

The Role of DNA in Kinship Analysis



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Outline

• Forensic DNA analysis / DNA biometrics

- Complex kinship testing
- Kinship analysis software

Forensic DNA Analysis

DNA Biometrics

Steps in Forensic DNA Analysis

Usually 1-2 day process (a minimum of ~8 hours)



Forensic DNA Typing

Example of 6 markers + sex-typing marker



A common set of 13 <u>Short Tandem Repeat (STR)</u> markers ("CODIS loci") are genotyped to search state and national databases

DNA Typing as a Biometric

Advantages

- High level of accuracy (Gold Standard)
- Solid foundation of forensic DNA testing (pop stats, molecular biology, protocols, training, court acceptance, education)
- Kinship analysis (unique to DNA)
- Potential use for:
 - Phenotype (traits; eye/hair color)
 - Ancestry

Challenges

- Expensive
- Time consuming
- Sample collection (invasive, stability issues)
- Technical expertise required for analysis
- Low level template, mixtures, PCR inhibition
- Policy/Privacy/Ethical issues

Interest in Rapid DNA Typing

- DoD (field testing, rapid intelligence, mass fatalities)
- DHS (kinship determination, border security, immigration)
- DoJ (law enforcement, initial information)
- Industry (security, authentication)

Rapid DNA Typing Systems under Development

- Systems are currently under development and are not yet commercially available
- Network Biosystems (Woburn, MA)
 <u>http://www.netbio.com</u>
- MicroLab Diagnostics and Lockheed Martin (Charlottesville,VA)
 <u>http://www.microlabdiagnostics.com</u>
- Microchip Biotechnologies, Inc. (Pleasanton, CA) <u>http://www.microchipbiotech.com</u>
- Forensic Science Service (UK)
 <u>http://www.forensic.gov.uk/</u>

<u>Use of DNA as a Biometric Tool</u> American Academy of Forensic Science, Feb 22, 2010, Seattle, WA http://www.cstl.nist.gov/biotech/strbase/NISTpub.htm

Complex Kinship Analysis





Using DNA to Detect Genetic Relationships

- DNA profiles can be used to evaluate the probability of a specific kinship relationship
- Various situations
 - Paternity (civil and criminal)
 - Familial searching
 - Mass disasters
 - Unidentified human remains
 - Inheritance
 - Immigration
 - Military intelligence



Human Genome and Inheritance



Autosomal Paternity Example





Focusing on 5 markers...

Autosomal Paternity Example



Focusing on 5 STR markers...

Different Inheritance Patterns



CODIS STR Loci

Lineage Markers



Autosomal (passed on in part, from all ancestors) but only by sons)

but only by daughters)

Butler, J.M. (2005) Forensic DNA Typing, 2nd Edition, Figure 9.1, ©Elsevier Science/Academic Press

Mutation of STR Markers



Mutation of STR Markers



- Typically observe 1-step mutations (99%)
- Gain or loss of repeat unit possible
- Average STR mutation frequency = 0.001
- Must factor in mutation for kinship analyses

Extended Family Samples

- 6 sets of family samples (3 4 generations)
- N = 165 (total samples)
- Loci examined
 - 43 autosomal loci (13 CODIS + 2, 25 NIST loci, PowerPlex ESI 17, NGM loci)
 - 17 Y-chromosomal loci (Yfiler loci)
 - 15 X-STRs (AFDIL collaboration)
 - Mitochondrial control region (to be typed)
- These samples are being used to illustrate the value (or limitations) of current and additional marker systems

Extended Family Samples



23 5 31 30 26 27 29. 10 11 12,13 13,13 10.12 10,14 10,12 10,10 10,14 10,13 10,10

Family Pedigree with STR Marker D8S1179

Examine Basic Allele Sharing

| | Marker | Fatl | her | Mot | ther | | | Marker | Fatl | ner | Chi | ld | Mo | ther |
|----|---------|------|-----|-----|------|------------|----|---------|------|-----|-----|----|----|------|
| 1 | CSF1PO | 10 | 10 | 10 | 12 | | 1 | CSF1PO | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 12 |
| 2 | ΤΡΟΧ | 8 | 8 | 8 | 10 | | 2 | TPOX | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| 3 | TH01 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 9 | | 3 | TH01 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 9 |
| 4 | vWA | 17 | 18 | 17 | 20 | | 4 | vWA | 17 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 20 |
| 5 | D16S539 | 11 | 13 | 8 | 9 | | 5 | D16S539 | 11 | 13 | 9 | 13 | 8 | 9 |
| 6 | D7S820 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 12 | (Married C | 6 | D7S820 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 12 |
| 7 | D13S317 | 11 | 14 | 8 | 12 | | 7 | D13S317 | 11 | 14 | 8 | 14 | 8 | 12 |
| 8 | D5S818 | 12 | 13 | 11 | 13 | | 8 | D5S818 | 12 | 13 | 11 | 13 | 11 | 13 |
| 9 | FGA | 21 | 22 | 21 | 25 | | 9 | FGA | 21 | 22 | 21 | 25 | 21 | 25 |
| 10 | D8S1179 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 14 | | 10 | D8S1179 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 14 |
| 11 | D18S51 | 14 | 16 | 14 | 17 | | 11 | D18S51 | 14 | 16 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 17 |
| 12 | D21S11 | 28 | 30 | 31 | 32.2 | | 12 | D21S11 | 28 | 30 | 28 | 31 | 31 | 32.2 |
| 13 | D3S1358 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 17 | | 13 | D3S1358 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 17 |
| 14 | D2S1338 | 22 | 23 | 23 | 25 | | 14 | D2S1338 | 22 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 25 |
| 15 | D19S433 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 14 | | 15 | D19S433 | 12 | 14 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 14 |

The child inherits an allele from each parent

Siblings and Avuncular

| | Marker | | ner | Siste | r |
|----|---------|----|-----|-------|----|
| 1 | CSF1PO | 10 | 10 | 10 | 12 |
| 2 | ΤΡΟΧ | 8 | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| 3 | TH01 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 9 |
| 4 | vWA | 17 | 17 | 17 | 20 |
| 5 | D16S539 | 9 | 13 | 9 | 11 |
| 6 | D7S820 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 12 |
| 7 | D13S317 | 8 | 14 | 11 | 12 |
| 8 | D5S818 | 11 | 13 | 11 | 12 |
| 9 | FGA | 21 | 25 | 21 | 25 |
| 10 | D8S1179 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 14 |
| 11 | D18S51 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 14 |
| 12 | D21S11 | 28 | 31 | 30 | 32 |
| 13 | D3S1358 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 17 |
| 14 | D2S1338 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 25 |
| 15 | D19S433 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 14 |

| | Marker | Uncle | | Nephe | ew |
|----|---------|-------|----|-------|-----|
| 1 | CSF1PO | 10 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 2 | ΤΡΟΧ | 8 | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| 3 | TH01 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 9.3 |
| 4 | vWA | 17 | 18 | 16 | 17 |
| 5 | D16S539 | 11 | 13 | 11 | 13 |
| 6 | D7S820 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 11 |
| 7 | D13S317 | 11 | 14 | 11 | 12 |
| 8 | D5S818 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 12 |
| 9 | FGA | 21 | 22 | 20 | 24 |
| 10 | D8S1179 | 12 | 14 | 10 | 13 |
| 11 | D18S51 | 14 | 16 | 13 | 13 |
| 12 | D21S11 | 28 | 30 | 27 | 31 |
| 13 | D3S1358 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 18 |
| 14 | D2S1338 | 22 | 23 | 18 | 22 |
| 15 | D19S433 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 14 |

Evaluating Relatedness

- Examining or counting shared alleles is qualitative
- Likelihood ratio can be used to help quantify the information

LR = <u>Probability of data under one hypothesis</u> Probability of data under alternative hypothesis

Likelihood Ratio Equations Motherless Paternity Case

| Genotype Comb | pinations at One Marker | Likelihood Ratio |
|------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| Child's Genotype | Alleged Father's Genotype | |
| AA | AA | 1/p _A |
| AA | BB | 0 |
| AA | AB | 1/2p _A |
| AA | BC | 0 |
| AB | AB | $(p_A + p_B)/4p_A p_B$ |
| AB | AC | 1/4p _A |
| AB | CD | 0 |

Multiply LR across all loci

 $LR = \frac{Probability of data if the alleged father is the true father}{Probability of data if an unrelated man is the true father}$

Allele Sharing Probabilities

| Relationship | 0 alleles | 1 alleles | 2 alleles |
|------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Parent-child | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Full siblings | 1/4 | 1/2 | 1/4 |
| Half siblings | 1/2 | 1/2 | 0 |
| Cousins | 3/4 | 1/4 | 0 |
| Uncle-nephew | 1/2 | 1/2 | 0 |
| Grandparent-grandchild | 1/2 | 1/2 | 0 |

Half siblings, uncle-nephew,

and grandparent-grandchild are genetically identical.

Complex Kinship Testing



The statistical power for complex kinship testing significantly decreases compared to one-to-one matching Requirements:

- Genotypes of individuals being tested
- Allele frequencies for the loci involved in the testing
- A Hypothesis!
- Basic statistical equations are known
- Difficult to identify distant relationships
- Discriminatory power comes from multiple family members and the use of informative markers

Likelihood Ratios with 15 Loci



| Comparison | LR for 34 & 19 | LR for 18 & 19 | LR for 34 & 10 |
|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Parent-Child | 1.28E+06 | | |
| Full Siblings | | 2.76E+07 | |
| Half Siblings | | | |
| Cousins | | | |
| Uncle-Nephew | | | 6.65E-01 |
| Grandparent- Grandchild | | | |
| | Parent/ Child | Full Sibs | Uncle/ Nephew |

LR calculations were performed with GeneMarker® HIDv1.90

Likelihood Ratios with 15 Loci



| Comparison | LR for 34 & 19 | LR for 18 & 19 | LR for 34 & 10 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Parent-Child | 1.28E+06 | 9.08E+05 | 0.00E+00 |
| Full Siblings | 3.22E+04 | 2.76E+07 | 6.07E-03 |
| Half Siblings | 7.38E+03 | 4.89E+04 | 6.65E-01 |
| Cousins | 1.95E+02 | 8.96E+02 | 1.52E+00 |
| Uncle-Nephew | 7.38E+03 | 4.89E+04 | <u>6.65E-01</u> |
| Grandparent- Grandchild | 7.38E+03 | 4.89E+04 | 6.65E-01 |
| | Parent/ Child | Full Sibs | Uncle/ Nephew |

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Benefit of Additional Loci Likelihood Ratios with 40 Loci

| | 15 | 40 | 15 | 40 | 15 | 40 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Comparison | LR for 34 & 19 | LR for 34 & 19 | LR for 18 & 19 | LR for 18 & 19 | LR for 34 & 10 | LR for 34 & 10 |
| Parent-Child | 1.28E+06 | 6.68E+16 | 9.08E+05 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 | 0.00E+00 |
| Full Siblings | 3.22E+04 | 5.73E+12 | 2.76E+07 | 1.57E+19 | 6.07E-03 | 3.30E+03 |
| Half Siblings | 7.38E+03 | 8.63E+11 | 4.89E+04 | 4.99E+12 | 6.65E-01 | 8.98E+05 |
| Cousins | 1.95E+02 | 1.32E+08 | 8.96E+02 | 1.05E+09 | 1.52E+00 | 2.17E+04 |
| Uncle-Nephew | 7.38E+03 | 8.63E+11 | 4.89E+04 | 4.99E+12 | 6.65E-01 | 8.98E+05 |
| Grandparent- Grandchild | 7.38E+03 | 8.63E+11 | 4.89E+04 | 4.99E+12 | 6.65E-01 | 8.98E+05 |
| | \Box | | | | | |
| | Par | ent/ | Fu | ll | Un | cle/ |
| | Ch | hild | Sil | bs | Nep | hew |

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15 STR loci typed with commercial Identifiler kit

25 STR loci typed with an in-house NIST assay

Hill, C.R., Butler, J.M., Vallone, P.M. (2009) A 26plex autosomal STR assay to aid human identity testing. J. Forensic Sci. 54(5): 1008-1015.

What would Mitochondrial sequencing tell you?



Mitochondrial DNA is maternally inherited

What would a Y-STR test tell you?



All males in this specific linage have the identical Y-STR profile

Likelihood Ratios with Y-STR Loci



Lineage markers may not be as statistically robust as autosomal markers, but they are lineage specific and can link distant relatives. Frequency of Y-STR and mitochondrial DNA profiles in the NIST population database (n = 572)



96% of Y-STR profiles are unique 84% of mtDNA profiles are unique

Simulated Datasets





Probability of finding a true parent-offspring relative and the number of false positives (LR threshold $\ge 100 = 10^2$)

| Loci | Probability of | Number of |
|------|----------------|-----------------|
| _ | true relative | false positives |
| 13 | 0.95 | 18 |
| 40 | 1.00 | 0 |

Based on a database of 100,000 individuals with U.S. allele frequencies.



Probability of finding a true full sibling relative and the number of false positives (LR threshold $\geq 100 = 10^2$)

| Loci | Probability of | Number of |
|------|----------------|-----------------|
| | true relative | false positives |
| 13 | 0.70 | 5 |
| 40 | 0.97 | 0 |

Based on a database of 100,000 individuals with U.S. allele frequencies.



Probability of finding a true half sibling relative and the number of false positives (LR threshold $\ge 10 = 10^{1}$)

| Loci | Probability of | Number of |
|------|----------------|-----------------|
| | true relative | false positives |
| 13 | 0.73 | 4,570 |
| 40 | 0.83 | 607 |

Based on a database of 100,000 individuals with U.S. allele frequencies.

Immigration: Kinship Analysis as a DNA Biometric

US Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)

Immigration cases

- 1,107,126 obtained legal permanent residence in US in 2008
- 103,456 were relatives of US alien resident
- Refugee/asylum cases
 - 400 applications processed per day
 - 60,108 refugees admitted in 2008
 - 34,753 were relatives of applicant
- Support relationship claim with interview and documents
- Fraudulent claims (79%)





Chris Miles, DHS

Current: Optional DNA Testing for Immigration

- DNA may be used if interview and documents are insufficient
- Number of cases:
 - ~ One dozen accredited labs in US
 - ~ 3,500/yr for small lab, ~10,000/yr large lab
- Time: Minimum two-day lab analysis; up to six months to coordinate with embassy
- Cost: \$600-\$1500 for private lab testing

 Applicant pays (usually US resident, "anchor")

Future: Requiring DNA for Immigration Testing

- Easy, rapid collection
 - Trained embassy/field office staff vs. accredited physician
 - Buccal swab
- Faster, cheaper testing
 - Not necessary to have one-hour turnaround time
 - Relationship in question could dictate the markers to be analyzed
- Analysis
 - Expert system may not give definitive answer
 - May help to flag DNA quality or genotyping issues
 - Analysts trained in statistics and kinship analysis may be necessary
- Perform on-site or in US government lab? Outsource to private lab?
- Many more questions...
 - Volume? Cost? Population allele frequencies? Level of certainty?

Analysis Software



Expert Systems

- Programs that interpret data as a human expert would
- Expert systems for forensic typing (NDIS-approved)
 - FSS-I³ (FSS/Promega)
 - GeneMapper ID-X (Applied Biosystems)
 - TrueAllele (CyberGenetics)
- Expert systems for kinship analysis
 - No program has been designated as an expert system for automated kinship determination

NIJ Expert System Test (NEST) Project, http://forensics.marshall.edu/NEST/default.html

Single-Source Genotyping

non-match

match



Complex Kinship Analysis



Who defines hypotheses? Threshold? Inconclusive? Missing relatives?

Kinship Analysis Software

- Public/commercial availability
 - 1. GeneMarker[®] HID v1.90 (SoftGenetics)
 - 2. DNA-VIEW[™] v29.11 (Charles Brenner)
 - 3. LISA (Future Technologies Inc.)
 - 4. KIn CALc v3.1 (CA DOJ)
- Restricted availability
 - 5. CODIS 6.0 (FBI)
- Coming soon
 - 6. FSS-ibd (Forensic Science Service)

(1) GeneMarker[®] HID

- Fragment analysis program, primarily
- Kinship module
 - Draw pedigree tree (show inheritance conflicts)
 - LR approach
 - Pairwise analysis only
- Databases of allele frequencies, loci
 - Autosomal STRs, Y-STRs
 - No mitochondrial DNA

SoftGenetics: <u>http://www.softgenetics.com/</u>

(2) DNA-VIEW™

- DOS, command-line interface
- Kinship modules
 - Paternity and complex kinship analyses
 - Pedigree simulations
 - Define relationships (pedigree tree) with symbols
 - Use up to 10 relatives in analysis
 - LR approach
- Databases of allele frequencies, loci
 - Autosomal STRs or Y-STRs
 - No mitochondrial DNA for kinship
 - Mutation considered

Dr. Charles Brenner: http://dna-view.com/

Immigration Scenario with DNA-VIEW

Is "D" the sister of "C," as is claimed?









Other: M + F

Is "D" the sister of "C"?

| DNAVIEW |
|--|
| BRIEF KINSHIP SYNTAX RULES Define 2 bypotheses (=ways people are related), using the format: |
| Kid : Mom + Dad to define each essential child-parent relation. |
| Prefix each line in the ALTERNATE hypothesis with a / /C : M + Other |
| Genotype patterns are: |
| D8S D21S D7S CSF1 D3S THØ D13 D16 VWA TPO D18SS D5S8 FGA pr M g M pt M r M pr M p M g M pr M ps M p M r u M p r M s |
| |
| |
| F1=Keystroke help C:M+F |
| copy/paste |
| clear recall previous |
| and more! |





Is "D" the sister of "C"?



(3) LISA

- Laboratory Information Systems Application
- Originally developed for AFDIL
- Graphical interface for DNA-VIEW[™]
- Uses Progeny[®] to draw pedigree trees
- Autosomal STRs, Y-STRs, mtDNA

Future Technologies Inc.: <u>http://www.ftechi.com/</u>

(4) KIn CALc

- Excel, macro-driven program
- Kinship module
 - Define relationships on pedigree tree
 - Use up to 10 relatives in analysis
 - LR approach based on DNA-VIEW algorithms
 - No mutation calculation (flags mutation)

KIn CALc



pedigree example...

Μ

D

KIn CALc

Combined likelihood ratio



Per locus likelihood ratios

(5) CODIS 6.0

- FBI-developed program for missing persons and unidentified human remains identification
- Kinship module
 - Draw pedigree tree to define relationships
- Joint Pedigree LR

Ranks putative relatives

- Database of allele frequencies, loci
 - Autosomal STRs, Y-STRs, mtDNA
 - Metadata in v. 7.0

(6) FSS-ibd

- Automated relationship testing application
- Graphical user interface
- Simple paternity to complex kinship
- LR approach
- Database of allele frequencies, loci
 - Provided and user-defined
 - Autosomal STRs
 - Mutation considered

FSS: <u>http://www.forensic.gov.uk/</u>

FSS-ibd

Maguire, C.N., Woodward, M. (2008) DNA-based kinship analysis, Profiles in DNA 11 (1) 4-6.

Software Validation

Validation information: http://www.cstl.nist.gov/strbase/validation.htm

- Developmental validation (manufacturer)
- Internal validation (individual labs)

Internal Validation Considerations for Kinship Software

- Who should recommend validation guidelines for DNA Biometrics and kinship analysis?
 - For forensic typing: Scientific Working Group on DNA Analysis Methods
 - For paternity testing: AABB
- Define case examples to test software
 - Paternity trios, deficient cases, complex kinship, false relationships
 - How many cases are enough?
 - Real data, simulated, or both?
- Technical considerations specific to testing
 - Marker systems, allele frequency data, mutation, LR threshold, etc.
- How do you know your answer is correct?
 - Compare to hand-calculated answer or to another kinship program?

Drábek J, Validation of software for calculating the likelihood ratio for parentage and kinship, FSI:Genetics 3 (2009) 112–118

Conclusions

- DNA is a powerful tool to confirm or refute alleged familial relationships
 - Important to define specific kinship questions
- Simulations with appropriate allele frequency databases can model expected LR values for specific relationships
- Software must be "fit for purpose"
- Can there be an expert system for kinship analysis?
- What are the validation parameters? Who should define validation guidelines?

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