Phenotype

Assumptions

Future Resources - Next Generation

- Reference genome sequences and fully resequence genomes for all major crops
- 10⁵ 10⁶ SNPs will be available for inexpensive genotyping in most crops

Multiparent QTL

- Multiple parental lines; multiple generations
- Similar to barley composite crosses from 1920's
 - Arabidopsis MAGIC populations
 - Drosophila synthetic



Macdonald & Long 2007

Mating Designs



Rockman & Kruglyak 2008

Multiparent Population



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Multiparent QTL



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Allelic Effects



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Deleterious Mutations

- An mutation that reduces fitness or viability (yield)
 - Premature stop codons, insertions/ deletions, splice site variants
 - Amino acid changes
 - Cis-acting regulatory factors



• 100s to 1000s per genome in humans

Deleterious Mutations

Rice. . . ABrachypodium. . . ASorghum. . . AA. . . AA. . . A

Maize

- . . . AAC CAC CTT AAC CAC CTC . . .
 - . AACCACCIC. . .
- Asn His Leu
- ... AACGATCTC...

Asn Asp Leu

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Deleterious vs. Lethal

- Lethal mutations quickly purged upon inbreeding
- Deleterious mutations modest frequency
 - Can reaching higher frequencies due to linkage drag or 'allelic surfing'
 - Harbored in genomic regions with low recombination rate

Recombination Rate



Gore et al. 2009

In Breeding Populations



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Relevance to Crops

- The potential to purge deleterious mutations is related to population size
 - Many breeding programs have very small effective size
- Biggest diminution in fitness when deleterious mutations are homozygous
 - Barley, soybeans, and wheat...

Applications

- 'Reverse genomic selection' against deleterious mutation could improve yield
 - Deleterious changes in genes that aren't directly associated to traits
- Targeted recombination purge deleterious changes

Genomic Selection



Genome Level Analysis

Extended linkage disequilibrium in teosinte
Genetic provenance of climate adapted

mutations in barley

Inversion Evidence

- Decreased recombination rate in inversion region
- Low haplotype numbers for the SNPs inside inversion
- High Fst values for the SNPs inside inversion



Fang et al. (in review)

Inversion Frequency



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Association - Altitude



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Wild Barley Diversity Collection Sample Sizes - 196, 116



Average Fst BOPA I 0.09 BOPA2 0.13

Aridity - Western Asia



Fst - Chromosomal

Wild Barley - Chromosome 5 0.7 0.6 0.5 0.4 Fst 0.3 Adh3 0.2 0.1 C രം ్ం 0.0 Ó cM Distance

443 SNPs

Opportunities

• Genomics era has just begun

- Many patterns are easy to find
- SNP metadata 'data about data' is very important
 - Latent with information from places we can't visit!

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Gene Isolation

